



**UK  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
SECTOR**

## Telecommunications

### Introduction

This Sector Briefing gives just an introduction to a sizeable industry that offers a wide range of jobs. The UK is one of the leading locations in Europe for telecommunications. You will find jobs across all disciplines, including Telecommunications Engineers, Technicians, Development Engineers, Systems Engineers, Design and Development Engineers, Embedded Software Engineers, Retail Management, Telecommunications Operator and many more.

### Fixed Networks

Competition between the fixed telecoms suppliers has developed rapidly since the early 1990s. Although BT's share of telephone lines is static its overall share of total fixed telephony revenues has fallen. Households can now choose their direct-to-the-house fixed link telephone provider. This compares to virtually no choice some 10 years ago. Business users in metropolitan areas now have an extremely wide choice as competition has driven prices down and quality up. An increasing number of indirect access services are now available, offering consumers very low prices for calls. There are now over 15million homes connected to the Internet. The current number of broadband users has risen sharply.

### Mobile Communications

The four Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) operators namely Vodafone, O2, T-Mobile and Orange were joined in March 2003 by the first 3G operator, "3" (Hutchison 3G UK Limited). Vodafone, Orange and T-Mobile all launched their own third generation (3G) services in 2004, and O2 in February 2005. 3G is the next generation of mobile phone technology and offers far greater capability in data transmission and new services such as video clips, photo-messaging, e-mail, games, MP3 player, interactive and information services.

### Telecoms Equipment Manufacturing

Manufacturing is supported by a strong R&D base, which is helping the industry develop products for the next generation of telecommunications networks. Attracted by the availability of high quality research skills, a growing number of inward investors are expanding their R&D activities in key technologies. Motorola, Nortel Networks, Ericsson and Lucent Technologies have established Centres of Excellence in advanced technologies and significant R&D facilities.

### Space Technology and Satellite Communications

The emergence of new telecommunications and navigation services should provide significant commercial opportunities for the industry over the next decade.

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## Top 100 FTSE UK Companies

3i Group	<a href="http://www.3i.com">www.3i.com</a>
Abbey National	<a href="http://www.abbeynational.com">www.abbeynational.com</a>
Alliance & Leicester	<a href="http://www.alliance-leicester.co.uk">www.alliance-leicester.co.uk</a>
Alliance Unichem	<a href="http://www.alliance-unichem.co.uk">www.alliance-unichem.co.uk</a>
Allied Domecq	<a href="http://www.allieddomecq.com">www.allieddomecq.com</a>
Amvescap	<a href="http://www.amvescap.com">www.amvescap.com</a>
Anglo American	<a href="http://www.angloamerican.co.uk">www.angloamerican.co.uk</a>
Antofagasta PLC	<a href="http://www.antofagta.com">www.antofagta.com</a>
Associated British Foods	<a href="http://www.abf.co.uk">www.abf.co.uk</a>
Astrazeneca	<a href="http://www.astrazeneca.com">www.astrazeneca.com</a>
Aviva	<a href="http://www.aviva.com">www.aviva.com</a>
BAA	<a href="http://www.baa.com">www.baa.com</a>
BAE Systems	<a href="http://www.baesystems.com">www.baesystems.com</a>
Barclays	<a href="http://www.barclays.com">www.barclays.com</a>
BG Group	<a href="http://www.bg-group.com">www.bg-group.com</a>
BHP Billiton	<a href="http://www.bhpbilliton.com">www.bhpbilliton.com</a>
BOC Group	<a href="http://www.boc.com">www.boc.com</a>
Boots Co	<a href="http://www.boots-plc.com">www.boots-plc.com</a>
BP	<a href="http://www.bp.com">www.bp.com</a>
British Airways	<a href="http://www.british-airways.com">www.british-airways.com</a>
British American Tobacco	<a href="http://www.bat.com">www.bat.com</a>
British Land Co	<a href="http://www.britishland.co.uk">www.britishland.co.uk</a>
British Sky Broadcasting Group	<a href="http://www.sky.com">www.sky.com</a>
BT Group	<a href="http://www.bt.com">www.bt.com</a>
Bunzl	<a href="http://www.bunzl.com">www.bunzl.com</a>
Cable & Wireless	<a href="http://www.cw.com">www.cw.com</a>
Cadbury Schweppes	<a href="http://www.cqdburyschweppes.com">www.cqdburyschweppes.com</a>
Cairn Energy	<a href="http://www.cairn-energy.plc.uk">www.cairn-energy.plc.uk</a>
Capita Group PLC	<a href="http://www.capita.co.uk">www.capita.co.uk</a>
Carnival	<a href="http://www.carnivalplc.com">www.carnivalplc.com</a>
Centrica	<a href="http://www.centrica.com">www.centrica.com</a>
Compass Group	<a href="http://www.compass-group.com">www.compass-group.com</a>
Daily Mail & General Trust (A Shs)	<a href="http://www.dmgmt.co.uk">www.dmgmt.co.uk</a>
Diageo	<a href="http://www.diago.com">www.diago.com</a>
Dixons Group	<a href="http://www.dixons.com">www.dixons.com</a>
EMAP	<a href="http://www.emap.com">www.emap.com</a>
Enterprise Inns Plc	<a href="http://www.enterpriseinns.com">www.enterpriseinns.com</a>
Exel	<a href="http://www.exel.com">www.exel.com</a>
Friends Provident	<a href="http://www.friendsprovident.co.uk">www.friendsprovident.co.uk</a>
Gallaher Group	<a href="http://www.gallaher-group.com">www.gallaher-group.com</a>
GlaxoSmithKline	<a href="http://www.gsk.com">www.gsk.com</a>
GUS	<a href="http://www.gusplc.com">www.gusplc.com</a>



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Included in the document

**593** UK based companies that you can send your CV to!

Full list of Top 100 FTSE UK Companies

Leading UK Operators – **37 Companies**

UK Telecommunication Companies with 100+ employees – **61 Companies**

UK Telecommunications Companies (Alphabetical order) - **272 Companies**

Trade associations and media for Telecoms businesses – **35 Companies**

Industry recognised Recruitment Agencies - **60 Companies**

Internet Job Boards - **28 Companies**

**CV Writing and Interview preparation** – 27 pages of UK specific CV writing advice and UK interview coaching.

**UK Explained** – 8 pages of website links containing everything you need to consider when moving to the UK.

UK Laws, UK Culture, UK Housing, Immigration, UK Government Sites, Taxation, National Insurance, National Health Service, Healthcare, Local Councils, National Transport, UK News, UK Sport, Currency Converter, Language Translators, MAPS / Locations, Restaurants, Top Schools, Colleges, Universities, Hotels, Cars, Solicitors, Libraries, Mobile Phones, Making Friends, Flat Mates, Home Styling  
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