GLOBAL PROFILE

At Burns & McDonnell, our engineers, architects, construction and craft professionals, scientists, and consultants do more than simply plan, design and construct. With a mission unchanged since 1898 — make our clients successful — our more than 13,500 professionals partner with you to take on the toughest challenges, constantly working to make the world an even more amazing place.
THE BURNS & McDonnell DIFFERENCE

True partnerships lead to successful projects. At Burns & McDonnell, we dedicate experienced and innovative leaders to your work, beyond the specific needs of a particular job. We build long-term relationships as our professionals become valued extensions of your own teams.

HISTORY
We’ve grown since two Stanford University graduates set out for the American Midwest, earned 13 cents in their first three years and designed a water and energy plant for a small town in Kansas.

Our firm continues building strength from that legacy born in 1898. Clinton S. Burns and Robert E. McDonnell set up in Kansas City, Missouri, where they could reach the most communities needing water and energy within a day’s travel by train. Their enterprise soon branched into transportation, energy transmission, and military and federal projects. Soon came experience in architecture, aviation, technology, environmental services, manufacturing and process design. Today we’re a $7 billion firm with offices worldwide, and our first client — Iola, Kansas — remains a repeat and ongoing partner.

CULTURE
Burns & McDonnell is 100% employee-owned, and that promotes the integrated teamwork that generates success. As owners ourselves, we understand what your project means to you, and we are willing to do whatever it takes to deliver what you need, when you need it and beyond.

COMMUNITY
As employee-owners, we embrace our responsibility to give back to our communities. We nourish the communities where we live and work to become healthy and strong. We share our collective passion by giving financially and investing our time and talents. From fundraising walks and community cleanups to educational outreach and one-on-one mentoring — especially when it comes to sharing our passion for STEM projects — our employee-owners work to make our communities successful.

SERVICES
- 1898 & Co.: Business & Technology Consulting
- Architecture
- Commissioning
- Construction
- Engineering
- Operations & Maintenance
- Program Management
- Project Management Office (PMO)

TOP 5%
SAFETY PERFORMANCE

TOP 5%
DESIGN FIRMS

70+
OFFICES WORLDWIDE

90%+
REPEAT BUSINESS

100%
EMPLOYEE-OWNED
INDUSTRIES WE SERVE

AVIATION
A lot happens before the aircraft is in the air. Our aviation industry experience includes every facility, every service that touches your commercial or private operation.

CHEMICALS, OIL & GAS
To handle changing markets, regulations and infrastructure needs, our solutions deliver efficient, resilient projects — oil fields, refineries, storage terminals and everything in between.

COMMERCIAL, RETAIL & INSTITUTIONAL
Your competitive markets make seamless planning, design and construction critical to project success. Our agile, integrated teams bring your vision to life.

CONSTRUCTION
Whatever you’re building, and wherever you’re building it, our construction teams take your project through to the finish, delivering a safe and efficient project site.

DATA CENTERS & CRITICAL SERVICES
Data centers must be resilient, high-performing, energy-efficient, flexible, scalable and reliable. Our integrated approach develops innovative, optimized solutions to keep critical information flowing.

ENVIRONMENTAL
From investigations and remediation to compliance and permitting, we stay on top of regulations and environmental project needs to help determine your most effective, cost-efficient and sustainable environmental solutions.

GOVERNMENT, MILITARY & MUNICIPAL
Public projects demand public trust. Our responsive solutions meet and exceed expectations on projects from basic infrastructure to government offices and military bases.

MANUFACTURING & INDUSTRIAL
Through understanding the complexities of your business, we bring you better ways to control costs, optimize systems and processes, and deliver results.

POWER
Reliable, sustainable power is essential. From generation to delivery, we help you forge the future with solutions that build your business.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS
In this rapidly evolving field, we connect the right people, knowledge and systems to put you on the road to successful communications networks that move you forward.

TRANSPORTATION
Infrastructure drives economic growth. Our planning, design and construction experience enables you to keep traffic flowing while saving time and money.

WATER
Our water treatment, supply and systems solutions evolve with the ever-changing needs of communities and industries.
SAFETY & HEALTH

Safety isn’t just a metric — it’s an ingrained cultural value we view as a deliverable like design and construction. By integrating a Corporate Safety & Health Program with our project processes, we actively seek and implement safe work practices. As a result, our safety performance is consistently better than the industry average, placing us in the top 5% of safest architecture, engineering and construction firms.

Every project we complete operates with the safety philosophy that zero recordable incidents can be accomplished with proper planning, resources and follow-through.

Our project safety records demonstrate the success of this approach. Our Days Away Restrictions or Transfers (DART) rate and Total Recordable Incident Rate (TRIR) safety statistics are considerably better than industry standards set by the Construction Industry Institute and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Although it is not an OSHA requirement, we are one of the few firms to include subcontractors in our safety statistics. We choose to do this because our safety commitment goes beyond reporting the numbers. It is our intrinsic expectation that everyone working on a project goes home safe to their families every night — our employee-owners and those who work with our partners.

SAFETY IS OUR CORE PRINCIPLE

RANKINGS AND RECOGNITIONS

Our ownership culture helps drive amazing services for clients. We’re proud others recognize that too, ranking us among the nation’s leading engineering, design and construction firms in multiple industries.

We hold our contractors accountable to the same safety standards we hold for ourselves. Because of this, our recordable incident rate includes our subcontractors and is consistently well below the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Construction Industry Institute (CII) contractor averages.