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The UK arms industry

- Revenue from arms/defence production ~£23 billion
- Direct employment on arms production: ~100-110,000
- Arms exports: ~£8-10 billion per year
- Value added: ~£10 billion
- Less than 0.5% of UK GDP
- About 1/3 of 1% of UK employment



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Top UK arms companies

Company	UK employees 2022	MOD spend 22/23
BAE Systems	39,100	£4.560 million
Babcock International	22,000	£2,416m
Rolls-Royce	19,900	£934m
Airbus UK	10,230	£710m
Leonardo UK	7,540	£685m
Thales UK	7,000	£449m
QinetiQ	5,672	£986m
MBDA UK	4,494	£545m
Atomic Weapons Establishment	2,000	£1,461m
Raytheon Technologies UK	1,867	£155m
Boeing UK	1,634	£594m
General Dynamics UK	1,090	£447m



The revolving door

- How does the revolving door help the arms industry?
 - Information
 - Contacts
 - Incentives
 - Culture & ideology
- Arms industry 3x more likely to recruit top officials from relevant areas (compared to non-defence industries)
- 42% of top military, civilian officials leaving MOD 2010-21 went to arms or security industry
- Clear majority of those working in procurement roles “revolved”



Revolvers

- Mark Sedwill: Cabinet Secretary, National Security Advisor
 - BAE Systems Non-Executive Director (2022)
- General Sir Mark Carleton-Smith, Chief of the General Staff
 - Advisor, CT Group – lobbyists. To “help clients take advantage of opportunities arising from AUKUS” (2023)
- General Sir Nick Carter, Chief of the Defence Staff
 - Advisory boards of Helsing AI (military AI), Saildrone (unmanned naval vessels) (2022)
- General Sir Gordon Messenger, Vice-Chief of Defence Staff
 - Non-Exec Director, Babcock (2020)



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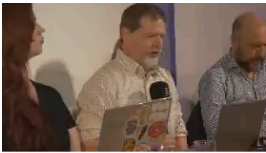
Meetings Between Government and the Arms Industry

From November 2009 - October 2019, 6,006 meetings between government and the arms industry are recorded in CAAT's Political Influence Browser, about 1.64 per day.



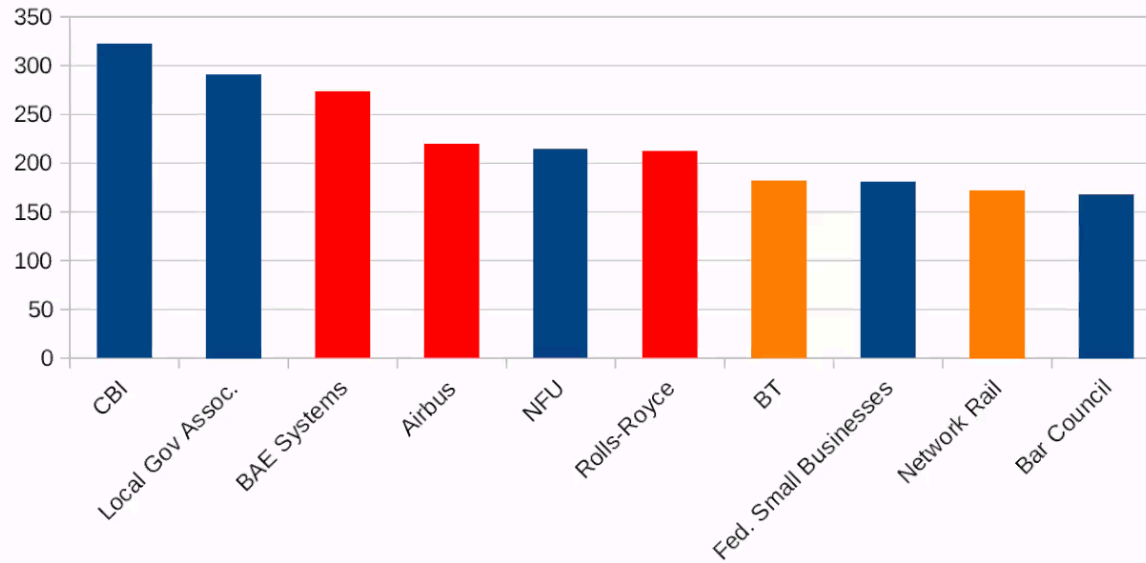
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Organisations with most 1-1 meetings with ministers 2012-23



Red bars are arms industry



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Private companies with most meetings with Prime Ministers 2012-23

