





## The MCA's Annual Industry Report 2022

provides an unrivalled assessment of the performance of the leading consulting firms in the UK which are part of the Management Consultancies Association. This short summary version contains headline findings and commentary from the report.

The true value of the report lies in the validity and authority of its data source – the MCA membership. There is no comparable piece of research that draws on data from such a wide variety of firms from the Big 4 to successful small and medium-sized practices.

## SUMMARY

- Consulting growth increases by **18%** in 2021, up from **4.5%** in 2020 as clients seek external support during period of major disruption, digital transformation and focus on sustainability priorities
- **14%** more jobs supported by sector, in **279** offices across the whole of the UK, with the number of graduates, apprentices and school leavers increasing year on year
- Global clients turn to UK's leading consulting sector for expert advice with over **£2.16 billion** of MCA member services exported
- Training and professional development increases across industry up **25%.** Meanwhile **50** firms and **4000** individuals join journey to become Chartered Management Consultants.
- Number of consulting firms publishing diversity and inclusion data pushes up and direction of travel remains positive but acceleration in pace of change still needed



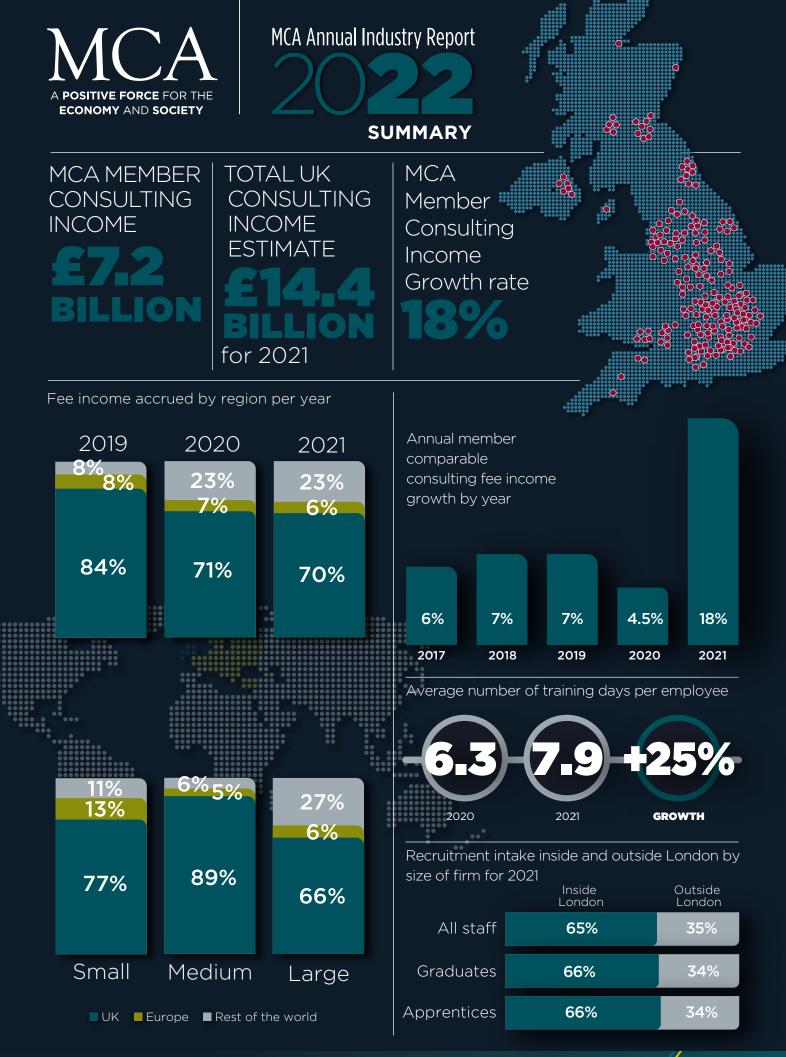
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In the last year the consulting sector has been fortunate to experience significant growth as clients across the world have turned to the UK's leading professional sector for expert help during a period of considerable disruption and high demand for digital transformation. This has enabled firms to invest in thousands of more jobs across the UK, opening up regional talent pools and giving more opportunities for graduates and school leavers. Our future growth is inextricably linked to the success of our clients and though consulting forecasts are positive there is a risk of an economic downturn impacting many sectors across the UK. Our unwavering efforts as an industry towards diversity and inclusion continue and the latest figures show the direction of travel remains positive but to achieve greater progress our pace of change must accelerate faster.

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