

Seven decades in the UK Building Britain's Infrastructure

1950s

Aden Refinery: the catalyst for opening a Bechtel office in the UK

1960s

- Pembroke Refinery
- Gulf Milford Haven
 Refinery

1970s

- Mobil Beryl B Offshore Project
- Esso Fawley Refinery PV3 Project
- Gulf Milford Haven Vacuum Unit

1980s

- Channel Tunnel
- Conoco Murchison
 Offshore Project
- Conoco Hutton TLP Offshore Project
- Esso Fawley Refinery Lubes
 Expansion
- Eastman Chemical PET
- Shell Mossmorran Overland Pipeline
- Sun Oil Offshore Project, Balmoral

1990s

- Jubilee Line Extension
- Cardiff Bay Barrage
- Rocksavage Power
- North West Water Capital Improvements Programme

2000s High Speed 1

- Railtrack National
 Rail Recovery Programme
- West Coast Route Modernisation
- Vodafone Project
- Spalding Power Station
- Coryton Power Station
- Tube Lines
- Luton Airport
- Great Yarmouth Power Station
- Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

2010s

- Crossrail & Reading
- High Speed 2 Phase 2b
- Gatwick Airport
- London City Airport
- Hinkley Point
- Great Western Route Modernisation
- Wylfa Newydd Nuclear Power Station
- Defence, Equipment & Security (MoD)
- High Speed 1 Renewals

Bechtel at a glance

Bechtel is a leading global engineering, construction, and project management company. We work with our customers to deliver landmark projects that create long-term opportunities and economic growth.

We have worked in the UK for seven decades – designing and building projects that include power plants, airports, refineries, rail systems, and communication networks, and supporting national defence programmes.

During that period, we have taken a lead role in some of the nation's most celebrated rail projects, including the West Coast Main Line, the Channel Tunnel, High Speed 1, and Crossrail.

Bechtel is currently Development Partner on HS2 Phase 2B.

Our expertise

INFRASTRUCTURE

Aviation, civil, communications, and rail

POWER

 Nuclear, renewables, thermal, transmission, combined cycle, and hydro

DEFENCE & NUCLEAR SECURITY

- Chemical weapons disassembly and destruction, critical infrastructure, facilities operations and management, supply chain management, US naval programmes
- Environmental cleanup and management
- Cleanup and remediation, decontamination and decommissioning, waste processing and disposal

MINING & MFTALS

 Coal, ferrous, nonferrous and industrial metals, metal forming and finishing

OIL, GAS & CHEMICALS

 Liquefied natural gas, offshore oil and gas, onshore oil and gas, petrochemicals, pipelines



Our approach to building legacy projects

We empower supply chains

As official partners of UK Export Finance, to date over £1bn of work on our projects in growing global economies has gone to local SMEs

Championing a diverse workforce

Over a third of our engineers on Crossrail have been female, including the Project Director, who is now our global head of rail

Protecting the environment

Our emissionsreduction plan for
construction machinery
in the UK has been
replicated industrywide

Constantly innovating

We back Bechtel entrepreneurs – with nearly £40m spent on innovations developed and deployed 125 times on our projects

Exporting UK rail capability

From Sydney to Riyadh and Texas to Toronto, our Crossrail engineers lead rail projects around world

Bechtel's UK rail story

Global expertise, local insight: The streamlined route to integrated engineering, procurement, and delivery for large-scale infrastructure

Crossrail

Bechtel has been supporting Crossrail's management of the project to deliver Crossrail, Europe's biggest infrastructure project. When it opens as the Elizabeth Line, Crossrail will carry 200m passengers a year, increasing the capital's passenger rail capacity by 10%.

The 100km-plus Elizabeth rail line will serve 40 stations - 10 of them new - from Heathrow and Reading in the west to Abbey Wood and Shenfield in the east.

Construction has involved a labyrinth of new tunnelling beneath the busy streets of London. Above ground, the project has set an industry standard for construction-machinery emissions reduction, and 98% of excavated material has been reused to create the Wallasea Island conservation scheme. In addition to our Delivery Partner role, we were selected to manage the extensive upgrades to the existing rail network outside of the capital.

Channel Tunnel & HS1 (Channel Tunnel Rail Link)

The UK's first high-speed rail project has halved travel time from London to the Channel Tunnel. In 1990, we were called upon to rescue the then-troubled project. Four years later - and in record time - we successfully delivered 48 miles of tunnel.



Jubilee Line extension

Brought in once more at a late stage to deliver to a hard deadline, we designed a fast-track plan for delivery.

Working with our partners, we completed the extension and operational commissioning in just 14 months - in time for the new line to carry guests to and from London's Millennium celebrations.



International Station

Using original plans from 1868, we led the complete renovation of the iconic Grade 1- listed building.

Stratford - also ahead of schedule and budget, and Vauxhall, where our innovative construction cut carbon emissions.



West Coast Main Line

Bechtel was called on to complete the WCML modernisation, a line dating to the 1880s, running from Euston Station to Scotland.

One of Europe's busiest mixed-traffic railways, it carries over 40% of Britain's rail traffic.





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Some of our current global rail projects

Rivadh Metro

85 stations, 6 lines, more than 500 stops on the bus network – all due for completion within 5 years

Sydney Metro

Australia's largest public infrastructure project, with a plan to fully offset all carbon emissions

Texas Bullet Train

A new 240-mile HSR line connecting Dallas and Houston – the two largest cities in Texas – in 90 minutes at speeds of up to 200 miles per hour