

# TELECOM

Richardson's telecom history goes back to the 1960s when Collins Radio engineers were the first to send an image into outer space and retrieve it in a terrestrial environment in Richardson. Collins Radio, and later Rockwell Collins, set the pace in attracting communications engineering talent to the area.

When the US telecom market was deregulated in the 1980s, the telecom world beat a path to Richardson where the telecom equipment appetite of MCI attracted Nortel from Canada, Alcatel from France and Ericsson from Sweden. By the year 2000, Richardson's three largest employers were all telecom equipment companies, and Richardson had trademarked the name Telecom Corridor® by which it is known worldwide to this day.

Although the communications industry has diversified and, in some cases, morphed with other technologies, a strong communications business base and culture in the area includes operations of Fujitsu Network Communications, (Rockwell) Collins Aerospace, Ericsson, Cisco Systems, CommScope, MetroPCS and many other medium and smaller-sized companies.



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“ Richardson is known globally as the Telecom Corridor®, and its rich legacy includes Nortel, Alcatel, Ericsson, AT&T, Verizon, MCI and (Rockwell) Collins Aerospace. Although some of the names have changed, generations of telecom know-how and values are embedded in the community's culture. ”

*Doug Moore, CEO, Fujitsu Network Communications*

## Major Telecom Employers in Richardson

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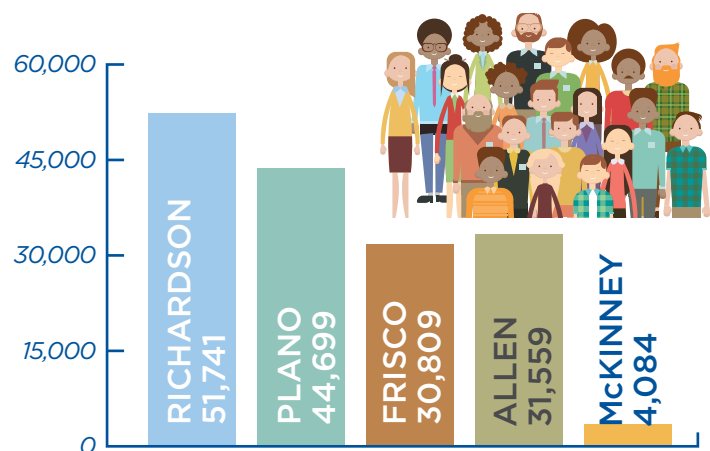
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Telecom employees within a 15-minute drive of Richardson vs. surrounding cities (Source: Jobs EQ, Q4 2018)

