

Factsheet

ARP's role

For over 30 years, the Association of Relocation Professionals (ARP) is the voice for the UK relocation industry - the professional body for experts in relocation. ARP promotes excellence, communicates changes and works in partnership with Government and others to develop an exceptional business environment for relocating in - and into - the UK. We aim to create the most user-friendly relocation destination in any G8 nation.

We support the Home Office in building the reputation of Britain as the natural destination for international companies and their employees. We know relocation is key to delivering the Government's goal of making the UK the 'go-to' destination for high value international trade, and for levelling-up prosperity within the country itself.

ARP's four-point agenda:

- ARP nurtures a results-focussed relationship, proactively inputting to inward investment and policy development, including immigration, visa arrangements, tax compliance and strategies to make Britain *the* most favourable location of any advanced country. We will make relocation an active 'plus factor' for attracting international talent. Our goal is to ensure that, when firms considering where to base their operations, the UK wins.
- We are committed to assisting relocation within the country, to distribute economic activity in line with the levelling-up agenda.
- ARP aspires to enhance the visa system is key – so it is proportionate in terms of checks and balances for those who bring value and important skills to the UK.
- ARP continually ensures all its members adhere to a formal Code of Conduct that defines high standards of practice, and formally excludes relocation agents from operating as property agents (specifically barring relocation agents from acting as letting or estate agents). The relocation sector therefore operates as a customer - not a provider - of property services.

Relocation in numbers

- Firms affiliated to the Association of Relocation Professionals: 130
- Individuals directly employed in the sector: 2,500
- Individuals indirectly employed through sector activity: 10,000-15,000
- Direct turnover of Sector: £7.7bn p.a. – this is currently subject of CEBR research.
- Indirect value of relocation activity to British economy: £22bn p.a.
- Estimated extra value to GDP of seamless relocation system: +0.32% p.a.
- Further information: <https://arp-relocation.com/>