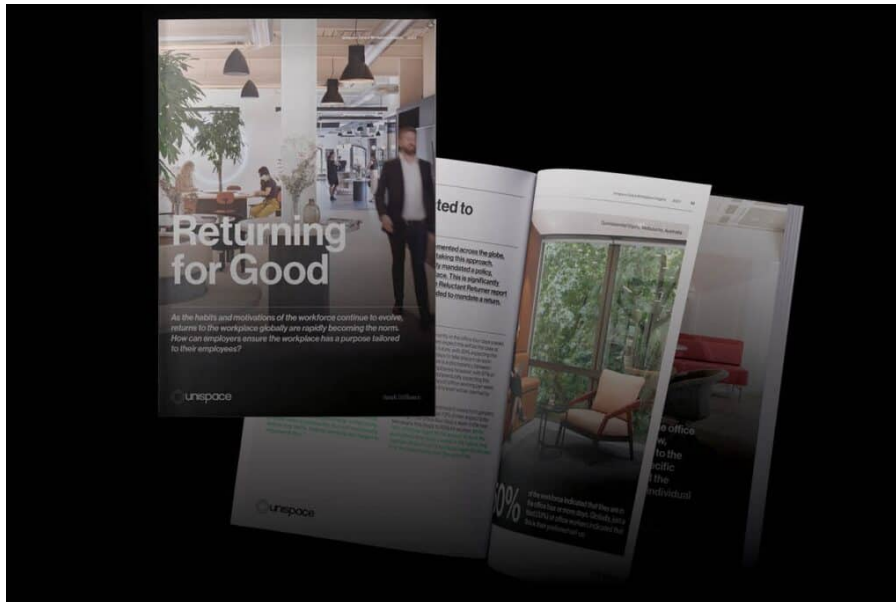


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Returning for Good, a Unispace Global Workplace Insights report – which combined the results of a survey of 9,500 employees and 6,650 employers from 17 countries worldwide – found that, of the 72% of companies globally that say they have mandated office returns, 42% now report a higher level of employee attrition than anticipated, while almost a third (29%) are struggling to recruit altogether.

The study, an in-depth examination of the current habits and motivations of the workforce, found that employees are less reluctant to return to the office (51%) than they were in 2021 (64%). With a current reluctance of one in two employees however, there is still much to be done to engage the workforce.

Steve Quick, Unispace Global CEO commented: “Employers who take the time to understand what their employees need and value most from their office will be more successful in redefining the power and purpose of that workspace.”

‘Commuting is key’ according to the latest research from Savills as London occupiers opt for a three and three quarter minute walk from tube or train stations to their office. The findings account for the average distance from a station for all office lettings of 100,000 sq ft and above in the City of London recorded in last three years being 0.175 miles (281 metres).

In 2023, the focus of office occupier requirements continues to be on prime options, says Savills, with a key differentiator of this being connectivity, as businesses look to make the commute as 'pain-free as possible' for their employees.

Jon Gardiner, head of Savills Central London office leasing agency, says: "It would seem that the old adage of location, location, location is as true in 2023 as it ever was. That said, buildings in such prime locations must deliver in terms of design, offering occupiers working environments that attract staff to the office, and with the highest environmental standards. To market a building as simply 'Grade A' in 2023 is no longer enough."

Pareto has announced a number of appointments to its senior team, designed to further strengthen the organisation as it continues on its growth journey.

Recent results confirmed it grew 75% in the last financial year with a further 25% forecast in 2023.

Chief executive officer Dave Richards said: "The next few years present an exciting time for the organisation and these senior enhancements to our structure will ensure we move forward with continued success."

Wembley Stadium and Veolia thanked the record breaking fans at last week's Women's FA Cup Final for their help in achieving 77% recycling rates.

Now, to ensure Wembley continues to score more green goals for the planet, the stadium team has worked with Veolia to introduce a fleet of new electric and hydrotreated vegetable oil (HVO) powered vehicles to clean up the stadium post-events. The eco-fleet, which sweeps up around the stadium after every event, will reduce emissions by up to 90% and ensure the home of football continues to be one of the greenest stadiums in the world.

Gisela Endres, Veolia Senior Contract Manager said: "Combining football and sustainability helps the fans of the future understand the importance of their choices and their impact on the planet, so the next generation will have the tools to fight climate change."

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