

## Who is AISC Certified?

Here's a statistical snapshot of what AISC's Quality Certification program looks like today.

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**THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF CURIOSITY REGARDING EXACTLY WHO IS AISC CERTIFIED.** Are they big, fabricators, or are they small? Do they fabricate buildings or bridges? Or both? Can they erect structural steel? And are they in Missoula or Sioux Falls?

In response to these questions, I thought I would start off the year by presenting you with the facts. Keep in mind, these numbers are dynamic. Consequently, you can think of this as the "State of the Union" as it relates to AISC Certification. If this generates more questions than it answers, or if you would like to learn more about AISC Certification programs, please visit [www.aisc.org](http://www.aisc.org).

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### AISC CERTIFIED FABRICATORS (Both Building and Bridge)

| Total number of employees | Number of facilities | Percent of total |
|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| < 10                      | 13                   | 2%               |
| 11 - 25                   | 93                   | 15%              |
| 26 - 50                   | 193                  | 32%              |
| 51 - 100                  | 194                  | 32%              |
| 100 - 200                 | 83                   | 14%              |
| 201 - 400                 | 22                   | 4%               |
| 401 - 1000                | 8                    | 1%               |
| > 1000                    | 5                    | < 1%             |

### "Just the facts, ma'am."

(as of December 31, 2005)

- 28 facilities outside of North America representing 10 countries are AISC Certified.
- 611 fabrication facilities are AISC Certified (Building and/or Bridge).
- 514 of the 611 are certified in the Building category to the *Certification Standard for Steel Building Structures*.
- 92 structural steel erectors are AISC Certified, with 21 in the application process.
- Nearly 40 fabrication facilities were unable to renew their AISC Certification in 2005 due to hurricanes, lawsuits, or other unfortunate economic factors.
- Over 40 new companies became AISC certified in 2005 (13 erectors, 30 fabricators).
- 25% of all AISC Certified fabricators have 30 total employees or less.

### AISC CERTIFIED FABRICATORS – U.S.



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## AISC CERTIFIED ERECTORS

| Total number employees | Number of facilities | Percent of total |
|------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| < 10                   | 5                    | 5%               |
| 11 - 25                | 10                   | 11%              |
| 26 - 50                | 21                   | 23%              |
| 51 - 100               | 19                   | 20%              |
| 100 - 200              | 15                   | 16%              |
| 201 - 400              | 8                    | 9%               |
| 401 - 1000             | 8                    | 9%               |
| > 1000                 | 6                    | 7%               |

## AISC CERTIFIED ERECTORS – U.S.

