

Workplace - how many monitors?

The table below should be used to calculate how many detectors are required for radon monitoring in different workplace environments.

Workplace type*	Number of monitors	Examples
Office, individual or small	One per 100 m ² , generally corresponds to between a half and third of all ground floor rooms	Banks, small shops, professional practice (solicitors, etc), residential homes, schools
Open plan office, and retail or workshop up to about 1000 m ² , also public access areas	One per 250 m ²	Administrative and call centres, light industry, hotels
As above, up to 5000 m ²	One per 500 m ²	Large retail etc
Very large areas of several thousand m ²	One for each distinct area with obviously different environmental conditions, not less than 1 per 1000 m ² .	Manufacturing or process plant, warehouses
Basements	Should be monitored if occupied for more than 50 hours per year	Retail, bank and professional storage areas
	(~ an hour per week). One monitor for each occupied room, section or area.	



	Basements with generally high occupancy should be monitored using the rules as for ground floors	
Wholly underground	As a guide at least one in each main working area, and other normally occupied areas, but seek specialist advice	Water industry, mines and caves