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COLLABORATIVE WORKPLACE DESIGN

Paying attention to important aspects of workplace design – from office layout to ergonomic products and desk accessories – can help you create a comfortable workplace that inspires creativity and productivity.

> In recent decades, the amount of **space** allotted per employee has **shrunk from roughly 200 square feet per person to 150.**"
>
> — **James R. Jutz, Project Specialist**
> 3M Facilities Management Services

The work week lasts **longer than 40 hours:**
On average, **7 hours longer**

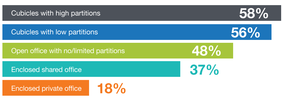
THE OFFICE BLUEPRINT

Elements of the contemporary office have evolved to include collaboration areas and private nooks.

> The **open office versus cubicle** environment debate doesn't present an all-or-nothing proposition, but **what makes sense for your business, your clients and your employees.**"
>
> — **Holly Bohn, Founder and Creative Director**
> See Jane Work

Noise in the Workplace Is a Major Frustration

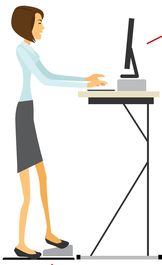
An employee's environment impacts whether lack of sound privacy is an issue at work. Those working in cubicles may more likely be dissatisfied with noise in the workplace than employees in closed offices.



FURNITURE

Since the 1980s, when computers became more common in the workplace, health issues related to office furniture have risen.

> The **conversation** regarding workplace design has **shifted from ergonomics to** exploring how companies can help their employees be **more productive.**"
>
> — **Thomas Barnidge, Marketing Manager**
> 3M Stationery and Office Supplies Division



In **2015** roughly **25%** of companies **offer standing desks** to employees.

- Sitting for long periods may increase **health risks.**

You burn **30 more calories an hour** when you stand instead of sit.

LIGHTING & MOOD

Lighting, personalization and natural elements may affect an employee's wellbeing.

Plants **improve air quality** and may also **reduce stress and noise.**

Natural light has been shown to **improve mood** and **enhance** the ability to **focus.**

> **Decorating** your personal workspace is akin to dressing yourself each morning, so **think about the message you want to send.**"
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> — **Holly Bohn, Founder and Creative Director**
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Employees in offices that meet their needs tend to feel more satisfied at work. That can lead to a more productive workforce who is more likely to stay with the company longer.

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