BIM is a relatively new technology many organizations are trying to efficiently implement in their processes, as it can provide cost savings, reduce schedules, improve overall quality, as well as reduce conflicts and issues that arise throughout the construction process. In 2011 the UK government released a plan to mandate the use of BIM and collaborative procurement methods on all publicly funded projects with aims to reduce wastes, costs, and improve industry relations by becoming a more knowledgeable client. This paper highlights the challenges of transitioning from traditional construction workflows to collaborative methods, something essential for the use of BIM, in addition to evaluate the relative success of the UK government in implementing BIM in construction processes and achieving its goals. The use of BIM in California is also evaluated, and a recommendation to the California Dept. of General Services Procurement Division about the UK strategy is provided. Quantitative information was gathered from surveys of Cal Poly CM students and industry workers in the UK, and qualitative information was gained through interviews of project managers and BIM managers of contractors that work in California. Generally, the UK had success implementing its Construction Standard, and California should follow its example.

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**Student Data**

Were the projects you worked on that utilized BIM mainly public or private jobs?

- Public: 31.6%
- Private: 10.5%
- Both: 10.5%
- Didn’t use BIM: 42.1%