

Terminology Debate

In total, 49 people from 14 countries provided 20 possibilities. Thirty were from North America, 15 from Europe, two from South America, and one each from the Middle East and Asia. The number at the left represents the frequency of each term.

16	3D printing
5	additive manufacturing
4	additive fabrication
4	rapid manufacturing
3	direct digital manufacturing
2	layered manufacturing
2	direct additive fabrication
1	layered freeforming
1	part growing
1	freeform fabrication
1	layer-based manufacturing
1	RP
1	rapid additive manufacturing
1	additive layer manufacturing
1	rapid layer manufacturing
1	3D replication
1	CNC print freeform
1	flexible fabrication
1	build manufacturing
1	layer grow manufacturing

Source: Wohlers Associates, Inc.

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