

The UK: opportunities for venture capital and private equity funds

The UK is home to a concentration of tech, fintech, artificial intelligence (AI) and other fast growing sectors that provide excellent investment targets.

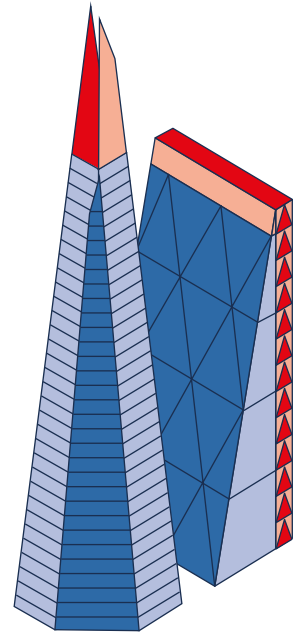
Six of Europe's top ten fintech deals were in the UK in the first half of 2019.



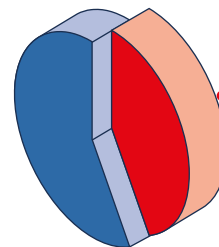
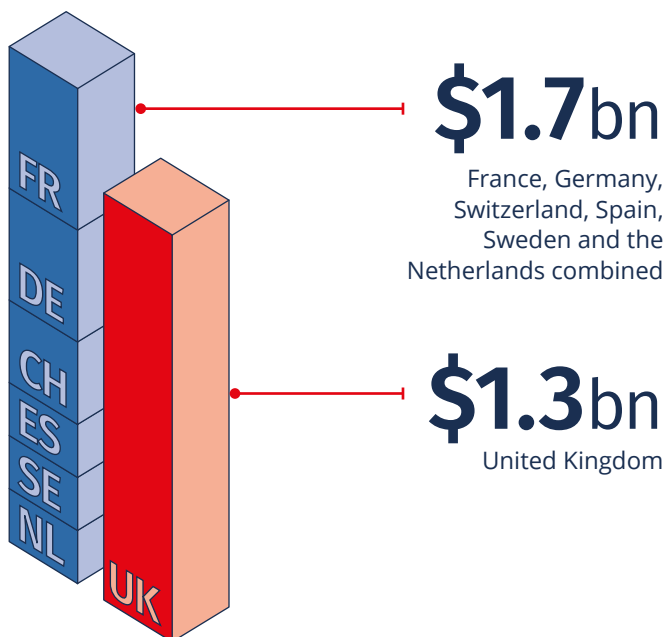
London is third globally for startups worth over

£50m

– only New York and Silicon Valley have produced more.



UK AI companies raised a record level of \$1.3bn total capital in 2018, nearly as much as the rest of Europe combined.

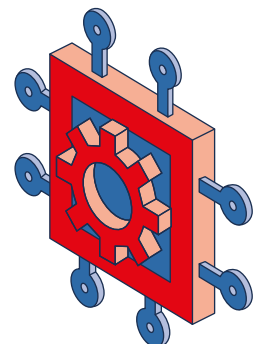


UK startups captured almost

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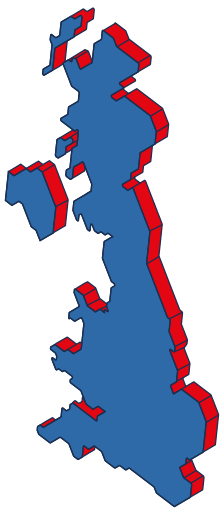
of venture capital investment in Europe in 2018.

Venture capital investment into the UK's fast-growing artificial intelligence sector leapt almost six fold from 2014 to 2018.



The UK: Venture capital and private equity

The UK is Europe's leading centre for venture capital and private equity.



In the last five years,

£38bn

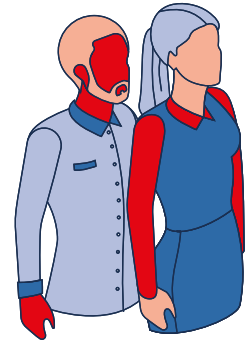
has been invested in nearly

2,800

UK companies by private equity and venture capital funds in the UK.

843,000

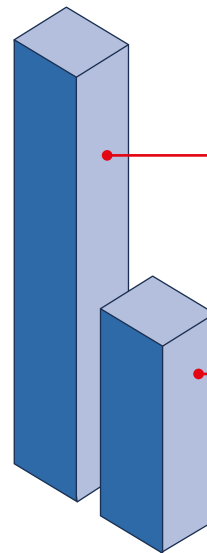
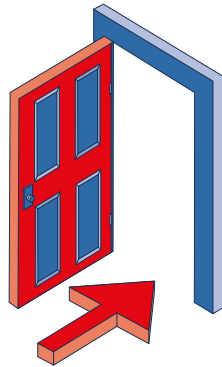
people work for UK companies which have been backed by private equity and venture capital investors.



Around

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private equity companies were **successfully exited** in 2018.



UK-based firms raised

€4.3bn

of VC funding during the first six months of **2019** – more than double the

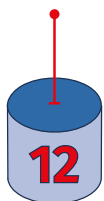
€2.1bn

seen in the same period in **2018**, and higher than any European country.

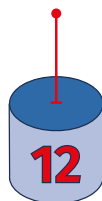
The UK ranks **#1 in Europe by number of unicorns** – startups valued above \$1bn. At 77, it has over double the amount from Germany at 32 or any other European country.

The average unicorn in the UK has raised **£125m** over 4.5 funding rounds prior to reaching unicorn status.

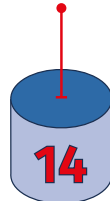
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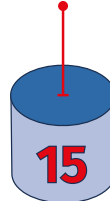
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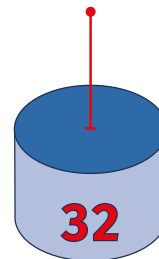
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Germany



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