

of the "Fintech 50" firms are headquartered in London.

## Striking a balance between stability and innovation - the UK's Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) is world leading in its support for fintech.

more than any other

European country.

Its Regulatory Sandbox has enabled 118 firms to test innovations with real customers in the live market under controlled conditions. This pioneering approach has been exported worldwide: the FCA is supporting regulators around the world through the Global Financial Innovation Network, working with innovative firms to test their products in multiple jurisdictions.



LONDON

London's job market for fintech has grown



in 2018.





82%

of global financial

to increase fintech

partnerships in the

next 3-5 years.

services firms expect





of workers in fintech are from overseas.

The UK is what

# you get if you take the best of other regions like Silicon Valley and New York.

Fintech on the Cutting Edge, EY

Sources: Deloitte, Fintech 50, Nomis: UK Business Counts, KPMG, EY, Robert Walters, FCA





people work in fintech **UK-wide**, this number is set to grow to 105,500 by 2030.

#### In 2018, global fintech funding reached





The UK accounted for half of Europe's biggest VC investments in the same year.

London has over

# 350,000

software developers, more than any other European city.

Fintech is worth



to the UK economy.



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## **Fintech around the UK**

## **Fintech and financial inclusion**

The UK benefits from clusters of fintech expertise across the country. These hubs are underpinned by advantages including a culture of creativity, supportive regulators, and a pipeline of diverse digital and financial talent, making fintech a nation-wide industry.

Manchester

Edinburgh

**Belfast** 

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London

Leeds

Cardiff

The odds of being unbanked are



higher among people in households with the lowest incomes.

Low income areas have disproportionately borne the brunt of bank branch closures.

Advances in fintech could be key to improving financial access and inclusion by providing better choice, easier access, and more cost-effective solutions.



The UK has a high level of digital access for consumers, including

95%

superfast broadband coverage, set to reach 98% by 2020.

**Fintech businesses in the UK benefit** from its skills in financial services, its network of supporting service businesses, and its draw as a place for international investment and capital raising.

Giles Andrews, Co-Founder and Director, Zopa

Sources: FCA, UK Data Service, World Bank Global Findex, Ofcom, House of Commons Library, Innovate Finance

Birmingham

### Financial inclusion worldwide is improving:



adults globally have obtained an account with a financial institution or through a mobile money service since 2011, including



between 2014 and 2017.





of UK adults use a smartphone.



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