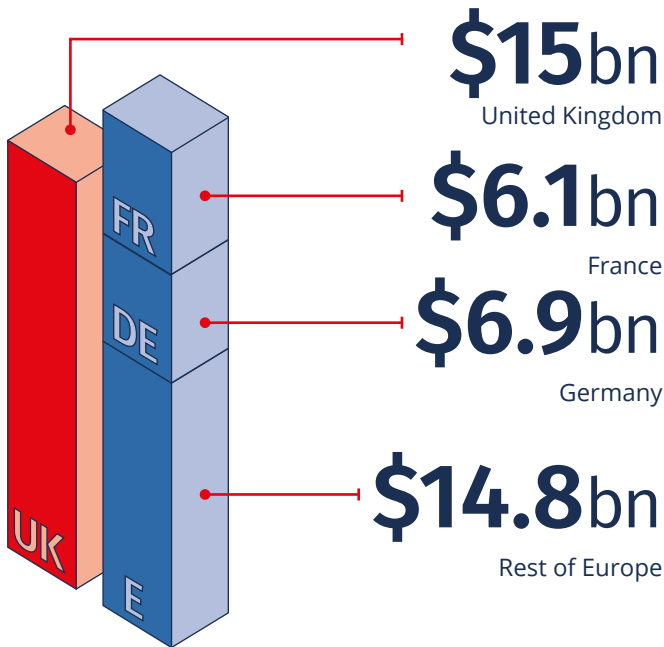




# The UK: opportunities for venture capital and private equity funds

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

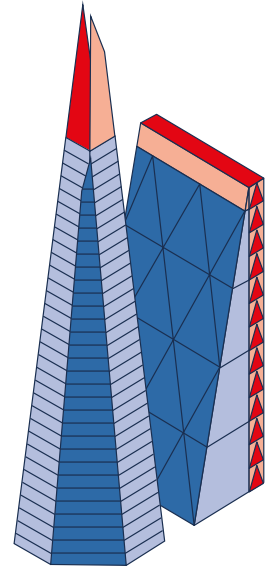
The UK tech continues to outperform all European neighbours in 2020, raising more than Germany and France combined in 2020.



London is third globally for startups worth over

**£50m**

– only New York and Silicon Valley have produced more.

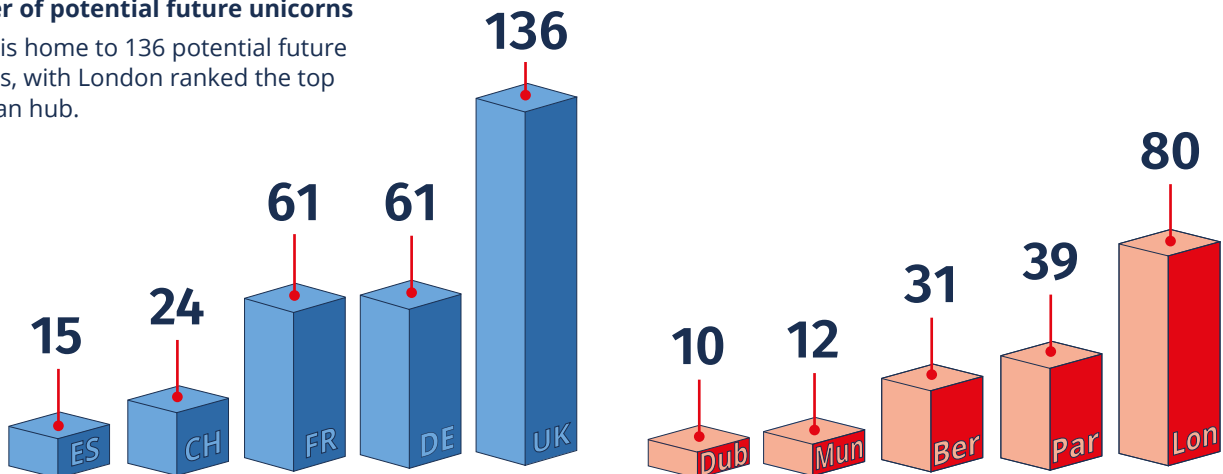


Six of Europe's top ten fintech deals were in the UK in 2019.



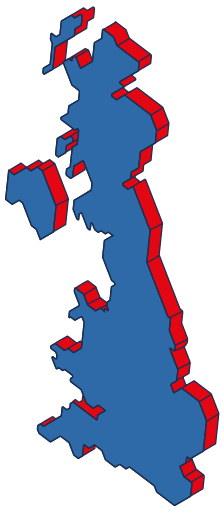
## Number of potential future unicorns

The UK is home to 136 potential future unicorns, with London ranked the top European hub.



# The UK: Venture capital and private equity

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



In the last five years,

**£43bn**

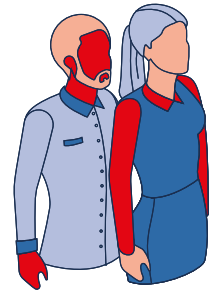
has been invested in nearly

**3,230**

UK companies by private equity and venture capital.

**972,000**

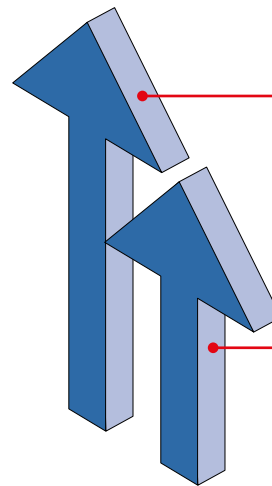
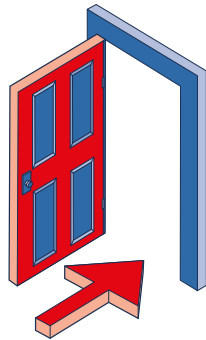
people work for UK companies which have been backed by private equity and venture capital investors.



Over

**500**

private equity companies were **successfully exited** in 2019.



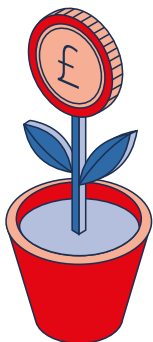
UK-based firms raised

**£47.59bn**

of PE and VC funding during 2019 – with 118 new funds being raised. This is an increase from the

**£34.12bn**

raised across 94 funds in 2018.



UK VCs have record levels of dry powder ready to deploy in 2021 and beyond, having raised

**\$14bn**

in 2019 and 2020 alone.

**7 UK companies reached unicorn status** in 2020, taking the total to

**\$80bn**

worth of tech companies produced in the UK.

