

The role of financial and professional services in the UK

Financial and professional services account for 2.5m jobs across the UK

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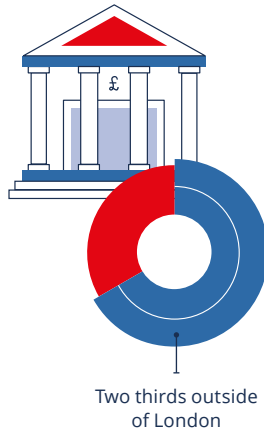
1.1 million

financial services jobs in the UK in 2021 and over

1.3 million

in professional services.

The majority of these jobs were outside of London.



Financial services were one of the UK's most productive industries, generating

£164k

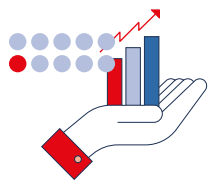
in output for every job in 2021.

Professional services generated over

£57k

in output for every job.

UK financial and professional services...



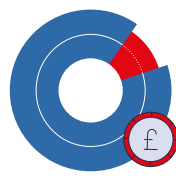
Produced

£278bn

in economic output.

12% of the entire economic output of the UK in 2022.

- Financial services produced **£193bn** in Gross Value Added (GVA)
- Related professional services produced **£85bn** in GVA



Contributed nearly

£100bn

in taxes.

Financial and related professional services paid 13% of the UK's tax contribution in 2020.

- Financial services paid **£76bn**
- Related professional services paid **£21bn**



Exported

£128bn

The UK was the largest net exporter of financial services in the world in 2021.

- Financial services drove exports by **£85bn**
- Professional services drove exports by **£43bn**



Generated

£2bn

of capital investment in FDI.

The UK attracted the highest foreign direct investment for financial services in Europe in 2022.

- Financial services attracted **£1.2bn** in FDI
- Professional services attracted **£870m** in FDI

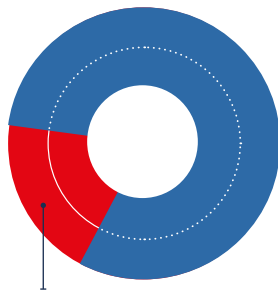
Note: 'Financial services' use a broad definition for the sector including insurance activities. 'Professional services' also follow a broad definition except for jobs and tax data, where a narrow definition including accounting, legal and management consultancy services is used. Tax contribution for financial and professional services is made up of financial services combined with legal and accounting, as the tax data available does not cover the activities of management consultancy. UK Jobs use Business Register and Employment Survey figures for Employment for GB and append on Employee figures provided by NISRA

Sources: ONS, Business Register and Employment Survey 2021 (2022 release); NISRA, Business Register and Employment Survey 2021 (2022 release); ONS, Output per job, UK, 2021 (2022 release); ONS, estimates based on GDP output approach – low-level aggregates; City of London/PwC, The Total Tax Contribution of UK financial services in 2020 (2021 release); TheCityUK, Total Tax Contribution study for UK legal and accounting activities, 2020 (2021 release); ONS, Pink Book Chapter 3+9, 2021 (2022 release); FDI data provided by fDi Markets, 2022.

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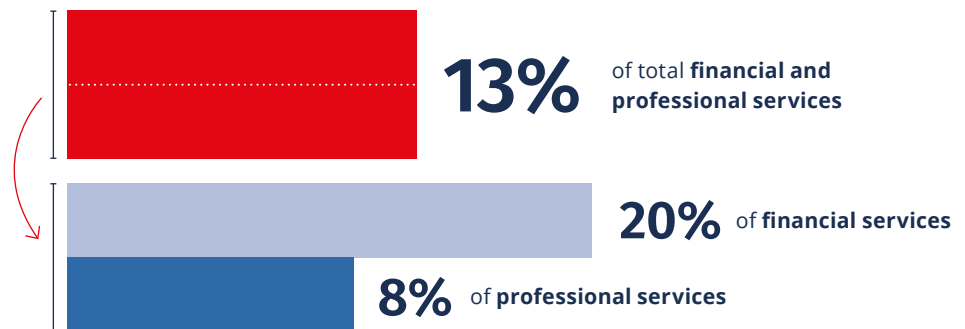
The role of the City of London

The City of London, also known as the Square Mile, is at the heart of the UK's financial and professional services. The City generated over £85bn in economic output in 2021.



The City accounts for **one in every five financial services jobs** in GB

In Great Britain (GB), the City accounts for...



The City is a key driver of the economy, generating over

£85bn

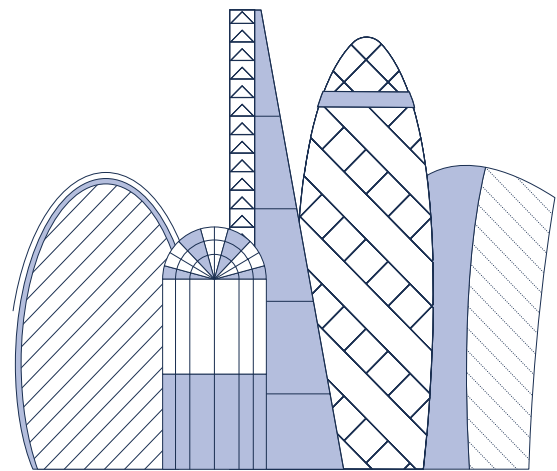
in economic output annually, or 4% of all UK GVA. Yet, the City only accounts for 0.001% of the UK's size.



The City contributes to the rest of the economy, generating

£1.1bn

in business rates. This represents 5% of England's total business rates collection.



With more large firms than Manchester, Birmingham or Leeds, the City **generates more in business rates than all three combined.**

Financial services in the City accounted for over

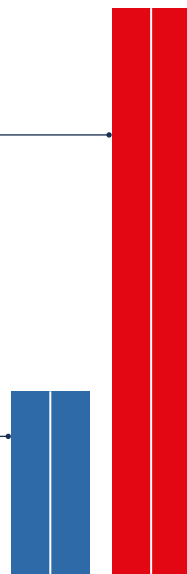
£48bn

in GVA in 2020. This represents nearly a third (29%) of the GVA from the whole of the UK's financial services sector.

The City's professional services generated nearly

£14bn

in GVA. This represents nearly a fifth (17%) of the UK's professional services sector.





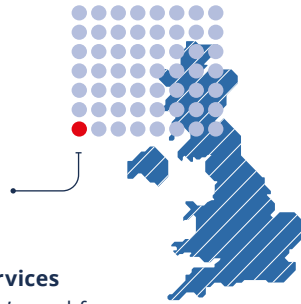
City of London jobs

For every square kilometre in the City, there are over 100,000 financial and professional services jobs

There were

587,000

workers in the City of London in 2021, or 1 in every 54 British workers.



Financial and professional services account for **over half** of the City's workforce.

City jobs are at a **record high** and have grown over

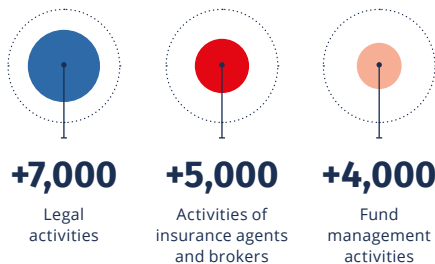
8%

since pre-pandemic 2019 to 2021, with nearly 45,000 more jobs than in 2019.



Even after the impact of the pandemic in 2021, the City remained resilient with over 38,000 total new jobs between 2020 and 2021.

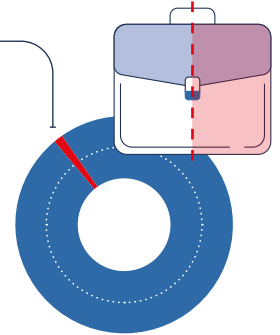
Job growth has been particularly strong in 2021 in:



Although only

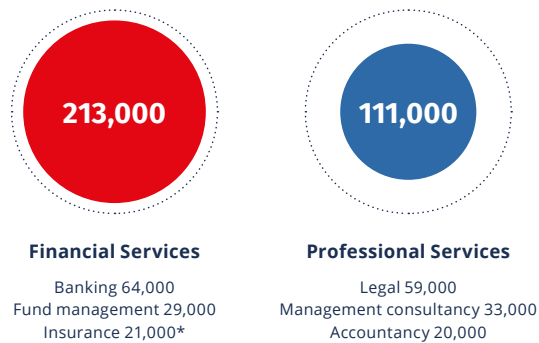
1%

of the City's 22,305 businesses are large, they account for over half of the City's employment.

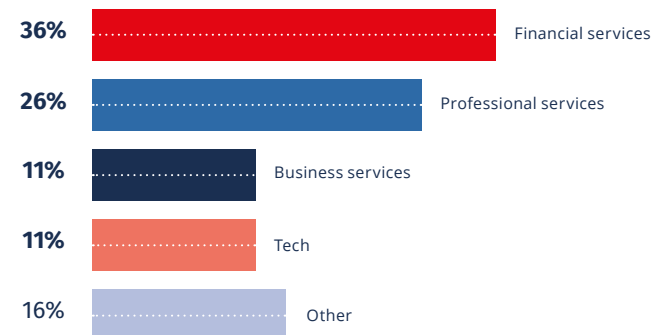


Despite being the smallest local authority area in the UK, the City has the **second highest number of large firms.**

Jobs in the City of London are highly concentrated in



The City is made up of jobs in:



*Only top 3 sub-sectors for financial services included.

Notes: Financial services include finance and insurance services using SIC code K. Financial, professional and associated business services use SIC codes K, M and N, respectively. Tech refers to SIC code J.

Sources: ONS, Business Register and Employment Survey, 2021 (2022 release); ONS, UK Business Counts 2022 (2023 release).

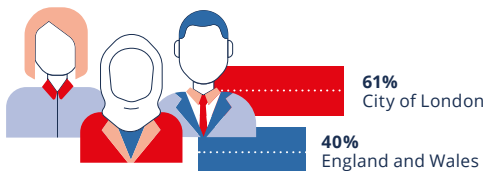
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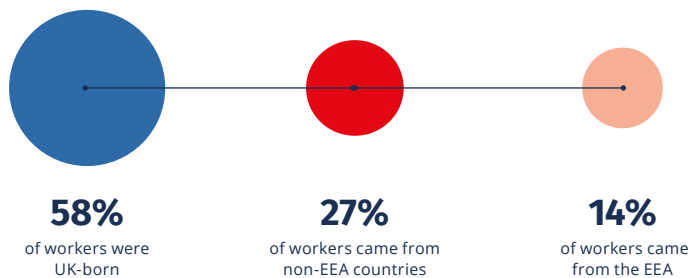
City of London workers

Home to one of the youngest, most highly skilled and international workforces across the country

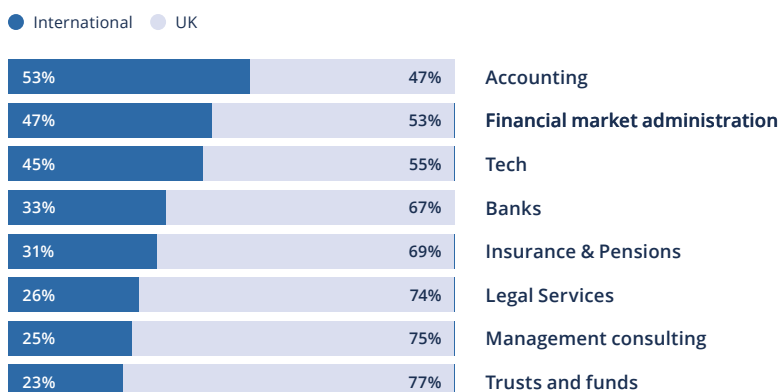
A workforce younger than the rest of the country, with a higher proportion of workers aged between 22 and 39 than England and Wales.



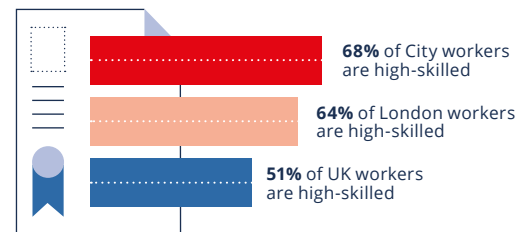
One of the most international workforces across the globe, with 42% of City workers coming from the European Economic Area (EEA) or the rest of the world.



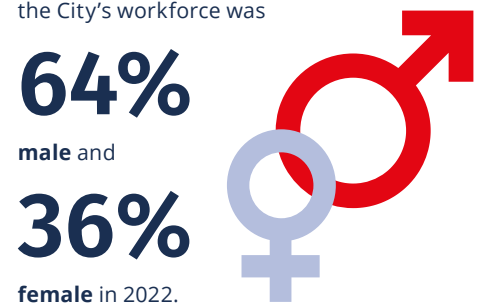
Within financial and professional services, accountancy has the highest share of international workers, at over half of the workforce. Followed by financial market administration and tech.



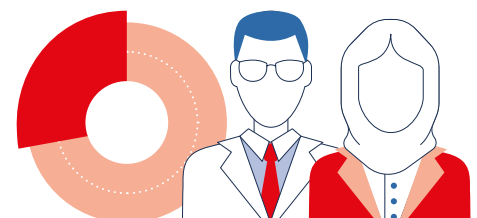
A workforce made up of more high-skilled jobs* than the rest of London and the UK



The gender balance of the City's workforce was



37% of the City's workforce was of **black, Asian or a minority ethnic origin** in 2022.



Notes: High skilled jobs refers to roles as managers or directors, or in professional or technical occupations. Note that the Annual Population Survey ethnicity estimates for the 2022 period have used groupings based on a small sample size which may have resulted in less precise estimates which should be used with caution.

Sources: Census 2011, Workplace population; Annual Population Survey (APS), Workplace Analysis, Oct 2021-Sep 2022; ONS, user requested data on ethnicity from APS, October 2022; ONS user requested data from APS on jobs in London, City of London and the UK, by country of birth (UK, EEA and rest of world), by industry, 2006 to 2021 (2022 release).