

FinTech: from software to financial services, we have the know-how

Financial technology – is now a £20 billion industry in the UK. And as part of that, you'll find an unrivalled cluster of software development and financial services companies in Cheshire East.

Many of the industry's global players have major centres here; such as Barclays, SAP and Mastercard, and little wonder, with such a skilled workforce at their disposal, and with the number employed in financial services 20% higher than the average.

Our deep and broad financial and IT sector, covers everything from mobile payment apps to risk management, makes Cheshire East an ideal place for developing new technologies. As does the proximity of several universities renowned for their research and development in computer sciences, most notably Manchester and Liverpool.

Our reputation and diversity of expertise has led to a growing number of employees in this sector. There are now 4,800 people employed in computer programming and software related activities in Cheshire East, representing a proportion of the workforce that is twice that of the North West and 40% higher than the national average.

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» **8,000 employed**
IN FINANCIAL SERVICES

» **40% more employed**
IN COMPUTER PROGRAMMING
THAN NATIONAL AVERAGE

» **Barclays Global Technology Centre**

Barclays has been developing new technologies and supporting their critical IT systems and services at Radbroke Hall near Knutsford for over 40 years. Employing over 3,700 staff, recent developments include the Pingit payment app and bPay - one of the world's first wearable contactless payment devices.

Our track record for attracting blue-chip names is matched only by the diverse range of specialist businesses:

Boldon James

Part of FTSE 250 group Qinetiq plc, this Crewe-based company specialises in developing secure messaging solutions for the likes of Allianz and Prudential.

Mobica

With its headquarters in Wilmslow, Mobica employs 800 staff designing software for mobile payment solutions, and is listed in the Sunday Times Tech Track 100. A recent winner of a Queen's Award for Enterprise.

Fujitsu Services

The Japanese global giant has a 220-strong software systems support centre based in Crewe Business Park.

Radius Payment Solutions

One of the world's largest independent fuel card providers, Radius is based in Crewe and employs over 350 staff.

SAP

Worldwide software supplier SAP's Cheshire East base carries out program development and testing for clients from banking to local government.

Royal London

The UK's largest mutual life, pensions and investment company's Wilmslow offices already employ 900, and is set to expand in the near future.

Mastercard

The worldwide credit card provider recently established a new office at Booths Hall in Knutsford.

Atos

From its Crewe offices, the European IT giant carries out business processing outsourcing for clients including the Department for Work & Pensions.

Quint

A multi award winning FinTech business based in Macclesfield. A specialist provider of online consumer credit services and also a Tech Track 100 listed winner.

Businesses in the know are in Cheshire East

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