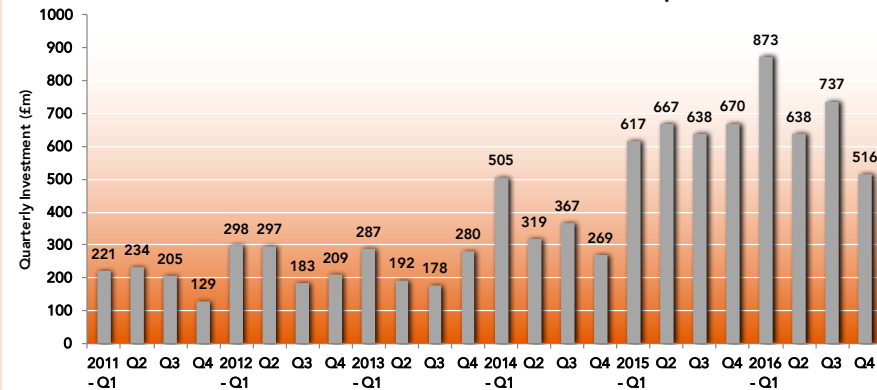


- > In 2016, **£2,774m** (£2.59m) was invested in **649** (534) deals of over £0.5m by **538** (421) investors
- > In October, **77** companies were financed – this is the largest number of deals/month for 20 years.
- > The busiest investors were: Crowdcube, Scottish Investment Bank, London Co-Investment Fund, Parkwalk, Seedrs
- > **60%** of deals were less than **£2m** in value, these received **12%** of money invested
- > Private investors participated in **39%** (46%) of deals and Crowdfunding platforms financed **11%** (11%) of deals
- > US investors participated in **7%** of deals, European investors in **7%** and Corporate Investors in **16%**
- > There have been three primary areas of investment focus – Internet Services (£1,576m, 297 companies), Software (£720m, 218 companies), Cleantech (£183m, 30 companies) and Semi/Optics (£56m, 13 companies). In addition, 87 companies who could not be simply categorised, together raised over **£252m**.

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- > The 10 biggest deals (with disclosed values) received **27%** of funds invested, were:

Deliveroo	£210m
Skyscanner	£133m
Farfetch	£76m
Sirin Labs	£51m
Darktrace	£49m
Starling	£49m
Circle Internet	£42m
Nutmeg	£42m
Student.com	£42m
Blippar	£38m

- > The most active regions were London and Ireland which were responsible for **57%** and **13%** of deals respectively. London's share of the VC money was **69%** of the funds invested in the UK and Ireland.

- > On a city by city basis, **364** London tech companies received investment, **53** in Dublin, **27** in Cambridge, **27** in Edinburgh Cambridge, **10** in Oxford. All other cities or towns had less than 10 deals.

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