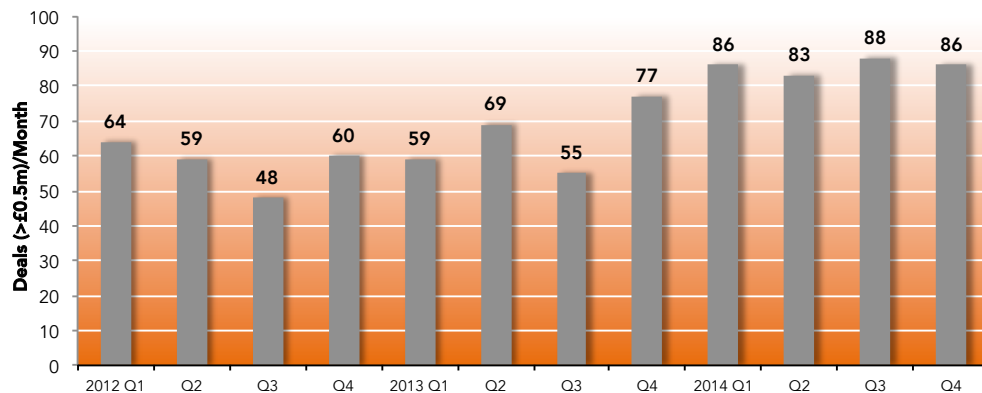
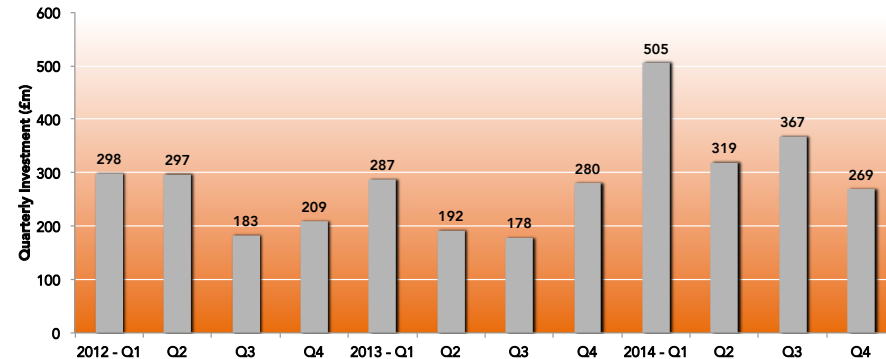


- > In 2014, **£1.46b** was invested in **343** deals of over £0.5m by **311** investors
- > In Q4, **£269m** was invested in **86** deals of over £0.5m by **107** investors
- > During the year the market grew **57%** in value and **31%** in volume
- > The busiest investors were MMC, Scottish Investment Bank, Balderton, Index, Octopus, Parkwalk, Accel, IP Group and BGF
- > **66%** of deals involved more than one investor
- > Private investors participated in **31%** of deals, US investors in **10%**, European investors in **7%** and Corporate Investors in **11%**
- > There have been three primary areas of investment focus – Internet Services (**£865m, 183 companies**), Software (**£263m, 68 companies**) and Cleantech (**£130m, 26 companies**). In addition, **66** companies who could not be simply categorised, together raised over **£185m**.

VC Investments in UK/Irish Tech Companies



VC Investment (£m) in UK/Irish Tech Companies



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

Borro	£67m
Powa Tech	£51m
Tradeshift	£45m
Fanduel	£42m
Farfetch	£39m
Intelligent Energy	£39m
Funding Circle	£38m
New Voice Media	£29m
Alfresco	£27m
eCommera	£25m

- > The most active regions were London and Ireland which were responsible for **53%** and **11%** of deals respectively. London's share of the VC money was up from 2013 low to **62%** of the funds invested in the UK and Ireland.
- > On a city by city basis, **178** London tech companies received VC, **21** in Dublin, **19** in Edinburgh and **10** in Cambridge. All other cities or towns had 5 deals or less deals.