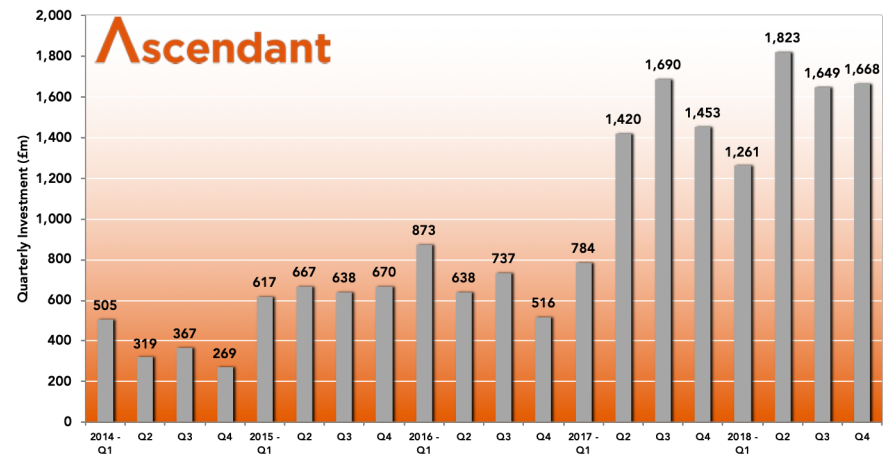


- > In 2018, **£6.4bn** (£5.3bn) was invested in **1,059** (809) deals of over £0.5m
- > In Q4, **274** (223) companies received **£1.7bn** (£1.5bn)
- > The busiest investors were: Seedrs, Crowdcube, Parkwalk, LCIF, Mercia, Downing, Enterprise Ireland, BGF, Octopus and Local Globe
- > **51%** (57%) of deals were less than **£2m** in value, these received **7%** (7%) of money invested
- > Private investors participated in **28%** (40%) of deals and Crowdfunding platforms financed **12%** (12%) of deals
- > US investors participated in **12%** (9%) of deals, European investors in **10%** (9%) and Corporate Investors in **16%** (21%)
- > There were **884** (712) active investment groups but **71%** (71%) of these only completed a single transaction
- > There have been three primary areas of investment focus – Internet Services (**£2.9bn**, **458** companies), Software (**£1.6bn**, **354** companies), and Hardware (**£1.9bn**, **247** companies).

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- > The 10 biggest deals (with disclosed values) received **16%** (34%) of funds invested, were:

Revolut	£180m
Graphcore	£159m
Freeview	£125m
Atom Bank	£107m
Adv Man Ctrl Sys	£88m
Monzo	£82m
Starling	£80m
BenevolentAI	£80m
Acorn OakNorth	£77m
CMR Surgical	£75m

- > The most active regions were London and Ireland which were responsible for **57%** and **12%** of deals respectively. London's share of the VC money was **60%** of the funds invested in the UK and Ireland.
- > On a city by city basis, **590** London tech companies received investment, **81** in Dublin, **35** in Cambridge, **28** in Oxford and **24** in Edinburgh. All other cities or towns had less than **20** deals.

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