

SECTOR FOCUS:

Financial and Professional Services in Lancashire

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Lancashire has a thriving financial and professional services sector, supporting businesses across the county and beyond. From accountants and law firms, financial advisors and insurance brokers, specialist property related consultancies and recruitment agencies through to large business process outsourcing organisations.

Many of the jobs in the sector are based in the county's major urban centres of Preston, Blackpool, Burnley and Blackburn.

What jobs are available?

Typical jobs and starting annual salaries in the sector include:



ACCOUNTING
TECHNICIAN

£18,000



INSURANCE BROKER

£19,000



ACTUARY

£30,000



INVESTMENT ANALYST

£25,000



FINANCIAL ADVISER

£25,000



LEGAL SECRETARY

£20,000

Fast facts

In Lancashire, the Financial and Professional Services sector is:



5,200
businesses



40,000+
employees



13%
of Lancashire's workforce



Expected to create
16,000
new jobs by 2022



3,000
new apprentices
per year

Challenges for the sector:



Ageing workforce



Changing demand
for services



Impact of
technology (e.g.
cloud accounting)



What companies are based in Lancashire?

Leading financial and professional services employers in Lancashire include:

- Begbies Traynor
- Chesnara PLC
- Chorley Building Society
- Danbro
- Farleys Solicitors
- Forbes Solicitors
- Key Retirement Solutions
- KPMG
- Marsden Building Society
- Moore and Smalley
- Napthens Solicitors
- National Savings and Investments
- PM+M
- RSM
- Taylor Patterson

How do I get into the sector?

You can get into financial and professional services via a number of routes, including:

- COLLEGES
- UNIVERSITIES
- TRAINING PROVIDERS
- APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS
- **Click on a route above to find out more**

How do I find out more?

For more information, go to:

- NATIONAL CAREERS SERVICE
➤ <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk>
- LANCASHIRE SKILLS & EMPLOYMENT HUB
➤ www.lancashireskillshub.co.uk
- SECTOR SKILLS COUNCIL
➤ www.financialskillspartnership.org.uk

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