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Series B continues to underpin European tech funding, despite a softer Series C

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Silverpeak B & C Financing Report. In this edition, we review the growth stage funding landscape across European tech companies in Q2 2025.

Our dataset encompasses European Series B and C fundraising rounds exceeding €5m, meticulously qualified and segmented to reveal insights and trends over time.



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European tech funding held steady in H1 2025, driven by investor interest in Cleantech, Fintech, and applied AI. The UK topped Germany in total investment value; France led in deal count. Whilst non-European investor activity remained bleak and Series C deal levels fell, surging Series B valuations signalled fresh confidence in the growth-stage ecosystem.

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KEY FINDINGS

• Series B holds firm; Series C dips

Series B funding stayed strong in Q2 2025, buoyed by higher deal volumes, in contrast to Series C, which experienced a decline, with both deal volume and value trending lower.

Cleantech and fintech drive the rebound

Cleantech rebounded sharply in H1 2025, with fintech close behind. Crypto is slowly regaining investor interest, especially in infrastructure.

Shifting geography

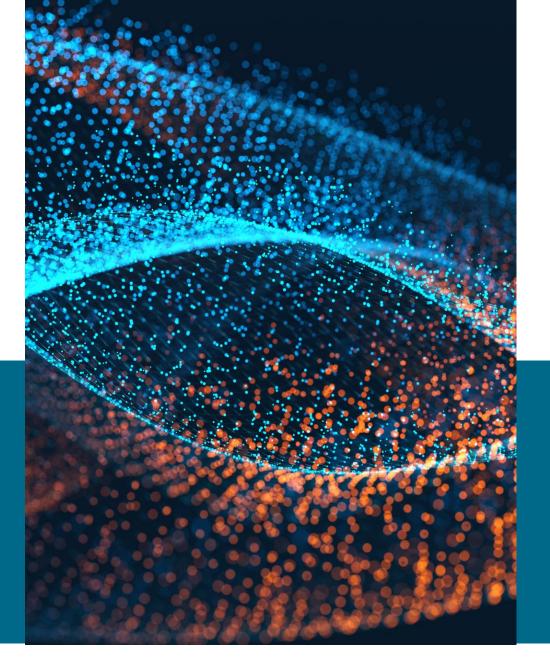
The UK surpassed Germany in capital invested. France led in deal count, despite lower deal values.

• Non-European investors pull back

Non-European investor leads dropped to 32% of H1 deals — a two-year low. Repeat investment from US players remains sparse.

• Valuations climb, led by Series B

Valuations stayed high in Series B and C, with multiple Series B rounds exceeding €500M. Low dilution points to strong founder leverage and investor optimism.



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Venture growth investment trends



Series B drives growth in H1 2025 compared to H2 2024, while Series C declined

SERIES B&C TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTED



Median deal size remained broadly stable at circa €25m for Series B and circa €45m for Series C

SERIES B&C ROUNDS, MEDIAN DEAL VALUES (€M)

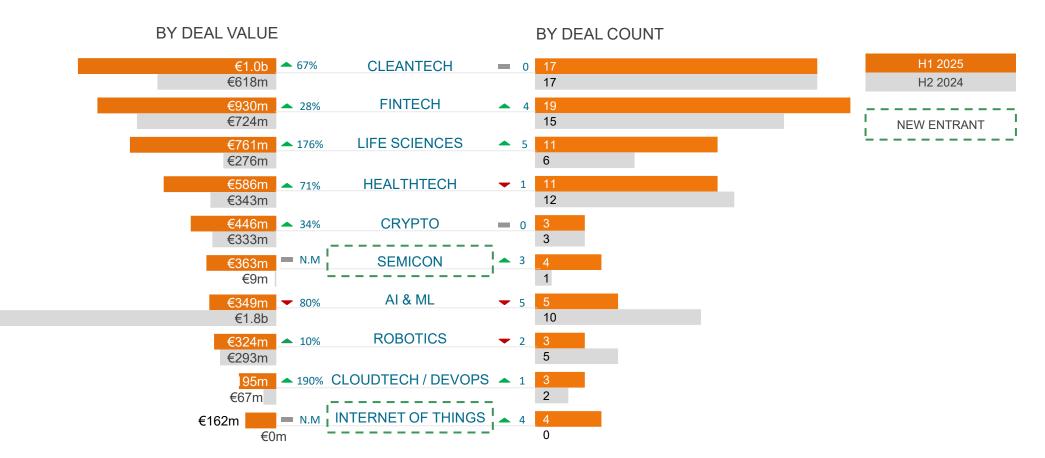


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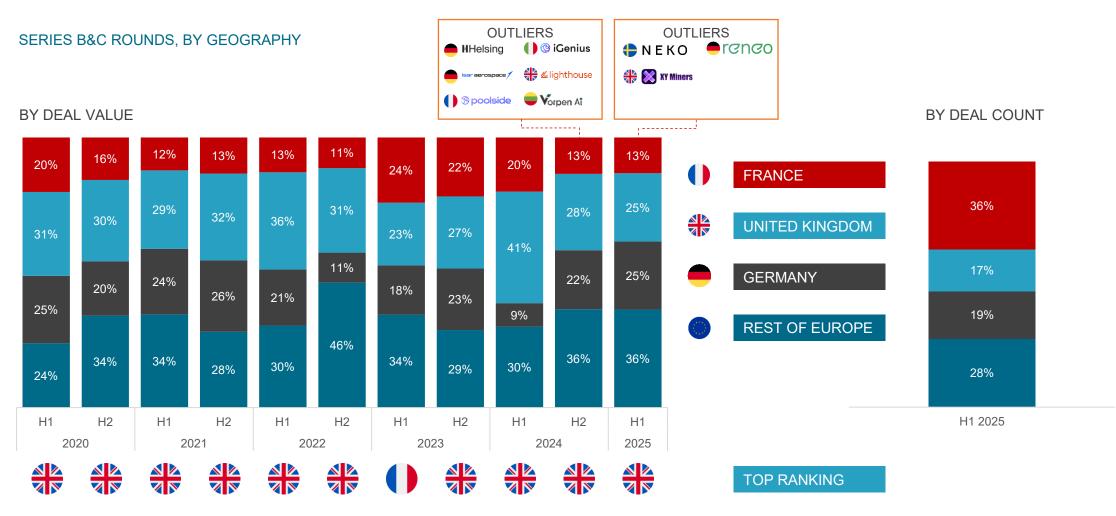
Source: Pitchbook. Deals below €5m have been excluded. Data as of 07/07/2025 Note: Outlier = > €250m round

Cleantech and fintech lead H1 2025, as AI becomes more embedded across all verticals

TOP 10 SERIES B&C ROUNDS, BY VERTICAL

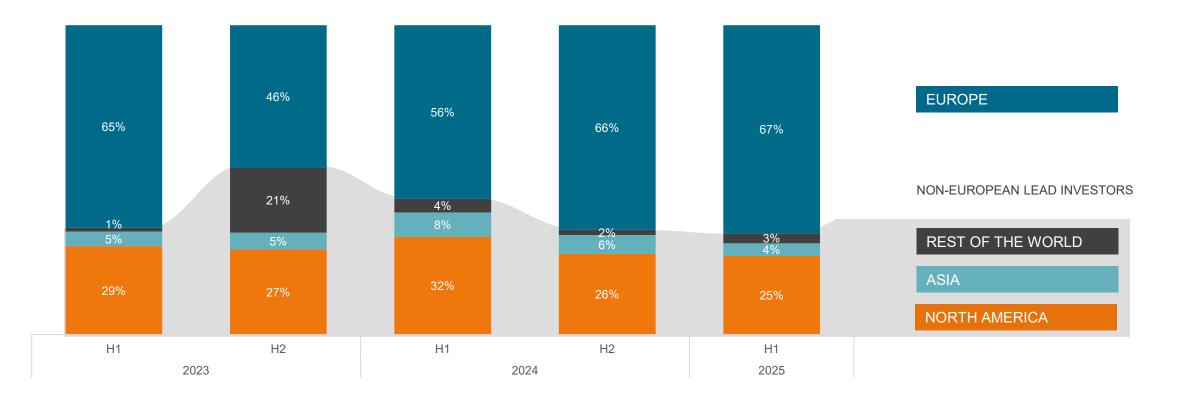


UK and France take H1 2025 spotlight in deal value and count respectively



Non-European lead investor activity hits two-year low

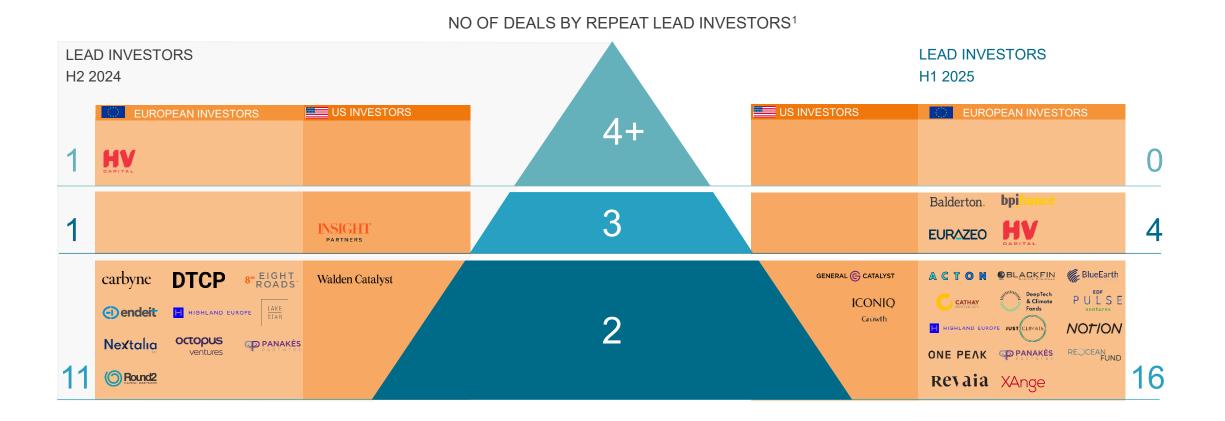
GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF LEAD INVESTORS FOR SERIES B&C ROUNDS (BY DEAL COUNT)





Source: Pitchbook. Deals below €5m have been excluded. Data as of 07/07/2025 North America excludes Mexico; Asia excludes the Middle East

Repeat investor participation rises, but US leads remain cautious



Series B deal sizes show stable range; Series C remains volatile

SERIES B & C INTERQUARTILE RANGE, H1 2022 – H1 2025 (€m)

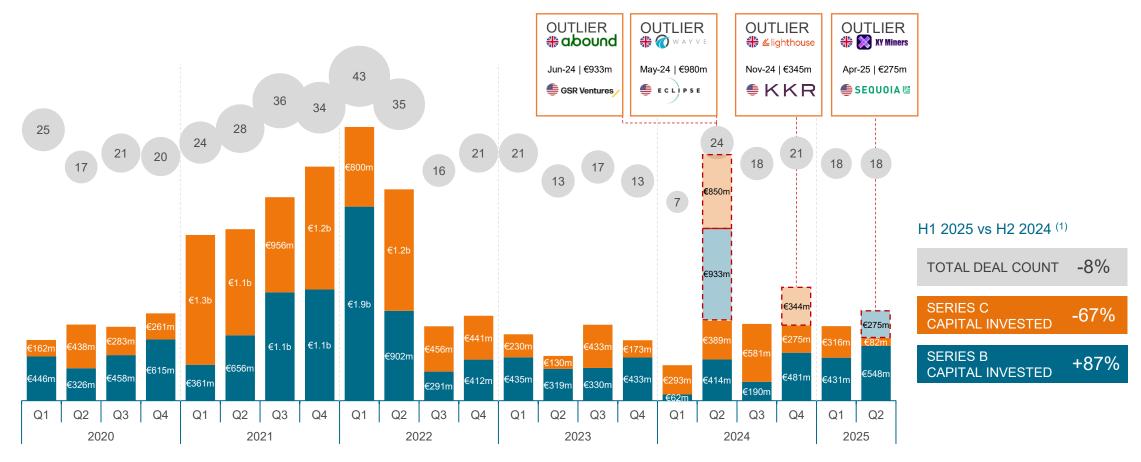


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UK remains flat in deal size and count for Q2 2025

UK SERIES B&C TOTAL DEAL COUNT AND CAPITAL INVESTED



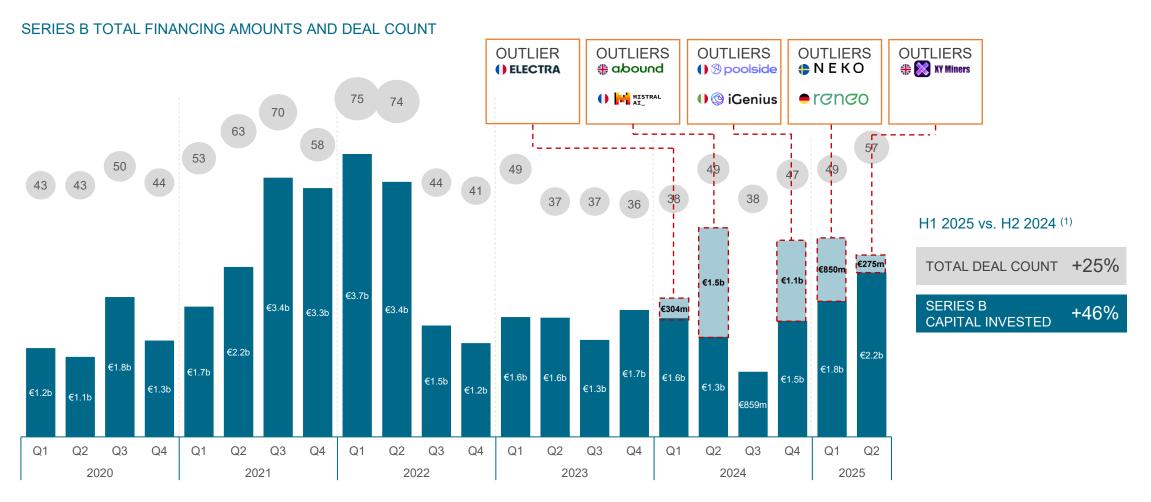
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Series B rounds



Series B investment hits 3-year high (ex-outliers) with deal count increasing

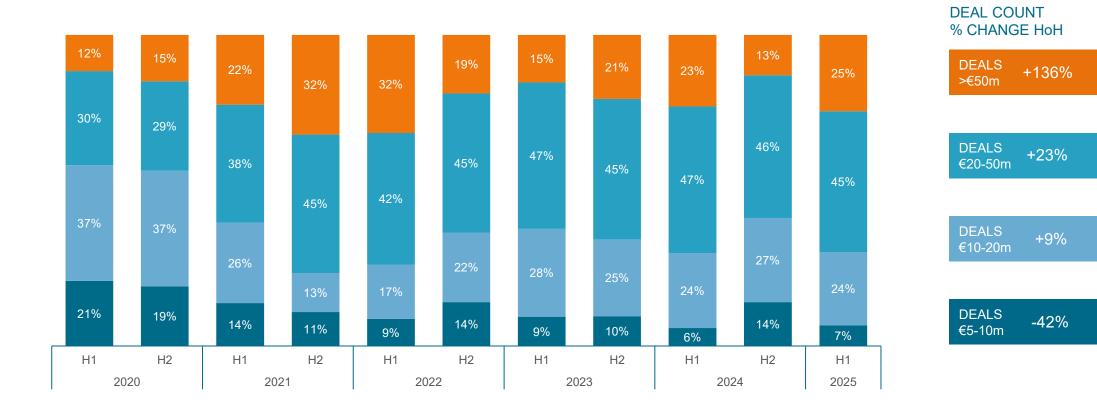


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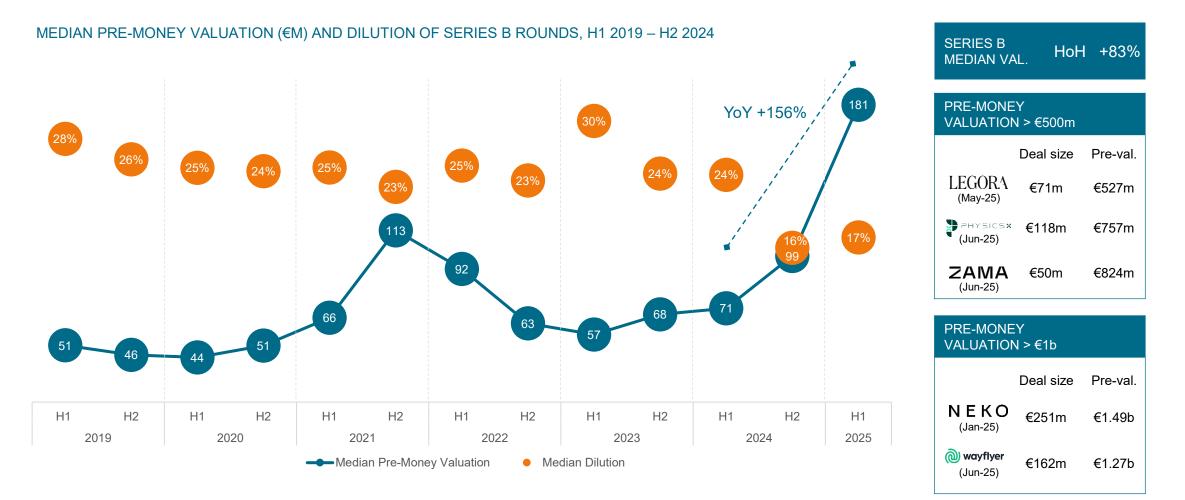
The proportion of Series B rounds exceeding €50m at a 30-month high

BREAKDOWN OF SERIES B ROUNDS BY VALUE



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Series B valuations spike to record levels in H1; median hits €181m



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Germany and UK dominate European Series B value in H1 2025

change from (H2 2024)

€1.3b **1**46% €1.3b **A** 87% DEAL €717m **-** 3% VALUE **4** 237% 1861 €410m €369m **A** 275% **A** 3 29 **a** 8 21 DEAL 18 **6** COUNT ▲ 3

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	.75	DEAL VALUE	DEAL COUNT
	GERMANY	€1.3b	18
	UNITED KINGDOM	€1.3b	29
	FRANCE	€717m	21
	SPAIN	€410m	5
	SWEDEN	€369m	4
	IRELAND	€338m	4
	NETHERLANDS	€230m	6
	SWITZERLAND	€105m	4
	LUXEMBOURG	€63m	2
	BELGIUM	€48m	2

SERIES B ROUNDS BY COUNTRY, H1 2025

Series B momentum holds steady, powered by continued flow of €100m+ rounds

LARGEST SERIES B ROUNDS, Q3 2024 – Q2 2025

	DEAL SIZE	DATE	HQ	COMPANY	SECTOR	SELECTED INVESTORS
Q32024	€63m	Sep-24	•	A Marvel Fusion	CLEANTECH	CADITAL
	€53m	Sep-24		BASELOAD CAPITAL	FINTECH	
	€49m	Sep-24		Qualifyze	LIFE SCIENCES	INSIGHT Partners
Q4 2024	€650m	Dec-24	0	() iGenius	AI & ML	ACCM Arged Capital Management EURIZON ASIT MANAGEMINT
	€450m	Oct-24		⊗ poolside	AI & ML	BCV DST 20VC CAPTTAL ONE AREdpoint.
	€155m	Dec-24		The Exploration Company	SPACETECH	Balderton. plural Bayern Kapital III Wenture Capital Fire Rayern Venture Partners bpifrance
	€600m	Feb-25		reneo	CLEANTECH	
Q12025	€251m	Jan-25		ΝΕΚΟ	HEALTHTECH	Lightspeed atomico [®] general G catalyst
	€120m	Jan-25			ROBOTICS & DRONES	Lingotto BlueCrest Statute Const Management
Q2 2025	€275m	Apr-25		XY Miners	CRYPTOCURRENCY	SEQUOIA 🖾
	€189m	Jun-25			SEMICON	Bullhound Capital
	€162m	Jun-25		(a) wayflyer	FINTECH	DST QED GLOBAL INVESTORS

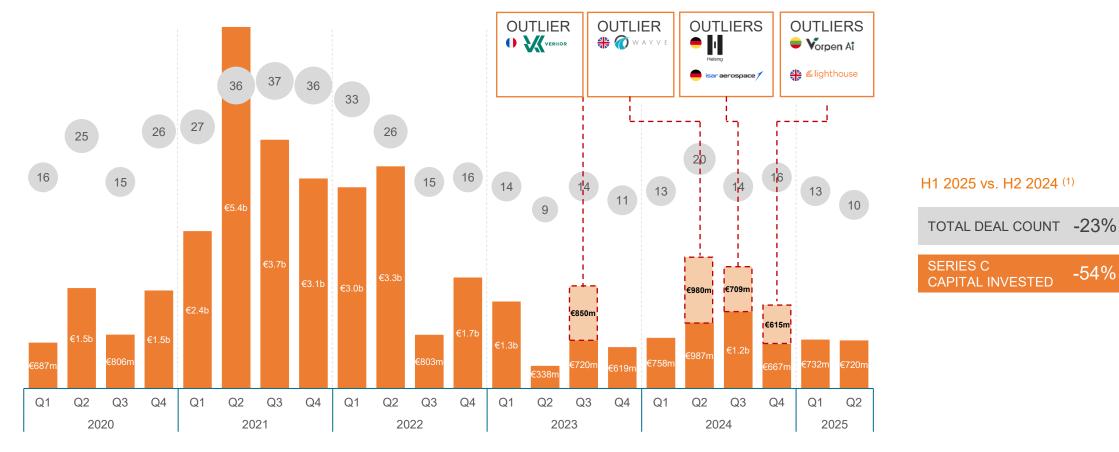


Series C rounds



Series C pullback continues with deal count and capital both down

SERIES C TOTAL FINANCING AMOUNTS AND DEAL COUNT



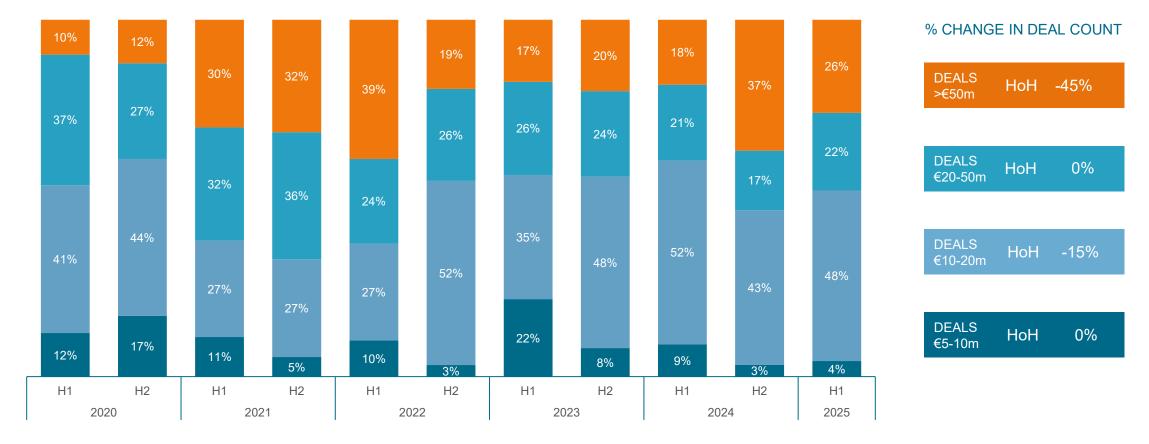
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Series C volumes tighten, with split remaining uncertain

BREAKDOWN OF SERIES C ROUNDS BY VALUE



Series C valuations remain resilient despite HoH dip

24% 23% 22% 21% 20% 20% 18% 17% 16% 15% YoY +172% SERIES C 322 316 HoH -14% MEDIAN VAL. 27' 272 250 223 141 95 89 H2 H2 H2 H2 H1 H2 H1 H1 H1 H1 H2 H1 H1 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 ----Median Pre-Money Valuation Median Dilution

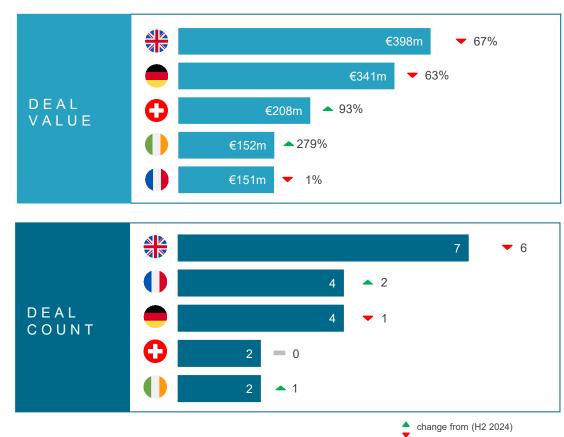
MEDIAN PRE-MONEY VALUATION (€) AND DILUTION OF SERIES C ROUNDS, H1 2019 – H2 2024



Source: Pitchbook. Deals below €5m have been excluded. Data as of 07/07/2025 Note: Valuations based on publicly available data

UK remains top of Series C rankings in H1 2025

SERIES C ROUNDS BY COUNTRY, H1 2025



		DEAL VALUE	DEAL COUNT
	UNITED KINGDOM	€398m	7
	GERMANY	€341m	4
	SWITZERLAND	€208m	2
	IRELAND	€152m	2
	FRANCE	€151m	4
	NETHERLANDS	€115m	1
	SPAIN	€55m	2
	NORWAY	€32m	1

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Series C landscape steadied by recurring mega-rounds and institutional backing

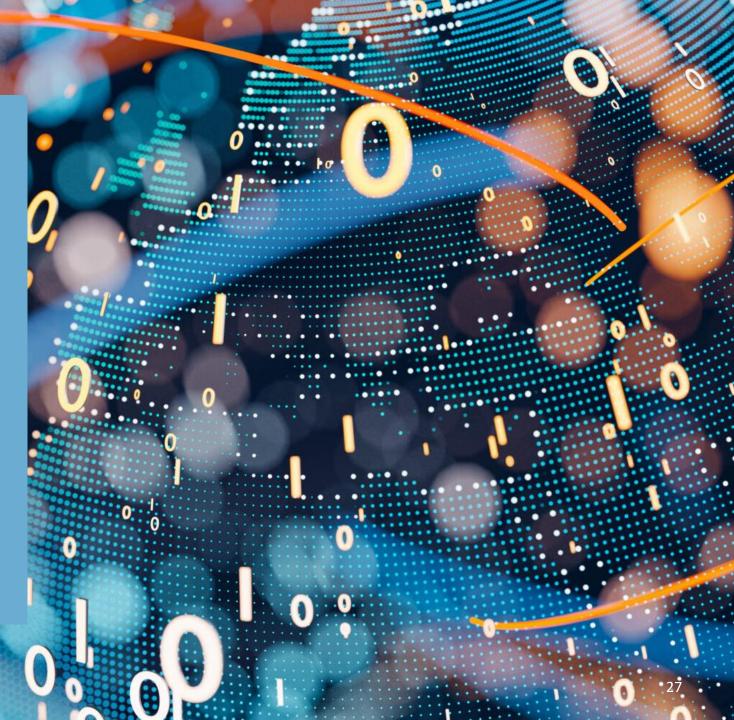
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Q3 2024	€450m	Jul-24		L I L	AI & ML	GENERAL G CATALYST
	€259m	Jul-24		isar aerospace /	SPACETECH	-∲- NIF
	€199m	Sep-24		FORMJ	FINTECH	Goldman Sachs
Q4 2024	€345m	Nov-24		∠lighthouse	DATA ANALYSIS	KKR 8" EIGHT ROADS F'PRIME OF SPECTRUM CAPITAL PARTNERS HIGHGATE
	€270m	Oct-24		Vorpen Ai	CRYPTOCURRENCY	Angel investor
	€116m	Nov-24		Tokamak Energy	CLEANTECH	Lingotto EAST X British Capital A CLICRUKAWA
Q1 2025	€187m	Jan-25	0	📎 пимла	LIFE SCIENCES	NOVO holdings Cormorant Asset Amagement HBMPartners BlackRock.
	€116m	Jan-25		Moniepoint ⁽²⁾	FINTECH	DPI Perters International NOVASTAR Ightrock Alphabet
	€72m	Jan-25		Luminance	LEGALTECH	POINT72 A Forestay MARCH Schroders capital
Q2 2025	€160m	Apr-25		QU/NTFUM Systems	ROBOTICS & DRONES	Balderton. AIRBUS GR.Bullhound DTCP
	€115m	Jun-25		FINOM	FINTECH	Autority Linguisto Capital General @ CATALYST Headline NORTHZONE
	€107m	May-25		F parloa	AI & ML	ALTIMETER DUITABLE GENERAL C CATALYST

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Source: Pitchbook. Data as of 07/07/2025 Note: ⁽¹⁾ Mega round = > €100m round, ⁽²⁾ HQ located in London as per LinkedIn and pitchbook. Moniepoint also operates a key office in Lagos, Nigeria SECTION 4

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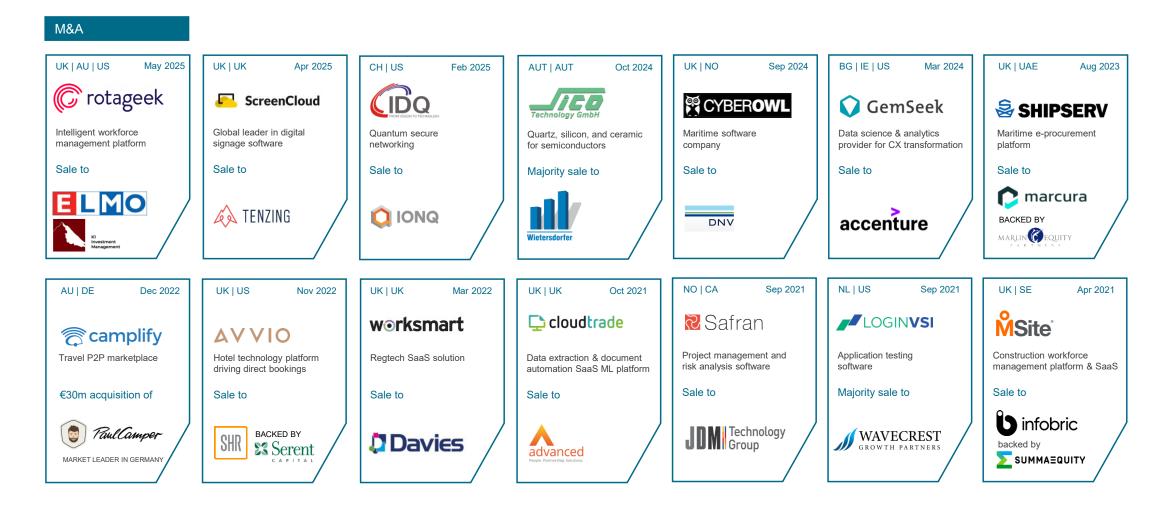
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