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### **FORFWORD**

Right now, the world is in a state of flux. In a short period of time, the impacts of COVID-19 have sent shockwaves around the global economy like nothing we've ever seen before. Continuing, yet necessary, Government restrictions to curb the spread of the virus are presenting both unprecedented challenges and opportunities in the way we work and run organisations, with the full impact of consumer sentiment and unemployment levels yet to play out.

As we reflect on the state of play in our current business environment, we know that 'uncertainty' is likely to remain a key consideration for many businesses, their business partners and customers for some time.

With wage growth expected to slow down significantly, it remains important to pay your staff according to their worth and future potential. Keeping up to date with the latest salaries is vital to develop more adaptable and resilient organisations as companies carefully balance their resources with the need to build robust, talented, and engaged workforces that will pull them through this crisis.

In this constantly evolving and changing environment, we have adapted our 2020 Robert Half Salary Guide, so business leaders can use our staffing expertise and insights to help navigate the year ahead. Indeed, this is a challenging time, but it's also a time of opportunity – one that we're eager to support both you and your business in exploring over the months ahead.



# **REMUNERATION & BENEFITS TRENDS**

Wages in the Hong Kong job market have dipped as the impacts of COVID-19 continue to grip the national and global economy. While data from the Hong Kong government's Census and Statistics Department shows wages declined by 0.2% in the first guarter of 2020<sup>1</sup>, rising unemployment seen in the first half of this year<sup>2</sup> will continue to put downward pressure on salaries. Similarly, some workers – especially in the financial sector – are experiencing significant cuts to their annual bonuses.3

Even with more professionals to choose from in the talent pool, in-demand talent that is in short supply can still command competitive wages as they are critical to overcoming challenges and adapting to the new world of work.

- <sup>1</sup> Census and Statistics Department, The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, March 2020, Quarterly Report of Wage and Payroll Statistics
- <sup>2</sup> Census and Statistics Department, The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, June 2020, Labour Statistics
- <sup>3</sup> South China Morning Post, June 2020, Hong Kong Bankers Suffer Sharp Cuts in Pay, Bonuses as Pandemic-Driven Downturn Weighs on Outlook, Headhunters Say

For example, roles such as cyber-security are crucial to minimising risk as companies accelerate digital transformation initiatives while talented developers are key to quickly rolling out new digital products and services as market demands change.

The pressure to cut costs has been mounting for some companies but recruiting new employees at a lower-than-market rate is rarely an effective long-term solution – even when unemployment is high. Paying top performing staff well is key to maximising productivity when it matters most while ensuring companies are not left with gaps in their workforce when the market rebounds.

With pay rises not likely to be on the business agenda any time soon and with working from home now a necessity rather than a company benefit for many organisations, companies need to get creative when it comes to rewarding their staff to keep them motivated and engaged.

### Here are a few ways to reward your staff in today's market



Mental/financial/physical wellbeing initiatives (eg. virtual counselling, employee financial education, online gym sessions)



Ergonomic allowance (eg. ergonomic desk/ chair to work from home)



Access to the latest technology and tools



Training and upskilling initiatives, including a career plan



Retention bonuses

# 91% of global HR leaders support remote work arrangements continuing post COVID-194 <sup>4</sup> Human Resources Director Australia, 2020, Almost all are keen on seeing flexi-work continue post-COVID-19, found HRD

# **WORKPLACE TRENDS**

### Remote working is here to stay

COVID-19 has accelerated the speed at which organisations are developing and investing in the tools, infrastructure and skills required to mobilise entire workforces from a distance. Today, it's looking increasingly likely that this large-scale 'mobility' from outside the office will become part of the fabric of working life for some time to come, and in many cases, permanently.

To ensure remote working on a large scale remains effective and sustainable throughout 2020 and beyond, companies should take proactive steps to help teams adapt to the 'new normal'. Specifically, it will be essential to provide additional training and support in areas such as building relationships and engaging with customers from a distance, working securely, and using collaboration tools efficiently.

Find out more about how to successfully adapt your team to remote working

### Flexible staffing to support growth and continuity

With a recent LinkedIn survev<sup>5</sup> revealing that almost two-thirds (62%) of talent professionals think COVID-19 has made it more challenging to hire according to plan, companies need a smart staffing plan to support business growth and continuity as they navigate uncertainty throughout the remainder of 2020.

Whether it's improving tech capabilities, or rolling out new products and services for changing customer needs, a flexible approach to staffing – using temporary and contract workers - could help companies fill critical skills gaps fast enough to make an impact in their market.

Additionally, bringing on board temporary workers is not only a cost efficient staffing solution, it also allows companies to build an agile team that is responsive to changing conditions without compromising on the required institutional knowledge and business-critical skills that will support the company through COVID-19 and beyond.

### Key steps to create a smart staffing plan



Evaluate goals and projects



Conduct a skills audit



Create a staffing plan that addresses skills gaps



Engage a temporary solution

Find out more about how to create a smart and flexible staffing plan

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> LinkedIn Talent Blog, 2020, The Biggest Challenges Recruiters Are Wrestling with Right Now

# 63%of Hong Kong employees are engaged in their work6 <sup>6</sup> Qualtrics, 2020, 2020 Employee Experience Trends

### The importance of staff retention

Even in a market with high unemployment rates, companies should not assume their top performers will stay with the company. Staff who feel out of touch with key organisational decisions, or even undervalued, can quickly become disengaged and unproductive. Experiences such as these can lead to an increased likelihood that sought-after workers will seek greater security and purpose by exploring new roles outside the organisation. What's more, highly skilled employees could eventually be tempted by companies who are actively hiring.

With the quality of company retention initiatives likely to be put to the test throughout the rest of 2020, hiring managers must take steps to build an employee brand that attracts talented staff and encourages loyalty in the current environment as well as the future. Focusing on employee wellness – especially among remote staff – as well as encouraging regular catch-ups with staff, offering flexible working practices, maintaining professional development, and increased transparency are likely to be key retention methods during this precarious time.

Find out more about how to improve staff retention during COVID-19

# of Hong Kong employees report improved health resulting from employee assistance programs<sup>7</sup> <sup>7</sup> City Mental Health Alliance, 2019, The Cost of Mental III Health for Employers in Hong Kong

### Increased focus on mental health and team morale

Workplaces have been areatly disrupted and the current work environment can be a leading cause of employee stress, adversely impacting team morale and people's mental health.

Boosting morale and supporting mental health is likely to be a greater challenge in the current environment compared to pre-pandemic – especially when some or all staff are working remotely. Despite this, employers should prioritise their staff's wellbeing and put steps in place to cultivate a positive and cohesive working environment.

In the foreseeable future, implementing strategies to keep communication lines open (virtually or in-person) will be essential for ensuring employees feel heard, reassured, and connected to leaders and colleagues at times of flux. What's more, team building exercises, raising awareness of mental health issues and support programs, and empowering employees to discuss and make decisions about their future in the organisation could all be effective measures for promoting positive states of mind in 2020.

Find out more about how to rebuild team morale while working (semi-)remotely

> The costs of mental ill health to employers is up to 90x greater than the costs of preventative measures8

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### Resilience is key to staying competitive

By building operational resilience amidst the uncertainty of COVID-19, companies are likely to place themselves on a stronger foundation from which they can quickly launch and excel during better times ahead.

Operational resilience refers to the ability of companies to quickly absorb stress, adjust to disruption and continue to move forward, delivering products and services in altered circumstances.

In the current environment, some of the most common disruptive forces affecting companies include changes to the way staff work, rapidly shifting consumer demands, and interrupted supply chains – among many others.

43% of executives in Asia Pacific say COVID-19 has heightened their awareness of business continuity risks9

9 Tricor Global, 2020, Business Sentiment & Resilience Barometer Report

### Key leadership qualities that can help optimise operational resilience



Make fast and informed decisions to 'pivot' strategies and resources in response to change, embracing a 'trial and error' approach to finding solutions



Prioritise feedback from customers, teams and stakeholders



Invest wisely in IT infrastructure and tools



Cultivate an engaged and motivated workforce through increased communication, empathy, and be prepared to offer support where required

Find out more about how to bolster your company's operational resilience through COVID-19

# HOW TO USE THE SALARY PERCENTILES

Because employers and jobseekers are looking for very detailed salary information, the Robert Half Salary Guide reports on starting pay ranges by percentiles. These salary percentiles are determined by a candidate's skillset and experience level, as well as the complexity of the role.

The salary figures represent gross yearly salaries. Bonuses, incentives and other forms of remuneration are not taken into account.

The salaries listed are based on actual placements made by our office in Hong Kong, as well as an analysis of the demand for the role, the supply of talent and other market conditions

In some situations, it's possible that remuneration would fall above or below the percentiles provided. We can help you determine appropriate salary levels for new hires based on your business goals and budget.

PERCENTILES	25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
CANDIDATE EXPERIENCE LEVEL	Less experience than typical	Average experience	More experience than typical	Significant, highly relevant experience
CANDIDATE SKILLS/ EXPERTISE	Skills require development	Necessary skills to meet job requirements	Strong skillset; may include specialised certifications	High level of expertise, including specialised certifications
JOB COMPLEXITY/ DUTIES	Role may be in an industry with low competition for talent or in a smaller, less complex organisation or department	Role may be of average complexity or in an industry where competition for talent is moderate	Role may be fairly complex or in a fairly competitive industry for talent	Role may be highly complex and more strategic in nature than usual; may be in a competitive industry for talent



# FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING

### IN-DEMAND TEMPORARY ROLES

- Financial Analyst
- Financial Accountant
- Assistant Accountant

### **IN-DEMAND SOFT SKILLS**

- Communication skills
- Business partnering skills
- Adaptability

### IN-DEMAND PERMANENT ROLES

- Credit Collector
- Treasury Analyst
- Commercial Analyst

### IN-DEMAND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Power BI
- Microsoft 365
- SAP/Oracle

# FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING **SALARIES**

				PERCENTILES		
TITLES		Company turnover*	25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
FINANCIAL REPORTING/	Assistant Accountant	S/M	\$204,000	\$216,000	\$240,000	\$264,000
ACCOUNTING		L	\$216,000	\$240,000	\$266,000	\$294,000
	Financial Accountant	S/M	\$291,000	\$319,000	\$351,000	\$387,000
		L	\$324,000	\$356,000	\$392,000	\$431,000
	Manager	S/M	\$420,000	\$470,000	\$500,000	\$520,000
		L	\$560,000	\$600,000	\$680,000	\$740,000
FINANCIAL CONTROLLING	Financial Controller	S/M	\$680,000	\$800,000	\$880,000	\$960,000
CONTROLLING		L	\$840,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,150,000
	Finance Director	S/M	\$800,000	\$880,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000
		L	\$1,200,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000
	CFO	S/M	\$1,000,000	\$1,220,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000
		L	\$1,600,000	\$1,900,000	\$2,500,000	\$3,000,000

<sup>\*</sup> Small companies (S): < HK\$ 50 million, Mid-size companies (M): HK\$ 50 million - HK\$ 150 million, Large companies (L): > HK\$ 150 million

TITLES		Company turnover*	25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
FINANCIAL PLANNING &	Financial Analyst	S/M	\$300,000	\$330,000	\$380,000	\$430,000
ANALYSIS/BUSINESS		L	\$370,000	\$410,000	\$450,000	\$500,000
	Financial Planning & Analysis Manager/Business Controller	S/M	\$450,000	\$540,000	\$680,000	\$740,000
		L	\$660,000	\$740,000	\$860,000	\$1,000,000
	Head of Financial Planning & Analysis	S/M	\$780,000	\$900,000	\$1,020,000	\$1,200,000
		L	\$1,200,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000
INTERNAL AUDIT	Internal Auditor	S/M	\$310,000	\$400,000	\$510,000	\$580,000
		L	\$420,000	\$520,000	\$600,000	\$660,000
	Manager	S/M	\$520,000	\$576,000	\$660,000	\$720,000
		L	\$580,000	\$750,000	\$840,000	\$940,000
	Head of Internal Audit/ Internal Audit Director	L	\$1,100,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000

<sup>\*</sup> Small companies (S): < HK\$ 50 million, Mid-size companies (M): HK\$ 50 million - HK\$ 150 million, Large companies (L): > HK\$ 150 million

TITLES		Company turnover*	25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
TAX	Analyst	S/M	\$250,000	\$280,000	\$340,000	\$400,000
		L	\$420,000	\$430,000	\$460,000	\$480,000
	Manager	S/M	\$500,000	\$600,000	\$720,000	\$800,000
		L	\$840,000	\$1,020,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,400,000
	Head of Tax/Tax Director	L	\$1,500,000	\$1,900,000	\$2,300,000	\$2,500,000
TREASURY	Analyst	S/M	\$280,000	\$340,000	\$400,000	\$430,000
		L	\$345,000	\$420,000	\$500,000	\$540,000
	Manager	S/M	\$540,000	\$580,000	\$600,000	\$640,000
		L	\$600,000	\$780,000	\$900,000	\$1,000,000
	Treasurer	L	\$900,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000
CORPORATE	Analyst	S/M	\$330,000	\$380,000	\$420,000	\$460,000
FINANCE		L	\$480,000	\$520,000	\$580,000	\$640,000
	Manager	S/M	\$540,000	\$580,000	\$600,000	\$640,000
		L	\$620,000	\$670,000	\$720,000	\$780,000
	Director	L	\$900,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,410,000	\$1,600,000

<sup>\*</sup> Small companies (S): < HK\$ 50 million, Mid-size companies (M): HK\$ 50 million - HK\$ 150 million, Large companies (L): > HK\$ 150 million



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# FINANCIAL SERVICES

### **IN-DEMAND ROLES**

• Fund Accounting Manager

• Compliance Manager

• Finance Manager

### IN-DEMAND SOFT SKILLS

- Interpersonal skills
- Stakeholder management skills
- Language skills (Cantonese, English, Mandarin)

### IN-DEMAND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- IFRS 17 reporting
- Fund accounting
- Liquidity risk

# FINANCIAL SERVICES **SALARIES**

**PERCENTILES** 50th **TITLES** 25th 75th 95th (Midpoint) FINANCE & Insurance ACCOUNTING/ Assistant Officer/Officer/Senior Officer \$230,000 \$290,000 \$330.000 \$440,000 CONTROL Assistant Finance Manager/Manager \$460,000 \$550,000 \$650,000 \$760,000 Senior Finance Manager/Functional Head \$770,000 \$1,250,000 \$1,500,000 \$950,000 Financial Controller/CFO \$1,500,000 \$1,800,000 \$2,100,000 \$2,500,000 Virtual/Retail/Commercial Bank Officer/Senior Officer \$220,000 \$260,000 \$320,000 \$360,000 Assistant Finance Manager \$360,000 \$400,000 \$460,000 \$540,000 Finance Manager/Senior Finance Manager \$540,000 \$720,000 \$960,000 \$600,000 Head of Finance/CFO \$1,020,000 \$1,400,000 \$1.800.000 \$2,200,000 Corporate and Investment Bank Associate/Senior Associate \$480,000 \$570,000 \$680,000 \$720,000 AVP/VP \$720,000 \$880,000 \$1,050,000 \$1,200,000 Finance Director/Financial Controller/Executive \$1,200,000 \$1,300,000 \$1,400,000 \$1,500,000 Director CFO/Managing Director \$1,600,000 \$1,800,000 \$2,000,000 \$2,500,000

	25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
Securities Brokerage				
Assistant Finance Manager	\$360,000	\$400,000	\$480,000	\$540,000
Finance Manager/Senior Finance Manager	\$540,000	\$600,000	\$720,000	\$960,000
Finance Director/Financial Controller	\$720,000	\$960,000	\$1,080,000	\$1,200,000
Head of Finance/CFO	\$1,020,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000
Private Equity/Hedge Fund/Asset Management				
Fund Accountant/Senior Fund Accountant/ Assistant Finance Manager	\$300,000	\$360,000	\$430,000	\$540,000
Finance Manager/Finance AVP	\$540,000	\$600,000	\$650,000	\$720,000
Senior Finance Manager/Finance VP	\$720,000	\$870,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,200,000
Financial Controller/Finance Director	\$1,200,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,600,000
Head of Finance/CFO	\$1,550,000	\$1,850,000	\$2,160,000	\$3,000,000
Auditor/Senior Auditor	\$250,000	\$380,000	\$430,000	\$480,000
Assistant Audit Manager/Audit Manager	\$420,000	\$540,000	\$625,000	\$780,000
Senior Audit Manager	\$720,000	\$850,000	\$960,000	\$1,200,000
Head of Audit	\$1,000,000	\$1,320,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,800,000
	Assistant Finance Manager Finance Manager/Senior Finance Manager Finance Director/Financial Controller Head of Finance/CFO Private Equity/Hedge Fund/Asset Management Fund Accountant/Senior Fund Accountant/ Assistant Finance Manager Finance Manager/Finance AVP Senior Finance Manager/Finance VP Financial Controller/Finance Director Head of Finance/CFO Auditor/Senior Auditor Assistant Audit Manager/Audit Manager Senior Audit Manager	Securities Brokerage  Assistant Finance Manager \$360,000  Finance Manager/Senior Finance Manager \$540,000  Finance Director/Financial Controller \$720,000  Head of Finance/CFO \$1,020,000  Private Equity/Hedge Fund/Asset Management  Fund Accountant/Senior Fund Accountant/ Assistant Finance Manager  Finance Manager/Finance AVP \$540,000  Senior Finance Manager/Finance VP \$720,000  Financial Controller/Finance Director \$1,200,000  Head of Finance/CFO \$1,550,000  Auditor/Senior Auditor \$250,000  Assistant Audit Manager/Audit Manager \$420,000  Senior Audit Manager \$720,000	Securities Brokerage  Assistant Finance Manager \$360,000 \$400,000  Finance Manager/Senior Finance Manager \$540,000 \$600,000  Finance Director/Financial Controller \$720,000 \$960,000  Head of Finance/CFO \$1,020,000 \$1,400,000  Private Equity/Hedge Fund/Asset Management  Fund Accountant/Senior Fund Accountant/ Assistant Finance Manager  Finance Manager/Finance AVP \$540,000 \$600,000  Senior Finance Manager/Finance VP \$720,000 \$870,000  Financial Controller/Finance Director \$1,200,000 \$1,300,000  Head of Finance/CFO \$1,550,000 \$1,850,000  Auditor/Senior Auditor \$250,000 \$380,000  Assistant Audit Manager/Audit Manager \$420,000 \$540,000  Senior Audit Manager	Securities Brokerage

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
RISK	Market Risk				
	Associate	\$300,000	\$370,000	\$430,000	\$480,000
	Manager/AVP	\$500,000	\$650,000	\$720,000	\$880,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$900,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,400,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,500,000	\$1,850,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,400,000
	Liquidity Risk				
	Associate	\$320,000	\$380,000	\$440,000	\$500,000
	Manager/AVP	\$520,000	\$620,000	\$750,000	\$900,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$930,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,500,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,600,000	\$1,900,000	\$2,100,000	\$2,400,000
	Credit Risk				
	Associate	\$240,000	\$290,000	\$340,000	\$400,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$480,000	\$530,000	\$600,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$750,000	\$950,000	\$1,150,000	\$1,300,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,350,000	\$1,580,000	\$1,820,000	\$2,000,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
RISK	Operations Risk				
	Associate	\$220,000	\$280,000	\$360,000	\$450,000
	Manager/AVP	\$480,000	\$530,000	\$650,000	\$720,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$800,000	\$950,000	\$1,080,000	\$1,200,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,300,000	\$1,520,000	\$1,680,000	\$1,800,000
	Market/Liquidity/Credit/Operations Risk				
	Head of Risk/Chief Risk Officer	\$1,800,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,800,000
COMPLIANCE	Insurance - General Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$310,000	\$360,000	\$420,000	\$480,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$500,000	\$630,000	\$700,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$690,000	\$800,000	\$910,000	\$1,100,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,150,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,480,000	\$1,600,000
	Head of Compliance/Chief Compliance Officer	\$1,500,000	\$1,680,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
COMPLIANCE	Virtual/Retail/Commercial Bank - AML/FCC				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$320,000	\$400,000	\$420,000	\$460,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$690,000	\$720,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$940,000	\$1,140,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,280,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,600,000
	Virtual/Retail/Commercial Bank - Compliance Testing				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$300,000	\$380,000	\$420,000	\$460,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$580,000	\$650,000	\$700,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$760,000	\$950,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,200,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,100,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,400,000
	Virtual/Retail/Commercial Bank - Regulatory Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$300,000	\$384,000	\$420,000	\$450,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$700,000	\$720,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$780,000	\$960,000	\$1,140,000	\$1,300,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,480,000	\$1,550,000
	Virtual/Retail/Commercial Bank				
	Head of Compliance/Chief Compliance Officer	\$1,400,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,400,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
COMPLIANCE	Corporate and Investment Bank - AML/FCC				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$320,000	\$400,000	\$450,000	\$480,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$650,000	\$720,000	\$750,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$780,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,380,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,600,000
	Corporate and Investment Bank - Compliance Testing				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$300,000	\$384,000	\$420,000	\$450,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$700,000	\$720,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$780,000	\$960,000	\$1,140,000	\$1,300,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,480,000	\$1,550,000
	Corporate and Investment Bank - Control Room				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$360,000	\$400,000	\$430,000	\$460,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$700,000	\$720,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$800,000	\$960,000	\$1,140,000	\$1,300,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,800,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
COMPLIANCE	Corporate and Investment Bank - Product Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$420,000	\$480,000	\$520,000	\$560,000
	Manager/AVP	\$550,000	\$650,000	\$720,000	\$800,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$780,000	\$960,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,400,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,400,000	\$1,550,000	\$1,680,000	\$1,800,000
	Corporate and Investment Bank - Regulatory Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$300,000	\$384,000	\$420,000	\$450,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$700,000	\$720,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$780,000	\$960,000	\$1,140,000	\$1,300,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,440,000	\$1,650,000	\$1,800,000
	Corporate and Investment Bank				
	Head of Compliance/Chief Compliance Officer	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,400,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
COMPLIANCE	Securities Brokerage - General Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$300,000	\$350,000	\$400,000	\$450,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$480,000	\$550,000	\$600,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$650,000	\$720,000	\$800,000	\$1,000,000
	Director/Section Head	\$900,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,400,000
	Head of Compliance/Chief Compliance Officer	\$1,080,000	\$1,320,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000
	Hedge Fund/Asset/Investment Management - General Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$320,000	\$360,000	\$420,000	\$480,000
	Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$500,000	\$630,000	\$700,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$690,000	\$800,000	\$910,000	\$1,200,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,200,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,650,000	\$1,800,000
	Hedge Fund/Asset/Investment Management - Investment Compliance				
	Associate/Assistant Manager	\$360,000	\$400,000	\$450,000	\$480,000
	Manager/AVP	\$440,000	\$600,000	\$720,000	\$780,000
	Senior Manager/VP	\$780,000	\$960,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,280,000
	Director/Section Head	\$1,400,000	\$1,580,000	\$1,750,000	\$1,800,000
	Hedge Fund/Asset/Investment Management				
	Head of Compliance/Chief Compliance Officer	\$1,500,000	\$1,650,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th
OPERATIONS	Middle Office/Trade Support (All Products)				
	Analyst	\$324,000	\$380,000	\$439,000	\$468,000
	Associate/Manager/AVP	\$468,000	\$591,000	\$717,000	\$800,000
	VP	\$850,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,295,000	\$1,450,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,450,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,100,000
	Fund Accounting/Administrator				
	Analyst	\$280,000	\$320,000	\$380,000	\$410,000
	Associate/Manager/AVP	\$410,000	\$485,000	\$555,000	\$600,000
	VP	\$624,000	\$819,000	\$1,048,000	\$1,200,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,100,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,800,000
	Client Services/Marketing Support				
	Analyst	\$312,000	\$370,000	\$427,000	\$465,000
	Associate/Manager/AVP	\$465,000	\$591,000	\$717,000	\$800,000
	VP	\$800,000	\$1,044,000	\$1,288,000	\$1,450,000
	SVP/MD	\$1,450,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,000,000

TITLES		25th	50th (Midpoint)	75th	95th			
OPERATIONS	Equity Settlements/Fixed Income Settlements							
	Analyst	\$247,000	\$280,000	\$312,000	\$360,000			
	Associate/Manager/AVP	\$360,000	\$398,000	\$500,000	\$600,000			
	VP	\$600,000	\$725,000	\$950,000	\$1,100,000			
	SVP/MD	\$1,100,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,300,000			
	Corporate Actions							
	Analyst	\$295,000	\$339,000	\$388,000	\$420,000			
	Associate/Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$495,000	\$570,000	\$620,000			
	VP	\$624,000	\$800,000	\$980,000	\$1,100,000			
	SVP/MD	\$1,100,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,300,000			
	Fund Operations/Investment Operations							
	Analyst	\$290,000	\$345,000	\$407,000	\$420,000			
	Associate/Manager/AVP	\$420,000	\$500,000	\$580,000	\$620,000			
	VP	\$620,000	\$850,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000			
	SVP/MD	\$1,200,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,800,000			

# **TECHNOLOGY**

### **IN-DEMAND ROLES**

- Developer
- IT Risk Lead
- IT Security
- Project Manager
- Program Manager

### IN-DEMAND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming languages (Java/Python, C++ and React)
- IT security (Penetration test, Risk/Threat and Vulnerability assessment)
- Infrastructure (UNIX/Linux, Windows server and Powershell)
- Project management (Agile, UAT and Resources management)

### IN-DEMAND SOFT SKILLS

- Communication skills
- Assertiveness
- Adaptability

# **TECHNOLOGY SALARIES**

			PERCENTILES —		
TITLES		25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
APPLICATION & DEVELOPMENT	Architect (Applications, Solutions, Systems, Data)	\$600,000	\$800,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
	Back-end Developer	\$360,000	\$500,000	\$960,000	\$1,400,000
	Back-office Application/ Production Support	\$360,000	\$518,000	\$675,000	\$780,000
	CIO/CTO	\$1,500,000	\$1,800,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,400,000
	Cloud Engineer	\$365,000	\$610,000	\$910,000	\$1,250,000
	Data Scientist/Quant Analyst	\$620,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$2,000,000
	DevOps Engineer	\$600,000	\$850,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000
	Front-end Developer	\$300,000	\$500,000	\$720,000	\$840,000
	Front-office Application/ Production Support	\$480,000	\$700,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,300,000
	Full-stack Developer	\$305,000	\$425,000	\$755,000	\$1,300,000

TITLES		25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
APPLICATION & DEVELOPMENT	Quality Assurance/Testing	\$300,000	\$456,000	\$610,000	\$780,000
	Trade Floor Support	\$360,000	\$428,000	\$495,000	\$540,000
	UI/UX Designer	\$300,000	\$600,000	\$840,000	\$1,000,000
BUSINESS	Agile Coach	\$800,000	\$900,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,500,000
TRANSFORMATION	Business Analyst	\$336,000	\$520,000	\$800,000	\$1,200,000
	PMO	\$900,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,500,000	\$2,000,000
	Program Manager	\$900,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,500,000	\$2,000,000
	Project Manager	\$600,000	\$800,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,800,000
	Scrum Master	\$415,000	\$619,000	\$840,000	\$980,000
CYBER-SECURITY	Cyber-security	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$840,000	\$1,400,000
	IT Auditor	\$480,000	\$675,000	\$880,000	\$1,100,000
	Technology Risk	\$420,000	\$600,000	\$840,000	\$1,300,000

TITLES		25 <sup>th</sup>	50 <sup>th</sup> (Midpoint)	75 <sup>th</sup>	95 <sup>th</sup>
INFRASTRUCTURE	Cloud Engineer \$450,000	\$600,000	\$900,000	\$1,200,000	
	Database Administrator Lead/ Development Lead	\$700,000	\$888,000	\$1,075,000	\$1,200,000
	Helpdesk Analyst	\$300,000	\$384,000	\$480,000	\$600,000
	IT/Infrastructure Manager	\$540,000	\$672,000	\$900,000	\$1,200,000
	Network Engineer	\$360,000	\$540,000	\$720,000	\$840,000
	Storage Consultant	\$450,000	\$520,000	\$630,000	\$720,000
	Trade Floor Support	\$384,000	\$540,000	\$660,000	\$840,000
	Unix/Linux Administrator	\$480,000	\$600,000	\$720,000	\$840,000
	Voice/Data/Telephony Engineer	\$301,000	\$526,000	\$750,000	\$900,000
	Windows Administrator	\$420,000	\$525,000	\$780,000	\$1,000,000

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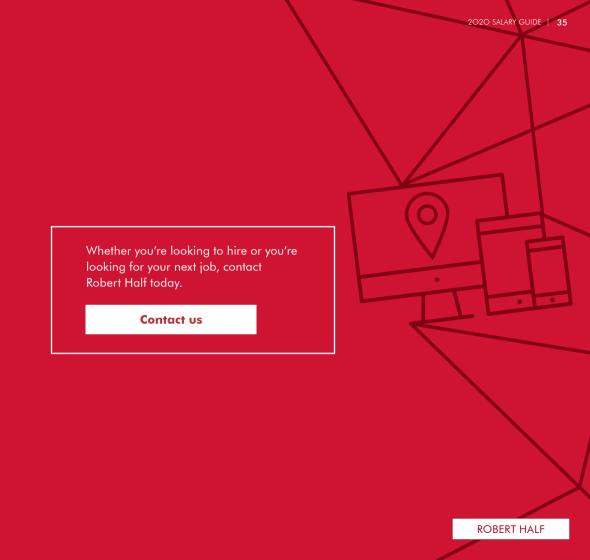
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