

US Banks Hiring Trend Analysis

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Introduction

The merger of technology with finance/banking domain has introduced a new phenomenon of Financial Technology a.k.a. FinTech and its implementation is evidently visible in several financial institutions in the US. These institutions are coming out of mainstreams to implement technologies like data science, AI, Cloud Computing, Machine Learning and are capitalizing heavily to upgrade their technological platforms. Some of these enactments shared by [fintech magazine](#) highlight on the key areas financial institutions are developing.

Fintech companies are providing multiple career opportunities which makes it interesting to understand the hiring trends of top Banks in the United States. Our case study analyzes these trends in the Fintech industry to understand the mandate of technology.

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Identifying Fintech Keywords

To begin with we first identify the prominent keywords typically used in Fintech. We refer the reports summarized by World Economic Forum (WEF) which discuss the state of the industry and their upcoming trends.

- [Beyond Fintech: A Pragmatic Assessment Of Disruptive Potential In Financial Services](#)
- [The Future of Financial Services](#)
- [The future of financial infrastructure](#)
- [A Blueprint for Digital Identity](#)

We extract the top 100 keywords and build three lists using the following approaches:

1. Wordcount

Wordcount counts all words in the pdfs and ranks them by frequency of appearance. The word cloud below highlights keywords identified by this approach.



Web Scrapping

We built a scraper using selenium and BeautifulSoup for scraping career websites of BB&T Corp and State Street bank websites and parse each job posting for keyword extraction. These keywords are compared with the list generated from TF/IDF algorithm to find out the frequency of the fintech words among all the job postings respectively.

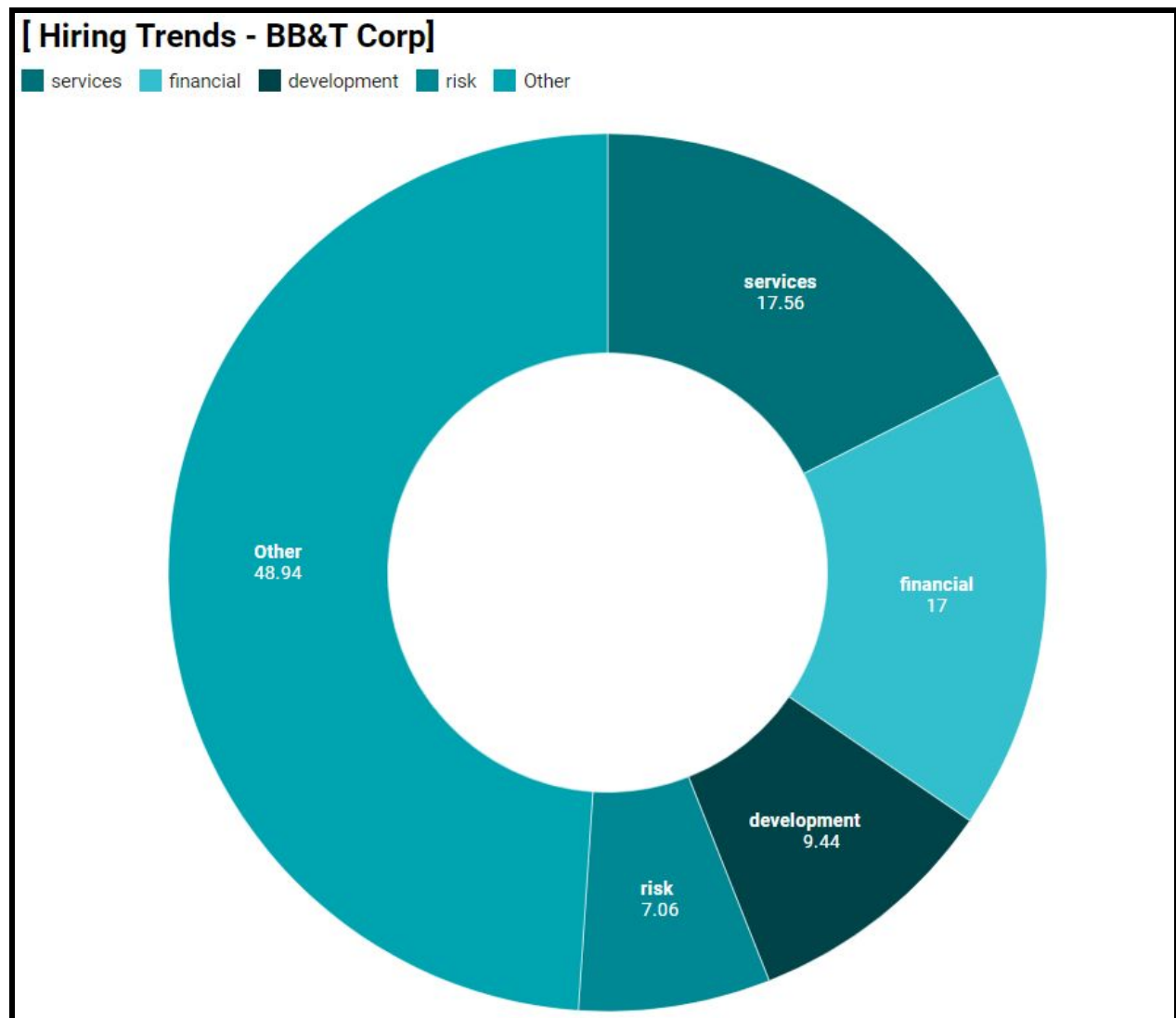
Key feature: We worked on dynamically generated web pages which are JavaScript rendered pages, content that is not present in the source code of the page. In order to retrieve URLs for each job posting, we deduced a logic on how the URL is built and identified a common pattern among them in turn scraping all the data from each of the job posting.

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for link in test_links:
    designation = link.find('div', attrs={'class': 'gwt-Label WOTO WISO'})
    address = link.find('span', attrs={'class': 'gwt-InlineLabel WM-F WLYF'})
    # print('designation is: ', designation.get_text())
    # print('address is: ', address.get_text())
    address_label = address.get_text()
    title = designation.get_text()
    address_label_contents = address_label.split('|')
    print(address_label_contents)
    print('length of list: ', len(address_label_contents))
    location_more = address_label_contents[0].strip()
    if location_more.count(',') > 1:
        location_trim = location_more.rsplit(',', 1)
        location = location_trim[0]
    else:
        location = location_more
    location = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z0-9-]+', '-', location)
    title = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z0-9-]', '-', title)
    job_id = address_label_contents[1].strip()
    # # location.replace(',', '-')
    # # print(location, job_id)
    if len(address_label_contents) == 2:
        url = base_url + title + '_' + address_label_contents[0].strip()
    else:
        url = base_url + location + '/' + title + '_' + job_id
    print(url)
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Analysis

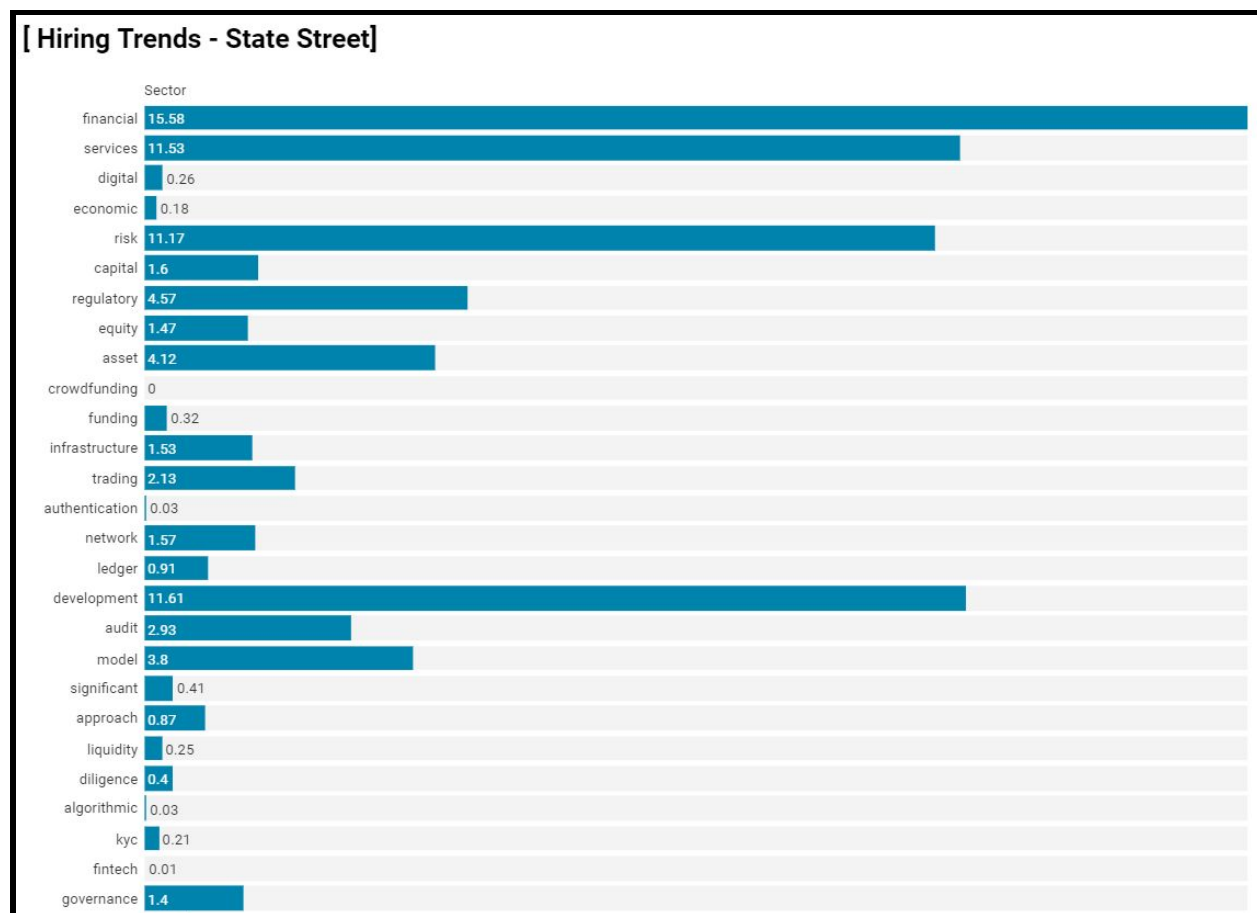
BB&T Corp

From the data visualization represented below, BB&T Corp main focus is on services, development, risk and financial business sectors by hiring professionals who has expertise in these areas.



State Street

From the data visualization represented below State Street is chiefly concentrating on services, development, risk and financial business sectors by hiring professionals who has expertise in these areas. But it is also looking for people who are skilled in analytics, cloud, network and infrastructure which represents that it is looking forward to incorporate the upcoming technologies in its business.



Conclusion

From the above observation we infer that banking industry is currently focused on hiring people skilled in the services, development, risk and financial business sectors. However, it is gradually bending towards implementing financial technology such as cloud, analytics, digitalization to automate their working platforms.



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Languages and Tools Used

Language	Python 3.7
Libraries/Tools	pdfminer, nltk, selenium, BeautifulSoup, Chromedriver
Visualization	Datawrapper, worditout