Skills snapshot **Design and development**

This snapshot includes the most popular specialist and software skills most sought after by recruiting employers between October 2021 and September 2022 in the UK. It also shows the top SOC occupations within each group that employers have been recruiting for over the past year.

**Key job posting figures**

(Oct 2021 to Sept 2022)

Unique postings: **63,100**
Median advertised salary: **£41,152**

**Key labour force figures**

Jobs 2021: **242,300**
Job growth (%) 2030: **2.5%**

**Top SOC occupations**

Design, UK, Oct 2021 to Sept 2022

- Design and development engineers
- Product, clothing and related designers
- Research and development managers

**Top 10 software skills**

Design, UK, Oct 2021 to Sept 2022

- AutoCAD
- Solidworks (CAD)
- Figma (design software)
- Adobe Photoshop
- Microsoft Office
- Adobe Illustrator
- Microsoft Excel
- SketchUp (3D modeling software)
- Autodesk Revit
- Adobe InDesign

**Top 15 specialist skills**

Design, UK, Oct 2021 to Sept 2022

- Product design
- New product development
- Prototyping
- User experience
- AutoCAD
- Computer-Aided Design
- Solidworks (CAD)
- Engineering design process
- 3D modeling
- User interface
- Figma (design software)
- Wireframing
- User research
- Visual design
- SketchUp (3D modeling software)

Source: Lightcast Job Postings

Note:
The 'specialist' skills lists included in this snapshot have been extracted by their relative importance to the thematic career group and then ranked by the frequency with which they appear in job postings related to the group.

Software skills may overlap with specialist skills, depending on prevalence.