

Facts About Microsoft

Azure Global Infrastructure

Microsoft has more than 60 Azure regions, the largest of any provider, meeting the growing demand for cloud and AI services around the world, and ensuring resilient and sustainable operations. At the same time, Microsoft strives to be a good neighbor in the communities in which it operates through its partnerships with community and government leaders.

[Explore Map](#)

60+ Azure regions
300+ Datacenters worldwide
442k+ Kilometers of network
190+ Network PoPs

As of Sept. 30, 2024

Microsoft Research Labs

Microsoft has a long history of investing in international research hubs, helping the company attract and retain some of the world's best researchers in AI and other fields, and ensuring the company's AI systems reflect a diversity of experiences and cultures.

[Redmond, Washington](#) (1991)

[Cambridge, United Kingdom](#) (1997)

[Beijing, China](#) (1998)

[Bengaluru, India](#) (2005)

[New England \(Cambridge\), Massachusetts](#) (2008)

[New York City, New York](#) (2013)

[Montréal, Canada](#) (2019)

Shanghai, China (2019)

Amsterdam, Netherlands (2021)

Berlin, Germany (2022)

Nairobi, Kenya (2022)

Vancouver, Canada (2023)

Tokyo, Japan (2024)

Cairo, Egypt (2007)

Substantial Global Operations

Microsoft's global network of sales offices, support centers, technology hubs, development centers, and more provides opportunities to connect with communities, customers and partners, and drive innovation.

Asia

- [Microsoft India Development Centers](#) in Bengaluru, Noida, and Hyderabad
- [Microsoft-INESA AI Innovation Center](#) in Shanghai, China (September 17, 2018)

Europe, Middle East & Africa

- [Microsoft Israel Development Centers](#) in Herzliya, Haifa, Tel Aviv, Nazareth, and Be'er-Sheva
- [Microsoft AI hub](#) in London, England (April 7, 2024)
- [Microsoft AI Innovation Factory](#) in Lisbon, Portugal (February 21, 2024)

Americas

- [Digital Sales and the Support area](#) in San José, Costa Rica (February 25, 2022)
- [Microsoft Canada Development Centre](#) in Vancouver, Canada (September 10, 2008)

Recent AI Infrastructure, Cloud and Skilling Investments

Microsoft makes long term commitments in the communities it operates in, through its cloud and AI footprint, data centers, skilling, approach to co-innovation with customers, and commitment to sustainable societal impact. Microsoft's philosophy is that it does well when the world does well, which means building a platform for businesses around the world to innovate and thrive profitably.

Asia

- **Australia** (October 24, 2023): [Microsoft announces A\\$5 billion investment in computing capacity and capability to help 300,000 Australians seize the AI era](#). The investment will grow Microsoft's local datacenter footprint from 20 sites to a total of 29 spread across Canberra, Melbourne, and Sydney. Notably, it launched the Microsoft-Australian Signals Directorate Cyber Shield (MACS), aimed at improving protection from cyber threats for Australian residents.
- **India** (January 7, 2025): [Microsoft announces US \\$3 billion investment over two years in India cloud and AI infrastructure to accelerate adoption of AI, skilling, and innovation](#). Microsoft announced initiatives to train and skill 10 million people in the country, an AI Innovation Network to deepen its commitment to cultivate the AI ecosystem in India, and the establishment of new datacenters.
- **Indonesia** (April 30, 2024): [Microsoft announces US\\$1.7 billion investment to advance Indonesia's cloud and AI ambitions](#). The investment includes new cloud and AI infrastructure, skilling opportunities for 840,000 people, and support for 10,000 Indonesian developers to become AI subject matter experts.
- **Japan** (April 10, 2024): [Microsoft to invest US\\$2.9 billion in AI and cloud infrastructure in Japan while boosting the nation's skills, research, and cybersecurity](#). The investment doubles the company's existing financial commitment to expand its AI and cloud infrastructure across Japan, builds Japan's AI capability by training 3 million people, opens its first Microsoft Research Asia lab in Japan, and deepens its cybersecurity collaboration with the Government of Japan.
- **Japan** (March 27, 2025): [Accelerating Japan's growth with AI: Microsoft to introduce Azure High Performance Computing capacity, including high-performing GPUs from NVIDIA across the country](#).
- **Malaysia** (May 2, 2024): [Microsoft announces US\\$2.2 billion investment to fuel Malaysia's cloud and AI transformation](#). The investment will include supporting the Government of Malaysia's AI aspirations and enhance the nation's cybersecurity capabilities. Later in December 2024, [Microsoft launches #AIForMYFuture, creating skilling opportunities for 800,000 Malaysians by the end of 2025](#), contributing to a robust talent pipeline for AI-related jobs in the country.
- **South Korea** (March 26, 2025): [Microsoft to expand AI collaboration with Korea to empowering innovation and growth across key industries](#). The investment includes a nationwide AI skilling initiative with Korea Telecom.
- **Thailand** (May 1, 2024): [Microsoft announces significant commitments to enable a cloud and AI-powered future for Thailand](#). Microsoft's investment to build the first cloud and AI datacenter region in Thailand, along with its commitment to support the Thai Government, will enhance the nation's developer community and drive growth in both public and private sectors. Additionally, Microsoft will offer AI skilling opportunities for over 100,000 people in Thailand.
- **Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)** (April 30, 2024): [Microsoft announces AI skilling opportunities for 2.5 million people in the ASEAN region by 2025](#). The initiatives aim to provide technical and vocational education and training students with AI skills, train young individuals to build cybersecurity careers, equip 1,500 nonprofit employees with knowledge and skills in AI and digital technologies, and more.

Europe, Middle East and Africa

- **France** (May 13, 2024): [Microsoft announces its largest investment in France to date to accelerate AI adoption, skills, and innovation](#). The company will invest 4 billion euros in cloud and AI infrastructure, AI skilling, and French Tech acceleration, aiming to train 1 million people and support 2,500 AI startups by 2027.

- **Germany** (February 15, 2024): [Microsoft invests 3.2 billion euros to more than double AI infrastructure and cloud capacities in Germany and to qualify skilled workers](#). The expansion of its cloud regions will more than double capacities, and with an increased focus on training more than 1.2 million people in digital skills by the end of 2025.
- **Italy** (October 2, 2024): [Microsoft invests €4.3B to boost AI infrastructure and cloud capacity in Italy](#). The investment will introduce new training programs to skill more than 1 million people in Italy by 2025.
- **Poland** (February 17, 2025): [Microsoft announces a PLN 2.8 billion investment in cloud and AI infrastructure, skilling and cybersecurity in Poland](#).
- **South Africa** (May 24, 2024): [Microsoft reinforces its commitment to South Africa with R1.3 billion investment to spur job creation](#). The investment aims to support digital transformation for SMMEs and startups, provide better learning experiences for TVET colleges, equip SMMEs with advanced AI and other capabilities to narrow the current skills gaps, and support up to 20 advanced research and development projects.
- **South Africa** (March 6, 2025): [Microsoft invests an additional ZAR 5.4bn in South Africa and launches youth certification program for high-demand digital skills](#).
- **Spain** (February 19, 2024): [Microsoft quadruples its investment in AI and cloud infrastructure in Spain to promote the deployment of responsible and secure AI in companies and public administration](#). The investment includes the extension of the use of AI in public administration and improvements of national cybersecurity and organization's cyber-resilience.
- **Sweden** (June 3, 2024): [Microsoft announces a two-year investment of SEK 33.7 billion in cloud and AI infrastructure and an AI skills boost for a quarter of a million people in Sweden](#). It also includes an investment in raising the AI skills of 250,000 people across organizations, schools, universities, and the public sector.
- **United Kingdom** (November 30, 2023): [Microsoft's investment in AI infrastructure, skills, and security to boost the UK's AI potential](#). The investment will more than double its datacenter footprint in the UK, train more than one million people for the AI economy, and help its 25,000 UK partners integrate the adoption of responsible AI principles into its Partner Pledge.
- **United Kingdom** (October 21, 2024): [Microsoft and UK Government sign five-year agreement, offering access to world-leading value for UK public sector and supporting new era of digital transformation](#). The partnership aims to increase the UK public sector's speed of innovation, equip the workforce with AI skills, and build the next generation of government cloud services.
- **United Arab Emirates** (April 15, 2024): [Microsoft invests \\$1.5 billion in Abu Dhabi's G42 to accelerate AI development and global expansion](#). The investment will bring the latest Microsoft AI technologies and skilling initiatives to the UAE and other countries around the world.

Americas

- **Brazil** (September 26, 2024): [Microsoft announces 14.7 billion Reais investment over three years in cloud and AI infrastructure and provide AI training via ConectAI at scale to upskill 5 million people in Brazil](#). Microsoft will also expand its cloud and AI infrastructure across several datacenter campuses in the state of São Paulo.
- **Canada** (November 22, 2023): [Microsoft expands digital footprint in Quebec with USD\\$500 million investment in infrastructure and skilling initiatives](#). Notably, the investments include the expansion of NPower Canada's Canadian Tech Talent Accelerator and the launch of the Operational Risk Skills Development Centre in partnership with KPMG Canada, helping to reinforce Quebec's robust innovation economy, fuel high-value job creation, and prepare the province for the new AI economy.
- **Mexico** (September 24, 2024): [Microsoft announces \\$1.3 billion USD investment over the next three years to improve AI infrastructure and to promote digital and AI skills to democratize access to these competencies and reach 5 million people in Mexico](#).

Microsoft Subsidiaries (Formation Year)

Albania (2008)	Georgia (2009)	New Zealand (1991)
Algeria (2002)	Germany (1983)	Nigeria (2000)
Angola (2010)	Greece (1992)	Norway (1990)
Argentina (1991)	Guatemala (1995)	Oman (2008)
Armenia (2005)	Honduras (2002)	Pakistan (1996)
Australia (1983)	Hong Kong SAR (1991)	Panama (1995)
Austria (1991)	Hungary (1992)	Paraguay (2002)
Azerbaijan (2005)	Iceland (1997)	Peru (1994)
Bahrain (1993)	India (1990)	Philippines (1995)
Bangladesh (2004)	Indonesia (1995)	Poland (1992)
Barbados (2016)	Iraq (2004)	Portugal (1990)
Belarus (2010)	Ireland (1985)	Puerto Rico (1989)
Belgium (1986)	Isle of Man (2013)	Qatar (2005)
Bolivia (1999)	Israel (1989)	Romania (1996)
Bosnia & Herzegovina (2006)	Italy (1985)	Saudi Arabia (1998)
Brazil (1989)	Jamaica (1999)	Serbia (2002)
Brunei (2006)	Japan (1978)	Singapore (1990)
Bulgaria (1999)	Jordan (2006)	Slovakia (1995)
Cambodia (2015)	Kazakhstan (2002)	Slovenia (1995)
Canada (1985)	Kenya (1996)	South Africa (1992)
Chile (1992)	Korea (1988)	Spain (1987)
China (1992)	Kuwait (1999)	Sri Lanka (2004)
Colombia (1993)	Latvia (1999)	Sweden (1985)
Costa Rica (1994)	Lithuania (2001)	Switzerland (1989)
Croatia (1996)	Luxembourg (2005)	Taiwan (1989)
Cyprus (2007)	Macao SAR (2005)	Thailand (1993)
Czech Republic (1992)	Macedonia, Former Yugoslav	Trinidad & Tobago (1999)
Denmark (Founded: 1989)	Republic of (2004)	Turkey (1993)
Dominican Republic (1997)	Malaysia (1992)	Ukraine (2003)
Ecuador (1993)	Malta (2005)	United Arab Emirates (1993)
Egypt (1997)	Mexico (1986)	United Kingdom (1982)
El Salvador (1998)	Montenegro (2007)	United States (1975)
Estonia (2003)	Morocco (1993)	Uruguay (1995)
Finland (1992)	Myanmar (2015)	Vietnam (1996)
France (1983)	Netherlands (1986)	

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Current Employment Headcount

International: 102,000

United States: 126,000

Worldwide: 228,000

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For more information on Microsoft's history, please see the [50 Years of Microsoft Timeline](#).