

Funding ticks downwards:



After the **Q4'15** crash in investment dollars, global funding to VC-backed companies in **Q1'16** dropped further to total

\$25.5B.



Deals see further drops globally:

Deal activity across all major markets dropped and financings slowed to end at

1829



for the quarter.

Unicorn creation at near-standstill:

As existing **Unicorns** battled negative press, downrounds and markdowns, only

5 new VC-backed Unicorns were minted in **Q1'16**.



Corporates accelerate deal pace:

Corporate and CVC participation in deals rose to

27%,

as corporations become increasingly active in private markets.

North America

US deal activity falls for third-straight quarter:

US deal activity continued to cool, with

\$14.8B

invested over

1035 deals.



Late-stage deal sizes shrinking:

Mean late-stage deal size in North America plunged to

\$21.5M

in **Q1'16**, down from

\$30M in **Q4'15**.

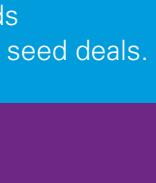


Continued signs of seed fatigue:

Seed deal share fell further to

22%

for **Q1'16** and **Series A** rounds



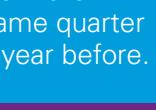
actually outpaced seed deals.

Early-stage deal sizes remain high:

Median early-stage deals in **Q1'16** at

\$3M, up a full

50% from the same quarter a year before.



New York sees growth:

New York has now outpaced **Massachusetts** for deal activity in each of the last

5 quarters.



Europe

Mixed signs in European financing:

Total funding in Europe crept up

8% to **\$3.5B**

in **Q1'16**, although deal count was on the decline.



Seed deal share falls in Europe:

Seed share fell below

40% of all deals for the first time in at least **5 quarters**,

taking only **35%** of deals going to **VC-backed** companies.



UK deal, dollar activity dips:

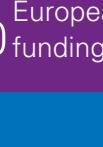
UK-based startups raised

\$1.3B

in funding across **105 deals**,

both down slightly

from **Q4'15**. Overall, ~**36%** of European funding.

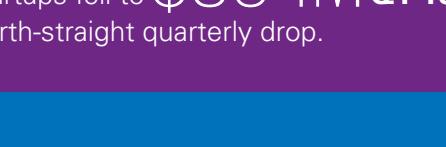


Germany deal, dollar activity diverges:

Funding to German

VC-backed startups fell to

\$394M in **Q1'16**,



Asia

Asia funding drop-off continues:

Deals to **VC-backed** Asian companies dropped a further

9% and funding dollars cratered

34%.

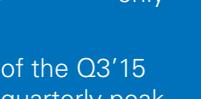


China funding crashes further:

VC-backed companies in China received

\$4B in funding, that's only

39% of the Q3'15 quarterly peak.



Late-stage deals shrink dramatically:

As mega-rounds became a rarer sight, median late-stage deal size crashed from

\$154M in **Q4'15**



\$62.5M in **Q1'16**.

India activity slows again:

Deals in India slipped **4%** while funding fell **24%**

as VC-backed startups raised

\$1.2B on **116 deals**.

