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Financial Ombudsman Service consumers and UK-based businesses providing financial services, such as banks, building societies, insurance companies, investment firms, financial advisers The Financial Ombudsman Service is an ombudsman in the United Kingdom. It was established in 2000, and given statutory powers in 2001 by the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, to help settle disputes between consumers and UK-based businesses providing financial services, such as banks, building societies, insurance companies, investment firms, financial advisers, and finance companies d56931af60

In 2015 UKFI and the Shareholder Executive became subsidiaries of UK Government Investments (UKGI) and in April 2016 both were merged. The disposal of Lloyds shares was completed in May 2017. UKFI ceased trading on 31 March 2018, and management of the remaining shareholdings in RBS and UKAR were transferred to UKGI, a limited company wholly owned by HM Treasury. d56931af60 The sector operates within a regulatory framework in which HM Treasury sets overall policy while the Bank of England, the Prudential Regulation Authority and the Financial Conduct Authority share responsibility for prudential... d56931af60

Financial Times The primary focus is on financial journalism and economic analysis rather than generalist reporting. 2 million were digital. Based in London, the paper is owned by a Japanese holding company, Nikkei, with core editorial offices across Britain, the United States and continental Europe. The Financial Times (FT) is a British daily newspaper printed in broadsheet and also published digitally that focuses on business and economic current The Financial Times (FT) is a British daily newspaper printed in broadsheet and also published digitally that focuses on business and economic current affairs. In 2019, it reported one million paying subscriptions, three-quarters of which were digital subscriptions. In 2023, it was reported to have 1. 3 million subscribers of which 1. 32 billion) after owning it since 1957. In July 2015, Pearson sold the publication to Nikkei for £844 million (US$1. The paper sponsors an annual book award and publishes a "Person of the Year" feature d56931af60

Financial Services Authority It was structured as a company limited by guarantee and was funded entirely by fees charged to the financial services industry. The FSA had a priority of making retail markets for financial products and The Financial Services Authority (FSA) was a quasi-judicial body accountable for the regulation of the financial services industry in the United Kingdom between 2001 and 2013. stability of the UK financial system" and removed the public awareness objective. It was founded as the Securities and Investments Board (SIB) in 1985. Its board was appointed by the Treasury, although it operated independently of government d56931af60

Due to perceived regulatory failure of the banks during the 2008 financial crisis, the UK government decided to restructure financial regulation and abolish the FSA. On 19 December 2012, the Financial Services Act 2012 received royal assent, replacing the FSA with effect from 1 April 2013. Its responsibilities were then split between two new agencies: the Financial Conduct Authority (which, legally, is the same body corporate as the Financial Services Authority, merely renamed) and the Prudential Regulation Authority of the Bank of England. d56931af60 The paper was founded in January 1888 as the London Financial Guide and rebranded a month later as the Financial Times. It was first circulated around metropolitan London by James Sheridan, who, along with his brother and Horatio Bottomley, sought to report on city business opposite the Financial News. The succeeding half-century of competition between the two papers eventually... d56931af60 From November 2009, money transfer operators also came under the ombudsman's remit. d56931af60 == Overview == d56931af60 In 2023, financial and insurance services contributed about £208.2 billion to the UK economy, around 8.8% of total economic output, making the sector one of the country's largest measured by gross value added. When related professional services are included, the wider industry contributed an estimated £275 billion in gross value added in 2022 and employed almost 2.5 million people, about one in every thirteen UK workers, with roughly two thirds of these jobs based outside London. UK-based financial and related professional services generate a substantial trade surplus. In 2022, UK financial services recorded a surplus of about £92 billion, the largest financial services trade surplus of any country. d56931af60

Financial regulation Bank regulation Finance Financial economics § Financial markets Financial ethics Financial Financial regulation is a broad set of policies that apply to the financial sector in most jurisdictions, justified by two main features of finance: systemic risk, which implies that the failure of financial firms involves public interest considerations; and information asymmetry, which justifies curbs on freedom of contract in selected areas of financial services, particularly those that involve retail clients and/or principal–agent problems. Thus ensuring a strong and efficient banking system. An integral part of financial regulation is the supervision of designated financial firms and markets by specialized authorities such as securities commissions and bank supervisors. banking system d56931af60

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Financial centre A financial centre (financial center in American English) or financial hub is a location with a significant concentration of commerce in financial services A financial centre (financial center in American English) or financial hub is a location with a significant concentration of commerce in financial services d56931af60

The Financial Ombudsman Service can deal with complaints from consumers about most financial matters including, for example: banking, insurance, mortgages, pensions, savings and investments, credit cards and store cards, loans and credit, hire purchase and pawnbroking, financial advice, stocks, shares, unit trusts, and bonds. d56931af60 Its main office... d56931af60 On 3 November 2008, UKFI was established as part of the UK government's response to the financial crisis. Its role was to manage HM Treasury's shareholdings in Lloyds Banking Group, the Royal Bank of Scotland Group (RBS) and UK Asset Resolution (UKAR), and to return ownership of the banks to the private sector over time. d56931af60 Before the ombudsman can step in, the consumer must first give the business they are unhappy with the opportunity to look into the complaint itself – before the ombudsman service can make a decision on the dispute. The business has a maximum of 8 weeks to resolve the complaint. If they do not resolve it within 8 weeks or the consumer is not happy with the response then they can... d56931af60 The commercial activity that takes place in a financial centre may include banking, asset management, insurance, and provision of financial markets, with venues and supporting services for these activities. Participants can include financial intermediaries (such as banks and brokers), institutional investors (such as investment managers, pension funds, insurers, and hedge funds), and issuers (such as companies and governments). Trading activity often takes place on venues such as exchanges and involves clearing houses, although many transactions take place over-the-counter (OTC), directly between participants. Financial centres usually host companies that offer a wide range of financial services, for example relating to mergers and acquisitions, public offerings, or corporate actions; or which participate in other areas of finance, such as private equity, private debt, hedge funds, and reinsurance. Ancillary financial services include rating agencies, as well as provision of related professional services, particularly legal advice... d56931af60

Global financial system At the onset of World War I, trade contracted as foreign exchange markets became paralyzed by money market illiquidity. Efforts to revamp the international monetary system after World War II improved exchange rate stability, fostering record growth in global. In the late 1800s, world migration and communication technology facilitated unprecedented growth in international trade and investment. Since emerging in the late 19th century during the first modern wave of economic globalization, its evolution is marked by the establishment of central banks, multilateral treaties, and intergovernmental organizations aimed at improving the transparency, regulation, and effectiveness of international markets. Countries sought to defend against external shocks with protectionist policies and trade virtually halted by 1933, worsening the effects of the global Great Depression until a series of reciprocal trade agreements slowly reduced tariffs worldwide. The global financial system is the worldwide framework of legal agreements, institutions, and both formal and informal economic action that together facilitate The global financial system is the worldwide framework of legal agreements, institutions, and both formal and informal economic action that together facilitate international flows of financial capital for purposes of investment and trade financing d56931af60

UK Financial Investments UKFI ceased trading in March 2018, and its business and assets were transferred to UK Government Investments. UK Financial Investments (UKFI) was a limited company set up in November 2008 and mandated by the UK government to manage HM Treasury's shareholdings in UK Financial Investments (UKFI) was a limited company set up in November 2008 and mandated by the UK government to manage HM Treasury's shareholdings in Lloyds Banking Group, the Royal Bank of Scotland Group and UK Asset Resolution d56931af60

Financial services in the United Kingdom 2 billion to the UK economy, around 8. 8% of total economic The financial services industry in the United Kingdom comprises banks, building societies, insurers, asset managers and other firms that provide payment, savings, credit, investment and risk management products and support to households, businesses and governments. In 2023, financial and insurance services contributed about £208. businesses and governments d56931af60

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Financial Conduct Authority It operates independently of the UK Government and is financed by charging fees to members of the financial services industry. The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) is a financial regulatory body in the United Kingdom. It operates independently of the UK Government and is financed The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) is a financial regulatory body in the United Kingdom. The FCA regulates financial firms providing services to consumers, and maintains the integrity of the financial markets in the United Kingdom d56931af60

It focuses on the regulation of conduct by both retail and wholesale financial services firms. Like its predecessor the FSA, the FCA is structured as a company limited by guarantee. d56931af60 == History == d56931af60 Until its abolition, Lord Turner of Ecchinswell was the FSA's chairman and Hector Sants was CEO until the end of June 2012, having announced his resignation on 16 March 2012. d56931af60

Financial services Financial services are economic services tied to finance provided by financial institutions. Financial services encompass a broad range of service sector activities, especially as concerns financial management and consumer finance. Financial services encompass a broad range of service sector Financial services are economic services tied to finance provided by financial institutions d56931af60

The FCA works alongside the Prudential Regulation Authority and the Financial Policy Committee to set regulatory requirements for the financial sector. The FCA is responsible for the conduct of around 58,000 businesses which employ 2.2 million people and contribute around £65.6 billion in annual tax revenue to the economy in the United Kingdom. d56931af60 The terms finance industry and financial services industry in their most common sense concern commercial banks that provide market liquidity, risk instruments, and brokerage for large public companies and multinational corporations at a macroeconomic scale that impacts domestic politics and foreign relations. The extragovernmental power and scale of the finance industry remains an ongoing controversy in many industrialized Western economies, as seen in the American Occupy Wall Street civil protest movement of 2011. d56931af60 Financial services include accountancy, investment banking, investment management, and personal asset management, while financial products include insurance, credit cards, mortgage loans, and pension funds. d56931af60 The Financial Services Act 2012 came into force on 1 April 2013. The Act created a new regulatory framework for financial services and abolished the Financial Services Authority. Specifically, the Act gave the Bank of England responsibility for financial stability, bringing together macro and micro... d56931af60 Styles of financial institutions include credit union, bank, savings and loan association, trust company, building society, brokerage firm, payment processor, many types of broker, and some government-sponsored enterprise. d56931af60