

Systems Analyst

What is it?

A Systems Analyst examines and improves an organisation's IT systems, ensuring they operate efficiently and meet business needs. They bridge the gap between business requirements and technical solutions by analysing existing systems and designing improvements.

Qualifications/Experience Required:

A degree in computer science, information systems, business studies, or a related field is beneficial. Experience in IT support, business analysis, or software development can be advantageous. Knowledge of programming, databases, and system architecture. Strong problem-solving and analytical skills.

What the Work Involves:

- Analysing business needs and designing IT solutions to improve efficiency.
- Collaborating with stakeholders, including managers and IT teams.
- Testing and troubleshooting system issues.
- Documenting system processes and requirements.
- Assisting with system implementation, upgrades, and maintenance.

Future Prospects – Labour Market Information:

Systems Analysts are in **high demand** due to the increasing reliance on technology in business operations. With experience, professionals can move into senior IT roles, project management, or consultancy positions.

Average annual Salary - £35,000 - £60,000

Typical weekly hours 37-40 hours per week, with possible overtime for project deadlines.

Type of person who may be suited to this job:

Someone with strong analytical and problem-solving skills. A logical thinker who enjoys working with technology and data. A good communicator who can translate technical concepts for non-technical users. A detail-oriented person who thrives in structured environments.

Money/Wage Guide:

- Entry-level roles start at around £35,000 per year.
- Senior Systems Analysts can earn £60,000+.

Related Opportunities:

- Business Analyst
- IT Project Manager
- Software Developer
- Data Analyst

Further Information:

BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT:
www.bcs.org

National Careers Service:
nationalcareers.service.gov.uk

Institute of Analysts and Programmers: www.iap.org.uk