

# Highest-Paying Salesforce Jobs & Salaries: 2024-2025 Analysis

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## Top 5 Highest-Paying Salesforce Jobs (2024–2025)

Salesforce professionals continue to enjoy **lucrative career opportunities** in the expanding [CRM ecosystem](#). In fact, the Salesforce economy is projected to create *millions* of new jobs – an estimated **4.2 million jobs by 2024** (Source: [salesforce.com](#)) – and many roles offer six-figure salaries even at intermediate levels. This report ranks the **top five highest-paying Salesforce roles** as of 2024–2025, based on recent salary surveys and industry reports. These roles combine deep technical expertise, Salesforce product knowledge, and business acumen, and they command premium compensation (often exceeding **\$150,000** in the US, with some reported salaries above

**\$200,000** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))(Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))). We'll explore each role's **job description**, **key responsibilities**, **required certifications/skills**, **salary data** (base pay and typical bonuses/stock), **regional pay comparisons** (U.S., Europe, India, Australia), **industry demand**, and **emerging trends** affecting compensation. Finally, we provide [career guidance](#) for professionals aiming to attain these top-paying positions.

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## 1. Salesforce DevOps Engineer

**Why It's a Top-Paying Role:** In recent years, Salesforce DevOps Engineer has emerged as the **highest-paid** role in the ecosystem (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). As Salesforce teams adopt DevOps practices for faster and more reliable releases, seasoned DevOps specialists command premium salaries (averaging around **\$192,000** in the U.S., with top earners reaching **\$275,000** (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))). This role is relatively new to the Salesforce world, making experienced professionals rare and highly sought after. Large organizations and ISVs (product companies) especially value Salesforce DevOps Engineers for improving development efficiency, which **justifies the high pay** (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)).

**Job Description:** A Salesforce DevOps Engineer streamlines the **development and deployment process** on Salesforce. They design and manage CI/CD (Continuous Integration/Continuous Delivery) pipelines, automate release management, and ensure robust version control and testing practices are in place (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))(Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). They act as a bridge between developers and IT operations, bringing software engineering best practices (common in traditional DevOps) into Salesforce teams.

**Key Responsibilities:** *Salesforce DevOps Engineers* typically handle:

- **CI/CD Implementation:** Set up and maintain **continuous integration and deployment pipelines** for Salesforce code and configurations (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)), using tools like Jenkins, Git, GitHub, Bitbucket, or Salesforce DX.
- **Automation of Releases:** Develop scripts and use DevOps platforms (e.g. **Gearset**, **Copado**, **Flosum**) to **automate deployments** between sandbox, testing, and production orgs (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))(Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)).
- **Source Control & Quality:** Enforce version control practices (Git) and **code quality checks**, integrating automated testing to catch issues early (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)).

- **Collaboration and Monitoring:** Work closely with developers, admins, and QA to coordinate releases; monitor deployments and quickly roll back or fix issues when needed (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)).
- **Security & Compliance:** Ensure deployments meet security and compliance requirements (especially in regulated industries), and manage environment variables and backup strategies.

**Required Skills & Certifications:** Salesforce DevOps Engineers typically come from a **development background** and require a mix of Salesforce and DevOps skill sets. Key qualifications include:

- **Salesforce Developer Skills:** Proficiency in Salesforce development (Apex, Visualforce, Lightning Web Components) and a solid understanding of the Salesforce metadata API and CLI (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)). Many start as certified **Platform Developer I/II** professionals (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)).
- **DevOps Methodologies:** Strong grasp of DevOps principles – **CI/CD, version control, automated testing, and continuous delivery** (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)). Experience with tools like Git, Jenkins, Docker, and modern CI servers is crucial (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)).
- **Environment Management:** Knowledge of Salesforce DX, scratch orgs, and [change sets](#), as well as third-party [release management](#) tools (Copado, Gearset, Autorabit, etc.).
- **Relevant Certifications:** There is no Salesforce-provided “DevOps Engineer” cert yet, but **\*\*Salesforce \*\*certifications** help establish foundational knowledge. Common credentials include **Salesforce Certified Administrator** and **Platform Developer I** (to validate core skills) (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)). Experienced professionals may also pursue the *Development Lifecycle & Deployment Architect* certification (part of the CTA track) to demonstrate expertise in release management and governance. In addition, third-party certifications (e.g. **Copado Certified DevOps Engineer**) are emerging as industry credentials.

**Salary Outlook (2024–2025):** Salesforce DevOps Engineers are **top earners** globally. In the **United States**, the average salary is about **\$192K** and can reach well into the \$200Ks for senior roles (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). One survey reported an individual in this role earning **\$275K** in total compensation (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). At Salesforce (the company) specifically, senior DevOps Engineers have been reported to receive **\$236K–\$304K** per year (base salary plus stock and bonuses) for senior levels (Source: [levels.fyi](https://levels.fyi)).

- **U.S.:** Base salaries often range from ~\$130K up to \$180K for experienced DevOps Engineers, with bonuses (~10–15%) and equity grants at tech companies pushing total pay above \$200K.
- **U.K.:** This role is still emerging in Europe; senior Salesforce DevOps roles in London are often advertised in the **£80K–£100K+** range (and higher for contractor rates). The Mason Frank guide pegs top contract rates for specialized architects/consultants (a comparable level) around **£750–900 per day** (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)), indicating the high value of these skills.
- **India:** Reported salaries are lower, reflecting local market rates, but are high relative to other SF roles in India. An estimated average is around **₹12–19 lakhs per annum** (₹1.2M–₹1.9M) for Salesforce DevOps Engineers (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com)), which is considerably above typical developer salaries in India. Demand is growing in Indian IT [consulting firms](#) as more global clients require DevOps practices.
- **Australia:** Data is limited, but similar roles (e.g. Salesforce Build/Release Engineers) are highly paid. We can extrapolate from developer/architect salaries – likely **AU\$140K–\$180K** for experienced professionals. (For context, **Salesforce Developers** in Australia average ~AU\$141K at the experienced level (Source: [techforceacademy.com](https://techforceacademy.com)), so a DevOps specialist would command equal or higher pay.)

**Industry Demand & Trends:** The push for **agile delivery and faster release cycles** is driving demand for Salesforce DevOps talent across industries. Tech companies and SaaS product vendors (Salesforce ISVs) were early adopters and offer the highest salaries, but now finance, insurance, and other enterprises implementing large Salesforce projects also seek DevOps expertise to manage complex org landscapes. The adoption of DevOps in Salesforce projects **improves deployment speed and reliability**, which directly impacts business agility (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)) – making this role **highly valuable** to employers.

*Emerging trends:* The Salesforce DevOps role is expected to **grow further** in prominence. As more organizations embrace source-driven development (Salesforce DX) and automated pipelines, experienced DevOps engineers will remain in short supply. New tools (and even Salesforce's own DevOps Center) are evolving, but seasoned professionals who can **architect DevOps solutions** (not just run scripts) are especially prized. This specialization did not exist in the Salesforce world several years ago, so hiring is competitive for proven experts. The result is **skyrocketing compensation** – this role jumped to #1 in salary rankings in 2024 (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Going forward, integration of DevOps with emerging trends like **AI-driven testing** and **CI for Salesforce Functions** may further increase the complexity (and value) of this position.

## 2. Salesforce Technical Architect

**Why It's a Top-Paying Role:** *Salesforce Technical Architects* (STAs) have long been considered among the **most highly compensated** professionals in the ecosystem (Source: [apexhours.com](https://apexhours.com)). They are the **ultimate technical authority** on Salesforce projects, responsible for the overall system architecture and solving the most complex problems. Because this role requires **extensive experience** (often 8–10+ years) and **elite expertise** across the Salesforce platform, companies pay a premium for qualified Technical Architects. In the U.S., Technical Architects average around **\$180K+** and can easily exceed **\$200K** at senior levels (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))(Source: [apexhours.com](https://apexhours.com)). For example, Technical Architects in permanent roles have been reported earning up to **\$220,000/year in the U.S.** (Source: [apexhours.com](https://apexhours.com)), and contract architects in the UK can charge **£1,000+ per day** (Source: [apexhours.com](https://apexhours.com)). Simply put, this role sits at the top of the Salesforce technical career path (often achieved by the few who earn the **Certified Technical Architect (CTA)** credential), commanding top dollar.

**Job Description:** A Salesforce Technical Architect designs and oversees the **technical solution architecture** for Salesforce implementations. They translate business requirements into a scalable, secure, and performant technical design across Salesforce *and* integrated systems (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))(Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). Technical Architects must have a **deep understanding of Salesforce products and features** (Sales Cloud, Service Cloud, Platform, etc.), as well as surrounding technologies (databases, integration middleware, APIs, identity management, etc.). They make high-level decisions on **data modeling, integration patterns, custom development vs. configuration**, and ensure the overall system meets both current and future needs (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com))(Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)). Often, a Technical Architect acts as a **technical team lead**, guiding developers and admins, and is the final escalation point for any complex technical issue.

**Key Responsibilities:** Typical responsibilities for a *Salesforce Technical Architect* include:

- **Architecture Design:** Design complex **Salesforce system architectures** that may span multiple Salesforce clouds and external systems (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). This includes defining the **data model, security model, and integration architecture** for the project.
- **Technical Leadership:** Serve as the **technical lead** for implementation teams – reviewing code, establishing best practices, and mentoring developers and configuration specialists (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). They ensure solutions adhere to Salesforce best practices and will be scalable/maintainable.



- **Integration & APIs:** Oversee integration of Salesforce with other enterprise systems (ERP, legacy databases, middleware). Decide on **integration patterns** (REST/SOAP APIs, middleware vs. point-to-point) and ensure data flows are secure and efficient (Source: [supportcrml.com](https://supportcrml.com)).
- **Problem Solving & Performance Tuning:** Solve the hardest technical challenges, from governor limit issues to large data volume strategies. Architects are often responsible for **performance tuning** (e.g. ensuring queries, sharing calculations, and custom code scale to millions of records) (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)).
- **Stakeholder Collaboration:** Work with business stakeholders and project managers to align the technical design with business goals. They often **present architectural solutions** to executive sponsors and instill confidence in the proposed approach (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)) (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)).
- **Governance & Standards:** Define coding standards, CI/CD and deployment strategies, environment management (sandboxes), and **governance processes** to keep the org healthy (e.g. org strategy, source control, automated testing).

**Required Skills & Certifications:** Salesforce Technical Architects are typically **veterans of the ecosystem**. Required qualifications include:

- **Extensive Experience:** Many STAs have 8–10+ years of Salesforce experience (often progressing from Developer -> Senior Developer -> Architect). Equally important is broad **IT architecture experience** (integrating Salesforce with other enterprise systems, understanding network/security considerations, etc.).
- **Architect Mindset:** They need both **“big picture” thinking and in-depth problem-solving** (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)). Soft skills (communication, leadership, consulting ability) are crucial, as architects interface with both technical teams and business leaders.
- **Salesforce Certifications:** While not strictly required, certifications are almost a de facto expectation at this level. The **Salesforce Certified Technical Architect (CTA)** is the pinnacle credential – CTAs must first earn multiple prerequisite certs (Application Architect and System Architect domains, which themselves require ~6–8 certifications covering advanced dev, integration, identity, etc.). Achieving CTA is a rigorous process (including a \$6,000 review board exam after prerequisites) and CTAs are **highly sought after**. Even without a CTA, most Technical Architects hold certifications like **Platform Developer II, Salesforce Data Architect,**

**Sharing & Visibility Architect, Integration Architect**, etc. According to Mason Frank's survey, **75% of Technical Architects** were satisfied with their salaries, likely because many have CTAs or equivalent expertise that places them at the top of the pay scale (Source: [apexhours.com](https://www.apexhours.com)).

- **Breadth of Technical Knowledge:** Mastery of **Apex, Visualforce, Lightning Web Components**, and the ability to read and evaluate code (even if the architect doesn't code day-to-day) is expected. Knowledge of **data architecture, security (access management, encryption), DevOps and deployment**, and **Salesforce limits and performance considerations** is required.
- **Integration & Web Technologies:** Comfortable with **REST/SOAP APIs**, middleware (e.g. MuleSoft), event-driven architecture (Platform Events), and often knowledge of **Heroku, AWS, or other platforms** that might interact with Salesforce.
- **Design Skills & Best Practices:** Strong understanding of when to use **declarative vs. programmatic solutions** – a great architect knows how to maximize “clicks not code” and only use code for requirements that truly need it (Source: [salesforce.com](https://www.salesforce.com)). They also stay current on Salesforce releases to leverage new features in architecture.

**Salary Outlook (2024–2025):** Salesforce Technical Architects are at the top tier of the pay scale in nearly every region. Here's a snapshot of senior-level salaries:

- **United States:** Senior Technical Architects commonly earn **\$160K – \$180K** base salaries, with many well into the \$200K+ total compensation range (including bonuses). Average senior STA salary is reported around **\$164K** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://www.salesforceben.com)), but many earn more: e.g., the **top 10%** of Technical Architects can approach or exceed **\$220K** in base/bonus (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://www.supportcrm.com)) (Source: [apexhours.com](https://www.apexhours.com)). At Salesforce (corporate), Glassdoor estimates the total pay for Technical Architects ranges from **\$216K to \$310K** (including salary, bonus, stock) (Source: [glassdoor.com](https://www.glassdoor.com)). Freelance architects in the U.S. can charge hefty hourly rates (often \$125–\$200/hour (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://www.masonfrank.com))).
- **United Kingdom/Europe:** UK Salesforce Technical Architects are in very high demand. Senior Technical Architect salaries in London typically range **£100K – £130K+** per year (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://www.masonfrank.com)) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://www.salesforceben.com)). Mason Frank reports senior TA permanent salaries in the UK reaching around **£130K** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://www.salesforceben.com)), and contract rates about **£750–£900 per day** (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://www.masonfrank.com)). In Western Europe, salaries vary: in Germany, senior Technical Architects earn around **€115K** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://www.salesforceben.com)), and in the Netherlands around €100K+. These figures reflect a smaller pool of architects in Europe and high demand from big consulting firms and multinationals.

- **India:** Salesforce Technical Architects are highly respected in India's large Salesforce services market, though salaries are much lower than in the West. A senior Salesforce TA in India earns roughly **₹3.5M – ₹4M** (₹35–40 lakhs) per year (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). That converts to around \$45K–\$55K USD, which is a top-tier salary in the Indian IT context. Because of the experience level, many Indian TAs also move into *solution architecture* or *enterprise architecture* roles within global consulting companies. (Notably, a **Salesforce CTA in India** can sometimes negotiate even higher pay or onsite opportunities, given the rarity of the certification.)
- **Australia:** Australia's Salesforce market offers architect salaries comparable to the U.S. Senior Technical Architects in Australia report earnings around **AU\$180K – \$210K**. For example, an *experienced Salesforce Technical Architect* can earn about **AU\$209K** in Australia (Source: [techforceacademy.com](https://techforceacademy.com)). The average is slightly lower (SalesforceBen reports AU\$187,500 for mid-level architects (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))), but major cities like Sydney/Melbourne often see **A\$200K+ packages** due to a competitive talent market.

**Industry Demand & Trends:** The demand for Salesforce Technical Architects is **broad-based across industries**. Any large-scale Salesforce implementation – whether at a Fortune 500 bank, a healthcare chain, or a tech unicorn – needs a Technical Architect to ensure success. In **technology and SaaS companies**, architects are needed to integrate Salesforce with complex product stacks. The **banking/financial services sector** also actively recruits Salesforce Architects to manage highly customized CRM systems with integrations to core banking, demonstrating above-average salaries (in the U.S. tech industry, average Salesforce salaries are higher than in other sectors) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Even in the public sector and non-profits, as Salesforce usage grows, the need for architecture oversight increases (though budgets there mean slightly lower pay than private sector).

*Emerging trends:* Despite high demand, **2024 brought some market nuances** – many architects reported the job market was a bit more challenging than prior years (e.g. some projects paused or shifted, possibly due to economic conditions) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Still, the overall trajectory is strong: Salesforce themselves noted a staggering **1,292% growth in demand** for architects over five years (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)). As Salesforce pushes into **new domains (Industries Cloud, AI, automation)**, Technical Architects are expanding their skill sets (e.g. integrating Salesforce with AI services or industry-specific solutions). There's also an increasing emphasis on **multi-cloud architecture** – companies expect architects to not just know Sales/Service Cloud, but also CPQ, Experience Cloud, Tableau CRM, etc., to design holistic solutions. This complexity can further **raise compensation** for those who excel in multi-cloud and



**specialized domains** (for instance, a TA with *Salesforce Industries (Vlocity)* expertise or *MuleSoft* integration skills might negotiate even higher pay). Finally, **freelancing** is an attractive route: according to survey data, freelance Salesforce professionals tend to earn the highest salaries on average (median ~\$150K) compared to those in end-user or consulting firms (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) – a reflection that many experienced architects choose contract consulting, trading stability for higher rates.

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### 3. Salesforce CPQ Consultant

**Why It's a Top-Paying Role:** *Salesforce CPQ Consultants* specialize in **Configure, Price, Quote (CPQ)** solutions – a niche skill set in very high demand for companies with complex product pricing. CPQ is known to be **notoriously complex** and requires both technical and domain expertise, which is why professionals in this area are **highly compensated** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))(Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). In 2024, Salesforce CPQ Consultant roles ranked among the top three highest-paid, with an average U.S. salary around **\$173,000** and senior specialists earning over **\$200,000** (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). The ability of CPQ experts to directly impact revenue (by streamlining and automating sales quoting processes) makes them valuable across industries like high-tech, manufacturing, and telecom. Their rarity (fewer consultants deeply experienced in CPQ) further drives up salaries.

**Job Description:** A Salesforce CPQ Consultant implements and optimizes the **Salesforce CPQ** tool (formerly SteelBrick) to automate quoting, pricing, and product configuration for sales teams. They work with businesses to understand complex product catalogs, discounting structures, and approval rules, then **customize the CPQ package** to fit those needs (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). This role blends **business analysis** (understanding sales operations/pricing strategies) with **technical configuration** (setting up CPQ product bundles, price rules, discount schedules, quote templates, etc.). CPQ Consultants often work in consulting firms or as in-house experts at product-driven companies, ensuring the CPQ system integrates with CRM (Sales Cloud) and downstream processes (contracts, billing).

**Key Responsibilities:** Key tasks for a *Salesforce CPQ Consultant* include:

- **Implementing CPQ Solutions:** Configure Salesforce CPQ to handle **product bundles, pricing rules, quote calculations, and approvals** according to business requirements (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). This can involve declarative setup and sometimes custom code (Apex triggers, plugins) for advanced logic.

- **Business Requirements & Process Design:** Work closely with sales operations and finance teams to gather requirements on how quotes should be generated. They design streamlined **quote-to-cash processes**, ensuring that configuration options, pricing, and discounts in Salesforce align with real-world sales policies.
- **Integration and Data Management:** Ensure CPQ integrates with other systems (for example, passing closed quote data to an ERP or billing system). Often CPQ consultants set up or advise on integration points between CPQ and **Sales Cloud, Billing (if using Salesforce Billing), or external pricing databases** (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)).
- **User Training and Support:** Train sales reps and partners on using the CPQ tool (building quotes, applying discounts) and provide support post-implementation. They also create documentation and **administer CPQ** (handling changes in products/prices over time).
- **Continuous Improvement:** Analyze quote metrics and feedback to refine the CPQ setup. This might include optimizing performance (CPQ can become slow with large product catalogs) and updating pricing strategies or approval workflows as business needs change.

**Required Skills & Certifications:** Successful CPQ consultants combine Salesforce know-how with domain knowledge in pricing and sales processes. Important qualifications:

- **Salesforce CPQ Expertise:** In-depth knowledge of the **Salesforce CPQ package** – product rules, pricing methods (list vs cost-plus), discount schedules, quote templates, quote approval processes, etc. Hands-on experience with at least one full CPQ implementation is often expected.
- **Certifications:** Salesforce offers a dedicated certification: **Salesforce Certified CPQ Specialist**. This cert validates one's proficiency in designing and implementing CPQ solutions. Many CPQ consultants will have this, in addition to core certifications like **Salesforce Certified Sales Cloud Consultant** (to demonstrate understanding of the sales process) and **Administrator**. Mason Frank's data shows that becoming a **product specialist** (e.g., specializing in CPQ or other add-ons) can significantly boost earning potential (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)) (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)).
- **Analytical and Business Skills:** Ability to understand complex pricing models and **sales operations**. A background in finance or sales operations can be a plus. CPQ consultants need to translate business pricing rules into system configurations, so a detail-oriented and analytical mindset is critical.

- **Technical Skills:** While much of CPQ is declarative, CPQ consultants should be comfortable with **Salesforce platform basics** (objects, fields, flows) and some coding. For example, writing **Product Selection Filters** (using formula logic), or small Apex triggers for custom behaviors. Knowledge of **Salesforce Billing** is a bonus, as CPQ is often implemented alongside Billing.
- **Soft Skills:** Strong communication and **project management** skills are needed, because CPQ projects involve multiple stakeholders (sales, finance, IT). Explaining CPQ constraints to non-technical stakeholders (e.g., why certain discount rules are needed) and managing scope are key to success.

**Salary Outlook (2024–2025):** Salesforce CPQ Consultants enjoy top-tier salaries, especially in markets where CPQ is widely adopted:

- **United States:** The average salary is roughly **\$170K–\$180K** for experienced CPQ consultants (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). Senior CPQ specialists (with many years of experience or working in high-cost areas) can cross the **\$200K mark** in total compensation. For instance, SalesforceBen's survey found top-level CPQ consultants earning about **\$205K** (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). This often includes a base salary in the \$140K–\$160K range plus bonuses. CPQ skills are often rewarded with *consulting bonuses* too; many are employed at Platinum Salesforce consultancies which offer performance bonuses or profit sharing.
- **Europe (UK/EU):** Fewer data points are published, but CPQ specialists in the UK are in short supply. A London-based Salesforce CPQ Consultant could expect on the order of **£80K – £100K** base. In Europe, companies in industries like manufacturing and telecom (where CPQ is vital) will pay a premium. Germany and France have lower Salesforce salaries generally; a CPQ consultant might see **~€70K – €90K** in those markets at senior levels (in line with or slightly above other Salesforce consultants).
- **India:** Salesforce CPQ is still an emerging skill in India, but many global SIs (System Integrators) have CPQ practices there. An experienced CPQ consultant in India might earn around **₹20–30 lakhs** (₹2–3M) per year, significantly higher than a general Salesforce consultant. However, many India-based CPQ specialists often work on offshore teams for U.S. clients, so their effective market is global. The Mason Frank survey data underscores that **product specialization** (like CPQ) is considered *very important* for increasing one's earning potential (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)), which holds true in India as well – specialists often get faster raises.
- **Australia:** Organizations in Australia are increasingly implementing CPQ (especially in industries like IT and telecom). A seasoned Salesforce CPQ Consultant in Australia could see salaries in the range of **AU\$150K – \$180K**. This is extrapolated from the fact that a general Salesforce

Functional Consultant in Australia can earn up to ~AU\$200K (Source: [techforceacademy.com](https://techforceacademy.com)), so a niche consultant in CPQ would be on the high end of that consultant pay band.

**Industry Demand & Trends:** CPQ experts are **highly sought after in product-centric industries:**

- **High Tech & Software:** Many B2B software companies use CPQ to manage complex pricing (subscriptions, usage-based pricing, bundles). This sector heavily drives demand for CPQ consultants and often offers top salaries (technology industry Salesforce roles in the U.S. average higher pay than most other industries) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)).
- **Manufacturing & Telecom:** Companies with extensive product catalogs (e.g. manufacturing equipment with custom configurations, telecom offerings with many service add-ons) rely on CPQ to generate accurate quotes. They often hire CPQ specialists or engage consultancies – driving a **robust consulting market** for CPQ implementations.
- **Financial Services:** Some financial or insurance products use CPQ for configuring complex packages (though less common than tech/manufacturing). Where used, specialists are valued for ensuring compliance rules within quotes.

*Emerging trends:* Salesforce's acquisition of SteelBrick (CPQ) years ago integrated CPQ tightly into the Sales Cloud offering, and now **Salesforce Revenue Cloud** (combining CPQ and Billing) is a growing area. Consultants who expand into **Revenue Cloud (CPQ + Billing)** will likely see **even greater demand**. Additionally, as CPQ can be extended with **AI (for quote optimization)** and integrated with e-signature and CLM (Contract Lifecycle Management) tools, CPQ consultants who can navigate these adjacent technologies (e.g., DocuSign, Conga, etc.) can differentiate themselves. The complexity of CPQ means many projects run into challenges; thus seasoned CPQ consultants often step in to rescue troubled implementations – commanding high contractor rates. According to a 2022 report, CPQ roles were ranked among the top 5 because of their impact on sales efficiency and complexity (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)). The trend in 2024–2025 is **continued high demand** as more mid-market companies adopt CPQ for the first time and enterprise customers upgrade their CPQ to handle new business models (subscriptions, usage billing, etc.). For professionals, this is a **golden niche** – mastering CPQ (and earning the specialist cert) can significantly boost your market value (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)).

## 4. Salesforce Solution Architect

**Why It's a Top-Paying Role:** *Salesforce Solution Architects* design end-to-end solutions that often span multiple Salesforce products (and sometimes multiple systems). They play a strategic role in ensuring a project's **big-picture success**, and their ability to align technology with business objectives makes them extremely valuable. Solution Architects have become **increasingly in demand**, and their salaries reflect that: in the U.S., Solution Architects average around **\$150K–\$160K** with senior experts earning \$180K+ (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))(Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)). This role has seen a **steady rise** in pay as more organizations undertake **multi-cloud Salesforce implementations** requiring skilled architects (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). While not quite as high as Technical Architects, Solution Architects still rank in the top five for Salesforce compensation. Additionally, many Solution Architects take on quasi-managerial responsibilities (team lead, pre-sales scoping), which can come with bonuses or profit-sharing, boosting their total earnings.

**Job Description:** A Salesforce Solution Architect is responsible for **designing comprehensive Salesforce solutions** that address business needs and are **feasible to implement**. The focus of this role is often on the *functional and design aspect* (the “solution”), rather than deep low-level coding – although they must understand the technical capabilities and limits of Salesforce. Solution Architects work closely with business stakeholders to **gather requirements** and then architect a combination of Salesforce products and features (and possibly custom development) into a coherent solution blueprint (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). They ensure all pieces of the solution (Sales Cloud, Service Cloud, Experience Cloud, third-party apps, integrations, etc.) fit together seamlessly. In essence, they bridge business problems and Salesforce's technical possibilities, ensuring the final design is scalable, user-friendly, and aligned with best practices.

**Key Responsibilities:** Typical duties of a *Salesforce Solution Architect* include:

- **Requirements Analysis & Mapping:** Engage with business stakeholders to understand their processes and goals. Translate those into **user stories and solution requirements**, identifying which Salesforce features (or apps) will meet the needs (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)).
- **Multi-Cloud Solution Design:** Design solutions that may span multiple Salesforce **Clouds (Sales, Service, Marketing, etc.)** and **AppExchange products**. For example, a solution architect might design a customer 360 solution using Sales Cloud + Service Cloud + Communities, ensuring they work together. They produce **solution design documents, data models, and process flows** to illustrate how the solution will function.



- **Integration & Data Strategy:** Determine how Salesforce will integrate with other systems (ERP, data warehouse, etc.) at a high level. While a technical architect may detail the integration, the solution architect ensures that **integration points support the business process** (e.g. “when an opportunity is closed in Salesforce, it should trigger an order in ERP”). They also guide decisions on **data migration** and which system is the source of truth for each data element.
- **Guiding Implementation Teams:** Collaborate with Salesforce Developers, Admins, and Consultants to **ensure the build follows the intended design**. Solution Architects often review configuration and code for alignment to requirements and help resolve any functional gaps encountered during build.
- **Stakeholder Communication:** Communicate the proposed solution to both executive sponsors (in business terms) and to technical teams (in detailed specs). They often **present demos or proof-of-concepts** to validate that the design meets requirements. Stakeholder management is critical – Solution Architects must ensure all parties (IT, business, end-users) are on the same page (Source: [phoneiq.co](https://phoneiq.co)).

**Required Skills & Certifications:** A Salesforce Solution Architect requires a blend of **broad Salesforce knowledge and strong analytical/design skills:**

- **Cross-Cloud Knowledge:** Solution Architects usually have experience across **multiple Salesforce clouds** (e.g. Sales, Service, Experience, Marketing) and a solid grasp of each cloud’s capabilities and limitations. They know **which tool is right for which requirement** (for instance, when to use Sales Cloud vs. CPQ for a quoting need, or when to leverage platform encryption for data security).
- **Certifications:** Salesforce has introduced specific Solution Architect credentials. For example, the **Salesforce Certified B2B Solution Architect** and **B2C Solution Architect** certifications validate expertise in designing multi-cloud solutions. Many Solution Architects also have a **Salesforce Application Architect** certification (which requires certs in data architecture, sharing, etc.) or at least multiple consultant-level certs (Sales Cloud, Service Cloud Consultant, etc.). These certifications signal a broad mastery of the platform. According to Salesforce, **architect roles (including solution architects) demand an average salary of around \$140K** and certification paths are key to developing the needed skills (Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com))(Source: [salesforce.com](https://salesforce.com)).
- **Business Analysis & Soft Skills:** A significant part of this role is understanding and **communicating with business stakeholders**. Strong skills in **business analysis, workshop facilitation, and documentation** are needed. Solution Architects often come from a consultant

or Business Analyst background. They must have excellent **communication and presentation** abilities to explain complex solutions in simple terms (Source: [phoneiq.co](https://phoneiq.co)).

- **Technical Acumen:** While not as deeply technical as a developer or technical architect, a solution architect should be comfortable with **Salesforce configuration (Flows, security, etc.)** and basic development concepts. They need to recognize when a requirement will need custom code and ensure that it's approached correctly. Familiarity with **SQL/SOQL, data modeling, and web integration basics** (REST/SOAP) is important.
- **Problem-Solving & Design Patterns:** Knowledge of **Salesforce design patterns** and best practices (e.g., handling large data volumes, designing scalable sharing models, using asynchronous processing when needed) is crucial. Essentially, they must design solutions that are not only functional but also *scalable and maintainable*. Creativity in solutioning within Salesforce's constraints is a valued skill.

**Salary Outlook (2024–2025):** Salesforce Solution Architects earn high salaries globally, though slightly below pure Technical Architects. For senior-level Solution Architects:

- **United States:** The average salary is roughly **\$150K – \$160K** for a seasoned Solution Architect (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Senior experts (often those who might also act as team leads or have 10+ years experience) can earn **\$180K+** total comp. Survey data shows senior Solution Architects around **\$160K** on average in the U.S., with intermediate-level around \$125K (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)). Many Solution Architects in the U.S. work for consulting firms or as contractors; a contractor Solution Architect can charge between **\$120 to \$175/hour** depending on expertise and region (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)).
- **United Kingdom/Europe:** In the UK, Salesforce Solution Architects typically see salaries in the range of **£80K – £115K**. Mason Frank's guide reports senior Solution Architects in London earning about **£110K – £116K** (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)). Elsewhere in Europe: in countries like *Germany* and *France*, Solution Architect salaries might range from **€80K – €95K** for experienced hires (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). The disparity with the U.S. is partly offset by higher demand in the U.S., but in places like the Netherlands, UK, and Nordic countries, top talent can reach or exceed €100K. Additionally, many Solution Architects in Europe are contractors with day rates in the **€600–€900 per day** range (similar to the UK day rates of £575–£900) (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)).
- **India:** Salesforce Solution Architect is a relatively newer title in India (often roles are labeled "Salesforce Architect" generally). A capable Solution Architect in India might earn around **₹25–33 lakhs** (₹2.5–3.3M) per annum (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Mason Frank data suggests an

intermediate-to-senior Solution Architect in India can make about **₹3.3M** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)), which is on the high end for Salesforce roles there (only Technical Architects tend to earn more, ~₹4M). As many Indian solution architects work for global consulting companies, they may also get opportunities for overseas postings or bonuses, adding to compensation.

- **Australia:** Solution Architects in Australia are well compensated. Reported figures for senior Solution Architects are around **AU\$160K – \$175K** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). In some cases, total packages (including superannuation, bonus) can hit **AU\$180K+**. This aligns with data like an experienced Solution Architect earning ~**AU\$173K** on average (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)), and other reports of up to AU\$180–200k for top talent. Australia's Salesforce market is mature and, given the high cost of living, salaries are often on par with U.S. after conversion.

**Industry Demand & Trends:** Salesforce Solution Architects are needed in virtually **every industry implementing Salesforce**. Their broad skill makes them especially common in:

- **Consulting & SI Firms:** Almost every Salesforce consulting practice hires Solution Architects to lead project delivery. They interface between the client's business team and the technical team. This means a lot of demand (and competitive pay) from big consultancies.
- **Enterprise End-Users:** Large companies (Fortune 1000) that have significant Salesforce implementations often have in-house Solution Architects to continuously design and improve their CRM solutions across departments. Industries like **financial services, manufacturing, and healthcare** – where Salesforce may be deployed in multiple business units – need solution architects to ensure a cohesive approach.
- **Emerging Multi-Cloud Projects:** As Salesforce broadens its product suite (Marketing Cloud, Tableau, MuleSoft, etc.), companies launching *multi-cloud* initiatives rely on Solution Architects to navigate the complexity. The role's rise in demand is linked to the need for someone who can see the "wider picture" (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)).

*Emerging trends:* One notable trend is that **Solution Architect** has become a more defined role and **credential** (with new Salesforce certs) in the last couple of years, underlining its importance. The role is evolving with the times: Solution Architects are increasingly expected to have familiarity with **adjacent technologies** like integration platforms (MuleSoft) and industry solutions. According to survey insights, factors like **years of Salesforce experience, certifications, and specialization in products or industries** all significantly impact Solution Architect salaries (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)). For instance, being a specialist in a domain (like Salesforce *Field Service* or *Vlocity Industries*) can set a Solution Architect apart and justify higher pay (Source:

[masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)). Additionally, **soft skills** have come into focus – employers want Solution Architects who not only can design technically sound solutions but also **communicate and lead** effectively; this holistic skill set drives higher compensation (hence 73% of Solution Architects were satisfied with their salary in a recent survey) (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com)). In terms of market trends, even though 2024 saw a slight cooling in some hiring, Solution Architects remain in high demand and are often among the *last* roles companies cut because they are key to unlocking value from Salesforce investments. With digital transformation ongoing, a capable Solution Architect can effectively guarantee a Salesforce project's ROI, which solidifies their place as one of the best-paid roles in the ecosystem.

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## 5. Salesforce Developer (Senior/Lead)

**Why It's a Top-Paying Role:** *Salesforce Developers* form one of the largest talent pools in the ecosystem, but **top-tier developers** (especially those with advanced skills) command very high salaries. Senior Salesforce Developers and tech leads often rank in the top five for pay, owing to their ability to extend Salesforce's functionality with custom code. In the U.S., a senior Salesforce Developer's salary can reach around **\$160K** on average, with experienced leads earning over **\$200K** in some cases (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). In 2024 salary surveys, "Developer" was listed among the highest-paid roles, reflecting that organizations highly value those who can build complex custom solutions on the platform. As Salesforce projects grow more sophisticated, developers who can deliver robust code (and also understand business needs) are critical – and the shortage of skilled developers keeps salaries high. Additionally, many senior developers progress into **Technical Lead or Application Architect** positions without the formal title of "architect," still yielding architect-level pay.

**Job Description:** A Salesforce Developer uses programming (primarily **Apex**, **Visualforce**, and **Lightning Web Components (LWC)**) to build custom features on Salesforce beyond what's possible with "point-and-click" configuration (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Developers implement requirements such as custom business logic, integrations to other systems, complex automations, and customized user interfaces. They work closely with admins, consultants, and architects to ensure the code solutions complement the declarative (config-based) parts of the system. In short, whenever a Salesforce implementation needs functionality that the out-of-the-box tools can't provide, the developer steps in to design and code a solution. They also play a key role in maintaining code quality, troubleshooting issues, and deploying changes.

**Key Responsibilities:** A *Salesforce Developer's* responsibilities typically include:

- **Custom Coding:** Write **Apex classes and triggers** to implement business logic (e.g., validation across objects, complex calculations, custom transaction logic). Develop **Lightning Web Components** (or previously Visualforce pages) for custom UI elements that aren't achievable with standard Lightning pages (Source: [supportcrml.com](https://supportcrml.com)).
- **Platform Extensions:** Utilize advanced platform features like **Apex callouts** for external integrations, **batch Apex and Queueable jobs** for processing large data volumes, and **Platform Events** or **Stream APIs** for real-time interactions. Essentially, developers extend Salesforce's capabilities where needed.
- **Integrations:** Develop and maintain **integrations between Salesforce and external systems** (REST/SOAP API consumption, building custom web services in Salesforce, etc.) (Source: [supportcrml.com](https://supportcrml.com)). This often involves working with API endpoints, middleware, or ETL tools.
- **Testing and Deployment:** Write **unit tests** for all Apex code (Salesforce requires 75% code coverage) and perform debugging/fixes. Use source control and CI/CD (often in collaboration with a DevOps Engineer) to deploy code across sandbox and production environments.
- **Collaboration & Solutioning:** Work with functional teams to understand requirements and propose technical solutions. A senior developer often participates in solution design sessions, providing input on what's feasible or optimal via code vs config. They may also mentor junior developers or review code for adherence to best practices (in a **Lead Developer** capacity).

**Required Skills & Certifications:** A strong Salesforce Developer needs:

- **Proficiency in Salesforce Development:** Expertise in **Apex** (Salesforce's Java-like programming language) and **Lightning Web Components (LWC)** using modern JavaScript. Knowledge of older tech like Visualforce and Aura is also useful for legacy systems. Understanding of **SOQL and SOSL** (Salesforce's query languages) is required for efficient database operations.
- **Platform Fundamentals:** Solid grasp of Salesforce's declarative features (so the developer doesn't code things that can be done via clicks) and platform limits (governor limits, order of execution, etc.). This includes security (user permissions, sharing) and object model design.
- **Certifications:** Many Salesforce Developers hold the **Salesforce Certified Platform Developer I** credential. More advanced devs often get **Platform Developer II**, which demonstrates advanced knowledge and design patterns. Some also pursue **JavaScript Developer I** (especially relevant with LWC) or **Application Architect** certifications as they



grow. While certifications aren't mandatory, they do correlate with higher salaries – multiple certs can help a developer negotiate better pay (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). *(Note: Interestingly, one survey found that beyond a certain point, additional certs didn't boost developer pay as much as they do for other roles (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)); experience remains the key factor for developers.)*

- **Experience & Problem-Solving:** At the senior level, employers seek developers with **5+ years** of Salesforce development. This experience builds expertise in tackling complex tasks and performance tuning. The ability to solve problems (e.g., figuring out why a trigger isn't working in a particular context, or how to optimize a slow batch job) is highly prized.
- **Tools & DevOps:** Familiarity with development tools and processes: using **VS Code with Salesforce DX**, Git for source control, and understanding continuous integration processes. While some orgs still deploy changes manually, using modern DevOps tools is a big plus for developer roles (and often expected at higher-paying companies).
- **Communication:** Though writing code is the focus, senior developers need to communicate technical concepts to non-developers (explaining why a certain feature might be complex or how a bug will be fixed). They also often collaborate in Agile teams, so skills in writing technical documentation and user stories, and working with testers and product owners, are important.

**Salary Outlook (2024–2025):** Salesforce Developer salaries cover a broad range based on experience level, but senior and lead developers are well-compensated:

- **United States:** Junior Salesforce Developers might start around \$75K–\$85K, but senior developers see much higher figures. A **Senior Salesforce Developer** in the U.S. earns about **\$130K – \$170K** base on average (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Top-performing leads in high-cost markets (like SF Bay Area or NYC) can have base salaries around \$180K, with total compensation (bonus/equity) pushing **\$200K+**. Survey data indicates senior Salesforce Developer salaries can peak around **\$166K** on average (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)), and in some cases experienced leads report ~\$206K (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) (likely including bonuses). Specialized skills (like Experience Cloud development, or knowledge of additional languages like **Heroku**, **Node.js** for hybrid apps) can further increase market value.
- **United Kingdom:** In the UK, Salesforce Developer salaries are healthy, though not as high as architects. A junior might make £35K, mid-level around £50K, and senior/lead developers can earn **£70K – £80K+** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). The upper end for a lead developer in London can reach around £85K (especially with some contractor experience or at a top

consulting firm). According to the Salesforce salary survey, senior devs in the UK average about **£79K** (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). Contractors often charge £400–£500/day or more, which can annualize to well over £100K if consistently working.

- **India:** Salesforce Developers are plentiful in India, but experienced ones still command high salaries relative to other IT roles. A fresh graduate might start at ₹6–8 lakhs, but a **Senior Salesforce Developer** in India can earn around **₹16 – ₹25 lakhs** annually (₹1.6M–₹2.5M) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). The survey data shows senior devs in India around **₹3,500,000** (₹35 lakhs) which likely represents the very top end or those in architect-like roles (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). (It's possible this figure includes some who have the title "Developer" but function as architects/tech leads.) Many Salesforce devs in India work for global outsourcing firms; those who work on overseas projects sometimes get opportunities for short assignments abroad, which can boost earnings.
- **Australia:** In Australia, Salesforce Developers (especially with a few years experience) are in demand. Entry-level devs might see ~AU\$60–80K, mid-level around AU\$90–110K, and **senior developers around AU\$130K – \$150K**. The *Techforce Australia* survey cites experienced Salesforce Developer salaries about **AU\$141K** on average (Source: [techforceacademy.com](https://techforceacademy.com)). Lead developers or those with niche expertise might approach AU\$150K+. The market in Sydney/Melbourne is competitive given a limited talent pool, which helps push salaries up for qualified devs.

**Industry Demand & Trends:** Almost every Salesforce implementation needs developers for some portion of work, so **demand spans all industries:**

- **Technology & SaaS:** These companies often push Salesforce to its limits and integrate with product platforms, requiring skilled developers. Thus, tech companies tend to pay developers at the higher end (the **tech industry average for Salesforce roles in the U.S. was ~\$189K**, significantly above other sectors (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)), indicating top pay for developers in tech companies).
- **Financial Services, Healthcare, Government:** Regulated industries often require custom development for compliance and security reasons (for example, custom encryption or specific audit trails), fueling demand for capable developers. Government projects in particular might use many custom Apex solutions for unique workflows.
- **Consulting Firms:** A large portion of Salesforce developers are employed by consulting partners, which serve clients across industries. These firms compete for talent by offering good salaries and certification bonuses. Developers in consulting see varied projects, which

increases their market value as they gain experience.

*Emerging trends:* The Salesforce Developer role is evolving with new technologies. **Low-code tools (Flow Builder)** have reduced the need for code in some scenarios, but instead of displacing developers, this has freed them to work on more complex programming tasks. **Integration and DevOps** have become bigger parts of a developer's life – nowadays a top Salesforce Developer is often expected to know about **CI/CD** and even contribute to DevOps processes, making them more well-rounded (and thus more valuable). We also see developers upskilling in **JavaScript** (for LWC) and even in **AI/Machine Learning** integration (e.g., embedding AI predictions or building custom Einstein components) – these emerging skills could command higher salaries as Salesforce integrates AI features.

Another trend is that many senior developers progress toward **architect roles**. In fact, being a Salesforce Technical Architect is a "dream job" for many developers (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)). As they move up, they might carry a developer title but do architecture work, or officially become "Senior/Lead Developer" which in practice means handling design and oversight. This progression can increase their compensation significantly. The ecosystem has a shortage of **Platform Developers II (advanced devs)** relative to demand, keeping wages high. Finally, location flexibility (remote work) has impacted developers: U.S. companies hiring remote devs from anywhere in the country (or even overseas) may offer high salaries to attract the best, and conversely, talented developers in lower-cost areas can now access higher-paying jobs without relocating – contributing to upward pressure on pay.

Overall, the Salesforce Developer role remains a **cornerstone** of the ecosystem, and those with deep expertise, multiple certifications, and proven project experience will continue to find themselves in the top tier of earners in 2025 and beyond (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))(Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)).

## Salary Snapshots by Region and Role

To put the above into perspective, the table below summarizes senior-level salaries for a few of these top roles across different regions (based on recent survey data):

### Role (Senior Level)

#### USA (Annual)

**UK (Annual)****India (Annual)****Australia (Annual)****Technical Architect**

~\$160K – \$170K (avg) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) Top ~ \$180K+ base (>\$220K total) (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))

~£130K (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~₹4,000,000 (₹40L) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~AU\$187,500 (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) (avg) Up to ~AU\$200K (Source: [techforceacademy.com](https://techforceacademy.com))

**Solution Architect**

~\$150K – \$160K (avg) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) Top ~ \$180K+ (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com))

~£110K (Source: [masonfrank.com](https://masonfrank.com))

~₹3,300,000 (₹33L) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~AU\$173,000 (avg) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) Up to ~AU\$180K

**Salesforce Developer**

~\$130K – \$165K (avg sr.) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com)) Top ~ \$180K+ (lead) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~£75K – £80K (sr.) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~₹3,500,000 (₹35L) (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~AU\$140K – \$150K (sr.) (Source: [techforceacademy.com](https://techforceacademy.com))

**CPQ Consultant**

~\$170K – \$180K (avg) (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)) Top ~\$205K (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com))

~£80K – £100K (est.)

~₹2,500,000+ (est.)

~AU\$150K+ (est.)

## DevOps Engineer

~\$190K (avg) (Source: [supportcrm.com](https://supportcrm.com)) Top ~\$275K (Source: [salesforceben.com](https://salesforceben.com))

~£90K+ (est., niche)

~₹1,500,000 (₹15L) (Source: [s2-labs.com](https://s2-labs.com))

~AU\$160K (est.)

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# About Cirra

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Cirra AI is a specialist software company dedicated to reinventing Salesforce administration and delivery through autonomous, domain-specific AI agents. From its headquarters in the heart of Silicon Valley, the team has built the **Cirra Change Agent** platform—an intelligent copilot that plans, executes, and documents multi-step Salesforce configuration tasks from a single plain-language prompt. The product combines a large-language-model reasoning core with deep Salesforce-metadata intelligence, giving revenue-operations and consulting teams the ability to implement high-impact changes in minutes instead of days while maintaining full governance and audit trails.

Cirra AI's mission is to **“let humans focus on design and strategy while software handles the clicks.”** To achieve that, the company develops a family of agentic services that slot into every phase of the change-management lifecycle:

- **Requirements capture & solution design** – a conversational assistant that translates business requirements into technically valid design blueprints.
- **Automated configuration & deployment** – the Change Agent executes the blueprint across sandboxes and production, generating test data and rollback plans along the way.
- **Continuous compliance & optimisation** – built-in scanners surface unused fields, mis-configured sharing models, and technical-debt hot-spots, with one-click remediation suggestions.



- **Partner enablement programme** – a lightweight SDK and revenue-share model that lets Salesforce SIs embed Cirra agents inside their own delivery toolchains.

This agent-driven approach addresses three chronic pain points in the Salesforce ecosystem: (1) the high cost of manual administration, (2) the backlog created by scarce expert capacity, and (3) the operational risk of unscripted, undocumented changes. Early adopter studies show time-on-task reductions of 70-90 percent for routine configuration work and a measurable drop in post-deployment defects.

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## Leadership

Cirra AI was co-founded in 2024 by **Jelle van Geuns**, a Dutch-born engineer, serial entrepreneur, and 10-year Salesforce-ecosystem veteran. Before Cirra, Jelle bootstrapped **Decisions on Demand**, an AppExchange ISV whose rules-based lead-routing engine is used by multiple Fortune 500 companies. Under his stewardship the firm reached seven-figure ARR without external funding, demonstrating a knack for pairing deep technical innovation with pragmatic go-to-market execution.

Jelle began his career at ILOG (later IBM), where he managed global solution-delivery teams and honed his expertise in enterprise optimisation and AI-driven decisioning. He holds an M.Sc. in Computer Science from Delft University of Technology and has lectured widely on low-code automation, AI safety, and DevOps for SaaS platforms. A frequent podcast guest and conference speaker, he is recognised for advocating “human-in-the-loop autonomy”—the principle that AI should accelerate experts, not replace them.

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## Why Cirra AI matters

- **Deep vertical focus** – Unlike horizontal GPT plug-ins, Cirra’s models are fine-tuned on billions of anonymised metadata relationships and declarative patterns unique to Salesforce. The result is context-aware guidance that respects org-specific constraints, naming conventions, and compliance rules out-of-the-box.
- **Enterprise-grade architecture** – The platform is built on a zero-trust design, with isolated execution sandboxes, encrypted transient memory, and SOC 2-compliant audit logging—a critical requirement for regulated industries adopting generative AI.
- **Partner-centric ecosystem** – Consulting firms leverage Cirra to scale senior architect expertise across junior delivery teams, unlocking new fixed-fee service lines without increasing headcount.
- **Road-map acceleration** – By eliminating up to 80 percent of clickwork, customers can redirect scarce admin capacity toward strategic initiatives such as Revenue Cloud migrations, CPQ refactors, or data-model rationalisation.

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## Future outlook

Cirra AI continues to expand its agent portfolio with domain packs for Industries Cloud, Flow Orchestration, and MuleSoft automation, while an open API (beta) will let ISVs invoke the same reasoning engine inside custom UX extensions. Strategic partnerships with leading SIs, tooling vendors, and academic AI-safety labs position the company to become the de-facto orchestration layer for safe, large-scale change management across the Salesforce universe. By combining rigorous engineering, relentlessly customer-centric design,

and a clear ethical stance on AI governance, Cirra AI is charting a pragmatic path toward an autonomous yet accountable future for enterprise SaaS operations.

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