

# How much time do you spend checking bad client data?

**Spoiler alert: It's a lot**

Dext spoke to accountants and bookkeepers around the world to understand how much time is really lost to bad data. The good news? It's a problem that can be solved easily, freeing up time to develop new services for your clients.

## Who we asked

  
**2,183**

The number of accountants and bookkeepers we surveyed

  
**0006**

Countries our survey covered: **UK, US, Canada, France, South Africa, Australia**

## What we found

**Over 3,000 hours**

Spent by accountants checking bad client data each year

## What that looks like for your practice

  
**5 Hours**

Accountants and bookkeepers are spending almost five hours (**4 hours 46 minutes**) each week checking bad client data. Using a firm of **15 staff as an average**, that's **3,284 hours** each year, or **19.5 weeks**.

 South Africa: 5.3 hours

 UK: 4.4 hours

 France: 4.71 hours

 USA: 4.15 hours

  
**1 hour 48 minutes.**

This is how long accountants and bookkeepers using Dext Precision spend checking for errors – giving them **2 hours 58 minutes** per week to reinvest into their firm, charge out more billable hours, or take the time to do as they please.

  
**40%.**

The amount of time that could be saved by automating data checking. As well as this, it also gives you the ability to detect tax risks or lost opportunities from miscoding quicker.

  
**£114.**

Firms told us that they charge an **average of £57 per client, per hour**. With Dext Precision spotting errors quickly and easily, you can ensure you're being paid for the time spent correcting bad data. Our survey respondents told us it takes on average two hours to fix those errors. **That's £114 of chargeable time you can claim.**

**Want to see how many hours you can save?**

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