



# R&D Eligibility Cheat Sheet

## Software-as-a-Service Companies

Has your company undertaken any of the following activities?  
If yes, you may be eligible for R&D tax credits.

### Development

- Built or tested a beta version or prototype
- Integrated applications/databases that don't typically communicate
- Received RFQs from your customers
- Saved specs, meeting notes, reqs, etc. from development activities

### Products & Processes

- Designed/developed new software or improved existing software
- Customized existing software to meet a customer's specifications
- Changed or improved a process to reduce costs, improve capabilities, boost output, or drive efficiency, accuracy or timing

### Hiring/Outsourcing

- Employed computer engineers, programmers or data scientists
- Hired technical staff to market and sell your products
- Contracted third-party techs or companies for software development
- Paid for outside specialists to assist in testing

### Research & Testing

- Purchased routers, servers or other equipment needed for development or testing that have not been capitalized or depreciated
- Performed research required for government or industry approval
- Paid for third-party cloud computing to enable development or testing



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