## **Financial investigation - Guidance overview**

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A financial investigation is any investigation into a person or person's financial matters. It could also involve the investigation into the finances of a business or a private limited company. A financial investigation can determine where money comes from, how it is moved and how it is used.

The financial investigation techniques described in this module can be used in all types of investigations, and investigators are able to engage powerful legislative tools that target the proceeds of crime.

This module focuses on the knowledge and awareness required for a non-specialist investigator to use financial investigative tools, to understand money laundering, and instigate asset recovery and the confiscation of criminal property.

