

Amazon to create more than 4,000 new permanent jobs in the UK this year

Amazon says it will create more than 4,000 new permanent jobs in the UK this year.

The company said this would bring its permanent workforce to 75,000.

The roles will be spread across the UK and include work at new fulfilment centres, where employees pack and ship customer orders, in Wakefield and Knowsley.

They include jobs in corporate, technology, software development, product management and engineering, as well as in operations teams.

“We’re continuing to invest in talent right across the UK, from apprentices in Swansea to data scientists in Edinburgh,” said John Boumphrey, Amazon UK country manager.

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“People join us not just for the wide variety of roles, great pay and benefits, but for the career development opportunities we provide.”

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“Applicants recognise we are an employer that offers great development potential, and we are proud to have so many employees growing and taking the opportunity to learn new skills that will create paths to new jobs at Amazon and beyond,” Mr Bumphrey said.

Also on Thursday, Amazon said that shopping during its Prime Day event jumped 8.5% from last year to nearly \$12bn

(£10.1bn).

The two-day event, which finished on Wednesday, saw members of the Prime loyalty programme buy more than 300 million items – 100,000 a minute.