**GitHub, Inc.** ([/ˈɡɪthʌb/](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Help:IPA/English" \o "Help:IPA/English)[[a]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-7)) is a developer platform that allows developers to create, store, manage and share their code. It uses [Git](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Git" \o "Git) software, providing the [distributed version control](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Distributed_version_control" \o "Distributed version control) of Git plus [access control](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Access_control" \o "Access control), [bug tracking](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bug_tracking_system" \o "Bug tracking system), [software feature](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Software_feature" \o "Software feature) requests, [task management](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Task_management" \o "Task management), [continuous integration](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Continuous_integration" \o "Continuous integration), and [wikis](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wiki" \o "Wiki) for every project.[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-hugeinvestment-8) Headquartered in [California](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/California" \o "California), it has been a subsidiary of [Microsoft](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Microsoft" \o "Microsoft) since 2018.[[8]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-techcrunch-9)

It is commonly used to host [open source](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open_source" \o "Open source) software development projects.[[9]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-10) As of January 2023, GitHub reported having over 100 million developers[[10]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-11) and more than 372 million [repositories](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Repository_(version_control)" \o "Repository (version control)),[[11]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-12) including at least 28 million public repositories.[[12]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub" \l "cite_note-13) It is the world's largest [source code](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Source_code" \o "Source code) host as of June 2023.