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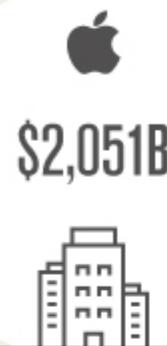


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U.S. VS THE WORL

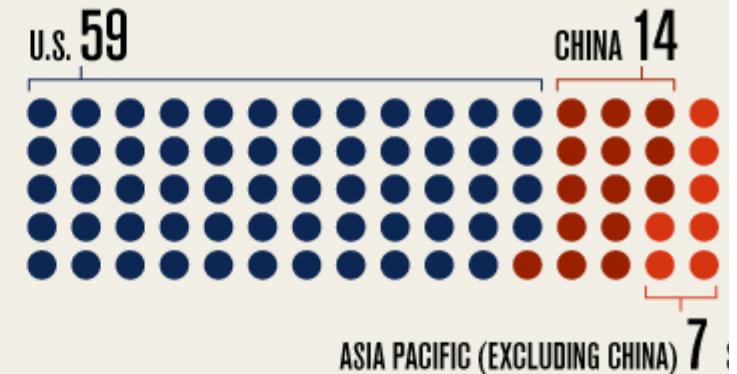
Every year, PwC releases a list of the 100 biggest companies in the world by market capitalization. The range between the smallest and largest companies in this year's list (May 2021) was a massive \$1.9 trillion.



The largest contributing sectors by market cap are **Technology** and **Consumer Discretionary**, together representing **52%** of the top 100 firms.

>All values in USD

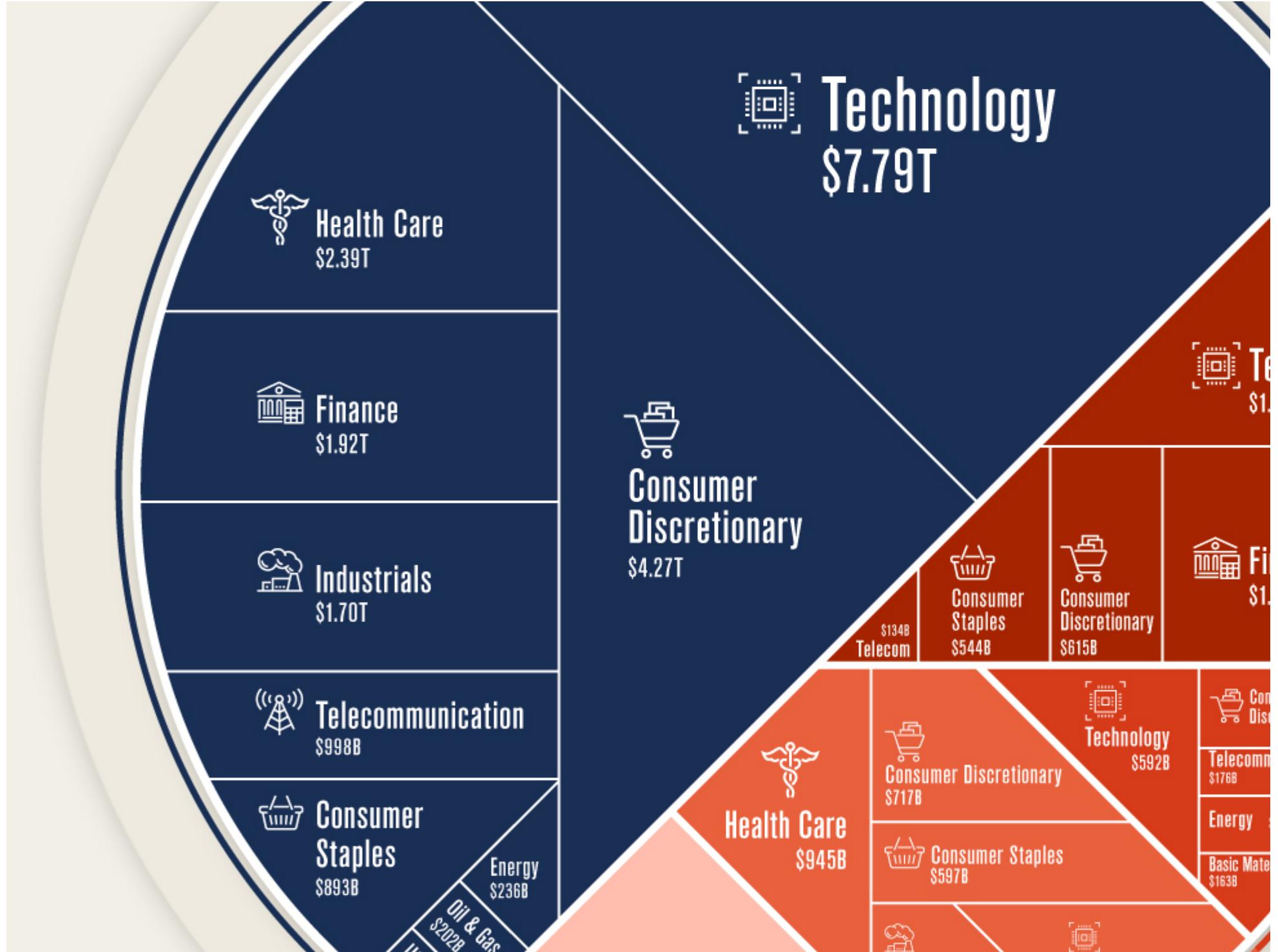
But when it comes to location, that concentration is stark.

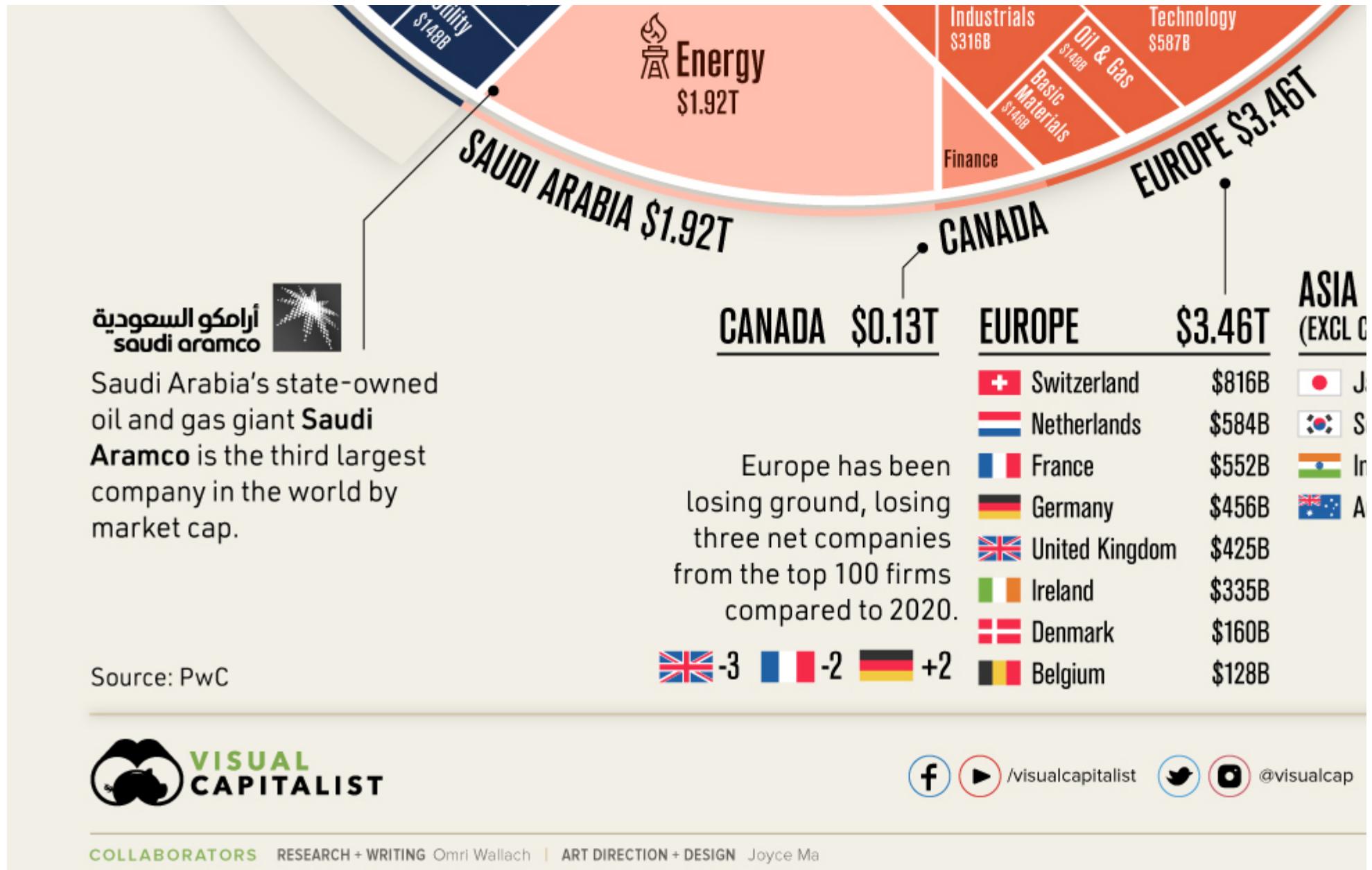


The U.S. is home to 59 of the 100 top firms, and **65% of the total market cap value**.

UNITED STATES **\$20.55T**

Tencent
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The Top 100 Companies of the World: U.S. vs Everyone

When it comes to breaking down the top 100 companies of the world, the United States still commands the largest slice of the pie.

Throughout the 20th century and before globalization reached its current peaks, American companies made the country an economic powerhouse and the source of a majority of global market value.

But even as countries like **China** have made headway with multi-billion dollar companies of their own, and the market's most important sectors have shifted, the **U.S.** has managed to stay on top.

How do the top 100 companies of the world stack up? This visualization pulls from PwC's annual ranking of the world's largest companies, using market capitalization data from May 2021.

Where are the World's Largest Companies Located?

The world's top 100 companies account for a massive **\$31.7 trillion** in market cap, but that wealth is not distributed evenly.

Between companies, there's a wide range of market caps. For example, the difference between the world's largest company (Apple) and the 100th largest (Anheuser-Busch) is **\$1.9 trillion**.

And between countries, that divide becomes even more stark. Of the 16 countries with companies making the top 100 ranking, the **U.S.** accounts for **65% of the total market cap value**.

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Location	◆ # of Companies	◆ Market Capitalization (May 2021)
🇺🇸 United States	59	\$20.55T

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Location	# of Companies	Market Capitalization (May 2021)
-China	14	\$4.19T
-Saudi Arabia	1	\$1.92T
-Switzerland	3	\$0.82T
-Netherlands	3	\$0.58T
-Japan	3	\$0.56T

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Compared to the U.S., other once-prominent markets like **Japan**, **France**, and the **UK** have seen their share of the world's top 100 companies falter over the years. In fact, all of Europe accounts for just **\$3.46 trillion** or 11% of the total market cap value of the list.

A major reason for the U.S. dominance in market values is a shift in important industries and contributors. Of the world's top 100 companies, 52% were based in either technology or consumer discretionary, and the current largest players like **Apple**, **Alphabet**, **Tesla**, and **Walmart** are all American-based.

The Top 100 Companies of the World: Competition From China

The biggest and most impressive competitor to the U.S. is **China**.

With 14 companies of its own in the world's top 100, China accounted for **\$4.19 trillion** or 13% of the top 100's total market cap value. That includes two of the top 10 firms by market cap, **Tencent** and **Alibaba**.

Search:

Company	Country	Sector	Market Cap (May 2021)
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Company	Country	Sector	Market Cap (May 2021)
#91 Bank of China	China	Financials	\$139B
#92 Philip Morris	United States	Consumer Staples	\$138B
#93 Lowe's Companies	United States	Consumer Discretionary	\$136B
#94 Charter Communications	United States	Telecommunication	\$135B
#95 China Mobile	China	Telecommunication	\$134B
#96 Sony Group	Japan	Consumer Discretionary	\$132B
#97 AstraZeneca	United Kingdom	Health Care	\$131B
#98 Royal Bank of Canada	Canada	Financials	\$131B
#99 Starbucks	United States	Consumer Discretionary	\$129B
#100 Anheuser-Busch	Belgium	Consumer Staples	\$128B

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Impressively, **China's rise** in market value isn't limited to well-known tech and consumer companies. The country's second biggest contributing industry to the top 100 firms was finance, once also the most valuable sector in the U.S. (currently 4th behind tech, consumer discretionary, and health care).

Other notable countries on the list include **Saudi Arabia** and its state-owned oil and gas giant Saudi Aramco, which is the third largest company in the world. Despite only having one company in the top 100, Saudi Arabia had the third-largest share of the top 100's total market cap value.

As Europe continues to lose ground year-over-year and the rest of Asia struggles to keep up, the top 100 companies might become increasingly concentrated in just the U.S. and China. The question is, will the imbalance of global market value start to even out, or become even bigger?

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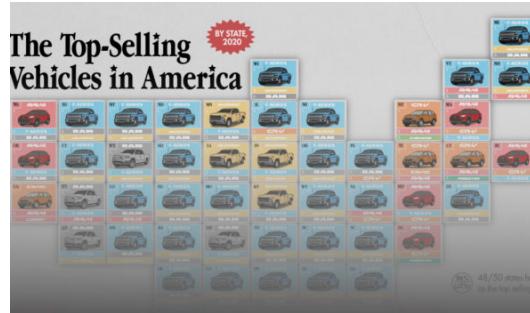
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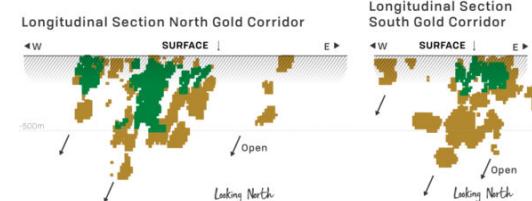
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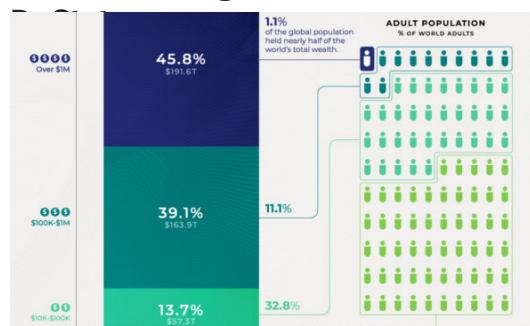


Rankings by Shares Sold

Apple	Tim Cook	◻ N/A	Tim Cook has yet to sell any shares of Apple in 2021.
Google	Sundar Pichai	◻ 27,000	His last insider transaction was in November 2020 when he sold \$4.9M worth of shares in Nike, where he sits on the board of directors.
Microsoft	Satya Nadella	◻ 278,694	Sundar Pichai sold Google shares in 3,000 unit allotments nine times so far in 2021.
Amazon	Jeff Bezos	◻ 2,0M	◻ 2,0M
Facebook	Mark Zuckerberg	◻ 71M	◻ 71M
		◻ 2,0M	Microsoft CEO Satya Nadella engaged in only one insider transaction back in March.
		◻ 6.6B	In 2020, Bezos unloaded \$6.6B in Amazon common shares, across 15 transactions.
		◻ 2.2B	◻ 2.2B
		◻ 2.2B	Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg sold 2.2B shares in 2020.



The Best Selling Vehicles in America,

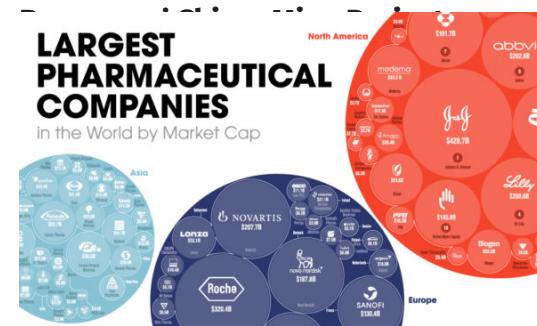


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The Best Selling Vehicles in America, By State

From Ford trucks in the Midwest to Toyotas on the coasts, the best selling vehicles in America reveal a lot about the country.

Compared to other countries with fewer highways or narrower roads, the U.S. is very much a truck-friendly country. Across the U.S., the most sold vehicle in 2019 was the

Ford F-Series of trucks, primarily the F-150.

As the home of the world's pioneer automotive manufacturers, including Ford and GM, consumers primarily purchase local brands. But that hasn't stopped Toyota, the largest foreign manufacturer in the world, from also gaining a foothold.

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Shares Sold



Average Share Price



Total Proceeds

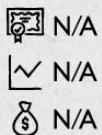
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Tim Cook



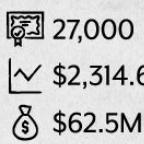
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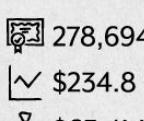
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 ~\$2,314.6
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Microsoft



Satya Nadella



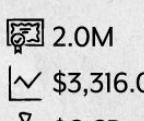
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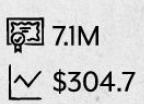
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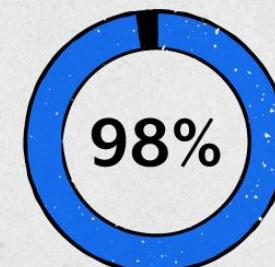
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 Shares Sold of Amazon common shares,
 across **15 transactions**.
 ~\$3,316.0
 \$6.6B



Facebook

Mark
Zuckerberg

7.1M 7.1M Shares Sold



An estimated **98%** of Zuckerberg's estimated **\$127 billion** fortune still lies in his Facebook stock.

Source: Forbes

Mark Zuckerberg has had a busy first half of the year, with 136 different sell transaction dates out of a possible 180. This averages out to **\$15 million** worth of shares sold **every 1.3 days**.

Largest Transaction Per CEO



Sundar Pichai



Mark Zuckerberg



Satya Nadella



Jeff Bezos

July 7, 2021
 \$7.7M

June 29, 2021
 \$27.1M

March 1, 2021
 \$65.4M

May 7, 2021
 \$1.1B

Big Tech CEO Insider Trading During The First Half of 2021

When CEOs of major companies are selling their shares, investors can't help but notice.

After all, these decisions have a direct effect on the personal wealth of these insiders, which can say plenty about their convictions with respect to the future direction of the companies they run.

Considering that Big Tech stocks are some of the most popular holdings in today's portfolios, and are backed by a collective \$5.3 trillion in institutional investment, how do the CEOs of these organizations rank by their insider selling?

CEO

Stock

Shares Sold H1 2021

Value of Shares (\$M)

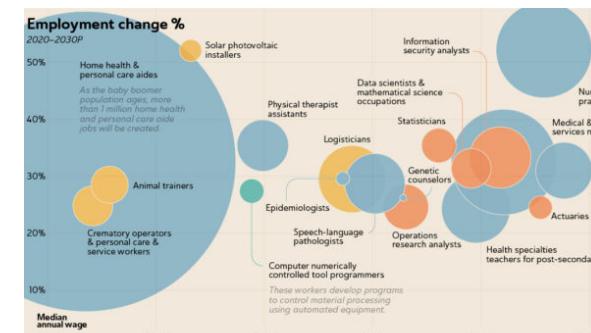
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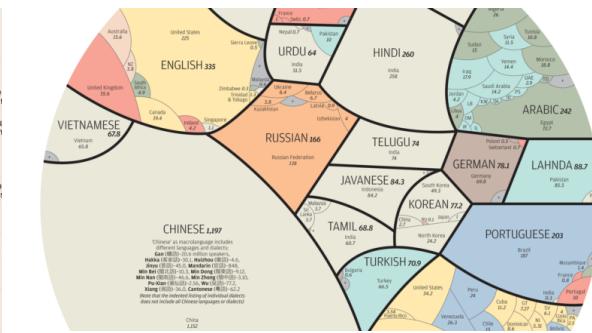
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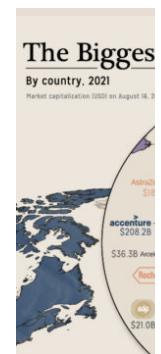
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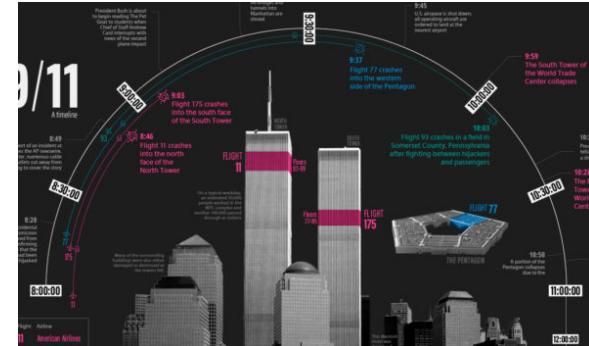
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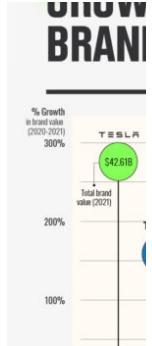
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