

# TOP 10 BUSINESSMEN<sup>2K18</sup>

## 1. JEFF BEZOS (JEFFREY PRESTON BEZOS)

Jeff Bezos born on January 12, 1964 in Albuquerque and raised in Houston, Bezos graduated from Princeton University in 1986 with degrees in electrical engineering and computer science. He went on to work on Wall Street in a variety of related fields from 1986 to early 1994. He founded **Amazon.com** in the garage of his Seattle home in 1994. The online marketplace went public three years later and has since grown to sell everything from fashion to tech to food and Amazon's own consumer-electronics products.

On November 24, 2017 — Black Friday — [Bezos's net worth](#) hit \$100 billion.

**Net worth:** \$121 billion

**Age:** 53

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Technology

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Amazon



## 2. BILL GATES (WILLIAM HENRY GATES)

William Henry Gates III born on October 28, 1955. He is an American business magnate, investor, author, philanthropist, humanitarian, and principal founder of the Microsoft Corporation. During his career at Microsoft, Gates held the positions of chairman, CEO and chief software architect, while also being the largest individual shareholder until May 2014. Bill Gates co-founded **Microsoft** with his friend Paul Allen, and served as CEO until 2000. He still sits on the company's board, but is no longer active in the day-to-day dealings.

**Net worth:** \$91.1 billion

**Age:** 62

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Technology

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Microsoft



## 3. WARREN BUFFETT (WARREN EDWARD BUFFETT)

Warren Edward Buffett born on August 30, 1930. He is an American business magnate, investor, and philanthropist who serves as the chairman and CEO of Berkshire Hathaway. He is considered one of the most successful investors in the world. After getting rejected from Harvard Business School, Warren Buffett went to Columbia instead where he studied under Benjamin Graham, who would become his mentor. He later bought **Berkshire Hathaway** in 1969 and transformed it into a powerhouse holding company.

**Net worth:** \$86.1 billion

**Age:** 87

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Diversified

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Berkshire Hathaway



#### 4. MARK ZUCKERBERG (MARK ELLIOT ZUCKERBERG)

Mark Elliot Zuckerberg born on May 14, 1984. He is an American computer programmer and Internet entrepreneur. Mark Zuckerberg launched The **Facebook.com** when he was a sophomore in college before dropping out to work on the site full-time.

**Net worth:** \$74 billion

**Age:** 33

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Technology

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Facebook



#### 5. AMANCIO ORTEGA (AMANCIO ORTEGA GAONA)

AMANCIO ORTEGA GAONA BORN ON 28 MARCH 1936. HE IS A SPANISH BUSINESS TYCOON. Amancio Ortega controls fashion giant **Inditex**, which owns Zara, Massimo Dutti, Oysho, and others. At least part of his success can be attributed to Zara's fast-fashion business model.

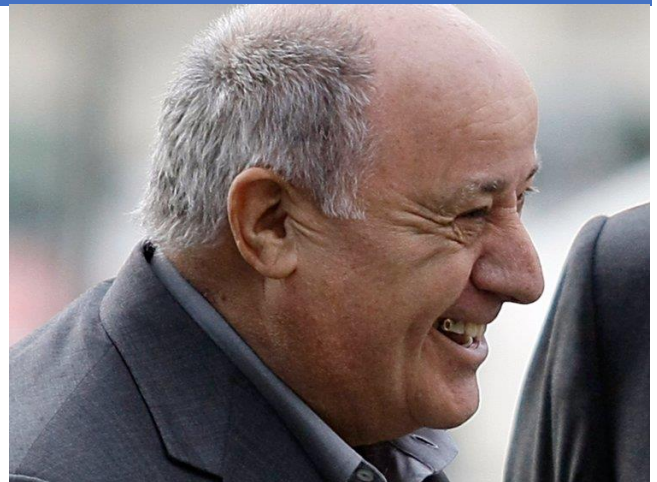
**Net worth:** \$71.3 billion

**Age:** 81

**Citizenship:** Spain

**Industry:** Retail

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Inditex



#### 6. CARLOS SLIM (CARLOS SLIM HELÚ)

CARLOS SLIM HELÚ BORN ON JANUARY 28, 1940 HE IS A MEXICAN BUSINESS MAGNATE, INVESTOR, AND PHILANTHROPIST. Carlos Slim owns a large number of companies in Mexico through his conglomerate, **Grupo Carso**. He also controls America Movil, the largest operator of mobile phones in Latin America.

**Net worth:** \$66.2 billion

**Age:** 77

**Citizenship:** Mexico

**Industry:** Diversified

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Grupo Carso





## 7. BERNARD ARNAULT (BERNARD JEAN ÉTIENNE ARNAULT)

Bernard Jean Étienne Arnault is a French born on 5 March 194. He is a French business magnate, an investor, and an art collector. Bernard Arnault is the chair of **LVMH** Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton, which houses dozens of luxury brands. Arnault bought Christian Dior when he joined the business, and helped revive the company.

**Net worth:** \$64.7 billion

**Age:** 68

**Citizenship:** France

**Industry:** Consumer

**Source of wealth:** Self-made/Inheritance; LVMH



## 8. LARRY ELLISON (LAWRENCE "LARRY" JOSEPH ELLISON)

Lawrence "Larry" Joseph Ellison born on August 17, 1944. He is an American businessman, entrepreneur, and philanthropist. Larry Ellison teamed up with two colleagues from an electronics company in 1977 to start their own programming firm, which then shortly landed a contract to build a relational database-management system for the CIA. The project later grew into what's known today as **Oracle Corp.**, the second largest software maker behind Microsoft. He stepped down as CEO in 2014.

**Net worth:** \$55.1 billion

**Age:** 73

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Technology

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Oracle



## 9. LARRY PAGE (LAWRENCE EDWARD PAGE)

Lawrence Edward Page born on March 26, 1973. He is an American computer scientist and Internet entrepreneur. Larry Page co-founded **Google** with Sergey Brin in 1998. He is now the CEO of Alphabet, which is the company that owns Google.

**Net worth:** \$53.2 billion

**Age:** 44

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Technology

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Google



**10. SERGEY BRIN** (SERGEY MIKHAYLOVICH BRIN)

Sergey Mikhaylovich Brin born in Russian on August 21, 1973. He is a Russian-born American computer scientist and internet entrepreneur. Sergey Brin co-founded **Google** with Larry Page back in 1998. He is now the president of **Alphabet**, which is the company that owns Google.

**Net worth:** \$51.9 billion

**Age:** 44

**Citizenship:** United States

**Industry:** Technology

**Source of wealth:** Self-made; Google

