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It is commonly used to host [open-source](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open-source) projects.[[6]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub#cite_note-6) As of November 2021, GitHub reports having over 73 million developers[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub#cite_note-7) and more than 200 million [repositories](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Repository_(version_control))[[8]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub#cite_note-8) (including at least 28 million public repositories).[[9]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GitHub#cite_note-9) It is the largest [source code](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Source_code) host as of November 2021