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I injected more coffee into my veins, and that energy has to go somewhere so here goes. As many of you know, outside of r/collapse, not a lot of subreddits share our viewpoints on the collapse of civilization, and mass die off of billions of humans once fossil fuels become scarce. So I post this here, in the hopes we can discuss it rationally. Also, this is **\*\*NOT\*\*** a post about bill gates 5g vaccine implant, or whatever the fuck the conservatives are on about.

**\*\*TL;DR: The market is an overleveraged and rehypothecated bomb. The banks have been fighting a collateral crisis since the end of March due to the government emergency liquidity programs ending and inflation kicking in. The repo market could blow up at any moment from a lack of collateral and short squeeze the US Treasury market itself. The entire market is hanging by a thread and the DTC, ICC, and OCC are prepared for the fallout. The moment GME surges again, they can cascade defaults to members in all clearing corps and end it in one fell swoop.\*\***

**\*\*Many rich and powerful people are involved, either directly or indirectly, and in this post I will provide sources to back up my claim.\*\***

A list of known connections to the shitshow we're in right now:

-Bill Gates (Microsoft founder, billionaire "philanthropist"[(Not fooling anyone, Bill)](<https://www.wired.com/story/opinion-the-world-loses-under-bill-gates-vaccine-colonialism/>), and [possible pedo?](<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/12/business/jeffrey-epstein-bill-gates.html>)

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-Jeff Bezos: [Former V.P of Hedge Fund D.E Shaw:](<https://preview.redd.it/k0zfv9ins3071.jpg?width=1200&format=pjpg&auto=webp&s=111dac518a6ec1b30f08ca40319c573114e97d63>), Founder of Amazon, [destroyer of brick and mortar stores]([https://www.reddit.com/r/GME/comments/ngafr3/hedge\\_funds\\_stole\\_the\\_american\\_economy\\_created/?utm\\_medium=android\\_app&utm\\_source=share](https://www.reddit.com/r/GME/comments/ngafr3/hedge_funds_stole_the_american_economy_created/?utm_medium=android_app&utm_source=share))

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-Mitt Romney:

>Romney started off at the Boston Consulting Group, where he showed an aptitude for crunching numbers and glad-handing clients. Then, in 1977, he joined a young entrepreneur named Bill Bain at a firm called Bain & Company, where he worked for six years before being handed the reins of a new firm-within-a-firm called **\*\*Bain Capital\*\***.

[Greed and Debt: The True Story of Mitt Romney and Bain Capital](<https://www.rollingstone.com/politics/politics-news/greed-and-debt-the-true-story-of-mitt-romney-and-bain-capital-183291/>)

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-David Elliot Shaw: Founder of D.E. Shaw & Co., a hedge fund company.

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-Kenneth Griffin: Founder of Citadel Securities (and multiple other offshoots). Main bad dude, creating synthetic shares, diluting price of stock, decreasing stock value, while using other hedge funds and subsidiaries to naked short the stock.

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-[Janet Yellen]([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Janet\\_Yellen](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Janet_Yellen)): 78th United States secretary of the treasury since January 26, 2021.

>Yellen has already been forced to disclose that she has taken [\$810,000](<https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2021/01/janet-yellen-paid-speeches-citadel-gamestop.html>) from **Citadel** in speaking fees. If this is something that seems unusual to you, take a trip on the googles and you will find that there are plenty of people, some of whom have even given Janet jobs in the past, have also given some big money speeches.

>IN FACT - Janet Yellen has earned [\$7,200,000](<https://www.politico.com/news/2021/01/01/yellen-made-millions-in-wall-street-speeches-453223>) in 2019 alone from speaking gigs. Thats half of her [\$16,000,000]([https://www.google.com/search?q=janet+yellen+net+worth&rlz;=1C5CHFA\\_enUS880US880&oq=janet+yellen+net+worth&aqs=chrome..69i57j0l2j0i22i30j0i390l3.2450j0j4&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8](https://www.google.com/search?q=janet+yellen+net+worth&rlz;=1C5CHFA_enUS880US880&oq=janet+yellen+net+worth&aqs=chrome..69i57j0l2j0i22i30j0i390l3.2450j0j4&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8)) net worth. You might also notice some familiar names in that donor list. Now why would someone who champions the people, who has already been receiving massive salaries from her federal positions (current salary as secretary of treasury is [\$221,400]([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United\\_States\\_Secretary\\_of\\_the\\_Treasury](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_Secretary_of_the_Treasury)) a year), need to give speeches to the biggest billionaires in the world for 7 million?

[[https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/mnddv7/janet\\_yellen\\_and\\_her\\_possible\\_role\\_in\\_the/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/mnddv7/janet_yellen_and_her_possible_role_in_the/)]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/mnddv7/janet\\_yellen\\_and\\_her\\_possible\\_role\\_in\\_the/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/mnddv7/janet_yellen_and_her_possible_role_in_the/))

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[Bank Of America]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nsioql/the\\_complete\\_bank\\_of\\_america\\_gamestop\\_dd/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nsioql/the_complete_bank_of_america_gamestop_dd/))(or

[BofA]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/ns8nea/nonfundamental\\_factors/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/ns8nea/nonfundamental_factors/)) DEEZ NUTZ):

>Hypothesis: Bank of America is the biggest bagholder in the Gamestop saga.

>Supporting Evidence:

>The 15 Billion Dollar bank bond.

>On April 16th Bank of America issued a \$15 Billion dollar bond. Now given they had an extremely strong quarter, why would BofA need the additional collateral?

><https://www.marketwatch.com/story/bank-of-america-tops-charts-with-15-billion-bond-deal-the-biggest-ever-from-a-bank-11618606409>

>BAC needed that 15B bond for insurance

><https://www.foxbusiness.com/business-leaders/bank-of-america-expects-to-increase-dividend-share-buybacks-ceo-moynihan>

>watch this video at the 1:30 mark..... "assuming we get through the stress test...." he catches himself and is like I HAVE TO BE SUPER CONFIDANT HERE.

>I can't find one other article or media post about the liquidity test anywhere, and here is the CEO

mentioning it in an Interview....it was on his mind.

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[Ben Bernanke]([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ben\\_Bernanke](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ben_Bernanke)): served two terms as the 14th Chair of the Federal Reserve, from 2006 to 2014.

>On April 16, 2015, it was announced publicly that Bernanke will work with [Citadel]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nkqofa/financial\\_crisis\\_2009\\_former\\_fed\\_chairman\\_ben/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nkqofa/financial_crisis_2009_former_fed_chairman_ben/)), the \$25 billion hedge fund founded by billionaire \*\*Kenneth C. Griffin\*\*, as a senior adviser.[77] In the same month it was revealed that Bernanke would also join Pimco as a senior advisor.[78]

[https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nkqofa/financial\\_crisis\\_2009\\_former\\_fed\\_chairman\\_ben/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nkqofa/financial_crisis_2009_former_fed_chairman_ben/)

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My focus is still on the [imminent market crash]([https://www.reddit.com/r/collapse/comments/nj7wl8/for\\_a\\_subreddit\\_focused\\_on\\_collapse\\_i\\_dont\\_see\\_a/](https://www.reddit.com/r/collapse/comments/nj7wl8/for_a_subreddit_focused_on_collapse_i_dont_see_a/)) due to financial institutions over-leveraging and making bets they never intended to follow through on. More and more people are becoming aware of the systemic fraud throughout the \*\*GLOBAL\*\* financial markets.

Don't believe me? Just look at [this](<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KjKbM3kjCWg>) CNBC host's reaction to blurting out naked shorts. [OOPS]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nsmjqd/me\\_running\\_to\\_superstonk\\_after\\_hearing\\_mellisa/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nsmjqd/me_running_to_superstonk_after_hearing_mellisa/))

As you can see, CNBC, and especially [JIM CRAMER]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nl ovio/cramer\\_why\\_why\\_why\\_in\\_higher\\_quality/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nl ovio/cramer_why_why_why_in_higher_quality/)) will [lie]([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jlfxbq\\_u0Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jlfxbq_u0Q)) and [manipulate]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nsyccq/jon\\_stewart\\_2009/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nsyccq/jon_stewart_2009/)) it's viewers.

Jim Cramer says [there won't be a crash]([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-VccFFQk\\_1k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-VccFFQk_1k)). Let's not forget the time he went on public TV and told the world in '08 that Bear Stearns was fine, [6 days before their collapse.](<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUkbdjetlY8>)

[Could you be more obvious CNBC?](<https://www.cnbc.com/2021/06/04/forget-amc-and-gamestop-the-hot-test-trade-for-hedge-funds-now-is-oil.html>)

Or go on over to

[this]([https://www.reddit.com/r/stocks/comments/nszoju/is\\_naked\\_shorting\\_truly\\_a\\_common\\_practice/](https://www.reddit.com/r/stocks/comments/nszoju/is_naked_shorting_truly_a_common_practice/)) r/stocks post about naked shorting.

or [this]([https://www.reddit.com/r/OutOfTheLoop/comments/nssi88/whats\\_going\\_on\\_with\\_that\\_news\\_repo rt\\_about\\_amc/](https://www.reddit.com/r/OutOfTheLoop/comments/nssi88/whats_going_on_with_that_news_repo rt_about_amc/)) r/outoftheloop post.

Pretty sure Bill Gates is involved. This used to be a full ~5 min clip, but I'm sure Gates [wanted it taken down]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nj7i4o/the\\_bill\\_gates\\_video\\_on\\_gme\\_has\\_been\\_bast ardzied/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nj7i4o/the_bill_gates_video_on_gme_has_been_bast ardzied/)) due to his bad poker face. here is the clip in parts.

[pt.1](<https://streamable.com/itg5o9>)

[pt.2](<https://streamable.com/a032gu>)

[pt.3](<https://streamable.com/ehm7ah>)

[pt.4](https://streamable.com/g7r98b)

See his arms crossed? or how he doesn't look directly at the camera?

To put it bluntly; **HEDGE FUNDS STOLE THE AMERICAN RETAIL ECONOMY**. ahem, I will explain...

By naked shorting competing stocks, hedge funds can invest the proceeds (from that naked short sale) into AMZN stock, essentially; Wall Street steals money from a competitors' market cap and artificially inflates the price of AMZN stock. I believe this is the largest successful financial scam/grift pulled in history.

AMZN stock is the highest % returning stock in the last decade. Amazon was only \$43 per share at 2008 lows.\*\*

<https://www.macrotrends.net/stocks/charts/AMZN/amazon/stock-price-history>\*\*

\*\*\*"After graduating from Princeton, Bezos found work at several firms on Wall Street, including Fintel, Bankers Trust and the investment firm D.E. Shaw. In 1990, Bezos became D.E. Shaw's youngest vice president."\*\*

Bezos was known for his ability to fundraise and meet with venture capital and large investors in Amazon face to face:

\*\*Bezos sourced funding for Amazon while he was still working as VP of D.E Shaw (before Amazon went public):\*\*

<https://www.scmp.com/news/world/united-states-canada/article/2143375/1994-he-convinced-22-family-and-friends-each-pay>

**UNDERSTANDING D.E SHAW & THE ADVANTAGE OF KNOWING THE WINNER BEFORE THE RACE STARTS + THE CONFIDENTIAL ADVANTAGE:**

[https://money.cnn.com/magazines/fortune/fortune\\_archive/1996/02/05/207353/index.htm](https://money.cnn.com/magazines/fortune/fortune_archive/1996/02/05/207353/index.htm)

American billionaire, scientist and former [hedge fund manager](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hedge\_fund). He founded [D. E. Shaw & Co.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/D.\_E.\_Shaw\_%26\_Co.), a hedge fund company which was once described by Fortune magazine as "the most intriguing and mysterious force on Wall Street".

The title of that Fortune article, dated February 5th, 1996 reads: **WALL STREET'S KING QUANT DAVID SHAW'S SECRET FORMULAS PILE UP MONEY. NOW HE WANTS A PIECE OF THE NET.**

Secret formulas you say? like Kenny's secret formulas?\*\*

"I was living and working in New York City. I came across the fact that the world wide web was growing very fast and came up with this simple idea to sell books on the internet. I went to my boss David and told him the idea," Bezos reminisced, explaining how the first seed of Amazon was sown in his head.

Okay, so it's clear **David E. Shaw** (among others at D.E Shaw) was aware of Amazon's concept before it went public, had an active interest in investing in the web space and managed D.E Shaw; employing quantitative strategies during this time.

"D.E. Shaw & Co. went on to become one of the five highest-grossing hedge funds of all time."\*\*

<https://www.institutionalinvestor.com/article/b16m71ft1vvr80/the-top-earning-hedge-fund-firms-of-all-time>

\*\*2 of the 5 largest holdings for D.E Shaw are AMZN and MSFT:\*\*

<https://stockzoa.com/fund/d-e-shaw-co-inc-see-notes-1-2-and-3/>

**\*\*Since Bezos announced he was stepping down as Amazon CEO February 2nd , D.E Shaw has sold 47% of their AMZN holdings. Wonder what they know?\*\***

Oh, and **\*\*Citadel Securities (long time AMZN investor) is one of the other "top 5 highest grossing" hedge funds of all time. George Soros' (long time Amazon investor through Soros Fund Management LLC) and Ray Dalio (long time Amazon investor through Bridgewater Associates) are also included in this list.\*\***

<https://www.profitconfidential.com/stock/amazon-stock/this-is-why-george-soros-bought-more-amzn-stock/>

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/dalios-bridgewater-associates-dumps-amazon-com-coca-cola-205346892--sector.html>

[In 2015, the largest private equity fund managed \$87B, 1 year later, the largest private equity fund managed \$140B. Modern day the largest fund (Blackstone Capital) manages \$211B.](<https://preview.redd.it/xzs37ae5t3071.png?width=593&format=png&auto=webp&s=cfc2e476614ed1bb11a85b6fe76bdc4776765b05>)

Bridgewater was the largest hedge fund in the world in 2016 managing \$140B AUM. The Blackstone Group, currently the largest private equity conglomerate by AUM; manages an absolutely absurd \$211B through Blackstone Capital Partners. **\*\*This loops back to property acquisition of AMZN competitors as Blackstone owned at least one entity in every single acquisition of an AMZN competitor. Blackstone owned Bain Capital (Toys R' Us lender) in the Toys R Us acquisition, Bain Capital had input on whether or not Toys R' Us would declare bankruptcy.\*\***

Toys R' Us bankruptcy explained in a prior DD:

**\*\*[https://www.reddit.com/r/GME/comments/n1x909/companies\\_destroyed\\_by\\_hedge\\_funds\\_how\\_gamestop/](https://www.reddit.com/r/GME/comments/n1x909/companies_destroyed_by_hedge_funds_how_gamestop/)\*\***

**\*\*THE BLACKSTONE GROUP collectively manages \$619B in AUM and played an integral role in appropriating the success of Amazon's stock.\*\***

<https://www.nasdaq.com/articles/if-you-invested-%241000-in-blackstone-group-a-decade-ago-this-is-how-much-itd-be-worth-now>

**\*\*"Blackstone's private equity business has been one of the largest investors in [leveraged buyouts]([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leveraged\\_buyout](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leveraged_buyout)) in the last three decades, while its real estate business has actively acquired commercial real estate".**

<https://www.blackstone.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2021/01/Blackstone4Q20EarningsPressRelease.pdf>

Kenny\*\*.....? Do you know these guys? Actively acquiring real estate sounds **\*\*a lot like you\*\***; whether it be in **\*\*Texas\*\***, or **\*\*New York\*\*** or **\*\*Florida\*\*** or **\*\*California\*\*** or... really, must I continue to list all the states (and countries)?: <https://dealbreaker.com/2020/04/citadel-coronavirus-hotel>

<https://www.palmbeachdailynews.com/business/real-estate/griffin-million-deal-adds-more-land-his-palm-beach-estate/jfLaNFMYROujhGUHCRzxcK/>

<https://therealdeal.com/2020/08/27/ken-griffin-is-approaching-1b-in-worldwide-luxury-real-estate/>

**\*\*<https://www.corporationwiki.com/search/results?term=ken%20griffin>\*\***

**\*\*Blackstone expressed interest in an ownership deal with Citadel Securities and known fuck-head Kenny**

Grift(en)\*\*: <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-10-12/blackstone-held-talks-with-citadel-about-buying-stake-dj>

**\*\*D.E SHAW, CITADEL & EVERY OTHER FUND CONTINUES TO CONCEAL THEIR POSITIONS TO THIS DAY. WHY A 13F IS BAD DATA.\*\***

<https://www.thinkadvisor.com/2005/01/12/sec-ruling-forces-d-e-shaw-portfolio-disclosure/>

**\*\*\*It's this kind of detailed hedging information that hedge funds like D.E. Shaw often seek to keep secret."**

"Prior to the filing of the amended holding reports, all of D.E. Shaw's 13F filings dating back to May 1999 included minimal details."

This would allow D.E Shaw to establish confidential naked short positions in AMZN competitors and large amounts of undisclosed shares and options in AMZN and MSFT.\*\*

HMMMMMMMM. OKAY.... WHAT!?

Oh yeah, In 2013, **\*\*D.E Shaw violating short selling regulations.\*\***

<https://www.sec.gov/litigation/admin/2013/34-70396.pdf>

"On five occasions, from May 2010 through March 2012, D. E. Shaw bought offered shares from an underwriter or broker or dealer participating in a follow-on public offering after having sold short the same security during the restricted period. The violations resulted in profits of \$447,794. "

[MFW I realize the SEC has allowed hedge funds to avoid reporting positions through 13F reports by applying for confidentiality exemptions. Then, finding out these same hedge funds violate short selling regulations.](<https://preview.redd.it/efrr1yat3071.jpg?width=1200&format=pjpg&auto=webp&s=62359acf5f0c64808792bbbc3178211799371da>)

**\*\*Citadel, Melvin, Point 72 & Susquehanna aren't the first hedge funds to fuck up catastrophically:\*\***

<https://www.valuwalk.com/2020/02/top-10-hedge-fund-blow-ups/>

<https://www.investopedia.com/articles/investing/101515/3-biggest-hedge-fund-scandals.asp>

When it comes to quantitative funds, Ponzi schemes and Insider Trading grifts are common place (looking your way again right now Kenny). **\*\*An alarming number of quantitative funds failed catastrophically due to poor risk management and over-leveraged betting\*\***. In 1998, Long-Term Capital Management (LTCM) almost caused a fucking Global Financial Crisis (GFC) due to their **\*\*leveraged bets based off mathematical modeling and high frequency trading\*\***. The perils in the quantitative approach often includes extremely high risks as mathematics fails to account for human behavior (just like GME apes continue holding no matter the price) and cannot accurately predict long term market activity trends.

This highlights the value of knowing the future on Wall Street. If you know AMZN competitors stock price will drop and AMZN stock will appreciate, you can structure shares and options portfolios with ridiculous leverage (just ask Bill Hwang) and insane gain potential while keeping it completely confidential.

[Former Sears store signage circa 2012](<https://preview.redd.it/l97ti4oet3071.jpg?width=450&format=pjpg&auto=webp&s=a85944b753c054bf22145f8caf2b7c7e42d719ba>)

It would make sense, if private equity hedge funds intentionally exercised their relationships and capital to destroy Amazon competitors deliberately (through leveraged buyouts and naked shorting) so Amazon could capture their market share while The Blackstone Group and KKR consumed their real estate assets.

**\*\*\*Hedge funds have killed Sears & many other retailers\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Sears is the fifteenth retailer to file for bankruptcy this year, Ablin noted. It joins other high profile private**

equity backed casualties\*\* Toys "R" Us, shoe seller Nine West and quirky gadget retailer Brookstone".

**\*\*<https://www.cnn.com/2018/10/16/investing/retail-sears-private-equity/index.html>\*\***

**\*\*"Hedge funds are systematically destroying jobs across the nation," said Carrie Gleason, campaign manager for Rise Up Retail, a worker advocacy group.\*\***

"From Toys 'R' Us to Sears, these financial predators are extracting the value out of these retail establishments, forcing the closure of thousands of stores, and throwing tens of thousands of workers into the streets," Gleason added.

**\*\*EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THESE RETAILERS WERE PURCHASED BY PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS. MANY OF THESE PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS HAD LONG POSITIONS IN AMAZON. THIS IS A DIRECT CONFLICT OF INTEREST SINCE A FIRM LONG AMZN WOULD HAVE MORE TO GAIN FROM A COMPETITOR GOING OUT OF BUSINESS/RELIQUISHING MARKET SHARE.\*\***

You'll also notice that the above CNN article does it's best to shift narrative to competing retailers inability to take online shopping seriously; but if **\*\*private equity had controlling interest, wouldn't they be at fault from negligence?\*** You're telling me that private equity funds who are tech-conscious, going long AMZN aren't aware of how important online retail is?

When you actually look at the numbers these "failing" businesses produced, they aren't "bankruptcy" bad at all. **\*\*Toys R' Us booked \$941M in e-commerce sales in 2016.\*\***

**\*\*In 2012, KKR, Blackstone, Bain, J.P Morgan and Goldman Sachs were accused of insider trading and co-operation by rigging the prices of securities (sound familiar?)\***

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/bain-blackstone-kr-accused-of-rigging-bids/>

Bain Capital was exposed for corporate-tax avoidance through Cayman Island Ratholes by Gawker in 2009 (co-founder Mitt Romney is still an active investor in Bain):

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/bain-capitals-tax-breaks-are-they-legal/>

**\*\*Establishing a Narrative: The "Only" Online Retailer and "the Technological Advantage"\***

I just want to ask one question. **\*\*If being an online only retailer is the most competitive business model. Why the fuck is Amazon opening physical retail locations?\***

Because the "people only shop online" narrative is over-embellished and AMZN was not the "only" online retailer (contrary to press opinion). Amazon was a company that received insanely positive reception by mainstream press and financial tabloids but the majority of their income is not provided by retail, but a result of Amazon Web Services (AWS).

**\*\*Bezos intentionally breached anti-competitive law to ensure Amazon competitors would have more difficulty establishing themselves as an online retailer.**

Toys R Us was acquired by hedge funds 2005; Amazon started selling Toys and Childcare products 2006 with exclusivity agreement with Toys R' Us.

Amazon abused agreements through Merchant Partnerships with Toys R' Us:\*\*

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amazon\\_\(company\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amazon_(company))

" In 2000, U.S. toy retailer [Toys "R" Us]([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toys\\_%22R%22\\_Us](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toys_%22R%22_Us)) entered into a 10-year agreement with Amazon, valued at \$50 million per year plus a cut of sales, under which Toys "R" Us would be the exclusive supplier of toys and baby products on the service, and the chain's website would redirect to Amazon's Toys & Games category. **\*\*Amazon had knowingly allowed third-party sellers**

to offer items on the service in categories that Toys "R" Us had been granted exclusivity.\*\* In 2006, a court ruled in favor of Toys "R" Us, giving it the right to unwind its agreement with Amazon and establish its own independent e-commerce website. The company was later awarded \*\*\$51 million in damages.\*\*

**\*\*Examining the (resourceful) Amazon's Board of Directors:\*\***

[This graphic does not include U.S Army General Keith B. Alexander, who joined the BOD in September 2020](<https://preview.redd.it/zjq6nc6ht3071.jpg?width=1200&format=pjpg&auto=webp&s=8a637b0cc56810ad86ba13fb4c019852dfb640f5>)

As of September 2020 the Amazon Board of Director's includes:

> **\*\*Former National Security Agency (NSA) Director and 4 Star Army General Keith Alexander\*\***

> Former Gates Foundation Executive Patty Stonesifer

> **\*\*Managing Partner at the Seattle based Madrona Venture Group and former Harvard alumni: Tom Alberg. Madrona VG specializes in early-stage technology investing and have long held big positions in MSFT and AMZN, which are both headquartered in Seattle.\*\***

This article highlights just how influential Madrona is: **\*\*"The firm is nearly synonymous with Seattle's venture capital scene — a powerhouse so strong that some entrepreneurs fret over the influence it holds as a funding gatekeeper."\*\***

<https://www.geekwire.com/2020/tom-alberg-bet-seattle-amazon-shaping-regions-tech-industry-building-legacy-understated-influence/>

Fun Fact: In this video Bezos mentions starting Amazon in Seattle because of Bill Gates and Microsoft's presence there: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f3NBQcAqyu4&t=223s>

Fast forward to today MSFT and AMZN are two of the largest web services companies in the world and Bill Gates + Jeff Bezos are two of the richest men in the world.

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/microsoft-seeks-startup-partnerships-in-battle-with-amazon-over-cloud-11600077601>

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/25/microsoft-wins-major-defense-cloud-contract-beating-out-amazon.html>

Gates' Cascade Investments and Alberg's Madrona provided unique relationships and capital to Bezos in Seattle.

**\*\*PRIVATE EQUITY PURCHASES THE COMPETITOR, HEDGE FUNDS NAKED SHORT THE COMPETITOR, HEDGE FUNDS PUT PROCEEDS OF NAKED SHORT SALES INTO AMAZON STOCK.\*\***

[Henry Kravis of KKR: All around scumbag and pioneer of the private equity Leveraged Buyout; starting with RJR Nabisco in 1989. At the time the buyout was described in the book *"Barbarians at the Gate"* as a preeminent example of corporate and executive greed.](<https://preview.redd.it/utb0pk8lt3071.jpg?width=474&format=pjpg&auto=webp&s=c9d6c327a47a8f6376dd346f29a10f715391c19b>)

**\*\*KKR purchased Toys R Us by way of leveraged buyout in 2005 (and abandoned that debt to schmuck fund; Solos Alternative Asset Management and eventually the taxpayer), you can read about this saga here:**

[https://www.reddit.com/r/GME/comments/n1x909/companies\\_destroyed\\_by\\_hedge\\_funds\\_how\\_gamestop/](https://www.reddit.com/r/GME/comments/n1x909/companies_destroyed_by_hedge_funds_how_gamestop/)

Former executives of Bain Capital & KKR were sued by the creditors of Toys R Us' for theft and improper



appropriation of debt before filing for bankruptcy:

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/toys-r-us-creditors-sue-050000919.html>

<https://www.barrons.com/articles/private-equity-firms-provide-20-million-in-assistance-for-former-toys-r-us-employees-1542737621>

Toys R Us cost to society: 36,000 jobs\*\*

The \*\*CEO of Borders Group was fired and replaced with a former private equity manager\*\*; then over the next decade ownership was \*\*sold through a leveraged buyout\*\* to \*\*3 different private equity firms until Borders Group declared bankruptcy\*\* (I think I'm noticing a pattern here):

\*\*[https://www.mlive.com/business/ann-arbor/2009/04/borders\\_paid\\_ousted\\_ceo\\_george.html](https://www.mlive.com/business/ann-arbor/2009/04/borders_paid_ousted_ceo_george.html)

Borders bankruptcy cost to society: 19,500 jobs lost

SEARS (who merged with Kmart in 2005) was the victim of a leveraged buyout by private equity:

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/02/07/eddie-lamperts-deal-to-buy-sears-approved-retailer-given-second-life.html>

Eddie Lampert, Steve Mnuchin and others were sued for damages over \$2 Billion; claiming Eddie Lampert had siphoned money from Sears assets to his hedge fund ESL Investments.\*\*

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/04/18/sears-sues-eddie-lampert-steven-mnuchin-others-for-alleged-thefts.html>

Sears/Kmart bankruptcy cost to society: 66,000 jobs\*\*

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2018/dec/01/sears-workers-kgm-retail-eddie-lampert>

\*\*\*" For the last three years, traditional retail has announced the largest number of layoffs of any industry; this year marks the highest number of cuts since the recession recovery in 2009".

I believe every single one of these competitors stocks were the victim of naked shorting so Amazon could capture a larger market share; also allowing for further inflation in AMZN market cap regardless of sales and revenue results.

KKR has employed former Amazon and Walmart (another retail/grocery competitor with huge private equity backing) employees to senior positions of management and governance:\*\*

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-09-19/kkr-appoints-amazon-veteran-piacentini-as-senior-adviser>

\*\*Thomas M. Schoewe has been a member of the board of directors since March 14, 2011. Mr. Schoewe was executive vice president and chief financial officer for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.\*\*

<https://ir.kkr.com/corporate-governance/>

\*\*KKR has also completed several real estate acquisitions with Amazon at a total cost of \$840M:\*\*

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-04-01/kkr-buys-seattle-building-leased-to-amazon-for-580-million>

<https://www.cpexecutive.com/post/kkr-buys-1-msf-amazon-leased-warehouse-near-atlanta/>

<https://www.bizjournals.com/charlotte/news/2020/07/01/amazon-clt3-kannapolis-sale-to-kkr.html>

[https://www.kenoshanews.com/news/local/amazon-facilities-in-kenosha-sold-for-176-million-called-a-chicago-area-industrial-record/article\\_e4b24eed-e6af-582f-8eb5-14aaa82dd8c0.html](https://www.kenoshanews.com/news/local/amazon-facilities-in-kenosha-sold-for-176-million-called-a-chicago-area-industrial-record/article_e4b24eed-e6af-582f-8eb5-14aaa82dd8c0.html)

Jeff Bezos stepping down from the role of CEO on Feb 2nd. I believe this was done to prevent an individual like me from focusing on and informing a bunch of apes like you about his hedge fund history; raising questions about the legitimacy of competitive capitalism in an economy that allows for theft through naked shorting.

**\*\*Alright so, Jeff Bezos' and Bill Gates' (among other billionaires such as Gabe Plotkin's) recent divorce filings\*\*. As I had the pleasure of learning from Joe Exotic in the documentary "Tiger King", **\*\*individuals will use a divorce (or marriage) as a way to protect assets from seizure through legal maneuvering.\*\*****

I believe Bezos and Gates understand that the current market environment is perilous and that many of the funds short on GME (among other high SI stocks) will need to liquidate their positions in blue chip stock upon margin call. AMZN and MSFT stand to lose a lot of capital.

**\*\*Also, real quick why hasn't Gates' firm Cascade Investments filed a 13F (required by law) since September 2008 (when Lehman and Bear collapsed)?** <https://fintel.io/if/cascade-investment>

Since 08' Cascade Investments has only filed a 15G, the SEC states this is a special form especially for firms that own "asset backed securities".**\*\***

>SEC Form 15-12G is the **\*\*certification and notice of termination of registration of a class of securities\*\*** under Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

>The Form is also used to **\*\*provide notice of suspension of duty to file reports under sections 13\*\*** and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act.

>When a company registers securities, it is obligated by regulation to file periodic and current reports with the SEC. **\*\*Form 15-12G may end those obligations as securities are de-issued.\*\***

**\*\*Terminated registration of securities? Notice of suspension of duty to file? End obligation to file as securities are de-issued? Sounds strange.\*\***

<https://www.investopedia.com/terms/s/sec-form-15-12g.asp>

Especially with his Epstein relationship this man has A LOT OF FUCKING QUESTIONS TO ANSWER.

Jeff Bezos stepped down as Amazon CEO on February 2nd, 5 days after the GME Gamma Squeeze, Jan 27th, 2021.

Now, you know why.

HEDGE FUNDS and PRIVATE EQUITY STOLE THE AMERICAN RETAIL ECONOMY AND HANDED IT TO JEFF BEZOS.

Edit: This DD from u/Ren3666 as it provides AMAZING INSIGHT into the current media debt issue and digging into a "BLACK HOLE OF COVERAGE":

[https://www.reddit.com/r/DDintoGME/comments/mwc62t/blackhole\\_of\\_coverage\\_biased\\_narrative\\_and\\_the/](https://www.reddit.com/r/DDintoGME/comments/mwc62t/blackhole_of_coverage_biased_narrative_and_the/)

Couple that DD with this article: <https://www.cnbc.com/2018/11/07/billionaires-are-buying-media-companies-new-york-times-not-for-sale.html> Credit: u/Slow\_learner04

Bezos and Wall Street have the resources to disseminate narratives.

Fellow ape in the comments u/BoAnonKryze :

“one possible reason why the SHFs have been attacking GME so ruthlessly and pushing hard against retail is that GameStop has positioned itself to become a very real threat to Amazon in one of the biggest and fastest growing markets on the planet”

**\*\*TLDR:**

By naked shorting competitors stocks; hedge funds who held long positions in AMZN could effectively “steal” money from a competing companies market cap and invest it into AMZN to inflate their stock price. Jeff Bezos maintained Wall Street relationships and breached anti-competitive corporate law to ensure competitors could not pivot to e-commerce in a time sensitive fashion. It is clear that multiple conflicts of interest went unchallenged, this helped to establish a narrative while relying on hedge funds to naked short competitors stocks using HFT strategies used at D.E Shaw.

The combined cost to society of Sears/Kmart, Toys R Us and Borders Group Bankruptcies = 121,000 JOBS + billions in taxpayer dollars. I FEEL SICK.\*\*

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[This is not just a U.S. problem, this is a worldwide problem. As I said last time, from trusted resources that I know, this is a **\*\*250 TRILLION DOLLAR\*\***(approximately) problem, and growing.](<https://youtu.be/q8-JO3g5bm4?t=5528>) - Wes Christian.

Having money to buy land and resources to prepare for collapse are the main reason I'm in this, fucking over financial institutions and billionaires are another. If I can't have it, at least it'll cause a little bit of chaos.

[Watch this video of CNBC during the 2008 Crash. Notice how not a single expert/spokesperson mentioned the true cause of the crash; Mortgage Bonds. Even if they know the truth, never expect them to tell you.]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nbrl8h/watch\\_this\\_video\\_of\\_cnbcs\\_during\\_the\\_2008\\_crash/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nbrl8h/watch_this_video_of_cnbcs_during_the_2008_crash/))

[Everything Superstonk Knows About Naked Shorting - A Definitive Guide]([https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nt0ojl/everything\\_superstonk\\_knows\\_about\\_naked\\_shorting/](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/nt0ojl/everything_superstonk_knows_about_naked_shorting/))

EDIT: I can already sense someone saying I have no idea what I'm talking about, I'm not an expert, so I'll just leave this here to save you some time

[Ad Hominem Fallacy](<https://owl.excelsior.edu/argument-and-critical-thinking/logical-fallacies/logical-fallacies-ad-hominem/>)

Ad hominem means “against the man,” and this type of fallacy is sometimes called name calling or the personal attack fallacy. This type of fallacy occurs when someone attacks the person instead of attacking his or her argument.

[George Carlin - It's a big club and you ain't in it](<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i5dBZDSSky0>)

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Ok so, you're asking how this relates to collapse. First you need to know what [Rehypothecation](<https://www.investopedia.com/terms/r/rehypothecation.asp>) means.

>Rehypothecation is a practice whereby banks and brokers use, for their own purposes, assets that have

been posted as collateral by their clients. Clients who permit rehypothecation of their collateral may be compensated either through a lower cost of borrowing or a rebate on fees. In a typical example of rehypothecation, securities that have been posted with a prime brokerage as collateral by a hedge fund are used by the brokerage to back its own transactions and trades.

So basically, the financial market, which affects the economy, which affects the growth of our civilization, are built on rehypothecated assets, multiple times over. The reason why we have grown so fast, is cause the fucking bankers have been giving out loans based on other loans, based on other loans

“Wait, so if I’m understanding this correctly, the entire stock market consists of nothing but IOUs, and the master vault holding the actual shares and the technical ownership of those shares all belongs to the “elites” that we’re fighting?”

If the market wasn’t over-leveraged x10, maybe x20, x who the fuck knows, we would have had more time to prepare, research and deal with collapse.

We grew too fast, and we’ll collapse even faster(than expected).

Also, why do we allow the Federal Reserve, who is controlled by the big banks, and not subject to government oversight, to print out our fucking money?!?!

Fucking Madness. We caused the 6th mass extinction, because of profits.