

# **United States Venture Capital**

First Nine Months 2023 | United States Venture Capital Review

#### **United States Venture Capital Deals Intelligence**

#### UNITED VENTURE CAPITAL DEALS TOTAL US\$81.6 BILLION

United States venture capital activity totaled US\$81.6 billion invested across 5,955 rounds during the first nine months of 2023. Deal volumes were flat this year, as compared to the same period last year, but represented a 42% decrease in deal values. Indeed, first nine months dollar volumes from January to September this year were the lowest since 2018, when only US\$69.4 was deployed into US-based companies.

#### TOP TEN COMPLETED ROUNDS BRING IN US\$12.3 BILLION

The top ten deals completed during the first three quarters of 2023 saw deal values totaling US\$12.3 billion. The top round was the US\$6.5 billion investment into financial services company Stripe, followed by the US\$1.3 billion funding round into artificial intelligence company Inflection AI. Rounding out the top deals of the first nine months were recycling companies Redwood Materials, and Hybar, which closed rounds of US\$1.0 billion and US\$700 million respectively.

#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT DOWN 46% FROM 2022**

The information technology sector led all other sectors by value with US\$51.4 billion invested in 4,385 transactions during the first nine months of 2023, a decrease of 46% in dollars compared to the same period last year. Companies within the medical and health sector constituted the second largest share of venture investments, totaling US\$18.2 billion in 721 deals, a decrease of 27% in dollar volumes compared to the same period last year.

#### **UNITED STATES VENTURE CAPITAL FUNDRAISING DOWN 61%**

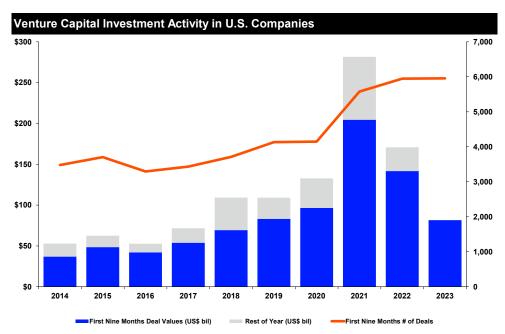
A total of 515 United States venture funds recorded closes during the first nine months of 2023, raising a combined US\$51.8 billion in commitments. This represented a marked 61% decline from the US\$131.4 billion raised in the same period last year. The number of funds recording a close was also down by 43%.

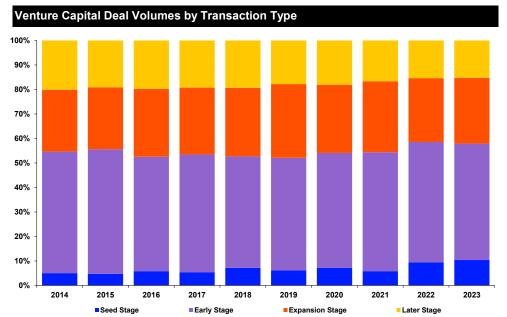
From January to September, eight funds recorded closings of US\$1 billion or greater. These were led by Wellington Hadley Harbor Partners IV with US\$2.8 billion, Technology Crossover Ventures XII with \$1.4 billion, and Lux Ventures VII at \$1.1 billion.

#### **US VENTURE CAPITAL-BACKED EXITS DECLINE 62%**

United States venture backed exits totaled US\$39.2 billion from 278 transactions during the first three quarters, a 62% decrease by exit value and a 19% decrease by number of transactions compared to the same period last year.

The top announced exit remained Pfizer's US\$42.1 billion announcement to acquire cancer therapeutics company Seagan. Placing second was cybersecurity company Splunk, which announced will be acquired by Cisco for US\$30.0 billion. In third place was data analytics company New Relic, announcing its acquisition by Francisco Partners and TPG for US\$6.1 billion.







# **Investments**

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| Top U.S. Venture Capital Deals by Deal Value |           |                          |                         |               |  |  |  |
|--|-----------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Company Name                                 | Inv. Date | Deal Value<br>(US\$ mil) | Sector                  | Location      |  |  |  |
| Stripe Inc                                   | 03/15/23  | \$6,500.0                | Payment Processing      | California    |  |  |  |
| Inflection AI Inc                            | 06/29/23  | \$1,300.0                | Artificial Intelligence | California    |  |  |  |
| Redwood Materials Inc                        | 08/29/23  | \$1,000.0                | Recycling Solutions     | Nevada        |  |  |  |
| Hybar LLC                                    | 02/08/23  | \$700.0                  | Recycling Solutions     | Arkansas      |  |  |  |
| Rippling People Center Inc                   | 03/17/23  | \$500.0                  | Employment Services     | California    |  |  |  |
| SB Technology Inc                            | 02/14/23  | \$500.0                  | Artificial Intelligence | California    |  |  |  |
| Databricks Inc                               | 09/14/23  | \$500.0                  | Data Engineering        | California    |  |  |  |
| Ascend Elements Inc                          | 06/09/23  | \$460.0                  | Batteries               | Massachusetts |  |  |  |
| Anthropic PBC                                | 05/23/23  | \$450.0                  | Artificial Intelligence | California    |  |  |  |
| ElevateBio LLC                               | 05/24/23  | \$401.0                  | Biotechnology           | Massachusetts |  |  |  |
| Monogram Health Inc                          | 09/01/23  | \$375.0                  | Healthcare              | Tennessee     |  |  |  |

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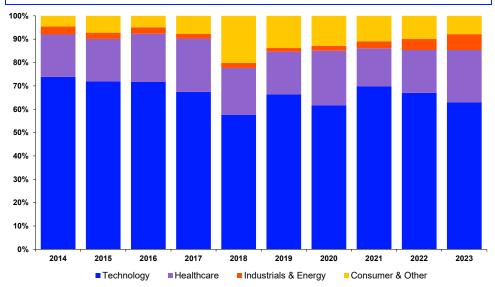
Data Engineering

California

| Top Venture Capital Deals by U.S. Firms Investing Abroad |           |                          |                             |                |  |
|--|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| Company Name   | Inv. Date | Deal Value<br>(US\$ mil) | Sector                      | Location       |  |
| H2 Green Steel AB  | 09/07/23  | \$1,604.8                | Manufacturing               | Sweden         |  |
| Xiamen Hithium Energy Storage<br>Technology Co Ltd       | 07/05/23  | \$621.0                  | Batteries                   | China          |  |
| Micro Connect Investments Ltd                            | 08/02/23  | \$458.0                  | Financial Services          | Hong Kong      |  |
| Wiz Inc  | 02/27/23  | \$300.0                  | Cloud Security              | Israel         |  |
| ITM Isotope Technologies Munich SE                       | 06/05/23  | \$273.2                  | Biotechnology               | Germany        |  |
| Cohere Inc   | 06/08/23  | \$270.4                  | Natural Language Processing | Canada         |  |
| Engineer ai Ltd  | 05/23/23  | \$250.0                  | Artificial Intelligence     | United Kingdom |  |
| eToro Group Ltd  | 03/21/23  | \$250.0                  | Financial Services          | Israel         |  |
| Cato Networks Ltd  | 09/19/23  | \$238.0                  | Network Security            | Israel         |  |
| 1komma5 GmbH   | 06/23/23  | \$235.6                  | Solar Energy                | Germany        |  |
| Enpal BV   | 01/09/23  | \$230.7                  | Solar Energy                | Germany        |  |
| Apollo Therapeutics Ltd                                  | 09/06/23  | \$226.5                  | Healthcare                  | United Kingdom |  |

### Investments by Sector, Deal Value (US \$bil)

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# Venture Capital Investments by State

|                | 01/01/2023 -   | 09/30/2023 | 01/01/2022 -   | 09/30/2022 | YoY %   | Ó        | YoY  | %        |
|----------------|----------------|------------|----------------|------------|---------|----------|------|----------|
| State          | Value (\$ mil) | # of Deals | Value (\$ mil) | # of Deals | Chg. (S | 5)       | Chg. | (#)      |
| California     | \$37,899       | 2,052      | \$66,585       | 2,270      | -43%    | ▼        | -10% | <b>V</b> |
| Massachusetts  | \$9,534        | 336        | \$13,308       | 401        | -28%    | •        | -16% | •        |
| New York       | \$9,058        | 905        | \$18,328       | 893        | -51%    | •        | 1%   | _        |
| Texas          | \$3,627        | 290        | \$6,087        | 289        | -40%    | •        | 0%   | _        |
| Washington     | \$2,157        | 184        | \$4,573        | 178        | -53%    | _        | 3%   | _        |
| Colorado       | \$1,939        | 146        | \$2,829        | 155        | -31%    | •        | -6%  | •        |
| Nevada         | \$1,394        | 29         | \$486          | 24         | 187%    | <b>A</b> | 21%  | _        |
| Florida        | \$1,308        | 219        | \$3,230        | 186        | -60%    | •        | 18%  | _        |
| Illinois       | \$1,294        | 140        | \$4,461        | 145        | -71%    | •        | -3%  | <b>V</b> |
| Virginia       | \$1,109        | 114        | \$1,271        | 91         | -13%    | •        | 25%  | _        |
| Maryland       | \$957          | 79         | \$804          | 54         | 19%     | <b>A</b> | 46%  | _        |
| North Carolina | \$932          | 106        | \$1,643        | 96         | -43%    | •        | 10%  | _        |
| Georgia        | \$890          | 87         | \$1,218        | 93         | -27%    | •        | -6%  | _        |
| Pennsylvania   | \$831          | 143        | \$1,913        | 121        | -57%    | •        | 18%  | _        |
| Arkansas       | \$768          | 10         | \$148          | 8          | 420%    | <b>A</b> | 25%  | _        |
| Tennessee      | \$768          | 35         | \$503          | 35         | 53%     | _        | 0%   | -        |
| Utah           | \$737          | 53         | \$1,373        | 70         | -46%    | •        | -24% | _        |
| New Jersey     | \$687          | 64         | \$1,301        | 58         | -47%    | •        | 10%  | _        |
| Michigan       | \$610          | 72         | \$1,962        | 56         | -69%    | •        | 29%  | _        |
| Delaware       | \$597          | 199        | \$755          | 119        | -21%    | •        | 67%  | <b>A</b> |
| Missouri       | \$556          | 32         | \$223          | 30         | 149%    | _        | 7%   | _        |
| D. of Columbia | \$520          | 58         | \$908          | 47         | -43%    | •        | 23%  | _        |
| Minnesota      | \$520          | 55         | \$689          | 41         | -24%    | •        | 34%  | _        |
| Ohio           | \$480          | 77         | \$1,445        | 70         | -67%    | •        | 10%  | _        |
| Arizona        | \$298          | 50         | \$585          | 43         | -49%    | _        | 16%  | _        |



Packetfabric Inc

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#### Top VC Investors in All United States Companies

| Firm Name                             | Rank | # of Deals | Estimated Investment (US \$ mil) |
|---------------------------------------|------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Y Combinator Management LLC           | 1    | 303        | \$247                            |
| Techstars Central LLC                 | 2    | 159        | \$25                             |
| AH Capital Management LLC             | 3    | 100        | \$1,409                          |
| Sequoia Capital Operations LLC        | 4    | 68         | \$837                            |
| Launch Angels Management Co LLC       | 5    | 68         | \$178                            |
| Gaingels Management LLC               | 6    | 64         | \$69                             |
| SOSV Investments LLC                  | 7    | 48         | \$28                             |
| FJ Labs Inc                           | 8    | 47         | \$67                             |
| General Catalyst Group Management LLC | 9    | 44         | \$883                            |
| Lightspeed Management Co LLC          | 10   | 44         | \$263                            |
| Khosla Ventures LLC                   | 11   | 42         | \$198                            |
| Forum Ventures                        | 12   | 37         | \$11                             |
| Google Ventures                       | 13   | 35         | \$421                            |
| Unpopular Ventures LLC                | 14   | 34         | \$2                              |

#### **Top VC Investors in New York Companies**

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|---------------------------------------|------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Firm Name                             | Rank | # of Deals  | Estimated Investment (US \$mil) |
| Y Combinator Management LLC           | 1    | 48          | \$29                            |
| Techstars Central LLC                 | 2    | 26          | \$4                             |
| FJ Labs Inc                           | 3    | 18          | \$36                            |
| Gaingels Management LLC               | 4    | 17          | \$16                            |
| AH Capital Management LLC             | 5    | 16          | \$55                            |
| Launch Angels Management Co LLC       | 6    | 14          | \$11                            |
| Entrepreneurs Roundtable Accelerator  | 7    | 14          | \$5                             |
| General Catalyst Group Management LLC | 8    | 11          | \$83                            |
| New York Ventures                     | 9    | 10          | \$8                             |
| Forum Ventures                        | 10   | 10          | \$2                             |
| Box Group LLC                         | 11   | 9           | \$28                            |
| Sequoia Capital Operations LLC        | 12   | 8           | \$35                            |
| Deer Management Co LLC                | 13   | 8           | \$29                            |
| AlleyCorp Advisers LLC                | 14   | 8           | \$17                            |
|                                       |      |             |                                 |

#### **Top Investors in United States Information Technology Companies**

| Firm Name                             | Rank | # of Deals | Estimated Investment (US\$ mil) |
|---------------------------------------|------|------------|---------------------------------|
| Y Combinator Management LLC           | 1    | 283        | \$229                           |
| Techstars Central LLC                 | 2    | 138        | \$23                            |
| AH Capital Management LLC             | 3    | 84         | \$1,308                         |
| Sequoia Capital Operations LLC        | 4    | 58         | \$797                           |
| Launch Angels Management Co LLC       | 5    | 50         | \$138                           |
| Gaingels Management LLC               | 6    | 50         | \$49                            |
| FJ Labs Inc                           | 7    | 42         | \$54                            |
| Lightspeed Management Co LLC          | 8    | 38         | \$202                           |
| General Catalyst Group Management LLC | 9    | 37         | \$817                           |
| Forum Ventures                        | 10   | 35         | \$10                            |
| 500 Startups Management Co LLC        | 11   | 33         | \$13                            |
| Unpopular Ventures LLC                | 12   | 31         | \$2                             |
| Soma Capital Management LLC           | 13   | 27         | \$58                            |
| New Enterprise Associates Inc         | 14   | 26         | \$124                           |
|                                       |      |            |                                 |

#### **Top VC Investors in California Companies**

| Firm Name                             | Rank | # of Deals | Estimated Investment (US \$mil) |
|---------------------------------------|------|------------|---------------------------------|
| Y Combinator Management LLC           | 1    | 201        | \$187                           |
| AH Capital Management LLC             | 2    | 61         | \$1,227                         |
| Sequoia Capital Operations LLC        | 3    | 44         | \$756                           |
| Techstars Central LLC                 | 4    | 31         | \$5                             |
| Launch Angels Management Co LLC       | 5    | 29         | \$55                            |
| Lightspeed Management Co LLC          | 6    | 27         | \$174                           |
| General Catalyst Group Management LLC | 7    | 25         | \$739                           |
| Khosla Ventures LLC                   | 8    | 25         | \$109                           |
| Gaingels Management LLC               | 9    | 25         | \$22                            |
| Unpopular Ventures LLC                | 10   | 21         | \$1                             |
| Google Ventures                       | 11   | 20         | \$209                           |
| New Enterprise Associates Inc         | 12   | 19         | \$88                            |
| Menlo Venture Corp                    | 13   | 18         | \$148                           |
| Eight Partners VC LLC                 | 14   | 17         | \$140                           |
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### **Top VC Investors in Massachusetts Companies**

| Firm Name                              | Rank | # of Deals | Estimated Investment (US\$ mil) |
|--|------|------------|---------------------------------|
| Arch Venture Partners LLC              | 1    | 14         | \$220                           |
| RA Capital Management LP               | 2    | 10         | \$155                           |
| Alexandria Venture Investments LLC     | 3    | 9          | \$89                            |
| Google Ventures                        | 4    | 8          | \$132                           |
| Flagship Ventures                      | 5    | 7          | \$343                           |
| Invus Group LLC                        | 6    | 7          | \$95                            |
| F-Prime Inc                            | 7    | 7          | \$88                            |
| Y Combinator Management LLC            | 8    | 7          | \$5                             |
| Launch Angels Management Co LLC        | 9    | 6          | \$81                            |
| Casdin Capital LLC                     | 10   | 6          | \$69                            |
| North Star Venture Management 2000 LLC | 11   | 6          | \$53                            |
| Techstars Central LLC                  | 12   | 6          | \$2                             |
| Mass General Brigham Ventures          | 13   | 5          | \$38                            |
| Exeter Venture Management Co LLC       | 14   | 5          | \$8                             |
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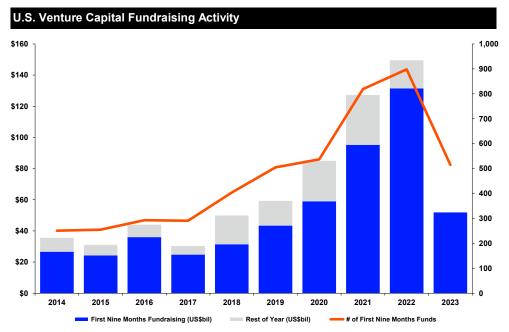
#### Top Investors in United States Life Sciences Companies

| Firm Name                              | Rank | # of Deals | Estimated Investment (US\$ mil) |
|--|------|------------|---------------------------------|
| RA Capital Management LP               | 1    | 22         | \$265                           |
| Arch Venture Partners LLC              | 2    | 21         | \$291                           |
| Alexandria Venture Investments LLC     | 3    | 19         | \$175                           |
| SOSV Investments LLC                   | 4    | 19         | \$4                             |
| Google Ventures                        | 5    | 14         | \$230                           |
| Catalio Capital Management LP          | 6    | 13         | \$105                           |
| F-Prime Inc                            | 7    | 12         | \$134                           |
| Orbimed Advisors LLC                   | 8    | 11         | \$147                           |
| Johnson & Johnson Innovation-JJDC Inc  | 9    | 11         | \$96                            |
| Invus Group LLC                        | 10   | 10         | \$135                           |
| Deerfield Management Co L.P            | 11   | 10         | \$112                           |
| Casdin Capital LLC                     | 12   | 10         | \$99                            |
| North Star Venture Management 2000 LLC | 13   | 10         | \$96                            |
| Launch Angels Management Co LLC        | 14   | 10         | \$23                            |



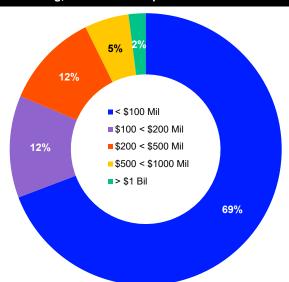
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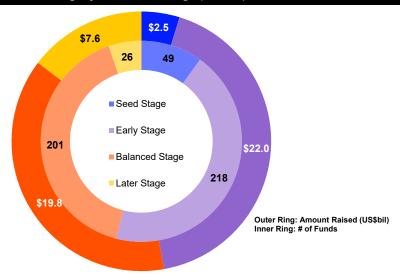




#### **Venture Capital Fundraising, Fund Size Composition**



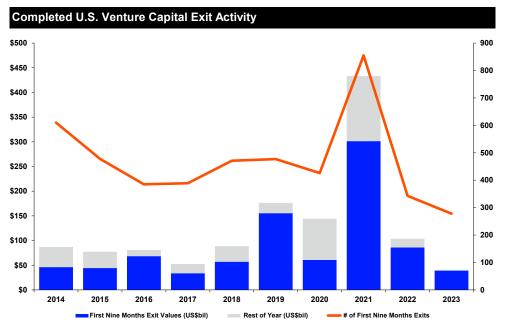
#### Venture Capital Fundraising, by Investment Stage (US\$ bil)





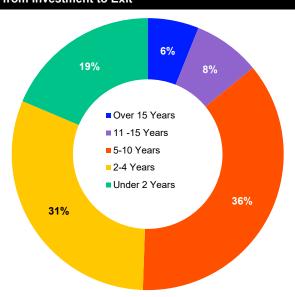
# **Exits**

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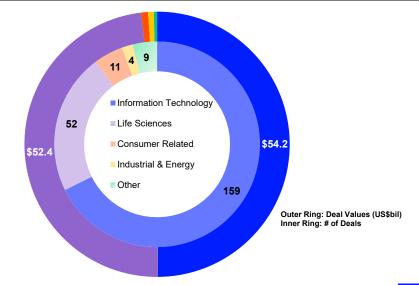


| Top Announced U.S. Venture Capital-Backed Exits |   |   |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| Ann. Date                                       | Deal Value<br>(US\$mil)   | Sector  | Exit Type   |  |  |  |
| 03/13/23  | \$42,101.7  | Cancer Therapeutics   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 09/21/23  | \$29,563.5  | Cybersecurity   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 07/31/23  | \$6,116.9   | Data Analytics  | Secondary Sales   |  |  |  |
| 04/05/23  | \$4,900.0   | Mobile Gaming   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 06/26/23  | \$4,600.0   | Business Management   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 07/25/23  | \$3,600.0   | Cybersecurity   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 07/14/23  | \$1,925.0   | Pharmaceuticals   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 05/10/23  | \$1,392.4   | Cancer Therapeutics   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 06/26/23  | \$1,300.0   | Artificial Intelligence   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 07/07/23  | \$1,300.0   | Biotechnology   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 02/13/23  | \$965.0   | Financial Services  | RTO   |  |  |  |
| 06/26/23  | \$650.0   | Research Services   | Merger  |  |  |  |
| 01/13/23  | \$638.4   | Solar Energy  | IPO   |  |  |  |
|   | Ann. Date 03/13/23 09/21/23 07/31/23 04/05/23 06/26/23 07/14/23 05/10/23 06/26/23 07/07/23 02/13/23 | Ann. Date (US\$mil)  03/13/23 \$42,101.7  09/21/23 \$29,563.5  07/31/23 \$6,116.9  04/05/23 \$4,900.0  06/26/23 \$4,600.0  07/25/23 \$3,600.0  07/14/23 \$1,925.0  05/10/23 \$1,392.4  06/26/23 \$1,300.0  07/07/23 \$1,300.0  02/13/23 \$965.0 | Ann. Date         Deal Value (US\$mil)         Sector           03/13/23         \$42,101.7         Cancer Therapeutics           09/21/23         \$29,563.5         Cybersecurity           07/31/23         \$6,116.9         Data Analytics           04/05/23         \$4,900.0         Mobile Gaming           06/26/23         \$4,600.0         Business Management           07/25/23         \$3,600.0         Cybersecurity           07/14/23         \$1,925.0         Pharmaceuticals           05/10/23         \$1,392.4         Cancer Therapeutics           06/26/23         \$1,300.0         Artificial Intelligence           07/07/23         \$1,300.0         Biotechnology           02/13/23         \$965.0         Financial Services           06/26/23         \$650.0         Research Services |  |  |  |

#### Number of Years from Investment to Exit



#### **Exits by Sector**





# **United States Venture Capital Criteria**

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