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#### CANADA VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT TOTALS CA\$10.3 BILLION

Canadian venture capital totaled CA\$10.3 billion in deal values across 645 rounds during full year 2022. This represented a 14% decline in volumes and a 40% decrease in deal values year-over-year.

#### **TOP TEN ROUNDS BRING IN CA\$2.9 BILLION**

The top ten transactions for full year 2022 brought in CA\$2.9 billion of deal values, 28% of the total discolsed value for the period.

The top round for the period remained the CA\$791.2 million investment into computer software and services company, AgileBits Inc. The second largest round for the year was the CA\$434.3 investment into British Columbia-based company, Svante Inc. Rounding out the top three was the CA\$339.0 million investment into the Software & IT Services company, Vasco HQ Inc.

#### COMPUTER SOFTWARE & HARDWARE COMPANIES SEE 49% MARKET SHARE

Companies within the computer-related sectors saw CA\$5.0 billion of deal values across 293 transactions during full year 2022, resulting in value and volume shares of 49% and 45% respectively. Companies within the internet specific space saw CA\$2.1 billion of deal values.

#### **VENTURE CAPITAL FUNDS RAISE CA\$6.0 BILLION**

A total of 47 Canadian VC funds recorded closes during full year 2022 raising a combined CA\$6.0 billion in commitments, an increase of 7% compared to full year 2021.

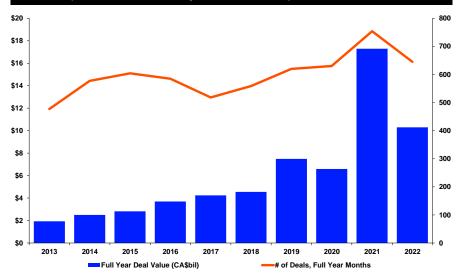
The top fundraise for the period was the CA\$966.2 million closing of Georgian Growth Fund VI LP. Coming in second as the CA\$722.6 million closing of Portag3 Ventures' third early stage fund. Rounding out the top three was the CA\$684.3 million raised by Georgian Partners Growth Fund Founders International's sixth later stage fund.

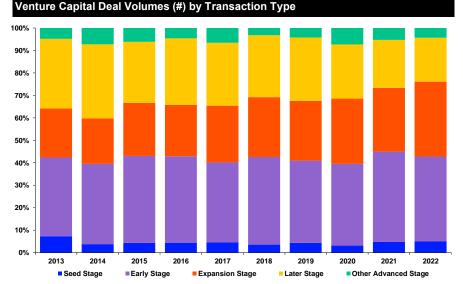
#### CANADA VENTURE CAPITAL-BACKED EXITS TOTAL CA\$7.6 BILLION

Canadian companies completed 38 VC-backed exits worth CA\$7.6 billion during full year 2022, a 60% decline in the number of exits and 46% drop in values when compared to full year 2021.

The top announced exit for the period remained the acquisition of technology equipment company, Sierra Wireless, by Semtech Corp, valuing the business at CA\$1.5 billion.

#### Venture Capital Investment Activity in Canadian Companies



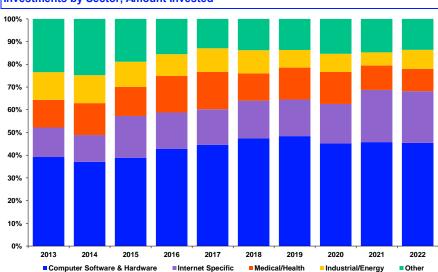


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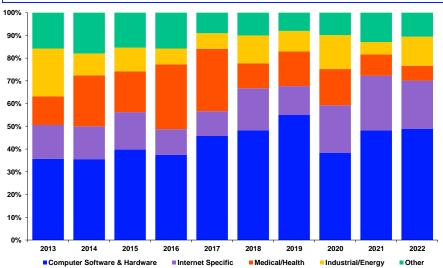
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Top Canadian Venture Capital Deals					Top VC Deals by Canadian Firms Investing Abroad				
Company Name	Deal Date	Deal Value (CA\$mil)	Sector	Location	Company Name	Deal Date	Deal Value (CA\$mil)	Sector	Nation
Agilebits Inc	01/28/22	\$791.2	Software & IT Services	Ontario	Flexport Inc	02/07/22	\$1,182.7	Transportation	United States
Svante Inc	12/15/22	\$434.3	Chemicals	British Columbia	Klarna Bank AB	07/11/22	\$1,040.4	Industrial & Commercial Services	Sweden
Vasco HQ Inc	11/09/22	\$339.9	Software & IT Services	Quebec	VerSe Innovation Pvt Ltd	04/05/22	\$1,005.0	Software & IT Services	India
Enerkem Inc	04/06/22	\$255.0	Renewable Energy	Quebec	National Resilience Inc	06/06/22	\$785.9	Healthcare Services & Equipment	United States
Neo Financial Technologies Inc	02/28/22	\$234.5	Software & IT Services	Alberta	Eikon Therapeutics Inc	01/06/22	\$659.1	Pharmaceuticals & Medical Research	United States
Koho Financial Inc	01/14/22	\$210.0	Software & IT Services	Ontario	Wefox Insurance AG	07/12/22	\$520.8	Insurance	United States
Shoplazza Inc	01/20/22	\$187.5	Software & IT Services	Ontario	Group14 Technologies Inc	05/04/22	\$509.2	Industrial Goods	Germany
Paper Education Company Inc	02/15/22	\$162.7	Academic & Educational Services	Quebec	FTX Trading Ltd	01/31/22	\$508.2	Banking & Investment Services	United States
Talent.Com Inc	03/02/22	\$151.5	Software & IT Services	Quebec	West Realm Shires Services Inc	01.26/22	\$506.6	Software & IT Services	Antigua and Ba
Xanadu Quantum Technologies Inc	11/09/22	\$135.3	Software & IT Services	Ontario	Palmetto Clean Technology Inc	02/24/22	\$480.4	Software & IT Services	United States
LayerZero Labs Ltd	03/03/22	\$135.0	Financial Technology (Fintech) & Infrastructure	British Columbia	Form Energy Inc	01/04/22	\$453.2	Industrial Goods	United States
Hopper Inc	11/07/22	\$129.6	Software & IT Services	Quebec	Animoca Brands Corp	01/18/22	\$449.0	Software & IT Services	United States

#### Investments by Sector, Amount Invested



#### Investments by Sector, Number of Deals



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#### Top Canadian Investors in All Canadian Companies

Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals	Frim Location
Business Development Bank of Canada	1	50	Canada
iNovia Capital Inc	2	24	Canada
Export Development Canada	3	23	Canada
Investissement Quebec	4	22	Canada
Teralys Capital Inc	5	19	Canada
Mars Investment Accelerator Fund Inc	6	17	Canada
Real Investment Management Inc	7*	15	Canada
Anges Quebec Capital	7*	15	Canada
Desjardins Capital Management Inc	9*	13	Canada
Fonds de solidarite des travailleurs du Quebec	9*	13	Canada
Garage Capital Ventures Inc	9*	13	Canada
Golden Opportunities Fund Inc	9*	13	Canada
Fondaction-CSN	13*	12	Canada
N49P Venture Capital	13*	12	Canada
Panache Ventures Investment Fund 2018 LP	15*	11	Canada
Anges Quebec	16	10	Canada
Round13 Capital	17*	9	Canada
Golden Venture Partners Inc	17*	9	Canada
Luge Capital GP Inc	17*	9	Canada
Cycle Capital Management (CCM) Inc	20*	8	Canada
Active Impact Investments GP Incorporated	20*	8	Canada
Canadian Business Growth Fund	22*	7	Canada
OMERS Ventures	22*	7	Canada
TELUS Ventures	22*	7	Canada

#### Top Investors in Ontario Companies

Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals	Firm Location
Business Development Bank of Canada	1	24	Canada
Mars Investment Accelerator Fund Inc	2	15	Canada
iNovia Capital Inc	3*	11	Canada
Teralys Capital Inc	3*	11	Canada
Garage Capital Ventures Inc	5*	10	Canada
Golden Venture Partners Inc	6*	7	Canada
N49P Venture Capital	6*	7	Canada
Round13 Capital	8*	6	Canada
Export Development Canada	8*	6	Canada
Panache Ventures Investment Fund 2018 LP	8*	6	Canada
Luge Capital GP Inc	11*	5	Canada
FJ Labs Inc	11*	5	United Staes
Graphite Ventures	11*	5	Canada

#### Top Investors in Québec Companies

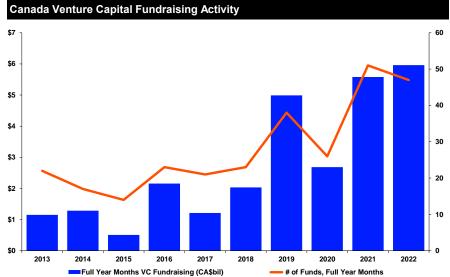
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Investissement Quebec	1	22	Canada
Business Development Bank of Canada	2	16	Canada
Desjardins Capital Management Inc	3*	13	Canada
Fonds de solidarite des travailleurs du Quebec	3*	13	Canada
Anges Quebec Capital	3*	13	Canada
Fondaction-CSN	6*	12	Canada
Export Development Canada	7*	10	Canada
Real Investment Management Inc	7*	10	Canada
iNovia Capital Inc	9	8	Canada
Anges Quebec	10	7	Canada
CDP Capital Private Equity	11*	6	Canada
Cycle Capital Management (CCM) Inc	11*	6	Canada
Whitestar Capital Ltd	13	4	United States
Canadian Business Growth Fund	14*	3	Canada
Salesforce Ventures LLC	14*	3	United States
Wind Ventures	14*	3	United States
Boreal Ventures I LP	14*	3	Canada
Active Impact Investments GP Incorporated	14*	3	Canada

#### Top Investors in British Columbia Companies

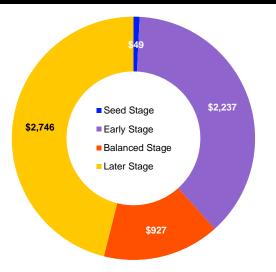
Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals	Firm Location
Business Development Bank of Canada	1	8	Canada
Quark Venture Inc	2*	3	Canada
Evok Innovations Inc	2*	3	Canada
Vanedge Capital Inc	2*	3	Canada
Export Development Canada	2*	3	Canada
iNovia Capital Inc	2*	3	Canada
NGIF Cleantech Ventures	2*	3	Canada
Tribe Capital Partners LLC	2*	3	United States
Clean Energy Inc	2*	3	Canada
Roynat Capital Inc	2*	3	Canada
Cai Capital Management Co	2*	3	Canada

# **Fundraising**

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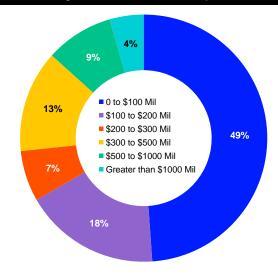
#### Venture Capital Fundraising by Fund Stage (CA\$mil)



#### Largest Venture Capital Funds Raised in Canada

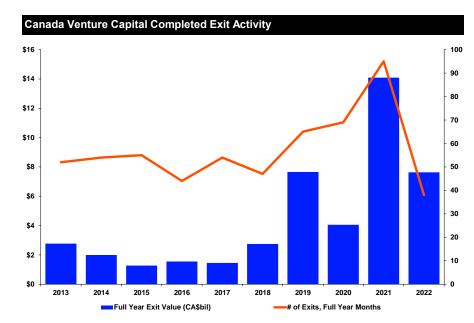
Fund Name	Latest Closing Date	Amount Raised (CA\$mil)	Total Fund Size (CA\$mil)	Fund Stage
Georgian Growth Fund VI LP	08/11/22	\$966.2	\$1,120.6	Later Stage
Portage Ventures III LP	03/10/22	\$722.6	\$786.5	Early Stage
Georgian Alignment Fund (International) II LP	03/31/22	\$617.0	\$642.9	Later Stage
Georgian Partners Growth Fund IV LP	03/25/22	\$550.0	\$1,234.9	Later Stage
Inovia Venture Fund V, L.P.	06/10/22	\$415.4	\$415.4	Early Stage
BDC Climate Tech Fund II	11/02/22	\$402.4	\$402.4	Balanced Stage
Evok Fund II	03/29/22	\$375.1	\$375.1	Early Stage
Tandem Expansion Fund I LP	10/26/22	\$300.1	\$1,004.5	Later Stage
Lumira Capital II LP	03/31/22	\$242.4	\$673.4	Later Stage
Deloitte Ventures	01/25/22	\$149.9	\$149.9	Early Stage
CTI Life Sciences Fund II	02/04/22	\$144.5	\$311.0	Balanced Stage
McRock Fund II LP	03/24/22	\$112.1	\$218.0	Early Stage

#### Venture Capital Fundraising, Full Year Fund Size Composition

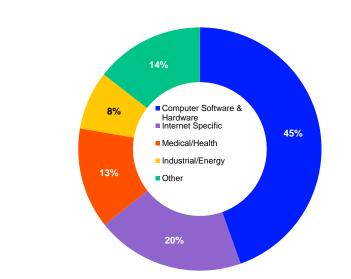


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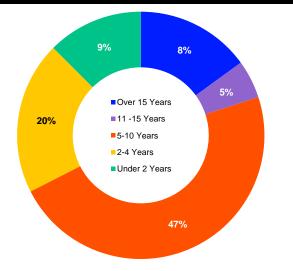
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#### Exit Volumes by Sector



#### Length of Time to Exit



#### Top Announced Canada Venture Capital-Backed Exits

Ann. Date	Deal Value (CA\$mil)	Sector	Exit Type
08/02/22	\$1,526.4	Technology Equipment	Merger
02/08/22	\$1,520.0	Technology Equipment	Reverse Takeover
03/14/22	\$845.0	Healthcare Providers & Services	Merger
07/08/22	\$414.9	Cyclical Consumer Products	Merger
01/18/22	\$65.0	Personal Services	Merger
01/24/22	\$41.1	Software & IT Services	Merger
12/20/22	\$32.0	Software & IT Services	Merger
04/12/22	\$22.3	Pharmaceuticals	Merger
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