



Observations, Opportunities and Risks for 2023 and Beyond

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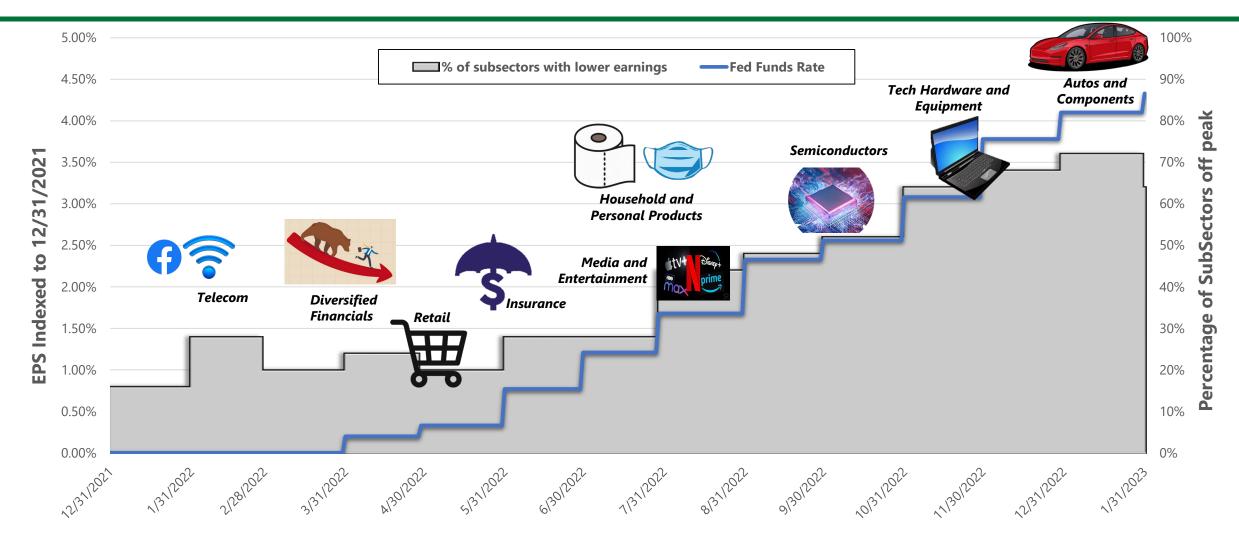
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Rolling Recession

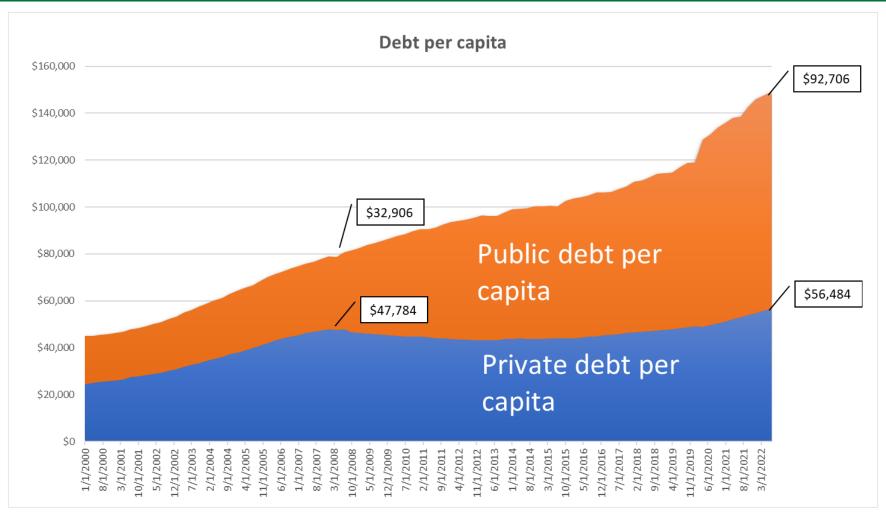




Source: Bloomberg data on GICS level 2 subindustries. 12/31/2020 through 1/31/2023. Subindustries are displayed on the chart at the period in which their trailing earnings fell >5% off their high.

Rolling Recession: The leverage is on the government's balance sheet

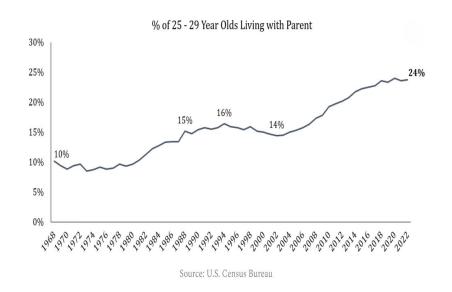


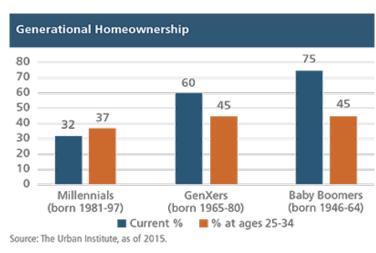


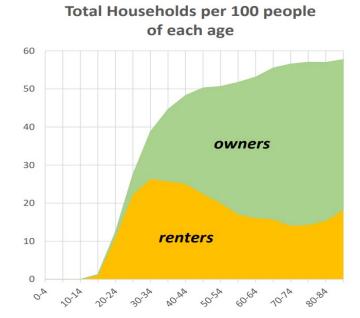
Source: FRED, from 1/1/2000 to 9/30/2022, The numbers shown are for 9/30/2008 and 9/30/2022

Homebuilders: Very favorable demographics







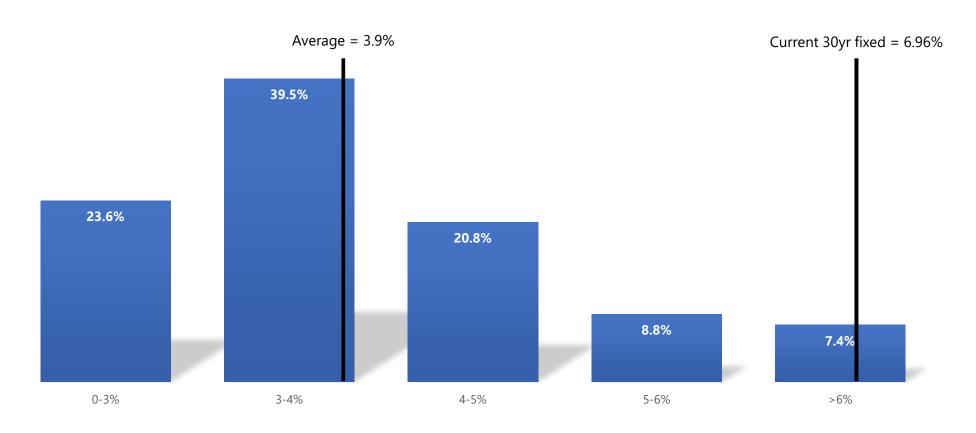


Source: Left – U.S. Census Bureau via Voss Capital, through 9/30/2022; Center - A Young Professional's Guide to Renting vs. Buying, Matthew Sharp, retrieved from https://aspiriant.com/fathom/wealth-planning/a-young-professionals-guide-to-renting-vs-buying/; Right – "When Population Age Waves Crash Into a Slowly Growing Housing Supply" Dowell Meyers Professor of Policy, Planning, and Demography, USC Price, Feb 2022

Homebuilders: Existing homeowners can't afford to move



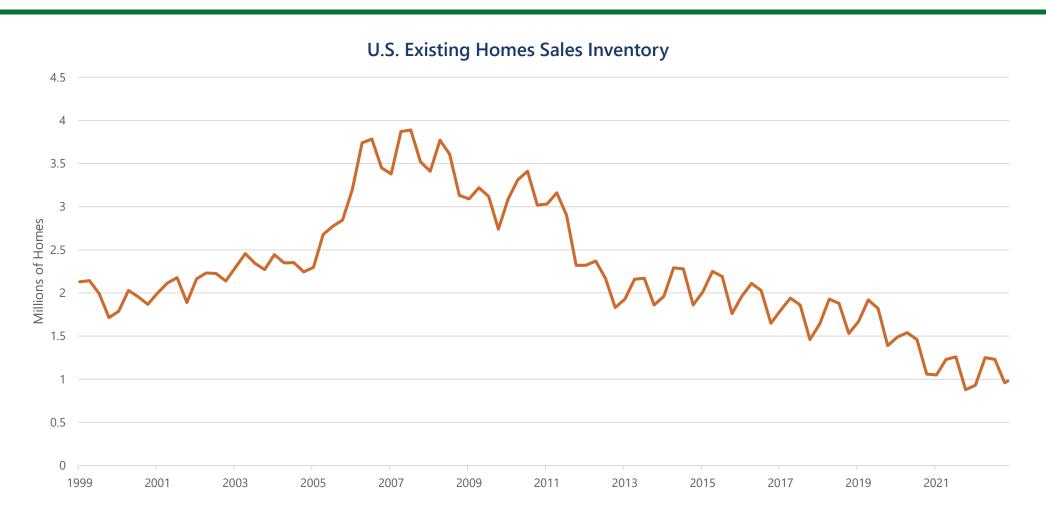
Share of Outstanding Mortgages by Interest Rate



Source: Federal Housing and Finance Agency, National Mortgage Database. Data through 9/30/2022. Current interest rate for a 30-year fixed rate mortgage is as of 2/22/2023 from Bankrate.com

Homebuilders: New homes are the only supply





Source: Bloomberg, National Association of Realtors. Data from 3/31/1999 to 1/31/2023

End of Free Money: Unrealized losses on debt securities pose a hidden risk



Crypto Panic at Silvergate Spawns a New Breed of Bank Run

- Depositors from single volatile sector fled amid market tumult
- That unusual danger is seen drawing new regulatory attention



Silvergate Sinks by Record on Deposit Run, Staff Layoffs

By Yueqi Yang and Hannah Levitt January 6, 2023 at 9:09 AM EST *Updated on January 6, 2023 at 12:44 PM* The Federal Reserve has \$1.125 trillion unrealized loss on its portfolio (13% cost)

Bank of America has unrealized loss of \$113.5 B (13%) on debt securities against \$230.9 in equity capital

	September 30, 2022						
	Ar	nortized cost	Fair value		Cumulative unrealized gains (losses), net		
Treasury securities							
Bills	\$	307,878	\$	307,407	\$	(471)	
Notes		3,690,110		3,388,633		(301,477)	
Bonds		1,875,722		1,490,506		(385,216)	
Total Treasury securities	\$	5,873,710	\$	5,186,546	\$	(687,164)	
Federal agency and GSE MBS							
Residential	\$	2,746,855	\$	2,310,190	\$	(436,665)	
Commercial		9,444		7,816		(1,628)	
Total federal agency and GSE MBS	\$	2,756,299	\$	2,318,006	\$	(438,293)	
GSE debt securities		2,590		2,745		155	
Total domestic SOMA portfolio securities holdings	\$	8,632,599	\$	7,507,297	\$	(1,125,302)	

(Dollars in millions)								
		December 31, 2022						
	А	Gross Amortized Unrealized Cost Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses			Fair Value	
Available-for-sale debt securities								
Mortgage-backed securities:								
Agency	s	25,204	\$	5	\$	(1,767)	\$	23,44
Agency-collateralized mortgage obligations		2,452		-		(231)		2,22
Commercial		6,894		28		(515)		6,40
Non-agency residential		461		15		(90)		38
Total mortgage-backed securities		35,011		48		(2,603)		32,45
U.S. Treasury and government agencies		160,773		18		(1,769)		159,02
Non-U.S. securities		13,455		4		(52)		13,40
Other taxable securities		4,728		1		(84)		4,64
Tax-exempt securities		11,518		19		(279)		11,25
Total available-for-sale debt securities		225,485		90		(4,787)		220,78
Other debt securities carried at fair value (1)		8,986		376		(156)		9,20
Total debt securities carried at fair value		234,471		466		(4,943)		229,99
Held-to-maturity debt securities								
Agency mortgage-backed securities		503,233		_		(87,319)		415,91
U.S. Treasury and government agencies		121,597		_		(20,259)		101,33
Other taxable securities		8,033		-		(1,018)		7,01
Total held-to-maturity debt securities		632,863		_		(108,596)		524,26
Total debt securities	5	867,334	s	466	5	(113,539)	s	754,26

Source: (left) https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2023-01-06/crypto-panic-at-silvergate-spawns-a-new-breed-of-bank-run; (right) Individual company presentations and fillings.

End of Free Money: Revolutionary companies from different eras

Federal Express





Founded 1971

Operational 1973

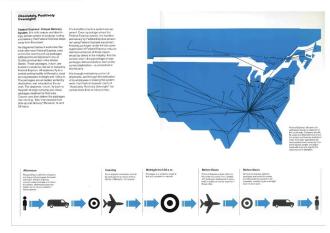
Profitable 1976

Public 1978

Personnel (Fiscal 1979 Averages)				
Field Pick Up & Delivery Operations		2,371		•
Flight & Maintenance Operations		704		
Memphis Package Support Operations		478		π
Marketing, Sales & Customer Service		385		
General & Administrative		945		
Aircraft (May 31 , 1979)				
Dassault DA-20s		32		*
Boeing 727-100s		12		1
Boeing 727-100s on order ¹		3		7
Boeing 737-200s on order ²		4		7
Boeing 737-200s to be leased ²		1		7
Supplemental Aircraft under short-term lease.		39		+
Vans and Cargo Transport Vehicles (At May 31, 1979)				
Pick Up and Delivery Vans		1,454		
Cargo Transport Vehicles		21		
Ground Service Vehicles		255		₩
Stations and Convenience Centers At May 31)	1978	1979	Planned 1980	
Full-Service Stations	84	119	129	
Convenience Centers	4	8	50	

	1979	1978	1977	1976	1975			
Operating Results		(In thousands except per share amounts)						
Air freight revenues	\$258,482	\$160.301	\$109,210	\$75.055	\$ 43,489			
Operating expenses	216,330	134,024	95,608	65,210	47,613			
Operating income (loss)	42,152	26,277	13,602	9,845	(4,124)			
Other charges, net	6,329	5,693	5,390	6,210	7,393			
Income (loss) before income taxes	35,823	20,584	8,212	3,635	(11,517)			
Income taxes	14,400	6,980	4,243	2,032	_			
Income (loss) before tax benefit of loss carryforward	21,423	13,604	3,969	1,603	(11,517)			
Tax benefit of loss carryforward	_	6,425	4,185	1,982	_			
Net income (loss)	\$ 21,423	\$ 20,029	\$ 8,154	\$ 3,585	\$(11,517)			
Financial Position			-90	***				
Current assets	\$ 48,975	\$ 30,370	\$ 20,349	\$14,725	\$ 9,481			
Property and equipment, net	123,844	71,813	53,616	55,297	59,276			
Total assets	179,823	106,291	75,321	71,229	70,193			
Current liabilities	40,067	22,741	18,658	12,954	11,818			
Long-term debt	45,729	30,825	46,229	56,186	59,892			
Stockholders' investment	91,220	52,725	10,434	2.089	(1,517			

Note: Pro forma earnings per common and common equivalent share have been computed as though the Company's recapitalization and stock offerings in April, 1978, had occurred at the beginning of the 1976 fiscal year. See Notes to Financial Statements for additional information.



Source: Federal Express SEC filings

End of Free Money: Revolutionary companies from different eras





Founded 2009

Operational 2010

Profitable?

Public 2019

2022 Operating Statistics

Trips: 7.642 billion (20.9 million trips per day)
Gross Bookings: \$115.4 Billion (\$15.10 per trip)

Revenue: \$31.9 billion (\$4.17 per trip)

GAAP Operating Income: (\$1.832 billion)

Stock-based compensation: \$1.793 billion
Depreciation and amortization: \$0.947 billion

"Adjusted EBITDA": \$1.713 billion

Accumulated Deficit: \$32.7 Billion

End of Free Money: Extremely popular products, mostly extraordinary losses



The Atlantic

The End of the Millennial Lifestyle Subsidy

Something beyond rising energy and labor costs is leading to sticker shock on once-cheap urban amenities.

By Derek Thompson

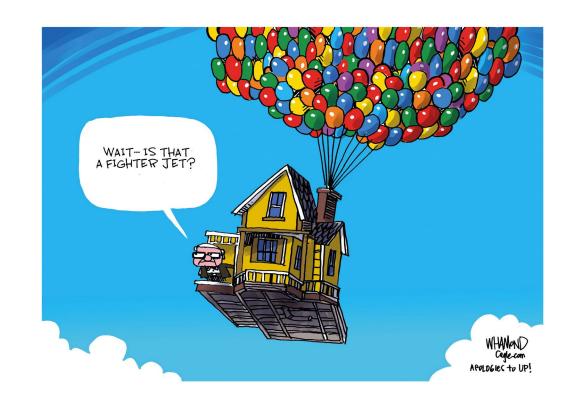
	Years Since	Revenue LTM	Retained Earnings
Company Name	Incorporated	(\$MM)	(\$MM)
UBER TECHNOLOGIES	12.6	31,877	-32,767
SNAP	10.8	4,602	-10,215
LYFT	16.0	4,095	-9,941
RIVIAN AUTOMOTIVE	7.9	55	-6,374
AIRBNB	14.7	8,399	-5,965
ROBINHOOD MARKETS	9.3	1,815	-3,877
DOORDASH	9.8	6,583	-3,846
PELOTON INTERACTIVE	7.9	3,582	-3,711
SPOTIFY TECHNOLOGY	6.3	11,727	-3,647
CHEWY	9.4	8,891	-2,011
WAYFAIR	8.5	13,708	-1,949
SNOWFLAKE	10.6	1,219	-1,919
DOCUSIGN INC	7.9	2,107	-1,438
TWITTER	15.9	5,077	-1,002
YELP	18.5	1,194	-924
RENT THE RUNWAY	14.0	203	-801
WARBY PARKER	13.8	541	-493
SWEETGREEN	15.9	340	-476
STITCH FIX	12.0	2,073	-166
ALLBIRDS	7.8	277	-137
BLOCK (Square)	13.7	17,661	-28
SHAKE SHACK	8.4	900	-21
ZOOM VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS	11.9	4,100	2,048
TESLA	19.7	81,462	12,885

Source: (left) The Atlantic, https://www.theatlantic.com/newsletters/archive/2022/06/uber-ride-share-prices-high-inflation/661250/; (right) Bloomberg, individual company filings. Data from incorporation of each company through 12/31/2022 or the date of the companies most recent quarterly earnings report.

China Impacts



- Re-opening
 - Positive for natural resources, travel and entertainment, luxury goods
- Heighted Nationalism / Cold War?
 - "Not Invented here" mentality (Covid vaccine) poses risk to American exports and multinationals
 - Re-shoring of manufacturing positive for other Emerging Markets (e.g., India, Mexico, Vietnam)



Electrification: Shifting from gasoline provides growth for all electrical infrastructure



Gasoline Sales: \$419 Billion

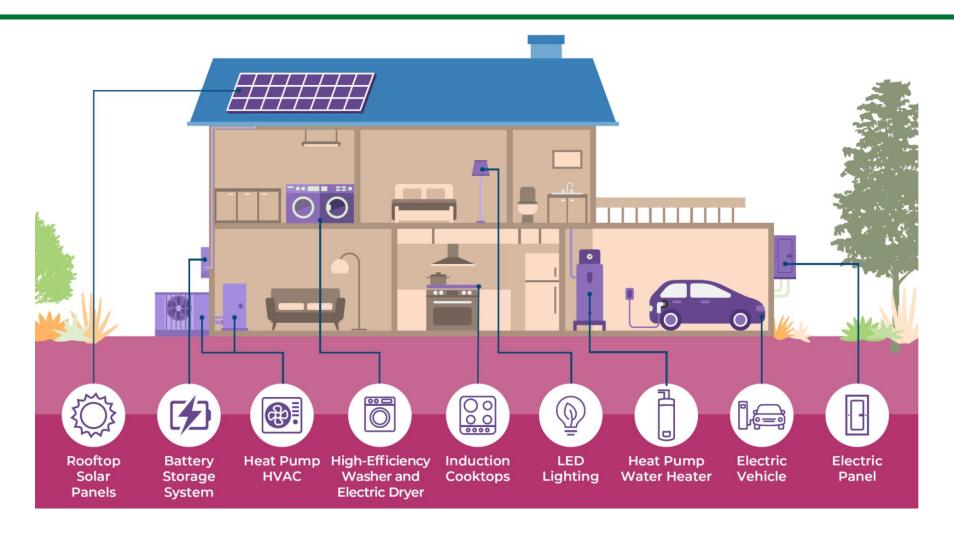
Electricity Sales: \$422 Billion



Source: 2021 data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA)

Electrification: Impacting the entire household

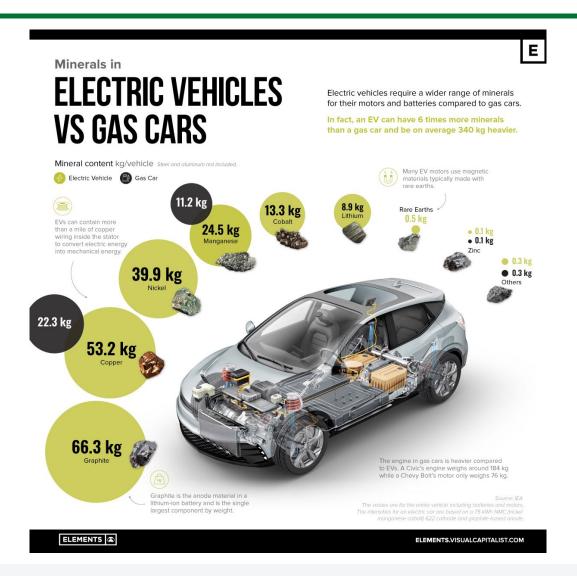




Source: Photo from the City of Palo Alto Utilities. Retrieved from the City of Piedmont, CA. https://piedmont.ca.gov/services__departments/planning__building/about_building_/electrification

Electrification: EVs use more natural resources

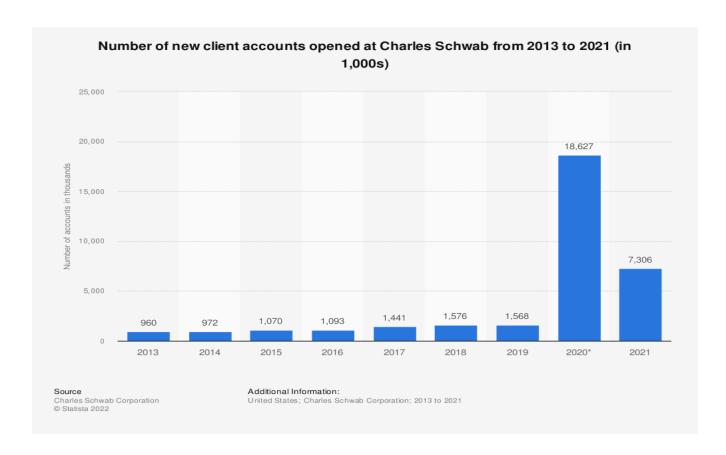




Source: Visual Capitalist https://elements.visualcapitalist.com/evs-vs-gasvehicles-what-are-cars-made-out-of/

Gamification: During Covid millions turned to stock trading for fun







"I'm sure Warren Buffett is a great guy but when it comes to stocks he's washed up. I'm the captain now." Dave Portnoy on Twitter (@stoolpresidente), June 9, 2020

"I have officially sold all my meme stocks. I lost 700k ish. Vlad and company stole it from me and should be in jail."

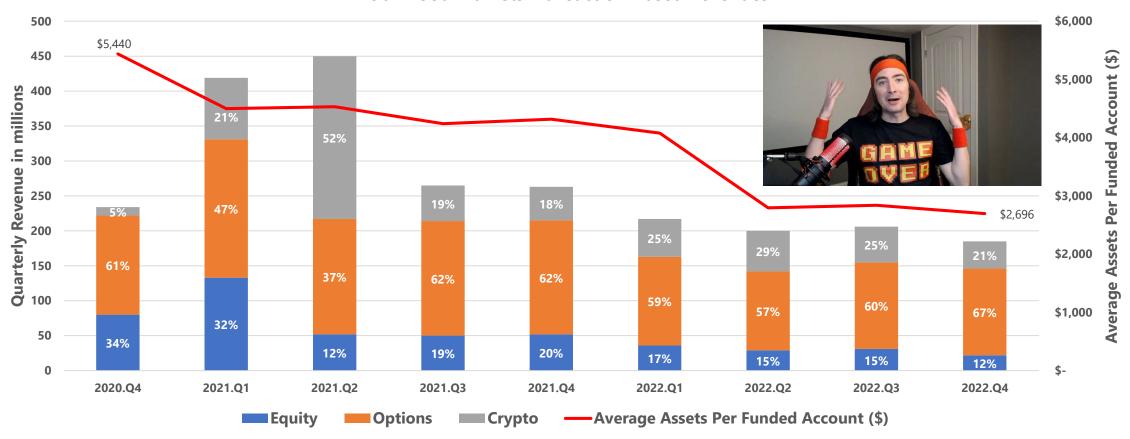
Dave Portnoy on Twitter (@stoolpresidente), February 2, 2021

Source: Charles Schwab Corporation, graphic provided by Statista. @stoolpresidente on Twitter.

Gamification: New "Investors" prefer options and crypto





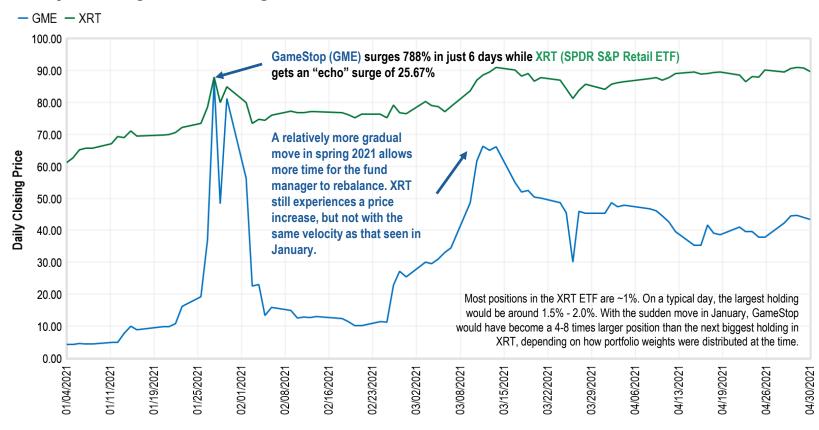


Source: Robinhood financial statements

Gamification: Be aware of ETF composition



Daily Closing Price During Meme Stock Boom

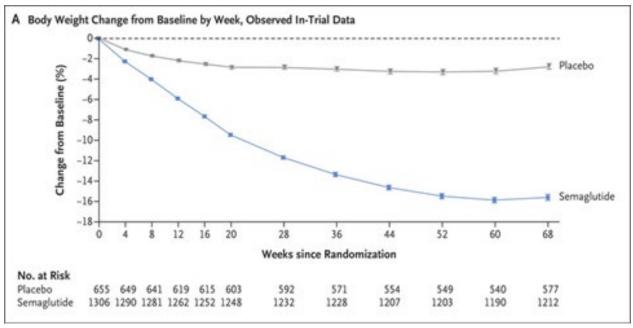


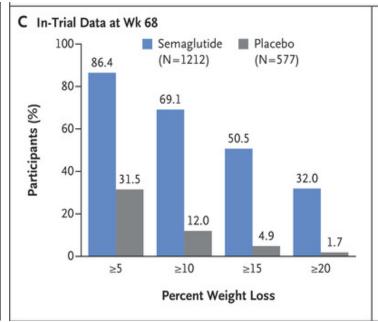
Source: Internal analysis of daily options data obtained from Delta Neutral, an option data service, and price data obtained from Bloomberg. Observations regarding XRT weighting scheme derived from recent Morningstar Report accessed 2/7/2023.



Addressing Unmet Need for Obesity Medication Patients effortlessly lose 15% of body weight in 1 year







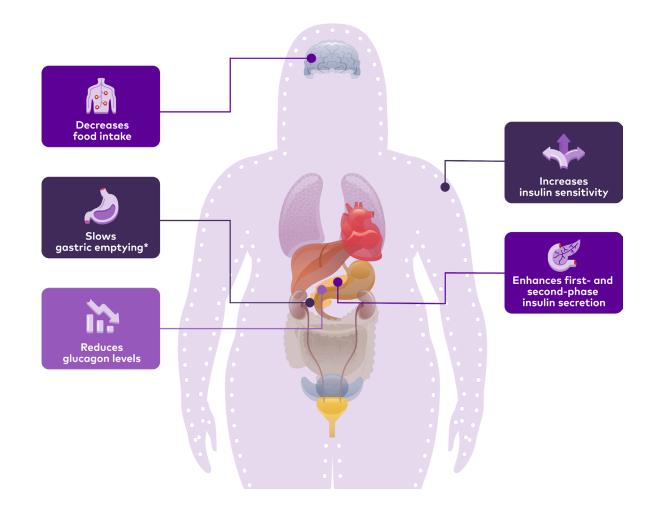




Source: John P.H. Wilding et al, "Once-Weekly Semaglutide in Adults with Overweight or Obesity", The New England Journal of Medicine, Vol. 384 No. 11, March 18, 2021.



How Mounjaro Causes Weight Loss



Source: https://www.mounjaro.com/hcp/how-mounjaro-works



Reducing Obesity Has Immeasurable Benefits for Individuals and the Economy

- Obesity Rates in US ~ 30%
- Comorbidities: diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, arthritis, depression, liver and kidney disease, many types of cancer
- Significant societal costs ~ \$384 billion annually according to Society of Actuaries
- Mental health and quality of life

Source: Amy Alves et al, "Obesity Trends and the Impact on Morbidity and Mortality Costs: A look at the latest trends in obesity and an estimate of the impact of obesity on mortality and morbidity costs in the US and Canada". Society of Actuaries Research Institute, December 2021. https://www.soa.org/4af04f/globalassets/assets/files/resources/research-report/2021/2021-obesity-morbidity-mortality.pdf

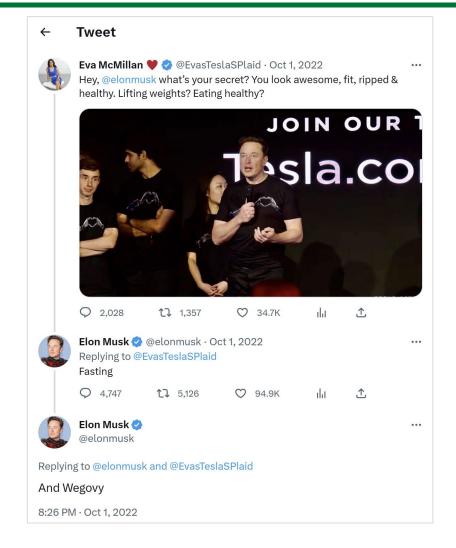


Miraculous weight loss stories on social media spurring insatiable non-diabetes demand.

The New "Hunger Games"

Weight-Loss Drug Shortages:
Access Now Limited to
Diabetes Medication
Mounjaro (tirzepatide)

Supply can't meet demand as diabetes drugs' use surges for weight loss

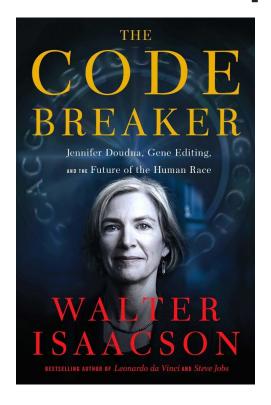


Source: Twitter and Health News.

CRISPR: Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2020

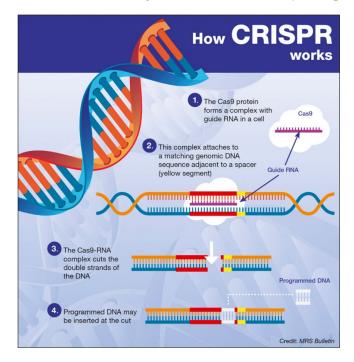


Jennifer Doudna and Emmanuelle Charpentier





CRISPR ~ Bacterial defense systems that have inspired gene editing

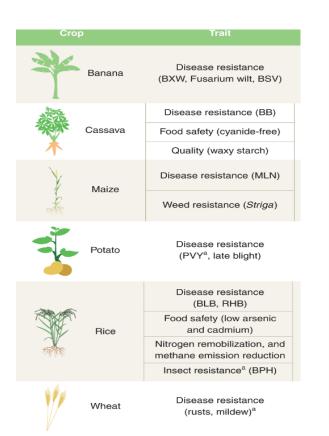


Source: The Code Breaker, https://www.simonandschuster.com/books/The-Code-Breaker/Walter-Isaacson/9781982115852; CRISPR-Cas9 graphic from https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qc6xgb4VXI0; "How CRISPR works" graphic from MRS Bulletin, Genome Research Limited.

CRISPR: Gene editing applications



Agriculture



FDA Approves First CRISPR Cows For Beef

MAR 23, 2022 Shea Swenson

Slick-coat cattle (left) vs. nonslick cattle.

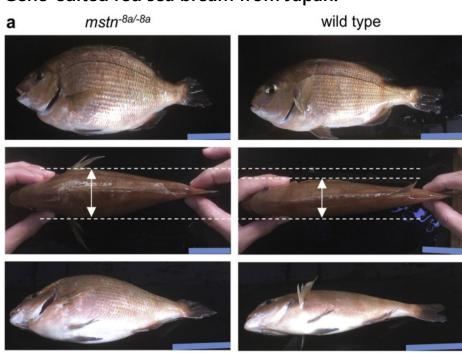
The genome-edited cattle were bred to endure climate change, and their offspring will be used in meat production.



Photography courtesy of Nature Communications.

Aquaculture

Gene-edited red sea bream from Japan.

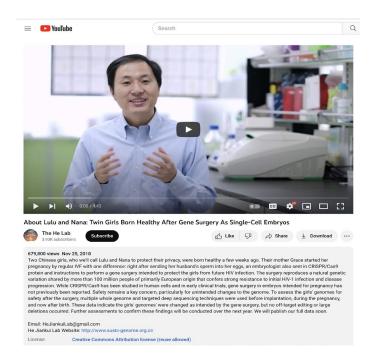


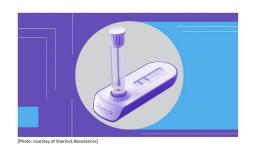
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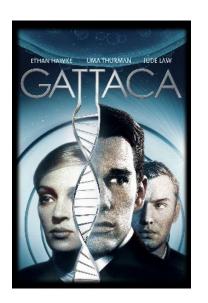
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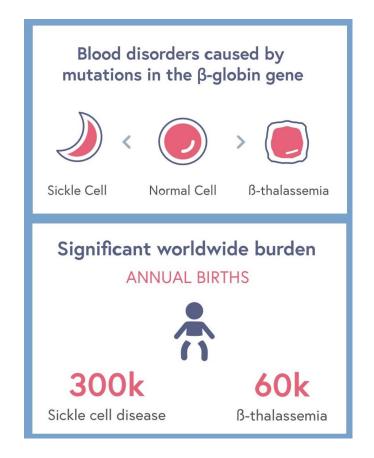


Diagnostics Cell and Gene Therapy Reproductive Medicine









Source: "About Lulu and Nana" from https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=th0vnOmFltc; Gattaca image from Movies Anywhere; Covid test image from Sherlock Biosciences; Cell Therapy image (far right) from CRSPR Therapeutics & Vertex

AI: New consumer facing breakthroughs





- Large Language Models
 - Chatbot / personal assistant
 - Text generation
 - Contextual search



- Diffusion Models
 - Image and data denoising
 - Realistic image generation
 - Image translation



AI: Impacts the entire technology ecosystem



Infrastructure

Technology

Applications

































AI: Uses for financial firms



Automatic Meeting Notes

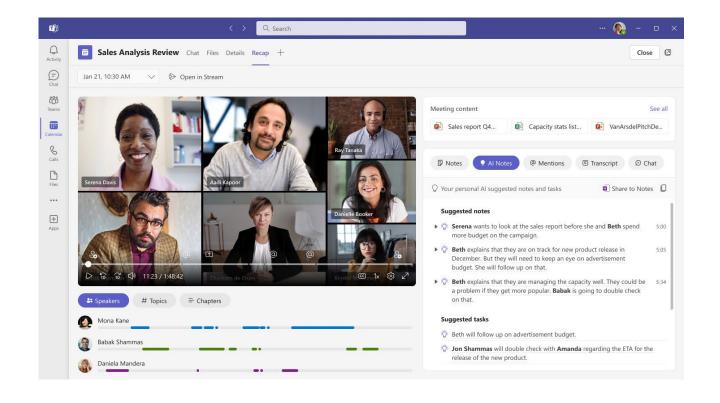
Microsoft Teams

Text Summarization

Al21labs Wordtune Read

Personal Assistant

OpenAI ChatGPT





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The BCM Decathlon Tactics strategies are predictive, algorithm driven and use pattern recognition technology (PRT) to rank a population of ~130 handpicked ETFs in which it will "invest" in the 10 most promising based on upward price movement and defined volatility levels. The algorithm re-evaluates the population of ETFs and typically 'rebalances' once a sufficient number of securities have fallen far enough in the rankings to justify the resulting trades. The portfolio manager maintains full investment discretion. In Q3 2020, the methodology for BCM Decathlon Tactics was refined to trade dynamically rather than every 25 trading days. BCM Decathlon Growth Tactics targets volatility and maximum drawdown at 16%, BCM Decathlon Moderate Tactics targets volatility and maximum drawdown at 7%. In October 2019, BCM Decathlon Conservative Tactics' maximum equity limit changed from 80% to 50%. Decathlon's process is subject to ongoing research and enhancement, with the goal of continuous improvement. The algorithms used by the system are usually optimized on a quarterly basis. Performance shown is based on the then current algorithms/system used.



In October 2019, the benchmarks for all three BCM Decathlon tactics portfolios changed to better reflect the strategy's composition and risk profile. BCM Decathlon Conservative Tactics changed its benchmark from the Dow Jones Conservative Allocation Index to 20% MSCI ACWI / 80% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index; BCM Decathlon Moderate Tactics' benchmark changed from 50% Dow Jones Moderately Conservative Allocation / 50% Dow Jones Moderate Allocation Index to 50% MSCI ACWI / 50% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index; and BCM Decathlon Growth Tactics' benchmark changed from Dow Jones Moderate Allocation Index to 70% MSCI ACWI / 30% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index.

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APPENDIX