SECTORS

A **Sector** is an area of the economy in which businesses share the same or a related product or service. It can also be thought of as an industry or market that shares common operating characteristics. Dividing an economy into different sectors allows for more in-depth analysis of the economy as a whole

  Investors use sectors to place stocks and other investments into categories such as technology, healthcare, energy, utilities and telecommunications. Each sector has unique characteristics and a different risk profile that attracts a specific type of investor. As a result, it is common for analysts and other investment professionals to specialize in certain sectors. For example, at large research firms, analysts may cover just one sector, such as pharmaceutical companies or technology stocks. Additionally, **investment funds** often specialize in a particular economic sector, a practice known as sector investing. For example, the oil and gas sector is a large industry that attracts specialized investment funds.

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List of Sectors

NOT all companies included

Communication Services	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Staples	Energy	Financial Services
Alphabet (GOOGL)	Amazon (AMZN)	Clorox (CLX)	BP (BP)	Aflac (AFL)
AT&T (T)	Booking (BKNG)	Coca-Cola (KO)	Chevron (CVX)	Allstate (ALL)
BCE Inc. (BCE)	Dollar Gen. (DG)	Colgate-Palmolive (CL)	ConocoPhillips (COP)	American Tower (AMT)
Comcast (CMCSA)	eBay (EBAY)	Costco (COST)	EOG Resources (EOG)	Moody's (MCO)
Disney (DIS)	Ford (F)	General Mills (GIS)	Enbridge (ENB)	Capital One (COF)
Facebook (FB)	Gen. Motors (GM)	Hershey (HSY)	ExxonMobil (XOM)	PNC Fin. (PNC)
Motorola (MSI)	Home Depot (HD)	Hormel Foods (HRL)	Kinder Morgan (KMI)	Prologis (PLD)
Omnicom (OMC)	Lowe's (LOW)	Kimberly-Clark (KMB)	Marathon (MPC)	S&P Global (SPGI)
Verizon (VZ)	YUM! Brands (YUM)	McCormick (MKC)	Phillips 66 (PSX)	Travelers (TRV)
Vodafone (VOD)	TJX Co. (TJX)	Sysco (SYY)	Canadian Nat. (CNQ)	US Bancorp (USB)

Health Care	Industrials	Materials	Technology	Utilities
Abbott Lab. (ABT)	3M Co. (MMM)	BHP Billiton (BBL)	Adobe Sys. (ADBE)	Ameren (AEE)
Amgen (AMGN)	Boeing (BA)	Dow (DOW)	Apple (AAPL)	American E.P. (AEP)
Stryker (SYK)	CSX Corp (CSX)	DuPont (DD)	Cisco (CSCO)	American Water (AWK)
Pfizer (PFE)	Caterpillar (CAT)	Ecolab (ECL)	IBM (IBM)	Atmos Ener. (ATO)
CVS Health (CVS)	Cummins (CMI)	FMC Corp (FMC)	MasterCard (MA)	Duke (DUK)
CIGNA (CI)	Deere (DE)	Linde pic (LIN)	Microsoft (MSFT)	Exelon (EXC)
Danaher (DHR)	Emerson (EMR)	Sherwin Will. (SHW)	Salesforce (CRM)	Fortis (FTS)
Gilead (GILD)	FedEx (FDX)	Norbord (OSB)	Fiserv (FISV)	Sempra (SRE)
Eli Lilly (LLY)	Snap-on (SNA)	Nucor (NUE)	Intel (INTC)	Southern (SO)
McKesson (MCK)	Roper Tech. (ROP)	US Concrete (USCR)	Visa (V)	WEC (WEC)