

7 REASONS TO INVEST IN U.S. COMPANIES

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A Quote from Warren Buffett Berkshire Hathaway Annual Report, 2014

The Opening Investing in U.S. companies

1: Economy The monster is still growing

2: Population Immigration overcomes ageing problem

3: Innovation "Creative Destruction" is in the blood

4: Politics *Trust in government and political stability matter*

5: Business It's easy for foreigners to do business

6: Unique Sectors Some are yielding higher than emerging economies

7: Stock Market Long-run story and comparison to Indonesia Author & Designer: Eduardus Christmas Chairman & CEO

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Contact: christmas@christmascorp.com "Though the preachers of pessimism prattle endlessly about America's problems, I've never seen one who wishes to emigrate (though I can think of a few for whom I would happily buy a oneway ticket).

The dynamism embedded in our market economy will continue to work its magic. Gains won't come in a smooth or uninterrupted manner; they never have. And we will regularly grumble about our government. But, most assuredly, America's best days lie ahead."

Berkshire Hathaway Annual Report, 2014 This page is intensionally left blank



THE OPENING

7 reasons to invest in U.S. companies

Some people say that U.S. is (or will be) no longer a global economic powerhouse. The Author says a different thing: this country is too good to be ignored. **Challenges** do exist: ageing population, Federal debt, strong dollar, etc. But please remember, this is a country that **survived** great depression, world war 2, cold war, and great recession. With its innovative culture, political stability, abundant resources, and business environment, the country's potentials are yet to be unleashed.

Many publications out there have mentioned reasons to invest in the U.S. Some are splendid reports, some are poor ones. This 'more-like-presentation' report exposes easy-to-understand data and information for each reason. Seven is author's favourite number, that's why this report comes up with that.

Investment alternatives

You can invest in U.S. companies through several ways:

- building a new company,
- acquiring an existing business, or
- putting money in U.S. stock market.

Christmas Corporation can help people who want to do business or investment in the U.S.

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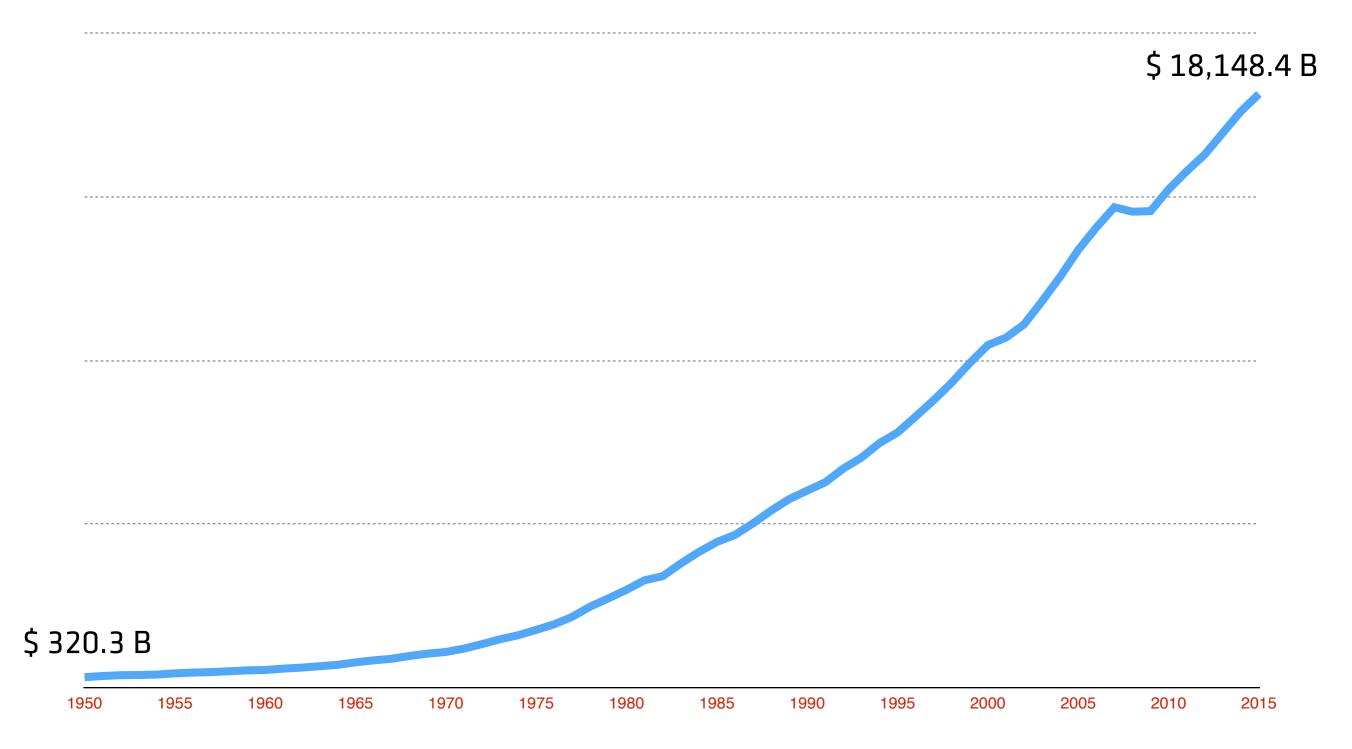
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THE HISTORY

U.S. Nominal GDP, 1950 - 2015



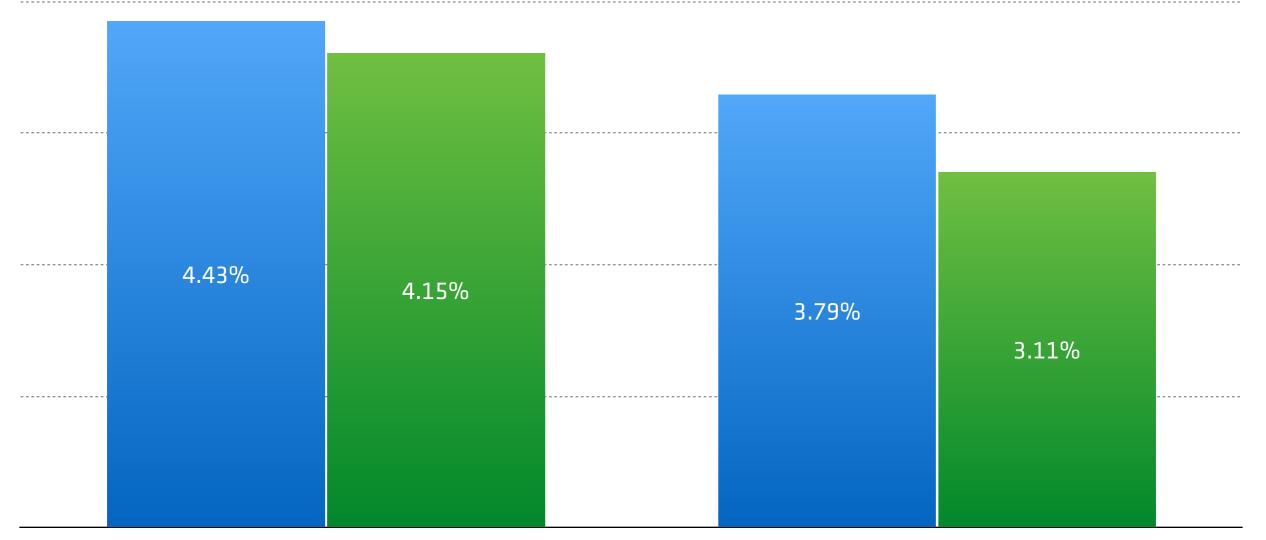
Reference: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



ECONOMIC GROWTH, per annum

U.S. Nominal GDP (not inflation adjusted) grew faster than other OECD Countries, despite its gigantic economic size

U.S. OECD without U.S.



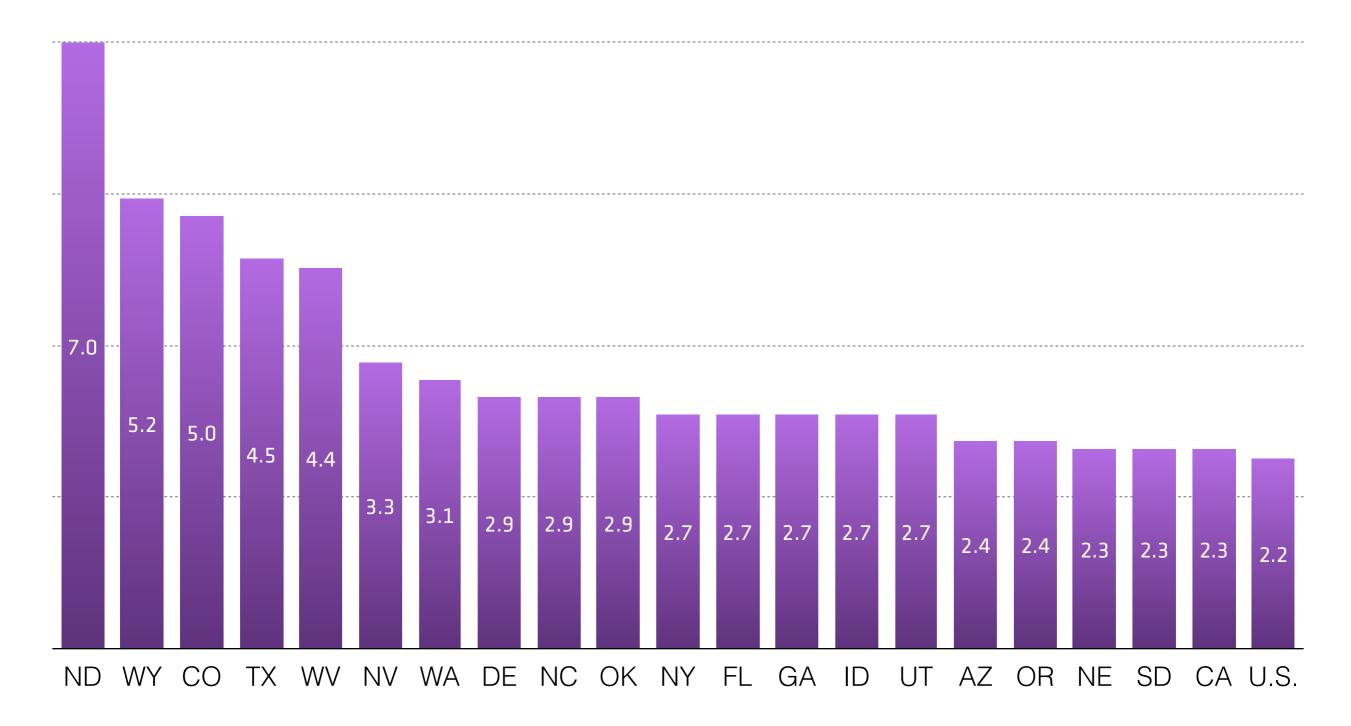
last 20 yrs

last 5 yrs



REAL GDP GROWTH BY STATE, %

States in the U.S. that grew faster than country's overall, 2014





WEALTH, trillions USD

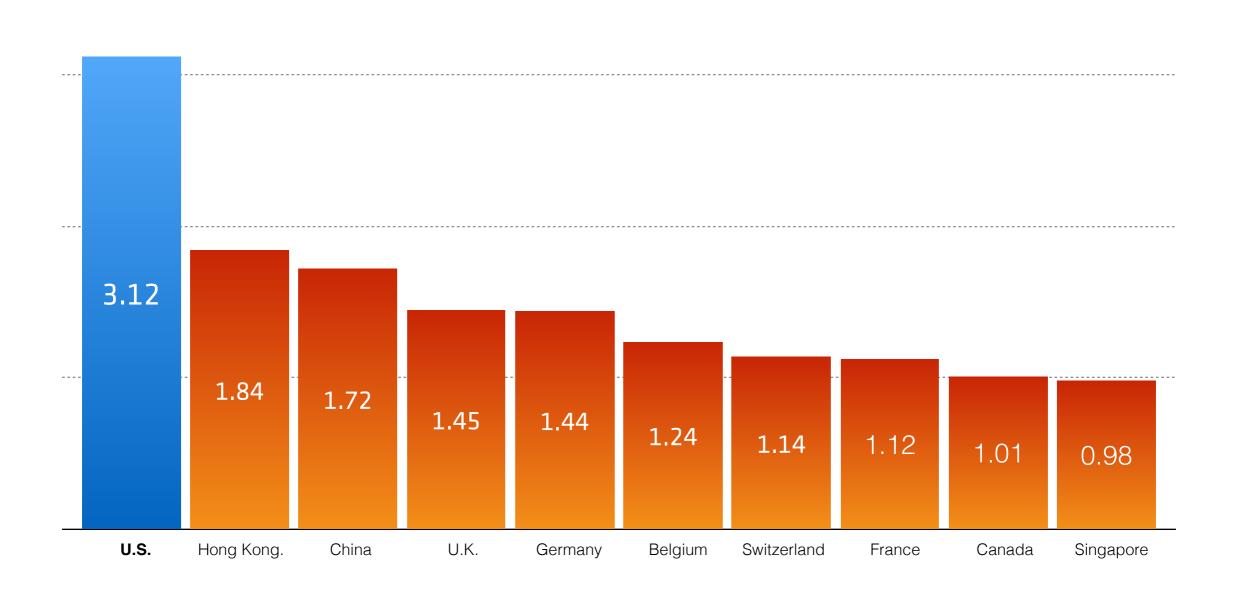
Federal Government's net worth is negative, but all components combined are rich

Component	Assets	Debts	Net Worth
Household & Nonprofit	95.55	13.78	81.77
Non-financial Corporate Business	34.94	15.90	19.04
Foreign	22.97	11.05	11.92
Non-financial Non-corporate Business	13.88	5.10	8.78
State & Local Governments	12.63	5.01	7.62
Financial Business	83.79	77.60	6.19
Federal Government	4.92	16.41	(11.49)
TOTAL NET WORTH			123.83
Non-Foreign			111.91



FDI IN 2015, trillions USD

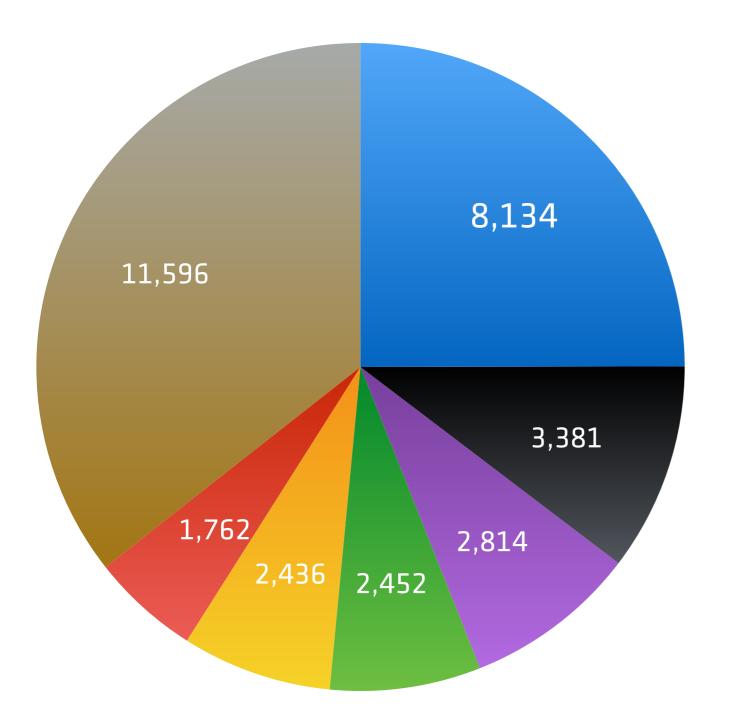
U.S. is still the biggest foreign direct investment recipient





GOLD RESERVES, tonnes

U.S. is the biggest gold-holder



Top 100 as of 2015

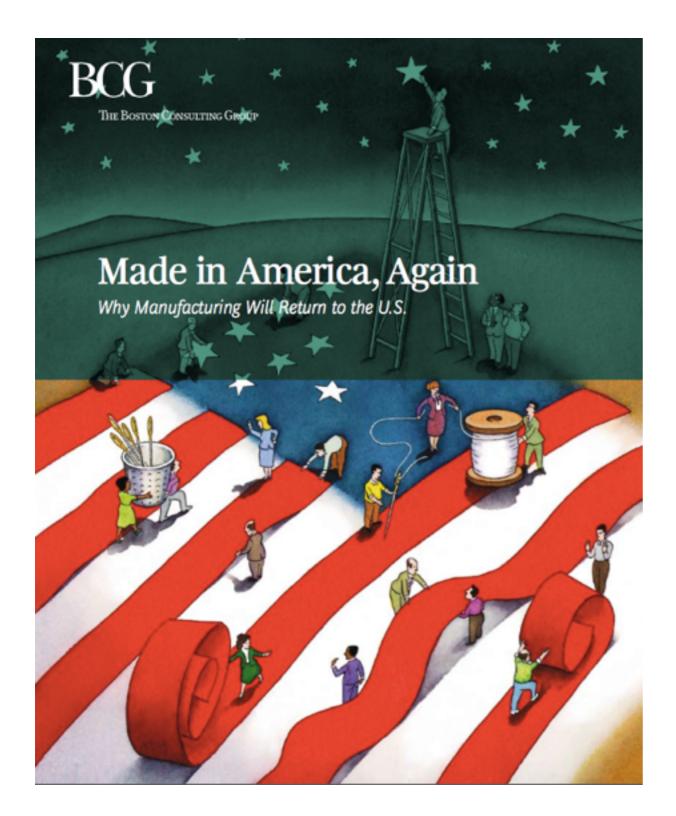
HOLDER	VALUE*, billions USD			
United States	319.67			
Germany	132.87			
IMF	110.59			
Italy	96.36			
France	95.73			
China	69.25			
The Rest 94	455.72			

*assuming \$39.3 price per gram



Reference: World Gold Council

THE TREND OF RE-SHORING



China's overwhelming manufacturing cost advantage over the U.S. is shrinking fast. For many products sold in North America, the U.S. will become a more attractive manufacturing option.

Manufacturing of some goods will shift from China to nations with lower labor costs, such as Vietnam, Indonesia, and Mexico. But these nations' ability to absorb the higher-end manufacturing that would otherwise go to China will be limited by inadequate infrastructure, skilled workers, scale, and domestic supply networks, as well as by political and intellectual property risks. Low worker productivity, corruption, and the risk to personal safety are added concerns in some countries.

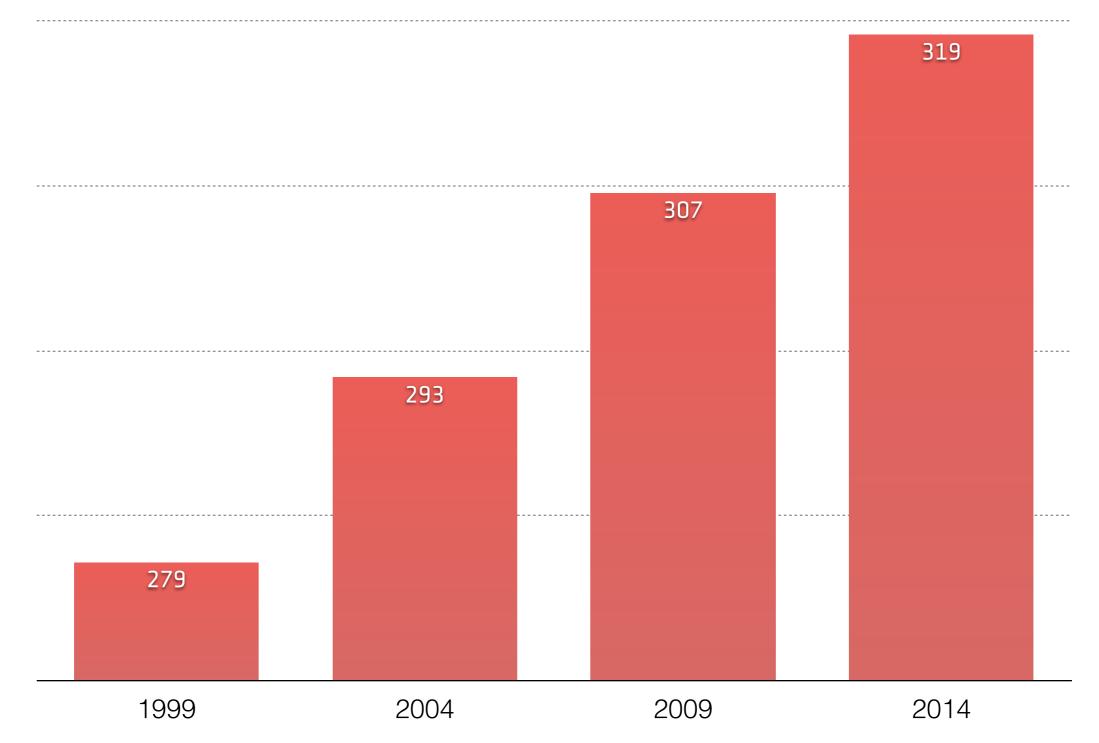
The Boston Consulting Group, 2011



POPULATION

Immigration overcomes ageing problem

U.S. POPULATION, millions





Reference: OECD

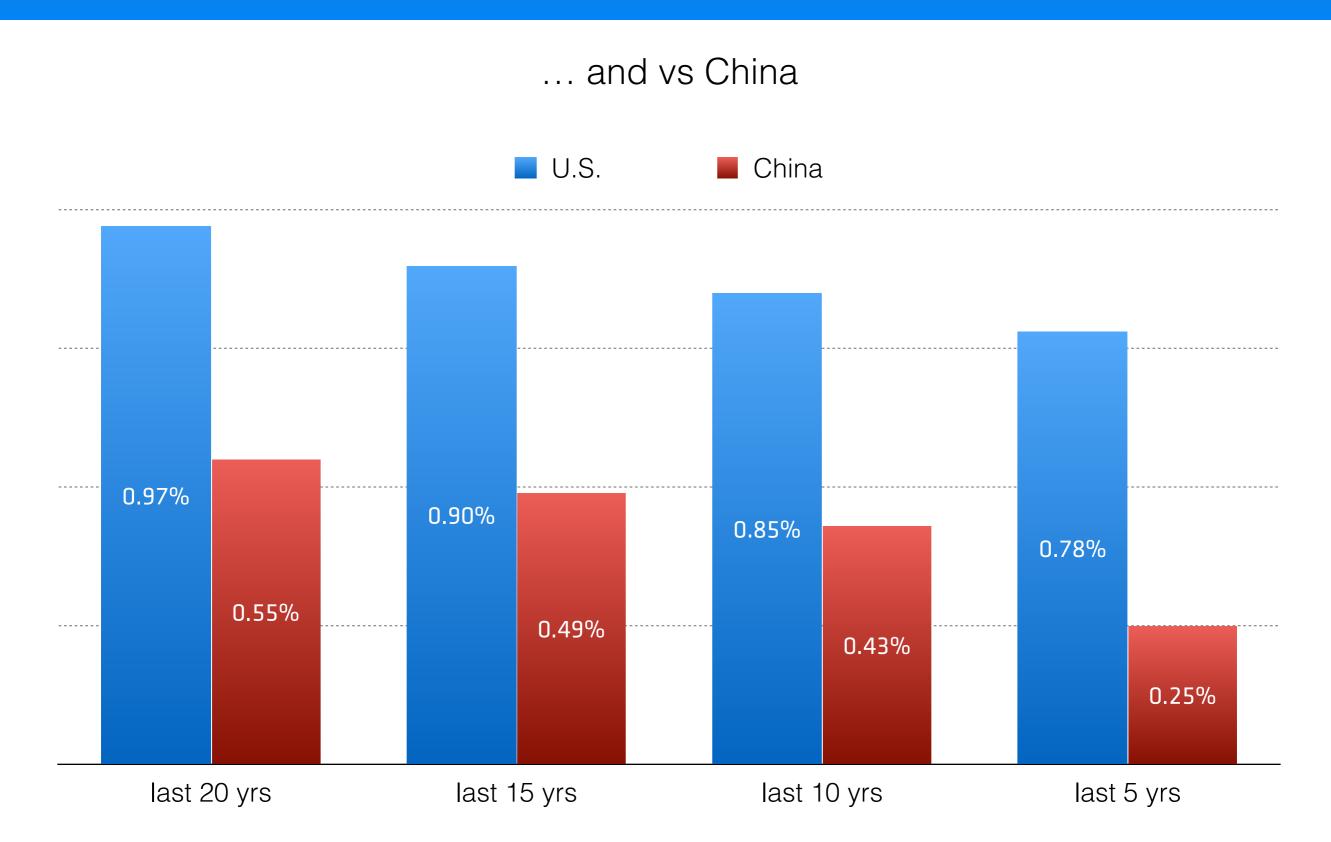
POPULATION GROWTH, per annum

U.S. population grew faster than other OECD Countries

U.S. OECD without U.S. 0.97% 0.90% 0.85% 0.78% 0.51% 0.49% 0.44% 0.23% last 20 yrs last 15 yrs last 10 yrs last 5 yrs



POPULATION GROWTH, per annum





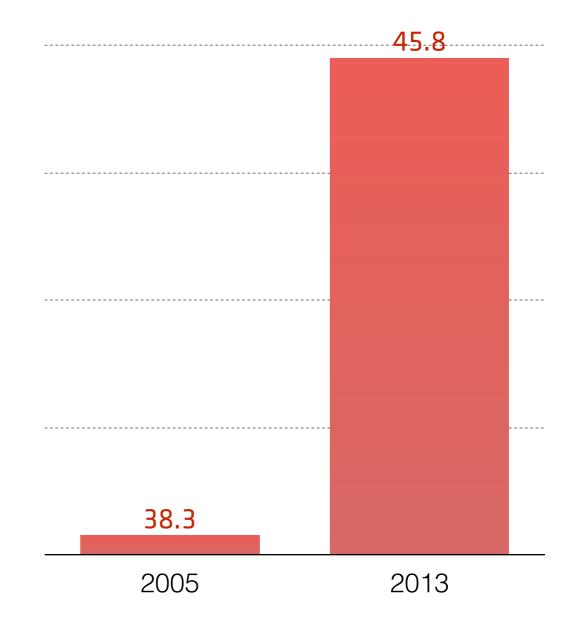
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IMMIGRATION

Top 10 Countries

COUNTRY	IMMIGRANTS
United States	45,785,090
Russia	11,048,064
Germany	9,845,244
Saudi Arabia	9,060,433
UAE	7,826,981
United Kingdom	7,824,131
France	7,439,086
Canada	7,284,069
Australia	6,468,640
Spain	6,466,605

U.S. Immigrant Population, *millions*





INNOVATION

"Creative Destruction" is in the blood

EDUCATION QUALITY

10 out of the world's top 20 universities are in the U.S.















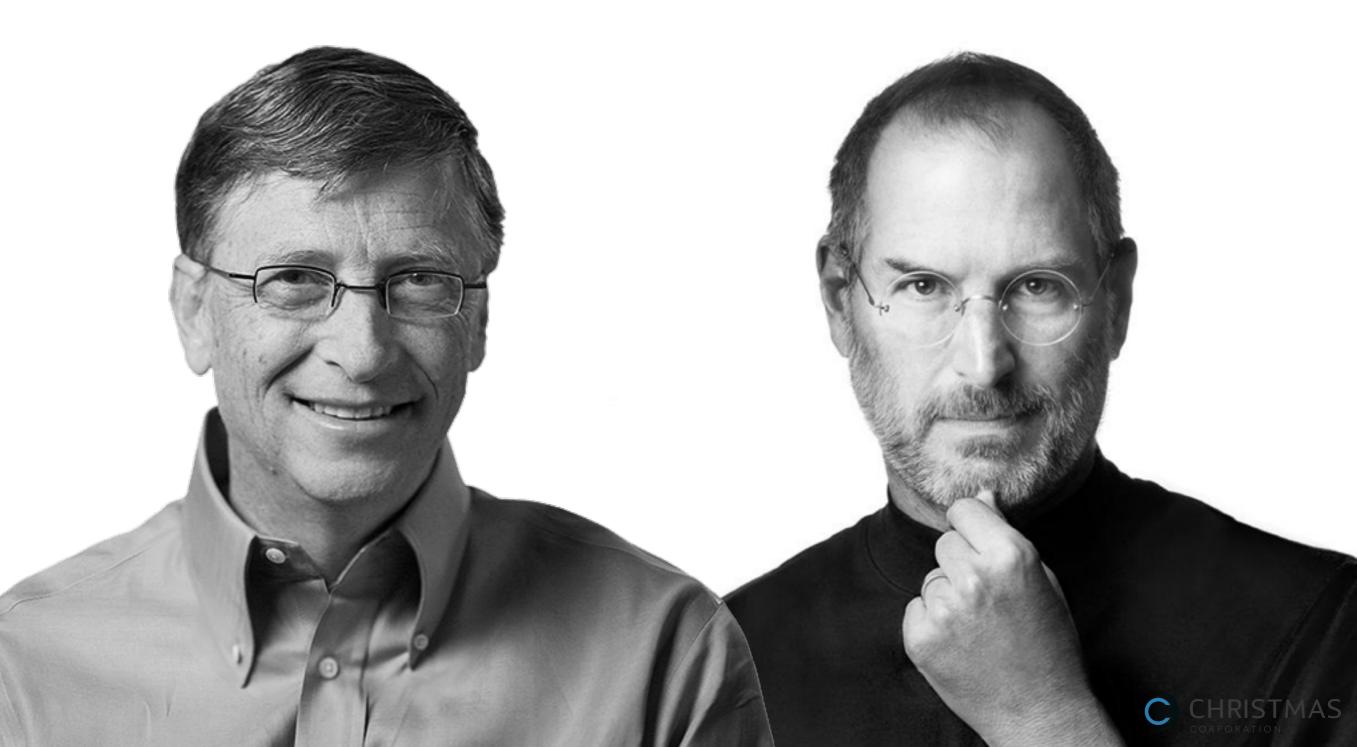






INNOVATION AND BILLIONAIRES

U.S. maybe not the number 1 innovative country, but "American Dreams" are still there for innovative entrepreneurs



TOP INNOVATIVE COUNTRIES

U.S. ranked 3rd in overall, but 1st in high-tech density

Overall

RANK	COUNTRY
1	South Korea
2	Sweden
3	United States
4	Japan
5	Germany
6	Denmark
7	Singapore
8	Switzerland
9	Finland
10	Taiwan

High-Tech Density

RANK	COUNTRY
1	United States
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4	China
5	Sweden
6	Germany
7	Russia
8	Japan
9	Switzerland
10	Israel



POLITICS

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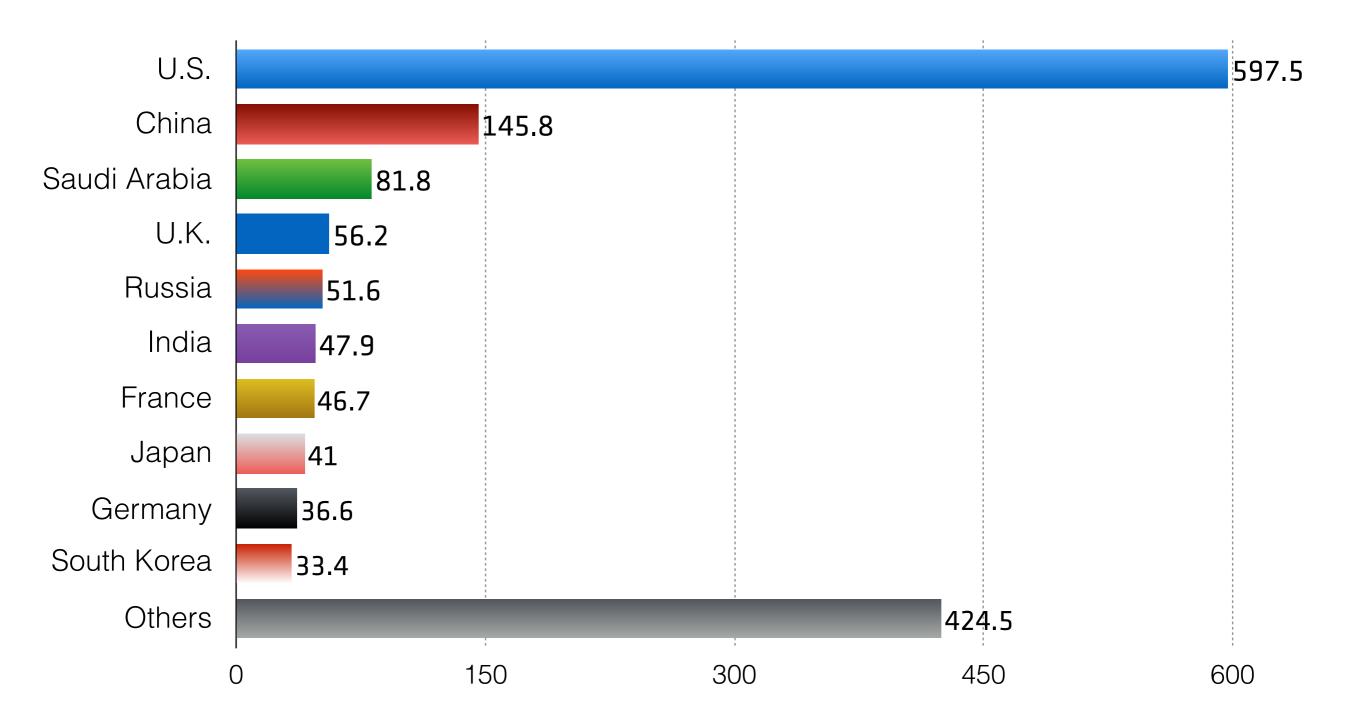
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Trust in government and political stability matter

ANNUAL MILITARY SPENDING, billions USD

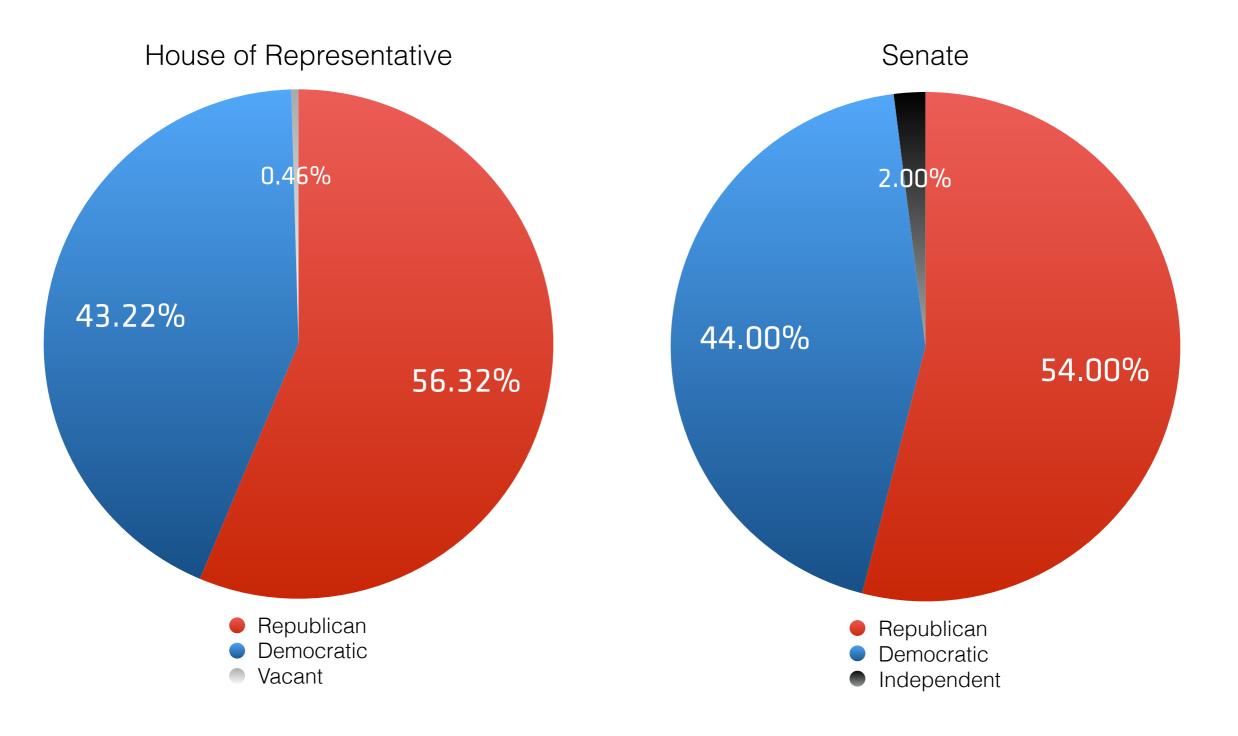
U.S. government ensures its supremacy over the world





ONLY 2 MAJOR PARTIES

Democracy with stability



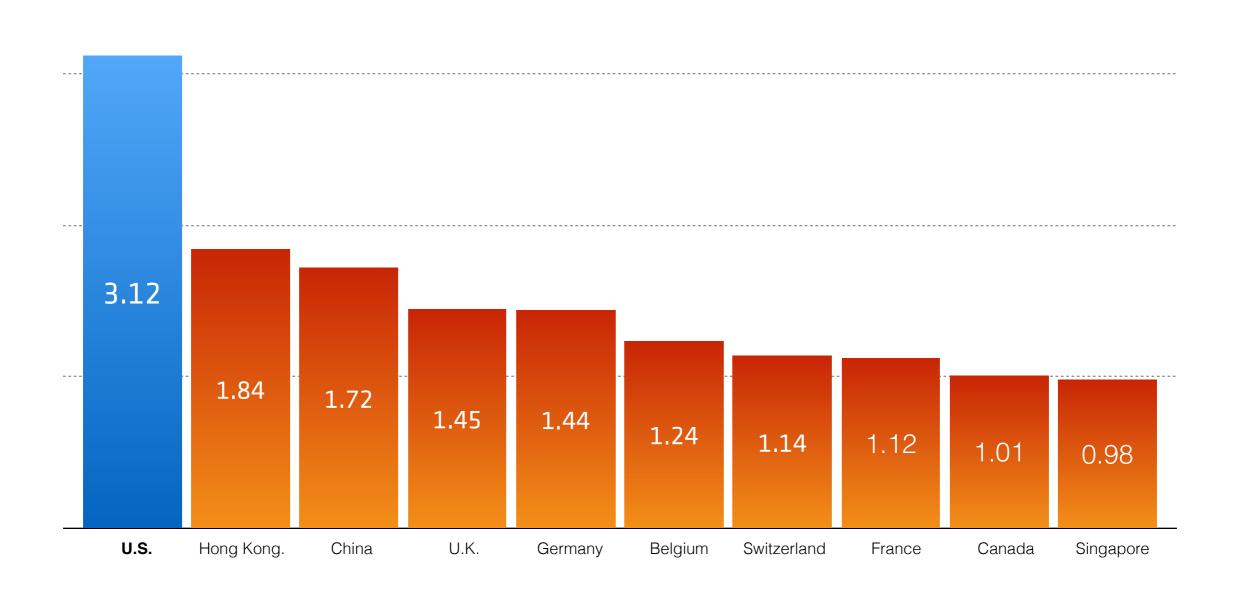


BUSINESS

It's easy for foreigners to build a company

COUNTRIES BY FDI, trillions USD

Biggest foreign direct investment recipients, 2015





Reference: CIA

STARTUP AND MAINTENANCE, USD

Regardless of Federal income tax rate, U.S. is the cheapest place to start a business

	One-time	Annual	One-time	Annual	One-time	Annual
Company Formation	275		70		370	
Nominee Director				2,000		
Registered Agent / Office		100		1,000		1,000
State Franchise Tax		300				
	275	400	70	3,000	370	1,000

U.S. (State of Delaware)

Singapore

Cayman Island



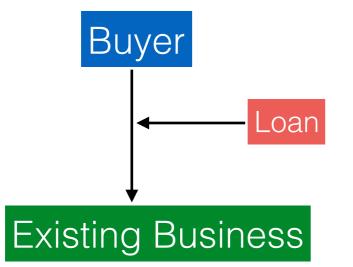
STARTING A BUSINESS

3 common ways to start a business





LESS CASH FOR ACQUISITION





A company can be purchased by using 20-30% own money (equity) and 70-80% loan. SBA loans (guaranteed by government) are available to foreign-owned companies that have incorporated in the United States.

6% to 8% p.a.

SBA loan interest rate, 7-10 years period



CHINESE ARE BUYING U.S. COMPANIES

Chinese companies have been buying up foreign businesses — including American ones.

"With the slowdown of the economy, Chinese corporates are increasingly looking to inorganic avenues to supplement their growth," Vikas Seth, head of emerging markets in the investment-banking and capital-markets department at Credit Suisse.

The law firm O'Melveny & Myers recently surveyed their mainly China-based clients and found that the economic growth potential in the US was the main factor making it an attractive investment destination.

Business Insider February 22, 2016

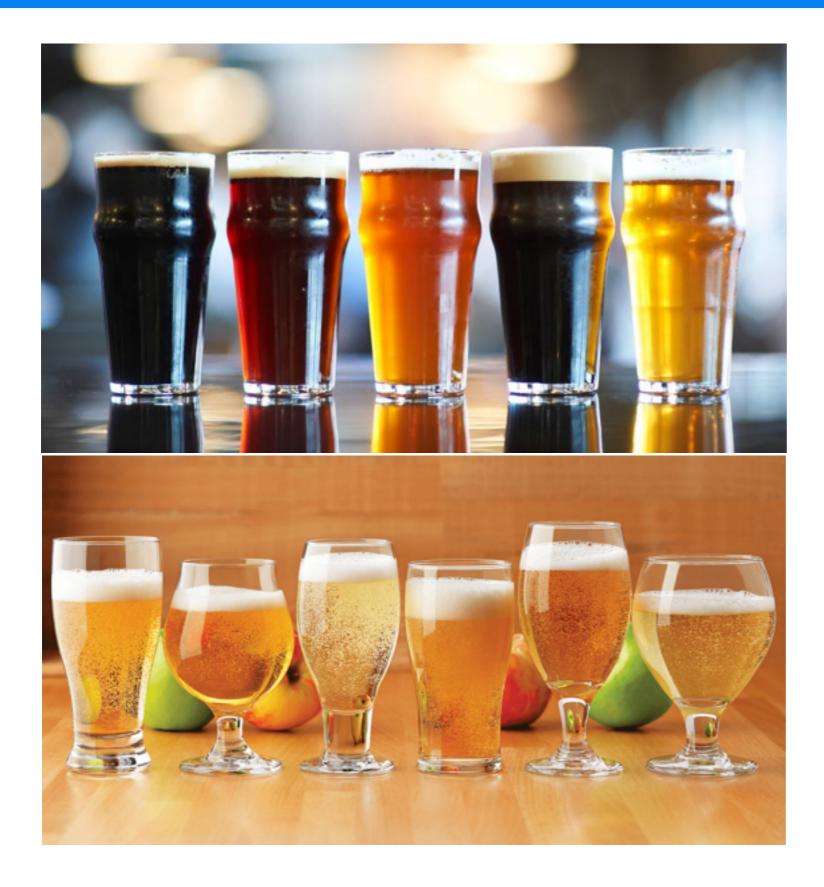


UNIQUE SECTORS

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Some are yielding higher than emerging economies

EXAMPLE [1]: CRAFT BEER & HARD CIDER



Craft Beers 18% growth

Hard Cider 31% growth



EXAMPLE [2]: RENTAL PROPERTY

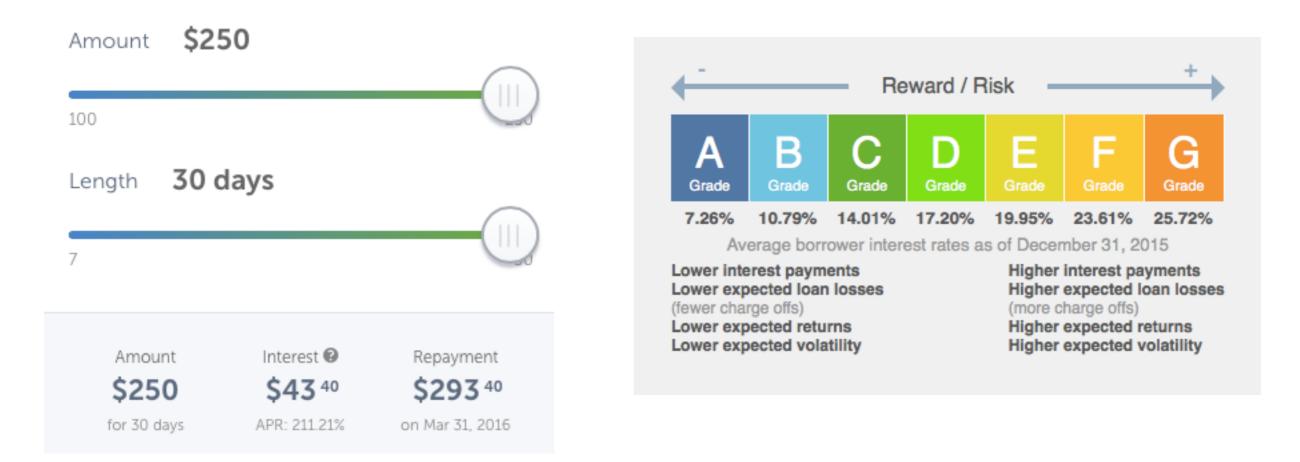
Counties with highest gross rental yield

State, County	Metro	Median Sales Price	Average Fair Market Rent	Annual Gross Yield PCT
Wayne County, Michigan	Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	\$44,900	\$1,124	30%
Clayton County, Georgia	Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Mariett	\$50,750	\$1,187	28%
Washington County, Mississippi	Greenville, MS	\$42,000	\$862	25%
Bibb County, Georgia	Macon, GA	\$50,880	\$1,008	24%
Baltimore City County, Maryland	Baltimore-Towson, MD	\$85,000	\$1,599	23%
Wyandotte County, Kansas	Kansas City, MO-KS	\$62,850	\$1,168	22%
Putnam County, Florida	Palatka, FL	\$47,500	\$811	20%
Fayette County, Pennsylvania	Pittsburgh, PA	\$60,000	\$991	20%
Hernando County, Florida	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearw	\$78,000	\$1,269	20%
Pasco County, Florida	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearw	\$78,000	\$1,269	20%
Richmond County, Georgia	Augusta-Richmond County, G	\$62,950	\$993	19%
Mobile County, Alabama	Mobile, AL	\$65,500	\$1,032	19%
Highlands County, Florida	Sebring, FL	\$65,900	\$1,027	19%
Tompkins County, New York	Ithaca, NY	\$100,735	\$1,565	19%
Winnebago County, Illinois	Rockford, IL	\$68,125	\$1,029	18%
Sumter County, South Carolina	Sumter, SC	\$64,820	\$958	18%
Saginaw County, Michigan	Saginaw-Saginaw Township	\$63,900	\$944	18%
Oneida County, New York	Utica-Rome, NY	\$69,900	\$1,032	18%
Onondaga County, New York	Syracuse, NY	\$71,500	\$1,051	18%



EXAMPLE [3]: LENDING

Low interest rate in the U.S. doesn't mean low interest income potential: The business of payday loan and peer-to-peer lending





EXAMPLE [4]: PRIVATE PRISON



Revenue in 2014 **\$ 5 billion**



STOCK MARKET

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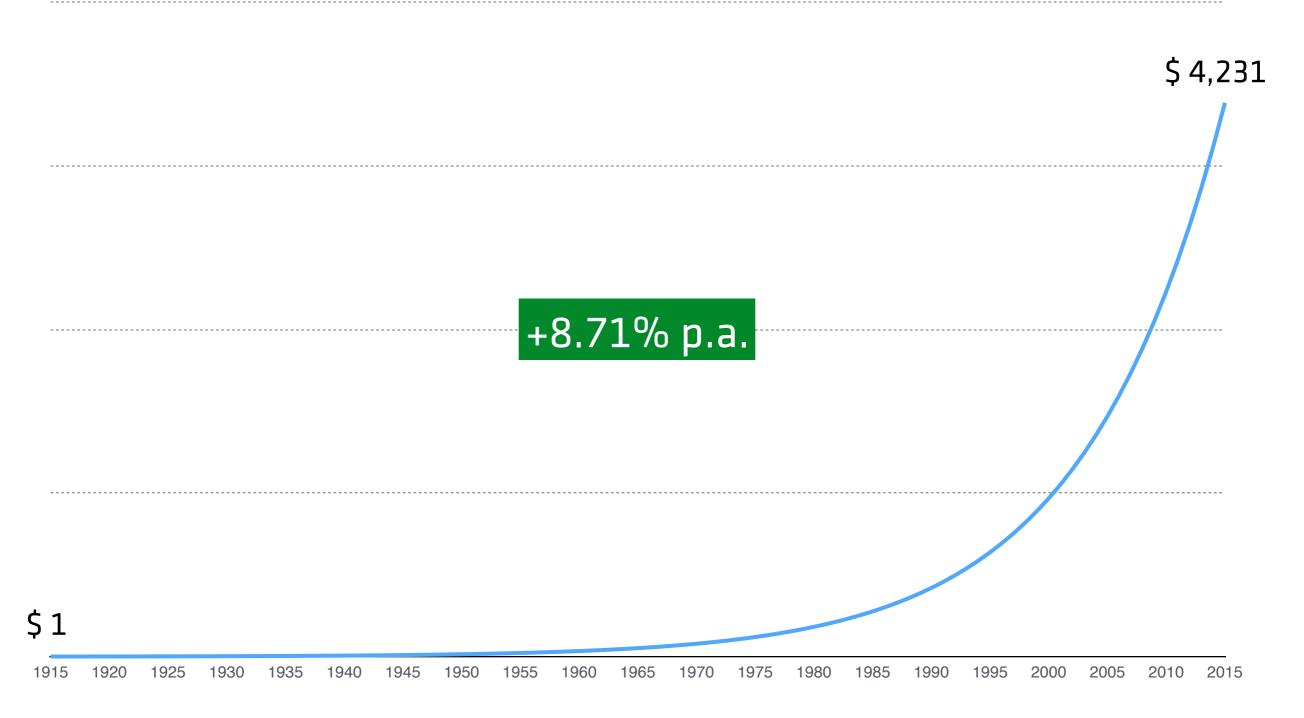
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Long-run story and comparison to Indonesia

NYSE

S&P 500, 100 YEARS

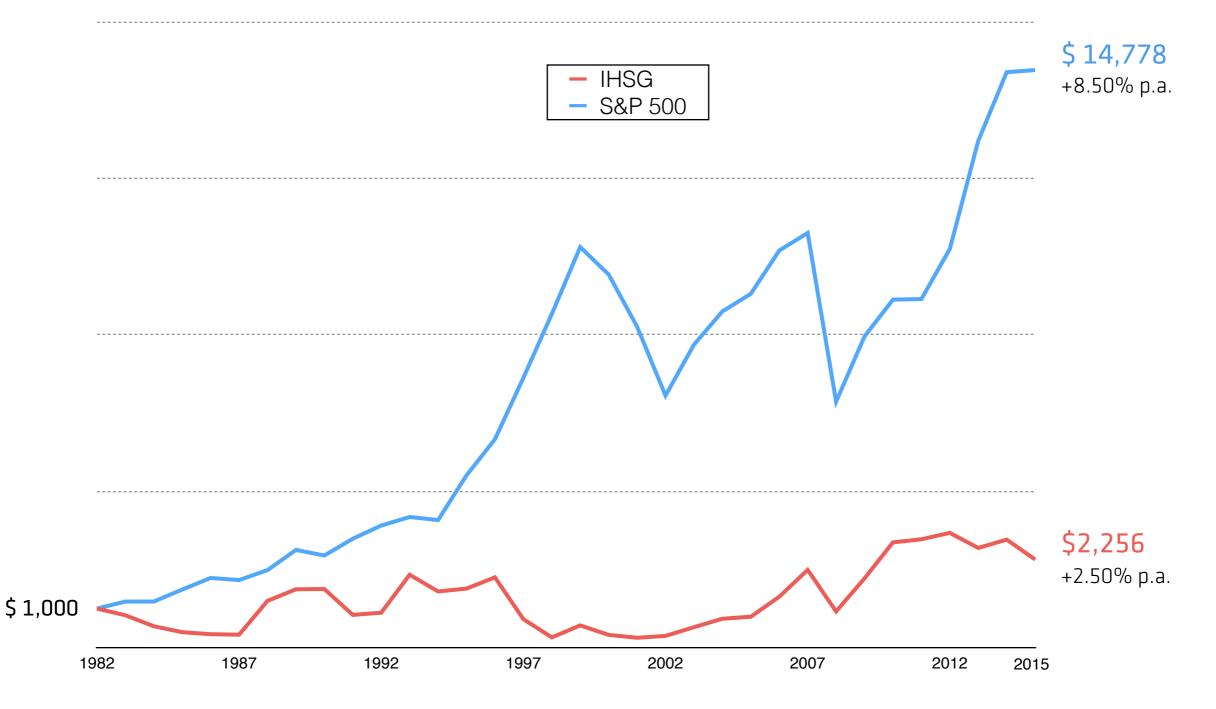
Value of \$1 including dividend reinvestments





COMPARISON TO INDONESIA'S IHSG [1]

Value of \$ 1,000 invested since end of 1982 excluding dividends

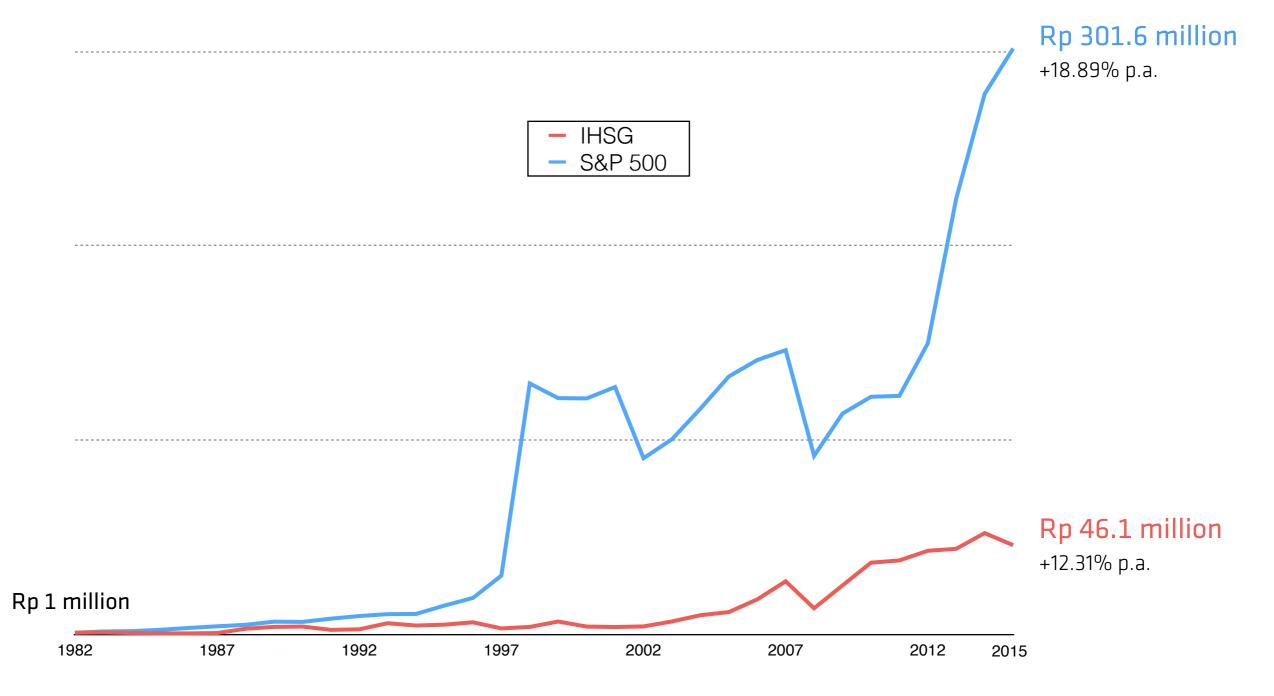


A U.S. person gained **2.5%** per annum by investing in Indonesia stock market, compared to **8.5%** per annum by investing in U.S. stock market.



COMPARISON TO INDONESIA'S IHSG [2]

Value of Rp1,000,000 invested since end of 1982 excluding dividends



An Indonesian person gained **18.89%** per annum by investing in U.S. stock market, compared to **12.31%** per annum by investing in Indonesia stock market.

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