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Top Amazon Shareholders

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Amazon.com Inc. (AMZN) was founded in July 1994 by Jeffrey Bezos as an online bookstore, and has since ballooned into the world's largest e-commerce company. As <u>Amazon</u> has evolved, it has expanded to offer a seemingly limitless range of products such as video games, software, electronics, clothing, toys, and food. Amazon also gets major revenue from other businesses. Amazon Web Services is the world's largest seller of cloud computing services. Amazon's entertainment streaming service also produces its own movies and TV shows, and Amazon Music provides access to millions of songs. Also, Amazon subsidiary Ring offers home security services.^[1] ^[2] ^[3]







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This growth has transformed Amazon into one of the largest companies in the world by market value, with a market capitalization as of July 9, 2020 of nearly \$1.6 trillion. In the trailing 12-month (TTM) period ending July 9, 2020, Amazon generated revenue of \$296.3 billion and net income of \$10.6 billion.^[4]

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The top individual insider shareholders of Amazon are Jeffrey Bezos, Andrew Jassy, and Jeffrey Blackburn, and the top institutional shareholders are Advisor Group Inc., Vanguard Group Inc., and BlackRock Inc. (<u>BLK</u>).

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Jeffrey Bezos

Amazon's <u>chief executive officer (CEO)</u> and founder, Jeff Bezos, is the company's biggest shareholder, with 55.5 million shares representing 11.1% of outstanding shares.^[5] Bezos is currently ranked number 1 on Forbes' list of the world's wealthiest people.^[6] His net worth took a brief hit in 2019 when he finalized his divorce from MacKenzie Bezos, who helped him start Amazon.^[5] As part of the settlement, Bezos keeps voting control over his entire stake even though his former wife retains ownership of 25% of those shares.^[7]

Andrew Jassy

Andrew Jassy owns 94,797 shares of the company, or 0.02% of all outstanding shares.^[5] Jassy is the CEO of Amazon Web Services, the world's largest <u>cloud computing</u> services company. Jassy joined Amazon in 1997.^[8] With a team of 57 people, he founded AWS and started selling cloud services in 2006.^[9] ^[10] Prior to joining Amazon, Jassy founded and managed a marketing consulting company.^[11]

Jeffrey Blackburn

Jeffrey Blackburn holds 48,967 shares of Amazon, or 0.01% of outstanding shares.^[5] Blackburn has been Senior Vice President of Business Development for Amazon since 2006. He previously was Vice President of Operations Integration at Amazon, and joined the company in 1998 after working for several years as an Associate at Morgan Stanley and Deutsche Bank.^[12] ^[13]

Top 3 Institutional Shareholders

According to Whale Wisdom, more than 3,000 13F filers held Amazon stock as of the end of Q1 2020. About 1,200 of them included Amazon in their top 10 holdings.^[14]

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Advisor Group Inc. is an institutional brokerage company that offers asset management, investment advisory and other services. It has \$296.7 billion in assets under management (AUM). ^[15] It has one of the largest networks of independent wealth management firms in the world. ^[16] Advisor Group owns 35.4 million shares of Amazon stock, or 7.1% of outstanding shares, according to its 13F filed for the period ending March 31, 2020. ^[14]

Vanguard Group Inc.

Vanguard Group Inc. provides hundreds of mutual funds, ETFs, and retirement products. The company is primarily a mutual fund and ETF management company with about \$6.2 trillion in global assets under management (AUM) as of January 31, 2020.^[17] Based on its 13F filed for the period ending March 31, 2020, Vanguard Group owns 33.0 million shares of Amazon, or 6.6% of all outstanding shares.^[14] Vanguard clients can invest in Amazon stock through the company's Consumer Discretionary ETF (VCR). Amazon is the largest holding and accounts for 21.3% of the fund's portfolio.^[18]

BlackRock Inc.

BlackRock Inc. (BLK), one of the world's biggest asset managers, sells the popular line of iShares ETF products. The company is primarily a mutual fund and ETF management company with approximately \$6.47 trillion in AUM.^[19] This firm holds 27.0 million shares of Amazon based on its 13F filing for the period ending March 31, 2020. This accounts for 5.4% of all outstanding Amazon shares.^[14] Amazon stock is the largest holding in the iShares U.S. Consumer Services ETF (IYC), comprising 10.4% of the fund.^[20]

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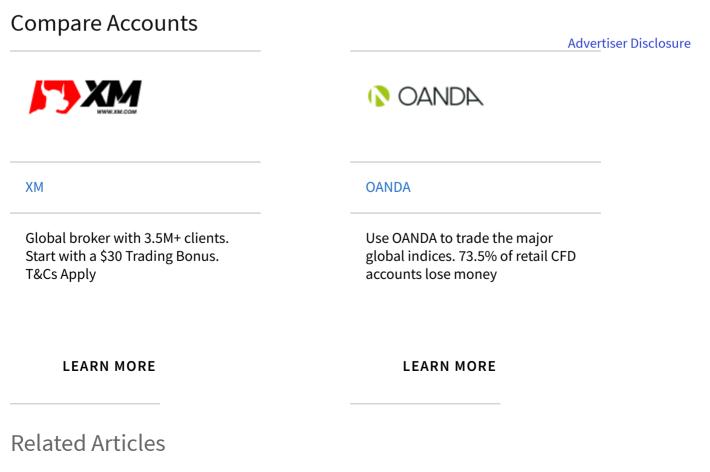
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