# The Rise of the Unicorns

PrivCo's list of the up and coming 100 private companies vying for unicorn status





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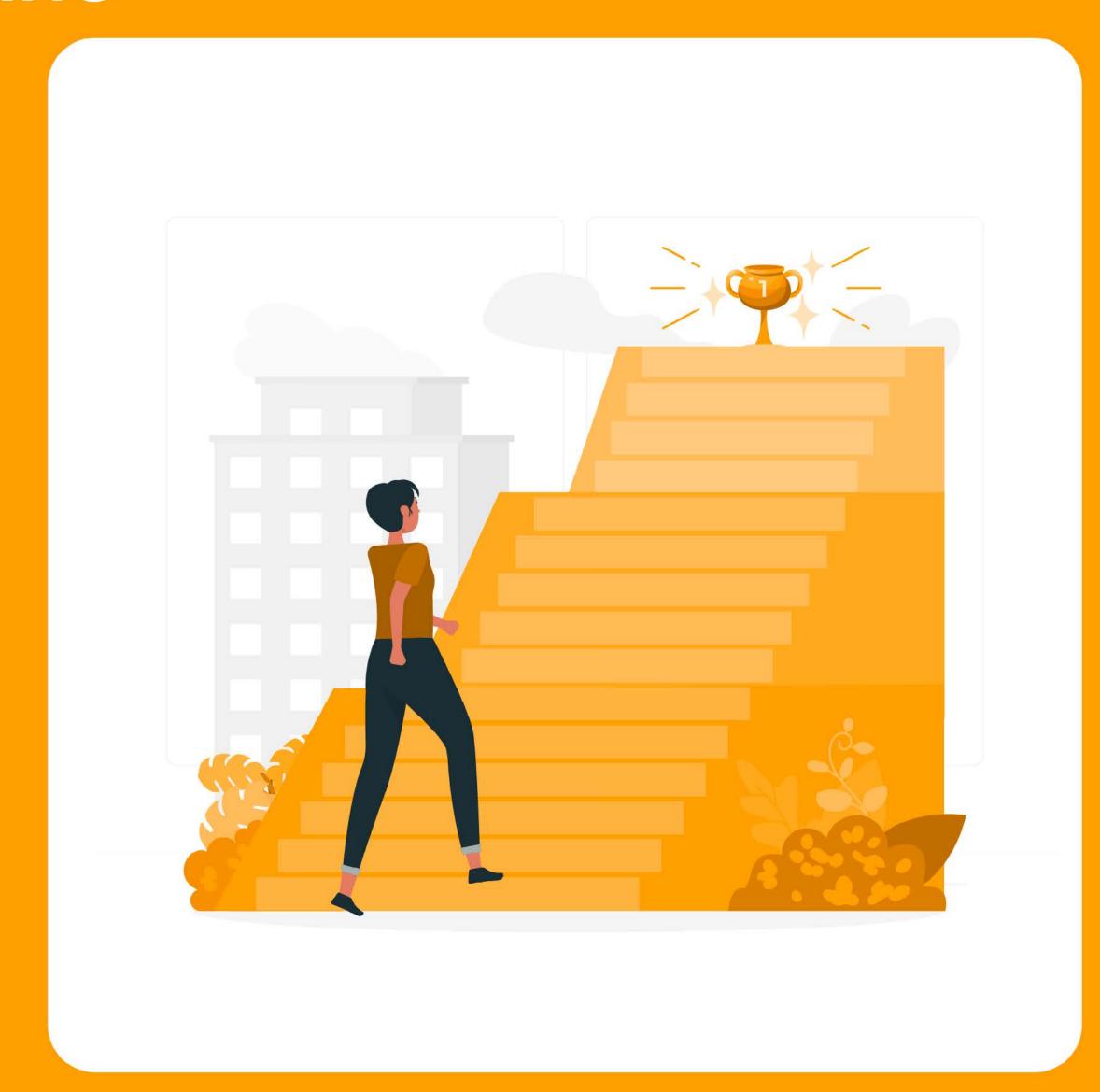
# INTRODUCTION

Unicorns, or companies with a valuation over \$1BN, are considered rare beasts of the business world. Today, globally there are over 900 unicorn startups or companies with this status. While the time to achieve unicorn status seems to be shrinking significantly since the days of popular graduates like Facebook and Google, the status remains a shiny badge for startups. To identify the next potential unicorns, we looked at the data from <a href="PrivCo">PrivCo</a> to pinpoint startups with valuations below \$900MM and ranked them by their performance based on recent funding activity and employee growth.



# KEY TAKEAWAYS FROM THE RANKING

- SaaS or 'System as a Service' companies ranked highest.
   Three out of the top ten companies in this category. 17 companies out of the 100 companies ranked are categorized as mainly SaaS companies.
- Healthcare takes second place with 14 ranking companies.
   However, funding received in the healthcare category is the highest when looking at totals amongst the ranked 100 companies.
- A majority of the top 10 companies that ranked in the list were founded in 2015, with the earliest company dating to 1999.

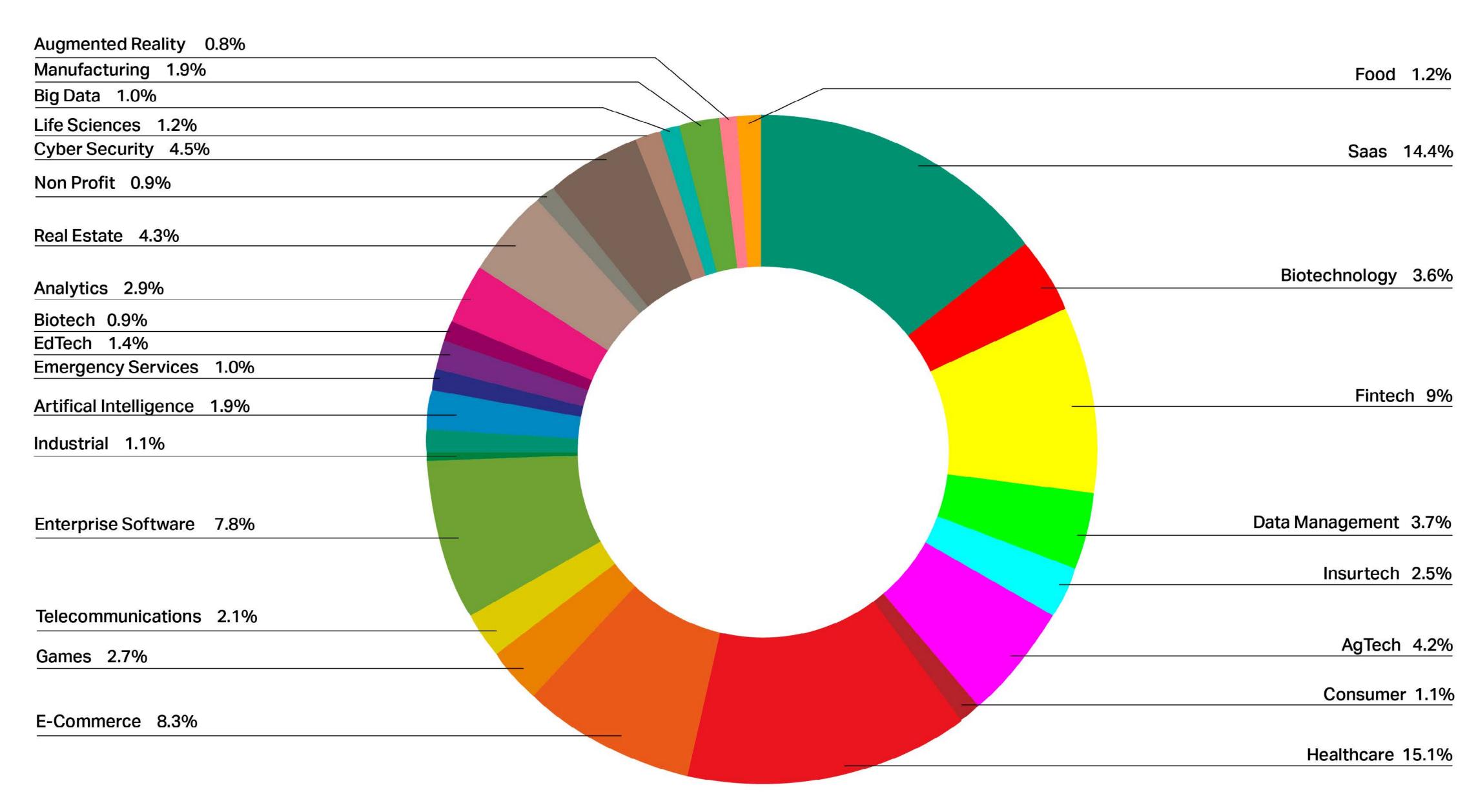


<sup>\*</sup>It is worth noting that categories are not mutually exclusive and companies are sorted by their primary use case.

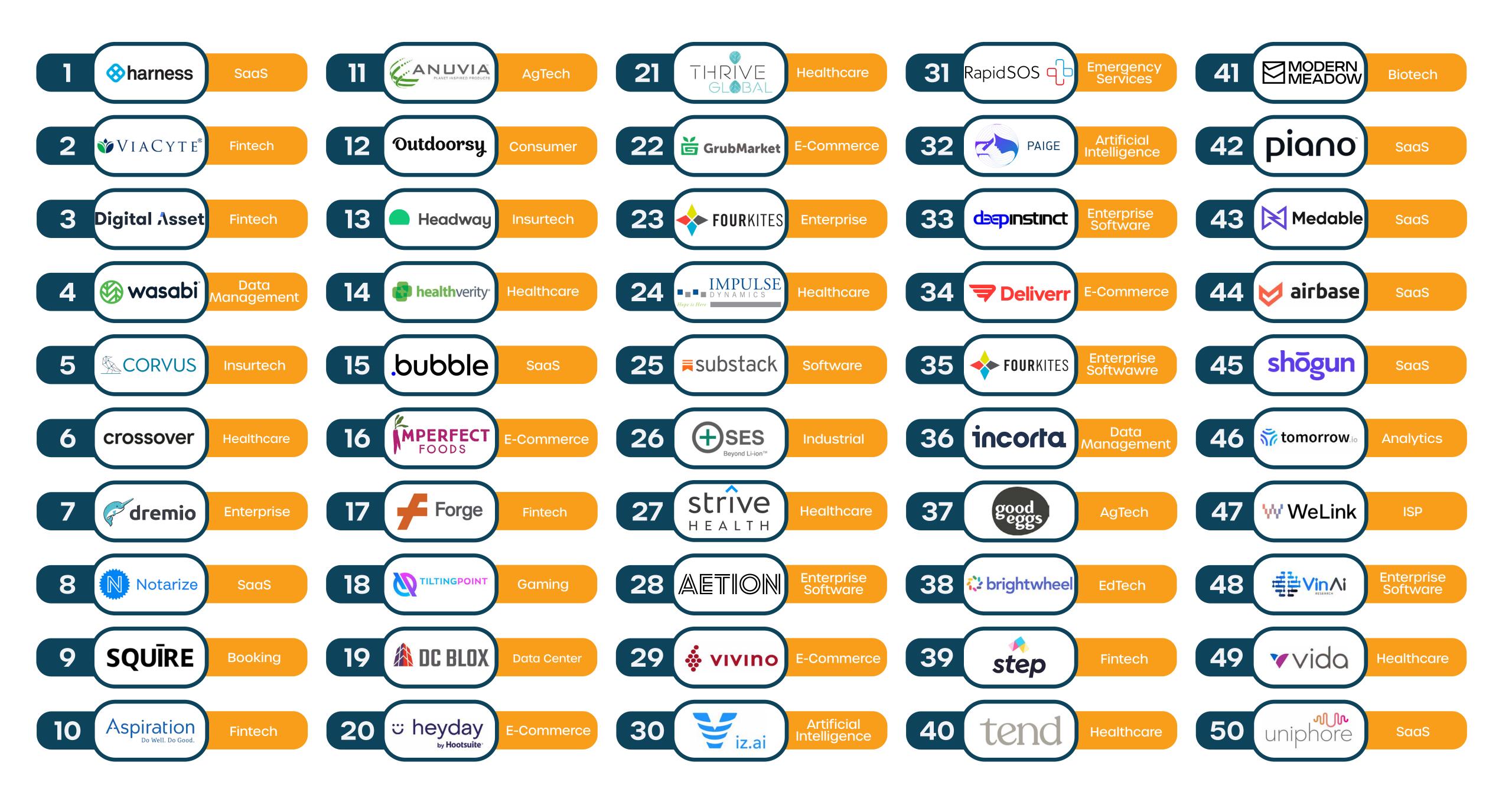
# The Top 100 Companies Destined for Unicorn-Status



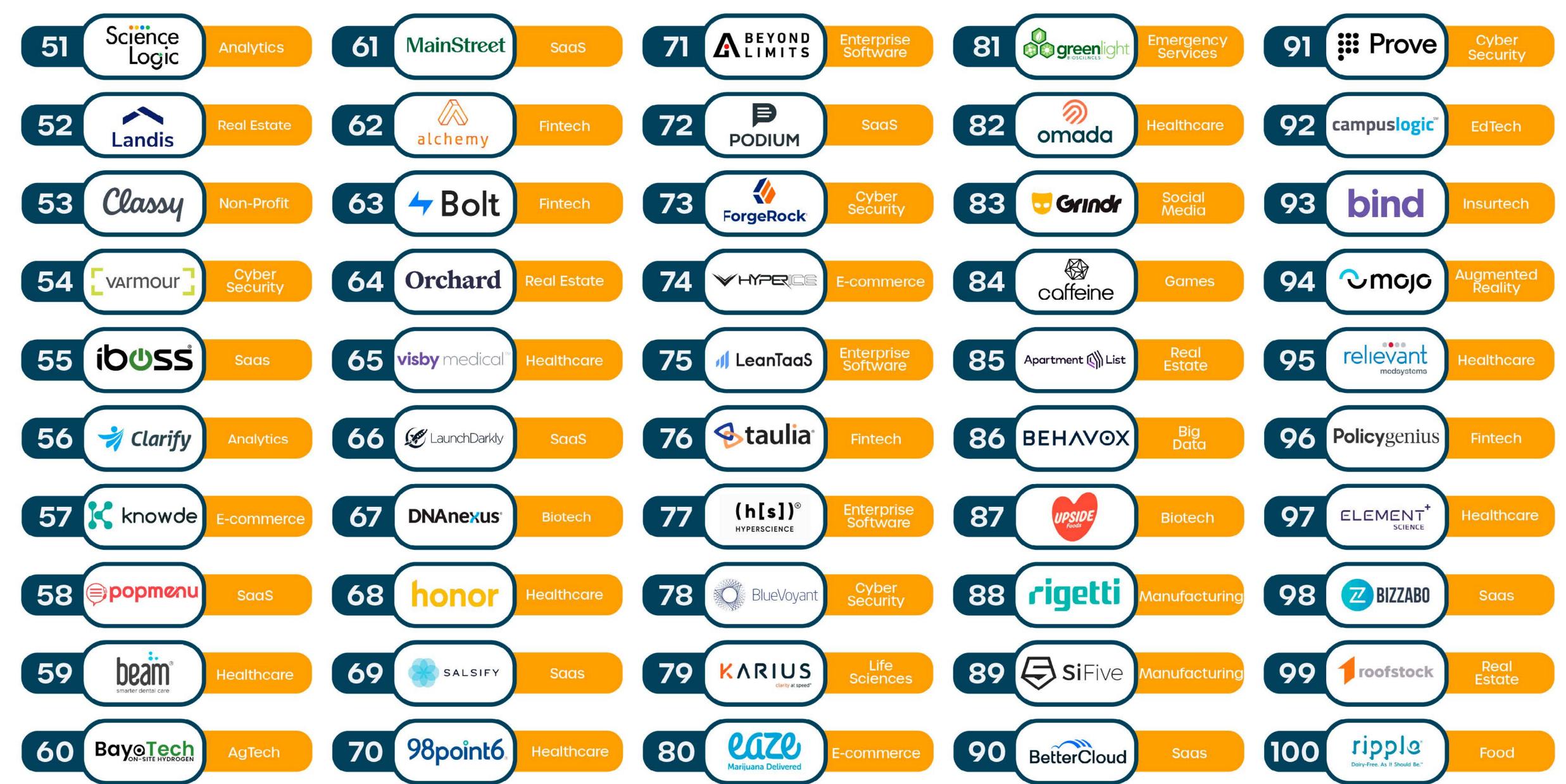
# **Next Billion Dollar Companies by Industry**



#### THE NEXT 100 UNICORNS

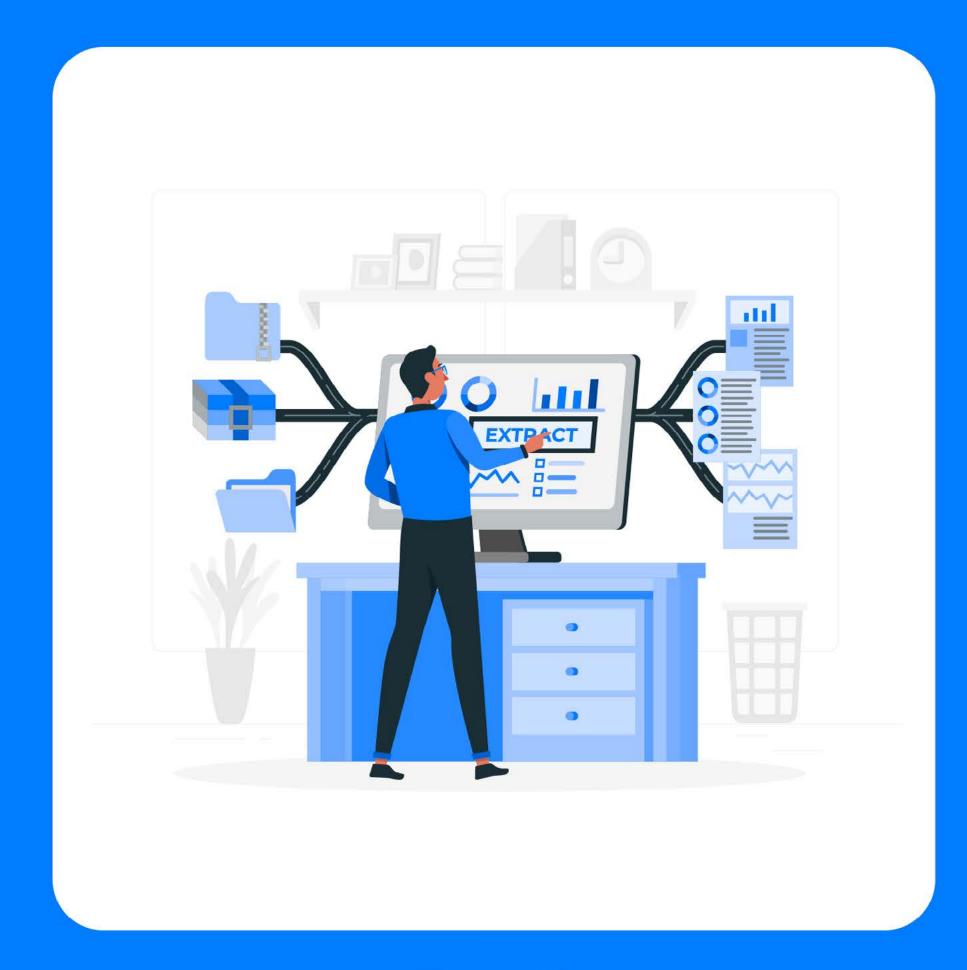


#### THE NEXT 100 UNICORNS





# THE NEXT UNICORN BY CATEGORIES



SaaS



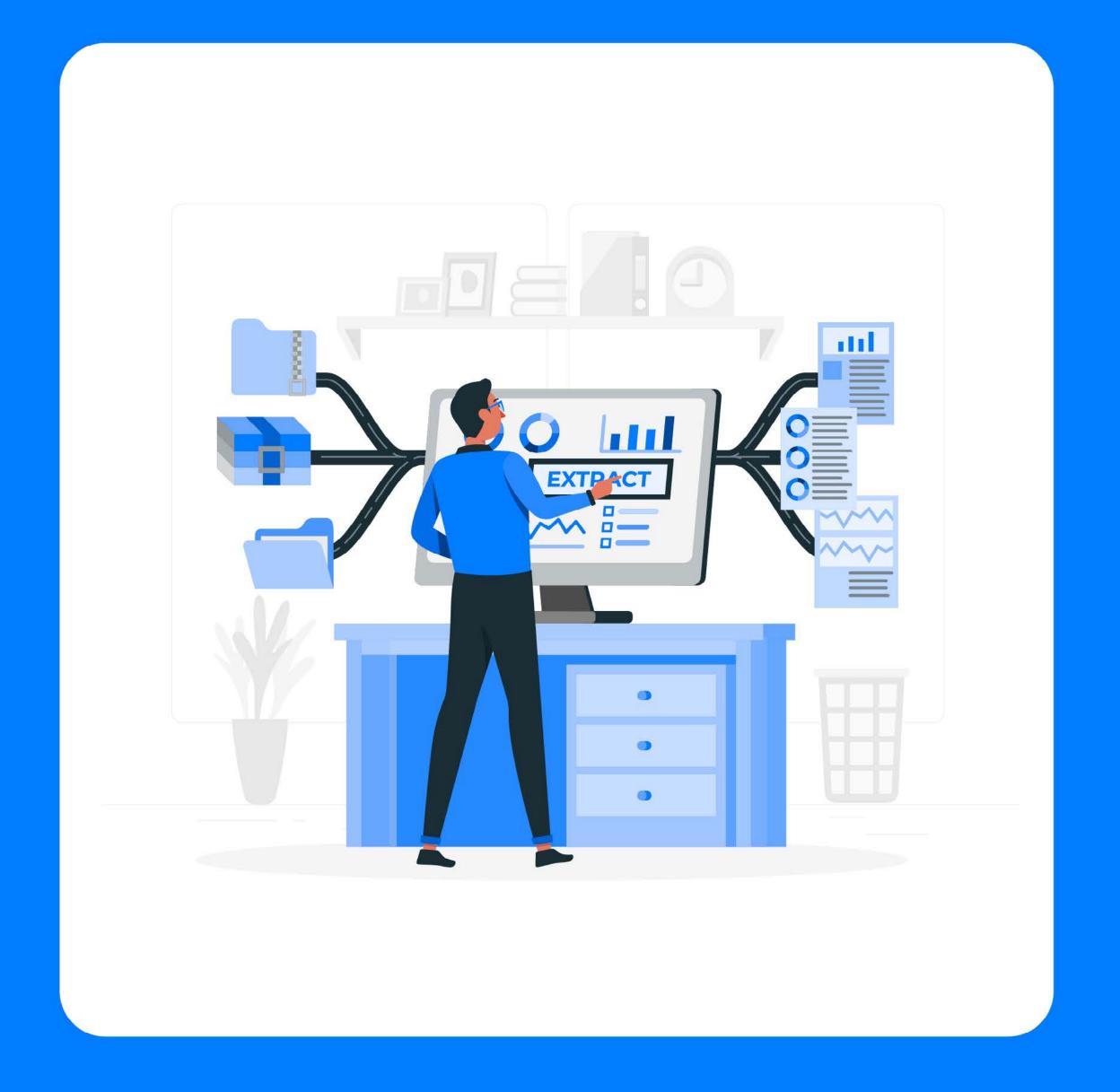
Healthcare

# SaaS Growth

Although the pandemic forced many companies to reduce overhead spending, it has also forced a digital transformation almost overnight as organizations scrambled to adopt an online workflow. Global spending on enterprise software recorded \$426BN in 2020 which highlights why SaaS startups are on the top of mind when it comes to potential new unicorns.

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# Healthcare

Healthcare is continually benefiting from technological advancements from mRNA to CRISPER. Investors continue to bet on the potential for startups to speedily develop advanced methods to treat, analyze, or even cure diseases. At the same time, the impact of the coronavirus has seen shone a light on the importance of medical advances, mental health, and more. and the need to invest in next-generation treatment.

Learn more about the top 50 privately-held healthcare companies:

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# THE NEXT 10 UNICORNS

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#### **#1. HARNESS**

San Francisco, California [SaaS]

Harness is the developer of a continuous delivery-as-a-service platform created to simplify the software delivery process for software engineers. The company's software platform utilizes machine learning and offers real-time delivery analytics, live notifications, continuous verification, workflow wizards as well as a pipeline builder, enabling software engineers to save time by automating the scripting process.

Founded: 2017 Total Rounds: 4

Valuation: \$850MM

Total Funding: \$195MM

Notable Investors: Alkeon Capital, Menlo Ventures, IVP





# #2. ViaCyte

San Diego, California [Biotech]

ViaCyte is a regenerative medicine company developing novel cell replacement therapies based on two major technological advances: cell replacement therapies derived from pluripotent stem cells and medical device systems for cell encapsulation and implantation.

Founded: 1999 Total Rounds: 8

Valuation: \$850MM

Total Funding: \$268MM

Notable Investors: Johnson & Johnson Development Corporation,

Sanderling Ventures, TPG Capital LP





# #3. Digital Asset

New York, New York [Fintech]

Digital Asset is a blockchain-based app development platform. Digital Asset allows companies of all sizes and across industries to get distributed applications to market faster, and stay there longer. At the core of its service offering is Daml, an application platform that allows companies to create new multi-party solutions.

Founded: 2014 Total Rounds: 6

Valuation: \$835MM

Total Funding: \$307MM

Notable Investors: Eldridge Industries LLC,

Samsung Venture Investment Corporation, Goldman Sachs Group





# #4. Wasabi Technologies

Boston, Massachusetts [Data Management]

Wasabi Technologies provides hot cloud storage for businesses all over the world to store and access an infinite amount of data, including backups, DR and archiving, surveillance, medical imaging, big science, education, genomics, AI/ML data lakes, television, movies, and government data.

Founded: 2015 Total Rounds: 7

Valuation: \$800MM

Total Funding: \$273MM

Notable Investors: Prosperity7 Ventures,

Fidelity Management & Research Company, Western Digital Capital





# **#5. Corvus Insurance**

Boston, Massachusetts [Insurtech]

Corvus Insurance i is a provider of commercial insurance products built on advanced data science, with an Al-driven approach to empowering brokers and policyholders to predict and prevent loss.

Founded: 2017 Total Rounds: 5

Valuation: \$800MM

Total Funding: \$161MMBN

Notable Investors: FinTLV Ventures, Aquiline Technology Growth,

**Insight Partners** 





#### #6. Crossover Health

San Clemente, California [Healthcare]

Crossover Health is a relationship-based, tech-enabled national healthcare organization that provides comprehensive and coordinated healthcare to self-insured employers and health plans, inclusive of primary care, physical medicine, mental health, health coaching, and care navigation to control healthcare costs while enhancing both quality and experience.

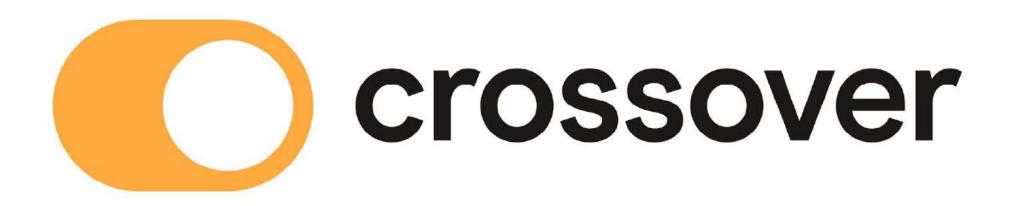
Founded: 2010 Total Rounds: 4

Valuation: \$800MM

Total Funding: \$281MM

Notable Investors: Deerfield Management, Gurnet Point Capital,

Foresite Capital Management





# #7. Dremio

Santa Clara, CA [Enterprise Software]

Dremio Corporation is a privately-held company that operates in the software & internet services industry. Dremio Corporation was founded in 2015 by Jacques Nadeau and Tomer Shiran. Dremio Corporation headquarters are located in Santa Clara, California.

Founded: 2015
Total Rounds: 6
Valuation: \$1BN\*

Total Funding: \$261.50MM

Notable Investors: Sapphire Ventures, Redpoint Ventures, Norwest

Ventures



\* Footnote: Dremio achieved \$1BN with it's round D funding in 2021.

# #8. Notarize

Boston, Massachusetts [SaaS]

Notarize provides a platform to enable thousands of people each day to sign and notarize documents online.

Founded: 2015 Total Rounds: 6

Valuation: \$760MM

Total Funding: \$214MM

Notable Investors: Canapi Ventures, Polaris Partners, Camber Creek





# #9. Squire

New York, New York [SaaS]

Squire provides a full-scale barbershop management and POS system that offers support for shop owners to both scale their business and increase clientele, while also reducing the amount of time spent in back-office operations via tools such as Point of Sale, Scheduling, Payroll, CRM, and a host of other features.

Founded: 2015 Total Rounds: 9

Valuation: \$750MM

Total Funding: \$174MM

Notable Investors: Tiger Global Management, ICONIQ Capital,

Trinity Ventures





# #10. Aspiration

Marina del Rey, California [Fintech]

Aspiration is an online financial firm that offers retail banking and investing services built for everyone. Aspiration delivers the financial products that people need in a consumer-focused model that empowers people to choose their fees and aligns the interests of Aspiration and its customers. The company donates a dime of every dollar it earns to help Americans that work to climb the ladder of opportunity while making it possible for its customers to choose to give a portion of their profits to a charitable cause of their choice. Their unicorn fate is written with plans to go public via SPAC merger before year-end at a \$2.3BN valuation.

Founded: 2015 **Total Rounds: 6** 

Valuation: \$750MM

Total Funding: \$253MM

Notable Investors: Deep Field Asset Management, AGO Partners,

Alpha Edison 23





#### **APPENDIX**

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