

Q2 2021

NORTH AMERICAN VENTURE CAPITAL UPDATE



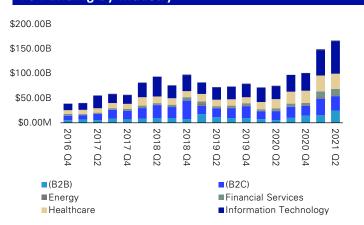
## Unprecedented VC Surge Accelerates in Q2

\$166.4 billion dollars of new venture capital (VC) was raised globally in the second quarter of 2021, bringing year-to-date totals to \$315.3 billion. While VC investment had been on the rise before the pandemic, what has transpired since is simply unprecedented. Over the past 18 months, \$660.1 billion of VC capital has been invested in companies across a wide range of industries. To put this in perspective, annual VC global VC investment had averaged \$164.1 billion annually in the decade before the CoVid-19 crisis (2010 through 2019). If the current pace of investment continues, over \$630.6 billion in funds will be raised in 2020, or nearly four times the pre-pandemic norm.

IT remains the dominant category, accounting for 36.8% of all investment. But funding has become far more diversified across as new technology-driven verticals emerge across various industries. B2C (business-to-consumer) and healthcare (life science) are the two categories that have gained the most market share, accounting respectively for 19.8% and 20.0% of global VC investment.

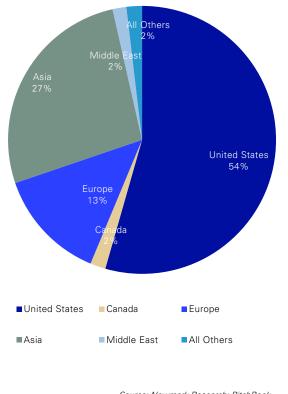
The United States remains the dominant market for new VC investment, accounting for 54.0.0% of all funds raised. Asian markets followed (27.0%), with China single-handedly accounting for 19.5% of global funding. The U.K. (5.0%) leads European markets (13.4%). Canada accounted for 1.9% of all global activity in the second quarter.

## VC Funding by Industry



### **Total Global VC Funding** \$500,000 50,000 \$315.30B \$344.50B \$400,000 40,000 \$300,000 30,000 \$200,000 20,000 10.000 \$100,000 2019 2021 2003 主 Capital Invested Deal Count

## Global VC Funding by Region Q2 2021



Source: Newmark Research; PitchBook

## USA: The Next Tech Boom Has Begun...

The VC industry serves a vital role by funding entrepreneurship and innovation. While the popular perception is that VC funding is about initial research and development (this certainly does occur), most of it goes to support companies as they commercialize their innovations and grow. VC provides fixed assets and working capital for all manners of infrastructure, from manufacturing to marketing—and critically, to employment and real estate.

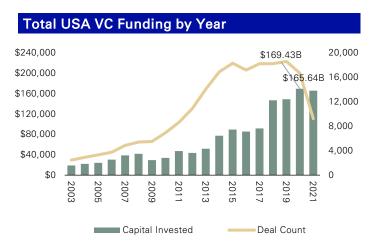
Nowhere globally has the surge in VC funding been greater than in the United States. Over the past 18 months, \$325.3 billion in VC funding has been raised. Prior to the pandemic, the annual average for VC investment had been \$81.5 billion per year. Over the first half of 2021 alone, \$155.8 billion has been raised. If the current pace of activity continues, we will close the year with more than \$311.6 billion in investment, which would more than double 2019's record of \$148.8 billion, not to mention obliterate pre-pandemic averages.

This wave of funding has impacted every region of the United States, with a few new hot spots emerging; Austin, Texas and Miami, Florida have both seen outsized growth. However, traditional centers of VC funding, such as the Bay Area, New York and Boston have continued to dominate in terms of market share. The pie is bigger, and new hands reaching for a piece, but the largest slices are going to familiar places.

VC funding is about growth. While companies spend these investments differently, workforce expansion nearly always is a factor—particularly for smaller firms. Employment growth drives commercial real estate demand. Small to mid-size organizations have accounted for 55.2% of VC funding in the U.S. this year.

Under normal circumstances, these numbers would suggest a commercial real estate boom in the making, at least within markets where there is a heavy tech focus. They still do, though it will be tempered by the pandemic. While uncertainty remains as to how organizations will navigate work-from-home (WFH) policies going forward, the hybrid approach (with three days a week in office) has emerged as the most common strategy. WFH won't be one-size-fits-all, nor will the strategies of the next six months necessarily be the same strategies of a year from now. While there will be many firms that can economize space depending upon their model, these headwinds won't be as challenging in strong tech markets, where this level of investment will drive most growth.

This wave of VC investment bodes well in other ways; it reflects investment in the widest array of new technology verticals yet, across all industries. The tech boom of the last decade was driven by smartphones, social media and apps. This one will be driven by an even wider range of transformative technologies with arguably far greater economic impact than any past tech-driven expansion.



Source: Newmark Research; PitchBook

## VC Funding: North America Top Markets 1H 2021

Rank	Metro/Region	Funds Raised 1H 2021
1.	San Francisco Bay Area	\$56.43B
2.	New York City/Tri-State	\$24.50B
3.	Boston, NA	\$16.49B
4.	San Diego, CA	\$14.64B
5.	Los Angeles, CA	\$12.84B
6.	Chicago, IL	\$3.82B
7.	Washington, DC	\$3.22B
8.	Philadelphia, PA	\$3.17B
9.	Toronto, ON	\$3.14B
10.	Seattle, WA	\$3.10B
11.	Denver, CO	\$2.95B
12.	Vancouver, BC	\$2.58B
13.	Atlanta, GA	\$1.94B
14.	Raleigh, NC	\$1.84B
15.	Austin, TX	\$1.59B
16.	Salt Lake City, UT	\$1.54B
17.	Montreal, QC	\$1.01B
18.	Houston, TX	\$1.00B
19.	Orange County, CA	\$951.86M
20.	Miami, FL	\$739.89M

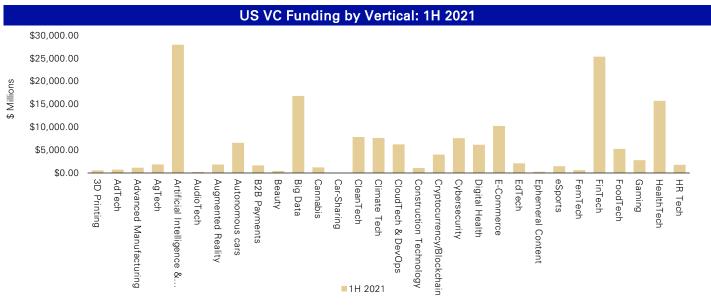
The next tech boom has begun. And it is extremely well-funded.

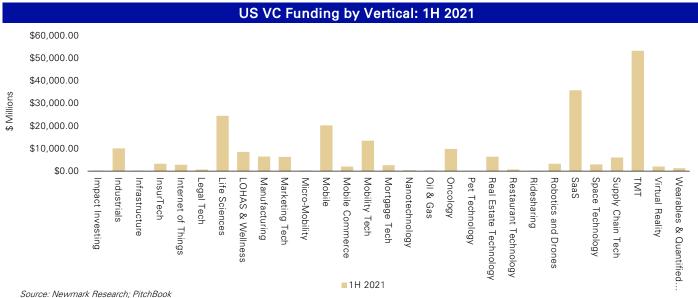
## VC Funding and CRE Demand: Why it Matters...

Without deeply granular data (VC-backed firms are private), it's difficult to correlate the impact of funding to commercial real estate demand in an easy formula. Firms may use VC funds in any number of ways, or across multiple geographies. But in most cases, hiring is a priority and employment growth translates into real estate demand.

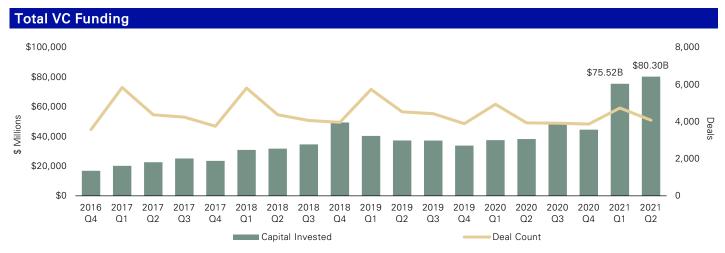
500 U.S. firms that received VC funding since April 2021 were analyzed and cross referenced with current job postings on LinkedIn. The sample set raised \$44.9 billion and had 22,582 job openings. If you assume 150 SF per worker, that equals 3.4 million square feet of demand. Or roughly a minimum of 7,500 square feet of demand for every \$100 million raised. At 200 square feet per worker, it equates to 10,000 square feet of demand per \$100 million raised. But we believe these numbers are considerably lower than the reality.

According to LinkedIn, 85.0% of jobs are filled by networking. Not every company uses the platform, nor does every job get posted there. The survey of job postings occurred in early July. It's possible that firms funded from April onward may have already filled a substantial number of positions by the time of our review. It's likely the survey only caught a portion of VC-fueled hiring. Total employment growth from the sample set is likely anywhere from 30.0% to 50.0% higher than what the job postings data suggests. This means that even using a ratio of 10,000 square feet of demand for every \$100 million raised is likely far below the reality, possibly by half. Anecdotal evidence shows the ratio is likely something closer to 25,000 square feet of demand for every \$100 million raised, but a number that is easily and logically defensible is a minimum of 15,000 square feet per \$100 million raised.

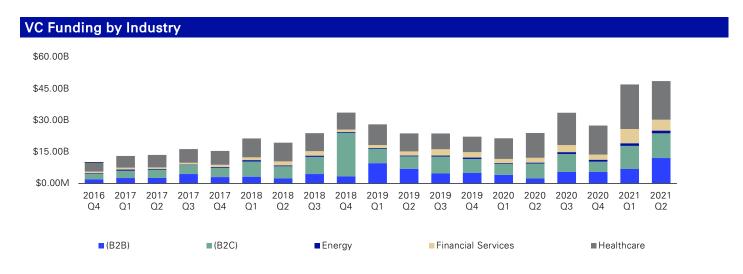


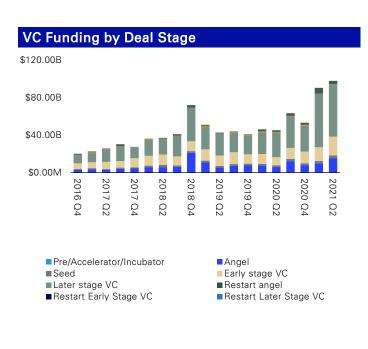


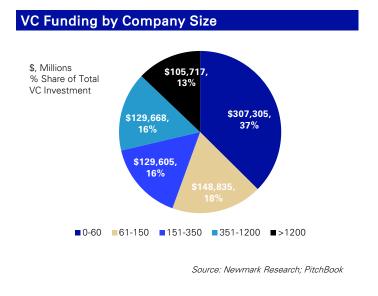
## United States: \$155.82 Billion YTD



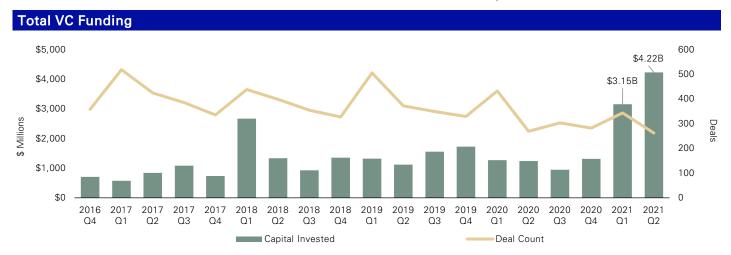
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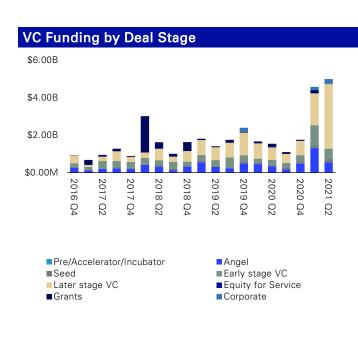


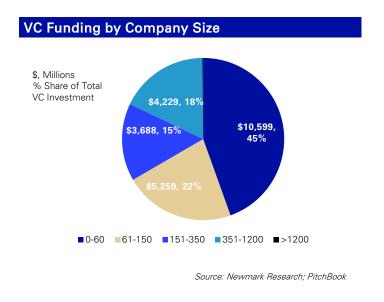
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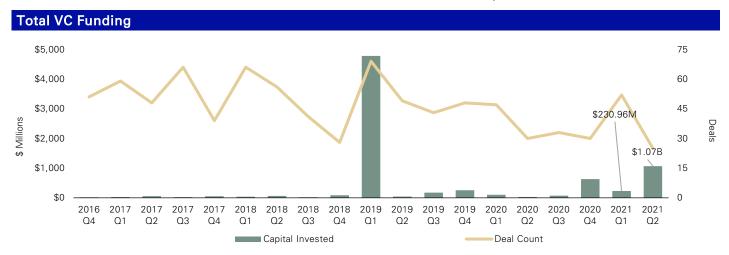
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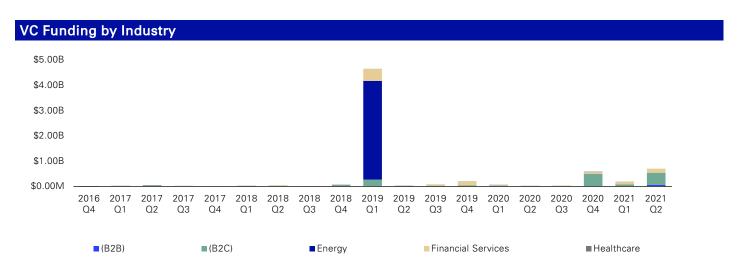


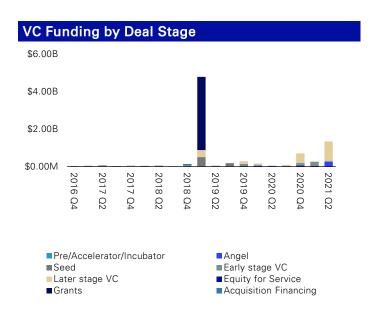


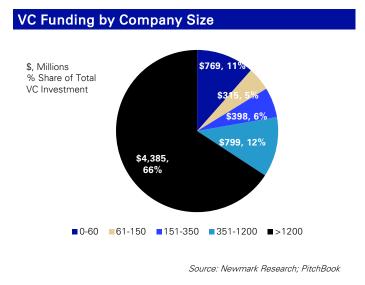
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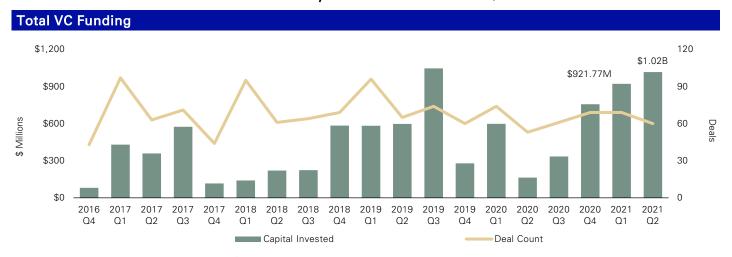
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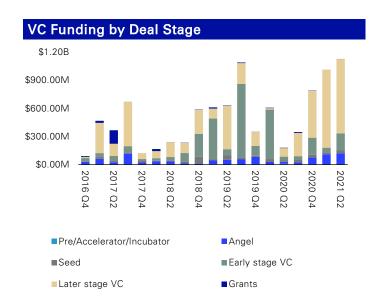


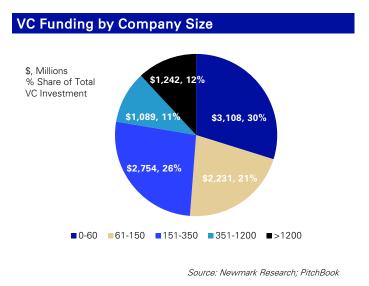
## Atlanta, GA Metro: \$1.94 Billion YTD



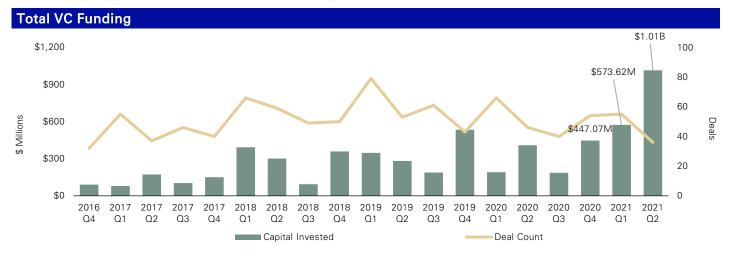
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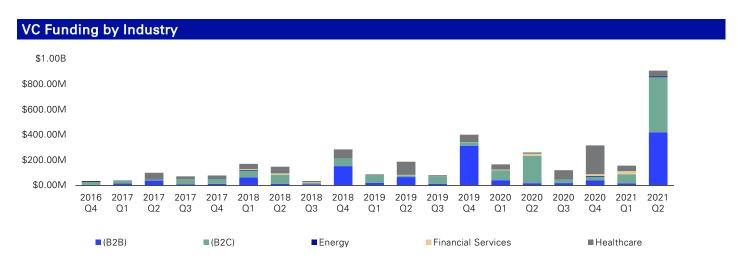


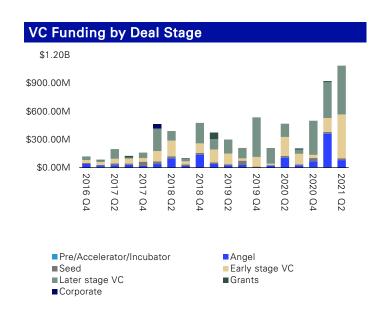


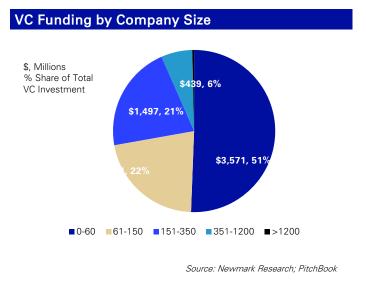
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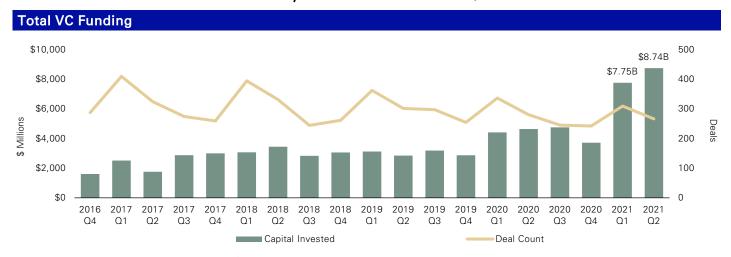
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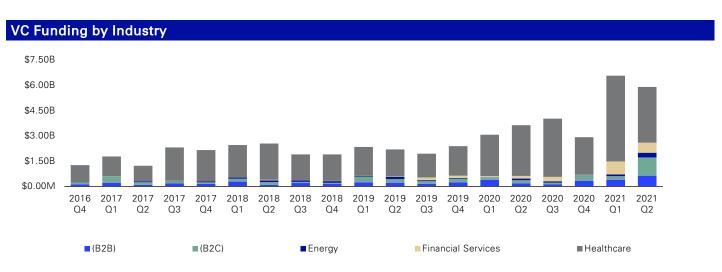


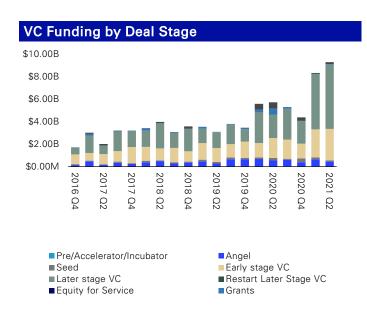


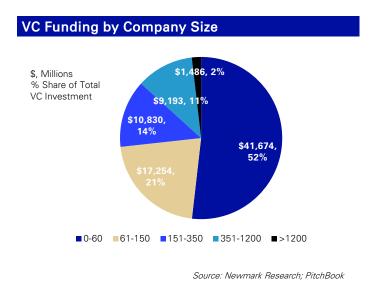
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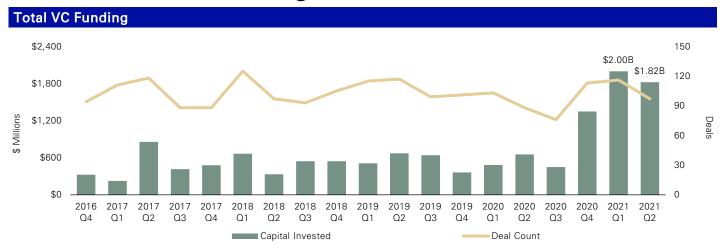
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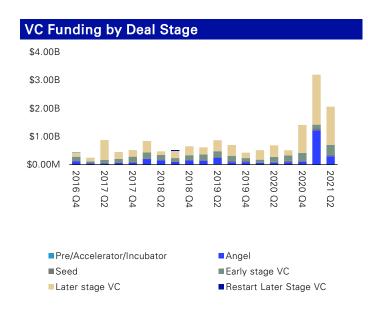


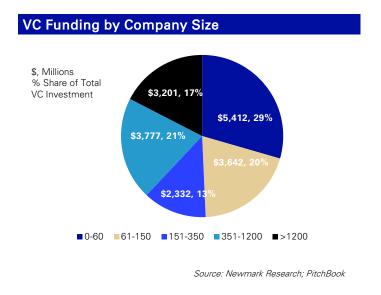
## Chicago, IL Metro: \$3.82 Billion YTD



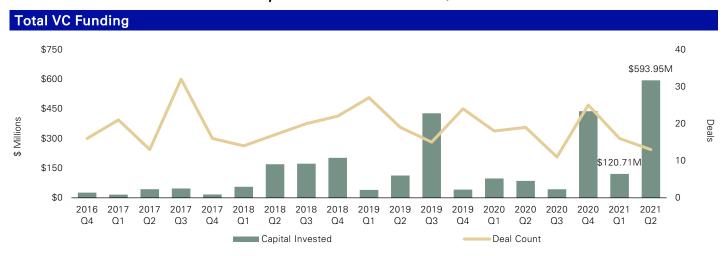
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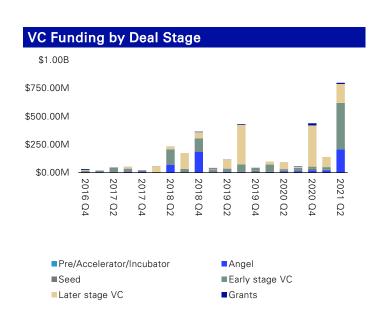


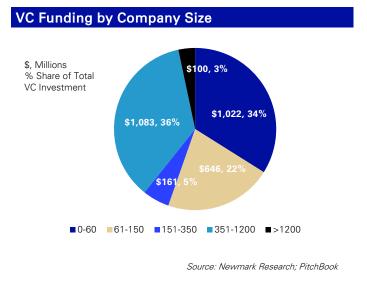
# Columbus, OH Metro: \$714.66 Million YTD



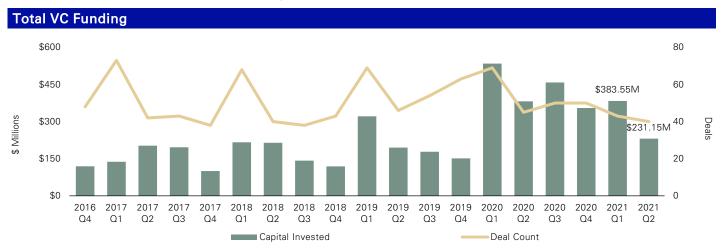
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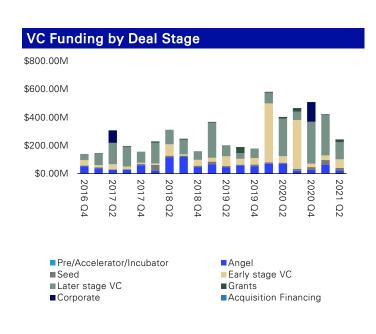


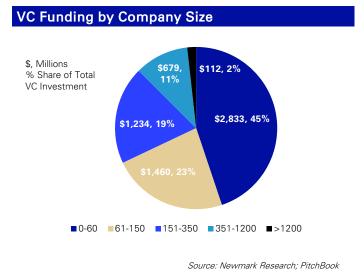
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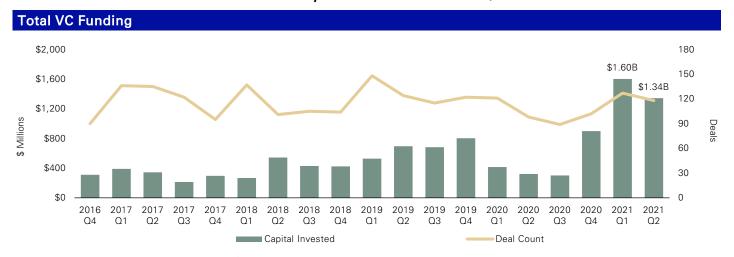
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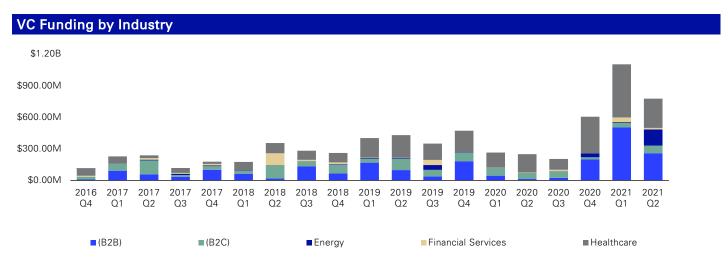


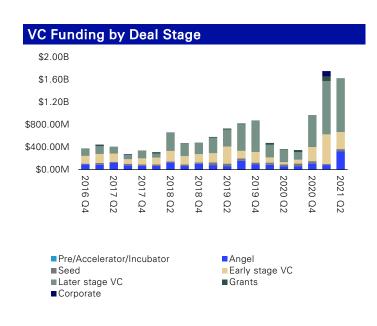


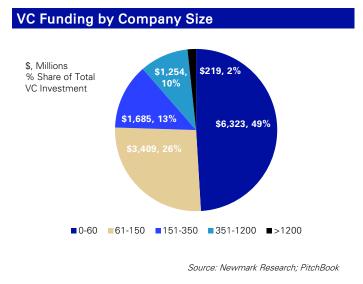
## Denver, CO Metro: \$2.95 Billion YTD



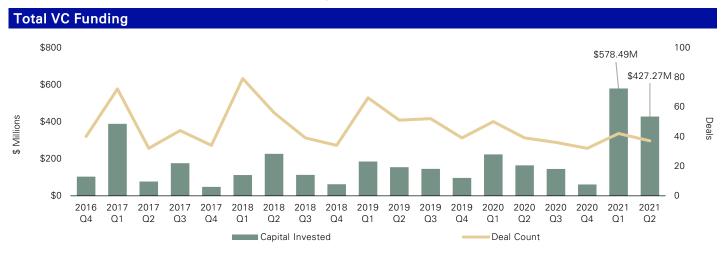
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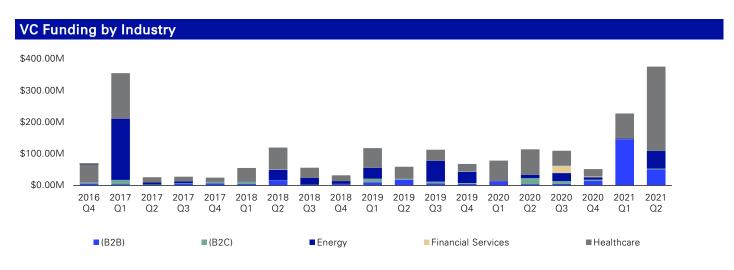


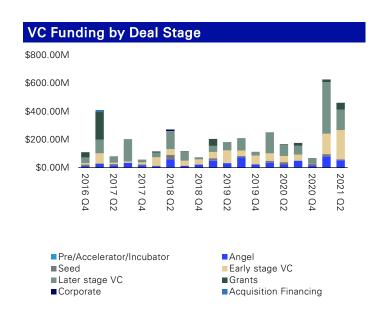


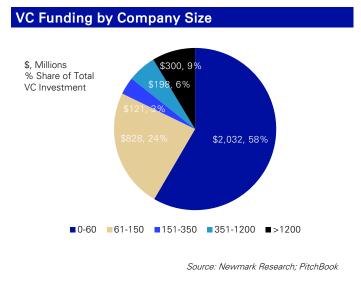
# Houston, TX Metro: \$1.00 Billion YTD



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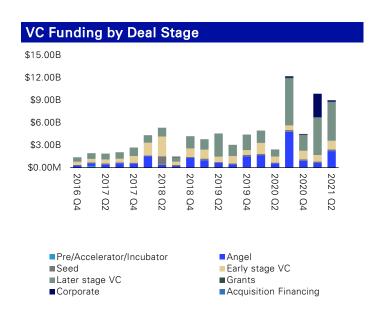
## Los Angeles, CA Metro: \$12.84 Billion YTD



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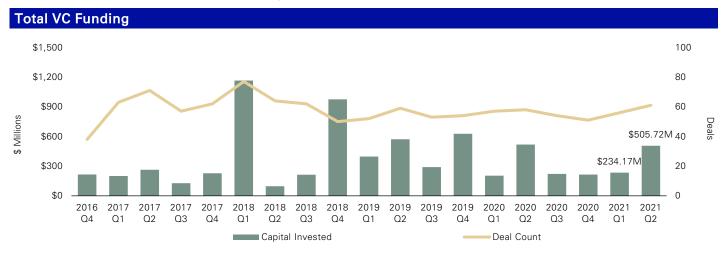
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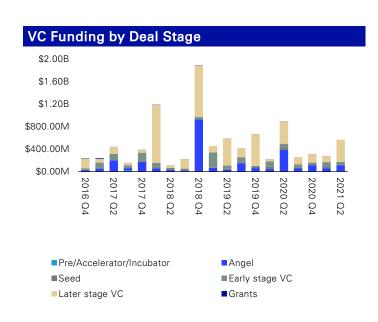
# \$, Millions % Share of Total VC Investment \$15,328, 23% \$19,733, 30% \$12,998, 20% \$9,380, 14% \$8,782, 13% \$9,380, 14% \$8,782, 13% \$351-1200 \$>1200 Source: Newmark Research; PitchBook

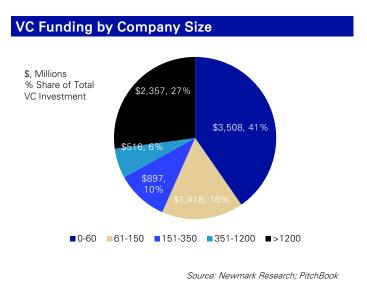
## Miami, FL Metro: \$739.89 Million YTD



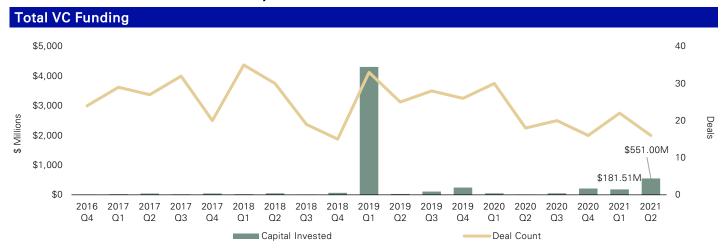
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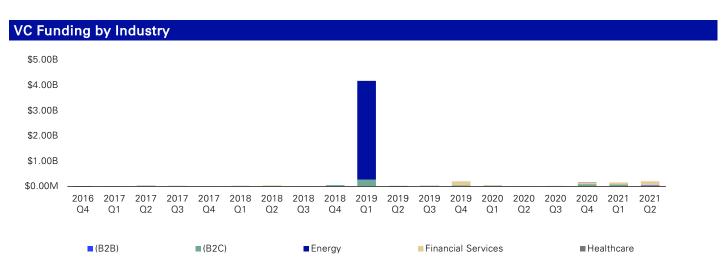


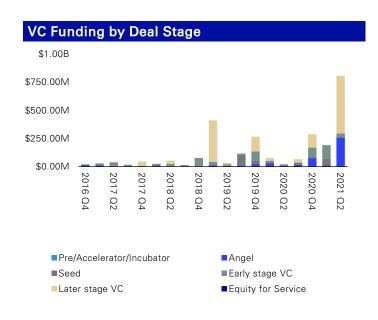


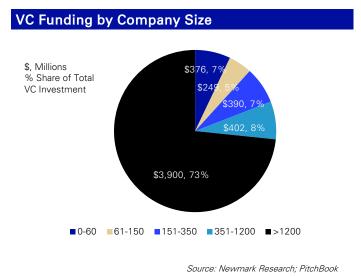
## Mexico City, DF Metro: \$732.51 Million YTD



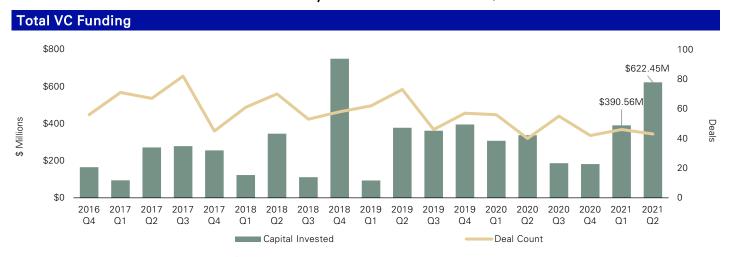
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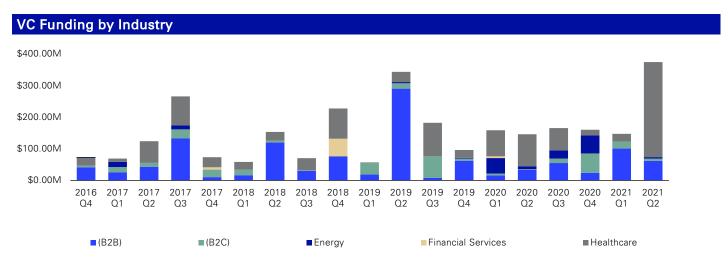




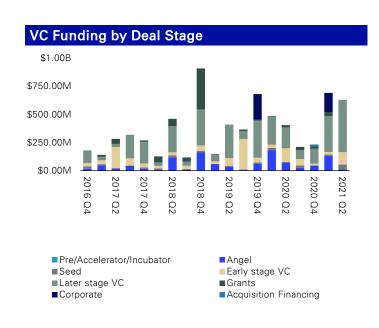
## Montreal, QC Metro: \$1.02 Billion YTD



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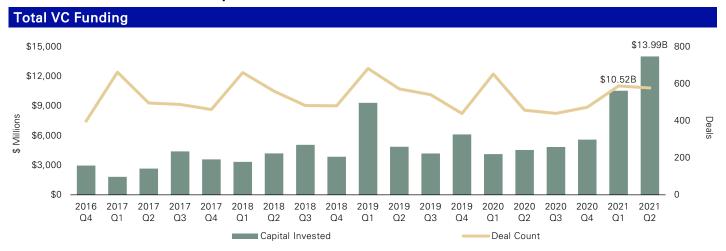


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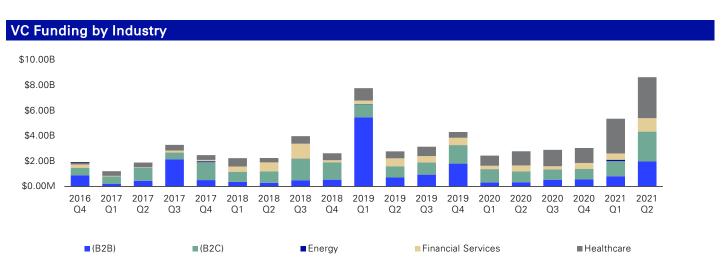


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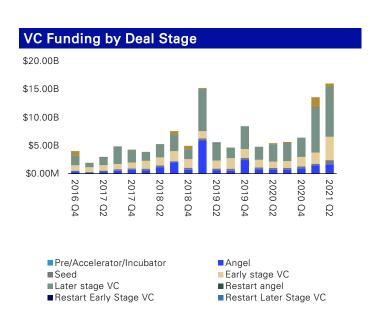
## New York City Metro/Tri-State: \$24.50 Billion YTD



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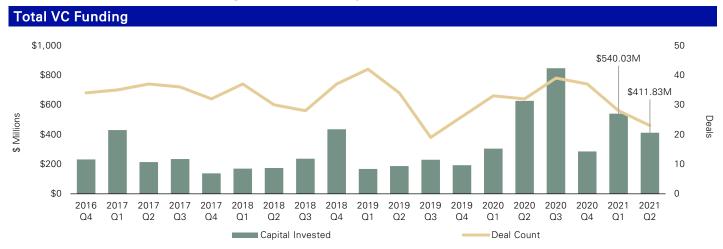
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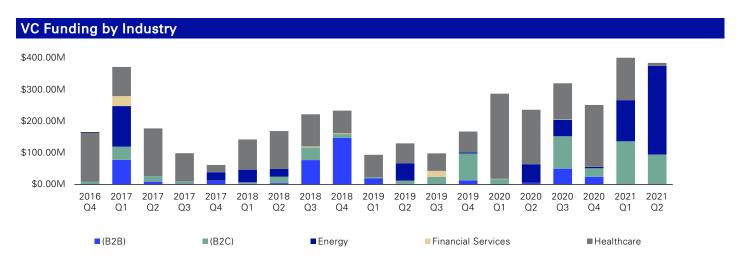
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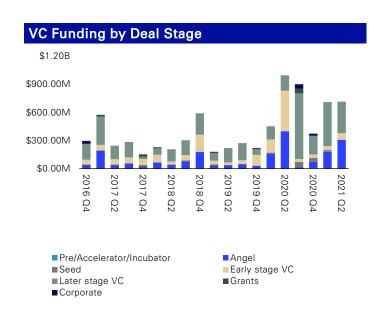
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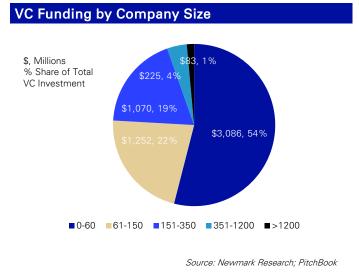
# Orange County, CA: \$951.86 Million YTD



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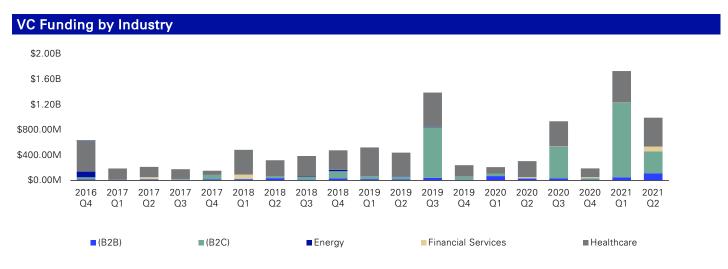


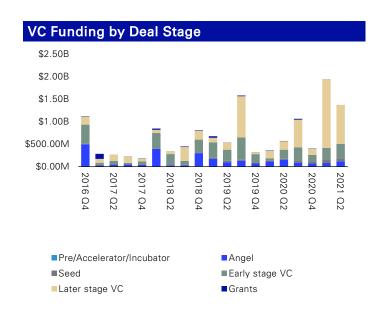


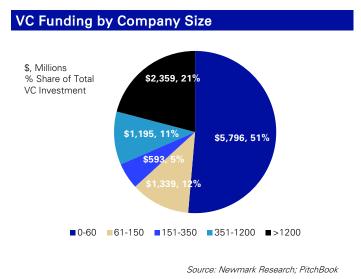
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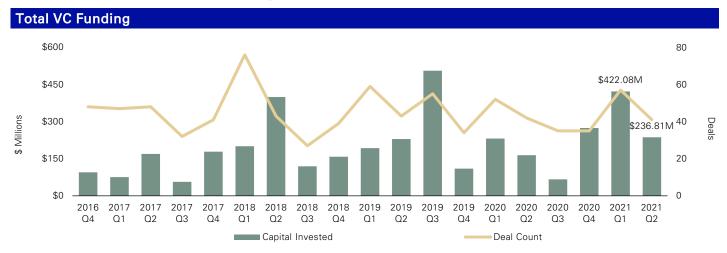
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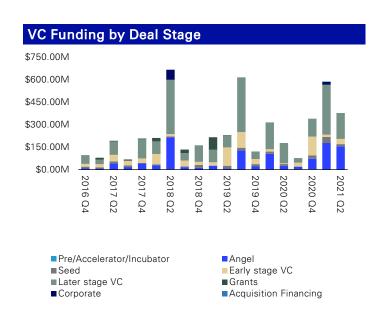


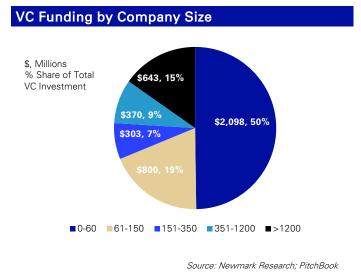
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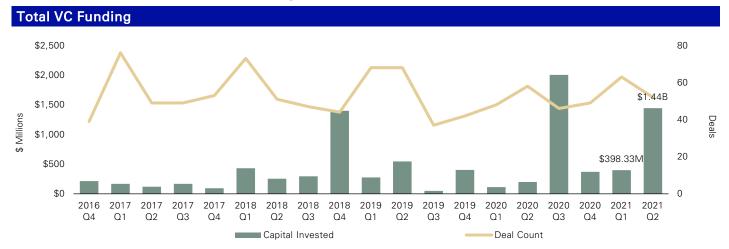
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#### VC Funding by Industry \$600.00M \$450.00M \$300.00M \$150.00M \$0.00M 2016 2017 2017 2017 2017 2018 2018 2018 2018 2019 2019 2019 2019 2020 2020 2020 2020 2021 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q3 Q4 Q1 ■(B2B) ■ (B2C) Financial Services ■ Healthcare ■ Energy

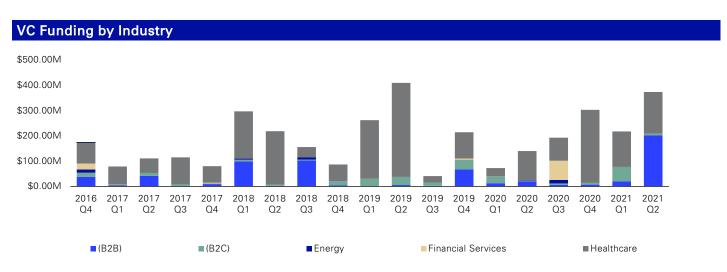


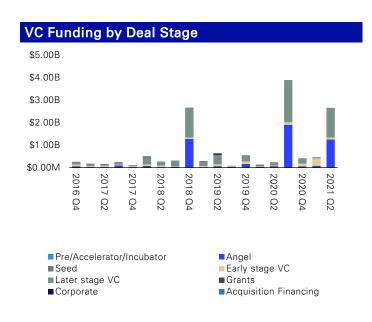


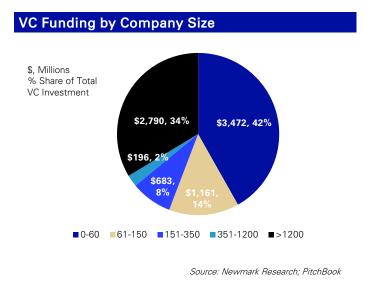
# Raleigh, NC Metro: \$1.84 Billion YTD



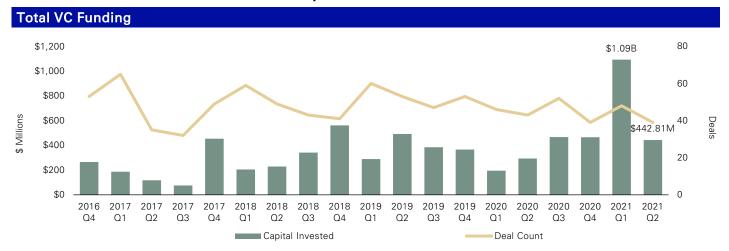
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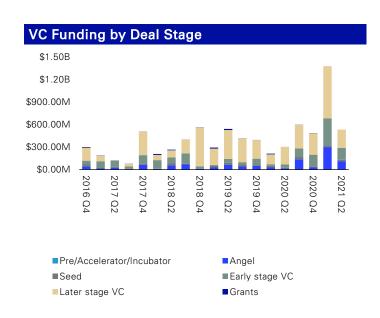


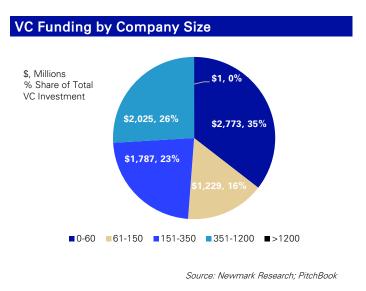
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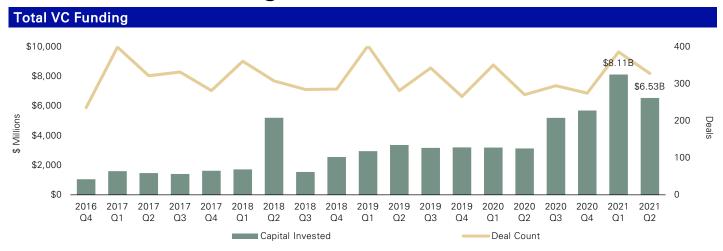
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#### VC Funding by Industry \$400.00M \$300.00M \$200.00M \$100.00M \$0.00M 2016 2017 2017 2017 2017 2018 2018 2018 2018 2019 2019 2019 2019 2020 2020 2020 2020 2021 2021 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q4 Q1 ■(B2B) ■ (B2C) ■ Energy Financial Services ■ Healthcare

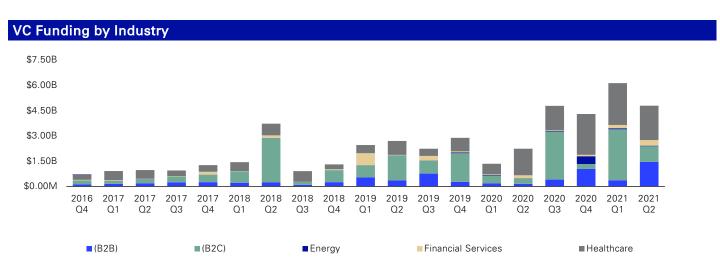


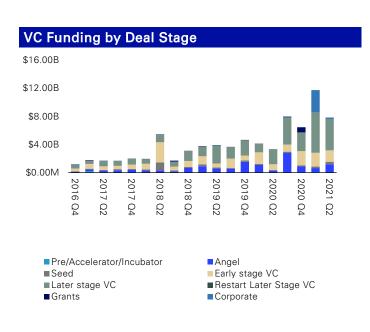


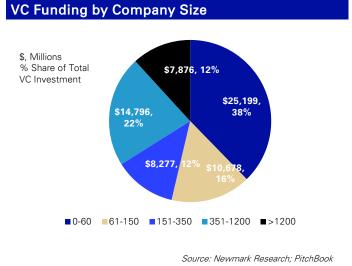
## San Diego, CA Metro: \$14.64 Billion YTD



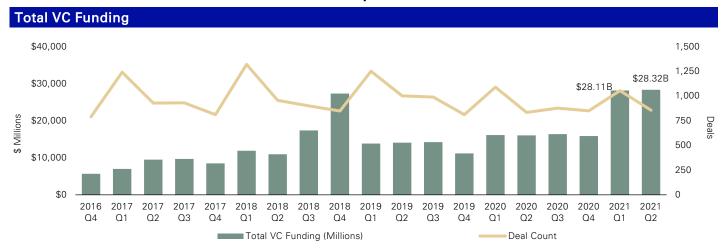
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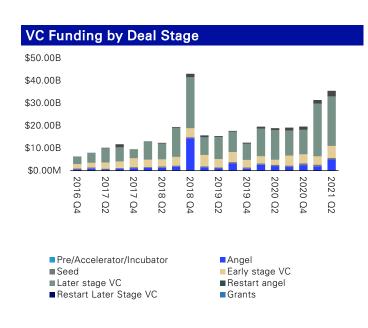


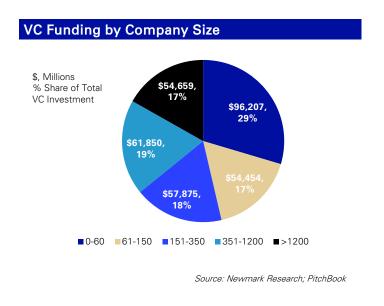
## San Francisco Bay Area: \$56.43 Billion YTD



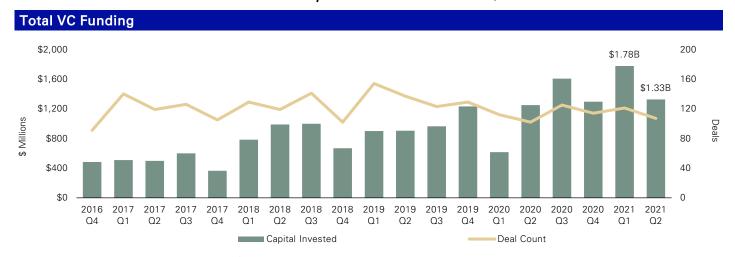
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#### VC Funding by Industry \$25.00B \$20.00B \$15.00B \$10.00B \$5.00B \$0.00M 2016 2017 2017 2017 2017 2018 2018 2018 2018 2019 2019 2019 2019 2020 2020 2020 2020 2021 2021 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q4 Q1 ■(B2B) ■ (B2C) ■ Energy Financial Services ■ Healthcare

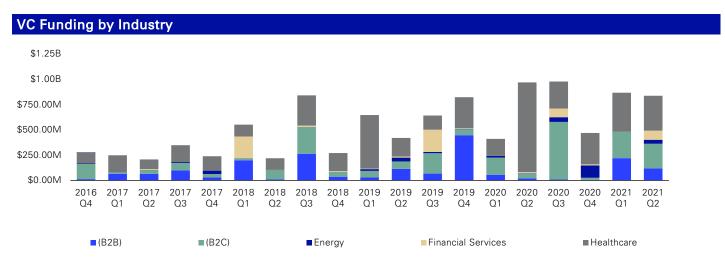


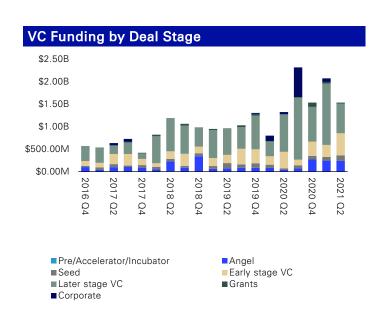


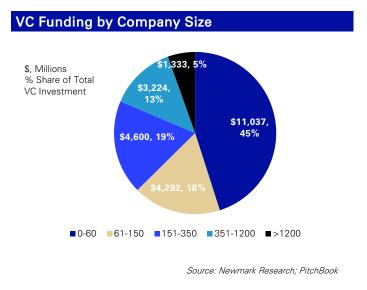
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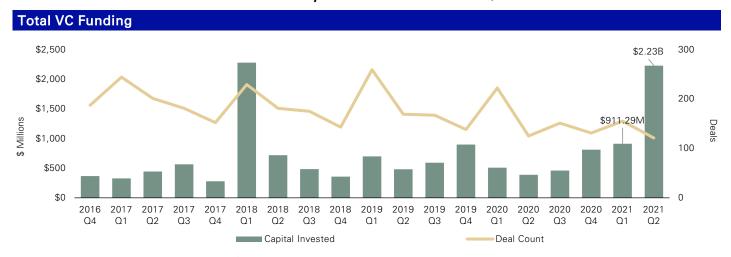
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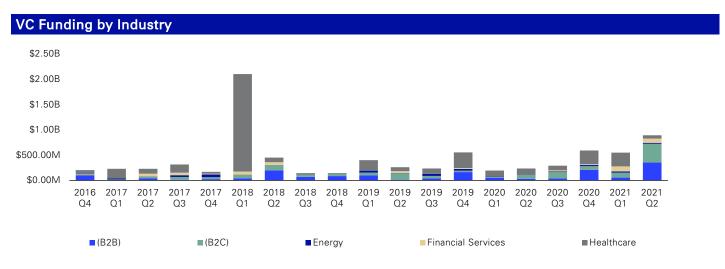


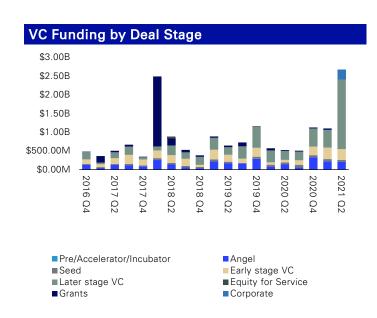


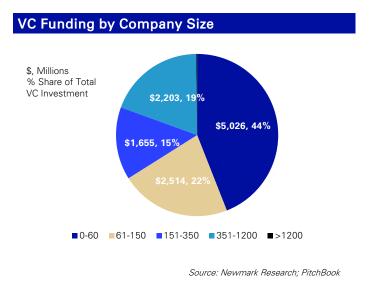
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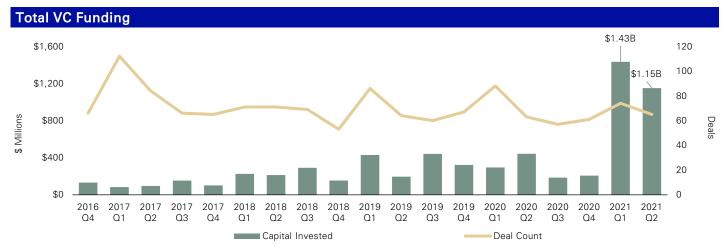
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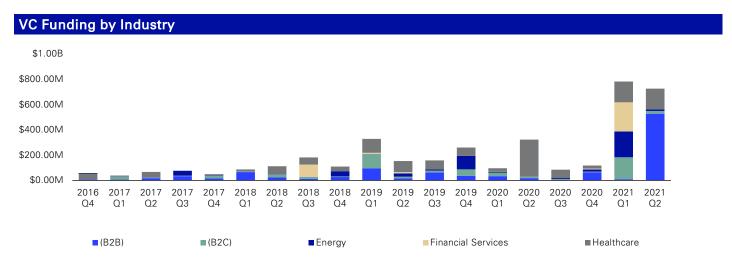


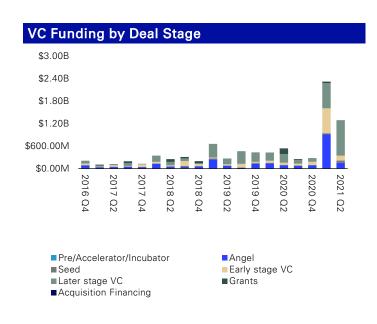


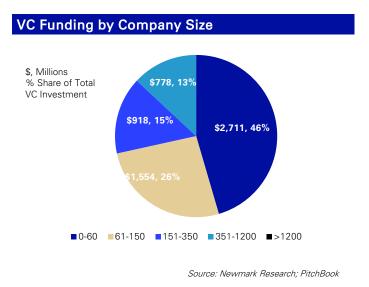
## Vancouver, BC Metro: \$2.58 Billion YTD



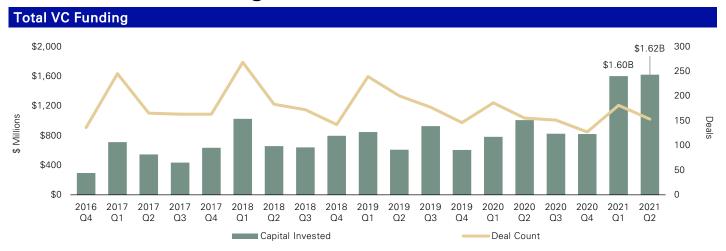
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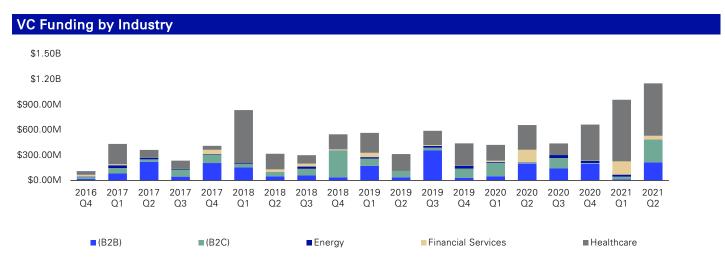


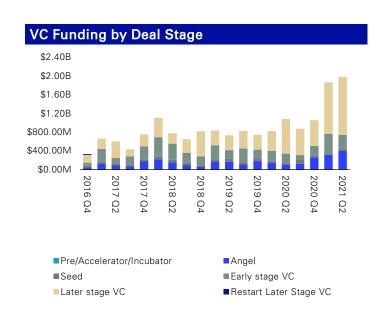


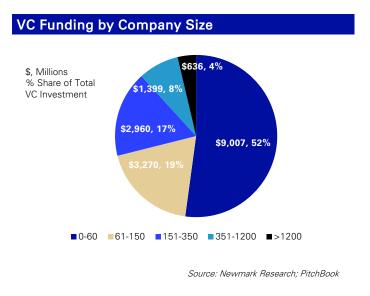
## Washington, DC Metro: \$3.22 Billion YTD



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