

Big Pharma

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How big is Big Pharma? Wikipedia lists \$445.3 billion world-wide as the combined total of the 12 largest pharmaceutical companies not all of which are on the Fortune 500 list which includes only American companies. The Fortune 500 lists Exxon-Mobile as the largest company with revenues of 452,926.0 million or 452.9 billion. That makes Big Pharma's top 12 as big as Exxon-Mobile. Both lists are shown in US dollars. Both lists show gross revenues. Both lists are for 2012.

How big is Big Pharma? It is big, of course, but let's not get carried away. Fortune lists Exxon-Mobile as #1 and Walmart as #2. But Wikipedia lists Royal Dutch Shell as #2. That is because Royal Dutch Shell is not an American company and is not included on the Fortune 500.

Big Pharma 2012 Wikipedia											
Rank	Company	Country	Total Revenue s (USD billions)	Total Revenue s (reported currency in millions)	Change 09/08 (%)	Net income/ (loss) (reported currency in millions)	Change 09/08 (%)	R&D Expense s (reported currency in millions)	Change 09/08 (%)	Fortune 500 Ranking[1]	
1	Johnson & Johnson [2]	United States	61.90[3]	\$61,897	-2.9	\$12,266	-5.3	6,986	-7.8	103	
2	Pfizer [4]	United States	50.01[3]	\$50,009	3.5	8,635	6.6	7,845	-1.3	152	
3	Roche [5]	Switzerland	47.35[3]	49,051 CHF	7.5	8,510 CHF	-21.5	9,874 CHF	11.6	171	
4	GlaxoSmithKline [6]	United Kingdom	45.83[3]	£28,368	16.5	£5,669	20.3	£4,106	11.5	168	
5	Novartis [7]	Switzerland	44.27[3]	\$44,267	6.8	\$8,454	3.6	\$7,469	3.5	183	
6	Sanofi [8]	France	41.99[3]	€29,306	6.3	€8,471	17.9	€4,583	0.2	181	
7	AstraZeneca [9]	UK/ Sweden	32.81[10]	\$32,804	3.8	\$7,544	23.1	\$4,409	-14.9	268	
8	Abbott Laboratories [11]	United States	30.76[10]	\$30,765	4.2	5,746	21.4	2,744	2.1	294	
9	Merck & Co. [12]	United States	27.43[10]	\$27,428	15.0	\$13,024	64.2	\$5,800	20.8	378	
10	Bayer HealthCare [13]	Germany	22.30	€15,988	3.8	€1,696	38.8	€1,845	5.9	154	
11	Eli Lilly [14]	United States	21.84[15]	\$21,836	7.2	\$4,328	N/A	N/A	N/A	455	
12	Bristol-Myers Squibb [16]	United States	18.81[17]	\$18,808	6.2	\$4,420	19.9	3,647	3.8	435	
TOTAL			445.3								

Merck is #9 on the Wikipedia list, but Merck keeps more money (\$13,024) than Johnson and Johnson which is #1 (\$12,266). Sanofi which keeps 8,471 Euros or \$10,879.77 would rank third after Merck and Johnson & Johnson.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_pharmaceutical_companies

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_companies_by_revenue

http://money.cnn.com/magazines/fortune/fortune500/2012/full_list/index.html