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Top 100 Private Companies in North America

Five years after the bubble burst, our list shows that tech entrepreneurs are still going strong.

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Startups are catalysts in the swirling chemistry of today's economy. Upstart tech companies like **Yahoo** and **Google**, now household names, were created by people armed only with powerful ideas. Investors and employees rallied around these ideas with determination and a belief that they could beat the odds against success. In doing so, they created new markets and redefined the possibilities for consumers and businesses.

The Red Herring 100 is a leading indicator for the next wave of promising companies. Our list provides a barometric reading of the market, revealing the industry sectors where technology is exciting, where money is being invested, and where the possibility of long-term growth is strong.



The staff of *Red Herring* spent weeks poring over market metrics, technology, business models, management strengths, and finances for more than 700 companies. We assigned scores to each of the fundamental building blocks. Each company that won the approval of our team deserves special recognition for its business proposition and potential to shape the marketplace. There is no need to say that there were many more deserving companies than we could possibly include. But we are satisfied that all of the companies on the list have earned their place.

For every private company, the chance of failure is high. Yet even in an economic environment that remains uncertain five years after the implosion of the tech bubble, entrepreneurs remain optimists.

[Click here to view a list of Red Herring's Top 100 Private Companies in North America for 2005.](#)

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