Globally, the proportion of VC deals for female-founded companies has more than doubled since 2006. Percentage of global VC deals investing in companies with at least one female founder has increased from 7.7% in 2006 to 17.6% in 2015.

North America and Europe saw VCs backing female-founded companies more often in 2015 than any year prior. Percentage of 2015 VC investments in companies with at least one female founder has increased to 18.3% in North America and 16.8% in Europe.

Mixed-gender founding teams receive VC more often than all-female founding teams. Breakdown of VC deals for female-founded companies shows that 24.5% of deals in 2015 were with companies where at least 50% of founders were women.

Most active VC investors by percentage of deals with at least one female founder. Golden Seeds and BBG Ventures have invested in the highest percentage of all-female-founded companies.

A closer look at the last six years. Fewer than 1 in 5 companies that received VC funding in 2015 had at least one woman on the founding team. This has increased from 18.3% in 2010 to 2015.

Most common industries. Consumer Goods & Recreation and Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology are the most popular industries for female-founded companies.

Select list of the highest-valued companies based on late-stage VC post-money valuations.

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