Invest**i**gate
What are you invested in?

PALANTIR TECHNOLOGIES INC

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STOCK SYMBOLS

NYSE : PLTR

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS

USA

ISSUES

Borders, Occupations

⚠ Recommended for Divestment

A US-based "defense"-tech company that provides militarized AI tools to Israeli military and intelligence agencies as well as U.S. law and immigration enforcement agencies.

Gaza Genocide   High-Tech Surveillance of Immigrants

Military Contractors/Suppliers/Logistics

Palantir Technologies specializes in developing artificial intelligence (AI) software that supports data analytics and decision-making processes in large organizations, primarily militaries and other government agencies. It has been providing its tools to the Israeli

government at least since 2014, starting with its predictive policing system (see more below).

Shortly after Israel began its genocidal war on Gaza in October 2023, Palantir entered into a "strategic partnership" with Israel's Ministry of Defense to help the "war effort." The company reported "seeing high demand from Israel for new tools" and has been providing the Israeli military and intelligence agencies with at least four of its main products:

- Gotham: Palantir's flagship product for military, intelligence, and law enforcement applications. It ingests, integrates, and organizes large amounts of data from many sources to detect patterns and insights. Gotham can also integrate with sensors and autonomous systems like drones and give them tasks.

- Foundry: A complementary product that was developed primarily for civilian and commercial uses. A military could use Foundry for big-picture planning and logistics, like predicting equipment failures, analyzing and optimizing complex supply chains, etc.

- GAIA: Palantir's geospatial platform, which integrates with its other products and visualizes their data on a real-time map.

- Artificial Intelligence Platform (AIP): Palantir's large language model, which integrates into its other products and allows users to query them and give them commands with natural language.

The company's presence in Israel has seen a "rapid growth" since 2023. Its employees in Israel work directly with its local clients to help them use Palantir's systems. As the head of Palantir's operations in Israel clarified, these primarily include the military and security sector: "Palantir is here in Israel to work with the Israeli security system – if we manage to generate commercial business that's great – but our focus was and remains creating collaborations with security companies and supporting Israel."

The company has gone through great lengths to express public support for Israel during the Gaza genocide, for example by holding a full company board meeting in Israel in January 2024. Palantir CEO Alex Karp had repeatedly and vocally expressed his support for Israel, stating for example: "I am proud that we are supporting Israel in every way we can." He later acknowledged that he is not bothered by employees leaving the company over its work with Israel.

In October 2024, Norway's largest asset manager Storebrand divested its Palantir shares, worth $24 million, because of concerns that the company's "work for Israel might put the asset manager at risk of violating international humanitarian law and human rights."

Palantir has been a politically oriented company since its inception. It was founded in in 2003 using $2 million in investment rounds from In-Q-Tel, the CIA's venture capital firm. Throughout the years, Palantir has vigorously defended its contracts with U.S. military, immigration, and police agencies, pledging to "stand by them when it is convenient, and when it is not."

In 2020, the company became publicly traded and moved its headquarters from Palo Alto, Calif., to Denver. Palantir has intentionally distanced itself from the rest of the tech sector,

with CEO Alex Karp stating, "We have chosen sides, and we know that our partners value our commitment."

Palantir uses third-party software such as Amazon Web Services and Microsoft Azure to host and operate certain platforms. Its main data providers include DigitalGlobe, Dow Jones, Dun & Bradstreet, Epidemico, LexisNexis by RELX, and Thomson Reuters.

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