

100 Fastest-growing companies

The world's supercharged performers

3. Ebix



Rank: 3 (Previous rank: 4)

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This IT consulting and outsourcing concern serves more than 100 insurance industry clients in some 50 countries. Areas of expertise include running online exchanges for insurance policies and annuities, claims processing and building custom software solutions. How fast is Ebix growing? The company posted \$12.4 million in profits for the first quarter of this year -- roughly what it earned in all of 2007.

Last year, Ebix acquired three companies, including software firm E-Z Data, which has expanded business opportunities in Asia, Africa and Latin America. That's not it for Ebix's global ambitions: It plans to open new insurance exchanges -- its main source of revenue -- in Brazil, Russia, India, and China.--D.M.

	\$ millions (past 4 qtrs.)	% growth (3 yr. annual rate)	Growth rank
Revenues**	108.6	51	15
Net income**	42.9	_	_
Total return	_	52	3
Earnings per share	_	72	27

Share price

As of 8/4/10	\$17.24
Beat the S&P 500*	Yes
P/E (current fiscal year est.)	14

Industry: Technology

Industry rank	Company	Fastest-Growing rank	Revenues(\$ millions)
1	Ebix	3	108.6
2	salesforce.com	4	1,377.5
3	Pegasystems	8	276.7
4	Priceline.Com	11	2,460.5
5	Sohu.com	12	529.0
6	Apple	18	51,123.0
7	NetScout Systems	24	260.3
8	AsiaInfo Holdings	26	261.8
9	Research In Motion	33	14,953.2
10	Multi-Fineline Electronix	35	757.3

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