# Edinburgh Worldwide Investment Trust The case for Private Companies

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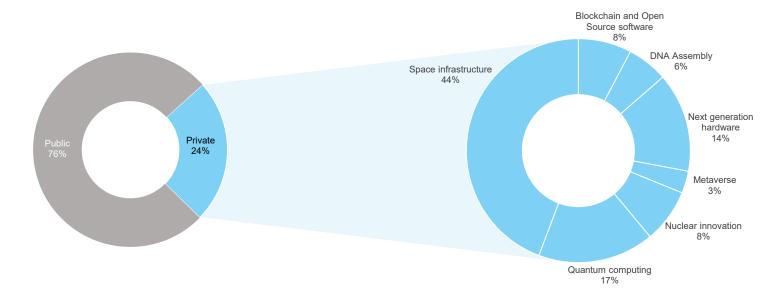
#### Edinburgh Worldwide Investment Trust private companies They offer unique exposures

#### Why invest in both public and private companies? EWIT's combination of both public and private company

exposure enables the trust to access the full breadth of innovation in immature businesses across the IPO\* divide

#### What does the private company exposure provide? A lens into the future of new cutting-edge technologies used in

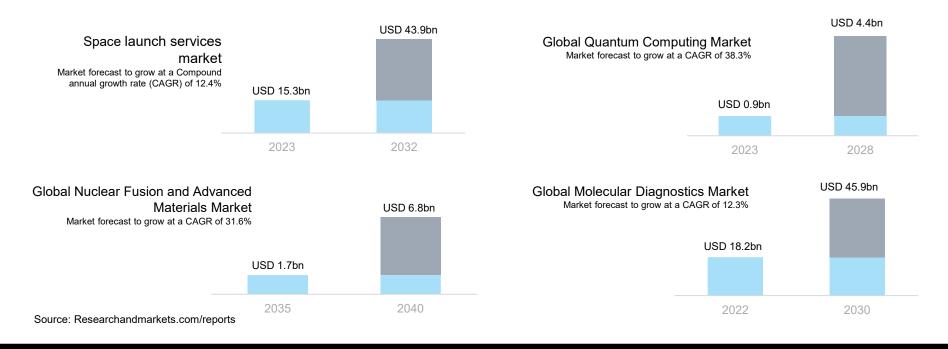
the space industry, quantum computing, and nuclear fusion



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#### Innovative technologies offer structural growth opportunities

EWIT invests in companies that have the potential to disrupt existing markets or create new ones. These companies operate in markets with strong structural growth drivers that can span decades. We seek companies that have the potential to take a disproportionate share of these markets.



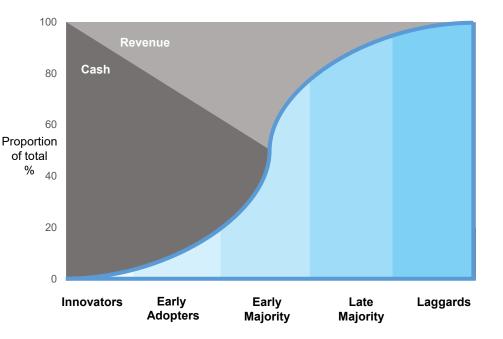
# Private companies are earlier in the innovation curve

#### Maturity

Many private companies held in EWIT are cashconsumptive now to unlock revenues and profits in the future

As their markets grow and adoption increases, this cash requirement falls

By staying private, they benefit from less pressure to generate profits today. This enables them to invest to enhance their competitive position

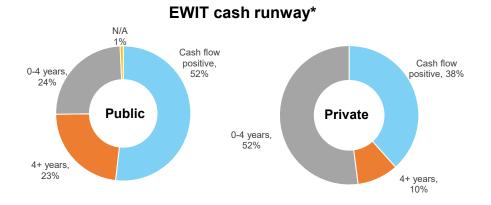


# Cash requirement reflects stage and opportunity size

#### Cash runway

Private holdings have higher cash requirements than their public equivalents due to the capital-intensive nature of their industries and stage of growth

A lower proportion are cash-positive due to them being at an earlier stage in the innovation curve



#### **Company size**

Despite their earlier cash and revenue position, EWIT's private companies are of a similar size to the public companies in the portfolio

This is a reflection of the large but nascent opportunities they are aiming to seize

	Public	Private
Micro (<\$300m)	5%	2%
Small (\$300m-\$2bn)	36%	30%
Mid (\$2bn-\$10bn)	35%	27%
Large (\$10bn)	25%	42%

Source: Baillie Gifford & Co, FactSet. As at 30 September 2023.

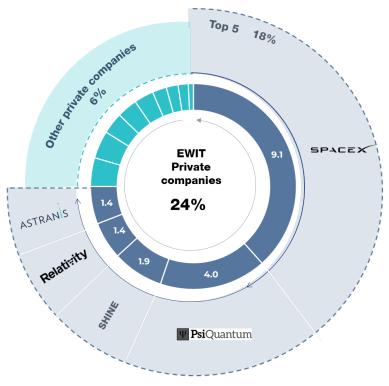
\*For companies that are not cash flow positive, the number of years represents the years of cash runway remaining at current cash and historic cash burn rates

# **Private company concentration**

14 investments in private companies, representing 24% of the total portfolio

The top **5** holdings account for over **70%** of the total private company exposure

Due to the nascent markets they operate in and their potential growth, even smaller holdings can contribute to returns



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## **Top 5 private holdings**

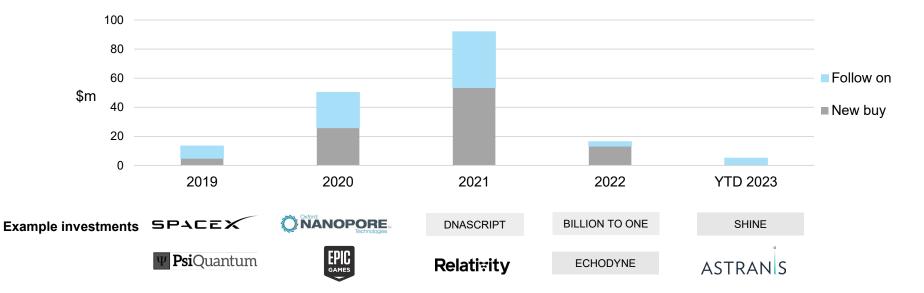
As we've seen in public markets, just a handful of companies will drive the majority of returns across the portfolio. This dynamic is even more extreme in private markets, where some companies have already grown to multiples of EWIT's initial investment. The top five holdings are:

	Company Description	Initial Investment Date	Number of Investment Rounds	Total Amount Invested	Fair Value at 30 September 2023
SPACEX	SpaceX is the leader in developing advanced reusable rockets and satellite constellations	2018	5	\$26m	\$84m
<b>₩ Psi</b> Quantum	PsiQuantum is on a mission to develop the world's first commercially viable quantum computer	2019	2	\$23m	\$37m
SHINE	SHINE is developing cost-effective nuclear fusion technology to utilise across a range of industries	2021	3	\$17m	\$17m
Relati <del>⊽</del> ity	Relativity uses 3D printing to manufacture equipment for commercial space launches	2020	2	\$12m	\$13m
ASTRANS	Astranis' small geostationary satellites provide cheaper, more efficient and scalable telecommunications	2021	2	\$13m	\$13m

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# **Capital deployed**

After accessing an incredibly exciting private opportunity pipeline, we have reduced deployment over the last two years as the Trust reaches its private company capacity limits at the point of transaction. We are now prioritising supporting the existing businesses through follow-on funding.



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# Valuation changes in the last 12 months

Our robust private company valuation process aims to reflect the price that would be paid in an open market transaction for that holding. All holdings are revalued every three months and at certain trigger events by the valuations team with external challenge and regular independent auditing.

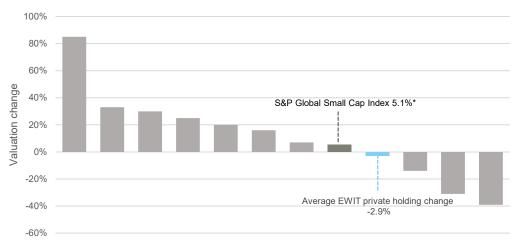
#### Valuation analysis

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Revaluation summary		
Number of revaluations	133	
Instruments held*	26	
Revaluation stats		
Valued up to 2 times		12%
Valued up to 4 times		35%
Valued 5+ times		65%
Valuation movements		
Average movement per instru	ument	

Average movement per instrument	-3%
Average movement at private company level	-3%

#### Valuation progress of top 10



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\*Instruments refers to different lines of stock we hold in a specific company

EWIT top 10 private company valuation 12 months to end September 2023. \*Source: Morningstar. Total return 12 months to 30 September 2023, Sterling.

# **Edinburgh Worldwide Investment Trust performance**

Edinburgh Worldwide Investment Trust annual discrete performance (%)	30/09/18- 30/09/19	30/09/19- 30/09/20		30/09/20- 30/09/21	30/09/21- 30/09/22	30/09/22- 30/09/23
Share Price	-6.3	58.7		5.3	-43.3	-20.1
Net Asset Value (NAV)	-5.7	58.3		12.4	-37.7	-17.0
Index (S&P Global Small Cap*)	0.6	-1.4		33.5	-9.1	5.1
Edinburgh Worldwide Investment Trust periodic performance (%)		1 year	5 years	10 years		
Share Price		-20.1	-29.0	88.5		
NAV		-17.0	-13.2	102.0		
Index (S&P Global Small Cap*)		5.1	26.5	139.2		
Edinburgh Worldwide Investment Trust public and private company performance (%)**		1 year	5 years	10 years		
Private Holdings		-9.1	120.2	203.8		
Public Holdings		-16.0	-22.2	83.1		

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Source: Morningstar, S&P, MSCI. The Net Asset Value performance periods are reported as NAV Cum Fair. Total return in sterling as at 30 September 2023.

\*\*MSCI ACWI index prior to 1 February 2014. \*\*The public and private companies performance is calculated using gross attribution returns at an individual stock level. Once private companies list, their contribution is included in the public holdings figure.

### **Definitions**

Initial public offering (IPO) An initial public offering (IPO) refers to the process of offering shares of a private corporation to the public in a new stock issuance for the first time.

Compound annual growth rate (CAGR) The compound annual growth rate (CAGR) is the rate of return (RoR) that would be required for an investment to grow from its beginning balance to its ending balance, assuming the profits were reinvested at the end of each period of the investment's life span.

Cash runway The number of months a business has before running out of cash.

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