

DAY ONE SYNDICATE

Quick-Start Guide

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Welcome to Day One Syndicate

Most IPO research tells you what to buy and leaves you in the dark after that.

We built this service to change that.

And now that you're a member, this guide will get you oriented fast.

At the center of everything is the Apex IPO System — our proprietary predictive engine built on Weiss's 50-year, \$32 million data infrastructure. Tested against 3,300 IPOs and fifteen years of market history, it identified winners with 74% accuracy and beat the average IPO by 25-to-1 in the first year.

As a member, here's what you now have access to:

- The Apex IPO System dashboard, with instant scores on every IPO on the calendar,
- Real-time phone and email alerts the moment an IPO crosses the "Investable" threshold,
- Two actively managed strategies — one for fast-moving IPO pops, one for multi-year compounders,
- A Pre-Market Dossier on major upcoming listings,
- A full year of Weiss Ratings Plus, covering A-E ratings on more than 22,000 stocks, ETFs, and funds,
- Live monthly calls with Chris Graebe and Sean Levine,
- And full transparency into Dr. Martin Weiss's own IPO trades

This guide walks through all of it; in the order you'll actually need it.

The History of IPOs

IPOs have been part of investing far longer than most people realize.

The first true public share offering dates back to 1602, when the Dutch East India Company opened its shares to everyday investors for the first time.

That was instead of raising money from a small circle of wealthy backers, as every venture before it had.

This shift is the model that modern markets still run on.

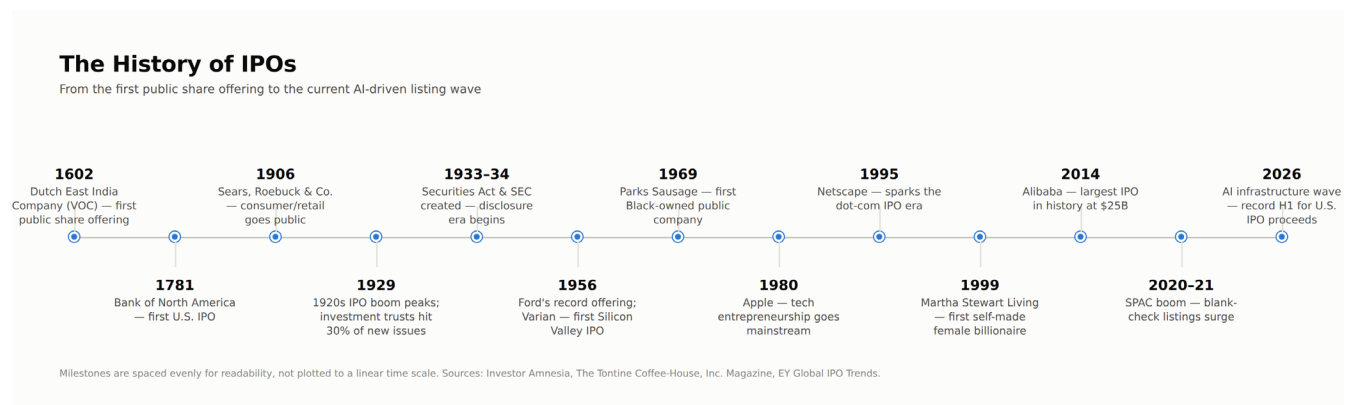
Since then, the IPO market has moved through booms, busts, and regulatory turning points. And each era has seen its own landmark listings ...

From **Ford's (F)** record-setting 1956 offering ...

To Netscape sparking the dot-com boom in 1995 ...

To **Alibaba's (BABA)** \$25 billion debut in 2014.

Here's a quick look at how we got from there to today's AI-driven wave of new listings:



Selected milestones in IPO history, from the first public share offering (1602) to today's AI infrastructure listing wave. Milestones are spaced evenly for readability, not plotted to a strict linear time scale.

Getting Oriented

Finding Your Way Around the Apex IPO System

Your dashboard gives you instant scores on every IPO on the calendar — the same data behind everything in this guide.

From there you can look up any company by name or ticker, see its current score, and drill into what's driving it.

Understanding the Scores

What the Three Scores Mean

Every IPO we track gets reduced to one of three ratings. Think of it as a traffic light for new listings:

● **Not Investable.** This IPO faces more challenges than most. Based on the performance of similarly situated IPOs, we see a stronger likelihood that its shares will decline, both in the near- and long-term.

This is based on weak fundamentals — sales, profits, growth, reinvestment, debt, industry type — weak personnel (management or investors), or unhelpful features of the deal itself (deal size, initial stock performance).

An IPO can also score Not Investable rating if its trading volume doesn't clear a minimum floor, regardless of how well it scores elsewhere.

● **Investable – Added Caution.** The analysis here is mixed, with some attractive features — business, personnel, or deal characteristics — alongside real risk factors.

That combination places it in the middle of the pack. Which makes it harder to feel confident in the stock's direction.

In practice, this is the tier we watch for short-term opportunities.

The long-term business may not have what it takes to be a true Apex IPO. But the stock can still be primed for a quick surge in the months after listing.

This is “get in, capture the run, and get out” territory — not a long-term hold.

● **Investable.** This is where we see higher-than-normal scores across business fundamentals, key people, and deal characteristics.

Companies at this level have backers with a track record of creating shareholder value, real organic growth, and a fair valuation out of the gate.

These are our Apex IPOs — the ones the long-term portfolio is built around.

A word on timing: All pending IPO scores are preliminary until the stock’s first day of trading closes.

A stock has to prove it can hold up once the opening-day hype wears off before it earns a final score.

That’s by design.

Most of the damage to everyday investors happens in the “first-day pop,” when a stock spikes on its debut and then fades. We’d rather you miss the pop than get burned by it.

Once Day One closes, the evaluation and score are final.

How to Read the Inputs Behind a Score

Thousands of data points feed into each score, but they boil down to a handful of things worth understanding:

- **Growth and profitability (the Rule of 40).** A company’s growth rate and profit margin, added together, need to hit at least 40% for us to take the growth story seriously.
- **Backer quality.** Who invested before the IPO matters. Top-tier VCs, hedge funds, and family offices don’t write big checks without tearing a company apart first. Their presence (or absence) is a strong signal.

- **Share float.** How many shares hit the market on day one, and how thin that float is.
- **Use of proceeds.** This checks if the money raised is funding real growth ... or just letting early investors and insiders cash out.
- **Valuation vs. growth potential.** This measures whether the IPO price is backed by the company's actual growth trajectory, or is just a number bankers made up.
- **Underwriter track record.** We track how the banks behind a deal stack up against every other underwriter we rate. A big name alone means nothing.
- **Lockup timing.** When insiders and early investors are legally free to start selling is vital to track. (More on this below.)

We test all of this across multiple timeframes — one month, three months, six months, all the way out to three years.

Because what makes a stock pop on day one isn't necessarily what makes it a winner three years out.

Getting the Most from Weiss Ratings Plus

Beyond the alerts, you can research any IPO — including ones we haven't sent an alert on yet — using the Weiss Ratings Plus IPO Score Screener.

Where to Find Your Weiss Ratings Plus Access

Your year of Weiss Ratings Plus is a separate benefit from your Apex IPO dashboard, and it lives inside the same members' site.

Once logged in to weissratings.com, you can find the Weiss Ratings Plus portal on the lefthand toolbar.

Beyond IPOs, your year of Weiss Ratings Plus covers the rest of your portfolio — more than 22,000 stocks, ETFs, and funds, each rated A through E.

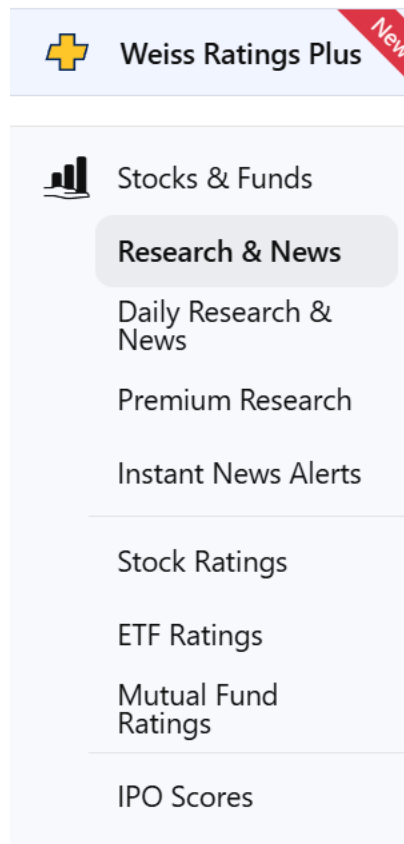
[You can find an explanation for each of our ratings categories here.](#)

You can look up any ticker for an instant rating, set up custom screeners, and get an alert the moment something you already own gets downgraded — so you can act before it costs you.

The rest of Weiss Ratings Plus (A–E ratings on the broader market, custom screeners, downgrade alerts) is accessible from the **Stocks & Funds** area.

That’s also where you’ll find your IPO Score Screener.

To open it: Navigate to the Weiss Ratings Plus home page, click Stocks & Funds on the left, then click IPO Scores (it’ll be the last option). The screener opens with a list of companies connected to the IPO market.



What's in scope: The screener covers companies listed on U.S. exchanges. It excludes SPACs, mutual funds, ETFs, and companies that didn't complete their IPO in the U.S.

Default filters: When it opens, you'll see three filters already applied:

- **IPO** — identifies companies associated with the IPO market, including ones that have recently gone public or are preparing to.
- **IPO Score** — shows the rating assigned to each company.
- **IPO Date** — shows when a company began trading on an exchange.

Investment Rating	IPO	IPO Score	Name	Ticker	IPO Preliminary	IPO Date
 U	Yes	 Not Investable	First Breach, Inc.	FBDT		8/19/2026
 U	Yes	 Not Investable	Londian Wason New Energy Tech Inc.	FOIL		8/11/2026
 U	Yes	 Not Investable	SunScout Holding Limited	SNSC		8/11/2026
 U	Yes	 Not Investable	Vogenx, Inc.	VOGX		8/11/2026

Reading the results: Each row shows a company's name, ticker symbol, IPO Score, and IPO Date.

That said, companies can appear in the screener before they start trading, usually once they've filed with the SEC. That includes an S-1 for U.S. companies, an F-1 for foreign private issuers, or a Form 1-A for a Reg-A offering.

So, not every company will have an IPO Date yet. One still preparing to go public may show a preliminary IPO indicator instead.

Any score assigned before trading begins is preliminary, exactly as described above — it becomes final once the stock's first day of trading closes.

Narrowing your search: The default filters are just your starting point. To add another filter, click the filter icon above the results and choose the criteria you want.

For example, you can search for a specific score tier or a date range. And you can combine filters to narrow the list or remove them to widen it.

One caution: The screener organizes your research, but it doesn't remove the risk of investing in a newly listed company. These stocks have limited trading history and can move fast.

Use the screener to find candidates, then dig into each company's business, financials, industry, and management before you act.

Using Your Alerts and Position Tracker

Setting Your Alert Preferences

Make sure you're set up to receive alerts the moment they go out:

1. Visit your Communication Preferences page and confirm your email address.
2. While you're there, tell us if you'd also like alerts via Telegram or your web browser.
3. Add issues@e.weissratings.com to your personal email address book, so alerts don't end up in spam.

Alternatively, you could download the Weiss Ratings App from the [App Store](#) (for iPhones) or [Google Play](#) store (for Androids). Once you do, enable push notifications to get instant alerts right to your phone.

How to Read an Alert

Every alert is written in plain English and built to take about two minutes to read. You'll always get:

- The company name and ticker
- The story behind the numbers — in plain terms, not Wall Street jargon
- Why we like it, and specifically how it earned its score

Beyond the trade alerts, you'll also get a weekly update on what's coming down the pipeline and how current positions are performing — even in quiet weeks.

Urgent moves go out the moment they happen. Everything else arrives on schedule, so you're never left guessing.

Short-Term vs. Long-Term Opportunities

Day One Syndicate gives you two kinds of buy opportunities, and each one does a different job. In your Position Tracker, the **Time Horizon** column labels every opportunity **Short Term** or **Long Term**.

Short Term opportunities are fast-moving IPOs. These are stocks the Weiss IPO Scorer rates "Investable – Added Caution" that are primed for a quick run of about one to three months, not a multi-year hold.

The playbook here is simple: Get in, ride the move and take the win.

Long Term opportunities are built for compounding wealth. These are IPOs the Weiss IPO Scorer rates "Investable," where the system tells us to sit tight.

These opportunities are designed to run for two to three years on average. In special cases, we may hold for longer.

The score decides which label an opportunity gets. An "Added Caution" rating generally means Short Term, and a full "Investable" rating means Long Term.

"Sit Tight" vs. "Take the Win" in Practice

You'll see us take one of two positions, and each one matches a Time Horizon:

- **"Sit tight"** means we believe the long-term thesis is intact, so short-term price swings aren't a reason to sell. This is our default guidance on Long Term opportunities.

- **"Take the win"** means a Short Term opportunity has done what we expected, and it's time to lock in the gain rather than hope for more. This is our typical guidance on Short Term opportunities once they've made their move.

If we shift from one to the other on a specific stock, we'll say so in your alert. You'll never have to guess.

When we shift from one to the other on a specific position, we'll say so explicitly in your alert — you'll never have to guess.

Deeper Features

The Pre-Market Dossier

For major upcoming listings — the kind generating significant buzz before they even price — you'll get a Pre-Market Dossier ahead of the IPO.

It will lay out our analysis heading into the debut, even though the final score won't lock in until day one's close.

When that final score does drop, you'll see it before it goes anywhere else.

How Lockup-Expiration Tracking Works

After most IPOs, there's a legal window — typically 90 to 180 days — during which company insiders and early investors aren't allowed to sell their shares.

That's the lockup period.

When it expires, a wave of new supply can hit the market at once, which often pressures the stock.

This matters even for IPOs that had a strong first day. A lockup expiration can mean one of two things ...

1. It can knock a good company down to a more attractive entry price,

2. Or it can confirm that the stock was never worth the early hype.

Either way, you want to know the date is coming.

We track lockup dates, insider sales, and early signals of big holders heading for the exits as part of every position we hold.

The result?

You're never caught buying right before insiders flood the market ... or selling a good company on a bad week.

Tracking Dr. Weiss's Own Trades

Dr. Martin Weiss puts his own capital behind the IPOs our system rates Investable. And he shares his brokerage statements with Syndicate members on the Day One Syndicate website, so you can track his performance and compare it with your own.

The same applies to Chris's personal trades.

In both cases, the rule is the same: You get the alert first, and only after that do either of them place their own trade.

Getting Help

Live Monthly Calls with Chris Graebe and Sean Levine

Once a month, you can bring any IPO on your radar to a live call with Chris and Sean — including companies our system hasn't covered yet.

Ask why something scored Uninventable, flag a name we haven't rated, or just ask a general question.

The one thing they can't do is give you personal, customized financial advice.

Member Support

If you have questions about your strategy, your membership, or logging in, your Member Care Team is here to help:

- **Phone:** 877-934-7778 (9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Eastern, weekdays)
- **Email:** contactus@weissinc.com (anytime)
- **Editor's Mailbag:** send a secure message through your members-only website

A Word on Risk and Expectations

No system bats a thousand, and Apex IPO is no exception.

Investing in newly listed companies is inherently speculative — they carry limited trading history and can move quickly in either direction.

Past and backtested performance (including the 74% win rate and 25-to-1 figures referenced throughout your membership) is not a guarantee of future results.

So, be sure to never invest more than you're prepared to lose, and size any single position with that risk in mind.

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