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## STRIPE INC. SWOT & PESTLE ANALYSIS

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Company Name: Stripe Inc.

**Company Sector :** Payments, Financial Services

Operating Geography: United States, North America, Global

### About the Company:

Stripe Inc. is a technology company founded in 2010 by brothers Patrick and John Collison. The company is headquartered in San Francisco, California, USA, and provides a platform for online payments and financial transactions. Stripe offers a suite of APIs that allows businesses and individuals to accept and manage payments online. The platform supports a range of payment methods, including credit and debit cards, digital wallets, and bank transfers. It also provides tools for fraud detection, recurring billing, and international payments. Stripe's customers range from small businesses and startups to large enterprises and non-profit organizations. Some of its high-profile clients include Shopify, Lyft, Salesforce, and Amazon. In addition to its core payments platform, Stripe has expanded into other areas of financial technology. In 2019, the company launched Stripe Capital, a lending service for small businesses. It also offers Stripe Atlas, a service that helps entrepreneurs set up and incorporate new businesses. Stripe has raised over \$1 billion in funding from investors such as Sequoia Capital, Andreessen Horowitz, and Elon Musk. As of 2023, Stripe employed over 8,000 people.

The USP of Stripe lies in it being one of the most valuable privately held companies in the world. Stripe Inc.'s mission statement reads, "Through the tools that we build, we want to push the world to create better products and services."

#### Revenue:

US\$ 14 billion - FY ending 31st December 2022 (y-o-y growth 20%)

US\$ 12 billion - FY ending 31st December 2021



## SWOT Analysis:

The SWOT Analysis for Stripe Inc. is given below:

Strengths	Weaknesses
1.Strong brand recognition serving currently	1.Limited global presence catering its services
3.7 million websites.	to only 46 countries.
2.Significant market share (20.16%) in	2.Transaction-based pricing model is not cost-
payment processing industry.	effective for businesses with high volume
3.Diversified service portfolio catering services	transactions.
from startups to Fortune 500s in multiple	3.Not an ideal solution due to its developer-
industries.	focused integration requirements, limiting
4.Strong revenue growth over the past 3 years.	accessibility for some retail businesses.
5.Simplified app development with coding	
flexibility, fostering a strong developer	
community.	
community.  Opportunities	Threats
	Threats  1.Highly competitive market with established
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### PESTLE Analysis:

The PESTLE Analysis for Stripe Inc. is given below:

Political	Economical
1.EU implementation of the PSD2 increased	1.Layoffs due to economic challenges post
security requirements for online payments,	COVID-19 pandemic.
which impacts business operations.	2.Exchange rate fluctuations impact cross-
	border transactions, transaction fees &
	revenues
Social	Technological
1.Social media engagement & consumer	1.Payment firms need to adapt to rapid
reviews impact customer acquisition & brand	advancements in AI & ML to enhance
reputation.	operational efficiency & provide better
2.Digital literacy affects the target market &	customer experience
demand for payment processing software	
Legal	Environmental
1.Compliance with AML and KYC regulations is	1.Partnerships with companies focused on
critical for fraud prevention, money	climate change help in carbon removal &
laundering & terrorist financing.	promote sustainability.
2.Services to Russian financial firms were	2.Renewable energy & energy-efficient data
prohibited post Russia-Ukraine war as per	centres impact business operations, costs &
sanction laws	reduce environmental footprint.

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