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"Forbes Israel" ranks wealthiest Jews

Larry Ellison is the world's wealthiest Jew and Idan Ofer is the wealthiest Israeli.

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Oracle Corporation (Nasdaq: ORCL) co-founder and CEO Larry Ellison is the world's wealthiest Jew, with a fortune of \$36 billion in 2012, according to "Forbes Israel". He is followed by casino operator Sheldon Adelson, with \$24.9 billion (14th place overall); New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, with \$22 billion (20th place overall); George Soros, with \$20 billion; and Google Inc. (Nasdaq: GOOG) co-founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page, with \$18.7 billion each (24th place overall).

In 6th to 10th place are Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg, with \$17.5 billion, Dell Inc. (Nasdaq: DELL) Michael Dell, with \$16.5 billion; Microsoft Corporation (Nasdaq: MSFT) CEO Steve Ballmer, with \$15.7 billion; investor Carl Icahn, with \$14 billion; and Brazilian banker Joseph Safra at 52 with \$13.8 billion (52nd place overall).

Idan Ofer is the richest Israeli, with a fortune of \$6.2 billion, and his brother, Eyal Ofer has a fortune of \$5.8 billion, which they inherited from their father, Sammy Ofer who died in June 2011. Sammy Ofer was ranked 79th in the 2011 Billionaires list, with \$10.3 billion; Idan Ofer is ranked 161st and Eyal Ofer is ranked 173rd overall in this year's list. Beny Steinmitz is the second richest Israeli, with \$5.9 billion, followed by industrialist Steff Wertheimer, with \$4.2 billion; [Bank Hapoalim](#) (TASE: [POLI](#)) and [Shikun u'Binui Holdings Ltd.](#) (TASE: [SKBN](#)) controlling shareholder Shari Arison, with \$3.9 billion; Arnon Milchen, with \$3.8 billion; Alexander Machkevich, with \$2.8 billion; [Check Point Software Technologies Ltd.](#) (Nasdaq: [CHKP](#)) co-founder, chairman and CEO Gil Shwed and [Delek Group Ltd.](#) (TASE: [DLEKG](#)) controlling shareholder Yitzhak Tshuva, with \$1.9 billion each; and diamond merchant and [Africa-Israel Investments Ltd.](#) (TASE: [AFIL](#)) chairman Lev Leviev, with \$1.7 billion. Check Point co-founder Marius Nacht, insurance man Shlomo Eliahu, [Playtech Cyprus Ltd.](#) (AIM: [PTEC](#)) controlling shareholder Teddy Sagui, and Morris Kahn close the Israeli billionaires, with \$1.2 billion each, and tied for 1,015 place in the global rankings.

The aggregate fortune of the 14 Israeli billionaires is \$42.7 billion.

Other Jews on the list include Roman Abramovich, with \$12.1 billion; Lev Blavatnik with \$11.9 billion; Ralph Lauren, with \$7.5 billion; [Ron Lauder](#), with \$3.4 billion, and David Azrieli and Haim Saban with \$2.9 billion each.