Prequin

Prequin provides access to equity fund data and private equity deals.

Requesting data

To get information on private equity funds or deals, you must go through a two-step procedure. Regardless of the data that you need, this process always follows the same logic:

1. you select the companies or deals that you want to have information on.
2. you select the information that you want to have on these companies or deals.

Be aware: sometimes Prequin sends you to their old interface, in that case, on the top of the website Prequin asks you if you want to Switch to Pro today. Click on that button and you will be redirected to the new interface.

Step 1: Selecting the variables.

Think of this step as filtering process of the first column, which represents all the funds and deals that you have available in the database.
In the header of the website you click on ‘Search For’ and then select either ‘Funds’ or ‘Deals/Exits’.

You will immediately be redirected to the Advanced Search of the fund section or to Buyout of the deals section. In both cases, it will look the same and the following procedure will be the same.

You can now see a table or funds or deals in the first column and information on these in the rest of the columns visible. You are not able to select your sample through the filters on top of the spreadsheet.

The most used filters are available immediately, further filters are accessible by searching for them through the search box or through clicking on ‘More filters’. Once you have selected one or more filters, the applied filters will be visible between the spreadsheet and the filter selection bar.
Step 2: Selecting the information and downloading data

Once you have selected your sample, you should now select the information that you need. This can be done by the Manage Columns button which allows you to select/add and deselect/delete columns in the spreadsheet you see. Where the first column represents the sample of your request and all other columns represent the information on a unit in your sample. These could be information such as a fund investment strategy or a deal’s size.

Finally, once you have altered the spreadsheet to your liking in the Preqin interface, you can now click on the ‘Excel Export’ button to download the spreadsheet to your computer.