



Investing

Women in the C-Suite



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You've completed the exercise, now it's time to learn more about the current event:







Why do you think it's important to have diverse perspectives and experiences among the leaders of a company?



Extend Your Learning

Relevant Resources from NGPF:

• What percent of 18-34 year olds is investing in the stock market? (<u>Question of the Day</u>)

References:

- Rent the Runway CEO on IPO, Says Paltrow Helps With Brand (<u>Bloomberg</u>)
- Are people ready to step out in rented clothing again? (Marketplace)
- Women-Led Startups Got Just 2.3% of VC Funding in 2020 (<u>Harvard Business Review</u>)
- VC funding to women-led companies falls during the pandemic (<u>CNBC</u>)
- 7 Successful Female-Founded Tech Companies (The Pipeline)

