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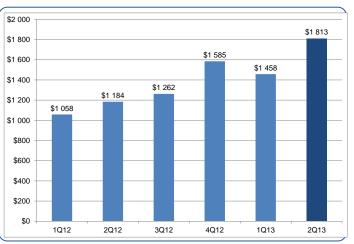
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Facebook: 2Q13 results beat expectations

Facebook delivered strong growth in 2Q13 with revenue surging 53% YoY to \$1.81bn (from \$1.18bn in 2Q12), on the back of a much better-than-expected surge in mobile advertising revenue. 2Q13 saw the company's strongest ad revenue growth since 3Q11 with ad prices, which declined at Google and Yahoo, increasing 13% at Facebook. According to *EMarketer Inc,* Facebook is projected to take 13% of the global mobile-advertising market this year, up from 5.4% last year. Despite this, the company still remains in a distant second place to Google, which is expected to grab 56% of the market in 2013.

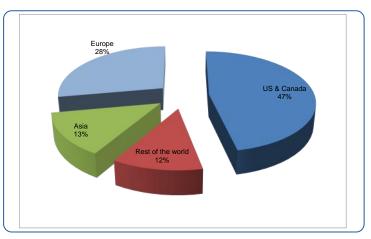
Facebook revenue (mn):



Source: Company data, Anchor Capital

The social network also reported an increase in daily visitors to its service, assuaging fears that new fast-growing mobile apps like WhatsApp and Snapchat would cut into the time consumers spend on Facebook. 2Q profit excluding certain items was \$488mn, or USc19/share, while *Bloomberg* consensus forecasts had projected profit of USc14/share on sales of \$1.62bn. The company said its revenue from e-commerce companies doubled YoY and the total number of ads displayed on its service expanded 43% YoY. The results also showed a spike in its operating margin to 31% (from 26% in 1Q13). Facebook said about 61% of its 1.15bn users now visit the service on a daily basis, compared with 58% in 2Q12.The increase came despite concerns that in-feed ads would alienate viewers, and that new mobile services popular among younger users, such as Snapchat, would siphon off users.

Facebook: 2Q13 revenue by geography:



Source: Company data, Anchor Capital

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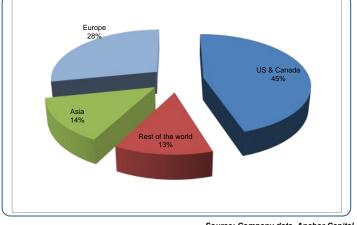


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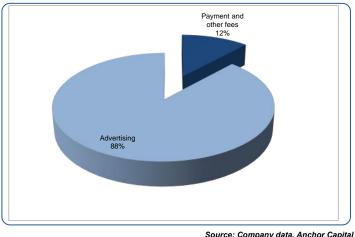
The company ended the quarter with \$10.3bn in cash and short-term investments, leaving it very well capitalised. Facebook, which had priced its IPO at \$38/share, has seen its share price lump to as low as \$17.55/share in September 2012 on continued concern around the company's ability to shift to mobile since its IPO.

Facebook: Contribution to ad revenue by geography:



Source: Company data, Anchor Capital

Facebook: Revenue by business:



Source: Company data, Anchor Capital

Shares in the company rallied as much as 19% in extended trading yesterday with the share price advancing 1.5% to close at \$26.51/share in New York. However, despite yesterday's surge it remains c. 20% below its debut price.

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