



# Stock Screeners Compared

## The Great Overview of the Principal Providers

Many traders are looking for a simple way to search a large universe of stocks according to certain criteria so as to specifically identify the best trading candidates. In the last few months we have received numerous letters on this subject, many of which raised the question of the existence of a summary table. After all, such a table has so far only existed in an incomplete form – if at all. So we have set to work on it and can now present you our great overview of the major free and fee-based offers available.

» Today, stock screeners are among the standard tools used by many traders. There are numerous screeners offered that allow individual filtering – according to both fundamental and technical criteria. In most cases, the screeners are quite simple to use – via drop-down lists created beforehand. But the big question among traders continues to be the following: Which screener can do what?

Right here we would like to shed some light on things and have researched details of the principal screening providers. The all-rounders among the stock screeners provide a solid base of technical and fundamental criteria. Traders who prefer one of the two forms of analysis and want to adapt their screening accordingly, can make a selection of filter options beforehand. More often than

not, the providers have specialised in a certain area where they can come up with more criteria and functions. Some providers make it possible for traders anxious to check their own systems for suitability to perform a backtest of their screening setup or even program their own specific indicators.

Those who opt for a fee-charging provider should first create a test account and see if the offer suits them and meets their demands. Some fee-charging providers offer additional benefits: for example, the screening is based on real-time data and usually includes more extensive functions. However, most free providers can certainly hold their own. Those who need even more than a stock screening can sometimes resort to ETF, Forex, and fund screeners – depending on the provider. «

T1) Free Stock Screener Provider

Provider	Website	Language	Standard Option	Premium Option	Test-Account Premium	Markets	Number of Stocks	web based/download	results linked to chart	Fundamental Screening Filter			Technical Screening Filter			Special Features
										yes/no	Number	Filter Setting	yes/no	Number	Filter Setting	
ChartMill	www.chartmill.com	English	0 €	no	–	USA, Europe	no info	web based	yes	no	–	–	yes	no info	fixed	position sizing calculator; annotation tool; stocktwits50 list with great fundamentals stocks
Daily finance	www.dailyfinance.com	English	0 €	no	–	USA	4768	web based	yes	yes	11	individual variable	yes	19	individual variable	clearly arranged; easy to use
Financial Times	http://markets.ft.com	English	0 €	no	–	global market	39,000	web based	yes	yes	15	individual variable	no	–	–	interactive charts; clearly arranged; funds & ETF screener
Finanzen.net	www.quotenet.com	English, German	0 €	no	–	global market	40,000	web based	yes	yes	20	individual variable	no	–	–	comparison to previous years possible; easy to use
Finanztreff	http://aktien.finanztreff.de	English, German	0 €	no	–	USA, Europe, Asia	8400	web based	yes	yes	5	gradable & individual variable	yes	6	gradable & individual variable	funds & ETF screener; rating screening possible; performance of results can be compared
FINVIZ	www.finviz.com	English	0 €	\$39.50/month	no	USA	6428	web based	yes	yes	30	fixed	yes	20	fixed	futures & forex screener; descriptive criteria: easy to use; interlinked with complete market-research system including heatmaps, groups (sectors, industries, caps, countries), insider trading data, and portfolios
Google Finance	www.google.com/finance/	English, Chinese	0 €	no	–	global market	67,239	web based	yes	yes	46	individual variable	–	13	individual variable	easy to use
Paststat	http://paststat.com	English	0 €	\$89.95/month, \$849.95/year	1 day for \$9.95	USA	6500	web based	no	no	–	no	yes	400	fixed	4 years of historical data to do backward calculation; single click backtest functionality
The Telegraph	http://shares.telegraph.co.uk/stockscreeener	English	0 €	no	–	UK	no info	web based	yes	yes	36	fixed	no	–	–	–
Thomson Reuters	http://stockscreeener.us.reuters.com	English	0 €	no	–	global market	19,0822	web based	yes	yes	10	fixed	no	–	–	funds & ETF screener; not all criterias can be chosen at the same time
TMX Money	http://web.tmxmoney.com	English, French	0 €	\$15.95/month	7 days	USA, Canada	no info	web based	yes	yes	no info	gradable	yes	6	gradable	user has to click through the criterias; funds & ETF screener
TraderFox	www.traderfox.de	English, German, Spanish, later French	0 €	€29/month	nein	USA, Europe, Asia	5000	web based	yes	yes	no info	gradable	yes	infinite due to individual created criteria	gradable	real-time screen; backtest; trader intelligence systems
Tradesignal	www.tradesignalonline.com	English, German	0 € (registration needed)	€4.95/month	nein	USA, UK, Germany	11,000	web based/download	yes	no	–	–	yes	153	individual variable	user can programme their own indicators via script language; very flexible filtering of results; result can be recorded; forex screener
ValueExplorer	www.valueexplorer.com	English	0 €	no	–	global market	5000	web based/download	yes	yes	19	fixed & individual variable	yes	3	individual variable	export to excel possible; 2 different value strategies (Ben Graham and Joel Greenblatt approach); cyclically adjusted PE; detailed fundamental stock value analysis
Wallstreet Journal	http://online.wsj.com	English	0 €	no	–	USA	6500	web based	yes	yes	57	fixed	yes	13	fixed	funds & ETF screener
Yahoo! Finance	http://screener.finance.yahoo.com	English	0 €	no	–	USA	1565	web based	yes	yes	15	fixed	no	–	–	interactive chart with indicators; funds screeners; rating screening possible
YCharts	http://ycharts.com	English	0 €	\$49/month, \$199/year	nein	USA	16,000	web based/download	yes	yes	round about 110	individual variable	no	–	–	rating screening possible; interactive chart with indicators; easy to use
Zacks	http://www.zacks.com	English	0 €	\$199/year	1 month	USA, Canada	8800	web based	yes	yes	120	individual variable	yes	round about 5	individual variable	rating screening possible; easy to use
Signals	www.signals.com	English	0 € (registration needed)	no	–	USA, Europe	15,000	web based	yes	yes	100	individual variable parameters	yes	20	individual variable parameters	video tutorials; dynamic stock list; alert system

Although most websites' stock screeners are available only in English, they are so simple to use that the language is not a major obstacle. Some screeners offer an upgrade to a premium option that includes a bigger market or more filter criteria and screening capabilities.

T2) Fee-Charging Stock Screener Provider

Provider	Website	Language	Standard Option	Premium Option	Test-Account	Markets	Number of Stocks	web based/download	results linked to chart	Fundamental Screening Filter			Technical Screening Filter			Special Features
										yes/no	Number	Filter Setting	yes/no	Number	Filter Setting	
GuruFocus	www.gurufocus.com	English	\$299 (only US market)	\$1384 (global market)	7 days	global market	50,000	web based/download	yes	yes	150	fixed	no	–	–	insider trading data; analysis of results possible ; filter through the ranks of Financial Strength, Profitability, Predictability, valuation ratios such as Price/net cash, price/ncav, price/graham number, earnings yield
MadScan	http://madscan.com	English	\$89.99/month	\$189.99/year	2 weeks	USA	15,000	web based	nein	no	–	–	yes	200	fixed	video tutorials; screening in real-time based on news
MarketInOut	www.marketinout.com	English	\$25/month, \$119/6 month, \$199/year, \$299/2 years	no	1 month	global market	20,000	web based	yes	yes	25	gradable & individual variable	yes	30	gradable & individual variable	backtest with ability to specify stop loss, take profit or close signals for testing a trading strategy; forex screener; CSV data export; price and trade alert; portfolio tracker feature
MarketSmith	www.marketsmith.com	English	\$999/year	\$1497/year	7 days	USA	10,000	web based/download	yes	yes	100	fixed to individual variable	yes	100	fixed to individual variable	video tutorials; Growth 250 list: premium stock ideas generated using 30 separate screens; Pattern Recognition - highlights any of six potential stock chart patterns; Benchmark Evaluator – compares your screen results to strategies of William O’Neil, Warren Buffett, Benjamin Graham, Peter Lynch; Waterfall Summery - Visualizes the effect of your chosen screen criteria on the number of stocks or funds returned in the results; Screen sharing - Users can share their own screens with the community; funds screener
Portfolio 123	www.portfolio123.com	English, German, French, Spanish, Italian	€30/month	€145/month	7 days	USA, Europe	14,800	web based	yes	no	–	–	yes	100	fixed to individual variable	screening in real-time; encrypted connection; forex, futures & ETF screener; programming of own indicators possible; creating own ranking possible; easy to use
ProRealTime.com	www.prorealtime.com	English	\$49/month, \$495/year	\$99/month, \$995/year bzw. \$299/month, \$1,995/year	15 days	USA	10,000	web based	yes	yes	round about 330	fixed & gradable	yes	50	fixed & gradable	ETF screener; historical data of 12,000 stocks back to 1999; interactive chart; backtest; video tutorials
screener.co	https://screener.co	English	\$24.95/month	\$49.95/month	1 month	global market	40,000	web based	yes	yes	19 as base, many more due to individual created criteria	gradable & individual variable	no	–	–	export to Microsoft Excel possible; video tutorials; custom screener formulas without programming; customizing results view possible; one has to answer questions about trading behaviour, before accessing the test-account
StockFetcher	www.stockfetcher.com	English	\$8.95/month, \$24.95/quarter	\$16.95/month, \$44.95/quarter	5 days	USA	15,000	web based	yes	yes	10	gradable and individual variable	yes	100	gradable & individual variable	backtest; analysis of results possible; iPad version for \$3.99/month; custom front-end filter syntax
Stockopedia	www.stockopedia.com	English	UK: £24.99/month, £199.99/year Continental-Europa: £74.99/month, £599.99/year	no	2 weeks	Europe	8000	web based/download	yes	yes	250	gradable and individual variable	yes	37	individual variable	pre-built screens based on the writings of famous investors; predictive fundamental metrics which are backed by academic research
Super Stock Screener	www.superstocksscreener.com	English	\$39.95/month, \$399.95/year	no	1 month	USA	6041	web based/download	no	yes	19	gradable & individual variable	no	–	–	rating screening possible
Value Investing	http://value-investing.eu	English	€299/year	€399/year	no	global market	22,000	web based/download	no	yes	26	individual variable	yes	4	individual variable	backtest; creating own ranking possible; export to excel possible
ValuEngine	www.valuengine.com	English	\$14.95/month	\$249.95/month	2 weeks - 1 month	USA, Canada	8000	web based/download	yes	yes	30	individual variable	no	–	–	ValuEngine forecast and valuation data that is derived from proprietary models

The cost of fee-charging providers varies greatly and their offers, too, turn out to be different. That is why it is imperative that traders set up a test account beforehand and familiarise themselves with what is being offered.