FPIs swayed mkts the most in Q1

Foreign portfolio investors' (FPIs') buying decisions carry more sway in equity markets than those of other owner categories, with stocks in which they increased their holdings rising more than those in which they pared their stake. In the quarter ended June 30, FPIs increased their holdings in 756 companies, with the average stock price change at 39.57 per cent. They decreased their stake in 990 companies, with an average stock price change of 23.71 per cent.

Private promoters were the second most influential, with the average stock price of companies in which they raised their stake rising by 35.67 per cent, and those in which they decreased their stake rising by 32.61 per cent.

Retail investors had the least influence, with the average stock price change 11.57 percentage points higher in firms where they decreased their stake than in those where they bought a stake. The share of FPIs as a percentage of market cap in NSE-listed companies declined to a 14-year low of 15.88 per cent as on June 30, 2026. SUNDAR SETHURAMAN

How owner categories performed

March - June 2026

Owner category	No. of firms where holding increased	Avg stock price change in Q1 (%)	No. of firms where holding decreased	Avg stock price change in Q1 (%)
FPIs	756	39.57	990	23.71
Private promoters	240	35.67	343	32.61
DIIs	766	31.60	728	29.74
HNI	1081	30.64	892	30.40
MFs	554	27.28	482	29.72
Insurance companies	312	25.11	448	28.21
GOI (as promoter)	0	0.00	6	5.85
LIC	54	11.19	114	19.52
Retail	1130	24.22	1051	35.79

Source: primeinfobase.com