

# Mexico/China Fentanyl Master Class FAQ

## Data and Analysis Questions

### **What sources of public data did you use to uncover Chiang Li Chun's Network?**

On the Mexico side, we primarily used public data from the Sistema Integral de Gestion Registral - Registro Público de Comercio (SIGER-RPC) and Marcanet, Mexico's trademark registry, to investigate Chiang's corporate network. While corporate data from SIGER provided the bulk of information related to Chiang's companies and business associates, we used trademark data to corroborate and find additional identifying information. Data from SIGER and Marcanet are included in Sayari Graph.

Information on Hong Kong and Chinese entities was obtained from the Hong Kong Companies Registry (ICRIS) and China's [National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System \(NECIPS\)](#). Corporate data from NECIPS, as well as several other sources of Chinese public records, is available in Sayari Graph. While ICRIS is pay-walled, we do have partial coverage of some of the entities listed in it, along with Hong Kong Company Incorporation & Name Change lists, Hong Kong Judiciary Judgements, and listed company directors from the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

For a comprehensive list of the official public records data sets available in Sayari Graph please visit [our global coverage site](#).

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## Where can I find Tax ID numbers (RFC) for individuals and/or companies in Mexico?

[Tax IDs in Mexico](#) — known as the Registro Federal de Contribuyentes (RFC) — for individuals and legal entities can be obtained from a variety of official public records, including corporate documents from SIGER, trademark documents from Marcanet, company announcements from the Publicaciones de Sociedades Mercantiles, the SAT Article 69 and 69-B lists, and Mexico's foreign domiciled and foreign investment lists from the Registro Nacional de Inversiones Extranjeras (RNIE), among others.

For a comprehensive explanation of the Sayari data model including attributes and relationship types please visit [our ontology site](#).

## How can Mexican trademark data from Marcanet be used for financial crime investigations?

Marcanet is Mexico's official trademark registry. The registry includes general information on trademarks as well as trademark holders and legal representatives. Marcanet can be a highly useful tool in financial crimes investigations, especially to uncover and/or corroborate identifying information. Trademark filings often provide the address, email address, phone number(s) and, occasionally, the RFC (tax ID) of trademark holders.

Additionally, legal entities may conduct transactions or appear in the news using their trademark (doing business as) name. In these cases, being able to connect a trademark with a legal entity and/or natural person trademark holder can help drive forward your investigation.

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Finally, when legal entities serve as the holders of trademarks, they occasionally attach their articles of incorporation to their trademark application, thus providing insight into the shareholders and controllers of the trademark holder.

## **What are some of the limitations of SIGER?**

While SIGER is often the most useful source for obtaining corporate information on Mexican entities online, the database is not without its limitations. The registry only allows users to search by entity name, folio mercantil electronico — which is essentially the company's registry ID — and shareholders. Sayari Graph users have access to fully text-searchable PDFs of SIGER filings from most states in Mexico, thus allowing users to not only query by a company's name or shareholders' names but also by any other related party, including directors, board members, legal representatives, and comisarios.

Additionally, sometimes Mexican companies are not registered in SIGER for reasons that are not clear. To get around this problem, users should consult other forms of public data in Mexico, including Marcanet and the Publicaciones de Sociedades Mercantiles (PSM) from Mexico's Secretariat of Economy, among others. For example, Marcanet trademark applications will occasionally include a copy of the original articles of incorporation for legal entities that act as the trademark holder. This can be highly valuable, especially for entities that are not included in SIGER.

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### **To what extent are corporate records published by governments reliable?**

We have found government-published corporate records to be generally reliable in Mexico and China. It's important to remember that these records aren't just used for due diligence and other external investigations. They serve important business functions that require accurate disclosures, such as attracting investors, applying for credit, and applying for contracts.

That said, in the Chinese context, we have seen a couple of situations where sensitive data mysteriously disappeared from their corporate registry. In 2017, the Chinese government announced that they were closing all North Korean companies and representative offices in China to comply with a UN Security Council Resolution. After the announcement, these North Korean companies disappeared from the corporate registry entirely, making it difficult to determine whether the entities had closed.

In Mexico, we've seen cases where some of the corporate filings for companies are missing from the SIGER, thus providing an incomplete picture of the company as a whole.

Regardless, it's always important to try to corroborate information sourced from a single corporate registry. Both Mexico and China offer many public data sources that disclose company ownership and control and identifying information. For example, some jurisdictions within China, such as Shenzhen, have their own corporate registries that are managed by a different set of government offices. Sources like this can be used for corroboration (and [can be found in Sayari Graph](#)).

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## Sayari Graph Platform Questions

### What data does Sayari Graph include?

Sayari Graph currently holds over 1.2 billion records from 275 sources across the globe, including from traditionally hard-target jurisdictions such as China, Russia, and Iran. These records contain identifying and relational information on more than 900 million people, companies, and other legal entities.

### What language support does Sayari Graph offer?

Sayari Graph offers [multiple translation and transliteration functions](#) to help you explore records in foreign languages. This is everything from on-demand translation of record text to translating your search terms and results. We use a combination of Google Translate, translations and transliterations we generated ourselves based on internal deep learning models, and translations native to the original documents (for example, when Chinese companies disclose their names in English).

### How often do you update the data in Sayari Graph?

Constantly. Each source runs on its own schedule to account for client usage, size, and complexity. All updates take place at least once per year and typically more frequently than that for the average source (e.g. quarterly).

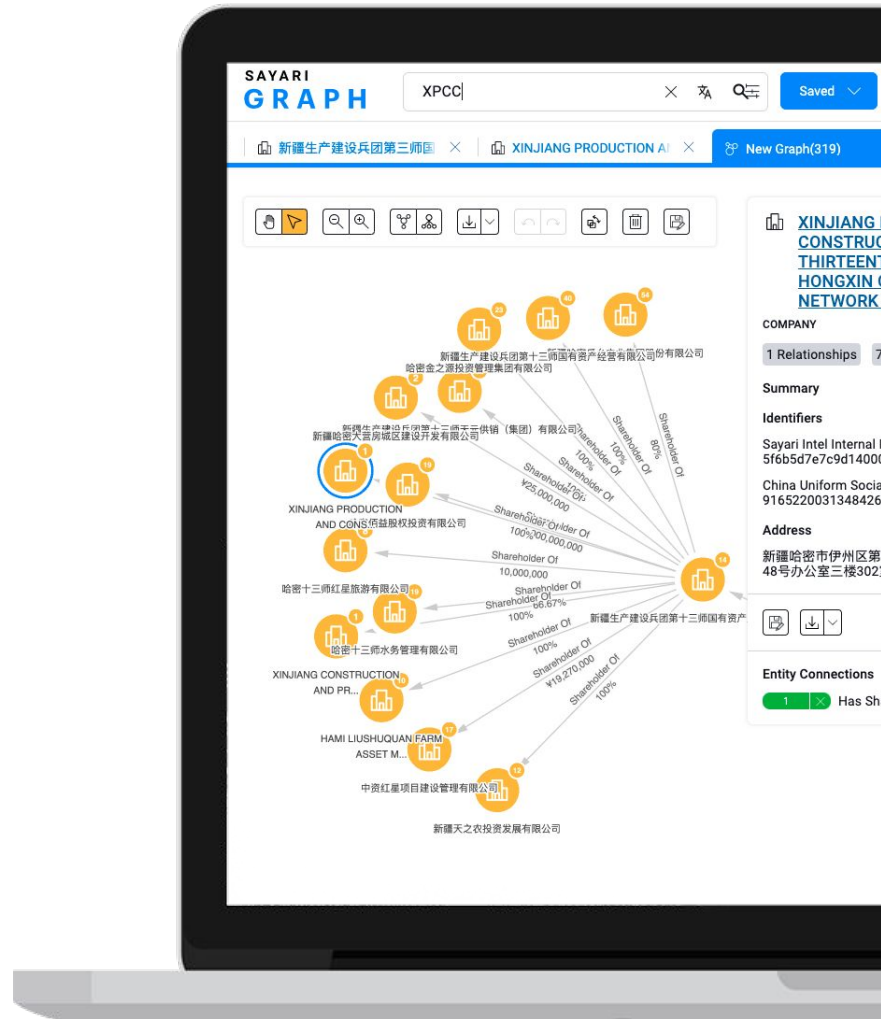
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## Can I export this data?

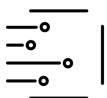
Yes, we make all original source documents available for download in the platform or via API. You can also export data as a CSV to integrate with other systems.

# Sayari for Financial Services

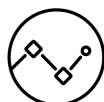
The world's largest specialized database of companies, their key people, and their most important relationships. Designed for express determination of ownership & related entity risk.



Sayari powers investigative and analytical workflows across the financial crime compliance and risk management enterprise. Our mission is to put instant global corporate transparency directly into the hands of practitioners, maximizing visibility and minimizing the need for customer contact.



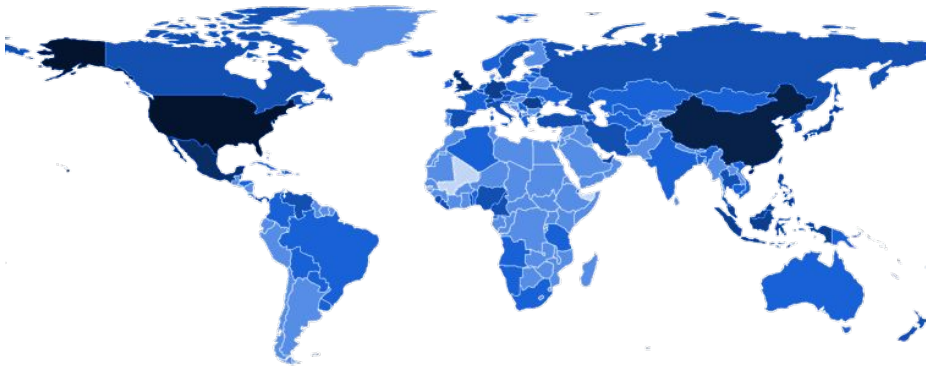
**KYC, CDD  
& EDD**



**AML, FIU &  
Investigations**



**Sanctions &  
Embargoes**



# Sayari Global Data

Sayari provides instant access to authoritative business information worldwide, covering 391 million companies and 435 million of their key personnel in over 200 jurisdictions, all linked and resolved together into pre-built networks of ownership and control relationships. Sayari is available via cloud-hosted [User Interface](#), [API](#), or [Data Subscriptions](#).

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documents

**462M**

key people

**200+**

jurisdictions

**717M**

relationships

**401M**

companies

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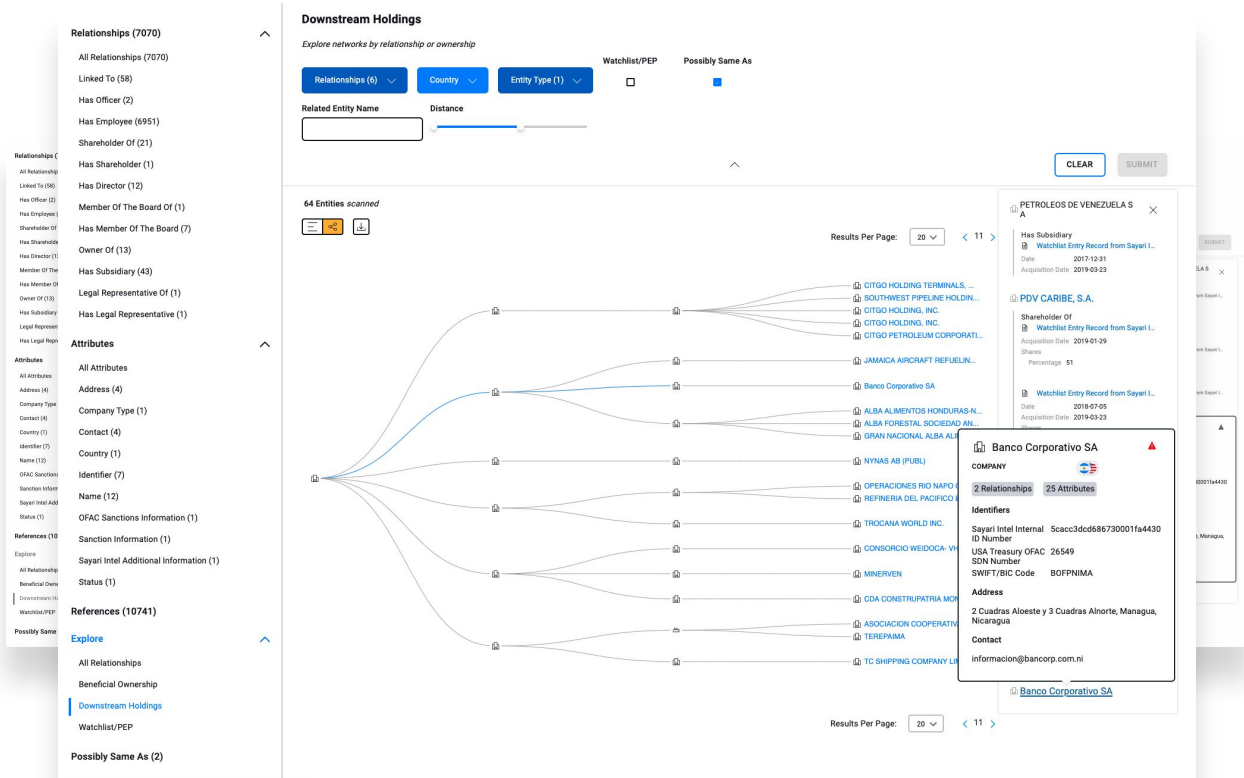
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**Sayari data is also available via pre-built partner integrations:**

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# Sayari Graph Platform

## Visualization & Search

Hundreds of millions of pre-built profiles, corporate hierarchies, and network visualizations, searchable globally.

## Financial Crime Graph Analytics

Preset and customizable financial crime graph analytics, powered by the most scalable database technology on the market.

## Documentation & Sourcing

Full data provenance available in-app, with millions of exportable original source documents.



Entities	365M	360M	401M
Individuals	325M	100M	462M
Developed Markets	●	●	●
High-Risk, Emerging & Offshore Markets			●
Financial Crime Graph Analytics			●
In-App Official Documents			●
Direct Refresh from Official Sources			●
Rapid Contracting & Licensing			●
Cloud-Native Scale & APIs		●	●
Investigator User Interface	●	●	●