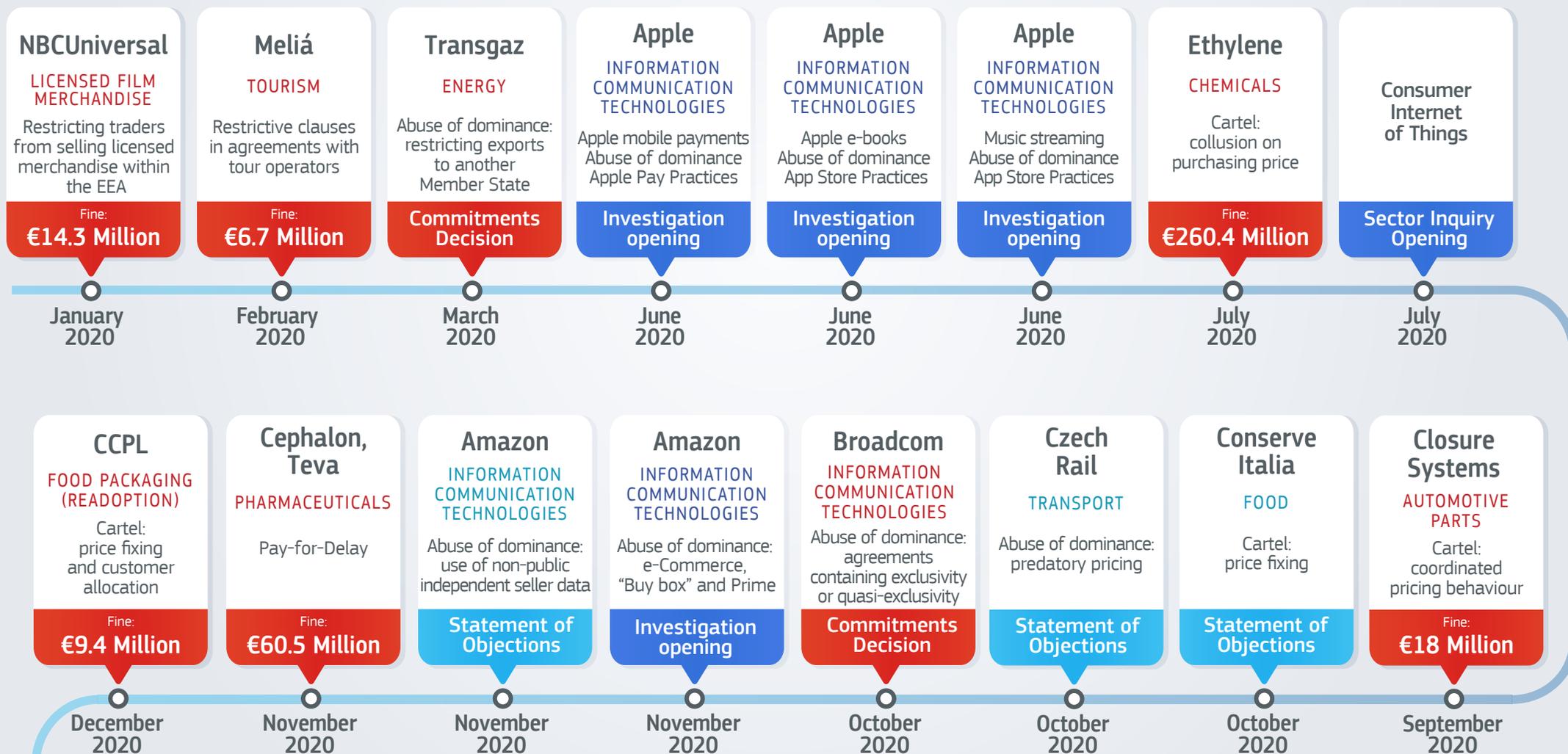
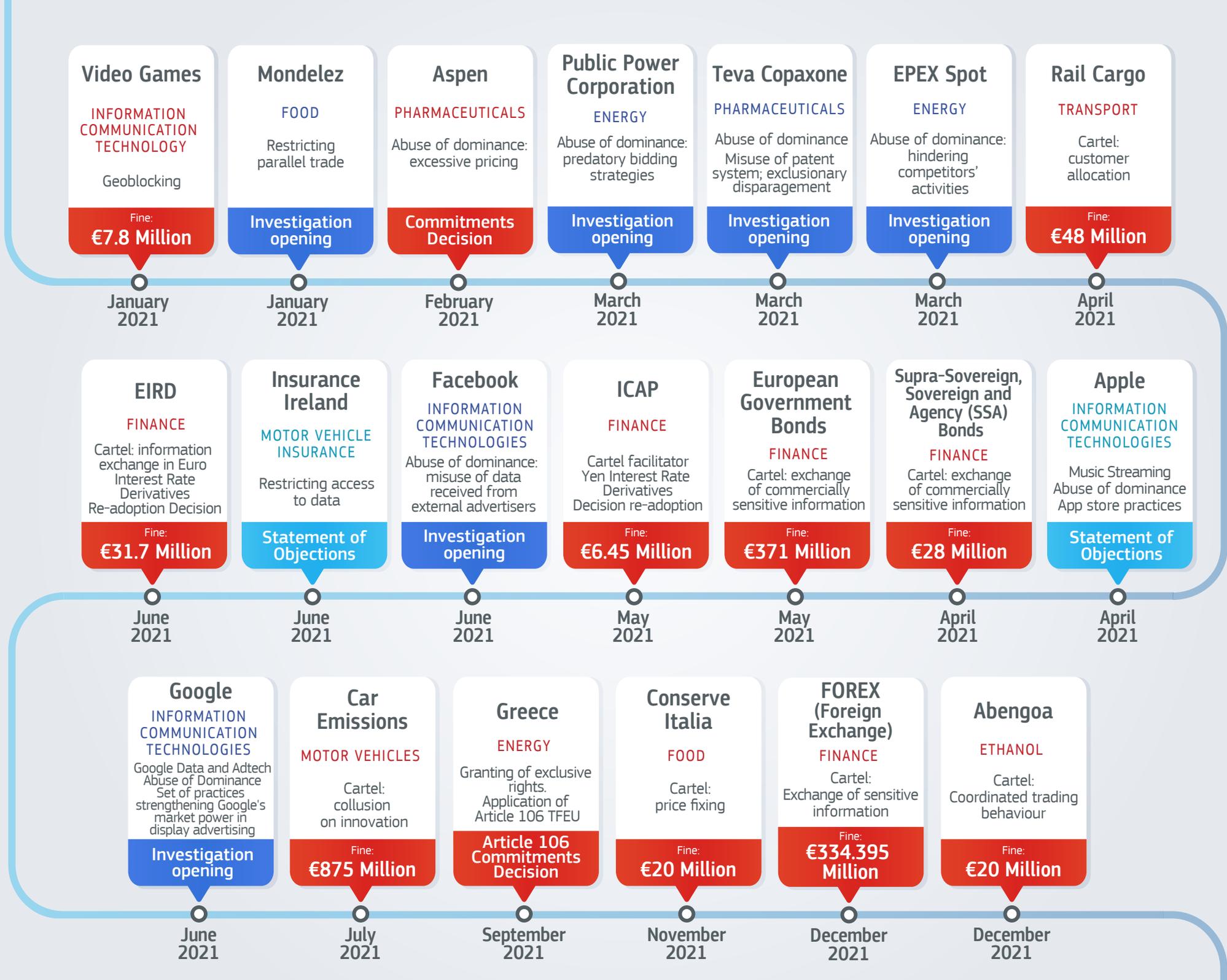


# Competition enforcement in antitrust and cartels

Since the start of this mandate (December 2019), the Commission has adopted 46 final decisions in antitrust and cartels\*, levelling +€6.4 billion in fines (including 9 cases in which it accepted commitments putting an end to anti-competitive practices). Furthermore, the Commission also opened 18 new investigations, adopted 18 Statements of Objections and issued the preliminary results of its enquiry into the sector of Internet of Things (IoT) for consumer-related products and services. Antitrust enforcement covers many sectors of the economy (pharmaceuticals, energy, financial services, transport, digital markets, etc...).



\*2 of these were re-adoption decisions



**České dráhy and Österreichische Bundesbahnen**  
SECOND HAND ROLLING STOCK  
Anti-Competitive Agreement  
Collective Boycott

Statement of Objections

June 2022

**Apple**  
INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES  
Apple Mobile Payments  
Abuse of Dominance  
Apple Practices regarding Apple Pay

Statement of Objections

May 2022

**Google and Meta**  
ONLINE DISPLAY ADVERTISING  
Anti-Competitive Agreement

Investigation opening

March 2022

**Pierre Cardin and Ahlers**  
CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES  
Restriction of sales of licensed products, cross-border, online, and to specific customers

Investigation opening

March 2022

**Consumer Internet of Things**  
Final Report Adopted

Sector Inquiry

January 2022

**Telefónica and Pharol**  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
Non-Compete Agreement  
Decision re-adoption

Fine: €79 Million

January 2022

**Vifor Pharma**  
IRON DEFICIENCY MEDICINE  
Abuse of dominance  
Exclusionary disparagement

Investigation opening

June 2022

**Insurance Ireland**  
MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE  
Restricting access to data

Commitments Decision

June 2022

**Ethanol Benchmarks**  
BIOFUELS  
Cartel: Coordinated trading behaviour

Statement of Objections

July 2022

**Network Sharing Czech Republic**  
MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS  
Technical and financial limitations to infrastructure competition

Commitments Decision

July 2022

**Crown and Silgan**  
METAL CANS AND CLOSURES  
Cartel: information sharing on sales volumes, pricing and durability guarantees

Fine: €31.5 Million

July 2022

**Teva Copaxone**  
PHARMACEUTICALS  
Abuse of dominance  
Misuse of patent system; exclusionary disparagement

Statement of Objections

October 2022

**Amazon**  
INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES  
Abuse of dominance: use of non-public independent seller data, "Buy Box" and Prime bias

Commitments Decision

December 2022

**Meta**  
INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES  
Abuse of dominance: tying and unfair trading conditions on data use related to classified ads

Statement of Objections

December 2022

**Google and Meta**  
ONLINE DISPLAY ADVERTISING

Investigation closed

December 2022

**Euro-denominated Bonds Trading**  
FINANCIAL SERVICES  
Cartel: Collusion on pricing and trading strategy  
Exchange of commercially sensitive information

Statement of Objections

December 2022

**Styrene Monomer**  
CHEMICALS  
Cartel: collusion on purchasing price

Fine: €157 Million

November 2022

**Apple**  
**INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES**  
 Music Streaming  
 Abuse of dominance  
 App store practices  
**Replacement Statement of Objections**

February 2023

**Renfe**  
**ONLINE RAIL TICKETING**  
 Abuse of Dominance  
 Refusal to provide full content and real time data to third parties  
 ticketing platforms  
**Investigation opening**

April 2023

**Google**  
**INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES**  
 Google Data and Adtech  
 Abuse of Dominance  
 Set of practices strengthening Google's market power in display advertising  
 intermediation  
**Statement of Objections**

June 2023

**Microsoft**  
**INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES**  
 Abuse of Dominance  
 Product tying  
**Investigation opening**

July 2023

**Pierre Cardin and Ahlers**  
**CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES**  
 Restriction of sales of licensed products, cross-border, online, and to specific customers  
**Statement of Objections**

July 2023

**Intel**  
**COMPUTER CHIPS**  
 Abuse of Dominance  
 Halt or delay sale of computer products containing competitor's chips  
**Re-adoption decision**  
 Fine: **€376.36 Million**

September 2023

**Ethanol Benchmarks**  
**PRICE BENCHMARKS FOR ETHANOL**  
 Cartel: Coordinated trading, limiting supply, exchange of commercially sensitive information  
 Fine: **€47.7 Million**

December 2023

**Automotive Starter Batteries**  
**MANUFACTURE OF BATTERIES AND ACCUMULATORS**  
 Cartel: Price Fixing  
**Statement of Objections**

November 2023

**Euro-Denominated Bonds**  
**FINANCE**  
 Cartel: Exchange of commercially sensitive information. Coordination of trading and pricing strategies  
 Fine: **€26.6 Million**

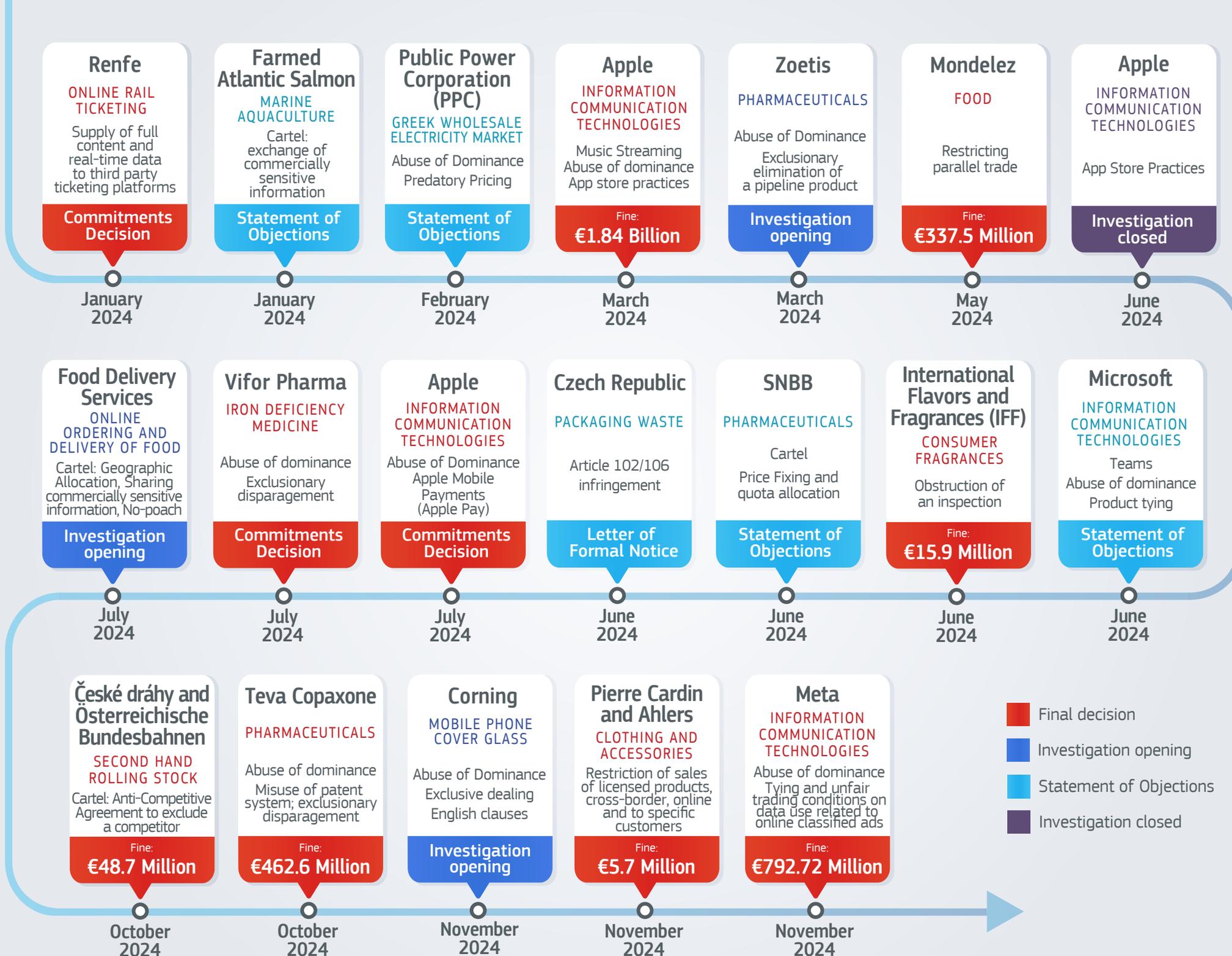
November 2023

**SNBB**  
**PHARMACEUTICALS**  
 Cartel: Price Fixing and quota allocation  
 Fine: **€13.4 Million**

October 2023

**Hand Grenades**  
**WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION**  
 Cartel: allocation of national market  
 Fine: **€1.2 Million**

September 2023



- Final decision
- Investigation opening
- Statement of Objections
- Investigation closed