

Capital Markets Landscape

Industry Deep Dive Winter 2024 Edition



Detailed Market Segmentation of the Capital Markets Sector



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Foreword

As we turn the page on 2023, the financial landscape carries forward the challenges of the previous year—high inflation, looming recession risks, and volatile asset prices. The aggressive monetary tightening by the Federal Reserve throughout 2022 and early 2023 has had dramatic effects on the capital markets sector, which has outsized exposure to interest rates compared to other sectors.

The banking sector's volatility witnessed in the earlier part of the year has abated, yielding to a phase of relative equilibrium and strong macroeconomic performance. This environment underpins the Federal Reserve's assertive stance on monetary policy contraction to mitigate inflationary pressures.

In the wake of inflation's peak in mid-2022, the year 2023 witnesses a steady retreat following a series of 11 interest rate hikes. M&A and financing transactions remained depressed across all sectors. Yet, the IPO market offers a glimmer of resurgence in the third quarter, marking the first increase in quarterly IPOs since the end of 2021. This period accounted for 27 public market debuts totaling \$22 billion, albeit at the lowest median valuations in a decade—a testament to a cooled investor appetite.

In contrast, the M&A sector experienced a modest rise in median valuations, indicating a preference for established, high-performing companies. However, acquirers are facing increased challenges in securing debt financing for these investments, marking a complex scenario in the current financial landscape.

The sector witnessed an internal "flight to quality," as investors and consumers alike flocked to leading companies with defensible business models. Direct-to-consumer companies such as Robinhood stumbled through market volatility, while core, mission-critical B2B service and technology companies continued to enjoy robust performance and investor interest.

Banks, the core of the capital markets industry have faced a mix of headwinds and tailwinds. Net interest margins initially increased across the industry as rates increased, but began to contract in early 2023 as depositories were forced to increase deposit costs to retain customers, who now have access to various high-yielding debt investments in the Treasury and money markets. Investment banking fees plummeted in the face of reduced market activity and transaction volume. That being said, leading institutions with robust balance sheets continued to invest in technology and market share via acquisitions.

At Evolve, we understand the importance of staying informed of the capital markets to provide high-impact and highly tailored advisory services in a swiftly changing environment. To underscore the dynamics and critical trends within the capital markets industry and their impact on each industry segment, we have assembled this industry deep-dive report which lends our view on the space, with market maps, in-depth research, and transaction updates.

Our Motivations

- For us to serve our clients better, we strive to constantly update our understanding of our focus priority areas. This report is part of our research coverage, which includes our monthly and quarterly newsletters, and executive research notes.
- Our Evolve insurance special report was published earlier this year, and we have released several research notes on various trends and segments of the capital markets industry.
 - <u>Coverage of the spring 2023 banking crisis and its impact on the Capital Markets vertical</u> (August 2023)
 - Update on the M&A advisory landscape: rise of the boutique investment bank (April 2023)
- We believe our research displayed in this report will help you and your firm better understand your position in the capital markets ecosystem, thereby solidifying your ideas on strategy and valuation. We also highlighted current trends with each sub-sector to inform or reinforce your current thoughts.
- For entrepreneurs or those operating sponsor-backed firms, we hope to play a small part in helping you consider different potential strategic options, such as a sale vs. a capital raise.

The capital markets space is large, dynamic, and quickly evolving, but we attempted to segment the industry and provide our opinions based on our unique perspective and focus. We hope you enjoy this report and as always, thank you for your continued support.

Evolve Capital Banking Team



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Evolve's Perspective: Dynamics of the Capital Markets Ecosystem

How Evolve Segments Capital Markets

The capital markets sector is broad and dynamic (i.e., there is no concrete definition). The below and this report lend a perspective into how Evolve scopes and segments the industry.

CAPITAL INTENSIVE & ADVISORY

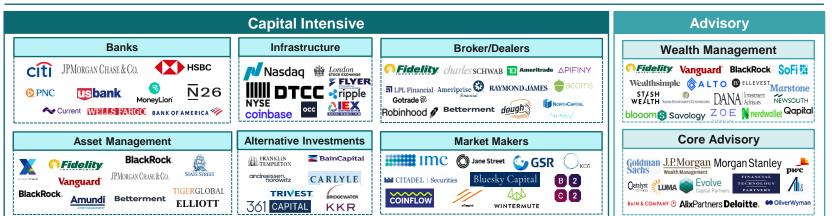
Capital Intensive: at the core of the broad capital markets ecosystem are "balance sheet" companies, who directly invest in or hold assets as part of their services to individuals and institutional clients (e.g., banking, asset management, alternative investments), as well as provide lending services to corporations or individuals. Such companies often have fiduciary duties, thereby are tightly regulated.

Advisory: we further segment advisory into core services (transaction advisory, accounting, etc.) and wealth management. The advisory client base has traditionally comprised of institutions and high-net worth individuals; however, expanding retail interest in investing and financial markets have led to the rise of both specialized / niche and broad financial advisory services aimed at retail investors.

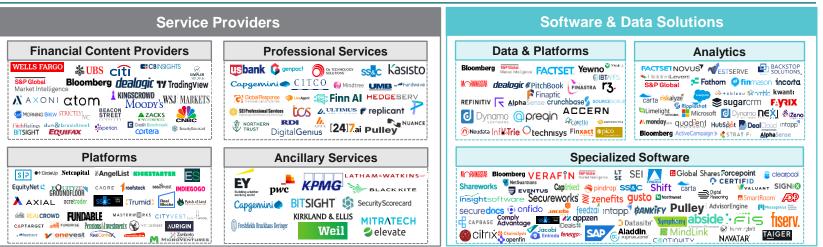
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Service Providers: companies in this segment serve the "core group". Services range from content, back-office support, to marketplaces, and ancillary services.

Software & Data Solutions: the capital markets ecosystem is increasingly using data platforms, analytics and specialized software to automate processes and enhance decision-making.



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Evolve Capital Partners Overview

We Focus Exclusively On Finance & Technology-Related Firms

About Evolve

Our Clients

- Evolve Capital Partners ("Evolve") is a specialized investment bank focused on the Insurance and Capital Markets sectors.
- Evolve was established in 2012 and we are based in New York, NY. Our location provides access to numerous strategic and financial partners who participate in and shape the financial services sector.
- Since inception, we have completed dozens of transactions and professionals of the firm have advised on over \$10B of M&A and financing transactions across their professional careers.

Evolve by the "Numbers"



Team Experience from Reputable Banking Institutions



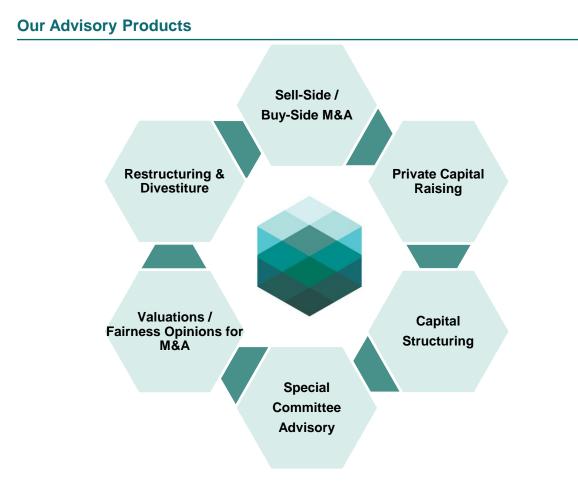
Dedicated "high-touch" investment bank focused exclusively on financial services and technology firms with extremely nimble and highly connected team with deep reach into strategic and financial investors globally. Our team is comprised of bankers with deep experience at bulge brackets, private equity funds and strategic companies in the space.





Evolve Capital Partners Overview

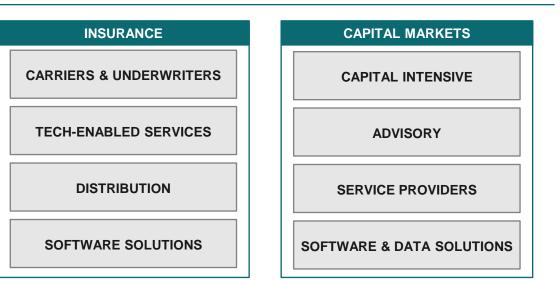
We Focus Exclusively On Finance & Technology-Related Firms



Our Value Proposition

- We are a dedicated, creative, and fully independent investment bank that advises private and public companies on merger, divestiture and acquisition transactions, and capital raising through private placements.
- Our industry-leading research on transaction trends across the finance & technology sector positions Evolve as a thought leader in the Capital Markets and Insurance verticals.

Focused Industry Coverage within Two Primary Sectors





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Trend 1: Elevated Inflation & Interest Rates

U.S. Capital Markets – Key Trends

Central Banks Have Increased Rates In Response to 40-Year High Inflation

- Central banking authorities have drastically increased interest rates in an attempt to combat inflation
 - The US Federal Reserve began raising rates in March 2022 to combat decades-high inflation (7.9% YoY CPI growth at time of first rate increase)
 - Since then, the Fed has increased rates 11 times, bringing the current federal funds rate target range to 5.25 - 5.50%, the highest since 2001
 - Inflation has moderated in the second half of 2023 (August 2023 CPI increased 3.7% YoY), leading to the Federal Reserve adopting a "wait-and-see" approach to rate increases
 - Despite increasing rates, consumer spend and job creation have remained surprisingly robust; the US economy added 366,000 new jobs in September 2023, and consumer spending increased 3% YoY

Capital Markets: Winners & Losers (Share Price Since Initial Rate Hike⁽¹⁾)

Winners: Alternative Investments

Alternative investors with effective debt strategies and limited exposure to real estate investments have seen significant gains over the last 18 months, driving by higher yielding corporate debt and ample opportunity for value investments

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+43%

+43% +40%

Losers: Banks

Bank stocks have performed well below the S&P 500, driven by a combination of rising interest rates payouts on deposits, reduced investment banking & capital markets fees, and uncertainty around recovery in commercial real estate / return-to-office



Inflation & Federal Funds Rate





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Trend 2: Normalization of Global Capital Markets & Transaction Activity

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U.S. Capital Markets - Key Trends

Capital Markets Activity Down From COVID Highs

 Transaction volumes across M&A and financings have normalized in 2022 and 2023, as investors grappled rising interest rates, elevated inflation, and recessionary risk

Market Map

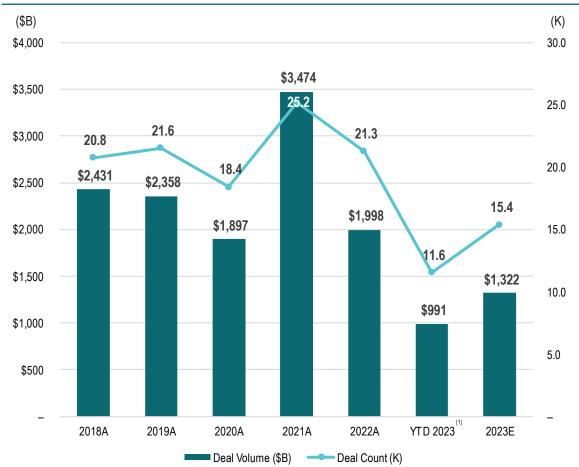
Sector Research

- M&A volumes are expected to remain depressed (\$1.3B in 2023E transaction volume compared to \$2.0B in 2022)
- IPO and SPAC markets dried up, as companies and investors decided to wait for more stable and positive stock market sentiment; total IPO issuances fell from 1,000 in 2021 to 180 by October YTD 2023
- Investment banking fees in the first three quarters of 2023 declined 12% YoY following a 36% decline in 2022 from 2021, significantly impacting profitability of banks and brokerages
- Investors and acquirors have extended diligence timelines and decreased buyside valuations, creating expectation mismatches with sellers
 - Investors have added several dimensions to the due diligence process in light of recent high-profile fraud (Frank / JP Morgan and FTX Global) and the fall from grace of several industry segments that had attracted significant investor interest in recent years (digital health, insurtech) before seeing valuations collapse in the past 18 months
 - Additional diligence frameworks include corporate governance and risk management, business model exposure to eternal factors, and interconnected risks within third-party ecosystems
 - In the private markets, buyers have significantly reduced valuations from 2021 highs and refocused capital towards profitable or near-profitable businesses with defensible, cyclical business models
 - Sellers have been sluggish in reacting to changing market conditions, leading to significant valuation mismatches that have slowed the pace of completed transactions
 - Valuations remain robust in defensible B2B service industries such as professional services, which are less impacted by market and economic conditions



YTD as of September. Source(s): Deloitte, EY, IMAA

M&A Transactions Have Normalized From 2021 Highs



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Trend 3: Private Markets Going Mainstream

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U.S. Capital Markets - Key Trends

Increased Demand from Investors for Private Market Access

- Retail and HNW / UHNW investors are increasingly interested in accessing private capital markets
 - Private capital markets represent a way for investors to diversify their overall asset allocation and hedge against public market volatility
 - Private debt has attracted outsized interest in recent years, driven by the boom in debt-backed private equity transactions and general withdrawal of banks from the sponsor financing space; private credit AUM tripled from \$500B in 2012 to \$1.5T in 2022
 - Retail investors are increasingly interested in private equity products due to an overall increase in awareness and interest in direct investing during the pandemic
 - Increasing retail and institutional investor interest in private capital has led to increased regulatory scrutiny, with focus around the opaque nature of valuating privately-held companies, which can often mislead investors
 - In November 2023, White Wolf Capital Advisors filed to launch the first publicly listed private equity and commercial real estate ETFs focused on investing in publicly traded private capital investors

Investors and Managers are Aligned On Increasing Access⁽¹⁾

Yes, if validation, transparency, and 52% 52% liquidity issues are resolved 22% Yes, with a maximum amount or 21% percentage allowed No, they can already invest in 10% 15% publicly-traded private equity firms Managers 22% No, it's not appropriate 12% Investors

Question: Do you think retail investors should have more access to private markets?

Private Markets Investment Platforms

| Company | Target Market | Founded | Asset Classes |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------|--|
| \land Arrived | Retail | 2020 | Fractional single family real estate |
| vino vest | Retail | 2019 | AI-selected wine portfolios and individual wine collections |
| Ҏ public.com | Retail | 2019 | Stocks, ETFs, cryptocurrency, collectibles |
| % sweater | Retail | 2019 | Venture capital |
| % Percent | Accredited | 2018 | Private credit (consumer loans, trade receivables, cash advances, leases, corporate loans) |
| 🗳 EquityBee | Accredited | 2018 | Private equity (marketplace for employees with stock options and accredited investors) |
| acretrader | Accredited | 2018 | Farmland |
| M A S T E R W 🛛 R K S | Retail | 2017 | High-end contemporary art |
| YIELDSTREET | Accredited | 2015 | Real estate, art, crypto, private equity & credit, short-term notes, transportation, venture capital |
| CADRE | Accredited | 2014 | Commercial real estate |
| FUNDRISE | Retail | 2012 | Residential & commercial real estate |



 (1) 2021 SEI survey of 400+ fund managers and investors Source(s): EY Highlights M&A / Financing

M&A Transaction Activity

Slowdown in M&A Activity Continues in 2023; Banking Crisis Led to Several Significant Transactions

- Overall M&A activity slowed in 2022 and 2023 as central banks around the world increased interest rates and a number of bank failures fueled market uncertainty; however, the capital markets sector is still significantly in need for transformation in the face of regulatory pressures, growing ESG concerns, and disruption from emergent technologies
- Consumer spending, unemployment, and other economic indicators have held up despite rate increases, with interest rate hikes being the main contributor to depressed M&A activity
- Transaction volume will likely remain depressed through the fourth guarter of 2023, before picking up in 2024
 - Investment banks report larger and more robust transaction pipelines in 4Q:23 compared to the beginning of the year, indicating positive momentum for the year ahead

M&A Activity Drivers and Trends

Trend 1: Bank M&A focuses on profitable companies that provide cost-saving solutions Banks and other financial institutions have shifted their M&A strategy from acquiring disruptive technology to service providers that are immediately accretive to the bottom line.

Trend 2: Increased regulatory scrutiny - headwind to large transactions The Biden administration has adopted an aggressive stance to antitrust enforcement, filing complaints against a record 13 transactions from June 2022 to May 2023, chilling large deals.

Trend 3: Valuations have normalized from COVID-fueled highs

Pickier buyers and the absence of cheap debt to fuel acquisitions has led to material contractions in valuations across both public and private markets.

Trend 4: Bank consolidation driven by banking crisis

Several banking units changed hands over the past year, including retail banks and depositories affected by the banking crisis in the spring (SVB, First Republic, Credit Suisse) and global investment banks looking for boutique assets to strengthen their presence in specific sub-niches (7 Mile Advisors, Greenhill)

(USD, in millions) **Market Activity Overview**

- M&A Transaction Activity in Key Segments
- (USD, in billions)

| Kov Sogmonto | 2022 Tra | ansactions | 2023YTD ⁽¹⁾ 1 | Fransactions |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Key Segments - | Count | Volume | Count | Volume |
| Banks | 1,033 | \$160 | 694 | \$170 |
| Wealth Management | 438 | \$35 | 351 | \$62 |
| Investment Management | 346 | \$54 | 295 | \$59 |

Notable Acquirors in Capital Markets

| Acquiror | Acquisitions Count 2023YTD ⁽¹⁾ | Recent Acquisitions |
|------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| TPG | 5 | AG GORDON ELITE |
| J.P.Morgan | 5 | |
| ØARES | 4 | Crescent Point b: bluecove |
| Moody's | 1 | SCR |
| Nasdaq | 1 | Adenza Adenza |



Highlights M&A / Financing

Financing Transaction Activity

Decrease in Financing Volumes as Investors Look for Profitability

Market Activity Overview

- While financing activity in the capital markets space has overall slowed, investment activity in B2B capital markets service providers has remained resilient as investors search for marketresilient, mission-critical business services companies
 - In September 2023, AlphaSense, a provider of market intelligence services to financial institutions raised \$150M at a \$2.5B post-money valuation in a Series E led by BOND Capital with participation from CapitalG, Viking Global Investors, and Goldman Sachs
 - In April 2023, Velocity Trade, a non-bank tech-enabled prime brokerage raised \$270M at a \$2B post-money valuation in a second round of Series B funding led by Prysm Capital

Key Growth Verticals

Market Intelligence & Insights

Increasing adoption of technology and remote work has increased demand for flexible, innovative market and financial intelligence solutions to compete against legacy providers (S&P Capital IQ, Bloomberg, Pitchbook).

AI / Machine Learning

Advancements in machine learning and generative AI catalyze the emergence of disruptive solutions in reporting, risk, and compliance across banks, asset managers and advisory firms.

Open Banking

Consumers increasingly demand easy-to-use, digital connectivity within their personal finances. Open banking solutions allow consumers to easily link financial data with third party providers, enabling seamless data and money transfers between organizations.

Consumerization & Gamification

A natural evolution from loyalty and bonus programs that have become ubiquitous within personal financial services, gamification allows financial services providers to retain and attract younger customers. Consumers are awarded badges, digital rewards, and other in-app features for completing certain financial achievements and tasks.

Financing Activity In Key Segments

(USD, in millions)

| Kou Sogmonto | 2022 Tra | ansactions | 2023YTD ⁽¹⁾ 1 | Transactions |
|--------------------------|----------|------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Key Segments - | Count | Volume | Count | Volume |
| Asset Management | 169 | \$2,630 | 65 | \$1,600 |
| Commercial Banks | 121 | \$3,410 | 36 | \$477 |
| Investment Management | 92 | \$1,550 | 47 | \$1,110 |

Key Financing Transactions

(USD, in millions)

| Closing Date | Target | Key Investor(s) | Amount Raised |
|--------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| 9/28/23 | <u>Alpha</u> Sense | BOND CapitalG | \$150 |
| 9/14/23 | VELOCITY | WEDBUSH | ND |
| 8/18/23 | Teamshares [¬] | OED INVESTORS | \$245 |
| 4/11/23 | Clear Street | PRYSM C A P I T A L | \$270 |
| 3/21/23 | етого | 🍘 spark capital 📃 SoftBank | \$250 |

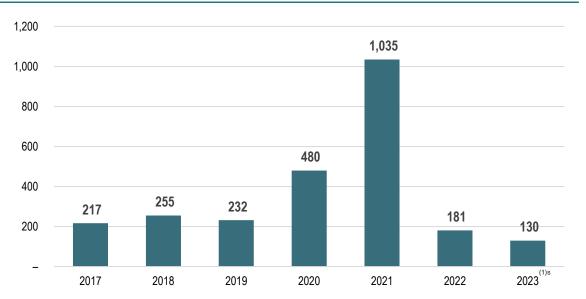


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IPO Transaction Activity

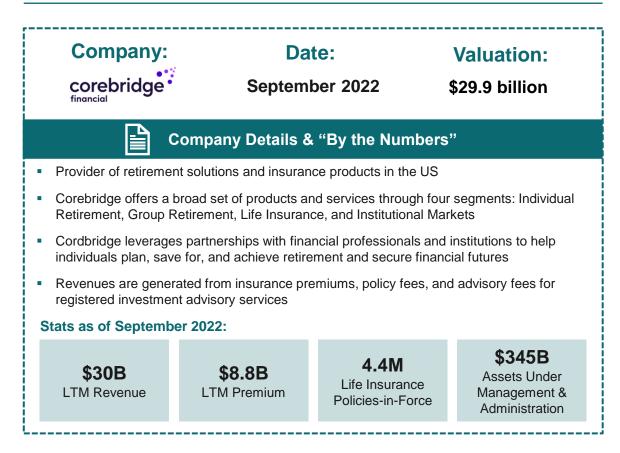
Significant Downturn in IPO Volumes Amidst Global Market Volatility

Limited Activity During Global IPO Chill



- Despite moderating inflation and a lull in rate hikes, IPO activity has remained depressed in 2023 (130 IPOs as of October 2023) as companies continue to put any IPO plans on hold until more favorable market conditions
- After an all-time record 1,035 US IPOs in 2021, activity chilled in 2022 with 181 transactions (83% YoY decrease) as companies and investors grappled with the uncertainty of a potential recession, interest rate hikes, inflation, and the war in Ukraine
- Capital markets IPOs have been concentrated in defensible, durable industries well positioned for high interest rates such as alternative investments (TPG) and insurance / retirement management (Corebridge)

IPO Highlight: Corebridge





Highlights M&A / Financing IPOs

Select Capital Markets IPOs

Transaction Highlights

(USD, in millions)

| Listing Date | Company | Description | IPO Valuation | % Return ⁽¹⁾ | Stock Performance Since IPO Listing Date ⁽²⁾ |
|-----------------|--------------|--|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 09/15/22 | corebridge* | Provider of retirement solutions and insurance products in the US | \$13,400 | (4%) | 150% |
| 01/13/22 | TPG | Operates as an alternative asset manager in the US and internationally. It offers investment management services to TPG Funds, limited partners, and other vehicles | \$9,100 | (19%) | 100% |
| 10/21/21 | P10 | Provider of Multi-asset class private market solutions in the alternative asset management industry | \$2,000 | (22%) | 50% |
| 9/24/21 | CLEAR WATER | Provider of SaaS solution for automated investment data aggregation, reconciliation, accounting and reporting services | \$4,200 | (28%) | - (4%) Corebr (19%) TPG (22%) P10 |
| 11/04/21 | N nerdwallet | Provider of free tool to help find the best credit cards, cd rates, savings, checking accounts, scholarships, healthcare, personal loans and airlines. | | (62%) | (50%) (28%) Clearw (50%) (28%) Clearw (54%) Index (62%) Nerdwa (74%) Robink |
| 7/29/21 | Robinhood 🖉 | Provider of financial services platform. It designs its own products and services and delivers them through a single, app- based cloud platform supported by proprietary technology | \$32,000 | (74%) | (100%) $(100%)$ $($ |



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M&A / Financing Highlights

Select Capital Markets SPACs

Transaction Highlights

(USD, in millions)

| Closing | | | MV at | % | Stock I | Performance Since SPAC Close | + Date ⁽²⁾ | |
|----------|--|---|------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|--|---|
| Date | Company | Description | | Return ⁽¹⁾ | | COVID | Post-COVID | |
| 5/20/21 | Delue owl | Two leading alternate asset managers, Owl Rock and Dyal, with a combined \$45 billion in AUM merged via a SPAC to trade as Blue Owl. The Owl Rock and Dyal businesses operate autonomously but complement each other and allow Blue Owl to provide a holistic solutions around direct lending and GP capital. | \$12,500 | +19% | 350% 300% | MALL MUL | | |
| 6/24/21 | P / W / P / perella weinberg / partners | The company plans on using the funds to expand their client base globally and broaden their advisory services. | \$975 | (24%) | 250% 200% | | | |
| 11/17/20 | CCM GROSVENOR | Chicago-based alternative asset management firm with over \$59 billion in AUM merged with a SPAC to go public. | \$2,000 | (26%) | 150% | | | |
| 6/11/20 | OpenLending Say YES to more automotive lears: | Open Lending is a leading provider of lending enablement and risk analytics solutions to financial institutions. | \$1,700 | (40%) | 50% | Winner Winner Winner | a home in a | +19% Blue Owl |
| 3/22/22 | Forge | Proceeds from the transaction will help Forge continue to build its platform and expand investor base to serve the rapidly growing crowdfunding market supported by recent regulatory changes in Regulation CF and Regulation A by the SEC. | \$2,000 | (70%) | (50%) | J have been been been been been been been be | Martin Com | (24%) PWP (25%) Index (26%) GCM (40%) OpenLending (75%) Forge |
| 11/11/20 | | The Singapore-based company serves commodity traders and offers a blockchain-enabled end-to-end global trade and trade finance platform. The company was de-listed from the NASDAQ in March 2022. | a \$956 | (99%) | (100%) | Jun-20 Aug-20 Oct-20 Dec-20 Jun-21 Apr-21 Dec-21 Feb-22 Jun-22 | Aug-22 Oct-22 Dec-22 Apr-23 Apr-23 Aug-23 Oct-23 | |



(2) Excludes Triterras, which was de-listed from the NASDAQ in March 2022.

Source(s): Capital IQ, Pitchbook, Press Releases

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Capital Intensive

Advisory Service Providers

How Evolve Segments Our Capital Markets Industry Coverage

Segmenting the Industry into Key Areas of Interest

Evolve Nomenclature Region Industry Sub-Sector (or Sub-Industry) City Neighborhood Product Type **Zip Code** Product

How to Navigate Our Market Map

- · Each of the three sub-sectors (i.e., cities) is color coded and all underneath neighborhoods and zip codes are colored accordingly
- Each city has a detailed market map with summary market. overview, followed by a detailed research into trends and capital markets activity.
- In-depth research on neighborhoods and zip codes of interest is displayed in the next chapter.

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Introducing the Capital Markets Space

Capital Markets From Our Lenses

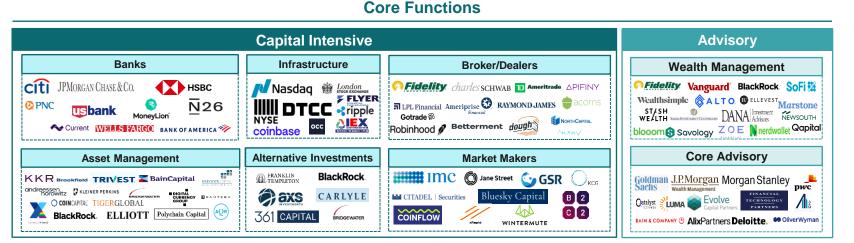
- The capital markets industry spans the entire ecosystem of supply and demand of capital, including investments, trading, and banking.
- Every aspect of the capital markets has shifted dramatically with the advent of disruptive technology and sweeping regulatory change.

Digitization:

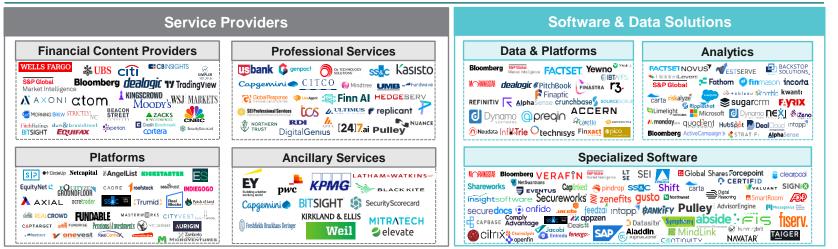
- In recent years, financial institutions have experienced significant transformation in back office operations, primarily driven by digitization. Automation of routine and repetitive tasks has become a priority for players in the space.
- Another notable trend is the adoption of cloud computing, which firms are increasingly leveraging to improve scalability and integration, as well as enhance risk management and fraud detection systems.

Regulatory Change:

- Firms have increased interest towards regulatory technology, which improves compliance efficiency and effectiveness via software
- Regulators are also increasingly adopting a datadriven approach to oversight to combat money laundering and financing of terrorism worldwide



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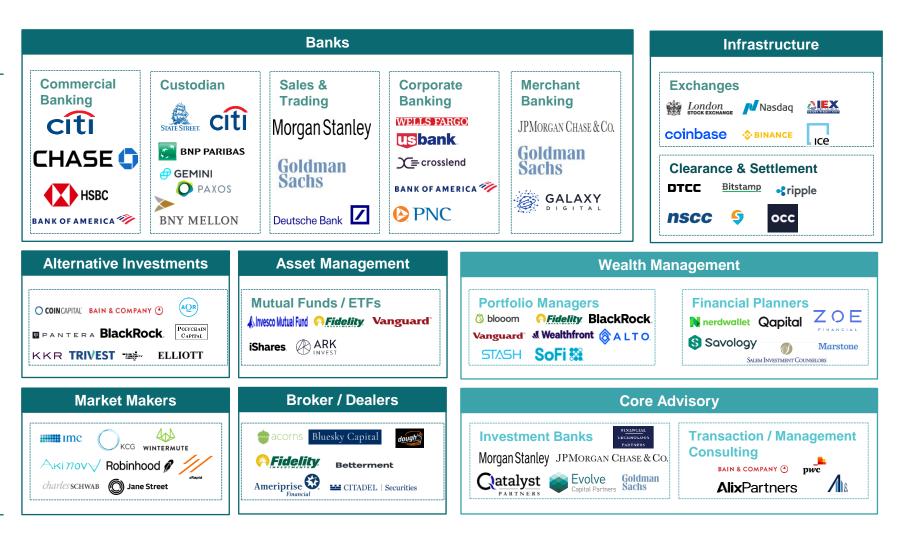




Capital Intensive & Advisory Landscapes

The Capital Markets Industry: Core Functions Face Headwinds

- The capital markets sector is facing several headwinds, which has accelerated the industry's transformation and digitization
- The current macroeconomic environment presents several challenges, including rising interest rates and inflationary pressures, which have increased the cost of debt and reduced investment and trading activity
- Geopolitical tensions and trade disruptions have injected volatility and uncertainty into international markets
- The accelerated pace of regulatory changes and regulators' adoption of technology has pushed institutions to improve internal controls through technology
- Digital transformation brings both opportunities and challenges, especially as disruptive fintechs enable rapid change
- The increasing sophistication of cyber threats introduce a dual challenge: institutions must protect sensitive data and maintain the trust of clients, while maintaining compliance with evolving regulatory requirements





Capital Intensive & Advisory Markets Overview

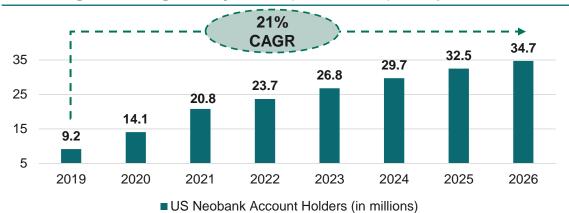
Background

- The core of the capital markets industry has experienced significant change with increasing regulatory scrutiny and break-through technological innovation.
 - US regulators have proposed a July 2025 compliance date for new Basel III Endgame ("B3E") regulatory capital requirements, in the most significant update to the financial regulatory regime since Dodd-Frank Act of 2010
- Banks and broker-dealers have similarly shifted focus, with mobile banking and low-cost investing becoming a major focus for the new wave of consumers.
- Since the 2008 financial crisis, banks and other institutions have undergone sweeping consolidation as legacy business models struggled to adapt to a new landscape.
 - The new pressure resulted in specialization by product or end-user among banks, asset managers, and wealth managers alike.

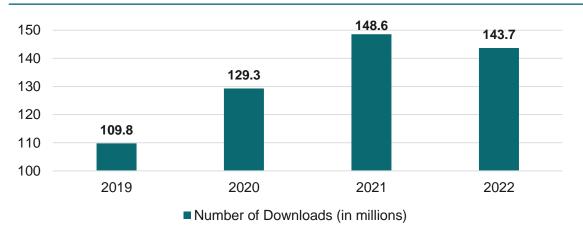
Capital Intensive Trends

| Trends | Explanation | Opportunities |
|---|---|--|
| Investments in Digital Banking Technology | Rising interest in remote interactions drive advancements in digital banking technology. | Major financial institutions can continue to build out technology supporting this new ecosystem. |
| High Interest Rates Environment | Elevated interest rates in the US are expected to remain as the Fed continues to battle inflation | Banks can access significant levels of capital through deposits after years of low interest rates. Market volatility may also lead to increased deposits. |
| Democratizing Access | Deeper demand from consumers to gain access to their finances, from investment options to banking resources. | Banking platforms can offer mobile apps and investment platforms can provide products previously unavailable to most individuals. |

The Emergence of Digital-only Banks ("Neobanks") in Capital Markets



Mobile Banking App Downloads in the United States





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Capital Intensive & Advisory Markets Overview

Key Recent M&A Transactions

(USD, in millions)

| Announce Date | Target | Buyer | Transaction Size | Target Revenue | Target NI | Target MV/ Revenue | P/E |
|------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 9/12/2023 | 7İM | ONTARIO TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN | \$525 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 7/25/2023 | AMERICAN A NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. | Atlantic Union Bankshares | \$417 | \$107 | \$34 | 3.9x | 12.4x |
| 7/25/2023 | PacWest Bancorp | BANC OF CALIFORNIA | \$1,100 | \$1,033 | Neg. | 1.1x | NMF |
| 7/10/2023 | 7 ADVISORS | Houlihan Lokey | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/18/2023 | | THE BAUPOST GROUP | \$91 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/8/2023 | Kreos Capital | BlackRock | \$400 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 5/22/2023 | Greenhill | MIZHO | \$385 | \$244 | Neg. | 1.6x | NMF |
| 5/18/2023 | ANGELO GORDON | TPG | \$2,700 | NA | NA | NA | 22.1x |
| 5/1/2023 | FIRST Ripublic BANK | J.P.Morgan | | Not | Applic | able | |
| 3/19/2023 | Credit Suisse | 🗱 UBS | \$3,234 | \$15,726 | Neg. | 0.2x | NMF |
| 8/2/2022 | COWEN | TD Securities | \$1,300 | \$1,428 | \$145 | 0.9x | 9.0x |

Driver of M&A / Observations

- Transaction volume among larger investment banks grew significantly as a result of banking crises during the early part of 2023.
- Asset managers continue to consolidate in a push towards fixed income investing one of the biggest transactions included TPG's \$2.7 billion acquisition of Angelo Gordon, growing its credit investment arm.
- Asset and wealth managers were very active in the M&A space; many large firms have been acquiring smaller wealth managers in different regions of the country.

Top Acquirors In The Asset / Wealth Management Sector

| Acquiror | Acquisitions Sept. '21 to Aug '23 | Recent Acquisitions |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| MERCER ADVISORS | 28 | E M P Y R I O N WEALTH HANAGEMENT |
| Wealth Enhancement Group® | 25 | Asset Management Inc. BTR CAPTIAL MANAGEMENT INC. |
| BEACON 🧐 POINTE | 16 | CENTURY TELARRAY WIPFLI |



Service Providers Landscape

Service Providers in the Capital Markets : Outsourcing to optimize efficiency

- Service providers to the capital markets sector are contending with a rapidly evolving business environment
 - Providers are investing in advanced technologies to meet growing demands of digital transformation: real-time data, predictive analytics, and risk management
 - Cybersecurity and data privacy are increasing in importance to both regulators and consumers
 - Sustainability and ESG factors continue to be influential, and institutions are leaning on service providers to integrate ESG considerations into operational models and improve reporting, investing analytics, and carbon neutral strategies
 - There is heightened focus on operational resilience – in the wake of disruptive global events, including the COVID-19 pandemic and the wars in Ukraine and the Middle East, service providers are under pressure to ensure they and their clients have robust contingency plans and are resilient to rapidly changing global enviroments







Service Providers Market Overview

Background

- As capital markets evolve in response to changes in the macroeconomic and regulatory environments, service providers play critical roles by offering expert advice in technology and operations to drive modernization and optimization of capital markets functions.
- The continued pace of digitization introduces multiple opportunities for service providers: legacy financial services adapting to a digital world, new startups competing at scale, and growing complexity of regulations in response to emerging cybersecurity risk are all potential entry points for service providers to serve the financial services industry.

Service Providers Trends

| Trends | Current Situation | Opportunities |
|--|--|--|
| Digital Transformation Exerting Competitive Pressure | Traditional capital markets are being threatened by competition from the explosion of the fintech industry. Uncertainty in the economy is also driving firms to optimize costs. | BPO firms can aid established financial service providers to innovate and compete while maintaining low costs. For disruptors, BPOs enable competition at scale while minimizing costs. |
| Increasing Complexity of Regulations | Financial regulators are turning their attention to potential risks introduced by the reliance of financial institutions on cloud service providers. | Providers armed with greater understanding of regulations can better develop products compliant with emerging regulatory requirements |
| Asset Class and Access Expansion | Shift of wealth to younger investors, historically positive macroeconomic trends, and accessibility of investing platforms are driving greater interest in different asset classes | Opportunities such as alternative asset classes and wealth management which were historically provided only to a subset of investors now have a broader market to tap into |

Capital Markets Service Providers Map: May 2023





Service Providers Market Overview

Key Recent M&A Transactions

(USD, in millions)

| Announce Date | Target | Buyer | Transaction Size | Target Revenue | Target EBITDA | | Target EV / EBITDA |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|------|-----------------------|
| 9/11/23 | E MINDEXES | VettaFi | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/26/23 | | IBM | \$4,600 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/13/23 | F2 STRATEGY | RENOVUS CAPITAL | \$4,600 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 1/12/23 | CFRA | ENDICOTT GROUP | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 10/27/22 | Ness Digital Engineering | KKR | \$500 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 9/30/22 | | CORNELL C A P I T A L | \$340 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 5/19/22 | GCR | Moody's | \$515 | \$143 | \$41 | 3.6x | 12.6x |
| 2/22/22 | Verisk | TransUnion | \$515 | \$143 | \$41 | 3.6x | 12.6x |

Driver of M&A / Observations

- As big data continues to penetrate deeper in the financial services industry, consulting service providers have been acquiring data consulting companies to diversify their product offerings and stay relevant.
- Rapidly evolving regulatory landscape leads to strong interest in risk and compliance consulting companies as acquisition targets – a representative example is Nasdaq's acquisition of Adenza (announced June 2023)
- SS&C's acquisition of Tier1 Financial Solutions is an example of the increased investments in the customer relationship management space.

Top Service Providers Acquirors

| Acquiror | Acquisitions Sept '21 – Aug '23 | Recent Acquisitions | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Moody's | 9 | BOGARD PassFort DUANTCUBE ECHNOLOGY | | |
| McKinsey & Company | 9 | Caserta Soiguazio inceptech | | |
| SS <mark>&</mark> C | 7 | blueprism Condet Financia Opt. Inc. | | |



Software & Data Solutions Landscape

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Software and Data in the Capital Markets: Technological expertise through partnership

- Software and data firms serving the capital market vertical are at the nexus of a transformative wave, driven by the sector's increasing reliance on sophisticated analytics and automation.
- The industry's highly regulated nature and complex needs represent unique challenges and opportunities for software and technology service providers
- There is an accelerating shift towards implementing practical usage of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) to provide deeper insights towards market trends, risk management, and consumer behavior
 - Disruptive AI-based technologies are significantly enhancing workflows in algorithmic trading, asset management, and personalized financial services
- As various software and data providers in the capital markets space mature, interoperability has become increasingly important as firms look to streamline internal operations and mission-critical third-party vendors

| | Specialize | d Software | | Data & Platforms | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Security & Contingency fiserv. Secureworks Forcepoint SecurityScorecard | AML/KYC VERAFIN Digital Reasoning | Hedge Fund Technology Bloomberg Clearpcol Clearpcol | Cap Table Management Shareworks by Morgan Stanley Clobal Shares | Market Data Platform Bloomberg FACTSET. MORNNESTAR Sourcescrub PitchBook. | Alternative Data Platform | Core Banking Software Dechnisys FINASTRA FINASTRA FINASTRA MAMBU |
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| Workflow & Collaboration | Virtual Data Room CILTIX SSEC E iDeals # NAVATAR | Human Capital Management SAP ≷ zenefits GUSLO | Other | Contract Risk Analytics Image: Contract Image: Contre | Data Analytics the second sec | KWaliti |



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Software & Data Solutions Market Overview

Background

- Software and data solutions elevate the entire capital markets value chain, from customer service to data analytics, ultimately improving the end-customer experience and profitability.
- Firms across the space are increasingly adopting software for process enhancements, evolving into tech-enabled banking, research, or risk management.
- Larger, legacy players are utilizing both organic, internal R&D and acquisitions to add disruptive new technologies to their suite of services.

Software Solutions Trends

| Trends | Explanation | Opportunities |
|---|--|--|
| Artificial Intelligence: Backend Processes | Advancements in artificial intelligence allow for more advanced algorithms capable of providing useful insights based on broader, fragmented data sources. | Technology such as NLP and machine learning provide opportunity for firms with disruptive solutions, such AlphaSense, to emerge, innovating the market intelligence space. |
| Artificial Intelligence: Customer-Facing Processes | Recent breakthroughs in machine learning and large language models allow AI to assume many customer- facing responsibilities | Banks and other capital markets companies are implementing Al- driven chatbots and other customer service tools to streamline the customer experience and improve efficiency |
| Open Banking & Data Transparency | Customers increasingly demand higher transparency in data privacy and usage by service providers, as well as the ability to seamlessly share data with third parties | Disruptive data integration companies such as Plaid have significantly streamlined data sharing between financial institutions, allowing customers to spend less time on administrative processes |

Primary Use Cases of Software And Data In Capital Markets





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Software & Data Solutions Market Overview

Key Recent M&A Transactions

(USD, in millions)

| Announce Date | Target | Buyer | Transaction Size | Target Revenue | | Target EV / Revenue | Target EV / EBITDA |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 6/12/23 | لا Adenza | Nasdaq | \$10,500 | NA | \$340 | NA | 30.9x |
| 4/23/23 | SimCorp | DEUTSCHE BÖRSE GROUP | \$4,310 | \$633 | \$173 | 6.8x | 24.9x |
| 5/16/22 | ColdenSource | GEMSPRING | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 4/27/22 | | South Street SECURITIES | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 3/29/22 | nextcapital | Goldman Asset Sachs Management | \$110 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 3/1/22 | AdvantageData | | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 2/22/22 | 🗲 Verisk | TransUnion. | \$515 | \$143 | \$41 | 3.6x | 12.6x |
| 12/27/21 | | FACTSET | \$1,925 | \$175 | NA | 11.0x | NA |
| 11/15/21 | 🌖 MainBloq | FERNHILL | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Driver of M&A / Observations

- M&A activity in the Software & Data Solutions vertical remained strong during the period from the latter parts of 2021 until the 2nd half of 2023.
- Data has been identified as a key differentiating factor to develop an advantage over the competition. This can come in the form of better data on customer preferences or as unique data that can be sold.
- Introduction of new technology to capital markets processes has also opened up the industry to additional risks, leading to the growing demand in risk assessment and analytics solutions as acquisition targets.
 - Nasdaq's \$10.5 billion acquisition of Adenza in June 2023 has been one of the largest transactions in the last 12 months.

Top Acquirors In The Software & Data Solutions Sector





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In-Depth Sector Research



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Banks – Market Overview

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Banking Market Activity

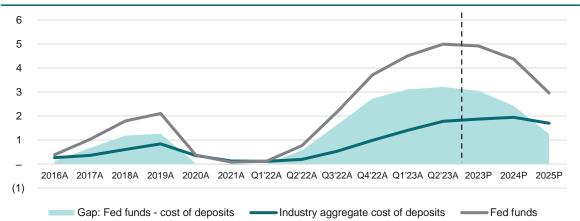
- Net interest margins (NIM) decreased in 1H:23 following a sharp rise during 2022, when the Federal Reserve hiked interest rates 11 times to combat ongoing inflation
 - Deposit outflows accelerated in 2022 as banks competed against other depositories and high-yielding alternatives in the Treasury and money markets, leading to deposit costs rising to 1.8% in 2Q:23, an increase of 0.4% from the first quarter
 - The spread between deposit costs and federal funds rate historically wide in 2022 began to narrow in 2023, slowing deposit outflows
- Investment banking fees continued to skid in through 2023, with transaction fees (total \$78B) in the first 3 quarters of 2023 falling 12% YoY
- Bank liquidity remains an ongoing area of focus for the investment and regulatory community in the wake of several high-profile bank failures in Spring 2023

Market Trends

| Increased Revenue from High Interest Rates | The new era of high interest rates initially increased bank interest income and margins, but growing deposit outflows have increased deposit funding costs and compressed margins. |
|---|--|
| Decreasing Asset and Wealth Management Fees | Asset management and wealth management fees have been diminished, as increased regulation, lower-cost competition, and new entrants are disrupting value chains. |
| Lower Investment Banking Revenues | Investment banking fees in the first 3 quarters of 2023 fell 12% YoY as M&A activity contracted due to volatile markets and unfavorable valuations for sellers |
| Increasing Popularity of Neobanks | Digital-only banks, also known as neobanks, offer banking services in modern mobile apps, gaining market share from incumbents that are slower to adapt. |
| Increasing Retail Trading Volume | Retail trading hit an all-time high in 2023 amid a strong start to 2023 for equities, surpassing 2021's high-profile, meme-driven surge in day trading. |

Deposit Costs - Fed Funds Rate Spread (%)

Professional Services



Global Investment Banking Fees (\$B)



Banks Infrastructure Asset Management Alternative Investment Platforms Data & Analytics Platforms Banks Transaction Activity

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Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Banks

Overview

M&A Activity overview

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- **M&A activity fell in 2022 and 2023 across banks in the US**, with 41 announced transactions in 1H:2023, compared to 164 in 2022 and 204 in 2021
 - Spring to summer 2023 saw several significant transactions from the fallout of the banking crisis (SVB / Baupost, First Republic / JPM, Credit Suisse / UBS)

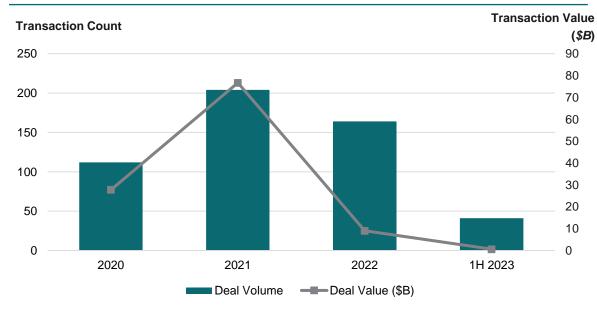
Market Map

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 Transaction multiples have normalized from all-time highs in 2021; the median transaction value-to-tangible common equity ratio of the 20 most recent US bank deals⁽¹⁾ was 119.2%, compared to 152.2% in 2021

US Bank M&A Activity



Recent M&A transactions

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(USD, in millions)

| Announce Date | Target | Acquiror | τv | TV / Tangible Common Equity (%) | TV / Deposits (%) |
|------------------|--|------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 7/25/2023 | AMERICAN A NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. | Atlantic Union Bankshares | \$417 | 173.52% | 15.72% |
| 7/25/2023 | | PacWest Bancorp | \$1,100 | 54.78% | 3.94% |
| 7/10/2023 | Z MILE ADVISORS | Houlihan Lokey | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/18/2023 | SVD Securities | THE BAUPOST GROUP | \$91 | NA | NA |
| 5/22/2023 | Greenhill | MIZUHO | \$385 | (259.55%) | NA |
| 5/1/2023 | First Republic Bank | J.P.Morgan | | Not Applicable | |
| 3/19/2023 | | UBS | \$3,234 | 7.09% | NA |
| 2/15/2023 | | FREEDOM HOLDING CORP. | \$400 | NA | NA |



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Infrastructure – Market Overview

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Infrastructure

Infrastructure Market Activity

- Infrastructure is a highly consolidated space with 67% of the industry's \$49 billion revenues in 2022 attributed to the top five exchange operators – CME, Intercontinental Exchange ("ICE"), London Stock Exchange Group, Deutsche Börse and Nasdaq
- Exchanges are investing in data and analytics via internal developments and acquisitions; Deutsche Börse's acquisition of SIMCorp and Intercontinental Exchange's acquisition of Black Knight are two examples of the large-scale investments into data and analytics.
- To support the growing investments into data and analytics, several large exchanges have migrated data platforms and technology infrastructure to the cloud. Notable examples include the strategic partnerships between CME and Google in November 2021 and London Stock Exchange Group and Microsoft in December 2022
 - In addition to the scale and resilience provided by cloud infrastructure, exchange operators also gain capabilities to develop innovative products for risk management and advanced data analytics

Market Trends

| Alternative | New platforms are being developed to cater to growing investor demand |
|----------------------------|--|
| exchanges | in alternative investments such as private assets and secondaries |
| Demand for | As investor and regulatory place greater focus on sustainability, |
| Sustainability | infrastructure startups have started offering solutions for managing and |
| Solutions | analyzing sustainable investments |
| Technological optimization | Financial market infrastructure companies are exploring technologies to optimize settlement cycles and reduce risks and costs to better protect investors and maintain regulatory compliance |

Infrastructure - Market Statistics



Select disruptive infrastructure platforms

| Xpansiv | IMPERATIVE EXECUTION | iex | CLEAR STREET |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Exchange platform | Trading platform | Exchange platform | Tech-first prime |
| for environmental | designed to offer | that aims to execute | brokerage enabling |
| commodities; backed | stock trading | at most recent price | clients to improve |
| by Blackstone, GS, | services with the help | to protect investors | speed, access, and |
| BofA | of Machine Learning | from price instability | service |



Infrastructure – Transaction Activity

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Infrastructure

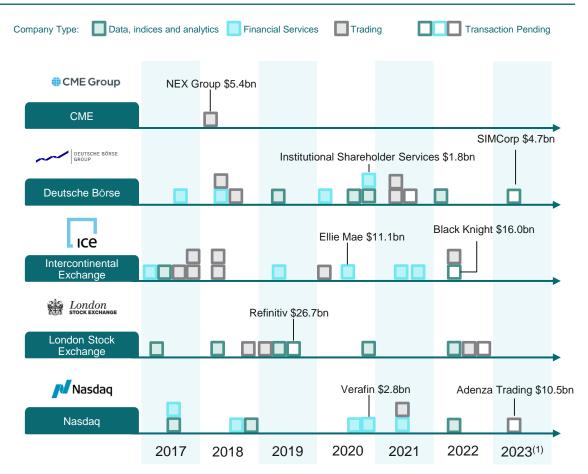
M&A Activity Overview

 M&A activity in the infrastructure space was resilient in 2022 before slowing in the first half of 2023. However, deals still show that capital markets infrastructure companies continue their push for digitization and search for capabilities in the data analytics space.

Notable Recent Transactions

- On June 12, 2023, Nasdaq announced its \$10.5 billion acquisition of Adenza Trading. The acquisition of Adenza will enhance Nasdaq's offerings in regulatory technology, compliance, and risk management solutions.
- On April 27, 2023, Deutsche Börse announced its \$4.7 billion acquisition of SIMCorp. Deutsche Börse intends to merge SIMCorp with its data analytics and ESG data provider subsidiaries to build a full-scope Investment Management Solutions segment.
- Deutsche Börse completed its acquisition of Kneip Communication on March 31, 2022. Kneip is a leader in fund data management and reporting solutions for the asset management industry. The transaction was valued at approximately €190 million.
 - The transaction expands Deutsche Börse's push into the data management space. Kneip's integration brings additional data and post-trade services to the exchange's Clearstream business.
- On May 4, 2022, Intercontinental Exchange announced its acquisition of Black Knight, a software, data, and analytics serving the real estate market. The transaction is valued at an enterprise value of \$16 billion with a fully synergized EBITDA multiple of approximately 15x.
 - The acquisition will provide ICE end-to-end capabilities throughout the life of mortgages; unique data and analytics across loan origination and servicing workflows; and a market expansion opportunity for its loan servicing solutions.

M&A Transactions Undertaken By Five Large Exchanges





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Asset Management – Market Overview

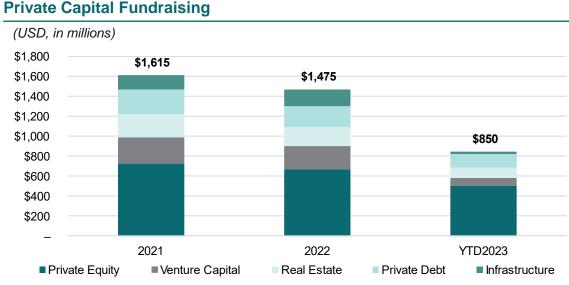
Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Asset Management

Asset Management Market Activity

- Investors continue to allocate capital to private investments, with assets under management by private equity funds projected to grow from \$5.9 trillion in 2022 to \$9 trillion by 2025
 - US private capital fundraising continued to stumble through volatility and rising cost of borrowing, with YTD October 2023 fundraising levels (\$850B) tracking well behind 2022
 - Venture capital fundraising is on track to fall to less than half of 2022's collections
- Managers will continue increasing their ESG AUM, as 80% of millennial investors value ESG as a top investment priority
 - ESG-focused AUM exceeded \$100 billion in 2022 for the first time
 - The continued growth in ESG AUM will be critical in supporting the transition to a lowcarbon economy
- Hedge funds and other alternative asset managers are making investments supporting digital finance infrastructure – research suggests that institutional investors are confident in the longterm value of blockchain and digital assets despite recent volatility

Market Trends

| Private Capital Consolidation | Many firms in the private capital industry are moving towards increased consolidation; Brookfield Asset Management increased its stake in Oaktree Capital Management in 2Q:23 |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Compliance | Asset managers are focusing on changes to interest rates and SEC regulation following the collapse of multiple banks in early 2023 |
| Increased Private Market Access | The investment landscape is moving towards increasing access to private capital markets for retail and accredited non-institutional investors, driven by increasing public interest in investing |
| Responsible Investing | Asset managers continue to focus on responsible investing as investors are becoming increasingly interested in ESG issues |



Select Asset Managers Disrupting The Market

| M wealthfront | blooom | 💲 Savology | Wealthsimple |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Robo-advisor for | Leverages fintech to | Financial planning | Developer of |
| automated financial | offer investment | platform designed for | financial platform that |
| planning and | strategies, risk | working | offers simple |
| investment | allocation, fund | professionals to meet | investing services at |
| management | strategies | post-retirement goals | affordable fees |



Asset Management – Transaction Activity

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Asset Management

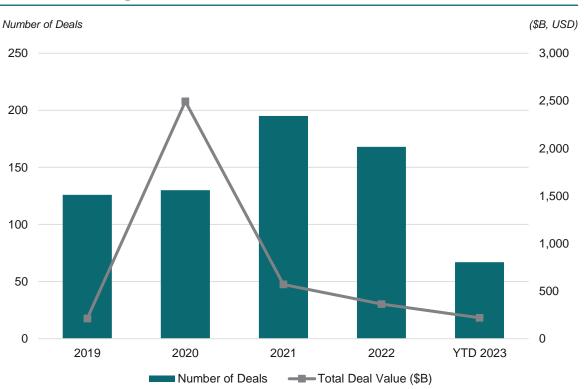
Capital Markets Overview

- The macroeconomic environment continued depress transaction market activity in 2023
 - From January to July 2023, 67 deals were announced covering a total target AUM of \$220 billion and total deal value of \$1.3 billion, compared to 83 deals in the same period in 2022
- In addition to achieving greater scale, the managers are looking to diversify their offering to clients and asset diversity through acquisitions of niche asset managers
 - In May 2023, TPG, a diversified, multi-national private equity group acquired Angelo Gordon, a credit and real estate-focused investment manager
 - In April 2022, Carlyle, a diversified, multi-national private equity group acquired Abingworth, a specialized investor in the life sciences sector with \$2 billion in AUM

Select U.S. Asset Management Transactions

| Announce Date | Target | Acquiror | Transaction Value (\$M) | EV / Revenue | EV / EBITDA |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 6/8/2023 | Kreos Capital | BlackRock | \$400 | NA | NA |
| 5/18/2023 | ANGELO GORDON | TPG | \$2,700 | NA | NA |
| 4/11/2022 | | CARLYLE | NA | NA | NA |
| 11/1/2021 | LexingtonPartners | FRANKLIN TEMPLETON | \$1,000 | NA | NA |

U.S. Asset Management Transaction Trends



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Public Company Comparables

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Transaction volume in 2023 remains depressed due to macroeconomic conditions



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Alternative Investment Platforms – Market Overview

Public Company Comparables See Appendix

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Alternative Investment Platforms

Alternative Investment Platforms Market Activity

- Sustained outperformance of alternative investments over public equities and the potential for diversification they offer have led to growing interest in alternative assets. At the same time, private equity managers see non-institutional investors as a growth engine for their funds.
- Platforms are being launched to give non-institutional investors access to alternative asset classes. Startups are also offering educational products to bridge the knowledge gap between retail and institutional investors.
- Regulators have expressed support for facilitating access to alternative investments. The U.S. government has given guidance that 401(k) plans can invest in private equity, and the European Parliament has voted to relax rules on restricting access to alternative asset classes.

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Technology-based solutions are also being developed to broaden access to capital. ProducePay, for example, operates an online marketplace providing produce farmers with working capital to complete their harvest.

Market Statistics

- \$850B was raised for private capital mangers in the first 3 guarters of 2023, trending well behind 2022; private equity took the lion's share, with \$505B of the total amount
- Private equity's share of private capital fundraising in early 2023 increased to a 10-year record as capital inflows into venture capital and real assets contracted due to elevated interest rates and inflation; secondaries and private debt also saw material boosts in fundraising
- Non-institutional investors' allocation to alternative investments is at 6%, far below the 26% allocated by institutional investors
- Based on indices from Cambridge Associates, the 10-year IRR in the public markets¹ as of June 2022 was 10.5%, trailing private equity's 16.6%

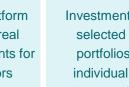


Private Capital Assets Under Management

Select Alternative Investment Platforms

Investment platform for fractional real estate investments for retail investors

Arrived



Venture capital Investments in AI investment platform selected wine portfolios and for retail investors individual wine collections for retail investors

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vest

Evolve Capital Partners

(1) Public market equivalent reflects the internal rate of return of the MSCI World Index taking into account gross total return with dividends reinvested Source(s): McKinsey, Pitchbook, CBInsights, Fidelity, Cambridge Associates

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Alternative Investment Platforms – Transaction Activity

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Alternative Investment Platforms

Capital Markets Overview

- A continuing theme in the space in 2023 is the displacement of core legacy technologies by disruptive solutions. Clear Street, a cloud-native prime brokerage platform that seeks to improve market access by replacing legacy capital markets infrastructure, raised \$270 million in February 2023 in a Series B round that valued the company at \$2 billion.
 - Investors mindsets have shifted from looking to deploy capital as fast as possible to backing high-growth companies with secular tailwinds and path to profitability.
- 2022 saw record high levels of transaction value compared to previous years except 2021, when a confluence of favorable factors led to a great increase in activity. Venture-backed exit values increased by 36% to \$902 million, largely through acquisitions such as Coinbase's acquisition of FairX, a futures exchange.
 - In June 2022, LTSE raised over \$100 million in funding. As an operator of a stock exchange focused on long-term innovation, LTSE capitalized on investors' growing interest in non-traditional factors such as ESG.

Select Financial Investors



Recent financing transactions

| USD, in millions) | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|---|------------------|
| Announce Date | Target | Key Investor(s) | Amount Raised |
| 7/26/2023 | Exponential Exchange ≡ | | \$7 |
| 2/20/2023 | LIQUIDITY. | MUFG | \$40 |
| 4/11/2023 | Clear Street | PRYSM C A P I T A L | \$270 |
| 10/28/2022 | Teamshares [¬] | ⁷ PROOF | \$130 |
| 7/1/2022 | Allocate | M13 | \$21 |
| 2/11/2022 | VELVET | yolo | \$200 |
| 1/12/2022 | CROWDO | | \$6 |
| 11/8/2021 | Qupital | 大連区共同家面投资有限公司 Greater Bay Areas Monosiland Investments Limited | \$150 |



Professional Services – Market Overview

Supporting Functions > Service Providers > Professional Services

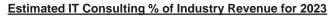
Professional Services Market Activity

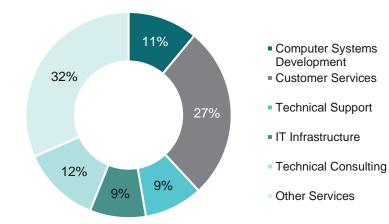
- The IT services and consulting services industry is estimated to generate over \$650 billion in annual revenue, and primarily supports clients with improving business efficiencies.
 - Revenues for the industry in the U.S. are expected to grow at 2.2% annually until 2028
 - Financial service companies comprise the second largest market segment for IT consulting services, contributing an estimated 21% of industry revenue.
- 2023 started off with a flurry of 3 transactions in the fund administration services in January, indicating positive momentum in the sector. The industry saw 15 transactions in 2022, down from 22 in 2021 due to a challenging macroeconomic and regulatory environment.
 - The expected growth in alternative assets and overall rise in global wealth (number of millionaires is expected to reach 87% by 2026, up 40% from 2021) will continue to be tailwinds for the industry, along with the growing needs of clients in the areas of compliance and digitization.

Market Trends

| Implementation of open banking | A move to open banking standards may require banks to seek the help of outside experts to modernize infrastructure for communication with other financial institutions or third-parties |
|--|--|
| Increased regulatory reporting | Greater attention placed by regulators on sustainability and anti-money laundering reporting requirements will require fund administrators to expand their services in these areas to serve the needs of their clients |
| Growing interest in alternative assets | As private equity expands their capital base to include retail investors, fund managers will increasingly require the services of fund administrators to streamline administrative processes |

Products and Services Segmentation – U.S





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Select Companies Disrupting the Market

| | Allocations | NYMBUS° | F parloa | 4 |
|---|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| | Funding platform | Developer of a core | Developer of | Agio Digital is a |
| | designed for | banking platform | conversational AI | developer of a digital |
| i | investors to raise and | enabling traditional | platform for | asset platform |
| | deploy capital quickly | banks to digitize | automating customer | offering web3 fund |
| | | operations | contact centers | administration |
| | | | | solutions |



Appendix Alternative Investment Platforms

Professional Services Data & Analytics Platforms

Professional Services – Transaction Activity

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Supporting Functions > Service Providers > Professional Services

Infrastructure

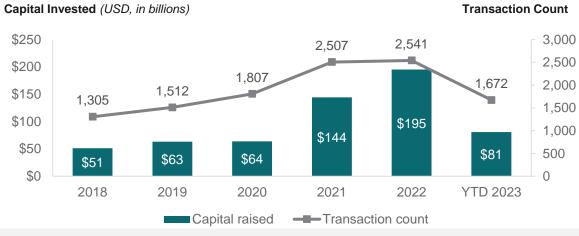
Capital Markets Overview

Executive Summarv

Banks

- 2023 saw significant M&A activity in the professional services sector across strategic and investor acquirors
- Strategic investors looked to augment core capabilities with acquisitions to fuel growth in _ new business lines and geographies (Moodys acquired GCR Ratings, an African credit rating agency in 2022)
- In the aftermath of the global pandemic and current macroeconomic environment of historic _ inflation, elevated rates, and market volatility, investors have gravitated towards countercyclical, mission-critical B2B industries
- As of October YTD 2023, \$81 billion in capital was deployed across 1,672 transactions in _ the IT Services and Consulting industry, significantly outpacing pre-COVID levels
- M&A activity in the IT services and consulting space rose sharply in the past three years, as large incumbents like Accenture, Dell, and IBM purchased smaller tech-enabled players

US IT Services and Consulting Industry Transaction Activity



Key M&A Transactions

(USD, in millions)

| Announce Date | Target | Buyer | Transaction Size | Target Revenue | | Target EV / Revenue | Target EV / EBITDA |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 9/11/2023 | E MINDEXES | VettaFi | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/26/2023 | | IBM | \$4,600 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 6/13/2023 | F2 STRATEGY | RENOVUS | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 1/12/2023 | CFRA | ENDICOTT GROUP | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 10/27/2022 | Ness Digital Engineering | KKR | \$500 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 9/30/2022 | | CORNELL C A P I T A L | \$340 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 5/19/2022 | GCR RATINGS | Moody's | \$515 | \$143 | \$41 | 3.6x | 12.6x |
| 2/22/2022 | Verisk | TransUnion. | \$515 | \$143 | \$41 | 3.6x | 12.6x |



Public Company Comparables See Appendix

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Data and Analytics Platforms – Market Overview

Supporting Functions > Software & Data Solutions > Data and Analytics Platforms

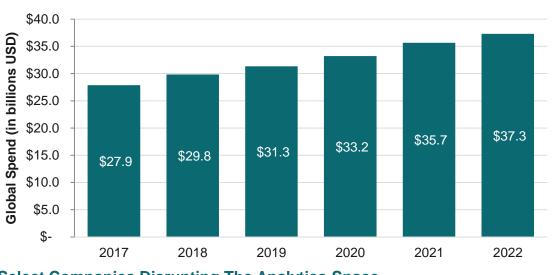
Market Overview

- The global market data / analysis industry generated of \$37 billion of revenue in 2022, and is projected to grow at 5% or greater in 2023
 - 2022 growth was primarily driven by the Americas (+8.3% YoY), compared to +1.8% in Asia and +1.0% in EMEA
- Real-time trading and data spending accounts for a plurality of the market, alongside strong demand for pricing, reference, and valuation data
- With data being generated from various sources, the capital markets industry requires solutions for aggregating, structuring, and gaining clarity from the data's contents.
- Integration of data feeds incorporating traditional and alternative data sets with an investor's systems can help build investing strategies.

Market Trends

| "Datafication" | Digitization of transaction processes will allow for collection of more data that can be used to inform investment decisions |
|---------------------------|--|
| Passive investing | Passing investing strategies, which are growing in preference, rely on indices that are fueled by data products. Further demand in passive investing will accelerate the need for data and analytics solutions |
| Rise of retail trading | Data products enable efficient workflow leading to low-cost trading even for transactions with high volume |
| Alternative data | Demand for alternative data, including on ESG, is driving the growth of news and pricing, reference, and valuation data products |

Global Spend in Financial Markets Data



Select Companies Disrupting The Analytics Space

property portfolios

Alpha Sense

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Market intelligence search engine using AI to extract insights from large data sets

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Engine that helps measure, monitor, and manage carbon emissions from investments

Smart research tool leveraging alternative data to support investment decisions



Data and Analytics Platforms – Transaction Activity

Supporting Functions > Software & Data Solutions > Data and Analytics Platforms

Capital Markets Overview

- Large incumbents continue to acquire disruptive new entrants and technologies in order to remain relevant in an ever-changing capital markets industry landscape
 - Exchange operators continued their pursuit of data and analytics capabilities through deals such as the ICE-BlackKnight and Deutsche Börse-SIMCorp acquisitions
 - JPMorgan Chase's acquired Aumni, a developer of software that tracks and analyzes legal and economic terms of private market transactions
 - BlackRock, the world's largest asset manager, announced in 2022 continuing development of its Aladdin platform through a partnership with Clarity Al

Select Transaction: Deutsche Boerse Acquires SimCorp



- In April 2023, German stock exchange operator Deutsche Boerse announced a \$4.3B takeover offer for Denmark's SimCorp, a provider of software solutions to asset managers and an investment management platform
- SimCorp was one of the few remaining independent trading system providers, with prominent independent competitors including Enfusion, Flextrade, and Linedata
- SimCorp complements Deutsche Boerse's data analytics business, and the acquisition is part of an initiative to create a unified, multi-service platform for investment management alongside recent acquisitions of Axioma, Kneip, and ISS, all service providers within the investment management space

Key M&A Transactions

(USD, in millions)

| Announce Date | Target | Acquiror | Purchase Price | Target EV / Revenue | Target EV / EBITDA |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 6/12/2023 | Adenza | Nasdaq | \$10,500 | NA | 30.9x |
| 4/23/2023 | SimCorp | DEUTSCHE BÖRSE GROUP | \$4,310 | 6.8x | 24.9x |
| 5/16/2022 | ColdenSource | GEMSPRING | NA | NA | NA |
| 4/27/2022 | | South Street SECURITIES | NA | NA | NA |
| 3/29/2022 | nextcapital | Goldman Asset Sachs Management | \$110 | NA | NA |
| 3/1/2022 | Advantage Data | | NA | NA | NA |
| 2/22/2022 | 🕖 Verisk | TransUnion | \$515 | 3.6x | 12.6x |

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Appendix





Public Comparable Companies – Banks

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Banks

(All figures in millions of USD, except per share data. Data as of October 31, 2023)

| Company Information | | Market Data Operating Performance | | | | | | | | | | | ١ | aluation l | Multiples | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------|------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|
| | | | | | | | G | rowth Rate | 5: | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | % of 52- | Market | Total | L | ТМ | Reve | enue | Earnings | LTM Net | | MV / Rev. | | | P/E | | Price | |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Assets | Revenue | Net Income | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Income % | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | Book | ROE % |
| JPMorgan Chase & Co. | \$139.06 | 87.3% | \$404,120 | \$3,898,333 | \$142,431 | \$49,486 | 31% | (1%) | (2%) | 35% | 2.8x | 2.5x | 2.5x | 8.2x | 8.3x | 9.4x | 1.4x | 18% |
| Bank of America Corporation | \$26.34 | 68.2% | \$208,448 | \$3,153,090 | \$96,772 | \$28,932 | 9% | (0%) | (3%) | 30% | 2.2x | 2.1x | 2.1x | 7.2x | 7.6x | 8.1x | 0.8x | 12% |
| Wells Fargo & Company | \$39.77 | 81.4% | \$144,430 | \$1,909,261 | \$76,492 | \$17,204 | 14% | (2%) | (2%) | 22% | 1.9x | 1.8x | 1.8x | 8.4x | 7.6x | 8.3x | 0.9x | 11% |
| Citigroup Inc. | \$39.49 | 74.2% | \$76,046 | \$2,368,477 | \$72,548 | \$12,301 | 13% | (1%) | (11%) | 17% | 1.0x | 1.0x | 1.0x | 6.2x | 6.6x | 6.8x | 0.4x | 7% |
| U.S. Bancorp | \$31.88 | 63.8% | \$49,636 | \$668,039 | \$24,598 | \$5,138 | 27% | (1%) | (3%) | 21% | 2.0x | 1.8x | 1.8x | 9.7x | 7.9x | 7.9x | 1.1x | 12% |
| The PNC Financial Services Grc | \$114.47 | 67.2% | \$45,588 | \$557,334 | \$20,974 | \$5,787 | 4% | (0%) | (2%) | 28% | 2.2x | 2.1x | 2.1x | 7.9x | 8.1x | 9.1x | 1.1x | 14% |
| Truist Financial Corporation | \$28.36 | 53.2% | \$37,823 | \$542,707 | \$21,896 | \$5,325 | 6% | (2%) | (8%) | 24% | 1.7x | 1.6x | 1.6x | 7.1x | 7.4x | 8.1x | 0.7x | 10% |
| The Bank of New York Mellon C | \$42.50 | 81.3% | \$33,098 | \$405,248 | \$17,054 | \$3,401 | 7% | 1% | 3% | 20% | 1.9x | 1.9x | 1.9x | 9.7x | 8.6x | 8.8x | 0.9x | 10% |
| State Street Corporation | \$64.63 | 68.2% | \$19,944 | \$284,415 | \$12,021 | \$2,345 | (1%) | 1% | (4%) | 20% | 1.7x | 1.7x | 1.7x | 8.5x | 8.2x | 9.1x | 0.9x | 10% |
| Fifth Third Bancorp | \$23.71 | 62.3% | \$16,144 | \$212,967 | \$8,229 | \$2,417 | 12% | (1%) | (4%) | 29% | 2.0x | 1.8x | 1.9x | 6.7x | 6.7x | 7.4x | 1.1x | 17% |
| Huntington Bancshares Incorpor | \$9.65 | 61.3% | \$13,974 | \$186,650 | \$7,221 | \$2,219 | 7% | (0%) | 0% | 31% | 1.9x | 1.9x | 1.9x | 6.3x | 6.9x | 7.7x | 0.9x | 14% |
| MEAN | | | | | | | 12% | (1%) | (3%) | 25% | 1.9x | 1.8x | 1.8x | 7.8x | 7.6x | 8.2x | 0.9x | 12% |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | 9% | (1%) | (3%) | 24% | 1.9x | 1.8x | 1.9x | 7.9x | 7.6x | 8.1x | 0.9x | 12% |

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Enterprise Value = (Market Value) + (Debt + Preferred Stock + Minority Interest) - (Cash & Equivalents)

EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization

NMF = Not meaningful



Public Comparable Companies – Infrastructure

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Infrastructure

(All figures in millions of USD, except per share data. Data as of October 31, 2023)

| Company Information | | Market Data Operating Performance | | | | | | | | | | | Va | aluation Mu | ltiples | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|----------|--------|---------|-------|------------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | | | | | | | Gi | owth Rates: | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | % of 52- | Market | Enterprise | LT | м | Reve | nue: | Earnings | LTM Ma | argins: | E | V / Revenu | е | E | EV / EBITDA | 4 |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Value | Revenue | EBITDA | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Gross | EBITDA | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 |
| CME Group Inc. | \$213.46 | 96.3% | \$76,792 | \$78,281 | \$5,338 | \$3,585 | 10% | 4% | 10% | NA | 67% | 14.7x | 14.2x | 13.7x | 21.8x | 20.7x | 19.8x |
| Intercontinental Exchange, Inc. | \$107.44 | 90.4% | \$60,199 | \$83,020 | \$7,555 | \$4,696 | 10% | 13% | 6% | NA | 62% | 11.0x | 10.3x | 9.1x | 17.7x | 16.0x | 14.5x |
| Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing | \$35.15 | 71.9% | \$44,474 | \$15,019 | \$2,647 | \$1,857 | 13% | 7% | 2% | 96% | 70% | 5.7x | 5.7x | 5.3x | 8.1x | 7.7x | 7.0x |
| Deutsche Börse AG | \$163.97 | 83.3% | \$30,128 | \$39,634 | \$6,175 | \$2,786 | (6%) | 9% | 15% | 82% | 45% | 6.4x | 7.5x | 6.9x | 14.2x | 12.8x | 12.1x |
| Nasdaq, Inc. | \$49.60 | 71.7% | \$24,369 | \$29,091 | \$5,999 | \$2,027 | (40%) | 23% | 8% | 61% | 34% | 4.8x | 7.8x | 6.3x | 14.4x | 14.1x | 11.8x |
| Cboe Global Markets, Inc. | \$163.89 | 92.4% | \$17,293 | \$18,517 | \$3,810 | \$1,176 | (52%) | 6% | 8% | 49% | 31% | 4.9x | 9.7x | 9.1x | 15.7x | 15.2x | 14.6x |
| Japan Exchange Group, Inc. | \$19.57 | 92.8% | \$10,180 | \$9,850 | \$964 | \$639 | 7% | 5% | NA | 53% | 66% | 10.2x | 10.4x | 9.9x | 15.4x | 15.9x | 15.3x |
| Singapore Exchange Limited | \$6.91 | 94.9% | \$7,395 | \$7,145 | \$872 | \$454 | 8% | 6% | 5% | 87% | 52% | 8.2x | 7.9x | 7.5x | 15.8x | 13.8x | 13.1x |
| ASX Limited | \$35.52 | 76.7% | \$6,876 | \$5,694 | \$889 | \$484 | (2%) | (13%) | 1% | 78% | 55% | 6.4x | 7.3x | 8.4x | 11.8x | 13.5x | 13.4x |
| TMX Group Limited | \$20.79 | 93.4% | \$5,772 | \$6,451 | \$1,979 | \$1,593 | (36%) | 5% | 3% | 97% | 80% | 3.3x | 7.5x | 7.1x | 4.1x | 13.8x | 12.8x |
| MEAN | | | | | | | (9%) | 7% | 6% | 75% | 56% | 7.6x | 8.8x | 8.3x | 13.9x | 14.3x | 13.4x |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | 2% | 6% | 6% | 80% | 58% | 6.4x | 7.8x | 8.0x | 14.9x | 13.9x | 13.3x |

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Public Comparable Companies – Asset Management

Core Functions > Capital Intensive > Asset Management

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| Company Information | | | Market Data | L | | | Operati | ng Perform | ance | | | | | Valuation I | Multiples | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-----------|----------|------------|---------|------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|
| | | | | | | | G | rowth Rate | s: | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | % of 52- | Market | Total | Ľ | тм | Reve | enue | Earnings | LTM Net | | MV / Rev. | | | P/E | | Price | |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Assets | Revenue | Net Income | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Income % | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | Book | ROE % |
| BlackRock, Inc. | \$612.28 | 77.9% | \$91,168 | \$118,585 | \$17,565 | \$5,386 | (0%) | 7% | 1% | 31% | 5.2x | 5.1x | 4.8x | 16.9x | 16.4x | 16.2x | 2.4x | 14% |
| The Bank of New York Mellon Cc | \$42.50 | 81.3% | \$33,098 | \$405,248 | \$17,054 | \$3,401 | 7% | 1% | 3% | 20% | 1.9x | 1.9x | 1.9x | 9.7x | 8.6x | 8.8x | 0.9x | 10% |
| Ameriprise Financial, Inc. | \$314.57 | 87.9% | \$32,283 | \$165,136 | \$15,660 | \$2,238 | 7% | 3% | 6% | 14% | 2.1x | 2.1x | 2.0x | 14.4x | 10.2x | 9.7x | 8.3x | 63% |
| T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. | \$90.50 | 67.2% | \$20,224 | \$12,557 | \$6,343 | \$1,578 | (1%) | (2%) | (15%) | 25% | 3.2x | 3.2x | 3.2x | 12.8x | 12.2x | 13.4x | 2.2x | 17% |
| State Street Corporation | \$64.63 | 68.2% | \$19,944 | \$284,415 | \$12,021 | \$2,345 | (1%) | 1% | (4%) | 20% | 1.7x | 1.7x | 1.7x | 8.5x | 8.2x | 9.1x | 0.9x | 10% |
| Northern Trust Corporation | \$65.91 | 65.7% | \$13,644 | \$146,331 | \$6,729 | \$1,096 | 3% | 1% | (3%) | 16% | 2.0x | 2.0x | 1.9x | 12.4x | 10.7x | 11.3x | 1.2x | 10% |
| Franklin Resources, Inc. | \$22.79 | 66.3% | \$11,372 | \$30,235 | \$7,849 | \$883 | (2%) | 7% | (8%) | 11% | 1.4x | 1.4x | 1.3x | 12.9x | 8.7x | 9.0x | 1.0x | 8% |
| Amundi S.A. | \$52.00 | 76.0% | \$10,575 | \$35,616 | \$6,328 | \$1,171 | (47%) | 3% | 0% | 19% | 1.7x | 3.1x | 3.1x | 9.0x | 8.2x | 8.0x | 0.9x | 10% |
| Schroders plc | \$4.48 | 72.8% | \$7,054 | \$26,111 | \$3,632 | \$533 | (19%) | 4% | (3%) | 15% | 1.9x | 2.4x | 2.3x | 13.2x | 11.1x | 10.6x | 1.4x | 10% |
| Invesco Ltd. | \$12.97 | 63.1% | \$5,831 | \$29,432 | \$5,746 | \$596 | (28%) | 0% | (13%) | 10% | 1.0x | 1.3x | 1.3x | 9.8x | 8.9x | 7.9x | 0.5x | 5% |
| MEAN | | | | | | | (8%) | 3% | (4%) | 18% | 2.2x | 2.4x | 2.4x | 12.0x | 10.3x | 10.4x | 2.0x | 16% |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | (1%) | 2% | (3%) | 17% | 1.9x | 2.0x | 2.0x | 12.6x | 9.5x | 9.4x | 1.1x | 10% |

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Public Comparable Companies – Alternative Investment Platforms

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| Company Information | | | Market Data | | | | Operati | ng Perform | ance | | | | | Valuation | Multiples | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|----------|-------------|-----------|----------|------------|---------|------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|
| | | | | | | | G | rowth Rate | s: | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | % of 52- | Market | Total | L | TM | Reve | enue | Earnings | LTM Net | | MV / Rev. | | | P/E | | Price | |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Assets | Revenue | Net Income | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Income % | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | Book | ROE % |
| Blackstone Inc. | \$92.35 | 79.1% | \$66,348 | \$41,664 | \$8,244 | \$3,025 | 26% | 33% | 7% | 37% | 8.0x | 6.6x | 4.9x | 21.9x | 13.0x | 9.4x | 9.3x | 41% |
| Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L | \$55.40 | 85.5% | \$47,515 | \$288,733 | \$15,297 | \$2,442 | 1% | 44% | 6% | 16% | 3.1x | 8.5x | 5.9x | 19.5x | 15.8x | 11.5x | 2.4x | 13% |
| Apollo Global Management, Inc. | \$77.44 | 83.1% | \$43,900 | \$283,235 | \$25,756 | \$1,566 | (71%) | 14% | 29% | 6% | 1.7x | 13.7x | 12.0x | 28.0x | 11.0x | 9.0x | 6.2x | NMF |
| 3i Group plc | \$23.46 | 91.7% | \$22,587 | \$23,830 | \$5,676 | \$5,441 | (6%) | (4%) | 3% | 96% | 4.0x | 4.3x | 4.5x | 4.2x | 4.8x | 5.0x | 1.0x | 28% |
| Ares Management Corporation | \$98.59 | 87.9% | \$18,224 | \$23,384 | \$3,516 | \$398 | (0%) | 31% | 11% | 11% | 5.2x | 6.0x | 4.6x | 45.7x | 26.8x | 19.3x | NMF | 25% |
| EQT Corporation | \$42.38 | 93.7% | \$17,432 | \$24,555 | \$6,272 | \$900 | (49%) | 23% | 75% | 14% | 2.8x | 2.9x | 2.3x | 19.4x | 18.5x | 9.7x | 1.2x | 8% |
| The Carlyle Group Inc. | \$27.54 | 71.9% | \$9,913 | \$20,957 | \$3,688 | \$410 | (20%) | 32% | (2%) | 11% | 2.7x | 3.0x | 2.3x | 24.2x | 8.6x | 6.8x | 1.7x | 7% |
| TPG Inc. | \$27.64 | 62.2% | \$2,226 | \$7,383 | \$2,225 | \$104 | (36%) | 48% | 19% | 5% | 1.0x | 1.7x | 1.2x | 21.4x | 4.2x | 2.5x | 4.2x | 20% |
| MEAN | | | | | | | (20%) | 28% | 19% | 25% | 3.6x | 5.8x | 4.7x | 23.0x | 12.8x | 9.1x | 3.7x | 20% |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | (13%) | 31% | 9% | 13% | 2.9x | 5.1x | 4.5x | 21.7x | 12.0x | 9.2x | 2.4x | 20% |

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| Company Information | mpany Information Market Data | | | | | | | ng Performa | ance | | | Valuation Multiples | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-------|--------------|---------------------|---------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|--|
| | | | | | | | G | owth Rates: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | ck % of 52- Market Enterprise | | LTM | | Reve | Revenue: Ear | | gs LTM Margins: | | EV / Revenue | | | EV / EBITDA | | | | |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Value | Revenue | EBITDA | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Gross | EBITDA | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | |
| Accenture plc | \$297.09 | 89.9% | \$186,457 | \$181,322 | \$64,112 | \$11,201 | 4% | 5% | 9% | 32% | 17% | 2.8x | 2.8x | 2.7x | 16.2x | 14.7x | 4.0x | |
| Infosys Limited | \$16.43 | 81.8% | \$68,020 | \$66,298 | \$18,539 | \$4,298 | 7% | 7% | 9% | 30% | 23% | 3.6x | 3.6x | 3.4x | 15.4x | 15.2x | 13.8x | |
| Capgemini SE | \$175.91 | 87.7% | \$30,242 | \$35,245 | \$24,018 | \$3,244 | 3% | 4% | 12% | 27% | 14% | 1.5x | 1.5x | 1.4x | 10.9x | 10.6x | 4 9.6x | |
| Wipro Limited | \$4.59 | 86.1% | \$23,921 | \$22,028 | \$11,021 | \$2,030 | 3% | 5% | 4% | 30% | 18% | 2.0x | 2.0x | 1.9x | 10.8x | 11.0x | 10.1x | |
| Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Corporation | \$119.93 | 92.0% | \$15,637 | \$18,723 | \$10,031 | \$665 | 13% | 8% | 8% | 23% | 7% | 1.9x | 1.8x | 1.7x | 28.2x | 16.9x | 15.6x | |
| Genpact Limited | \$33.54 | 69.0% | \$6,081 | \$7,077 | \$4,433 | \$719 | 2% | 5% | 7% | 35% | 16% | 1.6x | 1.6x | 1.5x | 9.9x | 8.6x | x 8.0x | |
| CorVel Corporation | \$193.94 | 84.7% | \$3,319 | \$3,262 | \$751 | \$120 | NA | NA | NA | 22% | 16% | 4.3x | NA | NA | 27.1x | NA | NA NA | |
| Korn Ferry | \$45.52 | 76.0% | \$2,399 | \$2,379 | \$2,839 | \$355 | 0% | 2% | (3%) | 23% | 13% | 0.8x | 0.9x | 0.8x | 6.7x | 5.9x | 6.0x | |
| Veradigm Inc. | \$13.19 | 66.7% | \$1,441 | \$1,167 | \$1,529 | \$115 | 4% | 6% | NÁ | 51% | 8% | 0.8x | 1.8x | 1.7x | 10.1x | 7.0x | 6.7x | |
| Conduent Incorporated | \$3.19 | 64.5% | \$695 | \$1,918 | \$3,755 | \$272 | (3%) | 3% | (52%) | 22% | 7% | 0.5x | 0.5x | 0.5x | 7.1x | 5.4x | 4.7x | |
| MEAN | | | | | | | 4% | 5% | (1%) | 29% | 14% | 2.0x | 1.8x | 1.7x | 14.2x | 10.6x | 9.8x | |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | 3% | 5% | 7% | 28% | 15% | 1.7x | 1.8x | 1.7x | 10.9x | 10.6x | 9.6x | |

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Public Comparable Companies – Financial Content Providers

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| Company Information | | | | Operati | ng Performa | nce | | | Valuation Multiples | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------|------------|-------------|---------------------|-------|--------------|-------|---------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|
| | | | | | | | G | owth Rates: | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | % of 52- Market Enterprise | | LTM | | Reve | Revenue: E | | LTM Margins: | | EV / Revenue | | | EV / EBITDA | | | |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Value | Revenue | EBITDA | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Gross | EBITDA | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 |
| S&P Global Inc. | \$349.31 | 81.5% | \$111,150 | \$125,223 | \$12,282 | \$5,532 | 11% | 7% | 11% | 66% | 45% | 10.2x | 10.1x | 9.4x | 22.6x | 21.4x | (19.4x |
| RELX PLC | \$34.78 | 96.2% | \$65,503 | \$73,628 | \$11,016 | \$3,463 | 8% | 7% | 11% | 64% | 31% | 6.7x | 6.6x | 6.1x | 21.3x | 17.3x | (16.0x |
| Moody's Corporation | \$308.00 | 84.8% | \$56,366 | \$61,993 | \$5,726 | \$2,451 | 8% | 10% | (0%) | 71% | 43% | 10.8x | 10.5x | 9.5x | 25.3x | 23.6x | c 20.6x |
| Thomson Reuters Corporation | \$119.60 | 88.5% | \$54,468 | \$56,416 | \$6,744 | \$2,016 | 3% | 5% | 17% | 40% | 30% | 8.4x | 8.3x | 7.9x | 28.0x | 21.2x | c 20.2x |
| MSCI Inc. | \$471.55 | 82.4% | \$37,295 | \$41,024 | \$2,415 | \$1,408 | 11% | 12% | 12% | 82% | 58% | 17.0x | 16.4x | 14.7x | 29.1x | 27.5x | c 24.8x |
| Gartner, Inc. | \$332.04 | 80.5% | \$26,173 | \$28,005 | \$5,826 | \$1,329 | 8% | 8% | 7% | 68% | 23% | 4.8x | 4.7x | 4.4x | 21.1x | 19.2x | (18.2x |
| FactSet Research Systems Inc. | \$431.89 | 91.1% | \$16,407 | \$17,786 | \$2,086 | \$761 | 11% | 7% | 11% | 53% | 36% | 8.5x | 8.3x | 7.8x | 23.4x | 22.0x | c 20.4x |
| Morningstar, Inc. | \$253.24 | 95.0% | \$10,802 | \$11,678 | \$1,975 | \$320 | 8% | 10% | 10% | 58% | 16% | 5.9x | 5.8x | 5.2x | 36.5x | 27.5x | c 22.2x |
| CRISIL Limited | \$49.21 | 92.0% | \$3,597 | \$3,521 | \$366 | \$94 | 14% | 12% | 16% | 44% | 26% | 9.6x | 9.3x | 8.3x | 37.5x | 35.6x | c 31.5x |
| Forrester Research, Inc. | \$23.20 | 59.4% | \$446 | \$424 | \$500 | \$48 | (11%) | (3%) | (2%) | 58% | 10% | 0.8x | 0.9x | 0.9x | 8.9x | 6.9x | c 7.6x |
| Value Line, Inc. | \$40.95 | 58.6% | \$386 | \$327 | \$39 | \$13 | NÁ | NA | NÁ | 86% | 33% | 8.3x | NA | NA | 25.2x | NA | NA NA |
| MEAN | | | | | | | 7% | 7% | 9% | 63% | 32% | 8.3x | 8.1x | 7.4x | 25.4x | 22.2x | 20.1x |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | 8% | 7% | 11% | 64% | 31% | 8.4x | 8.3x | 7.8x | 25.2x | 21.7x | 20.3x |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|------------|---------|-----------------------|---------------|---------|----------|--------------|--------|---------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|
| | | % of 52- | Market | Enterprise | | | Growth Rates: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | | | | LTM | | Revenue: | | Earnings | LTM Margins: | | EV / Revenue | | | EV / EBITDA | | |
| Company | Price | Wk. High | Value | Value | Revenue | EBITDA | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LT | Gross | EBITDA | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 | LTM | CY 2023 | CY 2024 |
| SS&C Technologies Holdings, Inc. | \$50.25 | 77.9% | \$12,466 | \$19,155 | \$5,430 | \$1,800 | 4% | 4% | 1% | 48% | 33% | 3.5x | 3.5x | 3.4x | 10.6x | 9.1x | x 8.5x |
| Temenos AG | \$71.60 | 79.5% | \$5,155 | \$5,895 | \$980 | \$213 | 4% | 9% | 0% | 64% | 22% | 6.0x | 6.0x | 5.5x | 27.7x | 14.9x | 13.5x |
| Clearwater Analytics Holdings, Inc. | \$18.08 | 87.2% | \$3,637 | \$3,491 | \$352 | (\$3) | 21% | 20% | 36% | 71% | (1%) | 9.9x | 9.5x | 7.9x | NMF | 33.5x | 26.3x |
| Intapp, Inc. | \$34.20 | 67.8% | \$2,372 | \$2,250 | \$373 | (\$48) | 25% | 18% | NMF | 68% | (13%) | 6.0x | 5.8x | 4.9x | NMF | NMF | 54.7x |
| Envestnet, Inc. | \$37.00 | 53.5% | \$2,018 | \$2,974 | \$1,211 | \$221 | 0% | 8% | 5% | 63% | 18% | 2.5x | 2.4x | 2.2x | 13.5x | 12.1x | 4 9.8x |
| MeridianLink, Inc. | \$16.42 | 72.4% | \$1,337 | \$1,665 | \$300 | \$105 | 6% | 8% | 14% | 63% | 35% | 5.6x | 5.5x | 5.1x | 15.9x | 15.6x | 4.0x |
| IntegraFin Holdings plc | \$2.65 | 65.3% | \$879 | \$654 | \$161 | \$39 | 2% | 8% | 2% | 84% | 24% | 4.0x | 4.0x | 3.7x | 16.7x | 9.6x | (9.1x |
| Iress Limited | \$3.16 | 45.4% | \$579 | \$860 | \$396 | \$61 | 2% | 1% | (10%) | 26% | 15% | 2.2x | 2.2x | 2.1x | 14.0x | 11.5x | 10.3x |
| MEAN | | | | | | | 8% | 10% | 7% | 61% | 17% | 5.0x | 4.8x | 4.3x | 16.4x | 15.2x | 18.3x |
| MEDIAN | | | | | | | 4% | 8% | 2% | 64% | 20% | 4.8x | 4.7x | 4.3x | 14.9x | 12.1x | 11.9x |

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