

Business Services

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Key Highlights

Special Note on the Impact of the Coronavirus on M&A in the United States

Our world today looks very different than when we published our last M&A update report in December 2019. The evolving impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) is felt across society, healthcare, education, employment, politics, and the economy. Consequently, the M&A market in the United States has not been immune to the pandemic. The data so far speaks for itself: overall transaction value was down 52% compared to the same time last year, despite only a small change (-2%) in overall transaction volume.

Uncertainty surrounding the longevity of the pandemic and its actual impact on the global economy, as well as a deep selloff in the stock market, will further contribute to a subdued deal environment in the short-term. We expect a continued weak M&A market as the world will likely experience the impact of COVID-19 more directly in the second quarter than before.

The character of M&A in the U.S. has completely changed within the past weeks, turning quickly from a booming sellers' market with high valuations to one that will likely see many buyers and sellers favor a "wait and see" approach. We believe deal activity will ultimately recover on the strength and attractiveness of the U.S. economy; however, it is difficult to estimate when that will take shape.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, or you or someone in your network needs assistance in M&A or capital matters, please do not hesitate to contact our team. We stand ready to provide our advisory services where needed.

Stay well and safe,

Your CC Capital Advisors Team



M&A in the United States

Deal Activity & Valuations

Deal Activity

Mergers and acquisitions activity in the first quarter of 2020 fell 2% on a year-over-year basis as the devastating economic effects of the coronavirus pandemic took hold of the United States. Likewise, total deal value dropped by more than half to \$228 billion compared to the first three months in 2019. The short-term M&A landscape will likely remain subdued as corporations shift focus away from M&A to the safety of employees and maintaining core operations.



decline

\$0.2 Trillion Deal Value

▼52% YoY decline

Total M&A Deal Volume & Value in the United States

\$ in Billions; Year to date through March 31, 2020



Valuations

For the first time since 2012, valuation multiples have contracted. After reaching a high of 10.9x in 2019, the median Enterprise Value (EV) to EBITDA multiple declined by one full turn to 9.9x in 2020. While this still represents a high level by historical standards – a 34% increase compared to 2009 - valuation multiples may contract further in Q2 in large part to the stock market decline and low global economic activity caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

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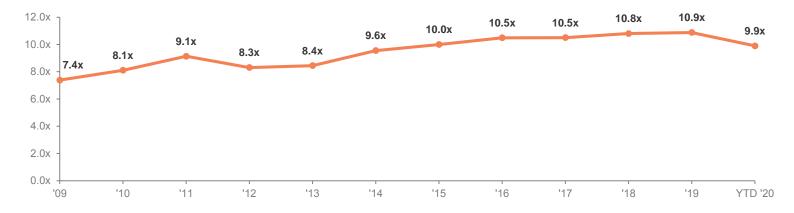
Current Median
EV / EBITDA

10.5x

5-Year Median
EV / EBITDA

Median Enterprise Value (EV) / EBITDA Valuation Multiple

Only includes transactions with disclosed financial terms; Year to date through March 31, 2020



Sources: S&P Capital IQ, Pitchbook, IMAA Institute, CCCA Research

Definitions: YoY = Year-over-year; Enterprise Value = Market Cap + Debt – Cash; EBITDA = Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation & Amortization

M&A in the Business Services Sector

Sector Snapshot

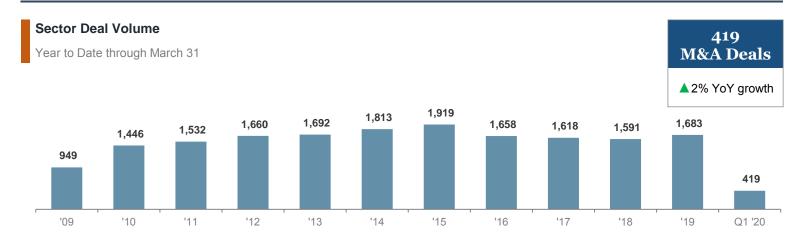
Industries in the U.S. Business Services Sector

- Accounting, Financial & Legal Services
- **Business & Management Consulting**
- **Consumer Services**

- Environmental Consulting
- **Human Resources Services**
- IT Services

- Office & Building Services
- Security & Alarm Services

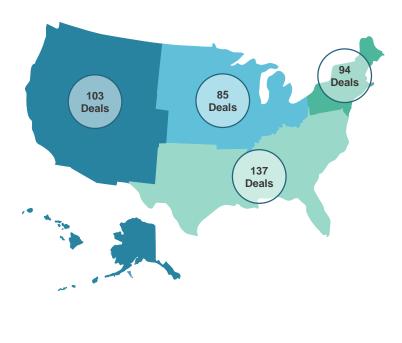
Sector M&A Deal Volume



M&A Deal Volume by Industry



M&A Deal Volume by U.S. Region



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M&A in the Business Services Sector

Notable Deals & Buyer Mix

Notable Deals

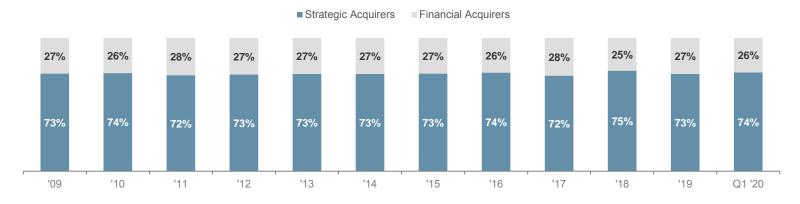
Date	Company	Acquirer	Enterprise Value (EV) (\$ in MM)	Implied EV / Revenue	Implied EV / EBITDA
Feb 2020	Credit Karma, Inc.	Intuit Inc. (NasdaqGS:INTU)	\$7,100	7.1x	-
Feb 2020	CardWorks, Inc.	Ally Financial Inc. (NYSE:ALLY)	\$2,648	-	-
Feb 2020	Alliant Integrators, Inc.	ADT Inc. (NYSE:ADT)	-	-	-
Feb 2020	Scytale Inc.	Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company (NYSE:HPE)	-	-	-
Jan 2020	Regulatory DataCorp, Inc.	Moody's Corporation (NYSE:MCO)	\$700	-	-
Jan 2020	Incentive Technology Group, LLC	ICF Incorporated, L.L.C.	\$255	2.8x	-
Jan 2020	NEF, Inc.	CBRE Group, Inc. (NYSE:CBRE)	-	-	-
Jan 2020	The Habit Restaurants, Inc.	Yum! Brands, Inc. (NYSE:YUM)	\$556	1.2x	8.7x
Jan 2020	Defenders, Inc.	ADT Inc. (NYSE:ADT)	\$381	-	-
Jan 2020	American Waste, Inc.	GFL Environmental Inc. (TSX:GFL)	\$380	-	-

Note: This table includes only a sample of relevant transactions in the context of M&A activity in the sector. It is not meant to be all-inclusive.

Buyer Mix

Share of Acquisitions

% of Acquisitions by Strategic and Financial Acquirers



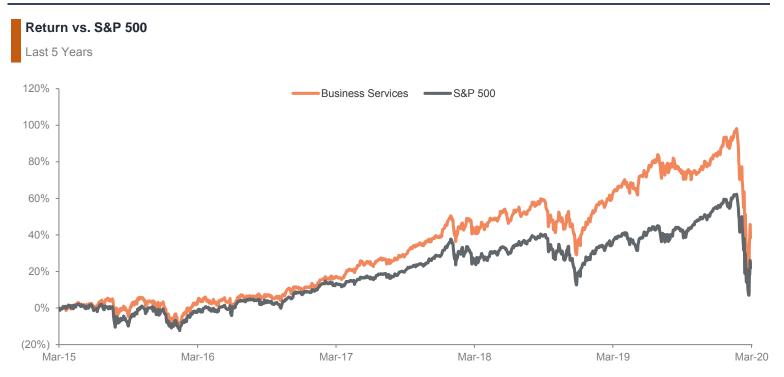
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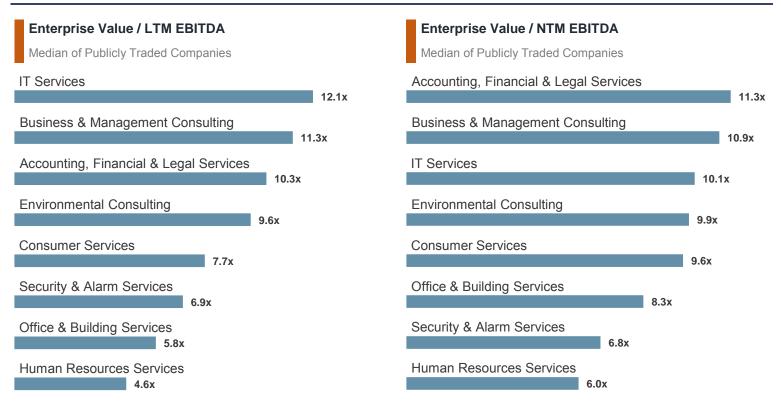
Public Companies in the Business Services Sector

Performance & Valuations

Sector Performance



Valuations



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CC Capital Advisors

Firm Overview

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 Sales of privately-held companies 	Senior secured and unsecured debt	 Business valuations 	
 Buy-side acquisitions 	 Mezzanine capital 	Fairness opinions	
 Minority buyouts 	 Growth equity capital 	 Strategic options assessment 	
 Corporate subsidiary divestitures 	 Recapitalizations 	 Ownership transition planning 	
 Private equity and venture capital portfolio divestitures 	 Private placements of institutional capital 	 Corporate reorganizations 	

Why Clients Choose Us

100+ Years	Collective investment banking experience of our team	\$7 Billion	Completed transaction experience of our team
Midwest Values	Integrity, experience and commitment are our core values	\$1 Billion	Completed transaction value in the last five years
Global Reach	We represent clients across the world	20+ Deals	Number of transactions closed since 2017

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