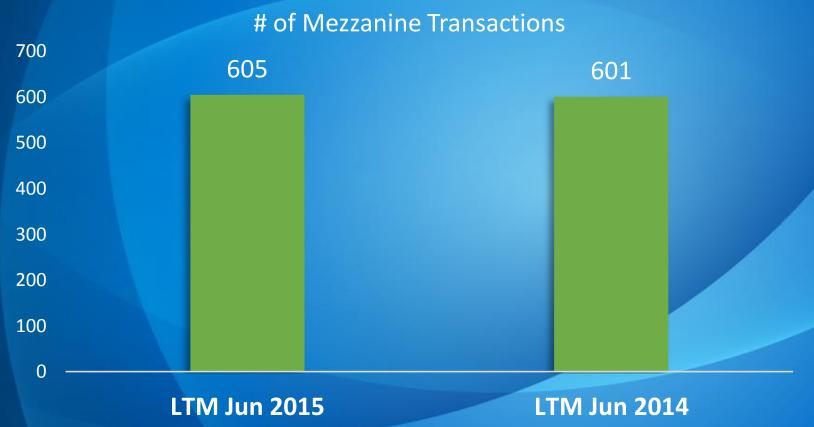


STATE OF THE MARKETS ADAPT OR DIE, PART IV

DATA ANALYSTS EXPLAIN TRENDS AND MAKE BOLD PREDICTIONS



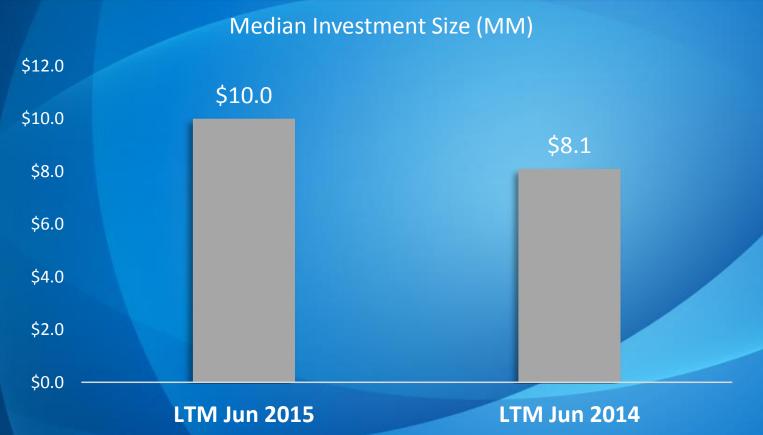
Mezzanine Transaction Activity



The Number of Mezzanine Transactions Is Up Slightly Year-Over-Year



Mezzanine Investment Size



Median Mezzanine Amount Has Increased Year-Over-Year



Mezzanine Investment By Industry

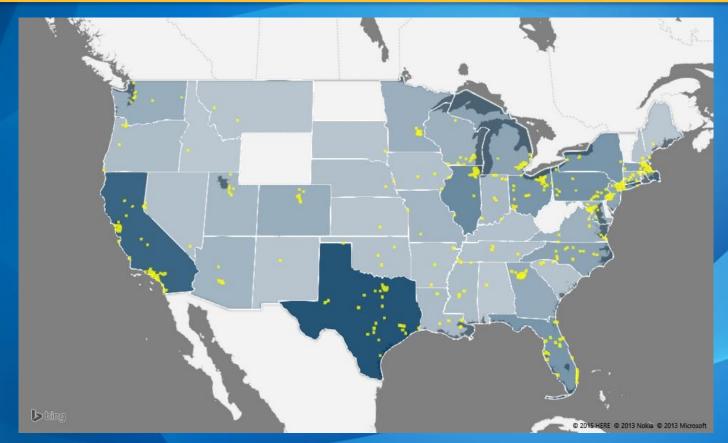


The Industrials Sector Continues To See The Greatest Activity

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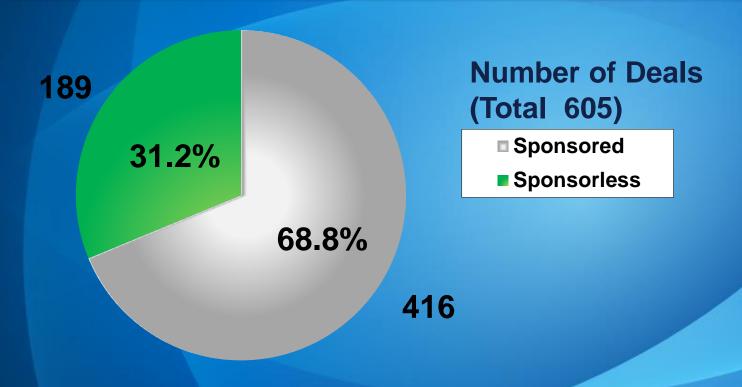
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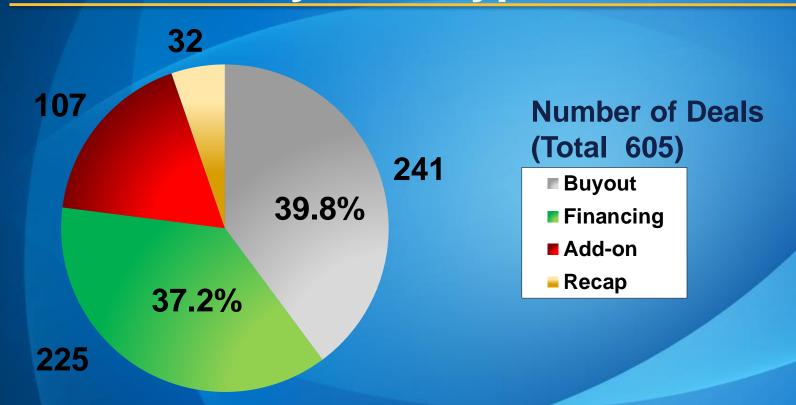
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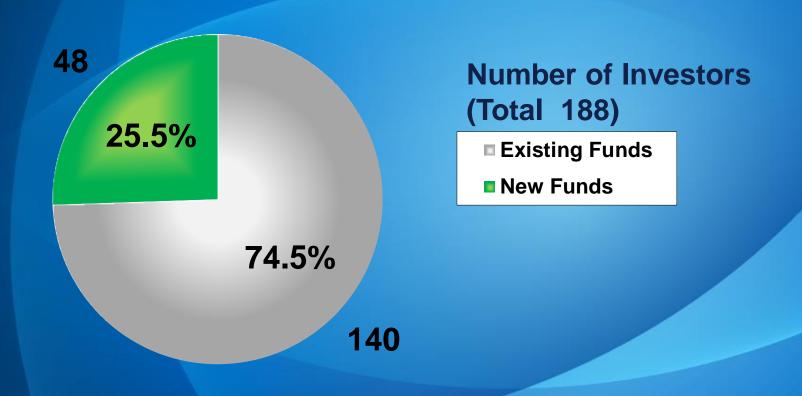
Mezzanine Transactions LTM June 2015 Breakdown By Deal Type



Approximately 40% of Mezzanine Investments Were Part Of A New Platform Acquisition By A Private Equity Firm



Mezzanine Transactions LTM June 2015 New Participants



There Were 48 New Mezzanine Investors Active In The Period



PE Middle Market: Deal Origination

PE Deal Origination Market Coverage Statistics

	Average	Max	Min	Top Quartile
Market Coverage ¹	18.6%	55.3%	2.8%	42.2%
Market Coverage Boutique Intermediaries	12.0%	47.2%	1.5%	35.8%
Market Coverage Most Active Intermediaries	21.8%	59.8%	1.0%	45.1%
Generalist PE Firms Market Coverage	17.0%	31.1%	5.5%	24.7%
Quasi-Generalist PE Firms Market Coverage	17.1%	41.3%	3.1%	33.8%
Sector Focused PE Firms Market Coverage	22.5%	55.3%	7.5%	43.4%
Upper Middle Market PE Firms Market Coverage	38.3%	50.2%	27.6%	44.6%
Lower Middle Market PE Firms Market Coverage	9.3%	26.3%	2.8%	20.4%

¹Percentage of completed PE transactions with a sell-side advisor in relevant size ranges and sectors reviewed by a PE firm.

*As of June 2015, based on SPS' 99 clients that qualified for the annual Deal Origination Benchmark Report (DOBR).



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