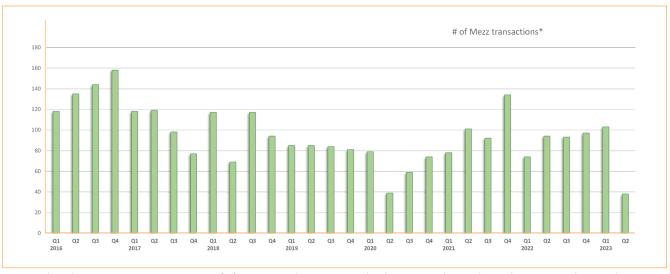


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Mezzanine Market Perspective
Q2 2023

BREAKING DOWN THE MARKET

Mezzanine activity for the LTM period ending March 31st decreased approximately 3% YoY from 401 deals to 387 deals. Compared to Q1 2022, deals including mezzanine debt increased 39%, from 74 to 103 in Q1 2023. Despite the increase in mezzanine deal activity, private equity deal volume declined 22% from 1,518 deals in Q1 2022 to 1,183 deals in Q1 2023. Out of the 103 mezzanine deals that closed in Q1 2023, 38 deals were buyouts, 44 were minority financings, 19 were sponsor-backed add-ons, and 2 were recapitalizations. The most common industries in total M&A activity for the quarter were Technology, Industrials, Business Services, and Consumer, respectively.



*closed mezzanine investments of \$3 MM and greater with the target located in the U.S. and Canada. Includes unitrance and senior secured financings with pricing or other features similar to mezzanine.

NOTABLE MEZZANINE TRANSACTIONS

In June, Greyrock Capital Group invested subordinated debt and equity to support the acquisition of Competition Specialties Inc., a distributor of automotive aftermarket products and accessories, by Banyan Technologies Group. Capstone Financial Group provided financial advisory services to the seller.

Northstar Capital provided subordinated debt and equity in support of Clearview Capital's acquisition of Capitol Services LLC, a provider of outsourced legal and compliance services, in April. Texas Capital Securities served as the seller's financial advisor.

PNC Erieview Capital invested subordinated debt and equity to support the acquisition of American Legacy Construction Group Inc., a provider of specialized electrical service and low voltage work, by Crete Mechanical Group, a portfolio company of Ridgemont Equity Partners, in June. Apex Business Advisors served as the seller's financial advisor.



NOTABLE MEZZANINE TRANSACTIONS (CONT.)

In May, Ironwood Capital invested subordinated debt in support of Newbury Franklin Industrial's acquisition of EMI Supply Inc., a distributor of construction and industrial consumable products.

In April, NorthCoast Mezzanine provided subordinated debt and equity in support of Salt Creek Capital Management's acquisition of Lewis Brass & Copper Holding Co., a distributor of brass and copper-based alloy tubing, rods, sheets, and specialty products. UHY Advisors served as the seller's financial advisor.

In May, SafeTouch Security Inc., a provider of monitored security alarms and interactive home and business automation solutions, was acquired by FVLCRUM in partnership with Fourfront Strategies LLC. Brookside Capital Partners invested subordinated debt and equity in support of the acquisition.

LO3 Capital invested subordinated debt to support the acquisition of Cole Distributing Inc., a distributor of propane, diesel, oil fuel and lubricants, by Santmyer Cos. Inc. in April. Matrix Capital Markets provided financial advisory services to the buyer.

Also in April, NewSpring Capital and First Capital Partners invested subordinated debt and equity in support of Progress Equity Partners' acquisition of Hanson Lab Solutions, a manufacturer of lab casework products and furniture. Enterprise Bank & Trust invested senior debt in support of the acquisition, and O'Melveny & Myers served as the buyer's legal advisor.

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