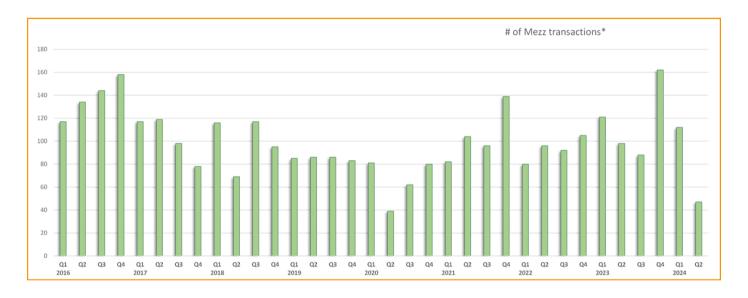


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Mezzanine Market Perspective
Q2 2024

Breaking Down the Market

Mezzanine activity for the LTM period ending March 31st increased approximately 11% YoY from 414 deals to 460 deals. Compared to Q4 2023, deals including mezzanine debt decreased 31%, from 162 to 112 in Q1 2024. Mirroring the downturn, private equity deal volume declined 14% from 1,453 deals in Q4 2023 to 1,245 deals in Q1 2024. Out of the 112 mezzanine deals that closed in Q1 2024, 33 deals were buyouts, 59 were minority financings, and 20 were sponsor-backed add-ons. The most common industries in total M&A activity for the quarter were Industrials, Technology, Business Services, and Consumer, respectively.



Notable Transactions

In May, Parkway Capital Investors invested subordinated debt and equity to support ArchStar Capital's acquisition of Tess Oral Health, a manufacturer of custom-imprinted toothbrushes, dental kits, and oral hygiene products for dental and orthodontic practices. Peakstone Group served as the seller's financial advisor.

In April, Northstar Capital provided a mezzanine debt and equity co-investment to support River Associates Investments' acquisition of Dollamur Sport Surfaces, a manufacturer and supplier of branded sports surfaces for a variety of sporting markets. Silvermark Partners and Bass, Berry & Sims provided sell-side financial advisory and legal advisory services, respectively. Holland & Knight provided buy-side legal advisory services, and Bremer Bank provided a senior debt investment in support of the acquisition.



Notable Transactions (Cont.)

LO3 Capital invested subordinated debt and equity to support NewCo Plastics', a portfolio company of White Wolf Capital, acquisition of Magenta, a provider of custom injection molding solutions, in May. Ice Miller served as the buyer's legal advisor.

Linx Partners acquired Black Creek Integrated Systems, a developer of IT solutions for the correctional and public safety industries, in April. Midwest Mezzanine provided a subordinated debt and equity investment, and Third Coast Bank SSB provided a senior debt investment in support of the acquisition.

In May, Wincove Capital acquired Elite Equipment Rental, a provider of truck rentals, used truck sales, new truck distribution, and replacement parts and maintenance. Greyrock Capital Group and Ironwood Capital invested subordinated debt and equity in support of the acquisition.

Business Capital Exchange provided sell-side financial advisory services.

In June, Aldine Capital Partners provided a subordinated note and equity investment in support of Compass Group Equity Partners' acquisition of Integrity Pump & Motor, a manufacturer and supplier of submersible pumps and motors.

Audax Private Debt provided a mezzanine debt and equity co-investment in support of Morgan Stanley Capital Partners' acquisition of Resource Innovations, a portfolio company of BV Investment Partners and provider of advisory services, program management, and software, in April. Jefferies & Co. and Latham & Watkins provided sell-side financial advisory and legal advisory services, respectively. Harris Williams and Jones Day provided buy-side financial advisory and legal advisory services, respectively.

In April, NorthCoast Mezzanine invested subordinated debt and equity to support The Brydon Group's acquisition of Micro-Dyn Medical Systems, a provider of healthcare claims pricing, grouping, and editing software. Periculum Capital Company served as the seller's financial advisor, and Taft Stettinius & Hollister served as the seller's legal advisor. Mowery & Schoenfeld served as the buyer's accounting advisor, Goodwin Procter served as the buyer's legal advisor, and Avidbank invested senior debt to support the acquisition.



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