

2nd Quarter 2021 Private Equity M&A Update

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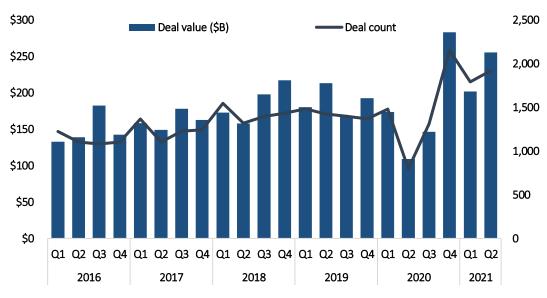
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Private Equity M&A Momentum Continues

According to PitchBook Data, U.S. private equity deal activity was at a recordsetting pace through Q2 2021 driven by the economic recovery, availability of lowcost financing, significant buy side dry powder and the likelihood of a capital gains tax hike.

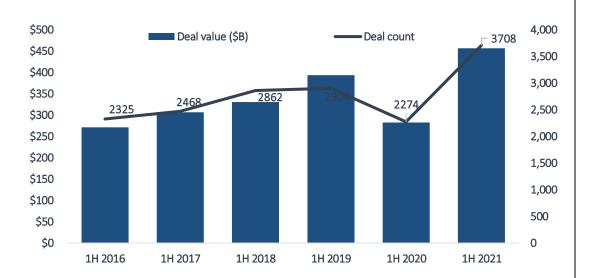
In Q2 2021, PE dealmaking continued at a frenetic pace for the third quarter in a row. Through the first half of the year, PE firms have closed on 3,708 deals, worth a combined \$456.6 billion—nearly two-thirds the deal value in all of 2020. Q2 2021 registered the second-highest deal activity in a decade after Q4 2020.

U.S. Private Equity Quarterly M&A Activity (\$Bns)*



^{*}Source: PitchBook Data 2nd Quarter 2021 U.S. Private Equity Report.

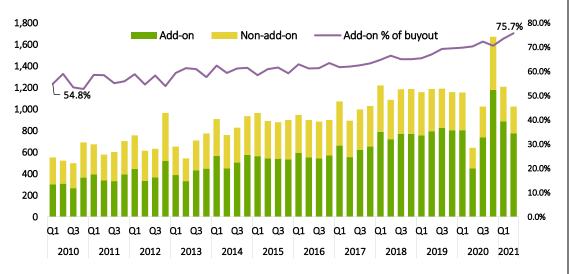
U.S. Private Equity 1st Half M&A Activity (\$Bns)*



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The 3,708 deals completed in H1 2021 was not only 63% higher than during the pandemic in 2020, it was also 30% higher than pre-Covid deal volume in H1 2019.

Add-Ons More of a Focus Than Ever



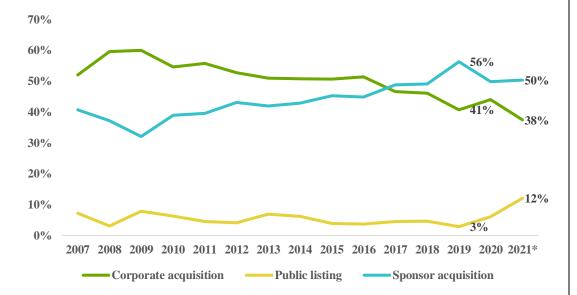
According to PitchBook Data, the percentage of private equity deals representing add-on acquisitions by existing portfolio companies as compared to acquisitions of accelerated to a record 76% in 2Q 2021. With valuations for larger platforms remaining very high, acquiring smaller add-ons can usually be accomplished at lower valuations allowing sponsors to average down their acquisition multiples for their platforms.

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Richly Valued Public Markets Increasing as an Exit Option

Over the past five years, the share of private equity exits to the public markets has increased significantly. This trend is most notable in the past two years. While the percentage of exits to corporate buyers and sponsors have both decreased by about 10% since 2019 the share of exits to the public markets has increased 300% from 3% to 12%. The strong public market valuations supporting IPOs and the abundance of SPACs are the main causes of this trend while sponsors, who still represent the largest proportion of buyers from private equity, have been less inclined, at least relatively, to buy richly priced assets from their brethren.



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