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M&A Q4 2023 in Review

Quarterly M&A Highlights

- In North America, M&A activity had a stronger uptick than the global market, as total deal value increased by 35.9% from Q3 and 17.8% year-over-year. For the year, total deal count declined 11% due to higher interest rates and economic uncertainty for much of the year.
- A recent Wall Street Journal article highlighted the trend of more earnouts in M&A deals. Earnouts have become a common component of deal structures over the past years to bridge the gap between sellers' valuation expectations and buyers' willingness to pay.
- In 2023 Global M&A volume turned in its second weakest year in a decade. However, the M&A market showed signs of hitting an upswing as Q4 was the most active quarter by both deal count and total deal value since Q2 2023. This quarter had \$786B in total deal value, a 6.5% increase from Q3, and an estimated 10,441 deals closed, a 3.3% increase from Q3.
- Senior debt pricing surged through the end of 2023, averaging 11.3% in Q4, an increase of 0.8% from Q3. Every deal size cohort saw increases in average senior debt interest.

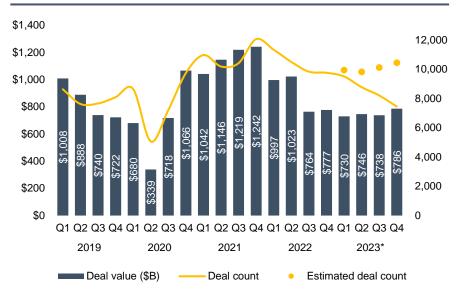
North American M&A Outlook

The Fed put a pause on interest rate increases in the back-half of 2023, with many predicting rate cuts on the horizon. A loosening on monetary policy could provide a boost to M&A activity in the coming year.

Fed easing is expected to begin in March 2024, which will have the most pronounced impact on PEGs. Lower borrowing costs will enable PEGs to put the historic levels of PE dry powder in action.

In 2023, PE-backed exits fell to the lowest level in a nearly a decade. As the M&A landscape picks up in the coming year, an increase in PE-backed exits will lead to a windfall of activity in new platform investments.

Global M&A Deal Volume



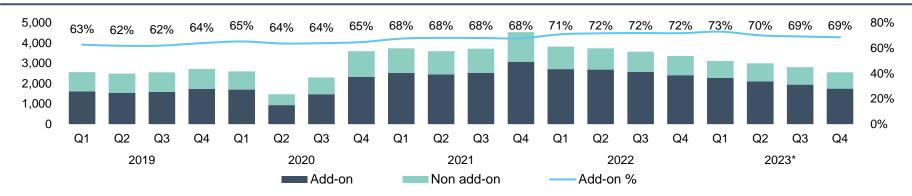
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M&A Trends

Global Private Equity Deal Count



EV/EBITDA Multiples (North America & Europe)



Private Equity Trends

- PEGs have extended the hold time of portfolio companies over the last few years, as the median age of current PE-backed companies has climbed to 4.2 years.
- In response to the high interest rate environment, rollover equity was employed in more than 60% of total M&A transactions. Rollover equity on platform buyouts reached 14.7% in Q4.
- Businesses with \$10M+ EBITDA averaged valuations of 8.2x which was 1.5x greater than businesses with \$3-5M EBITDA.

- Increased interest rates have hit new platform investments the hardest, as PEGs have a more difficult time financing the larger transactions through debt.
- Private Equity has moved toward a buy-and-build strategy through add-on acquisitions to achieve the desired exit valuations.
- The median hold time of PE-backed companies that achieved an exit in 2023 was 6.4 years, a record high.

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Labor Market Insights & Macro Trends

Labor Market Insights

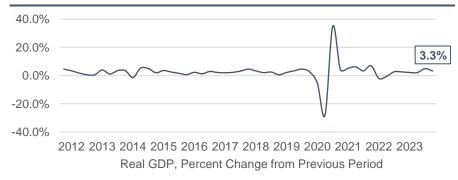
- Total Quits in the US fell by 12% in 2023, a sign that confidence in the labor market has declined among workers as workers are more likely to remain at current positions.¹ Quits in December were at the lowest monthly total in three years.
- Employers laid off just 1% of the workforce in December, outside of the pandemic that is the lowest level in the past 20 years. This trend has led to a slowdown in the number of hires, with 5.62 million hires in December, down from an average of 6.43 million in 2022.¹
- In the back-half of 2023, the labor market was bolstered by a hiring boom in the healthcare and leisure/hospitality sectors. Healthcare accounted for 30% of hires in 2023, as healthcare employment employment expanded 2.5x faster than all other industries.^{1,6}
- GDP grew by an annualized 3.3% in Q4, beating forecasts of 2% and extending a better-than-expected run in the economy.² Leading economist anticipate a short and shallow recession in the first half of 2024 but thus far the economy has proved resilient.³
- The Fed opted to maintain the fed-funds rate at 5.25% to 5.5% in the most recent policy meeting. Some expected the Fed to pull-forward rate cuts into Q1, as inflation falls quicker than expected, however, the Fed signaled that rate cuts would not occur until later in the year.¹
- An aging population has driven a low labor force participation rate, exacerbating a labor shortage in the U.S. A growing share of the U.S. population are hitting retirement age, with 17% of the population older than 65 in 2022, a number that could crest 30% by 2030.⁴
- The IMF upgraded its growth outlook for the US and China citing faster-than-expected easing of inflation and indicating a "soft landing" was in sight for 2024. This improved outlook was supported by stronger private and public spending, increased labor force participation, mended supply chains, and cheaper energy and commodity prices.⁵

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Unemployment —— Quits

U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

Unemployment (UE) & Quits Rates (%)



Job Openings and Hires (Thousands)

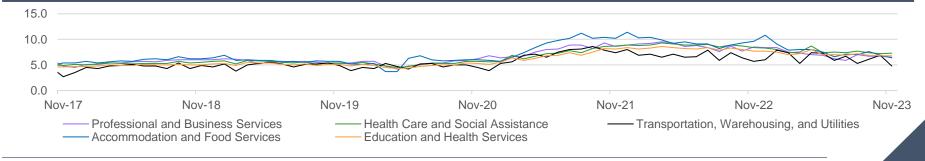




HCM Market Insights

- Locum Tenens finished out a strong year in Q4, as the segment grew at 12% in 2023 after a 27% growth rate in 2022. The main driver of growth is an imbalance in the labor market, as an aging population meets a shortage of physicians.¹
- Large healthcare security breaches reached a record high of 725 in 2023, exceeding 720 in 2022 and 2x the breach rate of 2018. Lack of adhering to cybersecurity best practices and challenges recruiting skilled IT security professionals are the leading causes.⁴
- A leading upcoming trend since the great resignation for Executive Search will be leveraging AI to reduce the search process through shortlisting and analyzing large sets of data. AI will also impact RPO through the automation of candidate sourcing, rediscovery, and other tasks to improve strategic workforce planning.^{3,6}
- The global HCM market is projected to grow from \$28.9B in 2023 to \$53.6B by 2030, a 9.2% CAGR. North America represents 45.5% of the global HCM market primarily due to the presence of Ceridian HCM, Oracle, IBM, and a host of tier two players combined with heavy domestic investments in cloud-based solutions and workforce automation.⁸
- Deloitte's poll of 14,000 business and HR leaders uncovered that 89% of executives believe their organizations advance sustainability however only 41% of employees agree. Only 43% of employees feel their organizations left them better off than when they started citing work stress and threats of technology replacing jobs as top concerns.⁵

- Manufacturing and skilled labor positions continue to have a shortage of talent in the labor market. This is affecting companies in Aerospace & Defense, which are facing an increase in demand with geopolitical tensions but are struggling to ramp production.²
- The CHIPS Act and Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act are two pieces of legislature expected to continue driving strong demand for skilled trades, manufacturing, and infrastructure employment for the foreseeable future.
- IT Staffing seems to be on the upswing after a slower 2023. The January SIA IT Staffing report showed a net 2% of IT staffing firms reported growth in December. This is significantly up from a net 15% that reported a decline back in October.¹
- Education sector staffing demand for teachers, specialty education professionals, allied, and nursing health professionals is expected to continue its strong upward growth trend.
- isolved's recent survey of 1100 employees uncovered 84% are satisfied with their jobs, however, 65% suffered from burnout, 59% work when they are sick, 43% would take a pay cut for better work-life balance, and 25% say they work in a toxic environment.⁷
- CRNAs administer more than 50 million anesthetics to patients annually in the US alone. The CRNA job outlook for the advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) workforce, including nurse practitioners, nurse anesthetists, and nurse midwives, is expected to grow 40% through 2031.⁹



Job Openings Rates by Industry (percentage)



HCM M&A Trends

Q4 M&A Activity by Vertical* (161 Total) **Highlighted Transactions** THIRDERA \oslash **IT Staffing &** 50 **Solutions** has been acquired by has been acquired by has been acquired by Vensure Cognizant IntelliBridge **BPO** 27 GovCon & IT PEO & HRO IT Staffing & Services Solutions Oct-23 Oct-23 Sep-23 GovCon & IT 22 **Services Select Q4 Transactions** Industry Target **Buyer** Date Consulting 21 Subgroup AMN[®] Healthcare Healthcare MEDICAL Search Nov-23 Staffing **HCM Software** 12 accenture Incapsulate Consulting Nov-23 **Professional** 9 Professional Conexus Staffing Nov-23 Staffing *integrity* OUTSOURCE **Healthcare Staffing G&A** Partners Nov-23 PEO & HRO 8 Time to grow. & Solutions 💥 RTX GovCon & IT Oct-23 Divestment of Cybersecurity Blackstone Services **PEO & HRO** 8 & Intelligence Segment IT Staffing & TALENT Abacus 🖉 Oct-23 Solutions GROUPS Commercial 4 GovCon & IT Staffing CREOAL Oct-23 SMX Services

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Notable HCM Private Equity Platforms

| Platform | Private Equity Group | Vertical | Notable Add-ons |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Acacium Group | ONEX | Healthcare Staffing | R&D Partners Part of Acadium Group |
| ENGAGE PEO Expect more | KOHLBERG & C O M P A N Y | PEO & HRO | |
| | TRINITY HUNT | IT Staffing & Solutions | bit quill à JUMPANALYTICS OF YOPPWORKS |
| ntelliBridge | Enlightenment Capital | Government Contracting | |
| Medical Solutions | Centerbridge OCDPQ | Healthcare Staffing | Numer Casted Management Baldware |
| SMX | OCEAN SOUND | Government Contracting | C2S OUTSIDE ANALYTICS |
| | OSCEOLA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT | IT Staffing & Solutions | |
| Vensure Employer Solutions | STONE POINT CAPITAL | PEO & HRO | ABS PAYROLL Namely Namely |
| STOP SEARCHING I START BUILDING | RFE | Executive Search | HUB SEBA Registry. |

Why it's Important to be Investment Grade

Key reasons why becoming Investment Grade is important to driving value for all stakeholders

Few private companies are truly investment grade



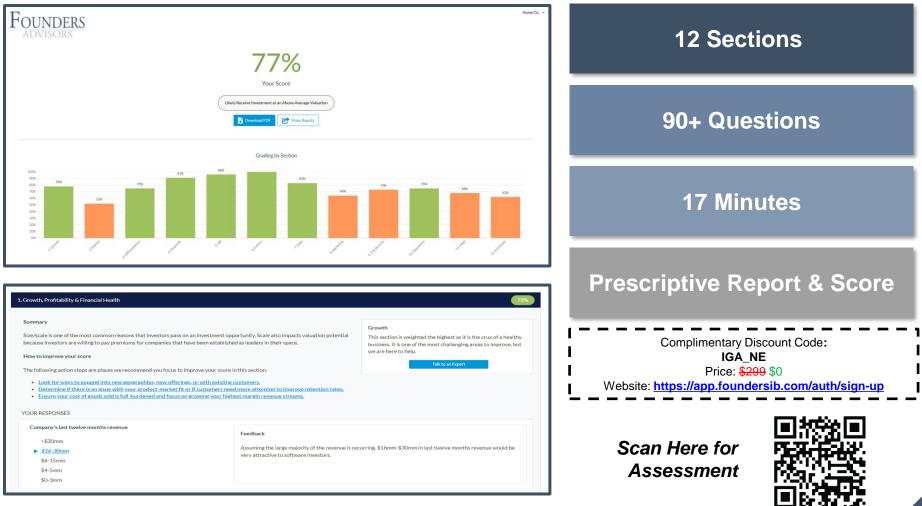
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Is My Company Exit Ready?

Identify Key Areas to Maximize Your Company's Enterprise Value in a Sale

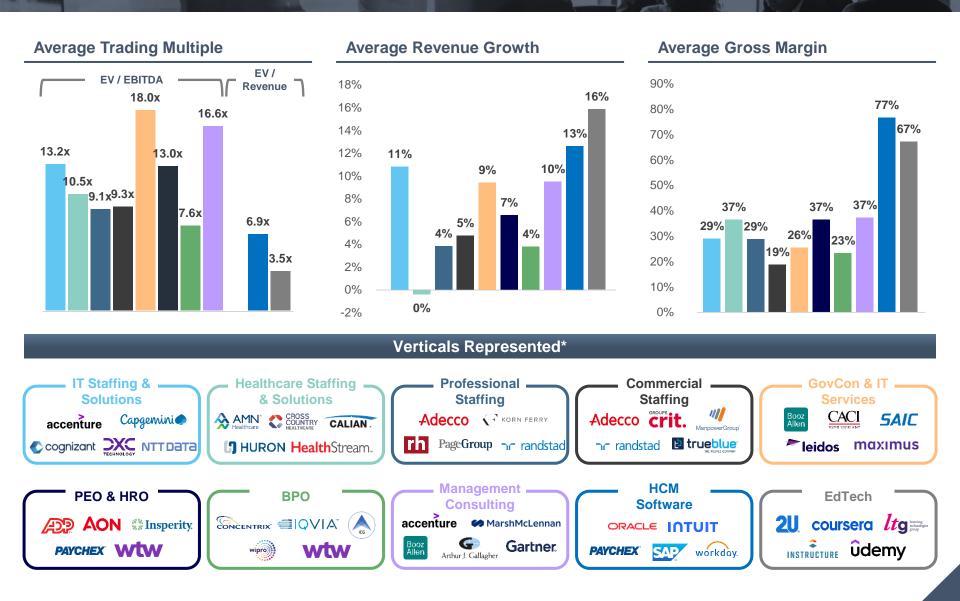
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HCM Landscape

Public Company Valuation Metrics

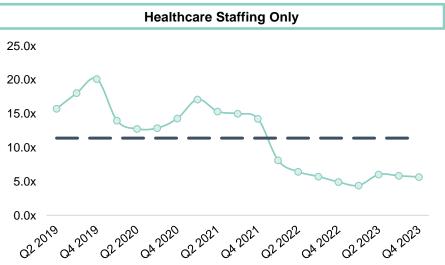




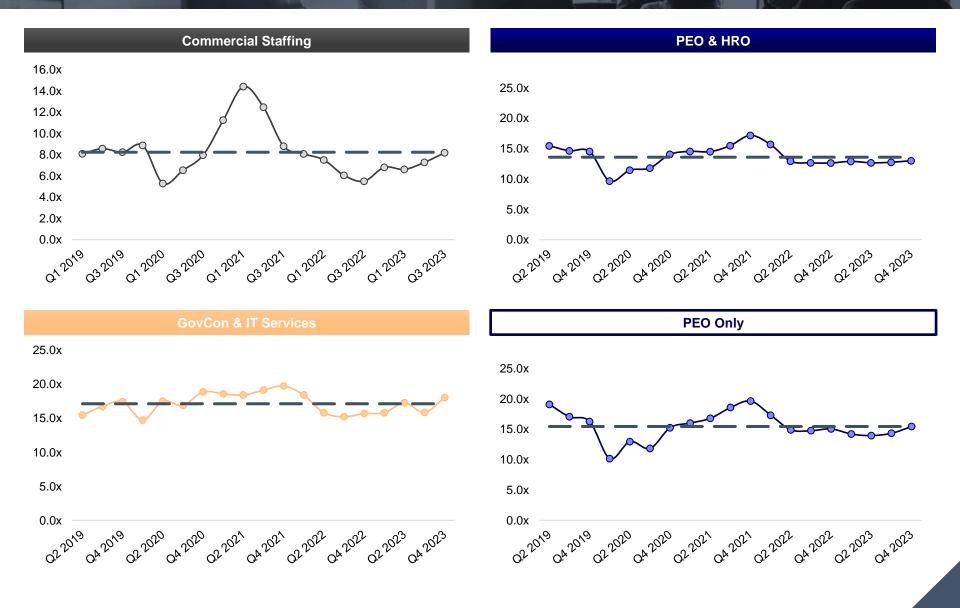
Historical Public Valuations by Segment (EV / EBITDA)



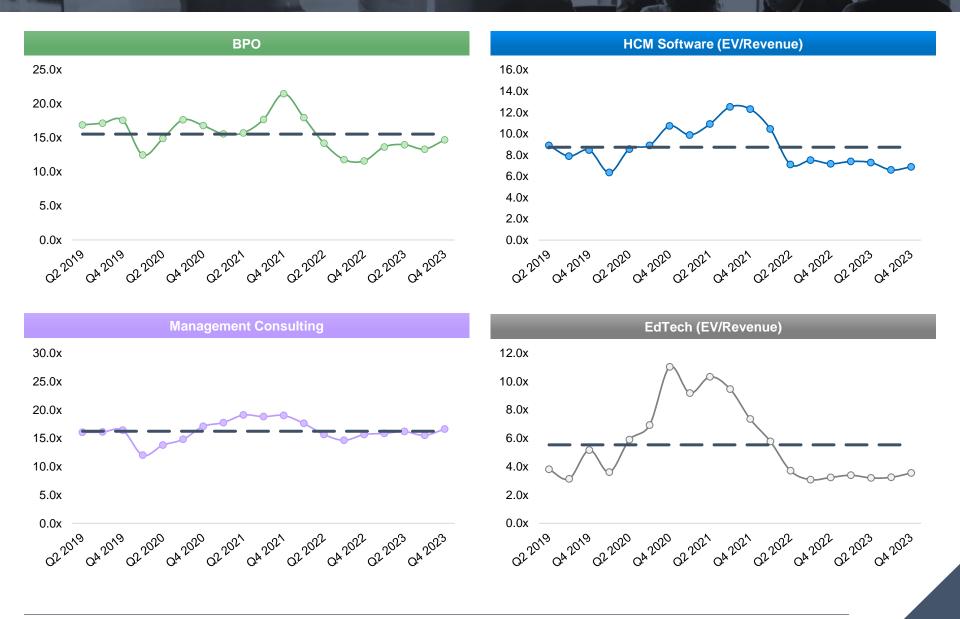




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| IT Staffing & Solutions | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|--------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| Name | % of 52 Week High | EV | Revenue | EBITDA | Revenue Growth | Gross Margin | EBITDA Margin | EV / LTM Revenue | EV / LTM EBITDA | |
| Accenture | 99% | 216,761 | 64,588 | 10,010 | 4% | 33% | 15% | 3.4x | 21.7x | |
| Allgeier | 66% | 323 | 526 | 59 | 6% | 25% | 11% | 0.6x | 5.3x | |
| ASGN | 98% | 5,495 | 4,527 | 472 | 1% | 29% | 10% | 1.2x | 11.6x | |
| Bechtle | 96% | 6,528 | 6,717 | 532 | 9% | 18% | 8% | 1.0x | 12.3x | |
| Calian Group | 87% | 542 | 488 | 44 | 13% | 31% | 9% | 1.1x | 12.3x | |
| Capgemini | 97% | 39,314 | 23,787 | 3,289 | 13% | 27% | 14% | 1.7x | 12.0x | |
| CGI Group | 98% | 26,474 | 10,590 | 1,996 | 11% | 16% | 19% | 2.5x | 13.3x | |
| Cognizant Technology Solutions | 98% | 36,949 | 19,434 | 3,231 | 0% | 34% | 17% | 1.9x | 11.4x | |
| Cyient | 93% | 2,996 | 831 | 149 | 36% | 42% | 18% | 3.6x | 20.1x | |
| DXC Technology | 76% | 8,666 | 14,039 | 703 | -9% | 22% | 5% | 0.6x | 12.3x | |
| Genpact | 71% | 7,296 | 4,433 | 724 | 2% | 35% | 16% | 1.6x | 10.1x | |
| Globant | 95% | 10,093 | 2,006 | N/A | 20% | 36% | N/A | 5.0x | 32.3x | |
| Impellam Group | 91% | 424 | 2,456 | 48 | 39% | 10% | 2% | 0.2x | 10.9x | |
| Insight Enterprises | 95% | 6,201 | 9,442 | 460 | -10% | 18% | 5% | 0.7x | 13.5x | |
| Mphasis | 98% | 6,057 | 1,628 | 309 | 0% | 43% | 19% | 3.7x | 19.6x | |
| Neurones | 97% | 983 | 740 | 151 | 14% | 61% | 20% | 1.3x | 6.5x | |
| NTT Data | 87% | 38,595 | 30,218 | 4,329 | 55% | 27% | 14% | 1.3x | 8.9x | |
| Perficient | 68% | 2,630 | 918 | 174 | 4% | 38% | 19% | 2.9x | 15.1x | |
| SAIC | 91% | 8,556 | 7,675 | 932 | 2% | 12% | 12% | 1.1x | 9.2x | |
| SThree | 90% | 664 | 1,860 | 107 | 19% | 26% | 6% | 0.3x | 6.2x | |
| TechnoPro Holdings | 83% | 2,722 | 1,472 | 178 | 10% | 26% | 12% | 1.8x | 15.3x | |
| The Hackett Group | 92% | 656 | 289 | 55 | -1% | 40% | 19% | 2.2x | 12.0x | |
| Wipro | 99% | 27,579 | 11,153 | N/A | 8% | 30% | N/A | 2.5x | 12.7x | |
| Wistron Information | 77% | 283 | 274 | 24 | 12% | 20% | 9% | 1.0x | 11.9x | |
| Min | | 283 | 274 | 24 | -10% | 10% | 2% | 0.2x | 5.3x | |
| Median | | 6,129 | 3,444 | 385 | 8% | 28% | 13% | 1.5x | 12.1x | |
| Mean | | 19,033 | 9,170 | 1,272 | 11% | 29% | 13% | 1.8x | 13.2x | |
| Max | | 216,761 | 64,588 | 10,010 | 55% | 61% | 20% | 5.0x | 32.3x | |

| Healthcare Staffing & Solutions* | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| AMN Healthcare Services | 66% | 3,777 | 4,096 | 579 | -25% | 33% | 14% | 0.9x | 6.5x | | |
| Calian Group | 87% | 542 | 488 | 44 | 13% | 31% | 9% | 1.1x | 12.3x | | |
| Cross Country Healthcare | 71% | 787 | 2,234 | 164 | -21% | 22% | 7% | 0.4x | 4.8x | | |
| HealthStream | 98% | 768 | 277 | 57 | 5% | 66% | 20% | 2.8x | 13.6x | | |
| Huron Consulting Group | 91% | 2,326 | 1,337 | 150 | 25% | 30% | 11% | 1.7x | 15.5x | | |
| Min | | 542 | 277 | 44 | -25% | 22% | 7% | 0.4x | 4.8x | | |
| Median | | 787 | 1,337 | 150 | 5% | 31% | 11% | 1.1x | 12.3x | | |
| Mean | | 1,640 | 1,686 | 199 | 0% | 37% | 12% | 1.4x | 10.5x | | |
| Healthcare Staffing Mean | | 2,282 | 3,165 | 372 | -23% | 28% | 11% | 0.6x | 5.7x | | |
| Мах | | 3,777 | 4,096 | 579 | 25% | 66% | 20% | 2.8x | 15.5x | | |



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| Adecco Group | 99% | 11,754 | 25,672 | 838 | 5% | 21% | 3% | 0.5x | 14.0x |
| BGSF | 59% | 173 | 317 | 22 | 10% | 36% | 7% | 0.5x | 8.0x |
| Brunel International | 86% | 648 | 1,223 | 85 | 13% | 21% | 7% | 0.5x | 7.7x |
| Freelance.com | 54% | 265 | 872 | 29 | 24% | 4% | 3% | 0.3x | 8.6x |
| Hays | 86% | 2,271 | 9,120 | 317 | 15% | 17% | 3% | 0.2x | 7.2x |
| Heidrick & Struggles | 84% | 337 | 1,009 | 91 | -10% | 26% | 9% | 0.3x | 3.7x |
| Kforce | 95% | 1,373 | 1,588 | 78 | -7% | 28% | 5% | 0.9x | 17.6x |
| Korn Ferry | 99% | 3,015 | 2,815 | 252 | 0% | 89% | 9% | 1.1x | 12.0x |
| ManpowerGroup | 86% | 4,587 | 19,093 | 479 | -6% | 18% | 3% | 0.2x | 9.6x |
| Openjobmetis | 100% | 251 | 799 | 28 | -3% | 7% | 4% | 0.3x | 9.0x |
| PageGroup | 97% | 2,045 | 2,462 | 245 | 10% | 52% | 10% | 0.8x | 8.4x |
| Randstad | 93% | 12,365 | 28,009 | 1,359 | -4% | 21% | 5% | 0.4x | 9.0x |
| Resources Connection | 76% | 382 | 742 | 61 | -10% | 40% | 8% | 0.5x | 6.2x |
| Robert Half International | 98% | 8,796 | 6,647 | 691 | -9% | 41% | 10% | 1.3x | 12.7x |
| Robert Walters Group | 82% | 418 | 1,334 | 77 | 7% | 38% | 6% | 0.3x | 5.4x |
| SThree | 90% | 664 | 1,860 | 107 | 19% | 26% | 6% | 0.3x | 6.2x |
| Synergie | 100% | 669 | 3,135 | 163 | 5% | 11% | 5% | 0.2x | 4.1x |
| TechnoPro Holdings | 83% | 2,722 | 1,472 | 178 | 10% | 26% | 12% | 1.8x | 15.3x |
| Min | | 173 | 317 | 22 | -10% | 4% | 3% | 0.2x | 3.7x |
| Median | | 1,021 | 1,724 | 135 | 5% | 26% | 6% | 0.4x | 8.5x |
| Mean | | 2,930 | 6,009 | 283 | 4% | 29% | 6% | 0.6x | 9.1x |
| Max | | 12,365 | 28,009 | 1,359 | 24% | 89% | 12% | 1.8x | 17.6x |



| Commercial Staffing | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Adecco Group | 99% | 11,754 | 25,672 | 838 | 5% | 21% | 3% | 0.5x | 14.0x | | |
| Barrett Business Services | 97% | 657 | 1,065 | 73 | 2% | 22% | 7% | 0.6x | 9.0x | | |
| GDI Integrated Facility Services | 74% | 961 | 1,780 | 95 | 19% | 19% | 5% | 0.5x | 10.0x | | |
| Groupe Crit | 95% | 566 | 2,568 | 144 | 11% | 5% | 6% | 0.2x | 3.9x | | |
| Impellam Group | 91% | 424 | 2,456 | 48 | 39% | 10% | 2% | 0.2x | 10.9x | | |
| Kelly Services | 98% | 710 | 4,837 | 72 | -3% | 20% | 1% | 0.1x | 9.8x | | |
| ManpowerGroup | 86% | 4,587 | 19,093 | 479 | -6% | 18% | 3% | 0.2x | 9.6x | | |
| Openjobmetis | 100% | 251 | 799 | 28 | -3% | 7% | 4% | 0.3x | 9.0x | | |
| Randstad | 93% | 12,365 | 28,009 | 1,359 | -4% | 21% | 5% | 0.4x | 9.0x | | |
| Robert Walters Group | 82% | 418 | 1,334 | 77 | 7% | 38% | 6% | 0.3x | 5.4x | | |
| TrueBlue | 74% | 495 | 1,972 | 18 | -15% | 27% | 1% | 0.3x | 12.1x | | |
| Min | | 251 | 799 | 18 | -15% | 5% | 1% | 0.1x | 3.9x | | |
| Median | | 657 | 2,456 | 77 | 2% | 20% | 4% | 0.3x | 9.6x | | |
| Mean | | 3,017 | 8,144 | 294 | 5% | 19% | 4% | 0.3x | 9.3x | | |
| Max | | 12,365 | 28,009 | 1,359 | 39% | 38% | 7% | 0.6x | 14.0x | | |



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| ASGN | 98% | 5,495 | 4,527 | 472 | 1% | 29% | 10% | 1.2x | 11.6x |
| Booz Allen Hamilton | 97% | 19,776 | 10,031 | 717 | 14% | 54% | 7% | 2.0x | 27.6x |
| CACI International | 90% | 9,211 | 6,947 | 714 | 10% | 8% | 10% | 1.3x | 12.9x |
| Calian Group | 87% | 542 | 488 | 44 | 13% | 31% | 9% | 1.1x | 12.3x |
| ICF International | 92% | 3,263 | 1,960 | 180 | 16% | 36% | 9% | 1.7x | 18.1x |
| Leidos Holdings | 97% | 19,403 | 15,155 | 857 | 7% | 14% | 6% | 1.3x | 22.6x |
| Maximus | 93% | 6,479 | 4,905 | 444 | 6% | 21% | 9% | 1.3x | 14.6x |
| Parsons | 97% | 7,444 | 5,052 | 386 | 25% | 21% | 8% | 1.5x | 19.3x |
| SAIC | 91% | 8,556 | 7,675 | 932 | 2% | 12% | 12% | 1.1x | 9.2x |
| Synergie | 100% | 669 | 3,135 | 163 | 5% | 11% | 5% | 0.2x | 4.1x |
| Tyler Technologies | 98% | 18,259 | 1,923 | 387 | 5% | 44% | 20% | 9.5x | 46.0x |
| Min | | 542 | 488 | 44 | 1% | 8% | 5% | 0.2x | 4.1x |
| Median | | 7,444 | 4,905 | 444 | 7% | 21% | 9% | 1.3x | 14.6x |
| Mean | | 9,009 | 5,618 | 481 | 9% | 26% | 10% | 2.0x | 18.0x |
| Max | | 19,776 | 15,155 | 932 | 25% | 54% | 20% | 9.5x | 46.0x |



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| Alight Solutions | 84% | 7,247 | 3,392 | 377 | 11% | 33% | 11% | 2.1x | 19.2x |
| Aon | 84% | 62,241 | 13,131 | 3,968 | 6% | 48% | 30% | 4.7x | 15.7x |
| Automatic Data Processing | 91% | 97,704 | 17,435 | 4,330 | 6% | 42% | 25% | 5.6x | 22.6x |
| Barrett Business Services | 97% | 657 | 1,065 | 73 | 2% | 22% | 7% | 0.6x | 9.0x |
| Brunel International | 86% | 648 | 1,223 | 85 | 13% | 21% | 7% | 0.5x | 7.7x |
| CBIZ | 99% | 3,730 | 1,559 | 222 | 15% | 15% | 14% | 2.4x | 16.8x |
| HireRight | 96% | 1,558 | 731 | 143 | -12% | 47% | 20% | 2.1x | 10.9x |
| Insperity | 89% | 4,099 | 40,579 | 289 | 19% | 17% | 1% | 0.6x | 14.2x |
| Paychex | 92% | 42,326 | 5,030 | 2,283 | 6% | 72% | 45% | 8.2x | 18.5x |
| Qualicorp | 54% | 467 | 368 | 121 | -12% | 77% | 33% | 1.3x | 3.0x |
| Synergie | 100% | 669 | 3,135 | 163 | 5% | 11% | 5% | 0.2x | 4.1x |
| TriNet Group | 96% | 6,898 | 4,903 | 559 | 0% | 22% | 11% | 1.4x | 12.9x |
| Willis Towers Watson | 93% | 29,644 | 9,237 | 2,027 | 4% | 40% | 22% | 3.2x | 14.6x |
| WNS | 67% | 3,108 | 1,282 | 240 | 8% | 36% | 19% | 2.4x | 12.9x |
| Min | | 467 | 288 | 73 | -12% | 11% | 1% | 0.2x | 3.0x |
| Median | | 3,914 | 3,135 | 240 | 6% | 36% | 19% | 2.1x | 13.5x |
| Mean | | 18,643 | 6,891 | 999 | 7% | 36% | 19% | 2.5x | 13.0x |
| PEO Mean | | 30,337 | 13,802 | 1,507 | 7% | 35% | 18% | 3.3x | 15.4x |
| Max | | 97,704 | 40,579 | 4,330 | 26% | 77% | 45% | 8.2x | 22.6x |



| | | | | BPO | | | | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Name | % of 52 Week High | EV | Revenue | EBITDA | Revenue Growth | Gross Margin | EBITDA Margin | EV / LTM Revenue | EV / LTM EBITDA |
| Advantage Solutions (Irvine) | 89% | 3,042 | 4,248 | (1,279) | 7% | 13% | -30% | 0.7x | N/A |
| Brunel International | 86% | 648 | 1,223 | 85 | 13% | 21% | 7% | 0.5x | 7.7x |
| Concentrix (US) | 65% | 8,402 | 6,554 | 963 | 7% | 36% | 15% | 1.3x | 8.7x |
| Conduent | 74% | 2,016 | 3,755 | (325) | -4% | 22% | -9% | 0.5x | N/A |
| Capita | 52% | 1,230 | 3,577 | 191 | -3% | 24% | 5% | 0.3x | 6.5x |
| CBIZ | 99% | 3,730 | 1,559 | 222 | 15% | 15% | 14% | 2.4x | 16.8x |
| ExlService Holdings | 86% | 5,086 | 1,591 | 305 | 19% | 37% | 19% | 3.2x | 16.7x |
| Genpact | 71% | 7,296 | 4,433 | 724 | 2% | 35% | 16% | 1.6x | 10.1x |
| Icon (Consulting Services) | 98% | 27,152 | 8,016 | 1,452 | 5% | 29% | 18% | 3.4x | 18.7x |
| Impellam Group | 91% | 424 | 2,456 | 48 | 39% | 10% | 2% | 0.2x | 10.9x |
| IQVIA | 96% | 54,743 | 14,855 | 3,116 | 4% | 35% | 21% | 3.7x | 17.6x |
| Neurones | 97% | 983 | 740 | 151 | 14% | 61% | 20% | 1.3x | 6.5x |
| Plexus Company | 94% | 3,187 | 4,210 | 259 | 10% | 9% | 6% | 0.8x | 12.3x |
| TaskUs | 59% | 1,365 | 932 | 155 | -1% | 42% | 17% | 1.5x | 8.8x |
| Teleperformance | 48% | 11,583 | 8,547 | 1,691 | 7% | 32% | 20% | 1.4x | 6.9x |
| TTEC Holdings | 40% | 1,997 | 2,495 | 255 | 4% | 23% | 10% | 0.8x | 7.8x |
| Willis Towers Watson | 93% | 29,644 | 9,237 | 2,027 | 4% | 40% | 22% | 3.2x | 14.6x |
| Wipro | 98% | 27,579 | 11,153 | N/A | 8% | 30% | N/A | 2.5x | 12.7x |
| WNS | 67% | 3,108 | 1,282 | 240 | 8% | 36% | 19% | 2.4x | 12.9x |
| Min | | 424 | 288 | (1,279) | -4% | 9% | -30% | 0.2x | 6.5x |
| Median | | 3,187 | 3,666 | 240 | 7% | 31% | 16% | 1.4x | 10.9x |
| Mean | | 10,169 | 4,558 | 547 | 9% | 30% | 12% | 1.7x | 11.5x |
| Max | | 54,743 | 14,855 | 3,116 | 39% | 61% | 37% | 3.7x | 18.7x |



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| Name | % of 52 Week High | EV | Revenue | EBITDA | Revenue Growth | Gross Margin | EBITDA Margin | EV / LTM Revenue | EV / LTM EBITDA |
| Accenture | 99% | 216,761 | 64,588 | 10,010 | 4% | 33% | 15% | 3.4x | 21.7x |
| Arthur J. Gallagher & Company | 89% | 54,622 | 8,988 | 2,333 | 14% | 42% | 26% | 5.7x | 23.4x |
| Booz Allen Hamilton | 97% | 19,776 | 10,031 | 717 | 14% | 54% | 7% | 2.0x | 27.6x |
| Brunel International | 86% | 648 | 1,223 | 85 | 13% | 21% | 7% | 0.5x | 7.7x |
| BTS Group | 82% | 538 | 248 | 37 | 11% | N/A | 15% | 2.2x | 14.6x |
| CRA International | 77% | 808 | 607 | 77 | 5% | 30% | 13% | 1.3x | 10.4x |
| ExIService Holdings | 86% | 5,086 | 1,591 | 305 | 19% | 37% | 19% | 3.2x | 16.7x |
| FTI Consulting | 86% | 7,373 | 3,339 | 381 | 14% | 32% | 11% | 2.2x | 19.4x |
| Gartner | 96% | 36,905 | 5,826 | 1,468 | 10% | 68% | 25% | 6.3x | 25.1x |
| Huron Consulting Group | 91% | 2,326 | 1,337 | 150 | 25% | 30% | 11% | 1.7x | 15.5x |
| Marsh & Mclennan Companies | 93% | 106,296 | 22,266 | 5,825 | 7% | 42% | 26% | 4.8x | 18.2x |
| Maximus | 93% | 6,479 | 4,905 | 444 | 6% | 21% | 9% | 1.3x | 14.6x |
| Perficient | 68% | 2,630 | 918 | 174 | 4% | 38% | 19% | 2.9x | 15.1x |
| Resources Connection | 76% | 382 | 742 | 61 | -10% | 40% | 8% | 0.5x | 6.2x |
| WNS | 67% | 3,108 | 1,282 | 240 | 8% | 36% | 19% | 2.4x | 12.9x |
| Min | | 382 | 248 | 37 | -10% | 21% | 7% | 0.5x | 6.2x |
| Median | | 5,086 | 1,591 | 305 | 10% | 37% | 15% | 2.2x | 15.5x |
| Mean | | 30,916 | 8,526 | 1,487 | 10% | 37% | 15% | 2.7x | 16.6x |
| Max | | 216,761 | 64,588 | 10,010 | 25% | 68% | 26% | 6.3x | 27.6x |



| | | | НСМ | Software | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|----------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Name | % of 52 Week High | EV | Revenue | EBITDA | Revenue Growth | Gross Margin | EBITDA Margin | EV / LTM Revenue | EV / LTM Ebitda |
| Ceridian HCM | 84% | 11,215 | 1,450 | 203 | 22% | 42% | 14% | 7.7x | 55.4x |
| HealthStream | 98% | 768 | 277 | 57 | 5% | 66% | 20% | 2.8x | 13.6x |
| Intuit | 99% | 179,134 | 14,749 | 4,171 | 11% | 78% | 28% | 12.1x | 42.9x |
| New Work (Holding Companies) | 43% | 436 | 330 | 96 | 1% | N/A | 29% | 1.3x | 4.5x |
| Oracle | 83% | 370,430 | 51,628 | 19,753 | 12% | 72% | 38% | 7.2x | 18.8x |
| Paychex | 92% | 42,326 | 5,030 | 2,283 | 6% | 72% | 45% | 8.2x | 18.5x |
| Paycom Software | 55% | 11,473 | 1,630 | 585 | 26% | 84% | 36% | 7.0x | 19.6x |
| Paycor HCM | 78% | 3,795 | 537 | 51 | 20% | 66% | 9% | 6.6x | 74.7x |
| Paylocity | 70% | 9,025 | 1,239 | 260 | 34% | 69% | 21% | 7.3x | 34.7x |
| SAP | 96% | 179,187 | 34,308 | 6,568 | 9% | 71% | 19% | 5.4x | 23.8x |
| Seek (Human Capital Services) | 99% | 7,328 | 824 | 319 | 10% | 99% | 39% | 8.9x | 22.9x |
| Sage Group | 98% | 15,927 | 2,675 | 517 | 12% | 93% | 19% | 6.0x | 30.8x |
| Workday | 99% | 69,000 | 6,983 | 293 | 17% | 75% | 4% | 9.9x | N/A |
| Min | | 436 | 277 | 51 | 1% | 42% | 4% | 1.3x | 4.5x |
| Median | | 11,473 | 1,630 | 319 | 12% | 72% | 21% | 7.2x | 23.4x |
| Mean | | 69,234 | 9,358 | 2,704 | 14% | 74% | 25% | 7.0x | 30.0x |
| Max | | 370,430 | 51,628 | 19,753 | 34% | 99% | 45% | 12.1x | 74.7x |



| EdTech | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Name | % of 52 Week High | EV | Revenue | EBITDA | Revenue Growth | Gross Margin | EBITDA Margin | EV / LTM Revenue | EV / LTM EBITDA | | |
| 2U | 9% | 1,036 | 926 | (95) | -5% | 71% | -10% | 1.1x | N/A | | |
| BTS Group | 82% | 538 | 248 | 37 | 11% | N/A | 15% | 2.2x | 14.6x | | |
| Coursera | 91% | 2,242 | 609 | (152) | 23% | 54% | -25% | 3.7x | N/A | | |
| Docebo | 91% | 1,298 | 171 | (2) | 27% | 81% | -1% | 7.6x | N/A | | |
| FranklinCovey | 87% | 562 | 281 | 36 | 7% | 76% | 13% | 2.0x | 15.7x | | |
| Instructure | 86% | 4,109 | 520 | 141 | 13% | 65% | 27% | 7.9x | 29.1x | | |
| Learning Technologies Group | 54% | 968 | 726 | 119 | 33% | N/A | 16% | 1.3x | 8.1x | | |
| Udemy | 92% | 1,788 | 705 | (129) | 18% | 57% | -18% | 2.5x | N/A | | |
| Min | | 538 | 171 | (152) | -5% | 54% | -25% | 1.1x | 8.1x | | |
| Median | | 1,167 | 564 | 17 | 15% | 68% | 6% | 2.4x | 15.1x | | |
| Mean | | 1,568 | 523 | (6) | 16% | 67% | 2% | 3.5x | 16.9x | | |
| Max | | 4,109 | 926 | 141 | 33% | 81% | 27% | 7.9x | 29.1x | | |



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