

Global M&A Flash Note Surge in Deals in Q4 2020 a Prelude to Strong 2021

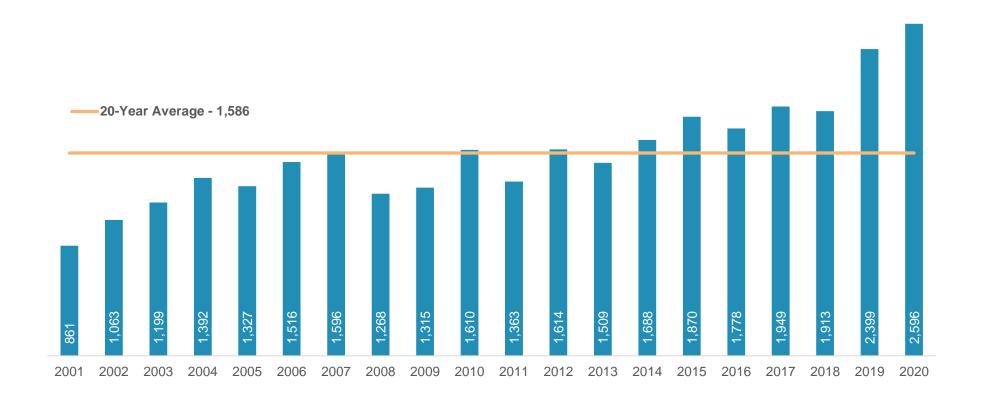




Dealmakers had a busy Christmas with record-high number of deals announced in last two weeks of 2020

Between December 16 and December 31, a total of 2,596 deals were announced globally, which was 8% higher than the number seen in 2019 (a record year in itself) and 64% higher than the 20-year average.

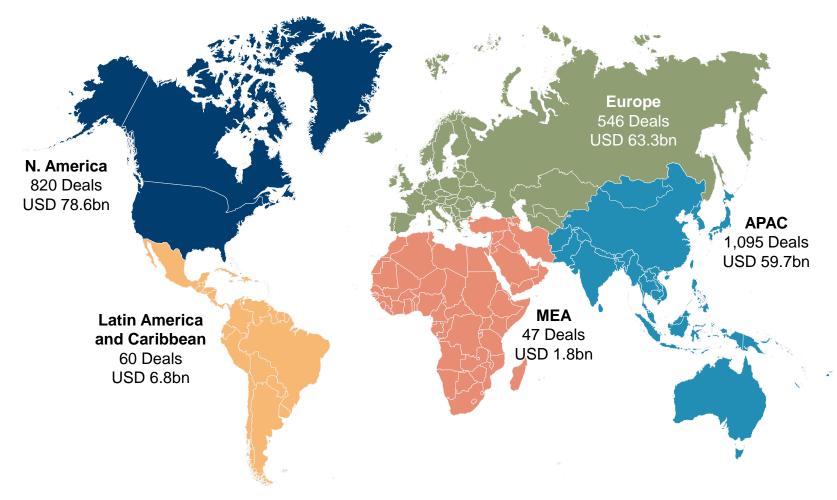
Global M&A Deals Announced During December 16–31 Each Year





While APAC region recorded the highest number of deals announced, North America, Europe lead in terms of deal value

M&A Deals Announced by Target Country-wise (December 16–31, 2020)



Financials, Industrial sectors see 8 out of 10 largest global deals

Largest M&A Deals Announced (December 16–31, 2020)

Buyers	Target	Target Sector	Country	Date	Announced Total Value in USD Bn
Thoma Bravo LLC	RealPage, Inc.	Technology	United States	21/12/2020	9.75
Blue Owl Capital Inc	Dyal Capital Partners	Financials	United States	23/12/2020	6.68
Blackstone Group Inc	Signature Aviation PLC	Industrials	United Kingdom	21/12/2020	6.52
Samhällsbyggnadsbolaget i Norden AB (SBB)	Entra ASA	Real Estate	Norway	23/12/2020	6.36
China Oil & Gas Pipeline Network Corp	PetroChina Beijing Gas Pipeline Co./PetroChina Dalian LNG Co.	Industrials / Utilities	China	22/12/2020	6.25
Blue Owl Capital Inc	Sponsoring offering & managing business / Owl Rock	Financials	United States	23/12/2020	5.47
Natwest Group PLC	Portfolio of owner-occupied residential mortgages	Financials	United Kingdom	18/12/2020	4.22
Lockheed Martin Corp	Aerojet Rocketdyne Holdings, Inc.	Industrials	United States	20/12/2020	3.60
Gainwell Technologies	HMS Holdings Corp	Industrials	United States	21/12/2020	3.32
Macquarie Infrastructure Corporation	Open Fiber SPA	Industrials	Italy	17/12/2020	3.25



Number of deals in Q2, Q3 2020 fell due to the onset of the pandemic. While Q4 2020 did see the release of pent-up demand, 2021 will see a true recovery

Deals announced in Q2 2020 fell by 20% year-on-year while Q3 experienced a marginal decline of 5%. In Q4 2020, deal sentiment improved following positive news about new vaccines; deal announcements increased by 9%.

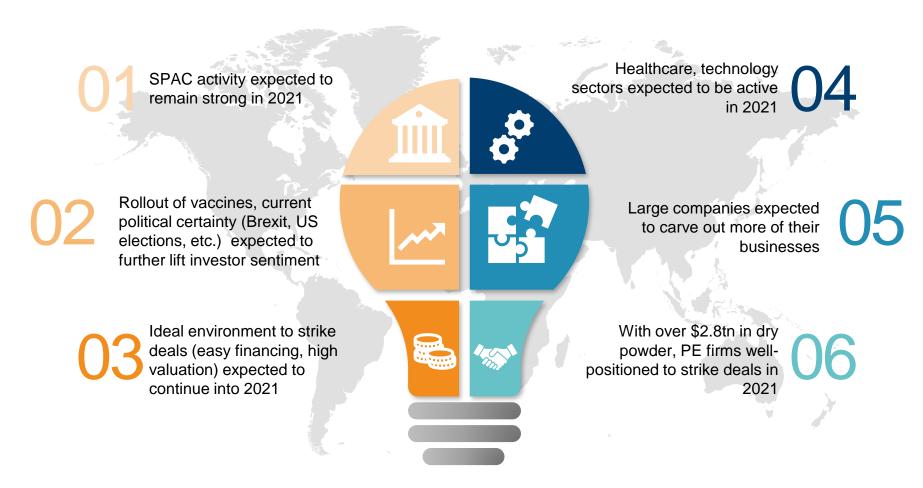
Global M&A Deals Announced by Quarter





Momentum seen in Q4 2020 expected to continue in 2021 driven by following trends

Key Drivers of Deals in 2021



Source: Business Press, Bloomberg, Aranca Research







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