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# Tech M&A

## 2025 Q2 Industry Update

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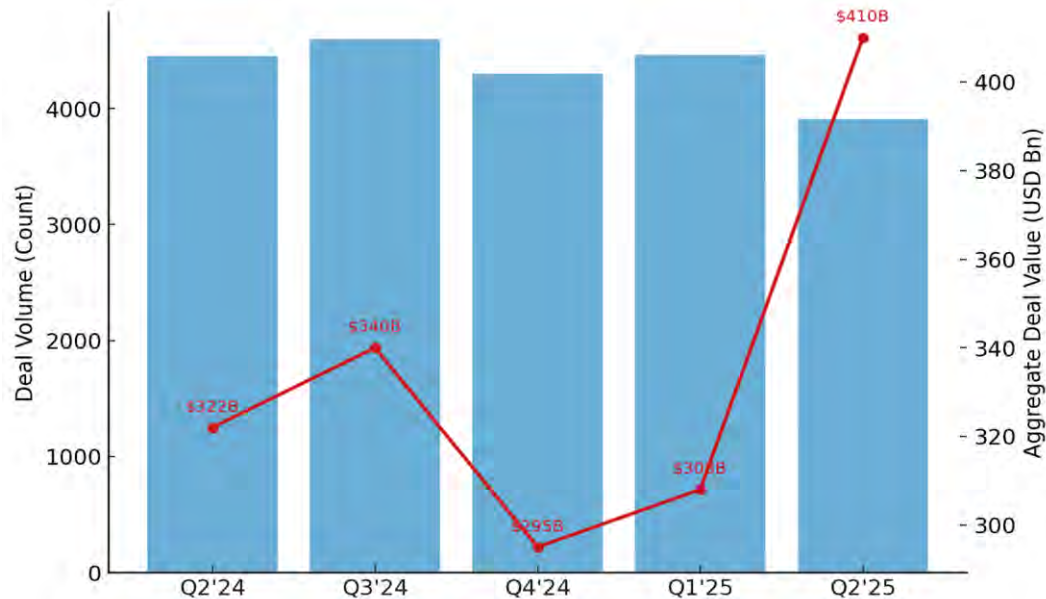
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## Market Commentary

- Transaction volume for information technology services companies declined in Q2 2025 compared to Q1. Deal values, however, increased significantly, reaching the highest quarterly level in three years, driven by mega-deals in SaaS and Cybersecurity.
- Out of all the M&As announced in the Americas, EMEA, and APAC during Q2 2025, approximately 24%, 27%, and 19%, respectively, were in technology industries, demonstrating the sector's position as a leading driver of global deal activity.
- Signs of revival in billion-dollar transactions were evident in Q2 2025, led by large strategic acquisitions such as Google–Wiz and Toyota–Toyota Industries, though Technology Services remained focused on steady mid-market transactions.

## Technology Services Quarterly Transactions

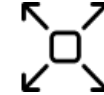


Sources: S&P Global Market Intelligence, PitchBook

## Key Growth Drivers



Legacy IT systems continue to push enterprises toward modernization and integration deals.



Customer support solutions remain in demand as enterprises prioritize AI-driven engagement.



Cybersecurity activity increased in Q2 2025, with deal count rising to 114 transactions across the sector.



Cloud migration and SaaS adoption continue accelerating as enterprises seek scalable operating models.

# Recent Technology Services Transactions

## Highlighted Transaction



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### Palo Alto Networks Acquires CyberArk

Network Security | Digital Identity | Privileged Access Management

- CyberArk is a global leader in identity security solutions, specializing in privileged access management (PAM) of account credentials for both human and machine identities.
- CyberArk's platform integrates seamlessly with major cloud providers and enterprise systems, such as AWS, Azure, and hybrid IT environments.
- Palo Alto Networks is acquiring CyberArk for \$25 billion, marking the company's formal entry into the identity security space for agentic AI.
- This accretive acquisition is expected to increase Palo Alto Networks' annual recurring revenue by approximately \$1B (~18%) and strengthen its competitive position with a more comprehensive multi-platform cybersecurity offering.

# Other M&A Transactions

## Diginex Acquires Resulticks (June 2025)

Target:

**RESULTICKS**

Investor:

 **diginex**

## Clio Acquires vLex (June 2025)

Target:

**v|lex**

Investor:

 **Clio**

## Oliver Wyman Acquires Validate Health (June 2025)

Target:

 **validate**  
HEALTH

Investor:



## Xero Acquires Melio (June 2025)

Target:

**melio**

Investor:



## Databricks Acquires Neon (May 2025)

Target:

 **NEON**

Investor:

  
**databricks**

## Sanmina Acquires ZT Systems (May 2025)

Target:

  
**zt**  
Systems

Investor:

  
S A N M I N A

## ServiceNow Acquires Logik.ai (April 2025)

Target:

**logik** 

Investor:

**servicenow**

## ServiceNow Acquires Moveworks (March 2025)

Target:

 **Moveworks**  
Instant help at work.™

Investor:

**servicenow**

# Featured Sub-Sector: Artificial Intelligence

## Market Commentary

- Artificial intelligence M&A activity **accelerated in Q2 2025**, with continued strength in generative AI models, autonomous agents, and AI-driven enterprise platforms.
- Strategic and financial buyers pursued acquisitions that expand **automation, predictive analytics, and cybersecurity capabilities** across industries.
- Consolidation increased across **healthcare, financial services, and cybersecurity**, as enterprises sought to embed AI solutions into mission-critical operations and improve **efficiency at scale**.
- Multi-billion-dollar acquisitions** such as Google–Wiz and ServiceNow–Moveworks highlighted the momentum of AI dealmaking in Q2 2025, reinforcing **long-term growth expectations** as the global AI market is projected to surpass **\$250B by 2030**.

## Select Market Participants



## Key M&A Transactions 2025

| Date     | Acquirer   | Target    | Target Description                                                               |
|----------|------------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mar-2025 | Alphabet   | WIZ       | Strengthens Google Cloud's AI-driven security and analytics                      |
| Mar-2025 | servicenow | Moveworks | Expands AI assistants and autonomous enterprise agent capabilities               |
| Apr-2025 | cisco      | splunk    | Enhances AI-powered observability and security analytics                         |
| Apr-2025 | servicenow | logik.ai  | Adds AI-enabled CPQ and workflow automation tools                                |
| May-2025 | SAP        | walkme    | Acquires AI-driven digital adoption platform to strengthen enterprise automation |
| Jun-2025 | IBM        | HashiCorp | Expands hybrid cloud and AI-enabled infrastructure automation                    |

## Notable Transaction



- The acquisition enhances Google Cloud's enterprise security platform by integrating Wiz's AI-driven threat detection and analytics.
- Customers will benefit from stronger protection, faster response times, and simpler integration methodologies.

# Featured Sub-Sector: SaaS

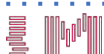
## Market Commentary

- The SaaS industry is shifting toward **AI-powered solutions** and **operational efficiency tools**, such as vertical SaaS platforms which possess **sector-specific integration potential** (healthcare, fintech, law).
- **Best-in-class software businesses** are still garnering premium multiples and strong buy-side attention relative to competitors, as numerous \$1B+ deals in H1 2025 indicate a receptive capital markets environment for **premium assets**. Leading SaaS subverticals in Q2 M&A performance include **data management** and **workflow streamlining**.
- SaaS M&A volume and valuations have shown **resilient growth** despite macroeconomic uncertainty across the first half of the year. H1 2025 saw 1273 recorded SaaS transactions (with 637 in Q2), **up more than 30%** from 979 in H1 2024. Median EV/TTM revenue remained at **4.2x in Q2 2025**, up from 4.0x in Q2 2024.

## Select Market Participants



## Key M&A Transactions 2025

| Date     | Acquirer                                                                            | Target                                                                              | Target Description                                                                                  |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jun-2025 |  |  | Expands legal intelligence SaaS services to provide legal professionals with precise research tools |
| Jun-2025 |  |  | Introduces healthcare analytics services for actuarial and financial optimization                   |
| Jun-2025 |  |  | Integrates payments with accounting bill pay services to enhance US market presence                 |
| Jun-2025 |  |  | Enhances Done.ai's integrated AI-powered platform for SMEs through cloud solutions                  |
| May-2025 |  |  | Combines consulting & cloud capabilities to accelerate growth through cross-selling                 |
| May-2025 |  |  | Strengthens CodeLab's position in the Norwegian HSE SaaS market through compliance solutions        |

## Notable Transaction



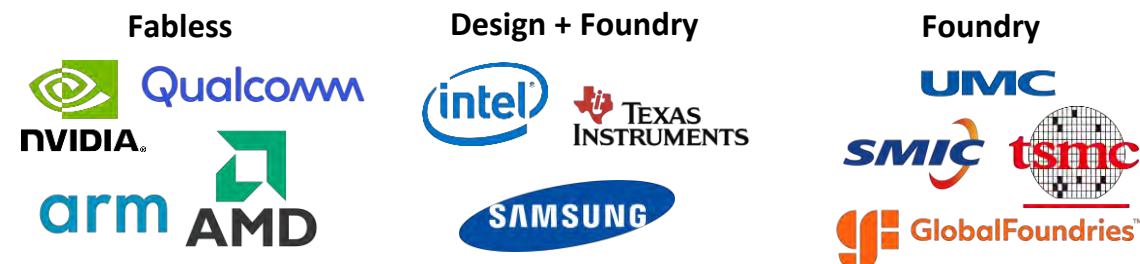
- On June 30, 2025, Canadian legal tech firm Clío announced a \$1 billion acquisition of vLex.
- This acquisition merges Clío's existing legal practice management software with vLex's AI-powered SaaS research platform, integrating key workflow segments for legal professionals.

# Featured Sub-Sector: Semiconductors

## Market Commentary

- **Global semiconductor sales are soaring**, with industry forecasts converging around **\$697 billion in 2025** — a new record driven by AI, data centers, and chip demand
- Growth is expected to be broad-based, with **WSTS projecting an 11.2% year-over-year increase**, led by logic and memory sectors essential for AI workloads.
- **Investor sentiment remains optimistic**, as Deloitte and KPMG outlooks highlight solid recovery post-2023 and continued strength in semiconductor innovation.
- Semiconductor test equipment sales are forecasted to rise **23.2% in 2025**, hitting a new record of **\$9.3 billion**, while foundry 2.0 services (like advanced packaging and AI-driven node production) are up **13% YoY**, driven by AI chip demand.

## Select Market Participants



## Key M&A Transactions 2025

| Date     | Acquirer          | Target                                              | Target Description                            |
|----------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Jun-2025 | Qualcomm          | ALPHAWAVE SEMI                                      | Expands AI and data-center connectivity.      |
| Mar-2025 | SoftBank          | AMPERE                                              | Adds cloud-optimized CPUs for AI infra.       |
| Jan-2025 | onsemi            | USCi<br><small>United Silicon Carbide, Inc.</small> | Boosts power devices for AI data centers.     |
| Jul-2025 | SYNOPSYS          | Ansys                                               | Creates end-to-end chip design + simulation.. |
| Mar-2025 | intel             | ALTERA                                              | Intel spins off FPGA unit for focus/funding.  |
| Aug-2025 | Shanghai Electric | CONVENIENT POWER systems                            | Expands into wireless charging semis.         |

## Notable Transaction



- Synopsys' \$35B acquisition of Ansys creates an end-to-end "silicon-to-systems" platform, combining chip design automation with advanced simulation — one of the largest semiconductor software deals ever.

# Featured Sub-Sector: Data Analytics



## Market Commentary

- **AI-driven momentum dominates**, particularly in data & AI and business intelligence — buyers cite these as the most in-demand M&A sectors this year
- **Private equity re-enters the scene** — notably, Blackstone is set to acquire energy data and analytics firm **Enverus** for **\$6.5 billion**, signaling renewed confidence in data-infused platforms
- **Tech giants continue strategic tuck-ins**: IBM acquired startup **Seek AI** to bolster enterprise data capabilities and launched its new **Watsonx AI Labs** hub for innovation in AI-driven analytics
- **Salesforce secured its largest deal of the year** — an **\$8 billion** acquisition of **Informatica**, enhancing its AI strategy with robust data management infrastructure

## Select Market Participants



## Key M&A Transactions 2025

| Date     | Acquirer   | Target          | Target Description                                               |
|----------|------------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| May-2025 | databricks | NEON            | Enhances AI-agent-ready database infrastructure                  |
| Aug-2025 | BLACKSTONE | ENVERUS         | Major PE move into AI-enabled energy analytics                   |
| May-2025 | salesforce | Informatica     | Builds foundation for agentic AI in enterprise data architecture |
| Jun-2025 | IBM        | seek            | Expands enterprise AI offerings and launches Watsonx AI Labs     |
| Jul-2025 | CoreWeave  | CORE SCIENTIFIC | Vertical integration in AI infrastructure                        |
| Mar-2025 | braze      | OfferFit        | Strengthens AI-driven personalization in engagement platforms    |

## Notable Transaction

acquired by  
BLACKSTONE

- In August 2025, Blackstone agreed to acquire energy data and analytics firm Enverus for \$6.5 billion to scale AI-powered infrastructure.
- It marks a significant private equity move into energy-specific analytics.

# Featured Sub-Sector: IT Service Providers

## Market Commentary

- The MSP market continues to expand, projected to surpass **\$400B globally in 2025**, driven by **AI integration**, cybersecurity demand, and cloud migration.
- **Generative AI adoption** is pushing MSPs to offer automated monitoring, predictive support, and advanced analytics.
- **Cybersecurity remains the #1 priority**: businesses demand complete packages covering threat detection, incident response, and compliance.
- **M&A activity is accelerating** as large IT services firms consolidate regional MSPs to expand capabilities and talent pools.
- Regulatory challenges persist, but digital transformation initiatives in healthcare, finance, and government are fueling **robust MSP growth**.

## Key M&A Transactions 2025

| Date     | Acquirer  | Target                      | Target Description                                                                         |
|----------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jul-2025 | Capgemini | WNS                         | Expands Capgemini's outsourcing and AI-driven MSP capabilities in US & global markets.     |
| Jun-2025 | cognizant | Mphasis<br>The Next Applied | Strengthens Cognizant's cloud and managed IT services footprint in BFSI sector.            |
| Apr-2025 | CDW       | SIRIUS                      | Expands enterprise IT solutions and MSP offerings in North America.                        |
| Mar-2025 | Infosys   | Persistent                  | Enhances Infosys' managed cloud and application services capabilities.                     |
| Feb-2025 | Atos      | EVIDEN                      | Atos reorganized through Eviden deal, reinforcing digital transformation and MSP business. |
| Jan-2025 | kyndryl   | täoös                       | Expands Kyndryl's multi-cloud and AI service capabilities.                                 |

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## Notable Transaction



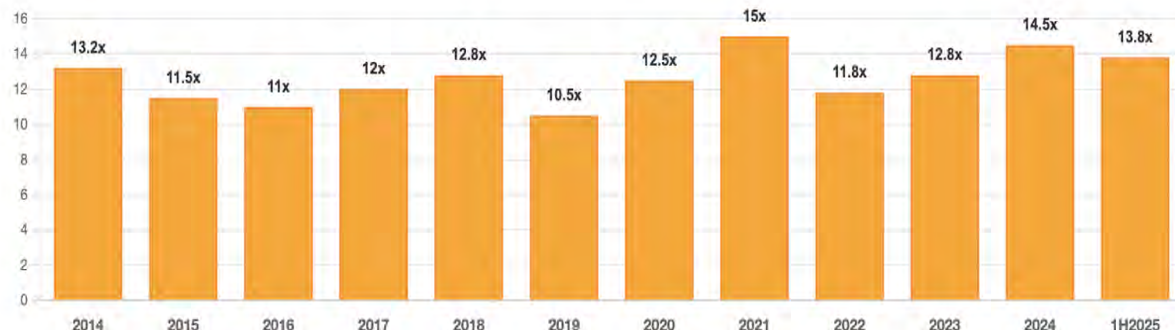
- Capgemini's acquisition of WNS boosts its **outsourcing and MSP capabilities**, particularly in AI-powered process management.
- The deal enhances Capgemini's presence in the **US and BFSI markets**, while scaling its global managed services platform.

# Global Public Company Performance

## IT M&A Activity by Year



## IT M&A EV/EBITDA Multiples



## Trends in IT sector

- **Increase in IT Sector Deal Value:** In Q2 2025, IT deal value reached approximately \$97 billion, a 27% increase compared to Q2 2024. Through end-May 2025, tech M&A totaled around \$421 billion, representing about 25% of global deal value.
- **Rise in IT Deal Volume:** In 1H 2025, the broader tech M&A volume rose to roughly 3,113 deals, up 36% year over year. Within the software and tech-enabled services segment, Q2 2025 recorded about 1,090 deals, up 19.8% year over year, though slightly down from Q1.
- **IT Sector's Share of Global M&A:** Tech continues to dominate M&A activity, accounting for about 78% of TMT deal volume and around 83% of TMT deal value in 1H 2025. Globally, overall M&A deal values increased roughly 15% year over year while volumes dipped about 9%, reflecting a value-driven environment with fewer but larger deals.

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