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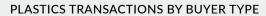
PLASTICS M&A UPDATE

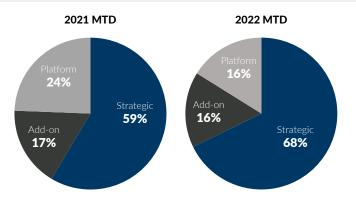
JULY 2022

Plastics Industry M&A Activity Tracking

Global Plastics M&A activity totaled 31 transactions in the month of July, down 3 deals from June levels. While volume fell month-over-month, July marked the third consecutive month with over 30 transactions announced. Transaction levels were driven by an active strategic buyer base, which accounted for 68% of the total deal volume. Overall, Plastics M&A continues to exhibit strong activity levels when compared to monthly volumes seen prior to the pandemic, and is on track to have another strong year from an M&A volume standpoint.

PLASTICS M&A BY SUBSECTOR						
	Month-to-Date			Year-to-Date		
Subsector	2021	2022	Change	2021	2022	Change
Blow Molding	1	2	1	14	13	-1
Injection Molding	9	14	5	76	60	-16
Film	8	2	-6	49	39	-10
Resin / Color & Compounding	4	5	1	40	25	-15
Sheet & Thermoforming	11	1	-10	23	18	-5
Specialty	8	7	-1	56	81	25
Total Plastics	41	31	-10	258	236	-22
Strategic	59%	68%	9%	54%	55%	1%
Financial Buyer - Add-on	17%	16%	-1%	26%	28%	2%
Financial Buyer - Platform	24%	16%	-8%	20%	17%	-3%





- After a strong month in June, private equity activity pulled back slightly as fewer financial buyers pursued platform acquisitions of plastics companies. Notably, July has been a slower month for private equity activity historically
- U.S. buyers continue to be active in 2022, averaging 17 transactions per month and recording 15 in the month of July. Through July of last year, U.S. buyers had accounted for 43% of the total deal volume while they have accounted for 51% of the deal volume in 2022
- The Injection Molding subsector posted its highest level of transaction activity of the year in the month of July, accounting for 14 deals which was up from 7 transactions in June
- Resin and Color & Compounding deals accounted for 5 deals in July which was up from 2 deals in June. In the year, this subsector has accounted for 11% of the total volume

	Month-to-Date		Year-to-Date	
End Market	2021	2022	2021	2022
Food & Beverage	5	2	44	27
Industrial	19	16	97	111
Consumer	8	4	36	28
Construction	3	1	16	23
Medical	2	4	19	26
Automotive / Transportation	4	4	46	21
Total	41	31	258	236

TOTAL PLASTICS M&A BY END MARKET

Through July 2022, Global Plastics M&A has reported strong deal volumes after a slower Q2. Total deal activity sits at 236 transactions in the year-to-date which is below 2021 volumes, but significantly higher than activity seen through the same year-to-date period in 2017 – 2020. Amidst uncertainty in the macroeconomy, plastics transaction levels and valuation multiples continue to be strong. If you are a plastics company considering a merger, acquisition, sale or recapitalization in the short or longer term, please consider leveraging PMCF's transaction planning and execution expertise to best position your company in a transaction.

Public Entity Performance

Plastic Public Entities rebounded in July, with each Index increasing in the month-to-date period. The Plastic Packaging Index posted the largest increase in July, posting a gain of 5.3%. When compared to the S&P 500, which increased by 9.1% in July, plastics public companies are slightly underperforming the overall market.

Index		% Change July MTD		% Change July YTD
S&P 500 Index	1	9.1%	¥	-13.3%
PMCF Plastics Index ⁽¹⁾	♠	3.9%	¥	-8.9%
Resin and Color & Compounding (2)	^	1.8%	•	-10.9%
Plastic Packaging ⁽³⁾	•	5.3%	•	-11.9%
Plastic Fabricating ⁽⁴⁾	♠	4.0%	•	-2.1%

(1) ABCT. CMT, PRLB, ARCW, UFAB, MYE, DOW, WLK, TSE, AVNT, DNMR, ITP, SOLB, LYB, FOE, ATR. SON, SLGN, BERY, AMC, SEE, TCL.A, WPK, NPK, HUH1V, PTVE, ESNT (2) DNMR, DOW, TSE, WLK, AVNT, ITP, SOLB, LYB, FOE (3) ATR, SON, SLGN, NPK, BERY, AMC, HUH1V, SEE, TCL.A, WPK, PTVE, ESNT (4) ABCT, CMT, PRLB, ARCW, UFAB, MYE

Major News

- Sales up, Profits Mixed for Materials Firms in the Second Quarter (Plastics News)
- There Are Signs Inflation May Have Peaked, but Can It Come Down Fast Enough? (Wall Street Journal)
- Packaging Suppliers Face Winding Pathway on the Road to Sustainability (Plastics News)
- Polystyrene, Polypropylene and PET Dominate Resin News (Plastics News)
- July Jobs Report: U.S. Added 528,000 New Jobs as Unemployment Rate Fell to 3.5% (Wall Street Journal)

Notable M&A Activity

Date	Acquirer	Target	Category
07/27/22	Manjushree Technopack Limited	Hitesh Plastics Private Limited	Rigid Packaging
07/26/22	Novvia Group	Duval Container Company	Distribution
07/22/22	Trelleborg Sealing Solutions Germany GmbH	Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics Mg Silikon GmbH	Specialty Plastics
07/21/22	ALPLA Werke Alwin Lehner GmbH & Co KG	Apon Andrzej Zawadzki Sp. z o.o.	Rigid Packaging
07/20/22	Arkema S.A. (ENXTPA:AKE)	Polimeros Especiales, S.A. De C.V.	Resin
07/19/22	Thunderbird, LLC	Bright Plastics Inc.	Injection Molding
07/19/22	CGI Automated Manufacturing, LLC	Tenere Inc.	Injection Molding
07/18/22	Chase Corporation (NYSEAM:CCF)	Nucera Solutions LLC	Specialty Polymers
07/07/22	Creative Liquid Coatings	CK Technologies	Injection Molding
07/05/22	Dunes Point Capital, L.P.	EG Medical	Medical Plastics

Sources: Capital IQ, PitchBook, Thomson Reuters, Company Reports, PMCF

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- PMCF is frequently requested to complete an analysis of a company's strategic positioning within the plastics and packaging marketplace
- Our review may consider your operations, products, end markets, financial trends, growth opportunities, and management team
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- PMCF can provide a benchmark comparison of your organization's strengths, weaknesses, and anticipated buyer viewpoints

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Color & Compounding	Printing & Labeling	Thermoforming	Packaging Machinery

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