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COMPREHENSIVE HUMAN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT AND STAFFING COVERAGE

Staffing	Temporary, temp-to-permanent, permanent / direct hire, and executive search services across all end markets, including professional, industrial, IT, and healthcare
Outsourcing Services	Outside business services vendors, including human resources outsourcing, recruitment process outsourcing, managed service providers, and business process outsourcing
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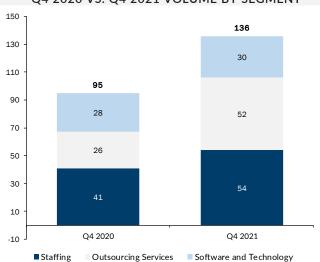
2021 Q4 Market Summary & Outlook

HUMAN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT M&A MARKET DYNAMICS

Global M&A transaction volume within staffing, outsourcing services, and software and technology industries (collectively, "Human Capital Management" or "HCM") increased 43% in Q4 of 2021 from last year, with 136 transactions completed in O4 2021. The fourth quarter closed out a record year for M&A in 2021 as deal activity continued to be driven by cheap capital and pentup demand.

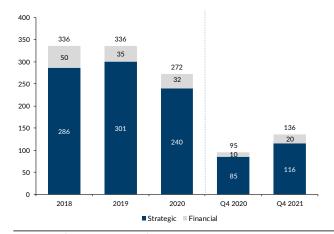
- Strategic buyers continued to dominate M&A activity in the sector, accounting for 85% of industry transactions vs. just 15% completed by private equity groups (financial buyers) throughout Q4 of 2021.
- Staffing-related transactions comprised the majority of HCM deals, with 54 transactions completed across professional, industrial, healthcare, and IT focused staffing firms. These sectors of the HCM industry continued their strong performance in Q4 2021, as Staffing transactions were up 32% and Outsourced Services transactions were up 100% in the fourth guarter of 2021 from Q4 of last year. Software and Technology transactions, however, realized only a 7% increase as Software and Technology transactions peak activity occurred at the beginning of the year.
- North America remained the most active region in Q4 of 2021, with 80 total transactions representing 59% of global HCM transaction activity. EMEA also remained active with 48 total transactions representing 35% of global HCM transaction activity.

Q4 2020 VS. Q4 2021 VOLUME BY SEGMENT



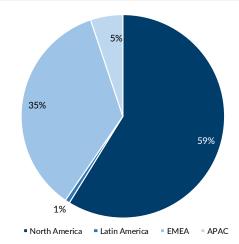
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Q4 2021 TRANSACTION VOLUME BY BUYER TYPE



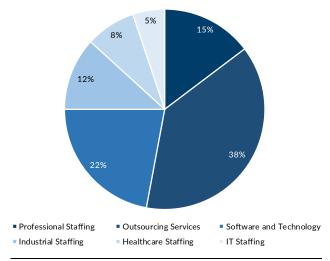
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Q4 2021 TRANSACTION VOLUME BY GEOGRAPHY



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Q4 2021 TRANSACTION VOLUME BY SEGMENT

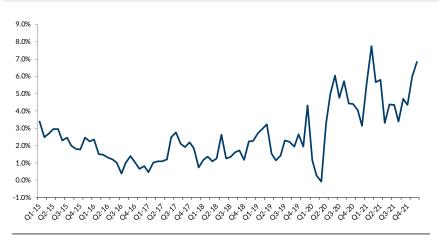


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HCM Industry Trends & Outlook

- The Human Capital Management industry continues to show resilience following the COVID-19 pandemic
 with significant growth through Q4 2021. US staffing grew by 18% and professional staffing recorded an
 impressive 28% annual growth. With workforce demand continuing to soar towards record high levels,
 recruiting difficulty remains a primary concern for organizations while sales difficulty is reportedly low.
- Following the trends of earlier quarters, the US Healthcare staffing segment approached \$25B in annual
 revenue at the conclusion of 2021 due to steady demand from hospitals and health centers. Travel nurse
 revenue grew by an impressive 40% in 2021 but is expected to decline by nearly 20% in 2022 as workforce
 numbers continue to normalize. Following a year of significant growth, IT staffing remains tied with
 industrial staffing as the industry's largest segment.
- Sustained US GDP growth provides confidence that the staffing industry will continue its climb towards record high revenues in nearly all skill segments. However, headwinds in the form of supply chain issues and a forecasted rise in interest rates may pose downside risks to the economic outlook for 2022.

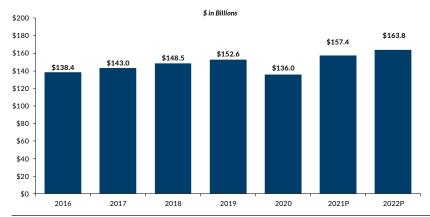
STAFFING INDUSTRY PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI)



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Note: Year-over-year Percent Change in Staffing Industry PPI Data as of January 2022

- The US Bureau of Labor Statistics provides a Producer Price Index (PPI) that measures the average change over time in the selling price of output produced domestically. The Staffing PPI can be utilized as a proxy for bill rates within the industry.
- YoY growth in bill rates for the industry has been between 1.0% and 5.0% over the last five years, falling to 3.1% in Q4 2020 and spiking up to 6.8% in Q4 2021.

U.S. STAFFING HISTORICAL AND PROJECTED MARKET SIZE



Source: Staffing Industry Analysts
(1) Includes Direct Hire and Retained Search firms
Data as of September. 2021

- The US staffing industry is expected to see a "V-shaped" recovery from the declines in 2020, as the market is expected to expand by 15.7% in 2021, according to Staffing Industry Analysts (SIA).
- As the sector starts to normalize, the staffing industry anticipates to see slower growth in 2022 with an increase of 4.1% to \$163.8 billion.

Human Capital Management Indices

PUBLIC EQUITY VALUATION TRENDS:

• Median public equity EV/EBITDA multiples in the Q4 2021 HCM Index had mixed results over the prior quarter as the Staffing indices decreased while the Outsourcing Services and Technology Index increased, all remaining at very high levels

					TTM		TTM	TTM				
	Headquarters	Market	Enterprise	TTM	Gross	Adjusted	Gross	EBITDA	Net Debt/	EV/	EV/EE	ITDA ⁽¹⁾
Company Name	Location	Сар.	Value	Revenue	Profit	EBITDA	Margin	Margin	EBITDA	Revenue	Q4 '21	Q3 '21
Professional & Specialty Staffing												
Recruit Holdings Co., Ltd.	Japan	\$ 98,956	\$ 96,684	\$ 23,668	\$13,279	\$ 4,257	56.1%	18.0%	(0.9x)	4.3x	24.6x	28.9x
Robert Half International Inc.	United States	12,208	11,843	6,461	2,696	797	41.7%	12.3%	(0.4x)	2.0x	15.3x	20.0x
ASGN Incorporated	United States	6,429	6,846	4,010	1,142	441	28.5%	11.0%	1.3x	1.6x	12.9x	13.7x
AMN Healthcare Services, Inc.	United States	5,783	6,518	3,984	1,310	582	32.9%	14.6%	1.2x	2.0x	13.9x	15.2x
Korn Ferry	United States	4,121	3,899	2,255	627	389	27.8%	17.3%	(0.6x)	1.7x	8.6x	9.5x
Hays plc	United Kingdom	3,310	3,026	8,070	589	260	7.3%	3.2%	(0.2x)	0.4x	13.8x	15.5x
PageGroup plc	United Kingdom	2,710	2,612	2,226	1,188	240	53.4%	10.8%	(0.3x)	1.4x	15.5x	15.2x
Kforce Inc.	United States	1,527	1,530	1,580	457	109	28.9%	6.9%	0.2x	1.0x	13.1x	10.7x
Cross Country Healthcare, Inc.	United States	1,055	1,173	1,677	375	155	22.4%	9.2%	1.3x	0.9x	12.5x	13.0x
Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.	United States	857	591	1,003	233	123	23.2%	12.3%	(3.7x)	0.7x	4.3x	6.2x
Resources Connection, Inc.	United States	592	592	712	276	68	38.7%	9.6%	(0.0x)	0.9x	8.7x	9.2x
Impellam Group plc	United Kingdom	299	336	3,063	361	42	11.8%	1.4%	1.0x	0.1x	9.0x	7.6x
Median							28.7%	10.9%	(0.1x)	1.2x	13.0x	13.3x
Industrial & Commercial Staffing												
Randstad N.V.	Netherlands	\$ 12,561	\$ 12,836	\$ 28,017	\$ 5,568	\$ 1,259	19.9%	4.5%	0.4x	0.5x	9.4x	10.2x
Adecco Group AG	Switzerland	8.882	9,619	23,825	4,869	1,108	20.4%	4.6%	0.4x	0.4x	6.0x	6.9x
ManpowerGroup Inc.	United States	5,279	5,118	20,724	3,408	687	16.4%	3.3%	1.0x	0.3x	6.3x	7.7x
TrueBlue, Inc.	United States	982	1.002	2,174	560	96	25.8%	4.4%	0.2x	0.5x	9.7x	9.6x
Synergie SE	France	993	877	3,067	326	148	10.6%	4.8%	(1.3x)	0.3x	5.9x	6.4x
SThree plc	United Kingdom	846	829	1,762	471	93	26.7%	5.3%	(0.3x)	0.5x	9.2x	11.5x
Kelly Services, Inc.	United States	661	700	4,901	897	75	18.3%	1.5%	0.5x	0.1x	5.9x	6.8x
Brunel International N.V.	Netherlands	644	555	1,023	237	56	23.2%	5.4%	(1.1x)	0.6x	10.4x	9.2x
Groupe CRIT SA	France	783	534	2,312	135	109	5.8%	4.7%	(2.9x)	0.2x	5.4x	6.1x
Barrett Business Services, Inc.	United States	518	429	955	205	47	21.4%	4.9%	(3.0x)	0.5x	8.0x	8.5x
Median	Office States	310	727	755	203	77	20.2%	4.7%	(0.1x)	0.4x	7.1x	8.1x
Outsourcing Services and Technology												
Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	United States	\$103,905	\$105,753	\$ 15,697	\$ 7,053	\$ 4,094	44.9%	26.1%	0.4x	6.9x	25.4x	21.2x
9	United States	49,249		4,332		3 4,094 1,869	70.3%			6.9x 11.3x	25.4x 25.7x	21.2x 21.8x
Paychex, Inc.		•	49,130		3,044			43.1%	(0.1x)			
Gartner, Inc.	United States	27,494	30,089	4,734	3,290	1,148	69.5%	24.3%	2.2x	6.6x	24.9x	26.1x
TriNet Group, Inc.	United States	6,263	6,133	4,540	937	511	20.6%	11.3%	(0.4x)	1.4x	i 13.3x i	15.5x
Insperity, Inc.	United States	4,547	4,482	4,973	820	201	16.5%	4.0%	(0.8x)	0.9x	21.2x	21.3x
LifeWorks Inc.	Canada	1,396	1,853	805	245	92	30.4%	11.4%	4.9x	2.3x	17.3x	20.0x
Quess Corp Limited Median	India	1,697	1,756	1,732	201	46	11.6% 30.4%	2.6% 11.4%	1.0x 0.4x	1.1x 2.3x	30.7x 24.9x	27.3x 21.3 x
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Median							23.2%	6.9%	(0.0x)	0.9x	12.5x	11.5x
Mean							28.5%	10.1%	(0.0x)	1.8x	13.3x	13.8x

Market capitalizations and total enterprise values as of December 31, 2021; income statement and balance sheet data as of last period reported

Italicized data are outliers and are excluded from median and mean calculations

Currency conversions assume historical rate

Source: Capital IQ

⁽¹⁾ Multiple of EBITDA based on EBITDA inclusive of equity income from affiliates

Public Company Equity Performance & Trends

DUBLIC VALUATIONS -	DDOEESSIONAL	AND SPECIALTY STAFFING INDEX	
PUBLIC VALUATIONS -	PROFESSIONAL	AND SPECIALLY STAFFING INDEX	

	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	2019	2020	2020	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021	2021
Revenue Multiple									
Median	0.9x	0.6x	0.7x	0.7x	0.8x	1.0x	1.3x	1.2x	1.2x
Mean	1.0x	0.7x	0.8x	0.9x	1.1x	1.3x	1.4x	1.5x	1.4x
EBITDA Multiple ⁽¹⁾									
Median	9.2x	6.4x	7.7x	8.7x	10.9x	14.4x	13.6x	13.3x	13.0x
Mean	10.1x	7.0x	8.1x	9.2x	11.5x	15.1x	16.6x	13.7x	12.7x

PUBLIC VALUATIONS - INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL STAFFING INDEX

	Q4 2019	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	Q1 2021	Q2 2021	Q3 2021	Q4 2021
Revenue Multiple							<u> </u>		
Median	0.4x	0.2x	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	0.4x	0.5x	0.4x	0.4x
Mean	0.4x	0.2x	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	0.4x	0.4x	0.4x	0.4x
EBITDA Multiple ⁽¹⁾									
Median	7.2x	3.8x	5.2x	5.4x	7.6x	9.7x	9.8x	8.1x	7.1x
Mean	7.3x	4.2x	5.4x	5.9x	7.9x	9.9x	10.1x	8.3x	7.6x

PUBLIC VALUATIONS - OUTSOURCING SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY INDEX

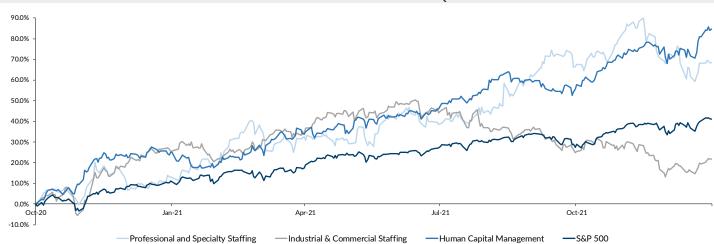
	Q4 2019	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	Q1 2021	Q2 2021	Q3 2021	Q4 2021
Revenue Multiple									
Median	3.4x	2.8x	2.9x	2.5x	2.8x	2.9x	2.9x	2.8x	2.3x
Mean	3.3x	2.4x	2.8x	2.7x	3.3x	3.6x	3.8x	4.0x	4.4x
EBITDA Multiple ⁽¹⁾									
Median	18.2x	13.1x	15.7x	15.2x	16.1x	20.3x	21.2x	21.3x	24.9x
Mean	17.9x	12.2x	14.4x	13.4x	16.5x	18.5x	20.4x	21.9x	22.6x

⁽¹⁾ Multiple of EBITDA based on EBITDA inclusive of equity income from affiliates

Quarterly figures based on the last trading day of each quarter shown

Source: Capital IQ

PMCF HCM AND STAFFING INDEX PUBLIC EQUITY PERFORMANCE



Market capitalization indices with mixed currencies are converted into USD using historical spot rates Local currency quotes converted to USD using historical spot rates Source: Capital IQ

Human Capital Management M&A Activity

Capabilities Expansion

Eliassen Group acquires Fidato Partners

December 2021 - Eliassen Group, LLC, a strategic consulting and talent solutions firm has acquired Fidato Partners, LLC, a business consulting and recruiting services firm. This acquisitions will complement Eliassen Group's business consulting capabilities through their risk management, business optimization and professional services practices.

"A strategic partnership with Eliassen Group provides the entire Fidato Partners team with an unequalled opportunity for growth," said Fidato Partners CEO and Co-Founder John Rapchinski. "With a wide range of comprehensive capabilities and a vast geographical presence, Eliassen has solidified their place in the consulting and talent solutions business, and we're thrilled to have this opportunity to introduce these capabilities to our clients."

Capabilities Expansion Workday acquires VNDLY

November 2021 - Workday, Inc. (NASDAQ: WDAY), a leader in enterprise cloud applications for finance and human resources, has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire VNDLY for ~\$514 million. VNDLY is an industry leader in cloud-based external workforce and vendor management technology.

"We've seen the value of true cloud-based technologies in helping organizations adapt and evolve to a more complex workforce composition," said Shashank Saxena, cofounder and CEO, VNDLY. "By joining Workday, we'll be able to expand the value we bring to customers, helping provide greater visibility, collaboration, and oversight to workforce needs and opportunities."

Capabilities Expansion

Korn Ferry acquires Lucas Group

October 2021 - Korn Ferry (NYSE: KFY), a global organizational consulting firm, announced a definitive agreement to acquire Lucas Group, a leading professional search and contract staffing firm, targeting middle market businesses. The transaction closed for ~\$91 million.

Gary D. Burnison, CEO, Korn Ferry said, "Today's workscape is being transformed before our eyes - people working anywhere, everywhere and at any time. Professionals are on the move, Boomers are retiring, and career nomads are looking for change - early and often. We are seizing this opportunity to help clients find the right talent who are highly agile with specialized skills and expertise to help them drive superior performance."

Geographic Expansion

The Reserves Network acquires Resource Staffing

October 2021 - The Reserves Network, a leading staffing provider of office, industrial, professional and technical talent, has acquired Texas-based staffing firm Resource Staffing. The acquisition expands The Reserves Network presence in Texas through five new office locations. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Nicholas Stallard. Chief Growth Officer of The Reserves Network stated. "As we strategically look at ways to grow our company, opportunities to unify with great organizations like Resource Staffing are unmistakable. We are excited about our continued expansion in the great state of Texas."

Human Capital Management M&A Activity

SELECT STAFFING TRANSACTIONS

(\$ in Millions)					
Announced Date	Target	Buyer	Implied EV	EV/TTM Revenue	EV/TTM EBITDA
Dec-21	Fidato Partners, LLC	Eliassen Group, LLC	n/a	n/a	n/a
Dec-21	GHR Healthcare, LLC	MidOcean Partners LLP	n/a	n/a	n/a
Dec-21	NV Hudson Belgium	Randstad N.V.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Dec-21	Taylor Hopkinson Limited	Brunel International N.V.	\$48	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Synapsis Group	MSRCosmos LLC	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Healthcare Support Staffing, Inc.	Ingenovis Health, Inc.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	American Health Staffing Group LLC	Littlejohn & Co., LLC	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Laurel Group Inc	People Tech Group Inc	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Hire Dynamics, LLC	EmployBridge Holding Company	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Dental Power Staffing Division of Dental Power International, Inc.	HireQuest, Inc.	\$1	0.4x	n/a
Nov-21	Karani, LLC	Hudson Global Resources Management, Inc.	\$8	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	The Daniel Group	Hire Dynamics, LLC	n/a	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Lucas Associates, Inc.	Korn Ferry	\$91	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Resource Staffing Inc	The Reserves Network, Inc.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Select Temporaries, Inc.	Hire Dynamics, LLC	n/a	n/a	n/a

SELECT OUTSOURCED SERVICES / HCM SOFTWARE TRANSACTIONS

(\$ in Millions)					
Announced Date	Target	Buyer	Implied EV	EV/TTM Revenue	EV/TTM EBITDA
Dec-21	CompuCom Systems, Inc.	Variant Equity Advisors, LLC	\$305	n/a	n/a
Dec-21	HiringBoss Holdings Pte Limited	Access UK Limited	\$91	n/a	n/a
Dec-21	Edgile, LLC	Wipro Limited	\$230	5.2x	n/a
Dec-21	Media Link, LLC.	United Talent Agency, LLC	\$125	2.8x	n/a
Dec-21	LeanSwift Solutions, Inc.	Wipro Limited	\$21	1.2x	n/a
Dec-21	CompuGain LLC	Unisys Corporation	\$87	1.5x	n/a
Dec-21	Devbridge Inc.	Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation	\$268	n/a	n/a
Dec-21	Employment Background Investigations, Inc.	Sterling Check Corp.	\$75	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	VNDLY, Inc.	Workday, Inc.	\$514	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Corporate Screening Services, Inc.	First Advantage Corporation	\$39	n/a	n/a
Nov-21	Lightwell Inc.	Eliassen Group, LLC	n/a	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Perf Labs, Inc.	Greenhouse Software, Inc.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Coretelligent, LLC	Norwest Equity Partners	n/a	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Recruit Media, Inc.	HireQuest, Inc.	\$4	n/a	n/a
Oct-21	Tenstreet Inc.	Providence Equity Partners L.L.C.	n/a	n/a	n/a

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2020 M&A ATLAS AWARD WINNER - AMERICAS INDUSTRIALS BOUTIQUE INVESTMENT BANK OF THE YEAR





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