

# **ONLINE & MOBILE INDUSTRY**

## FULL YEAR 2019 :: Mergers and Acquisitions Trend Report

#### **2019 KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- The highest value deal in 2019 was Flutter Entertainment's announced acquisition of Stars Group, an online gambling company known in particular for PokerStars and other poker brands, for \$10.84 billion.
- Five of the industry's top ten largest deals in 2019 occurred in the E-Commerce segment: the aforementioned Stars Group acquisition; Takeaway.com's announced merger with Just Eat for \$6.28 billion; Viagogo's announced acquisition of StubHub for \$4.05 billion; PayPal's announced acquisition of Honey Science Corporation for \$4 billion; and Delivery Hero's announced acquisition of Woowa Brothers Corp for \$3.5 billion.
- There were 664 financially sponsored transactions with an aggregate value of \$80.57 billion, representing 21 percent of the total volume and 39 percent of the total value, respectively.



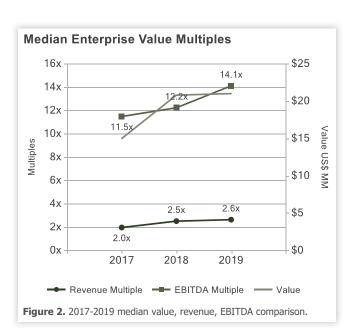
#### **2019 KEY TRENDS**

- Total transaction volume in 2019 saw a two percent uptick over 2018, from 3,026 to 3,090.
- Total transaction value in 2019 declined by one percent over 2018, from \$209.57 billion to \$206.60 billion. However, value doubled in 2018 over 2017.
- The median revenue multiple shifted slightly from 2.5x in 2018 to 2.6x in 2019. The median EBITDA moved upward from 12.2x in 2018 to 14.1x in 2019.
- The segment with the largest rise in volume in 2019 over 2018 was SaaS & Cloud, which increased 13 percent, from 899 to 1,020 transactions.

#### **M&A MARKET OVERVIEW**

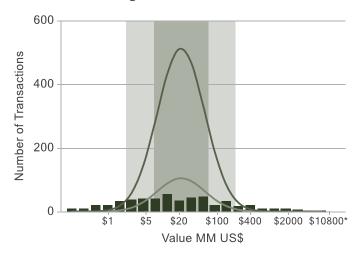
Berkery Noyes tracked 9,024 Online & Mobile transactions between 2017 and 2019, of which 1,727 disclosed financial terms, and calculated the aggregate value to be \$378.27 billion. Based on known transaction values, we project values of 7,297 undisclosed transactions to be \$138.12 billion, totaling \$516.38 billion worth of transactions tracked over the past three years.

Disclosed median enterprise value multiples for all segments combined in this report during the last 36 months were 2.3x revenue and 12.4x EBITDA.



# Transaction Analysis :: January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

#### **Bell Curve - Histogram**



**Figure 3.** Shows distribution of transactions among Online and Mobile Industry transactions based on publicly available information and Berkery Noyes estimates. Using a logarithmic scale, we determined that nearly two-thirds of companies purchased had transaction values of \$1.6 million to \$403.4 million. Based on this data, we estimate the total transaction value of deals done in 2019 at \$206.6 billion.

--- Projected Dist.

#### **Distribution Table**

| Value in MM<br>US\$                              | Known<br>Number | Projected<br>Number | Total<br>Number | %    | Cumulative<br>% |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| \$0.2  | 8               | 0                   | 8               | 2 %  | 2 %             |
| \$0.4  | 9               | 0                   | 9               | 2 %  | 3 %             |
| \$0.6  | 20              | 1                   | 20              | 4 %  | 7 %             |
| \$1.0  | 22              | 4                   | 26              | 4 %  | 11 %            |
| \$1.6  | 31              | 18                  | 48              | 6 %  | 17 %            |
| \$2.7  | 38              | 58                  | 95              | 7 %  | 24 %            |
| \$4.5  | 40              | 145                 | 185             | 8 %  | 32 %            |
| \$7.4  | 41              | 283                 | 324             | 8 %  | 40 %            |
| \$12.2   | 54              | 430                 | 484             | 10 % | 50 %            |
| \$20.1   | 35              | 510                 | 544             | 7 %  | 57 %            |
| \$33.1   | 43              | 470                 | 512             | 8 %  | 65 %            |
| \$54.6   | 46              | 337                 | 383             | 9 %  | 74 %            |
| \$90.0   | 20              | 189                 | 208             | 4 %  | 78 %            |
| \$148.4  | 32              | 82                  | 114             | 6 %  | 84 %            |
| \$244.7  | 19              | 28                  | 46              | 4 %  | 87 %            |
| \$403.4  | 20              | 7                   | 27              | 4 %  | 91 %            |
| \$665.1  | 9               | 2                   | 10              | 2 %  | 93 %            |
| \$1,096.6  | 9               | 0                   | 9               | 2 %  | 94 %            |
| \$1,808.0  | 8               | 0                   | 8               | 2 %  | 96 %            |
| \$2,981.0  | 7               | 0                   | 7               | 1 %  | 97 %            |
| \$4,914.8  | 2               | 0                   | 2               | 0 %  | 98 %            |
| \$8,103.1  | 4               | 0                   | 4               | 1 %  | 98 %            |
| Total #  | 525             | 2565                | 3090            |      |                 |
| Total \$ Value                                   | \$150,357       | \$56,242            | \$206,599       |      |                 |
| Middle 3rd of Industry Middle 2/3rds of Industry |                 |                     |                 |      |                 |

Figure 4. Presents the data depicted in the bell curve histogram.

# Strategic vs. Financial Comparison

## **M&A Dynamics By Transaction Type**

Actual Transactions — Known Dist.

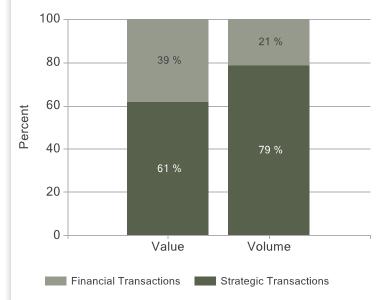
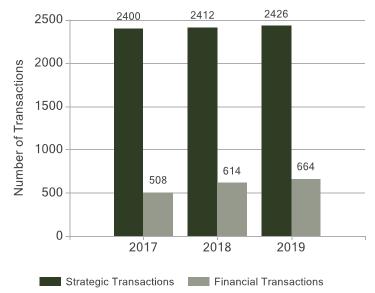


Figure 5. 2019 value and volume comparison by acquirer type.

**Note:** Financial transactions are those financed by private equity, venture capital, and other investment firms. This includes acquisitions by portfolio companies of the investment firms.

### **Transaction Type**



**Figure 6.** 2017-2019 transaction type comparison.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates largest transaction in the industry from Jan. 1, 2019 to Dec. 31, 2019.

## **Purchaser Analysis**

#### **Top Ten Notable Transactions 2019**

| Deal Date | Target Name  | Buyer  | Value MM<br>US\$ |
|-----------|--|--|------------------|
| 10/02/19  | Stars Group Inc.                                       | Flutter Entertainment plc  | \$10,839         |
| 02/04/19  | Ultimate Software Group                                | Blackstone Group LP, Hellman<br>& Friedman LLC, GIC, JMI<br>Equity, CPP Investment Board | \$10,821         |
| 08/08/19  | Enterprise Security Business from Symantec Corporation | Broadcom Limited   | \$10,700         |
| 10/30/19  | Interxion  | Digital Realty Trust   | \$8,400          |
| 07/29/19  | Just Eat   | Takeaway.com   | \$6,276          |
| 06/12/19  | Medidata   | Dassault Systemes  | \$5,822          |
| 12/18/19  | LogMeIn, Inc.  | Francisco Partners  Management LLC, Elliott  Management Corp.                            | \$4,556          |
| 11/25/19  | StubHub, Inc   | Viagogo  | \$4,050          |
| 11/20/19  | Honey Science Corporation                              | PayPal, Inc.   | \$4,000          |
| 12/13/19  | Woowa Brothers Corp.                                   | Delivery Hero  | \$3,501          |
|           | \$206,599  |  |                  |
|           | \$68,965   |  |                  |
| Top 1     | 33 %   |  |                  |

Figure 7. Lists the top ten transactions for 2019 and calculates their aggregate transaction value as a percentage of the total aggregate transaction value as shown on Figure 1 & 4.

Note: Transaction data based on announced date. Deal value represents total consideration paid by the acquirer.

#### Median EV/Revenue Multiples By Size

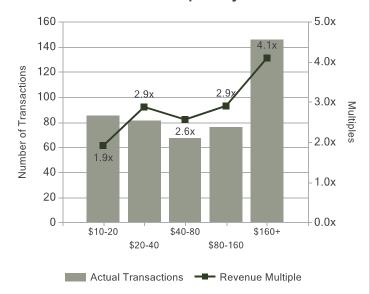


Figure 8. Presents the median enterprise value/revenue multiples paid for companies in the Online and Mobile Industry from Jan. 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2019 based on publicly available sales price and revenue data.

## Transaction Volume by Segment: January 1, 2017 - December 31, 2019

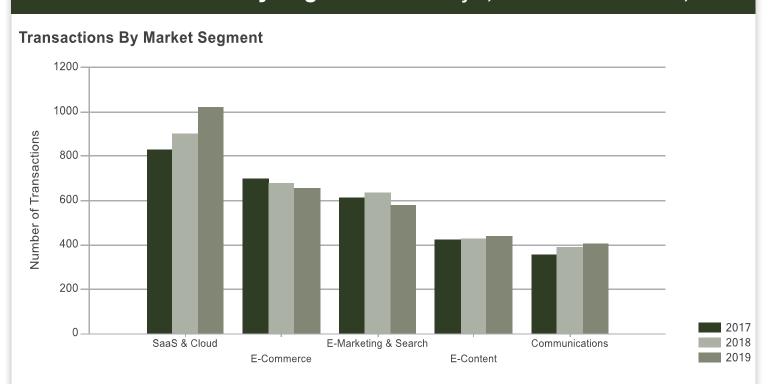


Figure 9. Presents transaction volume by market segment within the Online and Mobile Industry from Jan. 1, 2017 through Dec. 31, 2019.

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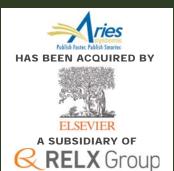
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