



Introduction

We are pleased to share our HVAC Industry Valuation Multiples Update for Q1 2025.

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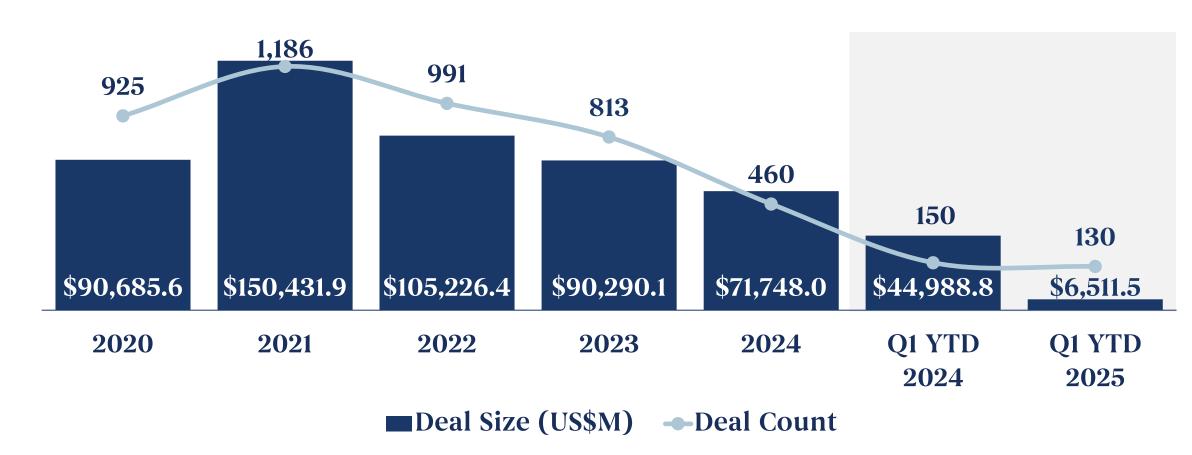
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HVAC Industry Overview

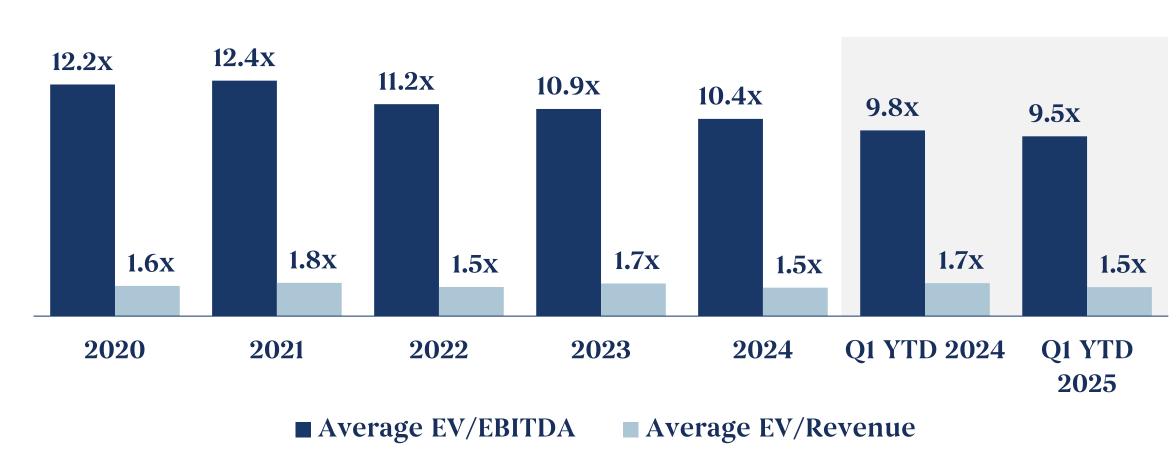
M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

- The global HVAC market was valued at US\$310.6B in 2024 and is expected to grow from US\$328.1B in 2025 to US\$545.4B in 2034, at a CAGR of 5.8%. Growth is driven by steady demand for both heating and cooling systems across residential and commercial segments
- Climate change and rising temperatures are making air conditioning essential even in historically temperate regions. In parallel, heightened awareness of indoor air quality (IAQ) post-pandemic is increasing demand for systems with advanced ventilation, filtration, and humidity control. Industry players are responding by acquiring specialized firms that address these evolving needs
- Smart HVAC solutions using AI and IoT are gaining traction, offering improved energy efficiency, predictive maintenance, and seamless integration into building systems. Companies are increasingly acquiring automation-driven manufacturers to stay competitive
- Sustainability pressures are reshaping the market. Regulatory mandates are accelerating the shift to low-GWP refrigerants (e.g., R-290, CO₂, ammonia) and low-carbon heating/cooling technologies, influencing product design and customer preferences
- Urbanization and construction booms in emerging markets, especially in Asia, Latin America, and Africa, are expanding the HVAC customer base as new infrastructure demands reliable climate control systems
- The HVAC industry is undergoing active consolidation, with top players controlling 25–30% of the market and pursuing acquisitions to broaden portfolios and geographic reach
- Private equity and strategic buyers are equally active in M&A, attracted by recurring revenue from services and opportunities to streamline a fragmented industry

HVAC Industry M&A Deal Size and Volume



HVAC Industry M&A Average EV/EBITDA and EV/Revenue



Equipment Manufacturing Global Comparable Public Companies (1/2)

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

			Market	Enterprise	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual A		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2025	
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2023 2024		EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Carrier Global Corporation	(Carrier)	USA	\$54,777	\$63,967	\$22,284	17.8%	14.8x	20.3x	16.1x	2.9x
Daikin Industries,Ltd.	DAIKIN	JPN	\$31,558	\$31,835	\$31,736	13.6%	13.2x	10.2x	7.4x	1.0x
Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd.	Haier	CHN	\$33,065	\$31,400	\$40,407	9.2%	9.5x	9.4x	8.4x	0.8x
Johnson Controls International plc	Johnson Controls	IRL	\$52,884	\$64,067	\$23,248	16.6%	12.5x	14.0x	16.6x	2.8x
Lennox International Inc.	LENNOX	USA	\$19,954	\$21,020	\$5,367	23.3%	14.8x	18.9x	16.8x	3.9x
Midea Group Co., Ltd.	Midea	CHN	\$82,129	\$71,083	\$59,104	10.8%	10.2x	9.9x	11.1x	1.2x

Equipment Manufacturing Global Comparable Public Companies (2/2)

Company	Country	Market	Enterprise Value	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual . EV/E	Average BITDA	First Quarter Mar. 31, 2025	
Company	Country	Cap. US\$M	US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2023	2024	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
NIBE Industrier AB (publ)	NIBE SWE	\$7,618	\$9,521	\$4,055	11.6%	27.0x	19.9x	20.2x	2.3x
Resideo Technologies, Inc.	resideo USA	\$2,617	\$4,649	\$7,045	11.8%	4.6x	6.0x	5.6x	0.7x
SPX Technologies, Inc.	SPX USA	\$5,973	\$6,484	\$2,001	21.3%	16.2x	20.0x	15.2x	3.2x
Systemair AB (publ)	system air SWE	\$1,538	\$1,634	\$1,232	13.4%	13.4x	12.0x	9.9x	1.3x
Trane Technologies plc	TRANE® IRL	\$75,568	\$79,393	\$20,311	19.9%	16.3x	22.1x	19.7x	3.9x
Excluded from mean					Mean	13.4x	14.9x	14.1x	1.9x
					Median	13.4x	14.0x	15.2x	2.3x

Equipment Distribution Global Comparable Public Companies

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

Company	Country	Market Enterpri Country Cap. Value		Revenue	EBITDA		Average BITDA	First Quarter Mar. 31, 2025	
Company	Country	US\$M	US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2023	2024	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Beijer Ref AB (publ)	BEUER REF SWE	\$7,100	\$8,086	\$3,674	12.0%	26.4x	22.2x	18.3x	2.2x
Reece Limited	reece AUS	\$6,317	\$7,363	\$5,594	9.5%	15.3x	19.0x	13.8x	1.3x
Watsco, Inc.	watsco USA	\$19,196	\$19,269	\$7,584	12.6%	13.7x	18.9x	20.1x	2.5x
W.W. Grainger, Inc.	GRAINGER USA	\$47,585	\$50,077	\$17,239	17.5%	14.1x	17.4x	16.6x	2.9x
Excluded from mean					Mean	14.4x	18.5x	17.2x	2.5x
					Median	14.7x	19.0x	17.5x	2.4x

Service Firms Global Comparable Public Companies

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Company		Country		Enterprise Value	Revenue	EBITDA		l Average BITDA	First Quarter Mar. 31, 2025	
Company				US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2023	2024	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Comfort Systems USA, Inc.	COMFORT USA	USA	\$11,434	\$11,193	\$7,322	14.1%	13.9x	16.9x	10.9x	1.5x
EMCOR Group, Inc.	EMCOR	USA	\$16,808	\$15,818	\$15,001	12.5%	8.6x	11.5x	8.4x	1.1x
SPIE SA	SPIE	FRA	\$7,129	\$9,450	\$10,819	9.2%	8.4x	9.5x	9.5x	0.9x
Bravida Holding AB (publ)	♦ bravida	SWE	\$1,848	\$2,069	\$2,916	7.4%	9.8x	8.4x	9.6x	0.7x
Tutor Perini Corporation	Tutor Perini	USA	\$1,217	\$1,365	\$4,525	0.4%	10.9x	13.5x	69.1x	0.3x
Excluded from mean						Mean	10.3x	10.7x	9.6x	0.9x
						Median	9.8x	11.5×	9.6x	0.9x

Control Modules Global Comparable Public Companies

The table below presents selected publicly traded companies in the sector, serving as benchmarks for valuation, scale, and operating performance across comparable business models

Company		Market Country Cap.		Enterprise Value	Revenue	EBITDA		Average BITDA	First Quarter Mar. 31, 2025	
		Country	US\$M	US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2023	2024	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Emerson Electric Co.	EMERSON.	USA	\$61,826	\$73,137	\$17,607	28.5%	12.7x	17.1×	14.6x	4.2x
Honeywell International Inc.	Honeywell	USA	\$137,377	\$159,191	\$39,215	25.3%	16.2x	16.5x	16.0x	4.1x
Infineon Technologies AG (infined		DEU	\$42,681	\$46,336	\$15,818	30.6%	8.6x	9.2x	9.6x	2.9x
Johnson Controls International plc	Johnson Controls	IRL	\$52,884	\$64,067	\$23,248	16.6%	12.5x	14.0x	16.6x	2.8x
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HVAC - Global Transactions (1/2)

The table below highlights selected global M&A transactions during Q1 2025, illustrating strategic acquisitions focused on scale, product diversification, or geographic expansion within the sector

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Mar-25	THE CONTRACTORS ADVANTAGE	USA	Advantage Distribution Holdings , an HVAC distribution platform backed by Tigertail Capital Partners, acquired CTC Supply , a distributor of HVAC equipment, parts, and supplies, expanding its footprint in the distribution market	ADVANTAGE DISTRIBUTION HOLDINGS	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-25 [*]	airteam	DNK	Nalka Invest , an investment firm, agreed to acquire Airteam , a provider of energy-efficient ventilation solutions, from Ratos, aiming to stenghten its market position	NALKA	RATOS	100.0%	\$169.2	-	1.1x
Mar-25	DDR HEATING INC.	USA	Ariston Group , a provider of sustainable thermal comfort solutions, acquired DDR Heating , a manufacturer of tubular electric heaters, providing an entry point into the North American components market	ARISTON GROUP	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-25 [*]	BSOLUTAIRE	USA	Modine Manufacturing Company, a provider of thermal management and HVAC solutions, agreed to acquire AbsolutAire , a manufacturer of direct-fired heating, ventilation, and make-up air systems, gaining another top-tier HVAC offering	Engineering a Cleaner, Healthier World	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-25	TECHNI CHAUFFE	FRA	CEME , a provider of electrical, HVAC, and maintenance engineering, acquired Technichauffe , a provider of installation and maintenance services for HVAC equipment, strengthening its presence in France	ceme	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-25	SIERRAAIR CONDITIONING, INC. Service That Soars Above The Rest	USA	Airtron Heating & Air Conditioning , a provider for HVAC systems, acquired Sierra Air Conditioning, Inc ., an installer of HVAC systems, from SE Capital, expanding its presence into the West region of the United States	APETON® HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	S E Capital	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-25	APINE Heating & Air Conditioning	USA	The SEER Group , a network of HVAC, electrical, and plumbing companies, acquired Alpine Heating & Air Conditioning , a provider of HVAC services, expanding its presence in the Pacific Northwest	SEER) GROUP	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-25	MODULAR COMFORT SYSTEMS	USA	Daikin Applied Americas , a manufacturer of HVAC systems, acquired a majority stake in Modular Comfort Systems , a provider of customized HVAC solutions, enhancing its energy-efficient and decarbonization solutions	DAIKIN	-	> 50.0%	-	-	-

HVAC - Global Transactions (2/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Feb-25	MANGEANT PLOMBERIE - CHAUFFAGE VENTILATION	FRA	Compagnie Financière Armoricaine , a real estate development group specializing in new housing and service residences, acquired JP Mangeant , a provider of HVAC and plumbing installations, expanding its technical capabilities	Compagnie Financière Armoricaine	-	ND	-	-	-
Feb-25	McGowan's HEATING & AR CONDITIONING	USA	Del-Air , a provider of HVAC, plumbing, and electrical services, acquired McGowan's Heating & Air Conditioning , a provider of HVAC solutions, expanding its footprint into northeast Florida	DELEAIR PLUMBING - AIR CONDITIONING - ELECTRIC	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-25	GATOR Air Conditioning	USA	Del-Air , a provider of HVAC, plumbing, and electrical services, acquired Gator Air Conditioning , a provider of HVAC services, strengthening itspresence on Florida's Gulf Coast	DELEAIR PLUMBING - AIR CONDITIONING - ELECTRIC	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-25	AIR TEMP MECHANICAL SERVICES INC.	USA	PremiStar , a provider of HVAC, plumbing, and building automation services, acquired Air Temp Mechanical Services , a commercial HVAC contractor, enhancing its service offerings	PremiStar .	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-25	BE HEATING & COOLING	USA	Fresh Water Ventures, a private equity firm, acquired Able Heating & Cooling, a provider of HVAC services, strengthening presence in central Michigan	FRESH WATER VENTURES	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-25	STANDARD AIR	USA	Koch Air , a distributor of HVAC services, acquired Standard Air , a distributor of residential and commercial HVAC equipment, expanding its geographic reach	Koch	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-25	MIDWEST MACHINERY	USA	Air Control Concepts , a provider od HVAC solutions backed by Madison Dearborn Partners and Blackstone, acquired Midwest Machinery Company , a manufacturer of HVAC products, expandingits geographic footprint	AIR CONTROL CONCEPTS	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-25	PLUMBING HEATING COOLING STREET	USA	Sila Services , a provider of HVAC, plumbing, and electrical services, acquired Sullivan Super Service , a provider of plumbing, heating, and cooling services, expanding its presence in Western Pennsylvania	SII SERVICES	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-25 	Trademark mechanical	USA	PremiStar , a provider of HVAC, plumbing, and building automation services, acquired Trademark Mechanical , a commercial HVACR and controls contractor, entering the New York market	PremiStar .	-	ND	-	-	-

^{*}Announced transactions pending approval and other customary closing conditions

ND: Not Disclosed

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TARGET

Heritage Distribution Holdings

TRANSACTION TYPE
Buy-side advisory

INDUSTRIESHVAC, Distribution

GEOGRAPHYUSA

SITUATION

Seale & Associates announced that it acted as an exclusive financial advisor to Beijer Ref AB ("Beijer Ref") on its agreement to acquire Heritage Distribution Holdings ("Heritage Distribution") from Gryphon Investors for **US\$1.275B**.

SEALE & ASSOCIATES' APPROACH

Seale was retained by Beijer Ref to identify potential acquisition targets engaged in the distribution of HVAC/R equipment in North America, confidentially pre-qualify targets, and assist in the execution of the transaction.

OUTCOME

Beijer Ref successfully completed the acquisition of Heritage Distribution Holdings and was immediately margin accretive to the business. The acquisition represents Beijer Ref's entry into the North American market and will establish the company as a leading HVAC/R distributor in the U.S. South/South East region, one of the most attractive regions for HVACR in North America.

"The North American market is currently undergoing a shift towards electrification and energy efficiency"



"The acquisition of Heritage Distribution constitutes an important strategic step for Beijer Ref. The North American market is currently undergoing a shift towards electrification and energy efficiency, accelerated by regulatory changes. Also, the growing recognition of indoor air quality and climate change impacts has increased the demand for environmentally friendly and innovative HVAC technologies, which creates a great opportunity for our combined product offering."

Chris Norbye CEO of Beijer Ref AB

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TARGET

Heat Transfer Products Group (HTPG)

TRANSACTION TYPEBuy-side advisory

INDUSTRIES

HVAC, Industrial machinery

GEOGRAPHY USA

SITUATION

Seale was retained by Rheem Manufacturing Company to evaluate and execute strategic acquisitions across business lines. Seale advised Rheem on the successful acquisition of Heat Transfer Products Group (HTPG) in a competitive auction process. HTPG manufactures commercial refrigeration equipment for the food service, food retail and other non-consumables markets.

SEALE & ASSOCIATES' APPROACH

Seale's professionals' knowledge and relationships in the HVAC and refrigeration industry allowed for a successful acquisition. Having previously sold the HTPG business to Monomoy Capital, Seale's unique insights on the target provided invaluable knowledge about the business.

OUTCOME

The process resulted in a successful acquisition of HTPG on buyer-friendly pricing terms. HTPG has resulted in a very successful business for Rheem to combine an extensive knowledge of heat transfer technology to develop innovative new products.





"Seale had in-depth knowledge of the HVAC space as well as extensive relationships with key executives from around the world, which they used to help us identify and close on the perfect deal for our company.

The Seale team consists of committed professionals with significant transaction experience, but they also have strong backgrounds in accounting, tax, finance, and law, which allow them to provide value added advice where most other advisors cannot."

J.R. Jones, CEO, Rheem Manufacturing Company

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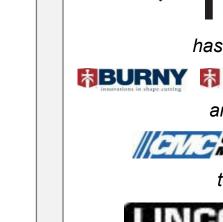


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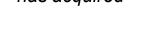










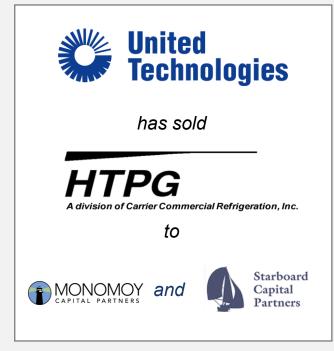




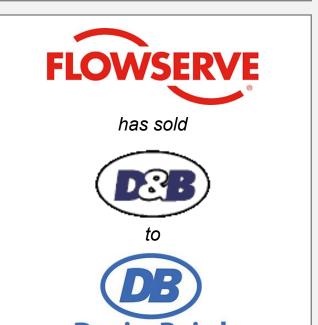
















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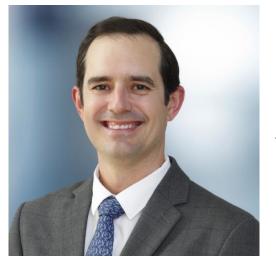


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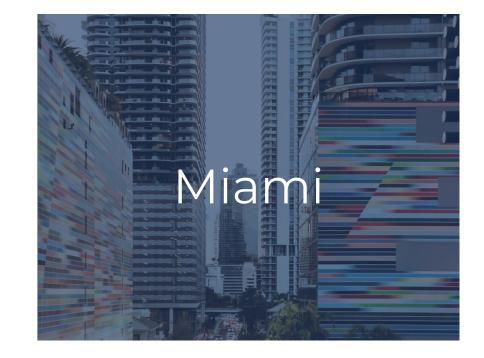
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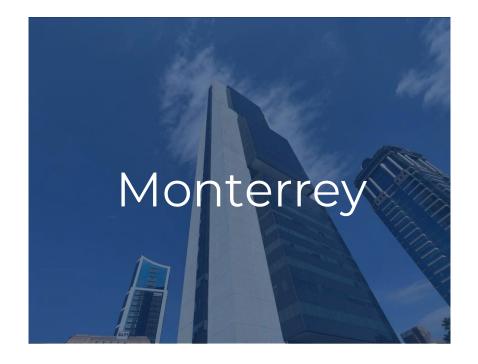
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