

FOOD INDUSTRY Q1 2024 VALUATION UPDATE



Introduction

We are pleased to share our Food Industry Multiples Valuation Update for Q1 2024.

At Seale & Associates, we are committed to providing process-driven solutions designed to optimize value and achieve our client's strategic objectives in a range of transactions, including Mergers, Acquisitions, Divestitures and Carve-Outs, Business Sales, Recapitalizations, and Joint Ventures, among other corporate finance and strategy consulting services.

Over the course of 25+ years, we have successfully served clients all over the world, and we are delighted to continue providing investment banking advisory services to our clients who are looking to grow through acquisitions or optimize their portfolios through strategic divestitures.

Seale has extensive experience advising leading multinational companies, private equity firms, and family-owned businesses across a wide range of industries.

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Food Industry Overview, M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

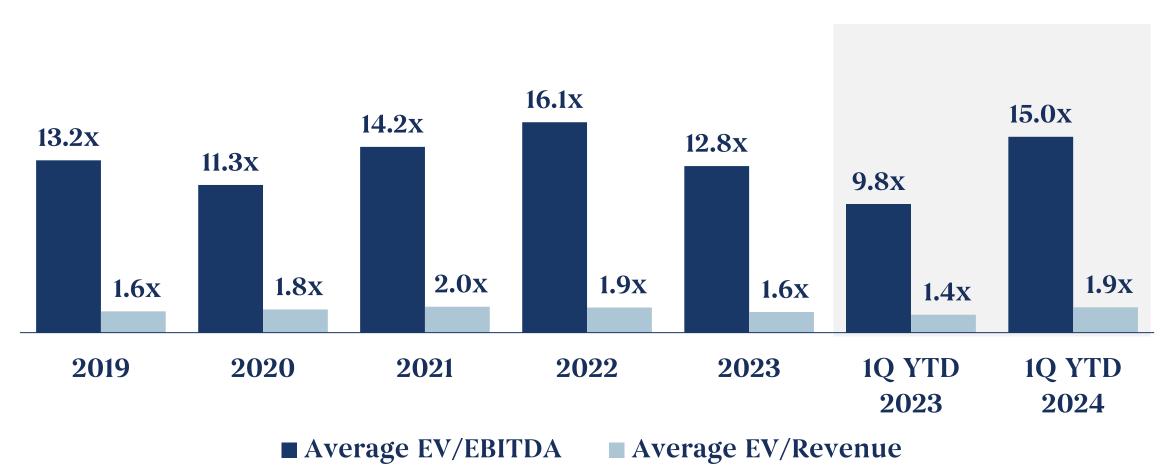
Food Industry Overview

- The global food market hit **US\$9,130.0 billion** in 2024 in terms of revenue. The market is expected to grow annually **by 6.6%** (CAGR 2023-2028)
- The shift towards plant-based diets has been gaining momentum, driven by concerns over sustainability, animal welfare, and health. The global plant-based food market Is expected to reach US\$77.8 billion in 2025
- Food inflation is expected to **moderate** in 2024, with the consumer price index for all food products projected to increase by **2.9% by year-end**, potentially influencing M&A strategies focused on volume-driven earnings growth
- In North America, the markets largest segment is the segment of confectionary & snacks. The North American food market amounts to **US\$1,408 billion** and the market is expected to grow annually by a 4.3% (CAGR 2024-2028)
- As inflation continues to be a problem, rising food costs are forcing consumers to be more budget-conscious, leading to an expectation of value-priced options, smaller portion sizes, and increased use of affordable ingredients

Food Industry M&A Deal Size and Volume



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





Bread & Bakery Products Global Comparable Public Companies

Company		Country		Enterprise		EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarte Mar. 31, 2024	
company		country	Cap. US\$M	Cap. US\$M Value US\$M		Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev
ARYZTA AG	Passion for good food	CHE	\$1,797	\$2,307	\$2,320	12.5%	7.7x	7.5x	7.9x	1.
Flowers Foods, Inc.	Flowers	USA	\$5,001	\$6,329	\$5,091	11.6%	11.5x	11.0x	10.7x	1.
Grupo Bimbo, S.A.B. de C.V.	GRUPO BIMBO C	MEX	\$20,782	\$28,851	\$23,772	14.7%	7.9x	8.7x	8.3x	1.
Grupo Nutresa S. A.	Grupo nutresa	COL	\$5,445	\$6,502	\$4,751	12.7%	14.5x	13.8x	10.8x	1.
J&J Snack Foods Corp.		USA	\$2,802	\$2,899	\$1,578	12.4%	19.2x	20.4x	14.8x	٦.
Lotus Bakeries NV	Lotus Since 1932	BEL	\$7,838	\$8,009	\$1,147	19.2%	30.7x	34.3x	36.3x	7.
M. Dias Branco S.A. Indústria e Comércio de Alimentos	H. Dias Branco-	BRA	\$2,560	\$2,630	\$2,093	13.8%	13.9x	13.9x	9.1x	1.
						Mean	12.4x	12.6x	10.3x	٦.
						Median	13.9x	13.8x	10.7x	٦.



















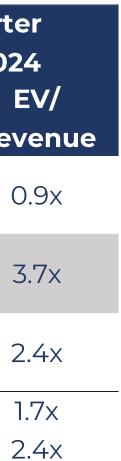




Seasonings Products Global Comparable Public Companies

Company	Market E		•	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarte Mar. 31, 2024		
Company	Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev
Atlantic Grupa d.d.	C HRV	\$831	\$996	\$1,089	8.1%	8.1x	6.7x	11.3x	0
McCormick & Company, Incorporated	USA	\$20,443	\$24,799	\$6,699	20.3%	22.4x	21.0x	18.2x	3
The Kraft Heinz Company Kraft Hein	Z USA	\$44,857	\$64,302	\$26,640	26.9%	8.8x	8.6x	9.0x	2
					Mean	8.4x	7.7x	10.1x	٦.
					Median	8.8x	8.6x	11.3x	2

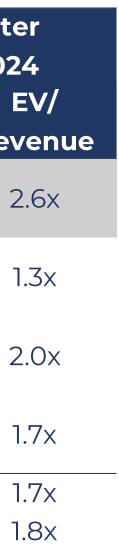




Grains & Cereals Products Global Comparable Public Companies

	Company		Country		Market Enterprise Re Cap. US\$M Value US\$M U		EBITDA		Average BITDA	First Q Mar. 3	Ť
	Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Cap. US\$M Value US\$M		Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev
General Mills, Inc.		General Mills	USA	\$39,501	\$51,681	\$20,173	22.5%	13.5x	13.7x	11.4x	2
Gruma, S.A.B. de C.V.			MEX	\$6,851	\$8,427	\$6,638	15.2%	5.0x	7.9x	8.4x	1.
Kellanova		Kellvygis	USA	\$19,579	\$26,016	\$13,122	15.0%	12.1x	13.0x	13.3x	2
Post Holdings, Inc.		Post	USA	\$6,449	\$12,625	\$7,391	16.5%	12.1x	12.0x	10.4x	1.
							Mean	10.7x	11.6x	10.8x	1.
							Median	12.1x	12.5x	10.9x	٦.



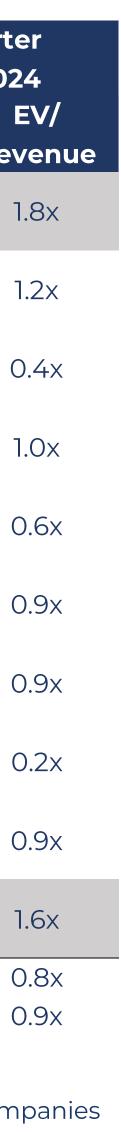




Dairy Products Global Comparable Public Companies

		Country	Market ry Cap. US\$M	Country			EBITDA		Average BITDA	First Qua Mar. 31, 2	
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev	
Danone S.A.	DANONE ONE PLANET. ONE HEALTH	FRA	\$41,473	\$52,605	\$29,797	16.7%	9.2x	10.2x	10.6x	1.	
Emmi AG	GROUP	CHE	\$5,308	\$5,788	\$4,703	8.8%	13.8x	13.9x	13.9x	1.	
Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited	Fonterra	NZL	\$2,250	\$4,924	\$13,960	10.9%	6.3x	3.8x	3.2x	0.	
Glanbia plc	glanbia	IRL	\$5,162	\$5,511	\$5,425	8.7%	11.5x	10.4x	11.6x	٦.	
Leche Gloria S.A.	GLORIA	PER	\$594	\$901	\$1,441	10.2%	7.5x	7.2x	6.1x	0	
Meiji Holdings Co., Ltd.	meiji	JPN	\$6,248	\$6,453	\$7,253	11.9%	6.9x	7.8x	7.5x	0	
Saputo Inc.	Saputo	CAN	\$8,351	\$10,983	\$12,750	8.5%	14.3x	11.9x	10.1x	0	
Savencia SA	SAVENCIA FROMAGE & DAIR	FRA	\$744	\$1,759	\$7,327	5.0%	3.8x	3.8x	4.8x	0	
Unibel S.A.	for all for	FRA	\$2,181	\$3,381	\$3,932	11.6%	9.0x	8.8x	7.4x	0	
Yakult Honsha Co.,Ltd.	Yakult	JPN	\$6,316	\$5,365	\$3,325	18.4%	13.1x	12.6x	8.8x	٦.	
						Mean	7.8x	8.0x	7.3x	0	
						Median	9.1x	9.5x	8.1x	0	

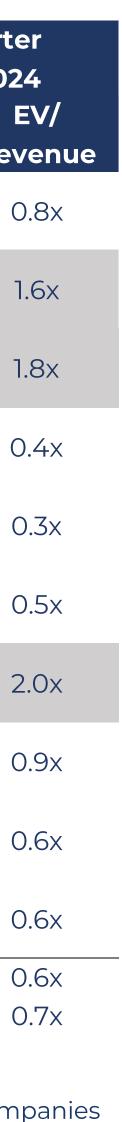




Meat & Seafood Products Global Comparable Public Companies

				Enterprise	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quart Mar. 31, 202	
Cor	mpany	Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev
BRF S.A.	erf 😽	BRA	\$5,462	\$8,354	\$10,690	6.7%	7.9x	13.2x	11.7x	0.
Floridienne S.A.	FLORIDIENNE GROUP	BEL	\$685	\$971	\$591	10.6%	20.6x	16.9x	15.4x	1.
Hormel Foods Corporation	Hormel	USA	\$19,109	\$21,443	\$12,136	15.6%	14.0x	12.0x	11.3x	1.
JBS S.A.	(JBS)	BRA	\$9,508	\$27,822	\$72,538	4.5%	3.5x	5.5x	8.5x	0.
L.D.C. S.A.		FRA	\$2,572	\$2,156	\$6,617	10.2%	3.8x	3.5x	3.2x	0
Minerva S.A.	Minerva Food.	BRA	\$790	\$2,662	\$5,362	9.5%	5.4x	5.0x	5.2x	0
Mowi ASA		NOR	\$9,499	\$12,021	\$5,940	25.6%	10.8x	7.4x	7.9x	2.
ORIOR AG	ORIOR PREMIUM FOOD	CHE	\$482	\$611	\$713	8.8%	12.7x	10.5x	9.7x	0
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	Pilgrim's	USA	\$8,127	\$11,054	\$17,362	7.0%	5.6x	6.8x	9.1x	0.
Tyson Foods, Inc.	Tyson	USA	\$20,928	\$29,152	\$52,940	5.4%	5.0x	6.9x	10.2x	0.
						Mean	7.6x	7.2x	8.5x	0.
						Median	6.7x	7.1x	9.4x	0.





Preserved Products Global Comparable Public Companies

		Country	Market try Cap. US\$M	Enterprise		EBITDA		Average BITDA	First C Mar. 3	Quarte 51, 2024
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev
Campbell Soup Company	Campbells	USA	\$13,251	\$17,902	\$9,271	22.7%	9.9x	9.6x	8.5x	٦.
CJ Cheiljedang Corporation	CJ CHEILJEDANG	KOR	\$3,351	\$13,537	\$21,596	10.2%	6.5x	6.5x	6.1x	0
Conagra Brands, Inc.	CONAGRA	USA	\$14,168	\$23,246	\$12,118	20.4%	12.4x	10.1x	9.4x	1.
Ebro Foods, S.A.	Ebro	ESP	\$2,563	\$3,161	\$3,324	11.8%	9.1x	8.7x	8.0x	1.
Lamb Weston Holdings, Inc.	LambWeston	USA	\$15,380	\$18,932	\$6,551	28.0%	17.6x	14.7x	10.3x	2.
Nissin Foods Holdings Co.,Ltd.	NISSIN	JPN	\$8,443	\$8,333	\$4,738	14.8%	12.7x	14.2x	11.9x	1.
Nomad Foods Limited	Nomad Foods	GBR	\$3,183	\$5,101	\$3,285	16.4%	11.2x	9.3x	9.5x	1.
Orkla ASA	Orkla	NOR	\$7,051	\$8,985	\$6,260	16.3%	10.2x	9.2x	8.8x	1.
The J. M. Smucker Company	THE J.M. SMUCKER Cº	USA	\$13,364	\$22,069	\$8,208	23.3%	11.4x	10.9x	11.5x	2.
TreeHouse Foods, Inc.	TreeHouse	USA	\$2,098	\$3,379	\$3,432	11.8%	10.6x	12.0x	8.3x	1.
						Mean	10.4x	9.6x	9.2x]. י
						Median	10.9x	9.9x	9.1x	Ι.

























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LatAm Products Global Comparable Public Companies

		Country	Market	Enterprise		EBITDA		Average BITDA	First C Mar. 3	Quarte 51, 2024
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	E Rev
Alicorp S.A.A.	alicorp	PER	\$1,299	\$2,270	\$3,671	8.8%	6.5x	6.8x	7.0x	0
BRF S.A.	erf 🌏	BRA	\$5,462	\$8,354	\$10,690	6.7%	7.9x	13.2x	11.7x	0
Grupo Bimbo, S.A.B. de C.V.	BIMBO	MEX	\$20,782	\$28,851	\$23,772	14.7%	7.9x	8.7x	8.3x	1.
Camil Alimentos S.A.	Camil	BRA	\$613	\$1,372	\$2,209	6.7%	7.2x	8.4x	9.3x	0
Carozzi S.A.	C carozzi	CHL	\$376	\$920	\$1,501	15.5%	6.7x	5.5x	3.9x	0
Colombina S.A.	Colombina 🤣	COL	\$141	\$441	\$867	12.6%	6.5x	4.8x	4.0x	0
Gruma, S.A.B. de C.V.		MEX	\$6,851	\$8,427	\$6,638	15.2%	5.0x	7.9x	8.4x	1.
Grupo Herdez, S.A.B. de C.V.	GRUPO HERDEZ	MEX	\$892	\$1,984	\$2,201	19.2%	6.3x	5.7x	4.7x	0
Grupo Nutresa S. A.	Grupo nutresa	COL	\$5,445	\$6,502	\$4,900	12.3%	14.5x	13.8x	10.8x	1.
Molinos Rio de la Plata S.A.		ARG	\$761	\$776	\$505	11.8%	12.2x	41.9x	13.0x	1.
						Mean	6.8x	8.3x	8.1x	0.
						Median	7.0x	8.2x	8.3x	0





























Food Industry – Global Transactions (1/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	Rev
Mar-24	Dairy Processing Factory	USA	Produces dairy	Steres Dates	Hood	100.0%	-	-	
Mar-24	BOSTOCK	NZL	Provides organic free range poultry	GRUPO BIMBO	-	100.0%	\$21.8	-	
Mar-24	CONCORD FOODS	USA	Supplies food products to supermarkets, food service operators and food manufactures	SUGAR FOODS		100.0%	-	-	
Mar-24	TUNWORTH & WINSLADE	GBR	Produces artisan cheeses	BUTLERS * FARMHOUSE CHEESES	-	100.0%	-	-	
Mar-24	DAN-O'S — SEASONING —	USA	Produces seasoning from herbs and spices	CROSBY	-	100.0%	-	-	
Feb-24	cook <i>it</i>	CAN	Provides meal kit services	freshprep	-	100.0%	-	-	
Feb-24	SMITH NOTED TOOR. INC.	USA	Produces peas, corn, corn, carrots and lima beans		-	100.0%	-	-	
Feb-24	CREST FOODS	USA	Develops and manufactures dry food items	HARWOOD	-	100.0%	-	-	
Feb-24	the ince 1879	USA	Produces sausages and other meats		-	100.0%	-	-	
Feb-24	Benson Hill Ingredients	USA	Provides non GMO soybeans and seeds		BENSON ® HILL	100.0%	\$72.0	-	





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Food Industry – Global Transactions (2/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Feb-24	NO MANS LAND BEEF JEBEY	USA I	Produces beef jerky and meat sticks	Bansk	-	100.0%	_	-	-
Jan-24	Dirty	USA I	Produces cookies	CRAVEWORTHY	-	<50%	-	-	-
Jan-24	alter	USA I	Produces organic, non GMO and sustainable chocolates	TREK ONE CAPITAL	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	Palerict Packle	USA I	Manufactures pickles	H. I. G.	SURVEY AND A CAPITAL	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	WICKEDLY DELICIOUS!	USA I	Manufactures pickles	FENWICK	Sims Foods Inc.	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	PARTNERS	USA I	Produces sausages and hot dog products	Johnsonville,	PARTNERS	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	wallaby	USA I	Produces yogurt	Platinum Equity	DANONE ONE PLANET. ONE HEALTH	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	HORIZON	USA I	Produces organic dairy products	Platinum Equity	DANONE ONE PLANET. ONE HEALTH	100.0%	-	-	-





Selected Transactions Commentary



what we do best."

Gregg Majewski, CEO of Dirty Dough Cookies



"We are thrilled to welcome Cook it to the Fresh Prep family. This acquisition is a major step in our mission to empower Canadians to eat well and live better."

Becky Bauer, CEO of Fresh Prep



"We are excited to add hot dogs and sausages to our high-quality hamburger offerings to give our customers the full grilling experience."

Robert Young, CEO of Miami Beef



"Fenwick is the perfect partner to accelerate the brand's growth trajectory while preserving its identity and operating roots. We're excited to see Wickles get the resources and investment it deserves to scale."

Will Sims, Co-Founder of Wickles Pickles

"As a platform company with our experience and capabilities, this deal is a perfect fit because this is



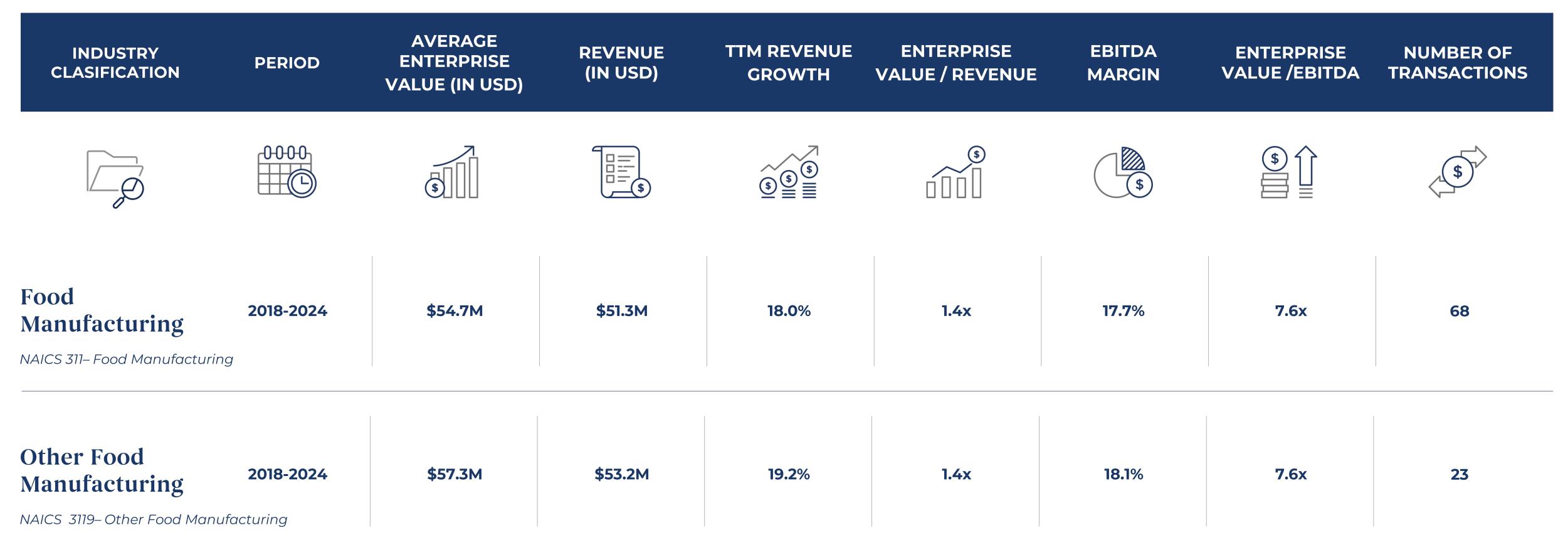








Private Equity Transactions



Notes:

- this blind approach, the data submitted is less likely to be biased or manipulated.

• Data obtained via GF Data, a subscription-based information platform, offering detailed information and metrics about the transactions of Private Equity funds in the U.S. • The data is provided under a blind confidential format. Users of the data are unable to identify the exact company and transaction corresponding to the transaction details. Given





GRUPO CHEN

TARGET Grupo Chen

TRANSACTION TYPE Divestiture advisory

INDUSTRIES Food & Beverage

GEOGRAPHY Monterrey, Mexico

SITUATION

Seale & Associates was retained by the owner of Grupo Chen to advise on a sale of the company as part of succession planning. Grupo Chen produces, markets and distributes dairy products, including cheese, yogurt, butter, and dairy cream with a market leadership position in Northern Mexico.

SEALE & ASSOCIATES' APPROACH

Seale managed a preferred buyer process with Sigma Alimentos, while maintaining the option to initiate a competitive auction process with other interested strategic buyers for Grupo Chen. Seale's disciplined approach allowed our client to maintain momentum and negotiating leverage throughout the process and ensure closing at a premium value and more favorable terms.

OUTCOME

The process resulted in a successful acquisition of Grupo Chen by Sigma Alimentos, a subsidiary of ALFA (BMV:ALFA). Grupo Chen became Sigma's branded dairy products growth platform for the Mexican market.

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"Seale gave me "peace of mind" as they expertly guided me through the sale process"



"When it came time to decide on a viable succession plan for my business, I knew that none of my children were interested in taking over, and the last thing I wanted was to leave them a potential mess after I was gone. Seale gave me "peace of mind" as they expertly guided me through the sale process for my life's work and made certain I got the very best price and terms."

Reynaldo Villarreal CEO and owner, Grupo Chen



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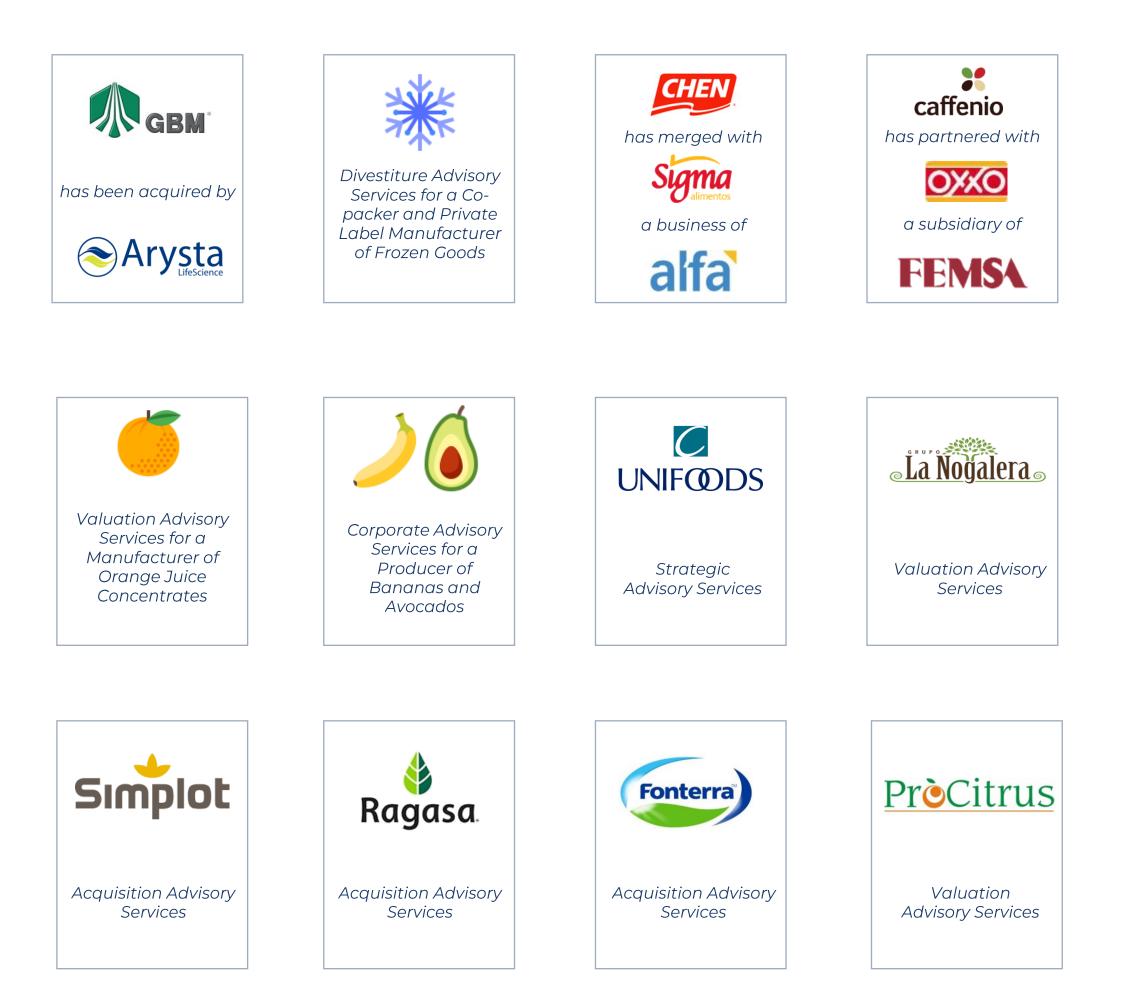




Sector Relevant Experience

Extensive M&A transaction experience, including

- Provided acquisition advisory services to GBM, a leading Mexican market leader in supplying inputs to fruit and vegetable growers, on its sale to Arysta LifeScience, a global provider of crop protection and life science products
- Provided divestiture advisory services to a co-packer and private Label Manufacturer of Frozen Goods
- Provided acquisition advisory services to Grupo Chen, a producer of dairy products on its merger with Sigma Alimentos, a leading Mexican company in refrigerated foods a subsidiary of ALFA
- Provided advisory services to Unifoods, a leading Mexican food and beverage consumer products company
- Represented the shareholders of Caffenio, a leading Latin American coffee roaster and distributor, on the merger of their business with OXXO, the retail chain and distribution business of FEMSA
- Represented Arca Continental on the acquisition of three salty snack brands in the U.S. (Wise Snacks, Deep River Snacks, and Carolina **Country Snacks**)
- Provided corporate finance and valuation services to a leading Mexican manufacturer of orange juice concentrates
- Provided corporate advisory services for a leading Mexican producer of bananas and avocados





Global M&A Representative Engagements



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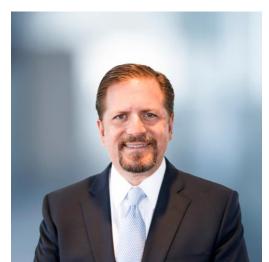






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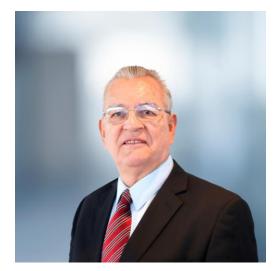


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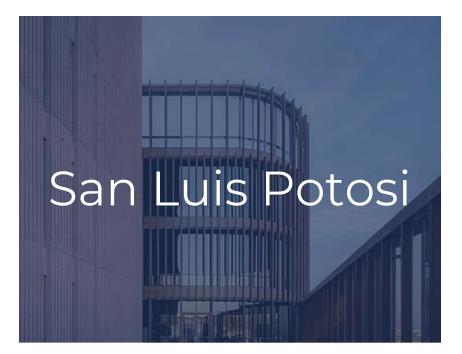
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We have worked repeatedly with many of the most well-



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