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We are pleased to share our Industrial Automation Industry Multiples Valuation Update for Q2 2024.

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Industrial Automation's Industry Overview, M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

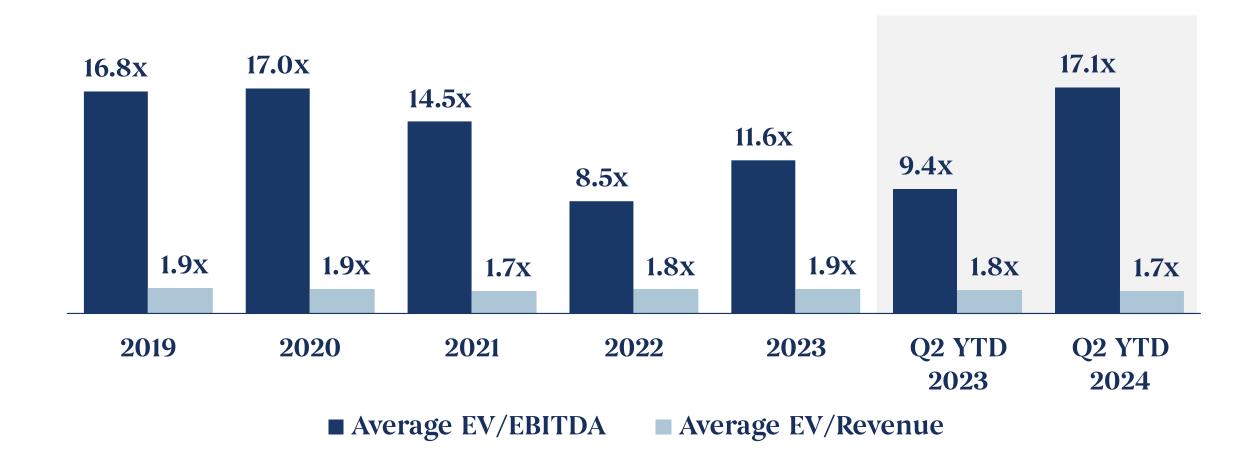
Industrial Automation M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

- The industrial automation market is expected to reach US\$368.1B by 2031, growing at a CAGR of 9.1% during the forecast period of 2024-2031
- Throughout 2024, the automation sector has experienced strong M&A activity, fueled by a tight labor market, rapid technological advancements, and an increasing drive toward digitization. In Q2 2024, this momentum continued, with robust M&A activity driven by the growing demand for automation solutions
- Inflation is pressuring the industry, but firms are mitigating this by educating clients on supply chain delays and rising costs. Additionally, they are successfully passing on price increases, which makes them able to maintain profitability and sustain strong investor appeal within the industry
- A significant trend during this period has been the focus on acquisitions by strategic buyers aiming to enhance their capabilities in critical areas such as Al, robotics, and IoT
- Automation is becoming ever more essential in modern industrial operations, leading strategic buyers to pay premium multiples when potential synergies are apparent.
 This heightened willingness to invest has driven up valuations within the sector, underscoring the strategic importance of these technologies
- Private equity firms have been key in driving industry consolidation through roll-up strategies, partnering with industry veterans to acquire smaller companies and build end-to-end automation platforms. This approach has significantly shaped the industry, offering valuable opportunities for financial sponsors
- There is an increasing demand for skilled talent within the industry, which is driving acquisitions not just for assets, but for the skilled management and workforce that come with them. This "acqui-hire" strategy is becoming a crucial growth avenue, allowing companies to secure the expertise needed to drive their operations and innovations forward in a competitive market
- Given the market's fragmented nature and consistent growth, this trend of consolidation is expected to continue, offering numerous opportunities for growth and expansion within the industry

Industrial Automation's Industry Market Size (US\$B)



Industrial Automation Industry M&A Average EV/EBITDA and EV/Revenue



Industrial Automation Global Comparable Public Companies (1/2)

			Market	Enterprise	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Second Quarter Jun. 30, 2024	
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
ABB Ltd	ABB	CHE	\$102,656	\$106,653	\$32,322	18.3%	13.5x	14.2x	18.0x	3.3x
AMETEK, Inc.	AMETEK ®	USA	\$38,588	\$41,382	\$6,825	31.5%	18.3x	18.6x	19.2x	6.1x
Daifuku Co., Ltd.	DAIFUKU Always an Edge Ahead	JPN	\$6,935	\$6,493	\$3,867	11.6%	15.9x	14.1x	14.4x	1.7x
Datalogic S.p.A.	⇔ DATALOGIC	ITA	\$320	\$347	\$527	5.1%	8.1x	6.6x	13.0x	0.7x
Emerson Electric Co.	EMERSON.	USA	\$63,023	\$78,021	\$16,963	27.2%	13.9x	12.7x	16.9x	4.6x
Honeywell International Inc.	Honeywell	USA	\$139,054	\$154,001	\$37,334	24.8%	16.2x	16.2x	16.6x	4.1x
Mitsubishi Electric Corporation	MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC	JPN	\$33,332	\$31,491	\$33,096	10.5%	5.8x	7.1x	9.1x	1.0x
Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	maRata INNOVATOR IN ELECTRONICS	JPN	\$38,806	\$35,473	\$10,532	25.8%	8.0x	10.3x	13.1x	3.4x
OMRON Corporation	OMRON	JPN	\$6,768	\$7,974	\$4,968	6.3%	13.2x	11.6x	25.3x	1.6x
Rockwell Automation, Inc.	Rockwell Automation	USA	\$31,383	\$35,183	\$8,792	22.1%	22.0x	20.3x	18.1x	4.0x

Industrial Automation Global Comparable Public Companies (2/2)

Company		Country	Market Cap.	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Second Quarter Jun. 30, 2024	
			US\$M				2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Schneider Electric S.E.	Schneider Belectric	FRA	\$134,496	\$146,438	\$39,046	19.6%	14.8x	14.8x	19.1x	3.8x
Siemens Aktiengesellschaft	SIEMENS	DEU	\$145,644	\$196,819	\$84,240	15.6%	15.7x	15.1x	14.9x	2.3x
TE Connectivity Ltd.	Connectivity	CHE	\$45,952	\$49,120	\$15,812	24.0%	11.7x	11.7x	12.9x	3.1x
Yokogawa Electric Corporation		JPN	\$6,291	\$5,676	\$3,422	19.0%	10.8x	8.8x	8.7x	1.7×
Excluded from mean and median						Mean	12.3x	11.9x	14.9x	2.5x
						Median	13.7x	13.4x	15.8x	3.2x

Industrial Automation - Q2 Global Transactions (1/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Jun-24	SEI Sistemi	ITA	Provides industrial automation systems, focusing on plants, electrical systems, and renewable energy solutions	righi THINK	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24	Braner Loopco Loopco	USA	Designs and installs high-performance flat rolled coil processing and automated coil handling systems	HOLLEWAY	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24	EIGHT 12 AUTOMATION	USA	Designs, installs, and monitors custom automation solutions	PACIV BLACKFORD CAPITAL	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24	inrotech	DNK	Provides automated welding solutions with adaptive intelligence softwares	LINCOLN ELECTRIC	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24	ALTOMATION S.R.L.	ITA	Provides industrial automation systems using robotics	ENDURANCE	-	100.0%	\$3.3	-	0.3x
May-24	Automation Division	USA	Provides intelligent automation solutions for energy-efficient industrial systems	BRAINBOX A)	TURNTIDE	100.0%	-	-	-
May-24	Allecticuits Automation design control panels	USA	Povides custom industrial electrical control panels, electro-mechanical assemblies, robotic automation and integrated solutions	MOTION Automation Intelligence www.al.modon.com	-	100.0%	-	-	-
May-24	TREVA AUTOMATION	USA	Designs and installs small to medium-sized automation cells	HGAutomation	-	ND	-	-	-
May-24	CONVERGENCE CONTROLS & ENGINEERING	USA	Designs and installs automated control systems	TETRA TECH	-	100.0%	-	-	-

Industrial Automation - Q2 Global Transactions (2/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
May-24	SKYLINE	CHE	Provides automated parking systems worldwide	JUNCTION	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Apr-24 [*]	micro automation	DEU	Provides robotic and automation technology including linear handling systems, assembly lines, and vision inspection technology	JR AUTOMATION A Hitachi Group Company	automation	100.0%	\$81.7	-	1.6x
Apr-24	System TM Nember of the HOMAG Group	DNK	Provides customized automated secondary solid wood processing systems	HE HOMAG	-	20.0%	-	-	-
Apr-24	L ingemat engineering solutions	ESP	Provides automation and robotisation of production and operation processes	ArtiFlex	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Apr-24	FDT'GROUP	BEL	Provides industrial automation integration	FIELD COMM GROUP" MEMBER	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Apr-24	LOGISTICS AUTOMATION HOLLOWAY	GBR	Designs and installs automation solutions developing advanced control and software systems	Motion Tech	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Apr-24	PLANT DRIVES & SYSTEMS Inc.	USA	Provides frequency drives and automated systems	Advanced Electronic Services	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Apr-24	REDVIKING BOLD ENGINEERING	USA	Provides custom machines and production lines	LINCOLN ELECTRIC	-	100.0%	\$109.7	-	1.6x
ND: Not Dis	closed						Mean	-	1.2x

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^{*} Anounced transactions pending approval and other closing conditions

Private Equity Transactions

INDUSTRY CLASIFICATION	PERIOD	AVERAGE ENTERPRISE VALUE (IN USD)	REVENUE (IN USD)	TTM REVENUE GROWTH	ENTERPRISE VALUE / REVENUE	EBITDA MARGIN	ENTERPRISE VALUE/EBITDA	NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS
	0000	\$	\$	\$ \$ \equiv \text{\$}	\$	\$	\$	\$
Industrial robot automation applications NAICS 541511 – Custom Compuservices	2019-2024 Iter Programming	\$24.8M	\$57.3M	37.9%	2.6x	31.9%	8.4x	13
Robotics automation engineering services NAICS 541330 – Engineering se	2023-2024 ervices	\$26.5M	\$19.2M	29.9%	1.5x	19.8%	7.0x	4

Notes:

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

Source: GF Data 8

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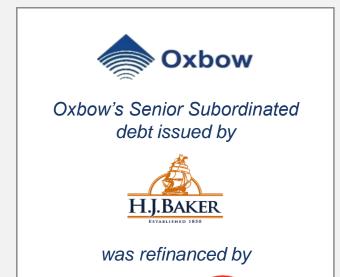












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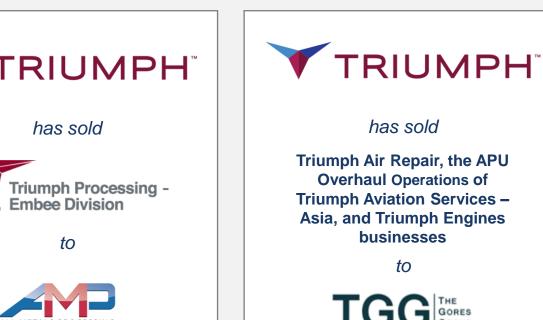










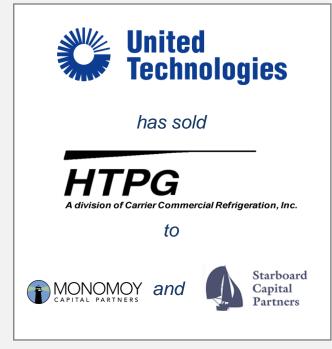




















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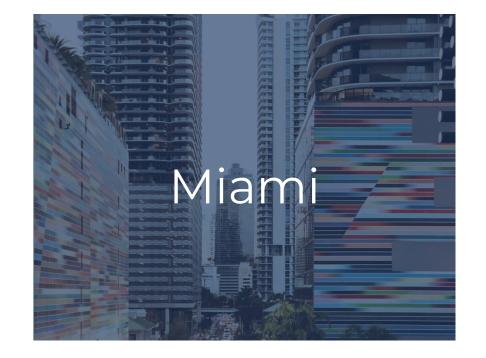
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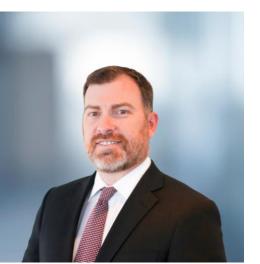


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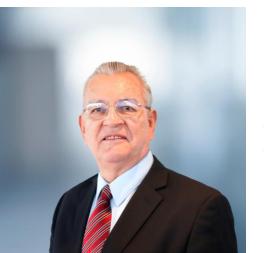
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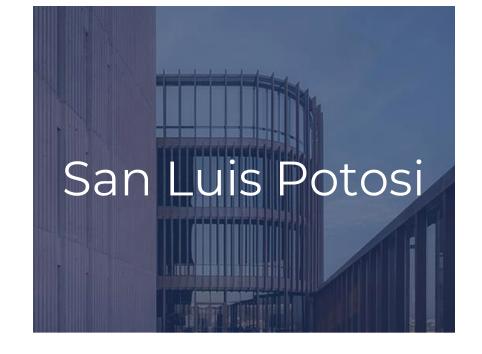


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