

Seale & Associates ———— STEEL Q2 2024

Introduction

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

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

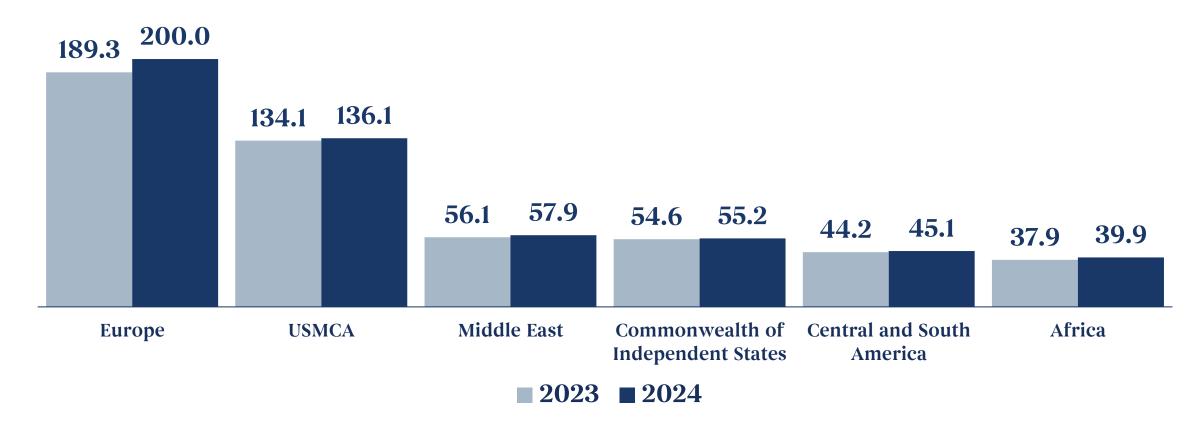
Industry Overview and M&A Trends

- The Crude Steel Market is estimated at 2.1 billion tons in 2024 and projected to reach 2.6 billion tons by 2029, growing at a CAGR of 4.3%
- Sustainability initiatives are increasingly critical, with companies adopting energy-efficient technologies, using recycled materials, implementing carbon capture, and exploring alternative energy sources. These efforts benefit both the environment and the industry's long-term viability
- Technological advancements such as automated robotics, advanced sensors, and data analytics have revolutionized steel production, boosting efficiency, improving quality, and enhancing sustainability. Enhanced recycling technologies further drive the industry towards a more eco-friendly and competitive future
- Urbanization and economic growth are driving increased steel demand in construction. With urban populations expected to reach 60.0% by 2030, the US construction sector's value rose to US \$1,626.4 billion in 2021. This demand is further boosted by infrastructure projects, especially in emerging economies
- The industry is navigating **significant regulatory changes**, including new **environmental regulations** impacting production processes and emissions, evolving **quality and safety standards**, and **government incentives** promoting sustainable steel production. These factors influence the cost, distribution, and manufacturing processes of steel products
- Investment and M&A activity is set to remain robust in 2024, driven by the need for expansion, modernization, and competitiveness. Companies are focusing on increasing market share, diversifying product offerings, and leveraging new technologies. Strategic partnerships and joint ventures
- Despite **economic, technological, and environmental challenges**, the steel industry is poised for a resurgence in 2024. Increasing demand from **infrastructure projects**, the **automotive sector**, and **manufacturing activities** highlights the industry's enduring importance and adaptability

Iron and Steel Market Size



Projected Demand for Finished Steel Products Worldwide in 2023 and 2024, by Region (in million metric tons)



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Steel Production Global Comparable Public Companies (1/2)

			Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Second Quarter Jun. 30, 2024	
Company		Country					2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Acerinox, S.A.	ACERINOX	ESP	\$2,588	\$2,789	\$6,766	9.6%	2.8x	3.2x	4.3x	0.4x
Aichi Steel Corporation	AICHI STEEL	JPN	\$434	\$654	\$1,843	10.4%	4.6x	4.7x	3.4x	0.4x
Aperam S.A.		LUX	\$1,869	\$2,599	\$6,828	2.1%	2.8x	4.3x	18.2x	0.4x
ArcelorMittal S.A. ArcelorMittal		LUX	\$18,759	\$25,562	\$66,056	10.3%	1.4x	2.4x	3.8x	0.4x
CAP S.A.	<u>c</u> Ap	CHL	\$937	\$3,601	\$2,782	25.5%	2.3x	4.9x	5.1x	1.3x
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc.	CLIFFS CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC.	USA	\$7,318	\$11,282	\$21,900	10.6%	2.8x	5.4x	4.9x	0.5x
Commercial Metals Company	Commercial Metals	USA	\$6,323	\$6,826	\$8,139	13.0%	4.6x	4.3x	6.4x	0.8x
Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional	Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional	BRA	\$3,084	\$9,069	\$7,895	19.6%	2.7x	6.1x	5.9x	1.1×
Industrias CH, S. A. B. de C. V.	E INDUSTRIAS CH	MEX	\$4,175	\$3,407	\$2,254	23.2%	4.7x	5.0x	6.5x	1.5x
Jindal Steel & Power Limited	STEEL & POWER	IND	\$12,781	\$14,246	\$6,001	20.4%	3.4x	6.9x	11.6x	2.4x
JSW Steel Limited	JSW	IND	\$27,181	\$36,508	\$20,994	16.0%	6.5x	11.1x	10.8x	1.7x

Source: Capital IQ 4

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Steel Production Global Comparable Public Companies (2/2)

Company		Country	Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Second Quarter Jun. 30, 2024	
Company		Country					2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Kyoei Steel Ltd.	KYOEI STEEL	JPN	\$566	\$827	\$1,995	10.3%	6.3x	5.5x	4.0x	0.4x
Nucor Corporation	NUCOR®	USA	\$37,902	\$40,246	\$34,141	20.7%	3.3x	4.3x	5.7x	1.2x
Outokumpu Oyj	outokumpu 🔵	FIN	\$1,530	\$1,518	\$6,894	3.8%	2.2x	2.1x	5.7x	0.2x
POSCO Holdings Inc.	posco	KOR	\$19,988	\$31,880	\$55,006	9.6%	2.4x	5.9x	6.1x	0.6x
Radius Recycling, Inc.	Schnitzer (**)	USA	\$427	\$909	\$2,686	3.9%	4.4x	6.9x	8.7x	0.3x
Steel Authority of India Limited	सेल SAIL	IND	\$7,366	\$11,642	\$12,641	11.0%	3.0x	7.1x	8.4x	0.9x
Steel Dynamics, Inc.		USA	\$20,349	\$21,669	\$18,596	19.3%	3.0x	4.1x	6.1x	1.2x
Tata Steel Limited		IND	\$26,058	\$35,615	\$27,492	9.7%	3.3x	8.0x	13.3x	1.3x
Ternium S.A. Ternium		LUX	\$7,371	\$10,166	\$18,765	26.3%	1.4x	2.6x	2.1x	0.5x
Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. USIMINAS U		BRA	\$1,718	\$2,438	\$4,792	5.8%	1.6x	4.2x	8.8x	0.5x
Voestalpine AG	voestalpine	AUT	\$4,633	\$7,683	\$17,877	9.5%	3.8x	3.7x	4.5x	0.4x
Excluded from mean and median						Mean	3.0x	4.8x	6.1x	0.8x
Source: Capital IQ				5		Median	3.0x	4.8x	6.0x	0.6x

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Steel Distribution Global Comparable Public Companies

			Market Cap. US\$M	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Second Quarter Jun. 30, 2024	
Company		Country					2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
EVA Precision Industrial Holdings Limited		HKG	\$161	\$280	\$792	10.2%	7.7x	7.0x	3.5x	0.4x
G Collado, S.A.B. de C.V.		MEX	\$82	\$165	\$616	6.1%	3.8x	2.7x	4.4x	0.3x
Olympic Steel, Inc. OLYMPICSTEE		USA	\$499	\$722	\$2,112	5.8%	12.8x	3.1x	5.8x	0.3x
Ramada Investimentos e Industria, S.A. RAMADA INVESTIMENTO RAMADA INVESTIMENTO		PRT	\$177	\$201	\$151	11.8%	9.9x	7.8x	11.3x	1.3x
Reliance, Inc.		USA	\$16,401	\$16,853	\$14,248	13.8%	8.4x	5.0x	8.6x	1.2x
Russel Metals Inc. Russel Meta		CAN	\$1,619	\$1,511	\$3,200	8.7%	11.5x	3.2x	5.4x	0.5x
Ryerson Holding Corporation RYERSON		USA	\$670	\$1,518	\$4,942	5.6%	8.1x	2.9x	5.4x	0.3x
Valmont Industries, Inc.		USA	\$5,542	\$6,686	\$4,083	15.1%	14.3x	13.6x	10.8x	1.6x
Worthington Steel, Inc.		N USA	\$1,646	\$1,962	\$3,431	9.2%	NA	NA	6.2x	0.6x
Excluded from mean and median						Mean	8.2x	4.5x	5.6x	0.7x
						Median	9.2x	4.1x	5.8x	0.5x

Source: Capital IQ 6

Steel Industry - Q2 Global Transactions

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Jun-24 [*]	PACESETTER	USA	Manufactures and processes galvanized and prepainted steel products	FLICK GLOBAL METALS	-	>50.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24	Solutions	USA	Manufactures and distributes steel rebar and pre-assembled products	WHITE CAP	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24	Midland Wire Mesh	GBR	Manufactures and supplies welded wire mesh products	Cameron and Elizabeth Wakeman	David and Debbie Walters	100.0%	-	-	-
Jun-24 [*]	CELSA GROUP	ESP	Manufactures low-emission, circular steel products from recycled ferrous scrap	Trinity Investments	-	25.0-50.0%	-	-	-
May-24	Fos-sur-Mer site	FRA	Manufactures bearing and engineering steels for various applications	MARCEGAGLIA	Ascometal	100.0%	-	-	-
May-24*	Jelsingrad Livnica čelika ad Banja Luko, vl. Braće Podgornika 8	BOS	Manufactures steel castings and industrial machinery components	BLL Steel	-	100.0%	-	-	-
May-24	SOFAB	CAN	Manufactures steel structures and frameworks	LAINCO	-	100.0%	-	-	-
May-24	SIDMA Romania STEEL SERVICE CENTER	ROM	Manufactures and distributes steel products, including coils and sheets	-	SIDMA S T E E L S.A.	100.0%	\$9.7	-	-
May-24	Ramada Aços	PRT	Manufactures special steels, drawn steels, cutting tools, and offers heat treatments	1 Thing Investments	RAMADA INVESTIMENTOS E INDUSTRIA	100.0%	\$75.4	-	-
May-24	Dawson Shanahan	GBR	Manufactures precision-engineered components and assemblies, specializing in cold forming and CNC machining	LUVATA	-	100.0%	-	-	-
May-24 [*]	Steel business of thyssenkrupp	DEU	Manufactures and processes high-quality steel products	e p _{group}	thyssenkrupp	20.0%	-	-	-
Abr-24	MIDWEST MATERIALS Steel Service Center	USA	Manufactures and processes flat-rolled steel products, including hot-rolled, cold-rolled, and coated steels	Reliance	-	100.0%	-	-	-
* Announce	d transactions pending a	approval and	d other customary closing conditions				Mean	-	-

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Selected Transactions Commentary



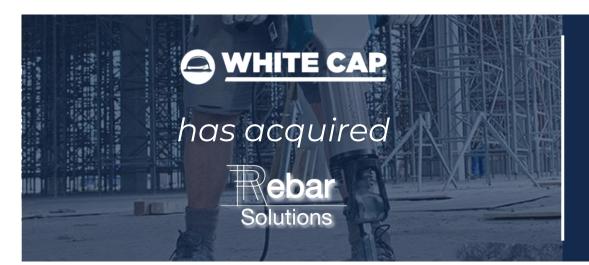
"As we state in our strategy, Luvata is looking to grow the business and become the leading provider of copper solutions for the benefit of people, society and the earth. E-mobility, general electrification and green transition as well as healthcare are all important growth drivers for us. This acquisition is a great example of strategy execution and Dawson Shanahan is a perfect fit to our business portfolio."

Pekka Kleemola, Luvata Group's President and CEO



"The addition of MidWest Materials increases our flat-rolled presence in the critical markets in and around Ohio which primarily service North American OEMs. MidWest Materials aligns well with our acquisition criteria of a well-run company that is immediately accretive to our earnings and expands our offerings to customers with modern, high-performance processing capabilities."

Karla Lewis, President and CEO of Reliance



"White Cap is thrilled to add a full-service rebar fabricator to our operations in the Northeast Region... By uniting with the skilled teams at Rebar Solutions, we extend our product and service offerings to our valued customers in the Mid-Atlantic market and enhance our ability to deliver what our customers need, when and where they need it."

Alan Sollenberger, CEO of White Cap



"Our companies share common values and are both well respected in the structural steel industry. This decision is the right one, reinforcing our dedication to service quality and continuous innovation."

Éric Lachapelle, Executive VP of Lainco

Sector Relevant Experience

- Provided corporate finance advisory services to **DEACERO**, a Mexican leading producer of long steel, wires, and reinforcing steel
- Provided corporate finance advisory services to Fortacero, a leading distributor of steel and processed steel products
- Provided corporate finance advisory services to EZI Metales, a steel fabricator for a diverse customer base
- Provided acquisition advisory services to Timken, a manufacturer of engineered bearings and industrial motion products
- Provided valuation advisory services to the board of directors of Verzatec, a diversified manufacturer engaged in the production of aluminum, plastic and steel products, on valuation issues related to the company's going private transaction
- Advised the shareholders of Grupo Galaz (d.b.a. INMAGUSA), a leading Mexican manufacturer of frame rails for commercial vehicle manufacturers (OEMs) based in North America, on the sale of its business to lochpe-Maxion, a Brazilian producer of wheels and chassis for commercial vehicles, wheels for light vehicles, railway freight cars and railway castings
- Advised **Grif-Fab**, a fabricator and distributor of fire sprinkler pipe and related products, on the sale of its business to Ferguson Fire & Fabrication, the fire protection business of Ferguson
- Advised Flowserve Corporation, one of the world's leading providers of fluid motion and control products and services, on the sale of its Davies & Baird Australian specialty castings foundry business to Davies Baird, a sister company of Quality Casting
- Advised Advanced Cast Products, an operator of foundries and machining and forging companies, on the sale of Belcher Corporation, a malleable iron caster, to Advanced Metals Group



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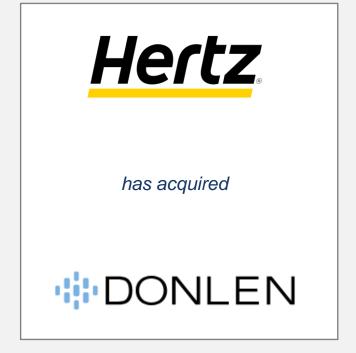














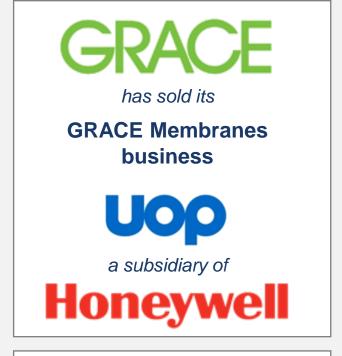






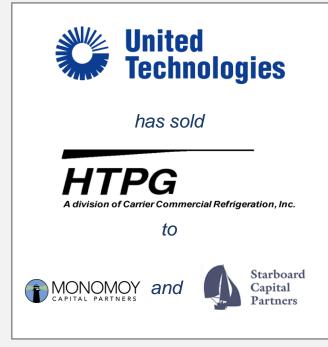




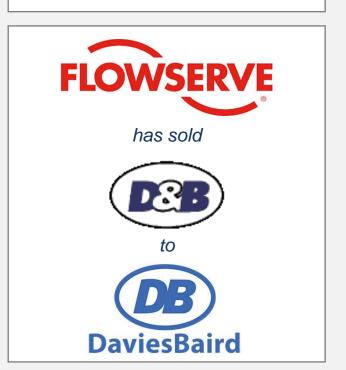








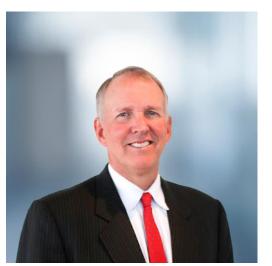








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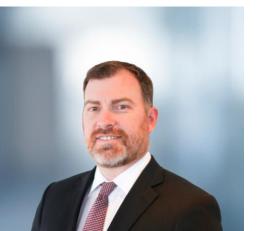
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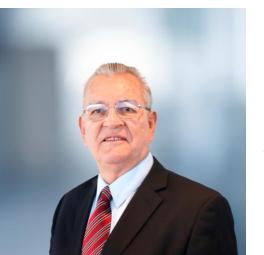
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