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We are pleased to share our Steel Industry Multiples Valuation Update for Q3 2024.

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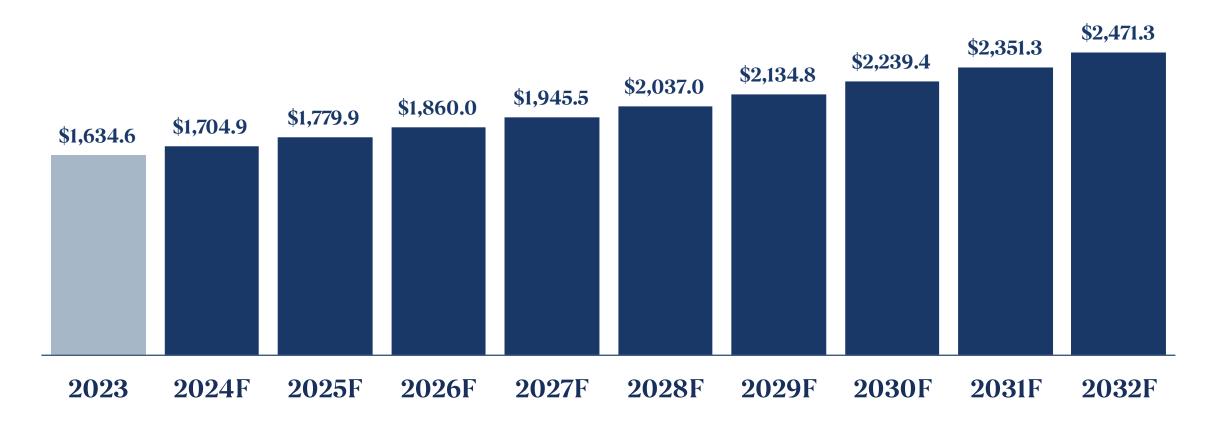
Steel's Industry Overview, M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

Industry Overview and M&A Trends

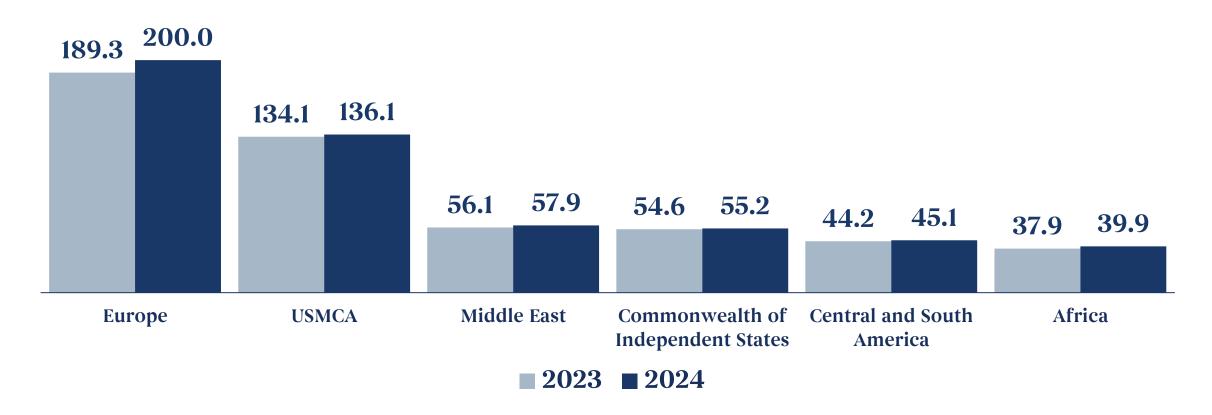
- Global steel production is **stabilizing** after the disruptions caused by the pandemic and geopolitical conflicts, with **projected demand growth of 1.7%** for 2024, reaching 1.8B metric tons. This recovery, although slow, reflects a steady improvement in the industry
- While construction has slowed in developed economies, emerging markets continue to drive steel demand through large-scale infrastructure projects, which are essential for maintaining global consumption
- In the automotive industry, the rise of electric vehicles (EVs) has led manufacturers to opt for lighter materials like aluminum, though highstrength steel remains crucial in the design of EV frames
- The focus on **sustainability** has also gained prominence in the steel industry, driven by **stricter environmental regulations** and rising consumer expectations. Initiatives like **"green steel"**, using hydrogen in production to cut carbon emissions, are on the rise
- Additionally, the growing demand in renewable energy sectors, such as wind turbines and solar panels, is accelerating the shift toward more ecofriendly production methods. To align with these goals, many companies are acquiring competitors that have sustainable technologies
- M&A activity has increased in the industry, driven by the need for consolidation, vertical integration, and expansion into emerging markets, enabling companies to secure supply chains and reduce costs
- Although geopolitical conflicts, such as the war in Ukraine and unrest in the Middle East, have disrupted supply chains and caused price volatility, they also present opportunities for companies to innovate and strengthen their operations

Source: Mordor Intelligence, Thomas, Sheet Metal Industries, Capital IQ, Statista, Leeco Steel and Ohter Industry Reports

Iron and Steel Market Size (US\$B)



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



Steel Production Global Comparable Public Companies (1/2)

		Market	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Third Quarter Sep. 30, 2024	
Company	Country	Cap. US\$M			Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Acerinox, S.A.	ACERINOX ESP	\$2,687	\$2,974	\$6,546	8.3%	2.8x	3.2x	5.5x	0.5x
Aichi Steel Corporation	AICHI STEEL JPN	\$541	\$854	\$2,057	9.3%	4.6x	4.8x	4.5x	0.4x
Aperam S.A.	aperam LUX	\$2,269	\$2,955	\$7,032	1.7%	2.8x	4.3x	25.2x	0.4x
ArcelorMittal S.A.	ArcelorMittal LUX	\$20,620	\$28,306	\$63,699	8.9%	1.4x	2.4x	5.0x	0.4x
CAP S.A.	CAP CHL	\$1,004	\$3,741	\$2,699	26.6%	2.3x	4.9x	5.2x	1.4x
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc.	CLIFFS USA	\$5,977	\$9,663	\$21,008	8.9%	2.8x	5.4x	5.2x	0.5x
Commercial Metals Company	Commercial Metals USA	\$6,320	\$6,822	\$8,139	13.0%	4.6x	4.3x	6.4x	0.8x
Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional	CSN Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional	\$3,139	\$9,976	\$8,030	20.9%	2.7x	6.1x	5.9x	1.2x
Industrias CH, S. A. B. de C. V.	E-INDUSTRIAS CH MEX	\$3,907	\$3,030	\$2,002	20.2%	4.7x	5.0x	7.5x	1.5x
Jindal Steel & Power Limited	JINDAL IND STEEL & POWER	\$12,658	\$14,116	\$6,094	20.3%	3.4x	6.9x	11.4x	2.3x
JSW Steel Limited	IND	\$29,954	\$39,554	\$20,975	15.3%	6.5x	11.1x	12.3x	1.9x

Source: Capital IQ 5

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Steel Production Global Comparable Public Companies (2/2)

Company		ountry -	Market	Enterprise Value	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual A EV/EBI		Third Quarter Sep. 30, 2024	
Company		ountry	Cap. US\$M	US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Kyoei Steel Ltd.	KYOEI STEEL	JPN	\$525	\$903	\$2,252	9.6%	6.3x	5.5x	4.2x	0.4x
Nucor Corporation	NUCOR	USA	\$35,681	\$38,337	\$32,695	18.2%	3.3x	4.3x	6.4x	1.2x
Outokumpu Oyj	outokumpu 🔵	FIN	\$1,716	\$1,824	\$6,763	2.0%	2.2x	2.1x	13.7x	0.3x
POSCO Holdings Inc.	posco	KOR	\$22,548	\$35,065	\$56,484	9.0%	2.4x	5.9x	6.9x	0.6x
Radius Recycling, Inc.	Schnitzer	USA	\$520	\$1,031	\$2,686	2.1%	4.4x	6.9x	18.0x	0.4x
Steel Authority of India Limited	सेल SAIL	IND	\$6,969	\$11,224	\$12,534	11.6%	3.0x	7.1x	7.7×	0.9x
Steel Dynamics, Inc.	Steel Dynamics, Inc:	USA	\$19,454	\$21,224	\$18,147	17.0%	3.0x	4.1x	6.9x	1.2x
Tata Steel Limited	TATA STEEL	IND	\$25,100	\$34,609	\$26,790	10.8%	3.3x	8.0x	12.0x	1.3x
Ternium S.A.		LUX	\$7,246	\$9,894	\$19,408	23.8%	1.4x	2.6x	2.1x	0.5x
Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. usiminas U		BRA	\$1,381	\$2,232	\$4,787	5.2%	1.6x	4.2x	8.9x	0.5x
Voestalpine AG voestalpine		AUT	\$4,472	\$7,676	\$18,274	9.2%	3.8x	3.7x	4.6x	0.4x
Excluded from mean and median Source: Capital IQ				6		Mean Median	3.0x 3.0x	5.0x 4.8x	7.1x 6.7x	0.7x 0.6x

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Steel Distribution Global Comparable Public Companies

			Market	Enterprise Value US\$M	Revenue US\$M	EBITDA Margin	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		Third Quarter Sep. 30, 2024	
Company	C	ountry	Cap. US\$M				2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
EVA Precision Industrial Holdings Limited		HKG	\$168	\$269	\$813	10.9%	7.0x	4.3x	3.0x	0.3x
G Collado, S.A.B. de C.V.	COLLADO	MEX	\$201	\$278	\$570	6.0%	2.7x	8.1x	8.1x	0.5x
Olympic Steel, Inc.	OLYMPICSTEEL	USA	\$434	\$672	\$2,069	5.5%	3.1x	5.9x	5.9x	0.3x
Ramada Investimentos e Industria, S.A.	RAMADA INVESTIMENTOS E INDÚSTRIA	PRT	\$197	\$175	\$157	13.5%	7.8x	7.3x	8.2x	1.1×
Reliance, Inc.	RELIANCE STEEL & ALUMINUM CO.	USA	\$15,911	\$16,959	\$14,248	12.7%	5.0x	6.2x	9.3x	1.2x
Russel Metals Inc.	Russel Metals	CAN	\$1,773	\$1,694	\$3,154	7.9%	3.2x	4.3x	6.8x	0.5x
Ryerson Holding Corporation	RYERSON	USA	\$661	\$1,553	\$4,824	5.5%	2.9x	4.4x	5.9x	0.3x
Valmont Industries, Inc.		USA	\$5,847	\$6,904	\$4,083	15.4%	13.6x	11.5x	11.0x	1.7×
Worthington Steel, Inc.		USA	\$1,681	\$1,975	\$3,359	8.2%	NA	5.8x	7.1x	0.6x
Excluded from mean and median						Mean	4.5x	5.8x	7.4x	0.6x
						Median	4.1x	5.9x	7.1x	0.5x

Source: Capital IQ 7

Steel Industry - Q3 Global Transactions (1/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Sep-24	WHITLOW ELECTRIC	USA	Hill & Smith , manufacturer of infrastructure products, acquired Whitlow Electric , manufacturer of structural steel, expanding its presence in the Southeastern U.S. market	Hill & Smith PLC	-	100.0%	\$30.2	-	1.1x
Sep-24	MAC Mac Chain Co. Ltd.	CAN	Renold , manufacturer of mechanical power transmission products, acquired MAC , manufacturer of steel and iron forging products, increasing their access to the Western U.S. and Canada	RENOLD	-	100.0%	\$31.4	7.5x	1.2x
Sep-24 [*]	RIZZINOX Commercio rottami inox e metalli	ITA	Thommen Group , recycler of ferrous and non-ferrous metals, announced the acquisition of Rizzinox , recycler of stainless steel, strengthening its presence in the Italian market	THOMMEN GROUP	-	>50.0%	-	-	-
Aug-24	KIND&CO EDELSTAHLWERK	DEU	GMH Gruppe , manufacturer of steel products, acquired Edelstahlwerk , local faboricator of steel, strengthening its position in the tool steel industry	Georgsmarienhütte GMH GRUPPE	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Aug-24	MOSTOSTAL SLUPCA	POL	Kunz Group , provider of steel and construction materials, acquired Mostostal Wechta , manufacturer of steel structures, furthering its expansion in European construction materials		Wechta FIZ	100.0%	-	-	-
Jul-24	PRECISION KIDD STEEL COMPANY	USA	Jade Steel Group and Standard Horse Nail Company, manufacturers of steel products, acquired Precision Kidd Steel Company, manufacturer of steel products, enhancing its steel distribution and manufacturing capabilities	STEEL GROUP STEEL GROUP STEEL GROUP STANDARD FROM THE STANDARD	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jul-24	%iberjindal	ESP	Jindal Stainless , manufacturer of stainless steel products, acquired an additional 30% stake in Iberjindal , manufacturer of stainless steel products from Fagor Industrial, consolidating its joint venture control	JINDAL STAINLESS	FAGOR =	30.0%	-	-	-
Jul-24 [*]	Marine and Energy business in Kalajoki and Sepänkylä	FIN	Componenta, manufacturer of steel and iron products, announced the acquisition of Fortaco's marine and energy businesses, manufacturers of steel fabricated components, expanding its industrial service offerings	COMPONENTA	FORTACO	100.0%	\$3.0	11.2x	0.4x

Steel Industry - Q3 Global Transactions (2/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Jul-24 [*]	The Steel Company of Canada	CAN	Cleveland-Cliffs , manufacturer of steel and iron products, announced the acquisition of Stelco , manufacturer of steel products, reinforcing its leadership in North America	CLIFFS CLEVELAND-CLIFFS INC.	LINDSAY GOLDBERG FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED	100.0%	\$2,488.4	4.8x	2.2x
Jul-24	ANTER NOX PROCESSING,INC.	USA	Kloeckner Metals, manufacturer and distributor of metals, acquired Amerinox, manufacturer of stainless steel and aluminum, enhancing its portfolio of services	kloeckner metals	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jul-24	SVETS & SMIDE AB	SWE	Fasadgruppen's subsidiary GAJ Stålkonstruktioner, manufacturer of steel, acquired Je Svets & Smide, manufacturer of steel structures, strengthening its market position	EN DEL AV FASADGRUPPEN ==	-	91.0%	-	-	-
Jul-24	The Steel Alternative For the New Millennium	GBR	ASD, manufacturer and distributor of steel products, acquired Atlantic Steel Processing, manufacturer of steel products, expanding its presence in Northwest UK	ASD	-	100.0%	-	-	-
* Announce	d transactions pending	approval and	d other customary closing conditions				Mean	7.8x	1.2x

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- 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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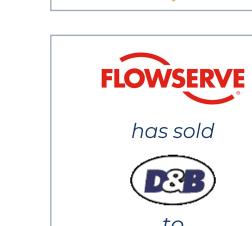
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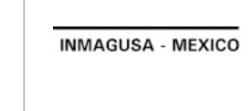
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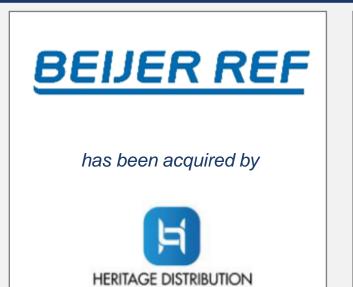
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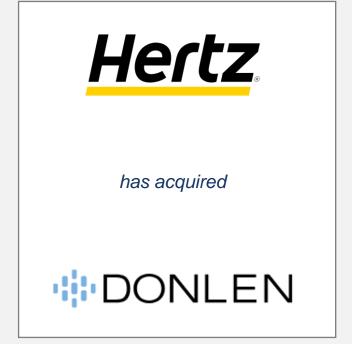








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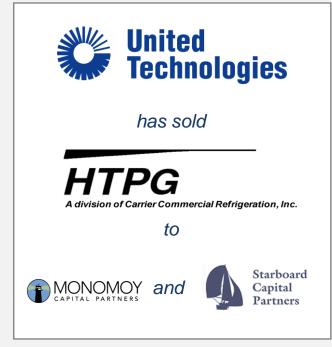












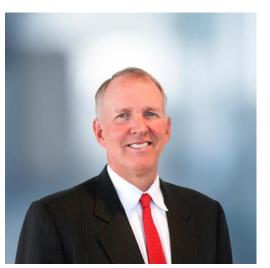








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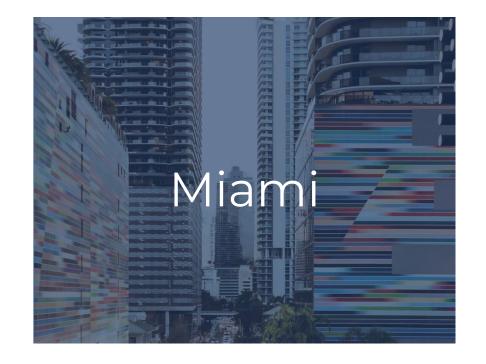




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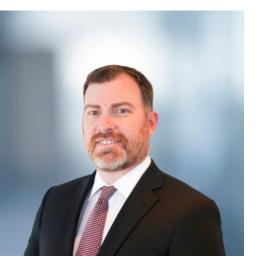


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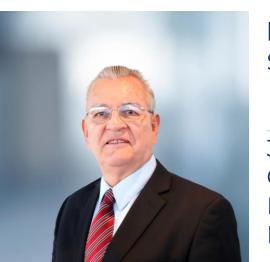
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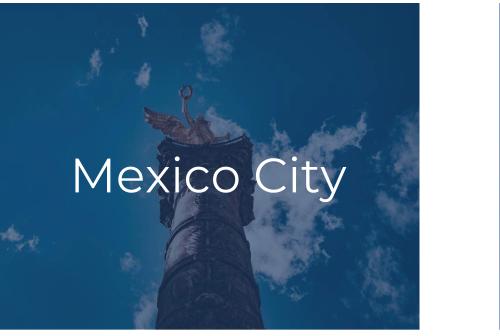
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