# M&A AT A GLANCE

**Key Takeaways** 

- ▶ M&A was up overall in May, particularly in the U.S. Building on April's reversal of 2022's earlier downward trends, May's total U.S. deal value and count jumped 43% and 12%, respectively. U.S. sponsor activity was particularly robust, increasing 82% and 24% in deal value and count. respectively. Globally, however, total sponsor deal value fell 25%, despite a 29% increase in deal count. Strategic deals increased 13% in deal value and 7% in deal count in the U.S., while increasing 31% in deal value and remaining flat by deal count globally.
- ▶ U.S. crossborder activity was mixed, decreasing 5% by inbound deal value, but increasing 79% outbound. U.S. inbound deal count increased 9%, but fell 7% outbound. Canada led again in total deal value inbound, while the U.K. led outbound and also had the highest deal counts inbound and outbound (with 22 deals each).
- ▶ Computers & Electronics was the most active industry by deal number and value in May and also last twelve months (LTM), with \$115.2 billion in deal value across 250 deals. Oil & Gas saw the largest increase in total deal value of any industry, with \$8.6 billion reflecting an 182% increase over April. Healthcare also saw a notable increase in both deal value and deal count, with \$25.3 billion of value across 81 deals reflecting increases of 113% and 29%, respectively,
- May's \$8.7 billion in total deal value and 15 deals for U.S. SPAC acquisitions represent 160% and 114% increases, respectively, over April. Global SPAC acquisitions were also up significantly, with \$18.8 billion in total deal value and 20 deals representing 178% and 18% increases over April, respectively. While SPAC acquisitions have trended up in recent months, these numbers are still significantly below the records set in February 2021 (\$97.7 billion and \$117.6 billion in U.S. and global SPAC deal volume, respectively, and 40 U.S. SPAC acquisitions and 48 global SPAC acquisitions).
- ▶ U.S. public merger highlights in May include the below:
  - o Average reverse break fees fell back to 6.1%, slightly below the LTM average of 6.6%.
  - o The number of deals with go-shops was higher than average (21% as compared to 14% LTM), but still lower than April's 33%. 13% of strategic deals contained a goshop—significantly above the LTM average of 5%.
  - o While the breakdown of cash-only and stock-only deals reverted to approximate LTM rates, a significant 21% of deals offered election consideration (compared to 5%
  - o The rate of tender offers (14%) was double the LTM

# Strategic vs. Sponsor Activity

### U.S.

#### **Total**

\$220.9 billion - ▲43.0%

690 deals - ▲12.2%

#### Strategic

\$98.4 billion - ▲13.0%

454 deals - ▲6.8%

#### **Sponsor**

\$122.5 billion - ▲81.7%

236 deals - ▲24.2%

#### Global

#### **Total**

\$436.3 billion - **▲**0.9%

2.443 deals - ▲4.7%

#### Strategic

\$261.2 billion - ▲31.0%

1.899 deals - **▼**0.7%

#### **Sponsor**

\$175.1 billion - **▼24.9**%

544 deals - **▲29.2**%

# **Crossborder Activity**

# U.S. Inbound

\$18.6 billion ▼5.2%

95 deals ▲9.2%

leading country

Canada – \$6.7 billion **U.K.** – 22 deals

leading country

last 12 months

Canada - \$144 billion

Canada – 294 deals

U.S. Outbound

\$22.7 billion **▲78.5**%

128 deals ₹7.2%

leading country

**U.K.** – \$8.3 billion

**U.K.** – 22 deals

leading country last 12 months

**U.K.** – \$72.3 billion

**U.K.** – 279 deals

### **Industry Activity**



250 deals

Computers & Electronics



last 12 months 3.660 deals

Computers & Electronics



last 12 months

\$844.1 billion **Computers & Electronics** 

# **SPAC Acquisitions**



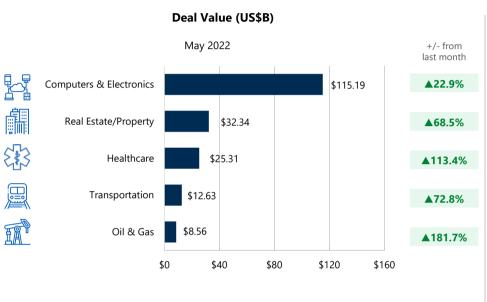
\$8.7 billion 15 deals **▲ 159.8% ▲ 114.3%** 

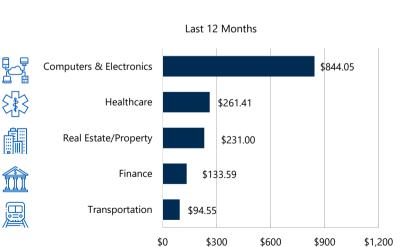
\$18.8 billion **▲ 178.3%** 

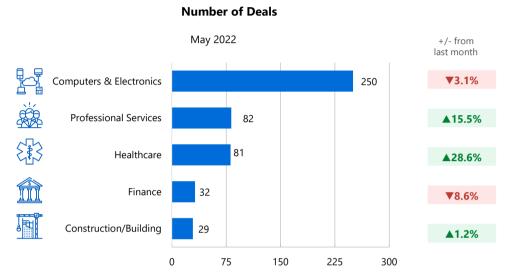
20 deals **▲ 17.6%** 

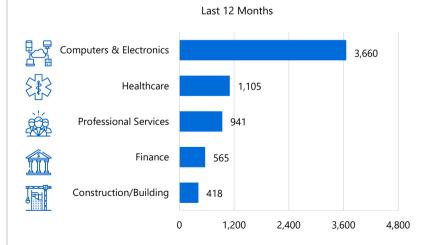
All data is for May 2022, and is as of June 10, 2022 unless otherwise specified. Each metric in this publication that references deal volume by dollar value is calculated from the subset of the total number of deals that includes a disclosed deal value.

#### Most Active U.S. Target Industries<sup>1</sup>





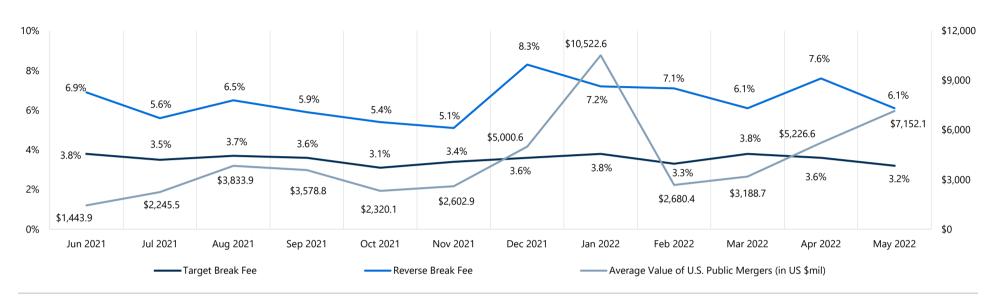




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### Average Break Fees as % of Equity Value<sup>2</sup>



# Average Break Fees as % of Equity Value<sup>3,4</sup>

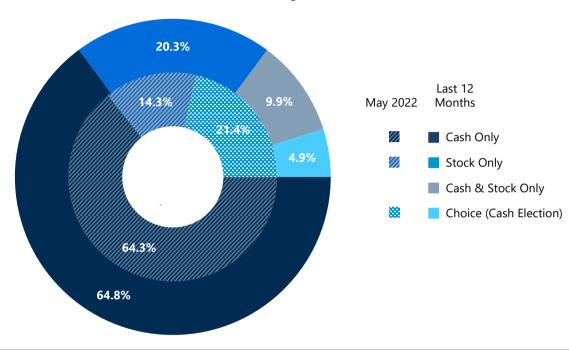
	May 2022	Last 12 Months
Target Break Fee for All Mergers	3.2	3.5

	May 2022	Last 12 Months
Reverse Break Fee for All Mergers <sup>5</sup>	6.1	6.6
Reverse Break Fee for Mergers Involving Financial Buyers <sup>6</sup>	6.3	7.9
Reverse Break Fee for Mergers Involving Strategic Buyers <sup>7</sup>	5.9	5.3

# U.S. Public Merger Go-Shop Provisions<sup>4</sup>

	May 2022	Last 12 Months
% of Mergers with Go-Shops	21.4	14.3
% of Mergers Involving Financial Buyers with Go- Shops <sup>8</sup>	33.3	37.0
% of Mergers Involving Strategic Buyers with Go- Shops <sup>9</sup>	12.5	4.7
Avg. Go-Shop Window (in Days) for All Mergers with Go-Shops <sup>10</sup>	43.3	35.8
Avg. Go-Shop Window (in Days) for Mergers Involving Financial Buyers with Go-Shops <sup>11</sup>	45.0	35.8
Avg. Go-Shop Window (in Days) for Mergers Involving Strategic Buyers with Go-Shops <sup>12</sup>	40.0	35.8

### Form of Consideration as % of U.S. Public Mergers<sup>13</sup>



#### Tender Offers as % of U.S. Public Mergers

May 2022	7.1
Last 12 Months	14.3

#### Hostile/Unsolicited Offers as % of U.S. Public Mergers<sup>14</sup>

May 2022	13.3
Last 12 Months	14.9

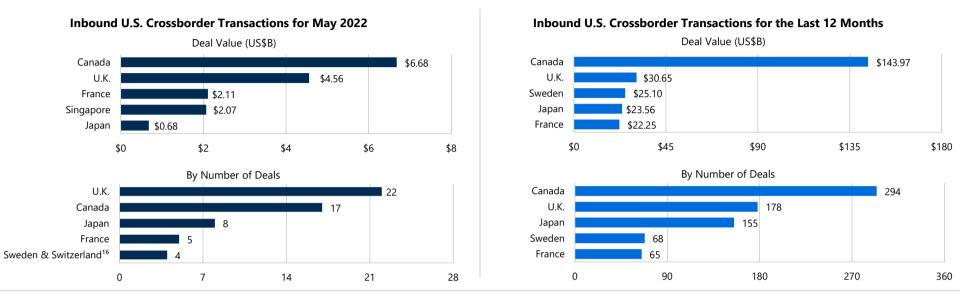
#### Unaffected Premium %14,15

May 2022	40.9
Last 12 Months	44.9

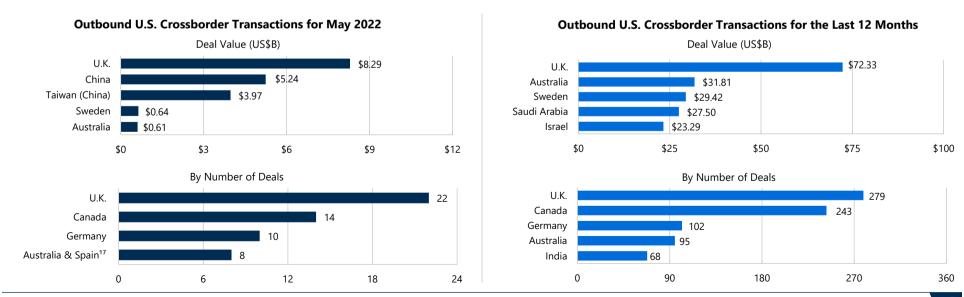
#### Total Target Adviser Fee(s) as % of Equity Value

May 2022	2.9
Last 12 Months	1.3

#### Top 5 Countries of Origin for Inbound U.S. Crossborder Transactions



Top 5 Countries of Destination for Outbound U.S. Crossborder Transactions

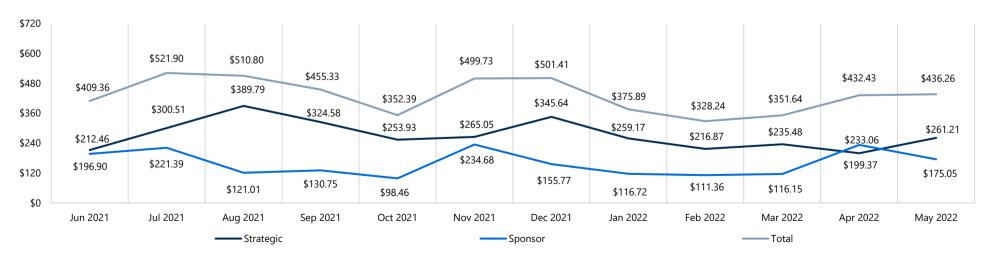


# Appendix: M&A Activity – 12 Month Trends

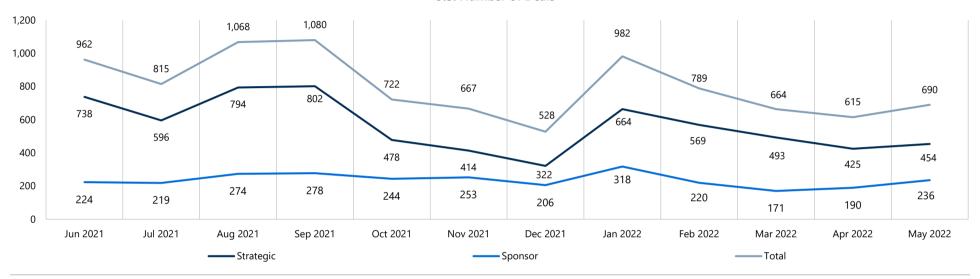
#### U.S. Deal Value (US\$B)



#### Global Deal Value (US\$B)



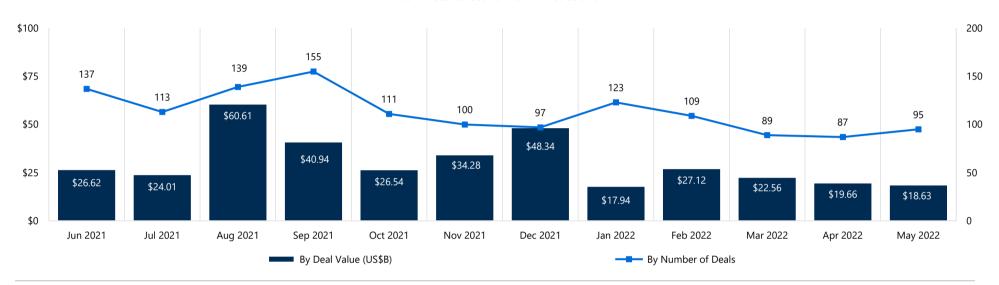




### **Global Number of Deals**

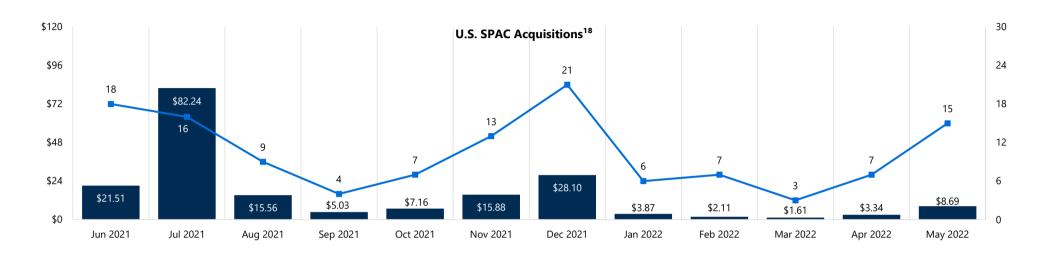


#### **Inbound U.S. Crossborder Transactions**



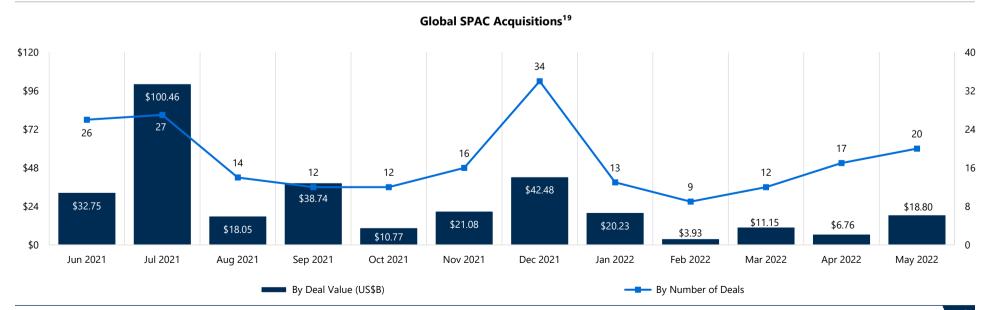
#### **Outbound U.S. Crossborder Transactions**







**──** By Number of Deals



#### **Global Crossborder Transactions**



# **Endnotes**

- 1. Industries categories are determined and named by Cortex.
- 2. Based on the highest target break fees and reverse break fees payable in a particular deal.
- 3. There were 14 transactions in May 2022.
- 4. Financial and strategic categories are determined by Deal Point Data.
- 5. Eight transactions in May 2022 had a reverse break fee.
- 6. Five transactions in May 2022 involving a financial buyer had a reverse break fee.
- 7. Three transactions in May 2022 involving a strategic buyer had a reverse break fee.
- 8. Six transactions in May 2022 involved a financial buyer.
- 9. Eight transactions in May 2022 involved a strategic buyer.
- 10. Three transactions in May 2022 had a go-shop provision.
- 11. Two transactions in May 2022 involving a financial buyer had a go-shop provision.
- 12. One transaction in May 2022 involving a strategic buyer had a go-shop provision.

- 13. Due to rounding, percentages may not add up to 100%.
- 14. This data includes both announced transactions for which a definitive merger agreement was reached and filed and those for which a definitive merger agreement was never reached and filed (including withdrawn transactions).
- 15. Unaffected Premium % indicates the difference between the current price per share offered as consideration in the transaction and the "unaffected price", reflected as a percentage. The "unaffected price" is the target's closing stock price on the date that is one calendar day prior to the first public disclosure regarding a potential deal involving the target and on which the target's stock price was unaffected by the news of the deal.
- 16. In May 2022, each of Sweden and Switzerland was the country of origin for four transactions.
- 17. In May 2022, each of Australia and Spain was the country of destination for eight transactions.
- This data reflects U.S. targets that have been acquired by a SPAC of any nationality.
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The charts on p. 1–2 and 5–10 were compiled using Cortex, and are for the broader M&A market, including public and private transactions of any value. Deal volume by dollar value and average value of deals are calculated from the subset of deals that include a disclosed deal value. The charts on p. 3–4 were compiled using Deal Point Data, and include acquisitions seeking majority or higher control of U.S. targets valued at \$100 million or higher announced during the period indicated and for which a definitive merger agreement was reached and filed (except with respect to data regarding premiums and hostile/unsolicited offers, which is for all announced deals). "Last 12 Months" data is for the period from June 2021 to May 2022 inclusive. Data obtained from Cortex and Deal Point Data has not been reviewed for accuracy by Paul, Weiss.

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