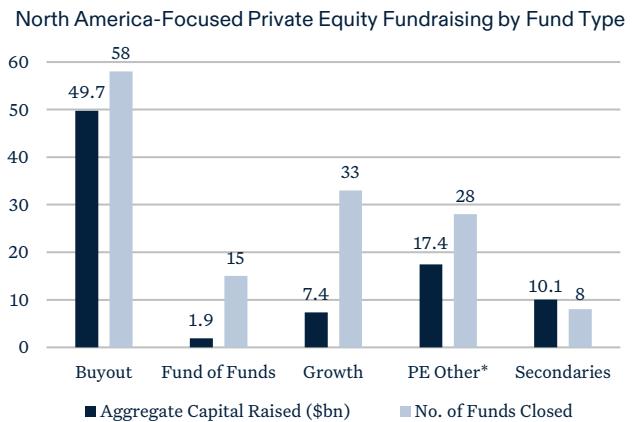
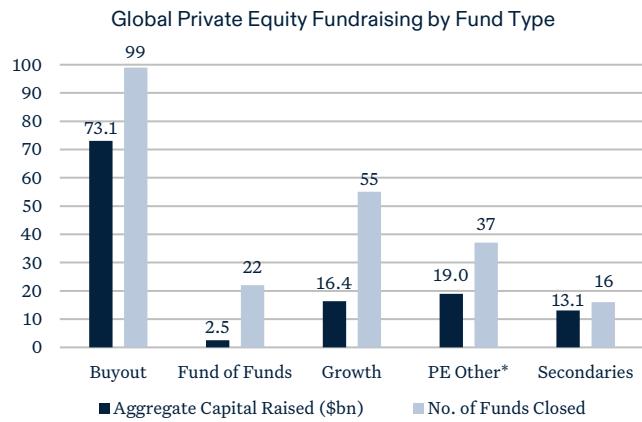
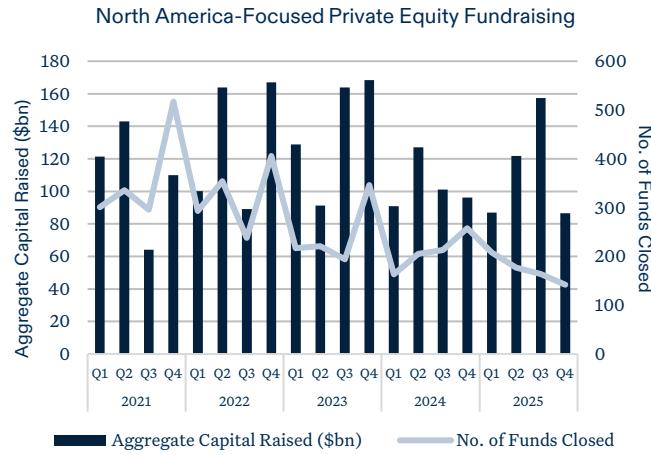
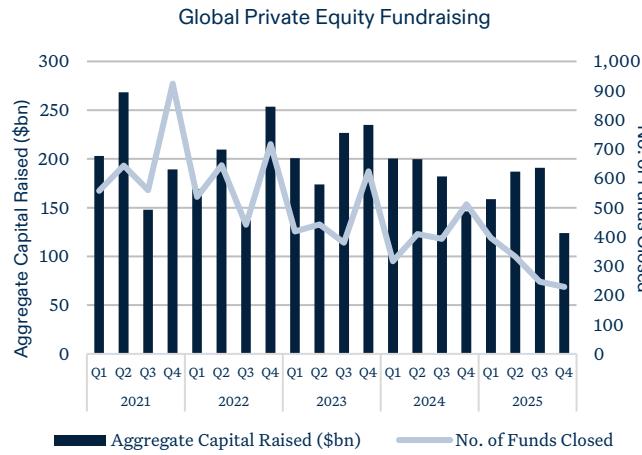


# PE Fundraising at a Glance

Fourth Quarter 2025

## Q4 and Annual Trends

- Challenging Fundraising Market.** Q4 marked the weakest quarter for private equity fundraising in several years.
  - Global fundraising in Q4 was \$124bn, down 15% YoY from \$146.3bn in Q4 2024. Global fundraising in FY 2025 was \$660.7bn, down 9% from \$728.3bn in FY 2024.
  - The 10 largest funds that held a final close in Q4 accounted for 46% of capital raised globally in the quarter.<sup>1</sup>
  - In Q4, 229 funds closed, down 55% YoY from 512 funds in Q4 2024, marking the lowest number of funds closed in any quarter over the last five years. In FY 2025, 1,205 funds closed, down 26% from 1,632 funds in FY 2024.
  - The average final fund size for all private equity funds was \$654mn in FY 2025, up 15% from \$570mn in FY 2024. The average final fund size for buyout funds was \$805mn in FY 2025, up 0.9% from \$798mn in FY 2024.<sup>1</sup>
  - Buyout funds and growth funds accounted for 59% and 13%, respectively, of aggregate capital raised globally in Q4. Buyout funds and growth funds accounted for 55% and 17%, respectively, of aggregate capital raised globally in FY 2025, compared to 60% and 17%, respectively, in FY 2024.



\*PE Other includes balanced, co-investment, co-investment multi-manager, direct secondaries, hybrid, hybrid fund of funds, and turnaround funds.

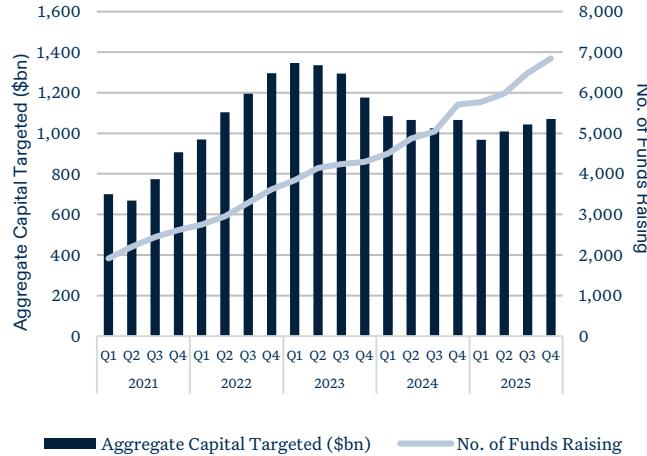
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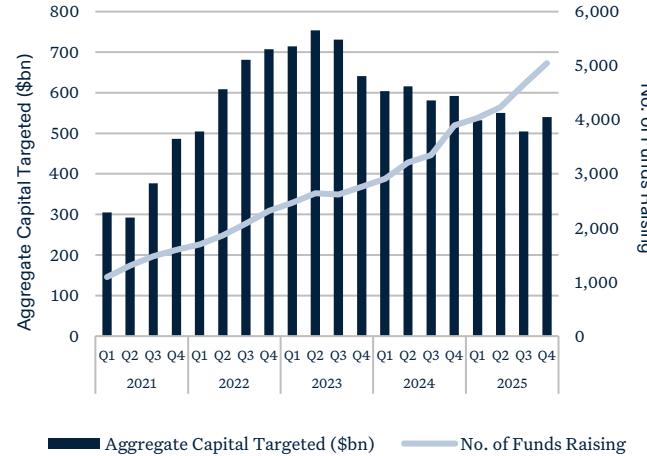
- Shorter Fundraising Timelines.** The average number of months to reach a final close in 2025 dropped to 18.5 months for buyout funds, down from an average of 20.6 months in 2024, indicating modest improvement in fundraising pacing.<sup>2</sup>
- Record Number of Funds in Market.** In Q4, there were 6,846 funds in the market globally, up 6% from 6,485 funds in Q3 and up 20% YoY from 5,706 funds in Q4 2024, resulting in the most funds marketing at any time over the last five years.
- Increase in Capital Targeted.** Aggregate capital targeted globally in Q4 was \$1.070tn, up 3% from \$1.043tn in Q3 and up 0.4% YoY from \$1.066tn in Q4 2024.
- Record AUM.** In Q2 2025, global AUM reached an all-time high of \$7.029tn, up 4% from \$6.742tn in Q1 2025 and up 4% YoY from \$6.733tn in Q2 2024.
- Increase in Dry Powder.** In Q2 2025, global dry powder was \$1.712tn, up 3% from \$1.658tn in Q1 2025 and down 2% YoY from \$1.753tn in Q2 2024. Dry powder represented 24% of AUM in Q2 2025, a decrease from an average of 27% over the preceding 19 quarters.

<sup>1</sup> Preqin.<sup>2</sup> Private Equity International.

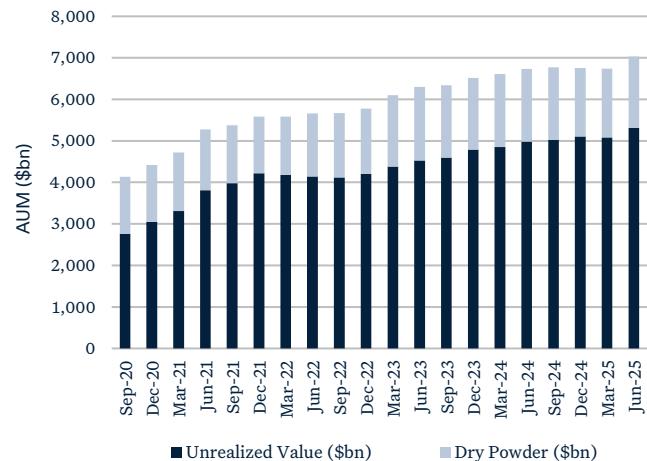
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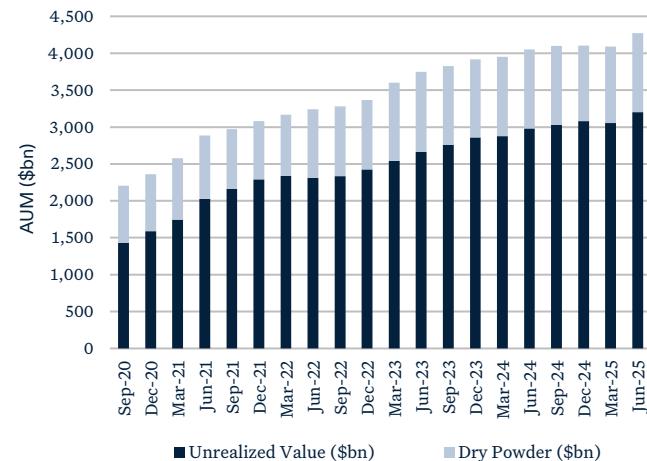
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