

# M&A FACTS – H1 2025 LOGISTICS

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#### LOGISTICS - M&A-HIGHLIGHTS AND MARKET INSIGHTS

Deal activity as well as multiples have remained stable in the logistics M&A market.

#### H1 2025 Deal activity

324
Total deals recorded

The majority of transactions were small and mid-cap, while strategic investors are drviing deal activity through market consolidation.

€26bn

Disclosed deal value (74 transactions)

The disclosed transaction volume has decreased slightly compared to the previous half-year but has remained relatively stable in recent years.

#### **Valuations**

Median EBITDA (LTM) trading multiples decreased by 0.4x compared to the previous six months.

9.2x 8.8x

Median Trading
EBITDA Multiple

Median EBITDA transaction multiples increased by 0.7x compared to the previous six months.

H2 2024 H1 2025

8.2x 8.9x

Median Transaction
EBITDA Multiple

Source: S&P Capital IQ (07/2025)



#### Insights

Despite political uncertainties around tariffs and deregulation, along with high market volatility, the logistics M&A market continues to demonstrate stability and resilience.



#### **Strategies**

Logistics providers are investing heavily in infrastructure resilience, shifting the focus from pure efficiency to long-term flexibility.



#### **Trends**

Al-enhanced last-mile delivery through route optimization, predictive error maintenance, and anti-theft measures enable cost reduction and boosts performance in e-commerce logistics.

Ongoing global labor shortages in the logistics sector continue to drive up the cost of goods. In response, manufacturers and logistics companies are turning to automation to address the workforce gap.



#### Key growth areas

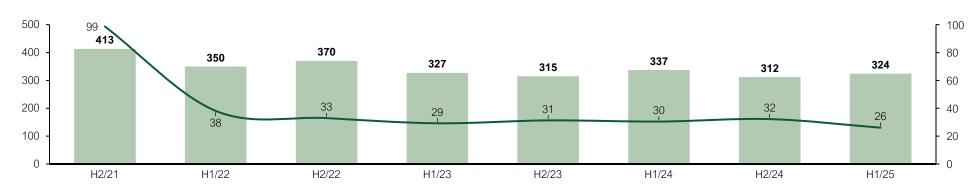
Road and rail logistics continue to grow at a faster pace than maritime transport, particularly in emerging markets. Furthermore, air cargo is expected to enter a double-digit growth phase, driven by global e-commerce.

#### **M&A SUMMARY**

Resilient M&A market for Logistics over the past years.

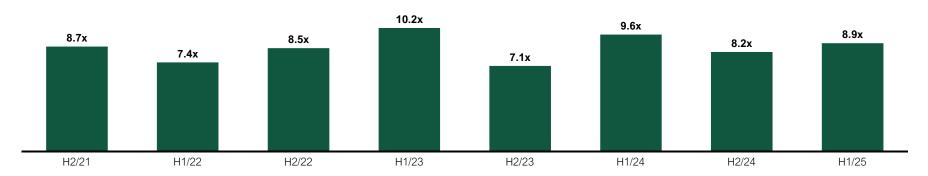
#### Logistics M&A Deal Count, Recorded Transaction Volume H2 2021 – H1 2025





#### Logistics M&A Transaction Multiples H2 2021 - H1 2025

Implied Transaction Enterprise Value / EBITDA of announced transactions with disclosed multiple.



#### NOTABLE TRANSACTIONS IN THE LOGISTICS SECTOR

Transaction multiples have increased in the first half of 2025.

Announced Date	Target		Acquirer	Stake %	Total Transact ion Value in EUR m	Implied EV/ EBITDA	
30/06/25	Nippon Concept	•	Godo Kaisha	•	71	209	9.0x
20/05/25	Global Sea Containers	3K 🕸	Textainer Group Holdings	3K ₩	100	1,554	n/a
12/05/25	Nissin Corporation	•	Bain Capital Private Equity		75	765	7.8x
1 06/05/25	TanQuid		Sunoco		100	500	n/a
24/04/25	Santos Brasil Participações	<b>♦</b>	CMA Terminals; Cma Terminals Atlantic		52	1,600	9.8x
24/04/25	Andlauer Healthcare Group	+	United Parcel Service		100	1,489	14.4x
22/04/25	Golden Ocean Group	** <b>*</b>	Cmb.Tech		51	2,027	8.9x
2 08/04/25	van Eupen Logistik		L.I.T. West Speditions		100	n/a	n/a
31/03/25	Cryo Express		DHL Supply Chain International Holding		100	185	n/a
20/03/25	United Wind Logistics		UNITED HEAVY LIFT		50	51	n/a
19/03/25	Swissterminal Frenkendorf	+	DP World		56	n/a	n/a
03/03/25	ATLANDES		Abertis Infraestructuras	10	51	n/a	n/a
28/02/25	Vast infraestrutura	<b>(</b>	China Merchants Port Holdings Company	公	70	828	n/a
26/02/25	Louis Dreyfus Armateurs		InfraVia Capital Partners		80	n/a	n/a
13/01/25	Aramex		Abu Dhabi Ports Company		77	1,408	8.9x

#### **Selected Transactions in H1 2025**



#### **Deal Specs:**

Sunoco announced the acquisition of TanQuid for a deal value of EUR 500m.

#### **Details:**

TanQuid, the largest independent liquid petrochemical storage operator in Germany, is set to be acquired by Sunoco, North America's largest independent fuel distributor and a leading operator of critical energy infrastructure.



#### **Deal Specs:**

L.I.T. West Speditions closed the acquisition of van Eupen Logistik.

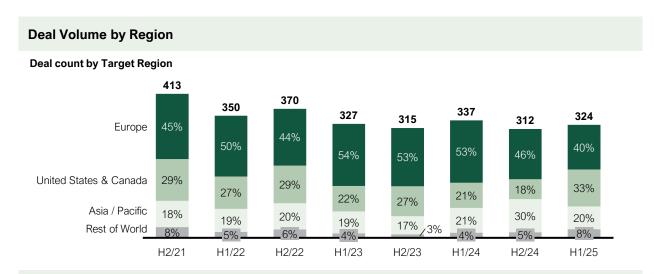
#### **Details:**

L.I.T. West Speditions, a European transport and logistics service provider from Germany, has acquired van Eupen Logistik. The acquisition will allow L.I.T. West Speditions to expand its competencies in beverage logistics.



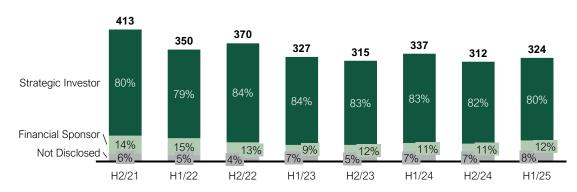
#### **LOGISTICS M&A DEAL ANALYSIS**

Europe and North-America represent the majority of deals. Strategic buyers offered a higher valuation than financials investors.

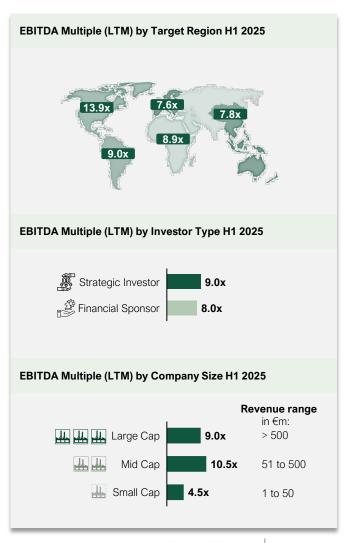


#### **Deal Volume by Investor Type**

**Deal count by Investor Type** 







### TRADING MULTIPLES | GLOBAL DELIVERY SERVICES, FREIGHT FORWARDERS & MARINE TRANSPORTATION

Median enterprise value multiples of comparable listed companies since H2-2021.

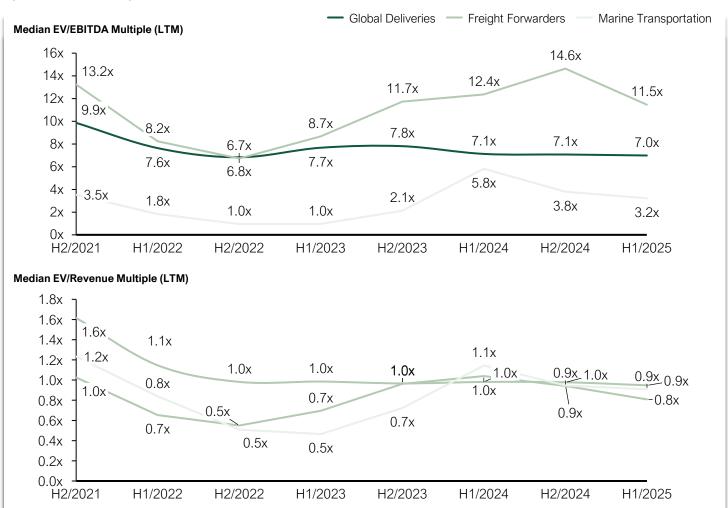
Global Deliveries									
Company	EV/Revenue	EV/EBITDA							
<b>ups</b>	1.2x	7.6x							
FedEx	1.0x	5.5x							
Deutsche Post 💢	0.8x	6.4x							
(SF) HOLDING 順車控股	0.9x	8.6x							

Freight	Forwarders

Company	EV/Revenue	EV/EBITDA			
DSV	2.1x	16.3x			
KUEHNE+NAGEL	0.9x	8.8x			
C.H. ROBINSON	0.7x	14.1x			
NIPPON EXPRESS	0.5x	5.7x			

Marine	Transportation	

Company	EV/Revenue	EV/EBITDA		
<b>MAERSK</b>	0.4x	1.6x		
COSCO	0.7x	2.1x		
NYK LINE	1.1x	4.4x		
■ ## Hapag-Lloyd	1.2x	4.9x		



### TRADING MULTIPLES | AIRPORT OPERATORS, PORT OPERATORS, ROAD & RAIL TRANSPORTATION

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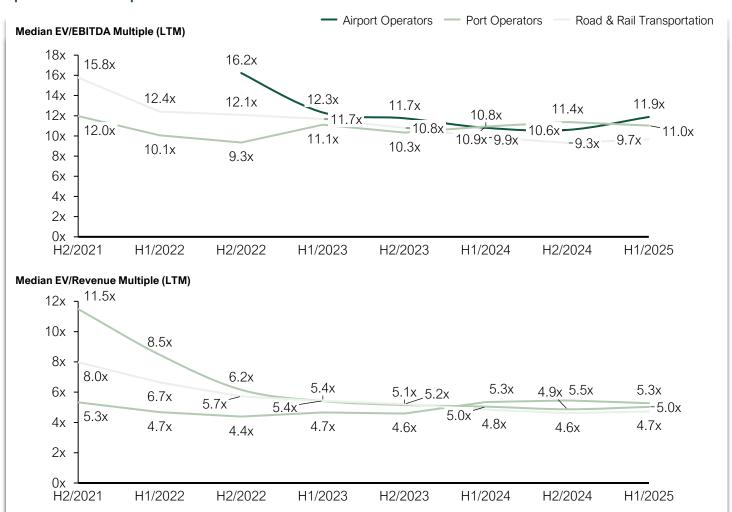
	Airport Operators									
	Company	EV/Revenue	EV/EBITDA							
6	aena	6.6x	11.1x							
	AEROPORTS DE PARES	3.3x	11.6x							
©	上海机场集团	6.8x	18.6x							
_	Fraport	3.5x	12.1x							

Port	<b>Operators</b>
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	Company	EV/Revenue	EV/EBITDA
•	5	4.2x	12.1x
	International Container Terminal Services, Inc.	6.3x	10.0x
_	Hafen Hamburg	1.7x	8.9x
_	adani Ports and Logistics	11.9x	19.5x

#### Road & Rail Transportation

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Company	EV/Revenue	EV/EBITDA							
MOIHU 3117.49	7.0x	13.5x							
Central Japan Railway Company	3.9x	7.8x							
CSX	5.6x	11.6x							
大条铁路 BADON RAIL WAY CO., 1781	1.4x	6.6x							



#### **SUB-SEGMENTS OF LOGISTICS**

Diverse field of sub-segments, each contributing uniquely to the evolution and efficiency of modern Logistics practices.

### **Global Delivery Services FedEx** Deutsche Post 💢 (SF) EXPRESS 顺丰速运 Mary dpd LA POSTE TNT International Distribution Services **#Hermes** aena BCIA AOT AIRPORTS OF THAILAND PLC. Heathrow 上海机场集团 KUEHNE+NAGEL NIPPON KWE **XPOLogistics D5V** C.H. ROBINSON Expeditors GEFCC BOLLORÉ



























































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### **Selected Logistics Deals**

#### M&A Buy-Side





Castik Capital backed Customs Support Group acquires iZD Group.



#### M&A Buy-Side

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Castik Capital backed Customs Support Group acquires Zollimpex AG.



#### M&A Buy-Side





Castik Capital backed Customs Support Group acquires Rusak Business Services.



#### **M&A Sell-Side**



The Schulte Group acquired 100% of the shares of PRONAV Group, an established manager of LNG Carriers.

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#### M&A Sell-Side



The founding team of metaship AG, a provider of Logistics management software, has sold its shares to GT Nexus Inc.



#### **M&A Sell-Side**



THE DESCARTES
SYSTEMS GROUP INC
acquired 100% of the
shares of Portrix
Logistic Software
GmbH.

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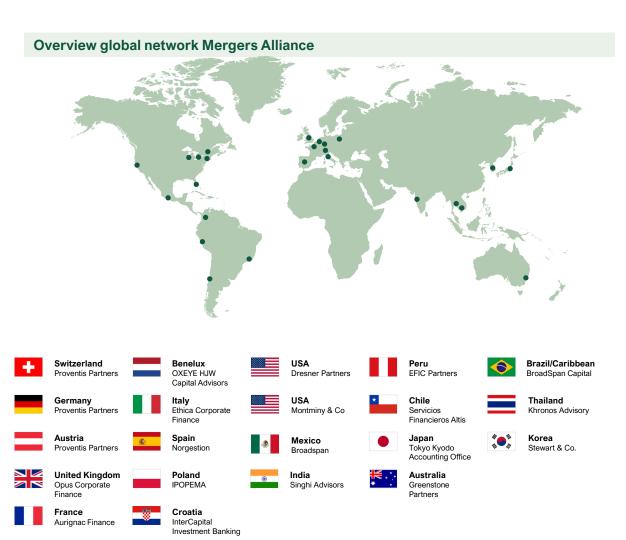
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**APPENDIX** 

**Logistics Peer Group (1/2).** 

Company Name	Country	N	/larket Cap	TEV	Total Revenue LTM	EBITDA LTM	TEV/EBITDA LTM H1 2025	TEV/EBITDA LTM H2 2024	H1-25 vs. H2-24 Trend	Sector
Union Pacific Corporation	United States		117,053	144,704	21,174	11,662	13.5x	13.7x	▽	Road & Rail Transportation
United Parcel Service, Inc.	United States		72,783	90,283	84,110	12,882	7.6x	9.0x	$\nabla$	Air Freight and Logistics
CSX Corporation	United States		52,194	68,018	13,214	6,392	11.6x	10.9x	Δ	Road & Rail Transportation
DSV A/S	Denmark		48,047	47,696	22,849	2,929	16.3x	18.4x	$\nabla$	Freight Forwarders
FedEx Corporation	United States		46,375	73,550	77,489	13,798	5.5x	6.1x	▽	Air Freight and Logistics
Deutsche Post AG	Germany		44,540	64,283	84,744	10,068	6.4x	6.1x	Δ	Air Freight and Logistics
Aena S.M.E., S.A.	Spain	<u> 6</u>	33,990	38,816	5,860	3,459	11.1x	10.5x	Δ	Airport Operators
Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Limited	India	•	31,102	35,876	3,300	1,990	19.5x	18.7x	Δ	Port Operators
S.F. Holding Co., Ltd.	China	*3	28,649	31,382	36,787	3,923	8.6x	8.0x	Δ	Air Freight and Logistics
COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co., Ltd.	China	*3	26,574	19,960	31,014	10,570	2.1x	2.4x	$\nabla$	Marine Transportation
A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S	Denmark		23,949	20,037	52,226	12,305	1.6x	2.3x	▽	Marine Transportation
Hapag-Lloyd Aktiengesellschaft	Germany		22,322	23,393	19,903	4,764	4.9x	7.8x	▽	Marine Transportation



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Logistics Peer Group (2/2).

Company Name	Country	N	/larket Cap	TEV	Total Revenue LTM	EBITDA LTM	TEV/EBITDA LTM H1 2025	TEV/EBITDA LTM H2 2024	H1-25 vs. H2-24 Trend	Sector
Kuehne + Nagel International AG	Switzerland	+	21,821	23,804	26,820	2,639	8.8x	11.2x	$\nabla$	Freight Forwarders
Central Japan Railway Company	Japan	•	18,704	41,773	11,318	5,627	7.8x	7.7x	Δ	Road & Rail Transportation
Daqin Railway Co., Ltd.	China	*)	15,805	12,044	9,290	1,949	6.6x	5.9x	Δ	Road & Rail Transportation
Shanghai International Port (Group) Co., Ltd.	China	*)	15,801	19,278	4,788	1,710	12.1x	12.3x	▽	Port Operators
Nippon Yusen Kabushiki Kaisha	Japan	•	13,237	16,976	15,994	2,258	4.4x	5.2x	▽	Marine Transportation
International Container Terminal Services, Inc.	Philippines		12,525	15,627	2,634	1,682	10.0x	10.4x	▽	Port Operators
Aeroports de Paris SA	France		10,507	20,150	6,158	2,022	11.6x	9.4x	Δ	Airport Operators
C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.	United States		9,700	11,062	16,061	850	14.1x	18.1x	▽	Freight Forwarders
Shanghai International Airport Co., Ltd.	China	*)	9,397	10,128	1,595	585	18.6x	20.6x	▽	Airport Operators
Fraport AG	Germany		5,908	15,448	4,470	1,230	12.1x	10.7x	Δ	Airport Operators
Nippon Express Holdings, Inc.	Japan	•	4,284	8,207	16,097	1,500	5.7x	5.2x	Δ	Freight Forwarders
Hamburger Hafen und Logistik Aktiengesellschaft	Germany		1,433	2,845	1,678	313	8.9x	8.9x	Δ	Port Operators
Median							8.8x	9.2x	▽	

