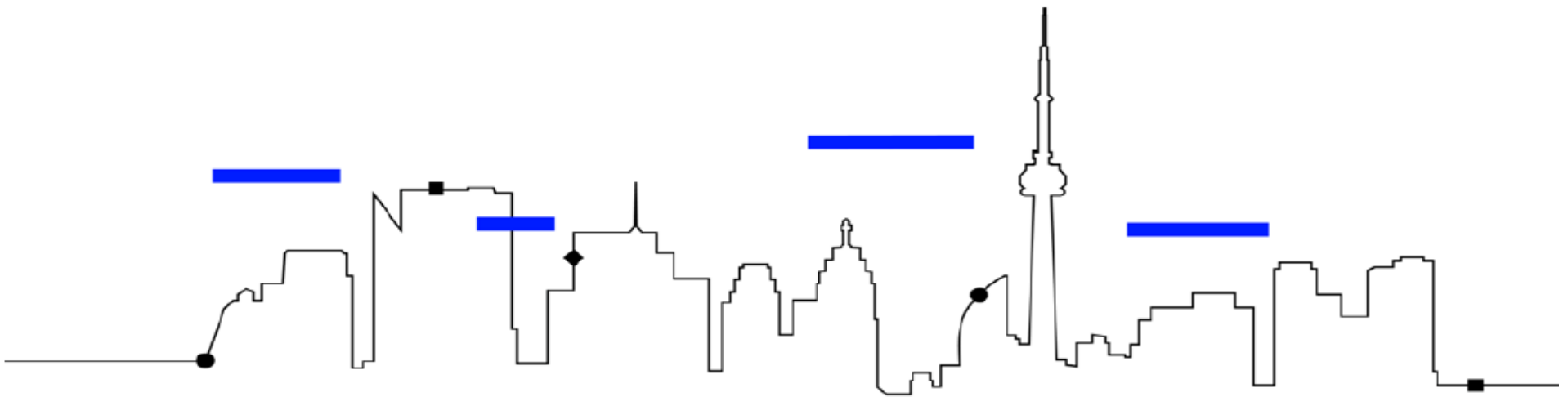


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Canada Private Equity Buyout Deals Intelligence

CANADA BUYOUT AND RELATED DEAL VALUES TOTAL CA\$6.0 BILLION

Canadian buyout and related investment totaled CA\$6.0 billion of deal values recorded across 145 deals either announced or completed throughout the first three months of the year. This resulted in a year-over-year decline in values of 25%, but an increase in volumes of 8% from Q1 2020 levels. The average size of disclosed transactions was CA\$82.0 million, down 30% from the CA\$116.8 million in Q1 2020.

TOP TEN ROUNDS ACCOUNT FOR 90% OF ALL DISCLOSED DEAL VALUES

The top ten transactions for the quarter brought in CA\$5.4 billion of deal values, 90% of the total for the period. Topping the list was the CA\$2.8 billion acquisition of the Canadian operations of energy business Enwave by Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board and IFM Investors, announced in February and expected to be completed mid-year. New Look Vision Group, a Quebec-based provider of eye care products and services, announced an agreement to be acquired by an investment vehicle backed by FFL Partners, Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec, and the Dr. H. Doug Barnes Family. Rounding out the top three was the merger between Ontario-based lithium-ion battery recycling business, Li-Cycle, and blank check company Peridot Acquisition, which will provide the business with additional funding of CA\$777 million including CA\$398 million of equity from a PIPE backed by Neuberger Berman, Franklin Templeton, Mubadala Capital, Carnelian Energy Capital, Moore Strategic Ventures, and Traxys.

BUYOUT-RELATED DEALS MAKE UP 18% OF ALL CANADIAN M&A VOLUME

While the number of Canadian buyout deals increased 8% year-over-year, the overall number of Canadian M&A transactions increased 48% to 821 during the same period following a sharp rebound of activity from the beginning of 2020. This resulted in the share of PE-backed deals declining to 18% of overall Canada dealmaking, down from 24% in Q1 2020 but still in line with the 18% share throughout the entirety of 2020.

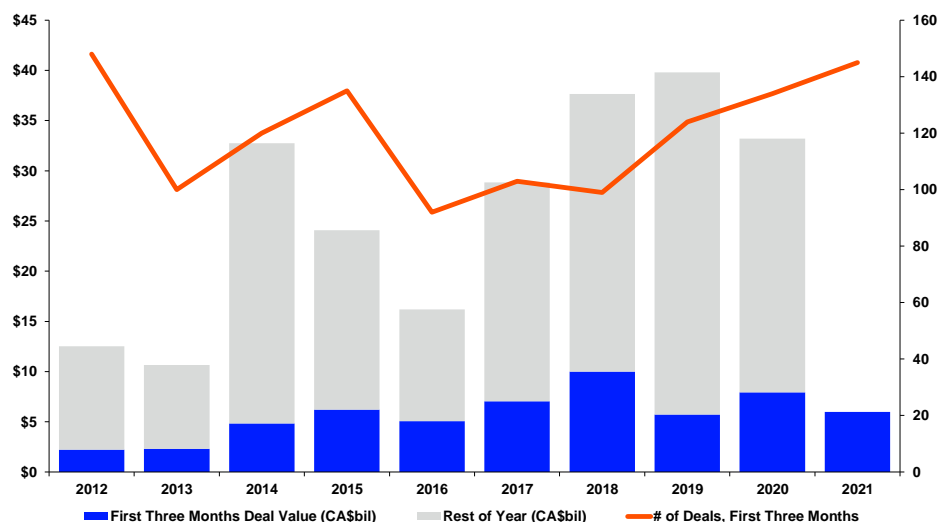
BUYOUT FUNDRAISING REACHES CA\$3.1 BILLION

A total of six Canadian buyout and related funds recorded closes in Q1 2021, with total commitments of CA\$3.1 billion. This was down 89% from the massive record-breaking first quarter of 2020, but still remained the second strongest first three month period in the previous decade. The top fundraise for the period was the CA\$2.4 billion close of Novacap's oversubscribed TMT VI fund, the firm's largest ever.

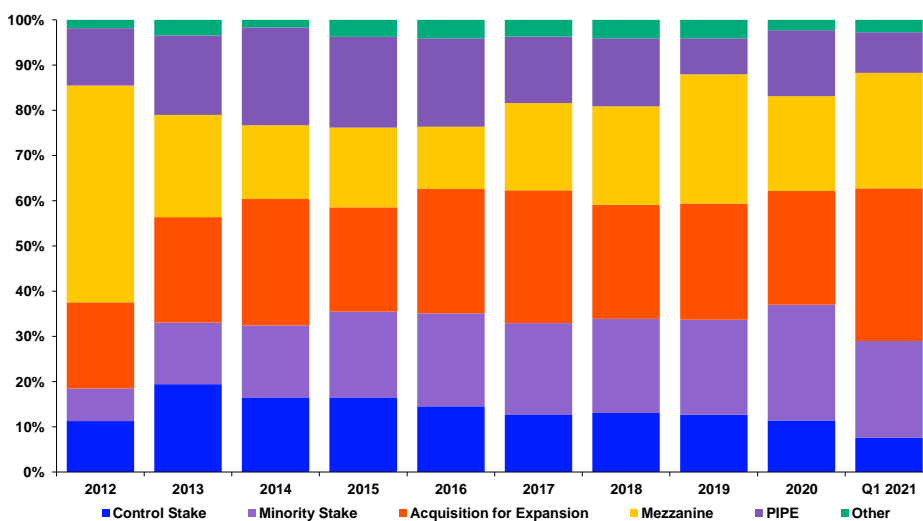
COMPLETED EXIT VALUES TOTAL CA\$18.6 BILLION

Canadian companies completed 23 PE-backed exits with aggregate disclosed exit values of CA\$18.6 billion in the quarter, resulting in volumes increasing by 5% and values by 414%. The top exit completed was the CA\$10.9 billion sale of Bombardier Transportation to French transportation company Alstom, with Bombardier and Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec exiting from the business. Newly announced in the first quarter was the previously mentioned CA\$2.8 billion secondary sale of Enwave's Canadian business by Brookfield Infrastructure to Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board and IFM Investors.

Private Equity Buyout Investment Activity in Canadian Companies



Private Equity Buyout Deal Volumes, Transaction Type



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Top Canadian PE Buyout Deals by Deal Value

Company Name	Ann/Eff Date	Deal Value (CA\$mil)	Sector	Status	Location
Enwave	02/02/21	\$2,800.0	Energy Solutions	Pending	ON
New Look Vision Group	03/18/21	\$800.0	Med/Health Products	Pending	QC
Li-Cycle	02/15/21	\$777.2	Pollution and Recycling	Pending	ON
Amp Energy	01/06/21	\$374.0	Energy, Alternative	Pending	ON
Osum Oil Sands Corp.	03/02/21	\$170.8	Oil & Gas Exploration	Completed	AB
iLobby	01/05/21	\$126.7	Computer Software	Completed	ON
Field Trip Health	03/17/21	\$95.3	Med/Health Services	Completed	ON
Open Farm	01/12/21	\$80.0	Internet Ecommerce	Completed	ON
Pavillon des Mille Fleurs	03/05/21	\$79.2	Financial Services	Completed	QC
Demers	03/12/21	\$71.0	Food and Beverage	Completed	QC
Mccain Foods - Wong Wing	02/03/21	\$69.5	Consumer Services	Completed	NB
Foodtastic	02/24/21	\$62.6	Consumer Services	Completed	QC

Most Active Investors in Canadian PE Buyout Deals

Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals	Location
Desjardins Capital	1	38	Quebec
CDP Capital Private Equity	2	6	Quebec
Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC)	3	5	Quebec
Fondaction	4*	4	Quebec
CIBC Innovation Banking	4*	4	Ontario
Champlain Financial Canada	6*	3	Quebec
Fengate	6*	3	Ontario
Investissement Québec	6*	3	Quebec
Ontario Teachers Pension Plan Board	9*	2	Ontario
Oaktree Capital Management	9*	2	California
Beedie Capital	9*	2	British Columbia
ThreeD Capital	9*	2	Ontario
Ardenton Capital Corporation	9*	2	British Columbia
Arsenal Capital Partners	9*	2	New York
Audax Group	9*	2	Massachusetts
Dane Creek Capital Corp.	9*	2	Ontario
H.I.G. Capital	9*	2	Florida
Novacap	9*	2	Quebec
PointNorth Capital	9*	2	Ontario
The Riverside Company	9*	2	New York
Serent Capital	9*	2	California
Fonds de solidarité FTQ	9*	2	Quebec
Walter Capital Partners	9*	2	Quebec

PE Buyout Investments by Province & State

State	01/01/2021 - 03/31/2021		01/01/2020 - 03/31/2020		YoY %	
	Value (CA\$mil)	# of Deals	Value (CA\$mil)	# of Deals	Chg. (\$)	Chg. (#)
California	\$52,573.5	237	\$22,904.3	192	130%	▲ 23%
Massachusetts	\$19,589.5	65	\$1,233.0	68	1489%	▲ -4%
Virginia	\$14,841.2	34	\$2,672.0	36	455%	▲ -6%
Illinois	\$11,926.8	88	\$5,583.6	60	114%	▲ 47%
New York	\$9,688.2	127	\$2,301.3	81	321%	▲ 57%
Texas	\$9,643.3	129	\$3,140.6	125	207%	▲ 3%
Connecticut	\$9,439.0	25	\$1,175.5	32	703%	▲ -22%
Michigan	\$8,725.4	41	\$308.3	21	2730%	▲ 95%
North Carolina	\$8,274.3	46	\$645.3	32	1182%	▲ 44%
Ontario	\$4,417.2	53	\$1,207.9	51	266%	▲ 4%
Florida	\$4,195.2	76	\$2,869.1	76	46%	▲ 0%
Indiana	\$2,997.8	17	\$3.2	11	94170%	▲ 55%
Missouri	\$2,978.8	21	\$416.1	17	616%	▲ 24%
Nevada	\$2,922.1	7	\$0.1	4	2247638%	▲ 75%
Washington	\$2,335.7	30	\$1,421.1	17	64%	▲ 76%
Colorado	\$1,937.3	55	\$20,867.7	38	-91%	▲ 45%
Ohio	\$1,664.5	66	\$4,376.0	36	-62%	▲ 83%
Pennsylvania	\$1,400.6	60	\$7,439.9	61	-81%	▲ -2%
South Carolina	\$1,264.2	7	\$17.1	12	7284%	▲ -42%
Quebec	\$1,181.1	60	\$2,240.6	54	-47%	▲ 11%
Georgia	\$1,111.9	44	\$2,741.9	55	-59%	▲ -20%
New Jersey	\$902.3	37	\$1,844.8	31	-51%	▲ 19%
Minnesota	\$798.9	30	\$84.2	20	849%	▲ 50%
Utah	\$664.4	21	\$8,184.2	17	-92%	▲ 24%
Arizona	\$606.6	19	\$703.1	18	-14%	▲ 6%

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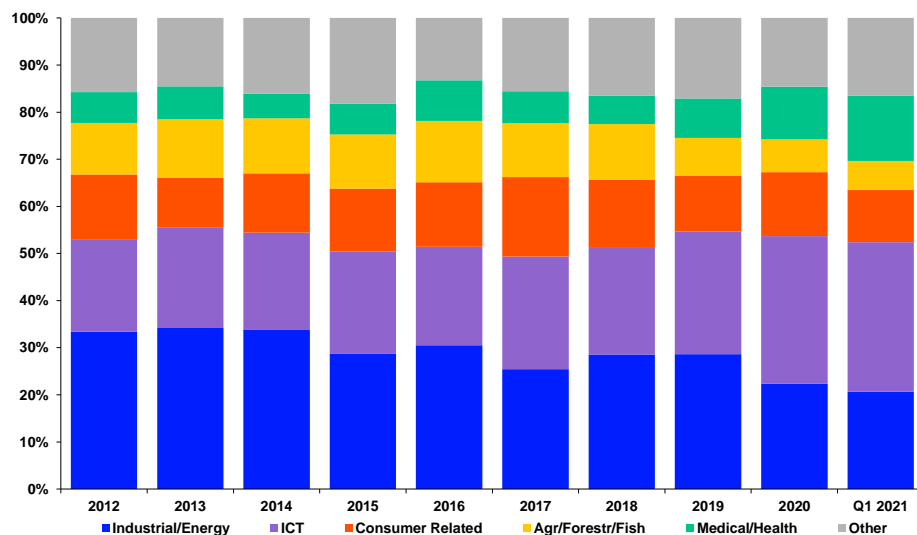
Top PE Deals by Canadian Firms Investing Abroad

Company Name	Ann/Eff Date	Deal Value (CA\$mil)	Sector	Status	Location
Alstom	01/29/21	\$4,310.7	Energy, Alternative	Completed	France
Michaels	03/03/21	\$4,175.5	Internet Ecommerce	Pending	Texas
Virtusa	02/11/21	\$2,540.4	Internet Software	Completed	Massachusetts
Lineage Logistics	03/11/21	\$2,379.9	Business Services	Completed	Michigan
Constellation Insurance Holdings	03/23/21	\$1,258.5	Other	Pending	Virginia
Loanpal	01/27/21	\$1,023.8	Internet Content	Completed	California
Inigo	03/15/21	\$997.4	Financial Services	Completed	United Kingdom
Flynn Restaurant Group	03/24/21	\$697.9	Retailing Related	Completed	Ohio
SPINS	01/19/21	\$469.6	Computer Services	Completed	Illinois
Wilton Re	03/29/21	\$276.9	Financial Services	Pending	Connecticut
Iguá	03/22/21	\$267.9	Utilities	Pending	Brazil
Tanium	01/28/21	\$192.4	Computer Software	Completed	California

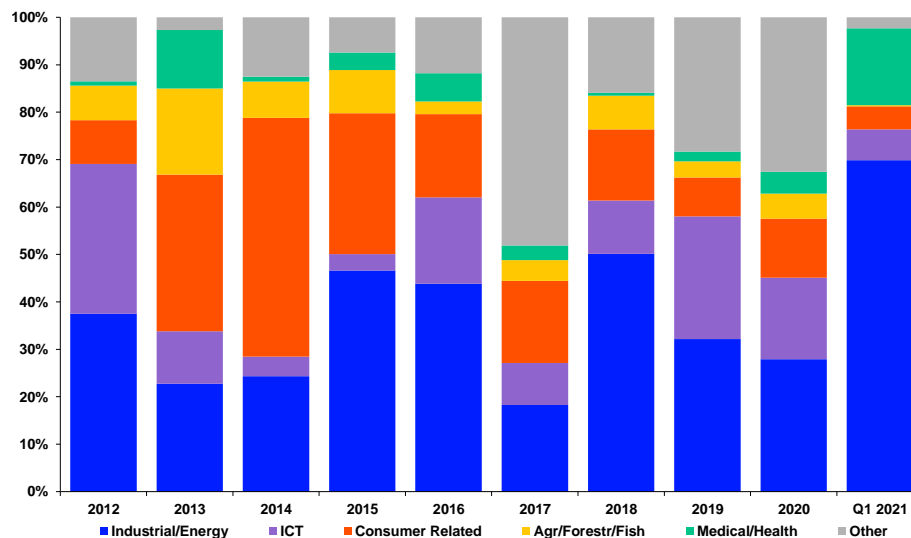
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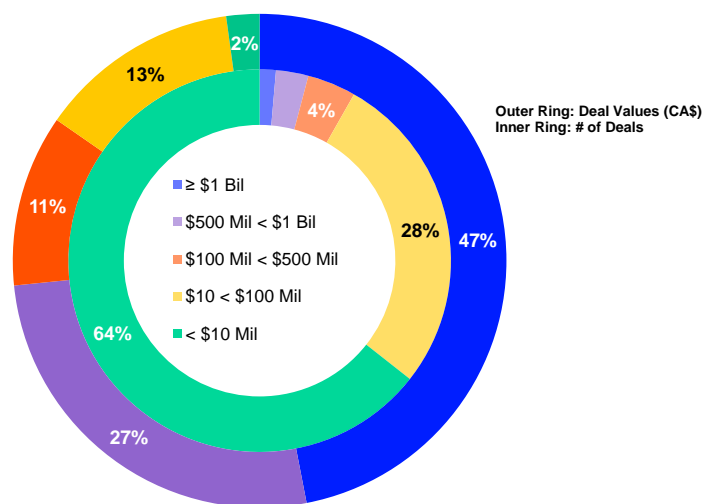
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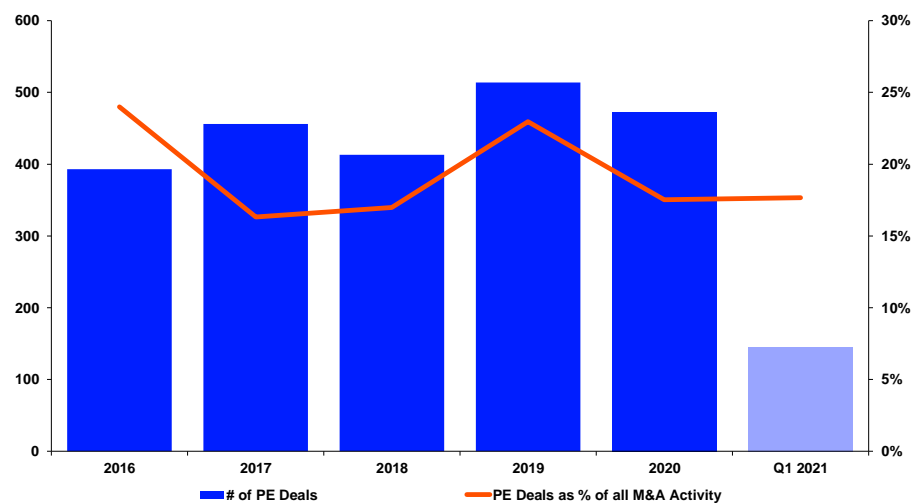
Investments by Sector, Deal Value (CA\$mil)



Deal Size Composition of Investments, Announced and Completed



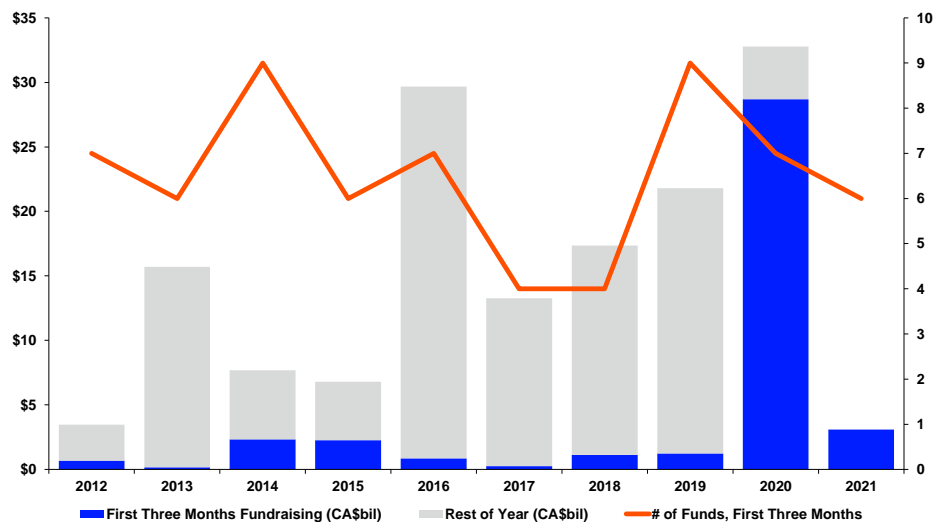
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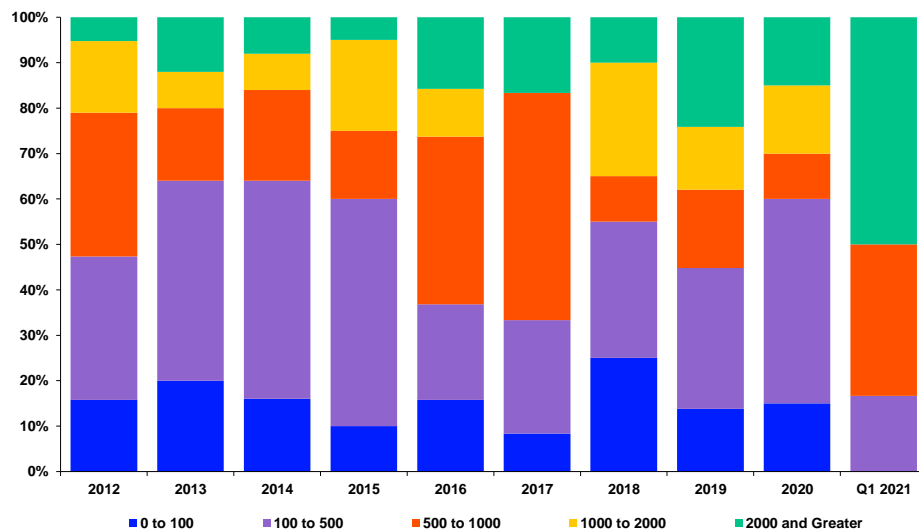
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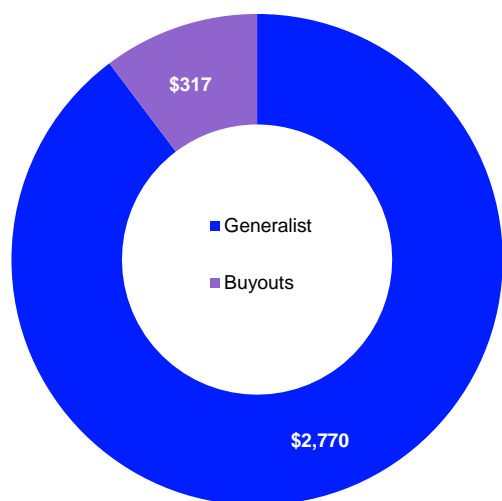
Canadian Private Equity Buyout Fundraising Activity



Private Equity Buyout Fundraising Volumes, Fund Size Category



PE Buyout Fundraising, by Investment Stage (CA\$mil)



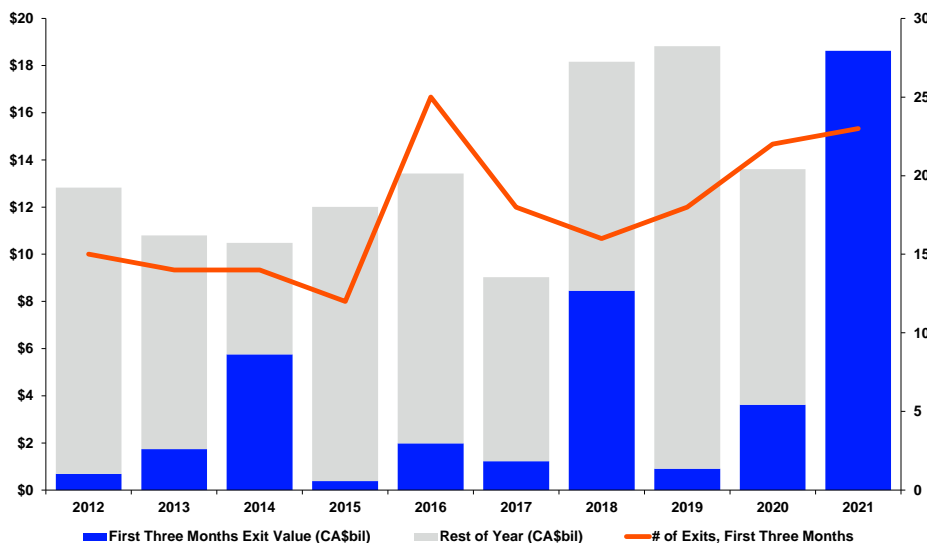
Largest PE Buyout Funds Raised in Canada

Fund Name	Latest Closing Date	Amount Raised (CA\$mil)	Total Fund Size (CA\$mil)	Fund Stage
Novacap TMT VI	02/17/21	\$2,368.4	\$2,368.4	Generalist
Sagard Healthcare Royalty Partners LP	02/18/21	\$316.9	\$919.1	Buyouts
Whitehorse Liquidity Partners IV LP	01/31/21	\$255.5	\$5,012.8	Generalist
MKB Partners Fund II LP	02/01/21	\$65.4	\$147.4	Generalist
FondAction	03/31/21	\$63.1	\$2,242.6	Generalist
Golden Opportunities Fund Inc	03/31/21	\$17.4	\$536.7	Generalist

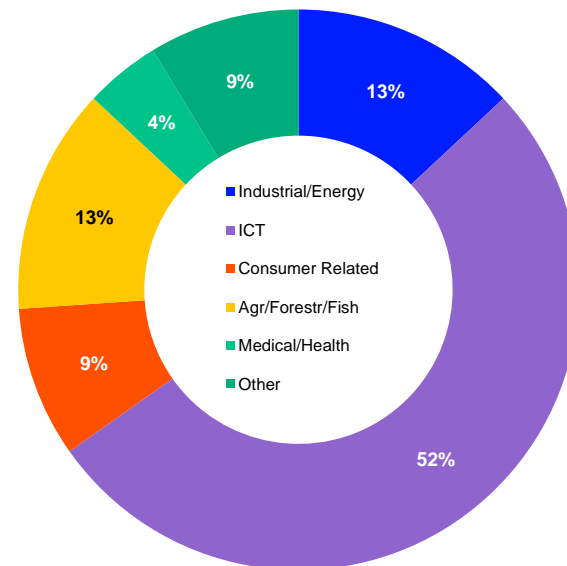
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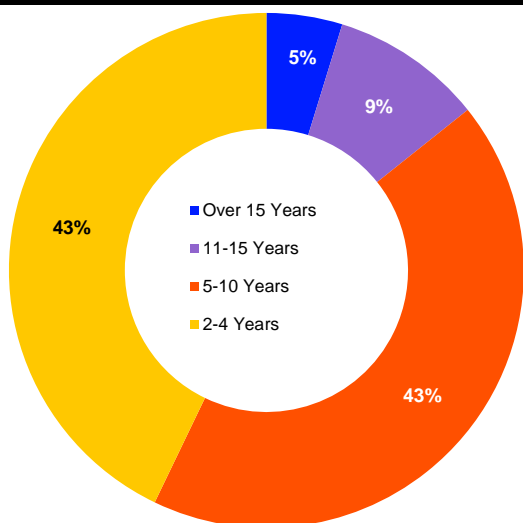
Completed Canada Private Equity Buyout Exit Activity



Exits Volumes by Sector



Number of Years from Investment to Exit



Top Announced Canadian PE-Backed Exits

Company Name	Ann. Date	Deal Value (CA\$mil)	Sector	Exit Type
Enwave	02/02/21	\$2,800.0	Industrial/Energy	Secondary Sale
TELUS International	01/08/21	\$1,359.5	Communications	IPO
Li-Cycle	02/16/21	\$1,243.2	Industrial/Energy	Reverse Takeover
New Look Vision Group	03/18/21	\$788.3	Medical/Health	Secondary Sale
MDA	03/22/21	\$400.0	Transportation	IPO
Liberty Tax	02/22/21	\$322.0	Financial Services	Trade Sale
TMAC Resources	01/05/21	\$284.2	Agr/Forestr/Fish	Trade Sale
Farmers Edge	02/09/21	\$143.8	Computer Software	IPO
Dialogue	03/08/21	\$115.0	Internet Specific	IPO
ABC Technologies	01/26/21	\$110.0	Transportation	IPO
Flexiti	02/01/21	\$109.2	Computer Software	Trade Sale
Moka	03/23/21	\$75.1	Computer Software	Trade Sale

Canada Private Equity Buyout Criteria

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