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# Texas M&A Trends

# First Quarter 2020

As expected, M&A activity in the U.S., including Texas, declined by all measures recorded below. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, M&A activity had generally been softening at the end of 4Q19. Those declines continued and were exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and the significant drop in oil prices, both of which dramatically decreased M&A activity in March 2020. These declines are expected to continue, and at an increasing rate, into 2Q20 and beyond as the COVID-19 pandemic and its lingering effects continue to impact the global economy and financial markets.

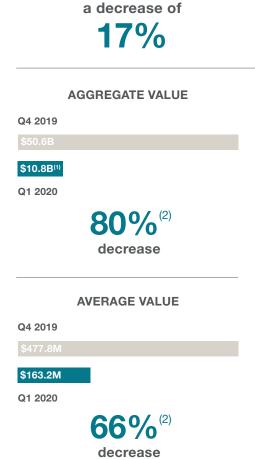
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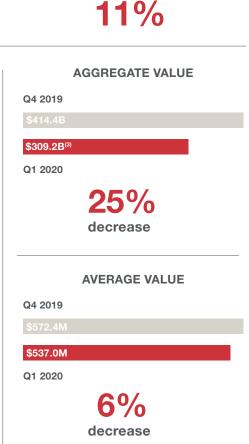
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Q4 2019



In Texas, M&A activity by number of deals saw a decline roughly consistent with the decline in M&A activity across the entire U.S. market. However, the value of Texas transactions (by both average and aggregate value) dramatically decreased relative to deal activity in Texas for 4Q19. This change is due, in part, to a significant decrease of larger (\$1B+) transactions in Texas, mostly in the energy sector.





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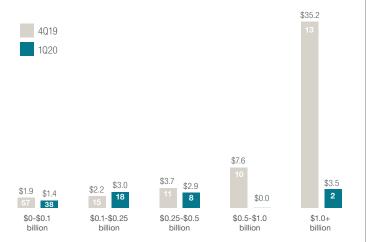
(2) Of the 105 Texas transactions signed in 4Q19 with a disclosed transaction value, 15 transactions had a transaction value in excess of \$1 billion. Of the 66 Texas transactions signed in 1Q20 with a disclosed transaction value, only two transactions had a value in excess of \$1 billion.

(3) Based on 575 deals with a disclosed transaction value.

The figures included in this alert were compiled using Mergermarket for acquisitions of any value involving either public or private companies that were announced during the time period referenced and, in the case of data regarding Texas transactions, that involved at least one counterparty headquartered in Texas. Aggregate value of deals and average value of deals were calculated using only those deals that disclosed a deal value. All data was sourced as of April 15, 2020. "LTM" means "last 12 months" and includes data for the preceding 12 months, including the current month. The industrial categories referenced above were named and categorized by Mergermarket. Data obtained from Mergermarket has not been reviewed for accuracy by Baker & Hostetler LLP.

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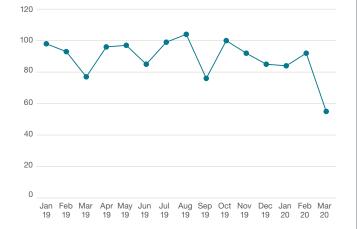
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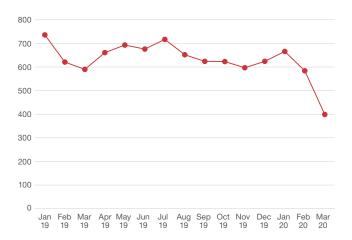
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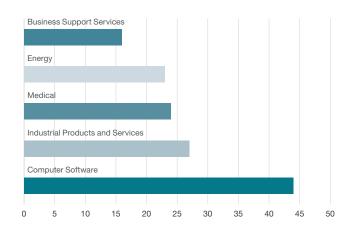
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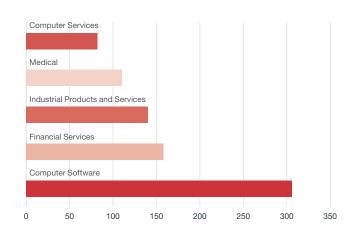
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# Most Active Industries

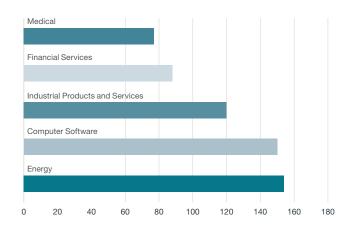
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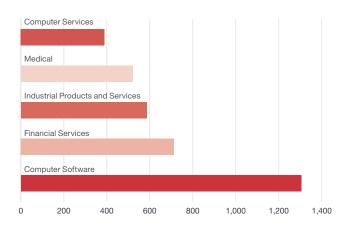
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## **NUMBER OF DEALS (LTM)**



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