

INDUSTRY UPDATE – 30 August 2024

VALUATION MULTIPLES

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 30/07/2024) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Technology, Media & Telecom sector have increased over the period. At the end of July, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 16.7x, compared to the ASX200 on 8.9x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (monthly to 15/08/2024) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$ m)	EV/Sales FY2025	EV/EBITDA FY2025	EV/EBIT FY2025	Price / Earnings FY2025
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Digital & Traditional Media	4,342	0.9x	4.8x	7.1x	7.7x
Internet, IoT	38,641	14.8x	27.1x	31.9x	45.4x
IT Services	4,392	3.7x	19.6x	22.4x	28.8x
Software (SaaS/Licence)	63,515	10.9x	27.6x	23.9x	40.3x
Telecommunications	78,479	3.7x	11.6x	23.7x	53.8x
Emerging vs. Established					
\$500m+ EV	187,655	11.4x	20.5x	28.0x	41.0x
\$100m-\$500m EV	2,074	1.9x	10.4x	18.8x	22.1x
EV Below \$100m	191	0.8x	49.5x	NA	12.0x
Technology, Media & Telecom	189,920	7.9x	21.1x	22.0x	34.8x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2025. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result.



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MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...

Plann Linktree*	Value: Undisclosed Linktree Pty Ltd, the Australia based software-Social Media company engaged with providing platform for influencers to drive their traffic across all the channels has acquired Plann , the local Software-Social Media company engaged with social media planning software.
PieLAB Capital	Value: Undisclosed PieLab Venture Partners Pty Ltd, the Australia based venture capital firm has acquired Ignition Logistics Software Pty Ltd, the local developer of transport management software.
booktopia digiDirect where everything clicks	Value: Undisclosed digiDirect, the Australia based private Australian camera and consumer electronics retailer has acquired Booktopia Pty Ltd , the local software-E-Commerce company engaged with books retailing. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.
apromore TEC	Value: 22m AUD Investor Group led by GBTEC Software AG, the software company engaged with providing business process management solutions has acquired an undisclosed stake in Apromore Pty Ltd, the Australia-based software company engaged in developing a business process analytics platform in an extension to Series B funding round.
	Value: Undisclosed Thiess Pty Ltd, the Australia based integrated engineering and services provider has acquired significant stakes in LAAMP, the local software-Computer Traditional & other. Software company engaged in digital platform that delivers streamlined training and assessments to remote workforces & Mechatronix, the local company engaged in carbon-fibre structural reinforcements to dramatically extend the life of trucks and, ultimately, boost payload capacity.



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GOING VIRAL...

- Avibras, a Brazil-based developer of aerospace and weapons systems, is currently in negotiations to sell the company to **DefendTex**, an international defense firm based in Australia. However, progress has been slow.
- **TPG Telecom Ltd** announced that is in discussions with **Vocus Group** in relationship to the possible sale of its fibre network. TPG is assessing value-optimizing alternatives for its fixed infrastructure assets as part of a strategic review.
- Macquarie has walked away from talks to acquire TalkTalk Telecom's wholesale division PlatformX. TalkTalk has been
 negotiating for several months regarding a potential GBP 500m investment by the Australian financial services group in
 PlatformX.
- News Corp has received third-party interest for Foxtel due to its long-term prosects. The company is reviewing options for the business in light of the interest.
- The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has accepted a court-enforceable undertaking from TGP Telecom as part of its ongoing investigation into Google's search services.



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