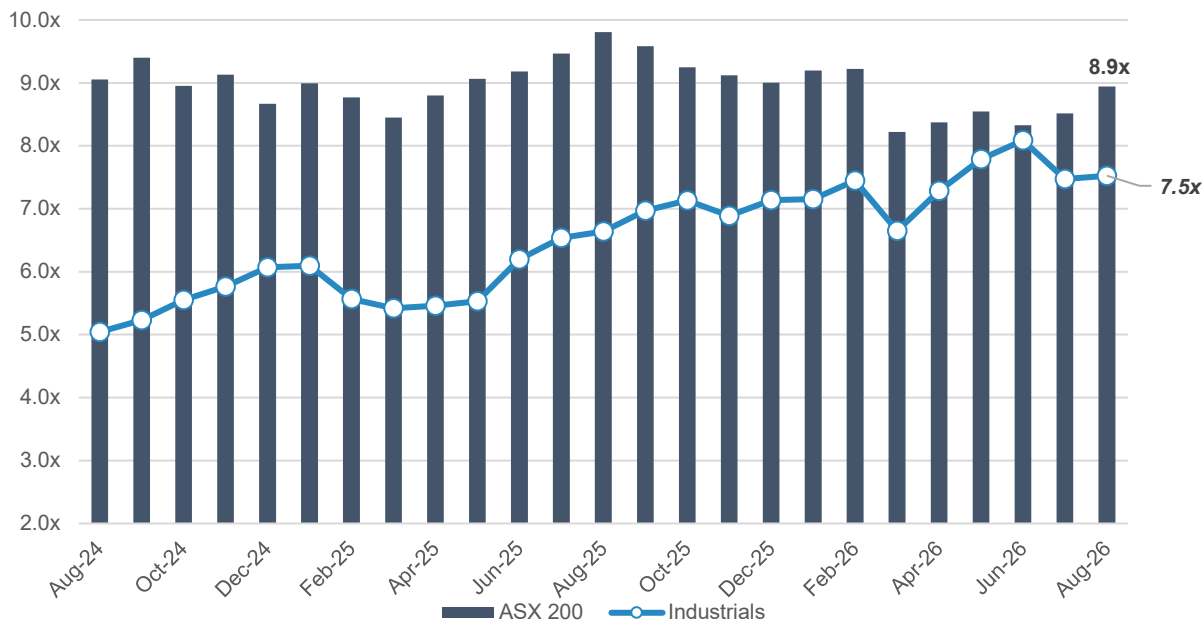


VALUATION MULTIPLES¹

Forward EV/EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 31/08/2026) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Industrials sector have increased in the last month. At the end of August, the sector traded on a forward EV/EBITDA multiple of 7.5x, compared to the ASX200 on 8.9x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (monthly to 31/08/2026) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$'m)	EV/EBITDA FY2027	EV/EBIT FY2027	Price/Earnings FY2027
Chemicals & Plastics	1,758	11.0x	12.3x	18.3x
Construction & Building Materials	25,219	7.0x	12.0x	15.8x
Construction & Mining Services	28,045	6.9x	10.3x	15.5x
Engineering Services	16,533	9.6x	13.1x	20.2x
Industrial Products	16,795	6.9x	11.1x	14.6x
Other Industrial Services	21,063	7.5x	10.5x	13.8x
Packaging	2,395	5.9x	10.2x	13.8x
Industrials	111,810	7.5x	11.3x	16.2x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the reported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2027. Differences in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between the figure and the table reflect the timing difference between the month-end result and the current-day result.

MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...



Value: Undisclosed

AtkinsRéalis Group Inc, a Canada-based engineering services and nuclear company, has completed its acquisition of **Wallbridge Gilbert Aztec (WGA)**, an employee-owned engineering and project management consultancy with over 800 staff across Australia and New Zealand.

WGA was advised by InterFinancial.



Value: \$4.1b

Brookfield, a global alternative asset manager, has agreed to acquire **Reliance Worldwide**, an ASX-listed manufacturer of plumbing and water flow control products, at a \$4.1bn enterprise value, funded through Brookfield Capital Partners and Brookfield Business, with closing expected in 1Q27.



Value: \$1.0b

Goldman Sachs Alternatives, a US-based alternative investment platform of Goldman Sachs Asset Management, has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire **Noja Power Switchgear Pty Ltd**, an Australian manufacturer of switchgear products, from **Ellerston Capital Ltd**, an Australian specialist fund management firm.



Value: \$335.0m

Sekisui Chemical Co Ltd, a Japan-based chemical manufacturer, is to acquire 51% of **Ausbuild Group Pty Ltd**, an Australian residential land development and housing construction company, and 51% of **Ausbuild Partners Pty Ltd**, an Australian land development business operator.



Value: \$278.3m

TUHU Car Inc, a China-based automotive maintenance service platform, has agreed to acquire **Conti Trade Australia Pty Ltd**, an Australian provider of one-stop automotive services (mycar), from **Continental AG**, a Germany-based automotive parts manufacturer.



Value: \$90.0m

Macmahon Holdings Ltd, an Australian mining services company, has agreed to acquire 100% of **Aspect Engineering Solutions Pty Ltd**, an Australian provider of multidisciplinary engineering services, for \$90m, comprising \$60m in cash and \$30m in earn-out.



Value: \$31.0m

Borg Group Pty Ltd, an Australian manufacturer of melamine panels, MDF, and particleboard, has acquired the **SOLVE hazardous waste treatment business** from **EnviroPacific Services Pty Ltd**, an Australian environmental engineering firm.



Value: \$19.0m

Herga Holdings Pty Ltd, an Australian distributor of Trimble geospatial and construction technology, has acquired 51% of **Sitech Solutions Pty Ltd**, the local distributor of Trimble construction, surveying, and machine control technology, from **SGH Ltd**, a diversified Australian holding company.

MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS (cont.)...



Value: \$7.2m

MaxiPARTS Ltd, an Australian supplier of road transport trailing equipment and solutions, has entered into a binding agreement to acquire the net assets of **Air Brake Systems Unit Trust**, the local supplier of brake system components for heavy-duty trucks, buses and trailers.



Value: \$6.8m

NCAB Group AB, a Sweden-based printed circuit board group, has agreed to acquire **IMP Electronics Solutions Pty Ltd**, an Adelaide-based printed circuit board trading company, for up to \$6.75m including a \$2.75m earn-out.



Value: Undisclosed

CVC Advisers Ltd, a private equity firm, has signed to acquire a controlling stake in **Ambrose Construct Group Pty Ltd**, an Australian provider of insurance repair and restoration services, from **CPE Capital Pty Ltd**, the local private equity firm.



Value: Undisclosed

Vossloh AG, a Germany-based railway infrastructure products manufacturer, has acquired **Rail Technology International Pty Ltd**, an Australian provider of automated rail inspection systems and services.



Value: Undisclosed

Atlas Copco AB, a Sweden-based provider of compressors, vacuum equipment, air treatment systems, generators, pumps, light towers, industrial tools and assembly systems, has acquired **Compressors Australia Pty Ltd**, an Australian compressed air distributor.



Value: Undisclosed

Axel Johnson Holding AB, a Sweden-based provider of diversified industrial and investment services, through its subsidiary AxFlow Oceania, has acquired **Thornhill Australia Pty Ltd**, an Australian designer, installer and service provider of plate heat exchangers.



Value: Undisclosed

International Layer Distribution GmbH, a Germany-based life sciences and food technology business focused on poultry, has acquired **Specialised Breeders Australia Pty Ltd**, an Australian poultry breeding company.



Value: Undisclosed

STRABAG SE, an Austria-based construction company, is to acquire **KEE Surfacing**, an Australian asphalt and road surfacing business with around 70 employees and annual revenue of around \$84m.

SCUTTLEBUTT...

- **Western Australia** has introduced legislation to buy back the 5,500km freight rail network privatised in 2000, providing the legal framework for a repurchase from **Brookfield** while negotiations continue.
- **FleetPartners**, an Australian fleet leasing and equipment finance company, has received a revised non-binding proposal of \$4.65 cash per share (\$1.02bn equity value) from a **Sumitomo**-led consortium, with **SG Fleet** at \$4.55.
- **Ares Management** has withdrawn its conditional, non-binding proposal to acquire **MaxiPARTS**, an Australian road transport trailing equipment supplier, at \$2.50 cash per share (\$139.8m equity value) after due diligence.
- **Port of Newcastle** has appointed an adviser to review its capital structure and funding for a 40-year master plan including a \$2.5bn container terminal, while **Macquarie** weighs a sale of its 50.0% stake.
- FIRB has cleared **MAAS Group's sale** of its construction materials business to **Heidelberg Materials**, with settlement expected in October 2026 subject to shareholder approval.
- The ACCC has cleared **Novonesis'** acquisition of industrial yeast developer **Microbiogen**, finding the vertical relationship in yeast supply raised no foreclosure concerns.
- **Austal** is weighing a whole-of-company sale as **Hanwha** and **Wildcat** compete for its US business at USD 1.05bn to USD 1.2bn and USD 1.25bn to USD 1.35bn respectively.
- Private equity (**KKR**, **Carlyle**, **Blackstone**) and strategic buyers are assessing **Reliance Worldwide** under a go-shop following **Brookfield's** \$4.1bn agreement, with **AustralianSuper**, holder of close to 15.0%, yet to disclose its position.
- **Apollo**, **KKR**, **Brookfield** and **Blackstone** are assessing **Rio Tinto's Pilbara infrastructure** selldown, with the process seeking \$2bn to \$3bn.
- **Gilmour Space** is seeking a USD 200m to USD 500m Series E extension ahead of a potential 2028 Nasdaq or NYSE listing, having been valued above USD 1bn in January 2026.
- **EQT** has emerged as frontrunner in the \$1.5bn auction of **Pickles**, which carries around \$130m of annual EBITDA.
- **Savic Motorcycles** has multiple global parties in its data room and is considering a full sale to accelerate its offshore scale-up.
- The Federal Court has extended the **Whyalla steelworks** administration to March 2027 after a furnace shutdown delayed the sale process.
- Competitors have been approached about acquiring **Viscount Pools**, which could fetch more than \$1bn; no formal process has started.
- **Natrium Redox Technologies** has submitted proposals to acquire and restart the **Liberty Bell Bay smelter**, which is in administration.

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