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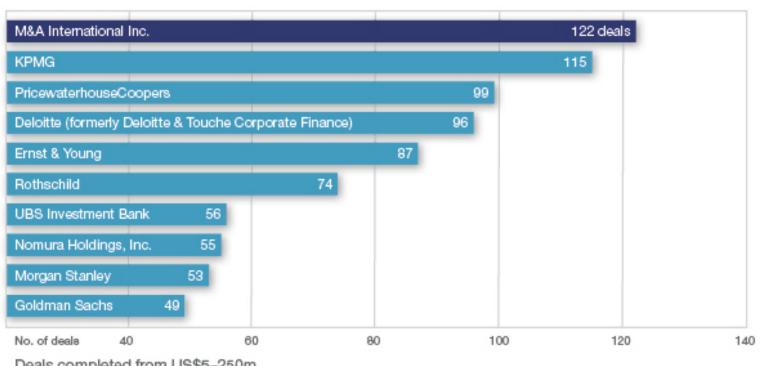
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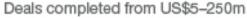
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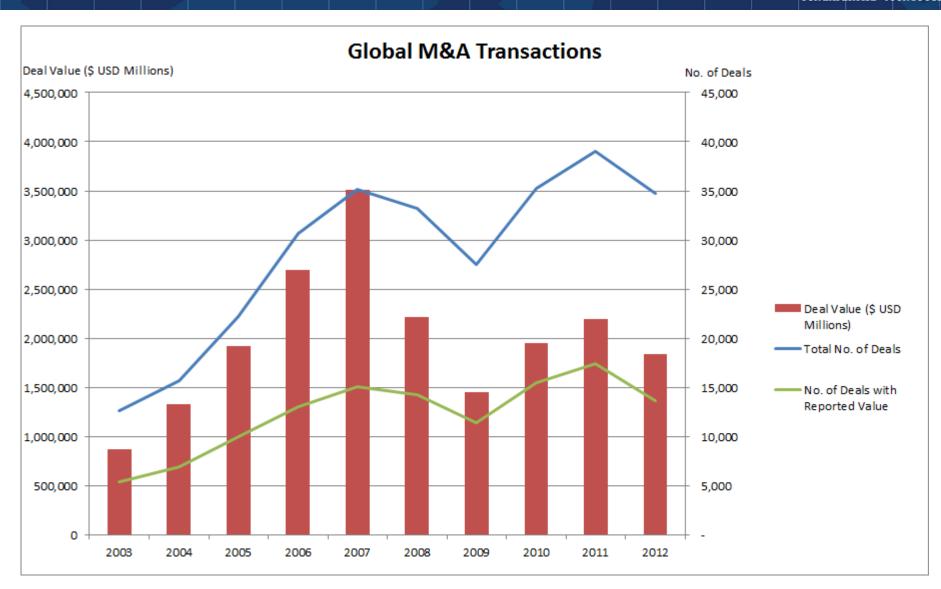
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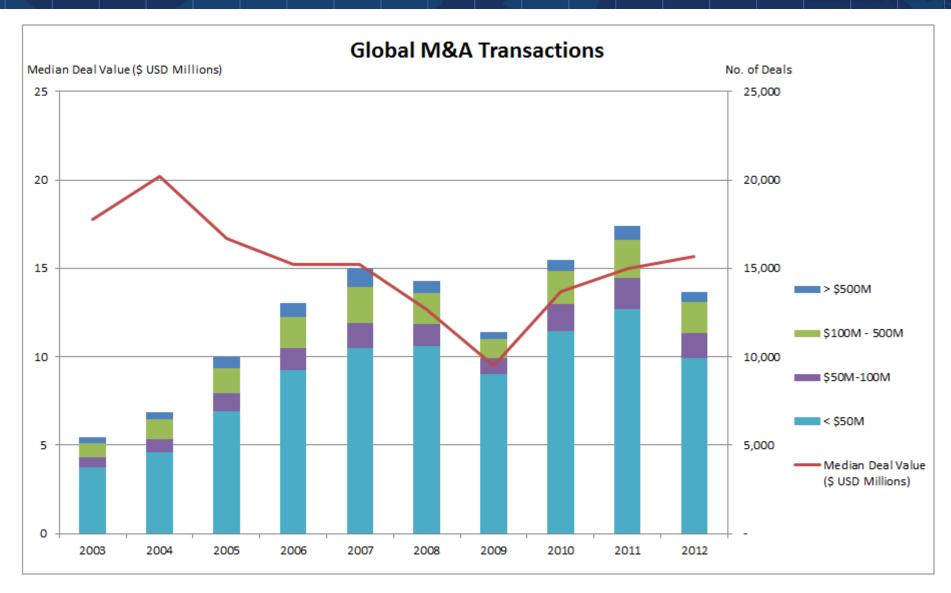
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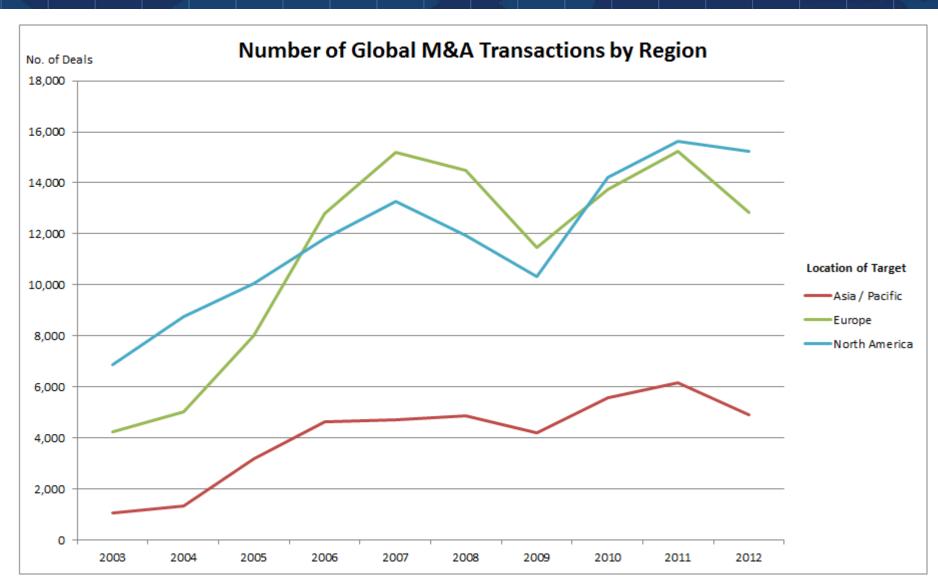






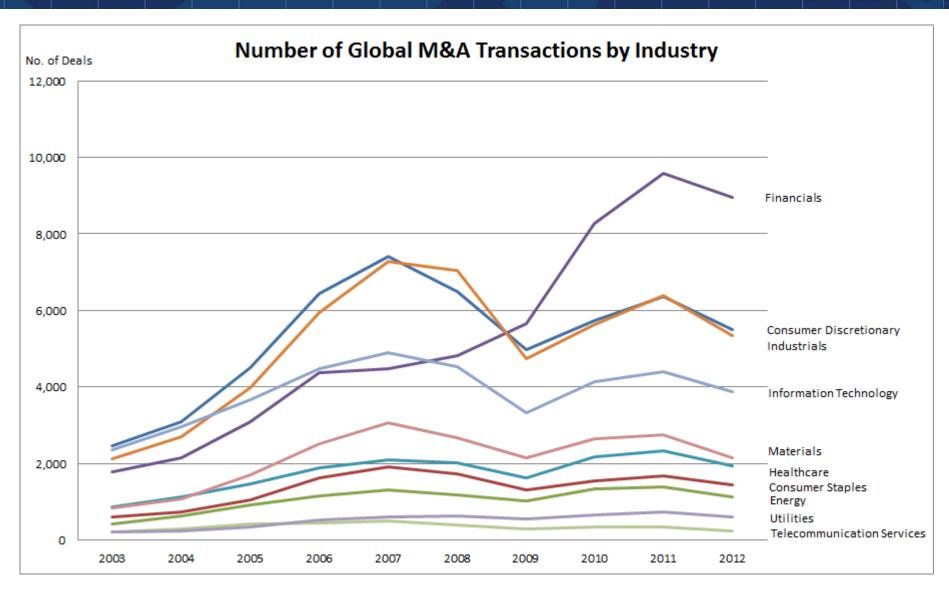










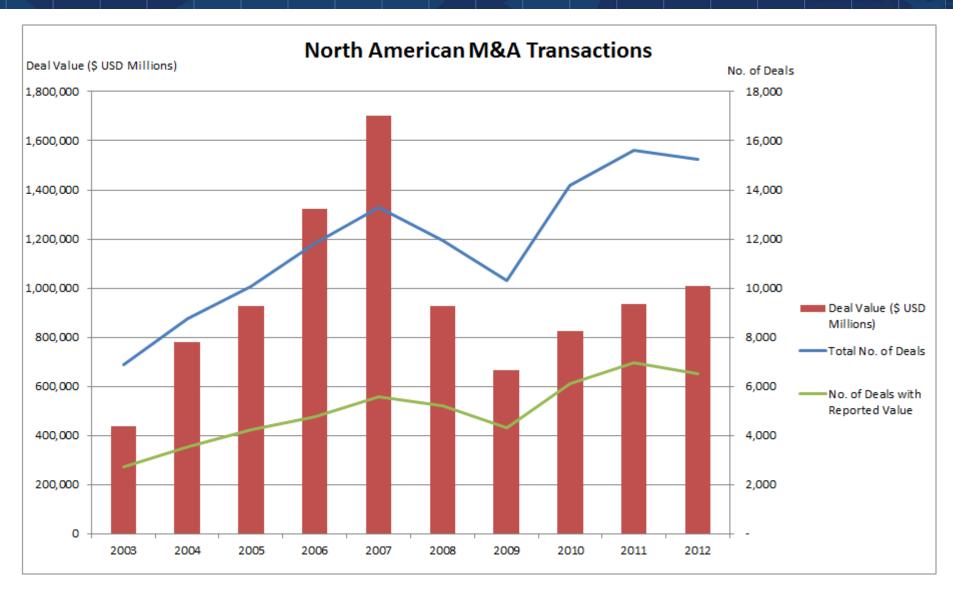




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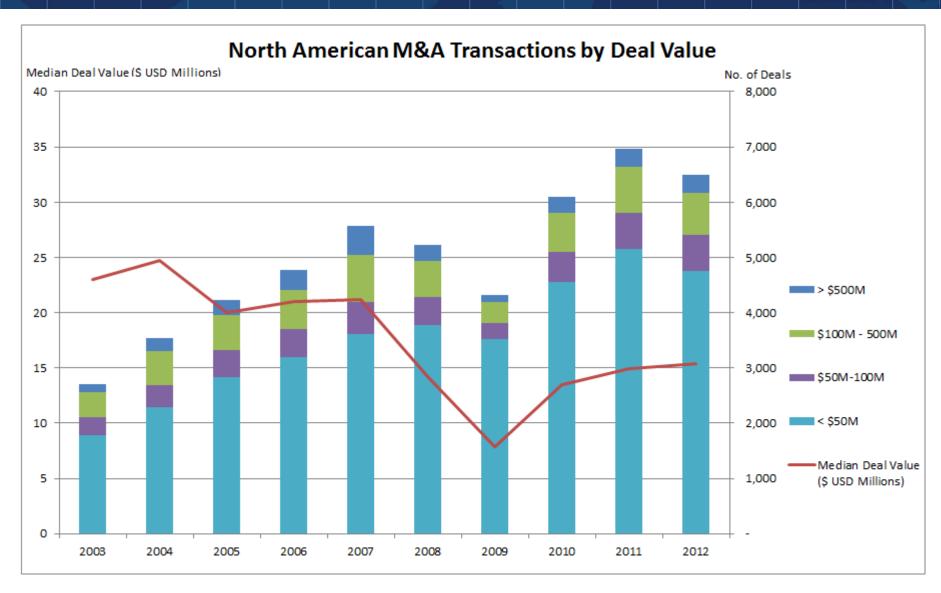




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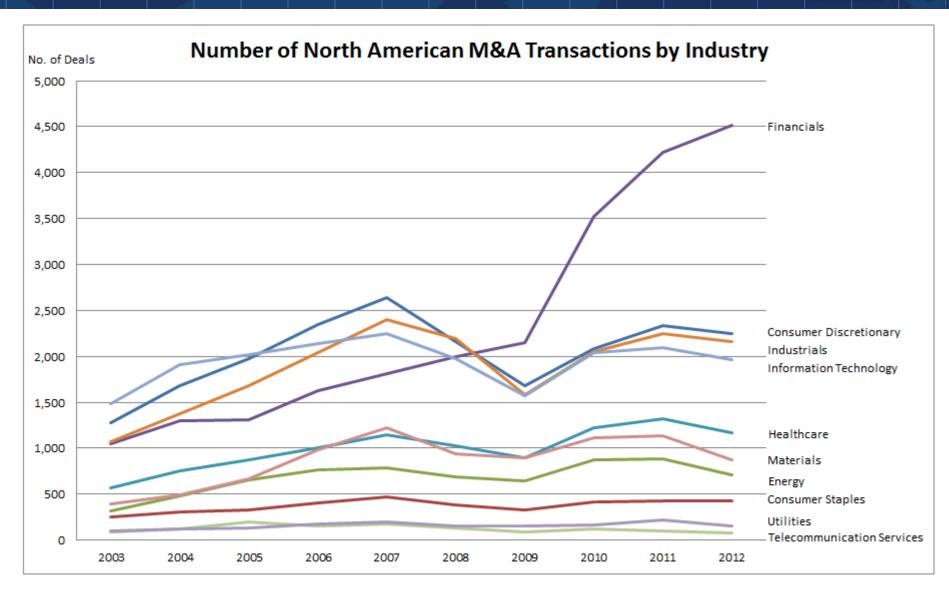


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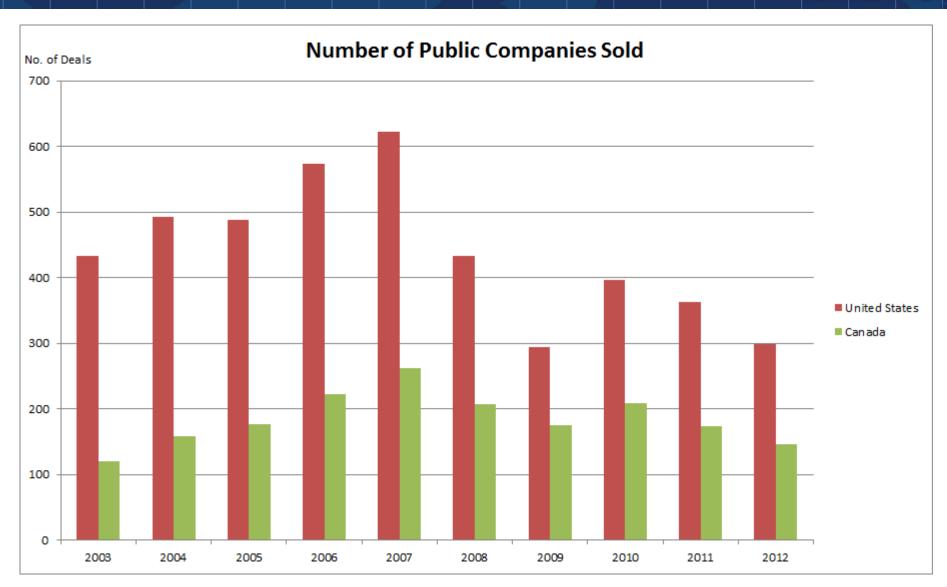




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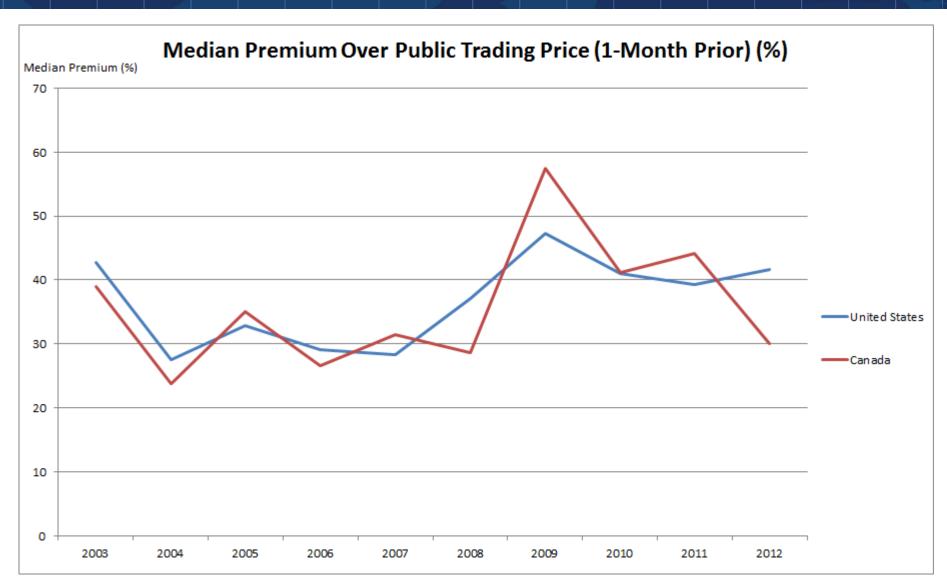


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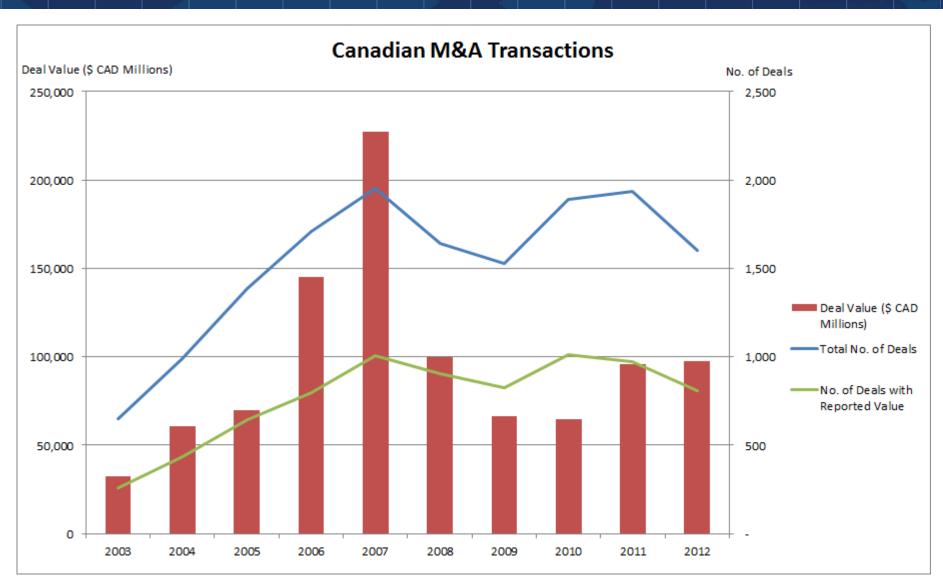




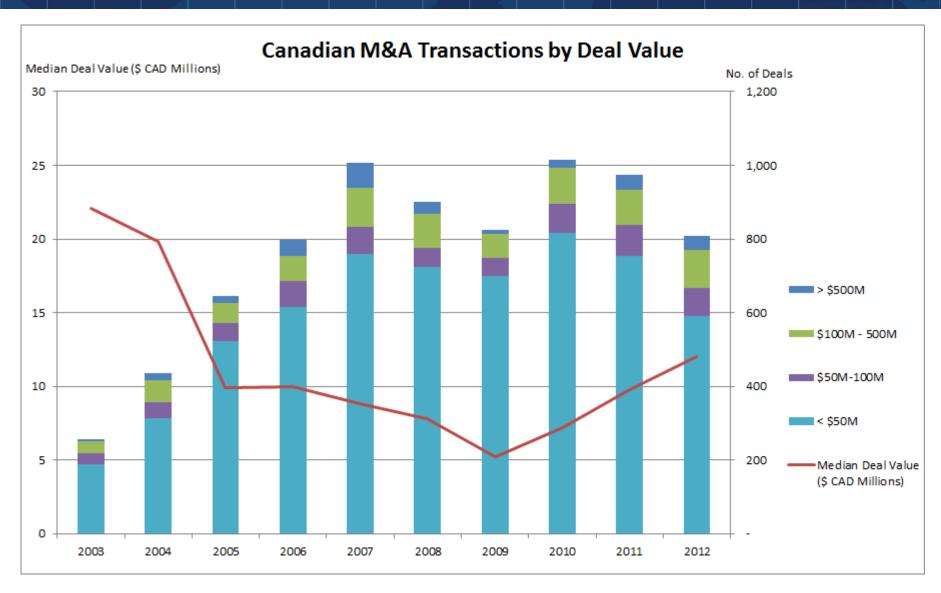






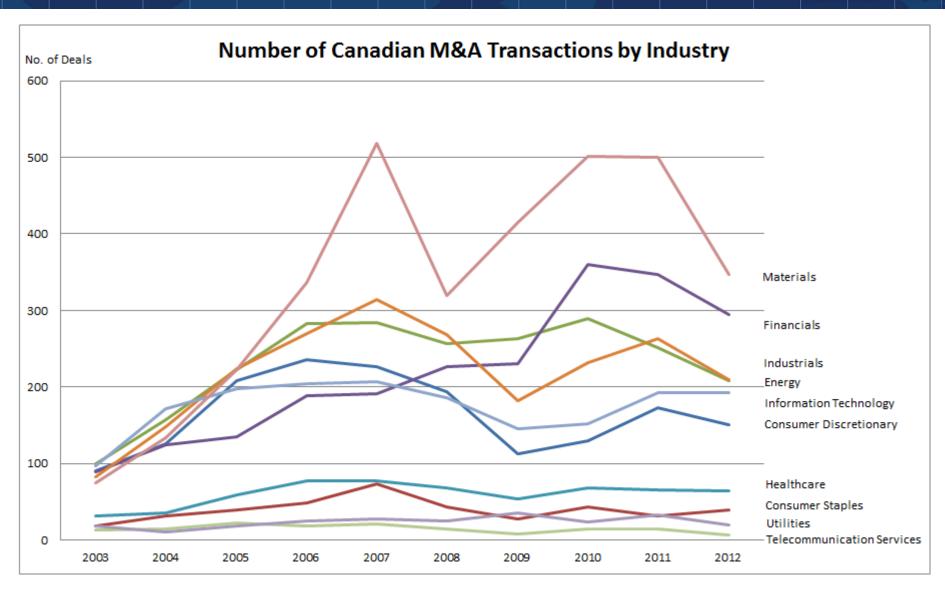




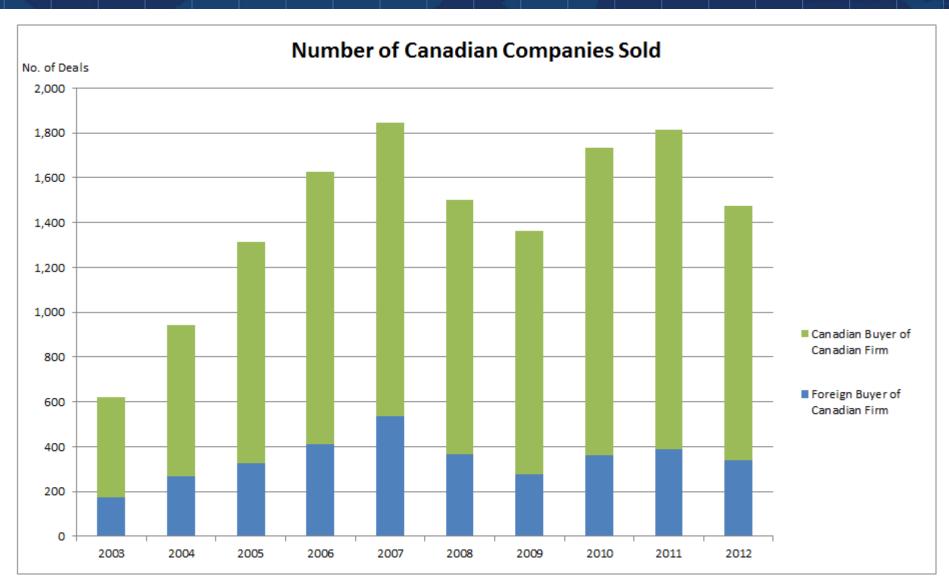














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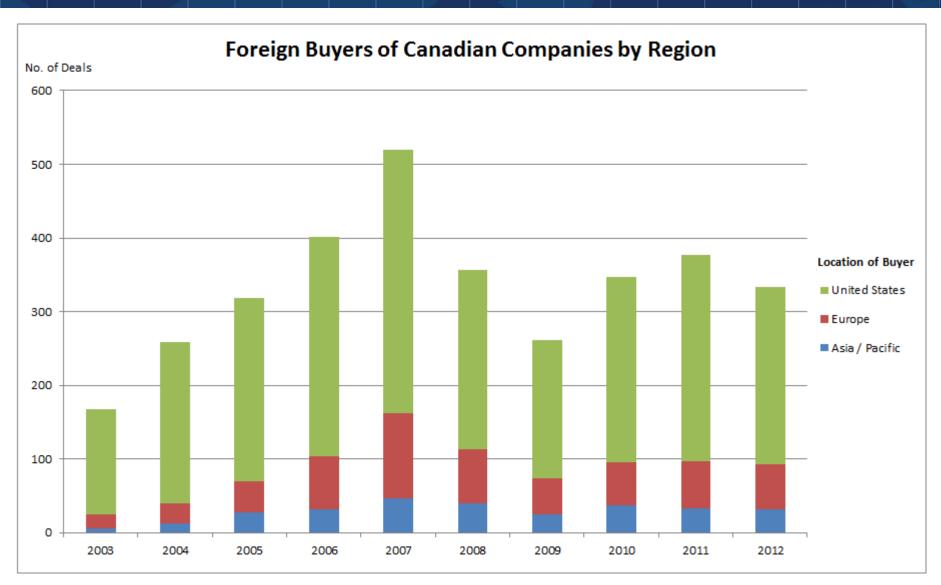
Top 10 Deals Involving Canadian Sellers

Target	Buyer	Country of Buyer	Year	Total Transaction Value (\$ CAD Billions)
Alcan, Inc.	Rio Tinto Group	United Kingdom	2007	45.8
Petro-Canada	Suncor Energy Inc. (TSX:SU)	Canada	2009	24.1
Falconbridge Limited	Xstrata plc (LSE:XTA)	Switzerland	2006	23.0
INCO Limited	Vale S.A. (BOVESPA:VALE5)	Brazil	2007	21.4
Placer Dome Inc.	Barrick Gold Corporation (TSX:ABX)	Canada	2006	13.0
Fording Canadian Coal Trust, Inc.	Teck Resources Limited (TSX:TCK.B)	Canada	2008	11.6
Labatt Brewing Company Limited	Companhia de Bebidas Das Americas	Brazil	2004	10.8
	(AMBEV) (BOVESPA:AMBV4)			
IPSCO, Inc.	SSAB AB (OM:SSAB A)	Sweden	2007	9.4
MBNA Canada Bank, Credit Card Portfolio,	The Toronto-Dominion Bank (TSX:TD)	Canada	2011	8.6
Certain Other Assets and Liabilities				
Canada Life Financial Corporation	Great-West Lifeco Inc. (TSX:GWO)	Canada	2003	8.3





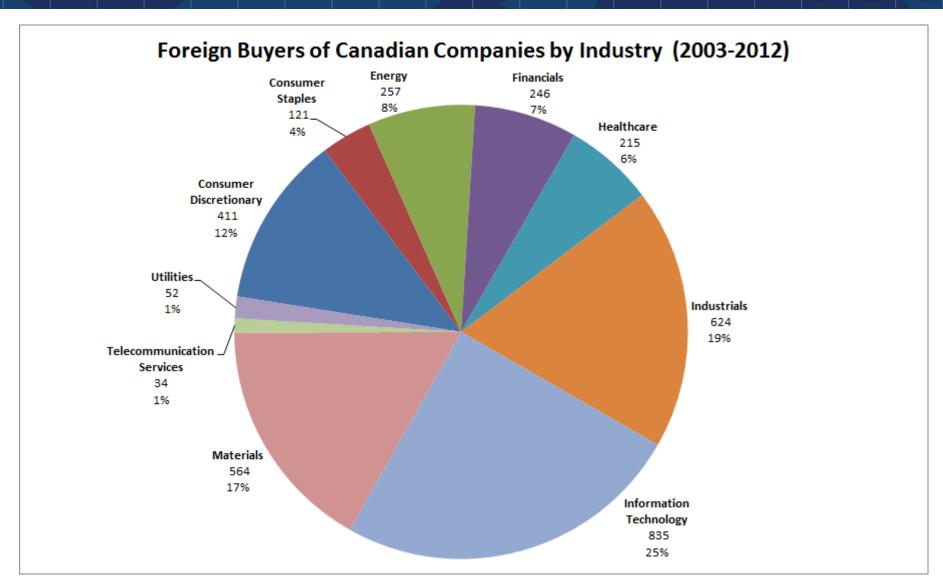
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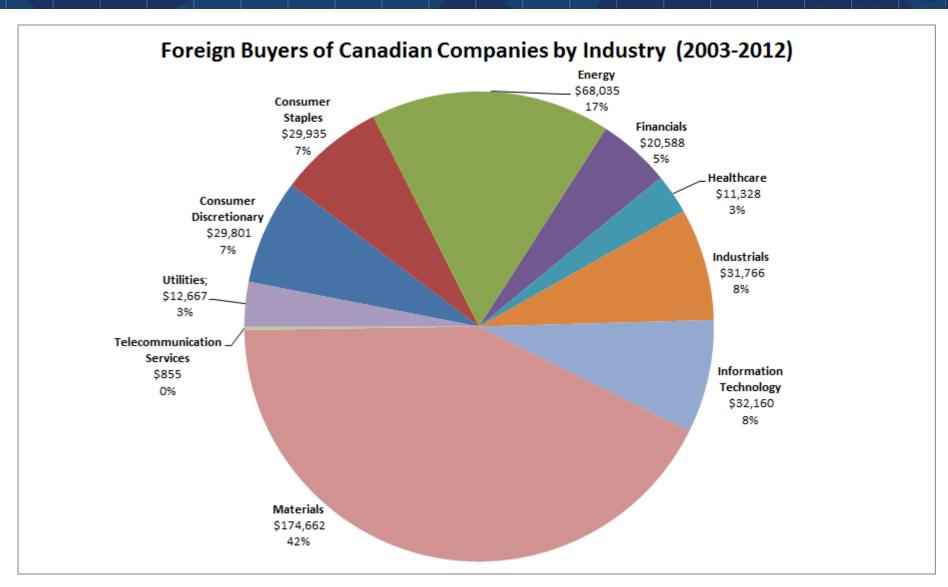
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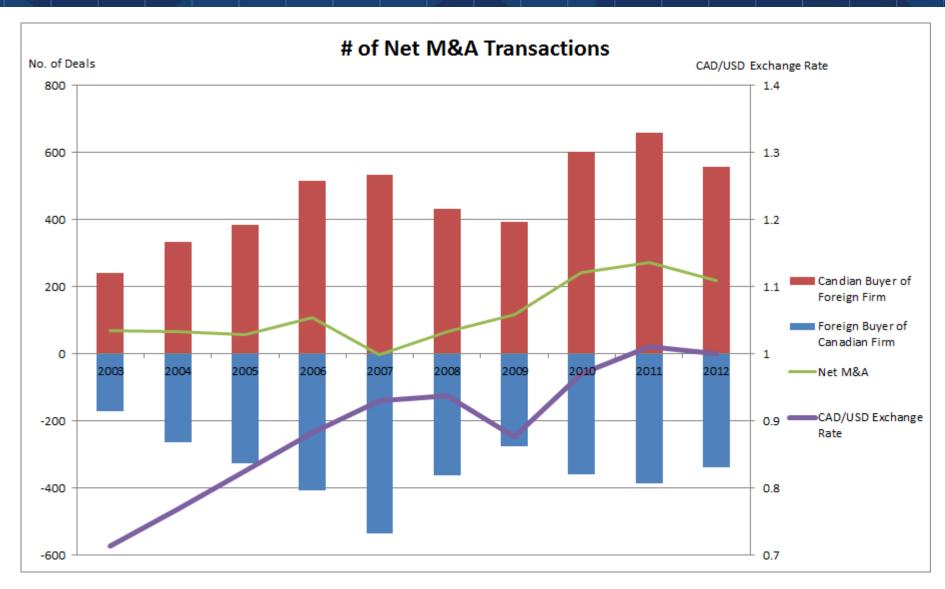
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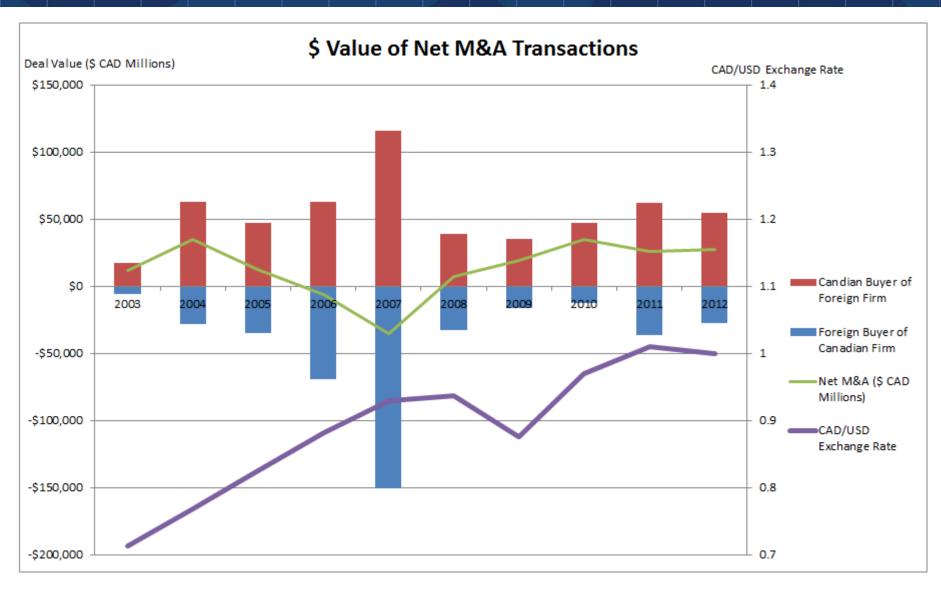
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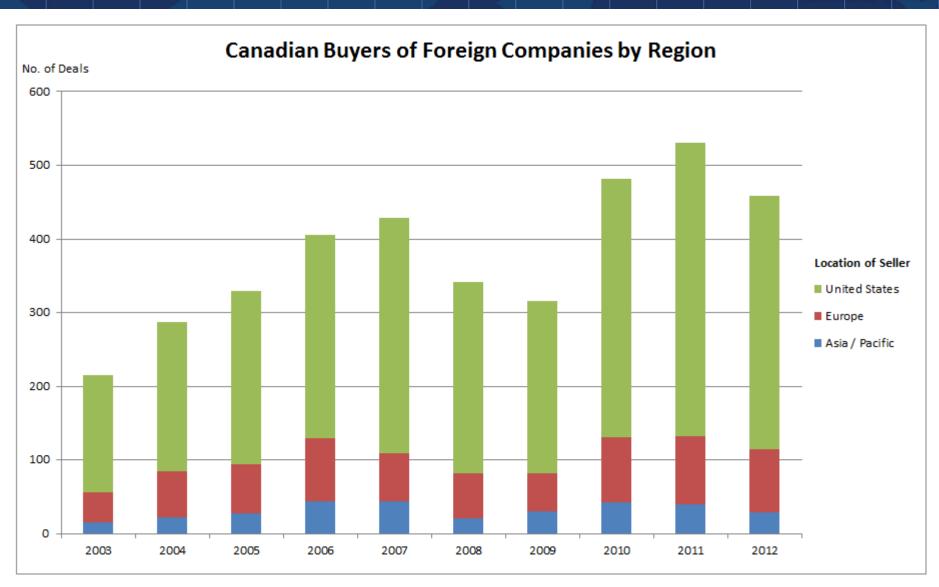
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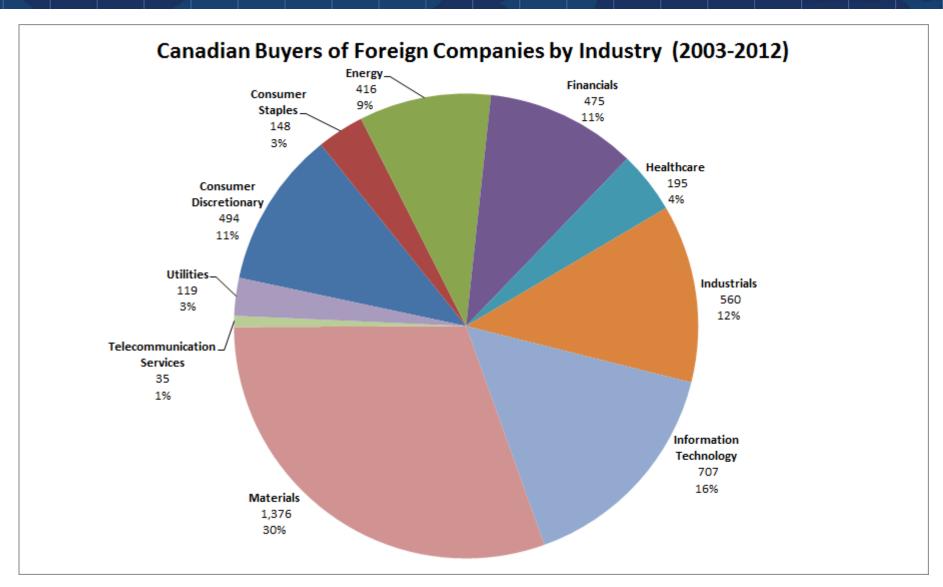
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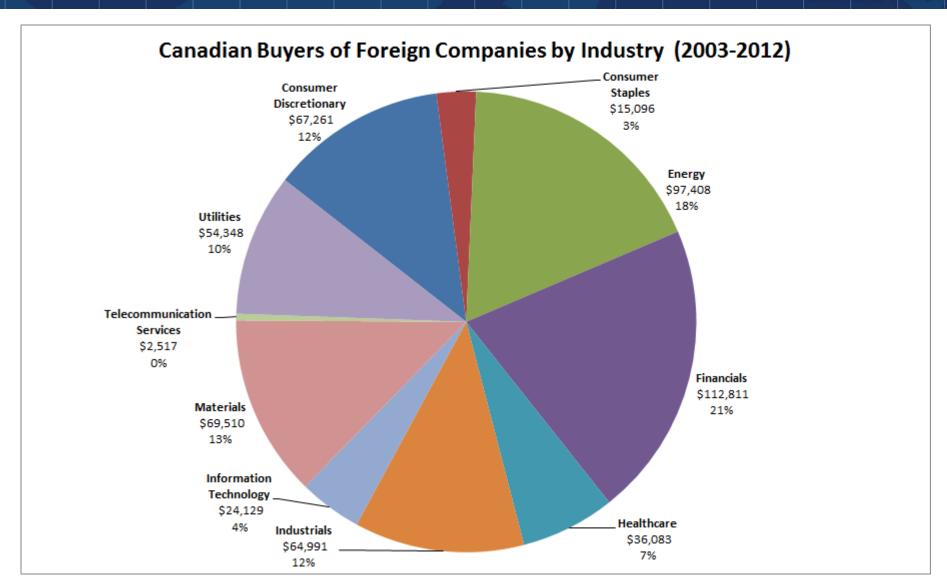
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Empirical Observations



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- Valuation multiples have returned to historic highs in some sectors (e.g. technology)
- Deals are taking longer to close
- Competition Bureau issues
- Reduced amounts of leverage being used
- Private equity overhang of approx US \$430B
- Small cap public company issues & opportunities





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