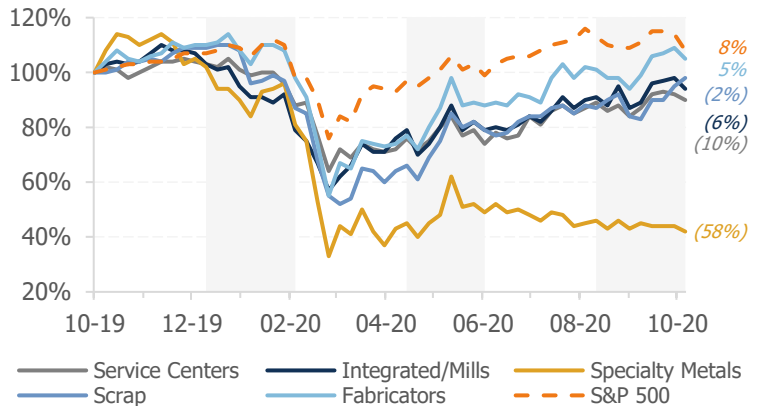


Market Update Q3 2020

- After a significant sell-off in March as a result of the global COVID-19 pandemic, our public metals indices have experienced a healthy recovery, but are still underperforming relative to the S&P 500 and broader market, which have surpassed pre-pandemic all-time highs
 - Softer demand, lower production volumes, and difficult trade negotiations and tariffs are expected to cause continued uncertainty throughout 2020 and into 2021
 - Many metals companies were deemed non-essential during the initial months of the pandemic, but have since re-opened operations
- Publicly-traded Scrap and Metal Fabricators are experiencing strong valuations at 9x+ (see chart below), while Service Centers, Integrated/Mills, and Specialty Metals Companies are lagging by comparison
- Looking at M&A activity, total aggregate deal value in Q3 2020 amounted to \$3.5 billion, up 119% when compared to Q3 2019 (\$1.6 billion). Deal volume was also higher; up 117% in Q3 2020 to 139 deals from 64 in Q3 2019
 - One of the more significant metals transactions took place in September when Cleveland-Cliffs Inc. (NYSE:CLF) announced the acquisition of ArcelorMittal USA LLC for \$1.4 billion

Amherst Partners' Metals Indices

1-Year Performance

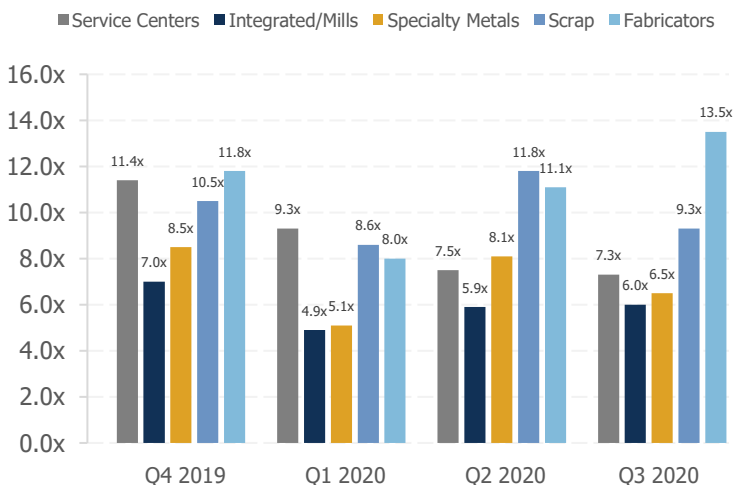


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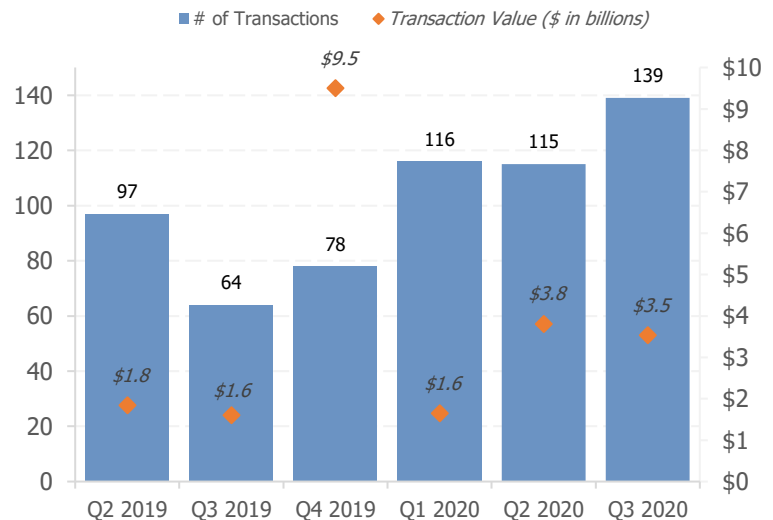


Valuation Multiples

Median Enterprise Value/LTM EBITDA



U.S. M&A Activity – Metals



Source: S&P Capital IQ as of 10/31/2020

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