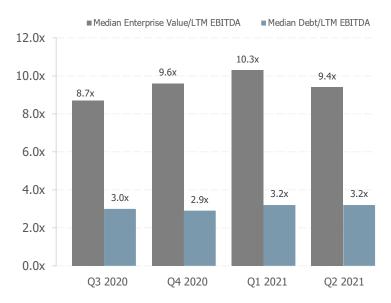


Market Update Q2 2021

- After experiencing a steady recovery from the COVID-19 driven lows,
 Amherst Partners' automotive index continues to perform in line with the broader market
- The global chip shortage, which has disproportionately impacted the automotive sector, is not expected to be fully resolved until supply chains recover in 2022 – with the total cost to the U.S. automotive industry estimated to be \$110 billion in revenue for FY 2021
 - Ford is one of the domestic OEMs feeling the greatest pain, with June sales falling 26.9%⁽¹⁾ compared to the same month last year. The company also recently announced production cuts and complete work stoppages across several assembly plants for July
 - Foreign automakers have fared markedly better than U.S.-based competitors, as Hyundai and KIA are expected to report their highest-ever market share of U.S. sales in Q2 2021
- Aggregate M&A deal value in Q2 2021 totaled \$4.7 billion, up by 327% when compared to Q2 2020 (\$1.1 billion). Deal volume also increased in Q2 2021 to 25 deals as compared to 8 closed transactions in O2 2020
 - One of the more significant transactions in the current quarter occurred in June when Unifrax agreed to purchase Lydall, Inc (NYSE:LDL) for \$1.4 billion, consolidating its electric vehicle battery technology and other material solutions

(1) Per company announcement

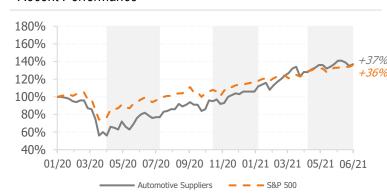
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Amherst Partners' Automotive Index

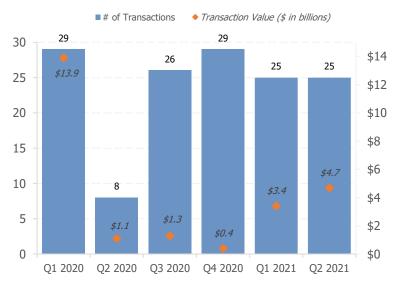
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U.S. M&A Activity – Auto Suppliers



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