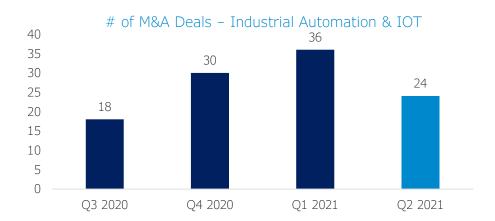


Market Update Industrial Automation & IOT

The pandemic has been an element of disruption in the Industrial Automation & IoT sector, intensifying the gap between the companies that embraced digital transformation and the ones that were left behind. As a result, the M&A activity in the sector has accelerated while new technologies have emerged. According to IBM, two-thirds of manufacturers have accelerated their integration of digital technologies, particularly technologies that facilitate remote learning. Additionally, as a response to the supply-chain crisis that affected businesses in almost every industry, many manufacturers opted to reshore their supply sources to the U.S. According to Paulo De Matos, the Chief Product Officer of SYSPRO, companies need to engage in dual sourcing to increase their resilience in front of supply-chain challenges.

Industrial Automation & IoT stock performance measured by 7MA's sector index has demonstrated momentum, surpassing that of the broader market since July 2021. Since the end of October, the overall market and the Industrial Automation & IoT index have risen sharply amid vaccination news, recovery efforts, and a positive outlook for the global economy. Industrial Automation & IoT stocks have continued to rise so far in 2021 and are hovering close to 40% higher than last August. Revenue multiples have stayed in between 6x - 7x while EBITDA multiples have been near 25x since January of this year.



7MA has recently completed several M&A transactions for companies with Industrial Automation & IoT products, software platforms, and service offerings and has developed unparalleled deal expertise and knowledge of the industry trends, valuation trends, and most active strategic and financial buyers. Please contact Leroy Davis, Sydney Scadden, or Conor Smith if you would like to learn more about Industrial Automation & IOT.

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Sector Snapshot

Rockwell Automation Acquires Plex Systems for \$2.2B





Plex Systems, a cloud-native smart manufacturing platform, was acquired by Rockwell Automation for \$2.2 billion. Plex Systems automates business processes for discrete manufacturers by connecting suppliers, machines, people, and systems with ERP and manufacturing automation capabilities among other services. Plex serves more than 700 customers and administers more than eight billion transactions per day. Plex can connect, automate, track and analyze clients' operations and connected supply chains at scale, in addition to its capabilities in advanced manufacturing execution systems. Rockwell Automation is a pure-play automation player. Through this acquisition, the company is looking to extend its technological capabilities and extend in the cloud.

Date: June 25, 2021 Deal Type: M&A Target HQ: Troy, MI

Hyundai Motor Group Acquires Majority Stake in Boston Dynamics





Hyundai Motor Group acquired a controlling interest in mobile robot maker Boston Dynamics from SoftBank for \$1.1 billion.

Post-closing, the Group holds an 80 percent stake in Boston Dynamics and SoftBank, through one of its affiliates, retains the remaining 20 per cent.

Boston Dynamics develops agile, mobile robots that integrate into the business operations of industrial firms to make work safer.

The acquisition will enable Hyundai Motor Group to continue what it says is a strategic transformation into a smart mobility solutions provider by investing in the development of future technologies such autonomous driving, artificial intelligence (AI), urban air mobility (UAM), smart factories and robots.

Date: June 23, 2021 Deal Type: M&A Target HQ: Waltham,

What is Driving the Activity in the Space?







Market Landscape

Offerings

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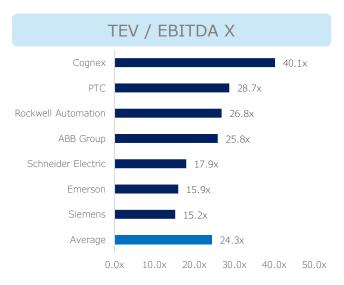
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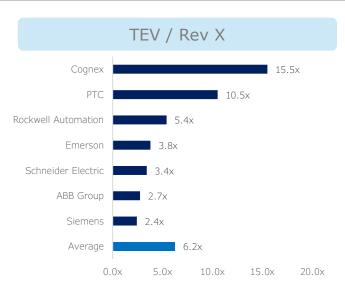
Products & **Platforms** Please reach out to 7MA team to get access to the full list.

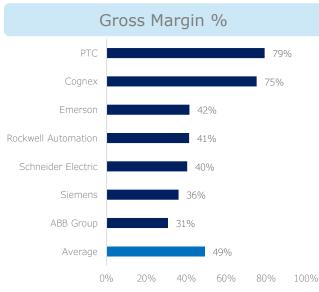
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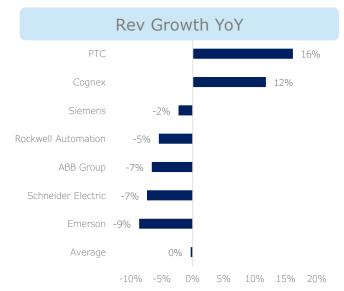
Publicly-traded Industrial Automation & IOT – Q2 2021

Companies	TEV \$m	LTM EBITDA \$m	LTM Rev \$m	Rev Growth YoY	GP %	EBITDA %	TEV / Rev X	TEV / EBITDA X	# of FTEs	Rev / FTE \$k
Cognex	13,670	341	883	12%	75%	39%	15.5x	40.1x	41,168	33
PTC	17,158	598	1,634	16%	79%	37%	10.5x	28.7x	400	4,290
Rockwell Automation	34,013	1,270	6,305	-5%	41%	20%	5.4x	26.8x	1,200	2,834
Emerson	64,602	4,057	17,064	-9%	42%	24%	3.8x	15.9x	6,625	975
ABB Group	73,529	2,849	26,819	-7%	31%	11%	2.7x	25.8x	3,031	2,426
Schneider Electric	97,662	5,451	28,679	-7%	40%	19%	3.4x	17.9x	2,056	4,750
Siemens	160,314	10,568	66,438	-2%	36%	16%	2.4x	15.2x	7,139	2,246
Average	65,850	3,591	21,117	0%	49%	24%	6.2x	24.3x	8,803	2,508
Median	64,602	2,849	17,064	-5%	41%	20%	3.8x	25.8x	3,031	2,426









Notable Deals

Q2 2021 M&A Transactions

Date Target Buyer / Investor Target Description

June-2, 2021





Process Automation Solutions ("PA"), one of the leading, manufacturer-independent suppliers of complete automation solutions for the process, manufacturing and automotive industries acquired Control and Information Management Ltd. ("CIM"). CIM is a industrial automation system integrator based in Ireland. The deal adds automation and service capabilities to PA for biopharma, pharmaceutical, and other manufacturing and services industries and enhances its digitization strategy.

May-25, 2021





TTTech Industrial Automation AG acquired core technology and strategic customers from pioneering fog/edge computing start-up Nebbiolo Technologies. Integrating features and know-how from Nebbiolo Technologies will support TTTech Industrial's commitment to delivering the world's most advanced industrial edge computing platform to its customers. TTTech Industrial is a leading provider of industrial IoT solutions, and partners with key players in IoT such as Intel and Microsoft.

April-8, 2021





Accenture (NYSE:ACN) acquired Pollux, a provider of industrial robotics and automation solutions, headquartered in Brazil. The acquisition will expand Accenture's capabilities for clients in consumer goods, pharmaceutical and automotive industries seeking to make their factories, plants and supply chains more productive, safe and sustainable. Pollux provides solutions to optimize manufacturing and logistics processes. The company designs, engineers and deploys fully functional assembly lines that include robots and other hardware, plus the software that controls them.

April-1, 2021





Sensata Technologies (NYSE: ST), a leading industrial technology company and provider of sensor-rich solutions that create insight for customers, acquired leading telematics and data insight provider, Xirgo Technologies for \$400 million. Xirgo offers innovative, full-featured, application-specific wireless IoT communication devices for numerous markets and verticals.

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