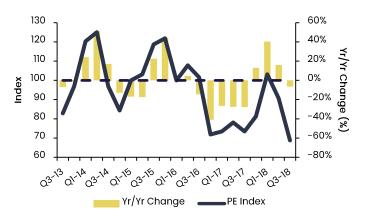


## Bridgepoint Midwest Capital Raise Indices

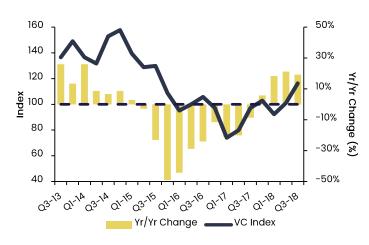
### Non-Coastal Venture Market Starting to Receive More Attention

- Private Equity Index Summary: On a year-over-year basis, the Bridgepoint Index decreased 6.4% from 73.4 in Q3-17 to 68.8 in Q3-18. On a quarter-toquarter basis, the Index decreased 24.1% from 90.6 in Q2-18 to 68.8 in Q3-18.
- Perspective / Key Drivers: Private equity in the Midwest continued its decline from Q2–18 and reached a five year low. Nationally, deal sizes and multiples remain elevated and the middle market is on pace to surpass \$400 billion in total value for the first time. Buyout multiples have remained elevated as competition for prime assets has persisted. PE funds are trying to spend down dry powder and have faced increased competition from cash-rich strategics that just received an additional windfall from the recent reduction in corporate taxes.
- Venture Capital Index Summary: On a year-over-year basis, the Bridgepoint Index increased 19.8% to 116.4 in Q3-18, from 97.12 in Q3-17. On a quarter-to-quarter basis, the Index increased 15.2% from 101.0 in Q2-18, continuing the upward trend since Q1-17.
- Perspective / Key Drivers: The Midwest continued its strong upward swing in venture activity during Q3-18. The national market has also continues to flourish, with a record \$84.3 billion of deal value year to date. The venture industry is starting to pay more attention to startups in non-coastal regions of the country. This trend hasn't quite surfaced in the data yet, but positive sentiment and interest are emerging. This stems from the lower cost of startup operations, the demand for follow-on investments in a strong cohort of startups looking for additional growth capital, and a strong talent pool.

# Bridgepoint Midwest Private Equity Index (Q1-11 = 100)



# Bridgepoint Midwest Venture Capital Index (Q1-11 = 100)



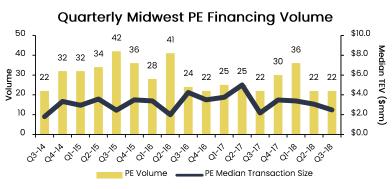
YTD U.S. venture capital total deal value of \$84.3 billion is already a record high, with a quarter remaining

Index Definition

Q1-11 = 100. As defined by Bridgepoint Investment Banking, the Bridgepoint Midwest Capital Raise Index is assembled by summing the number of transactions (for transactions that meet the Transaction Requirements below, as sorted by announced date) announced over the latest two quarters. Year-over-year and quarter-over-quarter percent change is calculated and then applied to the index number for the previous applicable period. Transaction Requirements

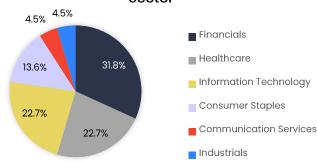
Target/Issuer must be located in the Midwest, and the Investor must be either a private equity or venture capital firm. Midwest defined as Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and South Dakota. Source: Bridgepoint Investment Banking, Capital IQ, Pitchbook (9/30/2018)

### Selected Midwest Q3-18 Capital Raise Transaction Statistics(a)

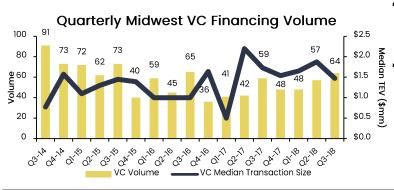


- Quarterly Midwest private equity financing volume remained flat over the third quarter at 22 transactions. This matches four other quarters as the lowest volume over the past four years.
- The Q3-18 PE median transaction size was 19.0% below the five year historical median, encumbered by the quarterly median transaction size decreasing by 19.0% to \$2.5mm in Q3.
- Although national transaction sizes are continually increasing, the Midwest has seen fairly consistent median transaction sizes over the past four years.

#### Midwest Private Equity Transaction Volume by Sector

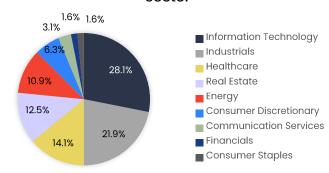


- Financials, Healthcare, and Information Technology were the three most active sectors and accounted for nearly 75% of the total Midwest private equity transactions in Q3-18, which is consistent with Q2-18.
- The Financials sector has been lifted lately by PE firms and insurance companies forming relationships, whereby PE firms have allowed insurance companies to invest more aggressively.
- Communication Services saw its first activity since Q2-17 with Corsair Capital's acquisition of Spring Venture Group, a marketing and technology firm.



- Quarterly Midwest venture capital volume increased to 64 transactions in Q3-18, up 12.2% for the quarter.
  On a year-over-year basis, total transaction volume increased by 8.5% from Q3-17.
- The median transaction size in Q3-18 was \$1.5mm, a 20.2% quarterly decrease. This is 13.1% greater than the 5 year historical median and is inconsistent with the national trend of increasing deal sizes. As non-coastal venture prospects garner more later stage attention, median deal sizes should increase.

### Midwest Venture Capital Transaction Volume by Sector



- Financings in the Information Technology and Industrials sectors accounted for 50% of all venture activity in the Midwest region for the quarter.
- Information Technology, Real Estate, Industrials, Energy, Communication Services, and Consumer Staples all saw increased activity from the previous quarter.
- With only 1 financing in Q3-18, Financials experienced an 86% drop from 7 financings in Q2-18.



Selected Midwest Q3-18 Capital Raise Transaction Statistics (Continued)(a)



- Transactions with Midwest investors decreased 31.3% from 32 in Q2-18 to 22 in Q3-18.
- Total private equity and venture capital transactions with Midwest issuers increased 9.0% from 79 in Q2-18 to 86 in Q3-18.
- On a year-over-year basis, Midwest issuers saw an increase of 6.1%, while Midwest investors remained flat. These levels reinforce the issue of a lack of capital available from Midwest investors.

Venture Capita

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Real Estate

Consumer Discretionary

#### Selected Midwest Q3-18 Capital Raise Transactions(a) Investor NextStream Growth I, LLC 09/27/2018 Information Technology 100.00 Oklahoma Venture Capita 09/21/2018 Missouri EquipmentShare.com, Inc Venture Capita Industrials OPS-KC, LLC 09/19/2018 Venture Capita Real Estate Kansas Site 1001, Inc. 09/19/2018 Missouri Venture Capita Information Technology 6.28 09/12/2018 IDx Technologies, Inc Heritage Provider Network, Inc.; Eight Partners; Optum Ventures; Alpha Edison Growth Capital/Private Equity 33.00 lowa Health Care 09/10/2018 Sterling Filters, LLC Missouri Venture Capita Industrials Missouri 09/10/2018 CityPlace Royale Investors, LLC Real Estate Venture Capita Industrials 09/06/2018 KNOXX. H.C. Kansas Venture Capita 09/06/2018 InnovaPrep LLC Missouri Venture Capita Health Care 08/31/2018 Ascent Resources, LLC 575.00 Oklahoma Venture Capita Energy 08/29/2018 N.B.C. Bancshares in Pawhuska, Inc. Growth Capital/Private Equity Financials 12.00 Oklahoma 08/28/2018 SAB Biotherapeutics, Inc Health Care 22.00 South Dakota Venture Capita Quake Capital Partners 08/28/2018 CitySmart, LLC Missouri Venture Capita Information Technology 0.15 08/27/2018 Venture Capita MakuSafe Corp. Information Technology lowa 08/20/2018 Security State Bancshares, Inc. Growth Capital/Private Equity Financials Missouri iDocsWeb, LLC 08/16/2018 Missouri Venture Capita Health Care 08/15/2018 Industry People Group Inc Providence Strategic Growth Capital Partners LLC Growth Capital/Private Equity Information Technology lowa 08/15/2018 0.12 River's Edge Energy, LLC North Dakota Venture Capita Energy 08/10/2018 Invisibly, Inc Missouri Venture Capita Information Technology 10.23 08/08/2018 Ascent Resources Equity Holdings, LLC 58.76 Oklahoma Venture Capita Energy 08/03/2018 Elira Therapeutics, Inc. Missouri Health Care 0.92 Venture Capita 08/02/2018 San Joaquin Renewables, LLC Venture Capita lowa Energy 07/31/2018 Real Quantum, LLC 0.85 Kansas Venture Capita Information Technology 07/30/2018 Phoreus Biotechnology, Inc Venture Capita Health Care Kansas 07/25/2018 Innova Memphis Inc Communication Services 1.00 Tractor Zoom, Inc lowa Venture Capita 07/20/2018 10.00 Invisibly, Inc Missouri Venture Capita Information Technology 07/16/2018 Zero Card, Inc. Oklahoma Venture Capita Health Care 07/16/2018 Legal GPS, Inc. 0.08 Missouri Venture Capita Information Technology 07/13/2018 Flex Air Inc. Kansas Venture Capita Consumer Discretionary 0.05 07/11/2018 Enduralock, LLC Venture Capita Industrials Kansas

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