

The M&A newsletter for the food and beverage sector

Q3 2015

Q3 2015 Food and Beverage Public Comparables

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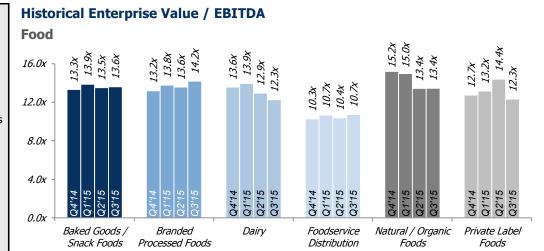
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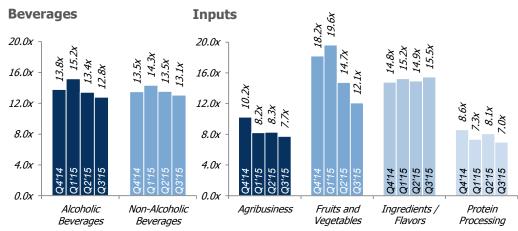
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Market Intelligence

- M&A activity in the food and beverage sector continued to show strong momentum in the third quarter, including B&G Foods' acquisition of Green Giant International and Flowers Foods' acquisition of Alpine Valley Bread.
- Heinken NV's acquisition of a 50% stake in Lagunitas Brewing
 Company signaled increasing consolidation in the fast growing craft beer category.

Sources: Capital IQ, Mergermarket and Bloomberg





Median Statistics										
	Quarterly Stock Performance	% of 52 Week High	EV / LTM		P/E	Net Debt /	LTM Growth		LTM Margin	
Sector (# of Companies)			Revenue	EBITDA	Multiple	LTM EBITDA	Revenue	EBITDA	Gross	EBITDA
<u>Food</u>										
Baked Goods / Snack Foods (14)	2.6%	94.1%	1.7x	13.6x	33.0x	3.2x	1.3%	2.5%	28.7%	11.6%
Branded Processed Foods (19)	1.8%	93.6%	2.4x	14.2x	25.3x	2.1x	(2.2%)	1.2%	34.7%	16.1%
Dairy (6)	(4.0%)	84.3%	1.3x	12.3x	30.6x	1.9x	(11.1%)	(3.8%)	28.9%	9.9%
Foodservice Distribution (15)	1.1%	81.4%	1.0x	10.7x	24.8x	1.1x	(3.9%)	(2.9%)	31.5%	9.3%
Natural / Organic Foods (6)	(20.7%)	58.7%	1.1x	13.4x	31.9x	2.8x	13.8%	12.0%	28.9%	8.9%
Private Label Foods (8)	(4.6%)	86.4%	1.4x	12.3x	33.7x	3.2x	4.6%	3.8%	20.8%	11.2%
Median			1.4x	12.9x	31.2x	2.5x	(0.4%)	1.8%	28.9%	10.5%
<u>Beverage</u>										
Alcoholic Beverages (10)	(4.2%)	85.3%	4.1x	12.8x	23.3x	2.6x	(3.2%)	(5.2%)	51.2%	28.3%
Non-Alcoholic Beverages (10)	1.6%	93.0%	2.5x	13.1x	22.6x	1.7x	2.6%	1.7%	42.1%	20.7%
Median			3.3x	12.9x	22.9x	2.2x	(0.3%)	(1.7%)	46.7%	24.5%
<u>Inputs</u>										
Agribusiness (9)	(16.5%)	67.7%	1.2x	7.7x	15.9x	1.9x	(6.9%)	(2.0%)	22.2%	11.9%
Fruits and Vegetables (3)	(5.1%)	83.3%	0.6x	12.1x	21.7x	0.7x	4.0%	26.6%	9.0%	6.4%
Ingredients/Flavors (13)	1.2%	88.3%	1.5x	15.5x	29.9x	1.6x	(10.1%)	(11.8%)	30.2%	11.5%
Protein Processing (6)	(3.8%)	92.8%	0.6x	7.0x	13.9x	2.4x	3.5%	25.9%	16.8%	10.5%
Median			0.9x	9.9x	18.8x	1.8x	(1.7%)	12.0%	19.5%	11.0%
Overall Median			1.4x	12.6x	25.0x	2.0x	(0.4%)	1.5%	28.9%	11.3%

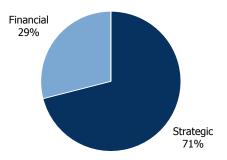
Source: Capital IQ as of 9/30/2015

Q3 2015 Food and Beverage M&A Activity — North America

Summary Observations

- During Q3 2015, there were 69 announced M&A transactions involving the acquisition of North American food and beverage targets, up 5% from Q3 2014
- 71% went to strategic acquirers, 29% went to financial and other acquirers
- Notable deals announced in Q3 2015 include:
 - The WhiteWave Foods Company acquired Wallaby Yogurt Company for \$122 million or ~2.7x revenue
 - Heineken acquired a 50% stake in the Lagunitas Brewing Company for an undisclosed sum
 - Flowers Bakeries acquired Dave's Killer Bread for \$275 million or approximately 1.7x 2016F revenue

Breakdown by Acquirer Type



Selected North American M&A Transactions

Announced			Enterprise	Enterprise Value	
Date	Target	Acquirer	Value (\$mm)	Sales	EBITD/
9/23/15	Golden Road Brewing	AB InBev	-	-	-
9/23/15	Willamette Egg Farms, L.L.C.	Post Holdings	\$90	1.1x	6.0x
9/16/15	YummyEarth, Inc.	The Riverside Company	-	-	-
9/15/15	Califia Farms LP	Stripes Group	-	-	-
9/9/15	Alpine Valley Bread Company	Flowers Bakeries, LLC	120	-	-
9/8/15	Natural Food Holdings, Inc.	Perdue Farms Inc.	-	-	-
9/8/15	Lagunitas Brewing Company	Heineken NV	-	-	-
9/4/15	Virtue Cider Company	Fulton Street Brewery, LLC	-	-	-
9/3/15	Green Giant International (Green Giant & La Sueur brands)	B&G Foods	765	-	-
8/26/15	Talbott Vineyards	E. & J. Gallo Winery, Inc.	-	-	-
8/25/15	McNeil Nutritionals (Splenda Brand)	TC Heartland LLC	-	-	-
8/20/15	Deep Eddy Vodka & Spirits	HeavenHill Distilleries,Inc.	-	-	-
8/20/15	The Mediterranean Snack Food Company, LLC	American Halal Company, Inc.	-	-	-
8/19/15	Hudson Baking Company, LLC	Arbor Investments	-	-	-
8/18/15	Suja Juice Inc.	Coca-Cola	-	-	-
8/12/15	Dave's Killer Bread	Flowers Bakeries, LLC	275	-	-
8/7/15	Wallaby Yogurt Company, Inc.	The WhiteWave Foods Company	122	2.7x	-
8/7/15	Kettle Cuisine, Inc.	Kainos Capital	-	-	-
8/7/15	Trilliant Food & Nutrition	Kainos Capital	-	-	-
8/5/15	Gold Pure Food Products Co., Inc.	LaSalle Capital		-	-
7/31/15	Sunrise Growers, Inc.	SunOpta Inc.	450	1.5x	11.5x
7/30/15	Paisley Farm, Inc.	The Fremont Company	-	-	-
7/23/15	Italian Home Bakery Ltd.	Grupo Bimbo, S.A.B. de C.V.	-	-	-
7/21/15	Merrick Pet Care, Inc.	Nestlé Purina PetCare Company		-	-
7/16/15	Firestone Walker Brewing Co.	Duvel Moortgat nv	-	-	-
7/13/15	Spartan Foods Of America, Inc.	B&G Foods	50	1.4x	6.7x
7/8/15	Kerr Concentrates, Inc.	Ingredion Incorporated	100	-	-
7/6/15	Teasy Teas, LLC	Royal Cup, Inc.	-	-	-
7/2/15	Sprout Foods, Inc.	North Castle Partners	-	-	-
7/1/15	Copper Cane Wines & Provisions, Meiomi Wine Brand	Constellation Brands	315	-	-
7/1/15	Cargill Pork, LLC	Swift Pork Company	1,450	0.6x	6.8x

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