CIESCO
Sector Spotlight:
DevOps
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## Market Trends



**DevSecOps** and the shift-left approach to development is expected to grow in popularity as **cyber threats evolve** and organisations increasingly **prioritise security and compliance**.

**Cloud-native technologies** enable DevOps teams to build, deploy and manage applications that can support fast and frequent changes without impacting service delivery.





The demand for **low & no-code development** will increase as industries that aren't digital by nature are undergoing **rapid digital transformation**.

The significance of **observability** is on the rise, especially as **cloud-native applications** and production environments become progressively more **intricate and distributed** 





Continued **rise of artificial intelligence (AI)** allows DevOps teams to optimise and automate workflows, improving software development efficiency.

**Microservices architecture** implementation will continue to grow as the **loose coupling of functionalities** reduces downtime and allows developers to work on one microservice without disrupting others.



## **Notable Transactions**

| Target              | Buyer                 | Month   | Target Subsector                             | Buyer Subsector                       | Deal Value |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---------|--|---------------------------------------|------------|
| <b>╬ loom</b>       | <b>A</b> ATLASSIAN    | Oct-23  | Video Messaging<br>(US)                      | DevOps<br>(Australia)                 | \$975m     |
| APPTIO'             | IBM                   | Aug-23  | Technology Business<br>Management<br>(US)    | Enterprise IT<br>(US)                 | \$4.6bn    |
| SUSE                | EQT                   | Aug-23  | Enterprise Open-<br>Source Solutions<br>(US) | Private Equity<br>(Sweden)            | ND         |
| <b>////</b> Laminar | 🛟 rubrik              | Aug-23  | Agile Data Security<br>(Israel)              | Cloud Data<br>Management<br>(US)      | \$225m     |
| мChain              | ΛΫ́́ζΞ                | Aug-23  | Web3<br>Transformation<br>(Switzerland)      | Private Equity<br>(Switzerland)       | \$570m     |
| new relic           | FP TPG                | July-23 | Observability<br>(US)                        | Private Equity<br>(US)                | \$6.5bn    |
| Paperspace          | DigitalOcean          | June-23 | AI/ML Development<br>Platform<br>(US)        | Cloud Computing<br>(US)               | \$111m     |
| mopica              | <b>€</b> cognizant    | Mar-23  | IoT Engineering<br>(UK)                      | Systems<br>Integration<br>(US)        | \$325m     |
| sumo logic          | FRANCISCO<br>PARTNERS | Apr-23  | SaaS Analytics<br>(US)                       | Private Equity<br>(US)                | \$1.7bn    |
| ☐ MICRO             | opentext*             | Jan-23  | Business Software &<br>Consulting<br>(UK)    | Information<br>Management<br>(Canada) | \$5.8bn    |

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### CloudTech & DevOps M&A Deal Activity



## CloudTech & DevOps Fundraising Deal Activity



# Most Acquisitive Buyers

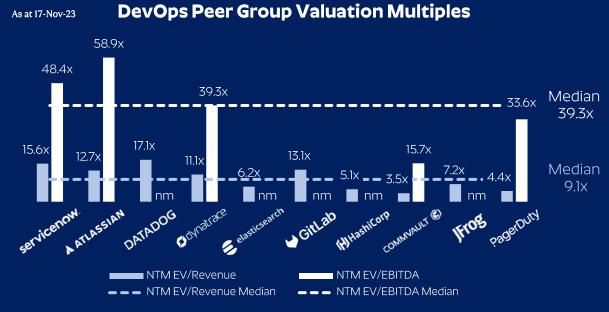
| THOMABRAVO                                  | Founded in<br>1980   | \$131bn AUM  | Chicago, USA<br>HQ   | 95<br>employees     |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Recent acquisitions:                        | User Testing         | ∢ applitools | flexera              | <b>♥</b> Venafi     |  |  |  |
| VISTA                                       | Founded in<br>2005   | \$101bn AUM  | Austin, USA<br>HQ    | 195<br>employees    |  |  |  |
| Recent acquisitions:                        | SMARTBE A            | AR. Osona    | type 🛕 a             | ptean               |  |  |  |
| cisco                                       | Founded in<br>1984   | MCap \$216bn | San Jose, USA<br>HQ  | 99,680<br>employees |  |  |  |
| Recent acquisitions:                        | <b>《</b><br>Code BGP | O opsani     | replex •             | epsagon             |  |  |  |
| <b>vm</b> ware <sup>®</sup>                 | Founded in<br>1998   | MCap \$65bn  | Palo Alto, USA<br>HQ | 38,300<br>employees |  |  |  |
| Recent acquisitions:                        | SALT <b>STACK</b>    | T Datrium    | OCTARINE             | Pivotal.            |  |  |  |
| TPG   | Founded in<br>1992   | \$212bn AUM  | Fort Worth, US<br>HQ | A 183<br>employees  |  |  |  |
| Recent acquisitions:                        | 🕥 new reli           | c. Checkn    | marx die             | gıtal.aı            |  |  |  |
| Most acquisitive buvers in the last 5 years |                      |              |                      |                     |  |  |  |

Most acquisitive buyers in the last 5 years

Source: Pitchbook



# Public Comps



Note: New Relic and SUSE have been excluded from the data set as their take private investments were completed by Francisco Partners & TPG on 08-Nov-2023 and by EQT on 14-Nov-2023, respectively.

#### **Recent CEO Commentary**

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"Through our Cloud platform, thousands of customers ... are already realizing value from the AI capabilities we've introduced across our Cloud products ... The early feedback has been terrific, and we're incredibly excited by the opportunities that AI presents us" – **Scott Farquhar, Co-CEO**Q1 2024 Earnings Call, 02-Nov-2023

"The industry has been talking about the idea of DevSecOps, the breaking down of silos among development, operations and security teams. And we entered the security space on the premise that DevOps and security teams should share the same data in the same platform." – Olivier Pomel, CEO

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## Sector Valuations Over Time

#### TTM EV/Revenue over the last 5 years



#### TTM EV/EBITDA over the last 5 years



Note: TTM EV/EBITDA multiples > 60x are deemed to be not material and have been removed from the data set Note: Valuation Multiples for New Relic and SUSE have been included up to the point of completion of their take private investments by Francisco Partners & TPG on 08-Nov-2023 and by EQT on 14-Nov-2023, respectively.



#### Leadership



Chris Sahota Founder & CEO

### Sector Team



Ateesh Srivastava Managing Director



**lack Andrews** Associate



20+ years of corporate leadership



Board Advisory Member: **Q Palantir** 



20+

SaaS

years of experience

Enterprise Sales Expert

SAUCELABS Symantec

13+ years of Investment Banking

>£7bn deal value executed



6+

experience

**MSc** 

Corporate Finance

experience

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