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# IT Services and Software

## INTERNATIONAL M&A SECTOR PERSPECTIVES

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# Global M&A in IT sector at a glance

M&A transactions in IT services and software

3.852 (2018)

3.523 (2017)

Acquisitive companies

2.914 (2018)

3.164 (2017)

Transaction volume

\$230bn (2018)

\$141bn (2017)

↑ +63%

Most acquisitive countries (# of transactions in 2018)



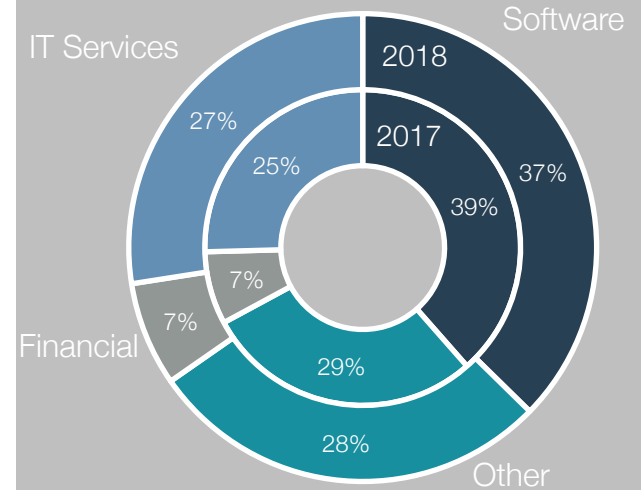
Cross-border M&A<sup>1</sup>

29% (2018)

29% (2017)

In total 1,082 cross-border M&A transactions in 2018 (vs 987 in 2017)

Buyer characteristics



*"Global dealmaking in the IT sector is unaffected by economic uncertainty, with 2018 being the best year for M&A yet"*

Source: S&P Capital IQ, Blacktrace research  
Note (1): excluding deals with incomplete geographic data



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Navigating cross-border M&A

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Cork

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