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# Business Services Update February 2021

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Last Twelve Months Performance (Daily from January 31, 2020 to January 31, 2021) Price as Percent of Base (January 31, 2020 = 0%)



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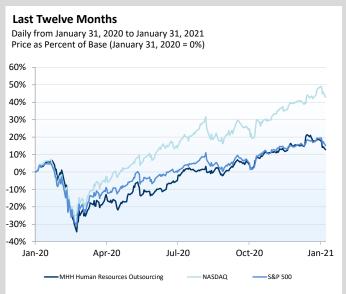
# **Human Resources Outsourcing**

Temporary staffing, HR Outsourcing and Professional Consulting related services for a variety of end-user markets.

#### **Comparative Index Performance**

The Mufson Howe Hunter Human Resources Outsourcing Index (a) decreased by (3.3%) in January of 2021.





Price Appreciation	3-Year	LTM	1-Month
Mufson Howe Hunter Human Resources Outsourcing Index (a)	31.8%	12.8%	(3.3%)
NASDAQ	76.4%	42.8%	1.4%
S&P 500	31.5%	15.2%	(1.1%)

<sup>(</sup>a) Market cap weighted index assuming no dividend reinvestment. Mufson Howe Hunter Human Resources Outsourcing Index is comprised of all companies listed on the following page.

# **Human Resources Outsourcing**

#### **Selected Valuation Metrics**

(\$ in millions, except per share data) Mar		ket & Capitalization		LTM Performance (3)			Valuation			Margins	
	·	Equity Ente		rise			Enterpris	nterprise Value/		Gross	
Company	Price (1)	Value	Value (2)	Revenue	EBITDA (4)	EPS	Revenue	EBITDA	EPS	Profit	EBITDA
Commercial Staffing											
ManpowerGroup Inc. (MAN)	\$88.44	\$4,863.7	\$4,857.5	\$18,001.0	\$445.6	\$0.41	0.27 x	10.9 x	NM	15.7%	2.5%
TrueBlue, Inc. (TBI)	18.59	659.7	665.9	1,846.4	32.6	(4.01)	0.36 x	20.4 x	NM	23.9%	1.89
Kelly Services, Inc. (KELY.A)	19.52	767.2	631.6	4,516.0	59.0	(1.83)	0.14 x	10.7 x	NM	18.3%	1.39
Mean		\$2,096.9	\$2,051.7	\$8,121.1	\$179.1	(\$1.81)	0.26 x	14.0 x	NA	19.3%	1.89
Median		767.2	665.9	4,516.0	59.0	(1.83)	0.27 x	10.9 x	NA	18.3%	1.8
Professional Staffing											
Robert Half International Inc. (RHI)	\$67.50	\$7,517.3	\$7,245.6	\$5,109.0	\$408.9	\$2.70	1.42 x	17.7 x	25.0 x	39.4%	8.09
Kforce Inc. (KFRC)	42.65	886.4	888.7	1,397.7	84.6	2.62	0.64 x	10.5 x	16.3 x	28.3%	6.19
Resources Connection, Inc. (RGP)	11.54	375.1	383.4	647.2	39.5	0.38	0.59 x	9.7 x	30.5 x	38.6%	6.19
Mean		\$2,926.3	\$2,839.2	\$2,384.6	\$177.6	\$1.90	0.88 x	12.6 x	23.9 x	35.4%	6.7
Median		886.4	888.7	1,397.7	84.6	2.62	0.64 x	10.5 x	25.0 x	38.6%	6.1
Healthcare Staffing											
AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (AMN)	\$72.12	\$3,391.9	\$4,318.1	\$2,393.7	\$298.8	\$1.48	1.80 x	14.5 x	NM	33.1%	12.5
Cross Country Healthcare, Inc. (CCRN)	8.76	329.1	407.6	835.9	24.1	(0.52)	0.49 x	16.9 x	NM	24.1%	2.99
Mean		\$1,860.5	\$2,362.8	\$1,614.8	\$161.4	\$0.48	1.15 x	15.7 x	NA	28.6%	7.7
Median		1,860.5	2,362.8	1,614.8	161.4	0.48	1.15 x	15.7 x	NA	28.6%	7.7
IT Staffing											
ASGN Incorporated (ASGN)	\$82.91	\$4,385.9	\$5,144.9	\$3,950.6	\$397.9	\$3.76	1.30 x	12.9 x	22.1 x	27.6%	10.19
Computer Task Group, Incorporated (CTG)	6.52	99.0	88.2	366.1	14.7	0.53	0.24 x	6.0 x	12.3 x	21.0%	4.0
RCM Technologies, Inc. (RCMT)	2.63	31.4	49.3	157.8	(4.9)	(0.50)	0.31 x	NM	NM	25.9%	N
Mean		\$1,505.5	\$1,760.8	\$1,491.5	\$135.9	\$1.26	0.62 x	9.5 x	17.2 x	24.8%	7.0
Median		99.0	88.2	366.1	14.7	0.53	0.31 x	9.5 x	17.2 x	25.9%	7.0
Executive Search											
Korn Ferry (KFY)	\$45.60	\$2,462.3	\$2,332.3	\$1,695.4	\$200.5	\$0.86	1.38 x	11.6 x	NM	24.6%	11.8
Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc. (HSII)	29.16	564.5	343.9	621.6	76.5	(1.95)	0.55 x	4.5 x	NM	27.5%	12.39
Mean		\$1,513.4	\$1,338.1	\$1,158.5	\$138.5	(\$0.54)	0.96 x	8.1 x	NA	26.1%	12.1
Median		1,513.4	1,338.1	1,158.5	138.5	(0.54)	0.96 x	8.1 x	NA	26.1%	12.1
Professional & Consulting											
Fair Isaac Corporation (FICO)	\$450.11	\$13,159.5	\$13,955.4	\$1,308.5	\$401.4	\$8.98	NM	NM	NM	72.5%	30.7
Exponent, Inc. (EXPO)	82.58	4,263.6	4,041.4	378.4	90.2	1.55	NM	NM	NM	33.9%	23.8
FTI Consulting, Inc. (FCN)	109.97	3,813.8	4,021.5	2,436.9	310.1	4.88	1.65 x	13.0 x	22.6 x	32.2%	12.7
CBIZ, Inc. (CBZ)	25.91	1,389.5	1,492.1	963.9	115.6	1.42	1.55 x	12.9 x	18.2 x	14.4%	12.0
Huron Consulting Group Inc. (HURN)	52.96	1,137.4	1,344.1	844.1	81.6	(1.08)	1.59 x	16.5 x	NM	29.8%	9.7
CRA International, Inc. (CRAI)	53.21	413.8	583.6	490.2	48.1	2.82	1.19 x	12.1 x	18.9 x	28.7%	9.8
Mean		\$4,029.6	\$4,239.7	\$1,070.3	\$174.5	\$3.09	1.50 x	13.6 x	19.9 x	35.3%	16.5
Median		2,601.7	2,756.8	904.0	102.9	2.18	1.57 x	12.9 x	18.9 x	31.0%	12.4

 $<sup>{\</sup>sf NA = Not\,Available;\,NM = Not\,Meaningful;\,LTM = Latest\,Twelve\,\,Months}$ 

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Source: Public Filings, Press Releases and Published Research Reports.

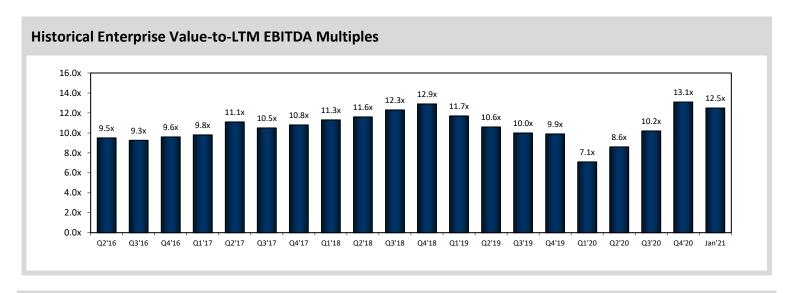
<sup>(1)</sup> As of close on January 29, 2021.

<sup>(2)</sup> Enterprise value is defined as equity value plus net debt, preferred stock and minority interests. Net Debt includes long term debt, short term debt, postretirement benefits and unfunded pensions, if applicable, less cash and cash equivalents.

<sup>(3)</sup> As of December 31, 2020 except RGP (November 28, 2020); KFY (October 31, 2020); EXPO (October 2, 2020); KELY.A and TBI (September 27, 2020); CRAI and RCMT (September 26, 2020); CTG (September 25, 2020).

<sup>(4)</sup> Excludes non-recurring and discontinued operations.

## **Human Resources Outsourcing**



#### **Selected M&A Transactions**

Announced	Target	Target Description	Acquirer	Value
Jan 7	Unico Solution, Inc.	Offers data integration, data quality, governance, cloud integration, managed services, connector development, master data management, and API management services	Huron Consulting Group Inc. (NasdaqGS:HURN)	ND
Jan 4	Borden Perlman Insurance Agency, Inc.	Offers personal and commercial insurance services in the United States	CBIZ, Inc. (NYSE:CBZ)	ND

#### Selected News

**Automatic Data Processing, Inc. (NasdaqGS:ADP)** reported second quarter net income of \$647.5 million for fiscal year 2021 as compared to \$651.6 million for the prior year period. Earnings per share were \$1.51 versus \$1.50 for the prior year period. Revenues for the quarter increased to \$3,695.7 million from \$3,669.5 million for the same period in fiscal year 2020.

**Fair Isaac Corporation (NYSE:FICO)** reported first quarter net income of \$86.5 million for fiscal year 2021 as compared to \$54.9 million for the prior year period. Earnings per share were \$2.90 versus \$1.82 for the prior year period. Revenues for the quarter increased to \$312.4 million from \$298.5 million for the same period in fiscal year 2020.

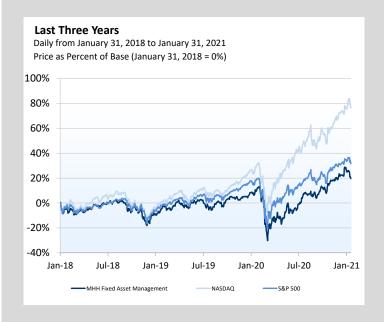
**Robert Half International Inc. (NYSE:RHI)** reported net income of \$306.3 million for fiscal year 2020 as compared to \$454.4 million for the prior year. Earnings per share were \$2.70 versus \$3.90 for the prior year. Revenues for the year decreased to \$5,109.0 million from \$6,074.4 million for fiscal year 2019.

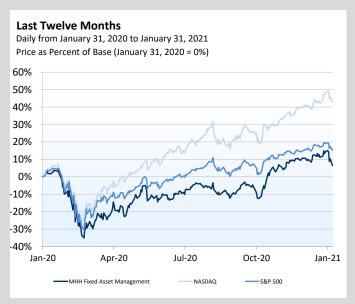
Note: All per share results are reported on a fully-diluted basis.

Outsourced facility management services including: environmental services, facility maintenance, food service contracting, manned security services, uniform/linen rental, and waste management services.

#### **Comparative Index Performance**

The Mufson Howe Hunter Fixed Asset Management Index (a) decreased by (2.4%) in January of 2021.





Price Appreciation	3-Year	LTM	1-Month
Mufson Howe Hunter Fixed Asset Management Index (a)	19.6%	6.5%	(2.4%)
NASDAQ	76.4%	42.8%	1.4%
S&P 500	31.5%	15.2%	(1.1%)

(a) Market cap weighted index assuming no dividend reinvestment. Mufson Howe Hunter Fixed Asset Management Index is comprised of all companies listed on the following page.

#### **Selected Valuation Metrics**

(\$ in millions, except per share data)	Market & Capitalization		LTM Performance (3)			Valuation			Margins		
		Equity	Enterprise				Enterpr	ise Value/	Price/	Gross	
Company	Price (1)	Value	Value (2)	Revenue	EBITDA (4)	EPS	Revenue	EBITDA	EPS	Profit	EBITDA
Facility Maintenance											
Rollins, Inc. (ROL)	\$36.02	\$17,708.3	\$18,026.9	\$2,161.2	\$456.0	\$0.53	8.34 x	39.5 x	68.0 x	51.5%	21.1%
Rentokil Initial plc (LSE:RTO)	7.11	13,135.5	14,424.1	3,351.1	593.7	0.16	4.30 x	24.3 x	44.1 x	79.0%	17.7%
Chemed Corporation (CHE)	517.90	8,261.4	8,234.2	2,079.6	446.3	19.48	3.96 x	18.5 x	26.6 x	33.7%	21.5%
FirstService Corporation (TSX:FSV)	136.66	5,956.6	6,719.1	2,772.4	272.1	2.02	2.42 x	24.7 x	67.7 x	32.5%	9.89
EMCOR Group, Inc. (EME)	88.30	4,850.4	4,706.3	8,919.5	583.8	2.51	0.53 x	8.1 x	35.2 x	15.4%	6.5%
ABM Industries Incorporated (ABM)	36.74	2,464.5	2,977.0	5,987.6	372.5	0.00	0.50 x	8.0 x	NM	15.0%	6.29
BrightView Holdings, Inc. (BV)	14.18	1,487.6	2,618.9	2,329.7	190.1	(0.39)	1.12 x	13.8 x	NM	25.1%	8.29
Comfort Systems USA, Inc. (FIX)	55.43	2,013.0	2,262.8	2,877.3	244.8	3.84	0.79 x	9.2 x	14.4 x	18.9%	8.5%
Healthcare Services Group, Inc. (HCSG)	32.42	2,412.8	2,148.5	1,760.3	125.9	1.32	1.22 x	17.1 x	24.6 x	15.2%	7.29
SP Plus Corporation (SP)	29.00	670.6	1,342.6	549.0	51.3	(8.21)	2.45 x	26.2 x	NM	23.4%	9.3%
Mean		\$5,896.1	\$6,346.0	\$3,278.8	\$333.6	\$2.13	2.56x	18.9x	40.1x	31.0%	11.69
Median		3,657.4	3,841.6	2,551.1	322.3	0.93	1.82x	17.8x	35.2x	24.3%	8.9%
Manned Security Services											
G4S plc (LSE:GFS)	\$3.57	\$5,516.4	\$7,508.6	\$9,256.6	\$817.2	\$0.01	0.81 x	9.2 x	NM	16.6%	8.89
Securitas AB (OM: SECU B)	14.48	5,283.2	7,130.9	13,144.7	917.7	0.81	0.54 x	7.8 x	17.9 x	17.5%	7.0%
The Brink's Company (BCO)	68.13	3,367.9	5,499.9	3,691.0	519.7	0.33	1.49 x	10.6 x	NM	13.4%	14.19
The GEO Group, Inc. (GEO)	8.94	1,065.2	3,832.4	2,350.1	378.4	0.94	1.63 x	10.1 x	9.5 x	24.3%	16.19
Prosegur Compañía de Seguridad, S.A. (BME:PSG)	2.78	1,398.6	2,752.6	4,495.2	959.2	1.10	0.61 x	2.9 x	2.5 x	35.4%	21.39
CoreCivic, Inc. (CXW)	7.11	850.6	2,725.8	1,905.5	398.0	0.45	1.43 x	6.8 x	15.8 x	26.9%	20.9%
Mean		\$2,913.7	\$4,908.4	\$5,807.2	\$665.0	\$0.6	1.09x	7.9x	11.4x	22.4%	14.79
Median		2,383.2	4,666.1	4,093.1	668.4	0.6	1.12x	8.5x	12.7x	20.9%	15.19
Environmental Services											
Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. (J)	\$100.96	\$13,133.5	\$14,531.9	\$13,588.8	\$1,133.3	\$3.28	1.07 x	12.8 x	30.8 x	19.0%	8.39
Tetra Tech, Inc. (TTEK)	121.57	6,592.6	6,996.5	2,339.7	271.1	3.27	2.99 x	25.8 x	37.2 x	19.4%	11.69
Stantec Inc. (TSX:STN)	35.52	3,981.7	4,777.5	2,794.9	332.2	1.25	1.71 x	14.4 x	28.3 x	52.7%	11.99
Arcadis NV (ARCAD)	35.08	3,146.3	3,548.9	4,040.6	312.4	0.29	0.88 x	11.4 x	NM	17.2%	7.79
EEI Corporation (EEI)	0.12	121.7	326.4	373.0	6.5	(0.01)	0.88 x	NM	NM	6.0%	1.79
Mean		\$5,395.2	\$6,036.2	\$4,627.4	\$411.1	\$1.62	1.50 x	16.1 x	32.1 x	22.8%	8.3
Median		3.981.7	4,777.5	2.794.9	312.4	1.25	1.07 x	13.6 x	30.8 x	19.0%	8.39

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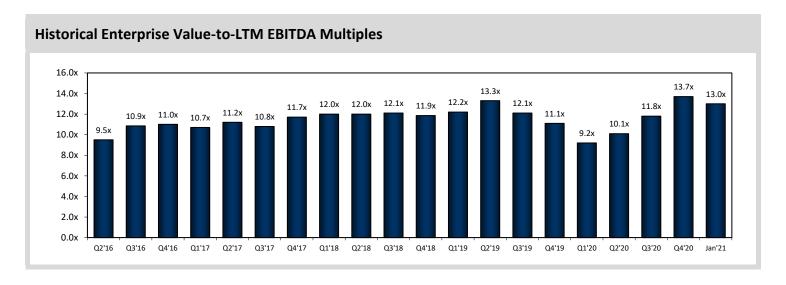
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#### **Selected M&A Transactions**

Announced	Target	Target Description	Acquirer	Value
Jan 29	Avantium Renewable Polymers B.V.	Produces and markets furandi-carboxylic acid	Worley Limited (ASX:WOR)	\$12.0
Jan 18	Garrie Pest Control LLC	Provides pest control services to commercial and residential customers	Rentokil North America, Inc.	ND
Jan 8	Environmental Pest Service, LLC	Provides pest control, lawn care, and termite control services in the United State	Rentokil North America, Inc.	ND
Jan 5	Tennessee Electric Company, Inc.	Provides mechanical and electrical installation, renovation, maintenance, repair, and replacement services	Comfort Systems USA, Inc. (NYSE:FIX)	ND

#### **Selected News**

**Rollins, Inc. (NYSE:ROL)** reported net income of \$260.8 million for fiscal year 2020 as compared to \$203.3 million for the prior year. Earnings per share were \$0.53 versus \$0.41 for the prior year. Revenues for the year increased to \$2,161.2 million from \$2,015.5 million for fiscal year 2019.

**Sodexo S.A. (ENXTPA:SW)** reported net income of (\$376.6) million for fiscal year 2020 as compared to \$731.4 million for the prior year. Earnings per share were (\$2.58) versus \$4.95 for the prior year. Revenues for the year decreased to \$23,097.4 million from \$24,146.5 million for fiscal year 2019.

**UniFirst Corporation (NYSE:UNF)** reported first quarter net income of \$41.9 million for fiscal year 2021 as compared to \$48.2 million for the prior year period. Earnings per share were \$2.20 versus \$2.52 for the prior year period. Revenues for the quarter decreased to \$446.9 million from \$465.4 million for the same period in fiscal year 2020.

Note: All per share results are reported on a fully-diluted basis.

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## **Mergers & Acquisitions**

- Advise buyers and sellers (public and private companies)
- Sale of businesses, strategic acquisitions, management buy-outs and industry build-ups

# **Raise Capital**

- Equity (control and non-control)
- Mezzanine financing
- Senior and junior debt
- Typically raise capital from banks, finance companies, private investment funds and private equity groups

### **Financial Advisory Services**

- Analysis of business strategies and options
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