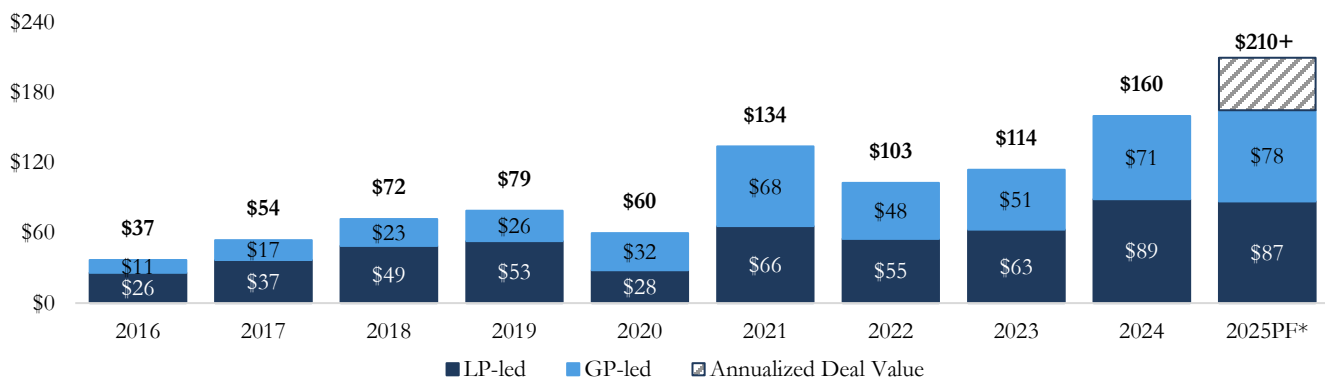


Secondaries Q3 2025 Update

MARKET COMMENTARY

- The secondaries market is on track for a record-breaking year, reaching \$165 billion in transaction value through Q3 2025, with strong momentum carrying into the final quarter of the year, fueled by rising liquidity needs amid a challenging exit environment.
- Secondaries deal activity in Q3 2025 reached \$60 billion, putting **2025 on pace to exceed an unprecedented \$210 billion**.
- Schroders Capital believes that secondaries could transform the industry's buyout model, with continuation vehicles (CVs) functioning as a cost-effective method to continue transformational growth without the disruption of a change of control. Verdun Perry of Blackstone predicts annual secondaries deal value could reach \$220 billion by the end of 2025 and \$400 billion by 2030.
- Through Q3, **16% of sponsor exit volume in 2025 is attributed to GP-led secondaries**, reflecting the growing importance of CVs in extending ownership and supporting more consistent returns.
- Private wealth fundraising represents 18% of overall near-term fundraising in the secondaries market** as of Q3 2025. Growth in the retail channel is supplying GPs with steady capital that necessitates quick deployment, fueling higher CV pricing and activity—especially in multi-asset deals (47% of GP-led issuance in H1 2025 vs. 32% in H1 2024).

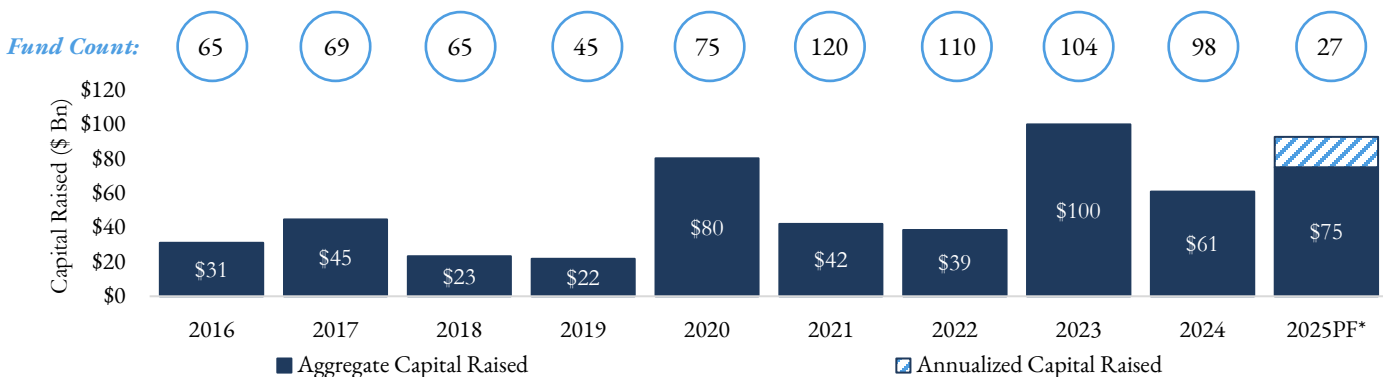
Secondaries Transactions by Value (\$ billion) through Q3 2025



*PF figure based on actual data through Q3 2025

The secondaries market has experienced unprecedented growth through Q3 2025, with **total deal value already exceeding full-year 2024**, while total deal count grew 29% (1,029 in H1 2024 to 1,329 in H1 2025).

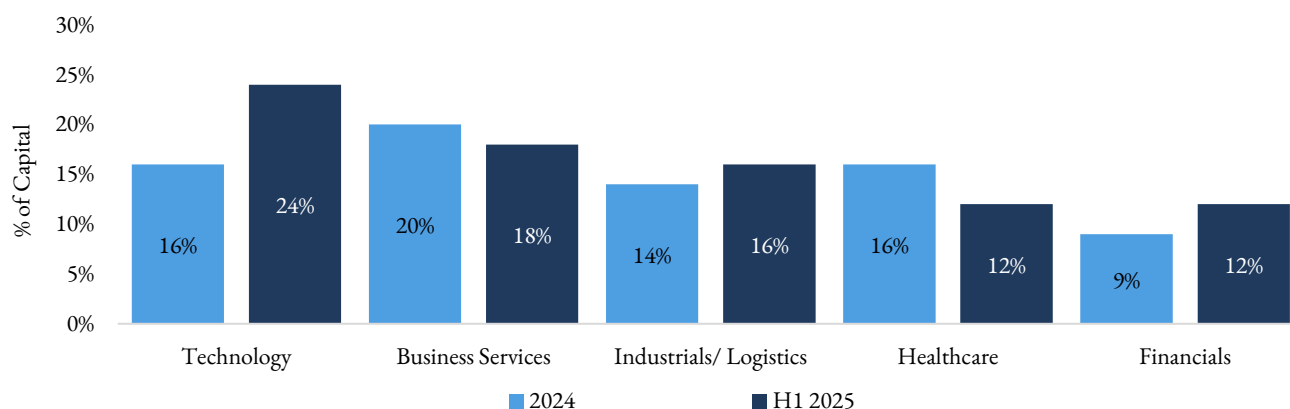
Private Equity Secondaries Fundraising



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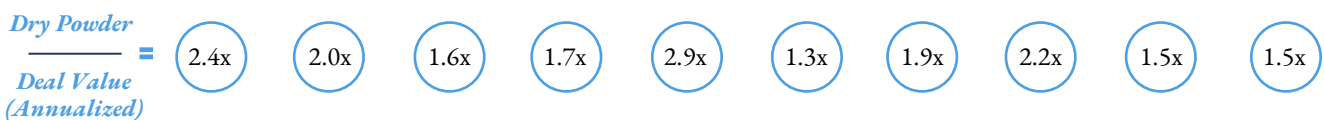
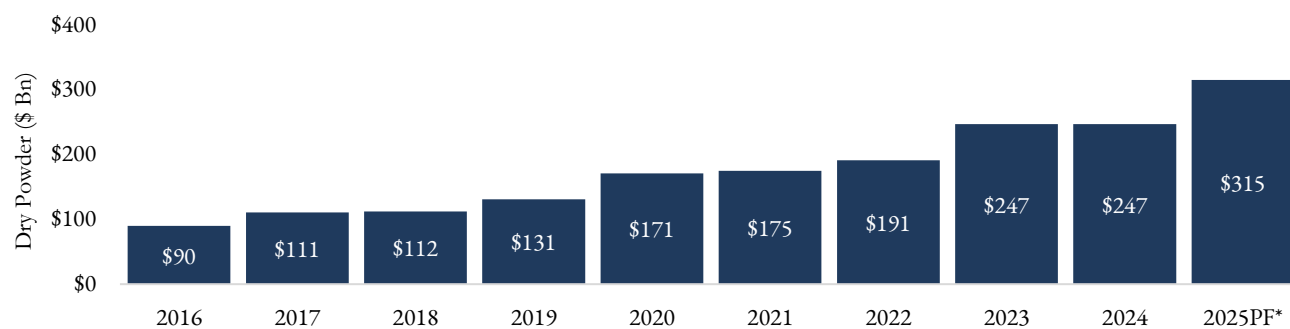
Despite lower fund count (63% YoY decline), **PE secondaries fundraising is up 42% YoY on a capital raised basis**, as a small cohort of firms raise large funds amid rising demand for dedicated strategies and / or demand for a broader alternative asset exposure (including Ardian's \$30 billion ASF IX and AlpInvest's \$20 billion ASP VIII).

GP-led Deployment by Industry in H1 2025



Bolstered by the AI boom, Technology has seen the most growth in terms of GP-led secondaries market transactions, accounting for 24% of aggregate deal value in H1 2025, compared to 16% in full-year 2024.

Total Secondaries Market Dry Powder (\$ billion)



*PF figure based on actual data through Q3 2025

The secondaries market has bolstered its capitalization, with **dry powder reaching an estimated \$315 billion as of Q3 2025**. Elevated dry powder levels and growing demand for liquidity positions the secondaries market for strong activity in the near-term. In light of the substantial dry powder held by dedicated secondaries funds—including more than ten flagship funds exceeding \$10 billion each—and strong U.S. corporate profitability, current market conditions are conducive for additional managers to bring continuation vehicles to market.

Sources: Campbell Lutyens, Evercore, Jefferies, PJT Partners, PitchBook, Prequin, Private Equity International, S&P Global, Secondaries Investor, Setter Capital.

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