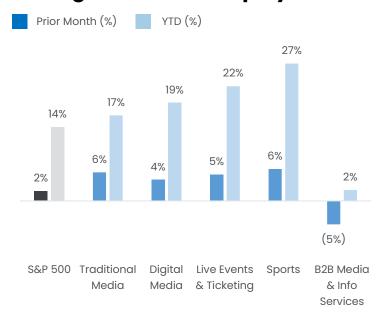


# Change in Market Cap by Sector



Note: Components of sector groups can be found on Page 4 of this report

## **Top Movers**

Sector Market Cap Gained / Lost (\$B)		
PRIOR MONTH		
Digital Media		\$204
B2B Media & Info Services	•	(\$19)
YEAR TO DATE		
Digital Media		\$832
B2B Media & Info Services		\$8
Individual Stocks (%)		
PRIOR MONTH		
Reddit		40%
Vivid Seats	•	(43%)
YEAR TO DATE		
Spotify		52%
Vivid Seats	•	(81%)

## **Select Earnings Releases**

AUG 4	Semrush	<b>(</b> 20.7%)	AUG 6	Sony	4.1%
AUG 4	ZoomInfo	<b>(</b> 8.0%)	AUG 6	Sprout Social	<b>(</b> 8.2%)
AUG 5	Fox	(1.3%)	AUG 6	TKO	<b>3.3</b> %
AUG 5	Klaviyo	15.0%	AUG 7	Eventbrite	<b>1</b> 4.9%
AUG 5	Snap	<b>(</b> 17.1%)	AUG 7	Lionsgate Studios	7.1%
AUG 5	Vivid Seats	<b>2</b> 5.9%	AUG 7	Live Nation	<b>3.3</b> %
AUG 6	Disney	<b>(</b> 2.0%)	AUG 7	Warner Bros. Discovery	<b>(</b> 8.0%)
AUG 6	Hubspot	<b>(</b> 6.2%)	AUG 12	Similarweb	<b>1</b> 8.7%
AUG 6	New York Times	(6.1%)	AUG 21	CTS Eventim	<b>(</b> 1.6%)

#### **Upcoming**

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### **Select Industry News**

- AUG 3 Regal Cinemas is releasing a documentary about **Dude Perfect** on more than 800 screens across the US, UK, and Australia in September (Bloomberg)
- AUG 4 The **NFL**'s preseason Hall of Fame game drew 6.9M TV viewers, the highest level since 2021 (<u>Front Office Sports</u>)
- AUG 5 **Peacock** and the **Big 12** announced a multi-year partnership to live stream 20 exclusive regular season men's basketball games (Sports Business Journal)
- AUG 6 **Disney** announced plans to shut down the standalone Hulu app and fully integrate it into Disney+ by 2026 (Hollywood Reporter)
- AUG 6 **ESPN** acquired the rights to **WWE**'s live premium events and highlights in a 5-year, \$1.6B deal (WSJ)
- AUG 6 **ProBienSat.1 Media's** board recommended shareholders accept **MediaForEurope's** takeover bid, with an August 13 deadline and a two-week extension thereafter (<u>Variety</u>)
- AUG 6 As part of its deal with the **NFL**, **ESPN** will assume the lease to the NFL Networks' studio near SoFi stadium (Front Office Sports)
- AUG 7 **Paramount** closed its \$8.4B merger with **Skydance** (Reuters)
- AUG 8 Netflix secured Canadian TV rights for the FIFA Women's World Cup in 2027 and 2031 (Hollywood Reporter)
- AUG 11 ESPN and Fox announced plans to bundle their soon-to-launch streaming services in October (Variety)
- AUG 11 Paramount struck a 7-year, \$7.7B deal for exclusive media rights for all US UFC matches beginning in 2026, eliminating the PPV model (WSJ)
- AUG 11 **StubHub** updated its IPO filings, effectively restarting its plans to go public after pausing the process in April due to tariff concerns (Bloomberg)
- AUG 12 US sports fan game-day spending has increased 25% from 2019, according to a **Bank of America** report (Sportico)
- AUG 12 Al startup **Perplexity** made a \$34.5B unsolicited cash offer for **Google Chrome**, amidst the latter's ongoing antitrust scrutiny (Reuters)
- AUG 12 SlingTV launched a new set of low-cost day, weekend, and week live TV streaming passes (Hollywood Reporter)
- AUG 14 For the first time, the **LA Olympics** are selling temporary naming rights at competition venues in an effort to achieve its \$2.5B commercial sponsorship revenue target (<u>Axios</u>)
- AUG 14 **WGA** West political candidates are pushing to unionize influencer-led companies and other creator economy entertainment formats (<u>Hollywood Reporter</u>)
- AUG 18 Legendary is reportedly in talks with Paramount for a global theatrical distribution deal (Deadline)
- AUG 18 The MLB Commissioner hinted at league expansion and potential geographical realignment (<u>The Athletic</u>)
- AUG 19 The \$6.1B sale of the **Boston Celtics** closed following unanimous approval from the **NBA** Board of Governors (Sportico)
- AUG 21 **NBC Sports'** live coverage of **Premier League** opening weekend set a US audience record, up 4% over last year's high-water mark (<u>Front Office Sports</u>)
- AUG 21 With 2+ weeks left in the regular season, the WNBA broke its single-season attendance record (ESPN)
- AUG 22 The MLB is reportedly nearing new, three-year media rights deals with ESPN, NBC, and Netflix (CNBC)
- AUG 22 **Paramount** is reportedly cutting up to 3,000 jobs as part of its plan to achieve \$2B in post-merger cost synergies (Variety)
- AUG 25 **Triller**, a **TikTok** rival, received a NASDAQ non-compliance notice after missing financial filing deadlines (Music Business Worldwide)
- AUG 25 Activist investor **Windward Management** is urging **Cineplex** to pursue share buybacks and asset sales to boost shareholder returns (<u>Bloomberg</u>)
- AUG 26 Al firm **Anthropic** settled a lawsuit from authors alleging copyright infringement (Reuters)
- AUG 27 Fox and YouTube TV reached a short-term deal extension as renewal talks continue (Variety)



## **Select M&A Transactions**

DATE	TARGET	TARGET DESCRIPTION	ACQUIROR	TRANSACTION	DEAL VALUE (\$M)	
AUG 4	Pro Volleyball Federation	Professional volleyball league	Major League Volleyball	Merger	325	
AUG 5	NFL Network, NFL Redzone, & NFL Fantasy	Select NFL media assets	ESPN	Acquisition	N/A	
AUG 6	Summit	Invitation-only membership community	Events.com	Merger	N/A	
AUG 8	10 TV stations from Allen Media Group	TV channels	Gray Media	Acquisition	171	
AUG 8	Generis Group	B2B executive summit provider	Emerald X	Acquisition	60	
AUG 8	Sourcescrub	Private company data platform	Datasite	Acquisition	N/A	
AUG 13	Portland Trail Blazers	NBA team	Tom Dundon	Acquisition	4,250	
AUG 19	Superdigital	Social and influencer agency	Accenture	Acquisition	N/A	
AUG 19	Tegna	Broadcast provider	Nexstar Media Group	Acquisition	6,200	
AUG 25	TVLine	Digital news platform	Static Media	Acquisition	N/A	

# **Select Private Capital Market Transactions**

DATE	TARGET	TARGET DESCRIPTION	INVESTOR(S)	TRANSACTION	AMOUNT RAISED (\$M)	
AUG 5	BeatBread	Music financing platform	Citi, Deciens Capital, others	N/A	124 (debt and equity)	
AUG 5	ESPN	Sports media platform	NFL	N/A	N/A	
AUG 11	Vidaa	CTV platform	Nexxen	N/A	35	
AUG 12	Jump	Fan experience platform	SevenSevenSix, Series A Forerunner, others		23	
AUG 14 Chord Music Partners		Music rights investment firm	Searchlight Capital	N/A	N/A	



# **Select Public Company Trading Metrics**

(\$ in millions, except per-sha		Share Price Performance		0/ -4 50 111 /	rte	Enterprise -	Enterprise Value / 2025			Growth-Adj.	Price / '25E
As of August 31, 2025	Share Price	Last Month	YTD	% of 52-Week High / Low	Equity Value	Enterprise Value	Revenue	Growth-Adj. Revenue <sup>1</sup>	EBITDA	EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	Earnings
Fraditional Media				Trigit / Low	Value	- Value		Revenue		EBITUA	Larrings
		( )		,							
Disney	\$118.38	(0.6%)	6.3%	94.9% / 147.8%	212,839	259,200	2.7x	0.48x	12.8x	1.01x	20.0
Sony	¥4,083	13.2%	30.1%	94.4% / 158.0%	171,018	167,342	2.0x	2.16x	10.7x	2.15x	22.13
Warner Bros Discovery	\$11.64	(11.6%)	10.1%	84.0% / 171.7%	28,818	60,531	1.6x	20.34x	7.1x	N/M	30.2
Fox	\$59.70	7.1%	22.9%	99.1% / 154.2%	25,385	27,975	1.7x	2.13x	8.2x	N/M	12.6>
Paramount Skydance	\$14.70	16.9%	40.5%	83.9% / 147.7%	15,650	23,170	0.8x	0.57x	8.1x	2.74x	11.2>
Lionsgate Studios	\$6.43	8.6%	(16.3%)	69.6% / 116.0%	1,862	5,435	1.9x	0.19x	20.6x	0.92x	N/M
Median		7.8%	16.5%				1.8x	1.35x	9.5x	1.58x	20.0
Digital Media											
Alphabet	\$213.53	10.7%	12.1%	99.2% / 149.7%	2,578,300	2,580,636	6.5x	0.56x	14.6x	0.94x	21.1>
Meta	\$738.70	(4.5%)	26.2%	92.8% / 154.0%	1,855,587	1,925,183	9.8x	0.60x	16.1x	1.00x	25.9>
Netflix	\$1,208.25	4.2%	35.6%	90.1% / 182.8%	513,417	531,300	11.8x	0.90x	37.6x	1.78x	46.1
Spotify	\$681.88	8.8%	52.4%	86.9% / 213.7%	140,316	134,923	6.7x	0.44x	N/M	N/M	N/M
Reddit	\$225.08	40.2%	37.7%	88.9% / 407.4%	42,125	44,049	21.5x	0.44x 0.65x	N/M	N/M	N/M
Pinterest	\$36.63	(5.1%)	26.3%	89.6% / 154.7%			5.7x	0.05x	19.1x	0.93x	20.0>
				53.8% / 102.3%	24,906	24,072		0.38x 0.21x	25.4x	0.93x 0.59x	20.03 N/M
Snap	\$7.14	(24.3%)	(33.7%)	•	12,065	13,575	2.3x				•
Roku New York Times Company	\$96.56 \$59.84	2.5% 15.3%	29.9% 15.0%	92.0% / 184.2% 96.1% / 133.5%	14,226 9,743	12,677 9,102	2.7x 3.3x	0.23x 0.53x	33.7x 16.7x	0.77x 1.76x	N/M 25.9>
Median	\$33.04	4.2%	26.3%	90.1% / 133.3%	3,743	9,102	6.5x	0.53x	19.1x	0.94x	25.9)
		4.2%	26.3%				6.5x	U.53X	19.1X	U.94X	25.97
Live Events & Ticketing											
Live Nation	\$166.49	12.7%	28.6%	99.6% / 179.9%	38,617	40,536	1.6x	0.17x	16.7x	1.27x	N/M
CTS Eventim	€ 80.05	(19.3%)	(2.0%)	72.5% / 116.0%	8,995	7,468	2.1x	0.35x	10.9x	0.95x	23.5>
Vivid Seats	\$17.75	(42.7%)	(80.8%)	17.8% / 117.4%	183	436	0.7x	N/M	7.7x	0.63x	N/M
Eventbrite	\$2.65	8.6%	(21.1%)	64.3% / 146.8%	254	(24)	N/M	N/M	N/M	N/M	N/M
Median		(5.4%)	(11.5%)				1.6x	0.26x	10.9x	0.95x	23.5
Sports											
тко	\$189.56	12.8%	33.4%	97.3% / 167.5%	37,589	39,867	8.5x	0.81x	25.4x	0.66x	N/M
Formula One	\$99.90	(0.4%)	7.8%	94.0% / 134.4%	22,340	25,065	5.8x	0.51x	25.0x	1.00x	43.2
MSG Sports	\$197.84	(2.1%)	(12.3%)	83.1% / 114.2%	4,752	4,935	4.8x	2.14x	N/M	N/M	N/M
Manchester United	\$17.85	1.5%	2.9%	90.8% / 148.1%	3,046	3,875	4.3x	N/M	15.0x	0.69x	N/M
Atlanta Braves	\$47.51	0.9%	16.4%	94.1% / 122.8%	2,855	3,391	4.7x	0.86x	49.2x	N/M	N/M
Median	<b>4</b>	0.9%	7.8%	0 11170 / 1.22.1070	2,000	9,001	4.8x	0.84x	25.2x	0.69x	43.2
		0.076	7.076				4.UX	0.042	25.22	0.00%	40.27
B2B Media & Info Services											
S&P Global	\$548.44	(0.5%)	10.1%	94.7% / 128.4%	167,439	180,527	11.9x	1.64x	23.8x	N/M	31.5>
Thomson Reuters	\$177.61	(11.6%)	10.7%	81.3% / 117.2%	80,069	81,781	10.9x	1.39x	28.0x	2.86x	45.7
Verisk	\$268.12	(3.8%)	(2.7%)	83.0% / 103.5%	37,460	40,137	12.9x	1.47x	23.1x	1.97x	38.1
Hubspot	\$483.17	(7.0%)	(30.7%)	54.8% / 115.5%	25,460	24,599	8.0x	0.49x	35.8x	1.62x	49.3
CoStar Group	\$89.49	(6.0%)	25.0%	91.9% / 131.1%	37,912	35,211	11.1x	0.81x	N/M	N/M	N/M
FactSet	\$373.32	(7.3%)	(22.3%)	74.7% / 102.1%	14,114	15,401	6.5x	1.14x	16.4x	2.60x	21.73
Morningstar	\$262.42	(5.1%)	(22.1%)	71.9% / 104.8%	11,068	11,407	4.7x	0.57x	15.9x	1.27x	27.9>
Klaviyo	\$32.44	4.3%	(21.3%)	65.5% / 136.5%	9,731	9,577	8.0x	0.39x	N/M	N/M	N/M
Zoominfo	\$10.90	0.6%	3.7%	81.4% / 155.5%	3,473	4,811	3.9x	1.42x	10.0x	2.00x	10.5>
Semrush	\$7.90	(11.8%)	(33.5%)	42.2% / 112.7%	1,175	1,016	2.3x	0.14x	13.9x	0.51x	24.5>
Sprout Social	\$15.79	(7.9%)	(48.6%)	43.5% / 118.5%	929	917	2.0x	0.16x	18.0x	0.70x	21.0>
Similarweb	\$10.39	24.3%	(26.7%)	58.9% / 163.4%	861	885	3.1x	0.19x	N/M	и/м	N/M
Median		(5.5%)	(21.7%)				7.2x	0.69x	18.0x	1.80x	27.93



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