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## **NEW THEMES**



What's Changed: The free ad-supported TV services (FAST) business model is proving successful, and we look forward to seeing more data on this segment in 2023. Head to page 13 for more.



What's Changed: The Movies & Entertainment subindustry now has the largest revenue share within the industry, with Disney as the largest company. Check out page 17 for the breakdown of industry revenue by subindustry.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

CFRA has a neutral outlook on the Media & Entertainment industry. Below are the key themes we highlight for 2023.

## Global Economy Will Determine Pace of Growth in Media & Entertainment Industry

In 2023, we see media and entertainment companies are beginning to feel the impact of an economic slowdown that may slide into a global recession that reduces consumer disposal spending. Consumer sentiment has already reached decades low level in the U.S. market and other developed countries, especially in Europe. Many companies desire to have a global reach but the resources required may taper their ambitions or open up local market partners.

## Accelerated Secular Trends in Broadband and Video Consumption

In a likely acceleration of existing secular trends and audience fragmentation in the media ecosystem, we are seeing a secular shift to video streaming from traditional cable broadband subscriptions. There is a visible shift to in-home entertainment options. Considering the potentially lasting shifts in broadband consumption, the pandemic did accelerate the secular cord-cutting trend that is leading to the decline of the linear television ecosystem. Any economic downturn on consumers and households is likely to further undercut the value proposition of traditional pay-TV packages in favor of cheaper streaming video offerings. Companies are bundling pay-TV with streaming offerings to reduce subscriber churn, which is an industry challenge.

## Escalation of the Content Arms Race Amid Intensifying Streaming Wars

With film/TV production by Hollywood studios back in full swing since the pandemic, global programming and production costs in 2023 remain the most significant expense for major entertainment companies. The realities of an economic downturn and money-losing streaming operations have compelled managements to be more focused and efficient with content creation. In many cases, general entertainment programming is getting less spend compared to well-known franchises like Marvel, Star Wars, Avatar, Mission Impossible, Lord of the Rings, and many more. The biggest content spend remains live sports, representing up to one-third of total programming and content expense.

## Cautious Outlook for Traditional Advertising Growth Ahead

Advertisers and marketers are pulling back advertising spending. Our view reflects the underlying trends across some of the key buyer categories for both local and national advertising spending. Over the past several years, television ratings have been in a secular decline even as pricing in the forward ("upfront") and spot ("scatter") advertising markets has held up relatively well as marketers continue their quest to reach mass audiences.

## Recession May Alter Pandemic Boon for Subscription Video on Demand (SVOD)

We see a secular trend in households starting or substituting video on demand from cable broadband subscriptions and a shift to in-home entertainment options like social media and gaming. Considering broadband consumption, video streaming has exacerbated cord-cutting trends and may accelerate the decline of the linear television ecosystem in the foreseeable future. In 2023, we think rising inflation, lower disposable income, and inflation may put pressure on households with multiple SVOD subscriptions. Viewing time remains concentrated with the top five streaming providers that may shake up the rest of the players in the next 12 months.

## Streaming Strategies are Getting a Closer Look to be Better Aligned with Shareholder Value

We think investors have become more skeptical about the holy grail of the big switch to SVOD. The bull case for SVOD has been multi-year secular growth from long-term substitution of linear pay-TV viewing, and advertisers/marketers will follow. The bear case is video streaming exhaustion, with too many choices and preferences to do more gaming, social media, or others. We worry about how capital-intensive SVOD is to invest in content and drive membership growth. Striving toward profitability, each company is seeking to better harmonize their content production and distribution in pay-TV and streaming into a bundled offering. Film theatrical remains top of the value chain where a blockbuster movie like Top Gun: Maverick realized for Paramount over \$2.0 billion revenue worldwide at the movie theaters.

## MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

Outlook: Neutral

### **MARKET CAP BREAKDOWN\* RANK COMPANY MARKET** NO. NAME CAP (\$ billion) Walt Disney 176.4 2 Comcast 156.0 Netflix 3 136.2 Charter 53.8 Communications 5 Spotify 24.9 Others† 582.3

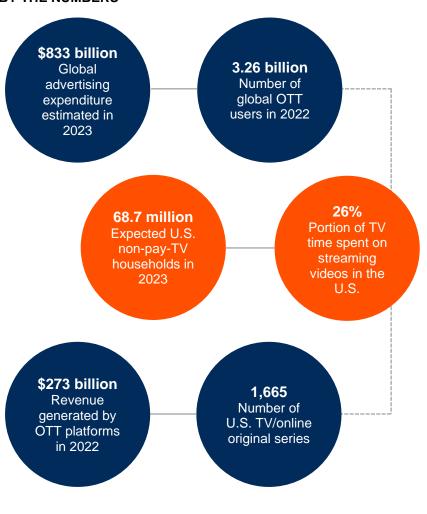
Source: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

†Refer to the "Comparative Company Analysis" section of this survey for the list of companies.

## **ETF FOCUS**

XLC Communication Services Select Sector SPDR	AUM (\$M) 8,987.6	Expense Ratio 0.10
VOX Vanguard Communication Services	AUM (\$M) 2,676.3	Expense Ratio 0.10
FCOM Fidelity MSCI Telecommunication Services	AUM (\$M) 513.5	Expense Ratio 0.08
PBS Invesco Dynamic Media	AUM (\$M) 34.9	Expense Ratio 0.63

### BY THE NUMBERS



## PERFORMANCE SINCE INDEX INITIATION



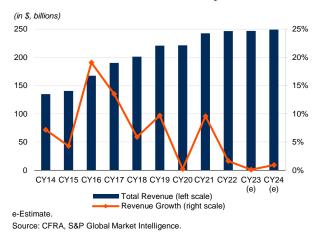
\*Data through March 22, 2023.

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence.

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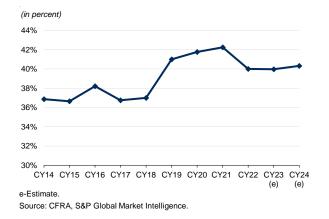
## **FINANCIAL METRICS**

## Cable & Satellite Sub-industry Total Revenue



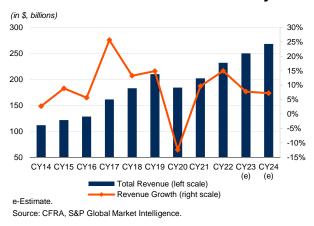
- Revenue growth for the Cable & Satellite subindustry was a lackluster 1.6% in 2022 after a 9.6% revenue growth in 2021. We expect revenue growth to remain essentially flat in 2023 and 2024 as TV networks come under pressure amid intensifying cord-cutting trends.
- The pandemic has exacerbated cord-cutting as value-seeking consumers resort to cheaper forms of entertainment. We think revenue growth will see a decline due to increased subscriber monthly churn as a higher cost of living is putting pressure on households in all parts of the world.
- ◆ The combination of slowing subscription growth and higher customer churn would likely continue through 2024, in our view. We think the increasing number of substations from 5G fixed wireless to the home and subscription video on demand (SVOD) has ignited new questions about the economics of cable and satellite revenue growth.

## Cable & Satellite Sub-industry Median EBITDA Margin



- ◆ The sub-industry median EBITDA margin shrank from 42.3% in 2021 to 40.0% in 2022 and we expect it to remain mostly unchanged in 2023 and 2024 due to a slowing economy and a potential recession.
- Our outlook reflects further investments in direct-to-consumer contents and wireless initiatives. We also expect programming costs per video subscriber to moderate.
- Looking ahead, we expect EBITDA margins to improve from the continued shift to high-margin connectivity businesses on growth in highspeed data and contribution from relatively nascent wireless offerings.

## **Movies & Entertainment Sub-industry Total Revenue**



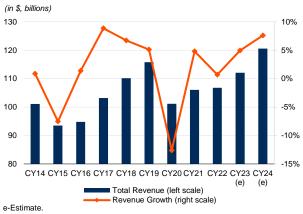
- Revenue for the Movies & Entertainment subindustry grew significantly by 14.9% in 2022, and we expect this trend to continue in 2023 and 2024 with growth at 7.8% and 7.2%, respectively.
- ◆ The significant rebound in 2022 reflected a resurgence in the content pipeline after the pandemic-related disruption, combined with strong growth in revenues from streaming platforms and higher consumer engagement. We expect future growth to be driven by the same trends fuelling the growth in 2022, coupled with the return of movie theater attendance to pre-pandemic levels.

## Movies & Entertainment Sub-industry Median EBITDA Margin



- ◆ The Movies & Entertainment sub-industry's median EBITDA margin widened to 16.2% in 2022 from 15.3% in 2021 and we expect it to continue rising to 20.6% in 2023 and 21.4% in 2024, benefiting from the increased monetization of the content pipeline and incremental demand for out-of-home entertainment.
- We expect EBITDA margins to improve in 2023, with inflation peaking and movie theater attendance returning to pre-pandemic levels expected to boost revenue to an unprecedented level.

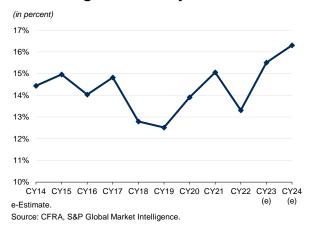
## **Advertising Sub-industry Total Revenue**



- Source: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

- Following a 4.8% revenue growth in 2021, advertising revenue growth fell flat in 2022 as advertisers and marketers cut back on spending amid tough economic conditions.
- ◆ We expect the existing trend to continue into 2023 and 2024 due to a slowing economy and a potential recession. This would lead to further cuts in advertising spending. We believe major advertising firms have the benefit of deriving revenue from alternative streams such as public relations, specialty communications, and customer relationship management businesses.

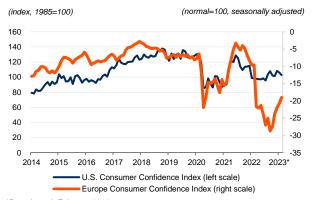
## **Advertising Sub-industry Median EBITDA Margin**



- The sub-industry median EBITDA margin fell to 13.3% in 2022 from 15.1% in 2021. We think the EBITDA margin contraction in 2022 was due to a cut in advertising spending amid economic uncertainty as inflation and interest rates spiked to unprecedented levels.
- In 2023, a pullback on discretionary spending by several marketers might lead to further revenue and margin pressures ahead. However, we think the pullback might not be at 2022 levels as inflation is expected to ease.

## **KEY INDUSTRY DRIVERS**

## **Consumer Confidence Index (CCI)**



\*Data through February 2023. Source: The Conference Board, OECD.

- A CCI figure above 100 indicates that consumers are more optimistic about the economy than they were in 1985; anything below 100 indicates otherwise. The February 2023 data shows CCI levels declined for the second consecutive month, down to 102.9 from 106.0 in January.
- The Conference Board stated that while the labor market remains strong, the decline in the CCI reflects the large drop in confidence for households. We are likely to see headwinds for consumer spending in the next six to 12 months.

## **Real GDP Growth**

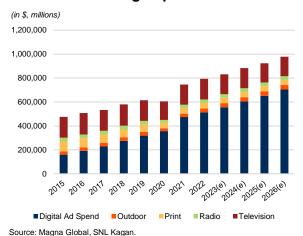


e-Estimated. Estimates by the World Bank. Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, CEIC Data, World Bank.

- Global GDP saw a slow growth in 2022 amid tough inflationary environment, China's closure due to it's zero-Covid-19 policy, and the ongoing Ukraine-Russia war.
- With global inflation seen to be peaking in 2023, global GDP is slated for a recovery in 2024.
- The World Bank currently projects the following GDP growth:

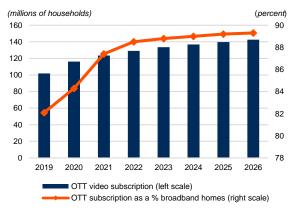
U.S.: 1.4% in 2023; 1.0% in 2024.
E.U.: 0.7% in 2023; 1.6% in 2024.
China: 5.2% in 2023; 4.5% in 2024.

## **Global Advertising Expenditure Forecasts**



- Global ad spend is projected to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 5.4% to reach \$1.0 billion in 2026, according to SNL Kagan.
- Digital advertising is expected to account for 71.7% of global ad spend in 2026, led by internet search and social media, both of which SNL Kagan expects to increase at CAGRs of 9.3% and 7.5%, respectively.
- Within traditional media, print has long been in decline as readers and advertisers switch to online alternatives. Other traditional media are also expected to experience declines. Radio and TV ad revenues are forecasted to shrink at a flat to slightly higher level.

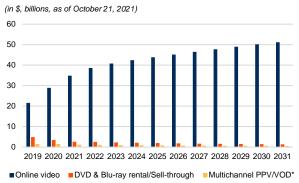
## North America OTT Video Subscription Market Projection\*



\*U.S. data as of November 2022, Canada data as of April 2022. Source: SNL Kagan.

- While the number of traditional pay-TV households in North America is projected to shrink in the coming years, the number of OTT (over-the-top) households is projected to grow at a CAGR of 5.8% through 2026.
- The percentage of households that own a broadband and are also subscribed to OTT videos is projected to reach 89.3% in 2026, according to SNL Kagan.
- Major factors for changes in media consumption besides the economy include the relatively high cost of pay-TV services compared to online video alternatives, a continued increase in the number of broadband-only households, and demographic influences (millennials and others).

## **Total Home Video Spending Forecasts**



 $^{\rm t}$ Includes movie, SVOD, adult, TV and electronic sell-through revenue; excludes event revenue. Source: SNL Kagan.

- ◆ Technological advancements have redefined the home video universe as consumers now have several ways to access content at home via a wide array of devices.
- The rapid growth in online video spending is expected to offset the drop in DVD and Blu-ray revenue as well as multi-channel PPV/VOD over the next decade.
- Online video revenue is projected to grow at a CAGR of 7.5% to \$53.2 billion in 2031, representing 96.3% of the home video market share by then, according to SNL Kagan.

## **VIDEO STREAMING: NAVIGATING CHOPPY WATERS**

In 2023, we think rising inflation, lower disposable income, and inflation may put pressure on households that subscribe to multiple subscription video on demand (SVOD) services. Recession may alter the pandemic video boon. Our outlook reflects increased competition and maturity of distribution channels (e.g., theaters) versus a continued evolution of newer channels for digital delivery of content to consumers, as well as a proliferation of subscriber and advertising video on demand streaming.

Video streaming has ignited new questions about the economics and return on investment for this media distribution format. There is a wide debate on whether SVOD can achieve the same economics with high recurring revenue and EBITDA growth as the linear broadcast and pay-TV format has delivered in the past. Netflix's last two quarters, with flat or lower net subscribers, underscore the maturity of ad-free video streaming. In 2023, Netflix and Disney introduced ad-pay subscription plans, which are offered by its major competitors.

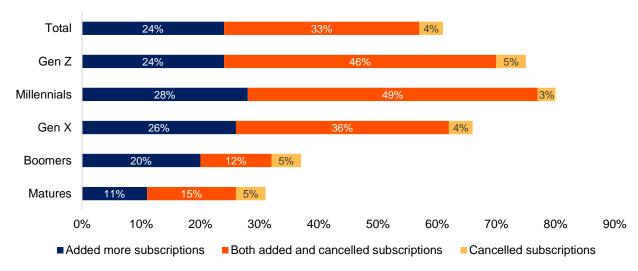
Warner Bros., and then its largest peers, sent a message to investors – that their primary focus is generating profitability and free cash flow from streaming, not growth just for driving a higher subscriber base that faces a high churn rate. All of the streaming companies opted not to provide subscriber growth targets anymore but shifted the focus to breakeven and profitability. Also, not all subscribers are created equal, as the average rate varies widely by subscriber plan in the U.S., with more striking differences in emerging markets like India, nearly 40% of Disney+ total subscribers.

We think investors have become more skeptical about the holy grail of the big switch to SVOD. Year-to-date (YTD) through March 9, 2023, the S&P Movies & Entertainment Index has risen 11.2%, versus a 4.2% increase in the S&P 500 Index over the same period. In 2022, the sub-industry declined 50.0%, compared to a 19.4% decrease for the S&P 500 Index. In the last few months, equity analysts have reduced target prices as well as revenue and EPS estimates as optimism about video streaming trends gets more conservative for this group. Fundamental risk rises with the threat of a 2023 recession.

Subscriber growth is likely to be less important than content engagement, EBITDA, and profitability. SVOD may be facing a new chapter of slower growth, higher subscriber churn, and pricing pressure for Netflix and competitors on a potential recession ahead. With Netflix subscriber growth stalled at 230.7 million paid members, Netflix shares are likely to come under greater scrutiny about monetization to accelerate revenue generation of the industry's largest customer base. Netflix says competition with linear TV and VOD providers has increased, and macro headwinds are evident from inflation and lower discretionary income.

We think the global video streaming wars are intensifying as several notable entrants (such as Disney+, HBO Max, Peacock, and Paramount+) increasingly take on early movers, such as Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, and Hulu (Disney 67% ownership and Comcast 33% ownership). It was announced that Disney would either buy or sell its equity ownership in Hulu to Comcast by 2024 to have a 100% stake in Hulu for a valuation estimated at \$27.5 billion at that time. Established media companies are also facing direct competition from Amazon, Apple, Meta, YouTube (Alphabet), and Twitter, which all have their own streaming platforms.

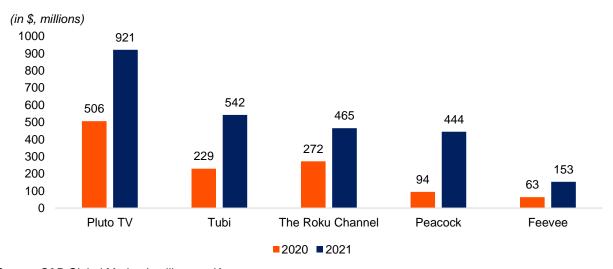
## STREAMING SUBSCRIPTIONS AMONG U.S. HOUSEHOLDS



Source: Deloitte media trends.

The two types of subscription rate plans with advertising are the ad-pay plan, where both the subscriber and the advertiser are revenue sources, and the free ad-supported TV services (FAST). For both plans, we are in the early innings of penetrating the SVOD market. We do not expect cannibalization of higher rate ad-pay plans from either ad-pay or FAST offerings because we think demographics play into customer churn or migration risk. For advertising plans, Netflix is taking an iterative approach, preferring to walk before running in this area. There is enthusiasm from advertisers and brands that want to be on the Netflix AVOD offering. We think any substantive signs on Netflix's success with advertising-based video on demand (AVOD) will have to wait until 2024 to gauge the progress.

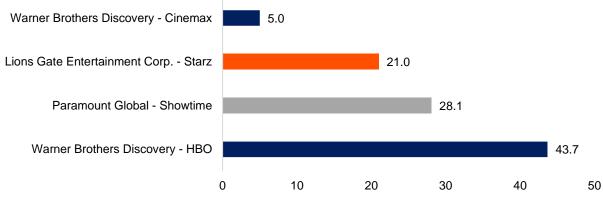
## FREE AD-SUPPORTED TV SERVICES IN STREAMING



Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence, Kagan.

Already, the FAST business model is proving successful. The largest FAST provider is Pluto TV (owned by PARA), which is expected to surpass \$1 billion in total revenue in 2022. Other leading FAST services are offered by Tubi (FOXA), Peacock (Comcast), and Feevee (Amazon). We anticipate that FAST will grow as quickly or even faster than the North America market. We look forward to seeing more data on this interesting segment in 2023.

## **LEADING PAY-TV PREMIUM NETWORKS (Q3 2022 TOTAL SUBSCRIBERS)**



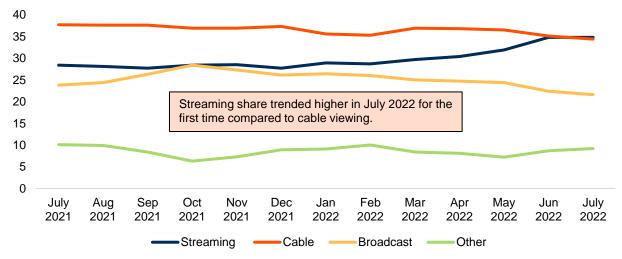
Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence, Kagan.

We think SVOD providers with less than 25% combined services viewing may fall behind. Netflix, YouTube, Amazon Prime Video, and Disney command the largest share of what households are viewing on streaming video services. TikTok, with an entirely different, short frame video experience, is still getting a significant amount of viewing time, especially for millennials or younger adults and teenagers. The SVOD providers that could be vulnerable are Comcast's Peacock services and perhaps PARA.

In pay-TV, we note that PARA and Warner Bros. have leading U.S. premium networks with sizable subscriber bases or affiliate TV network contracts, but these offerings appear to be declining as U.S. households cut the cord, moving away from pay-TV subscriptions. PARA announced offering Paramount+streaming service for free to its Showtime cable and satellite subscribers. Showtime's biggest shows are "Billions" and "Yellowjackets." Former Warner Media did the same thing with the launch of HBO Max, made free to subscribers of the HBO TV channel to appease cable and satellite operators.

Can video streaming providers make money? The key macroeconomic drivers are whether the U.S. and other country markets face a severe and prolonged recession. We have already seen a pullback in advertising and marketing spend across traditional media outlets and the spot market for video streaming. No doubt we have a crowded field with too many SVOD offerings in all types (ad-free, ad-pay, and FAST) and pricing.





Source: CFRA, The Nielsen Company.

Bull case scenario for SVOD wins with favorable multiyear secular trends. Substitution continues to make progress with SVOD replacing linear networks of broadcast and pay-TV. We believe viewing habits accelerate to streaming, and importantly, advetisers/marketers will follow. The streaming providers that can offer great content in movies and show episodes will delight subscribers and better manage monthly average membership revenue and monthly churn. Market leaders with breadth of film libraries and original content production on a global basis, with local country programming in their language, are winning. Ultimately, market leaders gain both subscriber and advertising market share, which leads to positive EBITDA, profitability, and free cash flow.

Bear case scenario provides lots of pot holes with a failed transition to SVOD in 2023. Whether we have a U.S. and global recession may change the equation on streaming spending for programming, platforms, and profitability. Compared to most leisure entertainment like sports, film, and theatrical events, we think SVOD would likely be more recession-resistant. Should we have a deep and prolonged recession, then we could see select subscribers change from higher to lower rate plans or cut services alltogether. Subscriber paralysis or fatigue with too many subscriptions may be put on the table to reduce household spending. This scenario would hurt the second tier streaming providers that may lead to industry consolidation. The motivation would be even more for those companies that desire to rebalance or reduce streaming capital outlays and reduce sizable operating losses.

We see further consolidation in the Media & Entertainment industry. After a pause in M&A activity across the media industry amid the pandemic, we see a material pickup ahead. On April 8, 2022, the merger closed between Discovery and AT&T's WarnerMedia, while the Amazon-MGM Studios merger closed on March 17, 2022. So, the next M&A wave could push the convergence and consolidation to new levels, driven by the need for scale and content as entertainment companies strategically pivot to their direct-to-consumer (streaming) offerings and expand distribution and digital capabilities.

Should the leading media companies invest billions in original content or leverage legacy streaming libraries? We believe it is table stakes to have both original content and licensed content made by other brands that are watched on a streaming service. We don't think it's an "either/or" decision, but one that depends on a company's current position. Some of the featured companies in this thematic report have vast movie and TV libraries. In March 2022, Amazon closed an \$8.5 billion acquisition of MGM Studios, which will bolster Amazon Prime Video's competitive position. MGM Studios brings nearly a century of entertainment content through a broad offering of original films and television shows to a global market.

A wealth of options can lead to paralysis of viewership and short attention spans to cut the cord. The worry for all video service providers is investing billions of dollars in movies and TV shows and not getting household stickiness for their subscriptions. Across all types of content offerings, whether it be ad-free SVOD, AVOD, pay-TV, or multi-channel video programming distributors (MVPDs), we see compelling content as the magnet to keep customers. Investment in new, exclusive content appears to be paramount to retaining subscribers. Showcasing original content matters, but so does having a steady flow of new releases every month to feed viewer appetites. There have been some surveys like eMarketer that indicate that one-third of viewers subscribe to a new video service provider just to watch a show exclusively on that channel and then stay with the subscription.

## Digital Advertising Gains Share, Despite the Slower Pace

After a lackluster year in 2020, global ad spend rebounded 23.2% in 2021 and 6.6% in 2022 as the world's economy gradually resumed. It is forecasted to be up 5% in 2023 and 6% in 2024, according to Magna Global and SNL Kagan. Advertising spend across media will slow down with economic uncertainty, partly offset by organic growth factors to support marketing activity and advertising demand. Digital advertising is expected to grow 8.4% in 2023 to reach 67% of total ad sales. Digital video will be the fastest growing advertising category, up 11%, followed by Search (+10%) and Social (+7%).

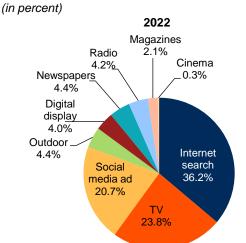
Traditional linear networks are getting a growing percentage of advertising revenue from digital formats (AVOD, CTV, audio streaming, podcasting).

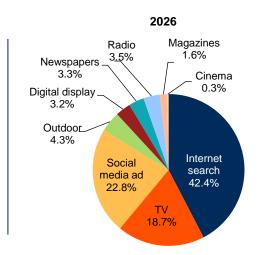
In 2023, the U.S. advertising market is estimated to grow only 3.7% to \$329 billion due to tighter budget on rising inflation, while China, the second largest advertising market, is expected to grow 6% year-over-year, reflecting the rebound under China's several new economic policies and due to the rollback of its zero-Covid-19 policy, which led to the reopening of borders.

Trends such as e-commerce, digital acceleration, and data-driven personalization will be the key growth drivers for digital advertising in the foreseeable future. Covid-19 forced companies to embrace digitalization faster than expected and bumped digital transformation to the top of almost every company's priority list. An increasing number of small and mid-size businesses are capitalizing on mobile and social media advertising to improve engagement with customers. The use of videos and podcasts represented the fastest growing form of advertising within those platforms. Large companies concerned with online reputation, however, continue to prefer television advertising to reach their national audiences.

Most recently, developments in the field of data analytics brought about a more effective form of advertising – personalized advertisements. Advertisers continue to enhance their "mousetraps" by exploiting algorithms, consumers, and digital footprints to increase personalization and accuracy. While there are several approaches for ad agencies to owning data (*i.e.*, acquiring large data assets vs. developing open-data analytics platform), it is their ability to incorporate data management assets into their operations and ability to assimilate data that will set them apart from competitors.

## **GLOBAL ADVERTISING BY MEDIA TYPE**





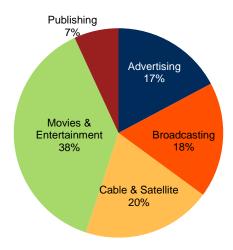
Source: MAGNA Global, SNL Kagan.

## INDUSTRY TRENDS

The media industry, which encompasses the Movies & Entertainment, Broadcasting, Cable & Satellite, Advertising, and Publishing sub-industries, has long been global. The world's largest media companies operate in multiple countries and release content to even more. Comcast's NBCUniversal produces entertainment, news, sports, and other content for global audiences, as well as owns theme parks worldwide. France-based Bolloré owns Vivendi, which in turn owns Universal Music Group, game production company Gameloft, and French pay-TV giant Canal+ Group. Similarly, NBCUniversal owns and operates Universal theme parks in Florida, California, and Osaka, Japan. Additionally, it licenses the right to use the Universal Studios brand name and other intellectual property to third parties that own and operate the Universal Studios theme park in Singapore.

The chart below shows the breakdown of industry revenue by sub-industry. Movies & Entertainment is the largest sub-industry by revenue, with Disney as the largest company; the company generated \$84.4 billion in revenue for the last 12 months ended February 2023. The second largest sub-industry is Cable & Satellite, with the largest company being Comcast, which generated \$121.4 billion in revenue in the same period. Unsurprisingly, due to the secular decline in print, the smallest sub-industry is Publishing, with the largest company being News Corp, which generated revenue of \$9.5 billion over the last 12 months. Combined, the five sub-industries globally generated nearly \$693.1 billion of revenue over the last 12 months.

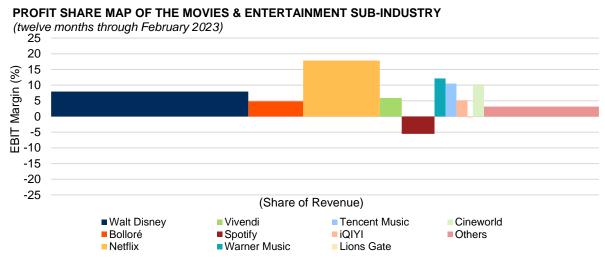
GLOBAL INDUSTRY REVENUE\*
(for LTM through March 7, 2023, in percent)



\*Includes companies that are listed on major stock exchanges. Source: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

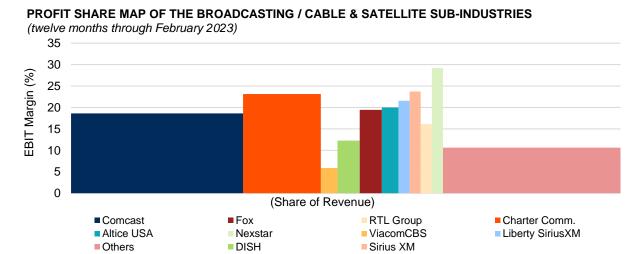
## **PROFIT MAPPING**

The Movies & Entertainment sub-industry is primarily dominated by U.S. companies, with Disney leading the pack in industry revenue (36.7%). Netflix overtook Bolloré in the second spot with its revenue contribution of 13.7% and led the sub-industry with an EBIT margin of 17.8%. We expect to see continual improvement in EBIT margin as Netflix gradually gains a larger scale but at the expense of lower revenue as competition rises. French conglomerate Bolloré, a major shareholder of Vivendi, which in turn owns big names such as Universal Music, Gameloft, and Havas, came in third with a share of revenue of 10.1% and an EBIT margin of 4.8%.



Source: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

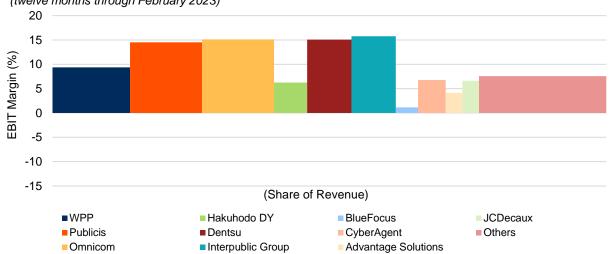
Like the Movies & Entertainment sub-industry, the Broadcasting and Cable & Satellite sub-industries are also predominantly led by U.S. companies, which contributed around 70% of the \$382.1 billion revenue generated by industry constituents in the last 12 months. Comcast has the highest share of industry revenue (31.8%), with a commendable industry-leading EBIT margin of 18.6%. Despite a recent drop due to the effects of the pandemic, EBIT margin across the two sub-industries has been high (touching 20%) compared to other sub-industries due to the consistently higher stream of recurring revenue and low ongoing investment.



Source: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

In the advertising sub-industry, Asian companies have recently surpassed their European counterparts in terms of revenue share at 37.3% and 36.4%, respectively, during the last 12 months. U.S. companies, on the other hand, took the remaining revenue share of 26.3% during the same period. A major headwind for the industry is the rapid digital disruption, with clients (especially consumer goods clients) shifting spending away from the traditional agency-based model towards platforms such as Google and Facebook while cutting their overall marketing budgets.

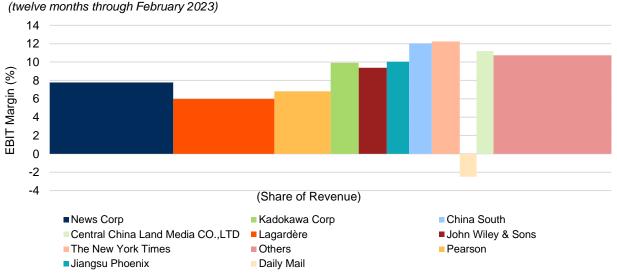
## PROFIT SHARE MAP OF THE ADVERTISING SUB-INDUSTRY (twelve months through February 2023)



Source: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

News Corp is the largest publishing company, generating 22.5% of the sub-industry's revenues. However, its EBIT margin has been lagging the sub-industry's average of 9.6%, hurt by the rise of tech giants such as Google and Facebook. Coming in second is France-based Lagardère, a multinational publishing and travel retail company. While revenues in its publishing segment had been comparable to the previous year's, the company's underperformance in the last 12 months was attributed to a 60% decline in its travel retail segment (unrelated to publishing) due to the pandemic.

## PROFIT SHARE MAP OF THE PUBLISHING SUB-INDUSTRY



## **PORTER'S FIVE FORCES**

Porter's five forces, which provide a framework for industry analysis, were formulated by Michael E. Porter of Harvard Business School in 1979. In the matrix below, we describe the five parameters on which an industry can be analyzed and how these apply to the sub-industries of the broader Media & Entertainment industry.

	COMPETITIVE RIVALRY AMONG EXISTING FIRMS	CUSTOMER BARGAINING POWER	SUPPLIER BARGAINING POWER	THREAT OF SUBSTITUTION	THREAT OF NEW ENTRY
MOVIES & ENTERTAINMENT	Very High - Competitive rivalry among the top firms is intense. Streaming is becoming a prevalent form of consuming entertainment video. As the "content arms race" intensifies, more and more companies are creating or merging content to rival streaming giants Netflix's and Amazon Prime's spending on content production, and this could further intensify competition in the industry.	High - Bargaining power of customers is high in the Movies & Entertainment sub-industry. The broad availability of substitutes increases consumers' bargaining power. Consumers can easily choose from an extensive selection of programming and streaming services, and even other sources of entertainment.	Moderate - Suppliers in the industry include "creative talent" (i.e., writers, producers, actors) and production companies that firms in this industry license programming from. The license for popular programming from other content providers may also be at risk of being pulled from streaming platforms.	High - Consumers can choose from multiple entertainment video providers, such as MVPDs, internet-based content providers (including those that provide pirated content), video gaming providers, and DVD retailers. Other sources of entertainment that consumers could choose in their leisure are also substitutes to the sub-industry's products and services.	Low - Barriers to entry into the industry are relatively high, as the industry is dominated by established companies with a significant presence in filmmaking. The high financial outlay needed for content production also prevents poorly funded new entrants from entering the industry.
BROADCASTING /CABLE & SATELLITE	High - Competitive rivalry is high between broadcasters to purchase broadcasting rights for the most popular programming and sporting events. Players within the market are typically large, owning multiple television channels, resulting in high levels of assets owned, with high fixed and exit costs. The rivalry is more significant between players that broadcast shows and events of similar genres.	Moderate - Industry players generate revenue primarily from the distribution and licensing of their programming and from advertisements. Distributors increasingly demand higher-quality and differentiated programming, while bargaining power of buyers of advertising depends on how wide the audience of the broadcast network is.	Moderate - Production companies are the major suppliers of content for broadcasters. Their bargaining power typically depends on the quality and popularity of content.	High - Consumers can choose from multiple entertainment sources such as MVPDs, internet-based content providers (including pirated content providers), video gaming providers, and DVD retailers. Other sources of entertainment that consumers could choose in their leisure are also substitutes for the sub-industry's products and services.	Low - The big players maintain high levels of capex in purchasing rights to the most popular content, making it difficult for new entrants to secure the rights to these programs. New entrants also need to ensure that they comply with regulations as monitored by the FCC in the U.S and local regulators in other countries.
ADVERTISING	High - Competitive rivalry among advertising firms is high. Each ad campaign aims to increase sales and build credibility, and budgets are usually large. Firms are expected to produce results or risk losing the client to a competitor. Competition is intensified as tech giants such as Google and Facebook dominate digital advertising, which has a broader reach and lower costs.	Moderate - Contracts are typically long-term with static fee structures. Clients are generally large and can demand concessions. However, the prominence of the client can add prestige to the advertising firm.	High - Premium ad spaces are limited, and demand is typically more than supply. Seasonal campaigns put further pressure on supply. Product launches require better integration with the supplier.	Moderate - There is no absolute substitute for an ad campaign. However, newer technologies such as e-commerce and social media tools offer new channels for forward-integration with low switching costs.	Low - Client engagements are typically based on long- term relationships. Attracting and retaining creative talent is expensive and time- consuming. It is challenging to attain deep connections with regional demographics, behaviors, attitudes, and values. New entrants wi also have constraints in getting access to key media channels or space.

	COMPETITIVE RIVALRY AMONG EXISTING FIRMS	CUSTOMER BARGAINING POWER	SUPPLIER BARGAINING POWER	THREAT OF SUBSTITUTION	THREAT OF NEW ENTRY
PUBLISHING	High - Competitive rivalry among publishers centers principally on sales, titles, and authors, resulting in publishers being unable to earn high profit margins, as the biggest publishers all have the capabilities to capture these three things. A publisher is unable to charge higher prices for their books and must benchmark the price to their rivals. Acquiring new titles and authors typically results in bidding wars that hurt all the parties involved.	Moderate - Intermediate customers (i.e., bookshops and other retailers) and end customers (i.e., readers) are increasingly more powerful. The main customer for most publishers is Amazon, which leverages its dominant position as an e-commerce giant. Nonetheless, publishers that have a highly anticipated book on their frontlist have higher bargaining power.	Moderate - Suppliers in the industry are printers, typesetters, freelancers, and authors. Except for authors, bargaining power of the other suppliers is low as there is plenty of supply. For fiction books, best-selling authors have significant bargaining power over publishers, while for much of nonfiction, any potential expert could write the book, resulting in lower bargaining power. With the growing popularity of e-books, authors can publish their work independently without having to go through the strict selection process of traditional editors.	Moderate - A major headwind facing the industry is the decline in reading as people are busier, and perhaps more distracted, today. Although there have been cases of unknown writers who resorted to e-book distribution platforms and were successful, publishers still add value by offering professional editing and marketing services that enhance the quality of the works and can boost sales. Publishers must deal with people downloading pirated e-books from numerous websites offering them for free.	Low - It is difficult at time-consuming for new entrants to grow their size and reputation sufficient to compete with the larger players. However, a smaller publisher can set up and run in just a few years and at a relatively low cost.

## **Competitive Environment**

Amid continued secular shifts in media consumption, fueled partly by the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, a growing number of cloud-based offerings across the media industry have sprouted over the past few years, spurring increased adoption into the mainstream population. In general, media companies are leveraging cloud-based offerings toward creating additional touch points for their products and services, and toward fostering customer acquisition and retention, as well as consumer engagement. In many cases, such offerings are also motivated by a quest for operating efficiencies and economies of scale.

On the video side, the past few years have seen growing popularity of the cloud-based OTT video service – an internet distribution model that bypasses traditional pay-TV providers. Netflix is the world's most popular streaming video provider, with a user interface for streaming thousands of movies and TV shows for a monthly subscription. Other OTT players include Amazon Prime Video and Hulu. There are more than 200 OTT video services in the U.S., according to Park Associates. Most of the services, however, are evolving to be complementary to the market's biggest players instead of competing against them. There has also been an increase in partnerships with and among OTT video services due to factors such as the low threshold for survival, success of bundling, content fragmentation, polarization in the subscription market of OTT, and low awareness of smaller OTT brands.

Video streaming can get quite expensive for U.S. households subscribing to multiple plans. The annual pricing from the major video providers ranges from \$50 to \$240 per plan. While it's true the maximum viewer profiles are five to seven persons, not always at the same address, the principal person who is paying for all the subscriptions is likely to ask, do we need all these streaming services? We believe this is why the subscriber churn rate is high and has a negative impact on net subscriber additions as well as average revenue per subscriber.

Leading video streaming providers offer both advertising streaming and ad-free services. Annualized subscription costs can get expensive, especially when using more than one or two streaming services. Most plans also offer download availability. Paramount+ Essential (ads) and Peacock Premium (ads) are the most affordable plans at \$4.99 monthly, or \$99.99 annual pricing. Maximum viewer profiles seem very generous, with most services offering five to seven viewers in the same household, or friends and family. Netflix is trying to monetize more subscription revenue by charging those persons not residing at the same address. The company introduced ad-pay subscriptions at lower rates starting in 2023 to complement the ad-free monthly plans.

SVOD Service	Subscription tiers	Monthly pricing (\$)	Annual pricing (\$)	Maximum viewer profiles	Maximum concurrent streams	Download availability
Amazon Prime Video	Amazon Prime Video (partial ads)	8.99	107.88	6	3	Yes
Apple TV+	Apple TV+ (ad-free)	6.99	59.88	6	6	No
Discovery+	Discovery+ (ads)	4.99	59.88	5	5	No
Disney+	Discovery+ (ad-free)	6.99	83.88	5	5	No
Disney+	Disney+ (ads) - launch December	7.99	79.99	7	4	Yes
Disney+	Disney+ (ad-free)	10.99	109.90	7	4	Yes
HBO Max	HBO Max (ads)	9.99	119.88	5	3	Yes
	HBO Max (ad-free)	14.99	179.88	5	3	Yes
Hulu	Hulu (ads)	7.99	79.99	6	2	Yes
	Hulu (ad-free)	14.99	179.88	6	2	Yes
Netflix	Basic (ad-free)	9.99	119.88	5	1	Yes
	Standard (ad-free)	15.49	185.88	5	2	Yes
	Premium (ad-free)	19.99	239.88	5	4	Yes
Paramount+	Essential (ads)	4.99	49.99	6	3	Yes
	Premium (ad-free)	9.99	99.99	6	3	Yes
Peacock Premium	Peacock Premium (ads)	4.99	49.99	6	3	Yes
	Peacock Pemium Plus (adfree)	9.99	99.99	6	3	Yes

## **Operating Environment**

The Media & Entertainment industry is intensely competitive and has a high degree of ownership concentration, with a disproportionately large share of the assets controlled by a few conglomerates. The competitive landscape has been shaped by several waves of industry consolidation across various areas of the value chain, which have further intensified over the past decade.

TYPE OF BUSINESS	AT&T^	COMCAST^^	CHARTER	DISCOVERY^^^	DISNEY*	FOX**	LIBERTY	LIONSGATE***	NETFLIX¬	SONY	VIACOMCBS~¬	VERIZON
Basic cable network(s)	•	•		•	•	•		•			•	
Book publishing		•		•	•						•	
Broadcast TV network(s)	•	•			•	•					•	
Broadcast TV station(s)		•			•	•					•	
Cable/fiber video & broadband service	•	•	•									•
E-commerce		•		•	•							
Film production/library	•	•			-			•	•	•	•	
Home entertainment	•	•		•	•			•	•	•	•	
Internet/streaming audio							•					
Internet/streaming video								-	-			•
Live events/sports					•		•		-			
Magazines/newspapers												
Merchandise licensing		•						•				
Premium cable network(s)								=			•	
Radio stations/networks												
Recorded music label(s)												
Satellite radio broadcasting							•					
Satellite TV broadcasting		•										
Theme parks/resorts		-			•							
TV production/library	•	•	•		-	•		•	•	•	•	
Video games/Interactive	-	•		•	-			•	•	•	•	
Wireless phone service	•											•
Wireline phone service	•	•	•									•

Note: Some relatively minor operations may be excluded. Includes significant equity interests in joint ventures or other companies. ^Acquired DIRECTV (July 2015) and Time Warner (July 2018)

^^Acquired Sky (October 2018)

^^Acquired Scripps Networks (March 2018)

Source: CFRA, company reports.

<sup>\*</sup>Acquired 21st Century Fox (March 2019)

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Acquired Starz (December 2016)

<sup>~</sup>Acquired Next Games (March 2022)

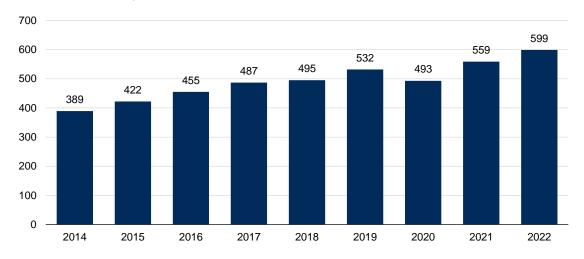
<sup>~¬</sup>Viacom/CBS merger (December 2018)

## Data, Analytics, and Content Will Be Post-pandemic M&A Drivers

Despite the uniqueness of the crisis brought by the pandemic, it does share many common features with previous recessions. One is the acceleration of underlying industry trends, *i.e.*, the explosion of streaming. According to data compiled by Deloitte Center for Technology, Media & Telecommunications, at least 80% of U.S. consumers subscribed to at least one video streaming platform post-Covid-19 start, compared to just 49% merely three years ago. To remain competitive and to keep users glued to their screens, streaming service providers have consistently joined forces through mergers and acquisitions to combine assets or invest in the acquisition of content (or companies that produce/own the content).

### **VOLUME OF SCRIPTED ORIGINAL TV SHOWS\***

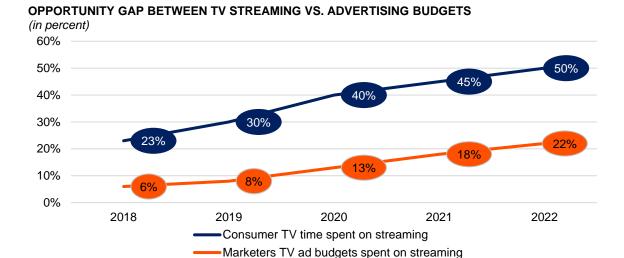
(number of scripted original TV shows)



\*Including dramas and sitcoms across all traditional networks and digital platforms. Source: FX Networks.

Content creation aside, the increased use of consumer analytics and data generation to drive growth in the past few years has been staggering. Media companies today rely on such data to differentiate themselves and to stand out to advertisers by offering more targeted advertisements, thereby significantly increasing their clients' conversion rates. Companies would therefore look to invest (or acquire) more advanced analytics and data technologies that will help them achieve this goal.

Advertising with higher take rates for streaming versus broadcast is critical, in our opinion. Just in the past five years, we have seen consumer TV time spend on streaming grow from 23% to 50% of total TV viewing time. Advertising by marketers has lagged with TV ad budget spend growing from 6% to 22%. Recession poses a near-term risk for TV advertising budgets shifting to streaming. Roku cited on its earnings call that a survey by Advertiser Perceptions indicated that 47% of total advertisers in the U.S. say they made second quarter pauses on ad spending for TV streaming, with 44% on digital video, and 42% on legacy pay-TV. We think 2023 advertising spend will be hurt by weaker consumer spending, rising interest rates, and inflation pressures.



Source: Roku, Nielsen for TV time streaming (Q2 2022), eMarketer for advertisers spend on streaming (2022).

## **Diverging Recovery Paths Across Industry Segments**

We expect various media & entertainment industry segments to show diverging paths to a potential recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic amid the reopening of the economy. Certain sections of traditional advertising (e.g., outdoor, radio, and TV) have already begun to show some early signs of a gradual recovery to varying degrees and speeds despite some may believe that traditional advertising is on the death door. During the Covid-19 pandemic, consumers shifted so much into the online world that they are growing numb to the constant stream of online advertising and messaging and react more positively to traditional print and television advertisements, according to a 2022 article by Harvard Business Review.

Conversely, the accelerated adoption of digital tools amid Covid-19 may slow the recovery of various outof-home entertainment such as theaters, live events, sports, concerts, and theme parks. Some consumers may avoid being in crowded places even after immunization due to the emerging Omicron variant, while others may take some time to break out of their cozy home routines. Nonetheless, we still anticipate a gradual recovery to pre-pandemic levels for companies in these sectors.

## M&A Environment

The impact of Covid-19 was significant and immediate for media companies, not just at an operational level but also on a commercial one. While some consequences were short-term, others were more longer-lasting and could potentially alter the future of the industry. The number of M&A deals within the Media & Entertainment industry had been booming since the 2008 recession – that is, until the global pandemic took center stage in 2020. However, 2021 saw a proliferation in M&A activity. According to PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), deal counts demonstrated continued optimism in 2021 amid an uptick in confidence as industry disruptions and huge opportunities from digitization and technology, combined with the availability of capital, spurred a robust M&A trend that year.

The consolidation of studios and networks continued in 2022, albeit at a much slower pace, as the world's major economies continued to raise interest rates to tame blistering inflation, and the stock market turned bearish in fear of recession. Global M&A deal value for the industry shrunk in the first half of 2022 compared to the second half of 2021, plummeting from \$215.5 billion to \$105.1 billion in the first half of 2022, according to Refinitiv (latest available). 2023 will prove to be a much tougher year with all the headwinds mentioned above still intact. We think companies will be more prudent in capital spending, focusing more on retaining current customers and the rollout of AVOD.

The table below highlights all major M&A transactions in the pipeline and in recent years for the Media & Entertainment industry.

MAJOR GLOBAL Ma (arranged by complete	&A ACTIVITIES* tion year and transaction size, in \$, mil.	lions)		
COMPLETION DATE	ACQUIRER	TARGET	SIZE	IMPLIED EV/EBITDA
Pending	Rogers Communications	Shaw Communications	21,278	11.5
Pending	Keppel Pegasus	Singapore Press Holdings	5,133	32.3
Pending	Télévision Française 1	Métropole Télévision	2,892	6.9
2022				
10/14/2022	Kismet Capital Group	Avito	2,400	
10/3/2022	AT&T	WarnerMedia	-	
4/11/2022	iliad S.A.	UPC Polska Sp. z o.o.	1,896	9.3
3/17/2022	Amazon.com	MGM Holdings	8,500	33.5
2/22/2022	Santa Ana Inc; Najafi Companies	TEGNA	8,714	11.9
1/31/2022	Univision Communications	Content and Media Assets of Grupo Televisa, S.A.B.	4,800	-
2021				
2/10/21	Vodafone Vierte Verwaltungs	Kabel Deutschland	10,488	9.6
8/2/21	Platinum Equity	McGraw-Hill Education	6,742	16.6
5/10/21	Insig Al Plc	Catena Group plc	3,726	-
8/10/21	Pershing Square	Universal Music Group	2,800	-
12/1/2021	Gray Television	Meredith Corporation	2,700	5.5
1/7/21	Scripps Media	ION Media Networks, Inc.	2,650	8.2
4/19/21	Morgan Stanley Infrastructure	Tele Columbus	2,439	9.8
4/7/21	HYBE America	Ithaca Holdings	1,050	
10/19/2021	Penn National Gaming	Score Media and Gaming	2,017	-
7/9/21	Madison Square Garden	MSG Networks	2,006	5.7
8/2/21	The Stagwell Group	Stagwell Inc.	1,619	6.8
8/9/21	Funimation Global Group	Crunchyroll	1,175	-
2020				
4/30/20	KKR & Co.	Axel Springer	14,644	18.4
7/3/20	Banijay Group	Endemol Group	9,204	-
10/13/20	TV Bermuda	Central European Media Enterprises	8,800	8.1
4/24/20	UNEEQO, Inc	UNEEQO, Inc.	5,800	-
12/30/20	VRG Bidco	Village Roadshow	4,262	50.1
*Transactions above		The New York Metropolitan Baseball	2,450	-

\*Transactions above \$1 billion. Sources: CFRA, S&P Global Market Intelligence.

## **HOW THE INDUSTRY OPERATES**

## THE MOVIES & ENTERTAINMENT SUB-INDUSTRY

## **Movies and Home Entertainment**

Companies in the Movies & Entertainment sub-industry are involved in the creation and delivery of various content for consumers. In addition to traditional distribution channels (e.g., theaters and television) and physical formats (e.g., DVDs, CDs), content is increasingly available through a growing number of digital platforms, including internet streaming outlets such as Netflix, as well as video on demand (VOD) and electronic sell-through (EST).

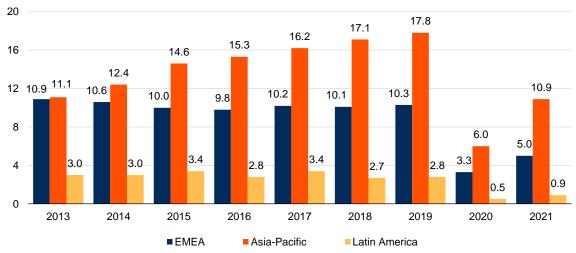
A relatively small number of companies control major Hollywood film studios, including Disney's Buena Vista (along with sister studios Pixar, Marvel, and Lucasfilm), Warner Media's Warner Bros. Entertainment, Viacom's Paramount, Comcast's Universal, and Sony's Columbia. Alongside independent studios such as Lions Gate Entertainment Corp.'s Lionsgate Films, these companies typically account for more than 90% market share of the U.S. box office revenue in any given year. Not coincidentally, these companies also account for the lion's share of television production studio revenues.

The ownership of diverse entertainment businesses creates opportunities for cross-promotion. Companies can gain an economic edge from owning both the product (such as a TV show) and the distribution channel (such as a broadcast network and/or streaming platforms). Additional opportunities to leverage trademarks, copyrights, and "creative assets" (*i.e.*, writers, producers, actors, and the content they produce) are arising in the evolving multimedia sector. For example, a popular movie can spawn a best-selling music album or a video game, a novel can inspire a film, and so on.

Movies today are usually made under a contract signed by a major distributor, a production company, and a collection of freelance talent. With a major theatrical film, a distributor typically funds a movie from start to finish or provides a portion of the financing in return for fees and a share of the proceeds. In some cases, a producer grants theatrical distribution rights to one party and sells home video rights to another; on occasion, the international rights may also be parceled out separately.

## INTERNATIONAL BOX OFFICE

(all films by region except U.S. and Canada, in \$, billions, annual)



Source: Motion Picture Association of America (latest available).

Film studios receive approximately half their box office revenues from theater operators, while theater revenues consist primarily of box office admissions and concession sales. However, a film's profitability also depends on pay-TV and/or streaming platform licensing, and merchandising, and increasingly new media outlets. Even so, a strong box office performance can support a film's ability to generate revenues in ancillary channels for several years thereafter.

Other expenses associated with film distribution, other than the cost of film production, include advertising and duplication (making multiple copies for theaters), dubbing or subtitling the movie for foreign markets, as well as manufacturing and marketing the film's home video release. Creative talent involved in a movie may be contractually entitled to a portion of the film's revenues or profits. Production and marketing costs vary widely, ranging from micro-budget films to tentpole releases that can cost several hundred million dollars in product and market costs apiece.

Even so, most movies are not big moneymakers, and breakout commercial successes are typically rare. In this business, as in the music and television segments, the successes must pay for the failures. With most movies losing money on their original investment in their domestic theatrical run, most films must rely on the home video and other back-end channels to recoup their investment and make a profit.

In the filmed entertainment business, scale has some obvious advantages. A large firm can diversify its risk by developing a variety of projects, while the sheer volume of its products gives it more influence with theater owners and TV networks. In addition, factors such as brand-name recognition, management experience, relationships with creative talent, and product distribution capabilities tend to favor the larger, more established companies.

Relative to some capital-intensive or highly regulated segments, entry barriers in the filmed entertainment production and distribution business are not extreme, with a notable presence of independent studios ("indies") that are not affiliated to the major players. Even so, long-lived success does not come easily. The ability of smaller companies to join the ranks of the industry leaders varies. Salient factors include access to capital and management skill.

## **Theatrical Distribution**

A theater or cinema operator's largest expense is the rental of movies from distributors. These exhibitors license films by either negotiating directly with distributors or submitting bids to them. Rental fees, which average roughly 50% of ticket sales, are based largely on a revenue-sharing formula. Typically, if the fee is determined in advance, a distributor will receive either a percentage of box office receipts (which may decline as a film's theatrical run lengthens) or a percentage of the amount that admission revenues exceeded a negotiated figure.

During a film's theatrical run, if the movie exhibitor's weekly percentage of box office receipts increases over time, it provides an incentive for the exhibitor to keep the film on its screens longer. In addition, rental fees may be subject to a settlement process that is negotiated after a film's theatrical run has concluded, based upon a movie's performance.

Most films reap the bulk of box office revenues within just a few weeks of their release – typically highest in the opening week – before increased competition sets in as other releases jump into the fray. Still, a film's life span can last several years before its entire revenue stream is exhausted. Although a movie's box office revenues are often tallied publicly, a specific movie's full cost structure is seldom disclosed. On the next page is a list of the largest cinema chains in the world:

	LARGEST GLOBAL CINEMA CHAINS (ranked by number of screens, as of November 18, 2022)								
RANK	CHAIN	HEADQUARTERS	NO. OF SCREENS	NO. OF LOCATIONS	SCREENS PER LOCATION*				
1	AMC	United States	7,850	600	13.1				
2	Cineworld	United Kingdom	6,851	514	13.3				
3	Cinépolis	United States	5,251	335	15.7				
4	Cinemark	Mexico	4,426	323	13.7				
5	CGV	South Korea	3,459	463	7.5				
6	Cinemex	Mexico	2,861	332	8.6				
7	VUE	United Kingdom	1,989	228	8.7				
8	Cineplex	Canada	1,676	164	10.2				
9	Wanda	China	1,657	187	8.9				
	TOT		36,020	3,146	11.4				

\*Based on average number of screens.

Source: Company reports.

## **Live Entertainment**

The definition of "live entertainment" has been challenged in recent years to include distinctive experiences created by integrating innovation in experiential, technological, and cultural styles. Traditional live entertainment, however, defines itself as activities provided for the enjoyment of people who are physically present. Such activities may include exhibitions, concerts, and ticketed events. The primary driver for this form of entertainment is the consumers' desire to engage with each other through shared experience, instead of the rather limited, virtual interaction.

Within the live entertainment market, Live Nation Entertainment Inc. is by far the dominant player, while Anschutz Entertainment Group's AEG Live is the second largest. Revenues are generated from promotion and ticket sales for concerts, festivals, and other events, as well as from artist management and sponsorships.

## THE BROADCASTING SUB-INDUSTRY

## **Broadcast Television Production and Syndication**

The production of TV shows is like the movie business in many ways. Good cash flow from program libraries helps to finance new shows. Larger companies often contract for or jointly produce shows with smaller firms, and often distribute and market programs produced by others. The creation of a successful show by any production business can help generate additional network commitments.

The broadcast networks often obtain first-run prime time shows from program suppliers through license agreements, which let them air each episode of a series several times. This arrangement is generally more affordable for the networks than producing programs themselves, the cost of which can significantly exceed the network license fee – especially in the early years of production.

When a program supplier licenses a show to a network for less than the cost of production, it may offset this deficit by selling the program to foreign markets. However, even after foreign sales are included, a supplier may accept a deficit in the hope of ultimately profiting through off-network syndication (selling reruns to individual TV stations or cable channels) or digital streaming on outlets such as Netflix.

The desirability of a program's rerun rights is determined largely by the size of its audience and its longevity on broadcast network TV. In a licensing arrangement, the program supplier retains ownership of a show. However, broadcast and cable networks alike are increasingly producing or acquiring ownership interests in original shows that they air. Doing so usually involves a higher initial investment, but it can also generate greater returns if a program becomes a hit.

Syndicating a TV program means licensing a program to individual TV stations on a market-by-market basis. Network affiliates and independent TV stations, as well as cable networks, acquire syndicated shows, although each has a different amount of time to fill. Syndication deals may apply to original "firstrun" shows or "off-network" programs that have aired previously on a network. Typically, these shows are sold on a market-by-market basis.

A station may acquire the rights to air a syndicated show (and to the associated advertising revenues), with pricing that reflects the show's perceived desirability and the number of times it can be aired under the contract. Alternatively, under a "barter" arrangement, the syndicator retains the bulk of the ad revenues, with substantially lower licensing costs to the station. A hybrid "cash-plus-barter" arrangement enables a show to be licensed with a specified number of presold ads.

Stations make substantial commitments for future access to syndicated programming, requiring advance purchases of an entire series – perhaps even before the number of episodes to be produced has been determined. There is no assurance that a successful network program will generate profitable off-network sales. License terms may run from one to five years; syndicated TV series may include an initial telecast, followed by subsequent reruns for a period of years, with full payment due before the end of reruns.

## U.S. Broadcasting, Cable, and Satellite: Concentrated Distribution Pipelines

There are four major English-language broadcast networks in the U.S., each of which is owned by one of the major media and entertainment conglomerates. The networks, commonly called the Big Four, are ABC (owned by Disney), CBS (CBS Corp.), Fox (owned by Fox Corp.), and NBC (owned by Comcast). In addition to stations that are owned and operated by the parent companies of the four major broadcast networks, the top players include independent station groups such as TEGNA Inc., Sinclair Broadcasting Group Inc., Tribune Media Co., and Nexstar Media Group Inc.

Separately, there are two major Spanish-language networks broadcast that serve the U.S. Hispanic audience, each of which is also owned by a major media company. These networks are Univision (owned by Univision Communications Inc.) and Telemundo (Comcast). Another Spanish-language broadcast network, UniMás (formerly Telefutura), is also owned by Univision.

TOP 10 U.S. TV STATION OWNERS* (ranked by 2022 net ad revenues, in \$, millions)						
RANK	COMPANY	NO. OF	NO. OF		REVENUES	
	NAME	STATIONS	MARKETS	NET AD	RETRANSMISSION	TV STATION
1	Nexstar Media	179	116	2,559.7	2,538.8	5,098.5
2	Gray Television	195	112	2,047.9	1,384.4	3,432.3
3	Fox Corporation	30	18	1,887.4	1,207.4	3,094.8
4	TEGNA	68	52	1,796.5	1,511.9	3,308.3
5	Sinclair Broadcast	125	84	1,511.1	1,518.4	3,029.5
6	Comcast	44	30	1,497.3	967.5	2,464.8
7	Paramount Global	28	17	1,161.0	1,236.6	2,397.6
8	E. W. Scripps Company	105	75	1,028.2	633.2	1,661.4
9	Walt Disney	8	8	868.9	507.9	1,376.8
10	Univision Comm.	46	25	701.4	685.2	1,386.6
Source:	SNL Kagan.					

In addition, there are more than 800 cable and satellite-delivered TV networks, including basic cable channels such as ESPN, TNT, TBS, USA, MTV, Nickelodeon, Lifetime, Syfy, FX, Cartoon Network, Discovery, Fox News, and CNN, as well as premium channels such as HBO/Cinemax, Showtime, Starz/Encore, and EPIX.

Despite a relatively high number of cable networks in the U.S., their ownership is fairly concentrated among a relatively small number of companies. In fact, most of the 800 cable and satellite-delivered

networks were affiliated with the major media companies. In addition, six national networks were affiliated with satellite TV provider DIRECTV, owned by telecommunications giant AT&T Inc.

Most of the major Western European countries have large and well-developed, if fragmented, broadcast markets. Like most of the world, broadcasters rely on a mixture of advertising, subscriptions, and public funds for their revenues. Publicly funded broadcasters face programming restrictions, including cases where they are banned from broadcasting advertisements. Hence, for audience metric purposes, many advertisers exclude audience figures from publicly funded channels; instead, they use a measure that only includes commercial channels, known as the Share of Commercial Impacts, or SOCI.

## **TV Station Affiliate Relationships**

As major forces in U.S. television programming, the major English- and Spanish-language broadcast networks, in addition to owning and operating their own local television stations, also have affiliate relationships with independent stations. The networks typically provide their owned stations and affiliates with 15–22 hours of programming per week. In exchange, networks obtain the right to sell the bulk of the advertising time during the periods when their shows are airing. Many affiliates also receive a fee from their networks. In any given market, affiliate relationships are normally exclusive, and the contracts may run anywhere from two to 10 years, or longer. These agreements provide an affiliate with the right to air the network's programs and commercials during a specified period and, in most cases, the rights to preempt a certain number of hours of such programming each year.

When affiliates are not airing a network show, they offer alternative programming that they have either purchased independently (such as a syndicated show) or produced in-house (such as local news) to fill that time slot. In such cases, the network may then offer such pre-empted programs to another station in the same market. Although costs are typically higher for shows that they produce themselves, affiliates get to sell more advertising time during such programs than during network offerings. Independent stations, which are not affiliated with a broadcast network, have an even greater need for syndicated shows. Those stations bear full responsibility for filling their schedules with programming and for selling advertising time. They incur all the costs and keep all the revenues associated with doing so.

A station's competitive position depends on its network affiliation, programming quality, management ability, and technical factors. Stations compete for ad sales with other media such as newspapers, radio, and local cable operators. A station sells the bulk of its commercial airtime through its local sales force, with a portion also sold on commission through national representative firm(s). Stations affiliated with the top networks benefit from higher ad rates. However, compared with independents, these stations typically have less ad inventory to sell and are also increasingly obligated to pay "reverse compensation" to the networks.

## **Upfront Advertising Market**

"Upfront" refers to the marketplace for advance sales of television airtime during an annual bazaar held each spring between media buyers and sellers of advertising inventory on broadcast and cable networks, as well as syndicated TV shows. During the process, which typically lasts about two to three weeks, the sellers present their programming line-ups for the TV season that starts in the following fall, after which they proceed to negotiations with the buyers.

On concluding these negotiations, buyers undertake advance commitments to purchase air times on specific shows at pre-determined prices, in some cases with the option to cancel if certain conditions are met. The sellers typically commit anywhere from half to up to 70% of their entire advertising inventory during the upfront; the remaining airtime is sold at prevailing spot rates during the year in the "scatter" market. Ratings guarantees may also be offered for specific shows, which sometimes can result in "makegoods" – free airtime given to advertisers if a show falls short of guaranteed viewership.

## **Terrestrial Radio**

In contrast to satellite-delivered audio broadcasts, terrestrial radio companies transmit over-the-air sound waves from AM or FM stations. Today, the old-fashioned radio is still accessible at home and in cars, as well as in workplaces and outdoor locations such as the streets, beaches, and elsewhere.

Radio stations generate advertising revenues by providing programming, such as local news, talk, music, sports, weather, and traffic, serving the needs of their local communities. This programming may be produced in-house or acquired from syndicated networks such as Cumulus Media Inc.'s Westwood One.

Advertising rates, measured in cost per point, generally reflect a station's ability to attract targeted demographic audiences, as well as the relative demand/supply of radio in that market versus other media outlets. Ad rates are typically highest during the morning and evening commuting hours, usually 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. or 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., respectively. Most advertising contracts are short term, generally running for only a few weeks.

Each radio station typically provides programming content, or format (including on-air talent), which appeals to a targeted demographic group that may be of particular interest to advertisers. Such formats include country, rock, oldies, bluegrass, news/talk, adult contemporary, sports, rhythm and blues, urban, and jazz. A station could change its format in response to competitive and demographic trends or for other reasons. A station may either commit to a single format or switch to different formats at various times of the day or week.

	TOP 10 U.S. RADIO STATION OWNERS (ranked by 2022 ad revenues, in \$, millions)							
RANK	GROUP	AD REVENUES	NO. OF STATIONS	NO. OF MARKETS				
1	iHeartMedia	2,399.4	745	149				
2	Audacy	1,241.1	215	46				
3	Cumulus Media	579.5	354	84				
4	Beasley Broadcast	238.1	53	13				
5	Terrier Media Buyer	212.6	41	9				
6	Urban One	206.1	48	13				
7	Hubbard Broadcasting	197.7	33	8				
8	Townsquare Media	189.4	227	52				
9	Univision Communications	152.2	33	12				
10	Salem Media	144.0	67	33				
Source: S	SNL Kagan.							

## **Broadcast Audience Measurement**

Since the 1950s, the media industry has relied on television ratings provided by Nielsen Media Research, an audience measurement firm, as the basis currency for advertising sales. In the decades and years thereafter, Nielsen's ratings methodology has evolved from a system based on polls conducted using paper diaries – still used during the TV "sweeps" periods that occur four times a year in February, May, July, and November – to the current framework that incorporates an electronic metering technology.

Under its methodology, Nielsen uses its proprietary people meters to track the viewing of a sample of U.S. television households – capturing information about what is being viewed, when, and by how many people. It then generates national and local TV ratings, based on the live viewing of a program's commercials plus DVR playback within three or seven days thereafter – also known as the "C3" and "C7" measurement systems – current industry standards for advertising sales. However, with Nielsen's methodology still mostly reflective of traditional TV viewing, no acceptable industry standard has yet evolved to capture a growing portion of viewing across emerging online and mobile platforms. To address

this issue, Nielsen created a new measurement tool, called Total Content Ratings, which allows the company to generate a single metric for weighing all viewership across traditional and digital platforms.

Meanwhile, Nielsen Audio (formerly Arbitron) also uses a somewhat similar electronic metering technology, based on portable meters, to track a sample of live radio listeners across the U.S. as the basis for its ratings of local radio stations. This is complemented by a paper-based poll that is conducted during certain periods of the year to determine listeners' preferences, including which stations were tuned into and where such listening occurred (e.g., home, car, or work).

**Europe: Foreign Ownership Rules, Cross-ownership Regulations, Copyrights, and Moral Rights**Although Europe is economically unified to a degree, media laws still vary by country, as well as in comparison with other areas of the world. European governments impose restrictions on media ownership, either to prevent foreigners from controlling the flow of information within a country, or to keep any one owner from accumulating too much control of the media. Most European countries, apart from France, Italy, and Portugal, restrict foreign ownership of broadcast and print media.

Nearly half of Europe, including all the major Western European nations, allows varying degrees of cross-media ownership. Ownership rules in Italy are laxer than in most other European countries. The majority of the country's broadcast and print media are owned or controlled by well-known families that came to television, radio, newspapers, and magazines after establishing their fortunes in other industries. In addition to financial gain, these powerful groups seek to mold public opinion and exert political influence. The Italian law also established antitrust ceilings for media revenue. No one entity can account for more than 20% of the media industry's revenue, based on a set basket of revenue items stemming from a number of sources, including national and local advertising; teleshopping; pay-TV subscriptions; sales of books, newspapers, and magazines; electronic publishing; and revenue from filmed entertainment, among other things.

European copyright laws generally accord authors and other creative types a high level of intellectual property rights (IPR) protection. Such rights, and the enforcement mechanisms in place, are essentially on a par with those in other developed countries. The French and Spanish governments go further: both recognize authors' moral rights over their work, in addition to the property rights protected by traditional copyrights. These moral rights stay with the author or heirs forever. Copyrights expire 70 years after the death of the author, roughly in line with practices in most of the rest of Europe and the U.S. In Spain, both types of rights expire 70 years following the author's death.

## THE CABLE & SATELLITE SUB-INDUSTRY

Unlike terrestrial broadcasters, which rely, to a large degree, on advertising revenues from media buyers, cable system operators and satellite TV/radio providers are predominantly dependent on direct consumer subscriptions. Meanwhile, the major national cable networks rely on a dual stream of advertising and subscriptions revenues. However, while the broadcast and cable system operators operate within designated local or regional markets, satellite providers operate a national platform.

Cable and satellite TV/radio broadcasters use different mechanisms to relay hundreds of programming channels into their subscribers' homes. On the one hand, cable operators transmit their signals over a network of coaxial or fiber-optic cable. Conversely, satellite signals are relayed from an uplink facility to transponders, which process and amplify the signals; the signals are then transmitted back to earth, down converted to a lower frequency band, and finally disseminated to subscribers.

## Pay-TV and Satellite Radio Subscription Packages

For a monthly fee, cable multiple system operators (MSOs) provide their customers with a choice of service packages for various tiers of video and high-speed internet service (with varying speeds), which

are typically marketed in conjunction with telephone service as part of a bundling strategy. The bundled "triple play" package is usually offered at a discount from the standalone prices of these services.

The basic cable package includes local broadcast signals as well as public, educational, and government access channels. Most operators offer an expanded basic service, which includes 30 to 50 popular channels such as ESPN, Disney Channel, and MTV. Cable operators also offer digital packages with enhanced features and interactivity such as high-definition television (HDTV), VOD, and digital video recorder (DVR); these packages include hundreds of additional cable channels, as well as optional premium channels, such as HBO and Showtime.

Like the cable operators, the two satellite TV providers, DIRECTV and DISH Network, also offer comparable direct packages of video channels to subscribers of their direct broadcast satellite (DBS) service. However, unlike cable operators, the satellite TV companies operate an all-digital national platform that is available across the U.S. Unlike the month-to-month cable service, they typically require a minimum contractual commitment of one to two years for new subscribers, with early cancellation penalties.

Separately, Sirius XM offers dozens of programming channels under a variety of subscriptions packages. However, unlike the DBS providers that require minimum contractual commitments, this service is available on a month-to-month basis, much like the cable package.

### THE ADVERTISING SUB-INDUSTRY

## **Advertising Agencies**

Advertising agencies work with advertisers (their clients) and the media (their suppliers) to design and implement marketing campaigns. Advertisers usually sell commercial goods or services, although government organizations or civic groups may also advertise, usually in the form of public service announcements.

Ad agencies analyze the market for a particular product or service, create the communications strategy to convey the agreed-upon message, and choose the most effective media for reaching the desired market. Agencies also negotiate and place orders with the media in accordance with their clients' budgets. The principal firms in this industry are general ad agencies and boutique firms, often operating under a larger holding company for a full-service agency network.

A full-service agency group offers a complete range of ad services, from creative work, production work, and account handling to media planning, buying, and post-buy analysis. The functions of a general ad agency include interacting with clients (*i.e.*, account services), designing ad campaigns (creative), making the actual ads (production), advising on placement (media planning), and booking and coordinating the appearance of the ad (media buying). Boutiques range from direct marketing/direct response agencies, public relations (PR) agencies, branding/logo/identity consultants, sales promotion companies, field marketing agencies, interactive agencies, specialty agencies, and sports marketing companies.

Developing and maintaining client relationships is essential in the ad industry. In some cases, smaller agencies exist solely because of one or two big accounts. An ad agency's indirect customers are the consuming public. Ultimately, an advertisement's success or failure depends on whether it reaches the target market and encourages consumers to buy more products.

Clients increasingly require their agencies to provide return on advertising investment metrics. After resisting for many years, agencies have finally agreed to replace a traditional commission-based fee structure with fee-based remuneration for their creative work. Seasonality is a factor in the timing and level of advertising spending, and therefore agency revenues. Advertising spending tends to be higher

during the second and fourth quarters of the calendar year. Fourth-quarter spending is usually highest, as advertising ramps up during the holiday season.

### THE PUBLISHING SUB-INDUSTRY

### **Generic Publishers**

Newspapers, magazines, and books are the three main products for the publishing group. Newspapers may compete for readership with other metropolitan, suburban, and national newspapers. To a large extent, magazines compete with similarly focused periodicals. Books compete for readers by subject matter. All three forms of publishing compete for readers and buyers based on content, service, and price, and are up against other media for the consumer's time and money.

Newspapers and magazines generate income from a mixture of advertising revenue and circulation revenue (from subscriptions and single-copy sales), while book publishing revenue is derived primarily from sales. Newspapers and magazines also compete for advertising. This contest is based on circulation levels, readership demographics, price (measured in cost-per-thousand readers, or CPM), geographic coverage, and effectiveness (gauged by consumer response).

The migration of readers to digital media platforms affects each of the print publishing industries. Meanwhile, for their traditional print products, CFRA sees distribution channels, paper costs, and other expenses varying, depending on the medium.

## **Key Material Input and Labor Intensity**

The major raw material essential to publishing is paper: coated and uncoated publication paper for magazines (body paper), newsprint for newspapers, and various book-grade papers for books. (For more information about paper, please see CFRA's *Paper & Paper Packaging* Industry Survey.) Publishers usually sign multi-year contractual agreements with major paper manufacturers to ensure adequate supplies of paper for their planned publishing requirements. Newspaper publishers also often centralize the purchase of newsprint for all their properties. In addition, some newspaper holding companies have equity interests in newsprint suppliers. Much of the impact of rising or falling paper prices is borne by the publisher, although the printer can also make or lose money by buying ahead and maintaining inventories of paper.

All three segments of the publishing business are labor intensive. Newspaper and magazine publishers employ reporters, editors, researchers, editorial assistants, copy editors or sub-editors, proofreaders, art directors, photographers, graphic artists, copywriters, and illustrators on a full-time, part-time, or freelance basis. In addition, some newspapers and magazines maintain correspondents or bureaus in news centers around the world or in major U.S. cities outside their local markets. Book publishers employ some of these same categories of workers.

Most book authors are commissioned or under a publisher's contract, not part of its salaried staff. Magazine and book publishers usually outsource their printing and distribution functions, whereas newspaper publishers usually print in-house. Magazine and book publishers also maintain advertising sales staffs, circulation sales staffs, production personnel, and subscriber services personnel.

## **Production and Distribution**

Most newspaper production is performed on company-owned presses. For most magazines, unrelated third parties do the printing under long-term contracts. Outside printers typically publish books, but often on paper supplied by the publisher. Book manufacturing contracts are generally signed on a title-by-title basis. When the publisher does not supply paper to the printer, the printer buys in bulk from paper producers.

Distribution of national, regional, and, increasingly, local newspapers is most often contracted out to third parties, although some newspapers still maintain their own fleets of delivery trucks. Book distribution uses all classes of mail or bulk shipments by freight carriers. Magazine publishers usually sign multi-year contracts with unrelated third parties for national, regional, or market-by-market newsstand distribution services. Subscription copies are mailed through the postal system or, in some cases, through courier services.

## **Newspapers**

Newspaper revenues come largely from advertising (both from print and online editions) and circulation. Some newspaper publishers also derive some revenues from commercial printing, electronic information, and publishing, as well as from selling their news to others.

Newspaper advertising is sold in several ways. A full run of press (ROP) ad is printed on a newspaper page and is included in all editions. In a zoned part-run, an ad is printed on a newspaper page, but is included only in editions slated for a particular area (*e.g.*, the "eastern suburbs"). Preprints or inserts are advertisements that are printed separately and inserted in a newspaper.

Most daily newspapers operate independently of their parent companies. For corporate-owned newspapers in physical proximity to one another, publishers often combine certain operations. To improve efficiencies and cut costs, for example, accounting or payroll functions may be consolidated. Where markets overlap, newsgathering and other activities may also be shared. Quarterly revenues of the newspaper industry vary with seasonal influences. Generally, advertising results in the second and fourth quarters are higher than in the first and third quarters due to heavy ad spending around Easter, Thanksgiving, and year-end holidays.

## **Magazines**

Factors affecting magazine publishers' revenues include advertising, circulation, and brand extension programs. Magazines usually sell three primary types of advertising: ROP, mail order, and insert. Most magazine advertising pages and revenues are derived from ROP ads, which are printed within the magazine. Advertising rates are based on each magazine's average per-issue circulation, usually stated as cost per thousand (CPM). In addition to circulation statistics, advertisers always demand to know the readership of both free distribution and paid-circulation magazines.

Subscriptions are usually a magazine's largest source of circulation revenues. They may be generated through direct-mail solicitation, agencies, insert cards, or other means. Newsstand sales, including single-copy sales at supermarkets, drugstores, and other retail outlets, are another important source of circulation revenue for most magazines. Publishers often entice subscribers with discounts from the stated cover price or with premiums. For magazine publishers, newsstand sales remain an important source of revenue. For decades, magazines have created brand extensions by producing goods or services that complement and expand the franchise of an existing product, or by licensing their name to manufacturers.

## **Books and Educational Publishing**

General (or consumer) book publishing is a broad category that includes all kinds of books, both hardcover and softcover, except for educational (elementary through high school, or el-hi and college).

A book publisher's catalog falls into two major categories: the frontlist and the backlist. The frontlist is a publishing company's catalog of new books, while the backlist comprises a publishing company's catalog of books that have already appeared in a first edition and have been, or will be, issued in subsequent editions. In 2022, backlist made up 70% of book sales (up from 57% in 2015), while frontlist made up the rest, according to NPD Group.

In the realm of consumer book publishing, important factors include per-unit costs, author advances and acquiring rights, return rates, and remainders. Per-unit costs are largely a function of print run size. Costs to cover author advances and to acquire rights affect a publisher's profitability. Trade and paperback publishers generally print far more copies than they expect to sell to the book-buying public and permit retailers to return unsold books for a full refund. Publishers tend to reduce the price of hardcover books drastically after a certain period, in a process known as remaindering.

Educational publishing comprises elementary through high school and college texts. It excludes medical, nursing, and other health sciences textbooks (published by medical publishers), which are generally considered professional books.

The process of developing instructional materials for elementary and secondary schools is complex, time-consuming, and expensive. Heavy capital demands and erratic income flow serve as barriers to entry that have tended to keep the educational book publishing industry concentrated, as only well-financed firms can afford both the upfront costs and the periodic big losses.

#### **Europe: Privacy Laws and Favorable Tax Treatment**

The French, English, and Germans take a stricter stance than most of the rest of Europe in protecting citizens' privacy in the media, particularly when it comes to publishing a person's image, a photo of a person's works, or a photo of a person's property.

Many E.U. member states provide some form of support to their newspaper, magazine, and book industries through preferential value-added tax (VAT) rates on end-user sales. Some member states do not charge VAT at all for books (Ireland and the U.K.), magazines (U.K.), or newspapers (Belgium, Denmark, and the U.K.). The VAT rate charged on print publications is generally significantly lower than the standard national rate. The preferential rates are usually intended to support cultural and political diversity by keeping prices low for buyers, ensuring healthy demand for print media. VAT rates, or changes in the rates, can have a significant impact on publishers' sales.

This favorable tax treatment of newspaper, magazine, and book industries in Europe is expected to continue in the near term. The European Council proposed to allow member states of the E.U. to apply lower VAT rates on e-books and digital copies of newspapers and periodicals. In June 2017, the European Parliament approved the proposal.

In April 2022, the European Union's Economic and Financial Affairs Council adopted a new directive on VAT rates. Moving on, VAT on books and e-books, as well as other goods and services, will be reduced to a "super low rate" of less than 5% or be eliminated entirely in the EU.

# HOW TO ANALYZE A COMPANY IN THIS INDUSTRY

At CFRA, we recommend a top-down approach to valuation. An examination of the industry drivers outlined on pages 9 to 11 – consumer confidence, real GDP, advertising spending, and home video sales – is a good starting point.

# **Industry Drivers**

**Consumer confidence.** The Conference Board, a not-for-profit research group, conducts the most widely followed consumer confidence survey by polling 5,000 representative U.S. households to gauge consumer sentiment. This measure is expressed as an index, in which 1985 is used as a base year (1985=100). Compiled from monthly surveys of consumer attitudes, the index has two components: the present situation index, which measures consumers' feelings about their current economic condition; and the expectations index, which tracks consumers' feelings about the future. Any reading above 90 is considered strong, according to The Conference Board.

When consumer confidence is high or rising, it is often accompanied by increased spending and borrowing. Conversely, when consumers are uncertain about the future, they may reduce or postpone expenditures.

**Gross domestic product.** GDP, the broadest measure of aggregate economic activity, is the market value of all goods and services produced by labor and capital in a country. As with many industries, media companies are affected by the economy's overall health. The U.S. Department of Commerce and Eurostat reports real GDP growth (adjusted for inflation) quarterly.

**Advertising spending.** Historical and projected advertising spending can serve as an indicator of the general health of various media. It is also important to investigate the health of various advertiser categories (*e.g.*, automotive, financial services, and retail) to which various media outlets are exposed. Projected market and media trends are reported in trade magazines, such as *Advertising Age*, *Broadcasting & Cable*, *Radio & Television Business Report*, and *Variety*.

**Net subscriber additions.** A prime indicator of the success of a cable or satellite provider's marketing programs, net subscriber additions is the number of new customers added, less customers that terminated service. It is typically calculated on a quarterly basis.

Home video sales. Information or estimates about demand for individual titles, as well as industrywide figures, can be obtained from trade organizations, research firms, and various publications. For example, Rentrak Corp., a media measurement and research subsidiary of comScore Inc., provides weekly tables with performance rankings for DVD and Blu-ray sales and rentals, video on demand (VOD), and domestic and international box office as well as "TV engagement." Industry sales are also released quarterly by Digital Entertainment Group, an industry trade group.

# **Company Analysis**

After gaining an understanding of the industry's drivers, an investor should then determine a media company's lines of business. What place does it hold in the chain of creating and delivering products to consumers? In addition, what are its competitive advantages or disadvantages? Does it have enough financing to create new products and withstand failures? Finally, a detailed study of the company's financial statements can reveal a lot about its past performance and foundation for future results.

#### **Lines of Business**

The kind of assets and businesses that a media company emphasizes determines the category to which it belongs. The four basic categories are content creators, distributors, packagers, and pipelines. The major players generally operate multiple businesses and belong to more than one category. While each of those businesses may be attractive on a standalone basis, it is important to ask if value is being added through a conglomerate structure. Does a company have opportunities to build brands and cross-promote its assets?

For example, a company's theme park attractions might use some of its movie characters, while some of its cable TV networks help to promote shows that are debuting on a broadcast TV network owned by the company. Such interrelationships are sometimes said to create synergy – a combined effect that separate businesses would be less capable of achieving alone.

On the other hand, some businesses might do better and be more appreciated by investors if they were separated from a larger parent company through such means as an asset sale or a spin-off. For example, when separated, a smaller business may become quicker or more agile with its decision-making, requiring fewer levels of approval than it did when part of a larger corporate parent.

**Content creators.** Some firms are primarily content creators, producing movies, TV shows, music albums, and publications. To succeed, these companies must have both adequate financing and a means of delivering their product to the public. Delivery may involve the support of large distribution companies, which often help with the financing and marketing of a product in exchange for a significant share of the revenue.

**Distributors.** Distributors expend marketing efforts and arrange for movies, TV shows, videos, and music to become available to consumers through such outlets as theaters, TV stations, and newsstands. A distributor often receives its fee either as a portion of the sales price or a piece of the revenue generated from consumers. In addition, distributors sometimes help finance a project (*e.g.*, a movie production), which typically boosts the distributor's share of the project's future revenue stream.

**Packagers.** A packager is a company such as a TV network or station that organizes or schedules what consumers see or hear. This can include content produced by the packager or by affiliates, as well as programming that it licenses or buys from third-party producers/distributors.

For a TV network, success is largely determined by how many households can view the network's programs and, of course, by how many of those who could watch are tuning in. Advertisers seek viewers whose buying patterns and interests match their products, and many value viewers in the 18-49 age group.

**Pipelines.** Pipeline companies, which physically deliver entertainment to consumers, range from movie theaters and video stores to cable TV systems and internet service providers (ISPs). Important factors affecting their operations include capital spending plans (such as the cost to upgrade a cable system so new services can be offered) and the extent to which new competition is emerging (*e.g.*, delivery systems available on cell phones and other devices via the internet).

#### Qualitative Factors

Numerous qualitative judgments contribute to the overall assessment of a media company. The following section describes some of the most important factors.

**Copyrights to big-name characters.** In evaluating a media company, it is important to consider the company's copyrights to any popular characters, brand names, or authors. To what extent have these

assets been exploited successfully in different formats? What sort of track record does the business have in creating new consumer franchises?

Given the growing number of entertainment choices being offered to consumers, it is becoming more important for media companies to develop brands and signature programming or content. Successful brands help a company to stand out.

With the introduction of digital technology, piracy – the illegal reproduction, acquisition/downloading, sale, purchase, or distribution of copyrighted products such as recorded music and videos – has become a serious threat to copyright owners. The extent to which companies benefit from new digital delivery systems depends in part on how successful they are in being paid for the content to which they have ownership rights.

**New technology.** New or improved delivery systems help increase demand for various kinds of entertainment, while also affecting how consumers spend their time and money. In some cases, new technology – such as music or video downloading, which bypasses advertisements – may threaten the traditional business of an entertainment-related company. For example, during the early years of public internet use, consumers became accustomed to getting information and entertainment on the internet free of charge (apart from the cost of an ISP). In particular, music industry sales were hurt by fans' ability to download songs on their computers without paying a fee to the tunes' copyright owners.

**Management.** As in any other business, management quality is a key success factor for entertainment companies. CFRA looks favorably on seasoned management teams that have performed well relative to their peers in both good times and bad. In addition, we generally prefer situations in which top executives own stock in the company, because that should bring managers' interests more in line with those of other shareholders.

Some executives excel at cost containment, while others are better at creating new products or managing expansion activity. In evaluating a company, it is a good idea to look at top managers' track records – both with that company and with other firms – in addressing the same kinds of needs and goals that are currently pertinent to the company. Furthermore, it is a good idea to look at the ongoing relationships and contractual commitments a company has with important product suppliers, distributors, packagers of programming, and/or pipeline companies. One must also keep an eye on the consequences of contracts that are not renewed. Even a new contract between the same parties (e.g., a cable system paying to carry a cable network through its wires) could alter profitability. At various times, the balance of power in negotiations can change depending on such factors as competitive conditions.

**Size and diversification.** Is bigger better? A large company tends to enjoy economies of scale, with overhead expenses supported by a bigger revenue stream and spread over a larger asset base than those of a smaller firm. A large company is also more likely to have stronger purchasing power and greater influence with customers.

However, small companies may be quicker than big firms to respond to market conditions. To the extent that its management is more entrepreneurial in spirit, a small firm is less likely to become bogged down in the multilevel decision-making process that hampers bigger companies. In general, CFRA would expect smaller companies to be more willing and likely to take risks with newer kinds of entertainment or content.

**Regulation.** Regulatory constraints should be considered. For example, is a company likely to be affected by restrictions on ownership of certain kinds of businesses? Media ownership may be limited both on a national and local basis. At times, however, the regulatory environment may ease, contributing to such activity as industry consolidation. For geographically diverse companies, regulatory bodies may affect merger activities and other plans.

**New products.** Successful new products are the lifeblood of media companies. Do a firm's new products have pizzazz? Has the inclusion of popular actors or compelling story lines, for example, boosted the success of its movies? One way to gauge a company's efforts is to read trade magazines such as *Billboard* and *Variety*, which cover current popular movies and music albums.

**Supply and demand.** The success of entertainment products such as movies and TV shows is likely to be affected by the balance between the amount of programming being produced and the level of interest or demand from both consumers and pipeline companies. For example, if movie production is growing, particularly among the major companies, costs for creative talent may rise and theater screen space may become hard to obtain. Marketing expenditures may also increase along with efforts to differentiate movies from their competitors.

Labor contracts. Since many media industry employees are represented by unions or labor organizations, it is advisable to know when major contracts are scheduled to expire. What are the prospects for a new contract being signed without labor unrest or a strike, or a significant change in the company's labor costs? For example, if the Screen Actors Guild or Newspaper Guild goes on strike, what impact could this have on a company's ability to create and release new product? However, if a strike shuts down production at one major production company, it is likely to do the same to competitors.

## **Quantitative Factors**

Quantitative factors in the company analysis include trends in revenue, profit margins, EPS, cash flow items and balance sheet items.

Revenue profile. What are the revenue sources, and how diverse is the customer base? Media companies mostly rely on advertising, subscriptions, and content revenues – or a combination thereof. Each of those revenue streams exhibit somewhat peculiar characteristics, with advertising being highly cyclical, content revenues being inherently volatile, and certain types of subscriptions (*e.g.*, print) being subject to secular pressures. Many companies also benefit from growing digital revenues, which are relatively small, but generally provide higher margins. Therefore, a company's prospects would partly depend on its revenue base.



**Watch Out!** Companies may enter into transactions in which they exchange rights to place advertising content on each other's web sites, publications, television, radio, or other media. In some cases, the barter agreements are entirely non-cash while in other cases similar amounts of cash are exchanged between the parties. In either scenario, the amounts and timing of recorded revenues and expenses can be inappropriately manipulated to overstate reported results. One way this can be achieved is to overstate the value ascribed to the exchanged services, which results in higher revenues and advertising expenses for both parties. This is especially critical in an environment where companies are valued in large part based on reported revenue and revenue growth.

**Growth prospects.** Are industry revenues expanding, or will a company have to take market share from competitors to grow? Are there opportunities to expand through sales to international markets? U.S. movies and recorded music are often hot items with foreign consumers.

**Quality of earnings.** Are there any one-time factors to consider? When looking at either revenues or profits, try to assess any one-time factors that may have inflated or depressed results. For example, earnings may be unsustainably high due to a gain from an asset sale, or they may be unusually low because of a restructuring charge or a one-time write-down of an asset's value.

Other items that can cause major swings in reported profits or in year-to-year earnings comparisons include unusual tax rates and accounting rule changes. If there are significant one-time or nonrecurring

items, it is advisable to adjust the reported earnings to what would be considered normalized levels, which will likely help reveal the underlying growth and quality of the company's profits.



**Watch Out!** A company can manipulate earnings by using the adjustment to fair market value of a target company's assets and liabilities in an acquisition to understate assets and overstate liabilities, thereby allocating a greater portion of the purchase price to goodwill.



**Watch Out!** Companies record special charges for unusual or infrequent items, e.g., restructuring charges. Such charges are often excluded from non-GAAP earnings, and therefore provide dishonest management with the ability to enhance analysts' perception of its profitability through aggressive use of these special charges.



**Watch Out!** Costs for bad debts, sales returns, and other provisions are estimated by management and recorded as either expenses or offsets to revenue (depending upon the provision). Management has discretion in calculating these estimates, and therefore can manipulate earnings, and sometimes revenues. Specifically, by under-provisioning or reversing previous provisions, management can generate artificial, and therefore unsustainable, earnings.



**Watch Out!** Companies in the Media industry are fixed asset intensive, making depreciation a significant expense for most of these companies. Since depreciation is based on estimates of asset lives, management can manipulate these estimates to manage earnings. Specifically, extending the depreciable life of an asset will boost a company's earnings while shortening depreciable lives will decrease earnings.

**Cash flow.** How healthy is cash flow? Reported earnings may not be an accurate reflection of a company's cash flow generation or financial strength. Keep in mind that some expenses on a company's income statement – such as depreciation, amortization, and write-downs – are non-cash items (*i.e.*, they do not represent an actual cash outlay).

Companies also generally have cash expenditures – such as production costs for movies that have yet to be released, debt repayment, and dividends to shareholders – that are not included on the income statement. To get at least a partial picture of these costs, look for the media company's balance sheet and cash flow statement. The balance sheet, for example, may indicate what level of investment in movies or TV shows has yet to be recognized as costs on the company's income statement, while the cash flow statement will likely give an indication of both sources and uses of cash.

CFRA recommends considering whether the company has potential liabilities or obligations that are not clearly reflected on the balance sheet. These could include, for example, guaranteed payment of a loan that was made to another party.

**Valuation measures.** Valuation measures are used to determine how much a company or its stock is worth. Common measures for the media industry include multiples of earnings, such as the price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio, or multiples of operating cash flow, such as enterprise value-to-earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization (EV/EBITDA). In deciding which multiples to pay, an investor might consider projected growth rates for earnings or cash flow, the relative attractiveness of the markets to which a company has exposure and debt levels.

Keep in mind that valuations depend on various factors, including overall investor sentiment, industry conditions, the level of interest rates, and the extent to which future earnings seem predictable. As is the case with other measures, valuations of a company should be compared with those of similar companies in the same industry.

# **GLOSSARY**

**Advertising**—A paid public message, often delivered through a mass media outlet, with the goal of promoting sales of a product and/or service or encouraging some other action by the audience.

**Analog**—The conventional transmission system that uses signals of varying frequency or amplitude; can be susceptible to noise interference. (See *Digital*.)

Audience—All people, households, or organizations that read, view, or hear a particular marketing communication vehicle.

**Average revenue per user (ARPU)**—Term used by cable and system operators for measure of average monthly revenue generated by each customer unit; also referred to as revenue-generating units (RGUs).

**Backlist**—A publisher's catalog of books in print: books that have appeared in a first edition and have been or will be issued in subsequent editions.

**Barter**—A compensation arrangement under which the owner of a syndicated program splits the associated ad revenues with the network or the station on which the show is aired.

Blu-ray—A format of DVD designed for the storage of high-definition (HD) video and data.

**Brand name**—The proprietary name given to a corporation and/or its products and services. Advertising is used to promote consumer awareness and loyalty, and to enhance the brand's desirability.

**Broadband**—High-speed internet access, whether wired or wireless, with data transmission systems carrying multiple signals simultaneously.

Broadcast—A signal transmitted to all user terminals in a service area.

C3—An audience measurement framework for network programming, developed by Nielsen, which refers to the ratings for average commercial minutes in live programming plus three days of digital video recorder (DVR) playback.

**Cable TV**—A delivery system over a network of coaxial or fiber-optic cable, including the headend, trunk lines, feeder lines, and drop lines, that gives subscribers hundreds of video channels.

Catalog—Older releases of recorded product that are not readily available in current retail display or rotation unless otherwise noted or advertised.

Churn—The percentage of subscribers to a service that discontinue their subscription to that service in a given time period.

Circulation—The number of distributed copies of a periodical publication, often expressed as an average per issue over six months.

**Coaxial cable**—Copper cable that is run by cable TV companies between a community antenna and subscribers' homes and businesses. (See *Fiber-optic cable*.)

**Copyright**—The exclusive legal right, granted by the U.S. Copyright Office, to reproduce, publish, and sell the matter and form of a literary, musical, or artistic work.

Cost per thousand (CPM)—The price of reaching 1,000 households or viewers with an advertisement.

Coverage—The percentage of a target audience receiving at least one opportunity to see or hear the advertising.

**Digital**—A method of recording, transmitting, or reproducing sound, video, or other material by sampling an analog signal and translating those samples into digital information, or data.

**Digital video recorder (DVR)**—A device that allows viewers to record and store hours of TV programs on a hard drive for later viewing.

**Direct broadcast satellite (DBS)**—Satellite TV systems in which subscribers (or end users) receive digital signals directly from high powered geostationary satellites orbiting 22,300 miles above the Earth.

**Direct marketing**—Any communication sent to a consumer or business to generate a response, such as a request for information, an order for merchandise, and/or a visit to a store to make a purchase.

Edition—Part of the total distribution of a periodical, whose copy or advertising may differ by region, time of day, or other variable.

**Educational publishing**—Textbook and materials publishing directed at primary through secondary school curricula. Textbooks and materials are usually sold to school systems on a contract basis, with most deliveries made during the contract's first few years.

**Fiber-optic cable**—the medium and technology associated with the transmission of information as light impulses along a glass or plastic wire or fiber. (See *Coaxial cable*.)

Footprint—The geographic coverage area of a cable system, broadcast, or satellite signal.

**Frequency**—The number of issues published in a given period. The term can also refer to the number of times that individuals or households see, hear, or read a particular marketing message within a given timeframe.

Frontlist—A publisher's catalog of first-edition books in print.

**Full run**—Ads that appear in all editions of a newspaper.

**Headend**—The central distribution point for a cable TV system, where video signals are received from satellites and broadcast TV stations, amplified, converted to appropriate channels, and re-broadcasted through the cable system.

**High-definition television (HDTV)**—A new broadcast technology offering sharply improved picture resolution and digital quality sound. HDTV has 1,125 lines down a screen, compared with the U.S. standard of 525 lines. To send HDTV, broadcasters must invest in new equipment; to receive it, consumers must purchase specially designed TV sets.

Inserts—Preprinted literature (usually advertising) that is placed inside a newspaper or magazine. (See Run of press.)

**Make-goods**—Advertising time or space set aside to compensate marketers when broadcast audiences or print circulation fall short of levels promised.

**Moral rights**—May include the creator's right to receive or decline credit for his/her work, to prevent his/her work from being altered without his/her permission, to control who owns the work, to dictate whether and in what way the work is displayed, and/or to receive resale royalties.

**Multichannel video programming distributor (MVPD)**—A service provider that delivers video programming services, usually for a subscription fee.

Network—A broadcast TV medium that airs programming and sells commercial time nationally via licensed local stations.

**Outdoor**—Any form of advertising visible outside the home, such as posters placed on billboards, street furniture (kiosks and bus stops), and mass transit.

**Over-the-top (OTT) media services**—A streaming media service offered directly to viewers via the internet. OTT bypasses cable, broadcast, and satellite television platforms, the companies that traditionally act as a controller or distributor of such content.

Pay-TV—Subscription-based TV services, including analog and digital broadcasts, typically provided by cable, satellite TV, and telco providers.

**Penetration**—The percentage of a market or footprint that subscribe to a service, or that an individual medium or vehicle or advertising message reaches.

Piracy—The illegal reproduction, acquisition/downloading, sale, purchase, or distribution of copyrighted products.

**Professional books**—Books covering business, law, medicine, technical fields, science, or education, and created primarily for practitioners, researchers, or teachers; often used in educational settings, particularly in the senior college and graduate levels.

**Public relations (PR)**—Communicating information about an organization and/or its products and services to audiences beyond prospective customers.

**Publisher**—Oversees the profitability of a publication (by setting the direction editorially and visually), determines target markets, manages staff, and controls resources and budgets.

Rating/share—"Rating" is the percentage of households viewing or listening a program; "share" is the percentage of all households viewing or listening at that time.

**Reach**—The number of individuals or households within a specific target audience that see a particular marketing message. It can be stated as a percentage of the target audience.

**Readership**—The number of readers of a publication within a target audience. There are a number of ways to measure readership; the most common is to ask survey respondents whether they have read a publication within its latest publication period – over the

last week for a weekly magazine, the last month for a monthly, and so on. A publication is generally considered as having been read if the respondent has looked at the publication for at least two minutes.

**Returns**—Unsold books returned by retailers to publishers, usually for a full refund. For publishers, gross sales minus returns equal net sales. The return ratio equals returned books as a percentage of gross sales.

Revenue-generating units (RGUs)—An industry metric that includes all subscribers to analog and digital cable, as well as internet and telephone customers, excluding additional outlets.

**Rights**—A publication's ability to legally publish a writer's work, noted in terms of frequency, location, medium, distribution, and period of time.

Run—Total number of copies printed.

Run of press (ROP)—Generally refers to newspaper or magazine advertisements placed near editorial copy, as opposed to inserts or preprints. (See *Insert*.)

Sales promotion—All forms of paid communication that are attributed to a sponsor but are not advertising or selling.

**Satellite**—A space vehicle in a fixed orbital location about 22,300 miles above the earth, which receives communications signals from one point on earth and retransmits them to multiple reception points.

Scatter—Network airtime purchased after the start of the broadcast season, at prevailing spot rates that differ from those negotiated during the "upfront." (See *Upfront*.)

Single-copy sales—Copies of a magazine or newspaper sold individually at retail outlets.

**Smart TV**— A standalone television set with inbuilt internet functionality.

**Spot**—TV or radio commercial time purchased market by market, as opposed to nationally; also, a commercial announcement on TV

Sweeps—The periods in February, May, July, and November during which Nielsen most closely tracks and reports national and local ratings.

**Syndication**—A method of distributing radio, TV, and cable programs on a market-by-market basis, mostly aired during periods other than prime time.

Triple play—A packaged offering by cable operators or telcos that includes video, internet, and telephone services.

Upfront—An annual process during which advertisers make upfront commitments to purchase airtime on television. (See Scatter.)

Video on demand (VOD)—A system by which viewers can watch video programs transmitted from a central server to their own TV sets at the time that they choose.

**Viral marketing**—Advertising sent via email, in the form of attachments or web links. Attachments may be text, images, or video clips. The success of viral marketing campaigns depends largely on the rate at which the message is forwarded to other recipients.

# INDUSTRY REFERENCES

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adage.com

Features news on advertisers, ad agencies, and marketing and advertising.

#### Billboard

billboard.com

Covers the recorded music industry.

#### **BoxOffice Pro Magazine**

pro.boxoffice.com

Covers the movie industry.

#### **Broadcasting & Cable**

broadcastingcable.com

Covers the TV industry.

#### **Harvard Business Review**

hbr.org

General management magazine published by Harvard Business Publishing, a wholly owned subsidiary of Harvard University.

#### **Multichannel News**

multichannel.com

Covers cable TV, telecommunications, internet video, and multimedia network news.

## The Hollywood Reporter

hollywoodreporter.com

Covers film, TV, and entertainment.

#### Variety

variety.com

Covers entertainment news.

#### MARKET RESEARCH FIRMS

#### **Broadcasters' Audience Research Board**

barb.co.uk

Non-profit company that provides standard television audience measurement services for broadcasters' advertisers in the U.K.

#### eMarketer

emarketer.com

Market research company that provides insights and trends related to digital marketing, media, and commerce.

#### **International Monetary Fund**

imf.org

An international trade organization that publishes the "World Economic Outlook," whose forecasts are based on members' key macroeconomic indicators.

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kantar.com

Global marketing research firm that provides television audience measurements in dozens of countries.

#### Leichtman Research Group

leichtmanresearch.com

Research firm that specializes in research and consulting on broadband, media, and entertainment.

#### Magna Global

magnaglobal.com

Marketing consultancy firm owned by Interpublic Group. Develops intelligence, investment, and innovation strategies for agency teams and clients.

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nielsen.com

Leading provider of TV audience measurement services.

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pewresearch.org

Nonpartisan fact tank that informs the public about global issues, attitudes, and trends. It conducts public opinion polling, demographic research, media content analysis, and other empirical social science research.

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pwc.com

A multinational professional services network.

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Media measurement and research company owned by comScore, providing content measurement and analytical services to the entertainment industry. It provides information on consumer entertainment behavior across all digital media distribution platforms.

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wischenbart.com

Content and consulting firm focusing on producing widely referenced market reports for global book communities.

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zenithmedia.com

Media services company fully owned by Publicis Groupe. Publishes estimates and forecasts of advertising spending by media in various countries throughout the world.

#### TRADE ASSOCIATIONS

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fep-fee.eu

Umbrella association of book publishers' associations in the EU: deals with European legislation; advises publishers' associations on copyright and other legislative issues; and provides statistics, research, and other services.

## **Independent Film & Television Alliance**

ifta-online.org

Comprises small companies that develop, finance, produce, and/or distribute English-language movies and TV programs worldwide.

# International Federation of the Phonographic Industry

ifpi.org

Nonprofit organization with some 1,400 members in 66 countries; opposes music piracy and seeks to help develop legal guidelines for the recording industry in the digital era.

#### Motion Picture Association of America, Inc.

mpaa.org

Represents mostly larger movie companies. Publishes annual statistical overview of the movie industry.

#### **National Association of Broadcasters**

nab.org

National association of TV and radio broadcasters; provides legislative, legal, technical, marketing, and operational information.

#### **National Association of Theatre Owners**

natoonline.org

Represents owners and operators of U.S. and non-U.S. movie screens.

#### National Cable & Telecommunications Association

ncta.com

Represents cable systems, networks, hardware suppliers, and cable TV service firms; provides information on the U.S. cable TV industry, including subscriber counts.

#### Radio Advertising Bureau

rab.com

National association of radio broadcasters; provides advertising and marketing statistics and assistance.

## **Recording Industry Association of America**

riaa.com

Produces semiannual data on industry shipments; also certifies best-selling recordings.

#### Television Bureau of Advertising, Inc.

tvb.org

National association of television broadcasters; provides advertising statistics and promotes a favorable advertising climate in the TV industry.

#### The Digital Entertainment Group

degonline.org

Industry-funded corporation that advocates and promotes benefits associated with DVDs and provides information related to the DVD format.

#### Video Advertising Bureau

thevab.com

Advocacy group that represents and advocates for membership that includes virtually all the national broadcast and ad-supported cable networks, regional cable networks, MVPDs, and major cinema advertising companies.

# World Association of Newspapers and News Publishers

wan-ifra.org

Provides numerous services to newspapers and associations globally, including advocacy, training, and statistics. It also identifies and analyzes media trends, new technology, new business models, multi-channel distribution, and the impact of convergence.

#### **GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

#### **European Central Bank**

ecb.europa.eu

Official central bank of the 19 EU countries that have adopted the euro. Tasked to maintain price stability in the euro area and to preserve the purchasing power of the single currency.

#### **Federal Communications Commission**

fcc.gov

An independent agency of the U.S. government created by statute to regulate interstate communications by radio, television, wire, satellite, and cable.

#### Office of Communications (Ofcom)

ofcom.org.uk

Independent regulator and competition authority for the U.K. communications industries, with responsibilities for TV, radio, telecommunications, and wireless communications services.

#### U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

stats.bls.gov

Division of the U.S. Department of Labor; the principal fact-finding agency of the federal government in the broad fields of labor, economics, and statistics. It delivers the consumer price index, producer price index, employment cost index, and national compensation survey.

#### U.S. Census Bureau

census.gov

Principal agency of the U.S. Federal Statistical System, responsible for producing data about the American people and economy.

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Annual report from Deloitte Center for Technology,
Media & Telecommunications that provides insights on media and entertainment industry.

#### **Internet World Stats**

internetworldstats.com/stats.htm Website that provides information about global internet usage and developments.

#### **PwC Global Entertainment and Media Outlook**

pwc.com/gx/en/industries/entertainment-media/outlook.html

Annual report from PricewaterhouseCoopers that provides a five-year forecast of the entertainment and media markets. Features expert commentary and global findings centered on the shifts in advertising and consumer spending.

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sca.isr.umich.edu

The Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index uses telephone surveys to gather information on consumer expectations regarding the overall economy.

# COMPARATIVE COMPANY ANALYSIS

**Operating Revenues** CAGR(%) Million \$ Index Basis (2011=100) Yr. End 2021 2020 2017 2016 2015 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 2019 2018 10-Yr. 5-Yr. 1-Yr. Company Advertising WPP PLC DEC 17,333.5 16,387.4 17,527.4 16,628.3 17,769.0 18,381.2 18,043.4 2.5 (3.0)6.7 96 91 97 92 98 102 PUBLICIS GROUPE S.A. DEC 13,349.3 13,196.3 12,345.4 11,393.4 11,205.6 10,274.5 10,427.4 7.3 3.8 8.8 128 127 118 109 107 99 DEC 14.289.4 14.953.7 15.290.2 15.273.6 (1.5)OMNICOM GROUP INC. 13 171 1 15 416 9 15 134 4 0.3 8.5 94 87 99 101 101 102 HAKUHODO DY HOLDINGS INC MAR 7,370.9 11,735.6 13,626.6 13,045.9 12,570.3 11,259.9 10,815.7 3.3 1.3 (11.5)68 109 126 121 116 104 DENTSU GROUP INC. DEC 9,428.6 9,100.6 9,642.2 9,283.3 8,246.5 7,180.8 7,836.6 (5.1)5.3 15.6 120 116 123 118 105 92 THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. DEC 9,107.9 8,064.5 8,625.1 8,031.6 7,473.5 7,452.3 98 7,613.8 2.6 4.1 12.9 120 106 113 105 98 BLUEFOCUS INTELLIGENT COMMUNICATIONS GROU DEC 6,308.9 6,207.6 4,036.5 3,359.3 2,340.8 1,774.2 1,285.7 41.3 26.6 (1.1)491 483 314 261 182 138 CYBERAGENT INC. SEP 5.974.9 4.537.4 4.196.5 3 696 6 3 297 9 3 067 5 2.124.5 18.7 16.5 393 281 214 198 174 155 144 ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC. DEC 3,602.3 3,155.7 3,785.1 3,707.6 2,416.9 2,100.2 1,895.0 NA 11.4 14.2 190 167 200 196 128 111 JCDECAUX SA DEC 2,868.8 2,568.6 3,913.8 3,642.5 3,675.0 3,140.0 3,048.7 0.2 (3.2)20.1 94 84 128 119 121 103 Broadcasting FOX CORPORATION JUN 12,909.0 12 303 0 11,389.0 10.153.0 9 921 0 8 894 0 8 894 0 NA 7.7 49 145 138 128 114 112 100 RTL GROUP S.A. DEC 7.548.0 7.360.2 7.463.8 7.447.9 7.652.5 6.584.0 6.547.9 1.4 1.3 10.3 115 112 114 114 117 101 PT ELANG MAHKOTA TEKNOLOGI TBK DEC 901.3 857.0 797.1 621.2 560.1 546.9 465.8 12.0 11.7 7.6 193 184 171 133 120 117 ITV PLC DEC 4.675.6 3.796.9 4.381.2 4.092.5 4.230.6 3.783.1 4.382.8 4.9 2.4 24.2 107 87 100 93 97 86 NEXSTAR MEDIA GROUP, INC. DEC 4.648.4 4,501.3 3.039.3 2.766.7 2.432.0 1.103.2 896.4 31.2 33.3 3.3 519 502 339 309 271 123 PROSIEBENSAT.1 MEDIA SE DEC 5,110.9 4,950.5 4,590.1 4,896.7 3.4 11.0 130 4.640.3 4,010.3 3.541.7 7.4 144 140 131 138 113 NINE ENTERTAINMENT CO. HOLDINGS LIMITED JUN 1.756.0 1.499.6 1.377.8 1.038.4 955.4 958.3 1.065.1 66 12.7 7.8 165 141 129 97 90 90 TEGNA INC. DEC 2,991.1 2.937.8 2.299.5 2,207.3 1,903.0 2,004.1 1,764.8 (5.5)8.3 1.8 169 166 130 125 108 114 Cable & Satelite NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA COMCAST CORPORATION DEC 116,385.0 103,564.0 108,942.0 94,507.0 85,029.0 80,736.0 74,510.0 7.6 7.6 12.4 156 139 146 127 114 108 CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. DEC 51,682.0 48,097.0 45,764.0 43,634.0 41,581.0 29,003.0 9,754.0 21.8 12.2 7.5 530 493 469 447 426 297 DEC LIBERTY BROADBAND CORPORATION 988.0 51.0 15.0 22.3 13.1 30.6 91.2 (1.4)100.4 1837.3 1084 56 16 24 14 34 SIRIUS XM HOLDINGS INC. DEC 8,696.0 8,040.0 7,794.0 5,771.0 5,425.0 5,017.2 4,570.1 11.6 190 176 171 126 119 110 11.2 8.2 DISH NETWORK CORPORATION DEC 17,881.1 15,493.4 12,807.7 13,621.3 14,391.4 15,212.3 15,225.5 3.2 3.3 15.4 117 102 84 89 95 100 ALTICE USA, INC. DEC 10,090.8 9,894.6 9,760.9 9,566.6 9,307.0 6,017.2 6,509.7 10.9 152 150 147 143 92 2.0 155 5.1 THE LIBERTY SIRIUSXM GROUP DEC 8,696.0 8,040.0 7,794.0 5,771.0 5,425.0 5,014.0 4,552.0 NA 11.6 8.2 191 177 171 127 119 110 CABLE ONE, INC. DEC 1,605.8 1,325.2 1,168.0 1,072.3 960.0 819.3 807.3 NA 14.4 21.2 199 164 145 133 119 101 CHINA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD. DEC 402.8 97 414.7 415.1 392.7 391.7 356.6 368.1 NA 1.2 (2.8)113 113 107 106 109 SHAW COMMUNICATIONS INC. 4,357.8 4,140.9 3,441.8

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Note: Data as originally reported. CAGR-Compound annual growth rate. #Of the following calendar year. Souce: S&P Capital IQ.

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Operating Revenues (Cont.)

					Million \$	(00)				AGR(%	`		Index	Basis	(2011=	:100)	
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	10-Yr.	5-Yr.	,	2021			2018	,	2016
Movies and Entertainment									NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY	OCT	67.418.0	65,388.0	69.607.0	59,434.0	55,137.0	55,632.0	52.465.0	5.1	3.9	3.1	129	125	133	113	105	106
NETFLIX. INC.	DEC	29.697.8	24.996.1	20.156.4	15.794.3	11.692.7	8.830.7	6.779.5	24.9	27.5	18.8	438	369	297	233	172	130
WARNER MUSIC GROUP CORP.	SEP	5.301.0	4.463.0	4,475.0	4,005.0	3.576.0	3,246.0	2.966.0	6.3	10.3	18.8	179	150	151	135	121	109
LIONS GATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP.	MAR	3,604.3	3,271.5	3,890.0	3,680.5	4,129.1	3,201.5	2.347.4	7.5	6.9	(15.9)	154	139	166	157	176	136
AMC ENTERTAINMENT HOLDINGS, INC.	DEC	2,527.9	1,242.4	5,471.0	5,460.8	5,079.2	3,235.9	2,946.9	0.7	(4.8)	103.5	86	42	186	185	172	110
LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	DEC	6,268.4	1,861.2	11,548.0	10,787.8	9,687.2	7,826.3	7,245.7	1.5	(4.3)	236.8	87	26	159	149	134	108
ROKU, INC.	DEC	2,764.6	1,778.4	1,128.9	742.5	512.8	398.6	319.9	NA	47.3	55.5	864	556	353	232	160	125
FORMULA ONE GROUP	DEC	2,136.0	1,145.0	2,022.0	1,827.0	1,783.0	0.0	0.0	NA	NA	86.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	DEC	1,095.2	974.2	960.4	930.2	801.0	729.2	658.8	8.5	8.5	12.4	166	148	146	141	122	111
CINEMARK HOLDINGS, INC.	DEC	1,510.5	686.3	3,283.1	3,221.7	2,991.5	2,918.8	2,852.6	(4.0)	(12.3)	120.1	53	24	115	113	105	102
Publishing									NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NEWS CORPORATION	JUN	9,358.0	9,008.0	10,074.0	9,024.0	8,139.0	8,292.0	8,524.0	0.3	2.4	3.9	110	106	118	106	95	97
LAGARDERE SA	DEC	5,880.8	5,480.1	8,186.5	7,958.6	8,619.1	8,084.0	8,097.7	(4.3)	(7.6)	15.4	73	68	101	98	106	100
PEARSON PLC	DEC	4,641.7	4,637.9	5,124.2	5,262.5	6,099.9	5,620.3	6,589.0	(3.3)	(5.5)	0.9	70	70	78	80	93	85
KADOKAWA CORPORATION	MAR	1,821.6	1,898.3	1,901.9	1,882.5	1,947.0	1,845.0	1,788.4	NA	0.9	2.6	102	106	106	105	109	103
JIANGSU PHOENIX PUBLISHING & MEDIA CORPORAT	DEC	1,970.4	1,858.7	1,807.5	1,689.8	1,698.3	1,518.9	1,547.3	7.6	3.5	3.1	127	120	117	109	110	98
CHINA SOUTH PUBLISHING & MEDIA GROUP CO., LTI	DEC	1,783.7	1,604.2	1,473.6	1,473.6	1,592.2	1,599.3	1,553.4	6.8	0.4	8.2	115	103	95	95	102	103
THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY	DEC	2,047.9	1,754.6	1,781.2	1,725.6	1,658.6	1,538.3	1,562.3	2.8	5.9	16.7	131	112	114	110	106	98
DAILY MAIL AND GENERAL TRUST PLC	SEP	1,195.3	1,125.3	1,644.4	1,860.8	2,097.3	1,971.7	2,788.4	(6.6)	(10.2)	1.7	43	40	59	67	75	71

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Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	10-Yr.	5-Yr.	1-Yr.	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Advertising																	
WPP PLC	DEC	637.7	(2,965.1)	844.1	824.6	1,963.7	1,400.1	1,160.2	(2.7)	(14.6)	NM	55	(256)	73	71	169	121
PUBLICIS GROUPE S.A.	DEC	1,027.0	576.0	841.0	919.0	862.0	(527.0)	901.0	5.6	NM	78.3	114	64	93	102	96	(58)
OMNICOM GROUP INC.	DEC	1,407.8	945.4	1,339.1	1,326.4	1,088.4	1,148.6	1,093.9	4.0	4.2	48.9	129	86	122	121	99	105
HAKUHODO DY HOLDINGS INC	MAR	55,179.0	26,479.0	44,893.0	47,408.0	29,834.0	25,880.0	28,531.0	19.3	(1.5)	(41.0)	193	93	157	166	105	91
DENTSU GROUP INC.	DEC	108,389.0	(159,596.0)	(80,893.0)	90,316.0	105,478.0	83,501.0	96,870.6	17.5	5.4	NM	112	(165)	(84)	93	109	86
DENTICO CINCOT INC.	DLO	100,000.0	(100,000.0)	(00,000.0)	30,010.0	100,470.0	00,001.0	30,070.0	17.0	0.4	14141	1112	(100)	(04)	50	100	00
THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.	DEC	952.8	351.1	656.0	618.9	554.4	605.0	454.6	6.0	9.5	171.4	210	77	144	136	122	133
BLUEFOCUS INTELLIGENT COMMUNICATIONS G	DEC	521.8	724.2	710.4	389.0	222.3	639.7	67.7	15.7	(4.0)	(28.0)	771	1,070	1,049	575	328	945
CYBERAGENT, INC.	SEP	41.553.0	6.608.0	1.694.0	4.849.0	4.024.0	13.612.0	14.792.0	19.0	25.0	528.8	281	45	11	33	27	92
ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC.	DEC	54.5	(175.8)	(21.2)	(1,157.3)	386.4	32.1	24.6	NA	11.1	NM	222	(715)	(86)		1,571	131
JCDECAUX SA	DEC	(14.5)	(604.6)	265.5	197.2	193.7	224.7	233.9	NA NA	NM	(97.6)	(6)	(258)	114	84	83	96
JODECAUX SA	DEC	(14.5)	(604.6)	205.5	197.2	193.7	224.7	233.9	INA	INIVI	(97.6)	(6)	(256)	114	04	03	96
Broadcasting																	
Broadcasting																	
FOX CORPORATION	JUN	2.150.0	999.0	1.595.0	2.187.0	1.372.0	1.072.0	1.072.0	NA.	14.9	115.2	201	93	149	204	128	100
RTL GROUP S.A.	DEC	1,301.0	492.0	754.0	668.0	739.0	720.0	789.0	6.5	12.6	164.4	165	62	96	85	94	91
PT ELANG MAHKOTA TEKNOLOGI TBK	DEC	5,659,161.1	2.058.199.1	(1,516,034.3)	(2,621,710.5)	43,780.0	354,318.4	1,331,510.7	25.0	74.0	175.0	425	155	(114)	(197)	3	27
T T ELANO MATIKOTA TERNOLOGI IBR	DLC	3,033,101.1	2,000,100.1	(1,510,054.5)	(2,021,710.5)	45,700.0	334,310.4	1,551,510.7	25.0	74.0	175.0	425	100	(114)	(137)	3	21
ITV PLC	DEC	378.0	285.0	473.0	466.0	409.0	448.0	495.0	4.3	(3.3)	32.6	76	58	96	94	83	91
NEXSTAR MEDIA GROUP, INC.	DEC	834.6	811.4	230.3	389.5	475.0	91.5	77.7	NA.	55.6	2.9	1.074	1.045	296	501	611	118
PROSIEBENSAT.1 MEDIA SE	DEC	449.0	267.0	413.0	248.0	471.0	402.0	391.0	(3.4)	2.2	68.2	115	68	106	63	120	103
NINE ENTERTAINMENT CO. HOLDINGS LIMITED	JUN	169.4	(589.2)	221.2	209.7	(203.4)	324.8	(592.2)	NA	(12.2)	NM	(29)	100	(37)	(35)	34	(55)
TEGNA INC.	DEC	477.0	482.8	286.2	405.7	273.7	436.7	459.5	0.4	1.8	(1.2)	104	105	62	88	60	95
TEGNA INC.	DEC	477.0	402.0	200.2	405.7	213.1	430.7	459.5	0.4	1.0	(1.2)	104	103	02	00	00	95
Cable & Satelite																	
COMCAST CORPORATION	DEC	14,159.0	10,534.0	13,057.0	11,731.0	22,735.0	8,678.0	8,163.0	13.0	10.3	34.4	173	129	160	144	279	106
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	DEC	4,654.0	3,222.0	1,668.0	1,230.0	9,895.0	3,522.0	(271.0)	NA	5.7	44.4	NM	NM	(615)	(454)	NM	NM
LIBERTY BROADBAND CORPORATION	DEC	732.0	398.0				917.3									NM	NM
				117.0	70.0	2,033.7		(50.2)	1.9	(4.4)	83.9	NM	(793)	(233)	(139)		
SIRIUS XM HOLDINGS INC.	DEC	1,314.0	131.0	914.0	1,176.0	648.0	745.9	509.7	11.9	12.0	903.1	258	26	179	231	127	146
DISH NETWORK CORPORATION	DEC	2,410.6	1,762.7	1,399.5	1,575.1	2,098.7	1,497.9	802.4	4.7	10.0	36.8	300	220	174	196	262	187
ALTICE USA. INC.	DEC	000.2	436.2	120.0	18.8	1.493.2	(022.0)	175.4	120	NM	127.0	564	249	79	11	851	(474)
		990.3		138.9		,	(832.0)		13.0						11		(474)
THE LIBERTY SIRIUSXM GROUP	DEC	599.0	(747.0)	494.0	676.0	1,124.0	413.0	259.0	NA	7.7	NM	231	(288)	191	261	434	159
CABLE ONE, INC.	DEC	291.8	304.4	178.6	164.8	235.2	100.3	91.8	NA	23.8	(4.1)	318	332	194	179	256	109
CHINA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD.	DEC	572.3	488.8	446.4	418.3	389.5	437.6	514.5	NA	5.5	17.1	111	95	87	81	76	85
SHAW COMMUNICATIONS INC.	AUG	986.0	688.0	731.0	33.0	851.0	1,220.0	856.0	8.1	(4.2)	43.3	115	80	85	4	99	143

Net Income (Cont.)

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Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	10-Yr.	5-Yr.	1-Yr.	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Movies and Entertainment																	
THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY	OCT	1.995.0	(2,864.0)	11,054.0	12,598.0	8,980.0	9,391.0	8,382.0	(8.4)	(26.6)	NM	24	(34)	132	150	107	112
NETFLIX. INC.	DEC	5.116.2	2,761.4	1.866.9	1.211.2	558.9	186.7	122.6	36.6	93.9	85.3	4.172	2,252	1.522	988	456	152
WARNER MUSIC GROUP CORP.	SEP	304.0	(475.0)	256.0	307.0	143.0	25.0	(91.0)	NA	64.8	NM	(334)	522	(281)	(337)	(157)	(27)
LIONS GATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP.	MAR	(188.2)	(18.9)	(188.4)	(284.2)	473.6	14.8	50.2	(4.6)	NM	(90.0)	(375)	(38)	(375)	(566)	943	29
AMC ENTERTAINMENT HOLDINGS, INC.	DEC	(1,269.1)	(4,589.1)	(149.1)	110.1	(487.2)	111.7	103.9	22.0	NM	(72.3)	NM	NM	(144)	106	(469)	108
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LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	DEC	(650.9)	(1,724.5)	69.9	60.2	(6.0)	2.9	(32.5)	22.9	NM	(62.3)	2,002	5,305	(215)	(185)	19	(9)
ROKU. INC.	DEC	242.4	(17.5)	(59.9)	(8.9)	(63.5)	(42.8)	(40.6)	NA	NM	NM	(597)	43	148	22	156	105
FORMULA ONE GROUP	DEC	(190.0)	(596.0)	(311.0)	(150.0)	255.0	329.0	(175.0)	NA	NM	(68.1)	109	341	178	86	(146)	(188)
WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	DEC	180.4	131.8	77.1	99.6	32.6	33.8	24.1	21.9	39.8	36.9	747	546	319	412	135	140
CINEMARK HOLDINGS, INC.	DEC	(422.8)	(616.8)	191.4	213.8	264.2	255.1	216.9	NA	NM	(31.5)	(195)	(284)	88	99	122	118
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Publishing																	
NEWS CORPORATION	JUN	330.0	(1,269.0)	155.0	(1,514.0)	(738.0)	179.0	(147.0)	(6.9)	13.0	NM	(224)	863	(105)	1,030	502	(122)
LAGARDERE SA	DEC	(101.0)	(660.0)	(15.0)	177.0	176.0	175.0	74.0	(17.7)	NM	(84.7)	(136)	(892)	(20)	239	238	236
PEARSON PLC	DEC	159.0	310.0	264.0	588.0	406.0	(2,337.0)	823.0	(16.4)	NM	(48.7)	19	38	32	71	49	(284)
KADOKAWA CORPORATION	MAR	14,078.0	9,584.0	8,098.0	(4,085.0)	1,038.0	5,767.0	6,845.0	NA	7.0	18.4	206	140	118	(60)	15	84
JIANGSU PHOENIX PUBLISHING & MEDIA CORP(	DEC	2,456.8	1,595.5	1,343.6	1,324.9	1,165.9	1,169.8	1,124.1	12.8	16.0	54.0	219	142	120	118	104	104
CHINA SOUTH PUBLISHING & MEDIA GROUP CO	DEC	1,515.4	1,437.0	1,275.7	1,275.7	1,513.2	1,804.7	1,695.1	6.6	(3.4)	5.5	89	85	75	75	89	106
THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY	DEC	220.0	100.1	140.0	125.7	4.3	29.1	63.2	NA	49.9	119.7	348	158	221	199	7	46
DAILY MAIL AND GENERAL TRUST PLC	SEP	1,542.3	189.3	90.9	689.4	345.3	204.2	216.6	30.4	49.8	714.7	712	87	42	318	159	94

			Retu	ırn on Re	venues	(%)			Retu	rn on A	Ssets	(%)			Retu	rn on E	Equity(	%)	
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Advertising																			
WPP PLC	DEC	5.0	NM	6.4	6.3	14.9	9.4	2.3	NM	2.1	2.0	4.6	4.1	15.8	NM	10.3	7.7	18.4	16.9
PUBLICIS GROUPE S.A.	DEC	8.7	5.3	7.6	9.2	9.2	NM	3.1	1.9	2.6	3.4	3.6	NM	13.2	7.8	11.8	14.5	14.5	NM
OMNICOM GROUP INC.	DEC	9.9	7.2	9.0	8.7	7.1	7.5	5.0	3.4	5.0	5.4	4.4	5.0	38.1	27.7	41.4	43.1	38.5	42.1
HAKUHODO DY HOLDINGS INC	MAR	6.2	2.0	3.1	3.3	2.2	2.1	5.2	2.8	5.2	5.2	3.7	3.6	15.7	8.6	14.9	16.1	9.6	8.9
DENTSU GROUP INC.	DEC	10.0	NM	NM	8.9	11.4	10.0	2.9	NM	NM	2.5	3.0	2.6	13.3	NM	NM	8.6	10.6	8.6
THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, If	DEC	10.5	4.4	7.6	7.7	7.4	8.1	4.8	1.9	3.7	4.0	4.4	4.8	29.3	11.8	24.1	25.0	23.7	27.6
BLUEFOCUS INTELLIGENT COMMUNICATION	DEC	1.3	1.8	2.5	1.7	1.5	5.2	2.9	3.4	3.7	2.3	1.3	3.9	5.6	8.3	9.5	6.4	4.1	12.2
CYBERAGENT, INC.	SEP	6.2	1.4	0.4	1.2	1.1	4.4	10.9	2.5	8.0	2.1	2.5	8.7	41.4	12.0	5.5	9.7	12.9	21.8
ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC.	DEC	1.5	NM	NM	NM	16.0	1.5	0.9	NM	NM	NM	NA	0.5	2.3	NM	NM	0.0	0.0	1.8
JCDECAUX SA	DEC	NM	NM	7.6	6.2	6.3	7.6	NM	NM	2.6	1.9	3.5	4.0	0.2	NM	12.9	9.4	8.3	10.7
Broadcasting																			
FOX CORPORATION	JUN	16.7	8.1	14.0	21.5	13.8	12.1	9.4	4.6	8.2	16.7	13.3	NA	20.2	10.3	16.4	27.6	0.0	0.0
RTL GROUP S.A.	DEC	19.6	8.2	11.3	10.3	11.6	11.5	12.4	5.4	8.4	8.0	9.4	8.7	30.2	15.3	23.4	22.5	24.0	23.4
PT ELANG MAHKOTA TEKNOLOGI TBK	DEC	44.1	17.2	NM	NM	0.6	4.8	14.8	11.5	NM	NM	0.2	1.7	26.1	27.2	23.4	NM	24.0	5.5
T LES WO WANTED THE TENTOLOGICAL TENTOLOGICA TENTOLOGICAL TENTOLOGICAL TENTOLOGICAL TENTOLOGICA T	DLO	7-1.1	17.2	14101	14141	0.0	4.0	14.0	11.0	14101		0.2		20.1	21.2	2			0.0
ITV PLC	DEC	10.9	10.2	14.3	14.5	13.1	14.6	8.9	7.2	13.3	13.7	12.2	12.5	29.1	27.7	55.4	59.5	55.5	47.6
NEXSTAR MEDIA GROUP, INC.	DEC	18.0	18.0	7.6	14.1	19.5	8.3	6.3	6.1	1.6	5.5	6.3	3.1	30.8	35.2	12.0	22.5	51.0	50.2
PROSIEBENSAT.1 MEDIA SE	DEC	10.0	6.6	10.0	6.2	11.5	10.6	6.8	3.8	6.2	3.8	7.2	6.1	23.4	16.9	34.9	21.5	35.9	38.1
NINE ENTERTAINMENT CO. HOLDINGS LIMITE	JUN	7.2	NM	11.3	14.9	NM	25.2	4.3	NM	5.0	11.3	NM	15.1	9.6	NM	11.2	20.0	NM	2.9
TEGNA INC.	DEC	15.9	16.4	12.4	18.4	14.4	21.8	6.9	7.0	4.1	7.7	5.5	5.1	20.8	26.4	19.5	34.4	24.9	12.2
Cable & Satelite																			
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	DEC	9.0	6.7	3.6	2.8	23.8	12.1	3.3	2.2	1.1	0.8	6.7	2.4	22.0	10.6	4.8	3.3	20.7	14.9
LIBERTY BROADBAND CORPORATION	DEC	74.1	780.4	780.0	314.3	15,533.7	2999.1	4.3	1.9	1.0	0.6	17.0	9.6	6.2	3.3	1.1	0.7	21.5	15.8
SIRIUS XM HOLDINGS INC.	DEC	15.1	1.6	11.7	20.4	11.9	14.9	12.8	1.3	8.2	14.4	7.8	9.3	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
DISH NETWORK CORPORATION	DEC	13.5	11.4	10.9	11.6	14.6	9.8	5.0	4.6	4.2	5.1	7.0	5.4	16.3	14.3	14.1	20.2	35.3	38.9
ALTICE USA, INC.	DEC	9.8	4.4	1.4	0.2	16.0	NM	3.0	1.3	0.4	0.1	4.3	NM	NM	82.4	4.7	0.4	39.6	NM
THE LIBERTY SIRIUSXM GROUP	DEC	6.9	NM	6.3	11.7	20.7	8.2	1.9	NM	1.6	2.4	3.9	1.5	7.2	NM	4.6	6.2	10.2	4.0
CABLE ONE, INC.	DEC	18.2	23.0	15.3	15.4	24.5	12.2	4.2	6.8	5.7	7.2	10.7	7.1	17.7	26.1	22.1	22.7	41.1	22.2
CHINA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CO., LT	DEC	21.7	18.0	16.3	15.5	14.9	17.7	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.6	4.7	4.2	4.8	5.7	5.7	6.5
SHAW COMMUNICATIONS INC.	AUG	17.9	12.7	13.7	0.6	17.4	27.0	6.2	4.3	4.7	0.2	5.9	7.9	16.1	11.0	12.0	0.6	9.4	8.6

			Return o	n Revenu	ies (%) (C	ont.)		R	eturn o	n Asse	ets (%)	(Cont.)	)	Re	turn o	n Equit	y(%) (C	Cont.)	
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Movies and Entertainment																			
THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY	OCT	3.0	NM	15.9	21.2	16.3	16.9	NA	NM	5.7	12.8	9.4	10.2	2.5	NM	13.9	26.1	20.0	20.4
NETFLIX, INC.	DEC	17.2	11.0	9.3	7.7	4.8	2.1	NA	7.0	5.5	4.7	2.9	1.4	38.0	29.6	29.1	27.5	17.9	7.6
WARNER MUSIC GROUP CORP.	SEP	5.7	NM	5.7	7.7	4.0	0.8	NA	NM	4.3	5.7	2.5	0.5	61400.0	NM	NM	NM	57.5	13.4
LIONS GATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP.	MAR	NM	NM	NM	NM	11.5	0.5	NA	NM	NM	NM	5.3	0.2	NM	NM	NM	NM	16.0	0.8
AMC ENTERTAINMENT HOLDINGS, INC.	DEC	NM	NM	NM	2.0	NM	3.5	NA	NM	NM	1.2	NM	1.3	NM	NM	NM	6.3	NM	6.3
LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	DEC	NM	NM	0.6	0.6	NM	0.0	NA	NM	0.6	0.7	NM	0.0	NM	NM	6.6	5.4	0.5	1.2
ROKU, INC.	DEC	8.8	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM	11.8	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
FORMULA ONE GROUP	DEC	NM	NM	NM	NM	14.3	0.0	NA	NM	NM	NM	2.2	11.0	NM	NM	NM	NM	7.4	29.0
WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	DEC	16.5	13.5	8.0	10.7	4.1	4.6	NA	10.2	7.8	14.2	5.3	5.6	46.9	39.7	26.1	35.0	13.2	15.1
CINEMARK HOLDINGS, INC.	DEC	NM	NM	5.8	6.6	8.8	8.7	NA	NM	3.3	4.8	5.9	5.9	NM	NM	13.6	15.3	19.9	21.5
Publishing																			
NEWS CORPORATION	JUN	3.5	NM	1.5	NM	NM	2.2	NA	NM	1.0	NM	NM	1.2	4.4	NM	2.2	NM	NM	2.0
LAGARDERE SA	DEC	NM	NM	NM	2.5	2.5	2.3	NA	NM	NM	1.6	2.3	2.3	NM	NM	12.3	10.2	10.3	9.4
PEARSON PLC	DEC	4.6	9.1	6.8	14.2	9.0	NM	NA.	4.2	3.5	7.4	5.1	NM	3.8	7.3	6.0	13.8	9.8	NM
KADOKAWA CORPORATION	MAR	6.4	4.6	4.0	NM	0.5	2.8	NA	3.6	3.3	NM	0.4	2.3	9.9	8.0	7.6	NM	1.0	5.3
JIANGSU PHOENIX PUBLISHING & MEDIA COI	DEC	19.6	13.1	10.7	11.4	10.6	11.1	NA	6.2	5.6	6.1	5.7	6.1	15.6	10.8	9.9	9.3	9.5	10.2
CHINA SOUTH PUBLISHING & MEDIA GROUP	DEC	13.4	13.7	12.4	12.9	14.6	16.3	NA	6.2	5.9	6.1	7.7	9.7	10.9	10.6	9.8	9.8	11.8	15.0
THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY	DEC	10.7	5.7	7.9	7.3	0.3	1.9	NA	4.3	6.7	5.7	0.2	1.3	15.3	8.1	12.6	13.1	8.0	3.1

			C	urrent	t Ratio				Debt	/Capita	al Ratio	o(%)		D	ebt as a	% of Ne	t Workin	g Capita	ıl
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Advertising																			
WPP PLC	DEC	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	NA	135.0	102.2	94.0	99.3	39.8	NM	1794.0	NM	NM	NM	NM
PUBLICIS GROUPE S.A.	DEC	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	NA	33.8	36.8	26.3	31.4	32.8	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
OMNICOM GROUP INC.	DEC	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	NA	60.6	56.0	57.1	59.9	63.8	NA	8940.3	NM	NM	NM	NM
HAKUHODO DY HOLDINGS INC	MAR	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	NA	24.3	26.1	27.2	2.5	3.4	NA	54.5	55.3	61.8	5.8	7.2
DENTSU GROUP INC.	DEC	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	NA	41.4	33.5	31.5	27.1	31.9	NA	333.0	669.8	324.9	435.1	2122.8
THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.	DEC	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	NA	49.8	49.0	59.6	36.2	38.1	NA	NM	NM	6328.6	NM	NM
BLUEFOCUS INTELLIGENT COMMUNICATIONS GROU	DEC	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	NA	22.0	20.5	37.0	50.2	55.6	NA	124.8	225.6	1764.1	1099.4	1562.5
CYBERAGENT, INC.	SEP	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.3	1.9	1.8	NA	24.7	27.5	27.8	1.1	1.0	NA	35.8	42.3	42.4	2.1	1.8
ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC.	DEC	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.9	0.0	1.5	NA	44.6	65.5	65.6	NA	60.4	NA	625.1	730.8	793.1	NA	1597.3
JCDECAUX SA	DEC	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.6	1.1	1.5	NA	70.3	31.1	41.2	24.7	34.7	NA	NM	(76.2)	NM	288.0	181.8
Broadcasting																			
FOX CORPORATION	JUN	2.9	3.9	3.8	3.2	1.4	0.0	NA	43.3	40.0	0.0	0.0	NA	NA NA	142.4	141.6	0.0	0.0	NA
RTL GROUP S.A.	DEC	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	NA.	14.0	15.5	14.6	15.4	14.0	NA NA	56.4	118.6	140.9	365.1	279.8
PT ELANG MAHKOTA TEKNOLOGI TBK	DEC	4.0	2.6	3.2	4.3	5.6	5.1	NA.	15.9	12.1	1.3	1.2	0.7	NA NA	51.5	28.3	2.7	2.4	1.5
			2.0	0.2		0.0	0		.0.0				0			20.0			
ITV PLC	DEC	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.2	NA	49.2	55.1	56.8	61.7	58.0	NA	222.9	566.5	805.4	NM	384.1
NEXSTAR MEDIA GROUP, INC.	DEC	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.9	1.6	1.9	NA	75.1	80.3	67.5	73.0	89.1	NA	1596.0	2074.0	1070.5	1107.5	1332.8
PROSIEBENSAT.1 MEDIA SE	DEC	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.9	1.9	NA	60.6	71.2	74.9	71.8	68.9	NA	2008.5	696.5	555.6	273.0	329.3
NINE ENTERTAINMENT CO. HOLDINGS LIMITED	JUN	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.6	1.9	1.4	NA	21.1	10.2	12.4	22.8	15.2	NA	795.6	147.7	74.3	100.9	152.0
TEGNA INC.	DEC	2.1	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.0	1.3	NA	63.2	72.4	68.7	75.1	60.9	NA	1430.3	1207.3	1106.9	965.1	2357.2
Cable & Satelite																			
COMCAST CORPORATION	DEC	0.8	0.9	8.0	8.0	0.7	8.0	NA	52.9	54.7	59.3	45.6	49.1	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	DEC	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	NA	73.0	66.1	61.1	58.9	54.2	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
LIBERTY BROADBAND CORPORATION	DEC	0.8	3.0	4.3	10.3	8.0	0.6	NA	27.0	5.1	4.7	4.5	2.3	NA	404.2	1432.6	684.6	676.6	NM
SIRIUS XM HOLDINGS INC.	DEC	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	NA	136.8	110.4	135.9	129.3	115.7	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
DISH NETWORK CORPORATION	DEC	1.2	1.2	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.8	NA	48.9	51.4	60.3	67.2	75.9	NA	1441.5	NM	NM	NM	421.5
ALTICE USA, INC.	DEC	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.5	NA	104.9	91.4	86.1	79.6	91.7	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
THE LIBERTY SIRIUSXM GROUP	DEC	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	NA	49.5	36.2	33.3	29.0	27.6	NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM
CABLE ONE, INC.	DEC	1.9	3.0	1.0	2.4	1.5	1.7	NA	60.8	68.2	59.8	63.7	53.9	NA	511.5	NM	622.6	1525.2	715.5
CHINA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD.	DEC	3.0	3.4	2.9	1.3	1.1	8.0	NA	0.0	0.0	1.1	5.0	3.5	NA	0.0	0.0	22.2	289.7	NM
SHAW COMMUNICATIONS INC.	AUG	0.8	0.9	8.0	0.7	0.8	0.5	NA	44.0	39.6	42.3	41.1	47.7	NA NA	NM	NM	NM	NM	NM

			Curr	ent Ra	tio (Co	nt.)		D	ebt/Ca	pital Ra	atio(%)	(Cont.	)	Debt	as a % d	of Net W	orking C	apital (C	ont.)
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Movies and Entertainment																			
THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY NETFLIX, INC. WARNER MUSIC GROUP CORP. LIONS GATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP. AMC ENTERTAINMENT HOLDINGS, INC.	OCT DEC SEP MAR DEC	1.1 1.0 0.6 0.4 1.0	1.3 1.3 0.6 0.7 0.3	0.9 0.9 0.6 0.9 0.3	0.9 1.5 0.5 0.8 0.6	0.8 1.4 0.6 0.7 0.6	1.0 1.2 0.5 1.0 0.6	33.5 48.1 98.7 49.5 149.5	36.5 58.8 101.5 49.8 200.7	30.8 66.1 109.9 50.7 79.6	25.5 66.4 112.8 49.7 77.1	33.5 64.5 90.1 44.8 66.6	28.2 55.7 93.0 54.8 65.1	1958.6 NM NM NM 6563.1	637.1 808.3 NM NM	NM NM NM NM	NM 323.1 NM NM NM	NM 294.9 NM NM NM	14519.4 296.8 NM 632600.0 NM
LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC. ROKU, INC. FORMULA ONE GROUP WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC. CINEMARK HOLDINGS, INC. Publishing	DEC DEC DEC DEC DEC	1.0 4.2 1.8 1.5 1.1	1.0 3.3 3.3 1.5 1.5	1.0 2.6 1.8 1.2 0.9	1.0 2.2 0.9 1.3 1.2	0.9 2.1 1.5 2.8 1.4	1.1 1.4 5.6 2.6 1.5	93.4 2.8 29.7 5.3 88.1	97.2 6.3 35.1 5.3 74.8	63.1 11.9 52.0 7.4 55.0	62.0 0.0 47.6 7.5 55.7	54.0 0.0 50.5 45.2 55.9	57.1 0.0 55.2 45.1 58.3	NM 3.4 273.6 10.0 2357.4	NM 7.6 225.8 9.4 830.3	3835.0 16.7 1763.0 36.9 NM	2782.7 0.0 NM 22.1 2101.7	NM 0.0 3763.6 82.6 943.7	1059.9 0.0 1099.3 90.9 764.7
NEWS CORPORATION LAGARDERE SA PEARSON PLC KADOKAWA CORPORATION	JUN DEC DEC MAR	1.4 0.9 2.0	1.3 0.8 2.0	1.2 1.0 2.1	1.3 0.9 1.6	1.6 1.0 1.5	1.6 0.9 2.1 2.9	19.6 79.3 14.2 27.1	11.8 85.1 16.7 30.1	9.2 65.2 16.4 38.0	12.7 51.8 13.7 38.8	2.4 52.6 23.1 31.8	3.0 40.7 38.2 37.0	182.4 NM 43.3 51.1	144.7 NM 48.8 74.4	146.5 NM 50.4 83.2	138.5 NM 57.9 78.2	20.2 2508.2 111.6 58.7	25.5 NM 124.2 57.5
JIANGSU PHOENIX PUBLISHING & MEDIA CORPORA' CHINA SOUTH PUBLISHING & MEDIA GROUP CO., LT THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY	DEC DEC DEC	1.3 2.5 1.7	1.4 2.5 1.7	1.9 2.6 1.6	2.0 3.0 1.3	1.9 3.0 1.8	1.8 3.1 2.0	1.5 0.0 0.0	0.5 0.0 0.0	0.1 0.0 0.0	1.4 0.0 0.0	1.9 0.0 21.3	1.9 0.0 22.1	8.0 0.0 0.0	2.1 0.0 0.0	0.2 0.0 0.0	2.9 0.0 0.0	4.6 0.0 72.9	5.4 0.0 60.4

					Price	/Earni	ngs R	atio (H	igh-Lo	ow)				Div	idend	Payo	ut Ra	tio(%	)		Di	viden	nd Yield	High-Lov	ı, %)	
Company	Yr. End	2021		2020	)	201	9	2018	В	2017	'	201	6	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 2	016	2021	2020		2019	2018	2017	2016
Advertising WPP PLC PUBLICIS GROUPE S.A. OMNICOM GROUP INC. HAKUHODO DY HOLDINGS INC DENTSU GROUP INC.	DEC DEC DEC MAR DEC	21 - 15 - 13 - 28 - 11 -	14 10 9 15 8	NM - 18 - 18 - 16 - NM -	NM 9 10 8 NM	16 - 15 - 14 - 16 - NM -	12 10 12 11 NM	22 - 16 - 14 - 21 - 18 -	12 12 11 16 14	12 - 18 - 19 - 21 - 18 -	8 14 14 15 12	17 - NM - 18 - 19 - 23 -	NM 14 14	49 22 42 20 19	NM 18 60 42 NM	89 34 42 24 NM	91 23 41 21 28	38 20 47 31 24	44 NM 44 30 27	4.0 - 0.6 4.5 - 3.1 2.0 - 1.5	4.0 - 4.3 - 3.2 -	2.0 9 3.3 5 1.6 2	9.7 - 2.9 5.7 - 3.2 2.4 - 1.5	5.8 - 3.6 3.6 - 3.1 1.9 - 1.4	4.0 - 2.9 3.6 - 2.9 1.8 - 1.5	
THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. BLUEFOCUS INTELLIGENT COMMUNICATIONS GROUP CO. CYBERAGENT, INC. ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC. JCDECAUX SA	DEC DEC SEP DEC DEC	16 - 53 - 29 - 78 - NM -	10 23 18 41 NM	28 - 31 - 122 - NM - NM -	14 19 65 NM NM	14 - 22 - 456 - NM - 24 -	12 13 233 NM 18	16 - 46 - 176 - NA - 39 -	12 22 83 NA 26	18 - 102 - 127 - 38 -	13 55 81 30	16 - 46 - 30 -	24 20	45 43 10 0	113 14 63 0	55 29 238 0 46	52 54 83 0 60	51 182 78 0 61	39 49 23 0 53	0.0 - 0.0	1.2 - 0.6 - 0.0 -	0.8 C 0.4 1 0.0 C	0.6 - 0.4 1.0 - 0.5 0.0 - 0.0	0.8 - 0.3 1.1 - 0.5 0.0 - 0.0	1.2 - 0.3 0.9 - 0.5 0.0 - 0.0	3.9 - 2.5 0.9 - 0.5 1.0 - 0.6 0.0 - 0.0 2.3 - 1.6
Broadcasting																										
FOX CORPORATION RTL GROUP S.A. PT ELANG MAHKOTA TEKNOLOGI TBK	JUN DEC DEC	12 - 6 - 29 -	7 5 14	24 - 14 - 39 -	12 9 11	16 - 11 - NM -	13 8 NM	NA - 17 - NM -	NA 11 NM	NA - 16 - 1482 -	NA 13 1056	18 - 175 -	- 1	15 38 0	34 0 0	12 71 0	2 92 0	3 83 258	3 64 163	9.7 - 4.7	5.5 -	0.0	0.0 - 0.0	9.8 - 0.0	7.8 - 5.5	0.0 - 0.0 6.4 - 2.7 1.2 - 0.3
ITV PLC NEXSTAR MEDIA GROUP, INC. PROSIEBENSAT.1 MEDIA SE NINE ENTERTAINMENT CO. HOLDINGS LIMITED TEGNA INC.	DEC DEC DEC JUN DEC	14 - 9 - 10 - 31 - 10 -	11 5 7 13 6	21 - 7 - 12 - NM - 8 -	8 3 5 NM 5	13 - 24 - 9 - 15 - 13 -	9 15 6 8	15 - 10 - 30 - 11 - 8 -	11 7 14 5 5	22 - 8 - 20 - NM - 21 -	14 5 12 NM 9	25 - 22 - 26 - 5 - 13 -	14 12 17 3 9	0 14 25 70 16	0 12 0 NM 16	68 36 65 58 21	68 18 178 42 15	72 12 92 NM 33	58 32 96 35 28	2.4 - 1.6 10.0 - 3.4 6.4 - 2.3	2.2 - 3.8 - 7.5 -	1.6 4 2.6 20 1.4 11	4.8 - 1.4 0.2 - 8.4 1.9 - 4.8	2.2 - 1.5 13.3 - 7.6 7.7 - 3.9	2.5 - 1.5 11.4 - 5.9 7.3 - 4.0	9.9 - 5.6 2.1 - 1.5 7.7 - 4.5 14.1 - 6.2 2.6 - 1.2
Cable & Satelite COMCAST CORPORATION CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. LIBERTY BROADBAND CORPORATION SIRIUS XM HOLDINGS INC. DISH NETWORK CORPORATION	DEC DEC DEC DEC DEC	20 - 32 - 49 - 22 - 10 -	15 24 36 18 6	23 - 43 - 75 - 243 - 12 -	14 23 41 147 5	16 - 64 - 195 - 35 - 15 -	37 111	17 - 73 - 251 - 29 - 15 -	12 49 178 20 7	9 - 10 - 9 - 42 - 15 -	7 7 7 32 10	20 - 17 - 12 - 30 - 19 -	15 10 7 22 12	32 0 0 20 0	39 0 0 181 0	29 0 0 25 0	29 0 0 17 0	13 0 0 29 0	30 0 0 6	0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 1.5 - 1.3	0.0 - 0.0 - 1.5 -	0.0 C 0.0 C 0.8 1	0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 1.2 - 0.7	0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 0.9 - 0.7	0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 0.9 - 0.6	
ALTICE USA, INC. THE LIBERTY SIRIUSXM GROUP CABLE ONE, INC. CHINA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD. SHAW COMMUNICATIONS INC.	DEC DEC DEC DEC AUG	18 - 31 - 47 - 140 - 19 -	7 22 34 92 11	48 - NM - 44 - 213 - 21 -	NM 22	150 - 32 - 49 - 130 - 20 -	24 26 33	902 - 25 - 32 - NA - 601 -	566 18 21 NA 482	16 - 14 - 18 - NA - 18 -	8 10 14 NA 15	NA - 29 - 36 - NA - 11 -	NA 24 23 NA 9	0 0 22 17 61	0 0 19 19 85	0 0 27 0 54	0 0 26 46 1188	62 0 16 26 46	NM 0 34 24 32	0.4 - 0.2	0.0 - 0.6 - 0.3 -	0.0 C 0.4 C 0.1 C	0.0 - 0.0 0.8 - 0.5 0.1 - 0.0	0.0 - 0.0 1.0 - 0.6 0.0 - 0.0	1.1 - 0.9	0.0 - 0.0 1.1 - 0.8

		Price/Earnings Ratio (High-Low) (Cont.)  End 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016														Payo (Con		tio(%	)		Divide	end Yie	ld (Hi	gh-Low,	, %) (C	ont.)		
Company	Yr. End	End 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017												2021	2020	2019 2	•	2017	2016	2021	2020	) 2	.019	2018	- ;	2017	201	6
Movies and Entertainment																												
THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY NETFLIX, INC. WARNER MUSIC GROUP CORP. LIONS GATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP. AMC ENTERTAINMENT HOLDINGS, INC.	OCT DEC SEP MAR DEC	60 -	42 45 NM	NM - 89 - NM - NM -	NM 48 NM NM NM	22 - 90 - NA - NM - NM -	15 60 NA NM NM	14 - 151 - NA - 16 - 23 -	12 67 NA 11 13	20 - 157 - 322 - NM -	16 96 273 NM	21 - 295 - NA - 31 -	15 190 NA 18	0 0 87 0	NM 0 NM 0 NM	26 0 37 0 NM	20 0 0 NM 89	27 0 0 0 NM	25 0 0 181 71	0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 2.5 - 1.2 0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0	0.0 - 1.8 - 0.0 -	0.0 0.0 1.2 1.7 0.0 0.0	0.0 7 - 0.0 0 - 0.0	0.0 - 0.0 - 2.6 -	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 1.3	0 - 0.0 0 - 0.0 3 - 0.0	0.0 - 0.0 - 0.0 -	0.0
LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC. ROKU, INC. FORMULA ONE GROUP WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC. CINEMARK HOLDINGS, INC. Publishing	DEC DEC DEC DEC DEC	NM - 27 -	112 NM 20	NM - NM - NM - 39 - NM -	NM NM NM 18 NM	NM - NM - NM - 101 - 26 -	NM NM NM 54 20	NM - NM - NM - 75 - 24 -	NM NM NM 24 18	NM - NM - 37 - 77 - 20 -	NM NM 25 43 14	NM - NA - 8 - 48 - 19 -	NM NA 5 33 12	0 0 0 20 0	0 0 0 28 NM	0 0 0 49 83	0 0 0 37 70	0 0 0 113 51	0 0 0 108 49	0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 0.0 - 0.0 1.0 - 0.7 0.0 - 0.0	0.0 - 0.0 - 1.1 -	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.7 1.6	0.0 0 - 0.0 6 - 0.7	0.0 - ( 0.0 - ( 0.0 - ( 0.9 - ( 4.1 - (	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.5 1.7	0 - 0.0 0 - 0.0 7 - 0.5	0.0 - 0.0 - 2.6 -	0.0
NEWS CORPORATION LAGARDERE SA PEARSON PLC KADOKAWA CORPORATION	JUN DEC DEC MAR	49 - NM - 41 - 28 -	NM 27	NM - NM - 17 - 16 -	NM NM 10 8	59 - NM - 30 - NM -	41 NM 18 NM	NM - 20 - 13 - 104 -	NM 16 9 69	NM - 21 - 16 - 21 -	NM 17 11 14	51 - 20 - NM - 20 -	34 14 NM 13	36 0 94 23	NM 0 47 20	75 NM 56 16	NM 97 23 NM	NM 97 78 134	66 96 NM 24	1.2 - 0.7 3.0 - 2.0 3.5 - 2.3 1.2 - 0.7	0.0 -	0.0 7.6	6 - 0.0 6 - 2.8	6.9 - 2.9 -	5.2 5.8 1.7 8.0	8 - 4.7 0 - 1.8	5.7 - 9.2 -	4.5 6.3
JIANGSU PHOENIX PUBLISHING & MEDIA CORPORATION LI CHINA SOUTH PUBLISHING & MEDIA GROUP CO., LTD THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY	DEC DEC DEC	8 - 13 - 43 -	10	13 - 16 - 86 -	10 12 47	18 - 20 - 43 -	14 16 25	16 - 22 - 37 -	11 15 24	23 - 22 - 754 -	18 16 492	36 - 24 - 78 -	22 16 60	42 75 21	48 77 38	57 86 23	29 87 21	34 59 605	23 29 89	8.0 - 4.8 7.5 - 6.1 1.3 - 0.6	7.7 -	5.7 6.0	- 4.7	4.2 - 5.4 - 0.7 -	4.3 5.9	9 - 3.3		1.6

			Earr	nings pe	r Share	e(\$)		Ta	angible E	Book Va	lue per S	Share(\$)	)		Sh	are Price (High-Low,	Respective currencie	es)	
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Advertising WPP PLC PUBLICIS GROUPE S.A. OMNICOM GROUP N.C. HAKUHODO DY HOLDINGS N.C DENTSU GROUP N.C.	JUN	0.71	(3.31)	0.89	0.83	2.08	1.33	(6.32)	(4.53)	(3.88)	(5.74)	(5.81)	(5.95)	11.43 - 7.49	10.86 - 4.50	10.82 - 7.91	14.74 - 8.03	19.28 - 12.38	18.75 - 12.04
	JUN	4.64	2.91	3.98	4.49	4.49	(2.49)	(20.74)	(26.44)	(29.40)	(14.97)	(19.20)	(20.80)	61.52 - 40.44	43.70 - 20.94	55.76 - 35.98	63.18 - 47.16	69.00 - 52.04	69.54 - 49.95
	JUN	6.53	4.37	6.06	5.83	4.65	4.78	(32.36)	(31.74)	(31.90)	(32.25)	(30.82)	(30.85)	86.38 - 60.37	81.17 - 44.50	85.05 - 71.50	83.34 - 65.85	87.43 - 65.32	89.66 - 66.48
	JUN	1.22	0.64	1.12	1.14	0.75	0.62	6.30	6.33	5.90	5.53	7.58	6.64	2037.00 - 1354.00	1767.00 - 914.00	1875.00 - 1496.00	2048.00 - 1391.00	1636.00 - 1282.00	1445.00 - 1049.00
	JUN	3.36	(5.53)	(2.65)	2.92	3.31	2.51	(0.44)	(1.50)	(0.84)	0.35	0.65	(1.80)	4465.00 - 2876.00	3840.00 - 1806.00	5350.00 - 3310.00	5710.00 - 4330.00	6550.00 - 4425.00	6660.00 - 4410.00
THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. BLUEFOCUS INTELLIGENT COMMUNICATIONS GROUP CO., LTD.# CYBERAGENT, NC. ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC. JCDECAUX SA	JUN	2.39	0.89	1.68	1.59	1.40	1.48	(5.66)	(7.63)	(8.10)	(9.33)	(4.57)	(4.61)	39.35 - 23.05	25.20 - 11.63	23.98 - 19.56	26.01 - 19.15	25.71 - 18.30	24.82 - 19.79
	MAR	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.36	0.18	0.14	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.06)	11.77 - 4.83	9.91 - 5.23	6.88 - 3.77	8.38 - 3.72	10.29 - 5.30	14.86 - 7.67
	JUN	0.70	0.12	0.03	0.08	0.07	0.27	1.84	1.24	1.02	0.94	0.97	1.12	2441.00 - 1507.50	1845.00 - 793.75	1218.75 - 768.75	1732.50 - 952.50	1115.00 - 698.00	828.75 - 524.38
	JUN	0.17	(0.79)	(0.10)	(5.68)	0.00	0.00	(6.34)	(6.89)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.78 - 6.94	13.92 - 7.89	10.48 - 9.90	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00
	JUN	(0.08)	(3.48)	1.40	1.06	1.09	1.11	(2.47)	(2.81)	(0.63)	(1.19)	4.16	3.80	26.24 - 14.74	27.74 - 12.26	29.74 - 22.14	36.90 - 23.66	35.28 - 27.02	39.78 - 23.95
Broadcasting FOX CORPORATION RTL GROUP S.A. PT ELANG MAHKOTA TEKNOLOGITBK	JUN	3.61	1.62	2.57	3.52	2.21	0.00	7.52	5.43	6.77	6.22	0.00	0.00	44.80 - 28.46	39.74 - 19.81	41.95 - 29.70	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00
	JUN	9.56	3.91	5.51	4.98	5.78	4.95	7.47	3.84	(0.76)	(1.19)	(3.01)	(1.75)	53.50 - 39.10	44.60 - 26.86	52.90 - 40.18	72.95 - 45.30	76.49 - 59.85	83.36 - 63.47
	MAR	0.01	0.00	(0.00)	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	2960.00 - 1400.00	1490.00 - 397.00	890.00 - 440.00	1045.00 - 800.00	1200.00 - 820.00	1100.00 - 800.00
ITV PLC NEXSTAR MEDIA GROUP, INC. PROSIEBENSAT.1 MEDIA SE NINE ENTERTANMENT CO. HOLDINGS LIMITED TEGNA INC.	JUN	0.13	0.10	0.16	0.15	0.14	0.14	(0.00)	(0.15)	(0.25)	(0.26)	(0.32)	(0.28)	1.34 - 0.98	1.54 - 0.50	1.66 - 1.03	1.83 - 1.22	2.22 - 1.43	2.75 - 1.41
	JUN	18.98	17.37	4.80	8.21	10.07	2.89	(143.01)	(145.98)	(156.21)	(78.58)	(85.31)	(38.10)	171.16 - 106.67	133.25 - 43.37	119.93 - 76.60	89.75 - 60.30	80.45 - 55.95	67.20 - 34.65
	JUN	2.25	1.44	2.02	1.21	2.45	1.93	(11.11)	(15.16)	(14.38)	(14.19)	(12.25)	(11.07)	19.00 - 12.77	14.20 - 5.72	16.99 - 10.66	33.04 - 15.04	41.77 - 24.50	48.93 - 31.33
	DEC	0.07	(0.24)	0.11	0.18	(0.18)	0.28	(0.26)	(0.30)	(0.20)	0.11	0.01	0.04	3.16 - 2.27	2.58 - 0.82	2.13 - 1.31	2.67 - 1.34	1.64 - 0.94	1.95 - 0.85
	JUN	2.14	2.19	1.31	1.87	1.26	1.99	(13.11)	(15.55)	(18.03)	(12.89)	(13.30)	(7.47)	22.09 - 13.75	18.31 - 9.61	17.24 - 10.63	15.60 - 10.00	26.65 - 11.59	25.38 - 17.91
Cable & Satelite COMCAST CORPORATION CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. LIBERTY BROADBAND CORPORATION SRIUS XM HOLDINGS INC. DISH NETWORK CORPORATION	JUN JUN JUN JUN JUN	3.04 24.47 3.93 0.32 3.79	2.28 15.40 2.17 0.03 3.02	2.83 7.45 0.64 0.20 2.60	2.53 5.22 0.38 0.26 3.00	4.75 34.09 11.10 0.14 4.07	1.78 15.95 6.00 0.15 3.15	(14.79) (508.13) 48.09 (2.26) (26.05)	(16.40) (410.72) 58.52 (2.10) (26.39)	(17.90) (349.21) 58.61 (1.82) (27.44)	(20.39) (313.41) 58.44 (1.52) (34.54)	(9.83) (295.29) 57.84 (1.40) (36.05)	٠ ,	61.80 - 46.29 825.62 - 585.45 194.05 - 142.63 8.14 - 5.75 47.05 - 28.53	52.49 - 31.71 681.71 - 345.67 165.23 - 86.20 7.40 - 4.11 42.62 - 17.09	47.27 - 33.42 487.52 - 279.11 126.05 - 70.49 7.20 - 5.23 44.66 - 24.25	44.00 - 30.43 396.64 - 250.10 99.68 - 68.33 7.70 - 5.17 50.49 - 23.22	42.18 - 34.12 408.83 - 282.54 104.66 - 72.00 5.89 - 4.40 66.50 - 46.07	35.66 - 26.17 294.87 - 172.67 75.67 - 41.30 4.65 - 3.29 60.25 - 38.85
ALTICE USA, INC. THE LIBERTY SIRUSXM GROUP CABLE ONE, INC. CHINA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS CO., LTD. SHAW COMMUNICATIONS INC.	JUN	2.14	0.75	0.21	0.03	2.15	(1.28)	(53.76)	(52.79)	(35.35)	(30.40)	(27.95)	0.00	38.19 - 14.33	38.30 - 15.96	31.78 - 16.21	25.15 - 14.50	35.29 - 17.80	0.00 - 0.00
	JUN	1.78	(2.24)	1.48	1.95	3.31	1.23	(54.40)	(53.56)	(52.42)	(43.36)	(41.32)	(43.58)	56.19 - 39.05	51.36 - 23.01	48.80 - 35.43	48.56 - 34.84	46.24 - 33.62	36.36 - 28.04
	JUN	46.49	51.27	31.12	28.77	40.92	17.38	(338.01)	(36.55)	(157.54)	(61.48)	(80.51)	(19.82)	2232.85 - 1621.19	2326.80 - 1031.39	1569.74 - 782.01	924.31 - 597.40	788.00 - 564.26	635.85 - 390.00
	MAR	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.42	0.39	0.36	0.34	0.34	0.18	21.10 - 13.13	27.30 - 11.31	15.99 - 3.26	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00
	MAY	1.53	1.01	1.06	0.04	1.36	1.92	(3.54)	(3.49)	(3.30)	(3.15)	(2.98)	(5.27)	38.62 - 21.85	26.90 - 17.77	28.10 - 24.44	28.87 - 23.82	30.44 - 26.48	27.32 - 22.55

			Earn	ings pe	r Share	(\$)		Ta	ngible E	Book Val	ue per S	Share(\$)			Sha	are Price (High-Low, I	Respective currencie	s)	
Company	Yr. End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Movies and Entertainment																			
THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY	JUL	1.09	(1.59)	6.64	8.36	5.69	5.73	(3.65)	(7.34)	(8.12)	7.19	1.91	5.33	203.02 - 142.04	183.40 - 79.07	153.41 - 105.94	120.20 - 97.68	116.10 - 96.20	106.75 - 86.25
NETFLIX, INC.	JUN	11.24	6.08	4.13	2.68	1.25	0.43	4.62	(6.06)	(16.23)	(22.25)	(15.67)	(10.68)	700.99 - 478.54	575.37 - 290.25	385.99 - 252.28	423.21 - 195.42	204.38 - 124.31	129.29 - 79.95
WARNER MUSIC GROUP CORP.	JUN	0.58	(0.94)	0.51	0.61	0.00	0.00	(7.72)	(7.26)	(7.76)	(8.03)	0.00	0.00	50.23 - 31.50	39.19 - 25.61	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00
LIONS GATE ENTERTAINMENT CORP.	JUN	(0.84)	(0.09)	(0.86)	(1.33)	2.15	0.09	(6.76)	(6.99)	(8.64)	(8.27)	(7.21)	(10.76)	21.42 - 11.05	11.53 - 4.18	19.00 - 7.65	36.48 - 13.63	34.75 - 24.27	28.23 - 26.09
AMC ENTERTAINMENT HOLDINGS, INC.	JUN	(2.66)	(39.15)	(1.44)	0.41	(3.80)	1.13	(8.67)	(25.40)	(37.42)	(37.20)	(25.73)	(21.29)	72.62 - 1.91	7.78 - 1.95	17.07 - 7.15	21.45 - 11.66	34.90 - 10.80	35.65 - 19.28
Publishing																			
LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	JUN	(3.09)	(8.12)	(0.02)	(0.09)	(0.48)	(0.23)	(20.41)	(17.68)	(9.84)	(8.40)	(8.10)	(8.88)	127.75 - 65.88	76.60 - 21.70	74.02 - 47.10	58.26 - 35.94	46.99 - 26.86	29.04 - 18.77
ROKU, INC.	JUN	1.71	(0.14)	(0.52)	(0.08)	(2.24)	(9.01)	17.00	9.26	4.57	2.20	1.50	(40.22)	490.76 - 190.23	363.44 - 58.22	176.55 - 29.29	77.57 - 26.30	58.80 - 15.75	0.00 - 0.00
FORMULA ONE GROUP	JUN	(0.82)	(2.57)	(1.34)	(0.65)	1.10	3.93	(4.84)	(5.56)	(13.04)	(13.60)	(14.98)	15.33	63.46 - 38.84	48.95 - 18.31	46.55 - 29.43	39.35 - 27.51	41.14 - 27.55	33.15 - 17.47
WORLD WRESTLING ENTERTAINMENT, INC.	JUN	2.12	1.56	0.85	1.12	0.42	0.44	5.09	5.00	3.56	4.05	3.28	3.14	70.72 - 45.87	67.53 - 29.10	100.45 - 52.69	97.69 - 30.61	33.28 - 18.00	21.55 - 14.20
CINEMARK HOLDINGS, INC.	JUN	(3.55)	(5.25)	1.63	1.83	2.26	2.19	(10.50)	(6.66)	(1.46)	(1.82)	(1.96)	(2.91)	27.85 - 13.84	34.26 - 5.71	43.51 - 31.52	44.00 - 33.36	44.84 - 32.03	42.56 - 26.56
NEWS CORPORATION	JUN	0.56	(2.16)	0.26	(2.60)	(1.27)	0.30	1.43	2.19	1.81	1.62	7.50	8.95	27.97 - 17.75	18.70 - 7.90	14.66 - 11.12	17.29 - 10.65	16.87 - 11.51	14.68 - 10.21
LAGARDERE SA	JUN	(0.85)	(6.25)	(0.13)	1.55	1.61	1 41	(14.38)	(16.16)	(10.25)	(9.75)	(10.03)	(9.86)	24.62 - 18.60	28.48 - 8.14	25.26 - 18.59	27.17 - 20.99	28.95 - 23.15	27.27 - 18.35
PEARSON PLC	JUN	0.28	0.56	0.45	0.96	0.67	(3.54)	2.69	2.51	2.40	2.47	1.78	1.37	9.09 - 5.71	7.07 - 4.12	10.30 - 6.10	9.81 - 6.51	8.25 - 5.52	9.90 - 6.45
KADOKAWA CORPORATION	JUN	0.87	0.70	0.60	(0.29)	0.07	0.38	9.74	8.44	7.50	6.77	7.04	6.64	3480.00 - 1607.50	1910.00 - 511.00	1068.50 - 538.00	723.00 - 525.50	888.50 - 600.00	961.50 - 578.50
JIANGSU PHOENIX PUBLISHING & MEDIA CORPORATION LIMITED	MAR	0.15	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.94	0.83	0.72	0.69	0.65	0.56	8.19 - 5.98	8.01 - 6.21	9.77 - 7.09	8.62 - 5.66	10.81 - 8.00	16.00 - 9.89
CHINA SOUTH PUBLISHING & MEDIA GROUP CO., LTD	MAR	0.13	0.12	0.10	0.10	0.13	0.14	1.17	1.11	1.01	1.01	1.08	0.96	11.10 - 8.08	13.57 - 9.46	14.23 - 11.21	15.08 - 10.06	18.84 - 13.24	23.86 - 15.66
THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY	JUN	1.31	0.60	0.83	0.75	0.03	0.18	8.09	6.90	6.22	5.45	4.65	4.43	58.73 - 39.73	52.40 - 26.13	36.25 - 21.34	28.72 - 18.15	20.15 - 13.00	14.20 - 10.60
DAILYMAIL AND GENERAL TRUST PLC	SEP	8.78	1.05	0.37	2.51	1.31	0.70	16.35	4.54	2.44	4.41	1.26	(4.18)	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	6.65 - 6.24	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00	0.00 - 0.00

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