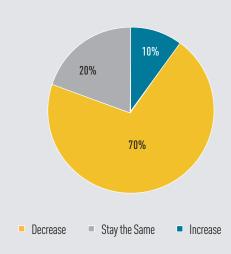
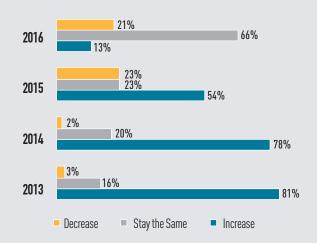
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North American M&A expected to decline...



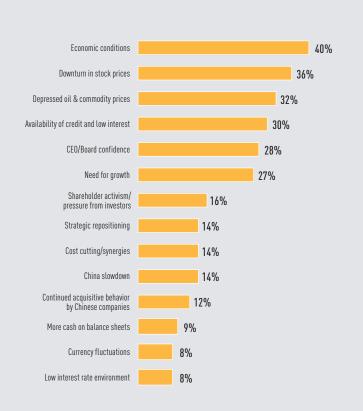
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...but global dealmakers are more bullish



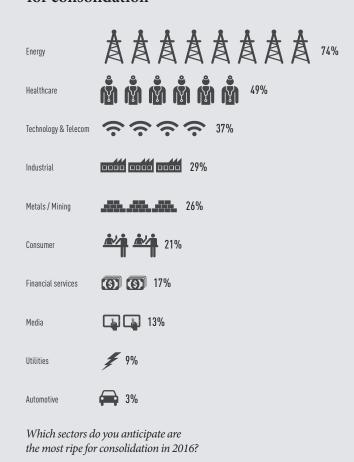
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Market factors seen as primary drivers for the decline in dealmaking

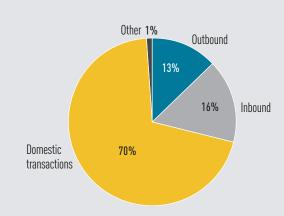


What are the key factors that will impact M&A in 2016?

Energy & Healthcare seen as most ripe for consolidation

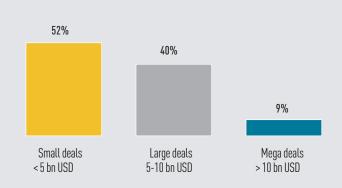


Domestic transactions expected to dominate M&A in North America



What types of deals do you expect to drive the North American M&A market in 2016?

Are the days of the mega-deal over?

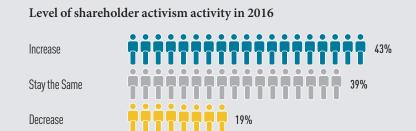


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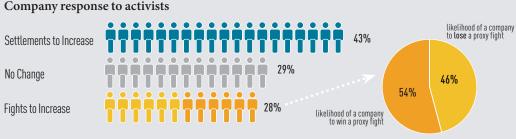
Limited confidence in companies' ability to win proxy fights

Do you expect the level of shareholder activism activity to increase, decrease, or stay the same in 2016?

Do you expect companies and boards to fight back in response to activists, or settle? / How likely is a company to win a proxy fight?



Company response to activists



Trump, Clinton and Kasich forecasted by U.S. dealmakers to be best for M&A

Which major party U.S. Presidential candidate would be the best outcome for deal-making / corporate interests if elected?

