

Press Release

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UK Food & Beverage M&A Activity Saw a Significant Increase in Deal Volume in the Period Although With More Modest Gains in Total Deal Value

Oghma Partners is pleased to share the release of its review of the latest Mergers and Acquisition activity within the UK Food and Beverage Industry.

Key issues that impacted M&A in 2022 dragged over into the start of 2023 with inflationary cost pressures, the cost-of-living crisis and the increased cost of debt suppressing the higher value deals in the first half of the year (with the exception of the Glanbia Cheese acquisition). However, the increase in 2023 deal volume in part, reflected pent up seller activity and the sad bonus of a large numbers of businesses acquired out of administration (c. 10.0%).

A full copy of the report is available on request.

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