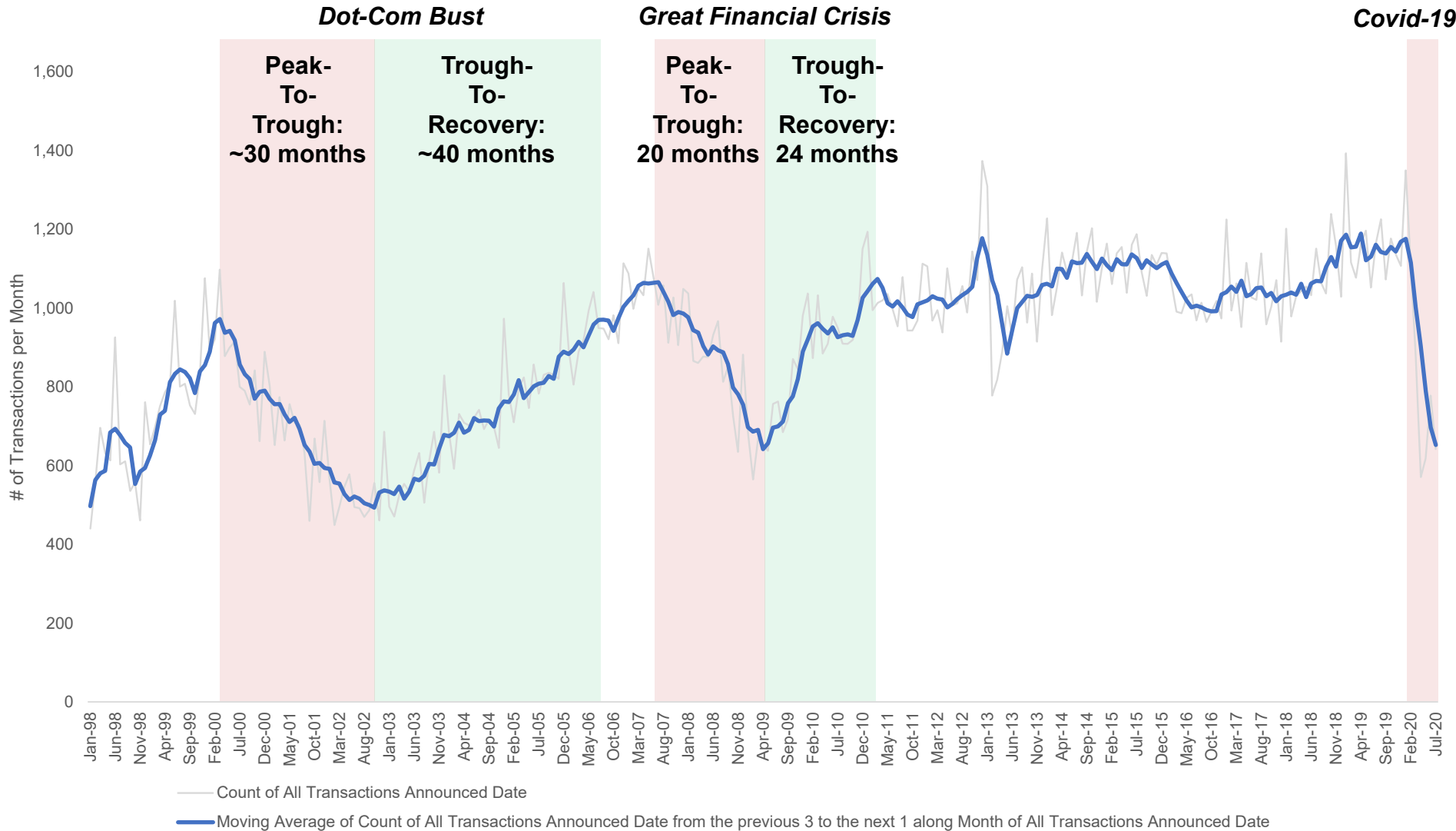




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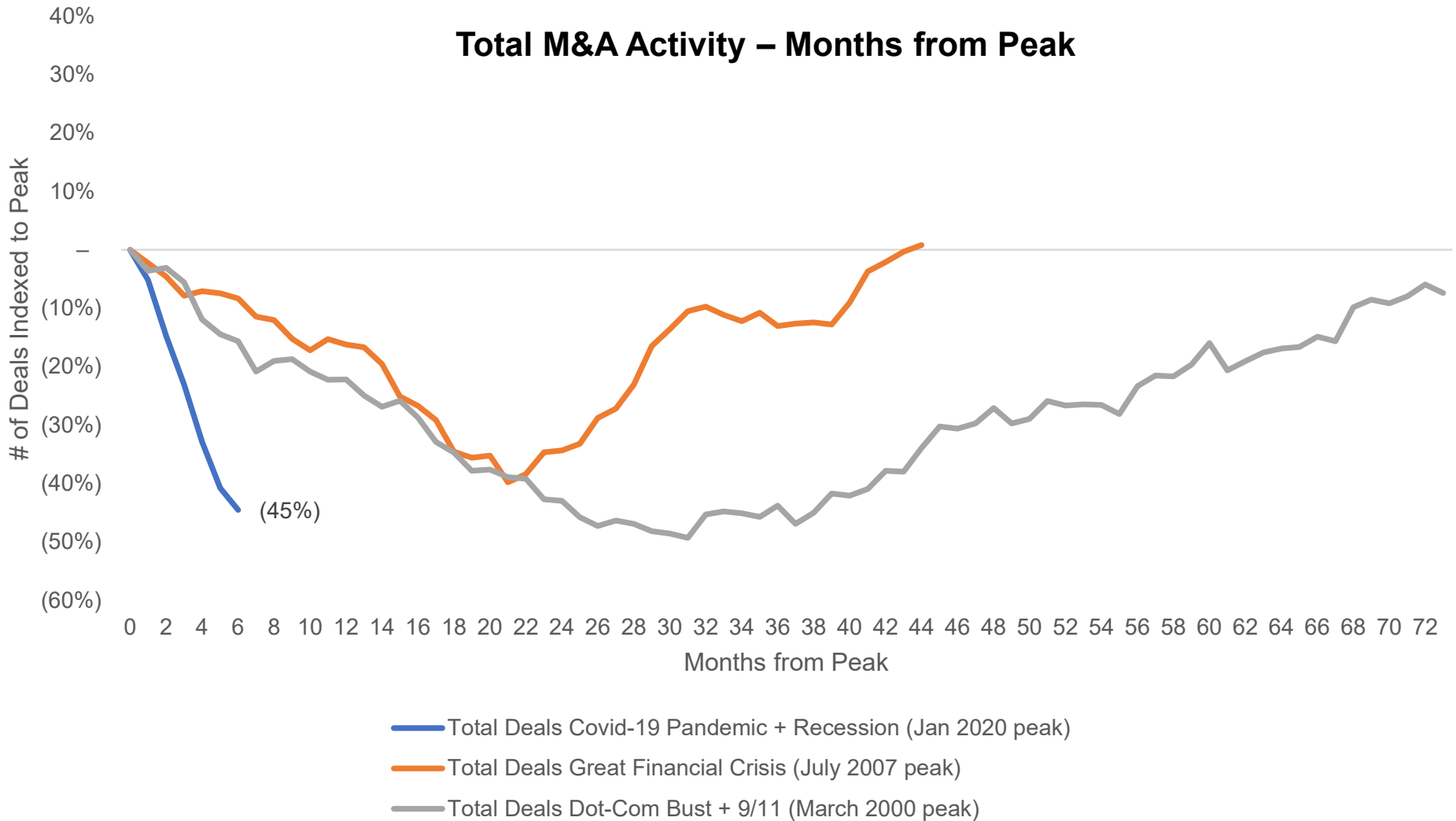
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M&A Activity Through the Years – Number of Transactions



Source: Capital IQ. US & Canada. Excludes Real Estate, Utilities and Materials

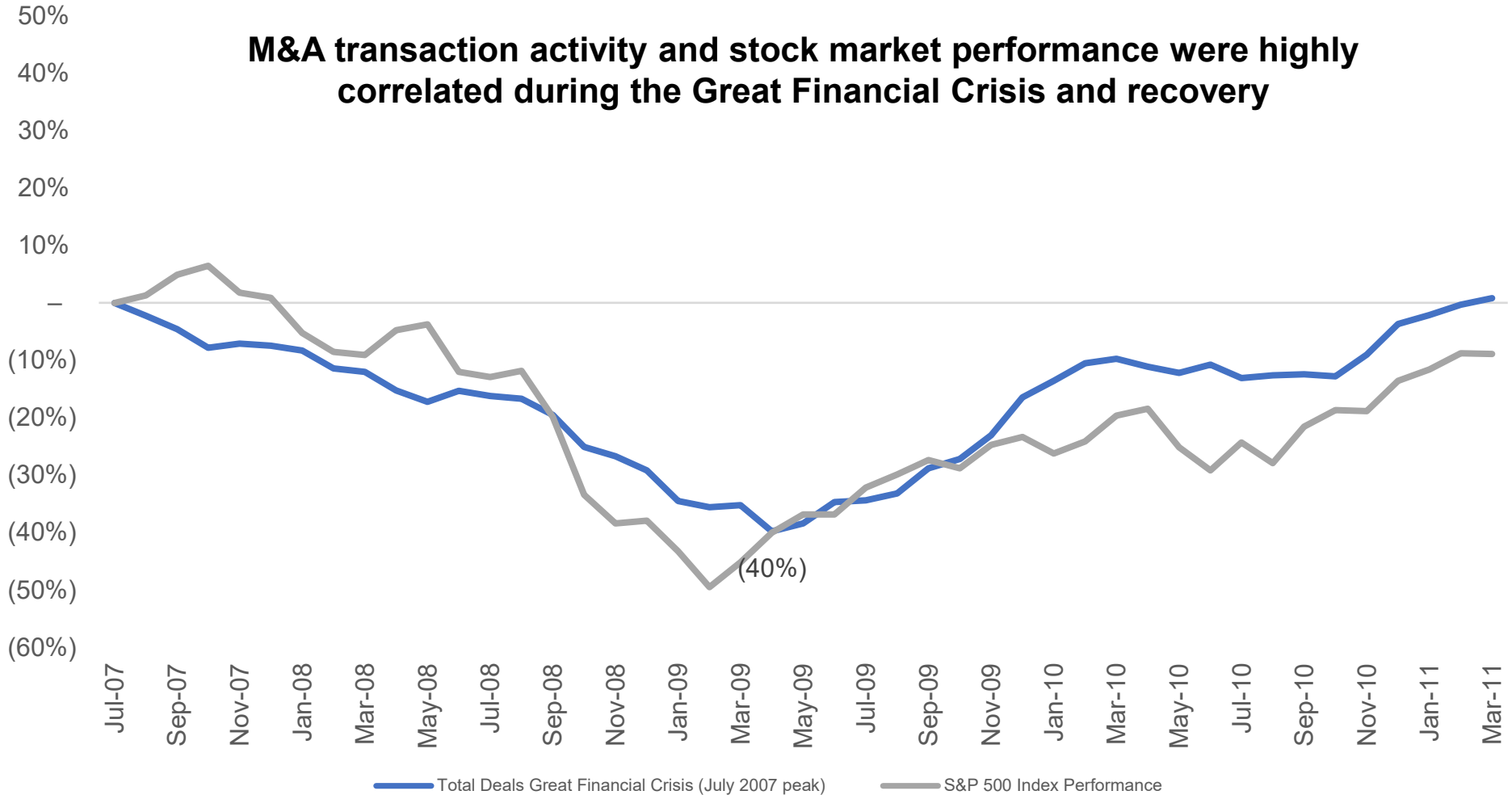
M&A Activity – Covid-19 Pandemic vs. Previous Downturns



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M&A Activity Correlation to S&P 500 – Great Financial Crisis

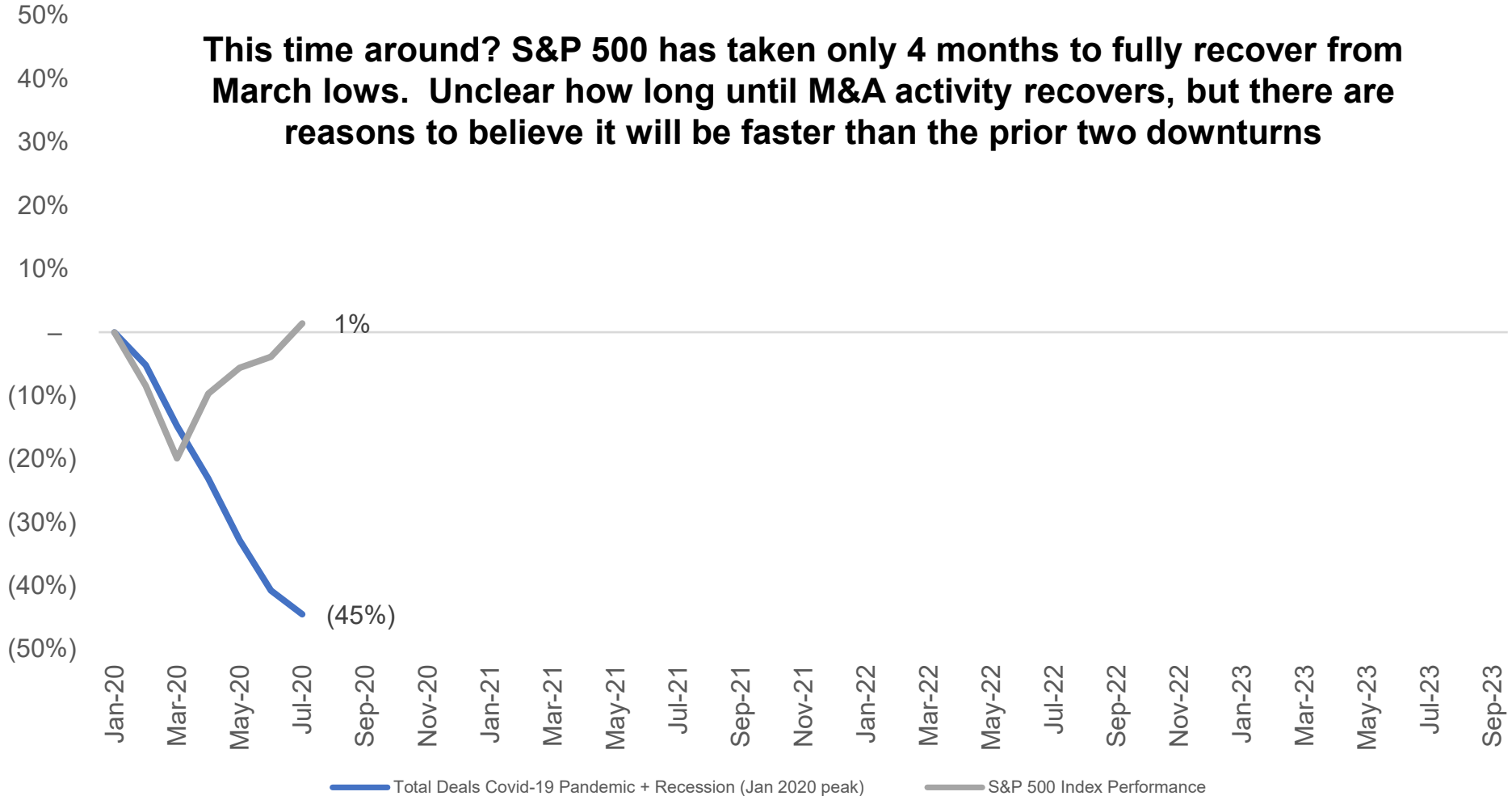
M&A transaction activity and stock market performance were highly correlated during the Great Financial Crisis and recovery



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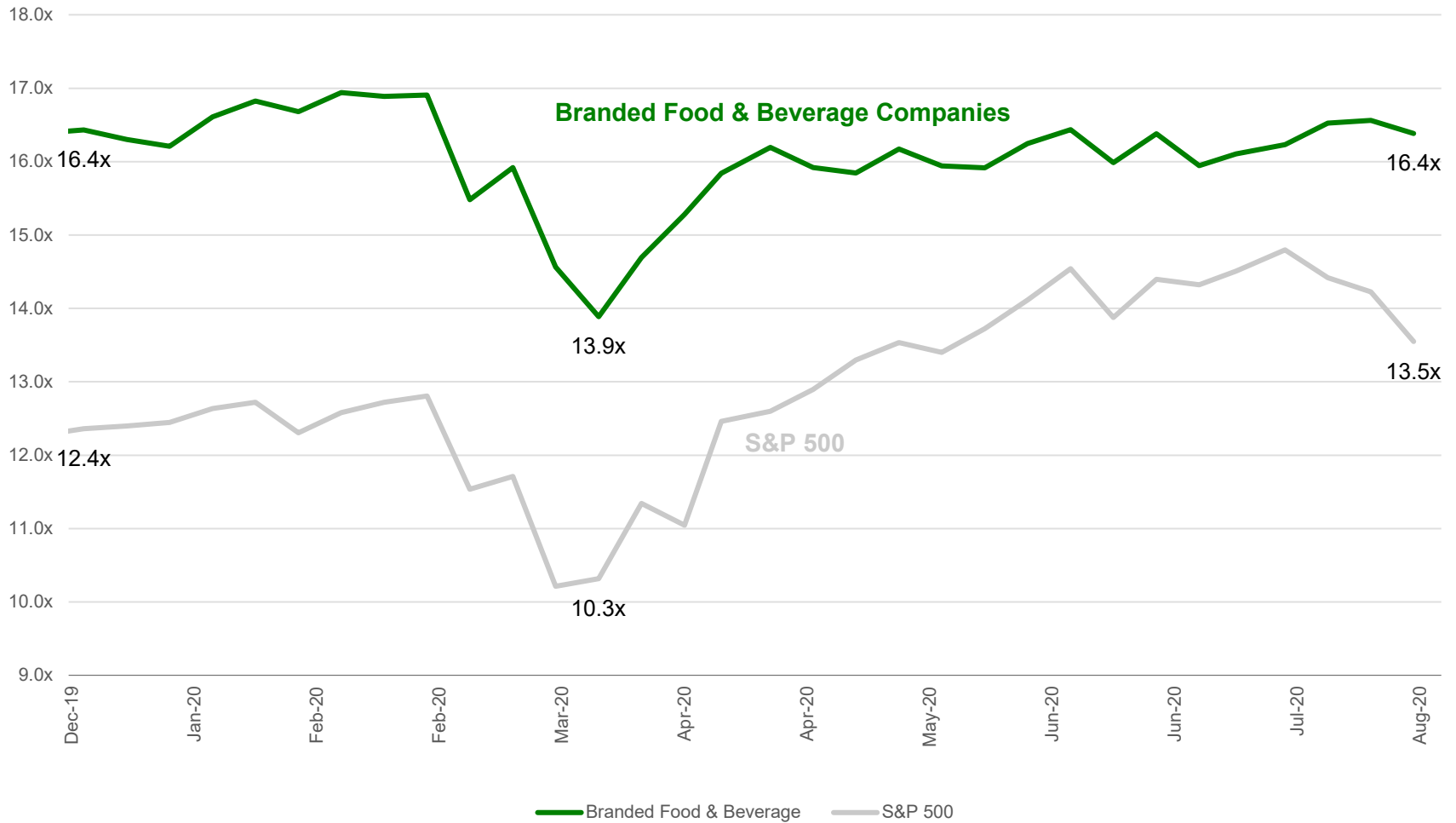
This time around? S&P 500 has taken only 4 months to fully recover from March lows. Unclear how long until M&A activity recovers, but there are reasons to believe it will be faster than the prior two downturns



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Public Company Valuations Have Recovered

Forward EV/EBITDA Multiples

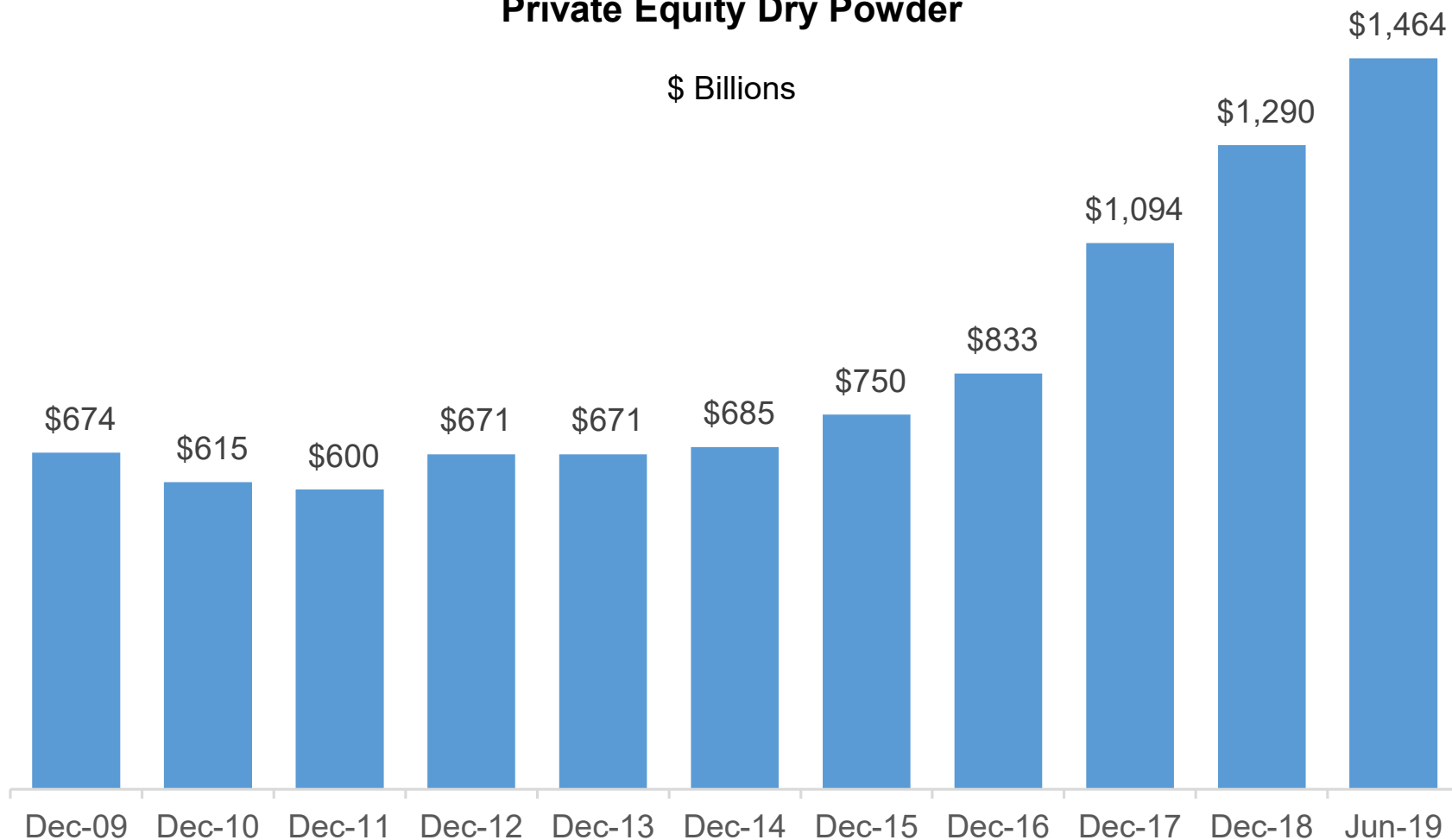


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\$1.5 Trillion of Private Equity “Dry Powder” on the Sidelines

Private Equity Dry Powder

\$ Billions



Source: Preqin

