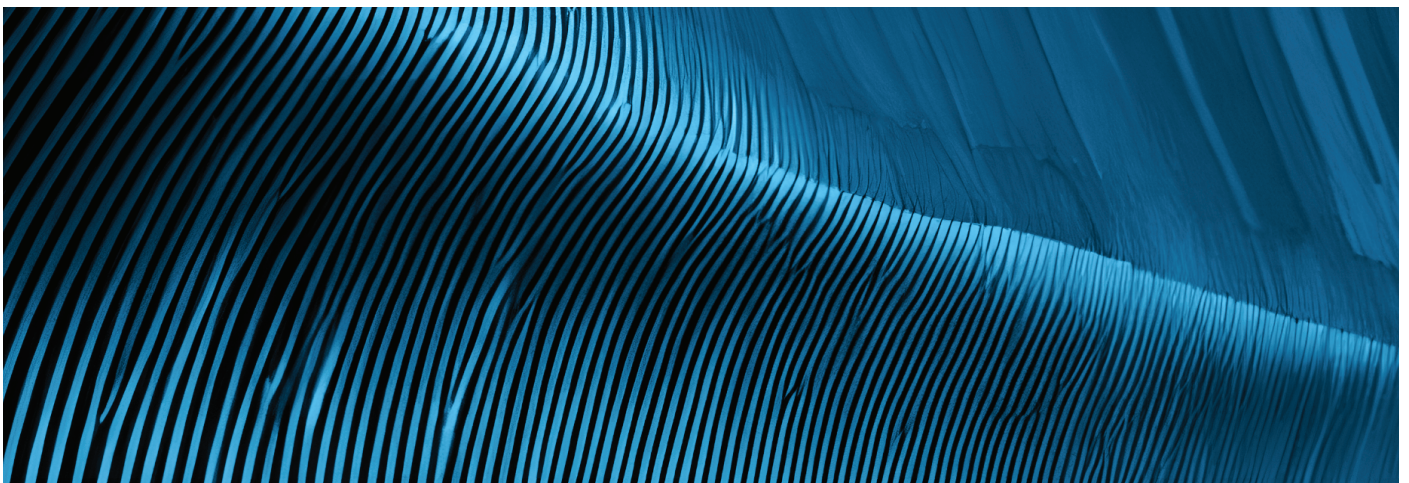


Private Equity

Typically, investments in privately held companies, ranging from startups to large enterprises.



Need to Know

01

Vast Market Opportunity

The **universe of private equity is vast** given that most companies globally are privately held.¹ Family offices and other institutional investors have maintained **sizeable private equity allocations for decades**, and more individual investors are following suit.²

02

History of Outperformance

Private equity has outperformed stocks with **lower volatility** over the long run.³ As a result, private equity can be a **core portfolio building block** for investors in search of diversification and enhanced performance.⁴

03

Value Creation

Private equity managers have extensive **value-creation capabilities**, which they can use to unlock growth potential over time in the companies in which they invest. These efforts create the potential for a higher return, but investors must trade off some liquidity.

Understanding Private Equity

Private equity consists of investments in privately held companies, ranging from early-stage growth companies to large enterprises, across every industry and geography. Private companies play a crucial role in the global economy⁵ and can often adopt a longer-term perspective because they are not subject to the daily share price fluctuations of the public markets.

Private equity investors can help these businesses grow through active engagement and value creation strategies, including reshaping leadership, operations, and financials.

Historically, private equity returns have been attractive,⁶ driven by earnings growth and by exiting at opportune moments.⁷



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2. For Family Offices: UBS Global Family Office Report 2025. For Institutional Investors: American Investment Council Retirement Security Report 2025. For Individual Investors: Cerulli Associates, "U.S. Wealth Management and Alternative Product Trends," 2024.
3. See Exhibit 4.
4. Diversification does not ensure a profit or protect against losses.
5. See note 1 above.
6. See note 3 above.
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Diversifying with a Vast Opportunity Set

Exhibit 1: Private Investment Opportunities Substantially Exceed Those in Public Markets⁸

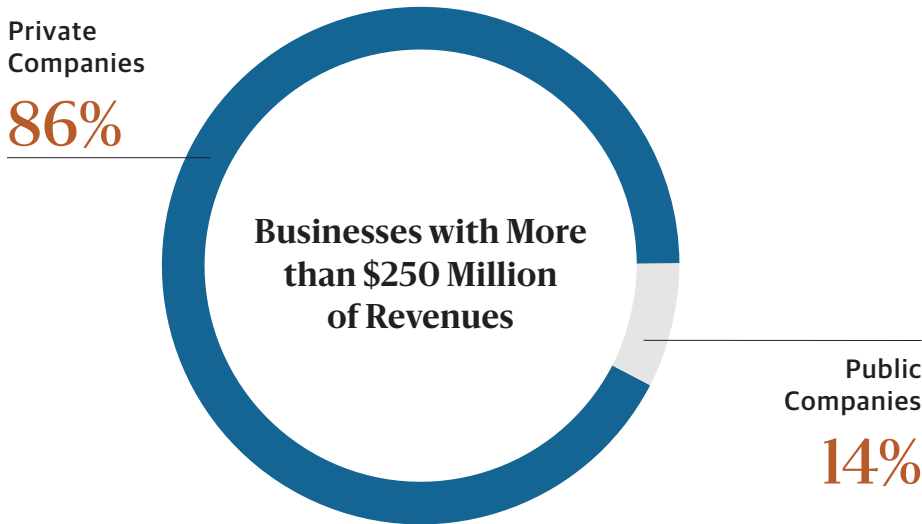
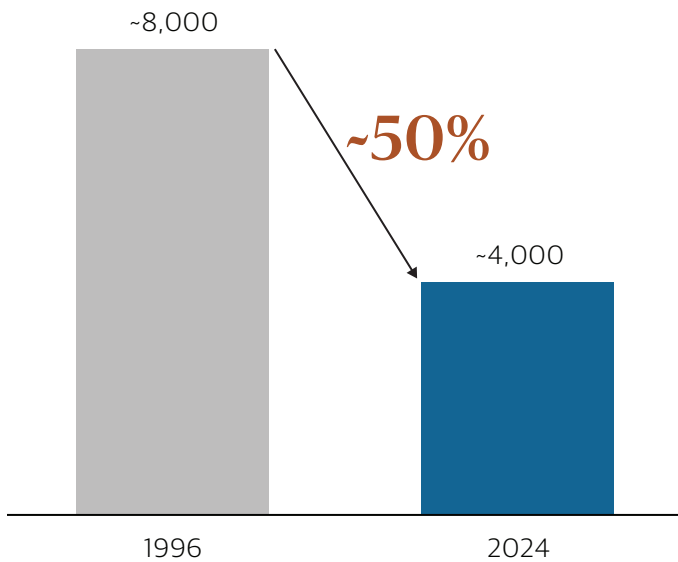


Exhibit 2: Number of US-Listed Public Companies⁹



Allocating to private equity can help investors access the full breadth of opportunities at a time when:

- The vast majority of businesses are privately held, and that amount is only increasing
- The S&P 500 is concentrated in the largest stocks – the top 10 companies represent ~40% of the index market capitalization¹⁰

Investors seeking a more diversified approach, in our view, should examine exposures beyond large-cap publicly traded equities, such as private equity¹¹

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9. Source: World Federation of Exchanges, December 2024.

10. Source: S&P 500 Factsheet, as of December 31, 2025.

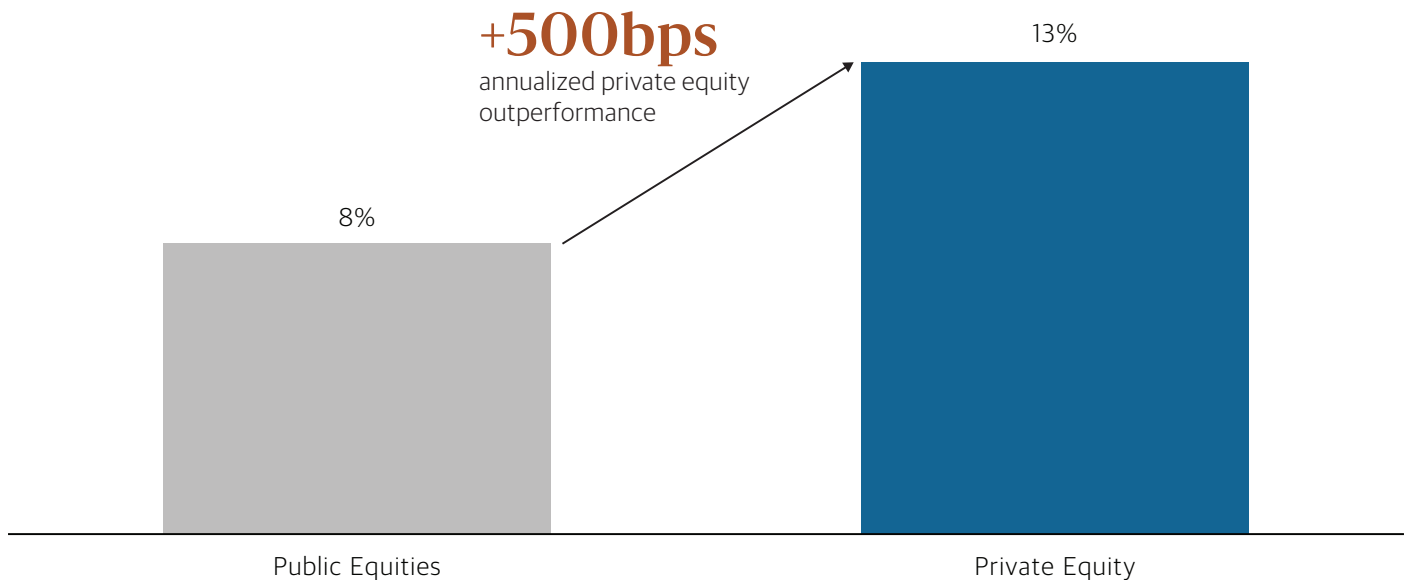
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Investing for the Long Run

Private equity is an illiquid asset class that has been primarily accessible to institutional investors, such as pension funds and university endowments, who can bear the long (typically 10+ years) investment horizon that private equity managers need to drive value creation.



Exhibit 3: Private Equity vs. Public Equities – 20 Years of Outperformance¹²

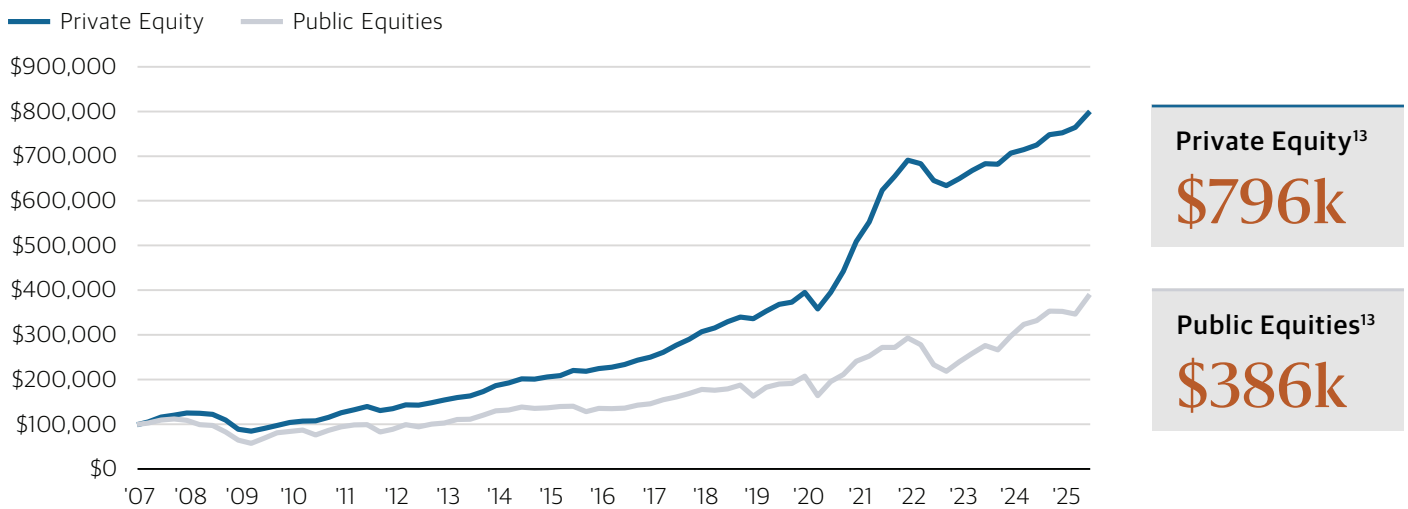


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In exchange for making illiquid investments, investors can seek a higher return than they might achieve holding liquid equities. Even with the rise of perpetual funds that permit periodic redemptions, private equity remains an asset class that aims to reward long-term investments. Historically, private equity has delivered meaningful long-term outperformance with less volatility versus public markets.

Exhibit 4: Private Equity Historical Outperformance of Public Equities

Growth of \$100,000



Source: Cambridge Associates, as of June 30, 2025. Note: Growth of \$100,000 based on cumulative returns from January 1, 2007, to June 30, 2025, in order to capture performance throughout the Global Financial Crisis. **Past performance does not predict future returns.** "Private Equity" is represented by the pooled returns of the blended Cambridge Private Equity Index which is comprised of buyout funds and growth equity funds. "Public Equities" are represented by the Cambridge Modified Public Market Equivalent ("PME") analysis of the MSCI World Index. Comparisons of private equity performance to an index are therefore based on the difference in performance between Cambridge Private Equity Index IRR and the hypothetical PME return of the applicable public index. Hypothetical PME index performance may differ materially from the performance of such index during the same time period on account of the adjustments made for the timing of cash flows as per the PME analysis. See Endnote (i) for additional information on the PME calculation methodology. Indices are provided for illustrative purposes only, and there are significant risks and limitations to relying on comparisons to an index, including the PME adjustments. See "Important Disclosure Information" including "Index Comparison" and "Index Definitions."

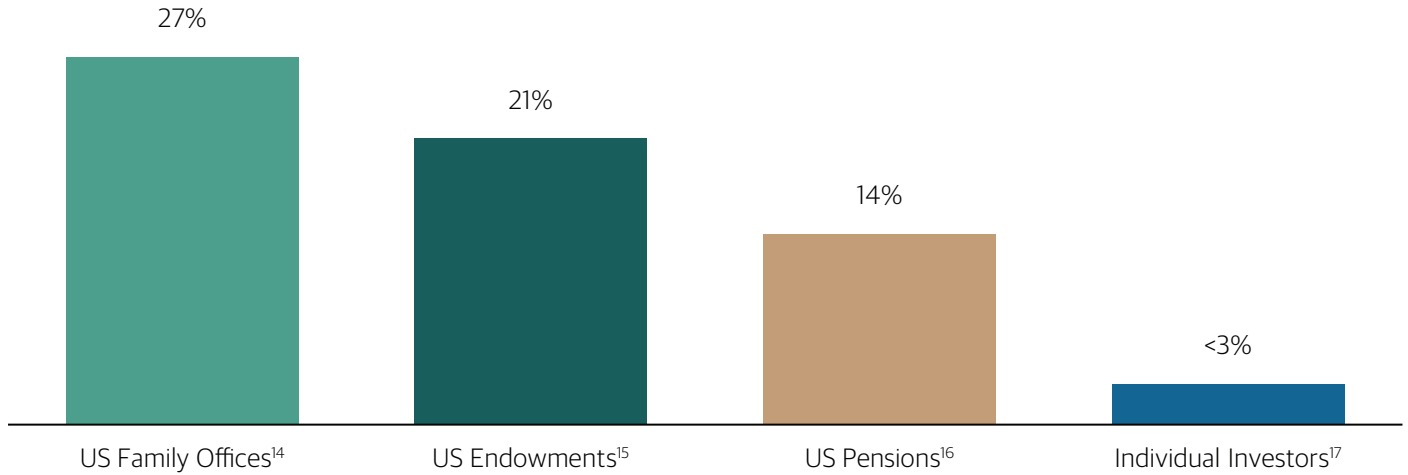


13. Returns are annualized and net of fees.

A Core Allocation

Institutional investors have long made private equity a core part of their portfolios. Individual investor allocations to private equity have historically been limited, but new investment structures, including perpetual funds, are increasing access to the asset class.

Exhibit 5: Representative Allocations to Private Equity



Managers Seek to Create Value

Value Creation Levers With Potential to Drive Returns

<p>Talent Management</p> <p>Attract, develop, and retain top talent</p>	<p>Procurement Savings</p> <p>Leverage global scale, buying power, and network to reduce costs</p>	<p>Brand Strategy</p> <p>Strategic management of brands, products, and services</p>	<p>"Go-to-Market" Strategy</p> <p>Identify areas of improvement to increase market share</p>	<p>Technological Innovation</p> <p>Use advanced analytics to grow and build businesses</p>

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14. UBS Global Family Office Report 2025.

15. Preqin, as of June 30, 2025.

16. American Investment Council Retirement Security Report 2025.

17. Cerulli Associates, "U.S. Wealth Management and Alternative Product Trends," 2024.

Private Equity Strategies in Focus

Common Equity Strategies	Buyout	Acquisition of interests in established companies with the intent to optimize performance
	Growth	Companies at an inflection point in their lifecycle needing additional capital to unlock further growth potential
	Venture Capital	Financing for early-stage companies to help fund the development of their product / service
Other Private Equity Strategies	Secondaries	Purchase of an existing PE fund stake or asset, often at a discount; analyze existing portfolio versus a traditional "blind pool" fund
	Hybrid Capital	A bespoke blend of private equity and credit; hybrid structures and structured investments with upside potential and downside mitigation



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Buyout of a Leading Founder-Owned Submarine Sandwich Franchisor¹⁸



#1

franchise
500 ranking¹⁸

3,200+

locations¹⁹

Investment Highlights

- We believe Jersey Mike's is a differentiated brand with an experienced management team and loyal franchisee base
- Track record of proven execution capability coupled with the opportunity to expand the store footprint through a development pipeline of ~1,100 stores

Value Creation in Action

Talent Management: Leveraged network to hire 5+ C-suite and executive team members, including Charlie Morrison, former CEO of Wingstop (NASDAQ: WING) who led their successful IPO²⁰

Strategic Expansion: New store openings in Canada and 400 planned openings in the UK and Ireland^{19, 20}

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18. Entrepreneur Magazine 2026, Franchise 500 Ranking.

19. Jersey Mike's Press Release, January 12, 2026.

20. Entrepreneur, "Jersey Mike's Appoints New CEO After \$8 Billion Acquisition." April 2025.

Considerations Before Allocating

Ultimately, private equity investing means active ownership of less liquid assets, as value creation takes time. Liquidity needs at the total portfolio level are one important consideration before allocating to private equity. In addition, manager selection may be of particular importance given the wider dispersion of returns compared to public markets. Key manager attributes include scale, staying power and a long track record.



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Cambridge Associates US Private Equity Index

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MSCI World Index

The MSCI World Index captures large and mid-cap representation across 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries. With 1,320 constituents, the index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country.

S&P 500 Index

The index measures the performance of 500 widely held stocks in the US equity market. Standard and Poor's chooses member companies for the index based on market size, liquidity and industry group representation. Included are the stocks of industrial, financial, utility, and transportation companies. Since mid-1989, this composition has been more flexible and the number of issues in each sector has varied. It is market capitalization-weighted.

Glossary

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AUM	Total amount of assets managed by a firm, advisor or distribution partner
BPS	Stands for “basis points”. Represents a unit of measurement for interest rates in finance and are equal to 1/100th of 1.0%
Buyout Strategy	The acquisition of a controlling interest in a company or a majority share of the capital stock of the company. Also known as acquisition
Cost Basis	The original value of an asset for tax purposes
Co-Investment	A collaborative investment strategy where multiple investors pool resources to jointly invest in an opportunity or project
Discretionary Allocator	An investment management who invests capital at their discretion on behalf of a client
Drivers of Returns	Factors which have a material effect on the returns of an investment
Endowments	A managed fund dedicated to supporting an organization, typically non-profit in nature and often a college or university
General Partners	General Partners (GPs) manage a private fund, select its investments, and attain capital commitments from Limited Partners (LPs)
Growth Equity	Form of private equity investing in relatively mature companies seen to have potential for scalable and renewed growth unlike buyout funds they take a minority stake with the intention of growing the business as much as possible
Illiquid Funds	A fund which cannot be immediately sold or exchanged for cash
Interest Expense Savings	Money saved on the expense incurred from servicing the interest on outstanding debt
Internal Rate of Return (IRR)	Time weighted standard performance metric used for capital drawdown funds. Portfolio investments are bought and sold over time with several capital contributions and distributions. Time weighted projected performance metric that measures estimated percentage return from the project. Generally you want a project to have an IRR that exceeds the cost of capital. This metric can be calculated with net present value (NPV), net cash inflow during the period, total initial investment costs, and the number of time periods the calculation is over. Financial metric used to measure the profitability of an investment that considers capital calls, management fees, and distributions
Investable Universe	The full spectrum of assets available to invest in
Large Cap Equities	Historically large-cap corporations are defined as those with a market value of US\$10 billion and greater

Glossary (Cont'd)

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Leveraged Buyouts (LBOs)	Commonly used PE strategy of acquiring another company using a significant amount of borrowed capital to meet the cost of acquisition while the assets of the company being acquired are often used as collateral for the loans along with the assets of the acquiring company
Liquidity	Ability for fund investors to subscribe and redeem units in a fund. The more liquid a fund, means the greater ease to subscribe and redeem units
Mid-to-Low Single Digit Industry Average Alternatives Allocation	A low allocation to private markets which is the average across individual investor portfolios
Net Asset Value	Net Asset Value or "NAV" represents the value of a fund's assets, minus a fund's liabilities, determined in accordance with the valuation methods summarized in the fund's offering documents.
Opportunistic	A private equity strategy targeting opportunities arising from market dislocations
PE Buyout AUM	The assets under management of a private equity buyout strategy (see definition of buyout above)
Perpetual Funds	Synonymous with "Evergreen". Fund structure that features a continuous offering of shares in historically illiquid strategies where investors can purchase and redeem their investment
Primary PE	The primary market for private equity where capital investments are made into companies which are not publicly traded
Private Wealth Channel	Blackstone's Private Wealth business focusing on bringing institutional quality investment strategies to eligible individual investors or private wealth clients
Public Equity	Shares of ownership in a company which are listed on an exchange
Secondaries	Refers to transactions in which an investor is buying an existing interest from a primary fund. The secondary market allows PE investors make an early exit, liquidate assets or rebalance portfolios
Secular Tailwinds	Long-term economic trends that help feed market growth
Small Cap Equities	A company whose total market value is circa \$250 million to \$2 billion
Uncorrelated Returns	Investments where the underlying returns are uncorrelated, or less correlated, both with traditional equity and fixed income returns
Upside Potential	The potential increase in value, measured in monetary or percentage terms of an investment
Venture Capital	A type of equity financing that investors provide to startup companies and small businesses
Volatility Buffer	The mechanism by which an investor can protect their assets in the event of market volatility
Yield	Refers to the earnings generated and realized on an investment over a particular period of time

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