

VENTURE CAPITAL AND PRIVATE EQUITY

TABLE 1
Statistics of industry participants

	2023	2022
Number of registered corporations	137	129
Number of registered VCMCs and VCCs	113	109
Number of registered PEMCs and PECs	24	20
Number of VC and PE professionals ¹	305	229

Note:

¹ Professionals with at least 4 years of experience.

The total number of registered corporations stood at 137 as at 31 December 2023 (Table 1). The venture capital segment accounted for 113 registered venture capital management corporations (VCMCs) and venture capital corporations (VCCs), while the private equity segment consisted of 24 registered private equity management corporations (PEMCs) and private equity corporations (PECs).

As at end 2023, the number of professionals employed by the industry with at least 4 years of experience stood at 305.

Total committed funds in the industry as at the end of 2023 stood at RM11.00 billion and RM6.58 billion for private equity and venture capital respectively (Table 2), with a combined total of RM17.58 billion.

TABLE 2
Industry key statistics
Figures in RM millions

	2023		2022	
	Private equity	Venture capital	Private equity	Venture capital
Total committed funds under management [1]	11,000.01	6,581.14	10,711.59	5,372.93
Total drawn capital [2]	8,899.53	4,551.23	7,644.83	3,868.54
Estimated capital available for investment [3]=[1]-[2]	2,100.48	2,029.91	3,066.75	1,504.39
Total no. of investee companies	63	392	68	186

Note:

The statistics are based on self-reported figures by registered VC/PE firms. Y-o-y movements may vary.

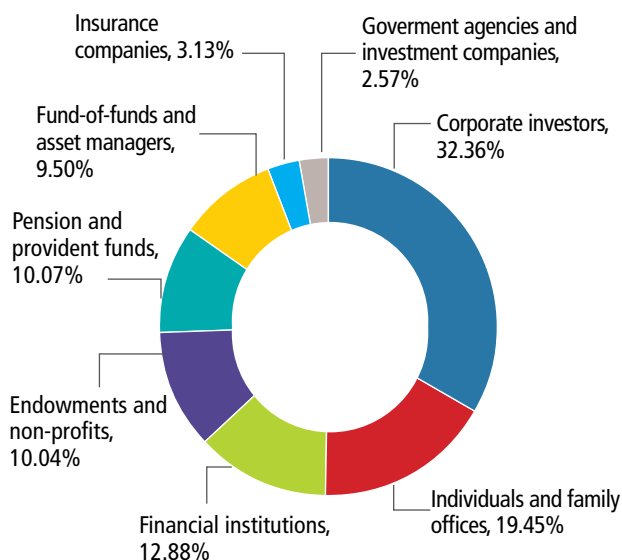
For PE, commitments are sourced largely from corporate investors (32.36%), individuals and family offices (19.45%), and financial institutions (12.88%) (Chart 1).

For VC, government agencies and investment companies (38.62%), sovereign wealth funds (22.55%) and corporate investors (19.73%) make up the top 3 sources of funding (Chart 2).

The top 3 registered corporations by amount of investor commitments as at end 2023 were Creador, Xeraya Capital and MAVCAP.

CHART 1

Sources of funds, private equity (2023: RM11.00 billion)



Note:

Government agencies and investment companies: Includes ministerial investment companies (e.g. MOF (Incorporated)), government agencies, statutory bodies and GLICs established for the purpose of managing investments of public funds.

CHART 2

Sources of funds, venture capital (2023: RM6.58 billion)

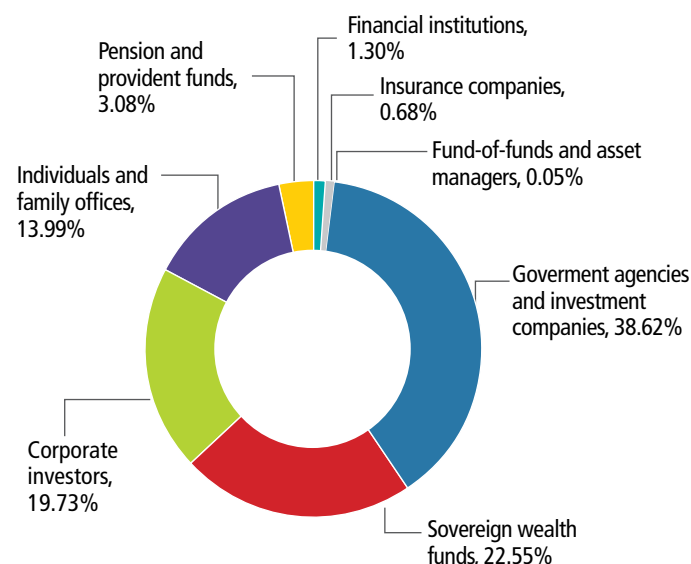


TABLE 3

Investments during 2023

Business Stage	New investments (RM '000)	% of segment	No. of companies
Venture Capital			
Seed	17,298.79	7.73%	7
Start-up	12,896.87	5.77%	4
Early stage	58,722.12	26.25%	17
Growth	126,689.08	56.63%	33
Bridge/Mezzanine/Pre-IPO	8,100.00	3.62%	1
Private Equity			
Startup	41,264.07	2.96%	2
Early stage	232,714.52	16.71%	4
Growth	1,075,382.47	77.20%	18
Buyout	43,710.02	3.14%	1
Total	1,616,777.94	100.00%	87
Venture Capital	223,706.86	13.84%	62
Private Equity	1,393,071.08	86.16%	25

VC investments in 2023 concentrated on growth (56.63%), followed by early stage (26.25%) and seed (7.73%) opportunities. PE investments were primarily channeled into growth plays (77.20%), with some investments made to early stage opportunities (16.71%), followed by buyouts (3.14%). In total, 62 VC and 25 PE deals were recorded in 2023 (Table 3).

In terms of target industries, financial services (18.12%) saw the highest share of VC investment in 2023, followed by wholesale and retail trade (13.55%), and life sciences (12.97%).

As for PE, investments were largely channeled to business services (45.06%) in 2023, followed by wholesale and retail trade (35.15%) and transportation and storage (4.28%) (Chart 3).

CHART 3

Investments during 2023, top 5 target industries

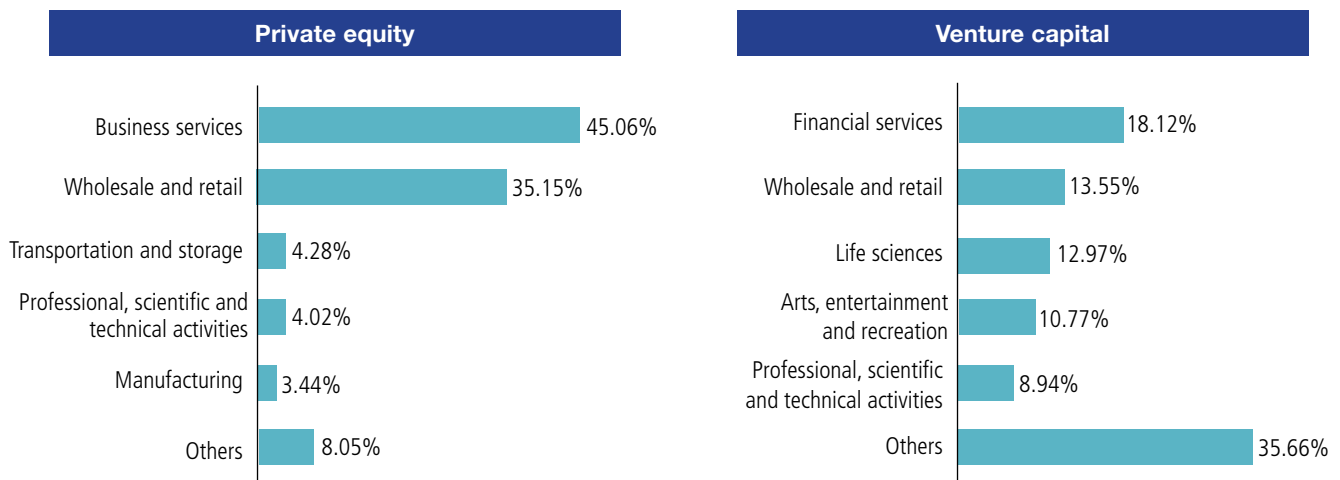


TABLE 4

Divestments during 2023

Business Stage	Divestments (RM '000)	% of segment	No. of companies
Venture Capital			
Seed	28,958.06	8.06%	4
Start-up	12,926.30	3.60%	2
Early stage	62,971.36	17.54%	8
Growth	253,951.56	70.72%	112
Buyout	269.48	0.08%	1
Private Equity			
Growth	657,077.40	93.27%	21
Buyout	46,710.02	6.63%	2
Turnaround/Restructuring	737.35	0.10%	1
Total	1,063,601.52	100.00%	151
<i>Venture Capital</i>	<i>359,076.75</i>	<i>33.76%</i>	<i>127</i>
<i>Private Equity</i>	<i>704,524.77</i>	<i>66.24%</i>	<i>24</i>

Note:
Figures measured at cost.

Divestments during 2023 were mainly exits in the growth stage for both VC and PE segments (Table 4). Exits in 2023 were primarily through IPO or sale to public markets and trade sales.