



Preqin Industry News

[Paul Bishop](#) examines the latest news in the unlisted infrastructure asset class, including investors looking to increase their exposure and those targeting investments opportunistically.

Investors are looking to increase their exposure to infrastructure:

[CDP Capital – Private Equity Group](#) plans to increase its exposure to less-liquid assets, including infrastructure, over the coming 12 months. The CAD 176bn asset management subsidiary of Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec, which has previously accessed the infrastructure asset class via a number of routes to market, is expecting to focus on direct and unlisted funds primarily. It will invest globally and in both economic and social infrastructure.

[Victoria Funds Management Corporation](#) will continue to invest in both private infrastructure funds and directly-owned infrastructure assets on a global basis over the next 12 months. The Melbourne-based asset manager will consider investment opportunities across all industries, and has previously gained exposure to the education, airport, and healthcare sectors.

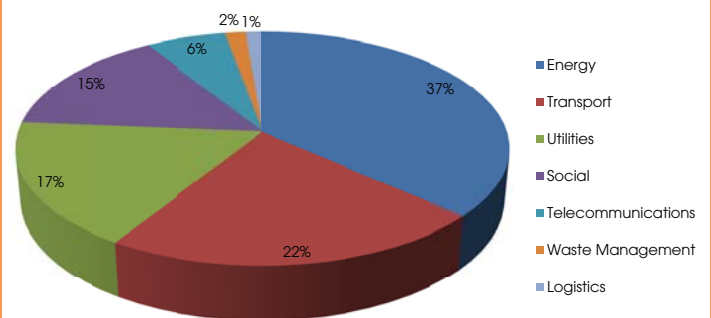
A number of investors are looking to commit to the asset class opportunistically:

[KGM Pension Fund](#) is actively seeking to make further investments in the infrastructure asset class in the coming 12 months on an opportunistic basis. The Israel-based private sector pension fund is seeking unlisted infrastructure funds with a global mandate, although it has developed a strong preference for US-focused funds. It has previous exposure to North American energy, natural resources and renewable energy assets, and has no firm preferences, preferring to evaluate proposals on a case-by-case basis.

[Construction and Building Industries Superannuation Fund \(Cbus\)](#) is planning to invest opportunistically in infrastructure in the next 12 months. The Melbourne-based superannuation scheme has met its target allocation of 11% to the asset class, but if suitable opportunities arise it could possibly invest selectively in the next 12 months. If it does invest, it will consider private infrastructure funds which offer co-investment options, and will be open to both equity and debt vehicles. Having invested in economies such as Australia, Europe and the US previously, Cbus will continue to look at developed markets going forward.

Which sectors are infrastructure fund managers committing capital to?

Chart of the Month: Breakdown of Infrastructure Deals by Sector, All-Time



Source: Preqin Infrastructure Online

The Chart of the Month shows that over all-time the most prominent sectors for infrastructure deal activity are energy and transport, with 37% and 22% of all infrastructure deals respectively taking place in these sectors. Energy includes investments in areas such as cleantech, natural resources, nuclear, and renewable energy, and transport investments include committing capital to airports, railroads, roads, and sea ports.

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