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WHAT IS A STRATEGIC BUYER?

In Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A), a **strategic buyer** is typically another company looking to acquire a business in order to achieve long-term growth goals—not just a financial return. Their motivation is strategic: expanding market share, diversifying products, entering new regions, or strengthening their competitive position.

Unlike **financial buyers**, who focus mainly on return on investment, strategic buyers seek to create **lasting value** within their own organization. This might involve acquiring complementary technologies, gaining access to new distribution channels, or eliminating a competitor.

Strategic buyers usually operate with a clear growth plan and may work closely with investment banks and advisors to identify and evaluate the right opportunities.

When it comes to financing, they have options: acquisitions can be funded with cash, stock, debt, or a mix of these. While debt may be part of the equation, strategic buyers are generally more cautious about overleveraging, since maintaining financial strength is key to their long-term strategy.

In short: Strategic buyers are a driving force in the M&A market. By leveraging their operational expertise and strategic advantages, they aim to create sustainable value through acquisitions—not just for today, but for the future.

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