

Financing the energy transition

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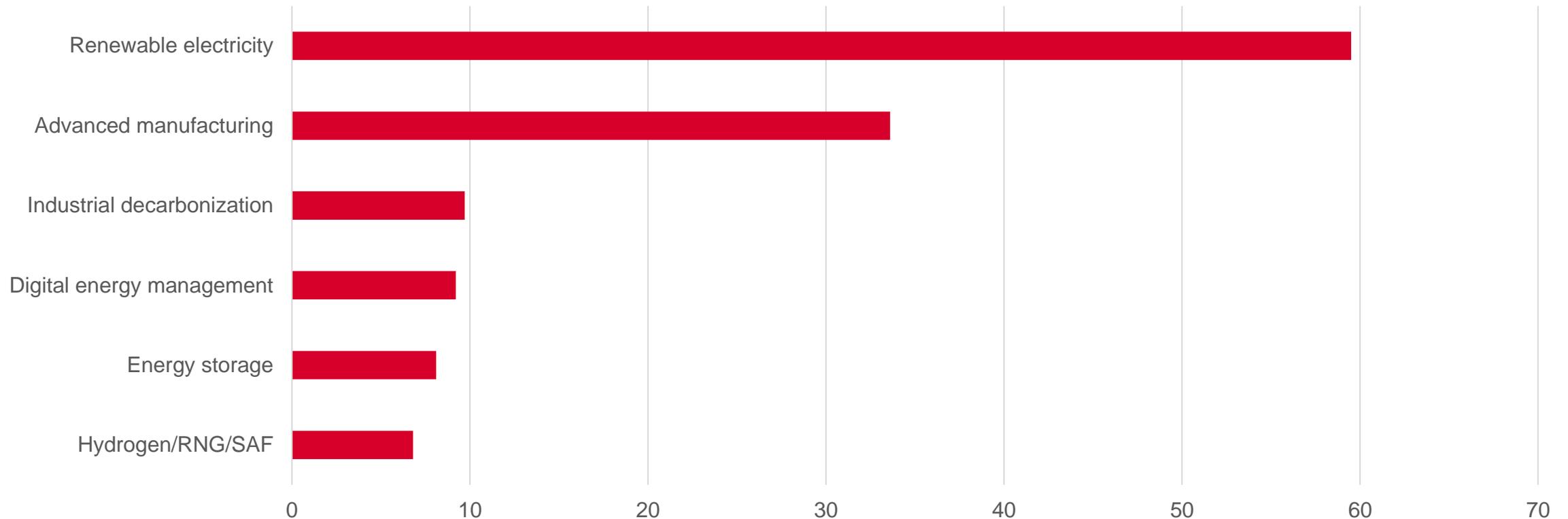
Key Messages

1. The wait is over: The energy transition is **happening now**.
2. With more than \$500 billion in inbound ET investment in 2023, **the future does not look like the past**.
3. **Clean electrification** is massively outpacing industrial decarbonization.
4. **Private capital** is dominating dealflow, especially in the US.
5. But **corporate capex** is beginning to catch up.
6. Energy transition financing can be less debt-intensive, but the capital stack still requires **debt and lending appetite from banks**.
7. European and APAC banks have outrun US banks in energy transition so far in 2023: **Can that last?**

Private capital firm investment in renewable energy is the surprise of 2023

With substantial tax appetite, the Inflation Reduction Act was a perfect vector for fast-moving private capital in the US. In other economies, bank financing and the sustainable bond market have played bigger roles.

US private capital energy transition investment by segment (\$B)



Industry segment

		Upstream oil	Midstream oil	Gas	Industrials	Solar	Offshore wind	Onshore wind	Batteries	Hydrogen	CCUS
High capital momentum ↑ ↓ Low default risk	Capital stack	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey	Grey
	Venture capital	Red	Red	Red	Orange	Red	Red	Red	Green	Orange	Green
	Common equity	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Green	Orange	Green	Green	Green	Red
	Structured private equity	Green	Red	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
	Infrastructure private capital	Orange	Green	Green	Orange	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
	Mezzanine bank debt	Green	Green	Green	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	Red	Orange	Red
	Mezzanine private debt	Orange	Green	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Red
	Senior debt	Green	Green	Orange	Green	Orange	Orange	Green	Red	Orange	Red
	Cashflow self-financing	Green	Green	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Green

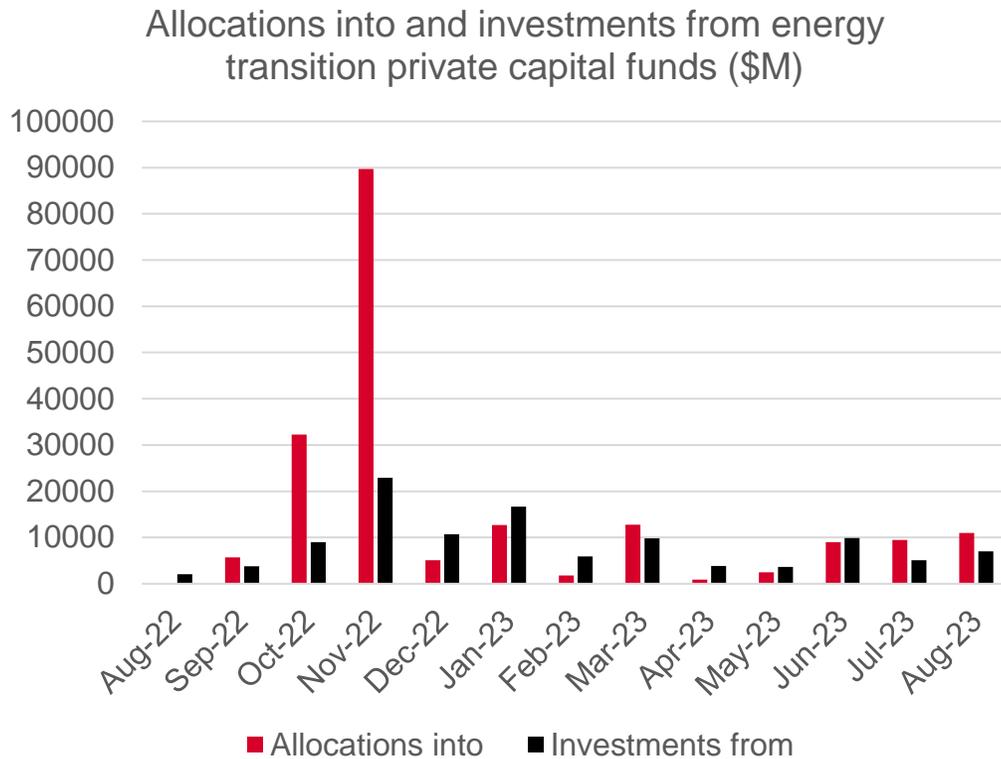
■ Available at a price
 ■ Challenging to structure
 ■ Highly inaccessible

Private capital is beginning to cede ground to corporate balance sheets

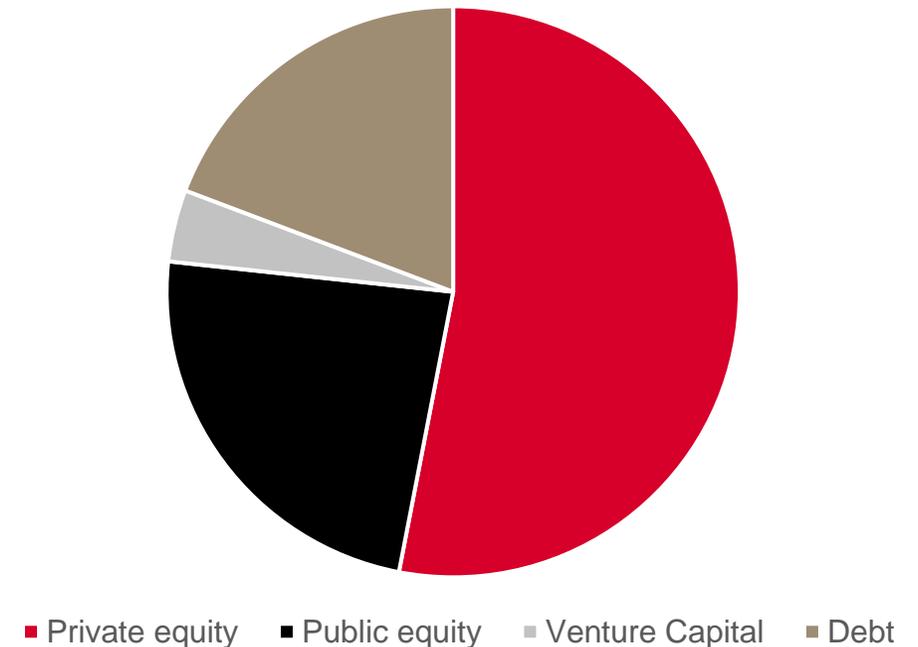
The role of private equity and private credit platforms in driving energy transition investment over the last year has continually surprised. Firms have raised ~\$200B and invested ~\$110B since August 2022.

Private equity firms continue to be about twice as fast at raising energy transition capital than investing it

Debt trends need to shift to backfill equity for project financing and consolidation.



Share of new energy transition capital activity by type (%)



With massive equity commitments in place, the pressure to complete debt deals is growing for energy transition project finance

US solar & batteries can be profitable at delivery with IRA tax credits, hydrogen and CCUS have longer horizons

