

Average infra fund size continues to grow While average time on offer falls year over year

The time infrastructure private equity investment funds were on offer had been creeping up over the past four years. In 2018, however, that upward trend saw a dip, as the average time in the market fell from 20.7 months in 2017 to 17.1 months in 2018. The trimmed mean, which excludes the top and bottom outliers, also fell. In 2017, the trimmed mean stood at 18.6 months, while funds reaching a final close in 2018 took only 16.8 months to reach their targets. The 2018 numbers come very close to mirroring those of 2016. And all of these times are longer than those of funds closing in 2015.

The all-funds average fund size increased slightly year over year, from \$1.9 billion in 2017 to \$2.0 billion in 2018. The trimmed mean, however, finds a more significant

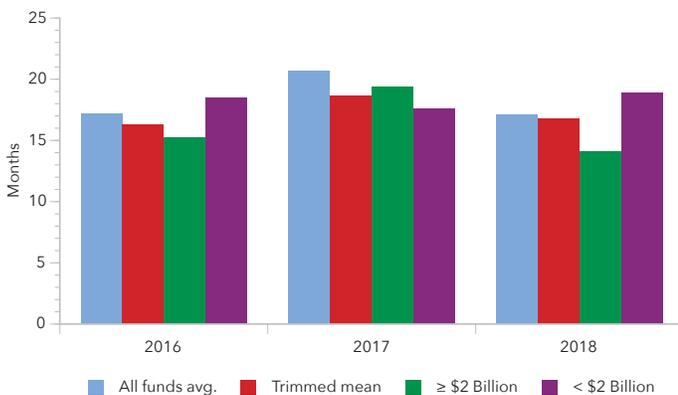
increase, with 2017 funds each raising an average of \$1.5 billion compared to the 2018 trimmed mean of \$1.8 billion. Mega-funds (those raising \$2 billion or more) are obviously towering over non-mega-funds, with the 2018 average mega-fund raising \$4.1 billion versus the \$802 million raised by the average non-mega-fund.

We are still early in the game when it comes to making predictions for 2019, as just three funds have reported a final closing year to date. All closed in less than a year. The largest of these 2019 funds was the Ardian Infrastructure Fund V, which raised \$6.8 billion in six months. Archmore Infrastructure Debt Platform II (IDP II) raised \$1.2 billion in 10 months, and the New Energy Capital Infrastructure Credit Fund II closed in four months with \$500 million. ❖

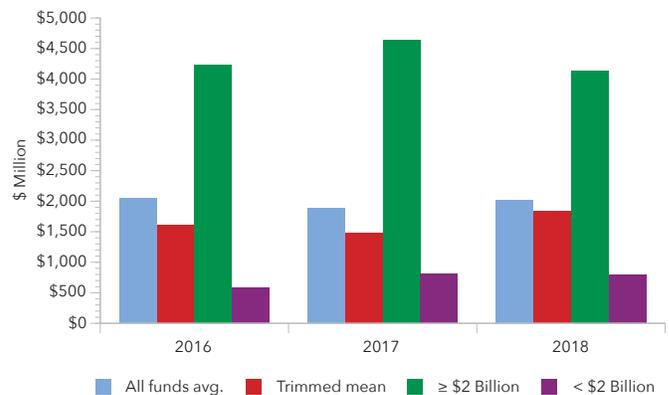
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- Average time in market stands at 17.1 months
- 2018 funds raised \$2 billion each, on average
- Mega-funds average 5x size of non-mega-funds

Average time to reach final closing by fund size



Average mega-fund size vs. non-mega-fund size



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