

Grappling with margin pressure, consolidation and fragmentation, the sector questions its identity

## **Special Report: IBD Elite**

## TOTAL REVENUE

| 2020<br>Rank | 2019<br>Rank | COMPANY                                 | TOTAL REVENUE<br>\$000 % Change |       | COMMISSION REVENUE<br>\$000 % Change |        | FEE REVENUE<br>\$000 % CHANGE |       | OTHER REVENUE<br>\$000 % Change |        |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1            | 1            | LPL Financial                           | 5,624,856                       | 8.4   | 1,892,407                            | (1.4)  | 3,148,848                     | 13.8  | 583,601                         | 16.1   |
| 2            | 2            | Ameriprise Financial                    | 5,068,504                       | 5.5   | 1,196,180                            | (1.1)  | 2,838,388                     | 7.6   | 1,033,936                       | 3.9    |
| 3            | 3            | Advisor Group                           | 3,363,471                       | 18.1  | 1,495,399                            | 18.4   | 1,177,220                     | 17.1  | 567,806                         | 23.0   |
| 4            | 4            | Raymond James Financial Services        | 2,611,443                       | 6.5   | n/a                                  | n/a    | n/a                           | n/a   | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 5            | 5            | Cetera Financial Group                  | 1,924,289                       | 2.5   | 895,037                              | 0.8    | 677,000                       | 1.4   | 352,252                         | 9.2    |
| 6            | 6            | Commonwealth Financial Network          | 1,552,749                       | 8.9   | 252,020                              | 7.5    | 1,052,749                     | 7.8   | 247,979                         | 15.5   |
| 7            | 7            | Northwestern Mutual Investment Services | 1,351,248                       | 10.8  | 341,082                              | 4.4    | 892,371                       | 13.4  | 117,795                         | 11.3   |
| 8            | 8            | MML Investors Services                  | 1,184,702                       | 5.2   | 688,978                              | 1.6    | 484,342                       | 9.1   | 11,382                          | 145.5  |
| 9            | 10           | Cambridge Investment Research           | 1,000,551                       | 10.4  | 304,622                              | 7.5    | 540,973                       | 6.2   | 154,956                         | 36.4   |
| 10           | 13           | Royal Alliance Associates               | 961,063                         | 59.1  | 439,119                              | 81.5   | 350,110                       | 36.9  | 171,833                         | 61.7   |
| 11           | 9            | Equitable Advisors                      | 945,651                         | 3.5   | 635,350                              | 0.3    | 260,209                       | 9.6   | 50,092                          | 16.2   |
| 12           | 11           | Lincoln Financial Network               | 847,224                         | 8.3   | 565,798                              | 10.7   | 256,037                       | 4.4   | 25,389                          | (1.9)  |
| 13           | 12           | Securities America                      | 729,500                         | 4.1   | 311,500                              | 0.0    | 319,330                       | 6.7   | 98,670                          | 9.8    |
| 14           | 14           | Kestra Financial                        | 570,684                         | 3.9   | 198,309                              | 1.4    | 319,154                       | 5.3   | 53,220                          | 12.5   |
| 15           | 15           | Waddell & Reed Financial Advisors       | 513,832                         | (1.7) | 141,886                              | (10.7) | 269,339                       | 3.6   | 102,608                         | (1.4)  |
| 16           | 19           | Avantax Wealth Management               | 507,979                         | 36.1  | n/a                                  | n/a    | 252,367                       | 53.6  | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 17           | 18           | Woodbury Financial Services             | 498,080                         | 33.3  | 275,324                              | 32.7   | 133,839                       | 37.2  | 88,917                          | 29.8   |
| 18           | 16           | Voya Financial Advisors                 | 477,173                         | 4.0   | 241,350                              | (4.7)  | 185,680                       | 8.8   | 50,143                          | 43.3   |
| 19           | N/A          | Atria Wealth Solutions                  | 439,312                         | n/a   | 276,347                              | n/a    | 127,751                       | n/a   | 35,213                          | n/a    |
| 20           | 17           | SagePoint Financial                     | 415,464                         | 2.4   | 185,656                              | (3.0)  | 145,827                       | 6.5   | 83,981                          | 8.6    |
| 21           | 20           | Securian Financial Services             | 369,300                         | 0.2   | 156,000                              | (17.9) | 173,009                       | 27.1  | 40,291                          | (5.0)  |
| 22           | 21           | Lincoln Investment Planning             | 343,349                         | 1.9   | 107,805                              | (4.2)  | 202,880                       | 1.5   | 32,665                          | 34.0   |
| 23           | 22           | Principal Securities                    | 320,670                         | 1.4   | 232,145                              | (0.9)  | 87,297                        | 8.5   | 1,228                           | (20.2) |
| 24           | 23           | FSC Securities                          | 289,124                         | (5.4) | 116,845                              | (15.2) | 85,585                        | 2.8   | 86,694                          | 2.6    |
| 25           | 24           | American Portfolios Financial Services  | 227,503                         | 4.3   | 115,740                              | 6.0    | 111,764                       | 2.5   | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 26           | 26           | Independent Financial Group             | 193,498                         | 11.1  | 99,113                               | 10.8   | 80,881                        | 10.0  | 13,505                          | 20.9   |
| 27           | 25           | M Holdings Securities                   | 170,650                         | (2.9) | n/a                                  | n/a    | n/a                           | n/a   | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 28           | 27           | Centaurus Financial                     | 163,422                         | 4.9   | 120,001                              | 4.9    | 43,421                        | 4.9   | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 29           | 28           | Infinex Financial Group                 | 153,600                         | 6.7   | 104,436                              | (2.7)  | 36,900                        | 40.3  | 12,300                          | 18.3   |
| 30           | 29           | Ameritas Investment Company,            | 150,200                         | 8.0   | 74,600                               | (6.8)  | 60,300                        | 27.2  | 15,300                          | 30.8   |
| 31           | 31           | Triad Advisors                          | 141,535                         | 7.1   | 74,506                               | (2.2)  | 44,254                        | 23.1  | 22,776                          | 13.9   |
| 32           | 32           | United Planners Financial Services      | 129,214                         | (2.0) | 46,576                               | (10.0) | 78,228                        | 2.1   | 4,410                           | 23.3   |
| 33           | 30           | Geneos Wealth Management                | 128,796                         | (2.6) | 28,051                               | (16.4) | 96,597                        | (2.2) | 4,148                           | (9.2)  |
| 34           | 33           | Hornor, Townsend & Kent (HTK)           | 122,662                         | (1.2) | 80,329                               | (2.0)  | 38,500                        | 2.7   | 3,833                           | (17.8) |
| 35           | 34           | KMS Financial Services                  | 119,203                         | (2.9) | 43,461                               | (7.0)  | 60,807                        | 0.0   | 14,935                          | (2.2)  |
| 36           | 35           | H. Beck                                 | 112,135                         | (4.1) | 68,488                               | (8.9)  | 36,571                        | 3.8   | 7,076                           | 9.9    |
| 37           | 36           | ProEquities                             | 108,988                         | 2.4   | 66,156                               | 2.0    | 32,777                        | 2.9   | 10,056                          | 3.8    |
| 38           | 37           | Investacorp                             | 108,000                         | 4.9   | n/a                                  | n/a    | n/a                           | n/a   | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 39           | 39           | PlanMember Securities                   | 106,000                         | 8.9   | 25,440                               | 1.3    | 80,560                        | 12.6  | n/a                             | n/a    |
| 40           | 38           | Securities Service Network              | 101,502                         | 1.1   | 48,988                               | (1.3)  | 37,468                        | 4.1   | n/a                             | n/a    |

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