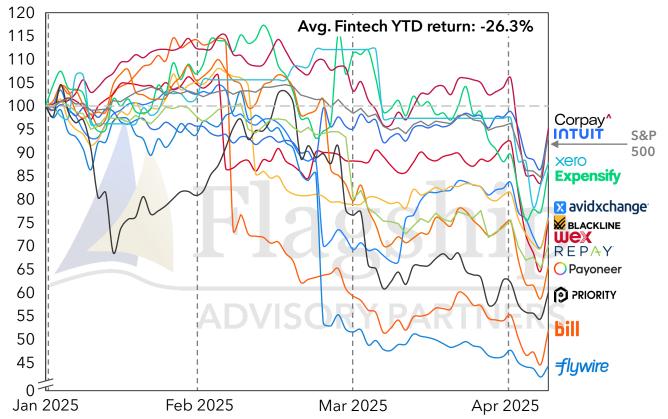
## **Recent Public Market Meltdown of North** American B2B Payments SaaS & Fintechs



Stock Price Performance

(YTD through April 9, 2025, indexed to 100)



- 10 of 12 tracked publicly-traded B2B SaaS and Fintech Platforms have underperformed the S&P 500 index over this same period
- Such performance outcomes from B2B fintechs and other fintech domains (not illustrated) should increase public-to-private investment opportunities

Note: SPDR S&P 500 ETF used as proxy for S&P 500 price data Sources: Nasdaq, Flagship analysis

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(performance versus consensus analyst estimates for Q4 2024)

Exceeded Expectations	Expected / Mixed	Below Expectations
Intuit Corpay <sup>^</sup>	X avidxchange   Expensify   Payoneer   BLACKLINE	<b>PRIORITY</b> REPAY <i>flywire</i>

Note: Many fintechs met expectations but traded down as a result of lower-than-expected forward guidance or broader market concerns

Sources: Nasdag, Flagship analysis

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Domain	Company	Commentary	
AP Automation	Corpay^	Corporate Payments segment posted a healthy 26% top-line growth (10% overall), and adjusted EPS grew 21% YoY.	
	bill	Growth slowed from prior Qs and missed expectations. Core revenue rose 16%, while total payment volume grew 13%.	
	🔀 avidxchange <sup>.</sup>	Q4 exceeded expectations in revenue, gross margin, EBITDA margin, and EPS, but the stock dropped lower than anticipated '25 revenue guidance.	
AR Automation	R E P <mark>∧</mark> Y <sup>′</sup>	Business Payments revenue and gross profit rose 76% and 60% YoY, while Consumer Payments dropped 7% YoY.	
	<b>BLACKLINE</b>	Despite macro challenges and customer uncertainty, revenue still grew 9% YoY in Q4.	
SMB Accounting	ΙΛΤUΙΤ	Total online volume grew 18% YoY, and Global Business Solutions revenue grew 19% YoY. Enterprise Suite shows strong uptake: Jan contracts signed were up 2x vs. November.	
X-Border Fintech	Payoneer	Stock dropped as Q4 earnings missed expectations. Payoneer posted 18% annual revenue growth and record '24 B2B profit.	
	<del>-f</del> lywire	The education segment struggled, with Canadian higher education down 50% YoY. EPS fell to a loss, falling significantly short of estimates.	
B2B T&E	Expensify	Doubled market expectations for free cash flow (\$24M vs. \$10-12M). Expensify Card grew 54% YoY and 11% QoQ.	
	wex	Revised its long-term revenue growth outlook from 8-12% to 5-10%, reflecting macro pressures and a reset of expectations.	

### **General Commentary & Highlights**

- Equity markets are extremely volatile presently due to political and macroeconomic uncertainty.
- B2B fintech equities were already under valuation pressure in Q1 as investors became more bearish on the sector's high growth expectations.
- Sustained share price pressure will stimulate acceleration of public-to-private deals in fintech, with these B2B fintechs being obvious potential targets.
- Despite the recent public market performance, we remain optimistic about the long-term health and growth outlook in B2B fintech, given the strong growth tailwinds from ongoing digitization of B2B workflows and financial services (which we discuss in a recent Insight which you can find <u>HERE</u>).



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