

communications, industrial automation, military, and other electronic equipment. Main products: microprocessors (notably, the Pentium series), microcontrollers, and memory chips. Also sells computer modules and boards, and network products. Foreign busimon shares; BlackRock, 5.9; The Vanguard Group, 5% (4/14 proxy). Chair.: Andy Bryant. Pres.: Renee James. CEO: Brian Krzanich. Incorp.: DE. Add.: 2200 Mission College Blvd., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Tele.: 408-765-8080. Internet: www.intc.com.

12898 Current Liab. **ANNUAL RATES** Past Est'd '11-'13 Past 5 Yrs. 10.5% of change (per sh) 10 Yrs. to '17-'19 4.0% 8.0% 10.0% Sales "Cash Flow" 10.0% 14.0% 16.5% 12.5% 8.5% 10.0% 13.0% Earnings Dividends Book Value 26.5% 6.5%

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Current Assets

Accts Payable Debt Due

Cal- endar	QU/ Mar.31		SALES (\$) Sep.30	mill.) Dec.31	Full Year
2011	12847	13032	14233	13887	53999
2012	12906	13501	13457	13477	53341
2013	12580	12811	13483	13834	52708
2014	12764	13831	14554	14731	55880
2015	13770	14400	14900	15130	58200
Cal-	EARNINGS PER SHARE A				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2011	.56	.54	.65	.64	2.39
2012	.53	.54	.58	.48	2.13
2013	.41	.39	.58	.51	1.89
2014	.38	.55	.66	.66	2.25
2015	.51	.55	.66	.68	2.40
Cal-	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B =				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2011	.181	.181	.21	.21	.78
2012	.21	.21	.225	.225	.87
2013	.225	.225	.225	.225	.90
2014	.225	.225	.225	.225	
2015	24				

Intel reported positive news for the **September interim.** Specifically, earnings came in at \$0.66 a share, which was a 14% gain over the prior year's tally. What's more, revenues of \$14.55 billion were above our \$14.4 billion estimate and 2013's figure of \$13.5 billion. The PC Client group enjoyed a 9% year-over-year increase in revenues, while the Data Center division posted an even stronger, 16% improvement. The Internet of Things posted a 14% gain relative to last year. Furthermore, the Software and Service unit chipped in with a 2% improvement relative to 2013's comparable quarter. Meantime, the gross margin climbed 260 basis points, which helped boost the bottom-line comparison.

The December period was likely a good one for the chip behemoth. Management expected that revenues came in at \$14.7 billion, plus or minus \$500 million, while the gross margin was probably about 64% (a 1% decline from the September-quarter tally). The company is well positioned to benefit from solid industry fundamentals and manufacturing efficiencies that should help drive the bottom line over the next 12 months.

We are increasingly bullish on the year just begun. We have tacked on a dime a share to our 2015 earnings es-timate as we look for the company to benefit from a healthy economic recovery on the domestic side. However, it should be noted there are concerns that the global economy may be showing signs of slowing, as is reflected in the recent slide in oil prices. This factor bears watching, since foreign business accounts for more than 80% of Intel's top line.

Our 3- to 5-year view on the company just got a little bit brighter. Recently, Intel announced that its chips will replace a competitor's processor in the next iteration of Google Glass. The company has also initiated lucrative partnerships with (watches) and Luxottica (eye Fossil brands) that ought to foster long-term opportunities.

These timely shares are best suited to conservative accounts seeking presence in the semiconductor space. A climbing dividend (currently \$0.96 a share) adds to their total return potential. Alan G. House January 2, 2015

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrecurr. gains (losses): '98, (3¢); '99, (11¢); '00, (2¢); '01, (34¢); '02, (5¢); '03, (1¢); '10, (4¢). Next egs. report mid-

reinvestment plan available. (C) In millions, adjusted for stock splits.

(B) Dividends historically paid in early March, June, September, and December. ■ Dividend acquisition-related intangibles.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A++ 80 Price Growth Persistence **Earnings Predictability** 45

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