

munications, 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 business:

The Vanguard Group, 7.3%; BlackRock, 6.3%. (4/18 proxy). Chair.: Andy Bryant. Pres.: Venkata Renduchintala. Interim CEO: Robert Swan. Inc.: DE. Address: 2200 Mission College Blvd., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Tel.: 408-765-8080. Internet: www.intc.com

ANNUAL RATES Past Past Est'd '15-'17 to '21-'23 7.0% of change (per sh) 5 Yrs. 5.0% 5.5% 5.5% 5.5% 6.0% 8.0% 7.0% 8.5% 9.5% Sales "Cash Flow" 10.0% 12.5% 5.5% 7.5% Earnings Dividends Book Value 10.0% 8.0%

2475 4634

20302

2928 1776

17421

3842

19961

Accts Payable Debt Due

Current Liab.

Cal-	QUARTERLY SALES (\$ mill.)				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2015	12781	13195	14465	14914	55355
2016	13702	13533	15778	16374	59387
2017	14796	14763	16149	17053	62761
2018	16066	16900	17400	17834	68200
2019	16500	16800	17875	18425	69600
Cal-	EARNINGS PER SHARE A				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2015	.40	.55	.64	.74	2.33
2016	.54	.59	.80	.79	2.72
2017	.66	.72	1.01	1.08	3.47
2018	.87	1.00	1.03	1.10	4.00
2019	.95	1.03	1.12	1.15	4.25
Cal-	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B =				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2014	.225	.225	.225	.225	.90
2015	.24	.24	.24	.24	.96
2016	.26	.26	.26	.26	1.04
2017	.26	.273	.273	.273	1.08
2018	.30	.30			

Intel continues to shine. On point, during the March period, share net dialed in at \$0.87 on a non-GAAP basis (excludes nonrecurring items), a sharp advance over the previous year's \$0.66 tally. The chip behemoth's results continued to be fueled by data-centric businesses, which now account for nearly one-half of the top line. The Data Center group posted gains across all markets and experienced increased adoption of Xeon Scalable processors, including for artificial intelligence.

We believe the good times will continue at least through 2019. Given a strong domestic economy, we look for healthy gains across most product groups over the 12 to 18 months ahead. Specifically, the Non-Volatile Memory Solutions division ought to continue to register double-digit top-line advances thanks to healthy storage demand. Furthermore, the Programmable Solutions group should reap the benefits of several recent design wins. Finally, the Client Computing segment is poised to benefit from a lineup of highperformance mobile processors.

Intel has done a fine job of diversifying beyond its personal computer

business. It appears that Intel's focus on the data-centric businesses is bearing fruit. Big data is very important in today's world, and having the ability to analyze and use that data could add meaningfully to profits. Another arena to keep an eye on is driverless cars. Intel entered the fray with the relatively recent acquisition of Mobileye. Though the mass production of autonomous cars may be several years away, Intel appears to have a strong entryway into this market. Overall, the company's stellar balance sheet provides for myriad options moving forward

These shares are ranked 1 (Highest) for year-ahead price performance. Despite their recent strong performance, INTC shares offer solid risk-adjusted total return potential over the pull to 2021-2023. Intel also pays a healthy dividend, which is well covered by earnings from operations. Of note, Brian Krzanich resigned as CEO due to a violation of Intel's nonfraternization policy. CFO Robert Swan was named Interim CEO immediately after the resignation. We expect no long term ill effects.

Alan G. House

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrecurr. gains (losses): '02, (5¢); '03, (1¢); '10, (4¢); '16, (60¢). Next (B) Dividends historically paid in early March,

June, September, and December. ■ Dividend reinvestment plan available. (C) In millions. (D) Excludes amortization of goodwill and other acquisition-related intangibles.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A++ 75 Price Growth Persistence 55 **Earnings Predictability** 80

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