

BUSINESS: Intel is a leading manufacturer of integrated circuits. Markets served: primarily makers of PCs; also 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 business: about 79% of '20

sales. NaD: 17.4% of sales. 20 deprec. Tate: 7.6%. Has 110,600 empl. Off./dir. own less than 1% of common shares; The Vanguard Group, 8.3%; BlackRock, 7.6%. (3/21 proxy). Chair.: Andy Bryant. Pres.: Venkata Renduchintala. CEO: Patrick Gelsinger. Inc.: DE. Addr.: 2200 Mission College Blvd., Santa Clara, CA 95054. Tel.: 408-765-8080. Internet: www.intc.com.

ANNUAL RATES Past Past Est'd '18-'20 of change (per sh) 5 Yrs. to '24-'26 Sales "Cash Flow" 8.5% 14.0% "Casıı Earnings "dends 13.0% 6.5% 18.0% 6.5% 8.5% 14 5% 7.0% 8.0% 9.0% 5.0% 4.0% Dividends Book Value

31239

4128

3692

14490

22310

47249

5581 2504

24754

45773

5434

2647

24151

Current Assets

Accts Payable Debt Due

Current Liab.

Cal-	QUARTERLY SALES (\$ mill.)				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2018	16066	16962	19163	18657	70848
2019	16061	16505	19190	20209	71965
2020	19828	19728	18333	19978	77867
2021	19673	17880	18100	18502	74155
2022	18100	18000	19000	19200	74300
Cal-	EARNINGS PER SHARE A				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2018	.87	1.04	1.40	1.28	4.59
2019	.89	1.06	1.42	1.52	4.89
2020	1.45	1.23	1.11	1.52	5.31
2021	1.39	1.06	1.08	1.07	4.60
2022	1.13	1.15	1.18	1.19	4.65
Cal-	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B =				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2017	.26	.273	.273	.273	1.08
2018	.30	.30	.30	.30	1.20
2019	.315	.315	.315	.315	1.26
2020	.33	.33	.33	.33	1.32
2021	.348	.348			

Intel's earnings will likely take a bit of a breather in 2021, following last year's strong results. On point, share earnings on a non-GAAP basis, excluding items we believe to be nonrecurring in nature, dialed in at \$1.39 during the March quarter, which marked a slight decline from the year-earlier figure of \$1.45. What's more, revenues slipped modestly on a year-over-year basis, which resulted in lower margins as fixed-cost absorption was below expectations. Looking at it with more granularity, results were a bit of a mixed bag across the company's operating segments. On a positive note, top-line comparisons increased 8%, 4%, and 48% in the Client Computing Group, Internet of Things, and Mobileye segments. On the other hand, sales fell 20%, 17%, and 6% in the Data Center Group (DCG), Non-Volatile Memory Solutions Group, and Programmable Solutions Group, respectively. The shortfall in the DCG raised a few eyebrows, as this segment has been on Wall Street's radar for quite some time, high-growth reflecting expectations. Nevertheless, it should be noted that Intel saw an initial recovery of Enterprise and Government sales in the DCG, which is an optimistic sign.

We look for share earnings to advance slightly next year, as the U.S. likely continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Intel's earnings received a shot in the arm from a surge in people working from home due to shelter-in-place and other social-distancing initiatives. This resulted in a marked increase in demand for laptops and other portable devices. While we look for a bit of a slow-down this year, results should perk up in 2022, as demand trends begin to normalize following the pandemic.

Earnings per share ought to increase at a high single-digit clip, on average, over the pull to 2024-2026. Our optimism is based on a decent economy over that time frame.

These shares are worthy of consideration by investors of all ilks. Indeed, they carry our Highest (1) rank for Timeliness and thus are ranked to outdistance the broader market averages in the year ahead. What's more, long-term riskadjusted total return potential is wide.

Alan G. House

June 25, 2021

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrecurr. gains (losses): '10, (4¢); '16, (60¢). Next egs. report due late July.

Aug., and Nov. 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 75
Price Growth Persistence 75
Earnings Predictability 95