

5 Yrs. 8.5% 13.0% 15.5% 6.5% 7.5% share net of \$3.33 that beat our \$2.98 estimate, yet fell short of last year's \$3.79 5.0% 6.0% 7.0% 8.0% tally. Investors were disappointed as noninterest expenses were significantly higher LOANS (\$ mill.) (+11%) versus the prior-year period, led by Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 increased compensation costs. This stems from the bank's continued investments in 921049 935164 941190 971109 942712 943723 931983 946646 headcount and technology to boost revenue 026366 977791 958926 984525 growth. Net revenues of \$30.1 billion in-988306102145410264651077714 creased 1% versus last year, as higher in-1035000 1040000 1048000 1088500 terest income from balance sheet growth EARNINGS PER SHARE A was partially offset by lower noninterest Full Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 income. Growth in investment banking Year

9.00

10.72

8.88

15.36

12.25

Full

Year

2.48

3.30

3.60

3.70

This year's earnings tally is likely to fall short of 2021's performance. Although we expect higher interest rates and loan growth to drive stronger interest income, investment banking fees are likely to normalize following last year's strong performance. The biggest drag on profitability, however, should be a significant inexpenses crease in noninterest JPMorgan continues to invest in branch

fees was unable to offset declines in CIB

Markets and Home Lending revenues.

the gap begins to narrow later in the year, as the company begins to lap its growth initiatives. In all, we look for JPMorgan to achieve \$12.25 in earnings per share this year, 20% lower versus 2021.

JPMorgan's investments should pay off in the long term, as the big bank continues to gain share in its target markets. A rising interest-rate environment, along with quickening economic activity, augurs well for the company's earnings growth potential over the next three to five years. That said, share-net performance to mid-decade is still likely to fall short of last year's record high.

This timely issue may appeal to investors with a shorter time horizon. The big bank holds high marks for Safety and Financial Strength, as well as an aboveaverage dividend. The valuation seems full at the current quotation, and the stock offers limited appreciation potential based on both our 18-month and 3- to 5-year Target Price Ranges.

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(A) Diluted earnings. Quarterly earnings per share may not sum due to rounding. Excludes unusual expenses: '05, \$0.57; '17. \$0.56. Ex-

6.5%

Dividends

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2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

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2018

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2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

2.37

2.65

.78

2.90

.56

.80

.90

.90

1.00

2.29

2.82

1.38

3.78

3.00

.56

.80

.90

.90

QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B.

Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31

2.34

2.68

2.92

3.74

3.10

.56

.80

.90

.90

1.98

2.57

3.79

80

.90

.90

1.00

Book Value

'06, \$0.17. Excl. extraordinary gain: '08, \$0.53; Incl. intangibles: on 12/31/21, \$56.691 bill., '09, \$0.02. Next earnings report mid-Apr. (B) Situation (D) In millions. Dividends historically paid late Jan., Apr., July, cludes income from discontinued operations: | & Oct. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available. (C)

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A+ 80 Price Growth Persistence 100 **Earnings Predictability** 65

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