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S&P 500 Profit Margin

Figure 1.

S&P 500 PROFIT MARGIN
(percent, quarterly)

S&P 500 Profit Margin
- Operating* (12.6)
- Reported** (9.9)

* S&P 500 operating earnings per share (I/B/E/S data) divided by S&P 500 revenues per share.
** S&P 500 reported earnings divided by S&P 500 revenues per share.
Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation and I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv.

Figure 2.

S&P 500 PROFIT MARGIN
(percent, trailing four-quarter average)

Operating (13.0)
Reported (10.9)

Source: Standard & Poor’s (revenues and reported EPS) and I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv (operating EPS).
S&P 500 Profit Margin

**Figure 3.**

**S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGIN**

(Percent)

- Quarterly (12.6)
- Trailing four-quarter average (13.0)

Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation (revenues) and I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv (operating EPS).

**Figure 4.**

**S&P 500 REPORTED PROFIT MARGIN**

(Percent)

- Quarterly (9.9)
- Trailing four-quarter average (10.9)

Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation.
Figure 5.

S&P 500 PROFIT MARGIN
(percent, dividing forward earnings by forward revenues)

Consensus Forecasts
- Annual
- 52-week forward* (12.7)

* Time-weighted average of the consensus estimates for current year and next year. Monthly through December 2005, then weekly.
Source: I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv.

Figure 6.

S&P 500 PROFIT MARGIN MEASURES
(percent)

S&P 500 Operating Profit Margins
- Forward*
- Actual (trailing 4Q average)

* Forward earnings divided by forward revenues.
Source: I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv and Standard & Poor’s.
S&P 500 Profit Margin

Figure 7.

S&P 500 & PROFIT MARGIN

S&P 500 index (3934.4)

Operating trailing
4-quarter profit margin (13.0)

Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation and I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv.

Figure 8.

S&P 500 & FORWARD PROFIT MARGIN

S&P 500 index (3934.4)

Forward profit margin (12.7)


Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation and I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv.
* Operating margin in percent and based on trailing 4-quarter EPS and sales.
Source: Standard & Poor's.
S&P 500 Sectors Forecasted & Actual Profit Margins

Figure 10.

* Actual from S&P based on trailing 4-quarter EPS and sales. Forecast implied from I/B/E/S consensus forward EPS and sales, and pushed one year ahead.

Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation (trailing 4-quarter margin) and I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv (forward margin).
Figure 11.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: COMMUNICATION SERVICES
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Communication Services Sector (15.3)
- Alternative Carriers (10.1)
- Integrated Telecommunication (15.6)


Figure 12.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: COMMUNICATION SERVICES
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Communication Services Sector (15.3)
- Advertising (9.6)
- Cable & Satellite (11.0)
- Broadcasting (5.8)
- Publishing (5.5)

Figure 13.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: COMMUNICATION SERVICES
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Communication Services Sector (15.3)
- Interactive Home Entertainment (14.6)
- Movies & Entertainment (5.5)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Figure 14.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Consumer Discretionary Sector (6.5)
- Automobile Manufacturers (8.2)
- Auto Parts & Equipment (4.8)
- Motorcycle Manufacturers (7.2)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

Figure 15.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Consumer Discretionary Sector (6.5)
- Casinos & Gaming (-7.0)
- Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines (-6.2)
- Restaurants (16.5)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Consumer Discretionary

Figure 16.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Consumer Discretionary Sector (6.5)
- Apparel Retail (7.1)
- Department Stores (discontinued Q3-2020) (-0.8)
- Specialty Stores (10.3)

Margins capped at -2% due to extreme values.

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

Figure 17.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Consumer Discretionary Sector (6.5)
- Computer & Electronics Retail (3.4)
- Household Appliances (5.5)
- Home Improvement Retail (10.3)

Margins capped at -2% due to extreme values.

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Figure 18.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: CONSUMER STAPLES
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Consumer Staples Sector (6.7)
- Household Products (14.8)
- Packaged Foods & Meats (10.2)
- Personal Products (14.0)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

Figure 19.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: CONSUMER STAPLES
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Consumer Staples Sector (6.7)
- Brewers (5.4)
- Drug Retail (3.3)
- Soft Drinks (14.6)
- Tobacco (26.7)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Energy

**Figure 20.**

S&P 500 Operating Profit Margins: Energy
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Energy Sector (13.4)
- Integrated Oil & Gas (14.9)
- Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing (6.0)
- Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation (11.8)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

**Figure 21.**

S&P 500 Operating Profit Margins: Energy
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Energy Sector (13.4)
- Oil & Gas Equipment & Services (7.0)
- Oil & Gas Exploration & Production (29.6)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Health Care

Figure 22.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: HEALTH CARE
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Health Care Sector (9.1)
- Biotechnology (31.9)
- Health Care Equipment (11.7)
- Managed Health Care (4.4)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

Figure 23.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: HEALTH CARE
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Health Care Sector (9.1)
- Pharmaceuticals (25.3)
- Health Care Facilities (8.3)
- Health Care Distributors (1.0)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Industrials

Figure 24.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: INDUSTRIALS
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

Industrials Sector (8.9)
Construction Machinery & Heavy Trucks (10.9)
Industrial Conglomerates (9.3)
Industrial Machinery (12.3)


Figure 25.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: INDUSTRIALS
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

Industrials Sector (8.9)
Aerospace & Defense (6.2)
Electrical Components & Equipment (13.4)
Railroads (27.7)

Information Technology

Figure 26.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Information Technology Sector (22.0)
- Application Software (13.2)
- Data Processing & Outsourcing (24.0)
- IT Consulting & Other Services (10.2)
- Systems Software (31.8)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

Figure 27.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Information Technology Sector (22.0)
- Communications Equipment (20.6)
- Semiconductors (25.4)
- Semiconductor Equipment (25.9)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.
Materials

Figure 28.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: MATERIALS
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Materials Sector (12.5)
- Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals (19.0)
- Industrial Gases (15.2)
- Specialty Chemicals (10.9)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
Source: Standard & Poor’s, I/B/E/S data by Refinitiv, and Haver Analytics.

Figure 29.

S&P 500 OPERATING PROFIT MARGINS: MATERIALS
(trailing 4-quarter EPS, percent)

- Materials Sector (12.5)
- Copper (17.4)
- Gold (9.4)
- Metal & Glass Containers (6.3)
- Paper Packaging (7.9)
- Steel (20.0)

Note: Sector data from S&P. Industry-level data uses I/B/E/S data from Refinitiv for EPS through Q4-2007, and S&P’s EPS thereafter.
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