# S&P 500 Operating Profit Margins

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Figure 1.

S&P 500 Profit Margin

S&P 500 PROFIT MARGIN
(percent, quarterly)

S&P 500 Profit Margin
- Operating* (11.7)
- Reported** (8.6)

* 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)

S&P 500 Profit Margin
- Operating (10.5)
- Reported (6.9)

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 (11.7)
- Trailing four-quarter average (10.5)

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 (8.6)
- Trailing four-quarter average (6.9)

Source: Standard & Poor’s Corporation.
S&P 500 Profit Margin

Figure 5.

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

Consensus Forecasts
- Annual
- 52-week forward* (12.1)

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

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

* 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 (12.3)
- Alternative Carriers (8.8)
- Integrated Telecommunication (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 12.**

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

- Communication Services Sector (12.3)
- Interactive Home Entertainment (17.2)
- Movies & Entertainment (15.8)

Sub-industries awaiting S&P’s database update.

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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Figure 14.

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

Q4

Consumer Discretionary Sector (5.3)
Automobile Manufacturers (2.8)
Auto Parts & Equipment (5.8)
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)

Q4

Consumer Discretionary Sector (5.3)
Casinos & Gaming (-52.7)
Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines (-44.8)
Restaurants (11.4)

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.
Consumer Discretionary

Figure 16.

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

- Consumer Discretionary Sector (5.3)
- Apparel Retail (2.5)
- Department Stores (-0.8)
- Specialty Stores (7.5)

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 (5.3)
- Computer & Electronics Retail (4.3)
- Household Appliances (5.6)
- Home Improvement Retail (9.7)
- Homebuilding (11.5)

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.
Consumer Staples

Figure 18.

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

- Consumer Staples Sector (7.6)
- Household Products (17.3)
- Packaged Foods & Meats (11.6)
- Personal Products (8.8)

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 19.

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

- Consumer Staples Sector (7.6)
- Brewers (8.1)
- Drug Retail (1.4)
- Soft Drinks (15.6)
- Tobacco (31.4)

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 20.

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

- Energy Sector (-10.4)
- Integrated Oil & Gas (-12.5)
- Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing (-2.4)
- Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation (14.4)

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 21.

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

- Energy Sector (-10.4)
- Oil & Gas Equipment & Services (-2.4)
- Oil & Gas Exploration & Production (-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.
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 (8.2)
Biotechnology (29.5)
Health Care Equipment (11.0)
Managed Health Care (4.6)

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.
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Figure 23.

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

Health Care Sector (8.2)
Pharmaceuticals (20.2)
Health Care Facilities (7.5)
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.
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Industrials

Figure 24.

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

Industrials Sector (4.2)
Construction Machinery & Heavy Trucks (7.7)
Industrial Conglomerates (5.5)
Industrial Machinery (10.7)

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.

Figure 25.

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

Industrials Sector (4.2)
Aerospace & Defense (2.8)
Electrical Components & Equipment (13.3)
Railroads (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.
Figure 26.

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

- Information Technology Sector (19.8)
- Application Software (20.2)
- Data Processing & Outsourcing (23.4)
- IT Consulting & Other Services (8.6)
- Systems Software (30.6)

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.

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Figure 27.

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

- Information Technology Sector (19.8)
- Communications Equipment (20.7)
- Semiconductors (23.6)
- Semiconductor Equipment (23.8)

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.
Materials

Figure 28.

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

- Materials Sector (8.4)
- Diversified Chemicals (7.7)
- Fertilizers & Agricultural Chemicals (8.0)
- Industrial Gases (13.0)
- Specialty Chemicals (9.5)

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 29.

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

- Materials Sector (8.4)
- Copper (6.5)
- Gold (26.2)
- Metal & Glass Containers (6.7)
- Paper Packaging (6.4)
- Steel (5.0)

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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