

# Apple Inc.

# Managing supply chain and FX headwinds well

# UNITED STATES | CONSUMER | 3Q22 RESULTS

- 3Q22 revenue and PATMI in line with expectations. 9M22 revenue/PATMI at 77/80% of our FY22e forecasts.
- Record iPhone revenue for June quarter, with growing installed base and increasing customer engagement driving Services growth.
- Gross margins slightly above forecasts, demonstrating Apple's ability to better manage supply chain constraints.
- We adjust our FY22e earnings forecasts upwards slightly to reflect higher gross margins and PATMI outperformance YTD. We expect Apple to weather the supply chain constraints and 6% FX headwind. We maintain BUY recommendation with a higher target price of US\$198.00 (prev. US\$194.00) on DCF with a WACC of 6.1% and terminal growth of 3.0%.

# Results at a glance

US\$ bn	3Q22	3Q21	YoY	Comments
Revenue	83.0	81.4	1.9%	3% FX headwinds
- Products	63.4	63.9	-0.9%	iPhone revenue grew 3% YoY
- Services	19.6	17.5	12.1%	installed based growing, increasing customer engagement
Gross profit	35.9	35.4	1.5%	
Operating exp.	12.8	11.1	15.1%	
PATMI	19.4	21.7	-10.6%	
<b>Gross Margins</b>	43.3%	43.4%	-0.2%	Slightly above forecasts

Source: Company, PSR

#### The Positives

- + Record revenue for iPhone and Services. AAPL reported record sales from its iPhones for 3Q22 US\$63.4bn (3% YoY), with customer satisfaction and brand loyalty at an all-time high. There were also a record number of people switching to iPhones in the quarter. The company also mentioned no obvious macroeconomic impact on iPhone sales in the quarter besides FX. Services also set records for the quarter across both developed and emerging markets, up 12% YoY overall despite almost 5% FX headwinds, supported by a growing customer installed base, and increasing customer engagement.
- + Gross margins slightly above forecasts. AAPL recorded gross margins of 43.3%, slightly above consensus forecasts, demonstrating its ability to manage supply chain constraints better despite COVID-related factory shutdowns in China, and increasing FX headwinds. Products gross margin was down almost 1.5% YoY to 34.5%, while Services gross margin up 1.7% YoY to 71.5%.

### **The Negatives**

- **Supply constraints and FX to impact revenue growth.** A couple of headwinds are likely to continue from 2Q22 into 3Q22. For Products, AAPL expects supply constraints to continue, although at slightly lower levels compared to 2Q22 – affecting Product margins. A strengthening US dollar relative to most other currencies is also likely to provide approximately 6% of negative headwinds for revenue growth.



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# **BUY (Maintained)**

CLOSING PRICE	USD 160.01
FORECAST DIV	USD 0.93
TARGET PRICE	USD 198.00
TOTAL RETURN	24.3%

#### COMPANY DATA

Bloomberg CODE:	AAPL US
O/S SHARES (MN):	16,071
MARKET CAP (SGD bn / USD bn):	3551/2571
52 - WK HI/LO (SGD) :	182.94/129.04
3M Average Daily T/O (mn):	89.46

#### **MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS**

Vanguard Group Inc/The	7.9%
BlackRockInc	6.4%
Berkshire Hathaway Inc	5.7%

#### PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)

	1MTH	3МТН	1YR
APPLE	15.2	1.4	10.6
NASDAQ	11.4	(1.1)	(13.1)

## PRICE VS. NASDAQ



Source: Bloomberg, PSR

## **KEY FINANCIALS**

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Y/E Sep, USD (bn)	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
Revenue	274.5	365.8	394.7	416.2
EBITDA	77.3	120.2	129.6	134.2
Net Profit	57.4	94.7	100.0	102.8
EPS (USD)	3.3	5.6	6.2	6.4
P/E (X)	35.2	27.2	25.7	25.0
Dividend Yield	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
ROE	88%	150%	137%	127%
ROA	18%	27%	27%	26%

Source: Company, PSR

# VALUATION METHOD

Discounted Cash-Flow, WACC 6.1%, g 3.0%

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#### **Outlook**

Supply chain constraints will ease, and strength of the US dollar will continue to hurt margins. AAPL expects 3Q22 revenue growth to accelerate compared to 2Q22, despite FX headwinds. The company also guided gross margins between 41.5% and 42.5%, with operating expenses of US\$12.9bn-13.1bn.

Figure 1: Guidance summary for AAPL vs PSR

Category	Metric	AAPL	PSR	
		4Q22f	4Q22e	FY22e
Revenue	US\$ bn	-	90.5	394.7
PATMI	US\$ bn	-	20.9	100.0
Gross margins	% margin	41.5% to 42.5%	41.7%	43.2%
Operating expenses	US\$ bn	12.9 to 13.1	13.0	51.1
Tax	% of PBT	16.0%	15.9%	16.2%

Source: Company, PSR

Demand for AAPL products is likely to remain resilient, with customers switching over to iPhones. At the same time, more than half of the customers who purchased its other products – Mac, iPad, Wearables, were new to the product, a trend we expect to continue moving forward, especially with the new M2 chip release and new iPhone release later this year.

A growing installed base of AAPL users across all regions and product categories is also supporting the expansion in Services, with transacting accounts, paid accounts, and paid subscriptions all showing double digit YoY growth – creating a flywheel effect.

# Maintain BUY with a higher TP of US\$198.00 (prev. US\$194.00)

Even with near-term headwinds, we are adjusting our FY22e PATMI forecasts upwards slightly to reflect higher gross margins, and the outperformance for 1H22. We maintain BUY and our target price of US\$198.00 (prev. US\$194.00) on DCF with a WACC of 6.1% and terminal growth of 3.0%.





<b>PSR Rating Syste</b>	m	
<b>Total Returns</b>	Recommendation	Rating
> +20%	Buy	1
+5% to +20%	Accumulate	2
-5% to +5%	Neutral	3
-5% to -20%	Reduce	4
< -20%	Sell	5

# Remarks

We do not base our recommendations entirely on the above quantitative return bands. We consider qualitative factors like (but not limited to) a stock's risk reward profile, market sentiment, recent rate of share price appreciation, presence or absence of stock price catalysts, and speculative undertones surrounding the stock, before making our final recommendation



# **Financials**

Income		

Y/E Sep, USD mn	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
Revenue	260,174	274,515	365,817	394,706	416,234
Gross profit	98,392	104,956	152,836	170,446	177,961
EBITDA	76,477	77,344	120,233	129,586	134,219
Depreciation & amortisation	(12,547)	(11,056)	(11,284)	(10,254)	(11,893)
EBIT	63,930	66,288	108,949	119,331	122,326
Net Finance Inc/(Exp)	1,385	890	198	553	708
Profit before tax	65,737	67,091	109,207	119,331	122,389
Taxation	(10,481)	(9,680)	(14,527)	(19,332)	(19,612)
PATMI	55,256	57,411	94,680	100,000	102,777

# Per share data (USD)

Y/E Sep	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
EPS	3.0	3.3	5.6	6.2	6.4
DPS	8.0	8.0	0.9	0.9	1.0
BVPS	4.9	3.7	3.7	4.5	5.0

### **Cash Flow**

Y/E Sep, USD mn	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
<u>CFO</u>					
Profit after tax	55,256	57,411	94,680	100,000	102,777
Adjustments	17,623	17,573	14,269	18,020	20,139
WC changes	(3,488)	5,690	(4,911)	13,079	2,116
Cashflow from ops	69,391	80,674	104,038	131,099	125,032
<u>CFI</u>					
CAPEX, net	(10,495)	(7,309)	(11,085)	(9,724)	(13,015)
Others	56,391	3,020	(3,460)	2,391	13,529
Cashflow from investments	45,896	(4,289)	(14,545)	(7,334)	514
<u>CFF</u>					
Share issuance, net	(66,116)	(71,478)	(84,866)	(78,300)	(87,380)
Loans, net of repayments	(1,842)	3,462	-	745	-
Dividends	(14,119)	(14,081)	(14,467)	(14,928)	(15,477)
Others	-	-	-	-	-
Cashflow from financing	(90,976)	(86,820)	(93,353)	(97,205)	(102,856)
Net change in cash	24,311	(10,435)	(3,860)	26,560	22,690
CCE, end	48,844	38,016	34,940	61,500	84,190

Source: Company, Phillip Securities Research (Singapore) Estimates

# **Balance Sheet**

Y/E Sep, USD mn	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
ASSETS					
Trade and other receivables	45,804	37,445	51,506	49,799	54,411
Cash	48,844	38,016	34,940	61,500	84,190
Inventories	4,106	4,061	6,580	7,029	6,870
Total current assets	162,819	143,713	134,836	164,500	189,266
PPE & IA	37,378	36,766	39,440	38,910	40,031
Others	138,319	143,409	176,726	171,724	162,091
Total non-current assets	175,697	180,175	216,166	210,634	202,122
Total Assets	338,516	323,888	351,002	375,134	391,388
LIABILTIES					
Accounts payable	46,236	42,296	54,763	58,781	63,116
Accrued expenses	37,720	42,684	47,493	50,596	55,944
Bank borrowings	10,260	8,773	9,613	9,613	9,613
Commercial paper	5,980	4,996	6,000	6,000	6,000
Others	5,522	6,643	7,612	8,638	8,683
Total current liabilities	105,718	105,392	125,481	133,627	143,357
Long-term borrowings	91,807	98,667	109,106	109,851	109,851
Others	50,503	54,490	53,325	58,750	57,109
Total non-current liabilities	142,310	153,157	162,431	168,601	166,960
Total Liabilities	248,028	258,549	287,912	302,228	310,317
Equity					
Share capital	45,174	50,779	57,365	60,409	68,655
Shareholder Equity	90,488	65,339	63,090	72,905	81,072

## Valuation Ratios

Y/E Sep	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
P/E (X)	20.5	35.2	27.2	25.7	25.0
P/B (X)	12.5	30.9	40.8	35.3	31.7
EV/EBITDA (X)	14.8	26.3	21.9	20.1	19.2
Dividend Yield	1.2%				
	1.270	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Growth & Margins					
<u>Growth</u>					
Revenue	-2.0%	5.5%	33.3%	7.9%	5.5%
EBITDA	-6.5%	1.1%	55.5%	7.8%	3.6%
EBIT	-9.8%	3.7%	64.4%	9.5%	2.5%
Net profit, adj.	-7.2%	3.9%	64.9%	5.6%	2.8%
<u>Margins</u>					
Gross margin	37.8%	38.2%	41.8%	43.2%	42.8%
EBITDA margin	29.4%	28.2%	32.9%	32.8%	32.2%
EBIT margin	24.6%	24.1%	29.8%	30.2%	29.4%
Net profit margin	21.2%	20.9%	25.9%	25.3%	24.7%
Key Ratios					
ROE	61.1%	87.9%	150.1%	137.2%	126.8%
ROA	16.3%	17.7%	27.0%	26.7%	26.3%
Net Gearing	15.7%	21.4%	23.9%	15.5%	9.0%
Net Debt/EBITDA (X)	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.3





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