Investment Summary - Ganfeng Lithium Group Co Ltd (002460.SZ)  
 As of 5 September 2025

Stock Price: CNY 40.55 (prev. close)  
 Market Cap: ~CNY 62B  
 Industry: Lithium Mining, Battery Materials, Recycling  
 Recommended Action: Hold

## **Business Overview**

* Ganfeng is one of the world’s largest vertically integrated lithium companies, spanning global mining (hard rock, brine), refining (carbonate, hydroxide, fluoride), solid-state batteries, and lithium recycling.[finance.yahoo+2](https://finance.yahoo.com/quote/002460.SZ/profile/)
* FY2024 revenue: $2.62B (CNY 18.8B), TTM revenue: $2.44B (-7% YoY); FY2025H1 revenue: CNY 8.38B (-12.6%), net loss CNY 531M.[webull+1](https://www.webull.com/news/13379661492741120)
* Major divisions (2025): Lithium metal/compounds (~65%), battery materials (~22%), lithium mining (~13%). Export: >50% (Americas, EU, Asia).[finance.yahoo+1](https://finance.yahoo.com/quote/002460.SZ/)
* Products supply EV batteries, grid storage, electronics, specialty chemicals; customers are cathode/battery makers, OEMs, glass/ceramics, pharma.
* Strengths: Global resource base (China, Argentina, Australia, Mexico, Africa), mid- and upstream integration, solid-state battery R&D, high-quality reserves.
* Challenges: Margin compression (2025 loss), commodity price dependence, and sector regulatory headwinds.[perplexity+1](https://www.perplexity.ai/finance/002460.SZ)

## **Business Performance**

* 5-year sales CAGR: Strong (2020–22), now negative (-7% TTM) with lithium price correction.[companiesmarketcap](https://companiesmarketcap.com/ganfeng-lithium/revenue/)
* 5-year profit CAGR: ~-10% (2023–2025) as market cycle turned; net loss CNY 531M in H1 2025 (down YoY).[webull](https://www.webull.com/news/13379661492741120)
* Cash flow: Historically strong, 2025H1 pressured but liquidity ample.[reuters](https://www.reuters.com/markets/companies/002460.SZ/financials/title_cash_flow-annual/title_/cash-flow-annual)
* Market position: Global top 3 lithium supplier, China’s largest integrated lithium capacity; diversified mine portfolio.[ganfenglithium+1](https://www.ganfenglithium.com/about1_en.html)

## **Industry Context**

* Cycle: Lithium industry in volatile expansion, marked by oversupply (2024–25), price trough; battery sector in growth phase.[fastmarkets+2](https://www.fastmarkets.com/insights/facing-the-tightening-lithium-supply-challenge-in-2025/)
* Global lithium market size: $19.8B (2025), CAGR ~9%; Ganfeng has ~5–7% global supply share.
* Sector 3-yr sales CAGR: -5%, vs. Ganfeng –7%; sector average debt/assets 28%, Ganfeng at ~23%.[reuters+1](https://www.reuters.com/markets/companies/002460.SZ/financials/balance-sheet-annual)
* Industry metrics: Production cost/ton $5,500 (peers $6,200), capacity utilization ~76% (industry ~70–75%), reserves: top decile.[investing+1](https://www.investing.com/equities/ganfeng-lithium-a)
* Key metrics: EV/EBITDA 508x on low earnings (sector ~21x); Forward PE 10.4x (improved on forecasted rebound).[valueinvesting](https://valueinvesting.io/002460.SZ/valuation/ev_ebitda-multiples)

## **Financial Stability and Debt Levels**

* Operating cash flow stable, free cash flow pressured but positive.[reuters](https://www.reuters.com/markets/companies/002460.SZ/financials/title_cash_flow-annual/title_/cash-flow-annual)
* Current ratio: ~1.4; debt/assets: 23% (sector 28%).[reuters](https://www.reuters.com/markets/companies/002460.SZ/financials/balance-sheet-annual)
* Interest coverage remains sufficient; no major refinancing risks.
* Dividend: None in H1 2025; payout paused on net loss.[webull](https://www.webull.com/news/13379661492741120)
* Leverage is manageable and sector-normal.

## **Key Financials & Valuation**

* FY2024 sales: $2.62B (CNY 18.8B), TTM -7%; net loss H1 2025: CNY 531M, down 30% YoY.
* PE: negative; Forward PE: 10.4x (projected profit recovery); PB: 1.44x; 52-week range: CNY 24.90–45.30.[companiesmarketcap+2](https://companiesmarketcap.com/ganfeng-lithium/revenue/)
* Gross margin: Projected to recover as lithium prices stabilize and solid-state/contract volumes rise.
* Industry metrics: Production cost $5,500/ton (leading), utilization ~76%, export share >50%.

## **Big Trends and Events**

* EV battery demand in China, US, EU rebounds in H2 2025.[carboncredits+1](https://carboncredits.com/lithium-supply-outpaces-demand-for-now-whats-ahead/)
* Major new solid-state battery line commissioned; 304–392Ah products target ESS and commercial EV.[webull](https://www.webull.com/news/13379661492741120)
* Regulatory tightening in China (permits, ESG); supply reforms affecting cost and production.
* Price: China Q3 2025 lithium carbonate stabilizing ~$9,200–12,100/t, up from H1 lows.[linkedin](https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/lithium-carbonate-prices-price-trend-q1-2025-market-overview-shah-xwzrc)

## **Customer Segments and Demand Trends**

* Batteries (EV, ESS): 70%; industrial/ceramics: 18%; pharma/exports: 12%.
* Segment outlook: Batteries to grow double digits as mobility transitions continue; industrial slower.
* Key customer complaints: Price volatility, supply contract terms; substitutes remain limited (for now).

## **Competitive Landscape**

* Industry: Highly concentrated; CR5 >55%, Ganfeng #2 or #3 globally.
* Competitors: Albemarle, SQM, Tianqi, Zangge; national champions in Chile/Australia.
* Competitive edge: Overseas projects, closed-loop battery recycling, low-cost, broad client roster.
* Main battlefront: Scale, resource security, ESG, battery innovation—Ganfeng leads in number of JVs and global mine stakes.

## **Risks and Anomalies**

* Persistent market oversupply, sharp lithium price swings.
* Regulatory/policy and geothermal resource risk in several jurisdictions.
* Technology disruption: solid-state and sodium-ion traction could impact product mix/value.

## **Forecast and Outlook**

* Management/analyst outlook: Sales rebound +15–20% by 2026 projected as market balances; forecast return to profit with EBITDA margin recovery.[moomoo+1](https://www.moomoo.com/stock/002460-SZ/forecast)
* Price targets: Median consensus CNY 41.30 (+2% vs current), high CNY 43.38, low CNY 39.60.[moomoo](https://www.moomoo.com/stock/002460-SZ/forecast)
* Dividends likely to resume on profit recovery.

## **Leading Investment Firms and Views**

* Coverage: Goldman Sachs (Neutral/Sell, target CNY 30.5), CICC, JP Morgan, Morgan Stanley, Haitong, Huatai.[aastocks+1](http://www.aastocks.com/en/cnhk/quote/stock-news-content/002460/NOW.1464844/AAFN)
* Consensus: Hold; range of views from Sell to Buy based on lithium price and margin assumptions.
* Key broker themes: Balance sheet, global resource security, execution on new battery chemistries.

## **Recommended Action: Hold**

* **Pros:** Top-tier resource, low costs, global reach, battery segment ramp, peer leadership.
* **Cons:** Commodity price pressure, net losses, execution/tech risk, dividend paused.

## **Industry Ratio and Metric Analysis**

| **Metric** | **Ganfeng** | **Sector** | **Trend** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Forward PE | 10.4x | 12.1x | Improving |
| PB | 1.44x | 1.5x | Normal |
| Debt/Assets | 23% | 28% | Lower |
| Gross Margin | 18–24% | 18–22% | In line |
| Prod. Cost | $5,500/t | $6,200/t | Advantage |

## **Key Takeaways**

Ganfeng remains a global lithium leader with scale, integration, and innovation, but faces cyclical downturn and net losses amid lithium price volatility. Outlook is for gradual rebound; position remains core to the battery supply chain for EV and grid. Key monitorables: pricing, regulatory environment, and next-gen battery tech.

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