
DXC Technology

NYSE: DXC

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(All values as of market close on January 11, 2019)

Recommendation

BUY at Market (~\$61.08)

Target Price: \$80.00

↑ **31% Upside Potential**

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BACKGROUND

With **\$25B in annual revenues**, DXC Technology is the world's leading independent, end-to-end IT services and solutions company, providing a range of services including analytics, consulting, cloud applications, and security



6,000+ clients



133,000+ employees



70 countries

Serves a variety of industries including:

- Insurance
- Healthcare
- Transportation
- Banking/Capital Markets
- Manufacturing
- Consumer Packaged Goods
- Retail
- Public Sector
- Energy
- Technology, Media, Telecommunications

77% Market Share



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OUTLOOK



Margin Expansion

Targeting to improve efficiencies in its policy alignment, supply chain, facilities and workforce to increase EBIT margins 7-8% by 2020



Revenue Growth

Expecting modest revenue growth from commoditizing legacy services against increase in next generation services

Announced
Acquisition of Luxoft
for ~\$2bn

June 2019 pending
Regulatory
Approval



\$911M in
Revenue
*Strong double
digit CAGR*



World Class
Talent
~13,000
Workforce



Strong Digital
Capabilities
*Differentiated
Services*

3-year CAGR revised
to 4-6% from
2-4%

Expected
300-400M in
synergies by 2022

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INVESTMENT THESIS



DXC has lower margins than industry peers – these are expected to expand as DXC scales its business



DXC ranks as the lowest H1-B visa dependent IT service employer → lower risk to nationalism and immigration reform



Recent Luxoft deal promises to accelerate digital scale given little overlap across respective businesses



Leads to a compelling valuation, especially with the increase in earnings from expanding margins

Strong management team (with experience executing successful M&A deals) and lower risks implies less downside risk with extreme upside

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RISKS AND CATALYSTS

Investment Risks



Idiosyncratic Risks

- Departure of CEO/CFO (I1)
- Tight digital labour market (I2)
- Messy Luxoft merger execution (I3)
- Inability to attain margin expansion (I4)

Systematic Risks

- Immigration reform and trade tensions (S1)
- General economic downturns (S2)
- Unfavourable USD/CAD FX rate movement (S3)

Trade Catalysts



Opportunity to buy at a discount

- Trading at a level not seen in the past 2 years
- Recovered from its 52-week low and there is no indication of a major decline forthcoming

Expanding into Digital Space

- Luxoft deal promises expansion into digital space as Luxoft's business has little overlap with DXC's current operations
- Luxoft deal has positive shareholder sentiment

Favourable valuation and healthy financials

- Favourable valuation driven by margin expansion potential
- Healthy financial and steady client relationships leave no indication of future trouble

VALUATION



	DXC	Industry	Sector
Beta	1.37	0.87	1.11
P/E	9.50	22.12	9.66
P/Sales	2.15	3.26	2.67
P/B	1.48	4.39	1.74
P/FCF	4.28	17.03	12.46
Dividend Yield	1.25%	1.47%	2.90%
Payout Ratio	11.54	28.59	21.38

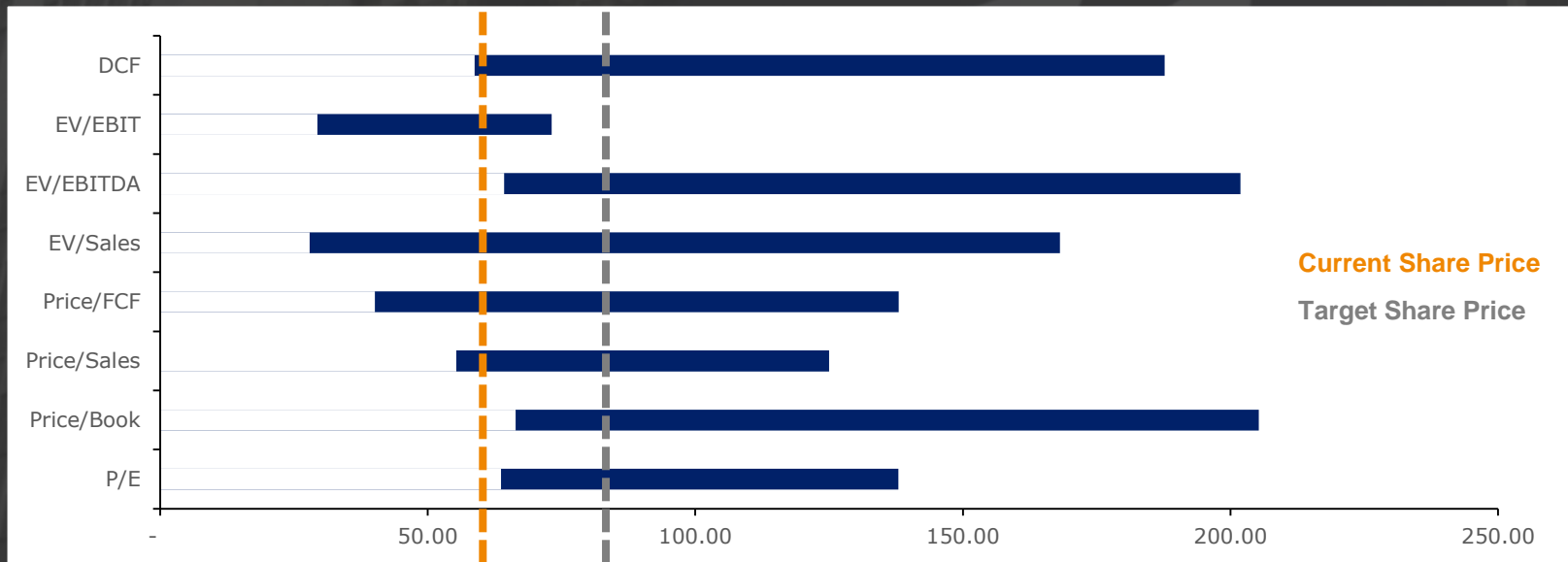
Current Share Price **\$61.08** - *~25% Discount*

- Does not appear to be pricing in future margin expansion or possibility of multiples improvement
- Limited downside risk, with possibility of large upside due to additional catalysts like acquisitions



RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

Valuation Summary – Football Field



Investment Thesis Summary

**EBIT margins
expected to increase
significantly by 2020**

**Lowest risk to
nationalism and
immigration reform**

**Luxoft deal promises
to expand revenue
growth**

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I. Company Overview

Background

- DXC Technology is the world's leading independent, end-to-end IT services and solutions company
- Provides a range of IT services and solutions including analytics, applications, business process services, cloud, consulting, enterprise and cloud applications, security, workplace and mobility
 - **Analytics** – provide applications to enable real-time analytics
 - **Applications** – help company's develop, manage and modernize their applications
 - **Business Process Services** – provides integration between front and back offices
 - **Cloud** – maximizes legacy infrastructure and cloud services to help manage hybrid environment
 - **Consulting** – guides companies from strategy to implementation of IT services
 - **Enterprise and Cloud Applications** – helps clients build and scale new digital capabilities
 - **Security** – provides tools to help predict attacks and respond to threats
 - **Workplace and Mobility** – helps transform company's to digital workplaces
- Serve a variety of industries including Insurance, Healthcare, Transportation, Banking/Capital Markets, Manufacturing, Consumer Packaged Goods, Retail, Public Sector, Energy, TMT

Management Team



Mike Lawrie

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer



Paul Saleh

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



Erich Windmuller

Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer

2 Year Share Price Review

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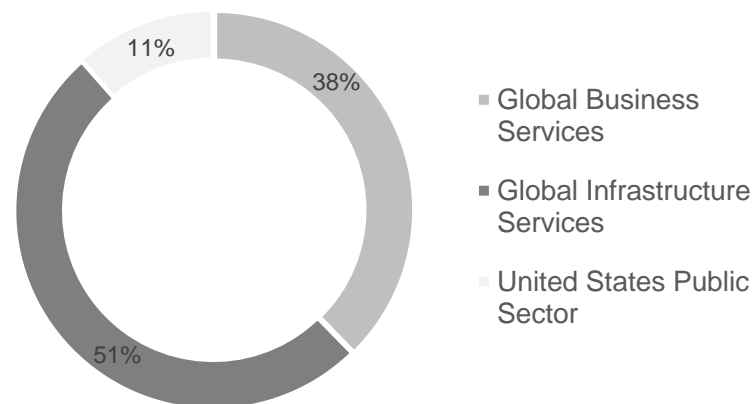
NYSE - NYSE Delayed Price. Currency in USD

61.08 +0.45 (+0.74%)

At close January 11 4:02PM EST



Fiscal 2018 Revenues by Segment

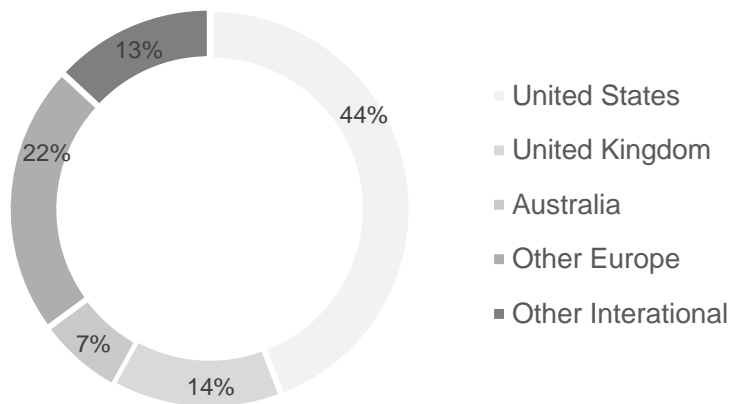


II. Business Overview

Key Statistics

- More than **6,000** private and public-sector clients in **70 countries**
- More than **133,000** employees worldwide
- Established more than 250 industry leading Partner Network relationships including 15 strategic partners: AWS, AT&T, Dell EMC, HCL, Hitachi Vantara, HP, HPE, IBM, Lenovo, Micro Focus, Microsoft, Oracle, PwC, SAP and ServiceNow
- Around \$25B in annual revenues makes it the world's leading independent, end-to-end IT services company

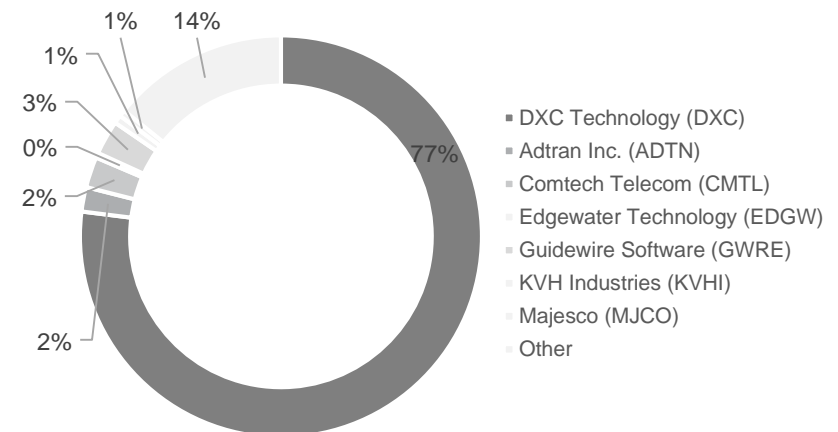
2018 Revenue Sources by Geography



Key Products



Market Share (Computer Processing and Cloud Services Industry)



III. Recent News and Future Outlook

Company News

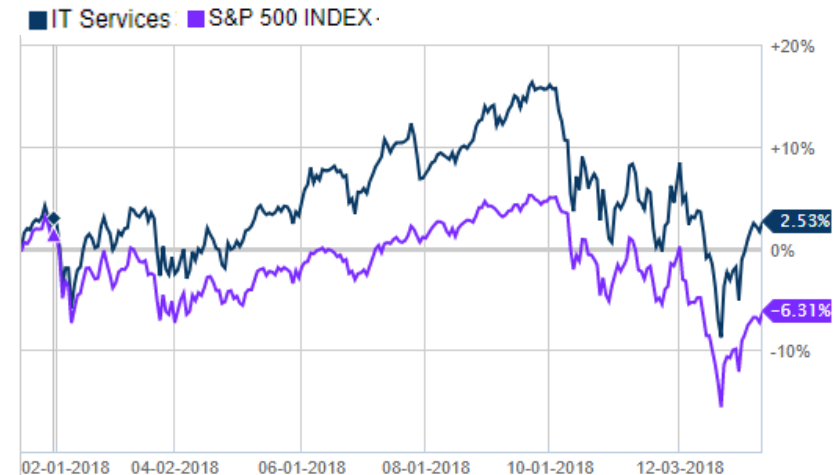
- Will be acquiring digital service provider **Luxoft** for \$2B (closing in June 2019 pending regulatory approval)
- Acquisition focuses on improvement of revenue growth; bringing significant digital capabilities, top-notch talent, and expertise in automotive, healthcare, travel and financial services sectors
- Luxoft will be run as separate unit (~5% of total DXC revenue) under designation “A DXC Technology Company”



Company Outlook

- Prior to acquisition forward looking guidance for 3-yr revenue growth was 2-4%, revised now to 4-6%. Main focus of company is on cost-reductions and margin improvements
- On its own Luxoft is expected to grow at 15%+ before any synergies. With DXC addressing both its concentration and sales distribution concerns, management expects \$300M-\$400M in synergies by 2022

Industry News



Industry Outlook

- IT consulting and services industry has been out of favour, but if/when economic uncertainty clears; expect any previously-delayed IT projects to resume and increased spending
- According to IDC, spending on IT and business services worldwide is expected to increase at CAGR of 4.2% (from 2019 to 2022). Digitized workflows is a key component with an expected growth of 20%+
- Expect to see companies looking to supplement growth through both partnerships and acquisitions

IV. Investment Risks

Idiosyncratic Risks

- Departure of the CEO or CFO can be a major blow to stock sentiment → lack of management drama leave little indication to believe this is a serious threat
- Tight labour market in high-growth digital areas (which is a key focus for DXC going forward as indicated by their recent Luxoft deal) → valuation is based primarily on increased earning power from unlocking margin potential and does not assume any significant synergies from the Luxoft deal
- Merger execution can get messy, leading to revenue dis-synergies that could shrink legacy revenue. Legacy revenue shrinkage, along with slow revenue growth from the digital business could be extremely determinantal for DXC and hence, it's share price → strong management team has executed a similar turnaround before, and hence, we believe it can do it again
- Inability to attain margin expansion → valuation uses conservative estimates: \$80 target price implies a less than 9x multiple to DXC's CY20E EPS; DXC is currently trading at 7x their CY19E EPS while competitors (with lower market share) are trading at 14x. As such, we believe our valuation assumptions are extremely conservative and have a strong sentiment that DXC will be able to attain margin expansion as they have strong client relationships, especially with the US Public Sector (more than 11% of their revenues come from government contracts)

Systematic Risks

- Increased tensions with international trade and immigration reform → DXC has lowest H1-B visa dependence among industry peers and global presence
- General economic downturns (especially with the technology/IT sector) → DXC services clients across all sectors. With cloud and security IT coming under great scrutiny of late, DXC should have some relief against major market swings

FX Risks

End of Investment Horizon USD/CAD Rate	1.50	1.45	1.40	1.35	1.30	1.25	1.20	1.15	1.10
Realization of Target	39.37	35.37	31.37	27.37	23.37	19.37	15.37	11.37	7.37
Stagnant Price Action	10.99	7.94	4.89	1.83	-1.22	-4.28	-7.33	-10.38	-13.44
Realization of Stop-Loss Limit	-5.63	-8.13	-10.63	-13.13	-15.63	-18.13	-20.63	-23.13	-25.63

Target Price = \$80.00

Current Price = 61.08

Stop-Loss Limit = \$50.00

Current USD/CAD Rate = 1.32



V. Key Financials

Valuation Ratios and Dividends

Metric	DXC	Industry	Sector
Beta	1.37	0.87	1.11
P/E (TTM)	9.50	22.12	9.66
P/Sales (TTM)	2.15	3.26	2.67
P/B (MRQ)	1.48	4.39	1.74
P/FCF (TTM)	4.28	17.03	12.46
Dividend Yield	1.25%	1.47%	2.90%
Payout Ratio (TTM)	11.54	28.59	21.38

Conclusion: DXC trading at a relative discount based on P/E, P/Sales, P/B and P/FCF multiples.

Financial Strength

Metric	DXC	Industry	Sector
Current Ratio (MRQ)	1.04	2.82	2.31
Long-Term Debt to Equity (MRQ)	47.03	13.85	7.63
Total Debt to Equity (MRQ)	61.10	19.70	16.72
Interest Coverage (TTM)	7.31	27.00	10.74

Conclusion: DXC is highly leveraged, posing a higher than average credit risk. Despite the high leverage, DXC seems to have fairly healthy Current and Interest Coverage Ratios, but the possibility of not being able to re-finance long term liabilities still exists.

Growth Rates

Metric	DXC	Industry	Sector
Sales vs 1 Yr. Ago (TTM)	57.12%	8.01%	12.35%
CapEx – 5 Yr Growth	2.57%	3.57%	11.85%
EPS vs Qtr. 1 Yr. Ago (MRQ)	35.32%	13.19%	19.71%

Conclusion: DXC seemed to experience better than average growth, despite lower than average capital spending.

Profitability Ratios

Metric	DXC	Industry	Sector
Gross Margin (TTM)	28.74	32.18	43.56
Operating Margin (TTM)	8.76	12.15	22.41
Pre-tax Margin (TTM)	7.86	13.79	23.98
Net Profit Margin (TTM)	8.15	10.01	17.48
Effective Tax Rate (TTM)	-3.69	27.10	25.74

Conclusion: Slightly lower margins than industry and sector (expected due to the nature of the business). Negative effective tax rate represents compensations for periods of loss in the past.



VI. DCF Analysis

Free Cash Flow Projections

	2018(A)	2019(E)	2020(E)	2021(E)	2022(E)	2023(E)
Free Cash Flow	2480	1907	2601	2814	2898	2995

WACC Calculation

	DXC
Risk-free rate	2.50%
Market rate	7.00%
Beta	1.37
Cost of Equity	8.67%
Cost of Debt	5.00%
Total Equity	16,416
Total Debt	8,379
WACC	7.07%

Company Details

	DXC
Current Share Price	\$61.08
Shares Outstanding	280.11M
Market Capitalization	\$17.12B

DCF Valuation Results

Gordon Growth Method

Assumptions: *FCF growth = 1%, Discount rate = 10%*

Implied Share Price: **\$87**

Implied EV: \$31.47B

TV% of EV: 66%

Current Discount: 32%

Terminal Multiple Method

Assumptions: *2023 EV/FCF = 10x, Discount rate = 10%*

Implied Share Price: **\$79**

Implied EV: \$29.21B

TV% of EV: 63%

Current Discount: 24%

Average implied share price: **\$85 (28% Discount)**



VI. DCF Analysis *continued*

Sensitivity Analysis

		Discount Rate						
Growth Rate		7%	8%	9%	10%	11%	12%	13%
	0.5%	\$ 131.07	\$ 110.40	\$ 94.82	\$ 82.70	\$ 73.06	\$ 65.22	\$ 58.76
	1.0%	\$ 141.69	\$ 118.00	\$ 100.47	\$ 87.04	\$ 76.46	\$ 67.95	\$ 60.98
	1.5%	\$ 154.24	\$ 126.77	\$ 106.88	\$ 91.88	\$ 80.22	\$ 70.94	\$ 63.40
	2.0%	\$ 169.30	\$ 137.00	\$ 114.21	\$ 97.34	\$ 84.41	\$ 74.22	\$ 66.03
	2.5%	\$ 187.70	\$ 149.09	\$ 122.66	\$ 103.52	\$ 89.08	\$ 77.85	\$ 68.91

		Discount Rate						
Terminal EV/FCF Multiple		7%	8%	9%	10%	11%	12%	13%
	7.00x	\$ 65.57	\$ 63.11	\$ 60.78	\$ 58.57	\$ 56.49	\$ 54.51	\$ 52.63
	8.00x	\$ 73.31	\$ 70.50	\$ 67.84	\$ 65.32	\$ 62.93	\$ 60.67	\$ 58.53
	9.00x	\$ 81.05	\$ 77.89	\$ 74.89	\$ 72.06	\$ 69.37	\$ 66.83	\$ 64.42
	10.00x	\$ 88.79	\$ 85.28	\$ 81.95	\$ 78.80	\$ 75.82	\$ 72.99	\$ 70.31
	11.00x	\$ 96.53	\$ 92.67	\$ 89.00	\$ 85.54	\$ 82.26	\$ 79.15	\$ 76.21
	12.00x	\$ 104.28	\$ 100.05	\$ 96.06	\$ 92.28	\$ 88.70	\$ 85.31	\$ 82.10

Key Model Assumptions

- Conservative assumptions of no significant multiple expansion over the projection period and margin improvements slightly below companies estimates
- Projections based primarily on combination of analysts estimates, erring on the side of conservatism. Basing projections of historical results is difficult due to mergers, acquisitions and spinoffs that affect the stability of financials



VII. Public Comparables

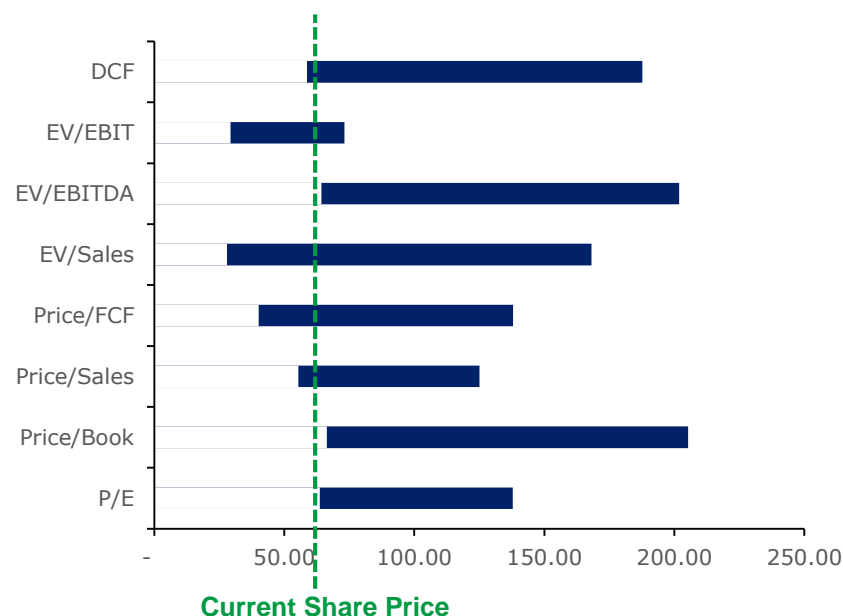
Competitors' Ratios

Metric	ACN	IBM	CTSH	CAP
EV/EBIT (TTM)	15.8	12.0	12.6	15.2
EV/EBITDA (TTM)	13.7	8.7	10.7	12.2
EV/Sales (TTM)	2.2	1.8	2.2	1.4
P/FCF (TTM)	8.4	7.3	7.8	15.3
P/Sales (TTM)	0.7	1.4	3.1	1.4
P/B (MRQ)	8.2	1.5	4.1	2.8
P/E (TTM)	21.7	10.0	18.9	11.9

Current DXC Statistics

Metric	DXC
EV/EBIT (TTM)	10.09
EV/EBITDA (TTM)	5.08
EV/Sales (TTM)	0.95
P/FCF (TTM)	4.28
P/Sales (TTM)	2.15
P/B (MRQ)	1.48
P/E (TTM)	9.50

Football Field Chart



Implied Share Price

Average Implied price: \$100 (~ 40% discount)

- Public comparables imply share prices ranging from \$30 to \$200; heavily skewed towards the upside. Current multiples indicate potential for significant share appreciation in the case of ratios' improvements to industry averages

