

## PEPSICO

**NYSE: KO** 

**Current Price: \$55.14** 

Target Price: \$61.51

**Recommendation:** Buy

Potential Upside: 10.36%



**NASDAQ: PEP** 

**Current Price: \$169.39** 

**Target Price: \$191.36** 

**Recommendation:** Buy

Potential Upside: 11.48%





#### **Company Overview**

Coca Cola (NYSE: KO)



#### **Company Description**

The Coca-Cola Company, a beverage company, manufactures, markets, and sells various nonalcoholic beverages worldwide. The company provides sparkling soft drinks; flavored and enhanced water, and sports drinks; juice, dairy, and plant—based beverages; tea and coffee; and energy drinks. It also offers beverage concentrates and syrups, as well as fountain syrups to fountain retailers, such as restaurants and convenience stores.

Source: CapitalIQ

#### **Key Competitors**

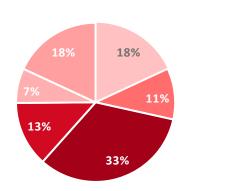






Source: Coca Cola Annual Report 2021

#### **Revenue By Region**



Europe, Middle East and Africa

Latin America

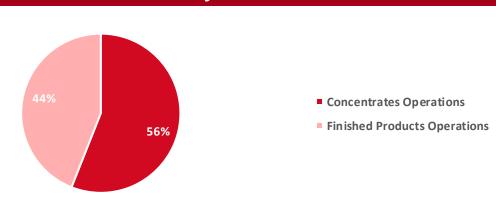
■ North America

Asia Pacific

Global Ventures

Bottling Investments

#### **Revenue By Product**



Source: Coca Cola Annual Report 2021

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#### **Company Overview**

Pepsi Co, Inc. (NASDAQ: PEP)



#### **Company Description**

PepsiCo, Inc. manufactures, markets, distributes, and sells various beverages and convenient foods worldwide. PepsiCo's products include a wide range of household-name food and beverage brands, including Pepsi, Gatorade, Frito-Lay, Quaker Oats, Rockstar Energy, and Muscle Milk.

#### **Key Competitors**



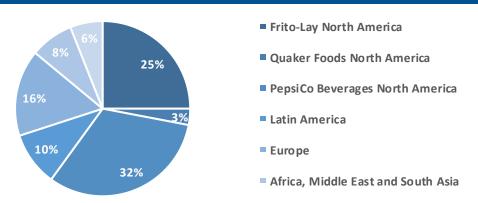




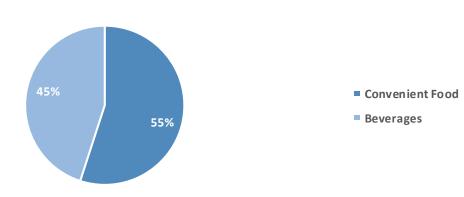
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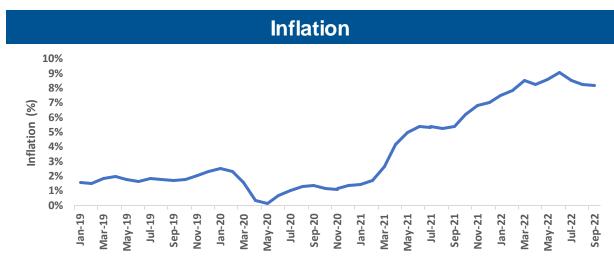
2. Macro &IndustryOverview



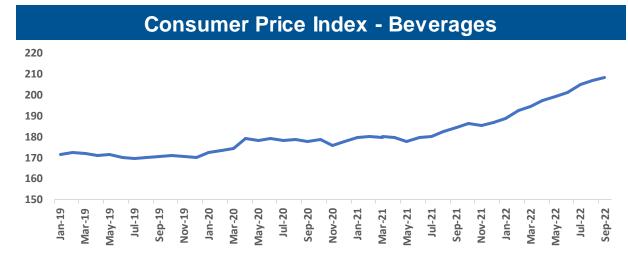
#### **Macroeconomic & Industry Overview**

#### **Rising Inflation Impacting The Beverage Industry**



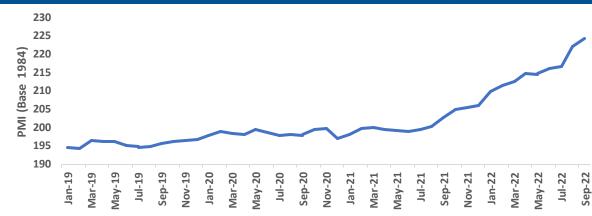


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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#### **Producer Manufacturing Index – Beverage Industry**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Overview

- Inflation caused by supply chain bottlenecks, labor shortages, and a consumer cash influx from Covid relief
- Translates to rising cost for manufacturers and they may pass on the costs to consumers
- Shrinkflation: Consumers are generally price elastic and manufacturers would be generally reluctant to increase prices

#### **Industry Overview**

#### **Positive Outlook Driven By Changing Consumer Preferences**



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Source: Statista Consumer Market Outlook

#### **Growth Driver: Healthier Beverage**

- Healthier Beverages: Consumers are getting more health conscious about their sugar intake from regular soft drinks
- Consumers are option for healthier options like low-in-sugar soft drinks and fruit-juices

#### **Growth Driver: Sustainability**

- Sustainability: Sustainable credentials are a source of competitive advantage
- Drinks Industry Sustainability index scored rated the beverage industry 4.8 out of 10 which it was considerably behind
- Consumers are more concerned about the wellbeing of the environment

#### **Growth Driver: Technology**

- Technology: Prolonging shelf-life and nutritional contents of beverages
- High-pressure processing enables shelf-life extension from 3-5 days to 60-120 days

## Industry Overview Porter's Five Forces



#### Threat of New Entrants (LOW)

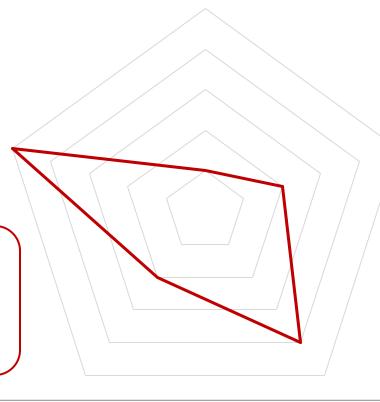
High investment needed. In addition, firms have entered into exclusive retail chain distribution agreements and obtained economies of scale.

#### **Rivalry Among Existing Competitors (HIGH)**

There is intense rivalry between firms due to similar business strategies and companies introducing many products to cater to different customer needs.

#### **Bargaining Power of Suppliers (LOW)**

There are many suppliers. For beverage manufacturers, it is all about price and how efficient of a delivery job the suppliers do. Companies are willing to switch suppliers whenever is necessary.



#### **Threat of Substitutes (LOW)**

Although brand loyalty may not be the main factor in preventing consumers from switching to other competitors, the product innovation and differentiation in the industry is relatively flat.

#### **Bargaining Power of Buyers (LOW-MED)**

- Individual: Low switching costs, little influence over brand
- Retailers: Slightly higher bargaining power and influence due to big purchases (events, restaurants etc.)

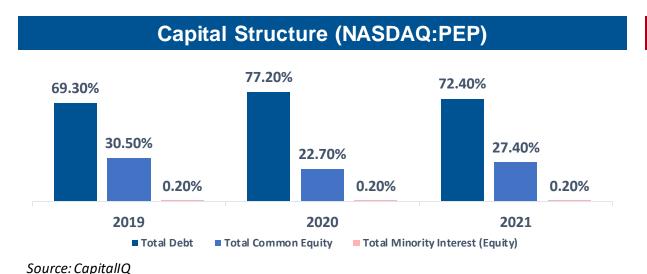
# 3. Analysis of Financing Activities

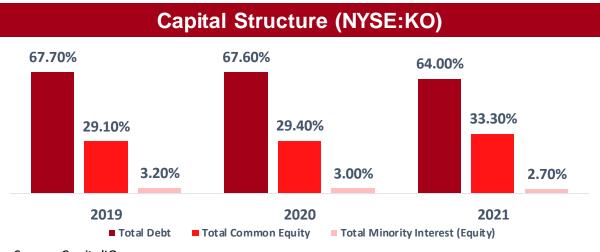


#### **Financing Activities**

#### **Capital Structure / Debt to Equity Ratio**

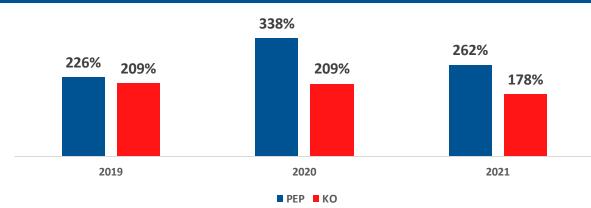






Source: CapitalIQ

#### Debt to Equity Ratio (KO & PEP)



Debt to Equity Ratio for Pepsi increased by **112%** from **FYE 2019** to **FYE 2020** and decreased by **76%** from **FYE 2020** to **FYE 2021**. This is due to a large increase in LT borrowings by **11,776** million.

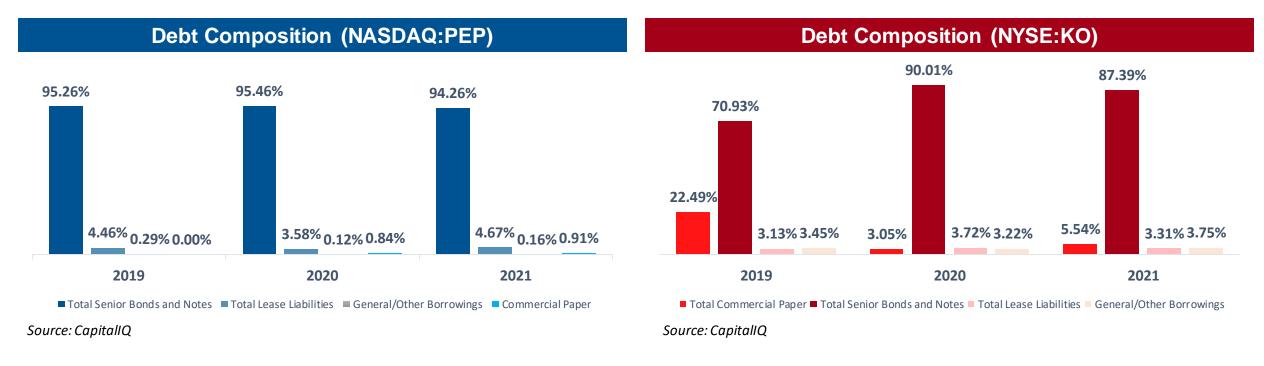
Debt to Equity Ratio for Coca-Cola remains **constant** from **FYE 2019** to **FYE 2020** and decreased by **31%** from **FYE 2020** to **FYE 2021**.

Source: CapitallQ

#### **Financing Activities**

#### **Debt Composition**



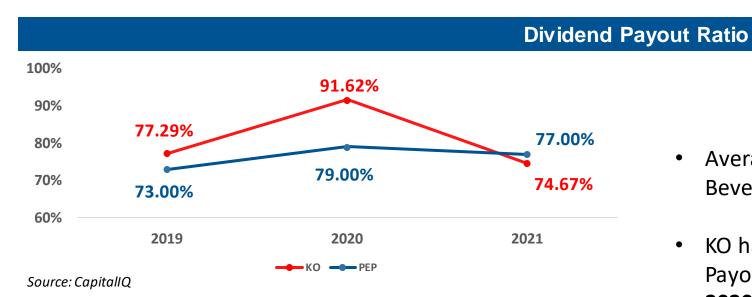


- The main source of debt financing used are Senior Bonds and Notes
- In 2019, KO has **10,007 million** worth of outstanding commercial paper borrowings, before converting to Senior Bonds and Notes

#### **Financing Activities**

#### **Dividend Payout Ratio**





КО	2019	2020	2021
<b>Dividend Per Share</b>	1.6	1.64	1.68
Earnings Per Share	2.07	1.79	2.25
<b>Dividend Payout Ratio</b>	77.29%	91.62%	74.67%

PEP	2019	2020	2021
Dividend Per Share	3.79	4.02	4.25
Earnings Per Share	5.2	5.12	5.49
Dividend Payout Ratio	72.88%	78.52%	77.41%

- Average Dividend Payout Ratio in Non-Alcoholic
   Beverage Industries in 2021 = 76.32%
- KO has a substantial increase in the Dividend Payout Ratio from 77.29% in 2019 to 91.62% in 2020
- Decrease in Earnings Per Share (EPS) from 2.07 to 1.79, while the Dividend Per Share (DPS) remains relatively constant from 1.6 in 2019 to 1.64 in 2020

#### Investments

#### **Funding of Investments and Factors affecting investments**



#### **Investments by Pepsi**

Developed a strategic transformation plan centered around sustainability and human capital, **PEP+** 

- Investment towards positive agriculture and positive value chain
- Recently Invested 14 million in new packaging innovations to reduce 250 virgin plastic from the supply chain
- Intends to invest 150 billion by 2030 in renewable energies, electricity grids, and energy storage

How does Pepsi fund these investments?

Issued a 1.25 billion 10-year green bond in July 2022 (Debt Financing)

Factors affecting future investments

- Environmental sustainability
- Net Zero Emissions
- Sustainable Agriculture

#### **Investments by Coca-Cola**

Increased Focus on ESG, mainly environmental sustainability and workplace diversity

- Investment of 500 million in Mexico to expand recycling infrastructure, which would expand refillable capacity
- Investment of 13 million in the installation of solar panels in India
- Investment into 3-phase solar development project in Wakefield, UK.

How does Coca-Cola fund these investments?

Mainly through debt financing

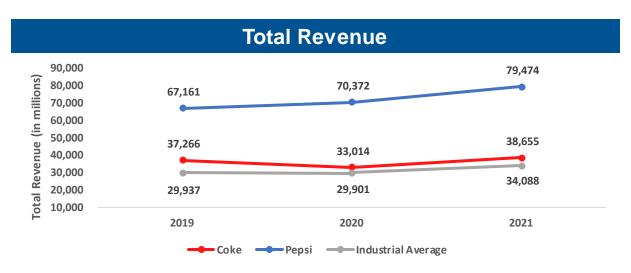
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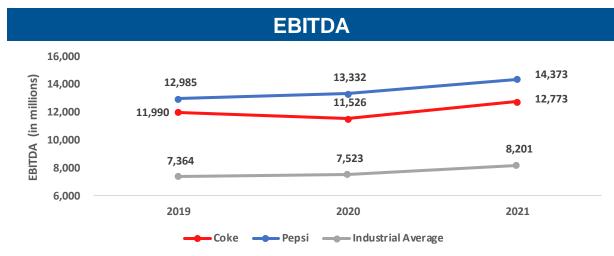
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- Environmental sustainability



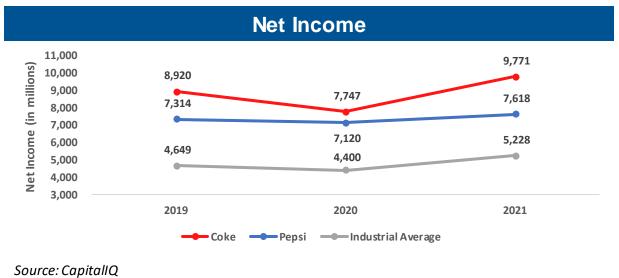
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Source: CapitalIQ



Source: CapitallQ

#### **Analysis**

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- Revenue: In 2020, Coke's dropped while Pepsi's was more resilient
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Company Overview

Macro & Industry

Financing Activities

Investments

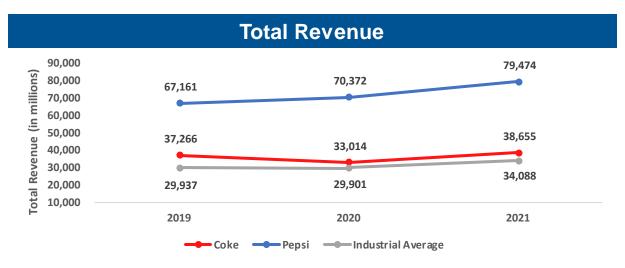
**Fundamental Analysis** 

Stock Valuation

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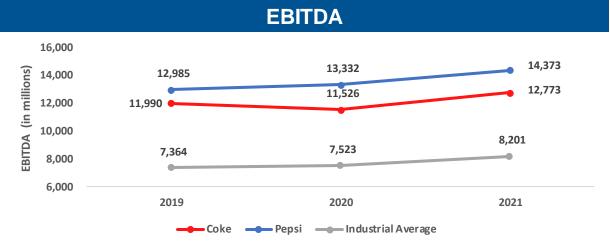
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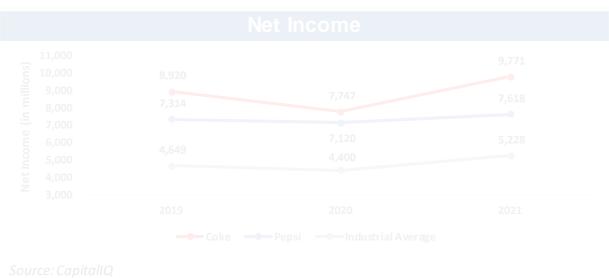
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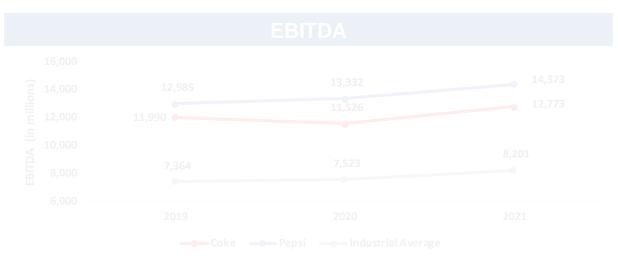
#### Analysis (cont'd)

- EBITDA:
  - Pepsi's revenue was 2x more than Coke for the past 3 years
  - However, Pepsi's EBITDA was slightly higher than Coke's
  - Coke has a stronger ability to generate earnings from its operations than Pepsi

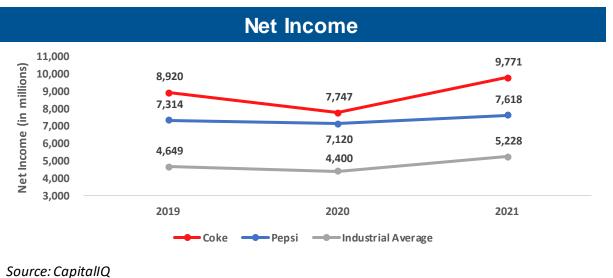
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Source: CapitallO

#### Analysis (cont'd)

#### Net Income:

- Industry took a hit in 2020 due to Covid-19 but there was a recovery in 2021 for all parties, especially Coke
- Coke's drop in NI for 2020 was mainly due to the drop in revenue. In 2021, its NI shot up due to higher revenue & higher GPM than in 2020

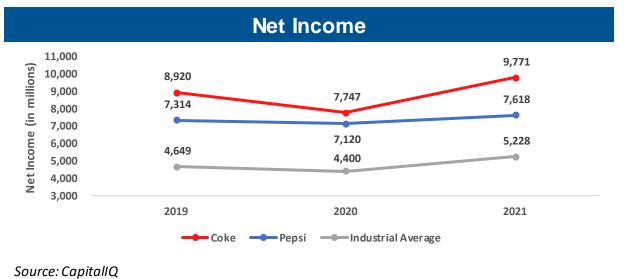
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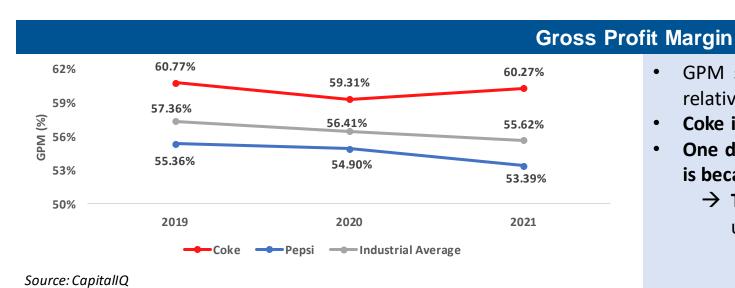
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#### Analysis (cont'd)

- Net Income (cont'd):
  - → Pepsi's drop in NI was mainly due to higher interest expenses in 2020 & R&D expenses comprises ~10% of Pepsi's NI for the 3 years
  - → However, Pepsi's RORC is significantly higher than IA by an average of 1.4x

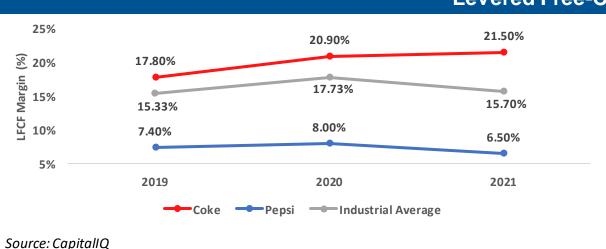
#### Margins: Gross Profit Margin & Levered Free-Cash-Flow Margin





- GPM shows how efficient the company can manage its COGS relatively to its revenue generated
- Coke is higher than IA but Pepsi is not
- One distinction of Coke that allows it to have such a high GPM is because of its business model
  - → Thus, Coke's COGS are tighter (mainly coming from upstream value chain)

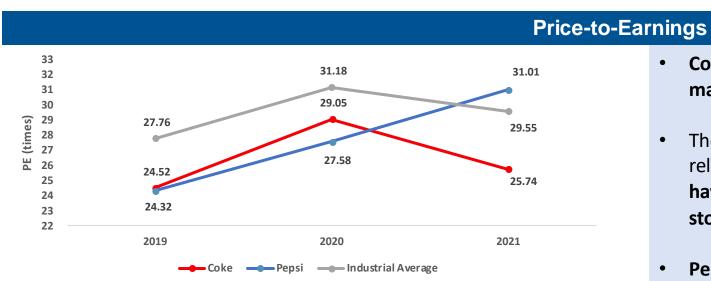
#### Levered Free-Cash-Flow Margin



- LFCF measures the company's ability to expand its business and to pay returns to shareholders via the money generated through operations
- Having a strong cash flow is important not just to reward investors but also liquidity wise for the company
- LFCF = EBIT- Change in NWC CAPEX Interest Expenses (Paid)
- LFCFM = LFCF/Revenue
  - Coke has a high and increasing LFCFM compared to IA and Pepsi mainly due to Pepsi having 3x more CAPEX than Coke

#### **Valuation: Price-to-Earnings**



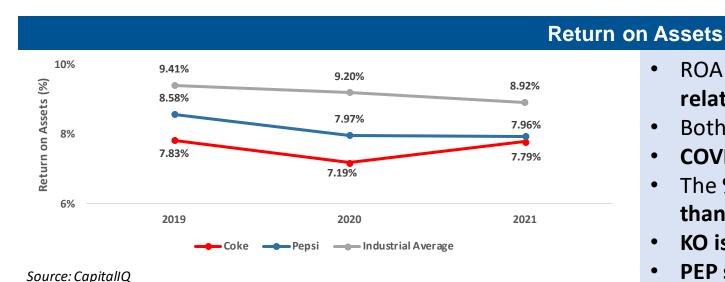


Source: CapitalIQ & Yahoo Finance

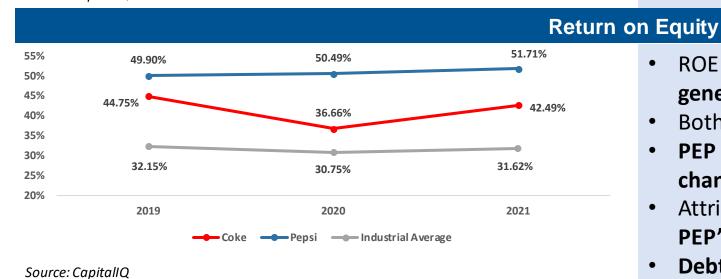
- Coke & Pepsi's PE are generally lower than IA but both mature companies
- The higher the PE ratio, the higher the price tag of a business, relative to its trailing earnings. A high PE means that buyers have a higher opinion of the business's prospects, relative to stocks with a lower PE
- Pepsi's PE has been climbing steadily for the past 3 years

#### Management Effectiveness Ratios: ROA & ROE





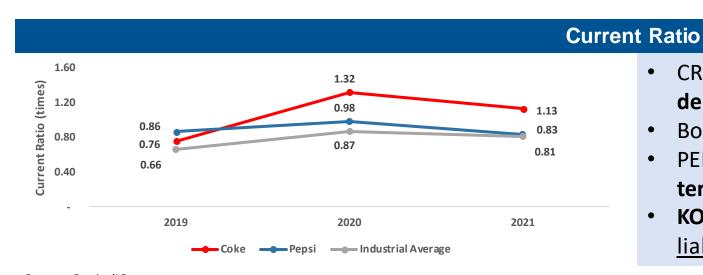
- ROA shows how efficient & profitable companies are in relation to their total assets
- Both are doing worse compared to Industrial Average
- **COVID has affected both companies** in 2020
- The % drop is lesser in PEP than KO; PEP is more stable than KO
- KO is more volatile and more % changes
- PEP sustained the drop



- ROE shows how efficiently companies use equity to generate revenue
- Both are doing better than Industrial Average
- PEP has been consistent with its ROE but KO has more % changes
- Attributed to KO's significant decrease in Net Income and PEP's increased Debt-to-Equity Ratio
- Debt increases, Equity shrinks, ROE increases

#### **Liquidity Ratios: Current Ratio & Quick Ratio**

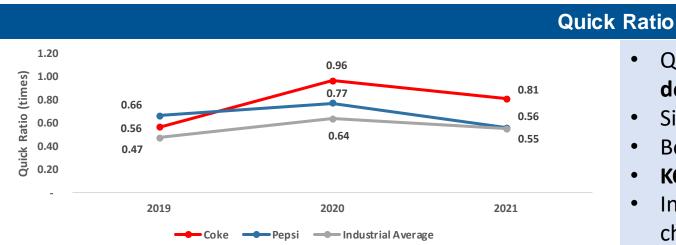




 CR shows how effectively companies pay off short-term debt

- Both are relatively better than Industrial Average
- PEP has been almost consistent; stable pay-off of shortterm debt
- KO has significant % increase (now >1); more assets than liabilities and easily pay-off current liabilities

Source: CapitalIQ



- QR shows how effectively companies pay off short-term debt using more liquid assets
- Similar trend is seen here
- Both however still <1</li>
- KO has relatively more liquid assets
- Interest rates were low in 2020 and long-term debts are cheaper than short-term

Source: CapitalIQ

## 5. Stock Valuation



**Part 1 : Calculating Growth** 



## TWO methods used to calculate growth:

- 1. Historical Average Method
- 2. ROE & Payout Ratio Method

#### 1. Historical Average Method

#### KO

Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Div Payout	0.37	0.39	0.4	0.41	0.42
Annual Dividends	1.48	1.56	1.6	1.64	1.68
Growth		5.41%	2.56%	2.50%	2.44%
Average Growth Rate	3.23%				

#### PEP

Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Div Payout	\$0.81	\$0.93	\$0.96	\$1.02	\$1.08
Annual Dividends	\$3.22	\$3.71	\$3.82	\$4.09	\$4.30
Growth		15.22%	2.96%	7.07%	5.13%
Average Growth Rate	7.60%				

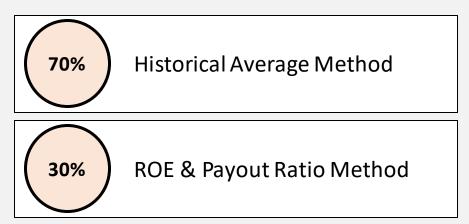
**Part 1 : Calculating Growth** 



#### 2. ROE & Payout Ratio Method

	ROE	DPR	٤	3
КО		40.89%	74.67%	10.36%
PEP	:	49.47%	77.00%	11.38%

#### **Getting our average growth rate:**



Assumption: Constant Growth. Why?

### Why did we assign a higher weightage to Historical Average Method?

- Both KO and PEP are well-matured companies
- 50 yrs+ of consistent dividend payout increase

#### Final Growth Rate derived:

KO Growth Rate: 8.22% PEP Growth Rate: 8.73%

#### Part 2: Calculating Required Rate of Return



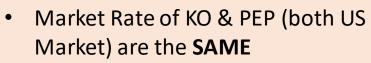
#### **Model Used: Capital Asset Pricing Model**

	Risk-Free Rate	Market Rate	Beta	Ks
КО	3.91%	16.65%	0.57	7 <b>11.17%</b>
PEP	3.91%	16.65%	0.57	7 <b>11.17%</b>

data extracted on 5 year average

12 Oct '22

from S&P 500



Beta of KO and PEP are the SAME

Thus, the Required Rate of Return (Ks) is the **SAME** for both companies.

#### Part 3: Calculating the Present & Intrinsic Value



$$P_0 = D_1 / (K_s - g)$$

Average g of both methods 8.22% Required Rate of Return (Ks) 11.17%

Intrinsic Value 61.51

#### PEP

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Intrinsic Value 191.36

Compare to actual Current Price & derive the % difference

Current Price (P0) 55.14 USD Difference 10.36%

Current Price (P0) 169.39 USD
Difference 11.48%

Part 4: Determining Whether the Stocks are Overvalued or Undervalued



Based on the Dividend Discount Model:

PepsiCo has a HIGHER UPSIDE potential than the Coca-Cola Company.



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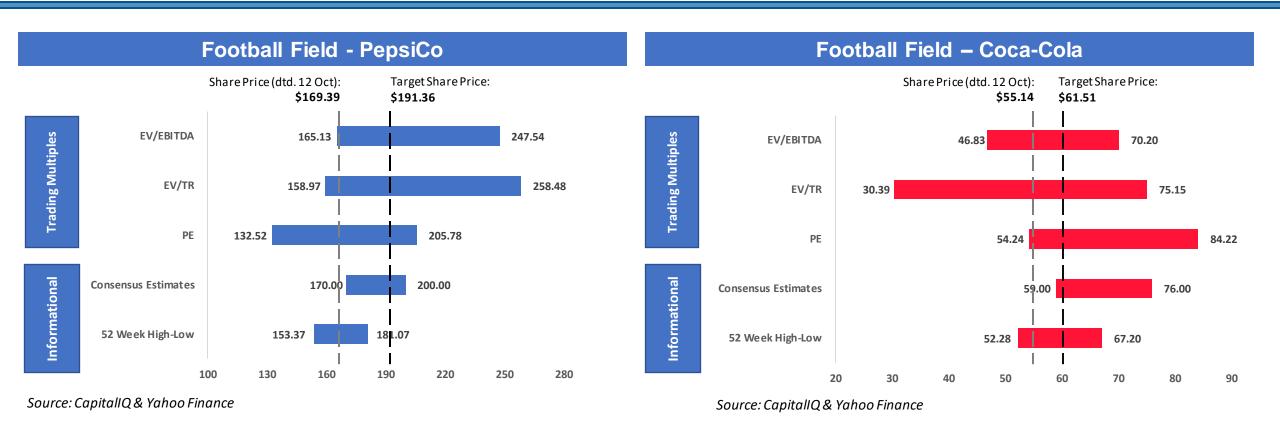


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#### **Valuation**

#### **Football Field Valuation**





- Both Coca-Cola and PepsiCo are undervalued (as per DDM) and are trading within the multiples
- PepsiCo is more undervalued as compared to Coca-Cola based on
  - Current price to trading multiples and
  - DDM to current price



#### **Qualitative Analysis**

#### **Stronger US Dollar & Diversification**



#### 1. Stronger US dollar

➤ Unfavorable for KO considering twothirds of sales are derived from international markets, whereas PEP only has 44% from international markets.



1 yr U.S. Dollar Index

#### 2. PEP's diversified portfolio of products

<u>Implication 1</u>: PEP's future outlook is more aligned with the consumer's shift in taste.

> The trend towards a decline in soft drinks sale.

<u>Implication 2</u>: More flexibility in the development of new products and the acquisition of new brands as well as higher opportunities for future growth.

#### **Qualitative Analysis**

#### **Defensive Nature of Stock**



#### 3. Defensive nature of the stocks

- > Both KO and PEP are defensive stocks
- > Both stocks have been outperforming the market (share price) as they have managed

to avoid the gravitational pull of the market pullback

#### Why defensive stocks are fairly ideal now:

- Good hedge against market volatility
- Remained recession and inflation resilient
- > Investors can continue to expect a consistent dividend payout



YTD % change in share price of KO & PEP compared to S&P 500

• While both stocks are defensive, the difference in price action between the shares of both companies tells us buyers have defended PEP shares much more than KO.

#### **Summary of Justifications**

PepsiCo vs Coca-Cola



#### PepsiCo.Inc BUY

Potential Upside: 11.48%

#### Coca-Cola BUY

Potential Upside: 10.36%

Recommendation: PepsiCo a **BETTER BUY** than Coca-Cola. Why?

#### **Fundamental Analysis**

#### PEP:

- Consistent and Stable numbers
- Resistant to external shocks

#### KO:

- Greater % changes
- More responsive to external environment

#### **Investing Activities**

PEP is better than KO in terms of

- Strategical Planning (a concrete pipeline)
- Investment Financing (Green Bond)

#### **Stock Valuation**

PEP is more undervalued than KO based on:

- Intrinsic Valuation
- Relative Valuation: Current price of stock to its trading multiples

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#### **Appendix**

#### **Dividend Discount Model**



#### DIVIDEND DISCOUNT MODEL

Assumption: Constant Growth

[Historical Average Method]

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Intrinsic Value 61.51

using P0 = D1/(Ks - g)

 Current Price (P0)
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 Difference
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(as at 12 Oct '22)

Intrinsic Value higher than Current Price, stock is undervalued

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[ROE & Payout Ratio Method]

g = (1- DPR) \* (ROE)

\*as at 31 Dec 2021

	ROE	DPR	g	
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PEP	4	9.47%	77.00%	11.38%

[Calculating Ks usinig CAPM]

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Why have we assumed constant growth?

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## **Appendix**Football Field Valuation



Workings for EV/Revenue	PEP	KDP	MNST	KO
Average	3.41	5.18	8.43	7.21
High	3.62	5.35	9.02	7.53
Low	3.17	4.95	7.52	6.74
Close	3.62	5.33	9.02	7.53

Avg	For Coke	For Pepsi	
Max	8.43	8.43	
Min	3.41	5.18	
Median	5.18	7.21	

Workings for EV/EBITDA	PEP	KDP	MNST	KO
Average	18.07	17.45	15.89	23.83
High	18.93	18.53	16.41	25.86
Low	16.94	16.26	15.11	21.58
Close	18.93	18.53	16.41	25.86

Avg	For Coke	For Pepsi
Max	23.83	23.83
Min	15.89	15.89
Median	17.45	18.07

Workings for PE			
Price of Stocks at 31 Dec (adjusted close)	2019	2020	2021
MNST	63.55	92.48	96.04
KDP	27.19	30.73	36.10
КО	50.75	52.00	57.92
PEP	126.45	141.21	170.24
PE Calculations (Price/EPS)	2019	2020	2021
КО	24.52	29.05	25.74
MNST	31.31	35.03	37.37
KDP	30.89	33.04	24.07
PEP	24.32	27.58	31.01
Industrial Average	27.76	31.18	29.55

Avg	For Coke	For Pepsi	
Max	37.37	37.37	
Min	24.07	24.07	
Median	31.01	25.74	

	Coke	Pepsi	
EV	2,845,439,000,000.00	277,501,000,000.00	Source: CapitalIQ
No of shares	4,335,473,308.00	1,383,451,400.00	Source: Annual report
Net Debt (millions)	31,620.00	36,390.00	Source: CapitalIQ

Implied Share Price	Coke		Coke Pepsi		psi	Workings
	High	Low	High	Low		
PE	84.22	54.24	205.78	132.52	Industry Mutiple*Net Income / No. of Shares	
EV/TR	75.15	30.39	258.48	158.97	Industry Mutiple*Revenue-Net Debt= EV then EV/No of Shares	
EV/EBITDA	70.20	46.83	247.54	165.13	Industry Mutiple*EBIT-Net Debt= EV then EV/No of Shares	

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