

Equity Research Report: Microsoft Corporation

Business Overview

Microsoft Corporation, a titan in the tech industry, offers a vast array of products and services, including software, cloud solutions, and devices. Its mission is to empower people and organizations across the globe through technology, with a focus on innovation in cloud computing, artificial intelligence, and digital transformation.

Market Position

The company's business is structured around three main segments: Productivity and Business Processes (Office, LinkedIn, Dynamics), Intelligent Cloud (Azure, server products), and More Personal Computing (Windows, Xbox, Surface). Microsoft's strategy is underpinned by its extensive ecosystem, powerful brand presence, and relentless pursuit of innovation, addressing the growing demand for cloud services, cybersecurity solutions, and the shift towards remote work and digital collaboration.

Operating Results

2023 was a standout year for Microsoft, with notable achievements in cloud computing and productivity software. Azure, in particular, saw significant growth, driven by the widespread adoption of cloud services and strategic expansions of its infrastructure globally. The Office suite, spearheaded by Microsoft 365, continued to evolve with the integration of AI, enhancing user productivity. LinkedIn's growth underscored the platform's importance in digital recruitment and professional networking in the modern workplace. In gaming, Xbox solidified its position with compelling new releases and the expansion of the Xbox Game Pass service, attracting a wider audience.

Financial Metrics

FY (USD mn)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenue	143015	168088	198270	211915	245122
Revenue Growth	-14.9%	-15.2%	-6.4%	-13.5%	71.4%
Gross Revenue	96937	115856	135620	146052	171008
Gross Margin	0.68	0.69	0.68	0.69	0.7
EBITDA	68395	83831	99905	105155	131720
EBITDA Margin	0.48	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.54
FCF	60675	76740	89035	87582	118548
FCF Conversion	1.37	1.25	1.22	1.21	1.35
ROIC	23.4%	28.7%	31.8%	26.9%	27.4%
EV/EBITDA	23.48	25.03	19.74	24.35	26.37
PE Ratio	34.97	33.37	26.47	35.04	38.51
PB Ratio	13.09	14.4	11.56	12.3	12.64

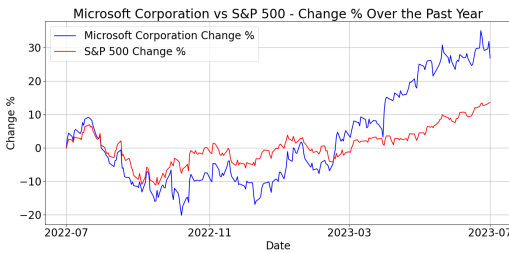
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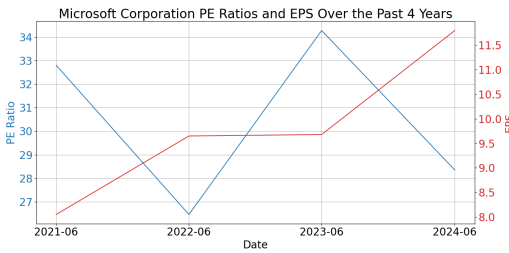
Key data

Rating	strongBuy
Target Price	Failed to retrieve data: 403
6m avg daily vol (USDmn)	29.99
Closing Price (USD)	334.55
Market Cap (USDmn)	2456918.88
52 Week Price Range (USD)	216.67 - 349.08
BVPS (USD)	27.70

Share Performance



PE & EPS



Risk Assessment

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Competitors Analysis

Microsoft's strategic acquisitions throughout the year in areas such as AI, cybersecurity, and gaming not only enhanced its product offerings but also strengthened its competitive edge and financial stability. These moves, coupled with the company's dedication to innovation, sustainability, and ethical practices in AI, position Microsoft for sustained growth and leadership in the tech industry.