

\*Equity multiples are most relevant when making direct investment decisions but do not take into account the Capital Structure of the company

- \*Equity Ratios are shown here
- \*You need to be aware that these ratios take no account of the capital structure, specifically the level of indebtedness
- \*Earnings related ratios only work if earnings are positive

- \*Price Earnings Ratio
- \*Price to Cash Earnings (EPS + D+A+changes in non cash provisions)
- \*Price to Book Value per Share
- \*PEG Ratio (PE/earnings growth)
- \*Dividend Yield (Div per Share/ price)
- \*Price to Sales

- \*Varying degrees of debt mean that returns and risk are different and so we need to factor in net debt by calculating Enterprise ratios
- \*These are more relevant in M&A situations where the debt is acquired with the equity

- \*To make the adjustments
  between Equity and
  Enterprise values you need
  to adjust for net debt
- \*This is still a market related valuation but takes into account the debt and cash (capital structure)

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EV = MC + Total Debt - C
MC = Equity Market
Capitalisation
Total Debt = Total of Short
Term and Long Term Debt
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C = Cash and Cash

Equivalents

- \*These are the EV based multiples
- \*EV/EBITDA is particularly useful, compares a company's cash earnings less non cash expenses to the company valuation including net debt
- \*May be more relevant than PE ratio when comparing firms with differing levels of leverage

- \*EV/Sales
- \*EV/EBITDA
- \*EV/EBIT
- \*EV/NOPLAT
- \*EV/OpFCF
- \*EV/Free Cash Flow
- \*EV/Invested Capital

- \*Neither of these sets of ratios are difficult to calculate
- \*You must be aware of the difference between Equity and Enterprise ratios and when to apply them.
- \*This is particularly the case when using comparable to value a private equity owned firm which may have considerable leverage on its balance sheet.

