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Chemicals/Finland, October 20, 2023 Company update

Still left waiting for higher volumes

Exel cut guidance as Q3 was very soft. Exel works out its new strategy in detail, to achieve at least some efficiency gains, yet volume remains the value driver for now.

Q3 ended up being a lot softer than previously estimated

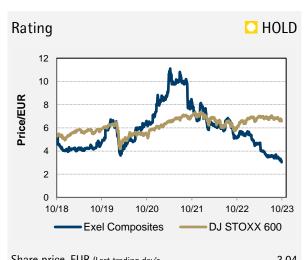
Exel revised its guidance down and now expects FY '23 revenue to decrease significantly. Demand softness has been widespread and extended for longer than previously seen. Order timings have also been delayed for larger projects. Exel published preliminary figures: Q3 was seen to be soft before, however a revenue of only EUR 20.5m proved to be way below our earlier EUR 29.9m estimate and thus we also cut our Q3 EBIT estimate by EUR 2.5m.

Improvement after Q3, but its pace remains uncertain

We cut our estimates also beyond Q3 as softness persists. Exel updates its plant network strategy to better organize production; some details have already been worked out but there are still reviews going on. Wind power volumes are to be generated mostly in China and India from now on while the US unit will focus on buildings and infrastructure applications as well as electrical products, which we believe remain attractive categories. The restructuring is to yield cost savings of EUR 3m, a big sum on top of other measures Exel has implemented (and is yet to decide on). Exel's reorganization means EBIT should bounce back sharp once the volumes come through, and hence focus rests on top line even more than usual over the next few quarters. The comparison volumes for Q4 aren't that high as they already fell 15% y/y, yet Exel may still struggle to achieve notable growth even if Q4 should gain q/q from the lows.

EBIT to bounce back with volumes, but outlook still unclear

Low demand over the past year has left Q3'23 LTM adj. EBIT around break-even, so it's clear Exel's EBIT improves next year. The two-tiered factory strategy is to bring more manufacturing efficiency gains, while demand is already improving, but it remains unclear how much volumes recover next year. We estimate EUR 120m in revenue and EUR 7.5m EBIT for next year, which roughly equal the average levels seen in FY '19-22. Exel is valued about 8x EV/EBIT on that estimate, which isn't very high considering how efficiency measures could also support EBIT above our estimate. Yet in our view limited demand outlook curbs upside for now. Our TP is now EUR 3.0 (3.5); retain HOLD.



Share price, EUR (Last trading day's closing price)	3.04
Target price, EUR	3.0
Latest change in recommendation	03-May-23
Latest report on company	21-Aug-23
Research paid by issuer:	YES
No. of shares outstanding, '000's	11,897
No. of shares fully diluted, '000's	11,897
Market cap, EURm	36
Free float, %	100.0
Exchange rate EUR/USD	1.06
Reuters code	EXL1V.HE
Bloomberg code	EXL1V FH
Average daily volume, EURm	0.1
Next interim report	03-Nov-23
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	Sales EURm	EBIT EURm	EBIT %	FCF EURm	EPS EUR	P/E (x)	EV/Sales (x)	EV/EBIT (x)	FCF yield %	DPS EUR
2021	134.4	3.7	2.8%	-6.2	0.14	57.0	1.0	34.9	-6.5	0.20
2022	137.0	3.0	2.2%	9.4	0.18	30.1	0.7	31.4	14.6	0.20
2023E	106.5	-0.2	-0.2%	3.9	-0.35	-8.7	0.6	-277.8	10.7	0.00
2024E	119.8	7.5	6.3%	3.1	0.30	10.1	0.5	8.1	8.6	0.20
2025E	128.2	9.0	7.0%	5.2	0.44	6.8	0.5	6.5	14.4	0.25
Market cap	, EURm		36 G	earing 2023E,	o/ _O		118.5 CAGR	EPS 2022-2	5,%	35.1
Net debt 20	023E, EURm		28 Pr	rice/book 2023	BE		1.5 CAGR	sales 2022-	25, %	-2.2
Enterprise	value, EURm		64 Di	ividend yield 2	2023E, %		0.0 ROE 2	023E, %		-15.4
Total assets	s 2023E, EURn	n	95 Ta	ix rate 2023E,	0/0		-68.8 ROCE	2023E, %		-2.0
Goodwill 2	023E, EURm		13 Ec	quity ratio 202	23E, %		25.0 PEG, P	P/E 23/CAGR		0.0

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Estimates and valuation

Exel Composites	2019	2020	2021	Q1'22	Q2'22	Q3'22	Q4'22	2022	Q1'23	Q2'23	Q3'23e	Q4'23e	2023e
Buildings and infrastructure	23.5	23.5	32.9	7.7	8.9	7.8	8.1	32.5	7.8	6.5	5.1	8.6	28.0
Equipment and other industrie	18.6	19.5	23.4	7.4	5.9	5.6	4.3	23.1	5.6	5.0	4.8	4.9	20.3
Wind power	23.6	28.1	32.1	6.8	6.5	8.0	5.5	26.8	1.5	2.3	2.0	4.8	10.6
Machinery and electrical	14.4	15.5	17.6	4.3	5.3	5.0	5.2	19.7	4.6	4.1	3.6	4.6	16.9
Transportation	13.1	10.2	10.2	3.1	7.2	3.7	3.3	17.4	4.2	3.7	2.3	4.0	14.2
Defense	2.3	5.3	8.7	2.1	1.6	2.0	1.9	7.5	2.9	2.6	1.5	2.1	9.1
Telecommunications	8.2	6.5	9.5	2.8	2.8	1.7	2.6	10.0	2.2	1.3	1.2	2.7	7.4
Revenue	103.8	108.6	134.4	34.2	38.1	33.8	31.0	137.0	28.8	25.4	20.6	31.7	106.5
y/y change, %	7%	5 %	24 %	10 %	14 %	1%	-15 %	2%	-16 %	-33 %	-39 %	2%	-22 %
Adjusted EBIT	7.2	9.7	6.0	2.2	3.1	1.8	0.9	8.0	0.0	0.1	-1.2	1.5	0.4
EBIT	5.1	9.4	3.7	0.0	3.0	1.7	-1.7	3.0	-0.3	-0.2			-0.2
-margin, %	6.9 %	<i>8.9 %</i>	4.5 %	6.4 %	8.2 %	5.4 %	3.0 %	5.9 %	0.0 %	0.3 %	-5.8 %	4.7 %	0.3 %
-margin (reported), %	4.9 %	8.7 %	2.8 %	0.1 %	7.9 %	5.0 %	-5.5 %	2.2 %	-1.0 %	-1.0 %			-0.2 %
Source: Evli Research													

	MCAP		ev/ebitda			EV/EBIT			EBIT-%	
EXEL COMPOSITES PEER GROUP	MEUR	22	23	24	22	23	24	22	23	24
Hexagon Composites	444		14.6x	9.7x		30.6x	16.0x	-8.0 %	4.2 %	7.4 %
Hexcel	5304	19.0x	16.9x	14.2x	31.6x	25.8x	20.3x	11.4 %	13.5 %	15.4 %
Avient	2799	8.0x	8.8x	8.0x	11.7x	14.8x	12.4x	11.9 %	9.6 %	10.9 %
SGL Carbon	727	6.0x	7.2x	4.8x	9.9x	12.1x	7.2x	9.9 %	6.6 %	10.4 %
TPI Composites	86	13.1x		7.7x			26.8x	-1.6 %	-5.1 %	1.3 %
Gurit Holding	386	13.5x	10.2x	7.7x	22.6x	16.2x	11.3x	4.5 %	5.4 %	7.1 %
Peer Group Average	1624	11.9x	11.5x	8.7x	18.9x	19.9x	15.7x	4.7 %	5.7 %	8.8 %
Peer Group Median	586	13.1x	10.2x	7.9x	17.2x	16.2x	14.2x	7.2 %	6.0 %	8.9 %
Exel Composites (Evli est.)	36	9.3x	10.4x	4.6x	31.4x	-277.8x	8.1x	2.2 %	-0.2 %	6.3 %
Exel Composites prem./disc. to peer mea	lian	-29 %	1%	-42 %	<i>83 %</i>	-1815 %	-43 %	-69 %	-104 %	-29 %

Source FactSet, Evli Research

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VALUATION RESULTS	BASE CASE DETAILS	VALUATION ASSUMPTIONS	ASSUMPTIONS FOR WACC	
Current share price	3.04 PV of Free Cash Flow	66 Long-term growth, %	1.5 Risk-free interest rate, %	2.25
DCF share value	10.26 PV of Horizon value	88 WACC, %	8.5 Market risk premium, %	5.8
Share price potential, %	237.4 Unconsolidated equity	0 Spread, %	0.5 Debt risk premium, %	3.3
Maximum value	11.3 Marketable securities	17 Minimum WACC, %	8.0 Equity beta coefficient	1.00
Minimum value	9.4 Debt - dividend	-50 Maximum WACC, %	9.0 Target debt ratio, %	10
Horizon value, %	57.0 Value of stock	122 Nr of shares, Mn	11.9 Effective tax rate, %	21

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DCF valuation, EURm	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E	2031E	2032E	Horizon
Net sales	137	107	120	128	135	137	140	143	146	149	151	153
Sales growth, %	2.0	-22.3	12.5	7.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.5	1.5
Operating income (EBIT)	3	0	8	9	11	14	15	16	17	17	17	18
Operating income margin, %	2.2	-0.2	6.3	7.0	8.5	10.5	11.0	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5
+ Depreciation+amort.	7	6	6	6	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	
EBITDA	10	6	13	14	17	19	20	21	21	21	22	
- Paid taxes	-1	-2	-2	-2	-3	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	
- Change in NWC	3	5	-2	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
NWC / Sales, %	10.3	9.0	9.7	10.0	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.7	
+ Change in other liabs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
- Operative CAPEX	-3	-3	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	
opCAPEX / Sales, %	2.4	2.8	3.6	3.4	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	
- Acquisitions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
+ Divestments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
- Other items	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
= FCFF	9	6	5	7	9	11	12	12	13	13	13	187
= Discounted FCFF		6	5	6	7	8	8	7	7	6	6	88
= DFCF min WACC		6	5	6	7	8	8	8	7	7	6	99
= DFCF max WACC		6	5	6	7	8	8	7	7	6	6	79

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INTERIM FIGURES												
EVLI ESTIMATES, EURm	2022Q1	202202	2022Q3	2022Q4	2022	2023Q1	2023Q2	2023Q3E	2023Q4E	2023E	2024E	2025E
Net sales	34.2	38.1	33.8	31.0	137.0	28.8	25.4	20.6	31.7	106.5	119.8	128.2
EBITDA	1.8	4.8	3.6	0.0	10.1	1.5	1.5	0.3	3.0	6.2	13.4	14.5
EBITDA margin (%)	5.2	12.5	10.5	0.0	7.4	5.3	5.7	1.3	9.4	5.8	11.2	11.3
EBIT	0.0	3.0	1.7	-1.7	3.0	-0.3	-0.2	-1.2	1.5	-0.2	7.5	9.0
EBIT margin (%)	0.1	7.9	5.0	-5.5	2.2	-1.0	-1.0	-5.8	4.7	-0.2	6.3	7.0
Net financial items	0.5	1.9	1.6	-3.4	0.6	-1.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2	-2.2	-2.0	-1.9
Pre-tax profit	0.5	4.9	3.3	-5.1	3.6	-1.5	-0.7	-1.6	1.3	-2.5	5.6	7.1
Tax	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2	1.2	-1.5	-0.6	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.7	-2.0	-1.8
Tax rate (%)	111.4	19.3	35.6	24.3	40.4	-43.8	-36.3	- <i>18.7</i>	38.5	-68.8	35.8	25.0
Net profit	-0.1	4.0	2.1	-3.9	2.1	-2.1	-0.9	-1.9	0.8	-4.2	3.6	5.3
EPS	-0.01	0.33	0.18	-0.33	0.18	-0.18	-0.08	-0.16	0.07	-0.35	0.30	0.44
EPS adjusted (diluted no. of shares)	-0.01	0.33	0.18	-0.33	0.18	-0.18	-0.08	-0.16	0.07	-0.35	0.30	0.44
Dividend per share	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.25
SALES, EURm												
Exel Composites	34.2	38.1	33.8	31.0	137.0	28.8	25.4	20.6	31.7	106.5	119.8	128.2
Total	34.2	38.1	33.8	31.0	137.0	28.8	25.4	20.6	31.7	106.5	119.8	128.2
SALES GROWTH, Y/Y %												
Exel Composites	10.3	13.5	1.2	- 15.1	2.0	-15.7	-33.3	-39.0	2.3	-22.3	12.5	7.0
<u>Total</u>	10.3	13.5	1.2	- 15.1	2.0	-15.7	-33.3	-39.0	2.3	-22.3	12.5	7.0
EBIT, EURm												
Exel Composites	0.0	3.0	1.7	-1.7	3.0	-0.3	-0.2	-1.2	1.5	-0.2	7.5	9.0
Total	0.0	3.0	1.7	-1.7	3.0	-0.3	-0.2	-1.2	1.5	-0.2	7.5	9.0
EBIT margin, %												
Exel Composites	0.1	7.9	5.0	-5.5	2.2	-1.0	-1.0	-5.8	4.7	-0.2	6.3	7.0
Total	0.1	7.9	5.0	-5.5	2.2	-1.0	-1.0	-5.8	4.7	-0.2	6.3	7.0

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INCOME STATEMENT, EURm	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Sales	96.6	103.8	108.6	134.4	137.0	106.5	119.8	128.2
Sales growth (%)	11.9	7.5	4.6	23.7	2.0	-22.3	12.5	7.0
EBITDA	7.7	10.7	15.3	11.9	10.1	6.2	13.4	14.5
EBITDA margin (%)	8.0	10.3	14.1	8.9	7.4	5.8	11.2	11.3
Depreciation	-5.5	-5.6	-5.8	-8.2	-7.1	-6.4	-5.9	-5.5
EBITA	2.2	5.1	9.4	3.7	3.0	-0.2	7.5	9.0
Goodwill amortization / writedown	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	2.2	5.1	9.4	3.7	3.0	-0.2	7.5	9.0
EBIT margin (%)	2.3	4.9	8.7	2.8	2.2	-0.2	6.3	7.0
Reported EBIT	2.2	5.1	9.4	3.7	3.0	-0.2	7.5	9.0
EBIT margin (reported) (%)	2.3	4.9	8.7	2.8	2.2	-0.2	6.3	7.0
Net financials	-0.5	-1.2	-2.3	0.4	0.6	-2.2	-2.0	-1.9
Pre-tax profit	1.7	3.9	7.1	4.2	3.6	-2.5	5.6	7.1
Taxes	-1.3	-1.5	-1.7	-2.5	-1.5	-1.7	-2.0	-1.8
Minority shares	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net profit	0.4	2.4	5.4	1.7	2.1	-4.2	3.6	5.3
Cash NRIs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Non-cash NRIs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
BALANCE SHEET, EURm	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Assets								
Fixed assets	21	23	30	34	31	28	26	25
Goodwill	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Right of use assets	5	5	3	3	2	2	2	2
Inventory	15	17	16	24	23	18	20	22
Receivables	20	20	21	24	23	19	20	22
Liquid funds	5	20	12	16	17	13	15	16
Total assets	79	85	97	118	113	95	100	103
Liabilities	75	65	57	110	115	55	100	103
Shareholder's equity	26	26	29	31	30	24	27	30
Minority interest	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Convertibles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lease liabilities	3	4	2	2	1	2	2	2
Deferred taxes	0	+ 0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Interest bearing debt	30	32	40	50	46	40	38	37
Non-interest bearing current liabilities	18	21	24	32	26	20	23	25
Other interest-free debt	2	21	24	3	9	9	9	23
Total liabilities	79	85	97	118	113	95	100	103
CASH FLOW, EURm	75	05	57	110	115	55	100	105
+ EBITDA	8	11	15	12	10	6	13	14
- Net financial items	0	-1	-2	0	10	-2	-2	-2
- Taxes	-2	-2	-2	-3	-1	-2	-2	-2
- Increase in Net Working Capital	-2 -4	-2	-2	-5	-1	-2	-2	-2
+/- Other	0	0	0	-5	0	0	-2	-1
= Cash flow from operations	1	8	13	5	13	7	7	10
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+ Divestments	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
= Free cash flow		0	0	-6	0 9	4	0 3	
	-9							5
+/- New issues/buybacks	0	0	-1	3	-1	0	0	0
- Paid dividend +/- Other	-4	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	0	-2
	9	3	7	9	-5	-5	-1	-2
Change in cash	-3	2	5	4	2	-4	2	1

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2019	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
78	88	94	64	36	36	36
29	30	36	30	28	25	22
107	118	131	94	64	61	59
104	109	134	137	107	120	128
11	15	12	10	6	13	14
5	9	4	3	0	8	9
4	7	4	4	-2	6	7
2	5	2	2	-4	4	5
26	29	31	30	24	27	30
1.0	1.1	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5
10.0	7.7	10.9	9.3	10.4	4.6	4.0
21.0	12.5	34.9	31.4	-277.8	8.1	6.5
21.0	12.5	34.9	31.4	-277.8	8.1	6.5
12.9	8.8	27.2	7.4	9.4	8.2	6.1
32.5	52.9	-26.0	10.2	11.4	11.6	8.0
110.9	179.1	-15.3	6.8	9.3	11.7	6.9
32.5	16.4	57.0	30.1	-8.7	10.1	6.8
3.0	3.1	3.0	2.1	1.5	1.3	1.2
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.3	4.5	4.0
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-275.7	8.1	6.5
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.5	19.6	11.1
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	1.3	1.2
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-8.6	9.9	6.7
11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897
11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897	11,897
0.20	0.45	0.14	0.18	-0.35	0.30	0.44
0.70	1.12	0.40	1.06	0.57	0.63	0.80
0.06	0.04	-0.52	0.79	0.33	0.26	0.44
2.21	2.41	2.62	2.56	2.01	2.31	2.55
0.18	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.20	0.25
89.2	44.3	143.7	110.9	0.0	66.3	56.2
2.7	2.7	2.5	3.7	0.0	6.6	8.2
0.9	0.6	-6.5	14.6	10.7	8.6	14.4
9.2	19.5	5.5	7.0	-15.4	14.0	18.3
8.6	14.4	5.1	4.0	-2.0	9.8	11.7
16.3	14.9	17.8	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.1
19.2			17.8		17.9	17.8
20.2	22.0	23.8	19.1	19.1	19.1	19.1
14.1	11.2	12.7	10.3	9.0	9.7	10.0
7.3	11.9	8.2	2.4	2.8	3.6	3.4
		8.2	2.4	2.8	3.6	3.4
7.3	11.9					
7.3 0.3	0.1	-0.4	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.5
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COMPANY DESCRIPTION: Exel Composites manufactures composites profiles for various demanding, mainly industrial end-use, applications. Exel's customer base includes companies operating in industries such as wind energy, transportation and telecommunications. Exel Composites is one of the largest manufacturers of pultruded composites profiles globally and currently operates eight manufacturing plants on three continents.

INVESTMENT CASE: Our positive view is based on good long-term composites demand outlook, coupled with the fact that Exel Composites' current manufacturing footprint could support annual revenue in the EUR 150m ballpark i.e. there's still plenty of room to improve delivery volumes. Exel's rather high fixed cost base translates to meaningful operating leverage, and thus higher revenues should lead to improving operating margins. The company is also progressing well with its cost savings program. Operating profit could further significantly improve if good execution continues. Recently the wind energy sector has provided great lift for volumes; other attractive applications include e.g. transportation industry profiles.

OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE	SHARES	EURm	0/0
Sijoitusrahasto Taaleritehdas Mikro Markka	800,000	2.432	6.7%
OP-Finland Small Firms Fund	590,119	1.794	5.0%
Ilmarinen Mutual Pension Insurance	496,547	1.510	4.2%
Op-Suomi Mikroyhtiöt -Erikoissijoitusrahasto	420,000	1.277	3.5%
Phoebus Fund	370,000	1.125	3.1%
Säästöpankki Pienyhtiöt	288,710	0.878	2.4%
Nelimarkka Heikki Antero	213,545	0.649	1.8%
Veritas Pension Insurance Company Ltd.	207,479	0.631	1.7%
Säästöpankki Kotimaa	132,680	0.403	1.1%
Sumato Oy	131,821	0.401	1.1%
Ten largest	3,650,901	11.099	31%
Residual	8,245,942	25.068	69%
Total	11,896,843	36.166	100%

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DEFINITIONS

P	
P/E	EPS
Price per share Earnings per share	Profit before extraord. items and taxes- income taxes + minority interest Number of shares
	Number of shares
P/BV	DPS
Price per share	Dividend for the financial period per share
Shareholders' equity + taxed provisions per share	
Market cap	OCF (Operating cash flow)
Price per share * Number of shares	EBITDA – Net financial items – Taxes – Increase in working
	capital – Cash NRIs ± Other adjustments
EV (Enterprise value)	FCF (Free cash flow)
Market cap + net debt + minority interest at market value –	Operating cash flow – operative CAPEX – acquisitions + divestments
share of associated companies at market value	
EV/Sales	FCF yield, %
Enterprise value	Free cash flow
Sales	Market cap
EV/EBITDA	Operative CAPEX/sales
Enterprise value	Capital expenditure – divestments – acquisitions
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization	Sales
EV/EBIT	Net working capital
Enterprise value	Current assets – current liabilities
Operating profit	
Net debt	Capital employed/Share
Interest bearing debt – financial assets	Total assets – non-interest bearing debt
	Number of shares
Total assets	Gearing
Balance sheet total	
	<u>Net debt</u> Equity
Div yield, %	Debt/Equity, %
Dividend per share	Interest bearing debt
Price per share	Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions
Payout ratio, %	Equity ratio, %
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Total dividends Earnings before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes + minority interest	Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions
Earnings before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes + minority interest	Total assets – interest-free loans
ROCE, %	CAGR, %
Profit before extraordinary items + interest expenses+ other financial costs	Cumulative appual growth rate - Average growth pervices
Balance sheet total – non-interest bearing debt (average)	Cumulative annual growth rate = Average growth per year
ROE, %	
Profit before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes	
Shareholder's equity + minority interest + taxed provisions (average)	

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