



Otis Worldwide Corp. (OTIS)

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Key Metrics

Current Price:	\$68	5 Year CAGR Estimate:	4.0%	Market Cap:	\$29 B
Fair Value Price:	\$56	5 Year Growth Estimate:	6.0%	Ex-Dividend Date:	11/18/22 ¹
% Fair Value:	120%	5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate:	-3.6%	Dividend Payment Date:	12/10/22 ¹
Dividend Yield:	1.7%	5 Year Price Target	\$75	Years Of Dividend Growth:	2
Dividend Risk Score:	B	Retirement Suitability Score:	D	Rating:	Hold

Overview & Current Events

Otis Worldwide Corp. debuted as an independent, publicly traded company on April 3rd, 2020, after being spun off from United Technologies (previously UTX, now Raytheon Technologies, RTX). However, the company's history is extensive after being founded in 1853 and having previously gone public in 1920. Today Otis is the leading company for elevator and escalator manufacturing, installation, and service. The company's products move 2 billion people per day and maintain approximately 2.1 million customer units worldwide. Headquartered in Connecticut, the \$29 billion market cap company generated \$14 billion in sales in 2021 and employs 68,000 people.

Previously, Otis was a constituent of the S&P 500 Dividend Aristocrat Index due to its United Technologies lineage. However, the company was removed in 2021. On April 19th, 2021, Otis announced a \$0.24 quarterly dividend, marking a 20.0% boost and the company's first increase as a standalone company. On April 22nd, 2022, Otis announced a \$0.29 quarterly dividend, a 20.8% increase.

On October 26th, 2022, Otis reported Q3 2022 results for the period ending September 30th, 2022. For the quarter, total revenue equaled \$3.344 billion, a -7.6% decline compared to Q3 2021. New Equipment sales declined -13.9%, while the Service segment saw a -2.2% declines in sales. Adjusted net income equaled \$324 million or \$0.77 per share compared to \$331 million or \$0.77 per share in Q3 2021.

Otis also revised its 2022 outlook. The company now expects \$13.4 billion to \$13.5 billion in sales (down from \$13.6 billion to \$13.8 billion) and adjusted earnings-per-share of \$3.11 to \$3.15 (down from \$3.17 to \$3.21). We have updated our forecast accordingly.

Growth on a Per-Share Basis

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2027
EPS	\$5.34	\$6.21	\$6.82	\$6.29	\$6.61	\$6.60	\$7.61	\$8.26	\$2.52	\$3.01	\$3.13	\$4.19
DPS	\$2.03	\$2.20	\$2.36	\$2.56	\$2.62	\$2.72	\$2.84	\$2.94	\$0.60	\$0.92	\$1.16	\$1.55
Shares²	919	917	909	838	809	799	861	864	433	431	420	410

Note that we have elected to show United Technologies' historical data through 2019, to illustrate the type of operating company from which Otis was spun off. This is an imperfect measure as Otis made up less than 20% of United Technologies sales; however, it does offer some clues into the consistency of the new business.

Otis has a number of long-term growth drivers available in the way of increased urbanization, a growing middle class and digitalization. All these factors will continue to spur demand for Otis' products and should bode well for the category leader. At the very least, Otis stands a very good shot at capturing its "fair share" of growth in the industry.

Recent guidance has come down in recent quarters. However, the services segment adds some resiliency to the business. We are forecasting \$3.13 in EPS, near management's current guidance, and a 6% growth rate over the next five years. While there is still a great deal of uncertainty in near-term results, we believe mid-to-high single-digit intermediate-term EPS growth can come to fruition.

¹ Estimated date.

² In millions.

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Valuation Analysis

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Now	2027
Avg. P/E	14.7	16.0	16.4	17.0	15.3	17.7	16.8	16.1	18.2	26.1	21.7	18.0
Avg. Yld.	2.6%	2.2%	2.1%	2.4%	2.6%	2.3%	2.2%	2.2%	1.3%	1.2%	1.7%	2.1%

We are again using United Technologies history through 2019 to give you a sense for how shares traded in the past. During the past decade shares of UTX traded hands with an average P/E ratio of about 16 times earnings. We are using 18 times earnings as a fair starting multiple for Otis, taking into consideration the enhanced risk to the standalone business paired against strong growth avenues and reoccurring revenue from servicing. Still, with shares currently trading near 22 times expected earnings, this could result in a valuation headwind. The \$0.29 quarterly dividend implies a payout ratio of about 37% of anticipated earnings.

Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

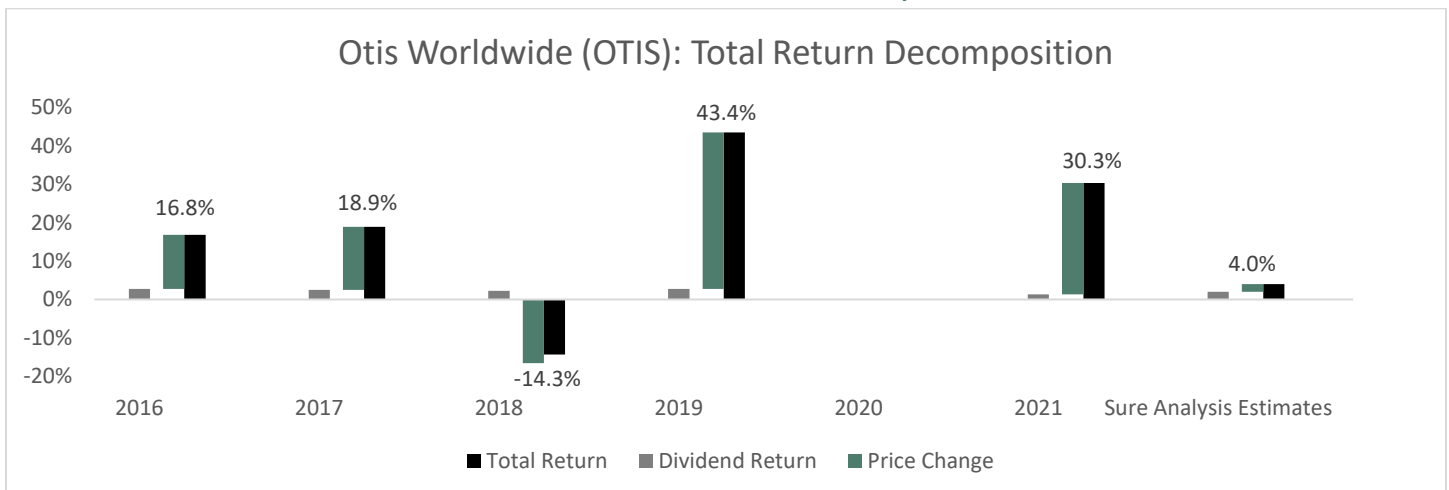
Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2027
Payout	38%	35%	35%	41%	40%	41%	37%	36%	24%	31%	37%	37%

Otis enjoys a competitive advantage in its namesake brand, along with the #1 position in the category the company created. Moreover, with the largest installed base of elevators and escalators, reoccurring service revenue can smooth out results in less certain times. During the last recession United Technologies posted earnings-per-share of \$4.90, \$4.12, \$4.74, and \$5.49 during the 2008 through 2011 timeframe. While some of that ballast is gone with the company splitting up, we still believe Otis should perform reasonably well in leaner times. Moreover, the targeted ~40% payout ratio will allow for flexibility in the future.

Final Thoughts & Recommendation

Shares are down -17% in the last year. Otis has been a very strong business for nearly 170 years. Now that it is once again a standalone company, it offers a “pure play” on a variety of important and growing trends around the world. While the cyclical nature of the firm may have increased, we are encouraged by the ongoing service revenue. However, today’s valuation continues to leave something to be desired. Total return potential comes in at 4.0% per annum, driven by 6% growth and a 1.7% dividend yield, offset by the potential for a valuation headwind. This view could be too conservative if the business performs better than expected or if the valuation remains elevated, but we are not yet willing to make either speculation at this juncture. Shares earn a hold rating.

Total Return Breakdown by Year



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Income Statement Metrics

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Revenue	57,708	56,600	57,900	56,098	57,244	59,837	66,501	77,046	12,760	14,300
Gross Profit	15,555	16,132	17,002	15,667	15,773	15,636	16,516	19,981	3,779	4,193
Gross Margin	27.0%	28.5%	29.4%	27.9%	27.6%	26.1%	24.8%	25.9%	29.6%	29.3%
SG&A Exp.	6,452	6,364	6,172	5,886	5,958	6,429	7,066	8,521	1,924	1,948
D&A Exp.	1,524	1,735	1,820	1,863	1,962	2,140	2,433	3,783	191	203
Operating Profit	7,684	8,549	9,593	7,291	8,221	8,138	8,553	8,966	1,639	2,108
Op. Margin	13.3%	15.1%	16.6%	13.0%	14.4%	13.6%	12.9%	11.6%	12.8%	14.7%
Net Profit	5,130	5,721	6,220	7,608	5,055	4,552	5,269	5,537	906	1,246
Net Margin	8.9%	10.1%	10.7%	13.6%	8.8%	7.6%	7.9%	7.2%	7.1%	8.7%
Free Cash Flow	3,714	4,586	5,134	4,294	1,793	3,237	4,020	6,276	1,297	1,594
Income Tax	1,711	1,999	2,244	2,111	1,697	2,843	2,626	2,295	455	541

Balance Sheet Metrics

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total Assets	89,409	90,594	91,206	87,484	89,706	96,920	134,211	139,716	10,710	12,280
Cash & Equivalents	4,819	4,619	5,229	7,075	7,157	8,985	6,152	7,378	1,782	1,565
Acc. Receivable	11,099	11,458	10,448	10,653	11,481	12,595	14,271	13,524	3,309	3,117
Inventories	9,537	10,330	7,642	8,135	8,704	9,881	10,083	10,950	659	622
Goodwill & Int.	42,990	43,689	42,976	42,904	42,743	43,793	74,536	74,109	2,257	2,086
Total Liabilities	62,340	57,375	58,642	58,640	60,537	65,499	93,601	95,485	13,990	15,260
Accounts Payable	6,431	6,965	6,250	6,875	7,483	9,579	11,080	10,809	1,453	1,556
Long-Term Debt	23,221	20,241	19,701	20,425	23,901	27,485	45,537	43,648	5,963	7,273
Total Equity	25,914	31,866	31,213	27,358	27,579	29,610	38,446	41,774	-3,832	-3,625
LTD/E Ratio	0.90	0.64	0.63	0.75	0.87	0.93	1.18	1.04	-1.56	-2.01

Profitability & Per Share Metrics

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Return on Assets	6.8%	6.4%	6.8%	8.5%	5.7%	4.9%	4.6%	4.0%	8.9%	10.8%
Return on Equity	21.5%	19.8%	19.7%	26.0%	18.4%	15.9%	15.5%	13.8%	---	---
ROIC	12.3%	11.0%	11.8%	15.0%	9.9%	8.1%	7.3%	6.4%	36.6%	35.3%
Shares Out.	919	917	909	838	809	799	795	864	435	431
Revenue/Share	63.65	61.85	63.51	63.52	69.29	74.88	82.09	89.18	29.35	33.14
FCF/Share	4.10	5.01	5.63	4.86	2.17	4.05	4.96	7.26	2.98	3.70

Note: All figures in millions of U.S. Dollars unless per share or indicated otherwise.

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