

Dover Corporation (DOV)

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Key Metrics

Current Price:	\$146	5 Year CAGR Estimate:	10.0%	Market Cap:	\$20 B
Fair Value Price:	\$152	5 Year Growth Estimate:	8.0%	Ex-Dividend Date:	05/24/23 ¹
% Fair Value:	96%	5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate:	0.8%	Dividend Payment Date:	06/15/23 ²
Dividend Yield:	1.4%	5 Year Price Target	\$224	Years Of Dividend Growth:	67
Dividend Risk Score:	Α	Retirement Suitability Score:	В	Rating:	Buy

Overview & Current Events

Dover Corporation is a diversified global industrial manufacturer with annual revenues of nearly \$9 billion. Dover is composed of five reporting segments: Engineered Systems, Clean Energy & Fueling, Pumps & Process Solutions, Imaging & Identification, and Climate & Sustainability Technologies. Dover is a Dividend King with more than six decades of dividend increases. Slightly more than half of revenues come from the U.S., with the remainder coming from international markets.

On August 4th, 2022, Dover announced that it was raising its dividend 1% for the September 15th, 2022 payment, marking 67 consecutive years of dividend growth. This is the second-longest dividend growth streak among U.S. companies.

On April 26th, 2023, Dover reported first quarter results the period ending March 31st, 2023. For the quarter, revenue grew 1.5% to \$2.08 billion, which was in-line with expectations. Adjusted earnings-per-share of \$1.94 compared to \$1.90 in the prior year and was \$0.01 above estimates.

Organic revenue was 3% for the quarter. For the period, Engineered Products increased 3% organically, led by gains in waste handling. Clean Energy & Fueling was lower by 3% though the company saw growth in vehicle wash and fluid transport. Imaging & Identification was higher by 8% due to strength in core marking and coding and serialization software. Pumps & Process Solutions was down 7% as strength in industrial pumps, medical/thermal connectors, and precision components was more than offset by post-Covid-19 inventory normalization in biopharma. Climate & Sustainability Technologies was up 16% as all businesses and major product lines remained in high demand during the quarter. Dover's backlog fell 13% to \$3 billion, but more than doubled from 2019 levels.

Dover reaffirmed prior guidance for 2023. Adjusted earnings-per-share are expected in a range of \$8.85 to \$9.05, representing 5.9% growth at the midpoint. Revenue and organic growth are projected to be 3% to 5% for the year.

Growth on a Per-Share Basis

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2028
EPS	\$5.28	\$4.54	\$3.64	\$3.25	\$4.38	\$4.97	\$5.84	\$5.67	\$7.63	\$8.45	\$8.95	\$13.15
DPS	\$1.45	\$1.55	\$1.64	\$1.72	\$1.82	\$1.90	\$1.96	\$1.97	\$1.99	\$2.01	\$2.02	\$2.58
Shares ³	170	163	155	155	155	153	147	145	145	141	141	140

Dover's earnings-per-share have compounded at 5.4% annually since 2013. Growth has accelerated in the mediumterm, at an annual rate of more than 12% over the five years. Dover did suffer some setbacks during the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the company has quickly rebounded. We maintain our expected earnings growth rate of 8% per year through 2028.

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¹ Estimated ex-dividend date

² Estimated dividend payment date

³ In millions of shares



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With nearly seven decades of dividend growth, Dover is a Dividend King and owns one of the longest dividend growth streaks in the market.

Valuation Analysis

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Now	2028
Avg. P/E	15.4	18.5	18.5	20.7	19.5	17.6	16.4	18.7	23.8	16.0	16.3	17.0
Avg. Yld.	1.8%	1.8%	2.4%	2.6%	2.1%	2.2%	2.0%	1.9%	1.1%	1.5%	1.4%	1.2%

Shares of Dover have declined \$14, or 8.8%, since our February 4th, 2023 update. Shares trade with a price-to-earnings ratio of 16.3. We reaffirm our P/E target of 17 to reflect the company's average valuation over the last decade. If the company's P/E ratio reverts to its long-term average over the next five years then annualized returns would see a 0.8% benefit to total returns from multiple expansion during this time period.

Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

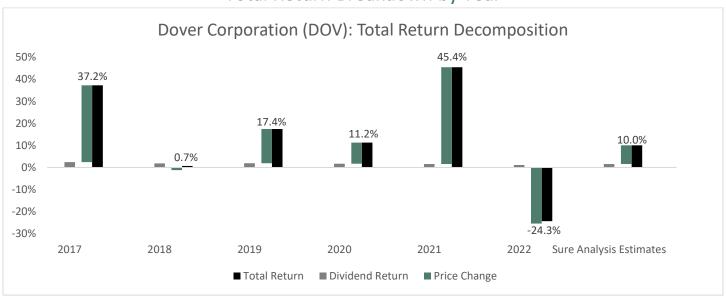
Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2028
Payout	28%	34%	45%	58%	42%	32%	34%	35%	26%	24%	23%	20%

Investors should keep in mind that Dover is vulnerable to recessions due to its cyclical nature. In 2009, its earnings-pershare plunged 45%, from \$3.67 to \$2.00. Accordingly, this stock should not be seen as a defensive portfolio constituent. Dover's key competitive advantage is its focus on niche industries. The company offers highly engineered products that customers have come to depend on, as switching to a different provider may not yield the same results for their businesses.

Final Thoughts & Recommendation

After first quarter results, Dover Corporation is now projected to offer a total annual return of 10.0% through 2028, up from our prior estimate of 8.0%. Our estimated return is based on 8% earnings growth, a starting yield of 1.4%, and a small tailwind from multiple expansion. The majority of Dover's businesses continue to see growth as demand is elevated in many areas. We have reaffirmed our five-year price target of \$224 due to EPS estimates, but now rate shares of Dover as a buy due to projected returns.

Total Return Breakdown by Year



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Income Statement Metrics

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Revenue	7,155	7,753	6,956	6,043	6,821	6,992	7,136	6,684	7,907	8,508
Gross Profit	2,779	2,974	2,568	2,228	2,529	2,560	2,621	2,474	2,970	3,064
Gross Margin	38.8%	38.4%	36.9%	36.9%	37.1%	36.6%	36.7%	37.0%	37.6%	36.0%
SG&A Exp.	1,617	1,759	1,647	1,519	1,722	1,716	1,599	1,541	1,688	1,684
D&A Exp.	278	307	327	250	283	283	272	279	290	308
Operating Profit	1,162	1,215	921	709	807	843	1,022	933	1,282	1,379
Operating Margin	16.2%	15.7%	13.2%	11.7%	11.8%	12.1%	14.3%	14.0%	16.2%	16.2%
Net Profit	1,003	775	870	509	812	570	678	683	1,124	1,065
Net Margin	14.0%	10.0%	12.5%	8.4%	11.9%	8.2%	9.5%	10.2%	14.2%	12.5%
Free Cash Flow	1,011	810	681	723	666	628	759	939	944	585
Income Tax	248	316	205	183	129	134	165	158	277	222

Balance Sheet Metrics

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total Assets	10,855	9,030	8,606	10,116	10,658	8,366	8,669	9,152	10,404	10,897
Cash & Equivalents	804	682	362	349	754	396	397	513	386	381
Accounts Receivable	1,077	1,187	1,120	1,265	1,184	1,232	1,217	1,137	1,348	1,517
Inventories	715	864	803	870	677	749	806	836	1,191	1,367
Goodwill & Int. Ass.	4,367	4,861	5,151	6,366	4,969	4,812	4,838	5,156	5,918	6,003
Total Liabilities	5,478	5,330	4,962	6,316	6,275	5,597	5,637	5,766	6,214	6,610
Accounts Payable	523	615	651	830	882	970	983	854	1,074	
Long-Term Debt	2,828	3,031	2,755	3,621	3,568	3,164	3,070	3,109	3,124	3,678
Shareholder's Equity	5,377	3,701	3,645	3,800	4,383	2,769	3,033	3,386	4,190	4,286
LTD/E Ratio	0.53	0.82	0.76	0.95	0.81	1.14	1.01	0.92	0.75	0.86

Profitability & Per Share Metrics

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Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Return on Assets	9.4%	7.8%	9.9%	5.4%	7.8%	6.0%	8.0%	7.7%	11.5%	10.0%
Return on Equity	19.5%	17.1%	23.7%	13.7%	19.8%	15.9%	23.4%	21.3%	29.7%	25.1%
ROIC	12.6%	10.4%	13.2%	7.4%	10.6%	8.2%	11.3%	10.9%	16.3%	13.9%
Shares Out.	170	163	155	155	155	153	147	145	145	141
Revenue/Share	41.23	45.92	43.70	38.58	43.24	45.96	48.55	45.97	54.43	59.25
FCF/Share	5.82	4.80	4.28	4.62	4.22	4.13	5.16	6.46	6.50	4.07

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

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