Siemens AG (SIEGY)

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Key Metrics

Current Price:	$91	**5 Year CAGR Estimate:**	9.3%	**Market Cap:**	$140B
Fair Value Price:	$95	**5 Year Growth Estimate:**	6.0%	**Ex-Dividend Date:**	02/03/25[1]
% Fair Value:	96%	**5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate:**	0.9%	**Dividend Payment Date:**	02/12/25[2]
Dividend Yield:	2.8%	**5 Year Price Target**	$127	**Years Of Dividend Growth:**	3
Dividend Risk Score:	B	**Retirement Suitability Score:**	B	**Rating:**	Hold

Overview & Current Events

Siemens AG is a German industrial conglomerate that operates in the following business units: Energy, Healthcare, Industry, and Infrastructure & Cities. Siemens was founded in 1847 and today employs about 308,000 people worldwide. Siemens is headquartered in Munich, Germany. American investors can purchase Siemens stock through American Depository Receipts that trade over-the-counter under the ticker SIEGY. Siemens reports its results in €, but all numbers in this report are in U.S. Dollars unless noted otherwise.

Siemens AG reported its third quarter (fiscal 2024) earnings results on August 8. The company generated revenues of €18.9 billion, which is equal to around $21 billion, and which was 4% more than the revenues during the previous year's quarter on an adjusted basis. Siemens' orders did come in ahead of revenues, at €19.8 billion, which was a solid order intake pace. The fact that Siemens was able to generate higher orders than revenues and to maintain a book-to-bill ratio north of 1.0 bodes well for future revenue growth.

Siemens' earnings-per-ADR totaled €1.33 during the third quarter, which is equal to around $1.48, which was down slightly compared to the previous quarter, during which margins were higher. The ongoing Russia-Ukraine war poses a headwind for Siemens' business, but the company nevertheless was pretty successful in its most recent fiscal year, FY 2023. Siemens expects revenue growth of 4% to 8% for the current year, while the company also forecasts that its earnings-per-share will total around €10.40 to €11.00 this year. This equates to around $5.90 in profit on a per-ADR basis, as one share is equal to two ADRs. Siemens' annual dividend during the current year has had its ex-date pass in early February, the dividend was 11% higher in € and was also up substantially in USD.

Growth on a Per-Share Basis

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2029
EPS	$3.91	$3.53	$3.60	$4.27	$4.53	$3.81	$3.00	$4.78	$2.88	$5.92	***$5.95***	***$7.96***
DPS	$2.05	$1.88	$1.91	$2.17	$2.30	$2.17	$2.15	$2.11	$2.26	$2.29	***$2.54***	***$3.24***
Shares[3]	1690	1620	1620	1620	1620	1610	1610	1600	1580	1580	***1570***	***1550***

Between 2009 and 2019, Siemens recorded an earnings-per-share growth rate of 9% annually. During 2009 Siemens' earnings were artificially low due to the impact of the last financial crisis, which allowed for above-average growth during the years of the following recovery. The above table is in USD, which has strengthened over the years, which hurts the comparison for companies that report their results in €.

During 2019 Siemens' profits declined, but this was due to the Osram spin-off. Adjusted for that, Siemens' earnings rose by 15%. Siemens' strong order backlog and the fact that Siemens is holding a solid position in growth markets such as manufacturing 4.0, will allow Siemens to grow its profits over the coming years. Siemens does, as one of just a few German companies, regularly engage in buybacks. Due to its strong order backlog and leading market position Siemens has weathered the pandemic relatively well, despite some temporary factory shutdowns.

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[1] Estimated date
[2] Estimated date
[3] In Millions

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Valuation Analysis

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Now	2029
Avg. P/E	16.6	15.2	14.3	15.3	14.3	13.6	23.3	18.4	17.0	12.0	***15.3***	***16.0***
Avg. Yld.	3.2%	3.5%	3.7%	3.3%	3.6%	4.2%	3.1%	2.6%	4.6%	3.2%	***2.8%***	***2.5%***

Siemens' shares have been valued at a mid-teens price-to-earnings multiple throughout the majority of the last decade. Industrial businesses can be cyclical, and their stock prices and valuations tend to be cyclical as well, but surprisingly there are no large outliers in Siemens' valuation throughout the last decade, except for pandemic-impacted 2020. Shares trade slightly below our fair value estimate right now, based on estimates for the current year.

Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2029
Payout	52.4%	53.3%	53.1%	50.8%	50.8%	57.0%	71.6%	47.4%	78.5%	38.7%	***42.7%***	***40.7%***

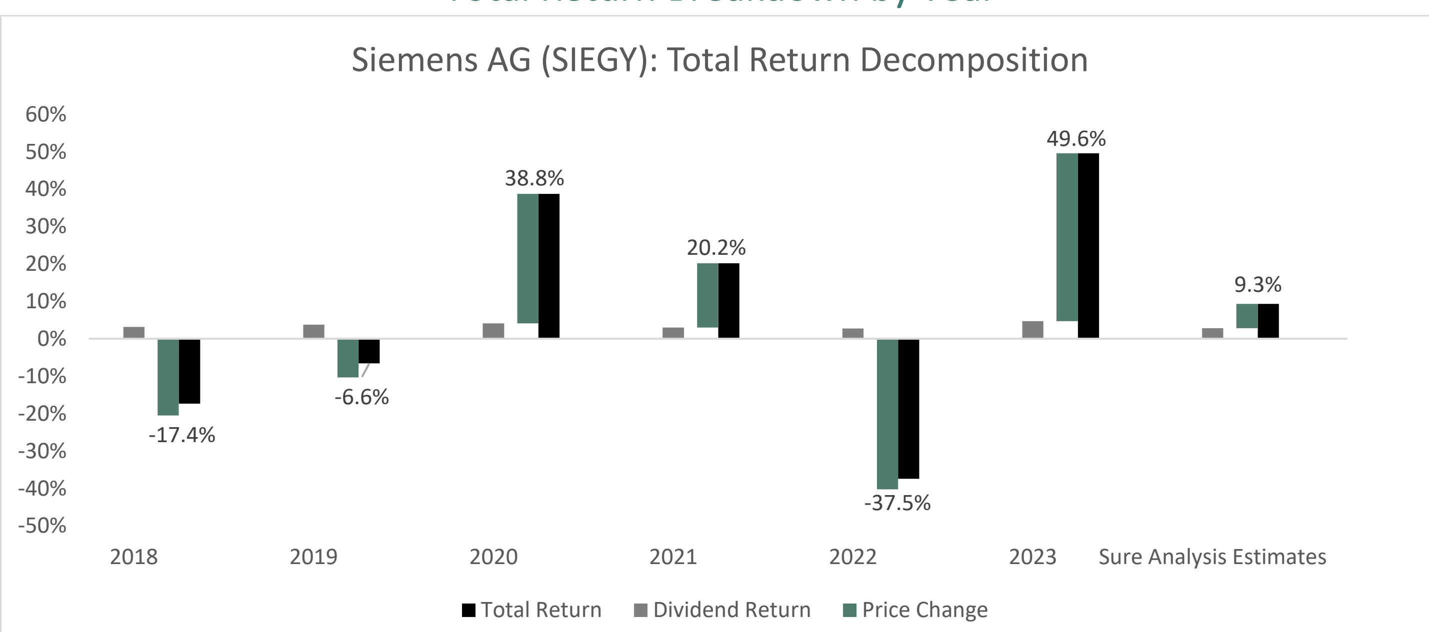
Siemens' dividend payout ratio has been around 50% throughout the majority of the last decade, but during the financial crisis there were large swings in the company's payout ratio. The company was not forced to cut its payout during the last financial crisis. We believe that Siemens' dividend remains relatively safe going forward.

One of Siemens' most important competitive advantages is its robust industrial backlog. The company typically books more business than it is capable of completing at any given time, which causes it to operate with a book-to-bill ratio (new contracts divided by total revenue) above 1.0. This has resulted in a large backlog of uncompleted business over time. This helps in times when order intake slows down, which is expected for the remainder of the current year, due to the impact that the coronavirus has on the globe's economy, although lockdown-induced production stops still hurt.

Final Thoughts & Recommendation

Siemens is a large and diversified industrial company that has managed to generate solid business growth in the past. The company is, due to its large backlog and solid order intake, relatively resilient in recessions. 2023 was a strong year for the company, while profits will likely be relatively flat this year. With shares trading close to fair value and offering solid total returns, we rate Siemens a hold at current prices.

Total Return Breakdown by Year



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Income Statement Metrics

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Revenue	96,666	86,852	88,461	91,472	98,854	65,984	61,915	74,413	78,091	83,140
Gross Profit	27,629	25,087	26,455	27,645	29,596	24,409	22,286	27,174	28,043	31,701
Gross Margin	28.6%	28.9%	29.9%	30.2%	29.9%	37.0%	36.0%	36.5%	35.9%	38.1%
SG&A Exp.	13,829	13,101	12,961	13,644	15,405	12,059	11,970	13,374	13,949	14,904
D&A Exp.	3,240	2,927	3,070	3,545	4,070	2,572	3,471	3,675	3,863	3,857
Operating Profit	8,292	6,672	7,930	7,973	7,038	6,887	4,915	7,673	7,894	9,881
Op. Margin	8.6%	7.7%	9.0%	8.7%	7.1%	10.4%	7.9%	10.3%	10.1%	11.9%
Net Profit	7,292	8,362	6,053	6,580	6,913	5,838	4,516	7,363	4,039	8,498
Net Margin	7.5%	9.6%	6.8%	7.2%	7.0%	8.8%	7.3%	9.9%	5.2%	10.2%
Free Cash Flow	7,175	5,414	6,082	5,266	6,932	7,532	8,252	9,879	8,850	10,713
Income Tax	2,733	2,146	2,230	2,371	2,445	2,003	1,508	2,224	2,974	2,873

Balance Sheet Metrics

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total Assets ($B)	133	135	144	160	161	164	145	162	149	154
Cash & Equivalents	10,168	11,204	11,896	9,866	12,859	13,557	16,485	11,071	10,286	10,674
Acc. Receivable	15,908	15,650	18,518	17,477	19,268	18,521	14,172	15,388	14,415	16,358
Inventories	20,894	21,667	14,153	15,428	15,247	15,193	8,446	9,534	10,072	11,919
Goodwill & Int.	28,351	35,155	35,789	45,750	44,709	43,720	29,689	46,974	45,271	45,373
Total Liab. ($B)	93	96	104	108	106	109	99	105	95	97
Accounts Payable	9,636	8,747	9,033	11,493	12,452	12,483	9,243	10,244	10,140	10,723
Long-Term Debt	26,379	33,210	34,741	37,827	37,263	39,762	49,002	53,090	46,819	46,228
Total Equity	39,278	38,790	38,586	50,871	52,841	52,654	42,724	51,221	48,058	50,587
LTD/E Ratio	0.67	0.86	0.90	0.74	0.71	0.76	1.15	1.04	0.97	0.91

Profitability & Per Share Metrics

Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Return on Assets	5.4%	6.2%	4.3%	4.3%	4.3%	3.6%	2.9%	4.8%	2.6%	5.6%
Return on Equity	18.9%	21.4%	15.6%	14.7%	13.3%	11.1%	9.5%	15.7%	8.1%	17.2%
ROIC	11.0%	12.0%	8.3%	8.0%	7.5%	6.2%	4.7%	7.2%	3.8%	8.4%
Shares Out.	1690	1620	1620	1620	1620	1610	1610	1600	1580	1580
Revenue/Share	56.73	52.14	53.95	55.16	59.67	40.32	37.88	45.85	48.22	51.88
FCF/Share	4.21	3.25	3.71	3.18	4.18	4.60	5.05	6.09	5.47	6.68

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