

# PepsiCo, Inc (PEP)

Updated October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 by Nathan Parsh

### **Key Metrics**

<b>Current Price:</b>	\$148	5 Year Annual Expected	Total Return	: 14.9%	Market Cap:	\$203 B
Fair Value Price:	\$196	5 Year Growth Estimate	:	6.0%	Ex-Dividend Date:	12/05/25 <sup>1</sup>
% Fair Value:	76%	5 Year Valuation Multip	le Estimate:	5.8%	<b>Dividend Payment Date:</b>	01/05/26 <sup>2</sup>
Dividend Yield:	3.8%	5 Year Price Target		\$262	<b>Years Of Dividend Growth</b>	n: 53
Dividend Risk Score:	Α	Sector:	Consumer S	taples	Rating:	Buy

#### **Overview & Current Events**

PepsiCo is a global food and beverage company that generates \$89 billion in annual sales. The company's products include Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Frito-Lay chips, Gatorade, Tropicana orange juice and Quaker foods. The company has more than 20 \$1 billion brands in its portfolio. PepsiCo was founded in 1898 and currently employs 319,000 people around the world.

On February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, PepsiCo announced that it would increase its annualized dividend by 5.0% to \$5.69 starting with the payment that was made in June 2025, extending the company's dividend growth streak to 53 consecutive years.

On October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, PepsiCo reported third quarter earnings results for the period ending September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. For the quarter, revenue grew 2.7% to \$23.9 billion, which beat estimates by \$90 million. Adjusted earnings-per-share of \$2.29 compared unfavorably to \$2.31 the prior year, but this was \$0.03 better than expected. Currency exchange acted as a 0.5% tailwind to revenue, but was a 2% headwind to adjusted earnings-per-share.

Organic sales grew 1.3% for the third quarter. For the period, volumes for both beverages and foods were down 1%. PepsiCo Beverages North America's organic revenue grew 2% for the period even as volume declined by 3%. Revenue for PepsiCo Foods North America decreased 3%, largely due to divestitures. Food volume decreased 4%. The International Beverages segment fell 1%, primarily due to lower volume. Revenues in Europe/Middle East/Africa were up 5.5%. Food volume declined 1%, but this was offset by a 1.5% gain in beverages. Latin America Foods increased 4% and Asia Pacific Foods grew 1%.

PepsiCo reaffirmed prior guidance for 2025, with the company still expecting organic sales in the low single-digit range. The company still expects earnings-per-share that is in-line with last year's result.

#### Growth on a Per-Share Basis

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2030
EPS	\$4.66	\$4.85	\$5.23	\$5.65	\$5.53	\$5.52	\$6.26	\$6.42	\$7.62	\$8.16	\$8.16	\$10.92
DPS	\$2.79	\$2.96	\$3.12	\$3.47	\$3.82	\$4.02	\$4.25	\$4.53	\$4.83	\$5.24	\$5.69	\$7.61
Shares <sup>3</sup>	1448	1428	1420	1410	1400	1388	1390	1385	1381	1377	1372	1360

PepsiCo grew earnings at a rate of 6.4% per year from 2015 to 2024, but this growth rate expands to 8.1% when looking at just the last five years. We reaffirm our expected earnings growth rate of 6% as this better reflects the long-term growth trends for the company as well its portfolio of billion dollar brands. PepsiCo's growth over this time period will accrue from organic sales growth and share repurchases.

PepsiCo has raised its dividend for more than 50 consecutive years, making the company a member of the Dividend Kings.

Disclosure: This analyst has a long position in the security discussed in this research report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Estimated ex-dividend date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Estimated dividend payment date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Share count in millions



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## **Valuation Analysis**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Now	2030
Avg. P/E	20.7	21.4	21.6	19.1	26.3	28.8	31.6	32.9	26.9	18.6	18.1	24.0
Avg. Yld.	2.9%	2.9%	2.8%	3.1%	2.9%	2.9%	2.4%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%	3.8%	2.9%

Shares of PepsiCo have gained \$4, or 2.8%, since our July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 report. Based off earnings guidance for 2025, the stock has a P/E of 18.1. The stock has an average P/E ratio of 24.8 over the last decade and 27.8 over the last five years. We are reaffirming our 2030 target P/E of 24 to better match the stock's average valuation over the medium-term. Reaching our target by then would add 5.8% to annual returns over this period. Shares offer a 3.8% yield currently, which is ahead of the stock's long-term average yield of 2.9%.

## Safety, Quality, Competitive Advantage, & Recession Resiliency

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2030
Payout	60%	61%	60%	61%	69%	73%	68%	71%	63%	64%	70%	<i>70%</i>

PepsiCo is a relatively recession-proof company. Earnings grew during the last recession and it offers a generous dividend yield. The company is expecting to return \$8.6 billion in cash to shareholders in the form of dividends and share repurchases in 2025. PepsiCo has several key competitive advantages that set it apart from the competition. The company is one of the largest in its sector, which gives it pricing power with vendors. While known for their carbonated beverages, Pepsi's food and snacks make up slightly more than half of sales. PepsiCo has also adjusted to changing consumer habits. The company's line of "Better for You" offerings are designed to meet consumers' desire for healthier food and drink options. Products with less than 70 calories from added sugar make up about half of sales.

### Final Thoughts & Recommendation

After third quarter earnings results, PepsiCo is projected to produce an annual return of 14.9% through 2030, down from our prior estimate of 15.5%. Our projected return stems from a 6.0% earnings growth rate, a starting yield of 3.8%, and a mid-single-digit contribution from multiple expansion. PepsiCo's results were mixed within its segments, but the company has an incredible portfolio of products. We reaffirm our 2030 price target of \$262 due to EPS estimates for the year. We again note the higher than usual yield for the stock as well as its noteworthy dividend growth steak. PepsiCo continues to receive a buy recommendation due to projected returns and a strong dividend risk score.

## Total Return Breakdown by Year



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#### **Income Statement Metrics**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Revenue	63,056	62,799	63,525	64,661	67,161	70,372	79,474	86,392	91,471	91,854
Gross Profit	34,325	34,577	34,729	35,280	37,029	38,575	42,399	45,816	49,590	50,110
Gross Margin	54.4%	55.1%	54.7%	54.6%	55.1%	54.8%	53.3%	53.0%	54.2%	54.6%
SG&A Exp.	24,613	24,773	24,453	25,170	26,738	28,453	31,237	34,459	36,677	37,190
D&A Exp.	2,416	2,368	2,369	2,399	2,844	3,026	3,215	3,280	3,518	3,815
<b>Operating Profit</b>	9,712	9,804	10,276	10,110	10,291	10,122	11,162	11,357	12,913	12,920
Op. Margin	15.4%	15.6%	16.2%	15.6%	15.3%	14.4%	14.0%	13.1%	14.1%	14.1%
Net Profit	5,452	6,329	4,857	12,515	7,314	7,120	7,618	8,910	9,074	9,578
Net Margin	8.6%	10.1%	7.6%	19.4%	10.9%	10.1%	9.6%	10.3%	9.9%	10.4%
Free Cash Flow	8,106	7,623	7,061	6,133	5,417	6,373	6,991	5,604	7,924	7,189
Income Tax	1,941	2,174	4,694	-3,370	1,959	1,894	2,142	1,727	2,262	2,320

#### **Balance Sheet Metrics**

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Assets	69,667	73,490	79,804	77,648	78,547	92,918	92,377	92,187	100,495	99,467
Cash & Equivalents	9,096	9,158	10,610	8,721	5,509	8,185	5,596	4,954	9,711	8,505
Acc. Receivable	5,497	5,709	5,956	6,079	6,447	6,892	7,172	8,192	8,675	8,487
Inventories	2,720	2,723	2,947	3,128	3,338	4,172	4,347	5,222	5,334	5,306
Goodwill & Int.	27,258	27,863	28,582	30,633	31,544	38,072	37,046	33,788	32,657	32,335
Total Liabilities	57,637	62,291	68,823	63,046	63,679	79,366	76,226	74,914	81,858	81,296
Accounts Payable	5,546	6,158	6,727	7,213	8,013	8,853	9,834	10,732	11,635	10,997
Long-Term Debt	33,284	36,945	39,281	32,321	32,068	44,150	40,334	39,071	44,105	44,306
Total Equity	11,882	11,054	10,848	14,518	14,786	13,454	16,043	17,149	18,503	18,041
LTD/E Ratio	2.79	3.33	3.61	2.23	2.17	3.28	2.51	2.28	2.38	2.46

## **Profitability & Per Share Metrics**

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Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Return on Assets	7.8%	8.8%	6.3%	15.9%	9.4%	8.3%	8.2%	9.7%	9.4%	9.6%
Return on Equity	36.9%	54.5%	43.8%	97.8%	49.6%	50.1%	51.3%	53.3%	50.5%	52.0%
ROIC	11.9%	13.5%	9.9%	25.8%	15.6%	13.6%	13.3%	15.8%	15.2%	15.3%
Shares Out.	1448	1428	1420	1410	1400	1388	1390	1385	1381	1377
Revenue/Share	42.46	43.25	44.18	45.38	47.73	50.55	57.22	62.29	66.14	66.66
FCF/Share	5.46	5.25	4.91	4.30	3.85	4.58	5.03	4.04	5.73	5.22

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

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