



# Stanley Black & Decker, Inc. (SWK)

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## Key Metrics

|                             |      |                                             |             |                                  |          |
|-----------------------------|------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Current Price:</b>       | \$77 | <b>5 Year Annual Expected Total Return:</b> | 11.8%       | <b>Market Cap:</b>               | \$12 B   |
| <b>Fair Value Price:</b>    | \$80 | <b>5 Year Growth Estimate:</b>              | 8.0%        | <b>Ex-Dividend Date:</b>         | 06/08/26 |
| <b>% Fair Value:</b>        | 97%  | <b>5 Year Valuation Multiple Estimate:</b>  | 0.6%        | <b>Dividend Payment Date:</b>    | 06/23/26 |
| <b>Dividend Yield:</b>      | 4.3% | <b>5 Year Price Target</b>                  | \$117       | <b>Years Of Dividend Growth:</b> | 58       |
| <b>Dividend Risk Score:</b> | B    | <b>Sector:</b>                              | Industrials | <b>Rating:</b>                   | Hold     |

## Overview & Current Events

Stanley Black & Decker is a world leader in power tools, hand tools, and related items. The company holds the top global position in tools and storage sales. Stanley Black & Decker is second in the world in the areas of commercial electronic security and engineered fastening. Stanley Works and Black & Decker merged in 2010 to form the current company, though the company can trace its history back to 1843. Black & Decker was founded in Baltimore, MD in 1910 and manufactured the world's first portable power tool. The company is one of just 55 Dividend Kings.

On April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Stanley Black & Decker reported first quarter results for the period ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026. For the quarter, revenue grew 2.9% to \$3.85 billion, which topped expectations by \$100 million. Adjusted earnings-per-share of \$0.80 compared to \$0.75 in the prior year and was \$0.21 ahead of estimates.

Companywide organic growth was flat for the quarter as price increases were offset by weaker volume. Organic sales for Tools & Outdoor, the largest segment within the company, was down 1% for the quarter. North America fell 2%, Europe improved 1%, and the rest of the world was unchanged. Retail in North America was weaker, but this was largely offset by a strong selling season in outdoor products. Pro sales were solid in the U.S. commercial and industrial channel. The Industrial segment grew 7% as volume was up 6% and pricing added 1%. Aerospace growth remained strong and automotive outperformed the market. Industrial volume did decline. The adjusted gross margin contracted 20 basis points to 30.2% for the period. Stanley Black & Decker has achieved more than \$2.0 billion of cost savings since it began restructuring the company. The company reported that it had completed its previously announced divestiture of its Consolidated Aerospace Manufacturing business to Howmet Aerospace (HWM) for \$1.8 billion in cash. Proceeds of ~\$1.6 billion were used to pay down debt. Additionally, the company announced a new \$500 million share repurchase authorization.

Stanley Black & Decker reaffirmed prior guidance for 2026 as well. The company expects adjusted earnings-per-share to be in a range of \$4.90 to \$5.70 for the year.

## Growth on a Per-Share Basis

| Year                      | 2016   | 2017   | 2018   | 2019   | 2020   | 2021    | 2022   | 2023   | 2024   | 2025   | 2026          | 2031          |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>EPS</b>                | \$6.51 | \$7.43 | \$8.15 | \$8.40 | \$9.04 | \$11.20 | \$4.62 | \$1.45 | \$4.36 | \$4.67 | <b>\$5.30</b> | <b>\$7.79</b> |
| <b>DPS</b>                | \$2.26 | \$2.42 | \$2.58 | \$2.76 | \$2.78 | \$2.98  | \$3.18 | \$3.22 | \$3.26 | \$3.30 | <b>\$3.32</b> | <b>\$3.67</b> |
| <b>Shares<sup>1</sup></b> | 153    | 154    | 152    | 153    | 157    | 159     | 148    | 150    | 151    | 151    | <b>152</b>    | <b>145</b>    |

Stanley Black & Decker's earnings-per-share have declined 3.6% annually over the last decade and 13.9% over the last five years. The company remained profitable over the Great Recession, but saw earnings decline 15% in 2008 and 20% in 2009. In the years since, Stanley Black & Decker had generally seen its earnings-per-share rise consistently before 2022. The company did return to year-over-year growth in 2024 and 2025 and has guided towards a meaningful gain this year.

We reaffirm our expectation that the company to grow earnings-per-share at a rate of 8% annually going forward as Stanley Black & Decker's results are starting from a low base. Combined with the leading brands that the company

<sup>1</sup> Share count in millions

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offers, this should help propel growth once supply chain constraints and higher inflationary pressures ease. We reaffirm our dividend growth forecast of 2% annually as this matches the five-year growth rate.

## Valuation Analysis

| Year      | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | Now  | 2031 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Avg. P/E  | 17.2 | 19.1 | 17.5 | 16.9 | 17.6 | 16.8 | 16.3 | 67.7 | 18.4 | 15.9 | 14.5 | 15.0 |
| Avg. Yld. | 2.0% | 1.7% | 1.8% | 1.9% | 1.9% | 1.6% | 4.2% | 3.3% | 4.1% | 4.4% | 4.3% | 3.1% |

Shares of Stanley Black & Decker have declined \$12, or 13.5%, since our February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026 update. Based on our earnings estimate for 2026, the stock now trades with a price-to-earnings ratio, or P/E, of 14.5. The average multiple over the last decade is more than 22 times earnings, but we believe the P/E ratio for 2023 to be an outlier. Excluding that year, the average P/E was 15.6 over this period. We reaffirm our target P/E of 15. If shares were to revert to our target P/E by 2031, then multiple expansion would add 0.6% to annual returns over this period. We again note that Stanley Black & Decker's yield remains near the high end of its range over the past decade.

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

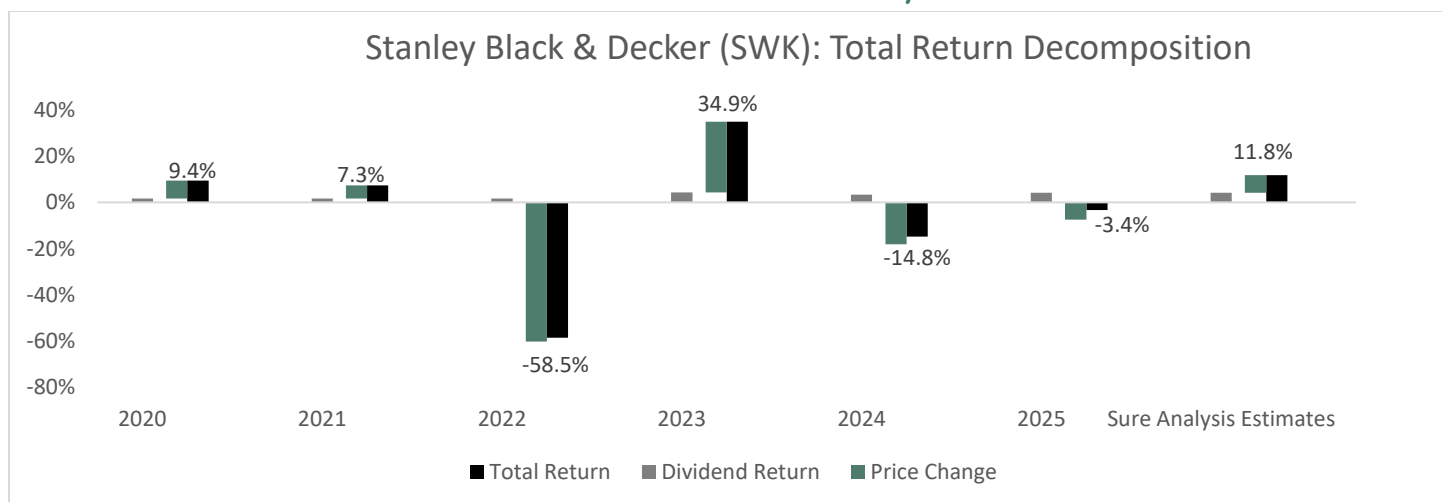
| Year   | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2031 |
|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Payout | 35%  | 33%  | 32%  | 33%  | 31%  | 27%  | 69%  | 222% | 75%  | 71%  | 63%  | 47%  |

As seen during the 2008/2009-time period, Stanley Black & Decker is not recession-proof, but investors who were willing to hold shares of the company from the 2008 lows have seen their shares grow enormously. The company's typically low payout ratio does make it likely that dividends will continue rising even through a serious economic downturn. Stanley Black & Decker's key competitive advantage is that its products are well-known and respected by customers. This was why the company has been able to increase prices in certain product categories over the years and not see a decline in sales. Stanley Black & Decker has also been very active in making strategic acquisitions to help grow the company. For example, adding the Craftsman Brand has been a meaningful contributor to results since the 2017 acquisition.

## Final Thoughts & Recommendation

Stanley Black & Decker is now expected to produce an annual return of 11.8% through 2031, up from our prior estimate of 8.6%. This projection stems from 8% earnings growth, a starting yield of 4.3%, and a small tailwind from multiple expansion. Stanley Black & Decker continues to work through the challenges in its business, including tariffs, but cost reductions have been beneficial to the company. We continue to view shares of Stanley Black & Decker as a hold due to weak dividend growth over the last few years. We note that the company has raised its dividend for nearly six decades.

## Total Return Breakdown by Year



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## Income Statement Metrics

| Year             | 2016   | 2017   | 2018   | 2019   | 2020   | 2021   | 2022   | 2023   | 2024   | 2025   |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Revenue          | 11,407 | 12,967 | 13,982 | 12,913 | 13,058 | 15,281 | 16,947 | 15,781 | 15,366 | 15,130 |
| Gross Profit     | 4,289  | 4,834  | 4,899  | 4,268  | 4,455  | 5,079  | 4,103  | 4,100  | 4,601  | 4,588  |
| Gross Margin     | 37.6%  | 37.3%  | 35.0%  | 33.1%  | 34.1%  | 33.2%  | 24.2%  | 26.0%  | 29.9%  | 30.3%  |
| SG&A Exp.        | 2,602  | 2,983  | 3,144  | 2,542  | 2,600  | 3,193  | 3,356  | 3,282  | 3,311  | 3,333  |
| D&A Exp.         | 408    | 461    | 507    | 560    | 578    | 577    | 572    | 625    | 590    | 512    |
| Operating Profit | 1,665  | 1,872  | 1,885  | 1,771  | 1,949  | 2,070  | 914    | 909    | 1,350  | 1,015  |
| Operating Margin | 14.6%  | 14.4%  | 13.5%  | 13.7%  | 14.9%  | 13.5%  | 5.4%   | 5.8%   | 8.8%   | 6.7%   |
| Net Profit       | 965    | 1,227  | 606    | 958    | 1,188  | 1,552  | 172    | (282)  | 286    | 402    |
| Net Margin       | 8.5%   | 9.5%   | 4.3%   | 7.4%   | 9.1%   | 10.2%  | 1.0%   | -1.8%  | 1.9%   | 2.7%   |
| Free Cash Flow   | 1,138  | 226    | 769    | 1,081  | 1,674  | 144    | (1990) | 853    | 753    | 688    |
| Income Tax       | 261    | 301    | 416    | 127    | 43     | 55     | (132)  | (94)   | (45)   | 16     |

## Balance Sheet Metrics

| Year                 | 2016   | 2017   | 2018   | 2019   | 2020   | 2021   | 2022   | 2023   | 2024   | 2025   |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total Assets         | 15,635 | 19,098 | 19,408 | 20,597 | 23,566 | 28,180 | 24,963 | 23,664 | 21,849 | 21,244 |
| Cash & Equivalents   | 1,132  | 655    | 311    | 315    | 1,259  | 150    | 405    | 454    | 293    | 287    |
| Accounts Receivable  | 1,200  | 1,466  | 1,485  | 1,328  | 1,099  | 1,378  | 1,136  | 1,048  | 932    | 920    |
| Inventories          | 1,478  | 2,018  | 2,374  | 2,255  | 2,639  | 5,420  | 5,861  | 4,739  | 4,536  | 4,157  |
| Goodwill & Int. Ass. | 8,994  | 12,284 | 12,441 | 12,860 | 11,924 | 13,286 | 12,978 | 11,946 | 11,636 | 10,375 |
| Total Liabilities    | 9,261  | 10,793 | 11,568 | 11,454 | 12,500 | 16,588 | 15,249 | 14,608 | 13,129 | 12,189 |
| Accounts Payable     | 1,640  | 2,021  | 2,233  | 2,088  | 2,320  | 3,424  | 2,344  | 2,299  | 2,437  | 2,163  |
| Long-Term Debt       | 3,823  | 3,806  | 3,822  | 3,575  | 4,585  | 4,679  | 5,681  | 6,481  | 6,468  | 5,258  |
| Shareholder's Equity | 6,367  | 7,552  | 7,086  | 7,636  | 9,689  | 10,970 | 9,712  | 9,056  | 8,720  |        |
| LTD/E Ratio          | 0.60   | 0.46   | 0.54   | 0.44   | 0.42   | 0.61   | 0.81   | 0.85   | 0.76   | 0.65   |

## Profitability & Per Share Metrics

| Year             | 2016  | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020  | 2021  | 2022    | 2023   | 2024   | 2025  |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| Return on Assets | 6.3%  | 7.1%  | 3.1%  | 4.8%  | 5.4%  | 6.0%  | 0.6%    | -1.2%  | 1.3%   | 1.9%  |
| Return on Equity | 15.8% | 16.7% | 7.5%  | 11.3% | 11.8% | 13.7% | 1.6%    | -3.0%  | 3.2%   | 4.5%  |
| ROIC             | 9.7%  | 11.0% | 5.0%  | 7.6%  | 8.2%  | 9.0%  | 0.9%    | -1.6%  | 1.8%   | 2.7%  |
| Shares Out.      | 153   | 154   | 152   | 153   | 157   | 159   | 148     | 150    | 151    | 151   |
| Revenue/Share    | 76.97 | 85.06 | 92.21 | 82.57 | 80.39 | 92.60 | 114.38  | 105.38 | 101.56 | 99.62 |
| FCF/Share        | 7.68  | 1.48  | 5.07  | 6.91  | 10.31 | 0.87  | (13.43) | 5.69   | 4.98   | 4.53  |

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

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