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DETAILED STOCK REPORT

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Score Averages

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Last Close <b>3,843.40</b> (INR)	Avg Daily Vol <b>2.6M</b>	52-Week High <b>4,254.75</b>	Trailing PE <b>30.5</b>	Annual Div <b>51.00</b>	ROE <b>50.8%</b>	LTG Forecast <b>8.2%</b>	1-Mo Return <b>-2.6%</b>
2024 May 03 NSE Exchange	Market Cap	52-Week Low <b>3,156.00</b>	Forward PE <b>27.1</b>	Dividend Yield 1.3%	Annual Rev <b>2.4T</b>	Inst Own <b>15.7%</b>	3-Mo Return <b>-3.1%</b>

#### **AVERAGE SCORE**

POSITIVE OUTLOOK: TCS is currently among an exclusive group of 217 stocks awarded our highest score of 10.

**AVERAGE** SCORE

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	Software 8	k IT Serv	rices Gro	oup: <b>5.7</b>	,	Large	Market Cap: 6.8
	Software 8	IT Serv	ices Sec	ctor: <b>5.7</b>	•	BSE Se	ensex Index: 8.1
Peers		-6M	-3M	-1 <b>M</b>	-1W	Current	1Y Trend
TCS		9	7	7	10	10	
INFY		6	5	7	7	9	
WIPRO	)	5	5	5	7	9	
HCLTE	:CH	9	8	8	9	8	

#### 10 Positive Neutral 4 Negative 2021-05 2022-05 2024-05 2023-05

Average Score Trend (4-Week Moving Avg)

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The score for Tata Consultancy Services has been on a positive trend from 7 to 10 over the past 6 weeks.
- The recent change in the Average Score was due to an improvement in more than three of the underlying component scores.

#### I/B/E/S MEAN

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43	Analysts	s

LTIM

Mean recommendation from all analysts covering the company on a standardized 5-point scale.





#### PRICE AND VOLUME CHARTS





#### **BUSINESS SUMMARY**

Tata Consultancy Services Limited (TCS) is an India-based company engaged in providing information technology (IT) services, consulting, and business solutions. It operates through Banking; Capital Markets; Consumer Goods and Distribution; Communications, Media, and Information Services; Education; Energy, Resources, and Utilities; Healthcare; High Tech; Insurance; Life Sciences; Manufacturing; Public Services; Retail; Travel and Logistics. The Company's products include TCS ADD, TCS BANCS, TCS BFSI Platforms, TCS CHROMA, TCS Customer Intelligence & Insights, TCS ERP on Cloud, TCS Intelligent Urban Exchange, Quartz-The Smart Ledgers, Jile, TCS Optumera, TCS TwinX, TCS TAP and TCS OmniStore. Its services portfolio consists of Cloud, Cognitive Business Operations, Consulting, Cybersecurity, Data and Analytics, Enterprise Solutions, IoT and Digital Engineering, Sustainability Services, TCS Interactive, TCS and AWS Cloud, TCS Enterprise Cloud, TCS and Google Cloud, TCS and Microsoft Cloud.





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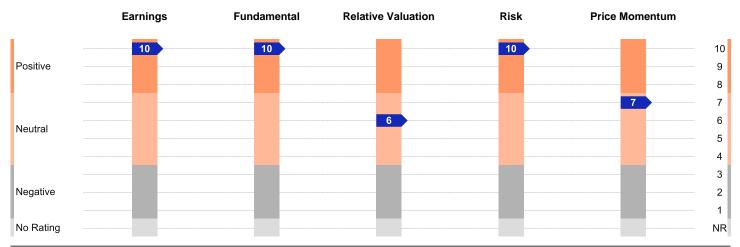
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#### **INDICATOR COMPONENTS**



The **AVERAGE SCORE** combines the quantitative analysis of five widely-used investment decision making tools: Earnings, Fundamental, Relative Valuation, Risk, and Price Momentum. A simple average of the underlying component ratings is normally distributed to rank stocks on a 1-10 scale (10 being awarded to the most favorable). These factors may be evaluated differently using alternative methodologies and the importance of individual factors varies across industries, market capitalization and investment styles. Additional criteria should always by used to evaluate a stock.



PEEF	RANALYSIS										Curr	ency in INR
			PRICE	MOMENTU	М		VALUA	TION	FUNDAM	ENTAL	ANALYST	rs
Average Score	Ticker	Price (2024-05-03)	1-Mo Return	3-Mo Return	1-Yr Return	Market Cap	Trailing PE	Forward PE	Dividend Yield	Net Margin	LTG I/B/E/S Forecast Mean	# of Analysts
10	TCS	3,843.40	-2.6%	-3.1%	20.9%	13.9T	30.5	27.1	1.3%	19.1%	8.2% Hold	43
9	INFY	1,416.30	-4.4%	-16.4%	11.6%	5.9T	22.4	22.2	2.7%	17.1%	Buy	42
8	HCLTECH	1,348.05	-12.2%	-14.9%	27.3%	3.7T	23.3	21.5	3.9%	14.3%	7.3% Hold	38
9	WIPRO	457.35	-5.4%	-5.3%	18.8%	2.4T	22.1	19.8	0.27%	12.3%	Hold	40
6	LTIM	4,651.95	-4.5%	-15.2%	3.4%	1.4T	30.1	28.0	1.4%	12.9%	40.2% Hold	35
6	TECHM	1,250.45	-0.37%	-6.6%	20.3%	1.2T	47.0	25.2	2.2%	4.5%	9.0% Hold	38
7	PERSISTENT	3,366.85	-15.3%	-20.8%	44.0%	511.1B	47.4	39.8	0.65%	10.9%	Hold	30
6	MPHASIS	2,291.90	-7.7%	-10.5%	23.7%	433.1B	28.0	25.7	2.2%	11.7%	Hold	28
5	COFORGE	4,482.55	-20.8%	-30.2%	9.4%	277.1B	34.5	27.3	1.7%	8.8%	Hold	27
6	CYIENT	1,798.35	-13.0%	-14.8%	53.9%	197.7B	29.2	24.2	1.6%	9.6%	Buy	17
5	SONATSOFTW	672.25	-9.9%	-12.5%	58.1%	186.6B	59.8	41.1	1.2%	3.7%	Buy	6
7	Average	2,325.40	-8.7%	-13.7%	26.5%	2.7T	34.0	27.4	1.7%	11.3%	16.2% Hold	31.3

#### PEER COMPANIES

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	HCLTECH	HCL Technologies	SONATSOFTW	Sonata Software
1	INFY	Infosys	TECHM	Tech Mahindra
	LTIM	LTIMindtree	WIPRO	Wipro





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#### **EARNINGS**

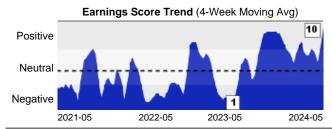
**POSITIVE OUTLOOK:** Strong earnings with recent analyst upgrades or a history of surpassing consensus estimates.

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# Currency in INR Earnings Score Averages

Software & IT Services Group: **6.0**Software & IT Services Sector: **6.0** 

Large Market Cap: 5.8 BSE Sensex Index: 6.7



Peers	-6M	-3M	-1M	-1W	Current	1Y Trend
TCS	9	7	4	10	10	
INFY	2	4	5	8	8	
WIPRO	1	5	1	6	6	
HCLTECH	5	7	5	7	4	
LTIM	4	1	1	1	1	

#### **EARNINGS INDICATORS**

	Earnings Surprises (33.3% weight)	Estimate Revisions (33.3% weight)	Recommendation Changes (33.3% weight)	
Positive	INFY 8	9 TCS	9 INFY 9 HCLTECH	10 9 8
Neutral	6 TCS HCLTECH WIPRO	6 WIPRO	6 LTIM WIPRO	7 6 5 4
Negative	2 LTIM	3 INFY 2 LTIM HCLTECH		3 2 1
No Rating				NR

Last 4 Quarters	
# Positive Surprises (>2%)	1
# Negative Surprises (<-2%)	1
# In-Line Surprises (within 2%)	2
Avg Surprise	0.16%

Last 4 Weeks	
# Up Revisions	4
# Down Revisions	1
Avg Up Revisions	9.3%
Avg Down Revisions	-2.3%

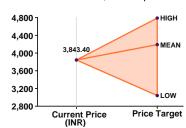
Last 120 Days	
# Broker Upgrades	7
# Broker Downgrades	3

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Tata Consultancy Services currently has an Earnings Rating of 10, which is significantly more bullish than the IT Services & Consulting industry average of 5.8. TCS scores a bullish 7 or greater for two of three component ratings.
- On 2024-04-12, the company announced quarterly earnings of 34.37 per share, a positive surprise of 2.8% above the consensus 33.44.
   Over the past 4 quarters, the company has reported 1 positive, 1 negative, and 2 in-line surprises. The average surprise for this time period has been 0.2%.
- TCS's current quarter consensus estimate has remained relatively unchanged over the past 90 days at 33.46. Estimates within its industry have moved an average of -5.0% during the same time period.

#### **PRICE TARGET**

The chart indicates where analysts predict the stock price will be within the next 12 months, as compared to the current price.



12-Month Price Target			
Mean (INR)	4,190.00		
High	4,790.00		
Low	3,040.00		
Target vs. Current	9.0%		
# of Analysts	42		





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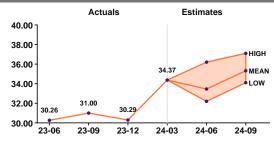
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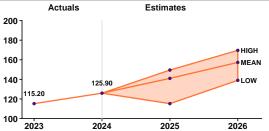
#### **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

Earnings per share (EPS) is calculated by dividing a company's earnings by the number of shares outstanding. Analysts tend to interpret a pattern of increasing earnings as a sign of strength and flat or falling earnings as a sign of weakness.

The charts provide a comparison between a company's actual and estimated EPS, including the high and low forecasts.



Quarterly	24-06	24-09
Mean	33.460	35.320
High	36.200	37.100
Low	32.200	34.100
# of Analysts	8	8



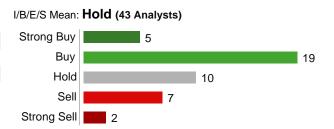
Annual	2025	2026
Mean	141.0	157.3
High	149.5	169.6
Low	115.2	139.0
# of Analysts	44	44

#### **MEAN ESTIMATE TREND**

	Q 24-06	Q 24-09	Y 2025	Y 2026	Price Target
Current	33.460	35.320	141.0	157.3	4,190.00
30 Days Ago	33.300	34.960	140.7	156.9	4,030.00
90 Days Ago	33.540	35.340	140.9	156.4	3,900.00
% Change (90 Days)	-0.20%	-0.10%	0.10%	0.60%	7.4%

Current Fiscal Year End: 25-03 Next Expected Report Date: 2024-07-11

#### **ANALYST RECOMMENDATIONS**



#### **EARNINGS SURPRISES**

Comparing a company's actual earnings to the mean expectation of analysts results in a difference referred to as a 'positive' or 'negative' surprise. Research has shown that when a company reports a surprise, it is often followed by more of the same surprise type.

#### Surprise Summary (Last 12 Quarters)

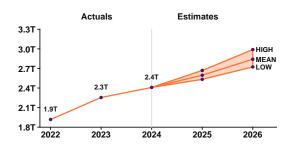
Surprise Type	Amount	Percent
Positive Quarters (> 2%)	1	8.3%
Negative Quarters (< -2%)	3	25.0%
In-Line Quarters (within 2%)	8	66.7%

#### Surprise Detail (Last 6 Periods)

Surprise Type	Announce Date	Period End Date	Actual EPS	Mean EPS	Surprise (%)
Positive	2024-04-12	2024-03-31	34.370	33.440	2.8%
Negative	2024-01-11	2023-12-31	30.290	31.670	-4.4%
In-Line	2023-10-11	2023-09-30	31.000	30.900	0.30%
In-Line	2023-07-12	2023-06-30	30.260	29.700	1.9%
In-Line	2023-04-12	2023-03-31	31.140	31.590	-1.4%
In-Line	2023-01-09	2022-12-31	29.640	30.230	-2.0%

#### **ANNUAL REVENUE**

A pattern of increasing sales in conjunction with a rising EPS may influence a buy recommendation, while flat or falling sales and faltering earnings may explain a sell recommendation. A rising EPS with flat or falling sales may result from increased cost efficiency and margins, rather than market expansion. This chart shows the sales forecast trend of all analysts and the highest and lowest projections for the current and next fiscal year.



	2025	2026
Mean	2,596B	2,841B
High	2,669B	2,989B
Low	2,533B	2,723B
Forecasted Growth	7.8%	17.9%
# of Analysts	44	44





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#### **FUNDAMENTAL**

**POSITIVE OUTLOOK:** Strong fundamentals such as high profit margins, low debt levels, or growing dividends.

# FUND-AMENTAL 10

#### Fundamental Score Averages

Software & IT Services Group: **6.0** Software & IT Services Sector: **6.0** 

Large Market Cap: **6.3** BSE Sensex Index: **7.1** 



Peers	Q2 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Current 3Y Trend
TCS	8	8	7	NR	10
LTIM	5	5	6	NR	9
HCLTECH	9	9	8	NR	8
WIPRO	8	8	8	NR	8
INFY	7	7	8	NR	6

#### **FUNDAMENTAL INDICATORS Profitability Earnings Quality** Dividend Debt (25% weight) (25% weight) (25% weight) (25% weight) 10 10 **WIPRO** HCLTE Positive HCLTE... 9 LTIM LTIM TCS 8 7 HCLTE... WIPRO INFY 6 INFY INFY Neutral TCS INFY **WIPRO** TCS 5 5 LTIM LTIM **WIPRO** 4 3 3 Negative HCLTE... 2 1 No Rating NR

Revenue Growth	6.8%	Current Ratio	2.5	Oper. Cash Yield	1.6%	Dividend Growth	14.6%
For year over year ending 2024-03		For interim period ending 2024-03		For latest 12 months ending		For year over year ending 2024-03	
Gross Margin	96.4%	Debt-to-Capital	6.7%	Accruals	-7.3%	Dividend Payout	43.7%
For latest 12 months ending 2024-03		For annual period ending 2024-03		For latest 12 months ending 2024-03		For latest 12 months ending 2024-03	
Return On Equity	50.8%	Interest Funding	0.9%	Days Sales In Inv.	7.3	Dividend Coverage	2.1
For interim period ending 2024-03		For interim period ending 2024-03		For annual period ending 2024-03		For annual period ending 2024-03	
Net Margin	19.1%	Interest Coverage	122.2	Days Sales In Rec.	85.5	Current Div. Yield	1.3%
For latest 12 months ending 2024-03		For interim period ending 2024-03		For annual period ending 2024-03		For latest 12 months ending 2024-05	

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Fundamental Rating for Tata Consultancy Services improved significantly over the last quarter from 7 to 10. The current rating is considerably more bullish than the Software & IT Services industry group average of 6.0.
- The company's gross margin has been higher than its industry group average for each of the past five years.
- The company's interest coverage has been higher than its industry group average for each of the past five years.
- TCS's accruals ratio of -7.3% is substantially below the Software & IT Services industry group average of 15.8%.
- Of the 259 firms within the Software & IT Services industry group, Tata Consultancy Services is among 70 companies that pay a dividend. The stock's dividend yield is currently 1.3%.





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#### **RELATIVE VALUATION**

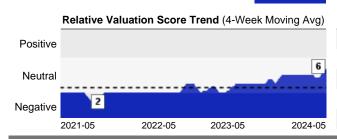
**NEUTRAL OUTLOOK:** Multiples relatively in-line with the market.

# RELATIVE VALUATION

#### **Relative Valuation Score Averages**

Software & IT Services Group: 4.5 Large M Software & IT Services Sector: 4.5 BSE Ser

Large Market Cap: **4.5** BSE Sensex Index: **6.0** 



Peers	-6M	-3M	-1M	-1W	Current	1Y Trend
WIPRO	7	7	7	7	8	
HCLTECH	6	6	6	6	7	
INFY	6	6	7	7	7	
LTIM	4	5	6	6	6	
TCS	5	5	5	6	6	

#### **RELATIVE VALUATION INDICATORS**

	Price to \$ (33.3% we		Trailing PE (33.3% weight)		Forward PE (33.3% weight)	
Positive					9 WIPRO HCLTECH INFY	10 9 8
Neutral	6 5 4	WIPRO HCLTECH INFY LTIM	6 \\INI	IPRO IM	LTIM	7 6 5 4
Negative -						3 2 2 1
No Rating						- NR

Price to Sales	5.8	Trailing PE	30.5	Forward PE	27.1
5-Yr Average	6.0	5-Yr Average	30.7	5-Yr Average	27.5
Rel. to 5-Yr Avg.	4% Discount	Rel. to 5-Yr Avg.	0.5% Discount	Rel. to 5-Yr Avg.	2% Discount
BSE Sensex Index	3.5	BSE Sensex Index	24.9	BSE Sensex Index	22.8
Rel. to BSE Sensex	66% Premium	Rel. to BSE Sensex	23% Premium	Rel. to BSE Sensex	19% Premium

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Tata Consultancy Services currently has a Relative Valuation Rating of 6 while the S&P BSE SENSEX index has an average rating of 6.0.
- TCS's Price to Sales ratio of 5.8 represents a 4% Discount to its 5-year average of 6.0.
- TCS's Trailing P/E of 30.5 represents a 0.5% Discount to its 5-year average of 30.7.
- TCS's Forward P/E of 27.1 represents a 2% Discount to its 5-year average of 27.5.





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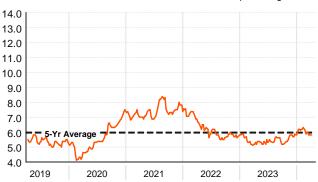
#### **PRICE TO SALES**

The most recent week's close price divided by the revenue per share.

Price to Sales: 5.8 5-Year Average: 6.0

BSE Sensex Index Average: 3.5

Software & IT Services Group Average: 4.5



#### FORWARD PE

The most recent week's close price divided by the sum of the four upcoming quarterly consensus estimates.

Forward PE: 27.1 5-Year Average: 27.5

BSE Sensex Index Average: 22.8

Software & IT Services Group Average: 28.4



#### **TRAILING PE**

The most recent week's close price divided by the sum of the four most recently reported quarterly earnings.

Trailing PE: 30.5

5-Year Average: 30.7

BSE Sensex Index Average: 24.9

Software & IT Services Group Average: 31.1



#### **FORWARD PEG**

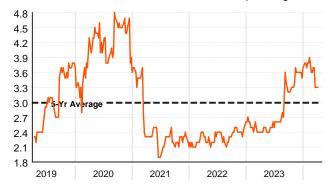
The Forward P/E divided by the five-year forecasted growth rate.

Forward PEG: 3.3

5-Year Average: 3.0

BSE Sensex Index Average: 1.5

Software & IT Services Group Average: 1.7





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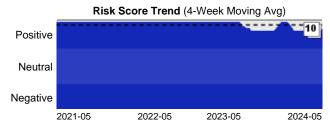
#### **RISK**

**POSITIVE OUTLOOK:** Consistent return patterns (low volatility).



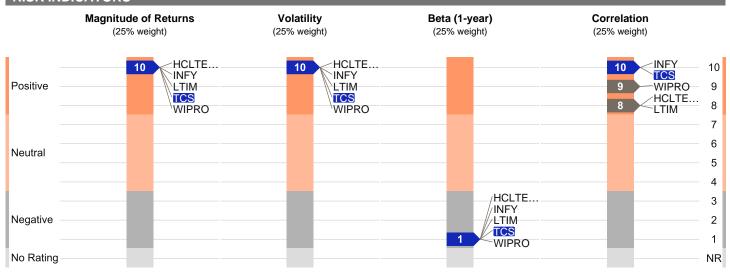
	RISK Score Average	
Software & IT Services Group:	5.0	Large Market Can: 8

Software & IT Services Group: 5.0 Large Market Cap: 8.4 Software & IT Services Sector: 5.0 BSE Sensex Index: 9.4



Peers	-6M	-3M	-1M	-1W	Current	1Y Trend
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LTIM	9	9	9	9	9	
WIPRO	9	9	9	9	9	

#### **RISK INDICATORS**



Daily Returns (Las	st 90 Days)	Standard Deviation	1	Beta vs. BSE Sensex	0.82	Correlation vs. BSE	Sensex
Best	4.1%	Last 90 Days	1.37	Positive Days Only	0.99	Last 90 Days	40%
Worst	-4.2%	Last 60 Months	6.28	Negative Days Only	0.30	Last 60 Months	46%
Monthly Returns (	Last 60 Months)	Intra-Day Swing (La	ast 90 Days)	Beta vs. Group	0.41	Correlation vs. Grou	р
Best	19.5%	Average	2.0%	Positive Days Only	0.93	Last 90 Days	20%
Worst	-12.1%	Largest	3.9%	Negative Days Only	0.00	Last 60 Months	30%

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Tata Consultancy Services currently has a Risk Rating of 10 while the S&P BSE SENSEX index has an average rating of 9.4.
- On days when the market is up, TCS tends to perform in-line with the S&P BSE SENSEX index. On days when the market is down, the shares generally decrease by less than the index.
- In the short term, TCS has shown average correlation (>= 0.2 and < 0.4) with the S&P BSE SENSEX index. The stock has, however, shown high correlation (>= 0.4) with the market in the long term.
- Over the last 90 days, TCS shares have been less volatile than the overall market, as the stock's daily price has fluctuated less than 98% of S&P BSE SENSEX index firms.

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

	Last 90 Days					Last 60 Months	
Peers	Best Daily Return	Worst Daily Return	# Days Up	# Days Down	Largest Intra-Day Swing	Best Monthly Return	Worst Monthly Return
TCS	4.1%	-4.2%	28	32	3.9%	19.5%	-12.1%
HCLTECH	4.4%	-5.9%	22	38	4.5%	26.6%	-18.3%
INFY	2.6%	-3.7%	23	37	3.4%	31.3%	-16.9%
LTIM	3.3%	-3.2%	23	37	3.8%	23.4%	-25.2%
WIPRO	4.7%	-3.0%	25	35	4.6%	27.9%	-20.0%
BSE Sensex	1.7%	-1.2%	36	23	2.1%	14.4%	-23.1%





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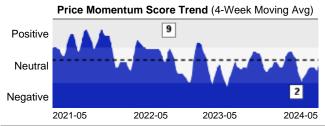
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# PRICE MOMENTUM NEUTRAL OUTLOOK: Performance relatively in-line with the market.

Currency in INR

Software & IT Services Group: **6.6** Large Market Cap: **6.2** Software & IT Services Sector: **6.6** BSE Sensex Index: **5.5** 



Peers	-6M	-3M	-1 <b>M</b>	-1W	Current	1Y Trend
HCLTECH	9	6	5	5	7	
TCS	6	2	4	4	7	
WIPRO	4	1	4	2	6	
INFY	6	1	3	1	5	
LTIM	8	2	3	1	5	-

#### PRICE MOMENTUM INDICATORS

#### **Relative Strength** Seasonality (50% weight) (50% weight) 10 Positive 9 **HCLTECH** LTIM 8 8 8 7 INFY 6 6 6 TCS Neutral WIPRO **WIPRO** 5 **HCLTECH** 4 3 INFY Negative 2 2 LTIM 1 No Rating NR

#### Relative Strength Indicator (Scale from 1 to 100)

	TCS	Industry Avg
Last 10 Days	44	53
Last 50 Days	49	53
Last 200 Days	52	54

TCS

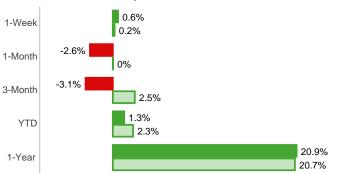
BSE Sensex

#### Average Monthly Return (Last 10 Years)

	May	Jun	Jul
Company Avg	1.7%	2.4%	2.7%
Industry Avg	2.3%	5.7%	4.0%
Industry Rank	42 of 99	28 of 98	48 of 99

#### PRICE PERFORMANCE

Daily close prices are used to calculate the performance of the stock as compared to a relevant index over five time periods.



	TCS	BSE Sensex
Close Price (2024-05-03)	3,843.40	73,880
52-Week High	4,254.75	75,038
52-Week Low	3.156.00	61.054

- On 2024-05-03, TCS closed at 3,843.40, 9.7% below its 52-week high and 21.8% above its 52-week low.
- TCS shares are currently trading 3.2% below their 50-day moving average of 3,970.05, and 3.7% above their 200-day moving average of 3,707.89.
- The S&P BSE SENSEX index is currently 1.5% below its 52week high and 21.0% above its 52-week low.





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### **LSEG Stock Reports Plus**

#### DETAILED STOCK REPORT

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#### **DETAILED STOCK REPORT TIPS**

The Stock Report from LSEG is a comprehensive, company-specific analysis that includes a proprietary Stock Rating along with underlying component indicators and supportive data elements. The report is updated daily, although some of the data elements and the ratings are updated weekly.

#### Average Score

The Stock Reports Plus Average Score combines a quantitative analysis of five widely-used investment decision making tools - Earnings, Fundamental, Relative Valuation, Risk, and Price Momentum. First, a simple average of the five underlying component ratings is calculated. Then, a normal distribution is used to rank each stock across the market on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being most favorable. A score of 8 to 10 is considered positive, 4 to 7 is neutral, and 1 to 3 is negative. These five factors may be evaluated differently using alternative methodologies, and the importance of individual factors varies across industry groups, market capitalization and investment styles. Additional criteria should always be used to evaluate a stock.

A company must have sufficient data available for at least three of the five component indicators in order to receive an overall Average Score. Approximately 85% of the stocks within the coverage universe meet the criteria to generate a score.

#### **Indicator Components**

The five indicators that comprise the stock rating are displayed. Like the stock rating, the component rating scale is 1 to 10, with 10 being best. A company will receive an 'NR' for No Rating if the required data elements or criteria are not met. A detailed section for each component is included in the report.

#### **Indicator Trends**

Within each component section, historical score trends are displayed, typically using a 4-week moving average over a timeframe of the past three years. The dotted orange line indicates the average of the scores over those three years. The most recent occurrences of the best and worst scores are also displayed on the chart in grey boxes to put the current score into historical context.

Next to the trend chart for the company, current score averages are included, along with peer company comparisons of values from 6 months ago, 3 months ago, 1 month ago, the most recent value from 1 week ago, and the current score. The four closest industry peers are presented based on similar market capitalization.

#### Peer Analysis

- The Refinitiv Business Classification (TRBC) schema is used for industry comparisons. It is designed to track and display the primary business of a corporation by grouping together correlated companies that offer products and services into similar end markets. The system includes 10 Economic Sectors, 28 Business Sectors, 54 Industry Groups, and 136 Industries.
- The Peer Analysis section of the report compares the company to its ten closest peers. The peers are selected from the industry based on similar market capitalization. The peer listing may have fewer than ten companies if there are fewer than ten companies classified within that industry.

#### Highlights

The automated text-generation system from LSEG creates highlights summarizing the most noteworthy data. The bullets will vary by company and will change from week to week as different criteria are met.

#### **Earnings**

The Earnings Rating is based on a combination of three factors: earnings surprises, estimate revisions, and recommendation changes. Each factor is equally weighted. Then, equal deciles are used to rank each stock across the market on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being most favorable. A stock needs to have at least two of the three earnings factors in order to receive a score.

- Earnings Surprises The number of positive and negative surprises within the last 4 periods (quarters or years).
- Estimate Revisions The number of up and down revisions and the average percentage change of those revisions within a 4 week period.
- Recommendation Changes The number of broker upgrades and downgrades in the last 120 days.

#### **Price Target**

The price target is based on the predictions of analysts covering the stock and shows the high, low and mean price expected within the next 12 months.

#### **Earnings Per Share**

The quarterly and annual earnings per share are presented when available, along with the mean, high and low. Quarterly data is displayed for the past 4 quarters (actual) and the next 2 quarters (estimated). Annual data is displayed for the past 2 years (actual) and the next 2 years (estimated).

#### **Mean Estimate Trend**

The mean estimates show how the consensus has changed over the past 30 days and 90 days for the upcoming two quarters (when available) and two years. The percentage change is calculated for the company as a means for comparison by measuring the difference between the current consensus estimate and that of 90 days ago.

#### **Analyst Recommendations**

The I/B/E/S Mean is the average recommendation of all analysts covering the stock, as provided by I/B/E/S, the Institutional Brokers Estimate System, from LSEG. The recommendations are presented on a five-point standardized scale: strong buy, buy, hold, sell, and strong sell.

#### **Earnings Surprises**

- The surprise summary includes the total number of time periods (and percentage) in the last 12 quarters (quarterly) or last 4 years (annual) in which earnings surprises were positive, negative, or in-line. In order to be recognized as a positive or negative surprise, the percent must be greater than 2% above or 2% below the consensus, respectively.
- The surprise detail section includes a listing of the company's quarterly earnings reported for the most recent 6 periods (quarters or years). The consensus analyst estimate is provided to determine if the actual earnings report represented a positive surprise, negative surprise, or in-line result.

#### **Fundamental**

The Fundamental Rating is based on a combination of four fundamental component factors: profitability, debt, earnings quality, and dividend. Companies that do not pay a dividend are not penalized. Each factor is equally weighted. Then, equal deciles are used to rank each stock across the market on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being most favorable. A stock needs to have at least two of the four fundamental factors present in order to receive a score.

#### **Profitability**

- Revenue Growth: (Net Sales Previous Net Sales) / Previous Net Sales
- Gross Margin: Gross Profit / Net Sales
- Return on Equity: Net Income / Total Equity
- Net Margin: Net Profit / Net Sales

#### Debt

- Current Ratio: Current Assets / Current Liabilities
- Debt-to-Capital: Total Debt / Total Capital
- Interest Funding: (Interest Expense on Debt + Preferred Cash Dividends) / Funds from Operations
- Interest Coverage: Earnings before Interest and Taxes / (Interest Expense on Debt + Preferred Cash Dividends)

#### **Earnings Quality**

- Operating Cash Yield: (Operating Cash Flow Net Income) / Net Income
- Accruals: (Net Income Operating Cash Flow Investing Cash Flow) / Average Net Operating Assets
- Days Sales in Inventory: 365 / (Cost of Goods Sold / Inventory)
- Days Sales in Receivables: 365 / (Net Sales / Receivables)

#### Dividend

The company must have a current dividend yield.

- Dividend Growth Rate: (Dividends per Share Previous Dividends per Share) / Previous Dividends per Share
- Dividend Funding: Dividends / Operating Cash Flow
- Dividend Coverage: (Pre-Tax Income + Interest Expense) / (Interest Expense + Dividends)
- Dividend Yield: Annual Dividends per Share / Current Market Price per Share

#### **Indicator Trend**

The fundamental indicator trend displays either quarterly scores over the past three years or annual scores over the past six years, depending on the reporting periods for the country. The best and worst scores can be easily determined from the values shown on the chart for each quarter or year.

#### Relative Valuation

The Relative Valuation Rating is based on a combination of three component factors: Price to Sales, Trailing P/E, and Forward P/E. Each factor is equally weighted. Equal deciles are then used to rank each stock across the market on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being most favorable. These common valuation metrics are evaluated against the overall market, the index, and the company's own historic 5-year averages. A stock needs to have at least one of the three relative valuation factors in order to receive a score.

 Price to Sales: Close Price / (Sales for 4 Quarters or 1 Year / Shares Outstanding)





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- Forward P/E: Close Price / Upcoming 4 Quarters or 1 Year of Earnings

#### Valuation Averages

Negative values are excluded when calculating the averages. A maximum value of 100 is placed on Trailing P/E and Forward P/E, a maximum value of 5 is placed on Forward PEG, and a maximum value of 20 is placed on Price to Sales when calculating the averages. Higher values are rounded down to the maximum for the averages.

#### Valuation Multiples

The valuation multiples provide the Trailing P/E, Forward P/E, Forward PEG, and Price to Sales for the company and the relevant index average. In addition, a comparison of the current company's values to its 5-year average and an industry average are presented. A discount occurs when the company's ratio is valued more favorably (lower) than that to which it is compared.

#### <u>Risk</u>

The Risk Rating displays stocks on a scale of 1 to 10 with 10 being awarded to the least risky stocks. It is derived by looking at a series of long-term (5-year) and short-term (90-day) stock performance measures including volatility, magnitude of returns, beta, and correlation. Each factor is equally weighted. Then, equal deciles are used to rank each stock across the market. A stock needs to have at least two of the four risk factors in order to receive a score.

- Magnitude of Returns The best / worst daily returns in the past 90 days and the best / worst monthly returns in the past 60 months.
- Volatility The standard deviation of the stock price over the last 90 days and last 60 months, along with the average and largest intra-day stock swing.
- Beta Measures the tendency of a security's returns to respond to swings in the market, based on the beta of the company versus the relevant index.
- Correlation Determines how closely the returns of the stock and the relevant index move together, measured over the last 90 days and last 60 months.

#### **Risk Analysis**

Price analysis for the company and the relevant index is provided over two time periods. Daily analysis is provided for the last 90 days, whereas monthly statistics are used for the last 60 months.

#### Price Momentum

The Price Momentum Rating is based on a combination of two technical performance factors: relative strength and seasonality. The factors are equally weighted. Equal deciles are then used to rank each stock across the market on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being most favorable. A stock needs to have data for the relative strength factor in order to receive a score.

- Relative Strength The relative strength of the company for the last 10 days, 50 days, and 200 days on a scale of 1 to 100.
- Seasonality The average monthly return (price performance) for the current month and next 2 months for the company and industry, over the past 10 years. A lower industry rank indicates a higher return.

#### Price Performance

Daily close prices are used to calculate the price performance of the stock. The performance of the relevant index is also displayed as a means of comparison.

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