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Shopify Will Be Worth It If All Goes Well For A Decade

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Summary

- Shopify is a fantastic company that benefits from this stay-at-home movement, but will grow fast regardless of how long that lasts.
- However, Shopify trades at valuations I've never seen before.
- I offer up Salesforce as a similar, more mature, high-growth alternative.

Are we entering another tech bubble? Obviously, this debate has been back and forth for years. People have been calling for stocks like Amazon (AMZN), Netflix (NFLX), and Tesla (TSLA) to fall for the last decade. Typically, the arguments were rudimentary and would say they aren't worth their current P/E ratios. The problem with those bearish arguments was that these companies still made huge profits numerous of decades, not years, so the valuations made sense. To me, some tech stocks have gotten too high, while others still have plenty of room to run.

Valuations still matter at some point and the most ridiculous one to me is Shopify (SHOP). They are a fantastic company and have a great setup for growth for the next decade or two and the stay-at-home impact is certainly fantastic for them. It will certainly help them expand customers to new small and large businesses. However, their valuation has gotten ahead of itself as they now have a higher EV/Sales ratio than Amazon, Netflix, Tesla, or any other high-growth name I could think of had at any point in those companies' histories!

Data by YCharts

So even with such high valuations, I expect SHOP to eventually grow into those valuations. That is just a matter of how far ahead do you want to pay for it. Even if SHOP averages 50% growth for the next 5 years, they still will have to trade at ~9x EV/Sales at that point to be the exact same market cap as now. As you can see below, current valuations don't even have them growing at 50% a year, but closer to 40% per year.

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Now perhaps if you're willing to hold for at least the next decade, you can justify these valuations; but I'd still just call them a hold at these levels even so, not a buy. They'll have to grow revenues at a CAGR of 30% for the next decade for the stock to see any sort of returns. The reason valuation matters so much is because stocks like AMZN and NFLX had the advantage of high growth rates, but they were trading at less than one only 7 years ago. They traded at much lower multiples, they were able to experience both the fantastic revenue growth as well as multiple expansion, with both companies trading at higher multiples now than most times in their past. Here is how much their multiples have expanded in the last 10 years, with markets finally giving them their due on just how long their growth runways are.

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The problem with SHOP is that I can guarantee you they won't see multiple expansion from their current 64x EV/S in 10 years. Even if they still trade at 10x EV/S (more than most tech companies currently) in 10 years, they will have to keep up 30% annual revenue growth for an entire decade to even see 8% annual return on shares. 30% revenue growth is possible during the first few years of a company, but extremely tough as the revenue base gets bigger. Some companies have seen that sort of growth over a decade, but even Amazon growing from $25B at the start of 2010 to $280B at the start of 2020, means a CAGR of ~27%.

Granted Amazon was already further along a decade ago than SHOP is now, so perhaps they weren't able to grow revenues as quickly from the larger base. I personally think the best comparison to look at for SHOP is Salesforce (CRM). Unlike Amazon, Shopify won't be stealing market share from the entire American consumer market. Both CRM and SHOP help businesses move to an online format and benefit greatly as more and more of the world moves to be selling directly to the American consumer. The business models of Salesforce and Shopify seem very similar to me as they help small and large businesses alike update their ways to do business.

The Salesforce comparison also works out well to see where Shopify could be in a decade, as CRM also had between $1B and $2B in revenue a decade ago (similar to SHOP's $1.58B at the end of 2019). Salesforce managed to grow their revenue from $1.3B at the start of 2010 to $17.1B at the start of 2020 for a CAGR of 29.5%.

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Now certainly I would expect Shopify bulls to see Salesforce as an excellent company to be in when making comparisons. Salesforce has been truly groundbreaking in bringing about new ways to do business and their CEO Marc Benioff will surely go down as one of the greatest CEOs of all time, revolutionizing the sales business the way Jeff Bezos has consumerism in America. Salesforce has decimated the returns of almost all companies not in FANG over the last decade.

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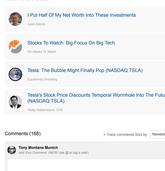
So while it is great for Shopify to be compared to Salesforce from a probable growth perspective, they are definitely not in the same starting place from a valuation perspective. Back a decade ago, Salesforce was only trading near 10x EV/Sales, so with SHOP trading at more than 6x higher, it means 1/6th of the returns if they grow at a similar rate, but eventually come down to in-line valuations with peers. 1/6th of CRM's 720% returns comes out to 120% returns over the next decade.



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Now it's not saying investing in SHOP at these levels is terrible. If you do think it's inevitable that SHOP grows at 30% for the next decade, then getting 120% return or a CAGR of ~8% is not terrible. And if you think they can grow at a CAGR of 40%+ for an entire decade, then they are truly a Buy. However, I think there are much better options for total returns, such as Salesforce themselves. CRM is still expected to grow revenues at 15-20% the next few years.

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So if both SHOP and CRM hit current estimates, and valuation metrics eventually even out for both (say in 5 years), I expect CRM to return 15% a year and SHOP to return 8% per year. I also think CRM offers less risk as they've already proven themselves over a long-time period. For SHOP to hit the same sort of growth that CRM has done for the last decade is no certainty and I post a lot would have to go right, even with their excellent business and positioning.

Shown another way, even with Salesforce being a truly groundbreaking company with a revolutionary CEO for more than a decade, they still barely trade at a higher market cap today than Shopify, who is still in their early days revenue-wise.

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Conclusion

While I think Shopify trades at reasonable multiples if you're willing to hold for the next decade or more, the upside is minimal at this point and plenty of things can go wrong. If you own SHOP and are looking for an alternative that you're sure to sell, I would recommend CRM as a fantastic stock to park your money in. Perhaps if SHOP traded at half of where they do now or about what CRM traded 2 years ago, I would consider them a Buy.

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...in other words, my consumer spending to help $KROCKET Shopify further coming soon...
Buy and Hold people. Shopify's July 29th earnings call is going to be MASSIVE.
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Not so fast regarding the US stimulus.
The 1200 might very well be capped to adults/families making less than 40K on a sliding scale. Different from the 1st time. At the same time, the 600 unemployment might very well be quite a bit less.
If the 600 is reduced to be 70-80% of job income, then there's going to be a lot less pump to the economy overall from the largest segment at the lower rung of the economic base.
All of this might very well mean less online buying from this group. Keep in mind, plenty of things in local stores now. Not the same situation in the local stores as when the 1st stimulus was implemented.
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We are running up to an election. There will be more stimulus to come, rest assured.
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not for unemployment.
the negotiated new amount for the 600 will go until the election.
but I tend to agree, depending on who wins. If Dems sweep, then yeah, there will be additional unemployment. should trump win, nee...ther.if no longer need to prop up that segment.
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Ri...
shop and amzn... have hit their 10% lows from highs... what if anything does this mean...
amzn down 17%
the fact that amzn lost 100+ and then came back... was interesting.

going to be interesting for shop.. and those who got in after 800. do you stay.. or do you get out and rethink after the earnings.

anon will kill it, but again, the tech leaders seem to be being smacked a bit after earnings.

perhaps now is the time to simply chill for a bit, and get back in later.

on the other hand, if you're up enough, just ride the wave and don't sweat it.

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Check out how TINY the amount of GMV WooCommerce had last year....

🔗 woocommerce.com/...

$11.881LION

That's TINY compared to Shopify!

WooCommerce does NOT have more merchants than Shopify, ACCORDING TO WOO...

🔗 woocommerce.com/...

Similar number of merchants but 80% less GMV.🤯🤯

Sounds like the crybaby high churn kind of merchants, right?😂

And you can rest assured 100000 times more merchants flooding to Shopify during COVID than they did to Woo. Woo is a TINY company and doesn't have the features, channels, 3,000 add-ons, proactively cast the employees, nowhere near the scale at hand or available....that Shopify does.

COVID just sped up Shopify's CRUSHING of Woo.🔥

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@ Tall Seller: Are you officially or unofficially working for Shopify PR?

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What kind of question is that?.....Are you officially or unofficially wanting to trash Shop?....Is THAT a fair question?....or course not! You should show the same respect for Tall....There are people that are not bright trashing Shop and them there are people wanting to trash Shop hoping to take some money and selling, thereby driving down the price so they can get a better price.....so which one are you?....(officially or unofficially)

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...thanks Ramy and Tall

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OUR stock.... @ragasan a bunch of people in love

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NOW, on top of Google just announcing Shopify merchants can list products on and use Shopify checkout for FREE (here: twitter.com/...), Facebook recently said Shopify merchants can also integrate onto their platforms and use Shopify to power the checkout there for FREE.

At the 8:00 Mark Zuckerberg says:

"Now it's (Facebook Shop) FREE and it's simple to set up a Shop. Our business model here is ads, so rather than charge businesses for Shops, we know if Shops are valuable for businesses, they are in general going to want to pay for more ads and we are going to eventually make money that way."

🔗 news.shopify.com/...

Shopify's industry leading OMNICHANNEL (and other solutions) helps merchants succeed so incredibly well, Google and Facebook both want Shopify merchants to integrate AND transactions on for FREE!

🚀Woot Woot!🚀

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@Tall Seller

Do you think SHOP hits it's high of 1050 after earnings report ? Have the 925 July calls. Trying to determine to sell before or after earnings report.

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@Silverspirit

Sell. 🤣

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@Matthew Zeets The issue with Shopify's valuation runs much deeper than their outrageously high price to sales. In fact I have recently revised my next article because I found a way to apply fundamental analysis to both their e-commerce and subscription solutions, with a combined total addressable market of just under $70 billion. Of course this would require them to not only manage to reach 100% market share in hosted e-commerce, but for more importantly would require the indisputably impossible feat of commanding a 100% market share in global retail e-commerce sales projected at $4.2 trillion FY20. While you could think revenue generated from $4.2 trillion in GMV would be significantly higher, it is not. Shopify only takes a 2.9% transaction fee and a small $0.30 flat rate fee from subscription solutions. It's available as a blog while pending publication, and of course goes into much deeper detail as to where these numbers come from. I would love to hear your thoughts, but in particular I would love to hear any counter arguments from Shopify bulls.

seekingalpha.com/...

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@Oracle Of Alpha

WRONG!

The global e-commerce market was $2570LION in 2017 according to the CNSTABLE source the UNITED NATIONS, as seen here:

🔗 unctad.org/...

B2B e-commerce is 75% TIMES the size of D2C, which you are omitting, and Shopify happens to be the VERY BEST IN THE WORLD, combined B2B and D2C omnichannel e-commerce provider.

Shopify has barley gotten started and their July 29th earnings call is going to be MASSIVE due to the global surge in e-commerce from COVID.

BUY and HOLD for me.

🚀🚀🚀

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I said global retail e-commerce, and if you actually read the article you would know Shopify used the same source themselves to determine TAM. (edited)

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So what?! They service B2B and D2C.... and that market is near $4070LION today, right?

Here is one of many great examples of a giant company with $81LION in sales who has chosen Shopify for BOTH B2B and D2C....

Impossible Foods

🔗 https://impossiblefoods.com/

Shopify has MASSIVE growth ahead, which is substantially larger than you indicate.

BUY AND HOLD for me!

🚀🚀🚀$ $ $.

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Matthew Zeets
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Author's reply • @Oracle Of Alpha

Very helpful. I'll have to look over it in more depth later. I've definitely only done a cursory glance at SHOP so far, so projections like that are extremely helpful. Thanks for the comment and blog post.

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@Matthew Zeets

Helpful if they use the accurate and complete data. But, they do NOT!

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Who cares about Stripe. They are a one pony show payment processor and OF COURSE they should be valued significantly less than Shopify.

Hahhaha.

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Gotta love when Shopify merchant SpaceX (here: https://shop.spacex.com) wants to raise funds for a $44BILLION valuation (seen here: twitter.com/...).

Come on Elon, build that brand more, so the whole world buys your merchandise through your Shopify store; sell $81LIONS (or just hundreds of $millions) through your store.

🚀WOOT WOOT!🚀

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are they going to sell rocketships online! that is alot of GMV!!

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I don't care if he sells turds, as long is it's MASSIVE GMV, he pays for Shopify's high margin solution offerings along the way, and he pays Shopify's 3rd party PARTNERS who generates $5.5BILLION last year (and growing) which will further support that ecosystem to CRUSH all Shopify's tiered-to called competitors.

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He didn't choose crudely WIX. No real businesses would.

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@Tall Seller , you passion and support for WIX is very apparent...

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@Ramy Taraboulsi, CFA

WIX is garbage compared to Shopify. No real businesses with real GMV, who would be for real solutions that generated around $8.5BILLION last year for Shopify and their 3rd party PARTNERS, would ever choose WIX over Shopify. The SMART ones will choose Shopify EVERY time.

Name 5 decent sized WIX merchants that come anywhere close to the MANY enterprise marchers and superstate merchants who ALWAYS choose Shopify over WIX.

WIX is dog meat compared to Shopify.

"Crudely WIX"!

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Wixx has Morsey as a client, a multibillion swedish company.

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I said 5. 🤣🤣🤣

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@Tall Seller , "Crudely WIX" has over 160M sites built on it. I will let you know once I finish going through all of them... hahhah

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ONE site?🤣

Show me the WIX the E-COMMERCE site with REAL GMV for this customer! If you're talking about just a service provider site, that's a loser-to-most website category.

The only site close to that I could find is that of famous Steven Patrick Morrissey where the merch link on his website (www.morrisseyofficial.com) points to his SHOPIFY site:

🔗 https://uk.morrism.org

LW! ❤ W ! ❤ W !.

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Shopify can never justify this price with their current business model.

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Shopify doesn't have to justify anything to you, or me. If the stock is too pricey then sit on the sidelines until such time that it drops low enough for you to bite. But, if by chance, that doesn't happen tough shit.🤣

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it is not the only stock in the market so ... funny ... nah!

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@krokodilica

Heard that one since $50/share. Glad I didn't listen.

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I ask a friend of mine what my house was worth and do you know what he said?.....If it's worth what people are willing to pay for it"....Simple statement but it stayed with me. Shop is the same...

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Hmmmm... @hawk007 , do you remember what happened with house prices in 2008? Are you suggesting that the same will happen with SHOP?

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Yes I do....prices fell almost 10%....and that could happen to Shop which is in the realm of possibility....likely ? NO....God I will be backing up the truck if it does....

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I always thought that the drop was higher than 20%, so I researched, and found this link that shows that the drop in the average home price was 21.8% (ROUN to $200K).

www.census.gov/...

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so this is a good example of how and why we discuss things here ....I thought it was higher and I was wrong and I'm glad I found out how much so I googled it and that is what I came up with .....so this is a great example of different answers the same question.....it is not fake news from you OR me.....but as Tall would say "Who cares"? It is not important to a bull but we a 10 OR 22 % drop.....

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12 percentage point different doesn't matter ... lol

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In 2008 house prices didn't drop in Vancouver. We in Canada are fortunate to have missed the credit implosion that was suffered by many nations. Thanks to our solid banking sector AGO to PM Harper.

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I miss PM Harper, much better than that doofus masquerading as pm now.

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Overvalued at $50/share might not be far from the truth. We'll see in a couple of years when market decides it's time for Shopify to show some profits.

At present they are growing sales by burning cash. If they switch to profits mode, there is a danger of rapid market share loss.

Competition is fierce and Shopify's main selling point is the low price. Perhaps investors will be happy to keep their sales closed and finance cash burning for many years to come.

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The conventional metrics are perhaps not quite meaningful, if one believes that Shopify is a game changer that will profoundly change the retail business.

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Holy smoke!!!!!

One of the biggest popstars of all time (who is a Shopify merchant), Taylor Swift, is 🚀launching her new album on her Shopify site (here: https://store.taylorswift.com) TONIGHT, as per her announcement on her twitter profile here:

🔗 twitter.com/...

🎉Can you imagine the MASSIVE amount of album sales and merchandise sales she is going to transact through her Shopify store. WOW!!!🎉

Taylor Swift has:

• 137 MILLION followers on Instagram:

🔗 instagram.com/...

• 71 MILLION followers on Facebook:

🔗 m.facebook.com/...

• 86.5 MILLION followers on twitter:

🔗 twitter.com/...

• 38.5 MILLION YouTube followers:

🔗 www.youtube.com/...

• 17 MILLION fans on tiktok:

🔗 t.tiktok.com/...

• HUGE fan base on snapchat

• ...and MUCH MUCH MORE.

Taylor Swift is one of many great examples of those who got in after 800. do you stay.. or do you get out and rethink after the earnings.

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.....but I hear tiktiok is controlled by the CCP...*correct? or not?*

23 Jul 2020, 02:34 PM

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Investors should push back on wall street who has been pushing value stocks and telling people to rotate out of tech stocks.

23 Jul 2020, 04:12 PM

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$This is MASSIVE NEWS for Shopify, right?$!

"We announced a partnership with Google to make it easy for merchants to list their products for free on the Google Shopping tab through Shopify's Google channel. Today, we're further extending our Google partnership by announcing that Shopify Payments will be available to U.S. merchants through Buy on Google, the search engine's native checkout option. This marks the first time Shopify Payments will be made available outside of Shopify, making it easier for merchants to enable purchases on many different channels, wherever buyers are."

🔗 news.shopify.com/...

Google is allowing merchants to checkout with Shopify Pay, just like Facebook Shops does! Sounds like Shopify is taking over the world.

$$WOOHOO$$

23 Jul 2020, 02:26 PM

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I live in Canada and we do not have the tech companies to invest in like in the USA. Investors seem to blindly invest in these tech companies, hundreds go out the window. Nortel, Blackberry, etc. Some of my friends invest in Canadian companies, but I do not. I invested in Shopify at $100 and unfortunately I got in touch with mainly 100 plus company with $3.975 bids/.75% ask/size 5 to grow into that valuation in the short-term. There may be some profits in the longer term, kind of like Cisco from early 2000s but almost twice as expensive in terms of P/S valuation.

23 Jul 2020, 02:21 PM

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@CBS_Guy8

🙌🙌🙌

Shopify is DUALLY LISTED on NYSE and TSX (same shares that can be traded on either exchange), where SIGNIFICANTLY more Americans own Shopify shares because they are BEST IN THE WORLD B2B and D2C omnichannel e-commerce provider with DECADES of growth ahead.

23 Jul 2020, 11:01 AM

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@ CBS_Guy8

I AM CANADIAN

m.youtube.com/...

Kidding aside, we have plenty awesome enterprises up here. Once upon a time even Obama much preferred his berry over the fruit. 😂

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O soma bama?

23 Jul 2020, 04:52 PM

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The under-qualified Chicago community organizer, the one that shipped Billions to the Iranians. That one.

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Sector rotation kicker..... shopify to test 800 area ....

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Why? Guess?

Shopify's July 29th earnings call is going to show their MASSIVE growth due to COVID, so expect a TOTAL RAVE rotation in to Shopify shorts.

23 Jul 2020, 02:17 PM

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rotation to value..... it will need to have a lot of buyers that it will squeeze and make new highs.....unlikely.....

23 Jul 2020, 02:26 PM

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@user 52250847

You can do whatever you do, I'll happily BUY AND HOLD leading up to Shopify's Q2 earnings call only July 29th.

Based on 3 FANG, a whack of Big Tech related to Shopify and e-commerce, and Shopify themself, they ALL indicated Shopify and e-commerce in general is SURGING...significantly, where Shopify's share price will likely seem CHEAP once they quantify their MASSIVE growth on July 29th.

BUY AND HOLD for me!

🚀🚀🚀🚀

23 Jul 2020, 02:51 PM

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I would say it would be smart to buy at around $800-$850, i will be buyer there...

23 Jul 2020, 03:11 PM

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@user 52250847

That's a bit of a stretch hoping Shopify does there before their upcoming MASSIVE Q2 earnings call on July 29th, where their share price will likely SKYROCKET then. If it were you, FOMO$ would probably service you well.

23 Jul 2020, 06:31 PM

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...don't tease with me.....

24 Jul 2020, 05:54 AM

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.....me too!!!!!!!!!!!! .....but I don't think it will "fold it's tent" that fast!!

24 Jul 2020, 09:31 PM

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Can Amazon help merchants like Shopify can here!!!!? NO

Shopify-founded Free Alkaline Hydration (https://freehydration.ca) close a $45 million funding round, backed by a group of investors that includes star Post Malone (twitter.com/...) and former MLB champion Chase Utley (instagram.com/...) to scale distribution and production, and DOUBLE its consumer base.

DOUBLE!

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🔗 www.bevnet.com/...

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Shopify's OMNICHANNEL (www.shopify.com/...) is helping them SKYROCKET...during COVID!!!

These are some of the channels profits Flow is using that I could find for their OMNICHANNEL strategy with Shopify the hub connector between all of them.....and there are many more advertising and sales channels that they use (google them):

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/...
- Twitter: twitter.com/...
- Pinterest: www.pinterest.ca/...
- Instagram: www.instagram.com/...
- YouTube: www.youtube.com/...
- Microsoft: www.linkedin.com/...
- Amazon: www.amazon.com/...
- Costco: www.costco.ca/...
- Loblaws: www.realcanadiansuperstore.ca/...
- Staples: www.staples.ca/...
- Kroger: www.kroger.com/...
- MANY MORE!

Even "Gwyneth Paltrow Wants People To Start Drinking 'Flow' Alkaline Water"🤣

🔗 www.google.com/...

Shopify is WAYYYYYYYY better for REAL BUSINESSES than TINY, one channel amazon ever will be.

BUY AND HOLD Shopify for me.

🚀🚀🚀🚀🚀

23 Jul 2020, 01:34 PM

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Where is Salesforce's market share in the TOP 100K e-commerce sites category, as seen here:

🔗 trends.builtwith.com/...

They are a NOBODY. And Shopify has TOP MARKET SHARE there....by a SIGNIFICANT margin, as seen here:

🔗 trends.builtwith.com/...

REAL BUSINESSES with real GPH choose Shopify first.

LONG Shopify!

Then upcoming July 29th earnings call is going to be MASSIVE due to their merchants SURGE in e-commerce since COVID.

🚀🚀🚀🚀🚀

23 Jul 2020, 02:27 PM

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holdpeingh
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I find it difficult to understand . Why these negative Shopify writers ever admit they been wrong .

Shopify was the same at $50,ab $150 and $220 and $500, $800 at $1000

When Shopify release two results all numbers PE sales ratio will get out in half.

The stock will appreciate North 30%

These writers will be still standing where they have been for 5 years.

Tesla

Wix

PIA

Ip

NIO

If you are a negative thinker. Well God bless you.

Shopify will be $1700 + in December 2020

23 Jul 2020, 11:41 AM

Like 7 Reply

You rock Wix

Tait Seller
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@holdpeingh

Shopify could be $2000 USD by the end of their July 29th earnings call and, if not then, by years end for sure, in my opinion.

23 Jul 2020, 12:09 PM

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I find it difficult to understand why these negative Shopify writers write as if they've never been of a stop loss. As if one can't buy Shopify (or any stock) and ride it as it goes up then simply sell Shopify AFTER it's violated some downward price. I'm sure that by whatever means these negative Shopify writers buy a stock they also have some metric for selling that stock. So, the idea of selling should not be foreign to them. Buyers of SHOP are not entering into a life-long agreement to own it no matter what.

23 Jul 2020, 12:14 PM

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Matthew Zeets
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Author's reply • @holdpeingh

You're certainly right that authors bearish on tech stocks have been mostly wrong for the last decade. That's actually why I pointed out early in this article why most authors tried anything they could to find ratios too much hybristaly. SHOP is trading at EV/Sales multiples currently not seen by any of the greatest tech stocks in their histories.

At some point, all tech stocks can't grow at these rates. Some of the ones that make it certainly can, but I think that Shopify has proven itself to be one of the few set. To be clear, this is the first negative article I've written on Shopify, and I'm a shareholder myself. I'm not trying to be a bear, but many investors underestimate the earnings potential far down the line.

If you are so certain SHOP will hit $1700 by Dec 2020, Call options are a lot more lucrative than owning the stock outright. A lot more risk of course though.

23 Jul 2020, 12:34 PM

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Matthew Zeets
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Author's reply • @RCSTOCK

That's a good point and a great strategy for momentum buyers. I probably haven't dabbled with it enough. I just noticed that SHOP trades at some P/S multiples I've never seen anything close to, so I thought I'd point it out.

23 Jul 2020, 12:38 PM

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@Matthew Zeets

"SHOP is trading at EV/Sales multiples currently not seen by any of the greatest tech stocks in their histories."

Pearls before swine...

23 Jul 2020, 12:39 PM

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@Wez

And they should be. Shopify has MASSIVE and very long term growth ahead. Their grow has even been SIGNIFICANTLY ACCELERATED due to COVID and will likely stay elevated from the trajectory their growth was on prior to COVID for at least a couple years.

23 Jul 2020, 01:36 PM

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Using a weekly chart: SMA 8 10MA crossovers with, principally, TSI & OBV confirming.

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God bless America!!!!!...(and Shop)

24 Jul 2020, 08:57 PM

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wow....that is MASSIVE .....now that is very bullish.....Not sure about the timing of that....2000 for sure, but don't know when.....

24 Jul 2020, 10:00 PM

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@hawk007

As a Canadian you're welcome.

We're fortunate to share North America. Thank God for the Magna Carta.

23 Jul 2020, 11:52 AM

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Wez
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"They'd have to grow revenues at a CAGR of 30% for the next decade for the stock to see any sort of returns."

Each year, as Rona grows, it becomes harder to maintain that kind of growth rate and to buy it now, hoping they do succeed, is more risky with investment capital than I'm comfortable with.

23 Jul 2020, 10:10 AM

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Matthew Zeets
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Author's reply • It certainly does become harder once a company reaches a certain size. I am definitely assuming some 40-50% growth years early on for them to even be able to hit a target like 30% CAGR for a decade. And that's just a baseline assumption to show that they're only growing and buying even if they manage to hit that sort of growth rate.

23 Jul 2020, 11:28 AM

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@Matthew Zeets

The fact that we are even discussing a 10 year estimate is yet another sign of just how removed from sanity we are right now.

23 Jul 2020, 12:44 PM

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@Wez

Why? You think Shopify is going to stop growing in 10 years? NOT A CHANCE!

Shopify's has very long term growth ahead.

23 Jul 2020, 01:07 PM

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Author's reply • @Wez

I think investors learned from the FANG stocks that you have to look 10 years out due to the growth in these areas having such long runways of high growth. If you only look 1 year out or 2 years out, they'll always look overvalued, but if you correctly identify companies that can keep up growth for a long time, it's how people get several hundred percent returns on FANG stocks over the last decade.

I do agree that having to look 10 years out makes it that much tougher to nail the growth rate, which is why these stocks are so much more volatile. Little changes in annual growth sure do change the valuation a lot.

23 Jul 2020, 01:14 PM

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User 52250847
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If you do a simple DCF assuming 50% growth and 25% FCF for 10 years + perpetuity at 3% growth, the company is more than fairly valued.....

a lot of execution risk to just get the carry / cost of capital.....

23 Jul 2020, 07:05 PM

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Wez
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@Matthew Zeets

That's fair, but the FANGs had a 2009 valuation bottom to run off of...now, not so much.

24 Jul 2020, 08:10 AM

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Author's reply • @Wez

Yeah I guess depends on the company. Amazon basically didn't dip much. Shopify hasn't been around for 10 years, but basically has stayed up much the same as many tech companies do today. I think we still agree for the most part though. Valuations are valuations, and FANG never traded anywhere near 40% sales, even when they were growing 50%+ a year. I think that's the point I'm trying to make. Just because a company is in a really bullish sector is no

As I stated in my article, I really do think it's possible SHOP will be well worth what they currently are some day. People that buy today aren't going to see the same sort of returns that they would have on FANG stocks, since their market cap is already over $100B before they make $2B in revenue. They're doing a fantastic job getting into everything, but unless they find better ways to monetize it without losing customers, I don't see how they make more than $20B in revenue in 15 years.

24 Jul 2020, 10:25 AM Like 0 Reply

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@Matthew Zeets
"Amazon basically didn't dip much. They dipped for a few months in 2000"
Actually, peak to trough fall in AMZN was 93%.
24 Jul 2020, 10:59 AM Like 0 Reply

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@Matthew Zeets
"AMZN never bubbled anywhere near 6X Sales, even when they were growing fast, which is why they had such great returns over the years."
Bingo!
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User 52250947
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But amazon did not have a $40T TAM and omnichannel!!!
24 Jul 2020, 11:01 AM Like 2 Reply

Tall Seller
Comments (8770) • Follow
@Matthew Zeets
And Amazon shouldn't have ever traded at 6AX because their opportunity is TINY for e-commerce compared to Shopify's.
Amazon = one TINY channel
Shopify = EVERY worthwhile channel
One versus EVERYWHERE!
Think about your TV...who wins...the TV with one channel or the TV with 100? OUH!
Shopify wins. And Shopify has infinitely more growth ahead compared to Amazon.
24 Jul 2020, 11:57 AM Like 3 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
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Author's reply • @Wez
My mistake. I should have said, AMZN didn't dip for that long. It was indeed a pretty deep dip (as were basically all stocks then), but my point was that you saw great returns over the next decade no matter when you bought them.
24 Jul 2020, 12:18 PM Like 0 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
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Author's reply • @Tall Seller
@User 52250947
I agree SHOP is doing a fantastic job of spreading like a virus. However, I've yet to see them monetize it much. If any but would talk about how much they can make per say thousand dollars of sales done through their channels, then I would listen more. It seems bulls always just want to spout off how much all their customers make. How much of that will pass down to SHOP? I'm asking seriously. You may be right and you may be bull if you know of any presentations that SHOP has given that talks about how much they'll make per transaction or anything like that.
24 Jul 2020, 12:24 PM Like 1 Reply

User 52250947
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I am lacking sarcastic shopify is a great company that is very overvalued but some people keep talking about ban and omni channel like it is everything
24 Jul 2020, 01:03 PM Like 0 Reply

Wez
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@Matthew Zeets
"my point was that you saw great returns over the next decade no matter when you bought them."
Right, that's the justification many use to argue for stocks like SHOP, "the next Amazon". There are only a few Amazons out there.
24 Jul 2020, 01:09 PM Like 0 Reply

Tall Seller
Comments (8770) • Follow
@Wez
Amazon? That's alone is a LOSING e-commerce strategy for most real businesses.
Amazon = a LONELY channel
Shopify = EVERY worthwhile Big Tech and big box online store channel
Shopify's merchants can integrate EVERYWHERE worthwhile online which is astronomically better for merchants than one pony show Amazon.
24 Jul 2020, 11:32 AM Like 0 Reply

Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
Subscriber Author
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Yes, I agree with @Tall Seller :) Amazon is TAM (in capital letters) compared to Shopify; its revenue is only 140 times as much as Shopify's revenue, and its net income is (yes, net income) is only 6 times as much as Shopify's total revenue (yes, total revenue).
Amazon is certainly is a pony show compared to the Shopify circus...
25 Jul 2020, 02:25 AM Like 2 Reply

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4
25 Jul 2020, 10:29 PM Like 0 Reply

Tall Seller
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@Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
Ramy, do you really think ONE channel Amazon is better for real businesses that EVERY channel Shopify??
ONE channel versus hte 50 channels.
It's a no brainer. Amazon alone is a LOSING e-commerce strategy for most real businesses where being on many channels with Shopify for sales, marketing, brand building, etc., is the WINNING strategy
27 Jul 2020, 10:14 AM Like 0 Reply

Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
Subscriber Author
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@Tall Seller , let's forget about the debate of whether Shopify is better or worse than Amazon; the discussion will take us no where...
I have a real technical question: Can a Shopify site server up Shopify for managing his/her FBA?
I am asking because I was talking to someone today who told me that they cannot, and I find it hard to believe.
As a disclosure, I am still not long on Shopify...
Thanks in advance.
27 Jul 2020, 04:08 AM Like 0 Reply

extradashot
Comments (98) • Follow
I agree with your assessment that SHOP is possibly the most overvalued stock in the history of investing (with the exception of a few dozen internet stocks that crashed in 2000). The problem is that SHOP may not even still be in business a decade from now. There were thousands of high-flying internet stocks in the late 90's that people thought would dominate for decades, and virtually all of them went out of business. For every AMZN, there were hundreds of companies that had the same business model and disappeared. The same thing is going to happen to Lulu (look at what happened to RIMM (Blackberry). Like SHOP it was seen as a pioneer in it's market (mobile devices) and became the most valuable company in Canada (just like SHOP is today). Then Apple, who didn't even make phones at the time, decided to jump into the market with a new product called the iPhone, and they completely destroyed Blackberry and nearly ran them into bankruptcy. I'm just saying that the chances of SHOP becoming the next AMZN in terms of market success and market cap, are very small. And people are willing to pay stock up as if it's already a done deal. And for the record, I'm not a short. I've never shorted a stock in my life. I bought SHOP at $100 in 2017 and sold it when I bought it in 2018 for $72 and sold it for the $700's. It was a great ride but now the valuation is just absurd so I had to take my profits and run. I may buy back in some day but the price would have to be cut in half for me to consider it again. Good luck everyone!
27 Jul 2020, 10:25 AM Like 7 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
Comments (1119) • Follow
Author's reply • Well said. The way I see it is at best SHOP will be a mediocre investment from this point and at worst they could crash. Kudos to you for holding for as long too. I imagine in your position that it would have sold at $200-$500 range. I really never dreamed they would fly this high.
27 Jul 2020, 10:31 AM Like 0 Reply

vancouvervic
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"a mediocre investment" eh. That's the best you can do? Before you brush off Shopify (or any other security) you owe it to yourself to do that due diligence. Hate on Shopify all you want I don't care, but at least make an effort to find out why Shopify is killing it in its market.
27 Jul 2020, 11:04 AM Like 14 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
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Author's reply • @vancouvervic
What sort of growth rates do you expect for the next 5 years? 10 years?
27 Jul 2020, 06:49 PM Like 0 Reply

Tall Seller
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@Matthew Zeets
With everyone globally hating malls and stores now due to COVID, Shopify's growth will probably stick to at least 70%/year for the next 10 years.
27 Jul 2020, 06:50 PM Like 6 Reply

User 52250947
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no one hates malls... i would say the other way around, people are envious and want to get out of their houses
27 Jul 2020, 07:16 PM Like 0 Reply

Tall Seller
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@User 52250947
I'm extremely happy to agree to disagree. Their is a MASSIVE global aversion to malls that is forever engrained in many people now.
With so many of the best brands in the world using Shopify's omnichannel D2C strategies, I'd rather order most things online, which is the same for MANY MANY MANY more people now.
27 Jul 2020, 11:16 PM Like 6 Reply

User 52250947
Comments (88) • Follow
Most people will order online more, and in the future but you are mixing to subjects.
I just said people don't hate malls, i never said people will buy more in malls...
you are taking things out of context
27 Jul 2020, 11:40 PM Like 0 Reply

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Their is a MASSIVE global aversion to malls that is forever engrained in many people now.
you seem to have a lot of data behind this.... share it
27 Jul 2020, 07:26 PM Like 6 Reply

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@User 52250947
Where is your data?
GLOBALLY, there will forevermore proportionally more people buy proportionally more goods in proportionally more categories than before.
27 Jul 2020, 07:41 PM Like 5 Reply

User 52250947
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Well you are the one saying people hate malls... i have never heard that people hate malls...
27 Jul 2020, 07:50 PM Like 6 Reply

User 52250947
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again, this is correct but does it mean people hate malls??
life is not black and white, one day you will understand with more life experience
27 Jul 2020, 07:44 PM Like 8 Reply

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@User 52250947
Of proportionally more course they hate malls, where proportionally more people will buy proportionally goods online forevermore.
If you want to go to a probable diseased cesspool of a mall, of for it. I ain't, if I can help it, most of the time. And there are MANY!!!!!!!!! more people that feel way I feel than you feel. It's ludicrous to think the exact same number of people will jump at going to malls ever again as they can buy many things online.
27 Jul 2020, 07:49 PM Like 6 Reply

User 52250947
Comments (88) • Follow
You still don't get it, you are completely missing the point of what i am saying but it is ok... good luck.
27 Jul 2020, 08:39 PM Like 0 Reply

Tall Seller
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@User 52250947
I'm not missing it. I just totally disagree with it, which is allowed. I believe COVID has caused significantly more people to forevermore buy significantly more products online in significantly more categories. And it will NEVER go back to where we were or go back to the same timeline of e-commerce adoption as before.
27 Jul 2020, 09:36 PM Like 6 Reply

User 52250947
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this is true but this is not what i am talking about, i will end the discussion here since you are not paying attention to what i am trying to tell you....
i am not talking about ecommerce going up.
27 Jul 2020, 10:03 PM Like 0 Reply

Tall Seller
Comments (8770) • Follow
@User 52250947
Many people who never hated malls and stores before will hate malls and stores now and forevermore.
Less people will buy in stores and malls.
More people will buy more of everything online.
LONG Shopify!
27 Jul 2020, 10:28 AM Like 6 Reply

hsm407
Comments (1120) • Follow
"mediocre investment"_____wow...This "mediocre investment has made me a millionaire!!!! (Giving God the credit....not me)
28 Jul 2020, 12:19 PM Like 0 Reply

Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
Subscriber Author
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Nice short article. Thanks.
@Matthew Zeets , you did not discuss the potential decline in the business of smaller retailers (the vast majority of Shopify clients) in the future; I am interested in your opinion on this one, and how it may impact your growth projections.
Thanks again.
25 Jul 2020, 09:19 AM Like 3 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
Comments (1119) • Follow
Author's reply • You bring up a great point. I definitely haven't looked into how much SHOP makes per customer or anything to come up with real growth projections. In general I am giving them the benefit of the doubt that they may grow at a similar pace to some of the best tech companies of the last decade. Then I just wanted to show that if they manage that, they're basically just fairly valued. Your point is one of the risks I alluded to that if anything goes wrong at all, they'll be worth well less than they are now.
25 Jul 2020, 11:14 AM Like 3 Reply

Tall Seller
Comments (8770) • Follow
@Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
It's because WIX SUCKS! No real business will choose them over Shopify, NAME ITHE big businesses who use WIX. They SUCK!
27 Jul 2020, 09:19 AM Like 6 Reply

Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
Subscriber Author
Comments (2103) • Follow
@Tall Seller , you seem to have a personal vendetta against WIX as you try to switch the subject to attack it on every opportunity. Maybe you can explain why you always look for opportunities to do that?
And, yes, I agree, there are several good customers against WIX as the companies, and they all serve smaller retailers.
27 Jul 2020, 11:02 AM Like 0 Reply

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@Ramy Tarabulsi, CFA
It's because WIX SUCKS! No real business will choose them over Shopify, NAME ITHE big businesses who use WIX. They SUCK!
27 Jul 2020, 09:19 AM Like 6 Reply

electra7
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SHOP makes TESLA look cheap.
I would be very surprised if SHOP doesn't put back and Tesla continue its dramatic rise.
You can throw 50 billion at SHOP with acquisitions, etc. and be a competitor right out of the gate.
Throw 50 billion at TESLA with acquisitions, etc. and it is likely that you have just done your 50B.
28 Jul 2020, 12:14 PM Like 3 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
Comments (1119) • Follow
Author's reply • Some great points. Tesla certainly has an infrastructure set up and brand name that is tougher to compete with.
25 Jul 2020, 12:21 PM Like 0 Reply

vancouvervic
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Shopify isn't in competition with Tesla. Shopify is in competition with Intuit, according to at least one Intuit fanboy.
28 Jul 2020, 08:15 AM Like 0 Reply

bobcpa55
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I would think Amazon is currently spending many billions to expand their footprint, new leases are huge multi-million dollar commitments, building new warehouse (and distribution hubs) (and SDC suppliers) to establish a network far greater than Amazon can imagine.....at a very small fraction of AmAzons cost. It's like having several robots and integrated software, and the desire among

businesses not to get sucked and locked into the Amazon vortex.

21 Jul 2016, 11:26 AM

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Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
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Author's reply • @bobcajun55

I agree many businesses would want to get away from Amazon. I wonder how much SHOP gets per customer they have on average.

21 Jul 2016, 11:29 AM

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bobcajun55
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This is a growth company, requiring knows ecommerce sales are accelerating so project that into the future.

21 Jul 2016, 07:17 AM

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Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
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Author's reply • Are you just saying my 30% a year CAGR is too conservative?

21 Jul 2016, 10:33 AM

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You rock me

Tall Seller
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@Matthew Zeets

Of course it's too conservative, by a long shot.

According to this statements from Shopify's CTO, Shopify's growth right now is in the 380-760% quarter over quarter range due to COVID:

// mobile.twitter.com/...

And, COVID will FOREVER change peoples online purchasing behaviors, so expect a much higher growth rate for Shopify than prior to COVID.

21 Jul 2016, 10:52 AM

Like 2 Reply

Matthew Zeets
Subscriber Author
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Author's reply • @Tall Seller

I don't see the 380-760% QPQ growth you speak of mentioned anywhere.

21 Jul 2016, 06:46 PM

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@Matthew Zeets

I'm happy to do the math for you.

Shopify's CTO said they are seeing traffic near DOUBLE their normally busiest weekend of the year (Black Friday Cyber Monday) now EVERY DAY:

// mobile.twitter.com/...

The math: when you can compare Shopify's merchants $2.98011DN ($723,000,000/day) to sales over Black Friday Cyber Monday 2019 (seen here: news.shopify.com/...), and compare that to Shopify's Q1 2020 Gross Merchandise Volume (GMV) of $17.48911DN for everyone entire quarter or $190,333,333/day (seen here: q23.q4cdn.com/...), if Shopify's CTO's statements above about "traffic" correlates to GMV, which is a very NO reason it shouldn't, it suggests between a 380%-760% in growth quarter over quarter =

MASSIVE GROWTH ACCELERATION#2@.

Event Adobe's CEO said Magento compared their sales to Black Friday Cyber Monday every day in their last earnings call, which reinforces Shopify's CTO's statement (NOD2 correlating "traffic" to GMV.

BUY AND HOLD baby. Shopify's Q2 earnings call on July 29th is going to be MASSIVE.

#FullSail

21 Jul 2016, 07:08 PM

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User 52250847
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you cannot trust an insider for this type of information they will always pump the stock

21 Jul 2016, 07:09 PM

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Tall Seller
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@User 52250847

I'm very happy to agree to disagree.

Shopify, Adobe, and Salesforce all said similar things about e-commerce SURGING...with adobe CEO and Shopify's CTO essentially saying the same things about the equivalent of Black Friday Cyber Monday occurring every day.

And then, Facebook, Google, Amazon, DH Smith, FedEx, UPS, PayPal, VISA, MasterCard ALL SAYING e-commerce is SURGING significantly.

Sorry...Shopify's growth is MASSIVE right now, as all this sources together prove that to be unequivocal.

21 Jul 2016, 07:14 PM

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Did those stocks double in price with these news???

21 Jul 2016, 07:15 PM

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Did Amazon stock price double after those news???

Think again before saying this stock will get to $2,000...

Run a simple DCF, 50% revenue growth rate and 25% FCF to equity

8% WACC (low by the way relative to risk)

perpetuity assume 15-20x ebitda

..... nothing is priced in.....

markets are not 100% efficient, they are 90-99% efficient.....

when this news come out, it gets priced in, do you think we are the only one that reads news article???

hedge funds have millions of dollars in infrastructure and still cant beat the market....

I ask you, what is your edge???

21 Jul 2016, 07:34 PM

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Tall Seller
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@User 52250847

Sorry I'm very happy to agree to disagree. MANY MANY MANY MANY shopify's growth has been MASSIVE since e-commerce. I'll believe them, as all of their financial statements are EXTREMELY CREDIBLE.

21 Jul 2016, 08:35 PM

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Tall Seller
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@User 52250847

You've been saying Shopify is overpriced since $50-135/share, while I've been saying Shopify would easily grow to where we are today that entire time.

There is PROOF of my edge, thanks (aka RESULTS).

21 Jul 2016, 08:39 PM

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Tall Seller
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@User 52250847

NOPE.

You think no earnings calls have ever resulted in a share price spiking up, even if that news was somewhat expected?

There certainly a some optimism priced in to Shopify now, but it's NOWHERE NEAR fully priced in for what's coming from Shopify's soon-to-be announced MASSIVE growth from COVID.

21 Jul 2016, 08:39 PM

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so you say a sample of 1 stock is enough to be an edge????

21 Jul 2016, 08:51 PM

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but why did amazon not double with these news?

21 Jul 2016, 08:53 PM

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how do you know that???? nowhere near when it is 60x revenue?

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If Shopify does indeed announce 380-760% growth quarter over quarter in relation to their CTO's statements, today's share price will NOT be 60x revenue. It will be a MUCH LESS multiple than that, very likely in a realm that makes Shopify's share price today VERY CHEAP compared to what multiples investors have been willing to pay for Shopify...which will likely cause Shopify's share price to SKYROCKET on July 29th.

21 Jul 2016, 09:00 PM

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You are assuming this growth if if even is close to these numbers will be recurring, if the growth is x 1 time thing and the company last money then it is a past event that has no effect on value.....

You are assuming that this growth will go on forever...I am telling you, current price assume company will grow more than 50% YoY for 10 years at very high margins, which is unlikely.....

21 Jul 2016, 09:06 PM

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It's all just speculation. I speculate Shopify's growth will be extremely strong for a very long time, as they accelerate GLOBIZING their competitors, and COVID has just exacerbated/accelerated that GRUBHUBing.

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OK cool nothing wrong with that.

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yeah so in 10 years if at the low end shop market cap is still only worth 20% of Amazon (which might be worth $6T-14t current) at least, that shop needs to increase at least $120B per year in sales. That is a big shift, or revenue has to be needed to get there, of course 20 percent could be way too conservative. you snooze you lose.

22 Jul 2016, 07:14 AM

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Author's reply • @bobcajun55

Well that's all one way of looking at it, but I saw several issues with those valuations. Amazon could hit $6T, but I think it's unlikely. What sort of PE ratio do you think Amazon will have in 10 years? I think it's unlikely trading at 20 year highs is that regard even though their revenues are growing at near 15% per year these days. So once again, while possible, I think a valuation near $2T is much more likely for AMZN in 10 years.

And I definitely don't see SHOP being worth 20% of AMZN. Maybe it's our assumptions in what sort of products SHOP will offer that differ. My assumption is that they'll still just sell web and software services to help other businesses be able to sell online. I don't see SHOP having a marketplace that can compete with the likes of Amazon, Facebook, Google, and Wayfair.

What do you expect SHOP's revenues to be in 10 years to hit that $1.2T valuation?

22 Jul 2016, 11:57 AM

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gutcheck
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website hosting is a commodity business. shareholders have given shop 2B in cash raise over last 9 mos to be able to make less than 2B in revenue. how long can this ponzi scheme continue

22 Jul 2016, 01:13 PM

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Author's reply • Website hosting is definitely a commodity. SHOP offers a lot of other services though. But in general I agree with you that if the market were worth zero/very, we'd be seeing the big tech companies try to get a slice of the pie.

22 Jul 2016, 01:49 PM

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You rock me

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@gutcheck

Most of Shopify's so called competitors don't have a fraction of the services that Shopify has. E-commerce is A LOT MORE than just a loser e-commerce website business, and Shopify is in the A LOT MORE category.

If e-commerce is only a website business, then how did Shopify's 2,000,000 3rd party PARTNERS generate $6.98011DN last year?

22 Jul 2016, 12:26 PM

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E-Commerce Software total addressable market is worth less than 10B today, could reach 70B in the next 10 years. Shopify alone is valued over 100B.

Magento (Adobe), Salesforce, WooCommerce (Automattic), Wix, Squarespace, BigCommerce and many other companies are competing for their share of a 20B market, but Shopify alone is valued 5x entire addressable market.

I would be scared to hold this long.

22 Jul 2016, 04:14 PM

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I would say the E-Commerce Software market let more than double that size, but I see the same risks. Where do you have this data from?

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Mentioned here thevformedbroker.com/...

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Great points. I may be wrong, but to me it seems that the bulls are under the assumption that SHOP will have a market place that will be stealing market share from traditional retail like Amazon does. I think most us bears assume they'll continue selling software and analytics to traditional retailers. A great business model, but certainly not to the scale as Amazon's. I think that's why it's such a battle ground stock and has swayed so much this high.

23 Jul 2016, 11:04 AM

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@krokodilica

Why do you ignore that the global e-commerce market was $3797811DN in 2017 according to the UNITED NATIONS for B2B and D2C (seen here: unctad.org/...), and expected to grow substantially.

With Shopify the BEST IN THE WOLRD combined B2B and D2C OMNICHANNEL e-commerce provider, Shopify has MASSIVE growth in this MASSIVELY growth market

23 Jul 2016, 07:56 PM

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If a company sells shipping containers, how much is global shipping market relevant to its valuation? Not too much. What is relevant for that company is the size of shipping containers market.

Likewise for Shopify only the size of the e-Commerce Software market is a relevant information. Their total addressable market is limited (act!) then valuation of a single company competing for a slice of that market.

23 Jul 2016, 10:31 PM

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@krokodilica

Why can't Shopify enable a shipping container company? THEY CAN. They have the best e-commerce software in the world.

You somehow found a can calculate exactly what businesses they can enable and not enable of that approx $4078511DN/year e-commerce market? Sorry, they can enable almost all of it. TAM does not equate to current customers...it equates to what they have the ability to enable.

24 Jul 2016, 06:15 AM

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most of the $4T is B2B which shopify will never touch

24 Jul 2016, 06:19 AM

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Why not? They can enable websites for every inch of B2B and D2C of it...and help businesses integrate everywhere worthwhile online too. If they have the ability to.

Touch all if that's the TAM.

TAM is defined at what they have the ability to reach.

Either way, Shopify EASILY can enable many many $TRILLIONS of it. And, with Shopify the ABSOLUTE global

leader for combined B2B and D2C omnichannel e-commerce provider, it's going to be EASY for the MANY MANY MANY new to e-commerce B2B and D2C businesses to choose Shopify going forward. It'll be like shooting ducks in a barrel for Shopify. Who else are they going to choose going forward?

$TRILLIONS/year of GMV coming down the pipe for Shopify.

BUY AND HOLD baby.

#FullSail

24 Jul 2016, 06:34 AM

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Anyone can do anything..... that is not their target market right now, their focus is small and medium retailers and medium sized brands for shopify plus....

Shopify's main efforts are in B2C. The B2B segment is a whole different story.

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WRONG!

Shopify has MORE by DOUBLE market share of enterprise merchants than any other vendor, at least of the TOP online selling ones.

Shopify is the BEST IN THE WORLD for businesses of ALL SIZES.

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It doesn't matter, it is still not their primary focus... I am not comparing to competition ... I am talking about business strategy.

I am talking about their focus in the market, you are talking about market share vs competition.

Most of the other competitors are focused on SMB as well, large companies normally deploy their own infrastructure and have more advance technologies than what shopify can provide

24 Jul 2016, 07:27 PM

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WRONG!

They have a TOTAL WAVE massive merchants coming to them NOW, many of whom like GE, Nestle, Unilever, Procter & Gamble, Kraft Heinz, Johnson and Johnson, etc., can use Shopify for a mix of you'll NEVER GUESS B2B, B2C, and omnichannel combinations they'll be using as

Loren Padelford, GM of Shopify Plus, has had a SURGE in inquiries from PLUS sized enterprises RECENTLY:

🗣"I've had more conversations with large retailer executives using legacy platforms in the last 4 weeks than I've had in the last 4 years. Retailers need better partners and better outcomes. The end is nigh for the old enterprise mafia, it's time to upgrade."

👉 twitter.com/...

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horuss

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Online retailing and merchandising is not a bubble at all. It's a tsunami. Retail transactions are undergoing a fundamental change that is going to last for generations. SHOP will more than perform well during this period. They will soar.

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Contributor Premium

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Author's reply » @horuss

I agree there is plenty of money to be taken from traditional retailers. That market is gigantic and Amazon and others have only just taken a fraction so far. But how much will SHOP get of that? Isn't SHOP just selling web site and software services to help companies update their way of doing business? How much do they even make per customer?

It's possible I just don't understand all their offerings well enough, but to me it seems people are using a very generic all-ecommerce-companies-will-make-me-rich way of thinking without really analyzing how much growth they'll have/profit they'll make down the line. Definitely reminds me of the .com crash in that sense.

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@Matthew Zeets

The aggregation of Shopify's merchants sales in the USA puts them as the equivalent of the SECOND LARGEST ONLINE RETAILER IN THE ENTIRE USA.

Shopify is the very best in the world combined B2B and D2C OMNICHANNEL e-commerce provider.

READ about how powerful Shopify's OMNICHANNEL solutions are for businesses and why businesses will ALWAYS choose Shopify first, here:

👉 www.shopify.com/...

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More than possible. More than probable. Definite!

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Author's reply » @Tall Seller

If they're already the second largest online retailers in the entire USA, then the long-term growth picture is worse than I thought. How will they ever make more than $20B in revenue if they only made $1.7B in 2019 while being the 2nd largest in the US? I think it shows that there just isn't much money to be made in offering web services. Doesn't really matter how much their clients make if they don't see a bigger slice of the pie.

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The penetration of e-commerce is in its infancy globally still according many credible sources, including Mark Zuckerberg at their last earnings call.

And, don't forget Shopify is the BEST IN THE WORLD combined B2B and D2C omnichannel e-commerce provider and B2B is TEN TIMES the size as D2C.

Shopify has BARELY gotten started.

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Author's reply » @Tall Seller

I agree that e-commerce is still in its infancy. It only made up 16% of all retail sales in 2019. However even if it got to 50% within 10 years, that still only means ~3x the amount it is now. I'm sure SHOP will find more ways to monetize, so they will likely make more than 3x what they made in 2019, but it's still tough to imagine them making more than $20B anytime soon.

How much do you expect them to make per say thousand dollars of transactions done through their channels eventually? I realize it will take time to get there.

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@Matthew Zeets

It was only 15% in the USA prior to COVID and a whack of sources say it jumped to over 25% since COVID.

And, there are many countries around the world where the penetration is much lower, where Shopify accommodates nuances for 175 counties and 20 languages (and growing), and 100 payment methods.

AND.....IMPORTANTLY.... Shopify does B2B e-commerce too, and that market is TEN TIMES THE SIZE as D2C with TONS of room for growth still. And, with Shopify the very best in the world combined B2B and D2C omnichannel e-commerce provider, that near $40TRILLION/year and growing B2B and D2C e-commerce market just means Shopify has barely gotten started...

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