

& Diag. (wound closures, minimally invasive surgical instruments, diagnostics, orthopedics, and contact lenses), and Pharmaceutical (contraceptives, psychiatric, anti-infective, and dermatological

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changing. Two new business segments

are being added. Surgical Care will focus

on developing technologies and strategies that are used during surgical procedures.

Comprehensive Care will focus on treat-

ment of chronic disorders. Also, JNJ is

creating a division, called the Office of Strategy and Growth, whose mission will

be to identify growth opportunities outside

of existing operations. All of these changes

will be implemented at the start of 2008.

Our estimates for next year were only modestly affected by the announcements.

Johnson & Johnson is a solid option

for long-term total return potential. The Consumer and Medical Devices &

Diagnostics segments are consistent contributors to growth. The Pharmaceutical

division is more of an unknown, but this

business seems to have a decent pipeline.

As a result, JNJ's 3- to 5-year capital ap-

preciation potential is about average. After

factoring in the decent dividend yield,

Highest (1) Safety rank, and top-notch ratings for Financial Strength, Earnings

Predictability, and Price Stability, we see

a very strong risk-reward scenario here.

12635 19161 **ANNUAL RATES** Past Est'd '04-'06 Past 5 Yrs. 10.5% of change (per sh) 10 Yrs. to '10-'12 8.0% 8.0% 8.0% Sales "Cash Flow" 9.0% 13.0% 14.0% 13.5% 15.5% Earnings Dividends Book Value 8.0% 13.0%

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Accts Payable Debt Due

Current Liab.

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|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Fiscal Year Ends | | RTERLY S Jun.Per | | ill.) ^A Dec.Per | Full Fiscal Year |
| 2004 | 11559 | 11484 | 11553 | 12752 | 47348 |
| 2005 | 12832 | 12762 | 12310 | 12610 | 50514 |
| 2006 | 12992 | 13363 | 13287 | 13682 | 53324 |
| 2007 | 15037 | 15131 | 14970 | 15062 | 60200 |
| 2008 | 15800 | 15700 | 15600 | 15900 | 63000 |
| Fiscal | EARNINGS PER SHARE ABFu | | | | |
| Year Ends | Mar.Per | Jun.Per | Sep.Per | Dec.Per | Fiscal Year |
| 2004 | .83 | .82 | .78 | .67 | 3.10 |
| 2005 | .97 | .93 | .87 | .73 | 3.50 |
| 2006 | .99 | .98 | .98 | .81 | 3.76 |
| 2007 | 1.16 | 1.05 | 1.06 | .85 | 4.12 |
| 2008 | 1.20 | 1.14 | 1.14 | .97 | 4.45 |
| Cal- | QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID C■ | | | | Full |
| endar | Mar.31 | Jun.30 | Sep.30 | Dec.31 | Year |
| 2003 | .20 | .24 | .24 | .24 | .92 |
| 2004 | .24 | .285 | .285 | .285 | 1.10 |
| 2005 | .285 | .33 | .33 | .33 | 1.28 |
| 2006 | .33 | .375 | .375 | .375 | 1.46 |
| 2007 | .375 | .415 | .415 | | |

(A) Year ends on last Sunday of December.
(B) Primary earnings through '96, diluted there-

Johnson & Johnson is having a good year. In addition to strong internal growth, the company has benefited from successful acquisitions and currency effects. Indeed, since JNJ generates over 40% of its sales overseas, the weakening dollar has been a boon to the top line. We look for sales to rise about 10% in the December period, on a year-to-year basis. However, our bottom-line call of \$0.85 a share is only 5% higher than last year's result. For the full year, our bottom-line estimate is \$4.12.

Cost cutting should give a boost to earnings next year. About 3%-4% of the total workforce will be laid off, mostly from the Medical Devices & Diagnostics segment. Other streamlining initiatives are being put into place as well. This plan should reduce expenses by \$1.3 billion to \$1.6 billion annually, beginning in 2008. One area of concern is in the Pharmaceuticals segment. The patent on RISPERDAL, the company's top-selling drug, expires at the end of 2007. Thus, we expect only modest top-line growth (4%-5%), but earnings per share should advance about 8%.

'03 (30¢); '04, (26¢); '05, (4¢); '06, (3¢); '07, Q1, (28¢). Next earnings report due mid-

organizational

January. (C) Dividends historically paid mid: March,

The

Tom Nikic structure June, Sept., and Dec. Div'd reinvestment plan available.

(D) Incl. intang.: In '06, \$28.7 billion; \$9.92/sh.

(E) In mill., adj. for stock splits.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A++ 100 Price Growth Persistence **Earnings Predictability** 100

after. Excludes nonrecurring gains/(losses): '92, 23¢; '98, 22¢; '99, 2¢; '01, (7¢); '02, (7¢); © 2007, Value Line Publishing, Inc. All rights reserved. Factual material is obtained from sources believed to be reliable and is provided without warranties of any kind. THE PUBLISHER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS HEREIN. This publication is strictly for subscriber's own, non-commercial, internal use. No part of it may be reproduced, resold, stored or transmitted in any printed, electronic or other form, or used for generating or marketing any printed or electronic publication, service or product.

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