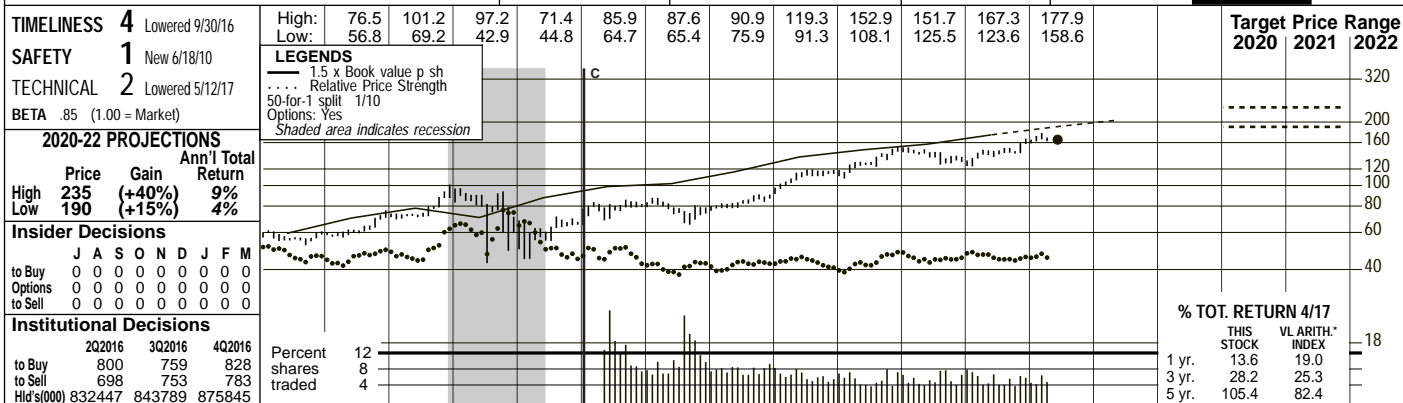


BERKSHIRE HATH. 'B' NYSE-BRKB

RECENT PRICE **165.11** P/E RATIO **17.8** (Trailing: 18.0 Median: NMF) RELATIVE P/E RATIO **0.91** DIV'D YLD **Nil** VALUE LINE



Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	20-22
Price	13.71	10.99	11.98	12.44	12.95	14.02	14.88	16.74	16.75	18.60	24.05	21.25	27.15
Gain	5.26	d.30	4.76	4.54	2.62	3.87	5.31	4.28	6.93	5.87	8.00	8.40	10.00
High	32.03	35.71	31.60	38.11	42.45	46.92	53.70	57.98	61.83	66.19	67.00	68.50	75.00
Low	2.23	2.14	1.51	2.49	2.14	2.73	3.30	3.18	2.95	2.94	3.90	4.15	5.15
Options	5.70	2.15	3.46	5.29	4.14	5.24	7.89	8.06	9.77	9.77	9.25	10.35	12.50

Category	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	20-22
Premiums Earned p sh	150%	173%	107%	119%	115%	93%	121%	132%	133%	124%	14.7	14.7	135%
Invest. Inc (loss) p sh	13.7	37.8	18.1	14.8	19.0	15.9	14.0	16.2	14.3	14.7	14.7	14.7	17.0
Other Income p sh	.72	2.30	1.20	.94	1.19	1.00	.79	.85	.73	.77	.77	.77	1.05
Underwriting Income p sh	31783	25525	27884	30749	32075	34545	36684	41253	41294	45881	58955	52000	66500
Earnings p sh	12205	d705.0	11073	11217	6488	9539	13081	10539	17092	14484	20500	21000	24000
Div'ds Decl'd p sh	74257	82966	73536	94219	105125	115648	132385	142881	152435	163239	170000	175000	200000
Book Value p sh	66.1%	63.7%	65.5%	58.8%	64.9%	58.2%	58.0%	64.0%	64.2%	67.4%	62.0%	62.0%	62.0%
Common Shs. Outst'g	17.6%	16.8%	21.9%	20.0%	18.6%	22.3%	19.8%	17.0%	18.2%	16.8%	18.5%	18.5%	19.0%
Price to Book Value	16.3%	19.5%	12.6%	21.2%	16.5%	19.5%	22.2%	19.0%	17.6%	15.8%	19.5%	19.5%	19.0%
Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	32.7%	26.1%	30.6%	29.4%	29.8%	31.1%	31.1%	28.2%	30.1%	27.4%	30.0%	30.0%	30.0%
Relative P/E Ratio	13213	4994	8055	12967	10254	12916	19476	19860	24083	24095	22665	25360	30625
Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	120733	109267	135785	162934	168961	191588	224485	243027	258627	286359	310000	335000	385000
Loss to Prem. Earned	10.9%	4.6%	5.9%	8.0%	6.1%	6.7%	8.7%	8.2%	9.3%	8.4%	7.5%	7.5%	8.0%
Expense to Prem Written	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Nil	Nil	Nil
Underwriting Margin													
Income Tax Rate													
Net Profit (\$mill)													
Shr. Equity (\$mill)													
Return on Shr. Equity													
All Div'ds to Net Prof													

EQUITY INVESTMENTS as of 3/31/17
 Positions (12) of \$2.5 billion or more:
 Wells Fargo (479,704,270 shares)
 Coca Cola Co. (400,000,000 shares)
 IBM (64,561,955 shares)
 American Express (151,610,700 shares)
 Goldman Sachs (10,959,519 shares)
 Charter Communications (9,443,491 shares)
 U.S. Bancorp (85,063,167 shares)
 Davita (38,565,570 shares)
 Kraft Heinz (325,634,818 shares)
 Apple (129,357,106 shares)
 Moody's (24,669,778 shares)
 Phillips 66 (80,689,892 shares)
 Market Value of all equities: \$161.8 bill.

Common Shares 2,466,866,653 Class B shares
 Includes 768,910 Class A shrs, as if converted.
as of 3/31/17
MARKET CAP: \$407 billion (Large Cap)

FINANCIAL POSITION (\$MILL.)	2015	2016	3/31/17
Bonds	25988	23432	22902
Stocks	110212	120471	133393
Cash	61181	70919	79414
Other	354876	406032	418742
Total Assets	552257	620854	654451
Unearned Prems	13311	14245	16106
Reserves	73144	76918	93898
Other	207175	243332	248167
Total Liabilities	293630	334495	358177

ANNUAL RATES	Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '14-'16
of change (per sh)	24.0%	25.0%	9.0%
Earnings p sh	--	--	Nil
Dividends	19.0%	6.0%	8.0%

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2014	9416	9323	12717	9797	41253
2015	9540	10400	10514	10840	41294
2016	11124	10799	11364	12594	45881
2017	21753	22200	12400	12602	58955
2018	12750	12900	13100	13250	52000

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2014	1.91	2.59	1.87	1.69	8.06
2015	2.10	1.63	3.82	2.22	9.77
2016	2.27	2.03	2.92	2.55	9.77
2017	1.65	2.40	2.50	2.70	9.25
2018	2.35	2.55	2.65	2.80	10.35

BUSINESS: Berkshire Hathaway Inc. is a holding company owning subsidiaries engaged in property and casualty insurance on a direct and reinsurance basis through GEICO, General Re and Berkshire Reinsurance. Other business activities include electric utilities, railroads, flight training services, candy manufacturing, ice cream, building products, newspapers, retailing, fine jewelry, etc. Also,

Berkshire Hathaway posted a decline in year-to-year results during the March quarter. Looking at it with a bit more granularity, the P/C Insurance unit was the primary drag on the bottom line during the quarter. On a year-to-year basis, income from this division went from a profit of \$213 million to a loss of \$267 million. Also, investment and derivative gains & losses fell sharply, from more than \$1.85 billion, to \$504 million. It should be noted that these two factors aren't cause for concern from our perspective. Results at the P/C Insurance unit are correlated to the weather, which, of course, is very difficult to predict. What's more, variances can be quite high in the company's investment and derivatives portfolios, so the March-period results can be viewed as "par for the course."

We look for a moderate pullback in the bottom line this year before the industry behemoth likely regains traction in 2018. Good performers during the March quarter, including the Railroad and Utilities segments, ought to provide steady returns moving ahead. Acquisitions are always a possibility, too.

The company has a lot of moving parts, which makes long-term projections rather tenuous. Not only does Berkshire have many businesses outside of the standard P/C insurance unit, its investments are a critical part of its earnings stream. This is the primary reason why we include capital gains and losses in Berkshire's earnings per share, while we exclude them from the majority of insurers under our review. Under the wings of industry icon Warren Buffett, Berkshire's investment returns have been at or near the head of the pack for decades. Though Mr. Buffett will ultimately step down from his role at Berkshire, we believe his heir will be well groomed to fill his shoes.

These shares aren't in the good graces of our Ranking System at present. What's more, gains potential for the pull to 2020-2022 is unexciting at the recent valuation. However, existing BRKB stockholders may wish to hold onto their shares as these represent a relatively safe investment and provide a P/C insurance presence to round out an otherwise diversified portfolio.

Alan G. House
 June 9, 2017

(A) Based on diluted shares outstanding. Earnings include investment gains/(losses) and derivative gains and losses. Next earnings report due late July.	(B) Incl. goodwill. In 12/31/16, \$79.5 billion; \$32.24/share.	(C) In mill. Split B shares 50-to-1 in January 2010. Each B share is now worth 1/1500 of an A share.	Company's Financial Strength	A++
			Stock's Price Stability	100
			Price Growth Persistence	75
			Earnings Predictability	70