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Here are my favorite stocks: Abbott Laboratories (ABT) has a market capitalization of \$102.74 billion. The company employs 91,000 people, generates revenue of \$38.851 billion and has a net income of \$4.728 billion. The firm's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) amounts to \$8.795 billion. The EBITDA margin is 22.64 percent (the operating margin is 14.81 percent and the net profit margin 12.17 percent).

Financial Analysis: The total debt represents 25.57 percent of the company's assets and the total debt in relation to the equity amounts to 63.07 percent. Due to the financial situation, a return on equity of 20.07 percent was realized. Twelve trailing months earnings per share reached a value of \$4.11. Last fiscal year, the company paid \$1.92 in the form of dividends to shareholders.

Market Valuation: Here are the price ratios of the company: The P/E ratio is 15.81, the P/S ratio is 2.64 and the P/B ratio is finally 4.18. The dividend yield amounts to 3.14 percent and the beta ratio has a value of 0.32.

Herbalife (HLF) has a market capitalization of \$4.96 billion. The company employs 5,100 people, generates revenue of \$3.454 billion and has a net income of \$412.58 million. The firm's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) amounts to \$634.12 million. The EBITDA margin is 18.36 percent (the operating margin is 16.28 percent and the net profit margin 11.94 percent).

Financial Analysis: The total debt represents 14.08 percent of the company's assets and the total debt in relation to the equity amounts to 36.35 percent. Due to the financial situation, a return on equity of 78.78 percent was realized. Twelve trailing months earnings per share reached a value of \$3.88. Last fiscal year, the company paid \$0.73 in the form of dividends to shareholders.

Market Valuation: Here are the price ratios of the company: The P/E ratio is 11.84, the P/S ratio is 1.44 and the P/B ratio is finally 9.50. The dividend yield amounts to 2.61 percent and the beta ratio has a value of 1.70.

Teva Pharmaceuticals (TEVA) has a market capitalization of \$35.02 billion. The company employs 45,754 people, generates revenue of \$18.312 billion and has a net income of \$2.829 billion. The firm's earnings

before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) amounts to \$4.174 billion. The EBITDA margin is 22.79 percent (the operating margin is 16.98 percent and the net profit margin 15.45 percent).

Financial Analysis: The total debt represents 28.95 percent of the company's assets and the total debt in relation to the equity amounts to 65.40 percent. Due to the financial situation, a return on equity of 12.50 percent was realized. Twelve trailing months earnings per share reached a value of \$2.44. Last fiscal year, the company paid \$0.95 in the form of dividends to shareholders.

Market Valuation: Here are the price ratios of the company: The P/E ratio is 16.52, the P/S ratio is 2.08 and the P/B ratio is finally 1.71. The dividend yield amounts to 2.55 percent and the beta ratio has a value of 0.36.

Take a closer look at the full list of [next year's best healthcare stock picks](#). The average P/E ratio amounts to 19.60 and forward P/E ratio is 16.84. The dividend yield has a value of 2.75 percent. Price to book ratio is 3.46 and price to sales ratio 2.06. The operating margin amounts to 15.16 percent. The average stock has a debt to equity ratio of 0.92.