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Exxon Mobil Corp

S&P Recommendation STRONG BUY ★★★★★	**Price** $82.95 (as of Apr 13, 2012)	**12-Mo. Target Price** $103.00	**Investment Style** Large-Cap Blend

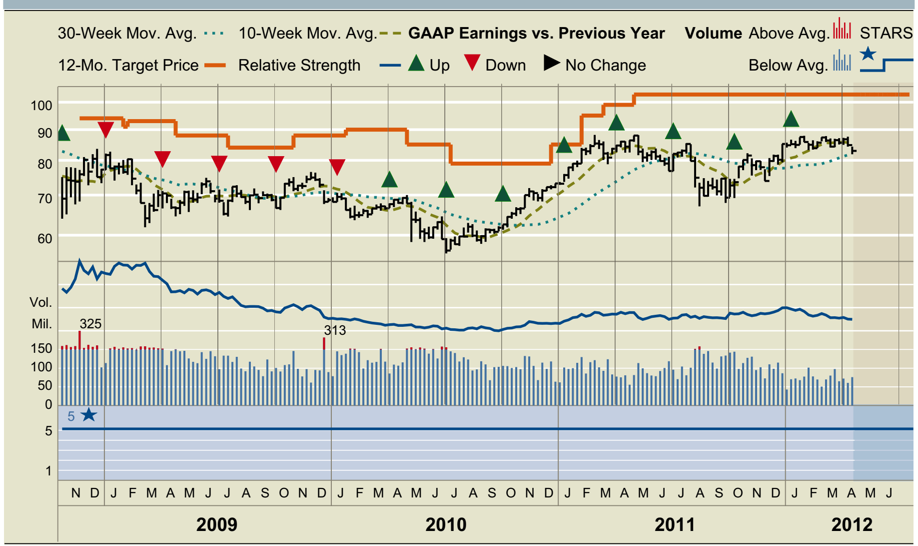
GICS Sector Energy
Sub-Industry Integrated Oil & Gas

Summary XOM, formed through the merger of Exxon and Mobil in late 1999, is the world's largest publicly owned integrated oil company.

Key Stock Statistics (Source S&P, Vickers, company reports)

52-Wk Range	$88.13– 67.03	S&P Oper. EPS 2012E	8.55	Market Capitalization(B)	$390.962	Beta	0.50
Trailing 12-Month EPS	$8.42	S&P Oper. EPS 2013E	9.10	Yield (%)	2.27	S&P 3-Yr. Proj. EPS CAGR(%)	14
Trailing 12-Month P/E	9.9	P/E on S&P Oper. EPS 2012E	9.7	Dividend Rate/Share	$1.88	S&P Credit Rating	AAA
$10K Invested 5 Yrs Ago	$11,972	Common Shares Outstg. (M)	4,713.2	Institutional Ownership (%)	49		

Price Performance



Options: ASE, CBOE, P, Ph

Analysis prepared by Equity Analyst **Michael Kay** on Mar 19, 2012, when the stock traded at **$86.78**.

Highlights

- XOM grew production to 4.53 MMboe/d in 2011, up 1%, as XTO, Qatar and Iraq outweighed the effects of OPEC quotas and production-sharing contracts. XOM recently reduced its production outlook, targeting a 3% decline in 2012 and growth of 1%-2% per year between 2011-2016, with a base decline rate of 3%, driven by liquids. The start-up of 21 major global projects in 2012-2014 should add over 400,000 boe/d (80% liquids) by 2014 and over 1 MMboe/d by 2016. XOM is developing over 35 Bboe in unconventional projects, accounting for over 40% of its total resource base of 87 Bboe. About 87% of the Kearl project construction is complete and expected to add 120 Mboe/d by 2012 and 300 Mboe/d by 2013.
- In the downstream, we see 2012 refining being pressured in the second half as new capacity and slower demand growth affect global supply/demand balances. XOM's refinery units have provided a top-tier cost structure, offsetting some of the impact.
- On higher oil prices, we see EPS of $8.55 in 2012 and $9.10 in 2013. XOM sees $5 billion per quarter in stock repurchases and capex of $37 billion a year through 2016.

Investment Rationale/Risk

- XOM has enjoyed superior earnings and dividend growth and stability (as evidenced by its S&P Quality Ranking of A+). We believe it will benefit from "big-pocket" upstream growth opportunities in the deepwater, LNG, onshore unconventional, and ventures with state-owned companies. We think XOM's advanced technology permits project development in a timely and cost-efficient manner. In addition, we see its upstream business benefiting from a strong pipeline of long-lived assets with an improving decline rate of 3%, and the downstream unit should benefit over the long term from its complex large refineries, which offer feedstock and product flexibility. We see further expansion of activities in global LNG and frontier regions and targeted divestments across businesses.
- Risks to our recommendation and target price include deterioration in economic, industry and operating conditions, such as difficulty replacing reserves and increased production costs.
- On our DCF ($102; WACC 5.9%, terminal growth 3%) and relative valuations, including a target enterprise value of 6X our 2012 EBITDA estimate, a premium to the supermajor oil peer average of 4.5X, our 12-month target price is $103.

Qualitative Risk Assessment

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH

Our risk assessment reflects our view of the company's diversified and strong business profile in volatile, cyclical and capital-intensive segments of the energy industry. We consider ExxonMobil's earnings stability and corporate governance practices to be above average.

Quantitative Evaluations

S&P Quality Ranking **A+**

D	C	B-	B	B+	A-	A	A+

Relative Strength Rank **MODERATE**

37

LOWEST = 1 HIGHEST = 99

Revenue/Earnings Data

Revenue (Million $)

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year
2011	114,000	125,486	125,330	113,119	486,429
2010	90,250	92,490	95,300	105,190	383,221
2009	64,028	74,457	82,260	89,841	310,586
2008	116,854	138,072	137,737	84,696	477,359
2007	87,223	98,350	102,337	116,642	404,552
2006	86,317	96,024	96,268	86,858	377,635

Earnings Per Share ($)

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year
2011	2.14	2.18	2.13	1.97	8.42
2010	1.33	1.60	1.44	1.85	6.22
2009	0.92	0.81	0.98	1.27	3.98
2008	2.03	2.22	2.86	1.55	8.69
2007	1.62	1.83	1.70	2.14	7.28
2006	1.37	1.72	1.77	1.76	6.62

Fiscal year ended Dec. 31. Next earnings report expected: NA. EPS Estimates based on S&P Operating Earnings; historical GAAP earnings are as reported.

Dividend Data (Dates: mm/dd Payment Date: mm/dd/yy)

Amount ($)	Date Decl.	Ex-Div. Date	Stk. of Record	Payment Date
0.470	04/27	05/11	05/13	06/10/11
0.470	07/27	08/10	08/12	09/09/11
0.470	10/26	11/08	11/10	12/09/11
0.470	01/25	02/08	02/10	03/09/12

Dividends have been paid since 1882. Source: Company reports.

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Business Summary March 19, 2012

CORPORATE OVERVIEW. In late 1999, the FTC allowed Exxon and Mobil to reunite, creating Exxon Mobil Corp. ExxonMobil's businesses include oil and natural gas exploration and production (80% of 2011 segment earnings); refining and marketing (10%); chemicals (10%); and other operations, such as electric power generation, coal and minerals.

Including non-consolidated equity interest, proved oil and gas reserves grew 0.5% in 2011, to 24.9 billion barrels of oil equivalent (boe; 49% petroleum liquids, including oil sands; 65% developed). Oil and gas production rose 1%, to 4.53 million boe/d (54% petroleum liquids). Rising production and reserves primarily reflected the completion of the XTO Energy acquisition. XOM replaced 107% of its 2011 production (116% excluding asset sales). Using data from John S. Herold, we estimate XOM's three-year (2008-2010) reserve replacement at 154%, above the peer average of 145%; three-year finding and development costs at $19.05 per boe, above the peer average of $17.52 per boe; proved acquisition costs at $8.97 per boe, below the peer average of $9.65 per boe; and its reserve replacement costs at $15.51 per boe, below the peer average of $16.13 per boe.

At year-end 2011, the company had an ownership interest in 36 refineries with 6.22 million barrels per day (b/d) of atmospheric distillation capacity (U.S. 31%, Europe 28%, Asia Pacific 27%, Canada 8%, and Middle East/Latin America/Other 6%). The marketing operations sell products and services throughout the world. Exxon, Esso and Mobil brands serve customers at over 25,000 retail service stations.

XOM's Chemical segment manufactures and sells petrochemicals, supplying olefins, polyolefins, aromatics, and a wide variety of other petrochemicals. At year-end 2011, XOM had a chemicals complex capacity of 22.1 million metric tons per year.

MARKET PROFILE. Based on a blend of oil and gas assets and production volumes, we estimate that XOM is the largest publicly traded integrated oil company in the world, serving customers in over 200 countries. Africa contributed 25% of 2011 sales, the U.S. 21%, Europe 20%, Asia 20%, Canada/South America 10%, and Australia/Oceania 3%. We believe its global functional organization and substantial diversification help mitigate its exposure to business risk and margin volatility.

XOM maintains the largest portfolio of proved reserves and production in North America, and is the biggest net producer of oil and gas in Europe. Through wholly owned ExxonMobil Canada Ltd. and its 69.6%-owned affiliate Imperial Oil, XOM is one of the largest oil and gas producers in Canada.

XOM believes it is the world's biggest refiner, as well as the largest producer of polyolefins, benzene and paraxylene in the world. Since 1995, XOM has added about 0.5% per annum to its refining capacity, the equivalent of building an average-sized refinery every three years.

CORPORATE STRATEGY. XOM plans to invest about $185 billion over the next five years, or $37 billion per year. A total of 21 major oil and gas projects will begin production between 2012 and 2014. In 2012 and 2013, XOM expects to start up nine major projects and anticipates adding over 1 million boe/d by 2016. Of the nine major upstream projects expected to start-up in the next two years, four are in West Africa, and others include the Kashagan Phase 1 in Kazakhstan and the Kearl Oil Sands project in Canada.

IMPACT OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS. During 2011, XOM negotiated production-sharing contracts with the regional government of Kurdistan. The Kurdistan Regional Government announced in November the signing of a deal for six exploration blocks with Exxon, the first major oil company to deal directly with the Kurds in northern Iraq. Iraq's central government considers it illegal to deal directly with the Kurds in northern Iraq, and it has threatened to block XOM from bidding on future oil projects and even to reconsider its role at the huge West Qurna-2 field, where XOM won a contract in 2009.

On June 25, 2010, XOM purchased XTO Energy, Inc. in an all-stock deal valued at $40.5 billion (including $10.0 billion of long-term debt). The deal added 2,471 million boe (84% natural gas) at an implied value of $11.51 per proved boe. We believe XOM's technical expertise will unlock additional XTO resource potential in the coming years, and XTO's organization should provide a complementary platform for XOM to expand its unconventional natural gas and oil production worldwide.

FINANCIAL TRENDS. XOM's size gives it economies of scale, and its strong earnings have enabled it to build a cash balance of $12.7 billion, compared with long-term debt of $9.3 billion as of December 31, 2011. We believe XOM has enjoyed a superior degree of earnings and dividend growth and stability (evidenced by its S&P Quality Ranking of A+), and an above-average return on capital versus peers.

To fund growth, pre-XTO merger, capital spending was $27.1 billion in 2009. XOM spent about $36.8 billion (84% upstream) in 2011 and has budgeted $37 billion per year through 2016.

XOM has continued its share repurchases, and the company appears to be using buybacks to balance its cash use. XOM's common stock repurchases totaled $5 billion over the past four quarters, and it plans about $5 billion of buybacks per quarter. In 2011, XOM repurchased $20 billion of its shares and expects to repurchase the number of shares it issued for the XTO merger by the end of the first quarter of 2012.

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Quantitative Evaluations

S&P Fair Value Rank 4+

1	2	3	4	5

LOWEST HIGHEST

Based on S&P's proprietary quantitative model, stocks are ranked from most overvalued (1) to most undervalued (5).

Fair Value Calculation $85.50

Analysis of the stock's current worth, based on S&P's proprietary quantitative model suggests that XOM is slightly undervalued by $2.55 or 3.1%.

Investability Quotient Percentile 100

LOWEST = 1 HIGHEST = 100

XOM scored higher than 100% of all companies for which an S&P Report is available.

Volatility LOW | AVERAGE | HIGH

Technical Evaluation NEUTRAL

Since April, 2012, the technical indicators for XOM have been NEUTRAL.

Insider Activity UNFAVORABLE | NEUTRAL | FAVORABLE

Expanded Ratio Analysis

	2011	2010	2009	2008
Price/Sales	0.91	0.93	1.06	0.87
Price/EBITDA	NA	NA	NA	5.28
Price/Pretax Income	5.64	6.76	9.51	5.08
P/E Ratio	10.06	11.76	17.15	9.19
Avg. Diluted Shares Outstg (M)	4,875.0	4,897.0	4,848.0	5,203.0

Figures based on calendar year-end price

Key Growth Rates and Averages

Past Growth Rate (%)	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	9 Years
Sales	18.19	0.53	0.91	7.07
Net Income	34.80	1.69	-4.25	8.72
Ratio Analysis (Annual Avg.)				
Net Margin (%)	9.07	7.74	8.55	8.88
% LT Debt to Capitalization	5.23	5.90	5.44	4.91
Return on Equity (%)	27.30	22.77	28.26	29.13

Company Financials Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31

Per Share Data ($)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Tangible Book Value	32.61	29.49	23.39	22.70	22.62	19.87	18.13	15.90	13.69	11.13
Cash Flow	11.62	9.43	6.44	11.08	9.48	8.89	7.34	5.38	4.50	2.84
Earnings	8.42	6.22	3.98	8.69	7.28	6.62	5.71	3.89	3.15	1.61
S&P Core Earnings	8.47	6.48	4.36	8.64	7.40	6.75	5.72	4.01	3.03	1.52
Dividends	1.85	1.74	1.66	1.55	1.37	1.28	1.14	1.06	0.98	0.92
Payout Ratio	22%	28%	42%	18%	19%	19%	20%	27%	31%	57%
Prices:High	88.23	73.69	82.73	96.12	95.27	79.00	65.96	52.05	41.13	44.58
Prices:Low	67.03	55.94	61.86	56.51	69.02	56.42	49.25	39.91	31.58	29.75
P/E Ratio:High	10	12	21	11	13	12	12	13	13	28
P/E Ratio:Low	8	9	16	7	9	9	9	10	10	18
Income Statement Analysis (Million $)										
Revenue	452,926	383,221	310,586	477,359	404,552	377,635	370,680	298,035	246,738	204,506
Operating Income	NA	NA	NA	78,669	156,810	150,107	59,255	45,639	32,230	23,280
Depreciation, Depletion and Amortization	15,600	14,760	11,917	12,379	12,250	11,416	10,253	9,767	9,047	8,310
Interest Expense	247	259	548	673	957	654	496	638	207	398
Pretax Income	73,257	52,959	34,777	81,750	71,479	68,453	60,231	42,017	32,660	17,719
Effective Tax Rate	42.4%	40.7%	43.5%	44.7%	41.8%	40.8%	38.7%	37.9%	33.7%	36.7%
Net Income	41,060	30,460	19,280	45,220	40,610	39,500	36,130	25,330	20,960	11,011
S&P Core Earnings	41,327	31,732	21,109	44,959	41,250	40,263	36,164	26,089	20,214	10,418
Balance Sheet & Other Financial Data (Million $)										
Cash	12,664	7,827	10,862	32,007	34,500	32,848	28,671	18,531	10,626	7,229
Current Assets	72,963	58,984	55,235	72,266	85,963	75,777	73,342	60,377	45,960	38,291
Total Assets	331,052	302,510	233,323	228,052	242,082	219,015	208,335	195,256	174,278	152,644
Current Liabilities	77,505	62,633	52,061	49,100	58,312	48,817	46,307	42,981	38,386	33,175
Long Term Debt	9,062	11,923	6,761	7,025	7,183	6,645	6,220	5,013	4,756	6,655
Common Equity	154,396	146,839	110,569	112,965	121,762	113,844	111,186	101,756	89,915	74,597
Total Capital	173,237	170,787	123,037	144,274	156,126	141,340	138,284	131,813	118,171	100,504
Capital Expenditures	31,000	26,871	22,491	19,318	15,387	15,462	13,839	11,986	12,859	11,437
Cash Flow	56,660	46,158	31,197	57,599	52,860	50,916	46,383	35,097	30,007	19,321
Current Ratio	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.2
% Long Term Debt of Capitalization	Nil	7.0	Nil	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.4	3.8	4.0	6.6
% Return on Assets	13.0	11.4	8.4	19.2	17.6	18.5	17.9	13.7	12.8	7.4
% Return on Equity	27.3	23.7	17.3	38.5	34.5	35.1	33.9	26.4	25.5	14.9

Data as orig reptd.; bef. results of disc opers/spec. items. Per share data adj. for stk. divs.; EPS diluted. E-Estimated. NA-Not Available. NM-Not Meaningful. NR-Not Ranked. UR-Under Review.

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Sub-Industry Outlook

Our fundamental outlook for the integrated oil & gas sub-industry for the next 12 months is positive. We look for U.S.-based supermajors to benefit from our forecasts of strong crude oil prices and economic growth. S&P Capital IQ believes global GDP expanded 3% in 2011 and will grow 2.8% in 2012 and 3.6% in 2013. We see continued M&A activity, notably in North American onshore and global frontier regions, and we look for renewed Gulf of Mexico drilling. Also, integrated oils continued to shed downstream assets in 2011, and we see further downsizing there in 2012.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) estimates that global oil demand grew by 0.83 million b/d in 2011, to 87.9 million b/d, and, as of March 2012, sees growth of 1.06 MMb/d in 2012, to 88.96 MMb/d, and 1.37 MMb/d in 2013, to 90.33 MMb/d. Reflecting new OPEC capacity, the EIA estimates global oil supply grew by 0.17 MMb/d in 2011, to 87.31 million b/d, and forecasts supply growth of 1.4 MMb/d in 2012 and 1.37 MMb/d in 2013. On disruptions in Libya, OPEC spare production capacity is believed to have fallen to 2.55 MMb/d (ex Iraq and Libya) in the fourth quarter, according to the EIA. OPEC production (ex Iraq and Libya) is 27.17 MMb/d, according to the EIA.

On disruptions in Libya and unrest elsewhere in the Middle East/North Africa, global oil prices have begun to climb once again. After a retreat in prices on tempered global economic data, further geopolitical friction, especially between Iran and the E.U., which has agreed to an embargo of Iran set to begin in July, we see strong oil prices through 2013. As of March 2012, using S&P estimates based on data from IHS Global Insight, West Texas Intermediate (WTI) spot oil prices were projected to average about $104.50 per barrel in 2012 and $114.75 in 2013, versus $95.08 in 2011. Growing volumes of Canadian imports and greater takeaway capacity from shale plays have led to oversupply at Cushing, OK, leading to a price discount for WTI versus Brent and other oils. The differential has risen above $18 per barrel.

For U.S. natural gas, high inventories following a warm winter and increased production from onshore shale plays have pressured spot prices, and we look for low prices to depress U.S. gas drilling activity in 2012. As of March, based on data from IHS Global Insight, S&P expects Henry Hub spot prices to average $2.76 per million Btu in 2012 and $3.75 in 2013, versus $4.00 in 2011.

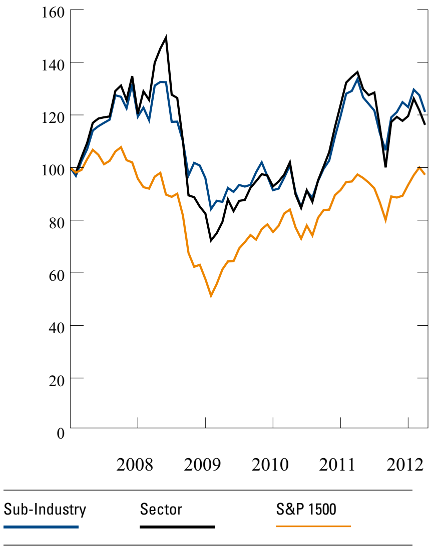
Year to date to March 16, the S&P Integrated Oil & Gas Sub-Industry Index was up 3.6%, versus an 11.8% rise in the S&P 1500 Composite Index. In 2011, the sub-industry index was up 11.8%, versus a 0.3% decline for the 1500.

--Michael Kay

Stock Performance

GICS Sector: Energy
Sub-Industry: Integrated Oil & Gas

Based on S&P 1500 Indexes
Month-end Price Performance as of 03/30/12



NOTE: All Sector & Sub-Industry information is based on the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS)

Sub-Industry : Integrated Oil & Gas Peer Group*: Supermajor Integrated Oil & Gas

Peer Group	Stock Symbol	Stk.Mkt. Cap. (Mil. $)	Recent Stock Price($)	52 Week High/Low($)	Beta	Yield (%)	P/E Ratio	Fair Value Calc.($)	Quality Ranking	S&P IQ %ile	Return on Revenue (%)	LTD to Cap (%)
Exxon Mobil	**XOM**	**390,962**	**82.95**	**88.13/67.03**	**0.50**	**2.3**	**10**	**85.50**	**A+**	**100**	**9.3**	**NA**
BP p.l.c. ADS	BP	133,180	42.15	48.34/33.62	1.21	4.6	6	47.30	NR	89	NM	21.9
Chevron Corp	CVX	199,239	100.78	112.28/86.68	0.78	3.2	7	105.50	A+	94	11.4	NA
ConocoPhillips	COP	94,224	73.63	81.50/58.65	1.14	3.6	8	NA	B+	99	5.3	NA
Royal Dutch Shell'A'ADS	RDS.A	209,671	67.24	77.97/57.97	1.02	4.2	7	77.60	NR	41	5.6	17.7
Royal Dutch Shell'B'ADR	RDS.B	93,347	68.80	78.81/58.37	1.03	4.9	9	69.10	NR	42	8.3	7.1
Total 'B' ADS	TOT	107,683	47.77	64.44/40.00	0.99	4.0	6	51.00	NR	90	7.7	25.3

NA-Not Available NM-Not Meaningful NR-Not Rated. *For Peer Groups with more than 15 companies or stocks, selection of issues is based on market capitalization.

S&P Analyst Research Notes and other Company News

March 1, 2012
Exxon Mobil Corporation announced the election of Henrietta H. Fore to its board of directors. Ms. Fore is chairman and chief executive officer of Holsman International, an investment and management company. Ms. Fore served from November 2007 to January 2009 as the first female administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and as director of U.S. Foreign Assistance. Previously, Ms. Fore served as undersecretary of state for management, the chief operating officer for the Department of State, and as the 37th director of the United States Mint in the Department of Treasury and was elected president of the International Mint Directors.

February 28, 2012
Exxon Mobil Corporation announced retirement of L. J. (Lucille) Cavanaugh of Vice President, Human Resources, effective April 1, 2012. The company anticipated that the board of directors will elect M. (Malcolm) Farrant, as vice president, Human Resources, effective April 1, 2012. Mr. Farrant is currently executive assistant to the chairman, Exxon Mobil Corporation.

January 31, 2012
UP 0.00 to 85.49... XOM posts $1.97 vs. $1.85 Q4 EPS. Capital IQ consensus forecast was $1.97. Says it recorded strong results while investing at record levels to develop new supplies of energy that are critical to meeting growing world demand.

January 31, 2012
12:23 pm ET ... S&P MAINTAINS STRONG BUY RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION (XOM 83.72*****): Q4 EPS of $1.97, vs. $1.85, is $0.13 below our view on refining/chemicals. E&P was in line as prices offset soft volumes (up 1% in '11), impacted by OPEC quotas and production sharing (up 4% ex-impacts). U.S. onshore should ramp in '12, on rigs at Woodford and Bakken, and Permian testing. We see growth in Angola/Nigeria, where it moved a deepwater rig. Kearl project, seen adding 120 MBOE/d by '12, is 87% done. We look for deepwater success and cash flow over $65B on a production ramp in '12, allowing it to fund a $37B capex plan. We see '12 EPS of $8.55 and set '13's at $9.10. /M. Kay

January 11, 2012
06:15 am ET ... S&P MAINTAINS STRONG BUY RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF EXXONMOBIL CORP. (XOM 85.50*****): XOM is set to report Q4 results on Jan 31. We see EPS of $2.10, vs. $1.85, up 14% on strong upstream fundamentals, refining margins that have nearly tripled since Q4 '10 and renewed chemicals demand. Production was likely up 5% in '11, surpassing a goal of 3%-4% for the year. We look for 4%-5% growth per annum through '14, reflecting acquired onshore U.S. XTO assets, LNG expansion in high-growth Asia-Pacific, and large deepwater and oil sands projects. We see a dividend hike and share repurchases in '12 as cash flow growth benefits from strong oil prices and a production ramp. /M. Kay

November 29, 2011
Harold R. Cramer, vice president of Exxon Mobil Corporation, has announced his intention to retire effective January 1, 2012, with more than 38 years of service. Mr. Cramer joined Mobil Corporation in May 1973. During his career, he held a wide range of marketing, planning, supply, financial and management positions. These positions included planning manager overseeing Mobil's corporate planning activities; general manager supervising global supply, distribution, trading and sales; president, Mobil South Inc.; president, Mobil Asia Pacific; president, Mobil Europe; executive vice president and chief financial officer of Mobil Corporation; and member of Mobil Oil Corporation's Executive Committee.

October 27, 2011
XOM posts $2.13 vs. $1.14 Q3 EPS (excld special items). Cites higher crude oil and natural gas realizations and improved refining margins. Says in Q3, capital and exploration expenditures were $8.6 billion, and reached a record level of $26.7B for first nine months of year as it continues pursing new opportunities to meet growing energy demand while supporting economic growth, including job creation.

October 27, 2011
12:20 pm ET ... S&P MAINTAINS STRONG BUY RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF EXXON MOBIL CORP. (XOM 81.35*****): Q3 EPS of $2.13, vs. $1.44, is $0.07 below our forecast, but in line with Capital IQ consensus. U.S. E&P missed on prices, but international margins rose on new projects. Production fell 4%, but we see XOM surpassing 3%-4% '11 growth targets, and a 4%-5% per year ramp through '14. Growth is expected from Qatar, Russia and Iraq (6 rigs), where it has reached 370 MBOE/d (9% of total). It has completed 75% of Kearl construction, expected to add over 300 MBOE/d by '13. XOM runs 65 U.S. onshore rigs. On lower prices, we cut our '11 forecast $0.20 to $8.55 and '12's by $1.15 to $8.55. /M. Kay

September 21, 2011
10:16 am ET ... S&P MAINTAINS STRONG BUY RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF APACHE CORP (APA 94.52*****): APA plans to acquire ExxonMobil's (XOM 71, Strong Buy) Beryl and other North Sea fields for $1.75B (expected Q4 close), lifting North Sea production and reserves 54% and 44%, respectively (65% liquids). North Sea success at Forties (doubled reserves since '03) should aid to maximize Beryl opportunities. APA boosts exposure to higher-priced Brent crude and UK natural gas. North Sea will represent 11% of production (7% prior). We find APA's balance sheet superior with debt-to-capital of 23%, cash of $1.1B, and capital flexibility vs. peers, and see valuation as compelling. /M. Kay

August 30, 2011
11:14 am ET ... S&P MAINTAINS STRONG BUY RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF EXXON MOBIL CORP (XOM 73.31*****): XOM signs a strategic alliance with Rosneft (Russia's largest oil producer), granting it access to the Arctic, one of the most oil-prolific/unexplored regions. The deal includes a $3.2B exploration program in the Kara Sea and Black Sea (33% XOM interest), the formation of a research center, joint development in Siberia and a partnership in other global projects. Rosneft had signed a $4.9B Arctic deal with BP (BP 39 Hold) in January that fell through. We expect more future deals between Super Majors, which maintain technical know-how, and reserve-rich National Oil Companies. /M. Kay

July 28, 2011
XOM posts $2.18 vs. $1.60 Q2 EPS on 36% higher revenue. Capital IQ consensus forecast was $2.33.

July 28, 2011
12:09 pm ET ... S&P MAINTAINS STRONG BUY RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF EXXON MOBIL CORP. (XOM 82.14*****): Q2 EPS of $2.18, vs. $1.60, is $0.03 above our forecast, on oil prices, but missed production targets. Volumes grew 10%, on XTO assets, but were short of our view as oil fell in most regions, excluding Qatar, where projects are ramping. With gas more prominent at XOM, margins eroded in Q2, a minor headwind, in our view. We continue to see double-digit EPS and cash flow growth; we keep our '11 and '12 EPS forecasts at $8.75 and $9.70, and our target price of $103. Our strong buy opinion reflects a positive outlook on oil and our view of superior growth and strong balance sheet. /M. Kay

July 5, 2011
ExxonMobil Pipeline (a unit of XOM) says a unified command has been established to manage response activities, including recovering oil, monitoring air and water quality, and addressing questions from local residents, following a release of oil into the Yellowstone River in Montana.

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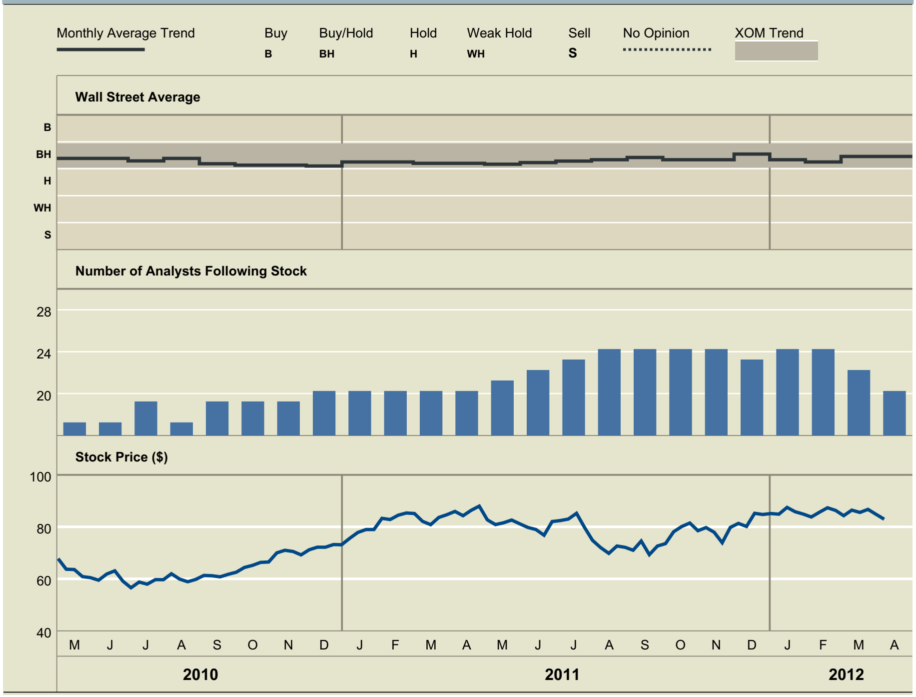
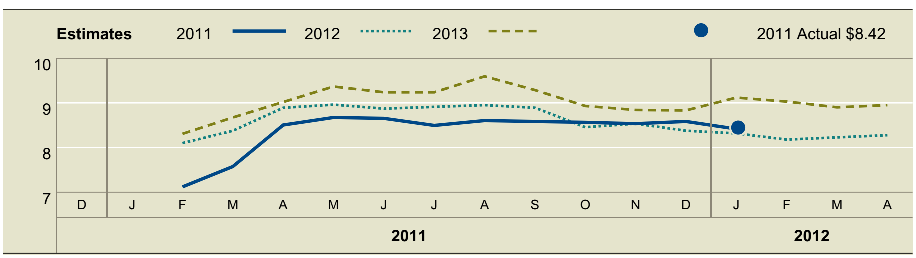


Of the total 29 companies following XOM, 21 analysts currently publish recommendations.

	No. of Ratings	% of Total	1 Mo. Prior	3 Mos. Prior
Buy	8	38	9	10
Buy/Hold	3	14	3	3
Hold	9	43	10	9
Weak Hold	0	0	0	1
Sell	0	0	0	1
No Opinion	1	5	0	0
Total	**21**	**100**	**22**	**24**

Wall Street Consensus Estimates



Fiscal Years	Avg Est.	High Est.	Low Est.	# of Est.	Est. P/E
2013	8.97	11.10	6.75	19	9.2
2012	8.29	8.99	7.29	20	10.0
2013 vs. 2012	▲ 8%	▲ 23%	▼ -7%	▼ -5%	▼ -8%
Q1'13	2.09	2.26	1.71	9	39.7
Q1'12	2.01	2.17	1.69	15	41.3
Q1'13 vs. Q1'12	▲ 4%	▲ 4%	▲ 1%	▼ -40%	▼ -4%

A company's earnings outlook plays a major part in any investment decision. Standard & Poor's organizes the earnings estimates of over 2,300 Wall Street analysts, and provides their consensus of earnings over the next two years. This graph shows the trend in analyst estimates over the past 15 months.

Wall Steet Consensus Opinion

BUY/HOLD

Companies Offering Coverage

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Axia Financial research
BMO Capital Markets, Canadian Equity Research
Barclays
BofA Merrill Lynch
Citigroup Inc
Collins Stewart LLC
Credit Agricole Securities (USA) Inc.
Credit Suisse
Daiwa Securities Capital Markets Co. Ltd.
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Goldman Sachs
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JP Morgan
Jefferies & Company, Inc.
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RBC Capital Markets
Raymond James & Associates
S&P Equity Research
Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., Inc.
Simmons & Company International
Societe Generale Cross Asset Research
The Benchmark Company, LLC
UBS Investment Bank

Wall Street Consensus vs. Performance

For fiscal year 2012, analysts estimate that XOM will earn $8.29. For fiscal year 2013, analysts estimate that XOM's earnings per share will grow by 8% to $8.97.

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Glossary

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The S&P equity analyst's projection of the market price a given security will command 12 months hence, based on a combination of intrinsic, relative, and private market valuation metrics, including S&P Fair Value.

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A+	Highest	B	Below Average
A	High	B-	Lower
A-	Above Average	C	Lowest
B+	Average	D	In Reorganization
NR	Not Ranked		

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Funds From Operations FFO
FFO is Funds from Operations and equal to a REIT's net income, excluding gains or losses from sales of property, plus real estate depreciation.

Investability Quotient (IQ)
The IQ is a measure of investment desirability. It serves as an indicator of potential medium-to-long term return and as a caution against downside risk. The measure takes into account variables such as technical indicators, earnings estimates, liquidity, financial ratios and selected S&P proprietary measures.

S&P's IQ Rationale:
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	Raw Score	Max Value
Proprietary S&P Measures	60	115
Technical Indicators	28	40
Liquidity/Volatility Measures	17	20
Quantitative Measures	51	75
IQ Total	**156**	**250**

Volatility
Rates the volatility of the stock's price over the past year.

Technical Evaluation
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Relative Strength Rank
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★★★☆☆ **3-STARS (Hold)**: Total return is expected to closely approximate the total return of a relevant benchmark over the coming 12 months, with shares generally rising in price on an absolute basis.

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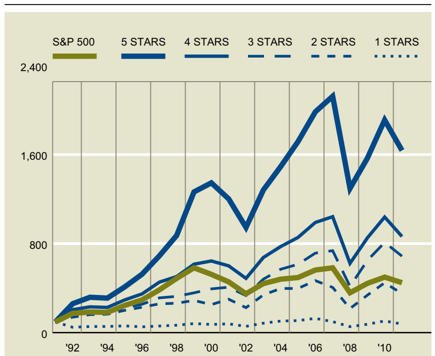
Hypothetical Growth Due to Price Appreciation of $100
For the Period 12/31/1986 through 03/31/2012



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