

Sysco Corp

S&P Recommendation **HOLD** ★★☆☆☆

Price
\$30.30 (as of Aug 31, 2012)

12-Mo. Target Price
\$31.00

Investment Style
Large-Cap Blend

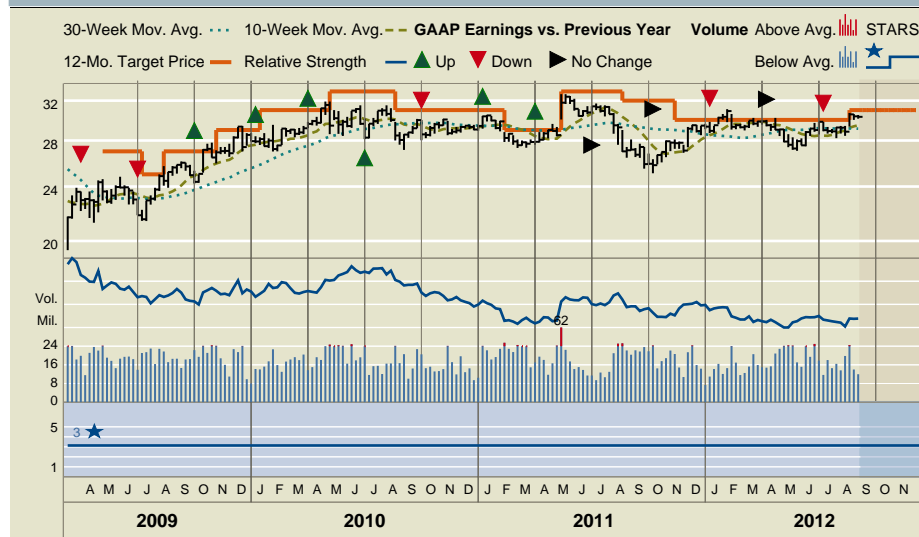
GICS Sector Consumer Staples
Sub-Industry Food Distributors

Summary Sysco is a large distributor of food and related products, primarily to the foodservice or food-away-from-home industry.

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

52-Wk Range	\$31.18– 25.09	S&P Oper. EPS 2013E	2.04	Market Capitalization(B)	\$17.774	Beta	0.72
Trailing 12-Month EPS	\$1.90	S&P Oper. EPS 2014E	2.17	Yield (%)	3.56	S&P 3-Yr. Proj. EPS CAGR(%)	7
Trailing 12-Month P/E	16.0	P/E on S&P Oper. EPS 2013E	14.9	Dividend Rate/Share	\$1.08	S&P Credit Rating	A+
\$10K Invested 5 Yrs Ago	\$10,813	Common Shares Outstg. (M)	586.6	Institutional Ownership (%)	79		

Price Performance



Qualitative Risk Assessment

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
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Our risk assessment reflects SY's operations in a relatively stable industry, in which we believe it has the largest market share.

Quantitative Evaluations

S&P Quality Ranking **A+**

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Relative Strength Rank **STRONG**

71

LOWEST = 1 HIGHEST = 99

Revenue/Earnings Data

Revenue (Million \$)

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year
2012	10,586	10,244	10,505	11,045	42,381
2011	9,751	9,385	9,762	10,426	39,323
2010	9,081	8,869	8,945	10,348	37,244
2009	9,877	9,150	8,739	9,087	36,853
2008	9,406	9,240	9,147	9,730	37,522
2007	8,672	8,569	8,573	9,228	35,042

Earnings Per Share (\$)

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year
2012	0.51	0.43	0.44	0.53	1.90
2011	0.51	0.44	0.44	0.57	1.96
2010	0.55	0.41	0.42	0.57	1.99
2009	0.46	0.40	0.38	0.53	1.77
2008	0.43	0.43	0.40	0.55	1.81
2007	0.37	0.39	0.35	0.49	1.60

Fiscal year ended Jun. 30. Next earnings report expected: Early November. 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
0.270	11/16	01/04	01/06	01/27/12
0.270	02/17	04/03	04/05	04/27/12
0.270	05/23	07/03	07/06	07/27/12
0.270	08/24	10/03	10/05	10/26/12

Dividends have been paid since 1970. Source: Company reports.

Analysis prepared by Equity Analyst **Joseph Agnese** on Aug 23, 2012, when the stock traded at **\$30.20**.

Highlights

- Our FY 13 (Jun.) sales growth projection is 6.2%, down from growth of 7.8% in FY 12. We remain cautious on underlying demand due to weakness in the U.S. economy. We believe growth in case volume will be restricted as a weak macroeconomic environment and a historically low level of consumer confidence results in diminished food service demand. We also see sales growth supported by low to mid-single digit food inflation. Additionally, our estimate assumes a 1.25% benefit from acquisitions.
- We look for operating margins to narrow slightly in FY 13. We expect gross margin pressure from food cost inflation to accelerate in the second half of the year while competitive pricing pressure and high fuel costs persist. We also forecast that there will be a negative impact from costs related to a multi-year program in which SY is expected to adopt an integrated software system to support the majority of its business processes.
- For FY 13, we estimate EPS of \$2.04, up 2.5% from \$1.99 in FY 12. This includes our estimate of \$0.30 in net business transformation expenses in FY 13, above the \$0.19 in net expenses experienced in FY 13.

Investment Rationale/Risk

- Much of SY's sales are for restaurants, and we think relatively high levels of unemployment in the U.S. are likely to limit year-ahead growth in what consumers spend at restaurants. Over time, we look for SY's profitability to benefit from more consolidated purchasing, the addition of regional distribution centers, and management of freight costs and inventory.
- Risks to our recommendation and target price include a slowing of growth rates given SY's significant size and reach, sharp increases in gasoline prices, and a potential prolonged slowdown in restaurant sales.
- Our 12-month target price of \$31 is a blend of our historical and relative analyses. Our historical analysis assumes an EV/EBITDA multiple of 8.4X, in line with the five-year historical average, and an FY 13 EBITDA estimate of \$2.43 billion for a value of \$33. This valuation reflects some caution related to consumer spending and food price inflation. Our peer analysis applies a 14.3X P/E multiple, in line with the average from a small group of other food distributor stocks, for a \$29 value. SY shares recently had an indicated yield of nearly 3.7%.

Sysco Corp**Business Summary** August 23, 2012

CORPORATE OVERVIEW. Sysco Corp. is a large distributor of food and related products, primarily to the foodservice or food-away-from-home industry. As of July 2011, SY operated 177 distribution facilities serving about 400,000 customers, including restaurants (62% of FY 11 (Jun.) sales), hospitals and nursing homes (11%), hotel and motels (6%), schools and colleges (5%), and others (16%). In FY 11, U.S. sales represented 89% of SY's total, and Canada sales represented 9.8%.

Sysco distributes food products, including frozen foods such as meats, fully prepared entrees, fruits, vegetables and desserts; canned and dry foods; fresh meats; dairy and beverage products; imported specialties; and fresh produce. The company also distributes non-food products. These include paper products, tableware such as china and silverware, cookware, restaurant and kitchen equipment and supplies, and cleaning supplies. The company stresses prompt and accurate delivery of orders, and close contact with customers, and also provides customers with ancillary services, such as providing product usage reports, menu-planning advice, food safety training, and assistance in inventory control. No single customer accounted for 10% or more of sales in FY 11. The company owns about 90% of its 8,700 delivery vehicle operating fleet.

CORPORATE STRATEGY. SY seeks to expand its business by garnering an increased share of products purchased by existing customers, the development of new customers, the use of foldouts (new facilities built in established markets), and an acquisition program. SY distributes nationally branded merchandise, as well as products packaged under SY private brands. We believe that Sysco-branded products typically carry wider profit margins than other branded products distributed by the company. From its inception through the end of FY 11, the company had acquired roughly 150 companies or divisions of companies. At June 30, 2012, SY's balance sheet included \$1.666 billion of goodwill.

Over time, we look for SY's profitability to benefit from an increased amount of consolidated purchasing, the addition of regional distribution centers, and management of freight costs and inventory. Among SY's supply chain initiatives are (1) the construction of regional distribution centers (RDCs), with two operational as of July 2011; and (2) improving the capability to view and manage all of SY's inbound freight, both to RDCs and the operating companies, as a network and not as individual locations.

In April 2009, SY made its first broadlines acquisition outside North America, with the purchase of Ireland-based Pallas Foods. Pallas has annual sales of about \$200 million.

IMPACT OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS. SY is in the midst of a Business Transformation Project, under which it expects to develop and implement an integrated software (ERP) system to support a majority of its business processes and help streamline operations. We think management views adopting an SAP platform as the foundation of the project and expects long-term benefits to include improved execution, reduction in complexity and increased transparency.

In FY 11, SY completed the design and build phases of the project, and was testing the underlying ERP system and processes. SY said it expects the investment in the project to provide meaningful benefits over the long term, but that costs would exceed the benefits during the early stages of implementation. We look for implementation to occur across much of SY by the end of FY 13.

SY expects the total cash outlay for the project to be about \$900 million. Of this, about \$246 million was incurred in FY 10, of which approximately \$172 million was capitalized. An additional \$278.8 million was incurred in FY 11, of which about \$196 million was capitalized.

In August 2009, SY announced an agreement with the IRS on a tax payment schedule for a disputed tax deferral for an affiliate taxed under subchapter T. The agreement involves \$952 million of scheduled payments: \$528 million in FY 10; \$212 million in FY 11; and \$212 million in FY 12.

FINANCIAL TRENDS. In FY 11, EPS was hurt by a \$36 million (\$0.04 per share) charge related to the withdrawal of one of its operating companies from a multi-employer pension plan, which was partially offset by an unrelated \$0.02 tax benefit. In FY 10, EPS benefited by \$0.09 from the one-time reversal of interest accruals for a tax contingency related to an IRS settlement, and gains recorded on the adjustment of the carrying value of corporate-owned life insurance (COLI) policies to their cash surrender values. This compares to a \$0.07 per share negative impact to EPS in FY 09 from losses recorded on COLI carrying value adjustment.

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Employees

46,000

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14,210

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Quantitative Evaluations

S&P Fair Value Rank	2	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	\$26.90	Analysis of the stock's current worth, based on S&P's proprietary quantitative model suggests that SY is slightly overvalued by \$3.40 or 11.2%.
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Investability Quotient Percentile	99
	LOWEST = 1 HIGHEST = 100

SY scored higher than 99% of all companies for which an S&P Report is available.

Volatility	LOW	AVERAGE	HIGH
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Technical Evaluation	BULLISH	Since August, 2012, the technical indicators for SY have been BULLISH.
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Insider Activity	UNFAVORABLE	NEUTRAL	FAVORABLE
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Expanded Ratio Analysis

	2011	2010	2009	2008
Price/Sales	0.44	0.47	0.45	0.37
Price/EBITDA	7.40	7.38	7.39	6.24
Price/Pretax Income	9.45	9.44	9.40	7.82
P/E Ratio	14.99	14.79	15.77	12.67
Avg. Diluted Shares Outstg (M)	588.7	593.6	596.1	611.0

Figures based on calendar year-end price

Key Growth Rates and Averages

Past Growth Rate (%)	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	9 Years
Sales	5.58	1.52	3.19	5.62
Net Income	-2.37	2.36	5.85	5.61

Ratio Analysis (Annual Avg.)

	2011	2010	2009	2008
Net Margin (%)	2.93	2.99	2.95	2.96
% LT Debt to Capitalization	31.70	36.40	35.49	32.03
Return on Equity (%)	27.00	30.07	30.98	32.69

Company Financials Fiscal Year Ended Jun. 30

Per Share Data (\$)	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Tangible Book Value	NA	5.01	3.69	3.08	3.17	2.99	2.67	2.35	2.11	1.68
Cash Flow	NA	2.64	2.64	2.41	2.41	2.23	1.89	1.96	1.80	1.59
Earnings	1.90	1.96	1.99	1.77	1.81	1.60	1.35	1.47	1.37	1.18
S&P Core Earnings	1.83	2.06	2.06	1.65	1.68	1.59	1.38	1.39	1.31	1.08
Dividends	0.80	1.03	0.99	1.16	0.82	0.72	0.64	0.56	0.48	0.40
Payout Ratio	42%	53%	50%	66%	45%	45%	47%	38%	35%	34%
Prices:High	31.18	32.76	31.99	29.48	35.00	36.74	37.04	38.04	41.27	37.57
Prices:Low	27.05	25.09	26.99	19.39	20.74	29.90	26.50	29.98	29.48	22.90
P/E Ratio:High	16	17	16	17	19	23	27	26	30	32
P/E Ratio:Low	14	13	14	11	11	19	20	20	22	19

Income Statement Analysis (Million \$)

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Revenue	NA	39,323	37,244	36,853	37,522	35,042	32,628	30,282	29,335	26,140
Operating Income	NA	2,334	2,366	2,255	2,246	2,071	1,840	1,906	1,816	1,597
Depreciation	NA	403	390	382	366	363	345	317	284	273
Interest Expense	NA	118	125	116	118	105	109	75.0	69.9	72.2
Pretax Income	NA	1,827	1,850	1,771	1,791	1,621	1,395	1,525	1,475	1,260
Effective Tax Rate	NA	37.0%	36.2%	40.4%	38.3%	38.3%	39.3%	37.0%	38.5%	38.3%
Net Income	NA	1,152	1,180	1,056	1,106	1,001	846	961	907	778
S&P Core Earnings	1,079	1,209	1,219	987	1,022	995	866	890	868	710

Balance Sheet & Other Financial Data (Million \$)

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Cash	NA	640	609	1,087	552	208	202	192	200	421
Current Assets	6,085	5,733	5,076	5,271	5,175	4,676	4,400	4,002	3,851	3,630
Total Assets	NA	11,386	10,314	10,322	10,082	9,519	8,992	8,268	7,848	6,937
Current Liabilities	NA	3,575	3,009	3,150	3,499	3,415	3,226	3,458	3,127	2,701
Long Term Debt	NA	2,280	2,473	2,467	1,975	1,758	1,627	956	1,231	1,249
Common Equity	NA	4,705	3,828	3,450	3,409	3,278	3,052	2,759	2,565	2,198
Total Capital	NA	7,192	6,308	6,444	5,925	5,037	5,403	4,440	4,483	3,945
Capital Expenditures	NA	636	595	465	516	603	515	390	530	436
Cash Flow	NA	1,555	1,570	1,438	1,473	1,364	1,191	1,278	1,191	1,051
Current Ratio	NA	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.3
% Long Term Debt of Capitalization	NA	31.7	39.2	38.3	33.3	34.9	30.1	21.5	27.4	31.7
% Net Income of Revenue	NA	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.1	3.0
% Return on Assets	NA	10.6	11.5	10.4	11.3	10.8	9.8	11.9	12.3	12.0
% Return on Equity	NA	27.0	32.4	30.8	33.1	31.6	29.1	36.1	38.1	35.9

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 Food Distributors sub-industry for the next 12 months is neutral. We anticipate relatively modest growth in U.S. food expenditures, and look for distributor profits to be helped by realization of consolidation synergies and technology-driven productivity improvements. We have a cautious view of near-term consumer spending, reflecting relatively high unemployment levels and what we think is a heightened sense of job insecurity among a portion of those who are employed. We expect that this will limit the amount of travel that people do, and the extent to which they eat out at restaurants.

Over the longer term, there has been a trend toward an increased portion of food spending going toward meals prepared outside the home (e.g., at restaurants). In our view, the growth of food service sales has resulted, in part, from many families having at least two income earners outside the home, and a shortage of time for food preparation in the home. We think this trend toward out-of-home spending on food resumed in 2010, after at least modestly reversing in recent years when economic conditions were relatively weak.

Looking ahead, as more members of the "baby boom" generation retire from the workforce, this may contribute to at least modest future shifts toward eating more at home.

We believe that whether serving restaurants or customers such as supermarkets, significant factors for food distributors include their ability to leverage effectively fixed costs or investments (e.g., warehouse space) into profitable sales, effectively manage inventory, and respond to customers in a timely, efficient manner. Furthermore, we see food distributors having opportunities to boost gross profit margins through an increased emphasis on

providing their own private-label products to customers. We expect food distributors that cater to the foodservice group to benefit from acquisitions of smaller, complementary distributors.

Food distributors should continue to benefit from an increased focus on non-traditional retailers, such as mass merchandisers (other than Wal-Mart) and convenience stores. In addition, we expect distributor focus on natural or organic foods to present long-term opportunities, as we look for this segment to become increasingly popular with consumers.

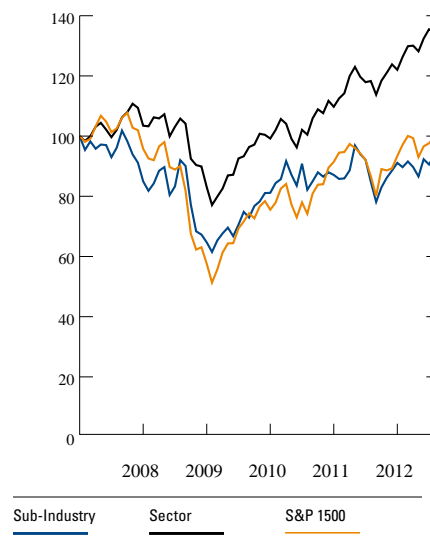
Year to date through August 24, the S&P Food Distributors Index increased 5.1%, versus a 12.0% rise in S&P 1500. For all of 2011, the S&P Food Distributors Index rose 0.6% versus a 0.3% drop for the S&P 1500 Index.

--Joseph Agnese

Stock Performance

GICS Sector: Consumer Staples
Sub-Industry: Food Distributors

Based on S&P 1500 Indexes
Month-end Price Performance as of 08/31/12



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

Sub-Industry : Food Distributors Peer Group*: Food & Health Distributors

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 (%)
Sysco Corp	SY	17,774	30.30	31.18/25.09	0.72	3.6	16	26.90	A+	99	2.9	31.7
G.Willi-Food Intl	WILC	54	4.17	6.37/3.91	1.11	Nil	15	NA	NR	71	5.4	NA
Nash Finch Co	NAFC	241	19.69	32.10/18.77	0.53	3.7	NM	NA	B	83	0.7	40.7
Pizza Inn Hldgs	PZZI	28	3.44	7.07/2.18	0.71	Nil	34	NA	B-	75	3.3	7.2
Spartan Stores	SPTN	333	15.31	19.24/13.44	0.45	2.1	11	15.80	B	89	1.2	21.6
United Natural Foods	UNFI	2,810	57.48	58.13/32.83	0.68	Nil	34	48.20	B+	92	1.7	0.1

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.

Sysco Corp**S&P Analyst Research Notes and other Company News****August 13, 2012**

UP 1.46 to 30.30... SY posts \$0.62 vs. \$0.60 Q4 non-GAAP adj. EPS on 5.9% sales rise.

August 13, 2012

11:53 am ET ... S&P MAINTAINS HOLD RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF SYSCO CORP. (SY 29.82***): On higher costs, we cut our FY 13 (Jun.) EPS estimate \$0.11 to \$2.04 but up our target price by \$1 to \$31 as we roll forward to our FY 13 EBITDA estimate. Adjusted Jun-Q EPS of \$0.55, vs. \$0.57, misses our estimate and consensus from Capital IQ by \$0.01. Sales growth of 5.9% was above our forecast, boosted 0.6% by acquisitions, but operating profits fell short on gross margin pressure. With restaurant traffic slowing and high input costs persisting, we see continued challenges but think business transformation and pension restructuring will help expense growth. /J. Agnese, E. Kwon, CFA

July 19, 2012

Sysco Corp. announced that Ajoy H. Karna has been named senior vice president of Finance for the corporation, effective immediately. For the past 11 years, Karna served in various financial leadership positions at PepsiCo and its Frito Lay subsidiary. At Frito Lay, he was senior vice president and vice president of Finance and was responsible for field finance, national customer finance, foodservice finance, brand finance, pricing and selling/G&A. He also was senior vice president-Mergers and Acquisitions, in PepsiCo's corporate group between 2006 and 2009. Prior to that, he served in numerous roles of increasing responsibility for nine years at The Quaker Oats Company until it merged with PepsiCo in 2001.

May 7, 2012

09:49 am ET ... S&P REITERATES HOLD RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF SYSCO (SY 27.49***): Mar-Q EPS of \$0.44, vs. \$0.44, is \$0.01 below our estimate. Organic sales growth of 7.1% was above our expectations as case volume, excluding acquisitions, grew by 2.3%. However, margins were pressured by food inflation, increased employee related costs and technology upgrade costs. While we expect food cost inflation pressures to persist through FY 12 (Jun.), we expect margins to benefit from more moderate levels of inflation in FY 13. With stronger than expected organic sales growth offsetting inflationary pressures, we are keeping our FY 12 EPS estimate of \$1.99. /J. Agnese

May 7, 2012

Sysco Corp. announced the leadership appointments, which will be effective July 1, 2012. Chuck Staes, senior vice president-Foodservice Operations, North Region, was appointed senior vice president-Foodservice Operations, Specialty Companies. Staes is now responsible for overseeing the company's Meat Company operations, SYGMA, IFG, FreshPoint and European Imports. Joel Grade, president-Sysco Canada, was promoted to senior vice president-Foodservice Operations, North Region, which includes the company's markets in Canada, as well as the Mideast and Northeast United States. Scott Sonnemaker, senior vice president-Foodservice Operations, West Region, was appointed to the new position of senior vice president-Sales. Greg Bertrand, market vice president-Foodservice Operations, Midwest, was promoted to senior vice president-Foodservice Operations, West Region, which includes the company's Midwest, Rocky Mountain and Pacific markets.

April 18, 2012

Sysco Corp. announced that its board of directors has named Manny Fernandez, currently the non-executive chairman of the company, as the company's executive chairman, effective immediately. Mr. Fernandez has served as a director of Sysco since November 2006 and as the company's non-executive chairman since June 2009. Mr. Fernandez remains chairman of the company's board of directors. Upon Mr. Fernandez becoming a full-time Sysco employee, he resigned his board positions on the compensation committee and the corporate governance and nominating committee. The company's board will also elect from its current membership a lead director at its May 23, 2012 meeting.

February 6, 2012

DOWN 1.44 to 29.46... SY posts \$0.43 vs. \$0.44 Q2 EPS (both incld items) as higher operating expenses offset 9.2% sales rise. Notes operating expenses rose 7.1% for Q2, primarily due to a \$58M increase in payroll expenses, \$12M increase in gross business transformation expenses, \$10M increase in fuel expense and \$9M lower benefit from COLI.

February 6, 2012

01:07 pm ET ... S&P REITERATES HOLD RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF SYSCO CORP. (SY 29.33***): Dec-Q EPS of \$0.43, vs. \$0.44, is \$0.04 below our estimate. Sales grew 9.2%, above our 7.7% forecast, with contributions of 6.3% from food cost inflation and 0.7% from acquisitions, partially offset by 0.1% due to unfavorable forex. However, margins narrowed more than we expected as pricing pressure remains intense in a high inflationary environment and incentive compensation increases. Fuel cost comparisons remained unfavorable. As a result, we are reducing our FY 12 (Jun) EPS estimate \$0.10 to \$1.99, but we are keeping our target price of \$30, based on our ratio analysis. /J. Agnese

January 12, 2012

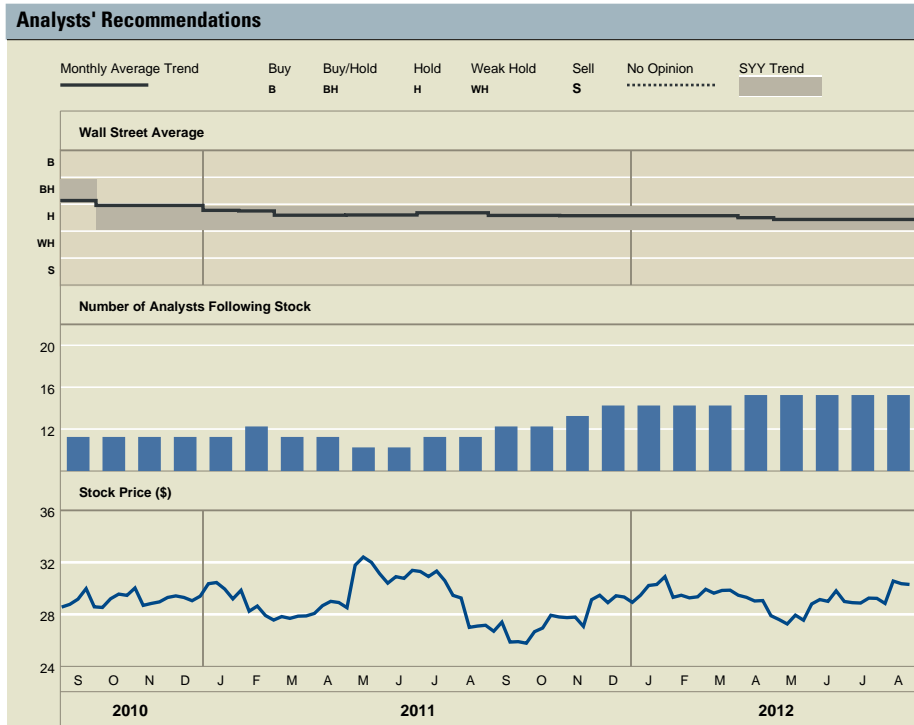
Sysco Corp. announced that William W. Goetz has joined the company in the newly created role of Senior Vice President-Marketing. Prior to joining Sysco, Goetz served as president and chief operations officer-Global Accounts and Strategic Markets at Cintas Corporation. Earlier in his career, Goetz held positions of increased marketing responsibility at both Cintas and ECOLAB Corporation.

November 7, 2011

SY posts \$0.51 vs. \$0.51 Q1 EPS on 8.6% revenue rise, limited by higher operating expenses.

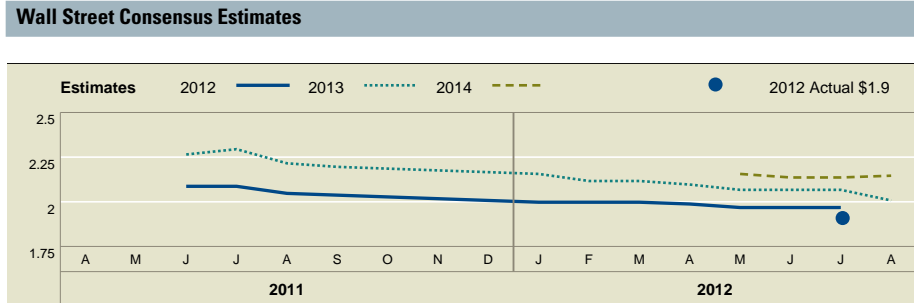
November 7, 2011

11:07 am ET ... S&P REITERATES HOLD RECOMMENDATION ON SHARES OF SYSCO CORP. (SY 27.33***): SY reports Sep-Q adjusted EPS of \$0.55, vs. \$0.03, \$0.01 above our estimate and \$0.03 higher than consensus forecast from Capital IQ. Real sales growth was negatively impacted as 7.3% food cost inflation and increased consumer pressures hurt demand. However, cost saving initiatives helped support margins. Although we expect high food inflation to pressure near term volume demand, we see inflationary pressures moderating by end of FY 12 (Jul.). As a result, we are keeping our FY 12 EPS estimate of \$2.09 and reducing our 12-month target price by \$2 to \$30, on our P/E analysis. /J. Agnese



Of the total 18 companies following SY, 15 analysts currently publish recommendations.

	No. of Ratings	% of Total	1 Mo. Prior	3 Mos. Prior
Buy	0	0	0	0
Buy/Hold	2	13	2	2
Hold	10	67	10	10
Weak Hold	3	20	3	3
Sell	0	0	0	0
No Opinion	0	0	0	0
Total	15	100	15	15



Fiscal Years	Avg Est.	High Est.	Low Est.	# of Est.	Est. P/E
2014	2.15	2.28	1.96	9	14.1
2013	2.01	2.16	1.88	11	15.1
2014 vs. 2013	▲ 7%	▲ 6%	▲ 4%	▼ -18%	▼ -7%
Q1'14	0.52	0.52	0.52	1	58.3
Q1'13	0.51	0.57	0.46	10	59.4
Q1'14 vs. Q1'13	▲ 2%	▼ -9%	▲ 13%	▼ -90%	▼ -2%

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 Street Consensus Opinion

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Companies Offering Coverage

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Wall Street Consensus vs. Performance

For fiscal year 2013, analysts estimate that SY will earn \$2.01. For fiscal year 2014, analysts estimate that SY's earnings per share will grow by 7% to \$2.15.

Sysco Corp**Glossary****S&P STARS**

Since January 1, 1987, Standard and Poor's Equity Research Services has ranked a universe of common stocks based on a given stock's potential for future performance. Under proprietary STARS (Stock Appreciation Ranking System), S&P equity analysts rank stocks according to their individual forecast of a stock's future total return potential versus the expected total return of a relevant benchmark (e.g., a regional index (S&P Asia 50 Index, S&P Europe 350 Index or S&P 500 Index)), based on a 12-month time horizon. STARS was designed to meet the needs of investors looking to put their investment decisions in perspective. Data used to assist in determining the STARS ranking may be the result of the analyst's own models as well as internal proprietary models resulting from dynamic data inputs.

S&P 12-Month Target Price

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.

Investment Style Classification

Characterizes the stock as Growth or Value, and indicates its capitalization level. Growth is evaluated along three dimensions (earnings, sales and internal growth), while Value is evaluated along four dimensions (book-to-price, cash flow-to-price, dividend yield and sale-to-price). Growth stocks score higher than the market average on growth dimensions and lower on value dimensions. The reverse is true for Value stocks. Certain stocks are classified as Blend, indicating a mixture of growth and value characteristics and cannot be classified as purely growth or value.

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S&P Core Earnings

Standard & Poor's Core Earnings is a uniform methodology for adjusting operating earnings by focusing on a company's after-tax earnings generated from its principal businesses. Included in the Standard & Poor's definition are employee stock option grant expenses, pension costs, restructuring charges from ongoing operations, write-downs of depreciable or amortizable operating assets, purchased research and development, M&A related expenses and unrealized gains/losses from hedging activities. Excluded from the definition are pension gains, impairment of goodwill charges, gains or losses from asset sales, reversal of prior-year charges and provision from litigation or insurance settlements.

Qualitative Risk Assessment

The S&P equity analyst's view of a given company's operational risk, or the risk of a firm's ability to continue as an ongoing concern. The Qualitative Risk Assessment

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Quantitative Evaluations

In contrast to our qualitative STARS recommendations, which are assigned by S&P analysts, the quantitative evaluations described below are derived from proprietary arithmetic models. These computer-driven evaluations may at times contradict an analyst's qualitative assessment of a stock. One primary reason for this is that different measures are used to determine each. For instance, when designating STARS, S&P analysts assess many factors that cannot be reflected in a model, such as risks and opportunities, management changes, recent competitive shifts, patent expiration, litigation risk, etc.

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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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Insider Activity

Gives an insight as to insider sentiment by showing whether directors, officers and key employees who have proprietary information not available to the general public, are buying or selling the company's stock during the most recent six months.

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:**Sysco Corp**

	Raw Score	Max Value
Proprietary S&P Measures	52	115
Technical Indicators	28	40
Liquidity/Volatility Measures	16	20
Quantitative Measures	59	75
IQ Total	155	250

Volatility

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

Technical Evaluation

In researching the past market history of prices and trading volume for each company, S&P's computer models apply special technical methods and formulas to identify and project price trends for the stock.

Relative Strength Rank

Shows, on a scale of 1 to 99, how the stock has performed versus all other companies in S&P's universe on a rolling 13-week basis.

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★★★★☆ **4-STARS (Buy):** Total return is expected to outperform the total return of a relevant benchmark over the coming 12 months, with shares rising in price on an absolute basis.

★★★☆☆ **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.

★★☆☆☆ **2-STARS (Sell):** Total return is expected to

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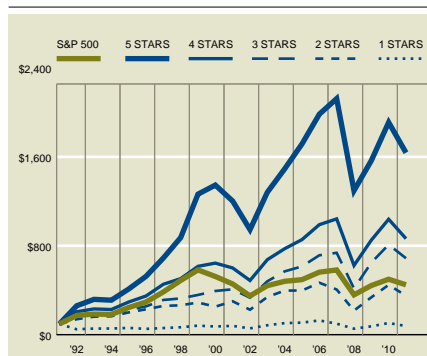
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U.S. STARS Cumulative Model Performance

Hypothetical Growth Due to Price Appreciation of \$100 For the Period 12/31/1986 through 08/31/2012



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For model performance calculation purposes, the

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