

# MUNITER ENERGY

# Overview

• HQ: Corona, California • Symbol: MNST • Market Cap: \$47.25B • Revenue: \$4.6B Stock Price: \$87.54



# History

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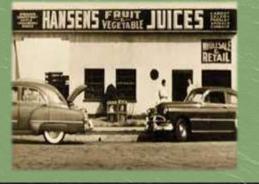
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# 1935 1988-92 2002 2012



 Hansen's Fruit and Vegetable Juices was founded.



- They Filed for bankruptcy.
- Acquired by Rodney Sacks for \$14.6M.
- Renamed to Hansen's Natural Company.



Came out with Monster Energy Drink.



Rename to Monster Beverage Corporation.







# 2015

# 2016 2019



- Coca-Cola purchased
   16.7% for \$2.15B.
- Transferred ownership of all Coca-Cola energy drinks.

Acquired long time partner American Fruits & Flavors for \$690m.

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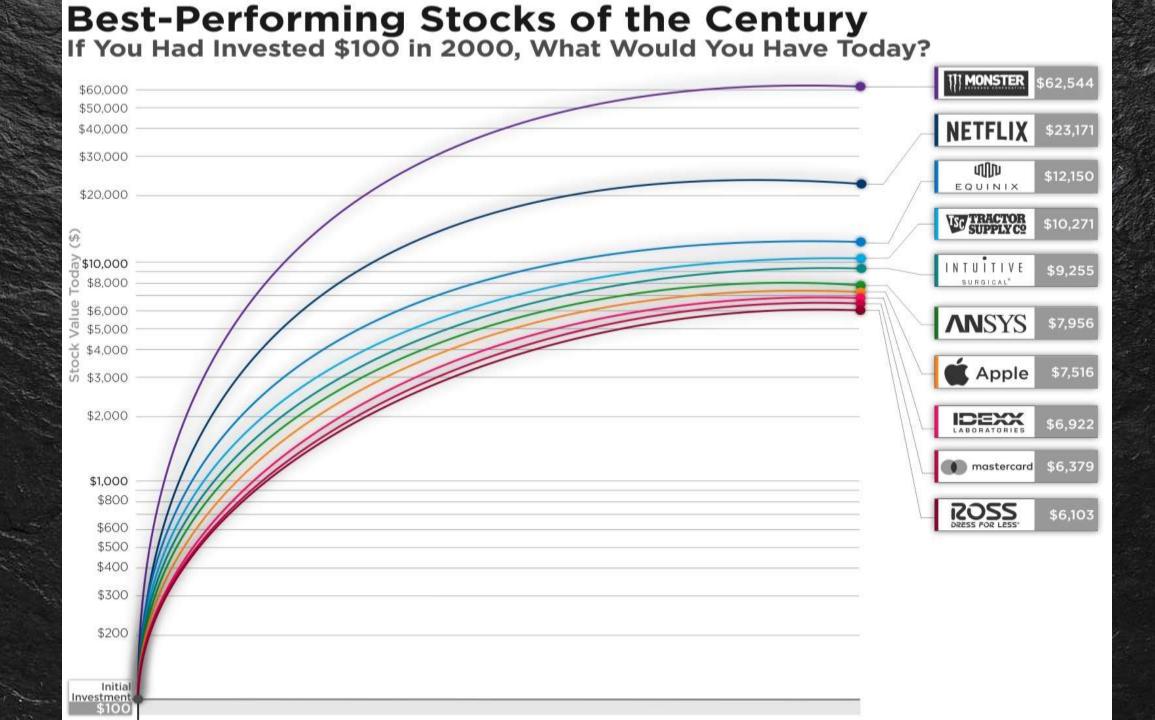


 Released Reign
 Zero sugar, Electrolytes and COQ10









# **Recent News**



# News

 Won a lawsuit against Vital Pharmaceuticals(VPX).

• In 2022 True North will be launched

- Natural Caffeine
- Zero sugar or sweetener of any type

Supply Chain Issues







# Why Monster?

# Why Monster?

- Proven Moat
- Exceptional Business
   Model
- Prestige Financial
- Solid Valuation





# Business Model

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Performance by Segments

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**Regional Net Sales** 

Customer Base



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## **Regional Net Sales**

**Customer Base** 

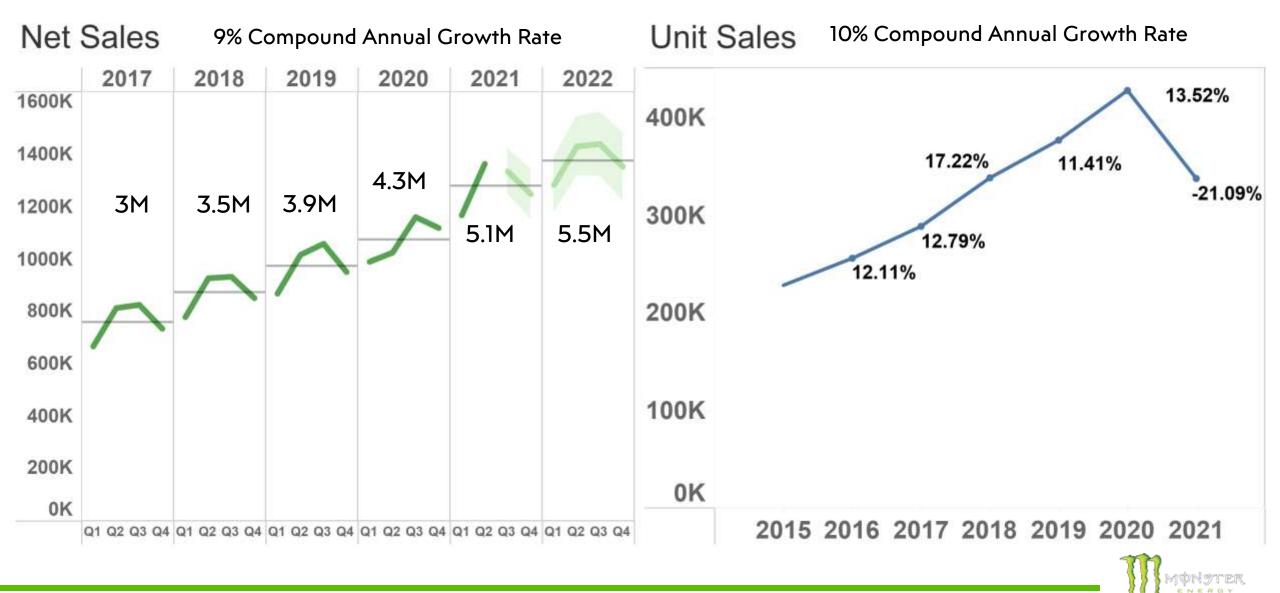




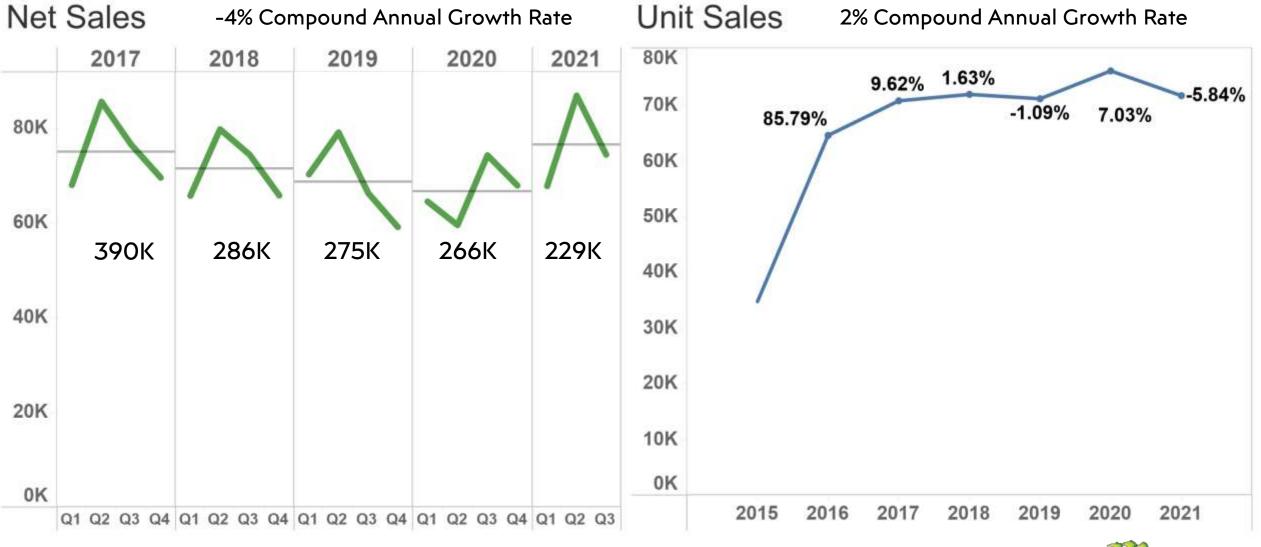
# Revenue Breakdown

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# Monster Energy

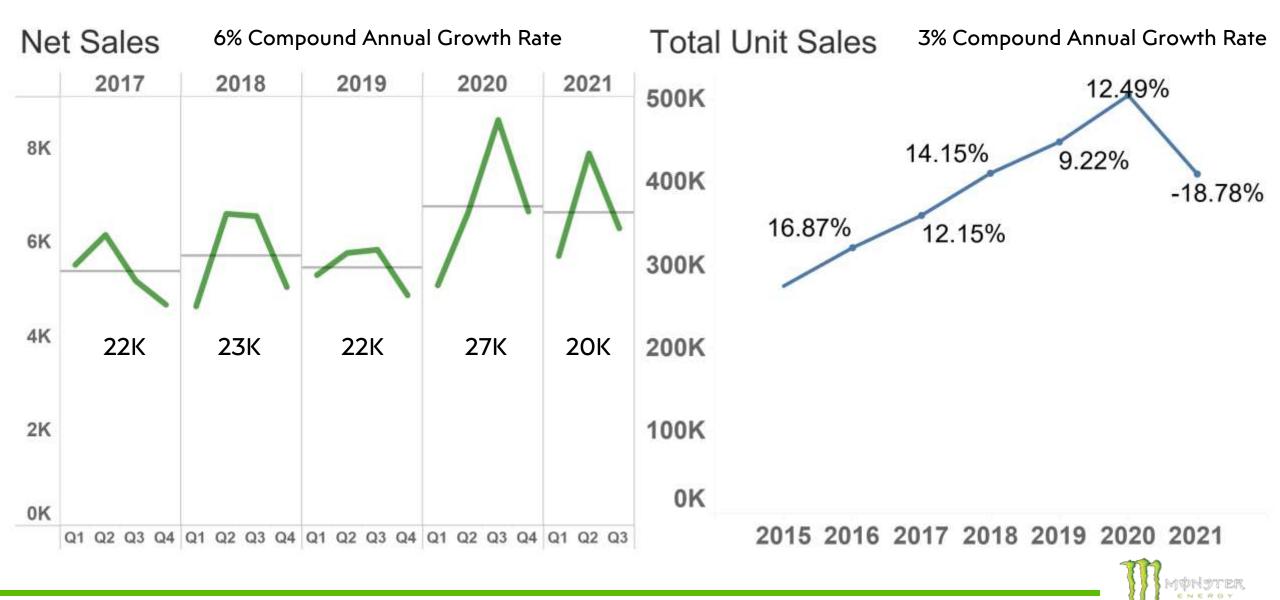


# Strategic Brands



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# Other (American Fruits & Flavors)



Performance by Segments

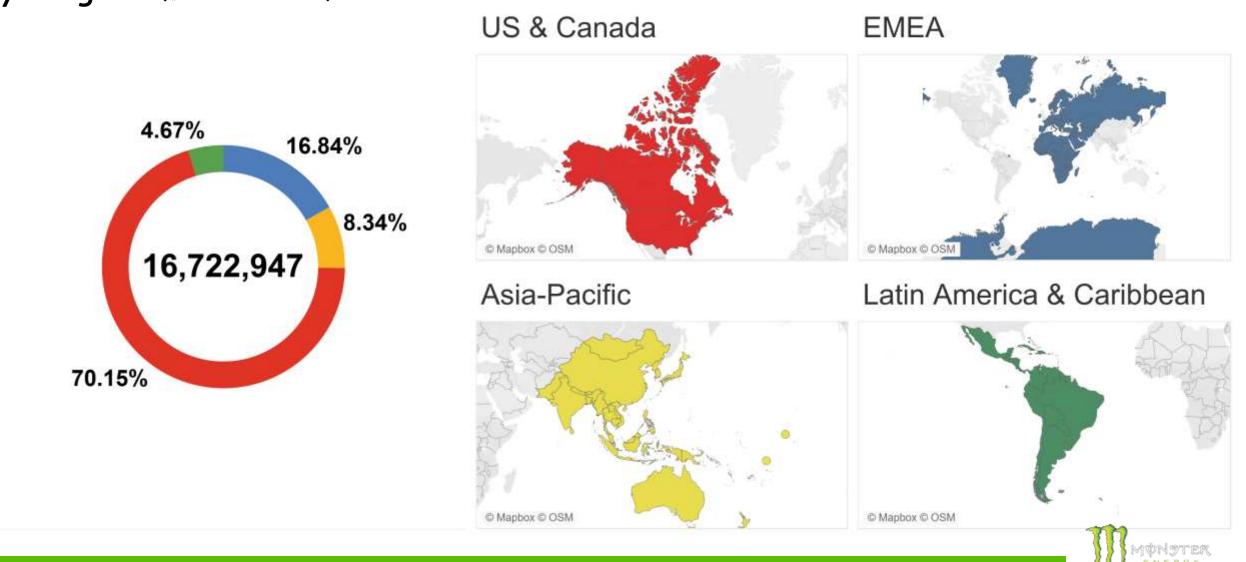
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Regional Net Sales

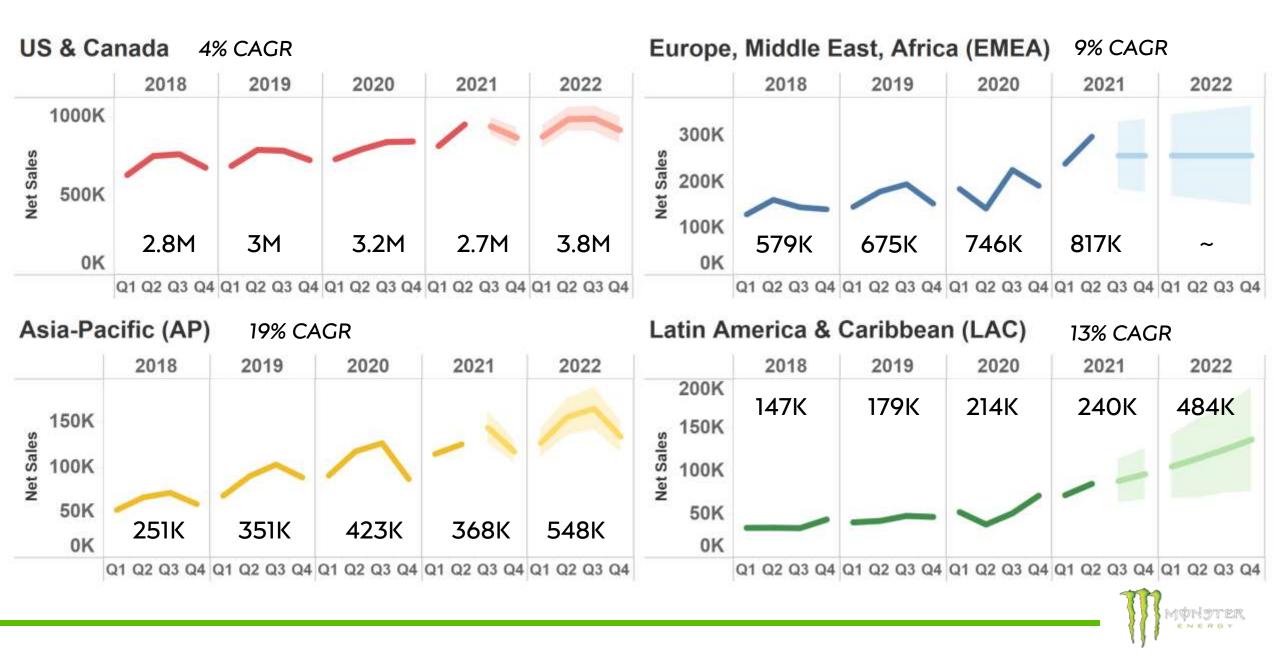
**Customer Base** 



#### Four Year Cumulative Net Sales by Region (\$ in Thousands)



### Regional Net Sales



#### Performance by Segments

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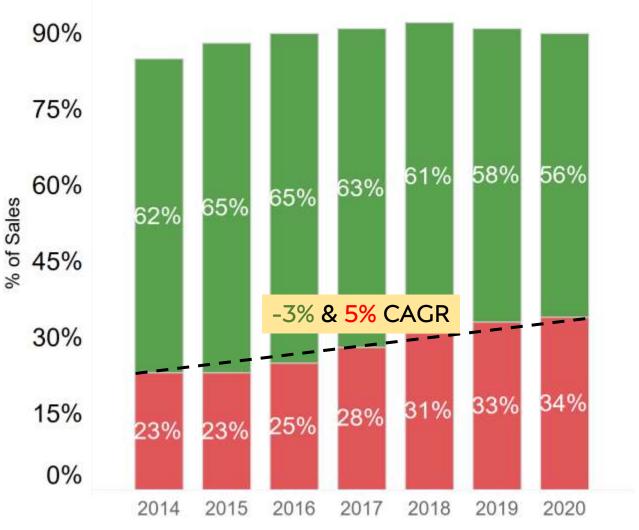
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**Regional Net Sales** 

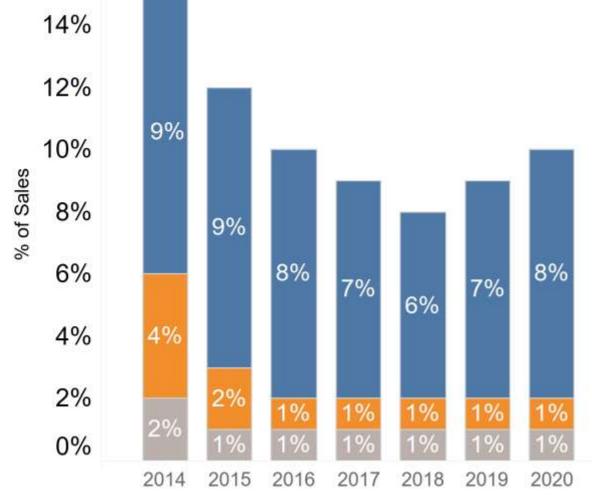
**Customer Base** 



#### **Domestic & International** Full-Service Bottling/Distribution



#### Club & Ecommerce, Direct to Consumer, Other



Performance by Segments

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**Regional Net Sales** 

**Customer Base** 



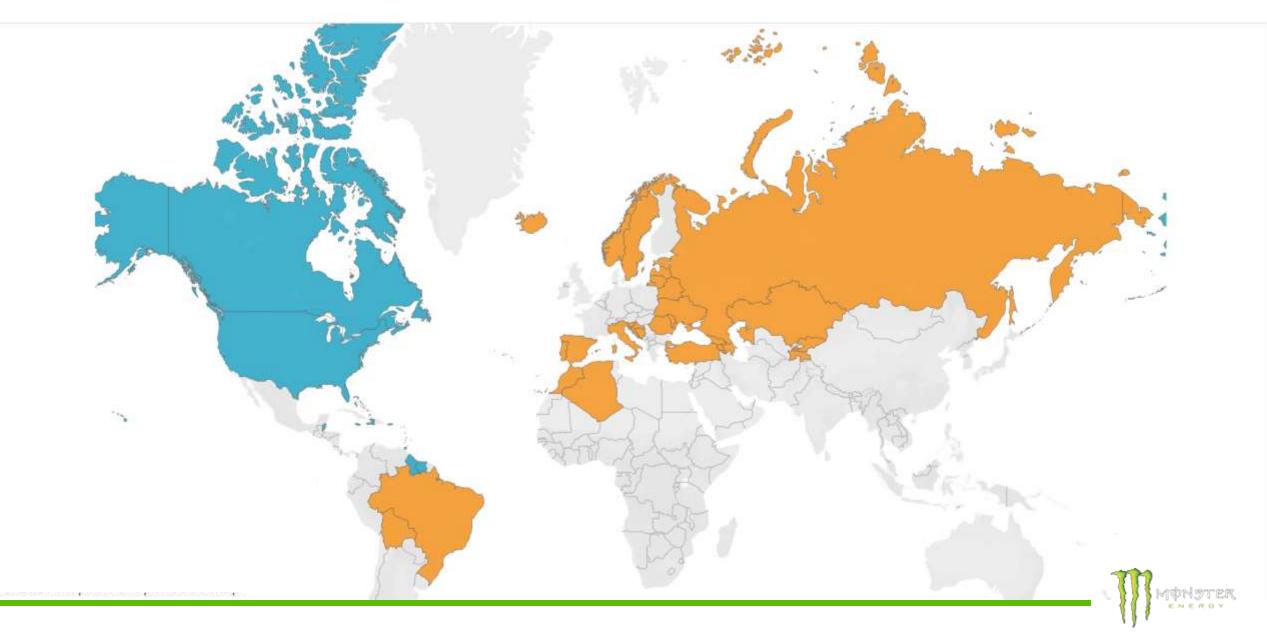
#### Reign Established, Emerging

- Chile
- Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania
- Poland, Belgium, Netherlands

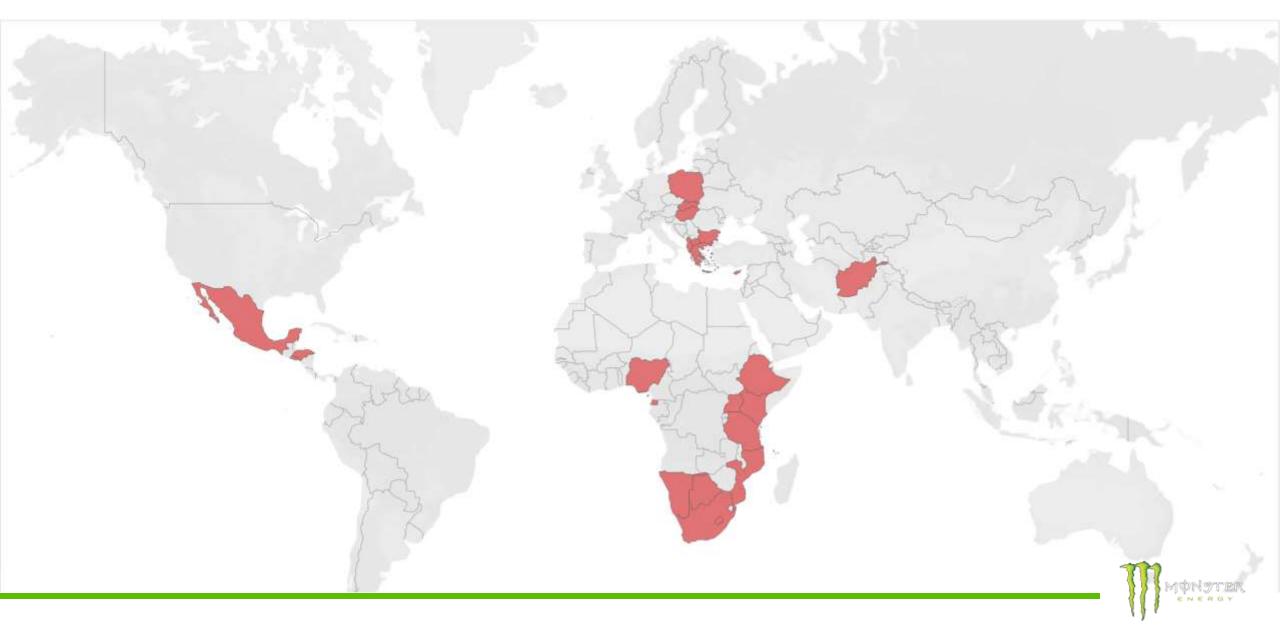
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- Austria, Switzerland, Finland
- S. Africa

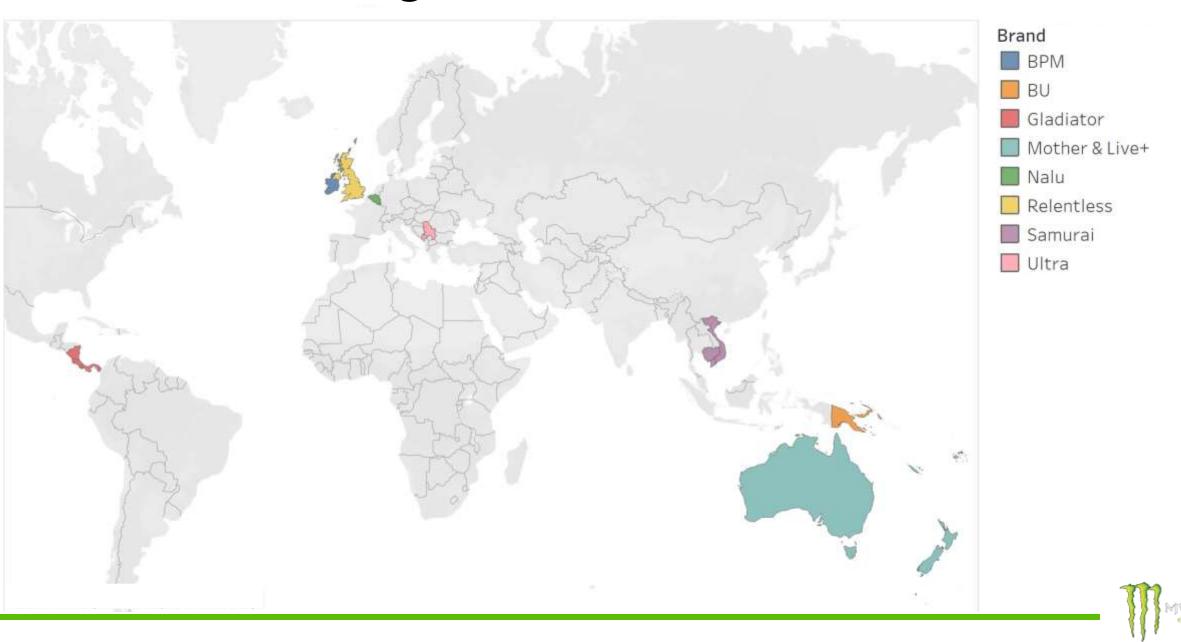
## Burn & Full Throttle + NOS



# Affordable Energy (Predator & Fury)



## Various Strategic Brands



# Untapped Markets



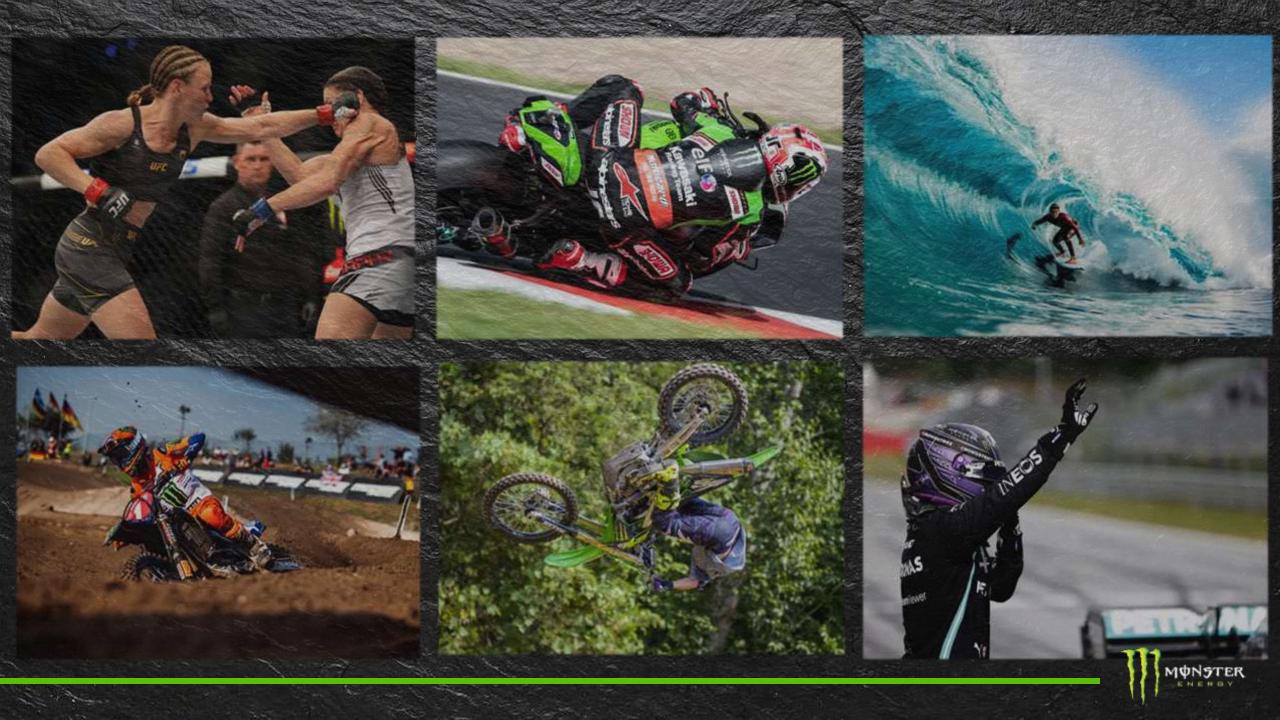
# Marketing Strategy

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# Untraditional Advertising

- Focuses on youth themes and strategies
  - Extreme sporting events and lifestyles like skateboarding, motocross, and surfing
- Less than \$100m spent between digital, print, and TV ads
- Internet has played a huge part in the strategy as Monster has become the "gamer drink"





# Advertising - Online

• Operate on Facebook, Google+, Instagram, Twitter and Pinterest

 In top 25 followed Facebook brands with 26m followers

• #44 Unleashed Campaign



## Endorsements

Support world's best-in class athlete McGregor
2017 fight sold 4.6 million pay-per-view units

#### • Partnership with Ronda Rousey since 2015



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# Power of Brand – Unleash the Beast

• Aim to sell the experience

 Symbol of rebellion and developed a culture

• "A lifestyle in a can."





# Management & Capital Allocation

MONST

#### Executives

**Rodney Sacks** Chairman & Co-Chief Executive Officer Hilton Schlosberg Vice Chairman & Co-Chief Executive Officer



#### **Compensation Structure**

- Total compensation: \$15,563,685
  - Salary \$934,615
  - Restricted Stock Award \$8,905,549
  - Securities Option 3,599,698
  - Non-Equity Compensation \$2,027,766
  - Other Compensation \$96,057
- Currently holds 93,244 shares valued \$23m

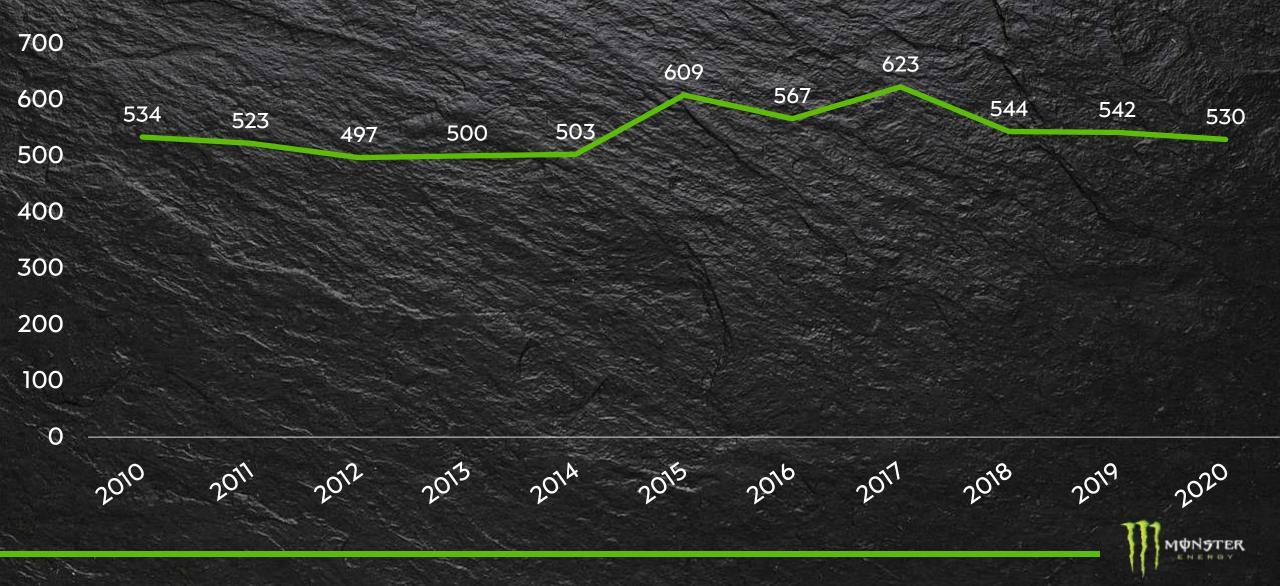






#### Shares Outstanding

In millions



# Economic Moat

#### Intangible Assets

- Strong brand names "Trademarks"
- Brand preference
- Private label penetration low
  - Soft drinks mid-teens to mid-20s
  - Energy drinks mid-single digits
- Leading market share
  - Unit basis 14% globally
  - 40% in the US





### Coca-Cola Partnership

- Additional moat source
- Negotiates shelf space
- Distribution system
- Reaches over 200 countries
- Minimal capital investment
- Scale rapidly
- Maintaining prestige balance sheet



#### Four-Structural Factors

- 1. Strength of Monster Brand
- 2. Monster was still a success prior to 2015
- 3. The contractual agreement spans Twenty-years
- 4. Strong unit economics incentivizes bottlers



#### Moat Attack

- Coke Energy
- Lost market share and sales
- Discontinued Coke Energy
  - North America
- Value Investing With The Legends Podcast
  - Jeff Mueller and Dan Davidowitz
- You don't know a company has a true moat until it gets attacked





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# **Risk Factors**

# Cans & Supply Chain Issues

- Inflated aluminum prices
  - Can shortage
  - Container shortage
- Source cans from
  - South America & Asia
- Q3 Gross Margins
   Slightly declined from 59.1% to 55.9%
   Plans to increase prices in FY 2022





# **Regulations & ESG Risks**

- Potential negative externalities
- Potent ingredients
  - (Guarana & Ginseng)
- Canada promotions to children are prohibited
- Social media riskReliance on Trademark





# Competition

- Emerging competitors
  Bang & Celsius
- Strong media presence
- Celsius has healthier ingredients
- Monster Reign & True North
  PepsiCo acquired Rockstar
  For \$3.85B







#### **Constellation Brands**

 Rumor of a merger • We see this as unlikely Could lose Coke partnership Potential MNST cocktail or hard seltzer Topo Chico hard seltzer Distributed by Molson Coors





# What Could Change Our Thesis?

- Decline in ad & sponsorship spent
- Focusing on non-core products
  - Non-energy
- Case unit market share decline
  - As opposed to market share %
- Margin contractions
  - Losing pricing power
- Lost partnership with Coke



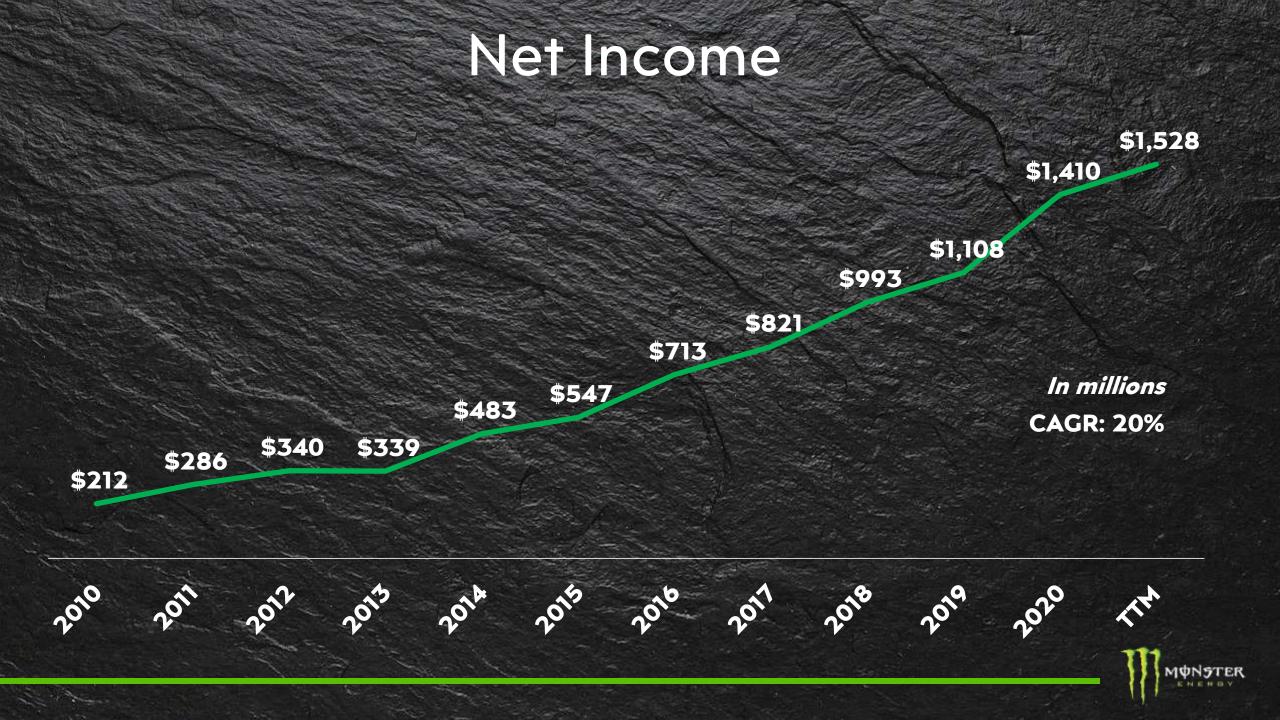


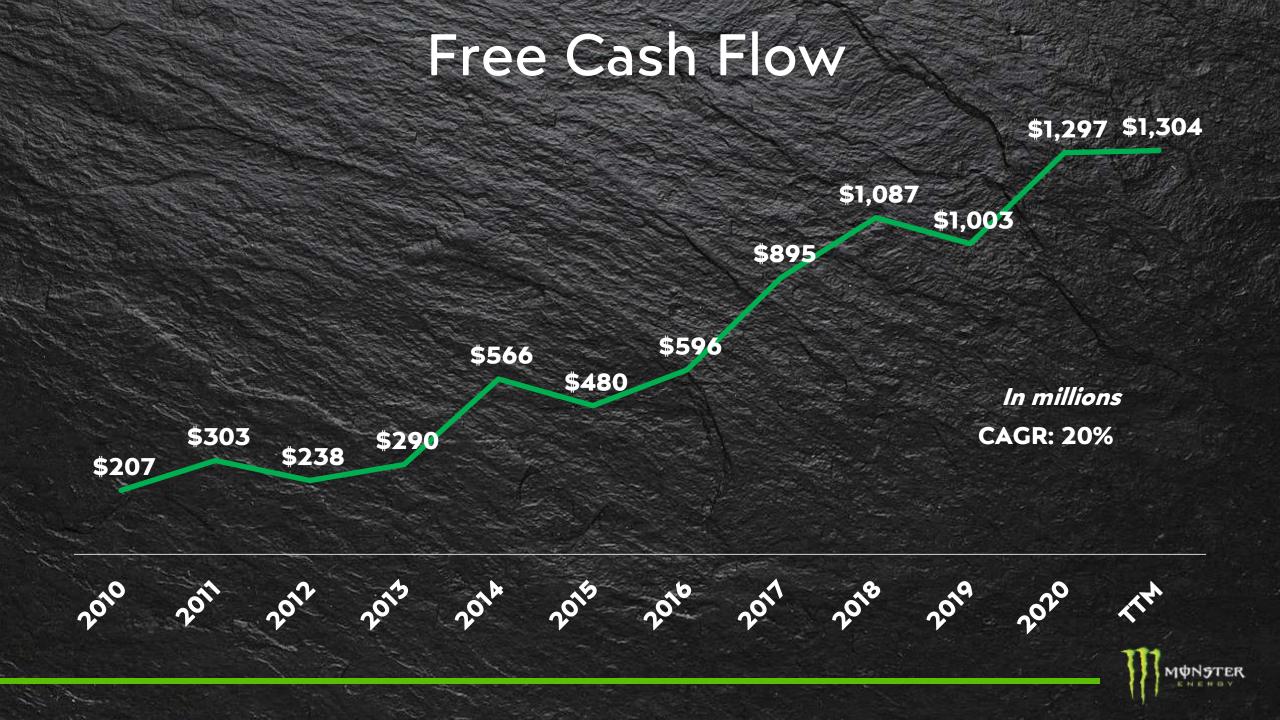
# Interpretations Of

# **Financial Statements**

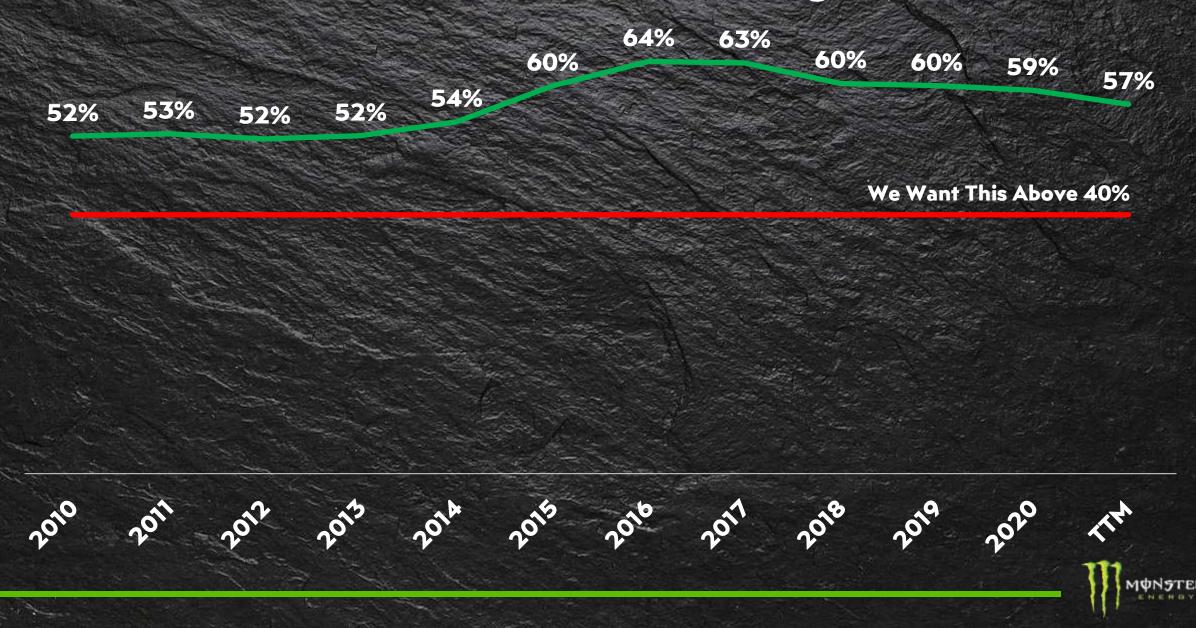
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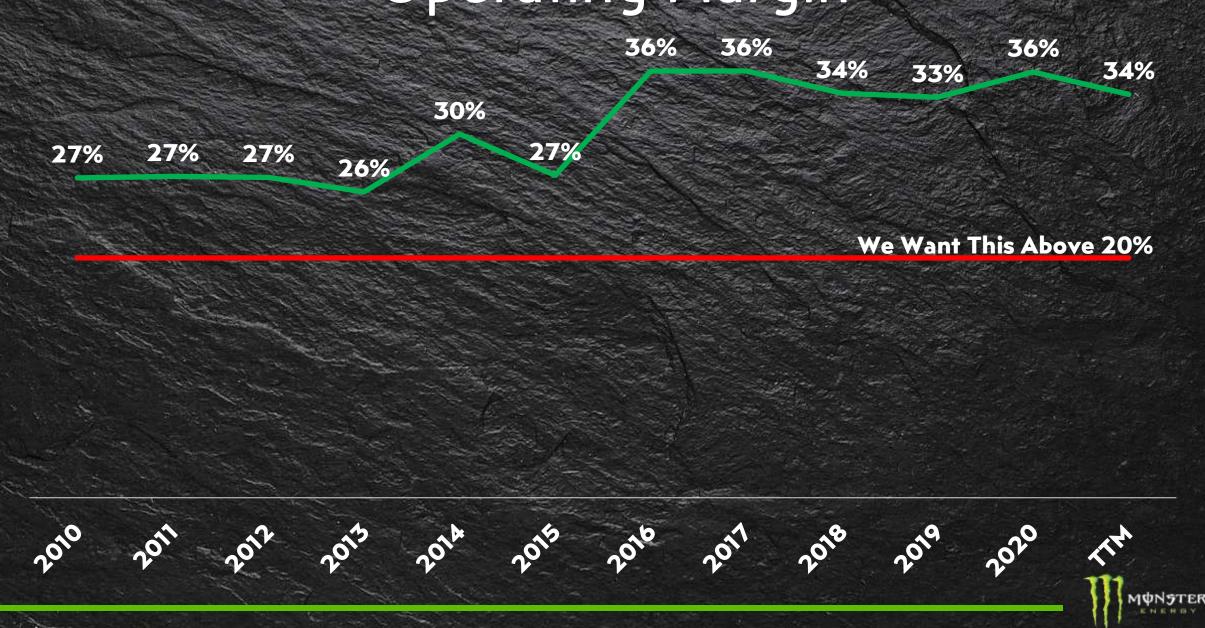


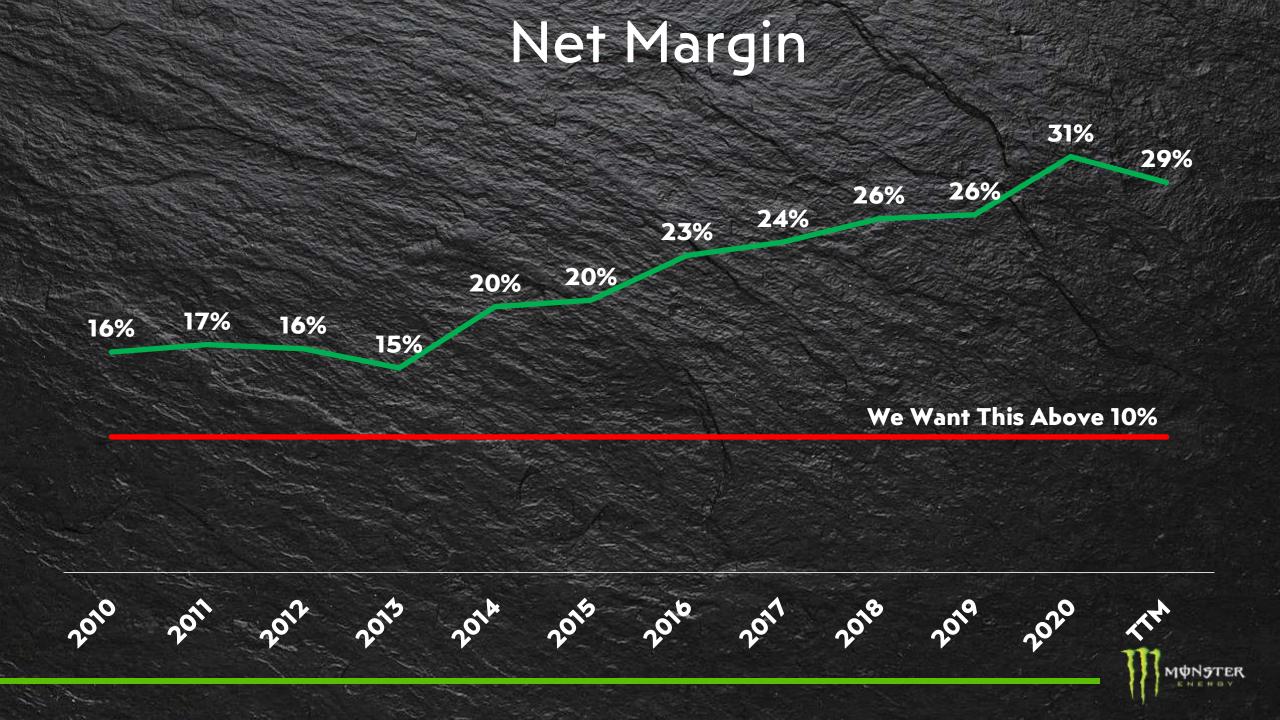


#### Gross Profit Margin



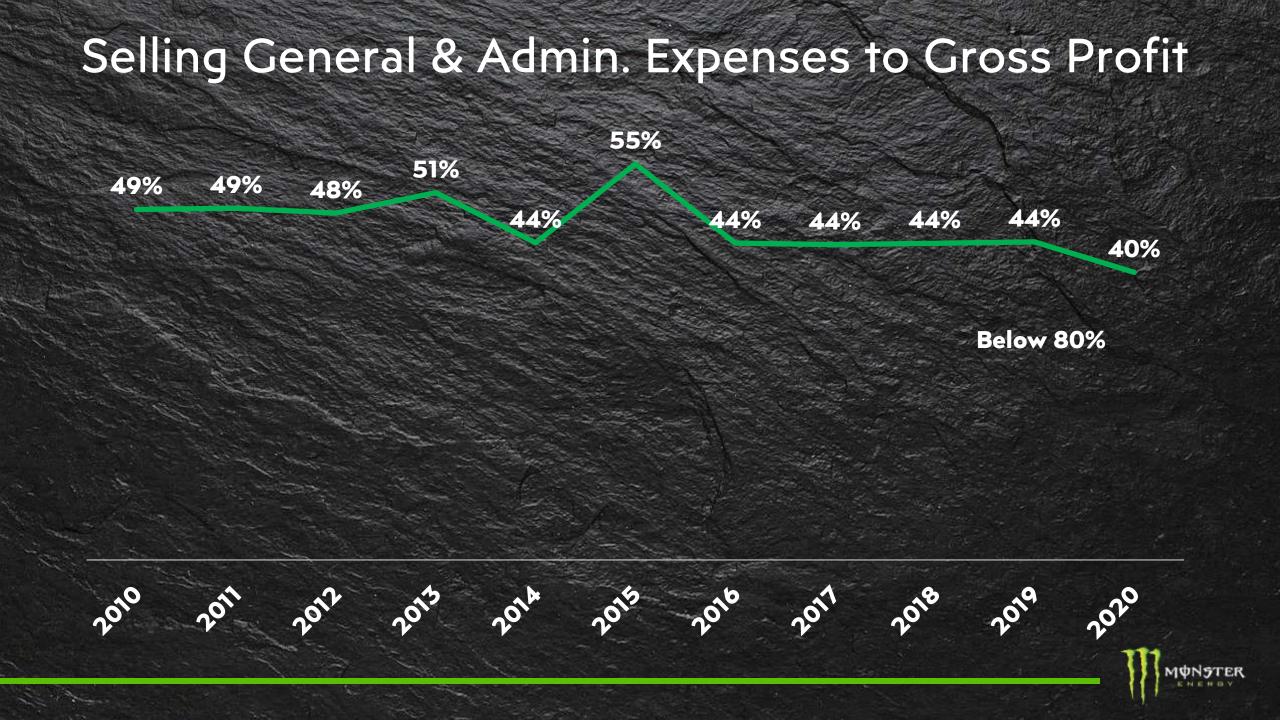
### Operating Margin





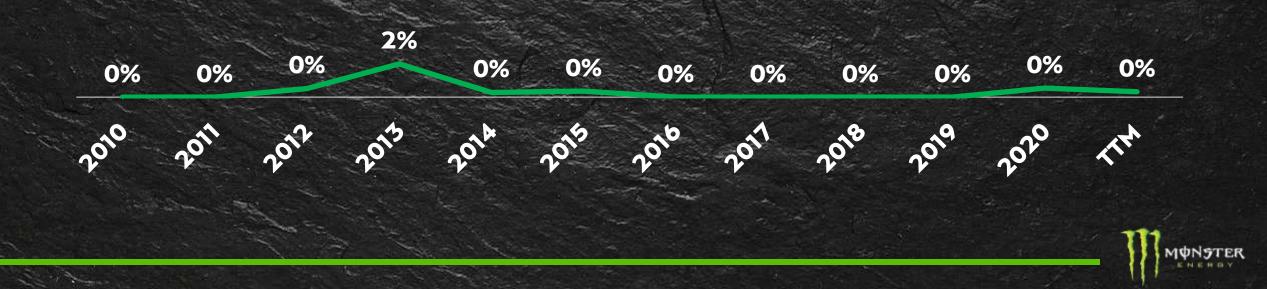
#### Free Cash Flow Margin



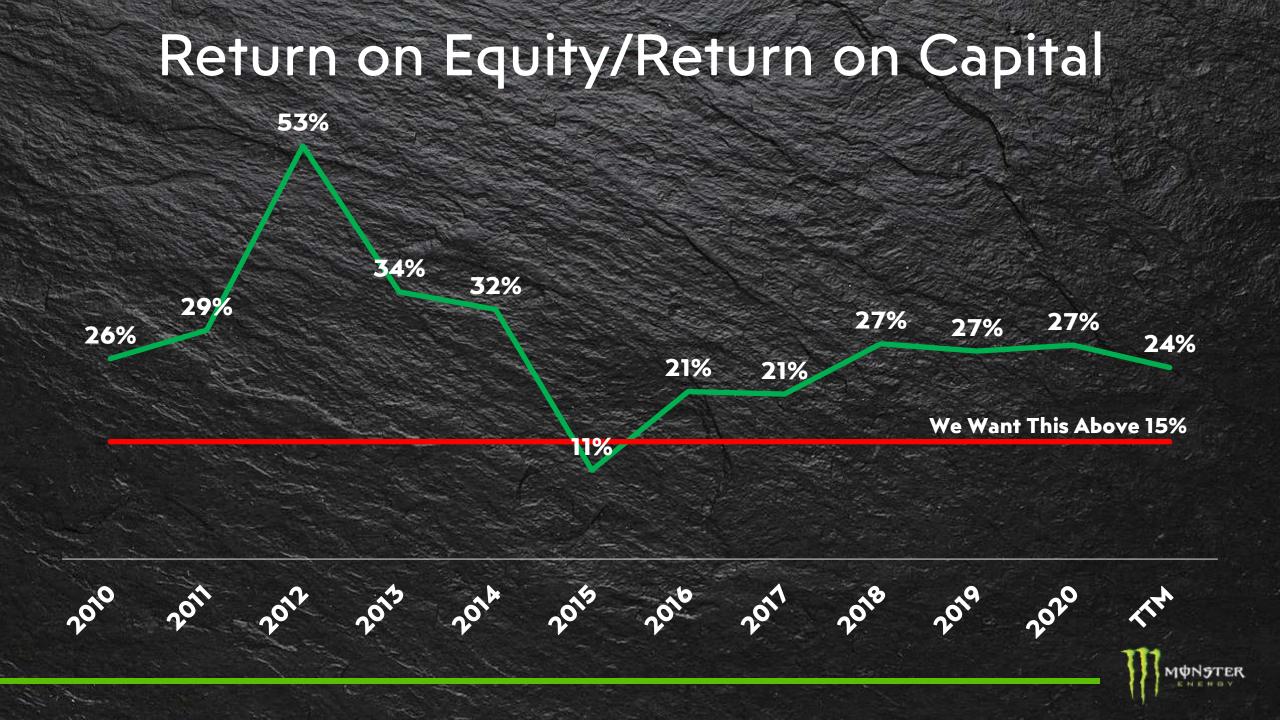


#### Interest Expense to Operating Income













#### Long Term Debt + Dept to Asset + Obligation Ratio

(+) Long Term Debt
(+) Short Term Debt
(+) Pensions
(+) Leases x7
(+) Preferred stock
(-) Cash

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(÷) Net income

\$1,528

Obligation Ratio = -1.9 years <5



# Growth Opportunities

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## Energy Beverage Industry

- Expected Industry growth 7.3% Five-year
  Compounded Annual
  Growth Rate
  MNST expected to grow
  - MNST expected to grow faster



#### Product Development

- MNST introduced 25 new products in 2020
- Potential MNST cocktail or hard seltzer
- MNST ready to drink coffee market share is beating Starbucks





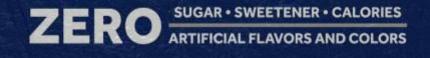




#### Health

- True North
- Direct competitor to Celsius
- Officially released in the US
- But is expected to roll out nationwide in 2022











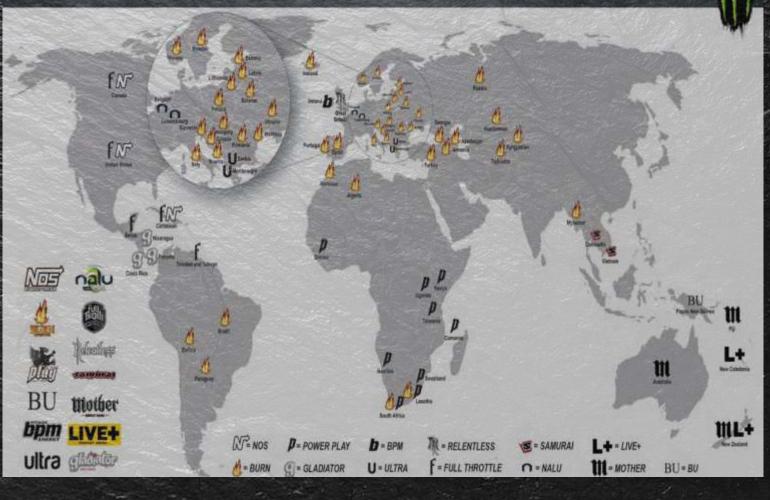




#### International Growth

- Sales of predator launched in March 2020 increased 95%
  - One or more of the company's energy drinks are distributed in a total of 154 countries and territories

#### STRATEGIC BRANDS EXISTING MARKETS





# **Competitor Analysis**





- U.S. Based public company
- \$2.99 per 16 oz can
  Affordable Pricing
- More flavors and models
- Daytime drink
  - Extreme Sports/U.S. athlete sponsorships

- Austrian based private company
- \$3.99 per 12 oz can
  Premium pricing
- Fewer flavors, revolves around standard Red Bull
- Nighttime drink
- Red Bull Games/ International Football sponsorships









- Backed by Coke
- Increasing Market Share
- Mainly appeals to outdoor and extreme sports



Owned by Pepsi

- Decreasing market share
- Appeals to gamers/e-sports





- 12-pack: \$18.99
- More flavors and models
- Ability to scale faster
- Larger infrastructure in place = more efficient manufacturing
- Experienced and longer tenured management

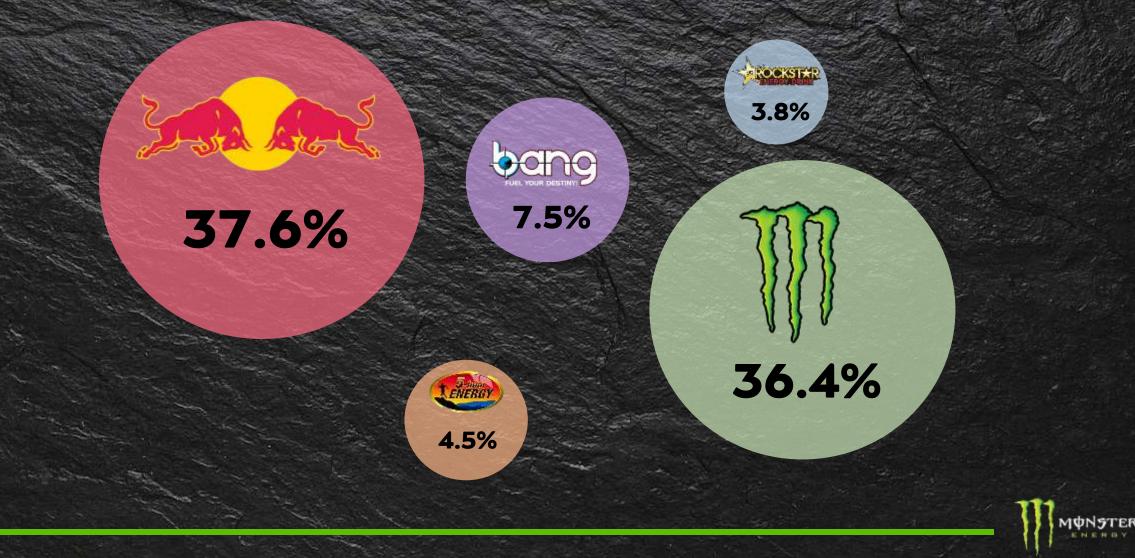




- 12-pack: \$31.99
- Pioneer, combining energy drink with pre-workout
- Appealed to fitness and healthconscious
- Exclusive partnerships with retailers (HEB, Planet K)
- Loyal customer base, but decreasing market share



## Market Share – Competitors



#### Public Competitors - Quality NM GM

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MONSTER ENERDY	57.1%	33.6%	28.8%	27.5%	27.5%
CocarCola	60.7%	34.2%	25.5%	43.7%	14.8%
PEPSICO	53.9%	18.9%	10.9%	57.1%	15.3%
Keurig DrPepper	56.2%	25.6%	11.4%	7.5%	6.0%
CELSIUS	42.3%	7.6%	6.6%	8.3%	8.3%

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# Valuation

#### Intraportfolio – Quality

#### Return on Equity Return on Capital 5yr Sales Growth

MA	58.3%	MSFT	32.5%	FB	40%
NKE	44.9%	AZO	27.9%	BABA	40%
MSFT	43.2%	TSCO	27.9%	GOOG	19%
TSCO	41.9%	MA	27.9%	ULTA	18%
ROST	41.0%	MNST	27.5%	V.	16%
DG	39.9%	FB	26.5%	MA	15%
AZO	38.9%	NKE	26.4%	DG	13%
QCOM	38.5%	ROST	25.5%	TSCO	13%
LMT	35.6%	DG	25.3%	MSFT	11%
V	32.8%	ULTA	24.2%	HD	11%
UNP	32.5%	QCOM	23.5%	FISV	11%
BF	29.1%	V	21.8%	MNST	11%
MNST	27.5%	GOOG	17.1%	AZO	11%
FB	26.5%	BABA	17.0%	ROST	9%
ULTA	24.2%	BF	16.2%	NKE	8%
CNI	19.3%	LMT	16.1%	LMT	6%
BABA	19.0%	UNP	14.3%	QCOM	6%
HD	18.6%	CNI	12.8%	CNI	5%
GOOG	18.1%	HD	12.2%	UNP	4%
FISV	10.5%	FISV	7.0%	BF	4%
BRK.B	6.0%	BRK.B	4.5%	BRK.B	3%

## Intraportfolio – Valuation (Price)

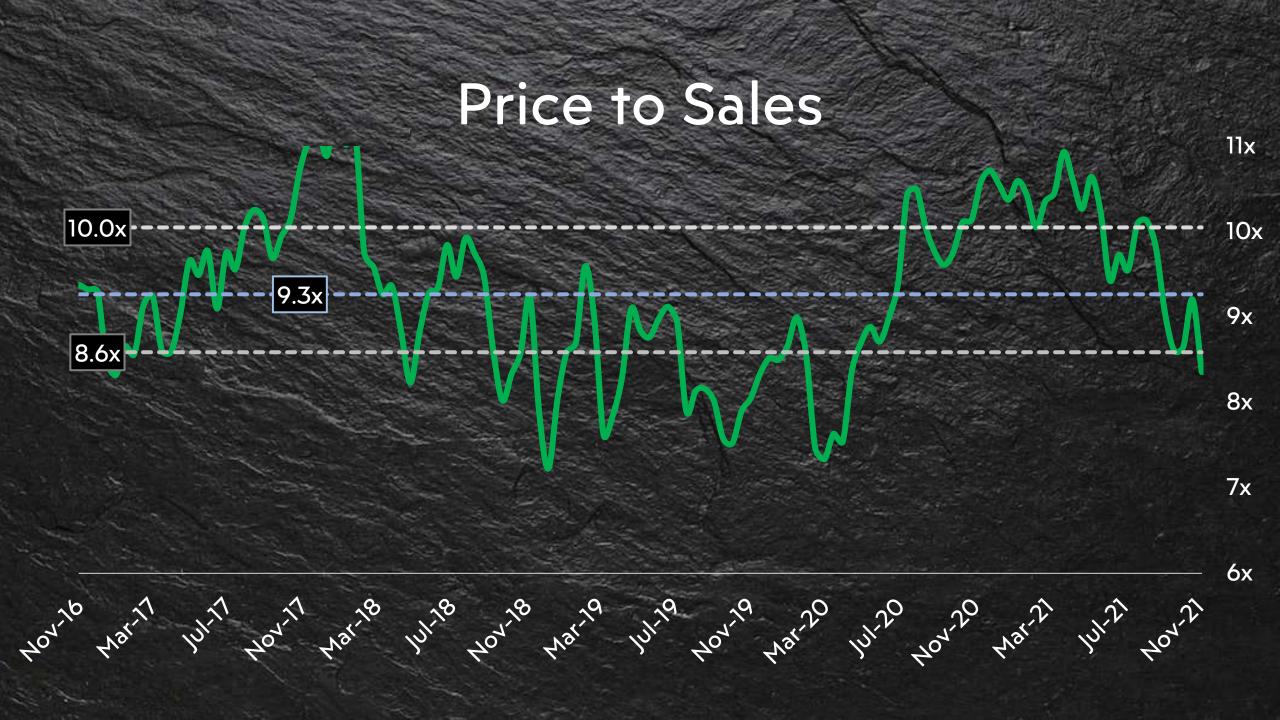
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DG	1.4	BABA	16.1	FISV	2.1	AZO	13.5
LMT	1.5	QCOM		BABA			
TSCO	2.2		16.3		3.1	DG	16.1
ROST	2.4	AZO	16.9	LMT	4.4	QCOM	16.5
AZO	2.4	FISV	19.4	HD	5.6	BABA	17.0
HD	2.7	DG	20.5	CNI	5.6	ULTA	18.5
BRK.B	2.7	FB	22.1	FB	6.6	TSCO	19.1
ULTA	2.9	UNP	22.3	MA	7.5	HD	19.3
BABA	4.4	HD	23.2	DG	7.6	BRK.B	22.2
FISV	5.0	ROST	23.7	GOOG	8.4	FISV	22.2
NKE	5.3	GOOG	24.6	MNST	9.1	UNP	25.4
SBUX	5.8	ULTA	24.6	UNP	9.5	SBUX	25.7
QCOM	7.6	TSCO	24.7	ROST	9.8	GOOG	27.4
UNP	8.2	CNI	25.6	ULTA	10.7	ROST	28.4
CNI	8.6	BRK.B	28.2	BF	11.5	FB	30.0
MNST	8.9	MNST	31.5	TSCO	12.0	NKE	32.2
BF	9.3	SBUX	32.9	V	13.1	MNST	32.3
GOOG	10.3	MSFT	34.5	QCOM	13.2	BF	35.9
FB	10.9	V -	35.3	MSFT	16.3	V	36.4
MSFT	13.8	BF	37.3	NKE	18.6	CNI	40.0
V	18.7	MA	41.9	SBUX	NMF	MA	42.7
MA	23.5	NKE	43.1	AZO	NMF	MSFT	44.3

#### Intraportfolio – Valuation (EV) EV/Sales EV/EBIT EV/EBITDA

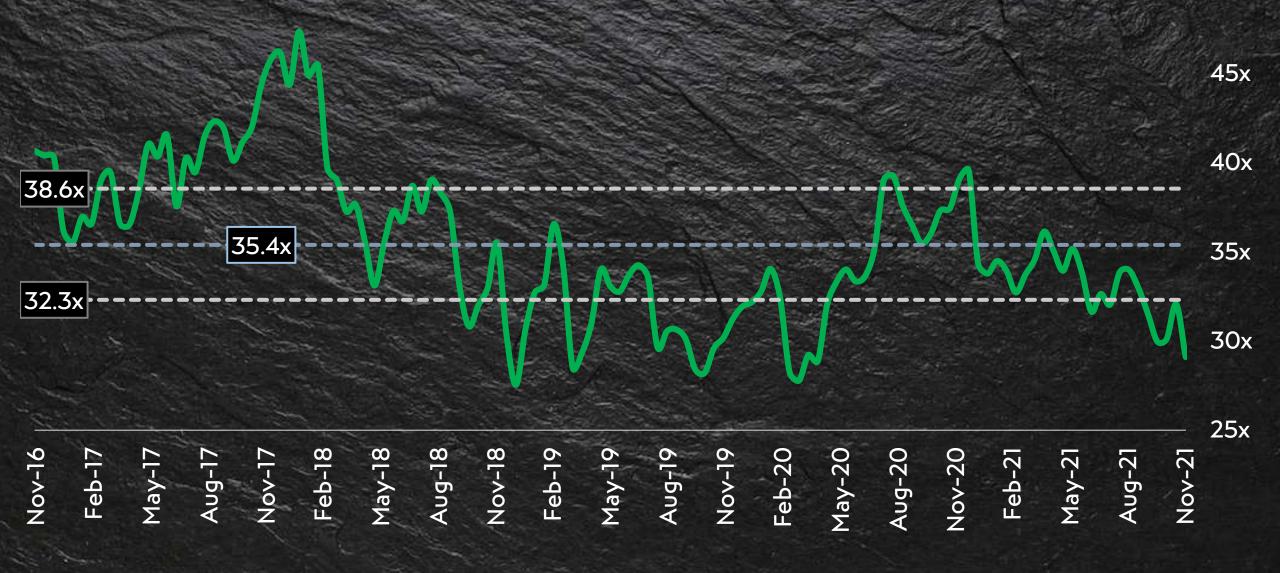
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DG	2.0	LMT	13.2	LMT	11.27
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ROST	2.2	CNI	15.1	AZO	13.43
TSCO	2.3	AZO	15.3	ROST	15.19
BABA	2.5	ROST	17.6	FISV	15.48
ULTA	3.0	QCOM	18.5	FB	16.09
AZO	3.1	FB	18.8	QCOM	16.12
HD	3.1	DG	19.4	UNP	16.14
SBUX	5.1	UNP	20.0	DG	16.45
FISV	5.4	HĐ	20.6	ULTA	17.87
NKE	5.7	GOOG	20.8		10.12
QCOM	6.0	ULTA	23.0	GOOG	18.13
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CNI	8.8	MSFT	31.0	V	25.07
BF	10.0	МА	32.3	MSFT	26.74
MSFT	13.7	BF	33.9	MA	30.23
V	18.1	NKE	36.3	BF	31.58
MA	18.3	FISV	37.0	NKE	32.95

# Public Competitors - ValuationP/SP/EP/FCFEV/EBITDA5 yr EPS

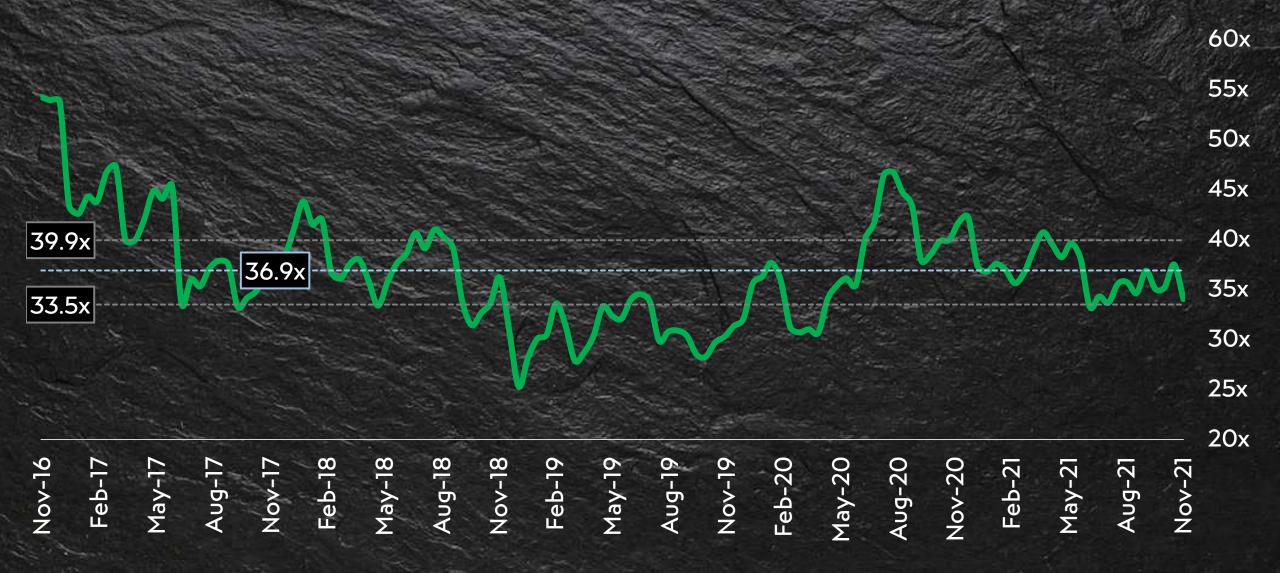
MØNSTER Enerdy	8.9	31.5	32.3	24.5	18.0%
Carlota	6.2	26.3	19.9	21.2	-0.05%
PEPSICO	2.9	27.5	33.5	17.9	3.5%
<b>Keyrig</b> DrPepper	4.1	28.9	22.4	18.3	7.9%
CELSIUS	22.6	NMF	NMF	NMF	NMF



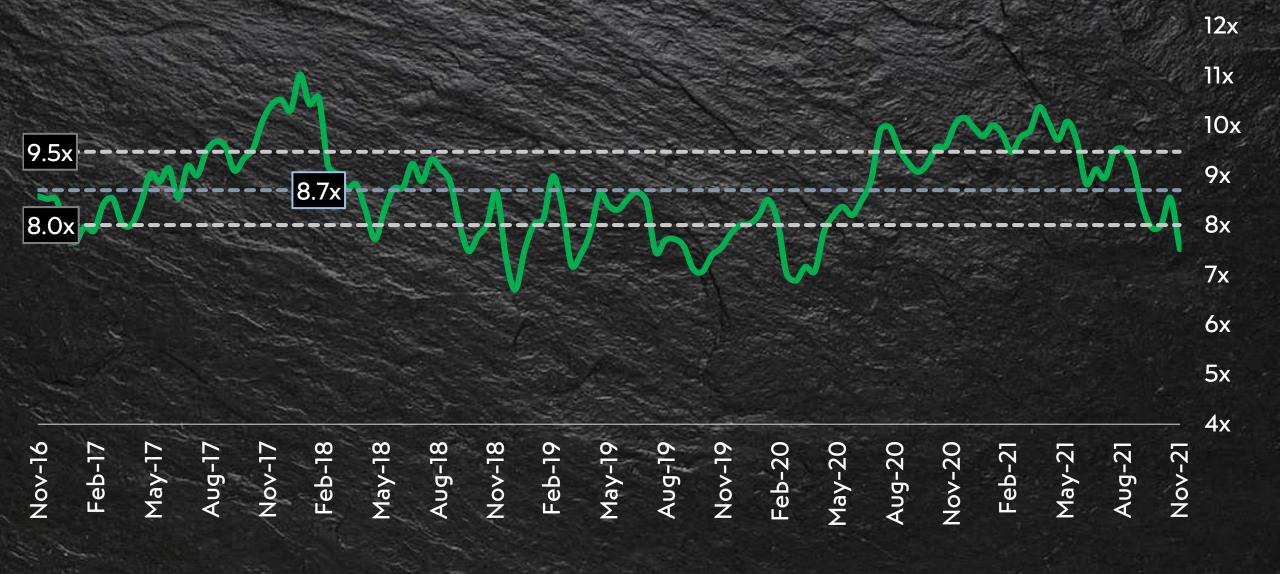
### Price to Earnings



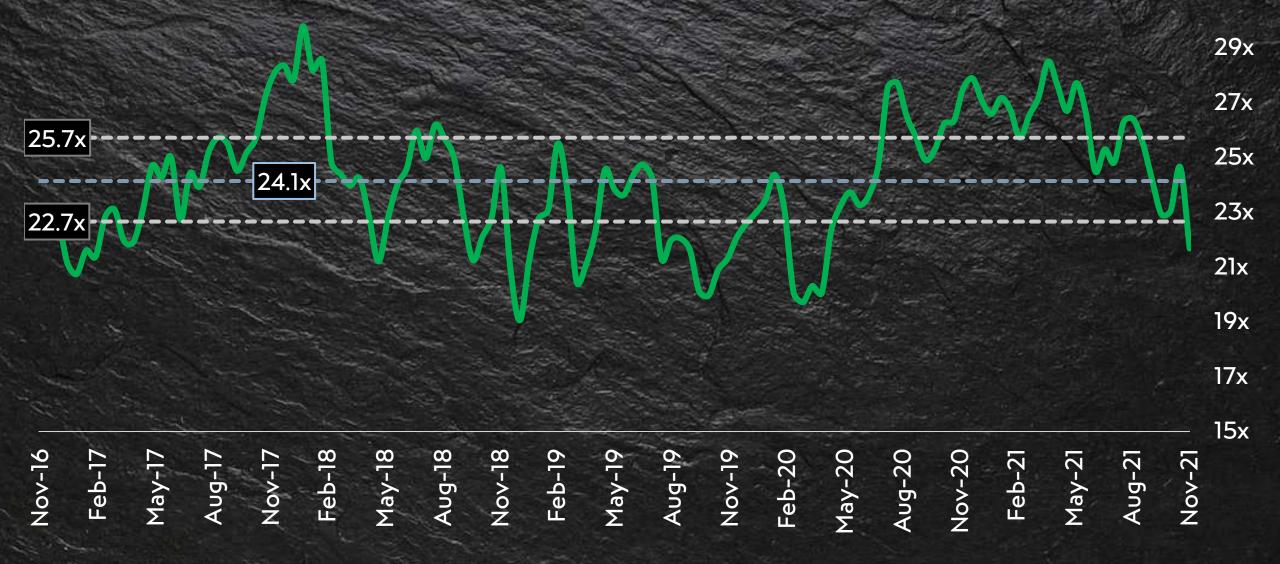
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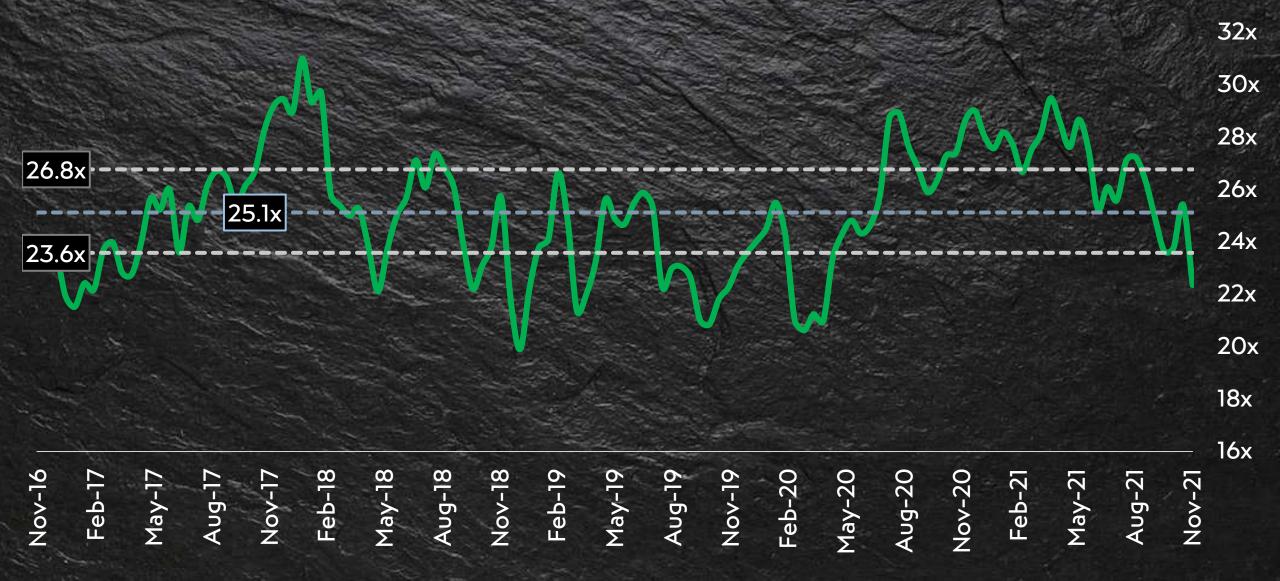
#### EV to Sales



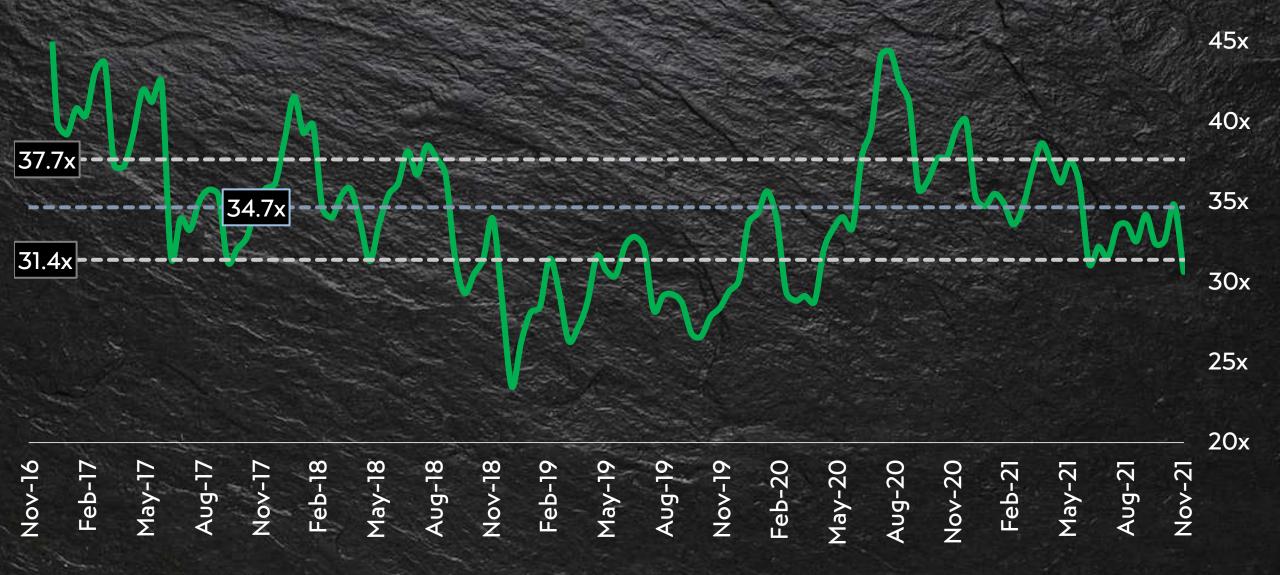
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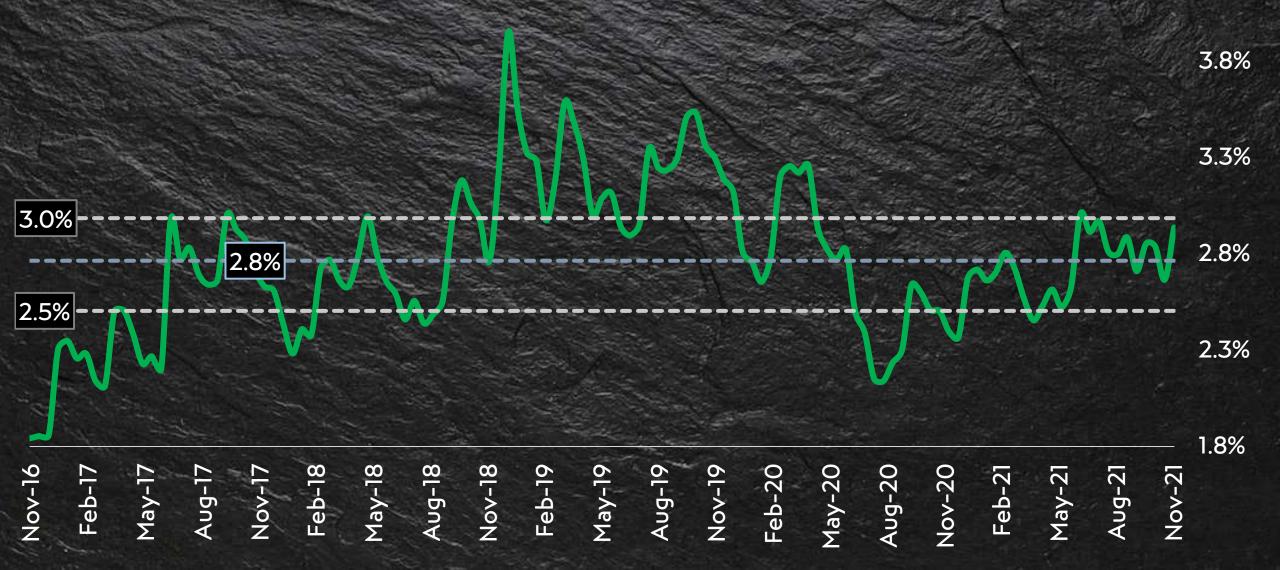
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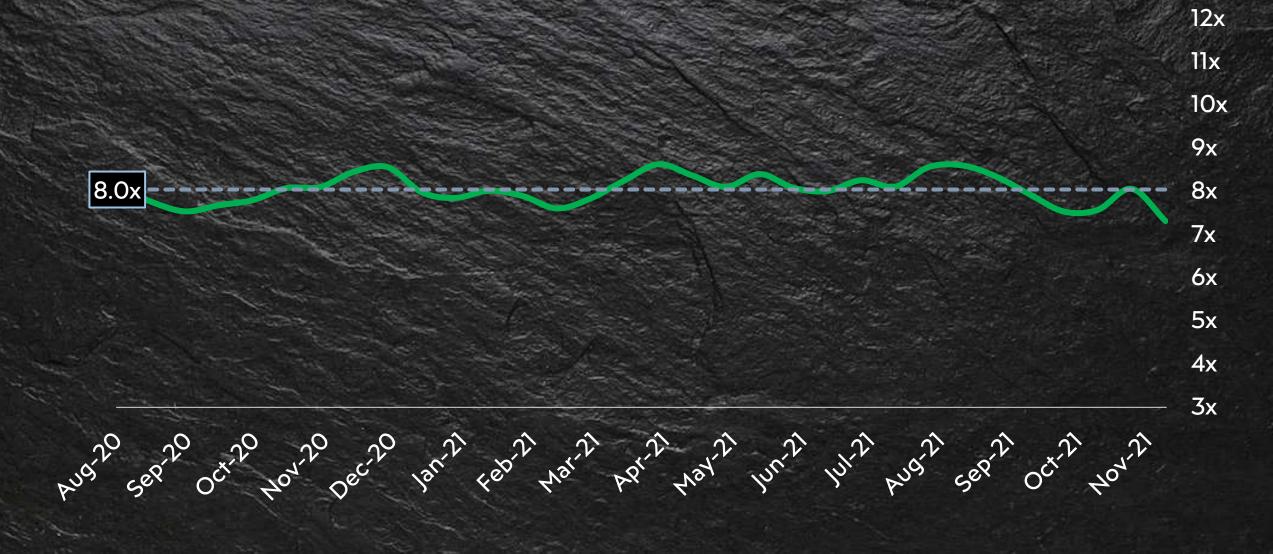
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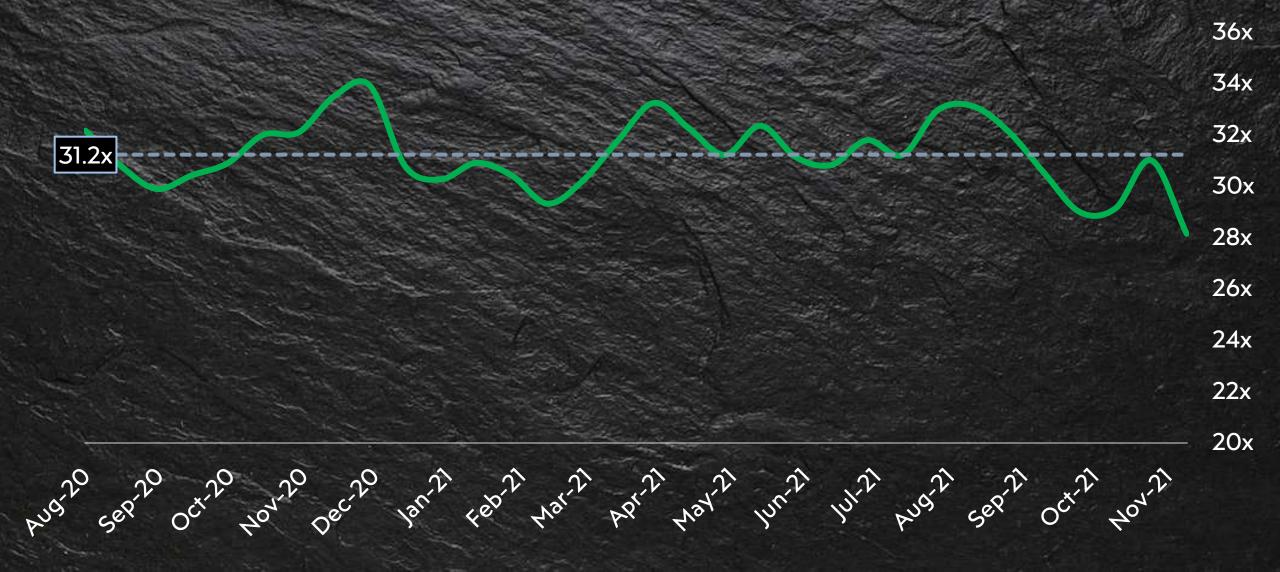
#### Free Cash Flow Yield



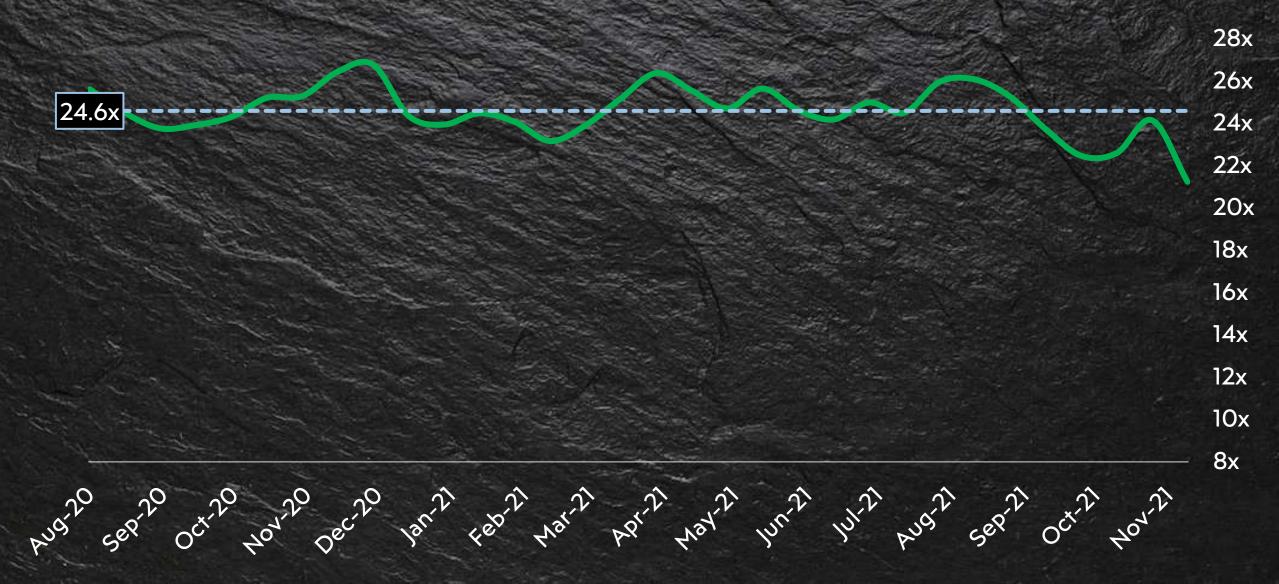
#### Forward Price to Sales



#### Forward Price to Earnings



#### Forward EV to EBITDA



#### Five-Year Valuation Model

	EPS	Growth Rate	Price to Earnings		Total RoR Sensitivity				
			\$2.85			st. EPS g	growth rate		
Bear \$	\$2.85	10%	20x				10%	12%	14%
Base	\$2.85	12% 30x		20.0x	2.0%	3.9%	5.8%		
				P/E	30.0x	10.7%	12.7%	14.7%	
Bull	\$2.85 14%	40x			40.0x	17.2%	19.4%	21.5%	



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- Above average financials
- Proven Moat
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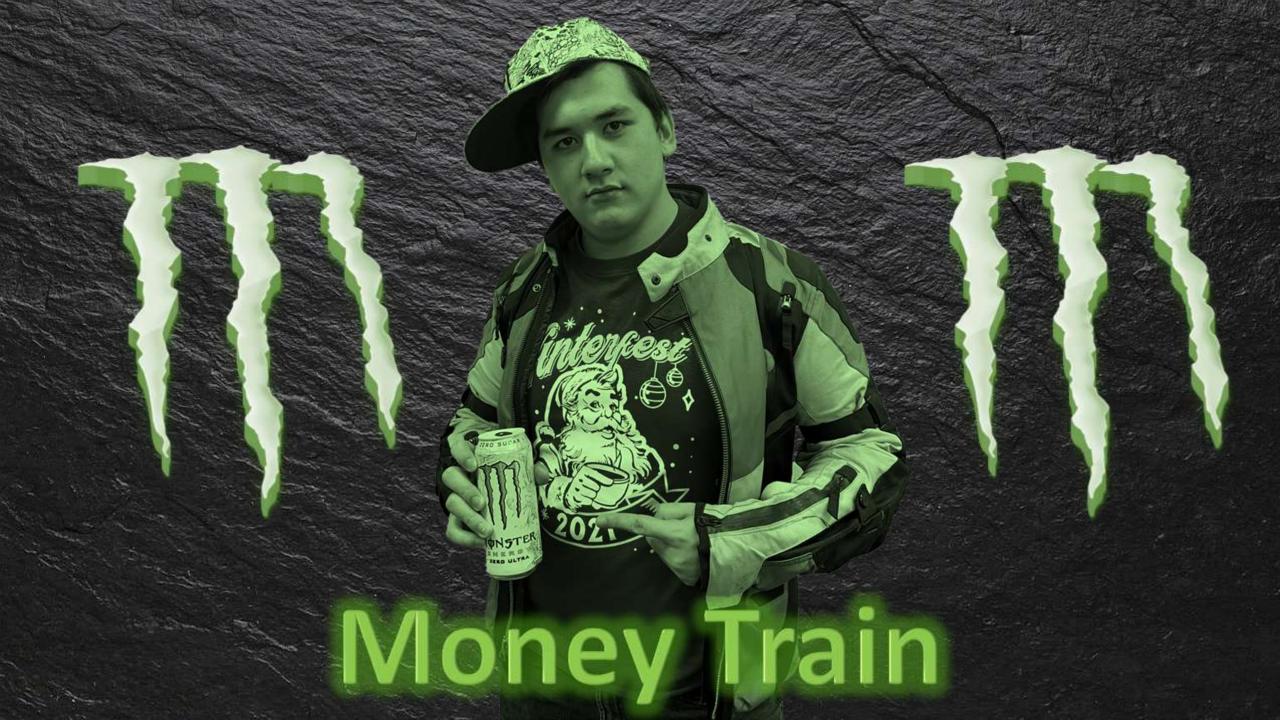
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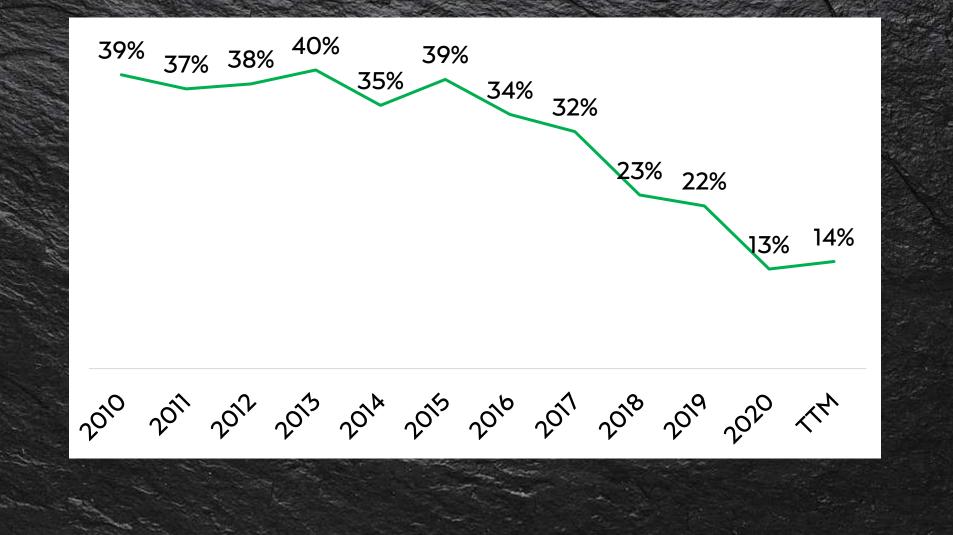




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#### Tax Rate





# Shelf Space



