

ANNUAL RATES Past Est'd '22-'24 Past 10 Yrs. 5 Yrs. to '28-'30 of change (per sh) 22.5% 25.0% 24.5% 13.0% Sales 'Cash Flow' 15.5% 30.0% Earnings Dividends 22 0% 36.5% 21.0% Book Value 7.5% 16.0%

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Other

Current Liab.

Fiscal Year Ends		ARTERLY S Apr.Per		mill.) Oct.Per	Full Fiscal Year
2022	7706	8103	8464	8930	33203
2023	8915	8733	8876	9295	35819
2024	11961	12487	13072	14054	51574
2025	14916	14950	15700	16834	62400
2026	17400	17600	17600	18400	71000
Fiscal	EARNINGS PER SHARE A				_Full .
Year Ends	Jan.Per	Apr.Per	Jul.Per	Oct.Per	Fiscal Year
2022	.56	.59	.72	.78	2.65
2023	.88	.82	.77	.83	3.30
2024	.28	.44	d.31	.88	1.29
2025	1.14	1.00	1.10	1.21	4.45
2026	1.30	1.35	1.40	1.45	5.50
Cal-	QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B				Full
endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Year
2021	.36	.36	.36	.41	1.49
2022	.41	.41	.41	.46	1.69
2023	.46	.46	.46	.53	1.91
2024	.53	.53	.53	.59	2.18
2025	.59				

Broadcom's January-quarter results assuaged some investor fears (fiscal 2025 year ends October 31st). The recent bout of selling in high-momentum, AI-related, and semiconductor sectors of the stock market all combined to push AVGO from record heights. However, firstquarter revenues and earnings released last week stemmed the selling pressure at least temporarily. Revenues of \$14.9 billion were \$400 million higher than our call, while GAAP earnings of \$1.14 per share were \$0.29 higher than anticipated. Operating fundamentals are intact.

April-period revenues are likely to be sequentially flat, or 19% above last year's level after the first quarter's 25% rise. EBITDA margins will likely be about 66% versus the 67% level just recorded. Obviously, sentiment around AI will probably continue to influence company-specific fundamentals. This was evident when CEO Hock Tan casually remarked about the market for customized AI accelerator chips being much greater by 2027 than previously projected. This comment alone was cited as a reason for AVGO's surge in December amidst the overall yearend AI

excitement. Conversely, newsflow around customer demand and product growth rates has had a "glass half empty" tone of late. We are optimistic about future prospects, assuming customer capex budgets are not actually cut.

Non AI-operations remain mixed. Non-AI semiconductor revenue (\$4.1 billion) fell 9% sequentially in the January interim. Bookings continue to outpace revenues, which are projected to rise 2% in the April quarter. Infrastructure software revenue (\$6.7 billion) was up 47% over the prior year, though it was unclear how much was due to acquisitions and a shift from per-

petual license to full subscription model.

The stock is neutrally ranked for
Timeliness. The importance of networksemiconductors to artificial telligence is greater than that of other segments of the chip industry. This attribute, coupled with the cost savings from the VMWare integration, should fuel substantial earnings growth through next year. A high P/E ratio limits the margin for error, though, and overall sentiment toward the chip industry can affect the P/E multiple. March 21, 2025 Charles C. Moran

last Sunday in October. Quarterly EPS may not sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due

(A) Diluted GAAP earnings. Fiscal years end (B) Dividends paid late March, June, Septem- (D) Includes intangibles. In 2024, \$40.58 bilber, and December. (C) In millions.

lion, or \$86.60 per share.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability Price Growth Persistence B++ **Earnings Predictability**

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