# Microsoft (MSFT)

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# Microsoft - business

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- Big well known business
- Complicated

## Is it a good business?

- It is a great business. ⊕ >10 year history of profits
- ROE:
  - 22.80 15.50 15.00 16.40 10.90 25.50 31.40 45.20 48.70 2009:36.80
- Margins
  - 2010: 32 25 29 28
- Strong balance sheet
  - 36.6 B of cash+short term investments, 7B long-term investments, only 6B debt
  - 44B book, 30.5B net tangible assets
- ROIC = Earnings / (Equity + Debt Cash) = Earnings / (Assets non-debt liabilities - Cash)
  - 143% ROIC!!! (almost all book value in cash)

## Is business cheap?

- ROE 37% conservatively assume 30%
- Earnings in 10 years = ROE\*Equity\*(1+ROE)<sup>9</sup> = \$141B
- Equity in 10 years = Equity\* $(1+ROE)^9 = 470B$
- Market cap =  $16M \times P/E (15) = $1740B$
- Rate of return = ~21.6% after tax (calculations omitted)
- Above calculations nonsensical for such large company that cannot grow to the sky!
- If we assume 25% ROE: 15%
- If we assume 20% ROE: 9%
- >5.5 P/Book very expensive from this point of view, but it is not really applicable to Microsoft

## Is business cheap?

- Discounted cash flow
  - Current earnings of ~20.5B
  - 10% growth for 5 years, leveling after that
    - 10% discount -> \$307B current valuation (if you buy company at <\$184B, you will get 10% return or higher)</li>
    - 15% discount -> \$199B current valuation
  - 5% growth for 10 years, leveling after that
    - 10% discount -> \$288B current valuation
    - 15% discount -> \$183B current valuation
- Owner's yield = earnings / (market cap + debt cash) = earnings/EV
  - 20.5B / (250B + 6B 30B) = 9.3% !!!