

computers; also communications, industrial automation, military, and other electronic equipment. Main products: microprocessors (notably, the Pentium series), microcontrollers, and memory chips. Also sells computer modules and boards, and network products.

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Past ANNUAL RATES Past Est'd '08-'10 to '14-'16 of change (per sh) 5 Yrs. Sales 5.0% 2.0% 4.5% 2.0% 12.0% 'Cash Flow" 11.5% Earnings 5% 2 0% 14.5% 11.0% 12.0% Dividends Book Value

21157

1883

172

7591

31611

2290

6999

9327

23102

2742

754

10354

Current Assets

Accts Payable Debt Due

Current Liab.

QUARTERLY SALES (\$ mill.) Cal-Full Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Déc.31 endar 2008 9673 9470 10217 8226 37586 2009 7145 8024 9389 10569 35127 43623 11102 2010 10765 11457 12847 2011 13032 13900 14251 54030 57110 2012 13600 13850 14600 15060 EARNINGS PER SHARE A Cal Full Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 endar Year 2008 .92 .25 .28 .04 .33 .77 d.07 .40 2009 .11 .52 .59 .43 .51 2010 2.05 .56 .61 2011 54 .64 2.35 2.45 2012 .58 .60 .62 .65 QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID B = Calendar Mar.31 Jun.30 Sep.30 Dec.31 Year .113 2007 .113 .113 .113 2008 .128 .14 .14 .14 .55 2009 .14 .14 .14 .14 .56 2010 .158 .158 .158 .158 .63 .181 2011 .181 .21

Intel announced some positive news **for the June period.** More precisely, the chip behemoth reported record revenues for the fifth consecutive quarter, of \$13.0 billion, while earnings per share came in at \$0.54. The bottom-line tally equated to a 6% gain from the year-earlier figure. Despite the sound results, the stock initially declined a bit following the news. We feel this was due to investor skittishness regarding the overall market and the semiconductor sector in particular.

Revenues climbed at a double-digit clip across all of the company's units. PC Client Group, Data Center Group, and Other Intel Architecture, increased their top lines 11%, 15%, and 84%, respectively, year over year. Intel benefited from solid demand. corporate the increased popularity of mobile devices, and elevated Internet traffic, which ignited data center growth. What's more, the healthy increase in computing in emerging markets helped to shore up results. In aggregate, the top line increased about 23% for the first half of this year. Also, the gross margin came in roughly as we estimated, at 61%, while the effective tax rate of 25% was below

guidance of 29%. Meantime. company average selling prices were essentially flat across many product lines relative to the March period, though they were up compared to last year.

As a result of the recent news, we have increased our bottom-line expectations for both this year and next, by \$0.05 a share each. This has been a rarity in the semiconductor market, as most names under our review have had their outlooks cut, reflecting a subdued economy. We attribute this to the company's immense size, which gives it cost advantages over its competitors. Also, revenue growth will likely remain strong, thanks to its broad geographic and product diversification.

Intel shares garner our 1 (Highest) Timeliness rank and offer compelling 3- to 5-year total return potential. The company may continue to focus its efforts on the nonpersonal computer segment of the chip market. Intel is the leader in the PC market, and has emphasized much of its efforts elsewhere in recent times to increase diversification and profits. Alan G. House October 7, 2011

(A) Dil. egs. Excl. nonrecurr. gains (losses): '95, 2¢; '98, (3¢); '99, (11¢); '00, (2¢); '01, (34¢); '02, (5¢); '03, (1¢); '10, (4¢). Next egs. report mid-Oct.

(B) Dividends historically paid in early March, June, September, and December. ■ Dividend acquisition-related intangibles. reinvestment plan available. (C) In millions, adjusted for stock splits.

Company's Financial Strength Stock's Price Stability A++ 80 Price Growth Persistence **Earnings Predictability** 45