P/E Ratio (TTM): 11.2

EBIT Margin: 7.21%

EV/EBITDA: 7.8

Debt/Equity: 0.7

# UConn Student Managed Fund

### Tyson Foods, Inc. (NYSE: TSN)

Jan 12, 2021

Target Price: \$90.51 Market Cap (\$B): \$23 Current Price: \$64.03 Dividend Yield:2.8%

 Stop loss: \$48.02 (25%)
 Beta: 0.84

 52 Week High/Low: \$94.24/\$42.57
 ROE: 14.5%

## Investment Thesis

**Strong Economic Moat** – Tyson Foods is the market leader in frozen prepared chicken, breakfast sausage and hot dogs to name a few. Tyson Foods has a portfolio of over forty brands that span across the food service, industrial, and retail industry.

**Global Demand for Protein** –Through acquisitions, Tyson Foods has become a major international player. 90% of future growth in protein demand is expected to be outside the US. African Swine Flu has seen exports for all protein increase. Tyson's exports to Chine increased by 600% in Q1'20 vs. Q1'19.

Innovative Portfolio (Prepared Foods) – Tyson Foods operates in many different avenues of the food industry including: Grocery, Deli, Fast-Food, Retail, K-12, and Hospitals. Boasting an 80% household penetration rate and continuing to keep their product mix fresh, prepared foods will be a key growth area for Tyson.

Alternative Protein – The alternative protein market is valued at \$2B and has seen a consistently high YoY growth rate. Tyson Foods has recognized this and invested in ¾ of the main sources in alternative protein: plant-based, mycoprotein, and cultured meat. Raised and Rooted is also Tyson's newest product line with "burgers" and" chicken nuggets produced from pea protein.



#### **Investment Risks**

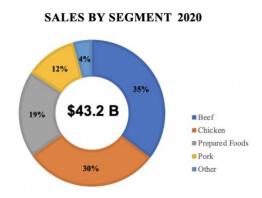
**COVID-19**- Tyson Foods has incurred \$540M direct expenses related to COVID-19 and has been involved in lawsuits over deaths related to COVID, as well as a "betting pool" scandal that managers were involved in.

**Inflation Risk** – Since corn and soy is directly related to feed costs, Tyson has a higher cost of goods sold if the prices of corn and soy increase. A .10 increase in corn is about a \$25M hit on the balance sheet. Recently, prices have skyrocketed.

**Disease Risk** – COVID-19 has proven how dangerous an outbreak can be. Livestock disease/product contamination will always be a concern for Tyson.

### Company Overview

Tyson Foods is one of the world's largest food companies and a recognized leader in protein. It produces around 20% of beef, pork and chicken in the U.S., with leading brands including Tyson, Jimmy Dean, Hillshire Farm, Ball Park, Wright, IBP, Aidells, and State Fair. These products are marketed and sold to national and regional grocery retailers, regional grocery wholesalers, meat distributors, and industrial food processing companies. In fiscal year 2020, about a third of revenue came from beef, another third came from the sale of chicken, and the remainder came from pork, prepared foods and international sales.



## **Industry Outlook**

Our fundamental outlook for the packaged foods and meats sub-industry for the next twelve months is positive. Covid-19 has resulted in an unprecedented shift in demand from food service to retail. One tailwind the overall sub-industry currently enjoys is higher prices due to a pull back on promotional activity. Given the outsized levels of demand and tight supply, promotional levels are down, which is leading to higher overall prices. Another tailwind is that online grocery sales have been surging during the pandemic. We forecast this trend will stick over the longer term given that manufacturers and retailers are pulling forward e-commerce investments and strengthening their overall omni-channel platforms.



Source: CFRA, Supermarket News, Mercatus, and Incisiv

#### **Financial Performance**

Company Financials Fiscal year ending Sep 30											
Per Share Data (USD)	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	
Tangible Book Value	-6.05	-10.38	-10.10	-13.66	-5.74	-5.35	-7.58	12.10	11.12	9.77	
Free Cash Flow	7.37	3.45	4.83	4.18	5.25	4.24	1.54	2.15	1.37	1.08	
Earnings	5.86	5.52	8.19	4.79	4.53	2.95	2.37	2.31	1.68	1.98	
Earnings (Normalized)	5.77	4.18	4.89	4.85	4.15	3.32	2.30	2.14	1.65	1.80	
Dividends	1.68	1.50	1.20	0.90	0.60	0.40	0.30	0.20	0.16	0.16	
Payout Ratio (%)	28.00	27.00	14.00	18.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	9.00	10.00	8.00	
Prices: High	94.24	94.07	84.65	75.55	77.05	45.10	44.24	32.40	21.06	20.12	
Prices: Low	42.57	49.77	56.79	55.72	42.78	37.02	27.33	15.93	14.06	14.59	
P/E Ratio: High	16.10	17.00	10.30	15.80	17.00	15.30	18.70	14.00	12.50	10.20	
P/E Ratio: Low	7.30	9.00	6.90	11.60	9.40	12.50	11.50	6.90	8.40	7.40	
Income Statement Analysis (Million USD)											
Revenue	43,185	42,405	40,052	38,260	36,881	41,373	37,580	34,374	33,055	32,032	
Operating Income	3,835	2,892	3,215	3,133	2,833	2,466	1,430	1,375	1,286	1,289	
Depreciation + Amortization	1,178	1,086	933.00	748.00	697.00	701.00	520.00	491.00	460.00	462.00	
Interest Expense	485.00	462.00	350.00	279.00	249.00	293.00	132.00	145.00	356.00	242.00	
Pretax Income	2,770	2,431	2,745	2,628	2,598	1,921	1,252	1,257	965.00	1,078	
Effective Tax Rate	22.40	16.30	-10.30	32.30	31.80	36.30	31.60	32.50	36.40	31.50	
Net Income	2,140	2,022	3,024	1,774	1,768	1,220	864.00	778.00	583.00	750.00	
Net Income (Normalized)	2,107	1,528	1,806	1,794	1,620	1,369	836.80	785.00	610.10	683.90	
Balance Sheet and Other Financial Data [Million USD]											
Cash	1,420	485.00	271.00	321.00	353.00	690.00	439.00	1,146	1,074	716.00	
Current Assets	7,883	7,169	5,688	6,258	4,888	5,381	6,221	5,604	5,403	4,780	
Total Assets	34,741	33,097	29,109	28,066	22,373	22,969	23,956	12,177	11,896	11,071	
Current Liabilities	4,234	5,513	5,031	4,032	2,762	3,535	3,797	3,010	2,830	2,374	
Long Term Debt	10,791	9,830	7,962	9,297	6,200	5,975	7,535	1,895	1,917	2,112	
Total Capital	27,465	26,158	22,684	20,762	15,903	16,396	17,082	8,641	8,474	7,869	
Capital Expenditures	1,199	1,259	1,200	1,069	695.00	854.00	632.00	558.00	690.00	643.00	
Cash from Operations	3,874	2,513	2,963	2,599	2,716	2,570	1,178	1,314	1,187	1,046	
Current Ratio	1.86	1.30	1.13	1.55	1.77	1.52	1.64	1.86	1.91	2.01	
% Long Term Debt of Capitalization	40.60	37.60	35.10	44.80	39.00	36.40	44.10	21.90	22.60	26.80	
% Net Income of Revenue	5.00	4.80	7.60	4.60	4.80	2.90	2.30	2.30	1.80	2.30	
% Return on Assets	7.07	5.81	7.03	7.76	7.81	6.57	4.95	7.14	7.00	7.38	
% Return on Equity	14.40	15.10	25.90	17.60	18.30	13.20	11.30	13.80	10.50	13.50	

## **Valuation Assumptions**

We recommend a BUY rate for Tyson Foods, Inc. based on a target price of \$90.51 per share. This target price reflects a 41.36% margin of safety based on its closing price of \$64.03 on Jan 8, 2021. We calculated WACC as 5.29% to discount our projected cash flows and assumed a terminal growth rate of 1.7%, 4% of dividend growth rate and 9x exit EV/EBITDA. We used the Perpetuity Growth, terminal EV/EBITDA and DDM to calculate the final target price of \$90.51.

Scenario	<b>Expected Price</b>	Weights	Value
Perpetuity	114.31	33%	\$37.72
EBITDA	76.23	33%	\$25.15
DDM	83.75	33%	\$27.64
		Target Price	90.51
		Current Share Price	64.03
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WACC	Terminal Growth									WACC	EBITDA Multiple									
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6.00%	\$	76.84	\$	86.42	\$	98.39	\$	113.78	\$	134.31	6.00%	\$ 55.66	\$	64.36	\$	73.07	\$	81.77	\$	90.48
5.50%	\$	88.46	\$	100.66	\$	116.34	\$	137.26	\$	166.54	5.50%	\$ 57.42	\$	66.34	\$	75.25	\$	84.16	\$	93.08
5.00%	\$	102.98	\$	118.97	\$	140.28	\$	170.12	\$	214.89	5.00%	\$ 59.23	\$	68.36	\$	77.49	\$	86.62	\$	95.75
4.50%	\$	121.65	\$	143.38	\$	173.79	\$	219.42	\$	295.46	4.50%	\$ 61.10	\$	70.45	\$	79.80	\$	89.15	\$	98.50
4.00%	\$	146.54	\$	177.55	\$	224.06	\$	301.58	\$	456.61	4.00%	\$ 63.02	\$	72.59	\$	82.17	\$	91.74	\$	101.32

#### **ESG** Considerations

Tyson is average among 89 companies in the food products industry with a MSCI BBB rating. According to MSCI, TSN is not a ESG leader in any specific area, average in corporate governance, corporate behavior, water stress, health & safety, labor management, opportunities in nutrition & health, packing material & waste and product carbon footprint while an ESG laggard in product safety & quality and raw material sourcing.



