

Rating Buy

Asia China

Consumer

Alcohol & Tobacco

Company Kweichow Moutai

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Date 25 October 2017

Forecast Change

| Price at 25 Oct 2017 (CNY) | 565.98 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Price target - 12mth (CNY) | 650.00 |
| 52-week range (CNY) | 582.60 - 308.97 |
| Shanghai Composite | 3,388 |

3Q17 result strong beat; reiterating Buy

Sales more than doubled in 3Q helped by increasing volume

Kweichow Moutai reported 3Q17 results with a **120% yoy sales increase** to RMB18.9bn and **140% yoy net profit increase** to RMB8.7bn. The sales growth was much higher than our forecast at 40% for 3Q, and tracks ahead of street's full year forecast at 27% yoy growth for FY17. Particularly, the strong sales growth is driven by:

- Around 70% yoy volume growth for mainstream Moutai (DB estimates). To recap, Moutai indicated on August 28 that it supplied 6,200 tons of liquor (including 5,600 tons of "Feitian Moutai" and 600 tons of other SKUs) between August 15 and September 30, to meet the strong demand during National Holiday and Mid-Autumn Festival, implying 70% yoy growth.
- Strong growth of super premium Moutai. We estimated that most of 600 tons of other SKU are super premium Moutai. This drives mix-upgrade for mainstream Moutai.
- Strong growth of mass market Moutai products. According to news from Moutai website, mass market Moutai sales increased over 200% yoy in the first 9 months. This is a result of Moutai's "133" brand strategy (one core brand, three strategy brands Huamao, Wangmao, Laimao, and three key brands Hanjiang, Renjiu and Wangzi). Meanwhile, the number of domestic distributors increased by 634 YTD to 2,965, mainly for penetration of mass market Moutai.

Net margin expanded 440bps yoy on operating leverage

Moutai's gross margin was stable at 75% in 3Q17, as the impact from lower margin mass-market products was offset by high margin customized Moutai. Selling expense ratio increased 20bps yoy to 3.2%, due to increasing A&P expense for its "133" brand strategy and "5+5" channel strategy (5 core markets and 5 potential markets). G&A expense ratio declined 480bps yoy , mainly helped by operating leverage.

Increasing transparency in revenue recognition

Moutai booked most ex-factory shipments as revenue in 3Q17. This is different from market's and our expectation that it would allocate the shipments into sales and advances from customer accounts. Therefore, advances from customers

Valuation & Risks

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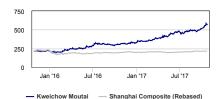
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| Key changes | | | |
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| TP | 610.00 to 650.00 | 1 | 6.6% |
| Sales (FYE) | 44,121 to 44,522 | 1 | 0.9% |
| Op prof margin (FYE) | 71.5 to 71.6 | 1 | 0.2% |
| Net profit (FYE) | 23,054.7 to 23,295.4 | 1 | 1.0% |
| Source: Deutsche Bank | | | |

Price/price relative

Performance (%)

Absolute



1m 3m 12m

| Shanghai Composite | 1.4 | 4.5 | 8.2 |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Source: Deutsche Bank | | | |
| Key indicators (FY1) | | | |
| ROE (%) | | | 29.0 |
| Net debt/equity (%) | | | 85.6 |
| Book value/share (CNY) | | 6 | 9.79 |
| Price/book (x) | | | 8.1 |
| Net interest cover (x) | | | - |
| Operating profit margin (%) | | | 71.6 |
| Source: Deutsche Bank | | | |
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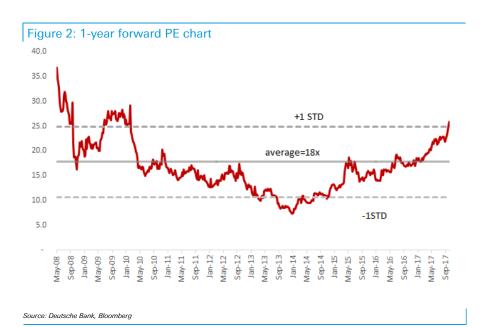


were stable at Rmb17bn on Sep 30 (vs Rmb18bn on June 30). This partly contributed to the results beat in 3Q. We believe this implies increasing transparency and improving cooperate governance for the company.

Reiterating Buy with new target price at Rmb650

We are revising up our earnings forecast by 1-4% in 2017-19E, to factor in the better than expected sales growth. We revise up our target price by 6% to Rmb650, based on a DCF method (factoring in 9.5% WACC and a 2% TGR). The stock currently trades at 25x 2018 and 22x 2019 P/E with 26% earnings CAGR in 2017-19E. We expect street to revise up earnings forecasts and trigger further reratings. We reiterate Buy. Main downside risks: shorter-than-expected restocking cycle; government policy changes; food safety incidents.

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| | | New | | | Old | | | Change | |
| RMBm | 2017E | 2018E | 2019E | 2017E | 2018E | 2019E | 2017E | 2018E | 2019E |
| Gross sales | 54,251 | 66,938 | 76,082 | 53,779 | 65,259 | 73,410 | 0.9% | 2.6% | 3.6% |
| Net Sales | 44,522 | 55,048 | 62,424 | 44,121 | 53,636 | 60,963 | 0.9% | 2.6% | 2.4% |
| Gross profit | 39,733 | 49,319 | 55,850 | 39,314 | 47,944 | 54,424 | 1.1% | 2.9% | 2.6% |
| EBIT | 31,888 | 40,060 | 45,952 | 31,540 | 38,922 | 44,232 | 1.1% | 2.9% | 3.9% |
| Net profit | 23,295 | 29,141 | 33,575 | 23,055 | 28,341 | 32,353 | 1.0% | 2.8% | 3.8% |
| GPM | 73.2% | 73.7% | 73.4% | 73.1% | 73.5% | 74.1% | 0.1% | 0.2% | -0.7% |
| EBITM | 58.8% | 59.8% | 60.4% | 58.6% | 59.6% | 60.3% | 0.1% | 0.2% | 0.1% |
| NPM | 42.9% | 43.5% | 44.1% | 42.9% | 43.4% | 44.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| Source: Deutsche Ban | ık | | | | | | | | |





| Model updated: 25 October 20 | 17 |
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| Running the numbers | |
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Buy

| Price (25 Oct 17) | CNY 566.0 |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Target Price | CNY 650.0 |
| 52 Week range | CNY 308.97 - 582.60 |
| Market cap (m) | CNYm 710,984 USDm 107,136 |

Company Profile

Kweichow Moutai is China's largest local spirit brand/producer by sales value.







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| Pinancial Summary | Fiscal year end 31-Dec | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017E | 2018E | 2019E |
|--|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| Table Tabl | | 2014 | 2013 | 2010 | 2017L | 2010L | 2019L |
| Reported EPS (CNY) | | 40.00 | 40.04 | 40.04 | 40.54 | 00.00 | 00.70 |
| DPS (CNY) 3.88 6.17 6.79 5.80 6.80 8.81 1.234 1.234 1.245 1.256 1.25 | | | | | | | |
| Weighted average shares (m) | DPS (CNY) | 3.98 | 6.17 | 6.79 | 9.86 | 12.34 | 14.22 |
| Average market (CAYPM) | | | | | | | |
| Enterprise value (CNYm) | | | | | | | |
| PE (DB) (x) PE (Reported) (x) | | | | | | | |
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| PIBV (n) | | | | | | | |
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Source: Company data, Deutsche Securities estimates



Appendix 1

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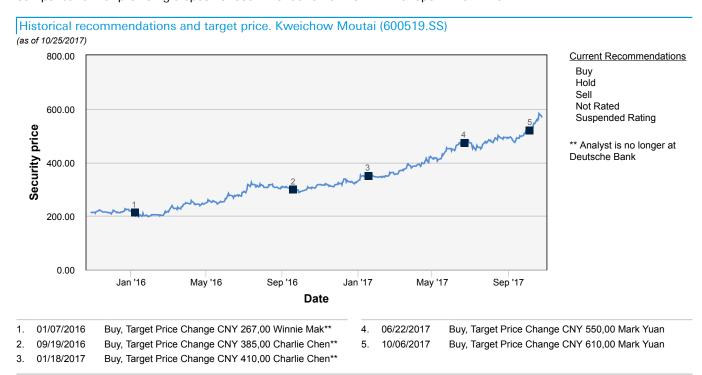
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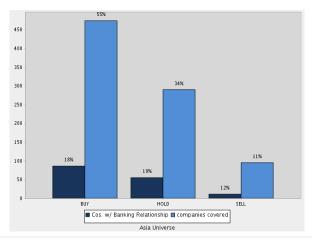
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