

The Report Card

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H123: OPERATING METRICS DETERIORATING

- The Return on Equity (ROE) is currently lower than its peak in FY22. Except for metals and healthcare, the return on equity (ROE) in most industries is lower than it was prior to the pandemic.
- ▶ EBITDA margins are currently trending below FY19 levels for most sectors.
- The overall net debt increased by >40% from FY19, and the net debt-to-equity ratio also deteriorated. Overall debt servicing capacity, represented by net debt to EBITDA, remained healthy.
- Working capital cycles have been extended and capex has increased sharply impacting the free cashflow generation.

Sector	Revenue CAGR	EBITDA Margins			N	et Debt to E	quity	ROE		
	(FY19-23)	FY19	FY23*	Chg	FY19	FY23*	Chg	FY19	FY23*	Chg
IT	11%	21%	20%	-1%	-37	-26	11	25%	26%	1%
Energy	10%	11%	8%	-3%	47	42	-4	14%	11%	-3%
Energy (ex RIL)	10%	10%	6%	-4%	45	64	20	18%	15%	-3%
Staples	14%	20%	16%	-3%	-10	-8	2	24%	20%	-4%
Staple (ex ITC)	16%	18%	16%	-2%	6	-2	-8	30%	20%	-9%
Comm Services	10%	23%	41%	19%	137	871	734	-5%	-11%	-6%
Materials	14%	17%	17%	-1%	65	45	-19	11%	17%	6%
Cons Dis	5%	8%	10%	2%	44	60	16	5%	11%	6%
Cons Dis (ex TTMT)	7%	14%	12%	-2%	34	38	4	19%	15%	-4%
Industrials	9%	14%	11%	-2%	58	51	-8	14%	12%	-2%
Utilities	13%	26%	25%	-1%	125	119	-5	12%	14%	2%
Health Care	9%	18%	17%	-1%	16	-0	-16	11%	11%	0%
Real Estate	3%	26%	21%	-5%	50	29	-21	7%	7%	0%
Overall	10%	14%	14%	-1%	51	51	-0	13%	14%	1%



The analysis has been done of NSE-500 universe and data is sourced from Capitaline. *FY23 is Trailing twelve months

OPERATING MARGINS: BACK TO BELOW PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS

Except for communication services and consumer discretionary, operating margins were below pre-covid levels for most sectors.

EBITDA MARGIN (%) now below pre-covid levels

	FY19	FY20	FY21	Q321	Q421	Q122	Q222	FY22	Q322	Q422	Q123	Q223	FY23	Q223 VS FY19	FY23 vs FY19
IT	21%	21%	22%	23%	23%	22%	22%	22%	21%	20%	19%	20%	20%	-1%	-1%
Energy	11%	8%	13%	12%	13%	12%	11%	12%	11%	11%	7%	6%	8%	-5%	-3%
Energy (ex RIL)	10%	5%	11%	10%	12%	10%	10%	10%	9%	10%	4%	4%	6%	-6%	-4%
Staples	20%	20%	19%	19%	18%	17%	17%	18%	17%	17%	16%	16%	16%	-3%	-3%
Staple (ex ITC)	18%	19%	19%	18%	17%	17%	17%	17%	16%	16%	16%	15%	16%	-3%	-2%
Comm Services	23%	-9%	20%	31%	41%	41%	42%	39%	42%	44%	41%	40%	41%	17%	19%
Materials	17%	14%	21%	23%	24%	25%	23%	24%	21%	19%	19%	12%	17%	-6%	-1%
Cons Dis	8%	10%	9%	14%	8%	8%	11%	10%	12%	11%	10%	10%	10%	2%	2%
Cons Dis (ex TTMT)	14%	13%	12%	21%	13%	9%	14%	14%	14%	13%	12%	12%	12%	-2%	-2%
Industrials	14%	12%	12%	14%	12%	10%	11%	12%	13%	12%	10%	11%	11%	-3%	-2%
Utilities	26%	32%	34%	35%	31%	35%	32%	33%	29%	28%	25%	24%	25%	-2%	-1%
Health Care	18%	19%	20%	23%	20%	22%	20%	21%	21%	12%	19%	21%	17%	3%	-1%
Real Estate	26%	23%	23%	27%	25%	23%	26%	25%	24%	24%	25%	13%	21%	-13%	-5%
Overall	14%	12%	17%	18%	17%	18%	17%	17%	16%	16%	13%	12%	14%	-2%	-1%

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BALANCE SHEET: ROE's DECLINE FROM FY22 HIGH

- Return on equity (ROE) is now below the peak of FY22. Most sectors except metals and healthcare are now below pre-pandemic levels.
- Net debt to equity is back to pre-pandemic levels. The net debt of Energy, Communications Services, and Metals has increased sharply

RETURN ON EQUITY ABOVE PRE-COVID LEVELS

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	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23*	FY23 vs FY19
IT	25%	25%	23%	26%	26%	1%
Energy	14%	8%	11%	13%	11%	-3%
Energy (ex RIL)	18%	8%	17%	20%	15%	-3%
Staples	24%	24%	18%	18%	20%	-4%
Staples (ex ITC)	30%	37%	19%	19%	20%	-9%
Comm Services	-5%	-96%	-93%	0%	-11%	-6%
Materials	11%	9%	13%	21%	17%	6%
Cons Dis	5%	7%	1%	8%	11%	6%
Cons Disc (ex TAMO)	19%	12%	6%	13%	15%	-4%
Industrials	14%	9%	9%	10%	12%	-2%
Utilities	12%	13%	13%	15%	14%	2%
Health Care	11%	12%	14%	13%	11%	0%
Real Estate	7%	2%	5%	6%	7%	0%
Overall	13%	8%	11%	15%	14%	1%

NET DEBT TO EQUITY (%) IMPROVING

h	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23*	FY23 v FY19
IT	-37	-27	-32	-30	-26	11
Energy	47	55	36	34	42	-4
Energy (ex RIL)	45	69	67	57	64	20
Staples	-10	-14	-9	-6	-8	2
Staples (ex ITC)	6	4	0	1	-2	-8
Comm Services	137	222	709	607	871	734
Materials	65	62	49	33	45	-19
Cons Dis	44	54	49	53	60	16
Cons Disc (ex TAMO)	34	43	33	36	38	4
Industrials	58	65	56	44	51	-8
Utilities	125	129	128	123	119	-5
Health Care	16	9	4	-3	-0	-16
Real Estate	50	33	45	31	29	-21
Overall	51	56	49	43	51	0

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BALANCE SHEET: WORKING CAPITAL CYCLE WORSENS

- Debt servicing ability, as measured by net debt to EBITDA, deteriorates from FY22, but remains below pre-pandemic levels.
- The working capital cycle deteriorates in several sectors, including energy, communications, consumer discretionary, utilities, and healthcare

NET DEBT TO EBITDA (%) HAS IMPROVED

	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY23 vs FY19
IT	-114	-79	-91	-83	-73	40
Energy	158	291	184	152	198	39
Energy (ex RIL)	125	356	222	167	233	108
Staples	-29	-42	-35	-23	-29	0
Staples (ex ITC)	13	9	1	5	-6	-19
Comm Services	536	-1449	942	403	456	-80
Materials	216	277	156	85	132	-84
Cons Dis	185	215	262	209	202	17
Cons Disc (ex TAMO)	102	155	154	155	141	39
Industrials	203	253	280	199	217	14
Utilities	502	427	452	407	403	-99
Health Care	78	43	17	-14	0	-78
Real Estate	370	303	583	344	347	-23
Overall	183	243	198	147	177	-5

WORKING CAPITAL DAYS*

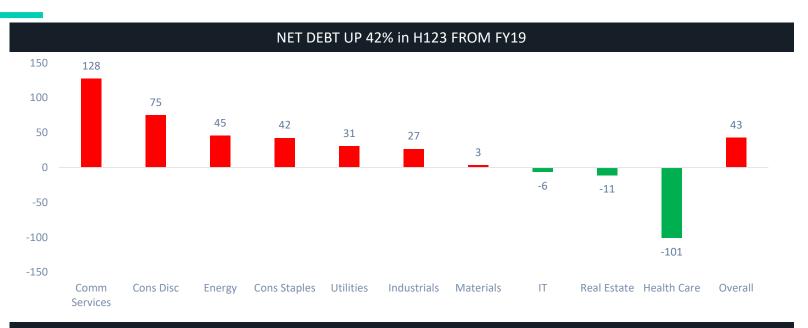
	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY23 vs FY19
IT	55	57	52	53	56	1
Energy	14	19	31	19	21	7
Energy (ex RIL)	21	26	43	30	27	6
Staples	40	35	36	34	37	-3
Staples (ex ITC)	34	30	30	30	33	-1
Comm Services	-47	-31	-39	-19	-26	21
Materials	52	51	41	39	46	-6
Cons Dis	16	20	15	24	26	10
Cons Disc (ex TAMO)	24	30	22	29	29	5
Industrials	50	49	44	37	35	-15
Utilities	38	51	65	49	57	19
Health Care	110	110	109	110	113	3
Real Estate	714	960	1146	939	900	185
Overall	35	40	42	36	38	4



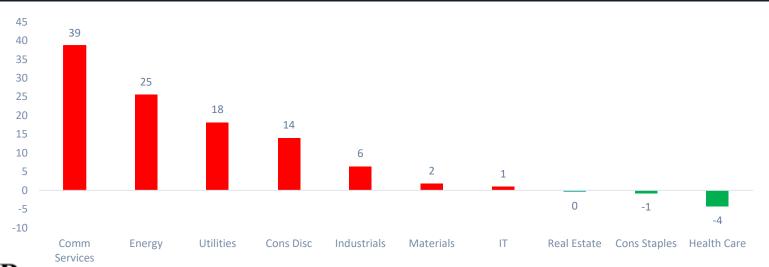
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^{*} Working Capital Days = (Debtors + Inventory - Payables)/Revenue x 365

NET DEBT: AGGREGATE NET DEBT INCREASES BY >40%



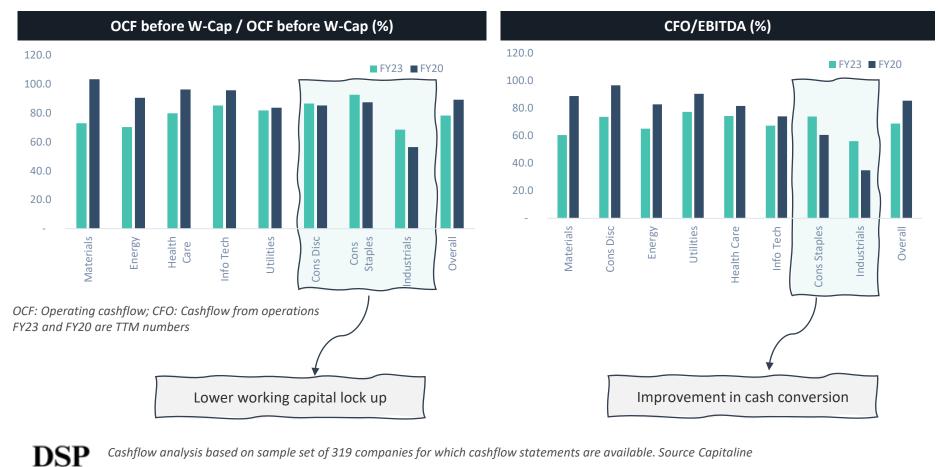
% CONTRIBUTORS AND DETRACTORS TO CHANGES IN AGGREGATE NET DEBT H123 vs FY19



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CASHFLOWS: OVERALL CASH CONVERSION DETERIORATES

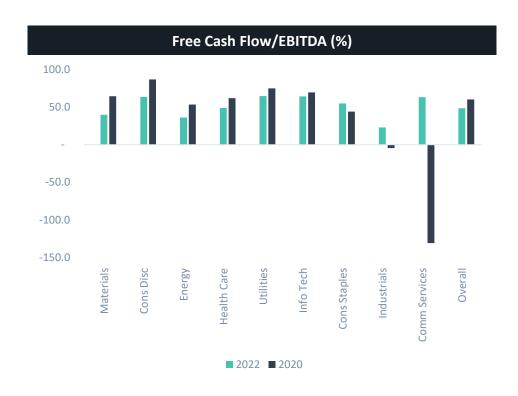
- Higher working capital results in a deterioration of cash flows
- The cash conversion ratio reflected by the CFO to EBITDA deteriorates except for staples and industrials.



Cashflow analysis based on sample set of 319 companies for which cashflow statements are available. Source Capitaline

CASHFLOWS: CAPEX INTENSITY PICKS UP

- Free cash flow to EBITDA for FY23 is below pre-covid.
- ▶ Double-digit growth in capex in FY23 (TTM) is impacting free cashflow generation.



CFO and Capex Change FY23 vs FY20							
	CFO	Capex					
ENERGY	-1.6	23.0					
HEALTH CARE	5.7	49.6					
MATERIALS	17.0	46.0					
UTILITIES	26.2	19.0					
CONS DISC	26.5	73.1					
INFO TECH	28.6	-10.1					
CONS STAPLES	55.7	46.6					
INDUSTRIALS	77.0	-7.4					
COMM SER	126.7	15.8					
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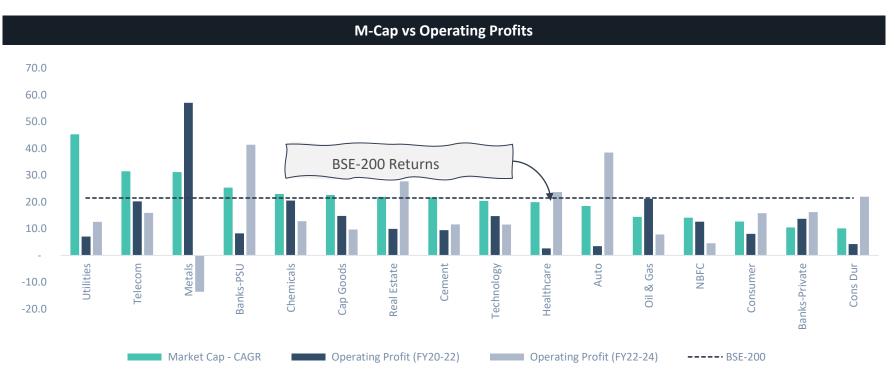
Source Capitaline

FY23 and FY20 are TTM numbers



MARKET CAPS vs OPERATING PROFITS

Market Cap CAGR < Operating profits CAGR: Healthcare, Consumer, Real Estate, Oil and Gas, Banks, Metal, Auto and Cons Durable



- 1. The exercise is based on BSE-200 companies
- 2. For Banks and NBFC's the operating profits is pre-provisioning operating profits (PPOP).
- 3. M-cap CAGR is Nov 19 to Nov 22
- 4. Operating profits CAGR is FY20-22 actuals and FY24 based on Bloomberg consensus estimates
- 5. Source: Capitaline and Bloomberg

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PRE COVID AND POST COVID VALUATIONS



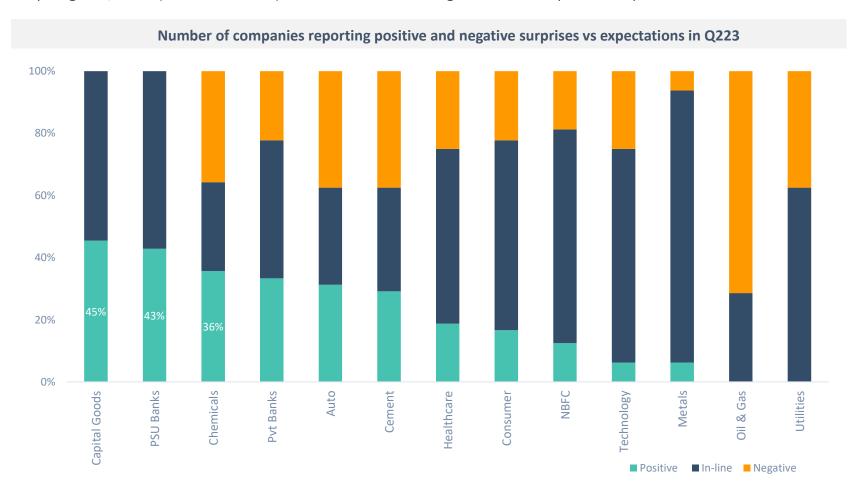
- 1. 5 yr and 10 yr Pre covid multiples are from Jan-15 to Jan-20 and Jan-10 to Jan-20 respectively
- 2. Price to book multiples are used for NBFC, Banks, Metals, Oil and Gas, Real Estate, Telecom and utilities
- 3. Price to Earnings is used for Technology
- 4. EV/EBITDA is used for Auto, Capital goods, Cement, Chemicals, Consumer and Healthcare



5. Source: Bloomberg. The universe is BSE-200

HITS and MISSES: 2Q23 EARNINGS SURPRISES

Capital goods, Banks (both PSU and Pvt) and Chemicals had the highest number of positive surprises



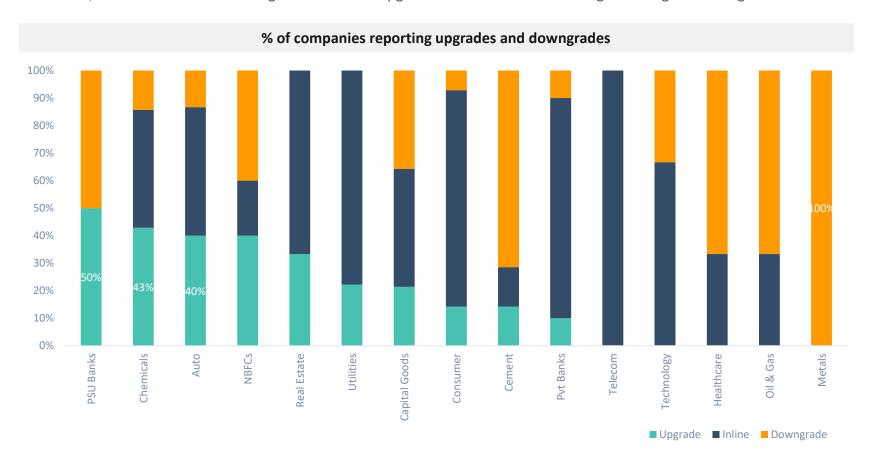
Source: Bloomberg,

Variance at calculated at operating profit levels Positive Variation > 5%, In-line -5% to +5%, Negative Variation <5%



EARNINGS MOMENTUM: REVISION TO FY23 ESTIMATES

PSU banks, chemical and Autos had highest number of upgrades and Metals and Oil and gas had highest downgrades



Source: Bloomberg. Based on the BSE-200 sample set for which estimates are available Downgrades > 5%, No Change -5% to +5%, Upgrades <5% over the past 6 months



AUTOMOBILES: CYCICAL RECOVERY IN PV AND CV

- Volume Trends (3-Year CAGR): CVs grew at 12% on a low base due to improving freight availability, government infrastructure spending, and replacement demand. PVs grew by 18% due to a high order book and production ramp-up. Strong urban demand, an early start to the festive season, and increased credit availability resulted in an increase in 2W volumes, but they have remained flat over the last three years. The early festive season increased tractor sales by 10%.
- Margins: Original Equipment Manufacturers (excluding Tata motors) gross margin expanded 90bps on yoy basis due to premiumization, price increases and softening of commodity prices. EBITDA margins for OEM (excluding Tata Motors) improved by 220bps on yoy basis supported by better gross margin and scale.

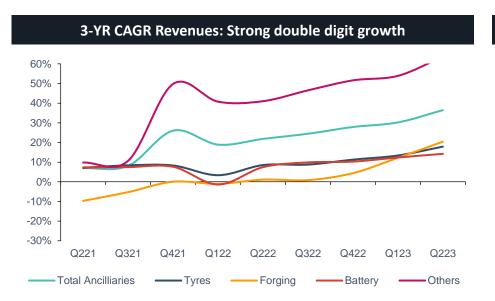
3-YR CAGR Volumes: CV and PV report double digit growth 20.0% 18.2% 10.0% -20.0% -20.0% Q221 Q321 Q421 Q122 Q222 Q322 Q422 Q123 Q223 Tractors CVs PVs 2Ws Total

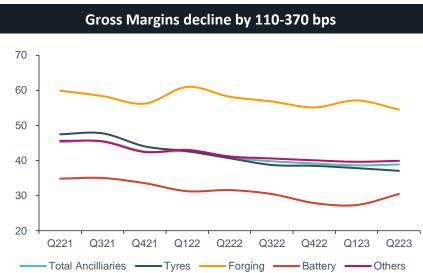
PV: Passenger vehicles. CV: Commercial vehicles and 2W: Two Wheelers



AUTO ANCILIARIES: OUTPACING AUTO OEMs

- Revenue Trends (3-Year CAGR): Ancillaries revenue increased by 36%; 1) tyre companies increased by 18% due to higher volume growth in OEM and aftermarket segments, as well as price increases. 2) Battery companies' growth of 14% was due to growth in the auto and industrial segments. 3) Forging companies' growth at 20% was led by growth in the underlying industry, price hikes, and new orders.
- ▶ Gross margins of the ancillary companies contracted by 110-370 bps due to a lag in the pass through of the commodity price inflation.

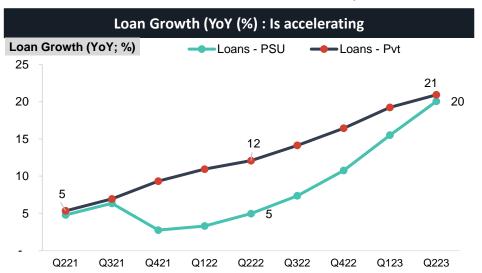


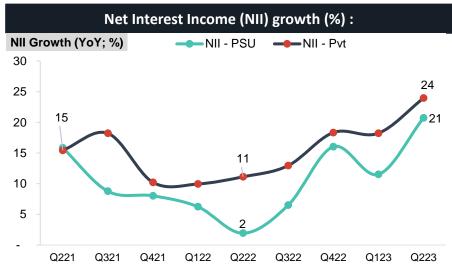


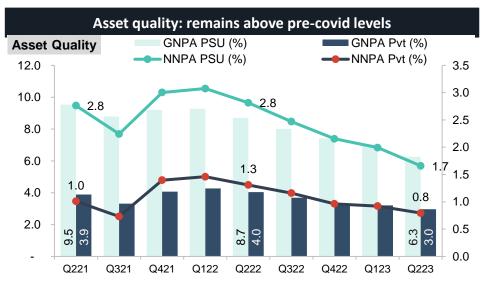


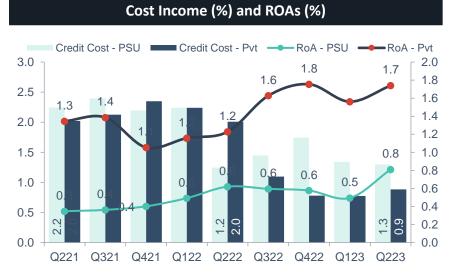
BANKS: ASSET QUALITY CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

Q223, NII/PPOP 3 Year CAGR is ~15/11% resp. The same is ~13/9% resp. for PSBs and 17/13% resp. for Pvt Banks







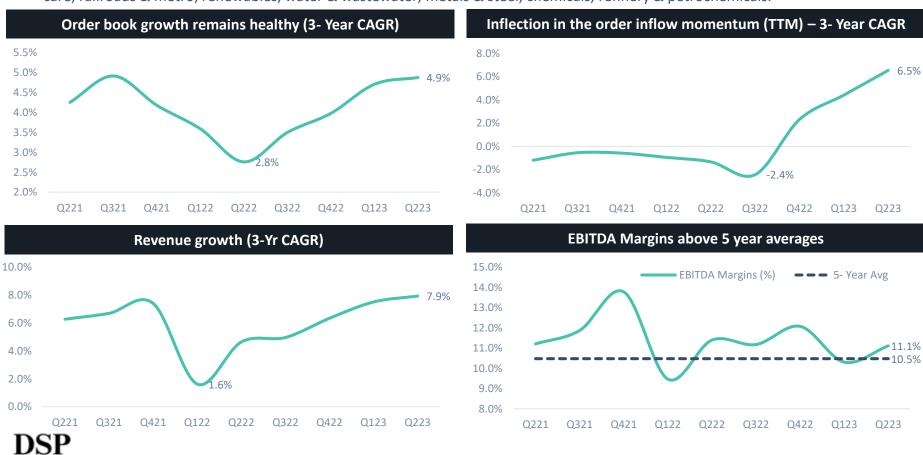


GNPA Gross Non-Performing Asset, NNPA Net Non-performing asset, NII: Net Interest Income, PPOP: Pre-provisioning operating profits. ROA Return on Assets Source Company Disclosures based on a representative set of 28 banks.

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CAPITAL GOODS: ORDER INFLOW IS ACCELRATING

- Order inflow was up 25% YoY for Q223. Orderbook's three-year CAGR was 5%. Public spending was significantly higher YTD than the previous year, led by the center and PSUs. State capex is still lagging. Private orders were 29% vs. 22% last year, showing increased capex activity. L&T commented that the award-to-tender ratio for 1H23 increased to 49% from 40% in 1H22 and 51% in FY22. The short-cycle order continues to be solid, suggesting a strong undercurrent in demand.
- Key industries performing well: data center, electronics, warehousing & logistics, automotive, food & beverages, pharma & health care, railroads & metro, renewables, water & wastewater, metals & steel, chemicals, refinery & petrochemicals.



CEMENT: MULTI YEAR LOW PROFITABILITY

- ▶ EBITDA has declined 45% YoY and QoQ owing to a double whammy of high-cost fuel inventory and monsoon-led seasonality. As a result, blended EBITDA/ton fell 50% year on year and 41% quarter on quarter to a multi-quarter low of Rs 600. Vols. have been strong, with growth of 8.5% YoY (3-yr CAGR: 7%). In H123, FCF is at negative Rs40bn post w/cap blockage (Rs53bn) and 40% YoY increase in capex of Rs56bn.
- Profitability is expected to recover from Q3 due to a peaking of costs, a higher exit cement prices, and an increase in construction activity. The 35% drop in fuel prices since the peak on April 22 is expected to save ~Rs 200 per tonne. Pan-India spot cement prices are ~1-1.5% higher than average prices in 2Q23.





Cost/ton: Impact of high input prices and –ve operating leverage

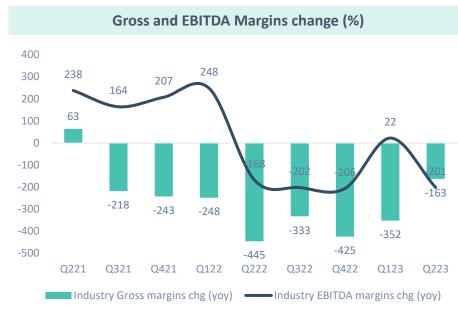




CONSUMER DURABLES: INFLATION OF INPUT COST DENTS MARGINS

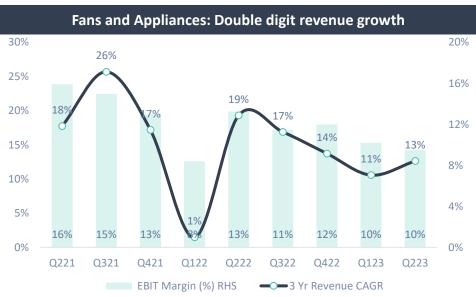
- Despite volatility in quarterly growth, industry has witnessed double-digit growth (3-year CAGR) in the last 5-6 quarters, except Q122, wherein industry got impacted due to the pandemic.
- ▶ Gross margin continues to see pressure, mainly because of raw material (RM) volatility (industry was not able to pass on the RM price increase). However, at the operating level, the industry managed to maintain margins through cost rationalization, lower ad spends, etc. However, over the last 2 quarters, some of these costs have normalized, which has impacted the margins by 100-200 bps.



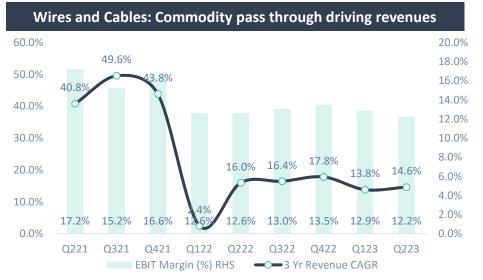


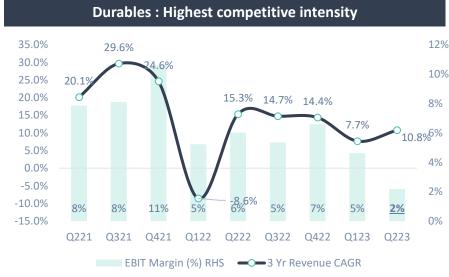


CONSUMER DURABLE: REVENUE AND MARGINS BY SEGMENT







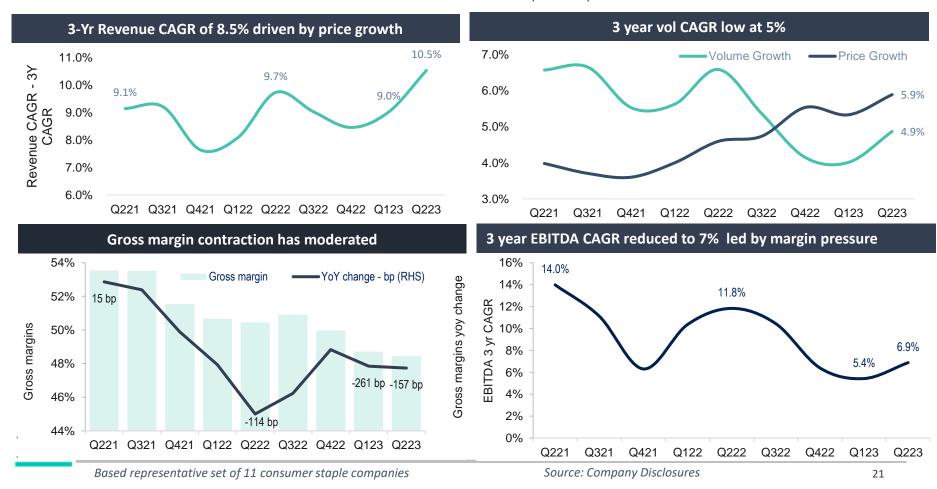




Based on representative sample of 15 companies

CONSUMER STAPLES: SUBDUED VOLUME GROWTH

- FMCG companies' three-year revenue and volume growth rates increased by 100-150 basis points (bps) compared to Q123, as volume growth rates increased marginally, and further price increases were implemented.
- Rural trends continue to be weak; recovery is likely to be pushed out by a couple of quarters.
- Gross margin decline is reducing given the base effect but remains at life lows (average 48.4%).
- > 3 Yr EBITDA CAGR of 6.9% has been ahead of Q1 levels but remains weak despite ad spend cuts and cost rationalisation



ENERGY: WINDFALL TAXES IMPACTS CRUDE REALISATION

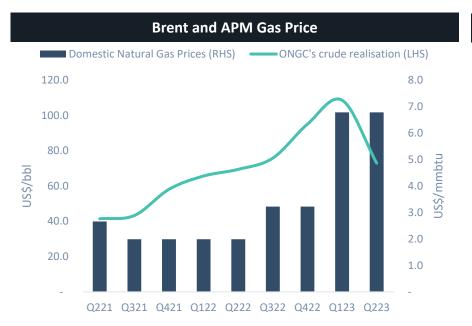
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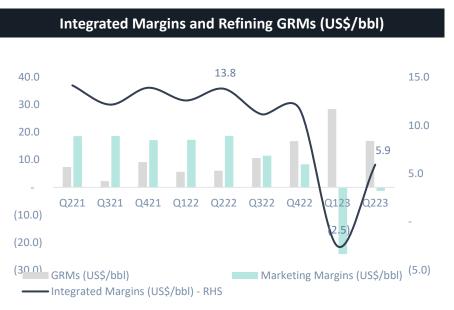
Brent crude is higher than the 5-yr average of US\$70/barrel, and the net realisation for upstream producers has fallen from a peak of US\$110/barrel to US\$75/barrel with the introduction of an export duty (windfall tax).

The domestic gas realization (APM gas) at US\$ 9.5/mmbtu (effective 1 Oct 2022) has been highest since introduction of new formula in 2014. A new committee has been formed to review gas pricing formula and the outcome is expected by end Nov-22 which could reduce the gas prices benefiting the end consumers.

Refining and Marketing

Refining margins have been strong, exceeding the 5-year average of US\$ 5/barrel, while marketing margins have been impacted because pump prices have not increased. The refining gains has been more than offset by weakness in the marketing segment.





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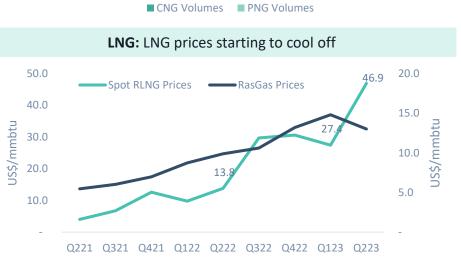
Based representative set of 3 Oil marketing companies

GAS UTILITY: LNG PRICES MODERATE

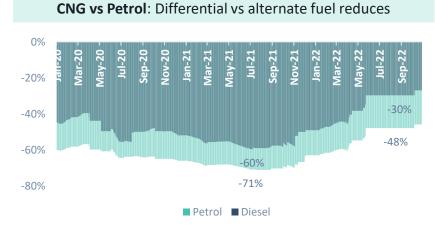
Despite lower discounts compared to alternative fuels, the market for CNG-fueled vehicles continues to grow rapidly. However, the industrial volumes have been impacted by higher LNG prices.

Spot LNG prices have peaked and started to fall given an oversupply in the market, curtailed Chinese demand, and lower EU regasification capacity.







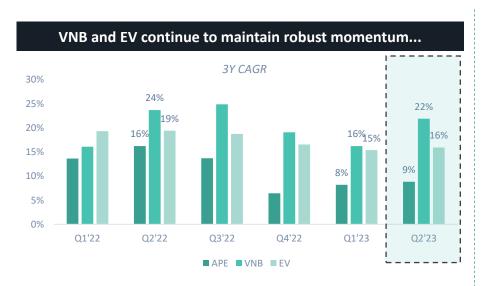


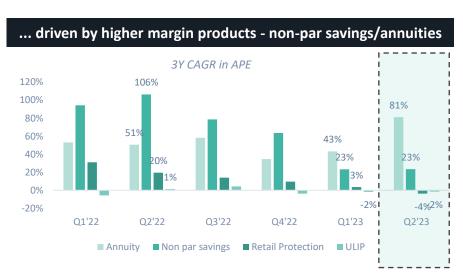
Based representative set of 4 CGD companies

Source: Company disclosures

LIFE INSURANCE: HEALTHY VALUE OF NEW BUSINESS (VNB) GROWTH

- Annualized Premium Equivalent (APE) growth for listed players during the quarter was modest impacted by ULIPs.
- Non-par savings, annuities, and group protection continue to have robust growth. These high-margin products contributed to VNB's 30% YoY growth in H123 and 22% 3Y CAGR, significantly outpacing overall APE growth.
- While retail protection offtake has remained tepid in recent quarters due to higher base and supply side constraints, it is expected to turn-around in H223. However, insurers have significantly diversified their VNB mix over the last two years, resulting in continued strong VNB growth even in the absence of retail protection contribution.
- The Embedded Value (EV) growth of the listed players continues to be in the high teens, which is supported by the continued growth of VNB.



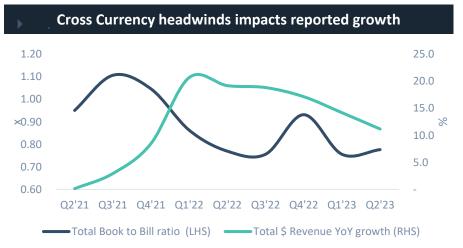


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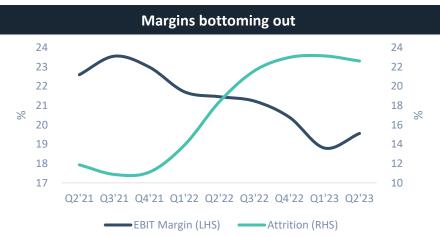


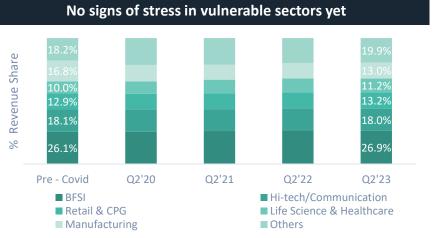
IT: NO SIGNS OF SLOW DOWN YET

- Despite the tough environment, the Top 10 IT companies reported better-than-expected growth with resilient order intake.
- Hiring continued to remain high which indicates near/medium term growth visibility.
- With lower attrition, the EBIT margin started bottoming out. Troubled sectors, like, Manufacturing, Hi-tech, Retail are still reporting better growth. Adjusting for the currency impact, Europe's growth was also strong in Q223









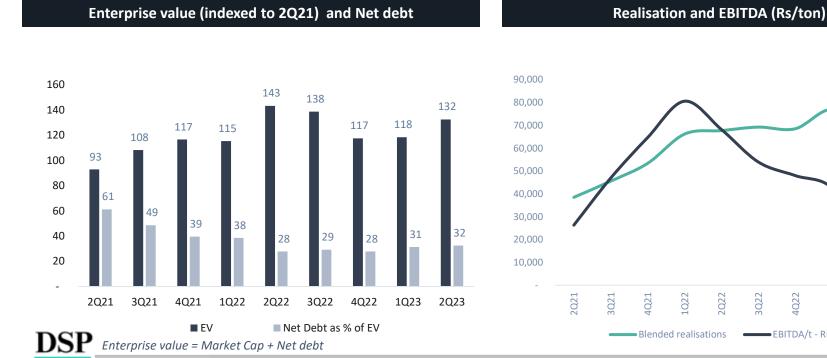
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Based on representative sample of Top-10 IT companies

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METALS: REALISATIONS DECLINE SHARPLY

- Average realisations (Industry) fell sharply by 15% qoq and 4% yoy. While production costs peaked (coking coal and energy costs), EBITDA/t contracted by more than 50% year over year and quarter over quarter. The only silver lining was the average volume growth of c.25% qoq for top players. The strain on cash flows, combined with increases in capex and WC, has resulted in an increase in debt for most of the companies (except JSPL).
- Despite some increase in net debt across companies, Enterprise Value/debt were sequentially flattish at 32% in 2QFY22 but deteriorated on yoy basis (28% in 2QFY22), implying equity value is now lower than last year.
- In 3QFY23, EBITDA/t is likely to improve sharply, aided by lower coking coal and iron ore costs, while realisation falls will be moderate at 2-3%. Non-integrated companies, such as JSW and JSPL, benefit more than Tata and SAIL.



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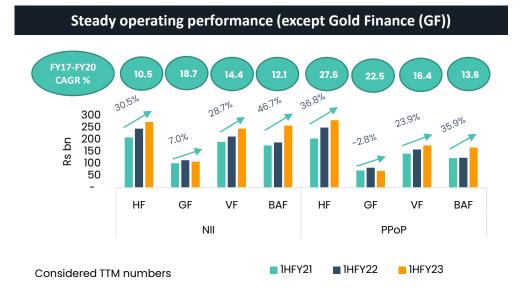
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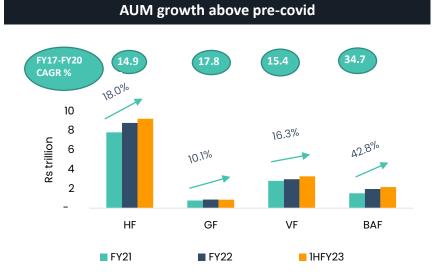
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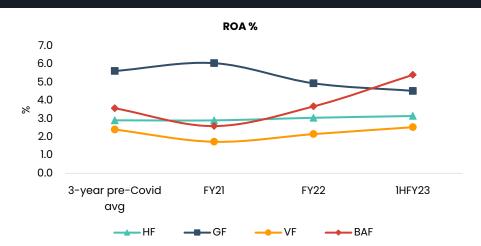
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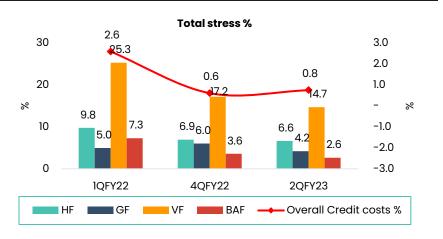




GF witnessed moderation in ROA



Continued improvement in stress pool (Stage 2+3)



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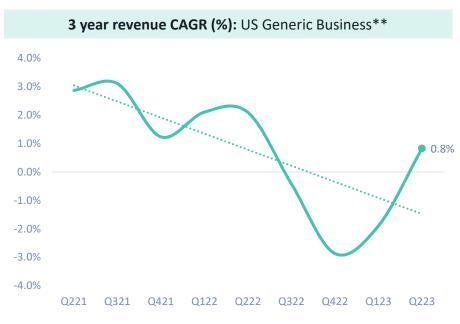
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PHARMACEUTICALS: GROSS MARGINS IMPROVE

- The formulations market in India expanded at a healthy rate. Sustained traction across therapies in both chronic and acute segments as well as price increases of 5-7% supported the overall growth. H223 could be softer vs H123 due to seasonality and heightened competition as most industry leaders have augmented their medical representative base by 5-10%.
- The generics market in the United States increased after several quarters of decline. The price erosion moderated to low single digits in Q2 vs early teens in Q1. The recovery was fueled by strong Revlimid sales, while the US generic base business remained subpar.
- The gross margins improved due to softening input costs, INR depreciation and price increases in the domestic formulation market







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SUMMING UP...

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ ROE and operating margins are deteriorating at the margin
- Balance sheet weakens marginally with rising debt
- Free cashflow generation is impacted with higher capex.
- Working capital cycle is getting extended

SECTORAL TRENDS

- Financials deliver robust earnings with an improving yield and benign credit costs.
- Capital goods witnessed record order inflows, but the earnings growth expectation and valuation appear lofty.
- ▶ IT delivered better than expected earnings, and the downgrade cycle seems to be ebbing.
- Metals, healthcare, and energy continue to see downgrades.
- Consumption led sectors deliver revenue growth, but the delayed pass through of commodity inflation is hurting margins.
- The valuations overall appear extended, with only a few sectors like energy, telecom, healthcare, and banks trading at or below pre-covid averages.



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