Cash Cows Series:

Free Cash Flow as a Proven Measurement of Quality





A Source for Growing Wealth

- 1 The goal of most investors is to achieve **financial security**. High free cash flow is an indicator of a company's financial strength.
- **Positive free cash flow** indicates a company is generating more cash than it needs to run the business and can invest in growth opportunities.
- 3 Companies generating **high free cash flow yields** have the ability to grow dividends over time and produce better earnings.
- 4 Using strategies that are constantly re-evaluating and rebalancing is the key to owning quality companies generating high free cash flow.

P/E (Price to Earnings) ratio is share price divided by the last twelve months earnings per share.

Understanding the Terms

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is the cash remaining after a company has paid:









Free cash flow can be used to:







Participate in mergers/acquisitions







Free Cash Flow Yield

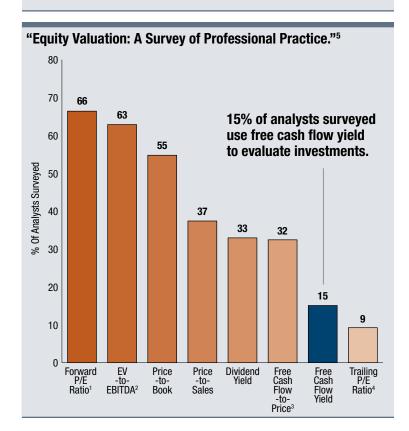
Free cash flow yield = (FCFY)

Free Cash Flow

Enterprise Value
(Market Cap + Debt - Cash)

Free cash flow yield can determine an investor's payback period: Higher free cash flow yield = shorter payback period

| FCFY | 1% | 2% | 5% | 10% |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Years to pay back all | 100 | 50 | 20 | 10 |
| debt and equity holders | Years | Years | Years | Years |



⁽¹⁾Includes multiples based on forecast operation income and net income.

⁽²⁾EBITDA - Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization.

⁽³⁾Includes multiples based on free cash flow to equity and free cash flow to firm.

⁽⁴⁾Includes multiples based on trailing operating income and net income.

⁽⁵⁾Pinto, J., Robinson, T., and John D. Stowe, 2015, CFA Institute.

Free Cash Flow Yield Is an Important Valuation Metric

In the chart below, free cash flow yield has the highest return with the fewest periods of negative trailing twelve month returns.

Valuation Metrics (12 Month Rolling) 12/31/1991 - 12/31/2023

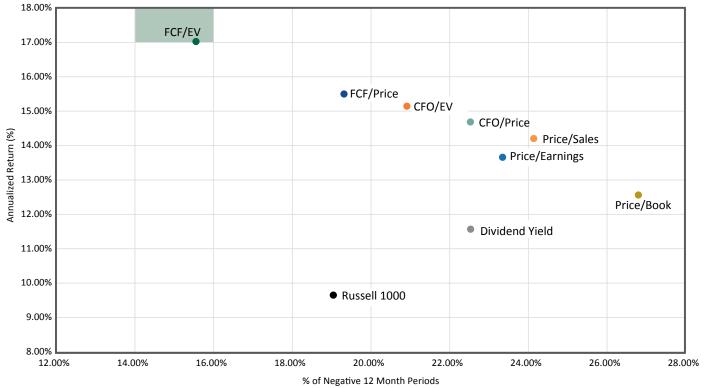


Chart Key: FCF/Price: Free Cash Flow/Price

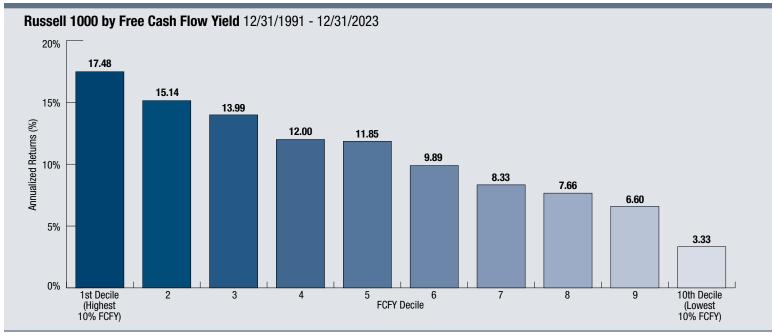
FCF/EV: Free Cash Flow/Enterprise Value **CFO/Price:** Cash Flow From Operations/Price

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Source: Pacer Advisors, FactSet. Data calculated based on the top 100 companies in the Russell 1000 Index excluding financials for each valuation metric.

Free Cash Flow Yield Outperforms Over Time

In the chart below, companies with the highest FCFY (1st Decile) outperform companies with the lowest FCFY (10th Decile) over time.



Source: Pacer Advisors, FactSet. Data is composed of the Russell 1000 Index excluding financials. Each decile is composed of approximately 85 stocks (10%) based on free cash flow yield, equal weighted.

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