

<b>Diageo plc</b> <b>NYSE: DEO</b> <b>Sector: Consumer Staples</b> <b>Industry: Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>Intrinsic Value: \$ 154</b> <b>Current Price: \$ 133</b> <b>Stop Loss: \$ 108</b>	<b>TTM P/E: 19.23x</b> <b>Forward P/E: 19.64</b> <b>Beta: 0.80</b> <b>5 Yr. ROIC: 13.66%</b>	<b>Market Cap: \$70.83Bn</b> <b>Dividend Yield: 3.03%</b> <b>52 Wk. Range: 119.48 -161.64</b>
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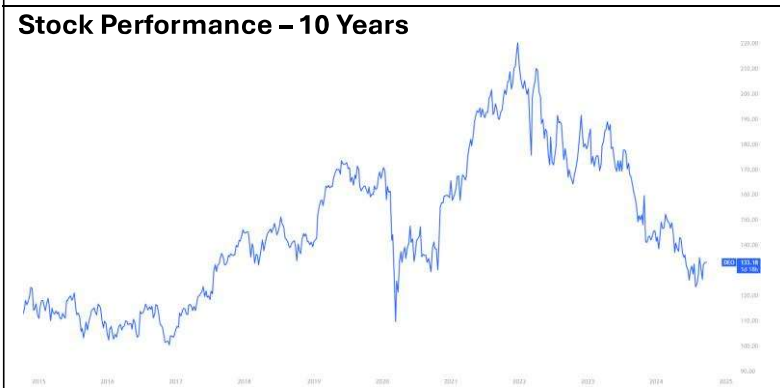
**Business Description:** Diageo produces, transports, and sells alcoholic beverages globally. As a market leader in scotch, vodka, stout beer, liqueur, Canadian whisky, gin, and tequila, Diageo has over 200 brands in its portfolio: Johnnie Walker, Smirnoff, Guinness, Don Julio, Casamigos, Crown Royal, Ciroc, Ketel One, Captain Morgan, Baileys, Tanqueray, 34% of Moet Hennessy, etc. Sales globally are: North America - 39% of sales, EU - 24%, Asia - 19%, Lat. Am - 9%, Africa - 9%. Based in London with ADRs listed on the NYSE.

**Industry Overview & Analysis:** Diageo is in a long-term stable industry growing in the mid-single digits. Most products are high-end, benefiting from premiumization trends. This has led to an average ROIC of 12% over the past 20+ years. However, there has been a notable slowdown in 2023-24, with challenges expected to persist into 2025. Soft demand in many markets, especially Latin America, has caused inventory issues. The largest market, U.S. has been impacted by cautious consumers.

**Investment Thesis:** Our DCF valuation reflects a prolonged recovery from the slowdown, with sales growing 0-1% in 2025, 4% in 2026, and ~ 5% in 2027-29 (below guidance of 5-7%). We believe there is heightened uncertainty but no fundamental issues with the business. Excluding Lat. Am. sales grew 1.8%. Premiumization should continue as well as demand from the rising middle-class across the world.

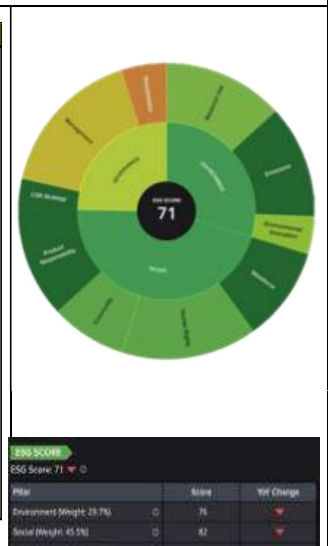
**Competitive Advantage:** Strong brand recognition as well as the aging process drives scarcity, pricing power, and loyalty. Diageo grew or held market share in over 75% of measured markets (FY2024). **Supply-Chain Advantage** – provides all categories and major brands, creating a one-stop shop for customers to buy everything from one supplier. **Cost Advantage** – Large distribution scale and raw material procurement (barley, agave, grapes, etc.) **Protection from New Entrants:** *E-commerce* - age verification limits disruption *Discounters* - private label volumes are minimal *Aged Spirits* - face fewer new entrants due to high upfront costs and revenue lag in production.

**Risks:** U.S. alcohol consumption has steadily increased over the past 20 years but may reverse in the future. The premium spirits segment is sensitive to economic cycles. China's crackdown on gifting alcohol to officials presents ongoing regulatory challenges. Scottish tariffs are significant, as whisky produced outside Scotland cannot be labeled as Scotch. Diageo also faces foreign exchange risk, with expenses primarily in British pounds and sales in U.S. dollars.



Company Name	Description	Market Cap (\$Bn)	EV	EBITDA	EV/EBITDA (P/E TTM)	EV/Am. Sold (\$/ml)	EV/Net Margin (%)	EV/Share	EV/Share (\$)		
DIAGEO PLC	Sells many well-known premium liquor brands: Scotch, tequila, gin, rum, vodka, liqueur, wine, brandy, beer, & foreign liquors.	\$74.48	\$5,553	6,487	56.7	17.6	13.66%	69.5%	19.1%	0.36	AA
BROWN-CORNING CORPORATION	70% of sales come from whiskey & bourbon (Jack Daniels, etc.) Also sells tequila, vodka, rum, gin, and premium wines.	\$21.07	25,160	1,159	21.0	23.0	18.09%	59.6%	24.2%	0.75	AA
COMET TELLATION BRANDS, INC.	80% of sales from Mexican beer imports (including Heineken & Corona). 3rd largest import share of alcoholic beer suppliers.	\$46.20	57,859	3,787	15.3	18.8	5.11%	51.1%	24.4%	0.87	BBB
Karlshof Moutai Co., Ltd.	Moutai is a premium alcohol and China's national drink. Consumed during many high-profile banquets & official events.	\$224.71	201,538	15,312	13.2	18.0	32.46%	92.0%	50.3%	0.66	-
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA	Sells 6 out of the top 10 beer brands: Budweiser, Stella Artois, Michelob Ultra, Blue Bird Light, Corona outside of the US, etc.	\$113.52	210,067	18,002	11.7	28.3	5.11%	54.5%	9.9%	0.58	AA
BUDSWINE BEVERAGE COMPANY	China's well-known beer brands including Wuliangye, Coors, Blue Moon, and Carlsberg. Ranked as the second-largest beer maker.	\$10.87	17,501	2,559	6.8	10.1	1.36%	39.1%	9.6%	0.81	BBB
THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC.	4 main brands: Sam Adams, Angry Orchard, Twisted Tea, and Tru. Strong positions in craft beer, malt, hard seltzer, hard seltzer.	\$3.17	2,993	231	12.6	36.1	16.42%	43.8%	4.6%	1.06	-

Exit Multiple Method - Value per Share	
Free Cash Flow at year 5	5,501
WACC (After Tax)	6.04%
Exit Enterprise Value / EBITDA	14.99
Terminal Value in 5 years	128,445
PV of Terminal Value (@ WACC)	95,781
(+) PV of Free Cash Flows (@ WACC)	19,438
(=) Current Enterprise Value	115,219
(-) Total Debt	22,481
(-) Minority Interest	2,038
(+) Cash and Marketable Securities	1,405
(=) Equity Value	92,105
Shares outstanding	555
Estimated Value per Share (USD)	165.92
Current Price (USD)	133.00
Margin of Safety	24.75%



Share Price	Exit Multiple Sensitivity Analysis				
	10	12.5	15	17.5	20
6.50%	\$ 106	\$ 134	\$ 162	\$ 191	\$ 219
6.25%	\$ 107	\$ 136	\$ 164	\$ 193	\$ 221
5.50%	\$ 112	\$ 141	\$ 171	\$ 200	\$ 230
4.75%	\$ 116	\$ 146	\$ 177	\$ 208	\$ 238
4.50%	\$ 117	\$ 148	\$ 179	\$ 210	\$ 241