## **Uber Technologies Inc. (NYSE: UBER)**

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#### **Investment Thesis**

Uberis transitioning from a growth-at-any-cost model to a cash-generating platform. Scale across Mobility, Delivery, and Freight is expanding margins, supporting buybacks, and funding new high-return verticals like advertising and grocery. With dominant market share, disciplined capital allocation, and accelerating free cash flow, Uber offers continued earnings growth and shareholder return potential.

#### **Business Overview**

Founded 2009 | IPO 2019 | HQ: San Francisco Uber operates a global mobility and delivery platform with three segments:

- Mobility ( $\approx 57\%$  of 2024 rev.) Core rideshare network with  $\sim 75\%$  U.S. market share.
- Delivery (≈ 31%) Uber Eats, grocery, alcohol, and retail delivery; 2nd largest globally.
- Freight (≈ 12%) Tech-enabled logistics platform connecting shippers and carriers.

FY 2024 results: \$163 B Gross Bookings, \$44 B Revenue, \$1.9 B GAAP profit, record free cash flow.

### **Key Drivers & Catalysts**

- Operating Leverage:MAPCs+15% YoY / Trips +18% YoY → revenue outpacing cost growth.
- Advertising Monetization: >\$1.5 B ARR run-rate,  $\sim$ 60% YoY growth  $\rightarrow$  high-margin incremental EBITDA.
- Grocery & Retail Expansion: Broadened delivery categories and international partnerships (e.g., Trendyol).
- Share Repurchases: Ongoing buyback program reducing float and lifting EPS.
- Cross-Platform Synergies: Only  $\sim\!20\%$  of users use both Mobility and Eats large ARPU upside as conversion rises.

## **Competitive Position**

Uber maintains durable advantages through scale, brand, and network effects. It commands  $\sim$ 71% U.S. rideshare and  $\sim$ 23% delivery share versus Lyft and DoorDash, respectively. Unified tech and driver networks lower costs per trip and enable superior unit economics.

# **ESG Snapshot**

	Score	Trend	Vs Peers
ESG Score	6.64	+0.28	Leading
Environmental	6.99	+0.09	Leading
Social	5.88	+0.00	Leading
Governance	7.64	+1.00	Leading

# **Risks & Mitigants**

Risk	Mitigant
Regulatory pressure on gig model (driver classification)  Pricing and competitive pressure	Political advocacy and adaptive regional compliance (e.g., Prop 22, UK model).  Leverage platform scale, Uber One loyalty program, and ads to reduce discount dependence.
Freight cyclicality	Shift toward managed services and techenabled load matching.

#### **Valuation Summary**

Scenario	Target Price	Rationale
Bull	\$129	Faster margin expansion and ads growth > \$2 B ARR by 2026
Base	\$109	Steady execution with ~15% FCF growth CAGR
Bear	\$103	Regulatory setbacks and competitive discount pressure

### Conclusion

Uber's evolution into a profitable, capital-returning platform makes it a compelling core holding. Its diversified business mix, strong operating leverage, and disciplined reinvestment strategy support continued earnings growth and resilience against cyclical pressures.