

Analysts' Best Picks

Analysts' Best Picks December 31, 1995 through December 31, 2006

Year	Best Picks List ^{a.}	S&P 500	Differential ^{e.}
1996 ^{b.}	37.20%	22.60%	14.70%
1997	53.50%	37.10%	16.40%
1998	38.90%	30.80%	8.20%
1999	143.90%	25.40%	118.60%
2000	46.90%	-4.80%	51.70%
2001	11.60%	-15.00%	26.60%
2002	-0.60%	-22.70%	22.20%
2003	37.20%	24.30%	12.90%
2004	27.70%	14.90%	12.90%
2005	17.20%	7.10%	10.10%
2006 ^{c.}	5.93%	14.88%	-8.95%
5 Yr return^{d.}	17.50%	7.68%	9.81%
10 Yr return^{f.}	38.24%	11.18%	27.05%

a. On a total return basis with performances averaged as if an equal dollar allocation was made to each stock at the beginning of the period and held until 12/31 of the following year.

b. This was the first year performance of the Analysts' Best Picks list.

c. Picks 2006 and 2006's S&P 500 represent total return performance through the close of 12/31/06.

d. Years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006 with total returns averaged.

e. Annual average Best Picks total return performance minus the comparable S&P 500 performance.

f. Years 1997 through 2006 with total returns averaged.

Since 1996 a total of 120 stocks have been recommended through Analysts' Best Picks list. Of this total, 85 advanced (70.8%) and 35 declined (29.2%) within the recommended holding period. The holding period for each year's list is approximately 55 weeks from the inception date to 12/31 of the following year.

An investor would incur commissions (and interest charges if transacted in a margin account) to transact these recommendations. The results presented should not and cannot be viewed as an indicator of future performance. Individual results will vary and transaction costs related to investing in these stocks will affect overall performance. There is no assurance that the list will achieve the results expected and investors may incur profits or losses. The performance returns in 1999 were extraordinary and it is unlikely that these unrealistically high returns will be repeated. The S&P is an unmanaged index of 500 widely held stocks that is generally considered representative of the U.S. Stock Market. A complete list of all Analysts' Best Picks since 1996 is available upon request.