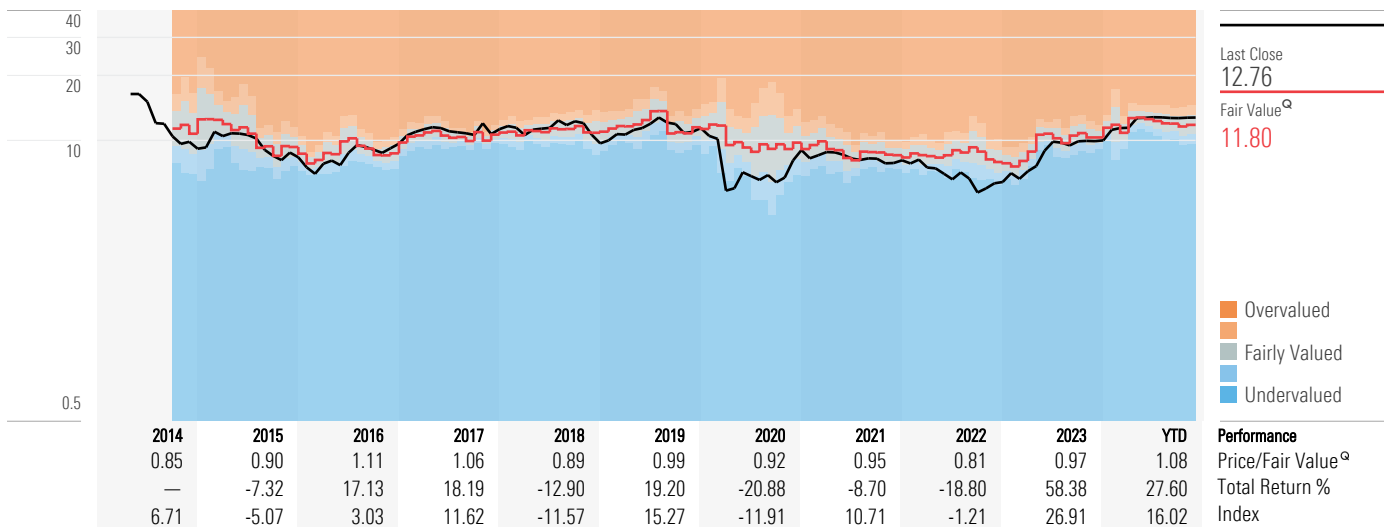


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<b>Economic Moat</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Uncertainty</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Price/Fair Value</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>ESG Risk Rating Assessment</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>Trailing Dividend Yield %</b>	<b>Market Cap</b>	<b>Investment Style</b>	<b>Sector</b>	<b>Industry</b>
None	High	1.08	6 Nov 2024 06:00, UTC	0.00	—	Small Blend	Industrials	Specialty Business Services



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## Key Metrics as of 11 Nov 2024

Metrics	Value	Percentile in Sector
Earnings Yield (%)	-0.3	23.0
Sales Yield (%)	130.6	64.0
Book Value Yield (%)	32.9	32.0
Return on Assets (%)*	-0.3	22.0
Revenue(Bil)*	2.3	72.0
Market Value (Bil)	1.8	70.0
Enterprise Value (Bil)	2.7	72.0
EVMV Ratio	1.5	77.0
Volatility TTM (%)	12.3	5.0
Drawdown TTM (%)	2.7	4.0
Volume (K)	366.5	56.0

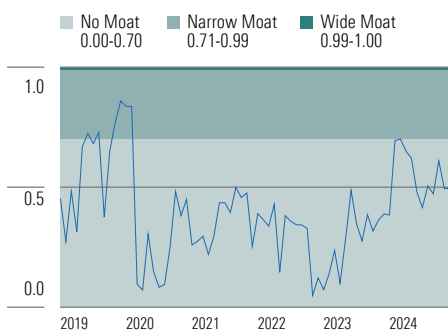
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## Business Description

Applus Services SA is a Spain-based company that provides testing, inspection and certification services. The company operates through four divisions. Applus+ Energy & Industry, Applus+ Laboratories, Applus+ Automotive, Applus+ IDIADA and Other. Applus+ Energy & Industry provides non-destructive testing, quality control and accreditation services, project management, supplier inspection, facility inspection and asset certification and integrity services. Applus+ Laboratories offers variety of laboratory testing, system certification, product development services. Applus+ Automotive offers vehicle roadworthiness testing services, verifying vehicles' compliance with safety. Applus+ IDIADA offers design, engineering, testing and certification services to car manufacturers.

Applus Services to determine these ratings. Its annualized trailing 12-month volatility is 12.24% and falls at the 5th percentile in the equity universe and at the 5th percentile in the industrials sector.

## Economic Moat <sup>Q</sup> History as of 12 Nov 2024



## Valuation <sup>Q</sup> as of 13 Nov 2024

Morningstar affirms a 3-star quantitative rating for Applus Services. We calculate this outcome using the company's underlying model-driven valuation and uncertainty scores.

The stock's last closing price was 12.76, a premium of 8.14% to its Quantitative Fair Value estimate of 11.80. The stock has been trading between a 6.99% discount and 14.22% premium to its quantitative fair value over the past year. The stock's price to fair value ratio is at the 94th percentile in our global equity coverage universe for this methodology and at the 89th percentile relative to its peers in the industrials sector.

Applus Services furthermore holds a High quantitative uncertainty rating.

The company's quantitative star rating remains unchanged over the past year. The firm's uncertainty rating changed from Very High to High after 10/22/2024.

We examine the financials and market statistics for

## Economic Moat <sup>Q</sup> as of 12 Nov 2024

Morningstar maintains a quantitative moat rating of None on the company. The firm's quantitative moat score of 0.49 sits at the 40th percentile in the industrials sector. This is a decrease from 0.82, the maximum of its moat scores over the past year. The quantitative financial health rating for Applus Services is Moderate. Its financial health score, termed Distance to Default, sits at the 66th percentile in the universe and 67th percentile in the sector.

The significant drivers of these ratings are the company's book value yield and enterprise value-to-market value ratio. The book value yield for Applus Services is 32.86%, and its enterprise value-to-market value ratio is 1.53. They sit at the 31st and 78th percentile in the global equity universe, respectively.


## Fundamentals as of 13 Nov 2024

Applus Services reports losses per share of -0.05. Its return on invested capital is 1.13%. These values are calculated over a trailing 12-month period. As of last market close, the company's price-to-free cash flow ratio is 7.3, falling at the 23rd percentile in its sector and ranging between 5.99 and 8.19 over the past year.

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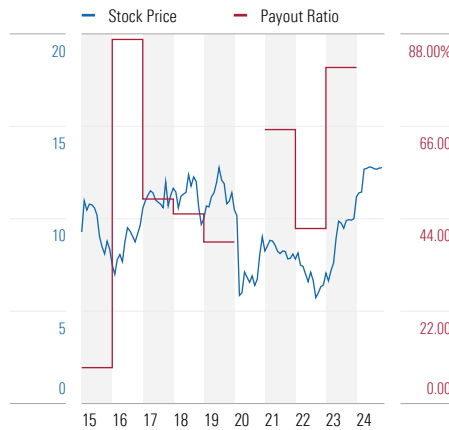
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## Earnings as of 11 Nov 2024

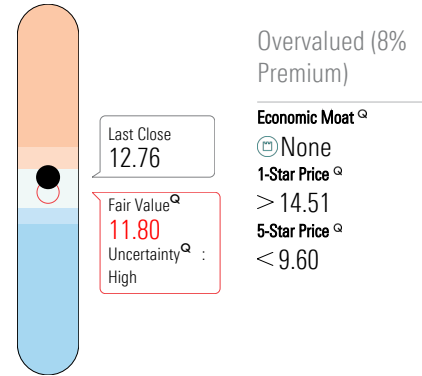
Earnings	%	■ Percentile in Sector
Dividend Yield*	—	—
Payout Ratio*	—	—
Price to Earnings	—	—
Price to Cash Flow	7.3	23.0
ROIC**	1.1	22.0

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\*\*30 Jun 2024

## Dividends as of 12 Nov 2024



## Valuation ◊ as of 12 Nov 2024



## Financials (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2024)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	06/2024	Fiscal
1.62	1.70	1.59	1.58	1.68	1.78	1.56	1.78	2.05	2.06	2.15	Revenue (Bil)
0.10	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.11	0.14	0.06	0.12	0.14	0.15	0.13	Operating Income (Bil)
6.10	6.55	5.42	5.60	6.64	7.76	3.55	6.61	6.66	7.39	7.39	Operating Margin (%)
0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.06	-0.16	0.03	0.05	0.02	-0.01	Net Income (Bil)
0.20	0.30	0.15	0.27	0.29	0.39	-1.11	0.23	0.36	0.16	-0.05	Diluted Earnings/Share
0.12	0.16	0.17	0.14	0.16	0.25	0.28	0.19	0.25	0.32	0.32	Operating Cash Flow (Bil)
0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.08	—	Capital Spending (Bil)
0.06	0.09	0.06	0.06	0.13	0.16	0.12	0.16	0.17	0.17	0.23	Free Cash Flow (Bil)
0.13	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.13	Avg Shares Outstand(Bil)

## Valuation as of 12 Nov 2024

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Current	Calendar
0.85	0.90	1.11	1.06	0.89	0.99	0.92	0.95	0.81	0.97	1.08	Price/Fair Value ◊
3.45	0.64	0.77	0.92	0.84	0.94	0.79	0.70	0.48	0.66	0.76	Price/Sales
—	24.34	41.59	79.96	32.74	33.04	—	44.92	22.12	23.26	—	Price/Earnings
57.34	7.99	9.81	13.38	9.15	7.82	6.86	5.52	3.87	5.50	7.17	Price/Cash Flow
2.02	1.76	2.07	2.40	1.87	2.17	2.18	1.95	1.48	2.30	3.04	Price/Book

## Operating Performance (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2024)

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	06/2024	Fiscal (%)
1.19	1.91	0.97	1.78	2.06	2.67	-7.31	1.44	2.05	0.83	-0.30	Return on Assets
5.39	6.38	3.21	5.25	5.50	7.26	-23.25	5.36	7.94	3.52	-1.33	Return on Equity
3.06	3.44	2.09	3.42	3.73	4.63	-9.62	2.88	4.00	2.71	1.13	Rtn on Invested Capital

## Dividends as of 12 Nov 2024

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Current	Calendar (%)
—	0.03	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.15	—	0.15	0.15	0.16	—	Dividend Per Share
0.00	0.30	1.35	1.15	1.34	1.32	0.00	1.86	2.34	1.60	0.00	Trailing Dividend Yield
—	0.03	0.00	—	—	0.00	—	—	—	3.66	0.00	Buyback Yield

# Appendix

**Economic Moat** <sup>®</sup>History as of 12 Nov 2024 (No Moat: 0.00-0.70, Narrow Moat: 0.70-0.99, Wide Moat: 0.99-1.00)

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2024	0.38	0.69	0.70	0.65	0.62	0.48	0.42	0.51	0.47	0.61	0.49	—
2023	0.07	0.14	0.24	0.10	0.28	0.49	0.35	0.28	0.39	0.32	0.36	0.39
2022	0.39	0.36	0.34	0.43	0.15	0.38	0.36	0.34	0.34	0.33	0.05	0.12
2021	0.26	0.27	0.30	0.22	0.30	0.44	0.44	0.39	0.50	0.46	0.48	0.25
2020	0.84	0.84	0.10	0.07	0.30	0.15	0.08	0.09	0.25	0.48	0.38	0.45
2019	0.45	0.27	0.48	0.31	0.67	0.72	0.68	0.73	0.38	0.65	0.77	0.86

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★ – the stock is overvalued with a reasonable margin of safety.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) < -1\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) < -1.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

★★ – the stock is somewhat overvalued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-1\*Quantitative Uncertainty, -0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

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★★★ – the stock is approximately fairly valued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

★★★★ – the stock is somewhat undervalued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 1\*Quantitative*

*Uncertainty)*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (0.75\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 1.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

★★★★★ – the stock is undervalued with a reasonable margin of safety.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) > 1\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

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