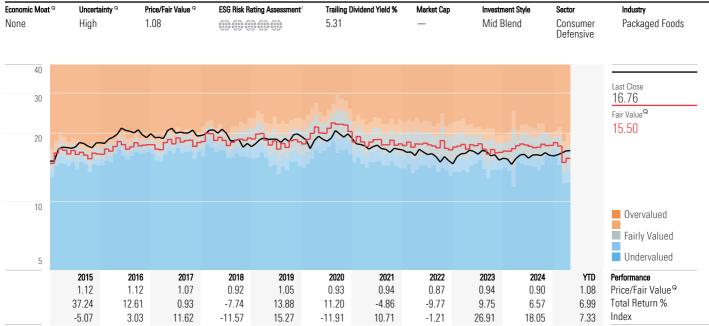
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### **Business Description**

Ebro Foods SA is a Spanish international food group operating in the pasta, rice, and sauces segments. The company is present in more than 25 countries in Europe, North America, Asia, and Africa, through its wide network of subsidiaries and brands. The core businesses are rice and pasta, offered in dry, fresh, precooked, and frozen varieties. Aside from pasta and rice, Ebro Food offers ready meals, fresh potato, sauces among others. The largest geographical segment for the rice division is in Europe, followed by North America, Asia, and Africa. Pasta, sauces, and other products, accounting for almost half of revenue, are mainly present in Europe and North America.

### Valuation as of 8 Apr 2025

Ebro Foods SA receives a 3-star quantitative star rating, indicating our belief that this share class is a balanced choice, but prudent investors should consider looking elsewhere. The stock currently trades at a 8% premium over our quantitative fair value estimate of 15.50 EUR per share; however, this estimate should be taken with a pinch of salt due to its high uncertainty rating.

The firm's liquidity weakens our estimated valuation. Low liquidity can inhibit a company from meeting short-term obligations, potentially reducing financial stability and increasing distress risk. Reflecting the firm's liquidity is its median trading volume over the past 60 days, which falls in the bottom 40% globally. Relatively low trading volume for these shares could lead to prices that don't accurately reflect the intrinsic value of shares. We believe this is a sign that shares could be overvalued.

suring. A company's valuation metrics provide insights into the market's expectations for its future growth and profitability. The firm's enterprise value to EBITDA ratio of 7.0, a core component of valuation, sits in the bottom 30% compared with peers globally. Relative to the company's EBITDA, the enterprise value of the business is low, which, despite our unfavorable price/fair value ratio, is a positive attribute.

In addition to the aforementioned drivers, our model considers momentum as part of its comprehensive analysis. This share class has outperformed the broader universe over the past year. This outperformance may signify a bull trap, in light of other detractors from our model.

### Economic Moat as of 8 Apr 2025

This company lacks a competitive advantage, receiving a quantitative economic moat rating of none. However, its financial health score is strong, suggesting that the company should be well positioned to weather tough times.

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Conversely, the firm's valuation metrics are reas-



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Economic Moat <sup>Q</sup> None	<b>Uncertainty <sup>©</sup></b> High	<b>Price/Fair Value</b> 1.08		Risk Rating Assessment <sup>1</sup>	Trailin	g Dividend Yield %	Market Ca —	n <b>p Investm</b> Mid B	ent Style lend	Sector Consumer Defensive	<b>Industry</b> Packaged Foods
Economic Moat	·° <b>History</b> as of 5	5 Apr 2025		<b>Dividends</b> as of	8 Apr 202	5		Valu	<b>ation</b> <sup>Q</sup> as o	of 8 Apr 2025	
■ No Mo 0.00-0				- Sto	ck Price	<ul> <li>Payout Rat</li> </ul>	io				
1.0	70 0.71-0.99	0.99-1.0	0	40				72.00%			Overvalued (8% Premium)
M	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\		<u> </u>	30			-	54.00	16	t Close .76	Economic Moat <sup>Q</sup> Some  1-Star Price <sup>Q</sup> > 19.88
0.5	W V V	И	J V	20	~~~	M	<b>~~~</b>	36.00	15	.50 ertainty <sup>Q</sup> :	5-Star Price <sup>Q</sup> < 12.09
				10				18.00			
0.0				0				0.00			
2020	2021 2022	2023 2024	2025	16 17	18 19	20 21 22 23	24 25				
Financials (Fiscal 2015	Year End 31 Dec 2 <b>2016</b>	019) <b>2017</b>	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	12/2024	Fiscal
2.46	2.46	2.51	2.65	_	_	_	_	_		3.14	Revenue (Bil)
0.25	0.26	0.28	0.22	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.30	Operating Income (Bil)
10.03	10.72	11.19	8.41	_	_	_	_	_	_	9.71	Operating Margin (%)
0.14	0.17	0.22	0.14	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.21	Net Income (Bil)
0.94	1.10	1.43	0.92	_						1.35	Diluted Earnings/Share
_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	- 0.45	Operating Cash Flow (Bil)
0.08	0.11 0.08	0.12 0.08	0.14 0.07	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.15	Capital Spending (Bil)
0.17										0.14	Free Cash Flow (Bil)
0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.15	Avg Shares Outstand(Bil)
Valuation as of 8	Apr 2025										
2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Current	Calendar
1.12	1.12	1.07	0.92	1.05	0.93	0.94	0.87	0.94	0.90	1.08	Price/Fair Value Q
1.20	1.23	1.21	1.06	1.09	0.93	1.00	0.90	0.78	0.79	0.82	Price/Sales
20.94	17.74	17.24	13.09	21.24	18.92	25.01	20.45	15.00	12.05	12.41	Price/Earnings
12.78	11.44	14.33	18.44	12.03	8.45	17.34	_	11.51	4.80	8.94	Price/Cash Flow
1.49	1.57	1.50	1.29	1.37	1.30	1.30	1.05	1.11	1.10	_	Price/Book
Operating Perforr	nance (Fiscal Year	End 31 Dec 2019)									
2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	12/2024	Fiscal (%)
4.41	4.82	6.04	3.78	_	_	_	_	_		5.27	Return on Assets
7.59	8.39	10.62	6.68	_	_	_	_	_	_	9.21	Return on Equity
6.07	6.64	8.27	5.22	_	_	_	_	_	_	7.61	Rtn on Invested Capital
<b>Dividends</b> as of 8	Apr 2025										
2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Current	Calendar (%)
0.51	0.54	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.66	0.89	Dividend Per Share
3.50	2.71	2.92 0.02	3.27	2.95 0.02	3.01 0.02	3.38	3.89	3.67	4.16	5.31	Trailing Dividend Yield
_	0.01		0.02			0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	Buyback Yield



# **Appendix**

Economic Moat	<sup>a</sup> <b>History</b> as of 5 Ap	r 2025 (No Moat:	0.00-0.70, Narro	w Moat: 0.70-0.	99, Wide Moat:	0.99-1.00)						
Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2025	0.65	0.52	0.60	0.58	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
2024	0.66	0.81	0.66	0.77	0.67	0.64	0.51	0.53	0.56	0.47	0.48	0.62
2023	0.72	0.80	0.77	0.74	0.79	0.78	0.77	0.71	0.66	0.72	0.69	0.71
2022	0.54	0.60	0.56	0.69	0.83	0.83	0.77	0.86	0.77	0.80	0.70	0.71
2021	0.62	0.61	0.59	0.50	0.55	0.55	0.38	0.46	0.42	0.51	0.63	0.52
2020	0.65	0.66	0.75	0.66	0.72	0.64	0.67	0.71	0.81	0.73	0.80	0.71



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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 certainty)

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

★★★ – the stock is approximately fairly valued.

 $\label{log-log-log-log-log} \textit{Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-0.5*Quantitative Uncertainty, 0.5*Quantitative Uncertainty)}$ 

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

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

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