

#### Honeywell (HON) Long Term: 6-12 Months Zacks Recommendation: Neutral (Since: 12/23/18) \$136.04 (As of 05/18/20) Prior Recommendation: Underperform Price Target (6-12 Months): \$145.00 3-Hold Short Term: 1-3 Months Zacks Rank: (1-5) VGM:C Zacks Style Scores: Value: C Growth: C Momentum: C

# **Summary**

Strength in defense and space businesses as well as solid demand for its warehouse automation products will likely boost Honeywell's revenues in the quarters ahead. Also, increased productivity and operational excellence initiatives are likely to improve the company's near-term profitability. Its acquisitions will likely prove beneficial in the quarters ahead. It is committed to rewarding shareholders handsomely through share repurchases and dividend payouts. However, in the past six months, it has underperformed the industry. The company believes that the coronavirus outbreak-led market downturn and the volatile oil market will adversely impact its near-term results. Given its extensive geographic presence, its business is subject to political, economic and geopolitical issues. Rise in debt levels can increase its financial obligations.

# **Data Overview**

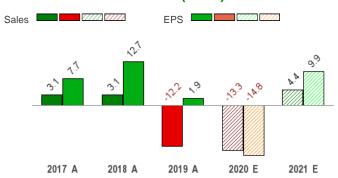
52 Week High-Low	\$184.06 - \$101.08
20 Day Average Volume (sh)	3,637,561
Market Cap	\$95.5 B
YTD Price Change	-23.1%
Beta	1.04
Dividend / Div Yld	\$3.60 / 2.6%
Industry	<b>Diversified Operations</b>
Zacks Industry Rank	Bottom 32% (172 out of 254)

Last EPS Surprise	11.6%
Last Sales Surprise	-2.5%
EPS F1 Est- 4 week change	-11.5%
Expected Report Date	07/16/2020
Earnings ESP	0.0%
P/E TTM	16.1
P/E F1	19.6
PEG F1	2.1
P/S TTM	2.6

# Price, Consensus & Surprise



# Sales and EPS Growth Rates (Y/Y %)



# Sales Estimates (millions of \$)

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual*
2021	8,408 E	8,067 E	8,420 E	8,979 E	33,214 E
2020	8,463 A	7,299 E	7,592 E	8,476 E	31,828 E
2019	8,884 A	9,243 A	9,086 A	9,496 A	36,709 A

# **EPS Estimates**

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual*
2021	\$2.10 E	\$1.68 E	\$2.05 E	\$2.07 E	\$7.64 E
2020	\$2.21 A	\$1.16 E	\$1.62 E	\$1.91 E	\$6.95 E
2019	\$1.92 A	\$2.10 A	\$2.08 A	\$2.06 A	\$8.16 A

\*Quarterly figures may not add up to annual.

The data in the charts and tables, including the Zacks Consensus EPS and Sales estimates, is as of 05/18/2020. The reports text is as of 05/19/2020.

#### Overview

Based in Morris Township, NJ, Honeywell International Inc. is a global diversified technology and manufacturing company with a wide range of aerospace products and services. The company has operations in the United States, Europe, Canada, Asia and Latin America.

The company is a global leader in refrigerants, aerosols, and foam-insulation blowing agents that are used to replace ozone-depleting Chlorofluorocarbon and Hydro Chlorofluorocarbons. These products also improve the energy efficiency of homes, appliances, and commercial refrigeration systems.

Honeywell operates through four business segments as discussed hereunder:





adsorbents, equipment and services. This segment includes its wholly owned subsidiary, Honeywell UOP, which is an international supplier and licensor of process technology, and consulting services to the petrochemical and petroleum refining industries.



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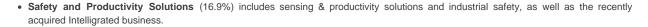
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• Honeywell Building Technologies segment (15.1%) offers environmental & energy solutions, security and fire, and building solutions. Some of the notable products offered by the segment include sensors, switches, control systems and instruments for energy management as well as advanced software applications for building control and optimization.





## **Reasons To Buy:**

▲ Honeywell's persistent strength across its defense and space businesses, supported by healthy demand for guidance and navigation systems along with strong backlog will act as tailwinds in the quarters ahead. Also, going forward, growth in demand for warehouse automation products and supply-chain analytics will likely support its Intelligrated business. In addition, surge in demand for personal protective equipment, medical sensors, and hand sanitizers will act as tailwinds for its Safety and Productivity Solutions segment. Notably, the company's pro-active steps to expand manufacturing operations at its Smithfield and Phoenix facilities for the production of personal protective equipment will boost its top-line performance during the coronavirus-led global market downturn. Moreover, Honeywell's focus on investing

Strength in Intelligrated and defense businesses, greater operational excellence and its portfolio-transformation strategy are likely to drive Honeywell's profitability.

in product introductions and next-generation innovation across its portfolio will likely be beneficial over the long term. Further, in response to the coronavirus crisis, the company has been executing several cost-control measures to maintain a healthy capital structure. Some of the actions taken by it include the reduction of discretionary expenses, a hiring freeze and repositioning actions. In the quarters ahead, the measures will likely help the company to maintain a healthy margin performance amid the crisis.

- ▲ Honeywell reported better-than-expected earnings for the March-ended quarter. The bottom line beat the Zacks Consensus Estimate by 11.6%, and also improved 15% year over year. The company noted that the upswing was driven by higher operating profit, lower share count and a lower adjusted effective tax rate. Also, the company's segment margin for the first quarter was 21.8%, up 140 basis points (bps) year over year, backed by higher commercial and operational excellence, repositioning benefits, and cost-control measures. Moving ahead, Honeywell expects that the three transformation initiatives the Connected Enterprise, Integrated Supply Chain and Honeywell Digital will drive its profitability.
- ▲ Strong cash flows allow the company to effectively deploy capital for making acquisitions, repurchasing shares and dividend payouts. Notably, in the first quarter of 2020, it paid out dividends worth \$635 million to shareholders, higher than \$606 million paid out in the year-ago quarter. Also, the company repurchased shares worth \$1,923 million, higher than \$750 million a year ago. It is worth noting that the quarterly dividend rate was hiked 10% in September 2019, marking its 10th double-digit increment in dividend rate since 2010. Such diligent capital deployment strategies boost shareholders' wealth. In addition, Honeywell acquired the Rebellion Photonics in December 2019, which has been augmenting its portfolio of automation, process technologies and gas detection solutions. Also, the company's buyout of TruTrak Flight Systems (July 2019) has been expanding its capabilities in the aviation market. The tactical initiatives will help it concentrate on high-growth industrial businesses and boost sales growth.

#### **Reasons To Sell:**

✓ In the first quarter, Honeywell's revenues declined 4% on an organic basis on account of weakness in its commercial aerospace, and oil and gas end markets due to the coronavirus outbreak. Notably, the company expects that headwinds across its commercial original equipment business due to ongoing 737 MAX-related issues, temporary operational shutdowns and lower business jet demand will significantly affect its revenues. Also, significant reduction in global air transport flight hours, owing to the coronavirus-led issues will affect its commercial aftermarket business. Notably, it anticipates Aerospace revenues to decline more than 25% in the second quarter on a year-over-year basis. The company

The coronavirus outbreakled market downturn, highdebt levels and unfavorable movements in foreign currencies remain concerning for Honeywell.

expects the Performance Materials and Technologies segment's revenues to fall in excess of 15% year over year in the second quarter, owing to the volatile oil market, weak outlook for oil and gas capital expenditure, and the coronavirus outbreak-related supply chain disruptions. Moreover, owing to softness in building solutions projects and low demand for security and building management products, Honeywell Building Technologies segment's revenues are anticipated to decline by more than 10% in the second quarter. Further, persistent weakness in in its productivity products and retail businesses remain concerning for its top-line performance. Notably, on uncertainties, regarding the impacts of the coronavirus outbreak on financial and operating results, the company has now temporarily suspended its guidance for 2020.

- ✓ Honeywell's long-term debt in the last five years (2015-2019) increased 14.9% (CAGR). At the end of the first quarter of 2020, the company's long-term debt was \$11,542 million, up 3.9% sequentially. Notably, its cash and cash equivalents of \$7,721 million were not sufficient to meet its obligations. Notably, at the end of the first quarter of 2020, Honeywell's total debt-to-capital increased to 41.3% from 40% recorded at the end of fourth-quarter 2019. High-debt levels can increase its financial obligations and prove detrimental to profitability in the quarters ahead. In addition, analysts have become increasingly bearish about the company over the past 30 days. Consequently, the Zacks Consensus Estimate for second-quarter 2020 earnings has trended down from \$1.83 to \$1.16 on seven downward estimate revisions against none upward. Also, estimates for 2020 and 2021 have been lowered by 11.5% and 8.8%, respectively, during the same timeframe. Over the past six months, Honeywell's shares have fallen 23.2% compared with the industry's decline of 22.9%.
- ▼ Honeywell operates across diverse geographies, which exposes it to certain political, economic and geopolitical issues. For instance, forex woes adversely impacted sales in the first quarter of 2020 by 1%. Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates may affect the company's top line in the quarters ahead.

# **Last Earnings Report**

#### Honeywell Q1 Earnings Beat Estimates, Revenues Miss

Honeywell has reported mixed first-quarter 2020 results, wherein earnings beat estimates but revenues lagged the same.

## Earnings & Revenues

Adjusted earnings were \$2.21 per share, surpassing the Zacks Consensus Estimate of \$1.98. The bottom line also jumped 15% year over year, driven by higher operating profit.

Quarter Ending	03/2020
Report Date	May 01, 2020
Sales Surprise	-2.49%
EPS Surprise	11.62%
Quarterly EPS	2.21
Annual EPS (TTM)	8.45

Honeywell's first-quarter revenues were \$8,463 million, missing the consensus estimate of \$8,679 million. The top line recorded a decline of 5% on a year-over-year basis. Notably, the fall was primarily attributable to a 4% decline in organic revenues on account of weakness in its commercial aerospace, and oil and gas end markets due to the coronavirus outbreak.

#### Segmental Breakup

Aerospace's revenues were \$3,361 million, up 1% year over year. Honeywell Building Technologies' revenues declined 8% to \$1,281 million. Performance Materials and Technologies generated \$2,397 million revenues, down 7%, while that for Safety and Productivity Solutions declined 10% to \$1,424 million.

### Costs/Margins

The company's total cost of sales in the reported quarter was \$5,534 million, down 5.9% year over year. Selling, general and administrative expenses declined 9.2% to \$1,238 million. Interest expenses and other financial charges were \$73 million compared with \$85 million a year ago.

Operating income margin in the first quarter was 20%, up 150 basis points year over year.

#### **Balance Sheet/Cash Flow**

Exiting the first quarter of 2020, Honeywell had cash and cash equivalents of \$7,721 million compared with \$9,067 million as of Dec 31, 2019. Long-term debt was \$11,542 million, higher than \$11,110 million recorded at the end of 2019.

During the first three months of 2020, the company generated \$939 million in cash from operating activities compared with \$1,134 million generated in the year-ago comparable period. Capital expenditure was \$139 million compared with \$141 million incurred in the year-ago comparable period.

Adjusted free cash flow was \$800 million, down 30.9% year over year.

# Outlook

Honeywell expects its near-term revenues to be adversely impacted by soft aerospace, and oil and gas end markets, owing to the coronavirus-led issues and supply-chain disruptions. However, it remains focused on its operational excellence measures to boost profitability.

Notably, on uncertainties, regarding the impacts of the coronavirus outbreak on financial and operating results, the company has now temporarily suspended its guidance for 2020.

#### **Recent News**

On **May 14, 2020**, Honeywell announced its decision to come up with a new production line at its Newhouse site based in Scotland for the production of disposable face masks. The new production line will have the capacity of up to 4.5 million of FFP2 and FFP3 face masks on a monthly basis. With production likely to commence in July, Honeywell expects to deliver 70 million face masks over a year and a half. Notably, the addition of the Newhouse mask production line will help generate around 450 new jobs.

On **May 12, 2020**, Honeywell announced a new temperature monitoring solution for performing personnel screening operations in a facility. Notably, the solution, which includes artificial intelligence-driven advanced software, easily integrates with Honeywell Forge platform.

On May 11, 2020, Honeywell announced that Wood, a leader in consulting, projects and operations solutions have adopted the Honeywell Forge Workforce Productivity solution.

On Apr 27, 2020, Honeywell's board of directors approved the payout of a quarterly dividend of 90 cents to shareholders of record as of May 15, 2020. The dividend will be paid out on June 5, 2020.

On Mar 31, 2020, Honeywell announced that it entered a \$6-billion two-year delayed draw term loan deal. Notably, this will enable the company to maximize its financial flexibility and further boost liquidity position.

On Mar 30, 2020, Honeywell announced that it has been working on enhancing its manufacturing capacities at the Phoenix site to produce N95 face masks. The manufacturing facility will primarily support the delivery of the face masks to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, which will add to the American stockpile. The expansion of the Phoenix mask production line will help in generating more than 500 jobs in Arizona.

On **Mar 22, 2020**, Honeywell highlighted its pro-active steps to expand manufacturing operations at its Smithfield, RI-based site for the production of N95 face masks. Honeywell's delivery of face masks to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will add to the American stockpile. Notably, the addition of the Smithfield mask production line will help in generating a minimum of 500 jobs.

On **Mar 17, 2020**, Honeywell announced the introduction of a data-driven analytics platform — Honeywell Forge — for the business aviation industry. Designed as a cost-effective solution to implement, the software solution will offer aviation companies with mission-management competences in several fields, including flight operations, connectivity, navigation databases and maintenance.

### **Valuation**

Honeywell shares are down 23.1% and 17.9% in the year-to-date period and over the trailing 12-month period, respectively. Stocks in both the Zacks sub-industry and the Zacks Conglomerates sector are down 24.6% in the year-to-date period. Over the past year, both the Zacks sub-industry and sector are down 19.3%.

The S&P 500 Index has moved down 11.1% year to date and increased 0.8% in the past year.

The stock is currently trading at 11.08x forward 12-month EV/EBITDA, which compares to 23.88x for both the Zacks sub-industry and the Zacks sector, and 12.3x for the S&P 500 index.

Over the past five years, the stock has traded as high as 13.77x and as low as 8.69x, with a 5-year median of 11.59x. Our Neutral recommendation indicates that the stock will perform in line with the market. Our \$145 price target reflects 19.93x forward 12-month earnings per share.

The table below shows summary valuation data for HON.

Valuation Multiples - HON						
		Stock	Sub-Industry	Sector	S&P 500	
	Current	11.08	23.88	23.88	12.3	
EV/EBITDA F12M	5-Year High	13.77	79.69	79.69	12.65	
	5-Year Low	8.69	17.51	17.51	9.05	
	5-Year Median	11.59	21.71	21.71	10.81	
	Current	18.86	23.91	23.91	20.83	
P/E F12M	5-Year High	22.23	23.91	23.91	20.87	
	5-Year Low	12	15.76	15.76	15.23	
	5-Year Median	17.84	18.35	18.35	17.49	
	Current	2.84	3.06	3.06	3.02	
EV/Sales F12M	5-Year High	3.5	4.1	4.1	3.51	
	5-Year Low	1.81	2.53	2.53	2.28	
	5-Year Median	2.63	3.4	3.4	2.82	

As of 05/18/2020

# Industry Analysis Zacks Industry Rank: Bottom 32% (172 out of 254)

#### ■ Industry Price Industry -140 -130

# **Top Peers**

Company (Ticker)	Rec R	ank
Danaher Corporation (DHR)	Neutral	3
Emerson Electric Co. (EMR)	Neutral	3
General Electric Company (GE)	Neutral	3
Garmin Ltd. (GRMN)	Neutral	4
3M Company (MMM)	Neutral	3
ParkerHannifin Corporation (PH)	Neutral	3
Zebra Technologies Corporation (ZBRA)	Neutral	2
Safran SA (SAFRY)	Underperform	3

Industry Comparison Industr	ndustry Comparison Industry: Diversified Operations			Industry Peers			
	HON	X Industry	S&P 500	GE	MMM	PH	
Zacks Recommendation (Long Term)	Neutral	-	-	Neutral	Neutral	Neutra	
Zacks Rank (Short Term)	3	-	-	3	3	3	
VGM Score	С	-	-	F	В	В	
Market Cap	95.48 B	4.28 B	20.09 B	54.84 B	85.86 B	21.17 E	
# of Analysts	10	3	14	8	7	6	
Dividend Yield	2.65%	2.03%	2.1%	0.64%	3.94%	2.13%	
Value Score	С	-	-	C	С	В	
Cash/Price	0.10	0.25	0.07	1.87	0.06	0.04	
EV/EBITDA	10.91	8.20	12.13	2.89	13.86	11.13	
PEG Ratio	2.09	2.83	2.72	25.92	1.98	1.47	
Price/Book (P/B)	5.34	0.93	2.75	1.49	8.41	3.36	
Price/Cash Flow (P/CF)	13.75	5.86	10.86	4.86	12.41	10.61	
P/E (F1)	19.35	18.85	20.10	116.65	18.85	17.30	
Price/Sales (P/S)	2.63	0.69	2.05	0.55	2.65	1.49	
Earnings Yield	5.11%	5.19%	4.77%	0.80%	5.31%	5.78%	
Debt/Equity	0.65	0.77	0.76	1.80	1.94	1.28	
Cash Flow (\$/share)	9.89	2.43	7.01	1.29	12.02	15.57	
Growth Score	С	-	-	F	A	В	
Hist. EPS Growth (3-5 yrs)	8.38%	10.44%	10.87%	-21.62%	5.11%	17.20%	
Proj. EPS Growth (F1/F0)	-14.87%	-21.63%	-10.31%	-91.73%	-12.97%	-19.47%	
Curr. Cash Flow Growth	-1.43%	2.77%	5.51%	-8.00%	-11.15%	6.37%	
Hist. Cash Flow Growth (3-5 yrs)	5.69%	5.78%	8.55%	-12.27%	1.67%	7.55%	
Current Ratio	1.30	1.65	1.28	1.91	1.65	1.49	
Debt/Capital	39.26%	42.26%	44.46%	64.30%	66.04%	56.22%	
Net Margin	17.38%	3.62%	10.59%	-2.39%	15.37%	9.32%	
Return on Equity	33.60%	11.64%	16.29%	13.66%	50.24%	24.30%	
Sales/Assets	0.62	0.76	0.55	0.36	0.75	0.72	
Proj. Sales Growth (F1/F0)	-13.30%	0.00%	-2.49%	-24.38%	-5.32%	-6.53%	
Momentum Score	С	-	-	F	В	D	
Daily Price Chg	8.48%	2.73%	5.21%	14.21%	7.63%	7.73%	
1 Week Price Chg	-8.40%	-4.02%	-4.56%	-12.72%	-6.61%	-4.79%	
4 Week Price Chg	0.25%	2.70%	4.12%	-3.69%	3.90%	22.90%	
12 Week Price Chg	-22.38%	-20.64%	-16.39%	-47.13%	-2.15%	-18.69%	
52 Week Price Chg	-19.32%	-26.54%	-5.84%	-36.54%	-10.21%	1.27%	
20 Day Average Volume	3,637,561	74,017	2,651,378	132,750,256	3,898,737	1,496,380	
(F1) EPS Est 1 week change	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-41.89%	0.00%	-0.16%	
(F1) EPS Est 4 week change	-11.54%	-5.82%	-4.48%	-85.81%	-2.91%	7.28%	
(F1) EPS Est 12 week change	-21.28%	-35.77%	-16.39%	-90.69%	-16.67%	-9.34%	
(Q1) EPS Est Mthly Chg	-36.87%	-31.74%	-9.90%	-424.56%	-5.55%	18.78%	

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