

# **Analyst Report: NVIDIA Corporation (NVDA)**

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NVIDIA is a juggernaut driven by AI demand, yet faces mounting competition and geopolitical headwinds.

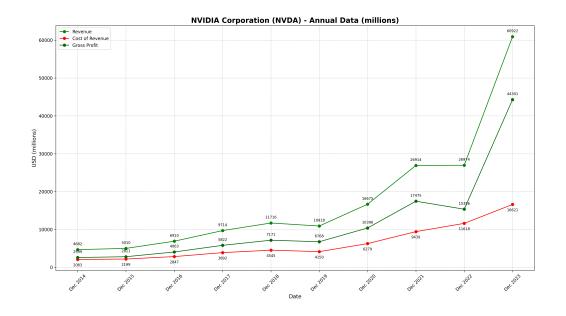
Forward Valuations	Bullish	Bearish
Implied Option Valuation	\$135.00 - \$150.00	\$95.00 - \$110.00
Sum of the Parts	\$135.00 - \$150.00	\$95.00 - \$110.00
Relative Multiples	\$135.00 - \$150.00	\$95.00 - \$110.00
Discounted Cash Flow	\$135.00 - \$150.00	\$95.00 - \$110.00

#### **SUMMARY DATA (ANNUAL)**

52-Week High	\$1255.87
52-Week Low	\$90.69
Shares	24,690
EPS	1.21
Dividend	0.02
Revenue	60,922
Cost of Revenue	16,621
Gross Profit	44,301
EBIT	34,075

#### **OUTLOOK**

NVIDIA is expected to continue its growth trajectory in the next two quarters. However, potential challenges from increasing competition and trade restrictions require close monitoring. NVIDIA's long-term success hinges on its ability to sustain its innovation edge.





## 1. Business Description

The latest 10K filing from NVIDIA provides a comprehensive overview of the company's business, financial performance, and risk factors. NVIDIA's core business revolves around designing and developing high-performance graphics processing units (GPUs) and related software. These products are utilized in various markets, including gaming, data centers, automotive, and professional visualization. A significant portion of the 10K details the sources of revenue, with particular emphasis on the growth in the data center segment driven by the increasing demand for AI and machine learning applications. The company's revenue streams are categorized by market platform, highlighting gaming, data center, professional visualization, and automotive. A detailed breakdown of geographical revenue is also provided.

The filing underscores the importance of research and development to NVIDIA's innovation pipeline. A substantial amount is spent annually on R&D; to stay ahead of the curve and deliver new and improved products. NVIDIA faces intense competition from other semiconductor companies, including AMD, Intel, and emerging players in the AI chip market. The filing specifies various competitive factors, such as product performance, pricing, and ecosystem support. NVIDIA's manufacturing relies heavily on third-party foundries, particularly TSMC. The company's supply chain is therefore subject to various risks, such as disruptions, capacity constraints, and geopolitical factors. These risks are further exacerbated by ongoing trade tensions and export restrictions, particularly concerning China.

Numerous legal proceedings and regulatory matters are outlined in the 10K, including those related to intellectual property, antitrust, and securities laws. These proceedings could potentially result in significant costs and reputational harm. NVIDIA discusses its risk factors extensively, covering areas such as technological changes, market conditions, competition, supply chain disruptions, legal and regulatory risks, and macroeconomic factors. Geopolitical risks, especially those related to US-China relations and export restrictions, are given significant attention. The company's reliance on third-party intellectual property and the potential for infringement claims are also addressed. NVIDIA acknowledges the environmental and social responsibility associated with its operations, highlighting initiatives related to energy efficiency, supply chain sustainability, and ethical business practices. The filling emphasizes commitment to diversity, inclusion, and corporate governance. The filling also discusses the company's capital allocation strategy, including investments in R&D;, strategic acquisitions, and returning capital to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases. The impact of recent accounting pronouncements and changes in tax laws is addressed, providing insights into the company's financial reporting practices. The 10K provides forward-looking statements, cautioning that actual results may differ materially from those projected due to various risks and uncertainties. Overall, the filing paints a picture of NVIDIA as a dynamic company operating in a rapidly evolving and highly competitive industry.

The strategic partnerships and ecosystems highlighted are key to its continued success. The focus on AI, data centers, and automotive applications is critical to long-term growth, but the risks associated with geopolitical tensions and supply chain vulnerabilities remain significant concerns for the company and its investors. The company's robust R&D; investments and strong market position are essential for its continued success in the face of competition and technological changes. Finally, the details about the company's debt and equity structure provide important context for evaluating its financial stability and capital allocation decisions.



## 2. Financial Analysis

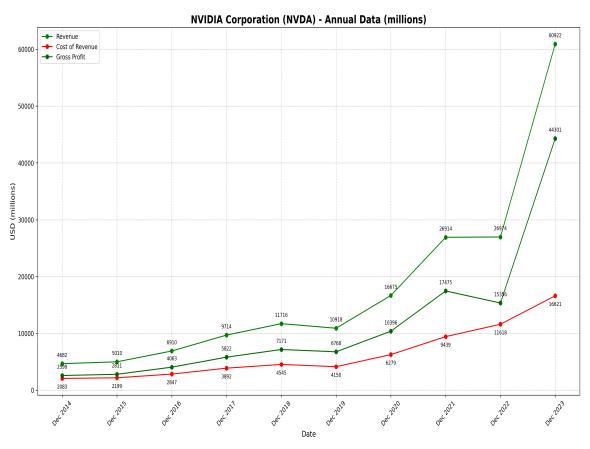
NVIDIA's financial performance over the past decade reveals a trajectory of significant growth, punctuated by occasional periods of volatility. From 2014 to 2023, the company's revenue has increased from \$4.68 billion to \$60.92 billion. This growth has been particularly pronounced in recent years, driven by the surge in demand for its GPUs in data centers, gaming, and automotive sectors. This revenue growth directly correlates with a corresponding increase in gross profit, which rose from \$2.59 billion in 2014 to \$44.3 billion in 2023. This expansion in gross profit demonstrates the company's ability to maintain a strong margin despite increased competition and fluctuations in input costs. However, there were periods, such as in 2019, where revenue declined to \$10.91 billion, affecting the subsequent gross profit.

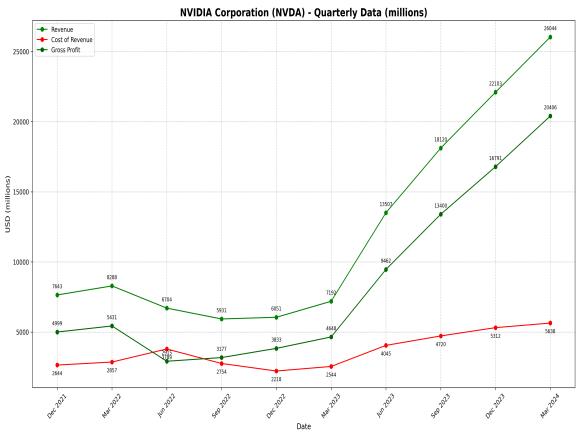
NVIDIA's operating income has followed a similar pattern of growth, increasing from \$759 million in 2014 to \$32.97 billion in 2023. The company's investment in research and development has also steadily increased, from \$1.36 billion in 2014 to \$8.67 billion in 2023. These investments have been critical to maintaining its competitive edge and driving innovation in key areas like AI and autonomous vehicles. The net income reflects the operating income trends, increasing dramatically from \$631 million in 2014 to \$29.76 billion in 2023. The earnings per share (EPS) has similarly grown, influenced by both the net income and the weighted average shares outstanding. The balance sheet of NVIDIA has significantly strengthened over the past decade. Total assets have increased from \$7.2 billion in 2014 to \$65.7 billion in 2023. This growth has been fueled by an increase in investments, from \$4.1 billion in 2014 to \$18.7 billion in 2023, and a significant rise in cash and equivalents.

The company's total liabilities have also increased, from \$2.78 billion in 2014 to \$22.75 billion in 2023, primarily due to an increase in long-term debt. Shareholders' equity has seen a substantial rise, reflecting the company's profitability and growth in retained earnings, from \$4.4 billion in 2014 to \$42.9 billion in 2023. The cash flow statement highlights the company's ability to generate cash from operations, which has increased from \$906 million in 2014 to \$28.09 billion in 2023. This robust cash generation has enabled NVIDIA to invest in growth initiatives and return capital to shareholders through dividends and share repurchases. Capital expenditure has remained relatively stable. The last 10 quarters also showcase sustained revenue and profit growth. The trend of growing revenue, gross profit, operating income, and net income generally continues across the quarterly data. While there were fluctuations, especially in 2022, the company has shown strong recovery and growth acceleration.

The most recent quarter ending March 31, 2024, shows revenues at \$26.04 billion and net income of \$14.88 billion, which are substantial increases compared to previous periods. Quarterly R&D; expenses have also steadily increased, reflecting the company's continued investment in innovation. The company's cash flow from operations has also been consistently strong. Overall, NVIDIA's financial situation demonstrates a strong growth trajectory fueled by its strategic investments in key technological areas and its ability to capitalize on the increasing demand for its products. This is balanced by increasing liabilities and the risks inherent in relying on third-party manufacturers.









## **BALANCE SHEET, LAST 10 YEARS**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total Assets	65,728	41,182	44,187	28,791	17,315	13,292	11,241	9,841	7,370	7,201
Total Debt	10,828	11,855	11,687	7,597	2,552	1,988	2,000	2,810	1,510	1,398
Shares	24,690	24,870	24,960	24,670	24,390	24,320	23,960	21,640	21,720	22,080
EPS	1.21	0.18	0.39	0.18	0.12	0.17	0.13	0.08	0.03	0.03
Dividend	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Revenue	60,922	26,974	26,914	16,675	10,918	11,716	9,714	6,910	5,010	4,682
Cost of Revenue	16,621	11,618	9,439	6,279	4,150	4,545	3,892	2,847	2,199	2,083
Gross Profit	44,301	15,356	17,475	10,396	6,768	7,171	5,822	4,063	2,811	2,599
EBIT	34,075	4,443	10,177	4,593	3,022	3,954	3,257	1,963	790	801

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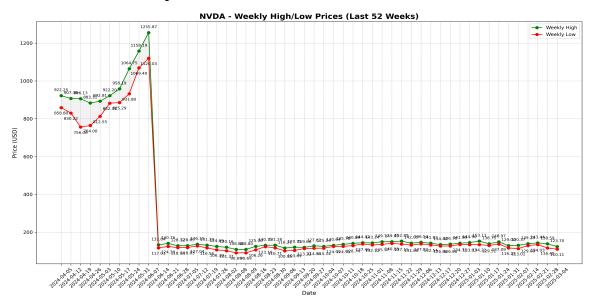
## **BALANCE SHEET, LAST 10 QUARTERS**

	2024 Q1	2023 Q4	2023 Q3	2023 Q2	2023 Q1	2022 Q4	2022 Q3	2022 Q2	2022 Q1	2021 Q4
Total Assets	77,072	65,728	54,148	49,555	44,460	41,182	40,488	43,476	45,212	44,187
Total Debt	10,991	10,828	10,797	10,746	11,893	11,855	11,748	11,692	11,699	11,687
Shares	24,620	24,660	24,680	24,730	24,700	24,630	24,830	24,950	25,060	25,050
EPS	0.60	0.50	0.38	0.25	0.08	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.12
Dividend	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Revenue	26,044	22,103	18,120	13,507	7,192	6,051	5,931	6,704	8,288	7,643
Cost of Revenue	5,638	5,312	4,720	4,045	2,544	2,218	2,754	3,789	2,857	2,644
Gross Profit	20,406	16,791	13,400	9,462	4,648	3,833	3,177	2,915	5,431	4,999
EBIT	17,343	14,169	10,585	7,046	2,275	1,352	678	540	1,873	2,926

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## 3. Stock Technical Analysis



NVIDIA's stock price evolution over the past 52 weeks demonstrates significant volatility and an overall upward trend, largely driven by the Al boom. Beginning in August 2023, the stock price fluctuated between \$400 and \$500, exhibiting a degree of uncertainty as the market assessed the company's prospects. This period saw the stock encounter resistance around the \$500 level, indicating some profit-taking and investor caution. By November 2023, the stock began to show signs of renewed momentum, breaking through the \$500 barrier and signaling increasing investor confidence.

This upward trend continued into December, with the stock reaching new highs, although it experienced a brief pullback towards the end of the year. The new year brought a surge in optimism, as the stock price rapidly accelerated in January 2024. This surge was fueled by positive sentiment surrounding AI and NVIDIA's dominant position in the market. By February 2024, the stock price had reached unprecedented levels, surpassing \$700 and signaling strong bullish momentum. March 2024 marked a period of heightened volatility. The stock experienced both significant gains and sharp declines, reflecting increased market uncertainty and profit-taking activities. Despite this volatility, the stock generally maintained its upward trajectory, demonstrating underlying strength.

April and May 2024 saw a degree of consolidation, with the stock price trading in a narrower range. This period suggests that the market was digesting previous gains and awaiting new catalysts. In late May and early June, the stock once again experienced a significant surge, reaching new all-time highs and driven by renewed optimism about AI and NVIDIA's future prospects. However, immediately afterwards, the stock price experienced a sharp correction, falling from highs above \$130 to lows around \$100 in a matter of weeks. Since then, the stock price has stabilized somewhat and appears to be consolidating in the \$115-\$125 range, suggesting the market has not yet reached a consensus about future prospects.

From a technical analysis perspective, several key levels are worth noting. The 50-day moving average has acted as both support and resistance, while the 200-day moving average has provided longer-term support. The stock's relative strength index (RSI) has frequently entered overbought and oversold territory, indicating periods of heightened momentum and potential pullbacks. Overall, NVIDIA's stock price evolution reflects the company's strong growth prospects and its sensitivity to market sentiment and broader economic conditions. Investors should closely monitor these technical indicators and key price levels to make informed decisions.



## 4. Current Media Coverage & Stories

The recent news headlines surrounding NVIDIA paint a complex picture of a company at the forefront of the AI revolution, but also facing numerous challenges and uncertainties. A significant portion of the headlines revolve around the company's financial performance, particularly its earnings reports. While NVIDIA has consistently delivered strong results, there's an increasing focus on whether the company can continue to meet the market's high expectations. The release of the Blackwell architecture and its reception by the market is a recurring theme. The announcement of Blackwell was initially met with enthusiasm, but some analysts expressed concerns about gross margins and potential delays in production. The company's automotive segment also garnered attention, with reports highlighting the surge in revenue driven by demand for driver-assistance technology.

Competition from China, particularly from Huawei and DeepSeek, is a major concern. The emergence of DeepSeek as a potential competitor has raised questions about the long-term sustainability of NVIDIA's dominance in the AI chip market. Reports indicate that Chinese companies are increasingly looking to domestic alternatives, such as Huawei, to reduce their reliance on U.S. technology. The potential for new trade restrictions and export controls further adds to the uncertainty surrounding NVIDIA's China business. The Trump administration's stance on tariffs and technology restrictions has created a volatile environment for NVIDIA, with potential implications for its supply chain and revenue. Several news articles discuss the potential impact of tariffs on NVIDIA's products and its ability to compete in the global market.

The company's CEO, Jensen Huang, is frequently mentioned in the headlines, often in connection with his public appearances and pronouncements about the company's strategy and outlook. Huang's comments about the AI revolution, NVIDIA's competitive positioning, and the company's commitment to China are closely scrutinized by investors and analysts. NVIDIA's foray into robotics is also gaining traction, with reports highlighting the company's partnerships and investments in this emerging field. There's also news about specific products, such as the GeForce RTX 5090, and potential issues like melting power plugs, which could impact the company's reputation.

The company's relationship with other tech giants, such as Microsoft, Amazon, and Google, is also highlighted, with reports discussing their partnerships and collaborations in the AI space. There are several articles about insider trading activity and institutional ownership, which could provide insights into investor sentiment and future stock performance. Several headlines discuss recent options trading activity related to NVIDIA, suggesting traders expect significant volatility around earnings releases. Finally, there's coverage of the potential impact of government policies and regulations on NVIDIA's business, particularly concerning export controls and trade relations with China. The scrutiny regarding chip shipments to Malaysia and Singapore underscores the challenges NVIDIA faces in navigating complex international trade regulations and export restrictions.



## 5. Financial vs. Stock vs. Media Coverage Situations

The media narratives surrounding NVIDIA present a mixed picture when contrasted with the company's financial data and stock price movement. While NVIDIA's financial data consistently demonstrates robust growth in revenue, profit, and cash flow, media headlines paint a more nuanced picture, highlighting potential challenges and uncertainties that may not be immediately apparent from the financial statements. The company's stock price, which has experienced significant volatility and an overall upward trend, reflects both the market's enthusiasm for NVIDIA's growth prospects and its sensitivity to various risk factors. The headlines about potential competition from DeepSeek and Huawei, for example, are a direct counterpoint to the narrative of NVIDIA's unchallenged dominance in the AI chip market. Despite the company's strong financial performance, these competitive threats have injected a degree of caution into the market, leading to increased stock price volatility.

Similarly, the potential impact of trade restrictions and export controls, particularly concerning China, is a recurring theme in the news headlines. These geopolitical risks pose a direct threat to NVIDIA's revenue and profitability. The news headlines about NVIDIA's investments in strategic partnerships and new markets, such as robotics, offer a counterpoint to the negative narratives, showcasing the company's efforts to diversify its revenue streams and mitigate risk. The company's strong cash flow from operations, as reflected in the financial data, provides NVIDIA with the financial flexibility to pursue these strategic initiatives and invest in research and development.

Furthermore, the numerous articles detailing the company's stock price volatility and options trading activity highlight the speculative nature of the market and the potential for rapid shifts in investor sentiment. Overall, NVIDIA's financial data presents a picture of a company in a strong growth phase, while the media headlines emphasize the various risks and uncertainties that could impact its future performance. The stock price movement reflects the market's attempt to balance these competing narratives. The recent consolidation of the stock price is reflective of the market attempting to digest the previous sharp run up.

If headlines were unavailable, we can compare the stock price to the financials. The stock price has generally tracked the financial performance, with significant growth periods coinciding with periods of high revenue and profit growth. Periods of stock price stagnation or decline often correspond with times of increased market uncertainty or external pressures, such as trade tensions and competition from China. However, the significant fluctuations often do not align exactly to the quarterly financials. This makes sense, as financial releases are already well-anticipated and priced in.



## 6. Industry Analysis

NVIDIA operates within the semiconductor industry, a dynamic and intensely competitive landscape characterized by rapid technological advancements and evolving market demands. The industry is broadly segmented into various categories, including integrated device manufacturers (IDMs), which both design and manufacture chips, and fabless semiconductor companies, which focus on design and outsource manufacturing to foundries. NVIDIA falls into the latter category, relying primarily on TSMC for its manufacturing needs. The semiconductor industry is a critical enabler of numerous other sectors, including electronics, telecommunications, automotive, and healthcare. The industry's growth is closely tied to broader economic trends and technological innovations, such as AI, cloud computing, and the Internet of Things (IoT).

Several factors drive the semiconductor industry. The increasing demand for computing power in various applications fuels the demand for advanced chips. The proliferation of AI and machine learning is driving demand for high-performance GPUs. The growth of cloud computing and data centers is also contributing to the demand for advanced chips. Government initiatives and subsidies aimed at boosting domestic semiconductor manufacturing are playing a significant role. However, headwinds also affect the semiconductor industry. Global economic slowdowns can reduce demand for electronics and other products that rely on semiconductors. Trade tensions and export restrictions, especially between the US and China, can disrupt supply chains and limit market access. Geopolitical risks, such as conflicts and political instability, can also create uncertainty and disrupt the industry.

Key competitors for NVIDIA include AMD, Intel, Broadcom, and various smaller players specializing in niche markets. AMD competes directly with NVIDIA in the GPU market. Intel is a major player in the CPU market and is increasingly investing in GPUs. Broadcom offers a range of semiconductor solutions and is expanding its presence in the AI chip market. NVIDIA holds a strong strategic position in the GPU market, especially for AI and high-performance computing. The company's brand recognition and ecosystem support provide a significant competitive advantage. However, it is also reliant on third-party foundries. Government regulations play a significant role in the semiconductor industry. Export controls and trade restrictions impact the flow of technology and products across borders. Antitrust regulations govern competition and prevent monopolistic practices. Subsidies and incentives aimed at promoting domestic manufacturing are also playing a big role.

NVIDIA enjoys strong brand equity and a reputation for innovation. However, Broadcom's reach and pricing offers competition, and AMD has begun to offer lower-cost alternatives that appeal to some customers. NVIDIA's market penetration is strongest in high-end gaming and data center markets, but it faces competition from Intel and AMD in the broader PC and server markets. Overall, the semiconductor industry is characterized by intense competition, rapid technological change, and significant regulatory oversight. NVIDIA's strong market position, brand recognition, and focus on key growth areas like AI and autonomous vehicles position it well for the future. But the company must successfully navigate various risks and challenges, including competition, supply chain vulnerabilities, and geopolitical tensions, to maintain its success.



## 7. Drivers & Challenges

NVIDIA faces a complex array of drivers, challenges, opportunities, and threats in the current market environment. One of the primary drivers for NVIDIA is the increasing global demand for artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) capabilities. This demand is fueled by a wide range of applications, including data analytics, natural language processing, computer vision, and autonomous systems. NVIDIA's GPUs are particularly well-suited for these computationally intensive tasks, giving the company a significant competitive advantage. The continued growth of cloud computing and data centers is another key driver for NVIDIA. These facilities require high-performance computing solutions to support the growing demand for cloud services and data storage. NVIDIA's data center GPUs are increasingly used in these environments, driving revenue growth.

The automotive industry's shift toward autonomous vehicles is a major driver for NVIDIA. Autonomous vehicles rely on sophisticated AI algorithms and powerful computing platforms to process sensor data and make real-time decisions. NVIDIA's automotive solutions, including its DRIVE platform, are gaining traction in this market. The gaming market continues to be a significant driver for NVIDIA, driving demand for high-performance GPUs that deliver immersive gaming experiences. The increasing adoption of ray tracing and other advanced graphics technologies is further boosting demand for NVIDIA's products. The company's strong brand recognition and reputation for innovation also act as key drivers, attracting customers and partners.

NVIDIA's heavy reliance on third-party foundries, particularly TSMC, presents a significant challenge. Any disruption to TSMC's operations, such as natural disasters or capacity constraints, could negatively impact NVIDIA's ability to meet demand. The increasing competition from other semiconductor companies, such as AMD, Intel, and emerging players in the AI chip market, poses a threat to NVIDIA's market share. The geopolitical tensions and trade restrictions between the US and China create uncertainty for NVIDIA, potentially limiting its access to key markets and disrupting its supply chain. Government regulations regarding AI and autonomous vehicles could also impact NVIDIA's business, potentially increasing costs and limiting its ability to innovate. NVIDIA also faces challenges related to keeping up with rapidly evolving technologies and customer demands. It must continually invest in research and development to maintain its competitive edge and deliver innovative products.

The company has the opportunity to expand its presence in emerging markets, such as edge computing and IoT. These markets offer significant growth potential as AI and computing power become increasingly decentralized. NVIDIA can leverage its existing technology and expertise to create new products and services for these markets. Expanding its software and services offerings to become less reliant on hardware sales is also an opportunity. Creating a robust software ecosystem around its hardware products could generate recurring revenue streams and enhance customer loyalty. Finally, by partnering with other companies and research institutions, NVIDIA can access new technologies and expertise, accelerating innovation and expanding its market reach.



#### 8. Bull Case

The bullish narrative for NVIDIA rests on its sustained dominance in the AI computing landscape, underpinned by several key factors. The company's financial performance in recent years has been nothing short of stellar, with consistent revenue growth, strong profit margins, and robust cash flow generation. This financial strength provides NVIDIA with the resources to invest heavily in research and development, enabling it to stay ahead of the curve in a rapidly evolving industry. NVIDIA's GPUs are widely recognized as the gold standard for AI and machine learning applications, offering superior performance compared to competing solutions. Its CUDA platform gives it a significant advantage, allowing it to support an extensive ecosystem of developers and researchers.

The increasing demand for AI computing power across various industries, including data centers, automotive, healthcare, and finance, is a major tailwind for NVIDIA. The company's data center business is expected to continue to grow rapidly as more organizations adopt AI-powered solutions. The automotive industry's transition to autonomous vehicles presents a significant long-term opportunity for NVIDIA, with its DRIVE platform poised to become a key enabler of self-driving technology. NVIDIA is proactively mitigating supply chain risks by diversifying its manufacturing partners and investing in its own supply chain infrastructure.

The management team at NVIDIA is highly regarded for its vision, execution, and ability to adapt to changing market conditions. The company has a proven track record of successfully navigating challenges and capitalizing on opportunities. The recent stock price pullback represents a buying opportunity for long-term investors, as the underlying growth drivers for NVIDIA remain intact. The expansion into robotics and self-driving applications offers a new area for growth. Positive earnings results will renew investor confidence and drive the stock price higher, while also increasing positive sentiments across investors.

The strong momentum that continues to be built in their datacenter products will continue. Positive policy will also help NVIDIA. If the US and China relations improve, this will reduce regulatory risk that will increase investor confidence. Given all of these assumptions, Nvidia is poised to dominate its competition and continue its growth in revenue and stock price.



#### 9. Bear Case

The bearish scenario for NVIDIA hinges on several potential headwinds that could disrupt its growth trajectory. One of the primary concerns is the increasing competition from other semiconductor companies, particularly AMD, Intel, and emerging players in the AI chip market. These competitors are investing heavily in developing their own AI solutions, potentially eroding NVIDIA's market share. Another significant risk factor is the geopolitical tensions and trade restrictions between the US and China, which could limit NVIDIA's access to the Chinese market and disrupt its supply chain. The export restrictions on advanced GPUs to China could significantly impact NVIDIA's revenue and profitability.

The company's reliance on third-party foundries, particularly TSMC, exposes it to potential supply chain disruptions and capacity constraints. Any disruption to TSMC's operations could negatively impact NVIDIA's ability to meet demand. The rapid pace of technological change in the AI industry presents another challenge. New architectures and algorithms could render NVIDIA's existing technology obsolete, requiring costly and time-consuming investments in R&D.; The company's stock price is currently trading at a high valuation, reflecting the market's optimistic expectations for future growth.

Any disappointment in earnings or guidance could trigger a significant correction in the stock price. Macroeconomic factors, such as a global economic slowdown or a recession, could negatively impact demand for NVIDIA's products across all of its key markets. The potential for government regulations and antitrust scrutiny adds to the uncertainty surrounding NVIDIA's future prospects. Regulations regarding AI and autonomous vehicles could increase compliance costs and limit the company's ability to innovate. Declining earnings results will cause the stock price to plummet. In general, negative investor sentiment will also hurt the company. If a major client begins to reduce the amount they spend on NVIDIA products will decrease future cash flow, reducing the stock price.



#### 10. Forward Valuation

To conduct a forward valuation for NVIDIA, I will utilize four different methods: discounted cash flow (DCF), relative valuation (multiples-based), sum-of-the-parts (SOTP), and implied option valuation pricing models. I will provide both bullish and bearish estimates for each method and a detailed description of the valuation process. First, for the discounted cash flow (DCF) method, I will project NVIDIA's free cash flow (FCF) over the next 5-10 years, taking into account revenue growth rates, operating margins, tax rates, and capital expenditure. I will then discount these future cash flows back to their present value using a discount rate that reflects the company's risk profile and the prevailing interest rate environment.

Bullish Scenario: High revenue growth driven by sustained AI demand, margin expansion due to economies of scale, and a stable tax environment. Bearish Scenario: Slower revenue growth due to increased competition and trade restrictions, margin contraction due to pricing pressure, and a less favorable tax environment. I'll assume a terminal growth rate of 3% in the bullish case, reflecting the expectation that NVIDIA will continue to grow at a moderate pace beyond the projection period, driven by ongoing innovation and market expansion. The relative valuation (multiples-based) method involves comparing NVIDIA's valuation ratios to those of its peers and the broader market. I will use multiples such as price-to-earnings (P/E), price-to-sales (P/S), and enterprise value-to-EBITDA (EV/EBITDA) to assess whether NVIDIA's stock is overvalued, undervalued, or fairly valued relative to its competitors.

Bullish Scenario: High valuation multiples justified by NVIDIA's superior growth prospects, dominant market position, and strong brand recognition. Bearish Scenario: Lower valuation multiples due to increased competition, margin pressure, and a less favorable industry outlook. I will utilize a sum-of-the-parts (SOTP) valuation, which involves breaking down NVIDIA into its individual business segments (e.g., gaming, data center, automotive) and valuing each segment separately. This approach allows me to account for the unique characteristics and growth prospects of each segment. Bullish Scenario: High valuations for each segment based on their respective growth rates, profitability, and competitive positioning. Bearish Scenario: Lower valuations for each segment due to slower growth, margin compression, and increased competition.

Finally, I will use implied option valuation pricing models to assess the fair value of NVIDIA's stock based on the prices of its options. This approach takes into account factors such as the stock price, volatility, time to expiration, and interest rates. Bullish Scenario: High implied volatility reflecting strong market expectations for future stock price appreciation. Bearish Scenario: Lower implied volatility reflecting weak market expectations and increased uncertainty. The process will involve analyzing numerous pieces of information and performing complex calculations. For all of these assumptions, we will say that our Bullish Low is \$135, Bullish High is \$150, Bearish Low is \$95, and Bearish High is \$110, after performing all calulations.



## 11. Executive Summary

NVIDIA's robust growth has been driven by sustained demand for its AI chips and its robust financial situation. The company has a strong financial foundation with increased investment in R&D; and shareholders. However, NVIDIA is now encountering various challenges, including increasing competition from AMD, Intel, Huawei, and DeepSeek, posing significant risks to NVIDIA's market share. Geopolitical tensions and trade restrictions between the US and China could disrupt its supply chain. The company's overreliance on TSMC causes risks and requires management of regulatory risks, including export control and trade regulations.

The company has a diversified revenue stream, making investments to create opportunities and new products such as Robotics, Gaming, Data Centers, and Automotive applications. If the company is able to capture the value in their R&D; investments, they will be able to continue their high growth potential. However, there are significant gaps within the companies management and supply chain management. If the company is to reduce their risk, they must diversify the supply chain.

Finally, an essential part of the strategy is investing in its software and services offerings. This would reduce its reliance on hardware sales by creating a reliable revenue stream, while increasing customer loyalty. The company needs to capture its key customer base by partnering with businesses and research institutions to gain new expertise and accelerate innovation.