

Carpenter Technology (CRS)

\$332.43 (Stock Price as of 12/22/2025)

Price Target (6-12 Months): **\$338.00**

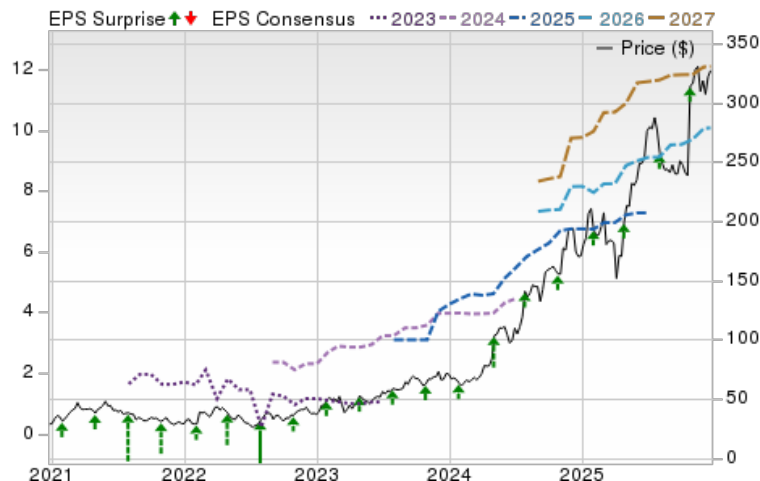
Long Term: 6-12 Months | **Zacks Recommendation:** **Neutral**
(Since: 10/01/25)
Prior Recommendation: Outperform

Short Term: 1-3 Months | **Zacks Rank:** (1-5) **3-Hold**
Zacks Style Scores: VGM: C
Value: D | Growth: B | Momentum: B

Summary

Carpenter Technology has been experiencing strong booking growth for the past few quarters, indicating strong demand. The company's fiscal 2026 results are expected to reflect the impacts of the ongoing momentum across its end-use markets. Its financial position has been strong, providing it the flexibility to invest in the emerging technologies of additive manufacturing and soft magnetics. Carpenter Technology's cost-reduction initiatives are also anticipated to boost its margins. Backed by solid backlog levels, its near and long-term outlooks for each end-use market remained positive. Its strategic acquisitions will boost its performance in the coming quarters. However, Carpenter Technology has been facing supply-chain challenges, that are impacting the company's ability to meet production targets.

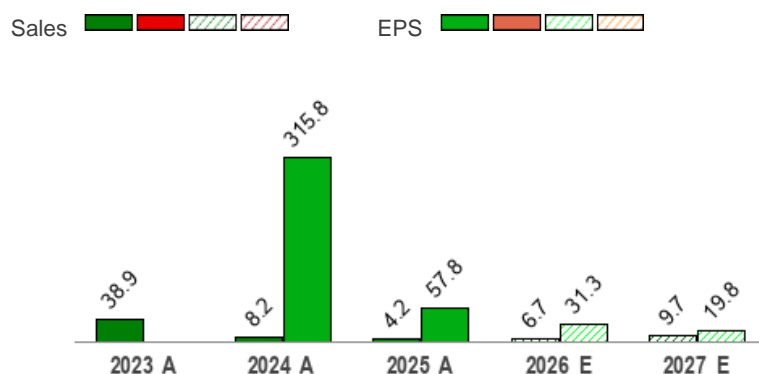
Price, Consensus & Surprise⁽¹⁾



Data Overview

52 Week High-Low	\$342.11 - \$138.61
20 Day Average Volume (sh)	968,881
Market Cap	\$16.6 B
YTD Price Change	95.9%
Beta	1.31
Dividend / Div Yld	\$0.80 / 0.2%
Industry	Steel - Speciality
Zacks Industry Rank	Top 42% (102 out of 243)

Sales and EPS Growth Rates (Y/Y %)⁽²⁾



Last EPS Surprise	14.1%
Last Sales Surprise	0.6%
EPS F1 Est- 4 week change	0.2%
Expected Report Date	01/29/2026
Earnings ESP	0.0%

Sales Estimates (millions of \$)⁽²⁾

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual*
2027	786 E	800 E	860 E	920 E	3,366 E
2026	734 A	725 E	781 E	830 E	3,069 E
2025	718 A	677 A	727 A	756 A	2,877 A

EPS Estimates⁽²⁾

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual*
2027	2.61 E	2.66 E	3.06 E	3.44 E	11.76 E
2026	2.43 A	2.13 E	2.46 E	2.80 E	9.82 E
2025	1.73 A	1.66 A	1.88 A	2.21 A	7.48 A

*Quarterly figures may not add up to annual.

P/E TTM	40.6
P/E F1	33.9
PEG F1	1.3
P/S TTM	5.7

(1) The data in the charts and tables, except the estimates, is as of 12/22/2025.

(2) The report's text, the analyst-provided estimates, and the price target are as of 12/17/2025.

Overview

Philadelphia, PA-based Carpenter Technology Corporation is a producer and distributor of premium specialty alloys, including titanium alloys, powder metals, stainless steels, alloy steels, and tool steels as well as drilling tools. The company's provides solutions for critical applications across diversified end-use markets - Aerospace and Defense (accounting for around 50.1% of the company's revenues), Energy (5.3%), Transportation (3%), Medical (10.3%), Industrial and Consumer (12.3%) and Distribution (2.9%).

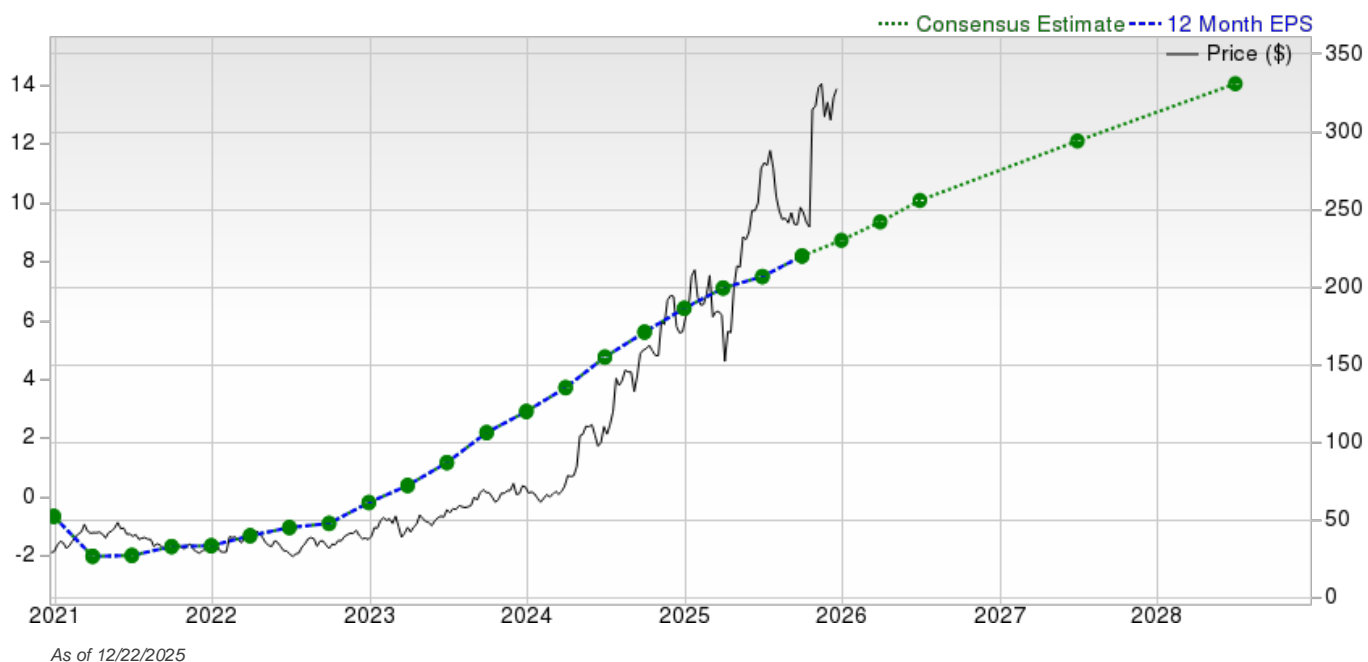
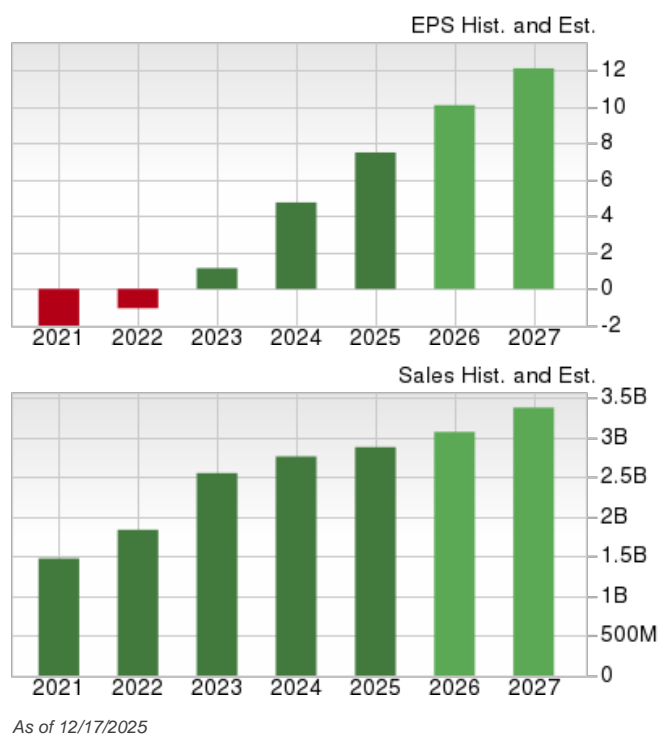
The company is a leader in premium specialty alloys, including titanium, nickel, and cobalt, as well as alloys specifically engineered for additive manufacturing (AM) processes and soft magnetics applications. It has expanded AM capabilities to provide a complete "end-to-end" solution to accelerate materials innovation and streamline parts production. The company primarily processes basic raw materials such as nickel, cobalt, titanium, manganese, chromium, molybdenum, iron scrap and other metal alloying elements through various melting, hot forming and cold working facilities to produce finished products in the form of billet, bar, rod, wire and narrow strip in many sizes and finishes. It also produces certain metal powders and parts.

The company has two reportable segments-

Specialty Alloys Operations (SAO) - (approximately 89.1% of revenues in fiscal 2025) - is comprised of the company's major premium alloy and stainless steel manufacturing operations. This includes operations performed at mills primarily in Reading and Latrobe, PA and surrounding areas as well as South Carolina and Alabama.

Performance Engineered Products (approximately 14.1% of revenues in fiscal 2025) includes the company's differentiated operations. This segment includes the Dynamet titanium business, the Carpenter Powder Products business, the Amega West business, the CalRAM business, the LPW business and the Latrobe and Mexico distribution businesses.

On May 14, 2019 Carpenter Technology announced the formation of its Carpenter Additive business unit. Carpenter Additive's capabilities span from powder production to manufacturing and finishing which differentiates it from the rest of the AM industry.



Reasons To Buy:

▲ Carpenter Technology has been experiencing strong booking growth for the past few quarters. The company expects continued growth across its end-use markets, especially in Aerospace and Defense, which is expected to boost its fiscal 2026 results. Backed by solid backlog levels, the company's near and long-term outlooks for each end-use market remained positive. Carpenter Technology achieved solid earnings improvements, courtesy of ongoing improvements in the product mix by shifting to more complicated, high-value products, increasing operating efficiencies and pricing actions in the first quarter of fiscal 2025. In the first quarter of fiscal 2026, the company achieved a record adjusted operating income of \$153 million, marking its most profitable first quarter on record.

Carpenter Technology will gain from strong demand in its markets, cost-cutting initiatives and efforts to preserve liquidity. Acquisitions and investing in additive manufacturing will also aid growth.

The company has been witnessing broad-based demand recovery in Aerospace and Defense, which will continue through in fiscal 2026. Aerospace is gaining from the pickup in global travel. Demand continues to accelerate across all the aerospace submarkets as the supply chain ramps up to meet steadily increasing travel demand. In Defense, the company is gaining from increased investments with customers on the development of the next-gen programs and platforms. The company is operating in a strong pricing environment for both its long-term agreements ('LTA') and non-LTA business.

▲ Carpenter Technology has been demonstrating its recovery growth trajectory through fiscal 2023, with increased productivity across the company's facilities. It expects to make substantial progress in fiscal 2026. To further drive shareholder returns, the company seeks to incorporate strategic initiatives to maximize market demand, accelerate growth, optimize operations and generate cash.

▲ Carpenter Technology expected operating income of \$660-\$700 million for fiscal 2026. This indicates 30% year-over-year growth at mid-point. The company is on track to achieve \$765-\$800 million in operating income by 2027. This indicates a nearly 25% compound annual growth rate from fiscal 2025 operating income. The upside will primarily be driven by higher prices, improved product mix and increased volumes. The increase in operating income will provide significant cash flow over the next several years, adding value to the company's stockholders.

▲ The company's financial position remains strong, which gives it the strategic flexibility to strengthen its long-term growth profile by investing in emerging technologies like additive manufacturing and soft magnetics while also providing direct returns to shareholders through quarterly dividends. As the demand for electric vehicles continues to grow and program activity increases for electrifying short-range air travel, the company is increasing investments in motor technology and soft magnetic solutions.

▲ Carpenter Technology's total liquidity (including cash and available credit facility borrowings) was \$557 million at the end of first quarter fiscal 2026. This consisted of \$208 million of cash in hand and \$348.9 million of available borrowings under the credit facility. Its long-term debt was \$695.7 million at the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2026. The company's leverage ratio remains at historic low levels. Carpenter Technology's net debt-to-EBITDA ratio is below 1X at the end of first quarter fiscal 2026, with no near-term debt maturities. The company has identified additional actions to preserve and manage cash and plans to deploy those actions as and when necessary. It continues to realize price and share gains through contract renewals and price increases in its transactional business. The company continues to implement the Carpenter operating model to address any short-term challenges and increase productivity across facilities.

▲ The company's Carpenter Electrification brands boost growth opportunities in soft magnetics solutions across all of its key end-use markets. The company has built its additive portfolio with acquisitions of CalRam and Puris and completed the construction of an emerging technology center in Athens, AL, to capitalize on the rapid additive manufacturing growth.

Reasons To Sell:

- ▼ Carpenter Technology is witnessing delays in some projects due to the availability of outside contractors as well as extended lead times for certain materials. Moreover, supply chains continue to see challenges, mainly around longer-than-anticipated lead times and ongoing logistics disruptions. These factors are likely to impact the company's ability to meet production targets.
- ▼ The company is bearing the brunt of labor shortages. Also, Carpenter Technology's transportation market continues to bear the brunt of supply chain challenges and chip shortages. These factors are likely to affect the company's results.
- ▼ Carpenter Technology's oil and gas submarket is witnessing a demand-supply imbalance. Supply shortages in this market have been further challenged by recent geopolitical disruptions. The market bore the brunt of reduced drilling activity in North America. Though the oil and gas sub-market activity in the United States is witnessing signs of recovery, an uptick in activity levels will likely remain below the pre-pandemic levels. Carpenter Technology has thus taken several actions to reduce production and is selectively producing materials-based customers' orders. The company's decision to lower inventory continues to adversely impact the results in the near term.

Demand-supply imbalance and supply shortages in the oil and gas submarket are likely to affect Carpenter Technology's margins. Supply-chain challenges and chip shortages also remain concerning.

Last Earnings Report

Carpenter Technology Q1 Earnings Beat Estimates, Revenues Rise Y/Y

Carpenter Technology reported adjusted earnings of \$2.43 per share for first-quarter fiscal 2026, beating the Zacks Consensus Estimate of \$2.13. It had posted adjusted earnings of \$1.73 in the year-ago quarter. The upside was driven by ongoing improvements in the product mix and expanding operating efficiencies.

Including one-time items, earnings per share were \$2.43 in the quarter compared with \$1.67 in the year-ago quarter.

Net revenues increased 2.2% year over year to \$734 million in the reported quarter. The figure beat the Zacks Consensus Estimate of \$729 million.

CRS witnessed a year-over-year revenue increase of 11% in the Aerospace and Defense end-use market. Revenues in the Energy end-market were up 7.9%. The metric for the Medical end-use markets was down 16.1%. Revenues in the Distribution markets decreased 16%, whereas Industrial and Consumer end-use markets revenues were up 3.6%. The Transportation end-use market's revenues fell 15.2%.

CRS's Q1 Operational Results

The cost of goods sold in first-quarter fiscal 2026 moved down 4.4% year over year to \$517 million. Gross profit increased 22.7% year over year to \$216 million. The gross margin came in at 29.5% compared with the prior-year quarter's 24.6%.

Adjusted operating income in the reported quarter was a record \$153 million compared with the prior-year quarter's \$117 million. Adjusted operating margin in the quarter under review was 20.9% compared with 16.3% in the year-ago quarter.

Carpenter Technology's Q1 Segmental Performance

The Specialty Alloys Operations segment reported sales of \$660 million compared with the prior-year quarter's \$645 million. The segment sold 44,750 pounds compared with the year-ago quarter's 50,100 pounds.. The segment posted an operating profit of \$171 million compared with the prior-year quarter's \$135 million.

The Performance Engineered Products' net sales fell 7.1% year over year to \$94 million. The segment sold 2,284 pounds compared with the year-ago quarter's 2,634 pounds. The segment reported an operating profit of \$9.4 million, up 28.8% year over year.

CRS' Cash Flow & Balance Sheet Updates

Carpenter Technology ended first-quarter fiscal 2026 with cash and cash equivalents of \$208 million compared with \$315.5 million at the end of fiscal 2025. The long-term debt was \$695.7 million at the end of the quarter compared with \$695.4 million as of the end of fiscal 2025.

Cash flow from operating activities was \$39 million in the quarter under review compared with \$40 million in the prior-year quarter.

Carpenter Technology's Guidance for FY26

Carpenter Technology expects operating income of \$660-\$700 million for fiscal 2026. This indicates 30% year-over-year growth at mid-point.

It expects the fiscal second-quarter operating income to be \$152-\$156 million.

FY Quarter Ending 6/30/2025

Earnings Reporting Date	Oct 23, 2025
Sales Surprise	0.63%
EPS Surprise	14.08%
Quarterly EPS	2.43
Annual EPS (TTM)	8.18

Valuation

Carpenter Technology's shares are up 28.3% in the trailing six-month period and up 95.3% over the trailing 12-month period. Stocks in the Zacks Steel–Specialty industry and the Zacks Basic Materials Sector are up 28.8% and up 18.7% in the trailing six-month period, respectively. Over the past year, the Zacks sub-industry and sector are up 68.7% and up 30% respectively.

The S&P 500 index is up 17% in the trailing six-month period and up 19.4% in the past year.

The stock is currently trading at 4.87X forward 12-month sales, which compares with 1.34X for the Zacks sub-industry, 2.72X for the Zacks sector and 5.43X for the S&P 500 index.

Over the past five years, the stock has traded as high as 4.87X and as low as 0.46X, with a 5-year median of 1.11X.

Our Neutral recommendation indicates that the stock will perform in line with the market. Our \$338 price target reflects 5.12X forward 12-month sales.

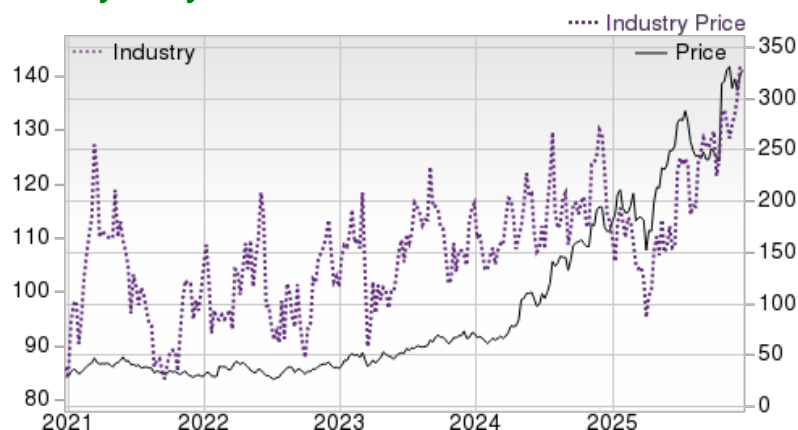
The table below shows summary valuation data for CRS.

Valuation Multiples - CRS					
		Stock	Sub-Industry	Sector	S&P 500
P/S F12M	Current	3.86	1.37	2.63	5.41
	5-Year High	4.81	1.45	3.13	5.52
	5-Year Low	0.46	0.38	1.78	3.84
	5-Year Median	1.08	0.72	2.41	5.01
EV/EBITDA TTM	Current	19.09	12.13	14.47	18.65
	5-Year High	94.09	22.54	14.47	22.58
	5-Year Low	6.24	5.71	5.81	13.96
	5-Year Median	16.37	8.64	10.99	18.11
P/B TTM	Current	6.52	3.11	2.98	8.81
	5-Year High	7.71	3.54	4.26	9.19
	5-Year Low	0.55	0.48	2.21	6.62
	5-Year Median	1.76	1.38	3.05	8.01

As of 12/16/2025

Source: Zacks Investment Research

Industry Analysis⁽¹⁾ Zacks Industry Rank: Top 42% (102 out of 243)



Top Peers⁽¹⁾

Company (Ticker)	Rec	Rank
Commercial Metals Co...(CMC)	Outperform	1
ATI Inc. (ATI)	Neutral	2
ArcelorMittal (MT)	Neutral	3
Metallus Inc. (MTUS)	Neutral	3
National Steel Compa...(SID)	Neutral	3
Steel Dynamics, Inc. (STLD)	Neutral	3
Voestalpine AG (VLPNY)	Neutral	2
Worthington Steel, I...(WS)	Underperform	5

Industry Comparison⁽¹⁾ Industry: Steel - Speciality

	CRS	X Industry	S&P 500	ATI	MTUS	WS
Zacks Recommendation (Long Term)	Neutral	-	-	Neutral	Neutral	Underperform
Zacks Rank (Short Term)	3	-	-	2	3	5
VGM Score	C	-	-	C	C	B
Market Cap	16.56 B	616.46 M	39.21 B	15.73 B	734.68 M	1.85 B
# of Analysts	5	1	22	4	1	1
Dividend Yield	0.24%	0.00%	1.4%	0.00%	0.00%	1.76%
Value Score	D	-	-	C	C	B
Cash/Price	0.01	0.11	0.04	0.02	0.26	0.05
EV/EBITDA	26.03	9.70	14.66	22.89	10.95	8.15
PEG Ratio	1.34	1.58	2.22	1.47	1.93	NA
Price/Book (P/B)	8.67	1.48	3.38	8.61	1.06	1.48
Price/Cash Flow (P/CF)	31.95	11.94	15.30	32.60	9.41	10.52
P/E (F1)	34.02	17.43	19.87	36.20	28.92	15.26
Price/Sales (P/S)	5.72	0.80	3.10	3.43	0.65	0.57
Earnings Yield	3.03%	5.81%	5.02%	2.76%	3.46%	6.55%
Debt/Equity	0.36	0.07	0.56	0.94	0.00	0.04
Cash Flow (\$/share)	10.40	2.52	8.99	3.55	1.88	3.45
Growth Score	B	-	-	C	D	A
Hist. EPS Growth (3-5 yrs)	182.14%	-3.31%	8.16%	62.94%	-46.67%	NA
Proj. EPS Growth (F1/F0)	31.28%	28.17%	8.50%	30.08%	7.02%	10.19%
Curr. Cash Flow Growth	33.76%	4.01%	6.86%	-2.50%	-45.86%	-25.74%
Hist. Cash Flow Growth (3-5 yrs)	14.31%	13.42%	7.48%	9.88%	20.40%	NA
Current Ratio	4.44	2.75	1.18	2.50	1.90	1.80
Debt/Capital	26.69%	9.57%	38.01%	48.44%	0.00%	10.43%
Net Margin	14.30%	5.08%	12.78%	9.71%	-0.73%	3.83%
Return on Equity	22.68%	10.18%	17.00%	23.34%	2.94%	10.70%
Sales/Assets	0.85	1.00	0.53	0.90	1.01	1.60
Proj. Sales Growth (F1/F0)	6.70%	6.68%	5.82%	5.50%	8.90%	16.40%
Momentum Score	B	-	-	A	A	F
Daily Price Chg	1.61%	-0.03%	0.64%	2.19%	1.03%	-0.03%
1 Week Price Chg	1.72%	-3.03%	0.91%	3.96%	-4.12%	1.40%
4 Week Price Chg	5.37%	5.37%	2.59%	18.57%	8.22%	12.65%
12 Week Price Chg	37.77%	13.51%	3.26%	46.05%	7.56%	19.24%
52 Week Price Chg	92.59%	19.84%	15.14%	109.60%	24.93%	14.76%
20 Day Average Volume	968,881	83,686	2,833,599	1,529,278	359,791	268,057
(F1) EPS Est 1 week change	0.02%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-12.50%
(F1) EPS Est 4 week change	0.21%	0.00%	0.00%	1.50%	0.00%	-12.50%
(F1) EPS Est 12 week change	5.87%	4.63%	0.66%	4.67%	3.39%	-14.08%
(Q1) EPS Est Mthly Chg	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.11%	0.00%	-30.88%

Analyst Earnings Model⁽²⁾

Carpenter Technology Corporation (CRS)

In \$MM, except per share data

	2023A	2024A	2025A		2026E					2027E			2028E
	FY	FY	FY	1QA	2QE	3QE	4QE	FY	1QE	2QE	3QE	4QE	FY
FY Ends June 30th	Jun-23	Jun-24	Jun-25	30-Sep-25	31-Dec-25	31-Mar-26	30-Jun-26	Jun-26	30-Sep-26	31-Dec-26	31-Mar-27	30-Jun-27	Jun-27
Income Statement													
Net Sales Excluding Surcharge	\$1,848.0	\$2,167.7	\$2,346.1	\$603.1	\$590.0	\$636.8	\$678.9	\$2,508.8	\$643.9	\$650.2	\$702.6	\$754.9	\$2,751.6
Surcharge	\$702.3	\$592.0	\$531.0	\$130.6	\$135.5	\$143.7	\$150.6	\$560.4	\$141.6	\$149.7	\$157.9	\$165.2	\$614.4
Net Sales	\$2,550.3	\$2,759.7	\$2,877.1	\$733.7	\$725.4	\$780.6	\$829.5	\$3,069.2	\$785.5	\$799.9	\$860.4	\$920.1	\$3,366.0
Cost of Sales	\$2,213.0	\$2,175.4	\$2,108.5	\$517.3	\$511.3	\$545.4	\$567.7	\$2,141.7	\$539.8	\$548.6	\$579.9	\$608.5	\$2,276.9
Gross Profit	\$337.3	\$584.3	\$768.6	\$216.4	\$214.1	\$235.2	\$261.8	\$927.5	\$245.7	\$251.3	\$280.5	\$311.6	\$1,089.1
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	\$204.2	\$230.2	\$243.2	\$63.1	\$62.0	\$66.5	\$72.9	\$264.5	\$67.7	\$68.9	\$74.3	\$80.6	\$291.5
Restructuring and Asset Impairment Charges	\$0.0	\$16.9	\$3.6	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Goodwill Impairment	\$0.0	\$14.1	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
EBITDA	\$264.1	\$488.7	\$664.6	\$189.3	\$186.8	\$204.8	\$225.2	\$806.2	\$219.0	\$221.2	\$242.9	\$268.5	\$951.7
Depreciation and Amortization	\$131.0	\$134.6	\$139.2	\$36.0	\$34.8	\$36.1	\$36.3	\$143.2	\$41.0	\$38.8	\$36.7	\$37.5	\$154.1
Operating Income, Adjusted	\$133.1	\$354.1	\$525.4	\$153.3	\$152.1	\$168.7	\$188.9	\$663.0	\$178.0	\$182.4	\$206.2	\$231.0	\$797.6
Operating Income, GAAP	\$133.1	\$323.1	\$521.8	\$153.3	\$152.1	\$168.7	\$188.9	\$663.0	\$178.0	\$182.4	\$206.2	\$231.0	\$797.6
Interest Expenses, net	\$54.1	\$51.0	\$48.4	\$11.5	\$11.2	\$10.0	\$8.2	\$40.9	\$10.6	\$11.1	\$10.8	\$11.4	\$43.9
Debt Extinguishment Losses, net	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Other (Income) Expense, net	\$6.5	\$60.5	\$6.1	(\$3.0)	\$3.7	\$0.6	\$1.3	\$2.5	\$0.6	\$1.6	\$1.1	\$1.3	\$4.7
Pre-Tax Income, Adjusted	\$72.5	\$294.5	\$470.9	\$144.8	\$137.2	\$158.1	\$179.4	\$619.6	\$166.8	\$169.7	\$194.3	\$218.2	\$749.0
Pension Settlement Charge		\$51.9	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Pre-Tax Income, GAAP	\$72.5	\$211.6	\$467.3	\$144.8	\$137.2	\$158.1	\$179.4	\$619.6	\$166.8	\$169.7	\$194.3	\$218.2	\$749.0
Income Tax, Adjusted	\$16.1	\$56.0	\$92.2	\$22.3	\$30.2	\$34.8	\$39.5	\$126.7	\$36.7	\$37.3	\$42.7	\$48.0	\$164.8
Income Tax, GAAP	\$16.1	\$25.1	\$91.3	\$22.3	\$30.2	\$34.8	\$39.5	\$126.7	\$36.7	\$37.3	\$42.7	\$48.0	\$164.8
Tax Rate, Adjusted	22.2%	19.0%	19.6%	15.4%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	20.5%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%
Tax Rate, GAAP	22.2%	11.9%	19.5%	15.4%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	20.5%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%
Net Income, Adjusted	\$56.4	\$238.5	\$378.7	\$122.5	\$107.0	\$123.4	\$139.9	\$492.8	\$130.1	\$132.3	\$151.6	\$170.2	\$584.2
Net Income, GAAP	\$56.4	\$186.5	\$376.0	\$122.5	\$107.0	\$123.4	\$139.9	\$492.8	\$130.1	\$132.3	\$151.6	\$170.2	\$584.2
Dividends Allocated to Participating Securities	(\$0.4)	(\$0.3)	(\$0.2)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Net Income Available to Shareholders, Adjusted	\$56.0	\$238.2	\$378.7	\$122.5	\$107.0	\$123.4	\$139.9	\$492.8	\$130.1	\$132.3	\$151.6	\$170.2	\$584.2
Net Income Available to Shareholders, GAAP	\$56.0	\$186.2	\$376.0	\$122.5	\$107.0	\$123.4	\$139.9	\$492.8	\$130.1	\$132.3	\$151.6	\$170.2	\$584.2
Diluted Shares Outstanding	49.2	50.3	50.7	50.4	50.3	50.1	50.0	50.2	49.9	49.7	49.6	49.5	49.7
Diluted EPS, Adjusted	\$1.14	\$4.74	\$7.48	\$2.43	\$2.13	\$2.46	\$2.80	\$9.82	\$2.61	\$2.66	\$3.06	\$3.44	\$11.76
Diluted EPS, GAAP	\$1.14	\$3.70	\$7.42	\$2.43	\$2.13	\$2.46	\$2.80	\$9.82	\$2.61	\$2.66	\$3.06	\$3.44	\$11.76
Dividends per Share	\$0.80	\$0.80	\$0.80	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.80	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.80

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Value Score	D
Growth Score	B
Momentum Score	B
VGM Score	C

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