

## Ryder System (R)

**\$190.04** (Stock Price as of 01/08/2026)

Price Target (6-12 Months): **\$199.00**

Long Term: 6-12 Months

**Zacks Recommendation:**

Neutral

(Since: 07/15/24)

Prior Recommendation: Outperform

Short Term: 1-3 Months

**Zacks Rank:** (1-5)

**4-Sell**

Zacks Style Scores:

VGM: A

Value: A

Growth: B

Momentum: B

## Summary

Ryder has been making uninterrupted dividend payments for more than 49 years. Such shareholder-friendly moves instills investors' confidence and positively impacts the bottom line. Ryder's cost-cutting initiatives in response to the weak freight market conditions are also commendable. Higher free cash flow generation expectation for 2025 is another added positive. On the flip side, Ryder's bottom line has been grappling operating expenses. The company's liquidity position is also a concern. Considering all these factors, investors are advised to wait for a better entry point and not buy Ryder now. For those who already own the stock, it will be prudent to stay invested. Our thesis is supported by our Neutral recommendation on the shares.

## Price, Consensus & Surprise<sup>(1)</sup>



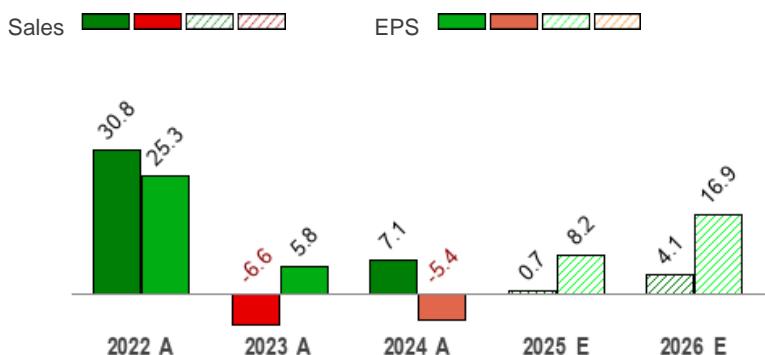
## Data Overview

52 Week High-Low	<b>\$200.53 - \$125.54</b>
20 Day Average Volume (sh)	<b>334,438</b>
Market Cap	<b>\$7.6 B</b>
YTD Price Change	<b>-1.7%</b>
Beta	<b>0.96</b>
Dividend / Div Yld	<b>\$3.64 / 1.9%</b>
Industry	<b>Transportation - Equipment and Leasing</b>
Zacks Industry Rank	<b>Top 31% (75 out of 244)</b>

Last EPS Surprise	<b>0.3%</b>
Last Sales Surprise	<b>-1.6%</b>
EPS F1 Est- 4 week change	<b>0.0%</b>
Expected Report Date	<b>02/11/2026</b>
Earnings ESP	<b>0.0%</b>

P/E TTM	<b>14.7</b>
P/E F1	<b>15.0</b>
PEG F1	<b>1.2</b>
P/S TTM	<b>0.6</b>

## Sales and EPS Growth Rates (Y/Y %)<sup>(1)</sup>



## Sales Estimates (millions of \$)<sup>(1)</sup>

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual*
2026					13,250 E
2025	3,131 A	3,189 A	3,171 A		12,730 E
2024	3,098 A	3,182 A	3,168 A	3,189 A	12,636 A

## EPS Estimates<sup>(1)</sup>

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual*
2026					15.18 E
2025	2.46 A	3.32 A	3.57 A		12.99 E
2024	2.14 A	3.00 A	3.44 A	3.45 A	12.00 A

\*Quarterly figures may not add up to annual.

(1) The data in the charts and tables, including the Zacks Consensus EPS and sales estimates, is as of 01/08/2026.

(2) The report's text and the price target are as of 12/08/2025.

## Overview

Ryder System, Inc., a Florida-based corporation founded in 1933, is recognized as one of the world's largest providers of integrated logistics and transportation solutions. Ryder's customers range from small businesses to large international enterprises. They are drawn from a wide variety of industries, the most significant of which include automotive, electronics, transportation, grocery, lumber and wood products, food service and home furnishing.

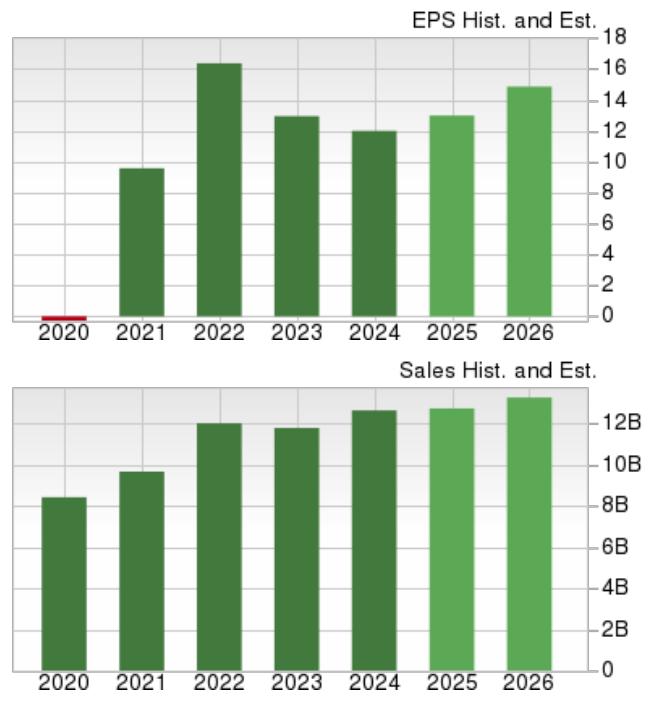
Ryder System consists of the following business segments:

**Fleet Management Solutions:** This segment provides full-service leasing, contract maintenance, contract-related maintenance and commercial rental of trucks, tractors and trailers to customers principally in the United States, Canada and the U.K. Additionally, the segment offers customers a wide variety of used trucks, tractors and trailers for purchase through its used vehicle sales program. The unit also provides maintenance and fuel services, among others, for the vehicles used in the DTS and SCS segments. The segment contributed 46.6% of the company's total revenues in 2024.

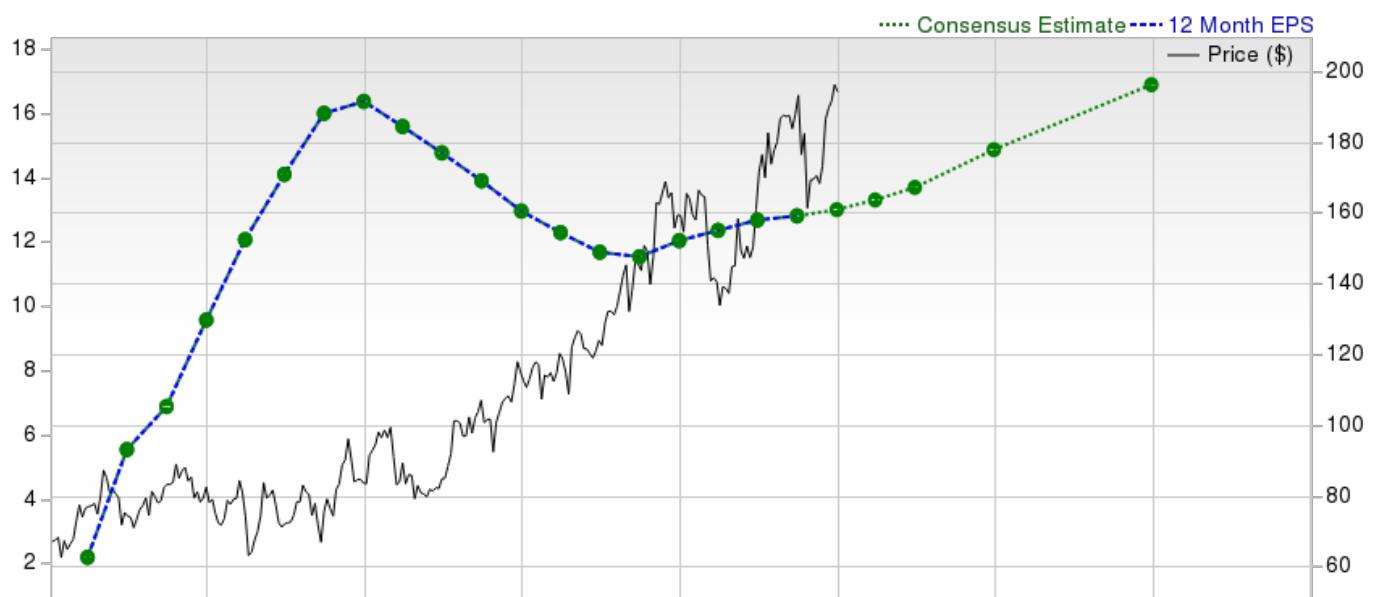
**Supply Chain Solutions (41.9% of the company's total revenues in 2024):** This segment provides comprehensive supply chain solutions including distribution and transportation services throughout North America and Asia. Toward the end of 2008, the company announced strategic initiatives to increase its competitiveness and drive long-term profitable growth. As part of these initiatives, in 2009, Ryder discontinued SCS operations in Brazil, Argentina, and Chile and transitioned out customer contracts in Europe.

**Dedicated Transportation Solutions (19.4% of the company's total revenues in 2024):** This segment offers customers with vehicles, drivers, management and administrative service, with the assets committed to a specific customer for a contractual term. The segment aims to increase market share with customers in industries such as energy and utility, metals and mining, retail etc. Among other things, Ryder, through the segment, also focuses on increasing competitiveness across the non-specialized customer segments.

The company's fiscal year coincides with the calendar year.



As of 01/08/2026



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## Reasons To Buy:

▲ **Strong Financial Returns for Shareholders:** Ryder has been making uninterrupted dividend payments for more than 48 years. Ryder's bottom line has been benefiting from its consistent efforts to reward its shareholders through dividends and share buybacks. During 2021, Ryder rewarded its shareholders through dividends of \$122 million and repurchased shares worth \$57 million. In 2022, Ryder paid dividends of \$123 million and repurchased shares worth \$557 million. In 2023, Ryder paid dividends of \$128 million and repurchased shares worth \$337 million. In 2024, Ryder returned \$456 million in cash to shareholders through share repurchases and dividends. During the first half of 2025, Ryder paid \$71 million in the form of dividend payments and repurchased shares worth \$261 million. Such shareholder-friendly moves indicate the company's commitment to creating value for shareholders and underline its confidence in its business. Dividend-paying stocks provide a solid income stream and have fewer chances of experiencing wild price swings. Dividend stocks, like Ryder, are safe bets for creating wealth, as the payouts generally act as a hedge against economic uncertainty like the current scenario.

▲ **Positive Earnings Surprise History:** Ryder has an impressive earnings surprise history. The company's earnings outpaced the Zacks Consensus Estimate in each of the trailing four quarters, delivering an average surprise of 2.60%. Driven by the upbeat earnings performance, shares of Ryder gained 10% over the past year, outperforming its industry's 4% uptick.

▲ **Low Capex & Free Cash Flow Generation Ability:** Ryder's cost-cutting initiatives in response to the weak freight market conditions are also commendable. Ryder has reduced its 2025 capital expenditure guidance to \$2.3 billion from the prior view of \$2.6 billion. Higher free cash flow generation expectation (this reflects lower capital spending due to softer lease sales activity) for the full year is another added positive. For 2025, Ryder raised the free cash flow outlook to the range of \$900 million-\$1 billion from the prior guidance of \$375 - \$475 million.

Ryder's efforts to reward shareholders through dividends and share buybacks are impressive.

## Reasons To Sell:

▼ **Supply-Chain Disruptions & High Costs:** Although economic activities picked up from the pandemic gloom, supply-chain disruptions are a bane for a company. Factors like higher commodity costs and shortages of components, chips and labor hurt results. As a reflection of this, operating expenses are hurting Ryder's bottom line. Evidently, total operating expenses increased from \$8.97 billion in 2021 to \$10.8 billion in 2022, \$11.2 billion in 2023 and \$11.6 billion in 2024. In the first six months of 2025, the metric rose 0.2% year over year.

▼ **Economic Uncertainty Remains:** The tariff-induced economic uncertainties do not bode well for industry participants. With inflation remaining a concern, risks associated with an economic slowdown and geopolitical tensions dampen the prospects of stocks belonging to this industrial cohort. Sluggish economic growth and inflationary woes are likely to make markets more volatile in the coming days. Rising economic uncertainty does not bode well for industry players.

▼ **High Debt.** Ryder's financial metrics indicate that its leverage is elevated and is a massive negative for its shareholders. Ryder exited the third quarter of 2025 with cash and cash equivalents of \$189 million, lower than the current debt level of \$577 million. This implies that the company does not have sufficient cash to meet its current debt obligations. Meanwhile, long-term debt level has increased to \$7.28 billion (which translates into a debt-to-capitalization of 71.7%) at the end of third-quarter 2025 from \$6.99 billion (which translates into a debt-to-capitalization of 71.5%) at second-quarter 2025.

Supply-chain disruptions, macroeconomic uncertainty and a debt-laden balance sheet does not bode well for Ryder's prospects.

## Last Earnings Report

### Ryder Q3 Earnings Beat Estimates

Ryder reported mixed third-quarter 2025 results wherein the company's earnings surpassed the Zacks Consensus Estimate while revenues missed the mark.

Quarterly earnings per share of \$3.57 surpassed the Zacks Consensus Estimate by a penny and improved 3.7% year over year, reflecting higher contractual earnings and share repurchases. The reported figure lies within the guided range of \$3.45-\$3.65.

FY Quarter Ending	12/31/2025
Earnings Reporting Date	Oct 23, 2025
Sales Surprise	-1.56%
EPS Surprise	0.28%
Quarterly EPS	3.57
Annual EPS (TTM)	12.80

Total revenues of \$3.17 billion lagged the Zacks Consensus Estimate of \$3.22 billion and marginally grew 0.1% year over year. Operating revenues (adjusted) of \$2.61 billion, up 1% year over year, reflecting contractual revenue growth in Supply Chain Solutions (SCS) and Fleet Management Solutions (FMS).

### Segmental Results

**Fleet Management Solutions:** Total revenues of \$1.46 billion inched down 0.3% year over year. Operating revenues totaled \$1.28 billion, almost in line on a year-over-year basis.

**Supply-Chain Solutions:** Total revenues of \$1.38 billion inched up 5% year over year, reflecting increased operating revenues and subcontracted transportation costs passed through to customers. Operating revenues rose 4% year over year to \$1.03 billion, owing to new business in omnichannel retail.

**Dedicated Transportation Solutions:** Total revenues of \$570 million and operating revenues of \$458 million declined 10% and 6%, year over year, respectively, owing to decreased subcontracted transportation costs and lower fleet count reflecting prolonged freight market downturn.

### Liquidity

Ryder exited the third quarter with cash and cash equivalents of \$189 million compared with \$180 million at the end of the prior quarter. R's total debt (including the current portion) was \$7.85 billion at the third-quarter end compared with \$7.72 billion at the end of the prior quarter.

### R's Outlook

For fourth-quarter 2025, Ryder expects adjusted EPS in the range of \$3.50-\$3.70. The Zacks Consensus Estimate of \$3.76 lies above the guidance.

For 2025, Ryder now expects adjusted EPS in the range of \$12.85-\$13.05 (prior view: \$12.85 - \$13.30). The Zacks Consensus Estimate of \$13.09 lies above the updated guidance.

Management continues to anticipate total revenues to increase by almost 1%. Operating revenues (adjusted) are still expected to increase 1%.

Adjusted ROE (return on equity) is still expected to be 17%. Net cash from operating activities is still projected to be \$2.8 billion. Adjusted free cash flow is still expected to be in the range of \$900 million-\$1.00 billion. Capital expenditure is still estimated to be \$2.3 billion.

## Recent News

### Southeast Network Strengthened -- Dec. 4, 2025

Ryder is strengthening its Southeast growth strategy with the launch of its new full-service facility in McDonough, GA, a prime location near I-75 and major distribution hubs. By expanding its rental, leasing and maintenance footprint in South Atlanta's logistics corridor, the company is directly addressing rising demand from e-commerce, manufacturing and regional distribution customers. Following closely on its Nashville-area opening, this move reinforces Ryder's commitment to scaling in high-growth freight markets.

## Valuation

Ryder System's shares are up 18.8% year to date. Shares gained 10% over the trailing 12-month period. Stocks in the Zacks sub-industry are up 12.4% and the Zacks Transportation sector is down 0.1% year to date. Over the past year, the Zacks sub-industry has been up 4% and the Zacks Transportation sector is down 6.2%.

The S&P 500 index is up 19.3% year to date and 16.3% gain in a year's time.

The stock is currently trading at 0.39X forward 12-month price-to-sales, which compares to 1.46X for the Zacks sub-industry, 1.82X for the Zacks sector and 3.76X for the S&P 500 index.

Over the past five years, the stock has traded as high as 0.52X and as low as 0.14X, with a 5-year median of 0.35X. Our Neutral recommendation indicates that the stock will perform in line with the market. Our \$199 price target reflects 0.42X forward 12-month sales.

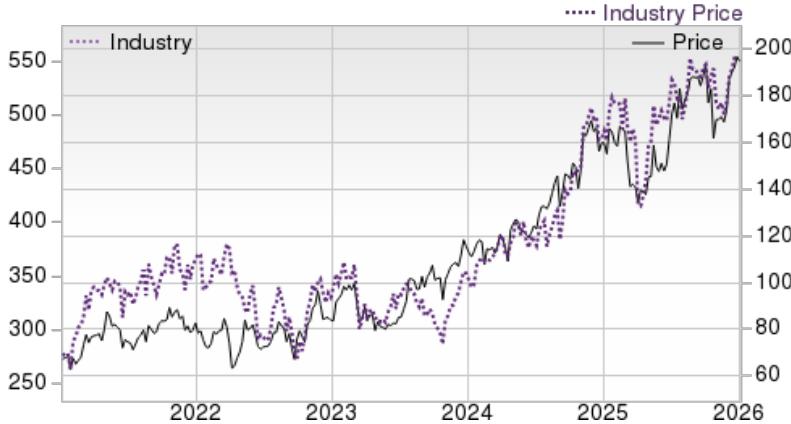
The table below shows summary valuation data for R

		Valuation Multiples - R			
		Stock	Sub-Industry	Sector	S&P 500
P/S F 12M	Current	0.39	1.46	1.82	3.76
	5-Year High	0.52	1.5	2.25	4.22
	5-Year Low	0.14	0.67	1.24	2.93
	5-Year Median	0.35	1.23	1.65	3.57
EV/EBITDA TTM	Current	4.45	10.03	12.27	14.35
	5-Year High	4.99	11.05	22.96	17.3
	5-Year Low	3.56	7.03	6.53	9.84
	5-Year Median	4.07	9.85	10.99	13.78
EV/S TTM	Current	1	3.04	2.08	3.83
	5-Year High	1.21	3.36	3.36	4.39
	5-Year Low	0.66	1.87	1.46	2.43
	5-Year Median	0.95	2.82	2.19	3.47

As of 12/05/2025

Source: Zacks Investment Research

## Industry Analysis<sup>(1)</sup> Zacks Industry Rank: Top 31% (75 out of 244)



## Top Peers<sup>(1)</sup>

Company (Ticker)	Rec	Rank
Expeditors Internati...(EXPD)	Outperform	2
Aercap Holdings N.V. (AER)	Neutral	3
Air Lease Corporatio...(AL)	Neutral	3
C.H. Robinson Worldw...(CHRW)	Neutral	2
Greenbrier Companies...(GBX)	Neutral	3
Herc Holdings Inc. (HRI)	Neutral	3
Union Pacific Corpor...(UNP)	Neutral	3
Wabtec (WAB)	Neutral	2

## Industry Comparison<sup>(1)</sup> Industry: Transportation - Equipment And Leasing

	R	X Industry	S&P 500	AER	HRI	WAB
<b>Zacks Recommendation (Long Term)</b>	Neutral	-	-	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
<b>Zacks Rank (Short Term)</b>	4	-	-	3	3	2
<b>VGM Score</b>	A	-	-	A	C	C
Market Cap	7.60 B	5.37 B	40.07 B	27.38 B	5.37 B	37.03 B
# of Analysts	2	1	22	6	3	4
Dividend Yield	1.93%	0.91%	1.38%	0.74%	1.73%	0.46%
<b>Value Score</b>	A	-	-	A	B	D
Cash/Price	0.02	0.07	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.01
EV/EBITDA	5.06	9.17	14.89	9.85	9.96	20.07
PEG Ratio	1.19	1.49	2.04	0.75	1.52	1.49
Price/Book (P/B)	2.46	1.71	3.41	1.51	2.78	3.34
Price/Cash Flow (P/CF)	3.34	5.20	15.44	5.33	3.89	20.88
P/E (F1)	14.83	12.66	18.58	9.77	19.92	21.55
Price/Sales (P/S)	0.60	1.30	3.06	3.28	1.30	3.43
Earnings Yield	7.90%	7.47%	5.38%	10.23%	5.02%	4.64%
Debt/Equity	2.35	2.35	0.57	2.43	4.28	0.45
Cash Flow (\$/share)	56.40	10.79	8.98	27.49	41.47	10.37
<b>Growth Score</b>	B	-	-	C	D	C
Hist. EPS Growth (3-5 yrs)	19.76%	20.48%	8.24%	16.02%	23.88%	20.48%
Proj. EPS Growth (F1/F0)	5.75%	9.80%	9.21%	22.81%	-42.70%	18.39%
Curr. Cash Flow Growth	-1.28%	9.20%	7.00%	-0.73%	5.94%	15.55%
Hist. Cash Flow Growth (3-5 yrs)	1.27%	6.47%	7.49%	12.72%	15.75%	10.94%
Current Ratio	1.02	1.66	1.19	0.30	1.22	1.42
Debt/Capital	70.18%	70.47%	38.14%	70.81%	81.07%	31.21%
Net Margin	3.96%	6.30%	12.77%	45.41%	-1.68%	10.94%
Return on Equity	17.69%	11.62%	17.03%	15.16%	16.32%	13.84%
Sales/Assets	0.77	0.38	0.53	0.12	0.38	0.54
Proj. Sales Growth (F1/F0)	-6.60%	5.21%	5.29%	4.10%	26.60%	6.40%
<b>Momentum Score</b>	B	-	-	A	D	B
Daily Price Chg	-2.03%	-0.27%	-0.34%	-0.56%	-1.90%	-1.96%
1 Week Price Chg	-1.02%	-1.02%	1.10%	-0.10%	-2.63%	-1.38%
4 Week Price Chg	-3.05%	4.22%	0.50%	4.87%	7.24%	0.48%
12 Week Price Chg	3.21%	9.43%	3.75%	20.20%	27.50%	9.89%
52 Week Price Chg	18.76%	13.25%	16.94%	52.44%	-11.27%	13.25%
20 Day Average Volume	334,438	341,477	2,431,070	904,913	390,451	707,734
(F1) EPS Est 1 week change	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
(F1) EPS Est 4 week change	0.00%	0.07%	0.00%	0.55%	1.86%	0.15%
(F1) EPS Est 12 week change	-2.88%	-0.87%	0.44%	11.78%	-26.33%	1.13%
(Q1) EPS Est Mthly Chg	0.00%	0.13%	0.00%	NA	3.00%	0.13%

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Value Score	A
Growth Score	B
Momentum Score	B
VGM Score	A

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