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## Featured Volatile Stocks: D.R. Horton, Inc. (NYSE:DHI), Ecopetrol S.A. (NYSE:EC)

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D.R. Horton, Inc. (DHI) with the stream of -1.64% also noticed, India Ecopetrol S.A. (EC) encountered a rapid change of 4.57% in the last hour of Monday's trading session.

D.R. Horton, Inc. (NYSE:DHI) closed at \$45.66 and the price was 31.74% so far this year. The price/earnings to growth ratio (PEG ratio) is a stock's price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio divided by the growth rate of its earnings for a specified time period. The PEG ratio is used to determine a stock's value while taking the company's earnings growth into account, and is

considered to provide a more complete picture than the P/E ratio. Last traded has a PEG ratio of 1.19 where as its P/E ratio was 11.22.

### Liquidity:

The stock has a market cap of \$16.81B with 368.19M shares outstanding, of which the float was 342.65M shares. Analysts consider this stock active, since it switched Trading volume reached 5,101,567 shares as compared to its average volume of 6.42M shares. The Average Daily Trading Volume (ADTV) demonstrates trading activity related to the liquidity of the security. When Ave Volume tends to increase, it shows enhanced liquidity.



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But when Ave Volume is lower, the security will tend to be cheap as people are not as keen to purchase it. Hence, it might have an effect on the worth of the security. DHI's relative volume was 0.79. Relative volume is a great indicator to keep a close eye on, but like most indicators it works best in conjunction with other indicators and on different time frames. Higher relative volume you will have more liquidity in the stock which will tighten spreads and allow you to trade with more size without a ton of slippage.

DHI's price to sales ratio for trailing twelve months was 1.03 and price to book ratio for most recent quarter was 1.88, whereas price to cash per share for the most recent quarter was 22.81. The Company's price to free cash flow for trailing twelve months was recorded as N/A. The NYSE - listed company saw a quick ratio for most recent quarter is N/A. Analysts mean recommendation for the stock was 2.10. This number is based on a 1 to 5 scale where 1 indicates a Strong Buy recommendation while 5 represents a Strong Sell. Beta factor, which measures the riskiness of the security, was recorded as 1.25. A beta of 1 indicates that the security's price moves with the market. A beta of less than 1 means that the security is theoretically less volatile than the market. A beta of greater than 1 indicates that the security's price is theoretically more volatile than the market.

### Historical Performances to Consider:

The Stock's performances for Monthly, weekly, half-yearly, quarterly & year-to-date are mentioned below:-

On a **Monthly** basis the stock was 12.63%. On a **weekly** basis, the stock remained 0.68%. The **half-yearly** performance for the stock has 20.86%, while the **quarterly** performance was 22.81%. Looking further out we can see that the stock has moved 31.74% over the **year to date**. Other technical indicators are worth considering in assessing the prospects for EQT RSI for instance was stand at 68.28.



### Important Factors & Technical Analysis of "EC" described below:

Further, Shares of Ecopetrol S.A. (NYSE:EC) have seen the needle move 4.57% in the most recent session. The NYSE-listed company has a yearly EPS of \$1.78 on volume of 1,169,043 shares. This number is derived from the total net income divided by shares outstanding. In other words, EPS reveals how profitable a company is on a share owner basis. The insider filer data counts the number of monthly positions over 3 month and 12 month time spans. Short-term as well long term investors always focus on the liquidity of the stocks so for that concern, liquidity measure in recent quarter results of the company was recorded 1.50 as current ratio and on the opponent side the debt to equity ratio was 0.67 and long-term debt to equity ratio also remained 0.60. The stock showed monthly performance of -9.64%. Likewise, the performance for the quarter was recorded as 12.18% and for the year was -6.43%.

**Analysts' Suggestions to keep an Eye On:** In terms of Buy, Sell or Hold recommendations, the stock (EC) has analysts' mean recommendation of 3.40. This is according to a simplified 1 to 5 scale where 1 represents a Strong Buy and 5 a Strong Sell. Growth potential is an organization's future ability to generate larger profits, expand its workforce and increase production. The growth potential generally refers to amount of sales or revenues the organization generates. In the last five years, the company's full-year sales growth remained over -0.80% a year on average and the company's earnings per share moved by an average rate of -2.50%.

The price target set for the stock was \$18.63 and this sets up an interesting set of potential movement for the stock, according to data from FINVIZ's Research. The company has a market value of \$41.29B and about 1.98B shares outstanding.

### Should You Go With High Insider Ownership?



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Many value investors look for stocks with a high percent of insider ownership, under the theory that when management are shareholders, they will act in its own self interest, and create shareholder value in the long-term. This aligns the interests of shareholders with management, thus benefiting everyone. While this sounds great in theory, high insider ownership can actually lead to the opposite result, a management team that is unaccountable because they can keep their jobs under almost any circumstance.

Ecopetrol S.A.'s shares owned by insiders remained 100%, whereas shares owned by institutional owners are 3.30%. Many value shareholders look for stocks with a high percentage of insider ownership, under the theory that when administration is shareholders, they will act in its own self-interest, and create shareholder value in the long-term.

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