

COMPANY UPDATE

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► AT A GLANCE

BUY

Target price KRW37,000 49.2%

Current price KRW24,800

Market cap	KRW3.3t/USD2.3b
Shares (float)	133,445,785 (62.6%)
52-week high/low	KRW46,500/KRW24,500
Avg daily trading value (60-day)	KRW32.9b/ USD23.0m

► ONE-YEAR PERFORMANCE

	1M	6M	12M
Hyundai Steel (%)	-12.2	-18.8	-27.5
Vs Kospi (%pts)	13.5	-31.4	-63.9

► KEY CHANGES

(KRW)	New	Old	Diff
Recommend.	BUY	BUY	
Target price	37,000	44,000	-15.9%
2026E EPS	1,142	1,006	13.5%
2027E EPS	3,136	3,362	-6.7%

► SAMSUNG vs THE STREET

No of estimates	13
Target price	46,546
Recommendation	4.0
※ Rating: 4 < → BUY, 3 = HOLD, 2 > → SELL	



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Hyundai Steel (004020)

Earnings to recover in 2H on price hikes

- Hyundai Steel reported a 2Q operating profit of KRW57.7b, missing consensus by 24%.
- Spreads widened q-q for both flat and long products, but cost increases exceeded expectations.
- Flat product spreads should widen further in 3Q, driven by demand-driven price hikes. Meanwhile, attention should grow toward a potential recovery in long product demand through the expansion of new demand sources.

WHAT'S THE STORY?

2Q results disappointing: Hyundai Steel reported 2Q consolidated sales of KRW6.1t (up 6.4% q-q) and an operating profit of KRW57.7 (up significantly q-q but missing consensus by 24%). Steel spreads improved q-q, led by ASP hikes in both flat and long products (due to tariffs on Chinese hot-rolled steel, and expanded rebar exports and cost pass-through, respectively). However, costs (including input costs) exceeded expectations, causing the miss.

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SUMMARY 2Q RESULTS

(KRWb)	2Q26	Chg		Diff (%)	
		(% y-y)	(% q-q)	Samsung	Consensus
Sales	6,107.3	2.7	6.4	-2.9	-0.6
Operating profit	57.7	-43.3	267.8	-19.1	-23.9
Pre-tax profit	-0.6	nm	nm	nm	nm
Net profit	12.1	-67.6	nm	-26.1	-17.7
Margins (%)					
Operating profit	0.9				
Pre-tax profit	-0.0				
Net profit	0.2				

Source: Company data, FnGuide, Samsung Securities estimates

VALUATION SUMMARY

	2025	2026E	2027E
Valuation (x)			
P/E	n/a	21.7	7.5
P/B	0.2	0.2	0.2
EV/EBITDA	6.2	4.8	4.1
Div yield (%)	1.6	2.8	2.8
EPS growth (% y-y)	nm	nm	187.8
ROE (%)	-0.0	0.8	2.2
Per-share data (KRW)			
EPS	-54	1,142	3,286
BVPS	146,778	148,911	150,542
DPS	500	750	750

Expectations for demand-driven price increases in 2H: In 3Q, we foresee further spread expansion in flat products, supported by demand-driven price hikes. Meanwhile, we focus on the possibility of long product demand recovering over the medium term, driven by domestic expansion of AI data centers and early completion of semiconductor fabs. (Based on current plans for AI data center construction over the next three years, annual steel demand from this sector is estimated at 0.9–1.8% of total domestic demand.) Reflecting widening performance gaps among global peers due to intensifying protectionism, we cut our target price for the stock by 16% to KRW37,000 (based on 0.24x P/B, a 15% discount to the global peer average). We, however, maintain BUY, given expectations for demand-driven price increases in 2H and the potential for expansion of new demand sources over the medium term.

Hyundai Steel: Results and forecasts (parent basis)

(KRWb)	1Q25	2Q25	3Q25	4Q25	1Q26	2Q26P	3Q26E	4Q26E	2025	2026E	2027E
Sales	4,289.9	4,680.0	4,532.5	4,297.7	4,474.4	4,837.9	4,810.3	4,938.3	17,800.1	19,060.9	19,953.9
Gross profit	186.1	237.0	309.4	354.5	194.2	264.1	346.2	417.2	1,086.9	1,221.7	1,725.2
Operating profit	-56.1	-7.5	47.1	105.7	-72.5	11.1	74.6	161.2	89.2	174.4	642.8
Pre-tax profit	-62.3	-62.3	5.8	14.5	-48.7	-32.5	16.2	134.3	-104.4	69.3	488.6
Net profit	-38.0	-18.2	-2.7	17.9	-23.5	-18.9	11.7	97.4	-40.9	66.7	354.2
Chg (% y-y)											
Sales	-11.0	-3.5	1.6	-4.1	4.3	3.4	6.1	14.9	-4.4	7.1	4.7
Operating profit	n/a	n/a	46.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	58.3	52.5	496.1	95.4	268.6
Net profit	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	443.0	n/a	n/a	430.7
Margins (%)											
Gross profit	4.3	5.1	6.8	8.2	4.3	5.5	7.2	8.4	6.1	6.4	8.6
Operating profit	-1.3	-0.2	1.0	2.5	-1.6	0.2	1.6	3.3	0.5	0.9	3.2
Net profit	-0.9	-0.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.5	-0.4	0.2	2.0	-0.2	0.4	1.8
Roll margin											
Carbon steel sales (KRWb)	2,737.4	3,036.9	3,011.7	2,779.1	2,949.9	3,121.2	3,050.0	3,156.4	11,565.1	12,277.6	12,708.3
Carbon steel sales volume ('000 tonnes)	2,681.0	2,955.0	2,897.0	2,599.0	2,820.0	2,880.0	2,720.3	2,802.8	11,132.0	11,223.1	11,316.6
Carbon steel ASP	1,021.0	1,027.7	1,039.6	1,069.3	1,046.1	1,083.8	1,121.2	1,126.2	1,038.9	1,094.0	1,123.0
Raw material price	546.6	536.4	518.9	523.8	566.0	599.6	600.1	579.5	531.4	586.3	539.9
BF roll margin (KRW1,000/tonne)	474.4	491.3	520.7	545.5	480.1	484.1	521.1	546.6	507.5	507.6	583.1
(Chg q-q)	-16.8	16.9	29.4	24.8	-65.5	4.1	37.0	25.5	23.8	0.1	75.4
Long product sales (KRWb)	1,086.6	1,168.6	1,075.7	1,079.7	1,075.0	1,264.2	1,312.6	1,305.5	4,410.6	4,957.3	5,352.3
Long product sales volume ('000 tonnes)	1,068.5	1,173.5	1,082.1	1,073.8	1,058.5	1,175.5	1,171.3	1,170.1	4,397.9	4,575.4	4,747.1
Long product ASP	1,016.9	995.8	994.1	1,005.6	1,015.6	1,075.5	1,120.7	1,115.7	1,002.9	1,083.5	1,127.5
Raw material prices	500.5	479.5	478.3	480.0	498.0	541.5	573.0	587.0	484.6	549.9	590.0
EF roll margin (KRW1,000/tonne)	516.4	516.3	515.8	525.6	517.6	534.0	547.7	528.7	518.3	533.6	537.5
(Chg q-q)	-5.9	-0.0	-0.5	9.7	-8.0	16.4	13.7	-19.0	12.1	15.3	3.9
Average roll margin (KRW1,000/tonne)	486.4	498.4	519.4	539.7	490.3	498.6	529.1	541.3	510.6	515.2	569.6
(Chg q-q)	-13.3	12.1	21.0	20.3	-49.4	8.3	30.5	12.2	20.5	4.6	54.4
Operating profit (KRWb)	-56.1	-7.5	47.1	105.7	-72.5	11.1	74.6	161.2	89.2	174.4	642.8
Operating profit per tonne*	-12.8	0.8	15.1	32.1	-15.5	4.0	20.6	41.9	5.7	11.0	40.0
(Chg q-q)	24.1	13.5	14.3	17.0	-47.6	19.5	16.5	21.3	4.8	5.3	29.0

Note: *Excludes specialty steel unit

Source: Company data, Samsung Securities estimates

Hyundai Steel: Results and forecasts (consolidated)

(KRWb)	1Q25	2Q25	3Q25	4Q25	1Q26	2Q26P	3Q26E	4Q26E	2025	2026E	2027E
Sales	5,563.5	5,945.6	5,734.4	5,489.8	5,739.7	6,107.3	6,086.5	6,238.8	22,733.2	24,172.3	25,002.8
Parent	4,289.9	4,680.0	4,532.5	4,297.7	4,474.4	4,837.9	4,810.3	4,938.3	17,800.1	19,060.9	19,953.9
Subsidiaries	1,273.6	1,265.6	1,201.9	1,192.1	1,265.3	1,269.4	1,276.2	1,300.6	4,933.1	5,111.4	5,048.9
Gross profit	291.9	411.8	425.3	375.4	352.6	378.7	458.0	542.3	1,504.3	1,731.5	2,196.2
Parent	186.1	237.0	309.4	354.5	194.2	264.1	346.2	417.2	1,086.9	1,221.7	1,725.2
Subsidiaries	105.8	174.8	116.0	20.9	158.4	114.6	111.7	125.0	417.4	509.8	471.0
Operating profit	-19.0	101.8	93.2	43.3	15.7	57.7	111.9	197.2	219.2	382.5	791.3
Parent	-56.1	-7.5	47.1	105.7	-72.5	11.1	74.6	161.2	89.2	174.4	642.8
Subsidiaries	37.1	109.2	46.1	-62.5	88.2	46.6	37.3	36.0	130.0	208.1	148.5
Pre-tax profit	-67.0	5.8	30.0	-12.1	-32.1	-0.6	47.7	167.0	-43.2	182.1	604.9
Parent	-62.3	-62.3	5.8	14.5	-48.7	-32.5	16.2	134.3	-104.4	69.3	488.6
Subsidiaries	-4.6	68.1	24.3	-26.6	16.7	31.9	31.5	32.7	61.2	112.8	116.3
Net profit	-54.4	37.4	17.8	0.6	-39.3	12.1	34.6	121.1	1.4	128.5	438.5
Parent	-38.0	-18.2	-2.7	17.9	-23.5	-18.9	11.7	97.4	-40.9	66.7	354.2
Subsidiaries	-16.4	55.6	20.5	-17.4	-15.8	31.0	22.8	23.7	42.3	61.7	84.3
Net profit (controlling interests)	-55.1	33.8	17.1	-2.7	-41.0	8.4	29.6	116.1	-6.9	113.1	418.5
Chg (% y-y)											
Sales	-6.5	-1.6	2.0	-2.2	3.2	2.7	6.1	13.6	-2.1	6.3	3.4
Operating profit	n/a	3.9	80.9	n/a	n/a	-43.3	20.0	355.9	37.5	74.5	106.9
Net profit	n/a	2,664.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	-67.6	94.1	n/a	-84.2	n/a	241.4
Net profit (controlling interests)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-75.2	73.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	270.0
Margins (%)											
Gross profit	5.2	6.9	7.4	6.8	6.1	6.2	7.5	8.7	6.6	7.2	8.8
Operating profit	-0.3	1.7	1.6	0.8	0.3	0.9	1.8	3.2	1.0	1.6	3.2
Net profit	-1.0	0.6	0.3	-0.0	-0.7	0.1	0.5	1.9	-0.0	0.5	1.7

Source: Company data, Samsung Securities estimates

Hyundai Steel: P/B valuation

(KRWb)	
Consolidated business value	4,823
- 2026E Book value	19,806
- Target P/B (x)*	0.24
Shares	133,445,785
Target price (KRW)	37,000

Note: *15% discount to the peer average valuation adjusted for Hyundai Steel's estimated ROE(2.2%)

Source: Samsung Securities estimates

Income statement

Year-end Dec 31 (KRWb)	2024	2025	2026E	2027E	2028E
Sales	23,226	22,733	24,172	25,003	25,340
Cost of goods sold	21,832	21,229	22,441	22,807	23,001
Gross profit	1,394	1,504	1,732	2,196	2,339
Gross margin (%)	6.0	6.6	7.2	8.8	9.2
SG&A expenses	1,234	1,285	1,349	1,405	1,465
Operating profit	159	219	383	791	874
Operating margin (%)	0.7	1.0	1.6	3.2	3.4
Non-operating gains (losses)	-219	-262	-200	-186	-183
Financial profit	384	452	220	164	164
Financial costs	664	651	462	372	369
Equity-method gains (losses)	12	5	22	22	22
Other	49	-68	20	-0	-0
Pre-tax profit	-59	-43	182	605	691
Taxes	-68	-45	54	166	190
Effective tax rate (%)	114.8	103.2	29.4	27.5	27.5
Profit from continuing operations	9	1	128	439	501
Profit from discontinued operations	0	0	0	0	0
Net profit	9	1	128	439	501
Net margin (%)	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.8	2.0
Net profit (controlling interests)	-12	-7	113	419	481
Net profit (non-controlling interests)	20	8	15	20	20
EBITDA	1,870	1,981	2,046	2,545	2,715
EBITDA margin (%)	8.1	8.7	8.5	10.2	10.7
EPS (parent-based) (KRW)	-87	-52	1,142	3,136	3,602
EPS (consolidated) (KRW)	66	10	963	3,286	3,752
Adjusted EPS (KRW)*	-111	-54	1,142	3,286	3,752

Cash flow statement

Year-end Dec 31 (KRWb)	2024	2025	2026E	2027E	2028E
Cash flow from operations	1,777	2,053	1,996	2,272	2,610
Net profit	9	1	128	439	501
Non-cash profit and expenses	1,921	2,193	2,054	2,184	2,295
Depreciation	1,621	1,666	1,616	1,703	1,788
Amortization	90	96	48	50	53
Other	210	431	390	431	454
Changes in A/L from operating activities	276	86	-187	-350	-186
Cash flow from investments	-1,503	-1,578	-2,103	-2,376	-2,728
Change in tangible assets	-1,650	-1,475	-2,027	-2,297	-2,649
Change in financial assets	-285	327	-62	-62	-62
Other	432	-430	-14	-17	-16
Cash flow from financing	-354	-385	119	119	86
Change in debt	-33	-563	0	0	0
Change in equity	-1	-34	0	0	0
Dividends	-132	-100	-66	-66	-99
Other	-188	312	185	185	185
Change in cash	-90	47	-32	-28	-75
Cash at beginning of year	1,386	1,296	1,343	1,311	1,283
Cash at end of year	1,296	1,343	1,311	1,283	1,208
Gross cash flow	1,930	2,194	2,183	2,623	2,795
Free cash flow	105	561	-53	-45	-59

Note: *Excluding one-off items;

**Fully diluted, excluding one-off items;

***From companies subject to equity-method valuation

Source: Company data, Samsung Securities estimates

Balance sheet

Year-end Dec 31 (KRWb)	2024	2025	2026E	2027E	2028E
Current assets	11,460	11,318	11,687	12,132	12,282
Cash & equivalents	1,296	1,343	1,311	1,283	1,208
Accounts receivable	2,524	2,358	2,491	2,629	2,714
Inventories	6,291	5,740	5,984	6,296	6,414
Other current assets	1,350	1,876	1,900	1,923	1,945
Fixed assets	23,284	23,125	23,205	23,430	23,691
Investment assets	2,292	2,830	1,835	1,849	1,863
Tangible assets	18,431	17,835	18,019	18,230	18,477
Intangible assets	1,402	1,320	1,320	1,320	1,320
Other long-term assets	1,160	1,140	2,031	2,031	2,031
Total assets	34,744	34,442	34,891	35,562	35,973
Current liabilities	7,699	7,411	7,850	8,134	8,310
Accounts payable	1,467	1,533	1,630	1,738	1,816
Short-term debt	1,216	1,216	1,216	1,216	1,216
Other current liabilities	5,017	4,662	5,004	5,180	5,278
Long-term liabilities	7,711	7,192	7,138	7,152	6,986
Bonds & long-term debt	6,159	5,816	5,816	5,816	5,816
Other long-term liabilities	1,552	1,375	1,322	1,336	1,169
Total liabilities	15,410	14,602	14,988	15,286	15,295
Owners of parent equity	18,918	19,371	19,433	19,806	20,208
Capital stock	667	667	667	667	667
Capital surplus	3,905	3,871	3,871	3,871	3,871
Retained earnings	13,400	13,303	13,366	13,739	14,141
Other	946	1,529	1,529	1,529	1,529
Non-controlling interests' equity	415	469	469	469	469
Total equity	19,334	19,840	19,903	20,276	20,678
Net debt	8,258	7,769	7,058	7,086	7,161

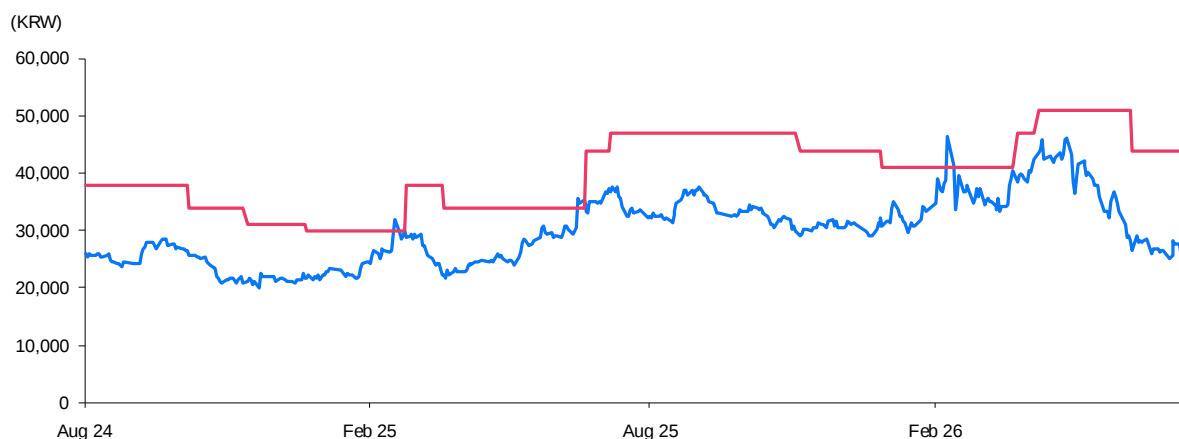
Financial ratios

Year-end Dec 31	2024	2025	2026E	2027E	2028E
Growth (%)					
Sales	-10.4	-2.1	6.3	3.4	1.3
Operating profit	-80.0	37.5	74.5	106.9	10.4
Net profit	-98.0	-84.2	9,147.6	241.4	14.2
Adjusted EPS**	nm	nm	nm	187.8	14.2
Per-share data (KRW)					
EPS (parent-based)	-87	-52	1,142	3,136	3,602
EPS (consolidated)	66	10	963	3,286	3,752
Adjusted EPS**	-111	-54	1,142	3,286	3,752
BVPS	145,488	146,778	148,911	150,542	153,445
DPS (common)	750	500	500	750	750
Valuations (x)					
P/E***	n/a	n/a	21.7	7.5	6.6
P/B***	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
EV/EBITDA	6.1	6.2	4.8	4.1	4.0
Ratios (%)					
ROE	-0.1	0.0	0.8	2.2	2.4
ROA	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.2	1.4
ROIC	-0.1	0.0	1.1	2.3	2.5
Payout ratio	n/a	n/a	51.2	22.5	19.7
Dividend yield (common)	3.6	1.6	2.8	2.8	2.8
Net debt to equity	42.7	39.2	35.5	34.9	34.6
Interest coverage (x)	0.4	0.6	1.0	2.1	2.4

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Target price changes in past two years



Rating changes over past two years (adjusted share prices)

Date	2024/7/1	10/25	12/2	2025/1/9	3/14	4/8	7/8	7/24	11/24	2026/1/16	4/13	4/27
Recommendation	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY	BUY
Target price (KRW)	38000	34000	31000	30000	38000	34000	44000	47000	44000	41000	47000	51000
Gap* (average)	-29.71	-32.37	-30.44	-18.38	-29.88	-21.00	-19.98	-28.39	-30.38	-14.43	-14.63	-24.81
(max or min)**	-22.76	-24.41	-26.77	6.17	-22.37	4.56	-14.89	-20.00	-27.05	13.41	-9.57	-9.51
Date	6/26	8/3										
Recommendation	BUY	BUY										
Target price (KRW)	44000	37000										
Gap* (average)	-38.84											
(max or min)**	-33.86											

Note: * [(average, maximum, or minimum share price over duration of target price minus target price) / target price] x 100%

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Industry

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