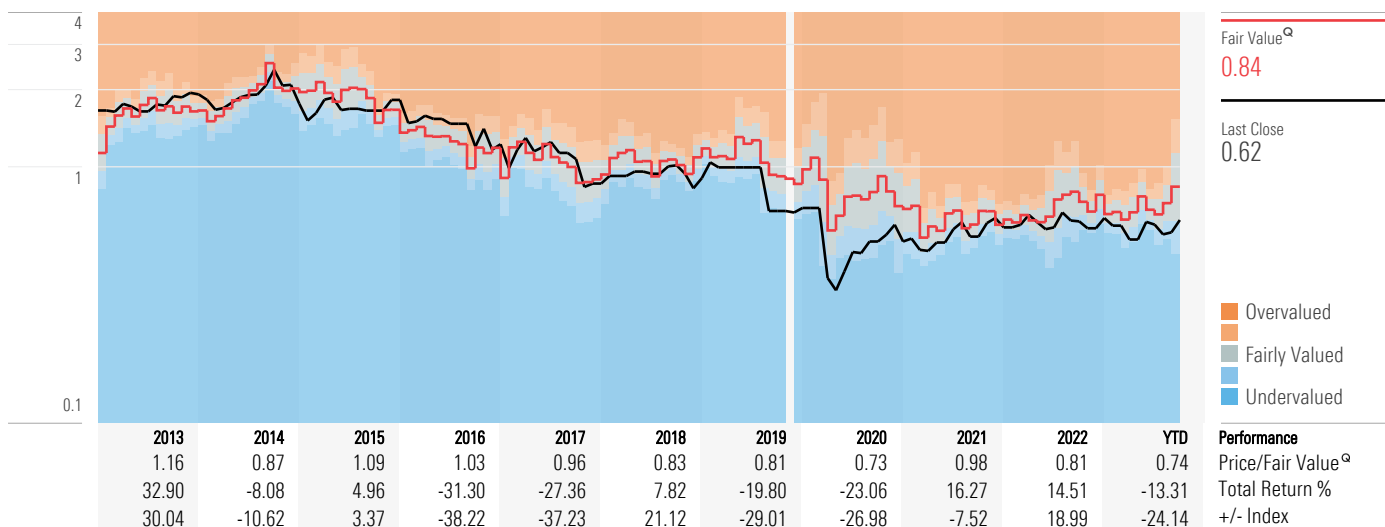


# Alfa SAB de CV Class A XALFA ★★★ Q 27 Sep 2023, 22:37 UTC

<b>Economic Moat</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Uncertainty</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Price/Fair Value</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>ESG Risk Rating Assessment</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>Trailing Dividend Yield %</b>	<b>Market Cap</b>	<b>Investment Style</b>	<b>Sector</b>	<b>Industry</b>
None	Very High	0.7	6 Sep 2023 05:00, UTC	3.01	2.8739 Bil	Mid Value	Basic Materials	Specialty Chemicals



As of 27 Sep 2023 | Index: Morningstar Mexico GR MXN. Fair Value data as of 27 Sep 2023, 22:37 UTC.

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## Key Metrics as of 26 Sep 2023

Metrics	Value	Percentile in Sector
Earnings Yield (%)	13.0	90.0
Sales Yield (%)	673.1	97.0
Book Value Yield (%)	64.2	44.0
Return on Assets (%)*	2.6	68.0
Revenue(Bil)*	20.4	98.0
Market Value (Bil)	3.0	87.0
Enterprise Value (Bil)	7.5	91.0
EV/MV Ratio	2.5	95.0
Volatility TTM (%)	21.6	15.0
Drawdown TTM (%)	27.2	30.0
Volume (Mil)	5.4	91.0

\*31 Mar 2023

## Business Description

Alfa SAB de CV is a Mexican company controlling three principal businesses: Alpek; Sigma and Axtel. The segments of the company are: 1) Alpek, This segment operates in the petrochemical and synthetic fibers industry, and its revenues are derived from sales of its products: polyester, plastics and chemicals. 2) Sigma, This segment operates in the refrigerated food sector and its revenues are derived from sales of its main products: deli meats, dairy and other processed foods. 3) Axtel, This segment operates in the telecommunications sector and its revenues are derived from the provision of data transmission services, internet and long-distance phone service. 4) Other segments, include all other companies operating in business services and others that are non-reportable segments.

The earnings yield of 12.96% falls at the 89th percentile in the equity universe and the 90th percentile in its sector. The trailing 12-month maximum drawdown of 27.20% corresponds to the 47th percentile overall and the 29th percentile in the industry.

## Economic Moat <sup>Q</sup> as of 27 Sep 2023

Morningstar maintains a quantitative moat rating of None on the company. The firm's quantitative moat score of 0.35 sits at the 34th percentile in the basic materials sector. This is a decrease from 0.44, the maximum of its moat scores over the past year. The quantitative financial health rating for Alfa SAB de is Moderate. Its financial health score, termed Distance to Default, sits at the 35th percentile in the universe and 40th percentile in the sector.

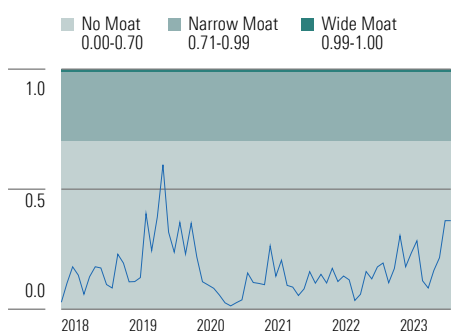
The significant drivers of these ratings are the company's book value yield and enterprise value-to-market value ratio. The book value yield for Alfa SAB de is 64.23%, and its enterprise value-to-market value ratio is 2.50. They sit at the 51st and 90th percentile in the global equity universe, respectively.

## Fundamentals as of 27 Sep 2023

The earnings per share for Alfa SAB de is 1.44. The company earns a return on invested capital of 6.95%, falling at the 76th percentile in the basic materials sector. The firm maintains a dividend yield of 3.36%. We calculate the above figures over a trailing 12-month period.

Examining valuation further, we find Alfa SAB de holds a price-to-earnings ratio of 7, a figure greater than 22% of its sector peers. The company's price-to-free cash flow ratio is 2.44, greater than 6% of its sector peers. These values are calculated using

## Economic Moat <sup>Q</sup> History as of 27 Sep 2023



## Valuation <sup>Q</sup> as of 28 Sep 2023

Alfa SAB de achieves a 3-star quantitative star rating based on Morningstar's equity model. This reflects the company's valuation and uncertainty scores under this assessment system.


The Quantitative Fair Value estimate is 0.84, above the previous closing price of 0.62. The stock has been trading between a 27.33% and 7.1% discount to its quantitative fair value over the past year. The stock's current valuation rating sits at the 56th percentile in the coverage universe and 74th percentile in the basic materials sector (higher percentile indicates more undervalued).

The quantitative uncertainty rating for Alfa SAB de is Very High.

Our quantitative star rating last differed from the current rating on 09/15/2023; the uncertainty rating last differed on 09/14/2023. The previous ratings were 4 and High, respectively.

The main drivers of the company's valuation and uncertainty are its earnings yield and drawdown.

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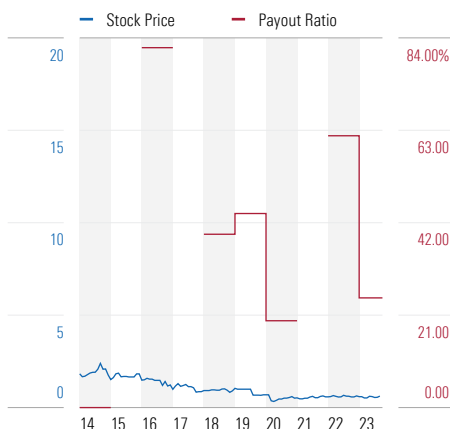
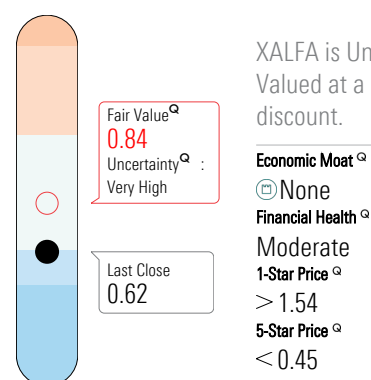
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**Earnings** as of 26 Sep 2023

Earnings	%	Percentile in Sector
Dividend Yield*	3.4	56.0
Payout Ratio*	24.9	32.0
Price to Earnings	7.0	22.0
Price to Cash Flow	2.4	6.0
ROIC**	7.0	76.0

\*31 Aug 2023

\*\*31 Mar 2023

**Dividends** as of 27 Sep 2023**Valuation** <sup>Q</sup> as of 27 Sep 2023

XALFA is Under Valued at a 26% discount.

**Economic Moat** <sup>Q</sup>

None

**Financial Health** <sup>Q</sup>

Moderate

**1-Star Price** <sup>Q</sup>

&gt; 1.54

**5-Star Price** <sup>Q</sup>

&lt; 0.45

the stock's price at last market close.

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**Financials** as of 27 Sep 2023 (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2023)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD	Fiscal
203	229	258	294	318	276	260	252	297	364	113	Revenue (Bil)	
16.24	17.10	22.33	26.41	20.53	19.76	13.37	15.67	27.59	32.34	5.82	Operating Income (Bil)	
7.98	7.46	8.64	8.99	6.46	7.16	5.14	6.22	9.29	8.89	5.13	Operating Margin (%)	
5.93	-2.04	3.78	2.33	-2.05	13.14	5.81	3.93	4.11	11.72	0.07	Net Income (Bil)	
1.15	-0.40	0.74	0.45	-0.40	2.60	1.15	0.80	0.84	2.42	0.02	Diluted Earnings/Share	
20	24	31	37	34	35	31	29	26	28	28	Operating Cash Flow (Bil)	
-12.20	-14.43	-17.39	-26.07	-21.17	-9.83	-9.97	-5.58	-9.96	-7.98	-7.98	Capital Spending (Bil)	
7.56	9.52	13.11	11.23	13.23	25.22	20.60	23.77	16.41	19.68	19.68	Free Cash Flow (Bil)	
5,144	5,143	5,129	5,121	5,088	5,055	5,037	4,942	4,909	4,859	4,728	Avg Shares Outstand(Mil)	

**Valuation** as of 27 Sep 2023

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Current	Calendar
1.16	0.87	1.09	1.03	0.96	0.83	0.81	0.73	0.98	0.81	0.74	Price/Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>	
0.96	0.82	0.74	0.53	0.36	0.31	0.23	0.19	0.25	0.21	0.15	Price/Sales	
30.29	32.86	—	39.53	—	14.06	9.02	6.82	—	11.04	7.87	Price/Earnings	
10.57	8.91	7.99	4.89	3.00	3.24	2.28	2.13	2.46	2.62	1.95	Price/Cash Flow	
3.41	3.02	3.09	2.13	1.69	1.64	1.14	0.84	1.66	1.60	1.60	Price/Book	

**Operating Performance** as of 27 Sep 2023 (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2023)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Q3	Fiscal (%)
3.71	-1.02	1.51	0.76	-0.58	3.61	1.64	1.32	1.56	4.31	0.07	Return on Assets	
10.93	-3.64	6.43	3.37	-2.82	18.4	8.0	7.13	10.58	28.94	0.45	Return on Equity	
7.55	0.27	4.35	3.44	1.52	8.48	4.92	4.65	5.37	9.56	1.26	Rtn on Invested Capital	

**Dividends** as of 27 Sep 2023

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Current	Calendar (%)
0.05	—	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.06	Dividend Per Share	
0.85	—	1.4	2.27	3.37	2.75	4.8	3.92	2.67	5.32	3.01	Trailing Dividend Yield	
0.19	0.06	0.15	0.35	0.0	1.3	0.0	1.2	1.8	0.2	2.41	Buyback Yield	

# Appendix

**Economic Moat** <sup>®</sup>History as of 27 Sep 2023 (No Moat: 0.00-0.70, Narrow Moat: 0.70-0.99, Wide Moat: 0.99-1.00)

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2023	0.31	0.18	0.23	0.29	0.12	0.09	0.16	0.21	0.37	—	—	—
2022	0.17	0.12	0.14	0.12	0.04	0.06	0.16	0.13	0.18	0.19	0.11	0.17
2021	0.10	0.26	0.14	0.20	0.10	0.09	0.06	0.08	0.16	0.11	0.15	0.11
2020	0.22	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.06	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.15	0.11	0.11
2019	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.40	0.24	0.38	0.60	0.32	0.24	0.36	0.23	0.36
2018	0.03	0.11	0.18	0.14	0.06	0.14	0.18	0.17	0.10	0.09	0.23	0.19

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★ – the stock is overvalued with a reasonable margin of safety.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) < -1\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

*Micro-Caps: Log (Quant FVE/Price) < -1.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

★★ – the stock is somewhat overvalued.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (-1\*Quantitative Uncertainty, -0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

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*Log (Quant FVE/Price) between (0.5\*Quantitative Uncertainty, 1\*Quantitative Uncertainty)*

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★★★★★ – the stock is undervalued with a reasonable margin of safety.

*Log (Quant FVE/Price) > 1\*Quantitative Uncertainty*

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