


## Investment Clubs » HPQ









### HPQ: 45.47 -0.77 (-1.67%) - Hewlett-Packard Company

<http://finance.google.com/finance?q=NYSE:HPQ>

 Hewlett-Packard Company (HP), is a provider of products, technologies, software, solutions and services to individual consumers, small- and medium-sized businesses (SMBs) and large enterprises, including in the public and education sectors. HP's offerings span personal computing and other access devices; imaging and printing-related products and services; enterprise information technology infrastructure, including enterprise storage and server technology and software that optimizes business technology investments, and multi-vendor customer services, including technology support and maintenance, consulting and integration and outsourcing services. During the fiscal year ended October 31, 2007 (fiscal 2007), its operations were organized into seven business segments: Enterprise Storage and Servers (ESS), HP Services (HPS), HP Software, the Personal Systems Group (PSG), the Imaging and Printing Group (IPG), HP Financial Services (HPFS) and Corporate Investments


### Hewlett-Packard Co (HPQ.N) Company Profile | Stocks | Reuters.com

<http://www.reuters.com/finance/stocks/companyProfile?symbol=HPQ.N&rpc=66>

-  In August 2008, HP announced that it has completed its acquisition of Electronic Data Systems Corporation (EDS). In September 2007, HP completed the acquisition of Opsware Inc. In October 2007, the Company completed the acquisition of Neoware Inc., a provider of thin-client computing and virtualization solutions. During fiscal 2007, HP also completed the acquisitions of Mercury Interactive Corporation, Bristol Technologies, Inc. and SPI Dynamics, Inc.
-  Lots of acquisitions! I wonder if they will continue to buy up firms...might be worth looking into a pattern and buy companies that they will acquire.
-  ESS provides storage and server products in a number of categories. Industry standard servers include primarily entry-level and mid-range ProLiant servers, which run primarily Windows, Linux and Novell operating systems and leverage Intel Corporation (Intel) and Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) processors.
-  HPS provides a portfolio of multi-vendor information technology (IT) services, including technology services, consulting and integration and outsourcing services. HPS also offers a variety of services tailored to particular industries such as communications, media and entertainment, manufacturing and distribution, financial services, health and life sciences and the public sector, including government services.
-  HP Software provides a suite of Business Technology Optimization (BTO) software solutions, including support, that allow customers to manage and automate their IT infrastructure, operations, applications, IT services and business processes under the OpenView brand.
-  PSG provides commercial personal computers (PCs), consumer PCs, workstations, handheld computing devices, digital entertainment systems, calculators and other related accessories, software and services for the commercial and consumer markets.
-  IPG is an imaging and printing systems provider for consumer and commercial printer hardware, printing supplies, printing media and scanning devices.
-  HPFS supports HP's global product and service solutions, providing a range of value-added financial life cycle management services. HPFS enables the Company's customers to acquire IT solutions, including hardware, software and services.

### HP Investor Relations - Stock chart

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-  The stock has been growing steadily for 5 years. Stagnant in 2008, but to be expected given economy. Will be a long term play.



### HP Investor Relations - Dividend history

<http://h30261.www3.hp.com/phoenix.zhtml?c=71087&p=irol-dividends>

-  Dividends seemed capped at \$0.08/share since 1998. I wouldn't expect much growth here.

### Hewlett-Packard to buy LeftHand Networks for \$360M - BusinessWeek

<http://www.businessweek.com/ap/financialnews/D93HO3UG1.htm>

-  Hewlett-Packard to buy LeftHand Networks for \$360M
-  LeftHand Networks Inc., a provider of storage virtualization, for \$360 million in cash.

- Virtualization is a big play. Are there other players in this field? Look to see how markets are reacting to this acquisition.

### Google Finance: Hewlett-Packard Company

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- At these prices I would have to say the HPQ is a buy. No, that doesn't quite do it. A HUGE buy at these levels. Everything is aligned for profitable investing here. Firstly, HP is "very confident" on meeting earnings on November 20th. Secondly, HP has just unveiled a new laptop with 24 hours of battery life.
- Limit orders and perhaps waiting a few days will lend big long term returns.
- on just the new 24-hr laptop, i'm a Dell desktop user and not an HP one. i didn't believe it at first but read a lot of reviews and analyzed the specs, and by all accounts it is a significant "step" forward indeed.
- 24hr Notebook? Wow! I'm sure this will get a lot of sales.

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- I don't think there is any worry for HP currently. Their layoffs were part of the EDS merger, and were expected at the time the merger was announced. Their cash is decreasing, but if you looked at their financials, they are paying off some of their long and short-term debt, which could help explain the cash flows. While disposable income is decreasing and discretionary spending is on a downward trend, HP still seems to be able to maintain a healthy volume of sales, and they do have other markets besides personal PCs. 24% of their business is involved in consulting, outsourcing consultation, and storage and enterprise servers - something that seems to hang tough no matter what the current economy.
- Layoffs, decreasing cash worries. Could be explained by synergies with EDS and debt management. Might want to check D/E ratios over time.

### Intuit Taps Hewlett-Packard and Google for Advice - BusinessWeek

[http://www.businessweek.com/technology/content/sep2008/tc20080929\\_263094.htm?chan=technology\\_technology\\_index\\_page\\_software](http://www.businessweek.com/technology/content/sep2008/tc20080929_263094.htm?chan=technology_technology_index_page_software)

- Intuit Taps Hewlett-Packard and Google for Advice CEO Brad Smith is reshaping the maker of personal finance software by picking the brains of some of the best players in Silicon Valley, including HP's Hurd
- CEO is considered to be awesome...