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First Quarter 2019 Earnings Financial Analysis

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- Further materials are also on the website. Feel free to share.
- Presentation includes:
 - ► Earnings Report Overview
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2019 Q1 Earnings Report Overview

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- Reported Earnings Per Share of \$1.84. Net Income: \$2.788 Billion.
- ▶ Beat estimates of \$1.55 EPS. 18.71% above expectations.
- Revenues: \$15.303 billion. Practically inline with expectations.
- Expectations: \$15.142 billion. 1.06% above expectations.



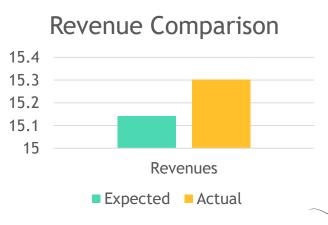




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- Solid performance from Media Networks and Parks, Experiences, and Consumer Products segments.
- Studio Entertainment & Direct-to-Consumer & International were weak (financials).



Overall Performance Review

- Performing well.
- ► Parks, Experiences, and Consumer Products strong (As Usual). Parks & Resorts are the main source.
- Media Networks in great shape. Positive Rev/Income comparisons to Q1 2018.
- Studio Entertainment: sharp declines.
- ▶ Direct-to-Consumer & International: Increased losses.



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Overall Performance Review

- ▶ Direct-To-Consumer & International is key segment to watch: streaming services.
- ▶ Disney+ launches later this year. ESPN+ launched last year.
- If segment becomes profitable = potential for growth.
- Studio Entertainment needs to improve performance to match prior year's results. Potential red flag.
- Media Networks & Parks & Resorts continues sold results.
- Segment operating income declined by 8% & comparable EPS declined by 3% from Q1 2018.



Key Segment Financial Review Media Networks

- ▶ Revenues & operating income up 7% from 2018 Q1
- ▶ Broadcasting led the way: revenues up 12% & profit up 40%.
- ► Equity in the income of the investees earnings up 13% (A+E Network holdings).
- Cable Networks was the weak point: profits down 6%. Revenues up 4%, however.
- ► ESPN: Costs up. Freeform: lower advertising revenue.



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Key Segment Financial Review Parks, Experiences, and Consumer Products

- Strongest division: revenues up 5 percent & income up 10% from Q1 2018.
- ▶ Parks & Resorts responsible for the performance.
- ▶ Operating margin increased to 31.5% from 30% in 2018.
- ► Higher ticket prices, increased merchandise & food spending, and higher resort stays.
- International weak. Hong Kong Disneyland was able to have positive results, however.
- ▶ Licensing income declined. Cars & Star Wars: lower sales.





Key Segment Financial Review Studio Entertainment

- Revenues declined 27% and income declined 63% from Q1 2018.
- Firm was unable to match the performance of Star Wars: The Last Jedi & Thor: Ragnarok from 2018.
- TV & streaming video on demand was able to help results.
- Incredibles 2 & Avengers: Infinity Wars helped results.



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Key Segment Financial Review Direct-To-Consumer & International

- ► Revenues declined 1% and operating losses increased by 224%.
- Increase in operating losses was due to increased technology services costs for the streaming services platform.
- Preparing to launch Disney+ later this year.







Cash Flow Review

- ► Cash flows declined by 6% from Q1 2018.
- ► Cash flows: \$2.099 billion.
- Free Cash Flow: \$904 billion.
- ► Free Cash Flow declined by 28% or \$352 million.
- Company is investing in Parks & Resorts.
- Star Wars themed lands and other attractions will be launching later this year.



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What to Watch For

- Streaming Services: Disney+ & ESPN+: key area of potential growth.
- Parks & Resorts expansion: will it help company performance? Increases in guest traffic, spending or crowding relief.
- Studio Entertainment: will it be able to match prior quarters' results going forward?



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Summary: First Quarter 2019

- Solid Quarter. Beat analyst estimates.
- Media Networks & Parks, Experiences, & Consumer Products strong results.
- Studio Entertainment: sharp declines, area of concern.
- ▶ Direct-to-Consumer & International: increased expenses lead to further operating losses. Potential to help company growth.
- ► Performance of Parks & Resorts, streaming services, & Studio Entertainment will be important areas to watch going forward.



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