

BAFS Elective Part Business Management Module – Financial Management

Topic M01:

Financial Analysis – Ratio Analysis for Business



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Accounting Ratios

Usage: to evaluate and compare the financial performance and position of different companies



Categories:

Profitability ratios



Liquidity ratios



Management Efficiency ratios





Profitability Ratios



To measure the ability of a company in making profits.

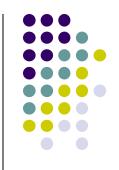
1. Gross Profit Ratio = $\frac{\text{Gross Profit}}{\text{Net Sales}}$

2.Net Profit Ratio = $\frac{\text{Net Profit}}{\text{Net Sales}}$





Profitability Ratios



3. Return on Capital Employed =
$$\frac{\text{Net Profit}}{\text{Capital Employed *}}$$

4. Return on Total Asset =
$$\frac{\text{Net Profit}}{\text{Total Assets}}$$

*Remarks: Capital = (Opening Capital + Closing Capital) / 2
For limited company, Capital = Equity + Long Term Liabilities



Liquidity Ratios



To measure the abilities of a company in repaying debts.

1. Current Ratio = Current Assets

Current Liabilities

2. Quick Ratio = $\frac{\text{Current Assets - Stock}}{\text{Current Liabilities}}$









To measure the efficiency of a company in controlling stocks, debtors and creditors.

1. Stock Turnover Ratio =
$$\frac{\text{Cost of Goods Sold}}{\text{Average Stock}^{\#}}$$

2. Stock Turnover Period =
$$\frac{\text{Average Stock}^{\#} \text{X365}}{\text{Cost of Goods Sold}}$$

[#]Remarks: Average Stock = (Opening Stock + Closing Stock) / 2



Management Efficiency Ratios



3. Debtors Turnover Ratio =
$$\frac{\text{Sales}}{\text{Debtors}}$$

4. Debtors Collection Period = $\frac{\text{Debtors x 365}}{\text{Sales}}$





Management Efficiency Ratios



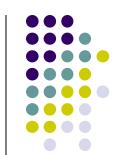
5. Credtiors Turnover Ratio =
$$\frac{Purchases}{Creditors}$$

6. Credtiors Repayment Period =
$$\frac{\text{Credtiors} \times 365}{\text{Purchases}}$$





Activity 1: Accounting ratio formula

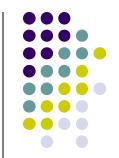


Use the paper stripes provided to complete the following table:

Categories	Ratio Formula
Profitability Ratios: measure the ability to make	
: measure the ability to repay debts	
Management Efficiency Ratios: measure the ability to control and debtors etc.	



Activity 1: Accounting ratio formula (Answers)



Categories	Ratio Formula		
Profitability Ratios: measure the ability to make _profit	Gross Profit Net Sales Net Profit Capital Employed	Net Profit Net Sales Net Profit Total Assets	
Liquidity Ratios: measure the ability to repay debts	Current Assets Current Liabilities	Current Assets - Stock Current Liabilities	
	Cost of Goods Sold Average Stock	Average Stock x 365 Cost of Goods Sold	
Management Efficiency Ratios: measure the ability to control stock and debtors etc.	Credit Sales Debtors	Debtors x 365 Credit Sales	
	Credit Purchases Creditors	Creditors x 365 Credit Purchases	



Activity 2: Finding ratios from financial statements

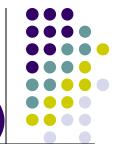


Based on the financial statements provided, fill in the following table:

	Funny Company Limited	Tricky Company Limited
Gross Profit Ratio		
Net profit Ratio		
Return on Capital Employed		
Return on Total Assets		
Current Ratio		
Quick Ratio		
Stock Turnover Ratio		
Stock Turnover Period		
Debtors Turnover Ratio		
Debtors Collection Period		
Creditors Turnover Ratio		
Creditors Repayment Period		



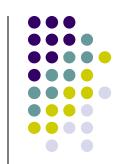
Activity 2: Finding ratios from financial statements (Answers)



Ratio	Formula	Funny Company Limited	Tricky Company Limited
Gross Profit	Gross Profit	319500/700000	7500/11000
Ratio	Net Sales	= 0.46	= 0.68
Net profit Ratio	Net Profit	184500/700000	5600/11000
	Net Sales	= 0.26	= 0.51
Return on Capital	Net Profit _	184500/1105000	5600/307000
Employed	Capital Employed	= 0.17	= 0.02
Return on Total	Net Profit	184500/1290000	5600/309000
Assets	Total Assets	= 0.14	= 0.02
Current Ratio	Current Assets	190000/185000	9000/2000
	Current Liabilities	= 1.03	= 4.5
Quick Ratio	Current Assets – Stock	180000/185000	8000/2000
	Current Liabilities	= 0.97	= 4



Activity 2: Finding ratios from financial statements (Answers)



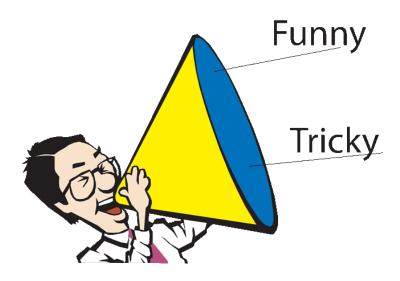
Ratio	Formula	Funny Company Limited	Tricky Company Limited
Stock Turnover	Cost of Goods Sold	380500/[(30500+10000)/2]	3500/[(1500+1000)/2]
Ratio	Average Stock	= 18.79	= 2.8
Stock Turnover	Average Stock x 365	[(30500+10000)/2]x365/380500	[(1500+1000)/2]x365/3500
Period	Cost of Goods Sold	= 19.43 days	= 130.36 days
Debtors	Credit Sales	700000/150000	11000/5000
Turnover Ratio	Debtors	= 4.67	= 2.2
Debtors	Debtors x 365	150000x365/700000	5000x365/11000
Collection Period	Credit Sales	= 78.21 days	= 165.91 days
Creditors	Credit Purchases	360000/180000	3000/2000
Turnover Ratio	Creditors	= 2	= 1.5
Creditors	Creditors x 365	180000x365/360000	2000x365/3000
Repayment Period	Credit Purchases	= 182.50 days	= 243.33 days



Extended Learning Activity



Can you give brief comments on the financial performance of Funny and Tricky?





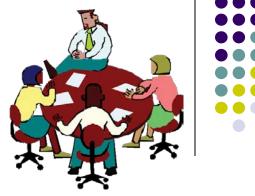
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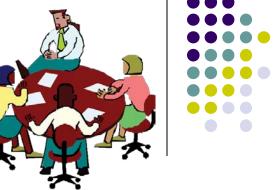


Profitability Ratios



Liquidity Ratios





Management **Efficiency Ratios**

Usage: to evaluate and compare the financial performance and position of different companies

Ability to gain profit	Ability to repay debts	Efficiency in controlling
		Stock, debtor, creditor
Gross Profit Ratio	Current Ratio	Stock Turnover Ratio
Net Profit Ratio	Quick Ratio	Stock Turnover Period
Return on Capital		Debtors Turnover Ratio
Employed		Debtors Collection Period
Return on Total Asset		Creditors Turnover Ratio
		Creditors Repayment Period





Ratio Analysis for Business

Accounting ratios could be used to compare the financial performance and position of different companies.











Profitability Ratio

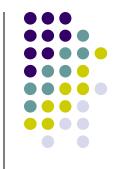
(i.e. Gross Profit Ratio, Net Profit Ratio, Return on Capital Employed & Return On Total Asset)

Higher profitability ratio means higher return for every dollar of sales revenues made (or total asset used).

Hence, the higher the better!



Ratio Analysis for Business



Liquidity Ratios (i.e. Current Ratio & Quick Ratio)

For the safety or stability of a business, current ratio should be $\geq 2:1$ and quick ratio should be $\geq 1:1$

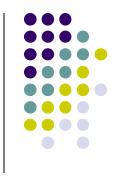
BUT, a very high liquidity ratio may indicate idle cash or lack of investment opportunities.











Management Efficiency Ratios

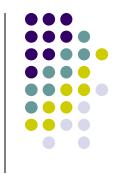
Generally, the higher the better?

No, it depends!

Higher is better for:	Lower is better for:
Stock Turnover Ratio	Stock Turnover Period
Debtors Turnover Ratio	Debtors Collection Period
Creditors Repayment Period	Creditors Turnover Ratio







Management Efficiency Ratios

Caution!

High stock turnover (low turnover period) may indicate insufficient raw material supply

High repayment period (low stock turnover) may indicate inability to pay debts.



Activity 3: Which company performed better?



	Ratio	Values	Which	
Ratios	Company 1	Company 2	is better 1 or 2?	Reasons
Gross Profit Ratio	0.31	0.25		
Net profit Ratio	0.12	0.15		
Return on Capital Employed	0.21	0.24		
Return on Total Assets	0.11	0.19		
Current Ratio	2.54 : 1	1.47 : 1		
Quick Ratio	1.12:1	1.30 : 1		
Stock Turnover Ratio	4.5 times	3.8 times		
Stock Turnover Period	81.11 days	96.05 days		
Debtors Turnover Ratio	4.66	3.98		
Debtors Collection Period	78.33 days	91.71 days		
Creditors Turnover Ratio	3.78	2.56		
Creditors Repayment Period	96.56 days	142.58 days		



Activity 3: Which company performed better? (Answers)



	Ratio	Ratio Values		
Ratios	Company 1	Company 2	is better Reasons 1 or 2?	
Gross Profit Margin	0.31	0.25	1	Higher gross profit gained per unit sales
Net profit Margin	0.12	0.15	2	Higher net profit gained per unit sales
Return on Capital Employed	0.21	0.24	2	Higher net profit gained per unit capital used
Return on Total Assets	0.11	0.19	2	Higher net profit gained per unit asset used
Current Ratio	2.54 : 1	1.47 : 1	1	More capacity to repay short-term debts
Quick Ratio	1.12:1	1.30 : 1	2	More capacity to repay immediate debts



Activity 3: Which company performed better? (Answers)



	Ratio Values		Which is	
Ratios	Company 1	Company 2	better 1 or 2?	Reasons
*Stock Turnover Ratio	4.5 times	3.8 times	1	More stocks are sold in the period/lower stock level
Stock Turnover Period	81.11 days	96.05 days	1	Stocks required lesser time to be sold/lower stock level
Debtors Turnover Ratio	4.66	3.98	1	Higher ability in collecting debts & more cash in hand
Debtors Collection Period	78.33 days	91.71 days	1	Debts are collected in a shorter period & more cash in hand
Creditors Turnover Ratio	3.78	2.56	2	Enjoyed longer credit term & more cash in hand
Creditors Repayment Period	96.56 days	142.58 days	2	Debts are repaid in a longer period & more cash in hand



Activity 4: Which company are they talking about?



Statement X belongs to Company ?
Statement Y belongs to Company ?
Statement Z belongs to Company ?

	X	Y	Z
Gross Profit Ratio			
Net Profit Ratio			
Return on Capital Employed			
Return on Total Assets			
Current Ratio			
Quick Ratio			
Stock Turnover Ratio			
Stock Turnover Period			
Debtors Turnover Ratio			
Debtors Collection Period			
Creditors Turnover Ratio			
Creditors Repayment Period			



Activity 4: Which company are they talking about? (Answers)



	X	Y	Z
Gross Profit Ratio (2)	352000/700000= 0.50	172500/795,000= 0.22	20000/80000= 0.25
Net Profit Ratio (3)	65000/700000= 0.09	30000/795,000= 0.04	12000/80000= 0.15
Return on Capital Employed (6), (7)	65000/[(109840+141840)/2]	30000/(500000+300000+128500+	12000/[(36000+42000)/2]
	= 0.52	19500+225000)= 0.03	= 0.31
Return on Total Assets	65000/(148340+186000)= 0.19	30000/1278000= 0.02	12000/(2000+46000)= 0.25
Current Ratio (4)	186000/132500	(230000+175500+157500)/(75000	46000/6000
	= 1.40	+30000)= 5.36	= 7.67
Quick Ratio (5)	(145500+1000+3000)/(132500)	(175500+157500)/(75000+30000)	(25000+6000)/6000
	= 1.13	= 3.17	= 5.17
Inventory Turnover Ratio (8)	348000/[(30500+36500)/2]	622500/[(200000+230000)/2]	60000/[(25000+15000)/2]
	= 10.39	= 2.90	= 3.00
Inventory Turnover Period (8)	[(30500+36500)/2]x365/348000	[(200000+230000)/2]x365/622500	[(25000+15000)/2]x365/60000
	=35.14 days	=126.06 days	121.67
Debtors Turnover Ratio	700000/150000= 4.67	795000/175500= 4.53	67000/25000= 2.68
Debtors Collection Period	150000x365/700000= 78.21 days	175500x365/795000= 80.58 days	25000x365/67000= 136.19 days
Creditors Turnover Ratio	(360000-10000+4000)/120000	602500/75000	50000/5000
	= 2.95	= 8.03	= 10.00
Creditors Repayment Period (1)	120000x365/(360000-	75000x365/602500	5000x365/50000
	10000+4000)= 123.73 days	= 45.44 days	= 36.5



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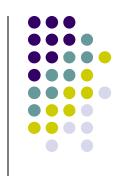
Statement X belongs to Company _____ C ___.

Statement Y belongs to Company ____A___.

Statement Z belongs to Company ______B ___.



Conclusion



- Accounting ratios could be used for comparing companies in terms of their profitability, liquidity and management efficiency.
- Higher the ratios do not always mean better situation
- Looking at a single ratio could be misleading.
 Ratios should be studied as a whole to see the big picture.







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