

# Lodging - US RevPAR +3.1% Y/Y Last Week; Relatively clean comp and strong Group

Another decent week; Group RevPAR (+6.3%) all occupancy driven

#### What's Incremental To Our View

Overall U.S. RevPAR was +3.1% Y/Y for the week ending 3/10/2018, per STR, down from the prior week's result of +4.1%. (2-year stacked RevPAR was +8.0% vs. +7.7% in the prior week.) Independent hotels (about 1/3rd of the data set) were -1.5% y/y. Economy (+5.2%) was the strongest chain scale for branded hotels; Upper Upscale was the weakest chain scale at +3.7%. Midscale (+4.8%) outperformed the overall US hotel industry average. Within Upper Upscale & Luxury class hotels, Group (+6.3% vs. +3.0% prior week) was stronger than Transient (-0.9% vs. +2.7% prior week).

## Overall takeaways from last week's results:

- This was another relatively clean comp week ex-hurricane impacted markets (see below for detail).
- Group demand was quite strong in a number of markets. Overall Group RevPAR of +6.3% was driven almost entirely by occupancy (+6.2%). While one week of RevPAR data does not make a trend, in our opinion it is not particularly great news that such a strong y/y demand lift came with no rate growth.

Over the next several weeks the weekly STR data will be impacted by various calendar shifts. Please see our Calendar Shift RevPAR Roadmap for week-to-week expectations. We anticipate that next week will be an easier comp in some destination markets due to the shift of St. Patrick's Day to Saturday from Friday.

#### RevPAR details:

- Economy was the strongest chain scale. Midscale and Upper Midscale underperformed by 40 bps and 30 bps, respectively: Luxury RevPAR (+4.8%), Upper Upscale (+3.7%), Upscale (+3.9%), Upper Midscale (+4.9%), Midscale (+4.8%), and Economy (+5.2%). Independent hotels (-1.5%) underperformed headline U.S. RevPAR.
- Within Upper Upscale & Luxury class hotels, Group was stronger than Transient: Transient segment (individual business and leisure travelers) RevPAR was -0.9% (vs. +2.7% last week) and Group segment RevPAR was +6.3% (vs. +3.0% last week).
- Chicago (+8.4%) was the strongest of the top 5 markets: Boston (+4.0%), LA (+6.9%), NYC (+5.1%), and D.C. (-2.0%).
- Other relevant markets:

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#### What's Inside

Weekly STR results and analysis



- San Francisco was down: RevPAR was -10.4% vs. -19.3% last week. We anticipate weak y/y results in San Francisco for 1Q due to the renovations at the Moscone Center (comps get easier starting in 2Q).
- Texas results were up: Dallas RevPAR was +4.8% (vs. +6.9% last week). Houston RevPAR was +27.7% (vs. +15.8% last week).
- Hurricane-impacted markets in FL had strong results: Miami (+9.9% vs. +18.4% last week);
   Orlando (+8.5% vs. +1.9% last week).

## The lodging and leisure stocks:

- Based on our last several months of RevPAR data analytics observations, we are less cautious on the hotel REITS then we were at the same time last year, though to be clear not overly bullish (however, due to some unique self-help drivers, we have a Buy rating on PK). Given recent forward-looking demand and pricing trends, we continue to have higher confidence that numbers will not need to be cut in 2018 and that dividends will be paid (though we're not expecting dividend raises of any size this year). LHO is the exception here as they saw a demand shock due to renovations and issues with their Kimpton hotels. We see the major issue/challenge for the hotel owners in 2018 as cost containment. In an environment of property-level operating costs of 3%+ vs. flat to 2% RevPAR growth, this does not bode well for margin expansion for hotel owners (outside of PK, which has some unique self-help drivers). A second strike against the hotel REITs at this moment is that the growth in RevPAR is primarily driven by the leisure segment as opposed to the corporate segment, the latter being the bread and butter customer for the hotel REITs. Within the hotel REITs, PK is one of our favorite names.
- For the C-Corps, it's all good until it isn't. While most C-corps trade at expensive multiples by historical standards (not the case for the hotel REITs as the gap between hotel REITs and C-Corps is as wide as it has ever been), we note that historically asset-light C-Corp multiples can potentially get "wacky" (we note Four Seasons and Choice Hotels in the prior cycle, for example) and can stay expensive up to the point where a management team potentially delivers unexpected bad news (then look out below!). Based on our data research and industry conversations (private hotel owners), we are not anticipating such unexpected bad news (the "all good until it isn't" part) in April/May earnings releases as it relates to 1Q results and forward expectations.



## **Weekly RevPAR Summary**

		YoY % change in RevPAR												
			Upper		Upper			Inde-	New					
	U.S.	Luxury	Upscale	Upscale	Midscale	Midscale	Economy	pendent	York	Boston	LA	Chicago	DC	
1/6/2018	9.6%	25.0%	11.8%	11.7%	10.1%	9.9%	9.8%	2.5%	34.0%	24.4%	14.5%	13.8%	1.9%	
1/13/2018	5.5%	6.2%	0.8%	0.2%	0.8%	1.0%	4.4%	16.5%	-1.6%	-4.2%	-2.4%	-10.6%	-3.6%	
1/20/2018	-3.2%	-7.2%	-7.1%	-2.3%	-0.1%	1.2%	2.9%	-4.9%	4.8%	0.7%	4.3%	6.2%	-64.1%	
1/27/2018	4.5%	6.1%	3.3%	1.2%	1.2%	2.8%	5.4%	8.5%	10.1%	0.6%	2.5%	44.7%	-13.4%	
2/3/2018	3.6%	5.3%	2.2%	2.5%	4.4%	3.7%	4.5%	3.1%	7.2%	3.8%	-1.3%	11.1%	-0.7%	
2/10/2018	2.6%	5.0%	0.7%	0.9%	2.3%	3.5%	4.9%	2.9%	1.6%	0.2%	-5.4%	-1.2%	-7.4%	
2/17/2018	4.4%	9.5%	1.8%	2.5%	1.9%	3.7%	5.8%	6.5%	4.2%	-4.0%	17.6%	10.0%	2.9%	
2/24/2018	2.0%	5.9%	-0.2%	0.7%	1.6%	2.5%	3.6%	1.9%	2.9%	-0.3%	4.7%	6.2%	-3.0%	
3/3/2018	4.1%	4.1%	2.3%	3.0%	4.7%	4.8%	4.0%	4.3%	0.4%	8.8%	6.5%	-1.4%	3.2%	
3/10/2018	3.1%	4.8%	3.7%	3.9%	4.9%	4.8%	5.2%	-1.5%	5.1%	4.0%	6.9%	8.4%	-2.0%	
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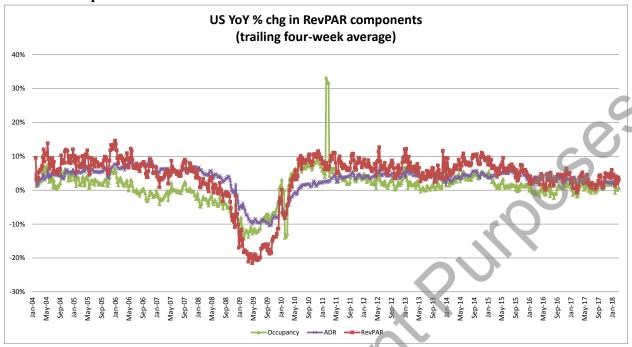
1/20/2016	-3.2%	-1.2%	-7.1%	-2.3%	-0.1%	1.2%	2.9%	-4.9%	4.0%	0.7%	4.5%	0.2%	-04.1%	
1/27/2018	4.5%	6.1%	3.3%	1.2%	1.2%	2.8%	5.4%	8.5%	10.1%	0.6%	2.5%	44.7%	-13.4%	
2/3/2018	3.6%	5.3%	2.2%	2.5%	4.4%	3.7%	4.5%	3.1%	7.2%	3.8%	-1.3%	11.1%	-0.7%	
2/10/2018	2.6%	5.0%	0.7%	0.9%	2.3%	3.5%	4.9%	2.9%	1.6%	0.2%	-5.4%	-1.2%	-7.4%	
2/17/2018	4.4%	9.5%	1.8%	2.5%	1.9%	3.7%	5.8%	6.5%	4.2%	-4.0%	17.6%	10.0%	2.9%	
2/24/2018	2.0%	5.9%	-0.2%	0.7%	1.6%	2.5%	3.6%	1.9%	2.9%	-0.3%	4.7%	6.2%	-3.0%	
3/3/2018	4.1%	4.1%	2.3%	3.0%	4.7%	4.8%	4.0%	4.3%	0.4%	8.8%	6.5%	-1.4%	3.2%	
3/10/2018	3.1%	4.8%	3.7%	3.9%	4.9%	4.8%	5.2%	-1.5%	5.1%	4.0%	6.9%	8.4%	-2.0%	
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1Q15	8.0%	6.3%	6.0%	7.0%	8.5%	8.8%	9.2%	8.9%	-4.3%	13.8%	7.7%	11.4%	6.3%	
2Q15	6.5%	5.5%	5.4%	5.9%	6.3%	6.6%	6.7%	7.1%	-1.8%	7.1%	7.4%	11.0%	11.7%	
3Q15	5.9%	4.4%	4.0%	5.7%	5.7%	6.4%	6.1%	6.8%	0.6%	7.1%	11.1%	5.1%	0.3%	
4Q15	4.8%	2.7%	3.8%	4.2%	4.9%	3.7%	4.4%	5.9%	-2.0%	5.3%	8.3%	1.4%	2.1%	
1Q16	2.7%	1.6%	1.9%	2.2%	2.0%	0.0%	1.8%	4.0%	-1.2%	-3.0%	16.6%	-4.8%	3.1%	
2Q16	3.5%	0.8%	2.9%	3.1%	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%	4.2%	-4.5%	1.5%	11.1%	-1.0%	3.5%	
3Q16	3.3%	1.5%	2.5%	2.0%	1.8%	2.5%	3.0%	5.1%	-2.5%	-0.5%	9.3%	1.2%	5.5%	
4Q16	3.2%	1.9%	0.6%	1.2%	2.2%	3.9%	4.4%	5.1%	0.9%	-1.6%	6.9%	3.3%	8.0%	
1Q17	3.4%	2.1%	3.0%	1.0%	2.4%	3.5%	2.6%	5.2%	-1.3%	-1.1%	-2.5%	1.5%	16.1%	
2Q17	2.7%	2.3%	0.6%	0.6%	1.2%	2.4%	3.7%	5.1%	0.2%	4.4%	3.6%	0.8%	0.8%	
3Q17	1.9%	0.5%	-0.7%	0.7%	1.8%	3.5%	2.9%	3.1%	-0.9%	-0.2%	-1.2%	-5.0%	-0.6%	
4Q17	4.2%	4.5%	3.2%	3.8%	3.9%	3.7%	3.7%	4.1%	0.8%	3.7%	4.2%	-2.5%	2.2%	

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	U.S.	Luxury	Upscale	Upscale	Midscale	Midscale	Economy	pendent	York	Boston	LA	Chicago	DC
1/6/2018	5.8%	15.9%	6.9%	6.8%	4.8%	5.7%	5.9%	1.5%	23.8%	7.4%	10.6%	5.1%	-1.9%
1/13/2018	5.4%	7.0%	2.5%	1.5%	1.4%	2.2%	3.8%	13.8%	-2.1%	-2.7%	2.8%	-3.8%	-2.5%
1/20/2018	-1.7%	-6.1%	-3.7%	-0.9%	0.1%	1.6%	2.2%	-1.5%	-0.1%	0.0%	5.9%	3.0%	-54.4%
1/27/2018	3.9%	2.3%	2.5%	2.3%	2.3%	3.3%	4.6%	6.3%	4.2%	-0.9%	3.4%	17.1%	-2.9%
2/3/2018	2.2%	2.7%	0.6%	1.1%	2.2%	3.0%	4.1%	2.1%	1.8%	-0.9%	2.5%	2.1%	-1.7%
2/10/2018	2.8%	3.7%	2.4%	1.8%	2.2%	3.4%	4.1%	3.3%	-0.1%	-1.6%	-1.6%	-0.9%	-3.4%
2/17/2018	3.2%	4.7%	0.8%	1.7%	1.7%	3.8%	4.8%	4.5%	0.6%	-2.5%	15.0%	2.3%	1.0%
2/24/2018	1.9%	3.6%	0.7%	0.8%	1.2%	2.4%	3.4%	2.5%	0.7%	-1.6%	2.8%	1.8%	-2.5%
3/3/2018	2.3%	2.4%	0.8%	1.3%	1.8%	3.0%	3.8%	3.1%	0.0%	0.5%	5.4%	-1.8%	-3.2%
3/10/2018	2.0%	3.2%	2.0%	2.4%	2.7%	3.2%	5.5%	-1.4%	2.9%	-4.1%	4.4%	3.2%	-2.7%
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1Q15	4.7%	5.8%	4.7%	5.2%	4.7%	4.7%	5.5%	4.7%	-4.1%	7.3%	6.5%	7.1%	1.7%
2Q15	4.8%	4.9%	4.8%	5.3%	4.6%	4.3%	5.4%	4.6%	-1.5%	6.8%	7.1%	9.2%	7.9%
3Q15	4.5%			5.2%		4.6%		4.6%		7.4%	9.6%	5.3%	-0.1%
4Q15	3.6%			3.9%		3.0%		3.8%		3.9%	6.1%	2.3%	1.0%
1Q16	3.2%			3.2%		1.7%		3.7%		1.4%	11.3%	-1.9%	1.1%
2Q16	2.9%			2.9%		2.7%	3.4%	3.0%		3.3%	9.4%	0.3%	2.1%
3Q16	3.4%			2.7%		3.1%		4.4%		2.3%	7.5%	1.9%	3.5%
4Q16	2.6%			2.2%				3.8%		1.3%	5.8%	3.9%	4.1%
1Q17	2.5%			1.3%				3.5%		0.0%	-0.2%	1.7%	13.6%
2Q17	2.2%			1.7%			2.3%	3.5%		4.1%	2.8%	1.5%	2.0%
3Q17	1.4%			0.8%		1.9%	2.4%	2.2%		0.8%	1.8%	-2.4%	0.0%
4Q17	2.4%	2.2%	1.9%	1.8%	1.8%	2.5%	3.4%	2.1%	-0.2%	0.8%	4.6%	-2.0%	2.4%

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1/6/201	8 3.6%	7.8%	4.6%	4.6%	5.0%	4.0%	3.7%	1.0%	8.2%	15.8%	3.6%	8.3%	3.9%
1/13/201	8 <b>0.2%</b>	-0.7%	-1.7%	-1.3%	-0.6%	-1.2%	0.6%	2.3%	0.5%	-1.5%	-5.0%	-7.1%	-1.1%
1/20/201	8 -1.5%	-1.1%	-3.6%	-1.4%	-0.2%	-0.4%	0.7%	-3.5%	4.8%	0.7%	-1.5%	3.1%	-21.2%
1/27/201	8 0.6%	3.8%	0.8%	-1.1%	-1.1%	-0.5%	0.8%	2.1%	5.7%	1.6%	-0.9%	23.6%	-10.8%
2/3/201	8 1.4%	2.5%	1.6%	1.4%	2.2%	0.6%	0.4%	0.9%	5.3%	4.7%	-3.7%	8.8%	1.0%
2/10/201	8 -0.2%	1.2%	-1.7%	-0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	-0.3%	1.8%	1.9%	-3.9%	-0.3%	-4.2%
2/17/201	8 1.2%	4.6%	1.0%	0.8%	0.2%	-0.1%	0.9%	1.9%	3.6%	-1.5%	2.3%	7.5%	1.9%
2/24/201	8 0.0%	2.3%	-0.8%	-0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%	-0.6%	2.2%	1.3%	1.8%	4.3%	-0.5%
3/3/201	8 1.7%	1.7%	1.5%	1.7%	2.9%	1.7%	0.1%	1.2%	0.4%	8.3%	1.1%	0.4%	6.7%
3/10/201	8 1.1%	1.5%	1.7%	1.5%	2.1%	1.6%	-0.3%	-0.2%	2.2%	8.5%	2.4%	5.1%	0.8%
1Q1			1.3%	1.7%							1.1%	4.0%	4.6%
2Q1	5 1.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	1.7%	2.2%	1.3%	2.3%	-0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	1.7%	3.5%
3Q1		0.6%	0.4%	0.5%	1.3%	1.8%			0.2%		1.3%	-0.1%	0.4%
4Q1			0.8%	0.2%		0.6%	0.2%		0.3%		2.0%	-0.9%	1.1%
1Q1	6 -0.5%	-0.3%	-0.8%	-0.9%	-0.6%	-1.7%	-1.5%	0.3%	2.0%	-4.3%	4.7%	-3.0%	2.0%
2Q1	6 0.6%	-0.7%	0.7%	0.2%	0.4%	0.5%	-0.4%	1.2%	-1.4%	-1.7%	1.5%	-1.4%	1.3%
3Q1	6 0.0%	0.0%	-0.1%	-0.6%	-0.6%	-0.6%	-0.6%	0.7%	0.3%	-2.8%	1.7%	-0.7%	1.9%
4Q1	6 0.6%	-0.2%	-0.8%	-1.0%	0.2%	1.7%	1.2%	1.2%	2.2%	-2.8%	1.0%	-0.5%	3.7%
1Q1	7 0.9%	-0.2%	0.6%	-0.3%	0.7%	1.6%	0.2%	1.6%	1.0%	-1.1%	-2.4%	-0.2%	2.2%
2Q1	7 0.5%	0.1%	-0.6%	-1.1%	-0.3%	0.4%	1.4%	1.6%	1.7%	0.3%	0.8%	-0.7%	-1.2%
3Q1	7 0.5%	-0.9%	-0.9%	-0.1%	0.6%	1.6%	0.5%	0.9%	1.1%	-1.0%	-2.9%	-2.7%	-0.5%
4Q1	7 1.8%	2.2%	1.3%	2.0%	2.1%	1.2%	0.3%	2.0%	1.0%	2.8%	-0.3%	-0.5%	-0.2%

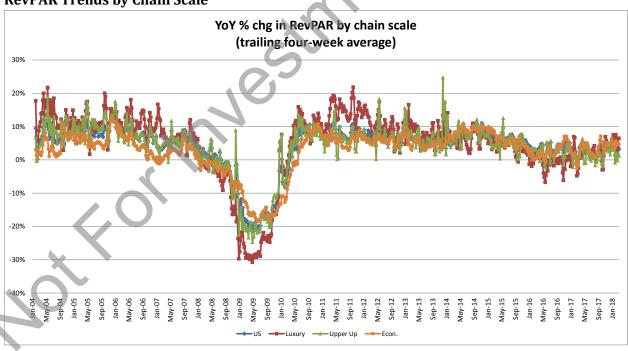
Source: STR data, STRH research

## **RevPAR Component Trends**



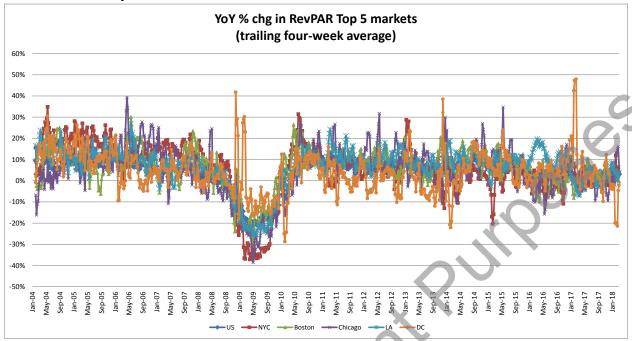
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## **RevPAR Trends by Chain Scale**



Source: STR data, STRH research

## **RevPAR Trends by Market**



Source: STR data, STRH research



**Price Target/Risks Summary** 

		Price			% upside down-	2019E EBITDA	Target EV/EBITDA	
Lodging	TKR	3/13/18	Rating	PT*	side	(\$M)	Multiple	Risks
						(4)		
								Upside risk: improvement in NY and Chicago markets
								Downside risk: softening of RevPAR trends in Boston or SF. Slowdown
Chesapeake Lodging Trust	CHSP	\$27.04	Hold	\$26	-4%	\$191	12.0X	real estate lending.
								Upside risk: conservative guidance.
Oh-i H-4-I-	CHH	<b>#00.05</b>	11-1-1	<b>600</b>	00/	rana.	4F 0V	Downside risk: big catalyst of special dividend already baked into the
Choice Hotels	СНН	\$83.65	Hold	\$82	-2%	\$333	15.0X	stock.
								Upside risk: specific markets (esp. NYC) perform better than expected
DiamondRock Hospitality	DRH	\$10.60	Hold	\$11	4%	\$260	11.5X	Downside risk: company unable to locate properties to buy.
Diamena took Hoopkanty	51	Ψ.σ.σσ	11010	Ψ	.,,,	ΨΣΟΟ	11.07	Upside risk: the company increases dividends by more than expected
								NYC outperforms or is sold down at attractive multiples.
								Downside risk: Group underperforms. NYC hotels underperform and
Host Hotels & Resorts	HST	\$18.70	Hold	\$20	7%	\$1,520	12.5X	asset sales do not happen.
								Upside risk: Transient and group trends outperform expectations
Hyatt Hotels	Н	\$80.45	Hold	\$80	-1%	\$825	13.9X	Downside risk: ongoing misexecution and volatility.
			_					Downside risk: 3rd party induced defaults worsen. Middle market
Bluegreen Vacations Corporation	BXG	\$20.10	Buy	\$21	4%	\$184	7.9X	customers underperform.
								Downside risk: Disruption in a major market (HGV more concentrated
Hilton Grand Vacations	HGV	\$45.80	Buy	\$50	9%	\$465	12.0X	than peers), issues with Japanese customer (HGV more exposed that peers), difficulty sourcing additional fee-for-service inventory deals
Hillon Grand Vacations	rigv	φ45.60	Биу	φου	370	ψ <del>4</del> 05	12.07	Downside risk: overhang from remaining big sponsor ownership, slowin
Hilton	HLT	\$81.25	Buy	\$92	13%	\$2,267	15.6X	pipeline
T IIICOTT		ψ01.20	Duy	ΨΟΣ	1070	Ψ2,201	10.07	Upside risk: further acceleration in returning capital to shareholders.
InterContinental Hotels	IHG	\$63.88	Hold	\$66	3%	\$991	14.5X	Downside risk: trends continue to worsen in Greater China
		,		***				Downside risk: membership base erosion as churn outstrips new
ILG	ILG	\$33.88	Buy	\$34	0%	\$436	11.1X	timeshare sales
								Upside risk: ability to increase dividend.
LaSalle Hotel Properties	LHO	\$25.77	Hold	\$24	-7%	\$313	12.5X	Downside risk: heavy D.C. exposure.
								Upside Risk: Significant U.S macroeconomic improvement results in
								large recovery in transient corporate demand (and consequential >400
								bps RevPAR improvement). Owned assets sell for
								premium prices relative to MAR expectations.
Marriott International	MAR	\$141.75	Hold	\$128	-10%	\$3,731	15.8X	Downside Risk: 2018 is a recession year in the US. Geopolitical and policy risks negatively impact lodging demand.
Mamott international	IVIAR	\$141.75	поіа	φ120	-10%	φ3,731	15.04	Upside risk: Mix shift not an issue for margins, quicker execution/upsiz
								of buyback program; Downside risk: inability to achieve development
								margin targets, inability to close asset sales or asset sales are done a
Marriott Vacations	VAC	\$146.26	Hold	\$141	-4%	\$336	11.1X	lesser values than expected
								Downside risk: Significant supply growth and macroeconomic
Park Hotels & Resorts	PK	\$27.04	Buy	\$32	18%	\$745	12.6X	challenges/shocks.
						X = I		Upside risk: RevPAR reaccelerates due to macroeconomic
								improvements, leading to estimate revisions and multiple expansion.
							,	Downside risk: Significant supply growth, struggle to source deals/lower
RLJ Lodging Trust	RLJ	\$20.35	Hold	\$21	3%	\$549	11.5X	leverage, macroeconomic challenges/demand shocks.
								Upside risk:recovering group demand better than expected, better marg
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Ryman Hospitality Properties	RHP	\$77.26	Hold	\$70	-9%	\$444	12.3X	Downside risk: booking issues stickier than expected.
				1				Upside risk: Recovery of corporate demand in SHO's markets. Above average group bookings in Orlando and Boston Park Plaza post-meetin
								space expansions.
								Downside risk: Weaker than expected demand trends following capita
Sunstone Hotel Investors	SHO	\$14.79	Hold	\$15	1%	\$331	12.0X	investment projects.
					,-	•	-	Downside risk: the timeshare business is especially vulnerable to
Wyndham Worldwide Corp	WYN	\$118.40	Buy	\$131	11%	\$1,436	10.6X	economic softness.
	_		<b>*</b>					
* All of our Lodging price targets a	are derive	d by applying	a target E	V/EBITI	DA multipl	e to our estin	nate for 2019 EBITE	DA .

Source: FactSet, STRH research



#### LHO: Valuation and Risks

Our price target of \$24 for LHO is derived by applying a 12.5X target EV/EBITDA multiple (a premium to the industry given most of the portfolio is unbranded and therefore unencumbered by franchise/management contracts) to our estimate for 2019 EBITDA.

Upside risk: ability to increase dividend. Downside risk: heavy D.C. exposure.

#### PK: Valuation and Risks

Our \$32 price target is based on an 12.5x multiple on our 2019 EBITDA estimate. This multiple is in-line with portfolio quality.

Downside risk: Significant supply growth and macroeconomic challenges/shocks. Press reports (FT, Bloomberg, others) have indicated possible financial difficulties at HNA, a 25% holder of PK shares. If HNA should have to liquidate PK we believe this would create near-term pressure on the shares.

#### **CHH: Valuation and Risks**

Our price target of \$82 for CHH is derived by applying a 15.0x target EV/EBITDA multiple (slightly above industry average) to our estimate for 2019 EBITDA.

Upside risk: conservative guidance. Downside risk: big catalyst of special dividend already baked into the stock.

## **Companies Mentioned in This Note**

Bluegreen Vacations Corporation (BXG, \$20.10, Buy, C. Patrick Scholes)

Choice Hotels International, Inc. (CHH, \$83.65, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Chesapeake Lodging Trust (CHSP, \$27.04, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

DiamondRock Hospitality Company (DRH, \$10.60, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Hyatt Hotels Corporation (H, \$80.45, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Hilton Grand Vacations Inc. (HGV, \$45.80, Buy, Bradford Dalinka)

Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc. (HLT, \$81.25, Buy, C. Patrick Scholes)

Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. (HST, \$18.70, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

InterContinental Hotels Group PLC (IHG, \$63.88, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

ILG, Inc. (ILG, \$33.88, Buy, C. Patrick Scholes)

LaSalle Hotel Properties (LHO, \$25.77, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Marriott International, Inc. (MAR, \$141.75, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Park Hotels & Resorts Inc. (PK, \$27.04, Buy, C. Patrick Scholes)

Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc. (RHP, \$77.26, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

RLJ Lodging Trust (RLJ, \$20.35, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. (SHO, \$14.79, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Marriott Vacations Worldwide Corporation (VAC, \$146.26, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)

Wyndham Worldwide Corporation (WYN, \$118.40, Buy, C. Patrick Scholes)

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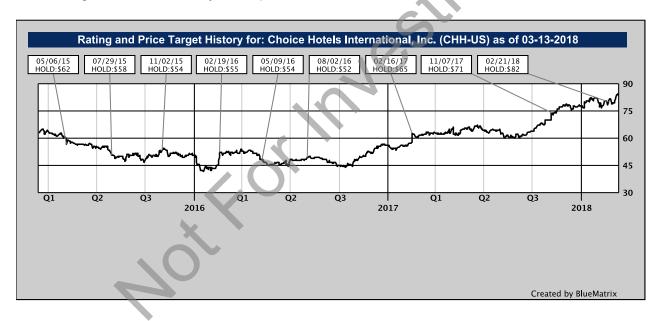
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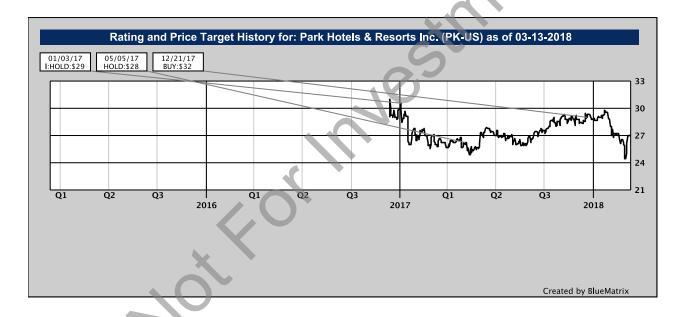
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