

# **Equity Research**

# **Xiaomi Corporation**

**Earnings Review** 

Impressive overall Q2 results, continued expansion in premium/overseas market drives future growth, reiterate Buy

Impressive Q2 results, reiterate Buy on premium/overseas market upside

Xiaomi reported impressive Q2 results. Total revenue grew strongly by 14.2% QoQ/64.0% YoY to a record RMB87.8bn, driven by continuing momentum across all sectors. Gross margin was 17.3% compared to 14.4% in Q2'FY20, helped by GPM expansion in internet services. Opex ratio was up slightly to 11.3% from 10.6% last quarter, reflecting the continued offline channel expansion efforts and R&D investment. Non-IFRS net profit came in at RMB6.3bn, up 4.2% QoQ/87.4% YoY. In a long run, we see future upside coming from: 1) Xiaomi's smartphone and AloT products are gaining a stronger position in the premium market, which will fuel the growth of high-margin internet services sector; 2) continuing momentum in higher growth potential overseas markets driven by solid demand. Therefore, we reiterate Buy rating on Xiaomi with PT of HK\$38.3 on 45x FY21E P/E on back of Xiaomi's future ambitions and its long-term commitment.

## Smartphone: record quarter with upside in LT market share gaining

Xiaomi had another record quarter in smartphone business. According to Canalys, total shipment reached 52.8mn units globally, up 86.8% YoY and ranking No. 2 for the first time with a market share of 16.7%. In Europe, Xiaomi ranked No.1 for the first time with a market share of 28.5%; in China, market share has been improved to 16.8% from 10.3% in Q2'FY20 underpinned by continued offline expansion efforts. The total number of retail stores in mainland China grew to more than 7,600 as of June 30, 2021. On the product side, with an enriching high-end product lineup, Xiaomi continued to strengthen its position in the premium market, which helped lift ASP and was accretive to the margin as well. In Q2, smartphone revenue was RMB59.1mn, up 86.8% YoY, with a gross margin of 11.8%. Given the continuous supply constraint, we expect smartphone business growth and margin could soften a little bit in the following quarters, however, in a long run, Xiaomi will continue to gain market share with the help of its dual-brand strategy, in our view.

# AloT ecosystem: capturing the solid demand in premium/overseas market

This sector maintained robust growth for the second consecutive quarter. Revenue was up 35.9% YoY to RMB20.7bn. The strength mainly came from the expansion into the premium market and solid demand in overseas market, where revenue was up 93.8% YoY. Xiaomi launched premium and ultra-large screen TV lineup this quarter and Smart TV global shipments reached 2.5mn in Q2, maintaining the leadership in mainland China and top 5 globally. On the other hand, no. of AloT platform devices reached 374.5mn units as of 30 June. With successful "Smartphone x AloT" strategy, Xiaomi will lead the AloT ecosystem competition in 5G era, in our view.

# Internet services: fueled by increase sales in premium hardware market

Internet services sector is gathering steam. Revenue grew by 19.1% YoY to RMB7.0bn. Gross margin rose to 74.1% vs. 72.4% last quarter and 60.3% in Q2FY20, thanks to the increase in sales of premium hardware. On the other hand, overseas expansion is accelerating. Overseas internet services revenue rose by 96.8% YoY to RMB1.1bn. Total MIUI MAU increased steadily by 32.1% YoY to 453.8mn. The fast expanding premium hardware sales and surging overseas demand will continue to fuel future growth of the internet services, in our view.

Stock code: 1810.HK

Rating: Buy

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Price target (HK\$)	38.3
Current price (HK\$, 27 Aug 2021)	24.9
Upside/downside %	54%
Market cap (HK\$ m)	623,040
Market cap (US\$ m)	79,983
Avg daily turnover (HK\$ m)	5,375

Source: Bloomberg, AMTD Research

#### Key forecasts

(Rmb m)	2020	2021e	2022e
Non-IFRS net profit	13,006	18,263	23,958
yoy %	13%	40%	31%
Revenue	245,866	336,809	415,263
yoy %	19%	37%	23%
Smartphone shipment (m)	146	199	241
yoy %	17%	36%	21%
Gross margin	14.9%	15.6%	15.7%
Non-IFRS net margin	5.3%	5.4%	5.8%
EPS (RMB/sh)	0.53	0.71	0.92

Source: Company data, AMTD Research estimates

#### Valuation

	2020	2021e	2022e
P/E (adjusted)	38.6	28.7	22.2
P/S	2.1	1.5	1.2
ROE	12.6%	13.7%	15.4%
ROA	5.9%	6.9%	7.8%

Source: Bloomberg, AMTD Research estimates

#### Share price performance



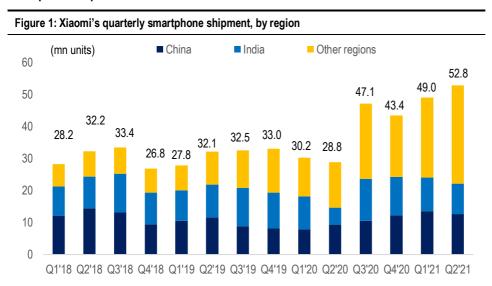
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# Risks

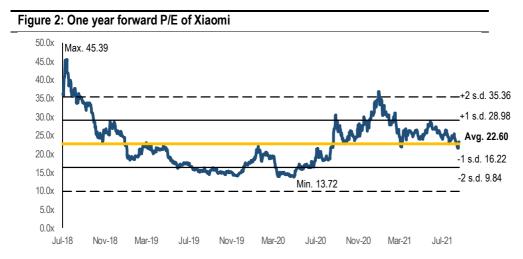
Key risks to our PT include: 1) prolonged COVID-19 pandemic; 2) worse-than-expected chip supply constraints; 3) weaker-than-expected internet user acquisitions.

# **Smartphone shipment**



Source: Canalys, AMTD Research

# **Valuation**



Data as of 27 Aug 2021; Source: Bloomberg, AMTD Research

Figure 3: Xiaomi's quarterly P&L

Rmb m	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21
Profit & loss									
Revenue	51,951	53,661	56,470	49,702	53,538	72,163	70,463	76,882	87,789
Smartphones	32,021	32,268	30,797	30,325	31,628	47,604	42,635	51,491	59,089
IoT and lifestyle products	14,945	15,606	19,494	12,984	15,253	18,119	21,054	18,243	20,735
Internet services	4,580	5,309	5,695	5,901	5,908	5,772	6,175	6,571	7,034
Advertising	2,485	2,912	2,976	2,661	3,062	3,300	3,677	3,894	4,476
IVAS	2,095	2,397	2,719	3,239	2,846	2,472	2,498	2,677	2,558
Others	405	477	484	493	750	668	599	577	932
Cost of sales	(44,692)	(45,425)	(48,626)	(42,144)	(45,836)	(61,997)	(59,137)	(62,721)	(72,641)
Gross profit	7,258	8,236	7,844	7,559	7,701	10,166	11,325	14,161	15,148
Gross margin	14.0%	15.3%	13.9%	15.2%	14.4%	14.1%	16.1%	18.4%	17.3%
Operating expenses	(4,575)	(5,414)	(6,859)	(5,277)	(6,018)	(6,775)	(9,472)	(8,163)	(9,895)
Selling and marketing expenses	(2,295)	(2,537)	(3,701)	(2,625)	(3,224)	(3,601)	(5,090)	(4,164)	(5,681)
Administrative expenses	(724)	(844)	(905)	(782)	(836)	(853)	(1,276)	(988)	(1,150)
R&D expenses	(1,556)	(2,033)	(2,253)	(1,871)	(1,958)	(2,321)	(3,106)	(3,012)	(3,064)
EBIT	2,684	2,823	985	2,281	1,683	3,391	1,854	5,998	5,253
Fair value changes on investments	(671)	33	1,819	348	2,366	3,418	7,042	2,063	4,165
Share of losses of investments	(12)	(241)	(274)	131	893	(11)	368	9	(26)
Other income	406	448	351	74	183	139	247	152	235
Other (losses)/gains, net	(71)	50	(183)	(510)	288	(241)	91	(65)	1,099
PBT	2,434	3,295	2,717	2,454	4,868	5,451	8,861	9,067	9,679
Income tax expenses	(479)	(775)	(280)	(294)	(374)	(586)	(66)	(1,278)	(1,415)
(Loss)/profit for the year	1,955	2,519	2,436	2,160	4,493	4,864	8,795	7,789	8,263
Minority interest	4	(6)	(5)	(4)	(5)	(16)	(18)	(4)	(4)
Attributable profit	1,952	2,525	2,441	2,163	4,498	4,881	8,813	7,793	8,268
Adjusted net profit (non-IFRS)	3,635	3,472	2,344	2,301	3,373	4,128	3,204	6,069	6,322
YoY growth %									
Total revenue	15%	6%	27%	14%	3%	34%	25%	55%	64%
Smartphones	5%	-8%	23%	12%	-1%	48%	38%	70%	87%
loT and lifestyle products	44%	44%	31%	8%	2%	16%	8%	41%	36%
Internet services	16%	12%	41%	39%	29%	9%	8%	11%	19%
Advertising	-1%	-9%	18%	17%	23%	13%	24%	46%	46%
IVAS	44%	57%	80%	64%	36%	3%	-8%	-17%	-10%
Others	2%	45%	31%	10%	85%	40%	24%	17%	24%
Gross profit	28%	25%	39%	45%	6%	23%	44%	87%	97%
Adjusted net profit (non-IFRS)	72%	20%	27%	11%	-7%	19%	37%	164%	87%

Source: Company data; AMTD research

Figure 4: Xiaomi's P&L forecast Rmb m 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021E 2022E **Profit & loss** Revenue 114,625 174,915 415,263 205,839 245,866 336,809 Cost of sales (99,471) (152,723) (177, 285)(209,114) (284,164) (350,077) **Gross profit** 15,154 22,192 28,554 36,752 52,645 65,186 13.2% 12.7% 14.9% 15.6% 15.7% **Gross margin** 13.9% Operating expenses (9,599)(25,869)(20,975)(27,542)(34,355) (40,696) Selling and marketing expenses (5,232)(7,993)(10,378)(14,539)(16,840)(19,933)Administrative expenses (1,216)(12,099)(3,104)(3,746)(4,379)(5,398)R&D expenses (3,151)(5,777) (7,493)(9,256)(13, 136)(15, 365)**EBIT** 5,555 7,580 9,210 18,291 24,490 (3,677) PBT 12,163 21,633 20,897 (41,829) 13,927 27,335 (449)Income tax expenses (2,060)(2,060)(1,321)(2,447)(3,191)10,103 (Loss)/profit for the year (43,889)13,478 20,313 18,450 24,144 Minority interest (63)(76)59 (43)(47)(52)Attributable profit (43,826) 13,554 10,044 20,356 18,497 24,196 Adjusted net profit (non-IFRS) 8,555 23,958 5,362 11,532 13,006 18,263 Yoy growth %

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Adjusted net profit (non-IFRS)

Source: Company data; AMTD Research estimates

(Loss)/profit for the year (reported)

Total revenue

**Gross profit** 

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