KHC (NASDAQ Global) | CIK:1637459 | United States May 17, 2019 (1) Noncompliant with NASDAQ Standards Noncompliant for delinquent filings **Key Facts** Business address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States Industry: Mayonnaise, Dressing, and Other Prepared Sauce Manufacturing (NAICS 311941) SEC filer status: Large Accelerated Filer as of Dec 2019 Index member: S&P 500, Russell 1000 Market Cap: \$30.1b as of Apr 2, 2020 Annual revenue: \$25b as of Dec 28, 2019 **Corporate Governance** CEO: Bernardo Hees CFO: Paulo Basilio since 2019 1st level Board Chairman: Alexandre Behring since 2015 Audit Committee Chair: John C. Pope 2nd level Auditor: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP since 1979 Outside Counsel (most recent): Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison LLP Jenner & Block LLP 3rd level SEC Reviewer: H Roger Schwall 4th level

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Accounting and financial disclosure data from Audit Analytics. Executive compensation data from Shore Group and Intrinio.

Data from Sharadar.

Data from Barchart via Quandl.

Data from Exchange Data International via Quandl





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#### **Overview**

# **Price and Volume History**

This graph shows the price and trading history for Kraft Heinz. Warning signs and red flags are marked on the graph according to their disclosure dates.



- Mar 25, 2020 Lawsuit: City of Hollywood Police Officers' Retirement System v. The Kr...
- 2 Mar 25, 2020 Class Actions Lawsuit: City of Hollywood Police Officers' Retirement Sy...
- Mar 25, 2020 Securities Law Lawsuit: City of Hollywood Police Officers' Retirement Sy...
- Feb 14, 2020 Disclosure Controls
- 5 Feb 14, 2020 Internal Controls
- 6 Feb 14, 2020 Critical / Key Audit Matters
- 7 Feb 14, 2020 Critical / Key Audit Matters
- 8 Oct 31, 2019 Out of Period Adjustments
- 9 Oct 31, 2019 Disclosure Controls
- 10 Aug 26, 2019 Change in CFO
- 11) Aug 13, 2019 Disclosure Controls
- 12 Aug 13, 2019 Disclosure Controls
- 13 Aug 8, 2019 Late filing
- 14 Jun 7, 2019 Out of Period Adjustments
- 15 Jun 7, 2019 Impairment
- 16 Jun 7, 2019 Impairment
- Jun 7, 2019 Disclosure Controls
- 18 Jun 7, 2019 Internal Controls
- 19 May 17, 2019 Noncompliant with NASDAQ Standar

- 20 May 10, 2019 Late filing
- 21 Apr 22, 2019 Change in CEO
- 22 Apr 16, 2019 Lawsuit: In re Kraft Heinz Shareholder Derivative Litigation
- Apr 16, 2019 Securities Law Lawsuit: In re Kraft Heinz Shareholder Derivative Litigation
- Mar 19, 2019 Lawsuit: Osborne et al v. Employee Benefits Administration Board of Kra...
- Mar 19, 2019 Class Actions Lawsuit: Osborne et al v. Employee Benefits Administratio...
- 26 Mar 15, 2019 Noncompliant with NASDAQ Standards
- 27 Feb 28, 2019 Late filing
- 28 Feb 24, 2019 Lawsuit: Hedick v. Kraft Heinz Company et al
- Feb 24, 2019 Class Actions Lawsuit: Hedick v. Kraft Heinz Company et al
- 30 Feb 24, 2019 Securities Law Lawsuit: Hedick v. Kraft Heinz Company et al
- 31 Feb 21, 2019 Financial restatement
- 32 May 3, 2018 Revisions
- 33 Feb 16, 2018 Impairment
- Feb 16, 2018 Disclosure Controls
- Nov 7, 2017 Disclosure Controls
- 36 Nov 7, 2017 Disclosure Controls
- Nov 7, 2017 Disclosure Controls
- 38 Nov 6, 2017 Financial restatement



- 39 Sep 8, 2017 Change in CFO
- 40 Aug 14, 2017 SEC letters to management
- 41 Nov 4, 2016 Out of Period Adjustments
- 42 Nov 4, 2016 Disclosure Controls
- 43 Aug 17, 2016 SEC letters to management
- 44 Mar 3, 2016 Impairment
- 45 Mar 3, 2016 Change in Accounting Estimates

- 46 Nov 6, 2015 Revisions
- 47 Aug 10, 2015 Disclosure Controls
- 48 Jul 20, 2015 SEC letters to management
- 49 May 18, 2015 Out of Period Adjustments
- 50 Apr 1, 2015 Lawsuit: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Kraft Foods Grou...
- Apr 1, 2015 Securities Law Lawsuit: US Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Kr...
- 52 Mar 24, 2015 Mergers & Acquisitions

## **Notifications**

Important notifications related to the company are listed here. Notifications may come from the SEC, exchanges such as the NYSE or NASDAQ, or Watchdog Research. Examples of notifications include announcements of bankruptcy proceedings, company name changes, and noncompliance with SEC regulations or exchange rules.

## Kraft Heinz has 2 notifications since 2015.

Event date	Туре	Headline	Message	Source
05/17/2019	Noncompliance	Noncompliant with NASDAQ Standards	Noncompliant for delinquent filings	NASDAQ
03/15/2019	Noncompliance	Noncompliant with NASDAQ Standards	Noncompliant for delinquent filings	NASDAQ

## **Peer Group**

Peer groups are used by companies to benchmark executive compensation and performance. Each company identifies its own peer group. Peer groups vary from company to company.

## **Peer Group**

Company	Ticker	Market Cap
Kraft Heinz Co.	KHC	\$30.1b
Campbell Soup Co. *	СРВ	\$13b
Beyond Meat, Inc. *	BYND	\$3.58b
Lancaster Colony Corp. *	LANC	\$3.52b
Treehouse Foods, Inc. *	THS	\$2.49b
J&J Snack Foods Corp. *	JJSF	\$2.15b
Sensient Technologies Corp. *	SXT	\$1.69b
B&G Foods, Inc. *	BGS	\$1.14b
John B. Sanfilippo & Son Inc. *	JBSS	\$934m
Medifast Inc. *	MED	\$684m

Companies Who Named Kraft Heinz as a Peer

Company	Ticker	Market Cap
McDonalds Corp.	MCD	\$122b
Philip Morris International Inc.	PM	\$116b
Linde PLC	LIN	\$87.5b
Charter Communications, Inc.	CHTR	\$87.2b
Starbucks Corp.	SBUX	\$76.3b
Mondelez International, Inc.	MDLZ	\$71.9b
CVS Health Corp.	CVS	\$71.6b
Altria Group, Inc.	МО	\$67.3b
Anthem, Inc.	ANTM	\$53.1b
Kraft Heinz Co.	KHC	\$30.1b

<sup>\*</sup> Suggested by Watchdog.



# **Peer Flag Comparison**

The return to a company's stock is not the only measure of executive performance. Ethics matter, and growth can quickly reverse and gains evaporate if a company's accounting and financial reporting processes are not fundamentally sound and trustworthy. How does Kraft Heinz's accounting quality compare to its peer group?

## Reporting Irregularities

Financial Restatements

Revisions

Out of Period Adjustments

Impairments

Changes in Accounting Estimates

Disclosure Controls

Internal Controls

Critical / Key Audit Matters

#### **Anomalies in the Numbers**

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#### **Securities & Exchange Commission Concerns**

SEC Letters to Management

Revenue Recognition

Non-GAAP Measures

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# PEER GROUP FLAGS Litigation & External Pressures

9 Significant Litigation
8 1 Class Actions

8 1 Securities Law

Shareholder Activism

Cybersecurity

#### **Management Review**

**CEO Changes** 

CFO Changes

**Insider Sales** 

Mergers & Acquisitions

Sales of Assets

#### **Auditor Assessment**

**Auditor Changes** 

**Auditor Experience** 

**Auditor Tenure** 

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Non-Audit Fees

#### KHC PEERGROUPFLAGS

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