

Company Overview

Block, Inc. ("Block", NYSE: XYZ) is a global financial technology company operating two primary ecosystems: **Square**, serving merchants with payment processing, POS hardware, software, and financial services; and **Cash App**, a consumer financial network offering peer-to-peer payments, debit cards, savings, stock and bitcoin investing, lending, and commerce integrations. Block also operates **Afterpay**, its buy-now-pay-later platform integrated into both Square and Cash App, enhancing cross-ecosystem monetization.

Block is headquartered in **San Francisco**, **California** and employs roughly **12,000 employees worldwide**. The company is undergoing a multi-year transition toward **higher operating leverage**, expanding gross profit in both Cash App and Square while reducing expense growth and targeting an overall **"Rule of 40"** profile by 2026.

In Q3 2025, Block reported net revenue of USD 6.1 billion, gross profit of USD 2.18 billion (+14% YoY), Seller GPV of USD 69.3 billion (+11% YoY), and Cash App gross profit of USD 1.28 billion (+15% YoY). Management raised full-year 2025 gross profit guidance to 15% growth, citing improved Cash App monetization, stable Seller retention, and disciplined cost structure.

1. Top 5 Competitors

- **PayPal Holdings** Digital wallet, merchant checkout, P2P payments, and Braintree acquiring.
- Visa Global payments network, direct overlap in checkout/acceptance layers.
- Mastercard Payments network with increasing digital service extensions.
- Fiserv (Clover) Major merchant acquiring competitor to Square Seller.
- Global Payments Broad omnichannel commerce and acquiring services.



2. Largest Institutional Shareholders

(Latest institutional filings from Refinitiv / LSEG as of Q3 2025; holdings rounded.)

Shareholder	Approx. % Ownership	Shares (Millions)
Vanguard Group Inc.	12.30%	~67.4M shares
T. Rowe Price Associates	8.60%	~46.9M shares
BlackRock Inc.	5.10%	~28.0M shares
Geode Capital Management	2.60%	~14.3M shares
Morgan Stanley Investment Management	2.50%	~13.7M shares

Top 5 Institutions Combined: ~31.1% of shares outstanding. **Total Institutional Ownership**: ~68% of total float.

3. Management Team

- Jack Dorsey Chairman & Chief Executive Officer
- Amrita Ahuja Chief Financial Officer & Chief Operating Officer
- Brian Grassadonia Head of Cash App
- Alyssa Henry Former Head of Square (transitioned out), current divisional leadership aligned under unified operating structure
- **Kevin Burke** Chief Marketing Officer Block's leadership focus remains on ecosystem integration, disciplined cost structure, and accelerating monetization across the Square and Cash App ecosystems.



4. Revenue

- FY2024: Revenue \$24.1B, Gross Profit \$8.9B, Operating Income \$1.7B.
- **Q3 2025**: Net Revenue **\$6.1B** (+2% YoY), Gross Payment Volume (GPV) **\$69.3B** (+11% YoY).
- Cash App: Gross Profit \$1.28B (+15% YoY).
- Square Seller: Gross Profit \$886M (+12% YoY).

Management reaffirmed full-year 2025 gross profit growth of 15%, driven by Cash App card adoption, higher in-app monetization, growth in lending, and Seller ecosystem expansion.

5. Institutions with Buy Recommendations

- Argus Research Buy, Target Price \$83
- Argus A6 Quantitative Model Buy, Target Price \$86
- Consensus (44 Analysts) Buy, with average target \$84 (High: \$105, Low: \$55)
- Wells Fargo Overweight
- Citi Research Buy
- Bank of America Buy

Analysts cite improving profitability, consistent GPV expansion, and strong Cash App monetization.

6. Analyst Sentiment Summary

- Consensus Rating: Buy
- Average 12-Month Target: ~\$84
- Forward Revenue Growth ('25- '27): ~12-14% CAGR
- Gross Profit Growth Target: ~15% for FY2025
- Profitability: Operating margin expanding toward long-term goal of double digits
- Key Themes:
 - Expansion of Cash App lending ("Borrow")
 - Improved Afterpay integration and credit performance
 - · Operating leverage through disciplined hiring and marketing spend

While several analysts highlight regulatory visibility and credit exposure as risks, sentiment remains strongly positive due to Block's multi-ecosystem growth and improving operational efficiency.



7. Insider Buying and Selling (Last 24 Months)

- Insider activity is predominantly **selling**, typical for compensation and trading-plan activity.
- **Past 6 Months**: ~7,500 shares acquired vs. ~221,979 shares sold (net 214,479).
- Significant insider holders include:
 - Anthony Eisen (Director): ~2.17M shares
 - Brian Grassadonia (Officer): ~0.54M shares
 - Mary Meeker (Director): ~0.42M shares
- CFO Amrita Ahuja and other senior officers executed routine 10b5-1 sales.
- No notable open-market purchases reported.