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Finance Ratio Quick Notes

Practical revision notes for finance and accounting students.

Ratio	Formula	Purpose
Current Ratio	$\text{Current Assets} \div \text{Current Liabilities}$	Short-term liquidity.
Quick Ratio	$(\text{Current Assets} - \text{Inventory}) \div \text{Current Liabilities}$	Liquidity excluding inventory.
Cash Ratio	$(\text{Cash} + \text{Cash Equivalents}) \div \text{Current Liabilities}$	Immediate liquidity.
Gross Profit Margin	$\text{Gross Profit} \div \text{Revenue} \times 100$	Profit after cost of sales.
Operating Profit Margin	$\text{Operating Profit} \div \text{Revenue} \times 100$	Operating profitability.
Net Profit Margin	$\text{Net Profit} \div \text{Revenue} \times 100$	Profit remaining after expenses.
Return on Assets	$\text{Net Profit} \div \text{Average Total Assets} \times 100$	Asset profitability.
Return on Equity	$\text{Net Profit} \div \text{Average Equity} \times 100$	Return to shareholders.
Debt-to-Equity	$\text{Total Debt} \div \text{Total Equity}$	Debt relative to equity.
Debt Ratio	$\text{Total Debt} \div \text{Total Assets}$	Assets financed by debt.
Asset Turnover	$\text{Revenue} \div \text{Average Total Assets}$	Asset efficiency.
Inventory Turnover	$\text{Cost of Sales} \div \text{Average Inventory}$	Inventory efficiency.
Receivables Turnover	$\text{Credit Sales} \div \text{Average Trade Receivables}$	Collection efficiency.

How to interpret ratios

Calculate the ratio, compare it with previous periods and appropriate benchmarks, identify the reason for movement, and explain the financial implication. Never interpret a ratio in isolation.

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