

Hawkins, Inc. (HWKN)

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### Hawkins---What it does

Hawkins, a specialty chemical company, manufactures, blends and distributes chemicals and ingredients to customers in segments:

Industrial---50% of 2022 Revenue

Water Treatment---29%

Health & Nutrition---21%

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## **Industrial Segment---Examples**

Provides custom formulations to end markets:

Pharmaceuticals for excipients

Agricultural operations for liquid specialty fertilizers

Food Processors to fight bacteria, extend shelf life Industrial companies, makes bleach

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# **Industrial segment---Typical Products**

- Caustic soda
- Sulfuric acid
- Bleach
- Ammonia
- · Acetic acid
- Nitric acid
- And many others

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## Water Treatment Segment--Examples

Provides chemicals, equipment and solutions for treatment of:

Potable water with disinfectants

Municipal & industrial wastewater with equipment

Agricultural water with lab testing

Industrial process water with phosphates, etc.

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#### **Water Treatment Products**

- Disinfectants
- Corrosion inhibitors
- Equipment (pumps, filters, etc.)
- Phosphates
- Chlorine
- Bioaugmentation
- Beer Souring etc.

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## **Health & Nutrition Segment**

Provides blended and granulated ingredients to:

Manufacturers of

Food such as health foods

Beverages as health drinks

Pharmaceuticals such as skin products

Pet foods such as specialty kibbles

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#### **Health & Nutrition Products**

- Minerals (magnesium, manganese, calcium, etc.)
- Excipients
- Natural B Vitamins
- Organic Mushrooms
- Antioxidants
- Botanicals
- Enzymes

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## Data on Hawkins, Inc.

Founded in 1938, now based in Roseville MN

Has 51 facilities in 25 states in Central and Southeast U.S.

Has over 800 employees

Went public with IPO in 1982

Has paid dividend since 1985

Has grown by judicious acquisitions

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## **SWOT for HWKN---Strengths**

Good financial status

Good management

Growth strategy with explicit steps for growth

Water Treatment segment should offset usual cyclical nature of chemical companies

Forbes 2021 Best Workplace award

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#### **SWOT for HWKN---Weaknesses**

Chemical companies are often cyclical in nature

Rising materials costs

High supply chain costs

Unexpected shutdown of major supplier resulted in higher cost suppliers

Result--Having to raise prices

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## **SWOT for HWKN---Opportunities**

- Demand for Water Treatment products has been increasing
- Water shortages will demand new equipment and solutions
- Company provides essential services

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SWOT for HWKN---Threats

- Economic slowdown
- Geopolitical upheaval restricts access to materials
- · Possible special global events, i.e. panedemic

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