SIGNAL RESEARCH NOTE

Peer-Relative Value and Balance-Sheet Rank

Long-horizon equity ranking from peer-relative valuation and balance-sheet context.

Nan | Secondary research | 252d preferred horizon

Executive Summary

This note summarizes historical rank evidence for Peer-Relative Value and Balance-Sheet Rank. Metrics are reported as research diagnostics under the source-run assumptions and should be read as evidence about ranking behavior, not as a live recommendation.

Preferred horizon	252d
Top-bottom spread	19.74%
Rank IC	0.118
Long-leg return	33.37%
Average turnover	92.53%

1. The preferred diagnostic horizon is 252d, where the recorded rank spread is 19.74%.
2. Rank IC is positive in the reported research run at 0.118.
3. The signal is best read as a research-library ranking component, not as a standalone product.

Data and Research Setup

UNIVERSE

A broad global equity universe with sufficient dated market and accounting coverage.

INPUTS

Point-in-time valuation, balance-sheet and market context available at each monthly research date.

CADENCE

Monthly cross-sectional ranking review at a 252d forward research horizon.

COMPARISON BASIS

Comparisons use the same universe and source assumptions inside each run. The note excludes instrument-level lists and live recommendations.

The source files were used for historical research extraction only. This note does not include instrument-level lists or position-level recommendations.

Signal Methodology

Without disclosing the exact functional, the construction proceeds along three conceptual steps.

1. **Signal measurement.** Measures peer-relative valuation and balance-sheet context using dated information.

2. **Cross-sectional ranking.** Combines the information into a long-horizon cross-sectional ordering.

3. **Horizon evaluation.** Evaluates whether the ordering remains coherent across chronological blocks and broad universe exclusions.

> The description is intentionally conceptual. Formula details, exact construction rules and implementation parameters are not disclosed.

Results and Horizon Context

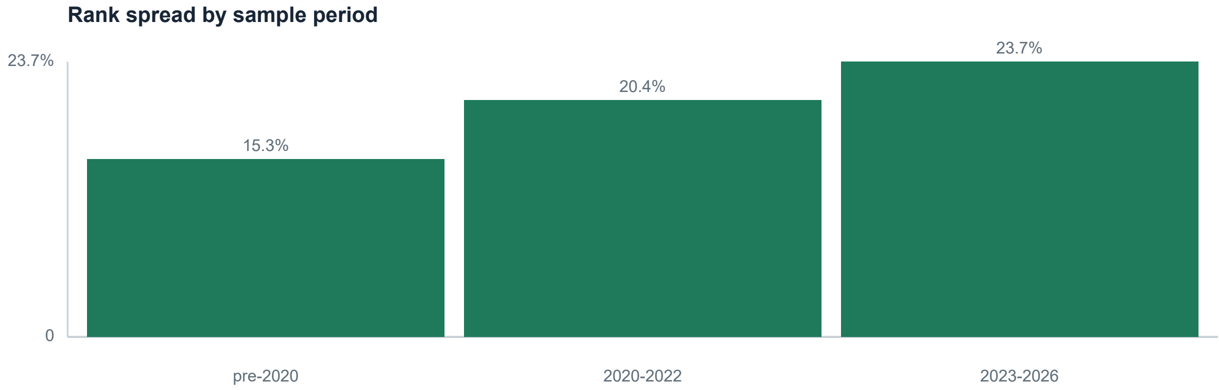

Figure 1. Top-minus-bottom rank spread across chronological sample periods. The bars are historical ranking diagnostics, not a standalone portfolio NAV.

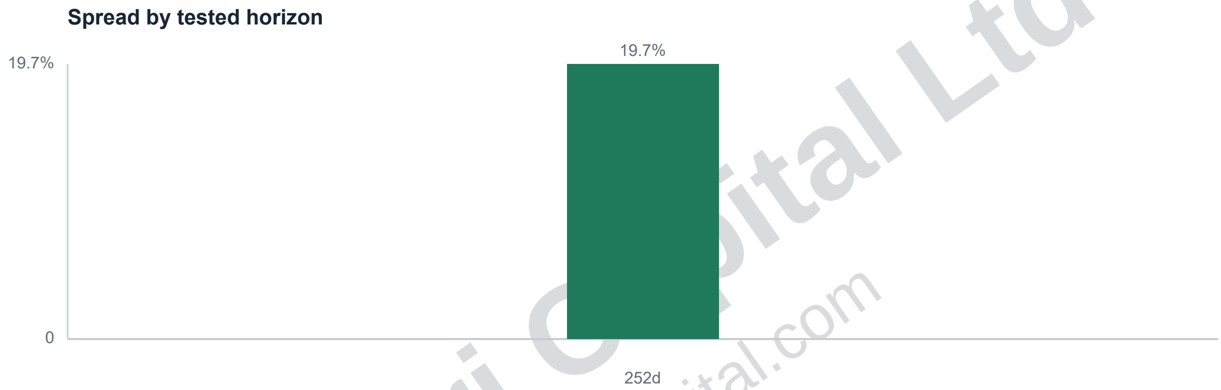

Figure 2. Spread profile across the tested horizons available in the source validation summary.

Horizon	Rank spread	Rank IC	Long-leg return	Turnover
252d	**19.74%**	**0.118**	**33.37%**	**92.53%**

Stability and Robustness

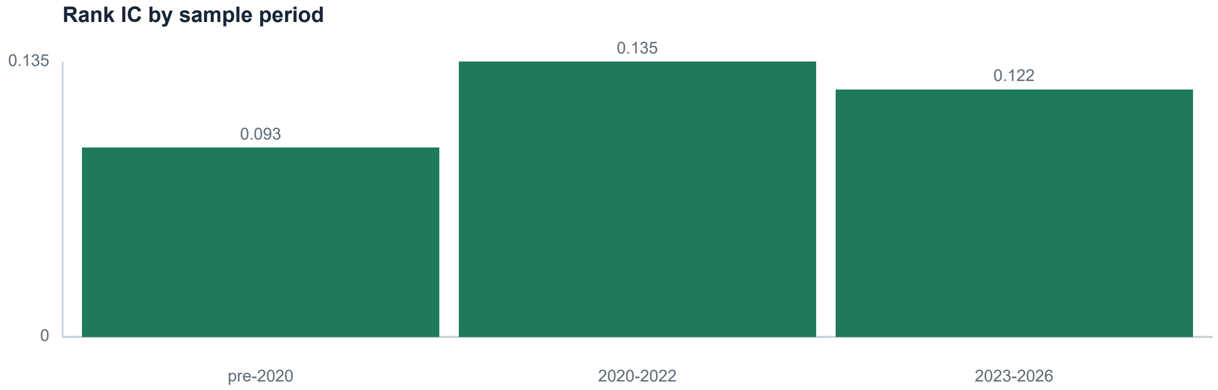

Figure 3. Rank-IC evidence across chronological sample periods from the source OOS audit.

The recorded spread is positive in 3 of 3 chronological sample periods. Positive-year fraction is 100.0% in the source run.

Positive-year fraction	100.0%
Universe size	2,996
Validation dates	135

Research Interpretation

ROLE IN RESEARCH LIBRARY

Secondary long-horizon fundamental ranking component inside the research library.

WHAT IT CAPTURES

Peer-relative valuation and balance-sheet information associated with later cross-sectional returns.

KNOWN LIMITATIONS

The evidence depends on point-in-time accounting coverage and the source universe. The public description is conceptual and does not disclose the component recipe.

The evidence supports retaining the signal in the research library where it can be compared with related components under the same assumptions.