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Argus Research Releases 3Q 2026 Performance Data

New York, NY, October 2, 2026 — The BUY-rated stocks recommended by **Argus Research Company** for the third quarter of 2026 have outperformed the benchmark S&P 500 Equal-Weight Index. Argus measures performance every quarter, as calculated and reported by independent rating company Investars. According to Investars' data for the third quarter of 2026, Argus' BUY-rated stocks, bundled as an investment portfolio, outperformed the Equal-Weight Index for all four regular measures -- the trailing three-month, one-year, three-year, and five-year periods. Argus outperformed the peer average for fundamental research firms for three out of four time periods – the trailing three-month, three-year, and five-year periods.

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ARGUS PERFORMANCE TABLE: Fundamental Coverage, 3Q26 (%)				
	3 Month	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year
ARGUS BUY LIST (S&P 500) *	-0.2	14.3	67.5	70.3
PEER AVERAGE **	-0.3	15.4	65.7	58.1
S&P 500 EQUAL-WEIGHT INDEX	-2.3	9.6	46.5	38.5
S&P 500 INDEX	2.0	14.4	78.4	77.6
For periods ending September 30, 2026				
*Unweighted				
** Approx. 25 fundamental research firms measured by Investars (www.investars.com).				

Argus has a fundamental coverage universe of more than 500 publicly traded stocks, most of which are U.S. companies. Argus carefully defines its universe, with a goal of including industry-leading public companies and those that are most widely held by investors. The universe is dynamic and so are the Argus ratings: In 3Q, Argus Analysts changed 27 ratings, or about one every other day. Argus uses a proprietary methodology, the Argus Research Six-Point Rating System, to determine its BUY, HOLD, and SELL ratings.

The Argus Investment Policy Committee has compared the Argus universe to multiple benchmarks and believes that the S&P Equal-Weight Index is the most relevant. Investars weights each Argus rating equally (regardless of market capitalization) when it measures performance, in the same manner as the S&P 500 Equal-Weight Index. Investars is a leading provider of data on stock analyst performance. More on Its methodology can be found at https://www.investarsranks.com/Home/Methodology.

"We take great pride in our analytic work and are pleased to present these results," said Argus Research President & CEO John Eade. "In many businesses, performance is subjective. Not ours. And we are our own toughest critics. We challenge ourselves each quarter to outperform these industry standard metrics. We also know that performance means different things to different investors, ranging from stock-picking prowess to industry knowledge, and from accurate earnings estimates to timeliness. Attentive client service is important, too. Argus Research strives to deliver high-quality performance across all of these measures."

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