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# Bulls Positive on Department Store Operator into Key Long-Term Support 

Ticker/Price: JWN (\$33.65)

## Analysis:

Nordstrom (JWN) with 2,000 October $\$ 32.50$ calls bought for $\$ 4.15$ to $\$ 4.20$ and follows sellers in the October $\$ 32.50$ puts 2900X in April. The January $\$ 42.50 / \$ 55$ call spread remains in OI over 4000X from January while JWN has seen a lot of near-term bullish buying in the August $\$ 31.50$ calls over 3000X and the August 33.50 calls 2000X. The August $\$ 37$ calls were bought 3000X. JWN shares rallied in late 2020 up above $\$ 40$ and now pulling back in a narrow weekly wedge to cloud support and the 200-day MA. A move above $\$ 37.50$ has room to run and a longer-term measured
move up to $\$ 52+$. The $\$ 5.2 \mathrm{~B}$ company trades 14.4 X earnings, 0.45 X sales, and 13.7 X cash. JWN is focusing on a revamped strategy of unique partnerships with DTC brands looking for a retail/distribution footprint including upscale luggage brand Away, Casper mattresses, men's apparel brand Indochino and women's shapewear company Skims. The
moves come as JWN looks to attract a reinvigorated consumer with the reopenings. JWN was at the Evercore conference in mid-June positive on the yield in 2021 from their tech investments, especially on the supply chain side, as
they are utilizing more data-driven analytics to help maximize their inventory choices for local markets. They also continue to see margins improvement in the 2 H and into 2022, a key area where they have lagged peers. Analysts have an average target for shares of $\$ 35$ with a Street High $\$ 48$ from Jefferies. The firm starting at Buy earlier this year as recovery estimates look achievable and even beatable if new strategies uptake more quickly. Short interest is $11.8 \%$ and down from over $30 \%$ in October. Hedge fund ownership rose $8.75 \%$ in Q1, Tremblant Capital a buyer of 2.3 M shares.

Hawk Vision:


Hawk's Perspective: JWN is making some interesting moves and think they have a place long-term as a niche, highend department store and shares up well on both the daily and weekly view with a move above $\$ 37.25$ key to shifting the overall trend but overall prefer to play individual brands or the off-price names

