

CONCEPT: RATIOS – AVERAGE DAYS IN INVENTORY

- The **Average Days in Inventory** helps analyze how long a unit sits in inventory before being _____
 - The Average Days in Inventory ratio is a common _____ ratio
 - Holding inventory costs money (i.e. warehouse expenses like rent and utilities)
 - Average Days in Inventory is related to the Inventory Turnover Ratio, which we will review here:

$$\text{Inventory Turnover} = \frac{\text{Cost of Goods Sold}}{\text{Average Inventory}} = \frac{\text{Cost of Goods Sold}}{(\text{Beginning Inventory} + \text{Ending Inventory}) \div 2}$$
$$\text{Average Days in Inventory} = \frac{365}{\text{Inventory Turnover Ratio}}$$

Analysis: The Average Days in Inventory tells us how many *days* a unit sits in inventory before being sold

Comparison: Different industries have different reasonable Days in Inventory, use **benchmarking**
_____ days in inventory imply a more efficient use of Inventory

EXAMPLE: XYZ Company had net sales of \$500,000 and COGS of \$320,000. If the beginning balance of Inventory was \$60,000 and the ending balance in Inventory was \$100,000, what is the Average Days in Inventory?

- a) 202 days
- b) 114 days
- c) 91 days
- d) 73 days

PRACTICE: ABC Company had \$200,000 in Net Sales and Gross Profit of \$80,000. If Inventory had a balance of \$60,000, what is the company's average days in inventory ratio?

- a) 274 days
- b) 182 days
- c) 110 days
- d) Not enough information