

Insights Unwrapped

Strong EPS Growth Powers All-Time Highs



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All Time Highs (ATH) for Nifty: 2003-2025

Particulars	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
No. of new ATHs	7	15	46	54	49	4
Nifty EPS Growth - Next Year	42%	29%	9%	28%	19%	-11%
Cumulative 6-yr ATHs						175
EPS CAGR (2003-08)						25%

Nifty hit ATH 175 times over CY2003-08, while EPS CAGR for the period was 25%

Particulars	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
No. of new ATHs	0	1	0	0	2	54	9	0	40	29	13	25
Nifty EPS Growth - Next Year	-2%	28%	10%	6%	10%	2%	-4%	7%	5%	8%	-1%	14%
Cumulative 12-yr ATHs												173
EPS CAGR (2009-20)												6%

From 2009–2020, a 6% EPS CAGR led to 119 ATHs, excl. ~50 ATHs in 2014 likely due to political optimism.

Particulars	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
No. of new ATHs	54	6	27	50	0
Nifty EPS Growth - Next Year	34%	12%	23%	1%	10%
Cumulative 5-yr ATHs					137
EPS CAGR (2021-25)					17%

87 Nifty ATHs (excl 50 in 2024) with EPS CAGR of 17% over CY2021-25.

EPS Momentum Behind Market All-Time Highs

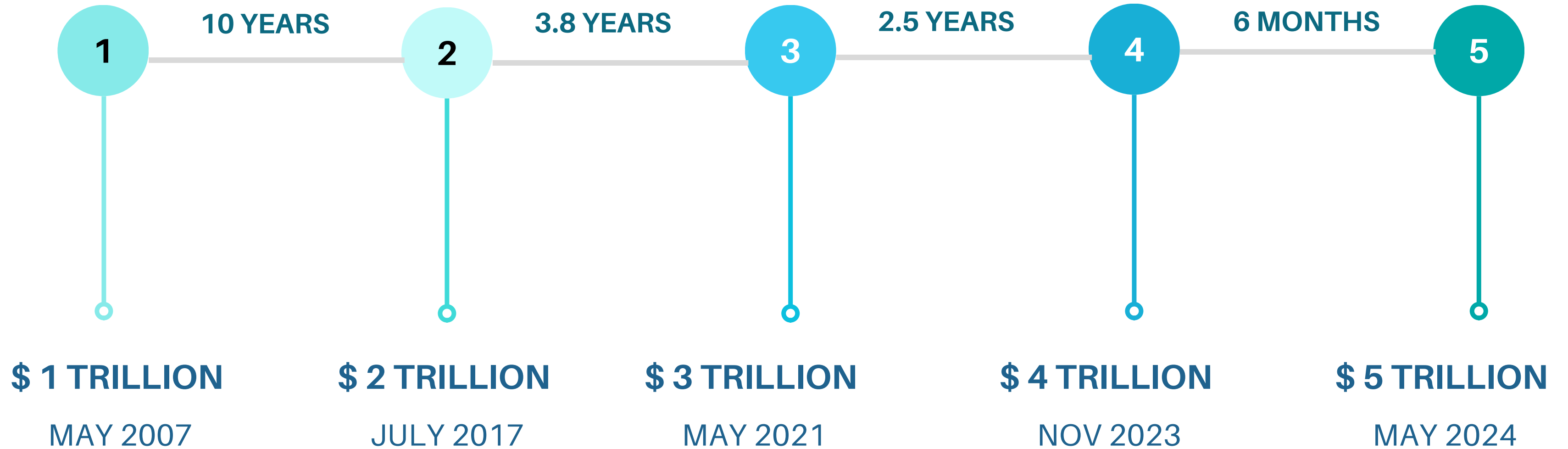
Since 2003, stock market all-time highs (ATHs) have typically coincided with strong EPS growth in the following year, except in 2014 and 2024 (possibly driven by political optimism).*

- **2003-2008:** 25% EPS CAGR yielded 175 ATHs
- **2009-2020:** 6% EPS CAGR yielded 119 ATHs in 11 years (excluding 54 in 2014)
- **2021-2025:** 16.9% EPS CAGR yielded 87 ATHs (excl. 50 in 2024, likely due to political factors)

With forecasted EPS growth of 9.6% in FY26 and 16.8% in FY27, there is potential for significantly more ATHs.

**In 2014, the Nifty hit 54 ATHs despite only 2% EPS growth the following year. Similarly, in 2024, the Nifty touched 50 ATHs with just 1% EPS growth for the next year.*

BSE Market Cap: Trillion Dollar Milestones



Source: BSE, Sprout Research

Between March 2025 and June 12, 2025, market capitalization surged by USD 350 billion, pushing the total market cap back to USD 5 trillion.

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