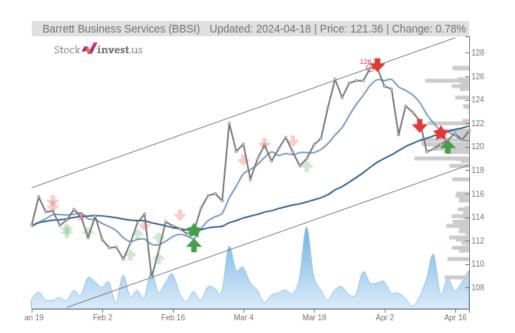
## Barrett Business Services (Thu, Apr 18, 2024)

Sell candidate since Apr 10, 2024 Gain 1.51%



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| Trend:    | Buy  |
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| MV Long:  | Sell |
| MV Short: | Buy  |
| Pivot:    | Sell |
| Volume:   | Buy  |
| MACD:     | Sell |

## **Tech commentaries:**

The Barrett Business Services stock price gained 0.647% on the last trading day (Thursday, 18th Apr 2024), rising from \$120.58 to \$121.36. During the last trading day the stock fluctuated 1.06% from a day low at \$120.73 to a day high of \$122.00. The price has risen in 6 of the last 10 days and is up by 0.28% over the past 2 weeks. Volume has increased on the last day along with the price, which is a positive technical sign, and, in total, 8 thousand more shares were traded than the day before. In total, 36 thousand shares were bought and sold for approximately \$4.36 million.

The stock lies in the middle of a strong rising trend in the short term and a further rise within the trend is signaled. Given the current short-term trend, the stock is expected to rise 11.33% during the next 3 months and, with a 90% probability hold a price between \$131.86 and \$144.39 at the end of this 3-month period.

There are mixed signals in the stock today. The Barrett Business Services stock holds a buy signal from the short-term Moving Average; at the same time, however, the long-term average holds a general sell signal. Since the long-term average is above the short-term average there is a general sell signal in the stock giving a more negative forecast for the stock. On further gains, the stock will meet resistance from the long-term Moving Average at \$121.76. On a fall, the stock will find some support from the short-term average at \$120.47. A break-up through the long-term average will give another buy signal, while a fall below the short-term average will add another sell signal and strengthen the general signal. A sell signal was issued from a pivot top point on Thursday, March 28, 2024, and so far it has fallen -4.23%. Further fall is indicated until a new bottom pivot has been found. Furthermore, there is currently a sell signal from the 3 month Moving Average Convergence Divergence (MACD). Volume is rising along with the price. This is considered to be a good technical signal.

Barrett Business Services finds support from accumulated volume at \$120.58 and this level may hold a buying opportunity as an upwards reaction can be expected when the support is being tested. On the upside the stock meets some resistance just above today's level from accumulated volume at \$121.99, \$125.15 and \$125.62.

This stock is usually traded at a good volume, and with minor daily changes, the risk is considered to be low. During the last day, the stock moved \$1.28 (1.06%) between high and low. For the last week, the stock has had daily average volatility of 1.24%.

Barrett Business Services holds several negative signals and we believe that it will still perform weakly in the next couple of days or weeks. We, therefore, hold a negative evaluation of this stock.

Risk: Low

**Evaluation: Sell Candidate**