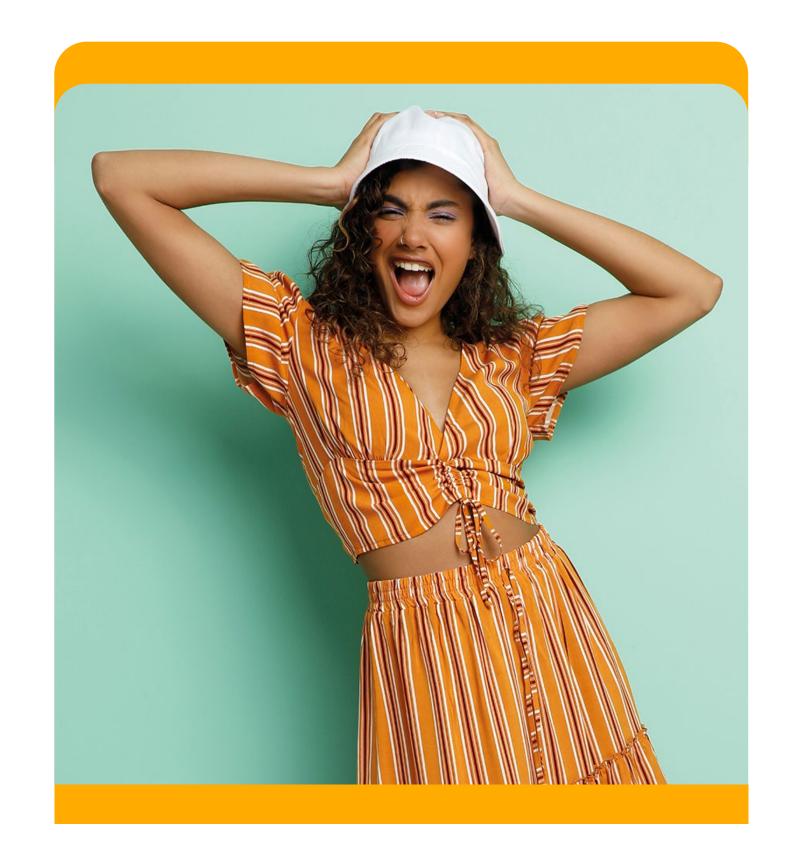
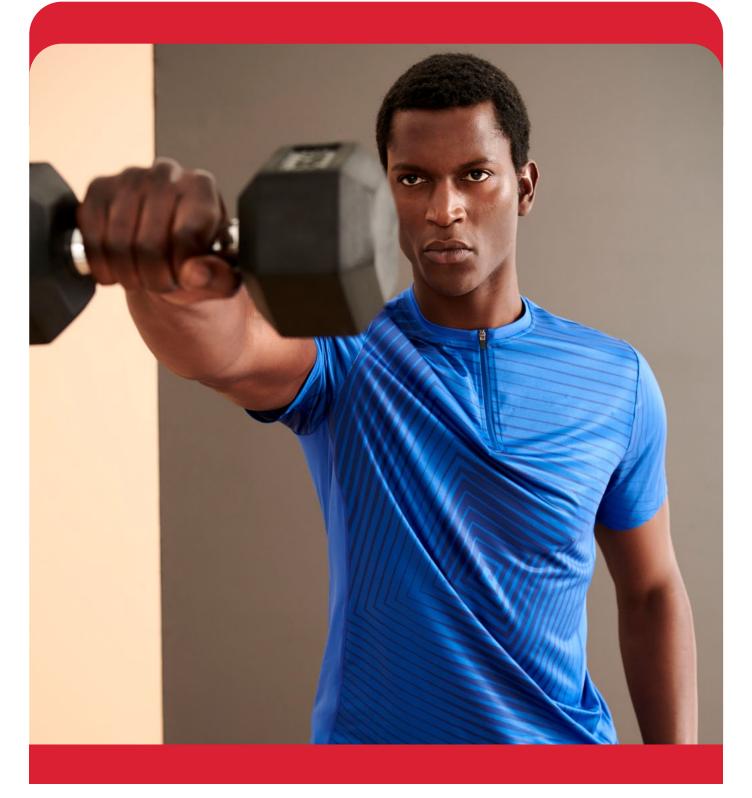
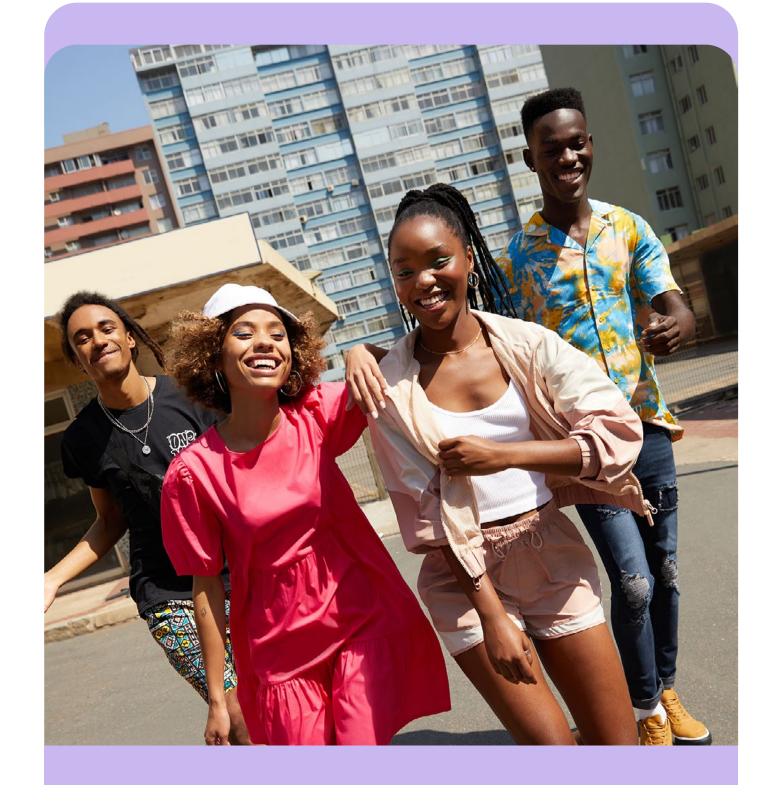


Interim Results
to 26 September 2020







Backdrop

Performance

Value creation & growth



Backdrop

Retail Environment, Group Performance & COVID-19 Insights

by Mark Blair - CEO

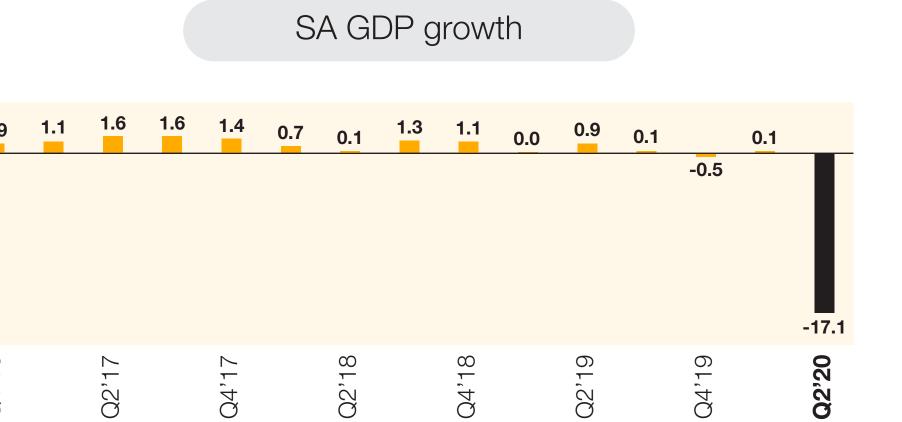
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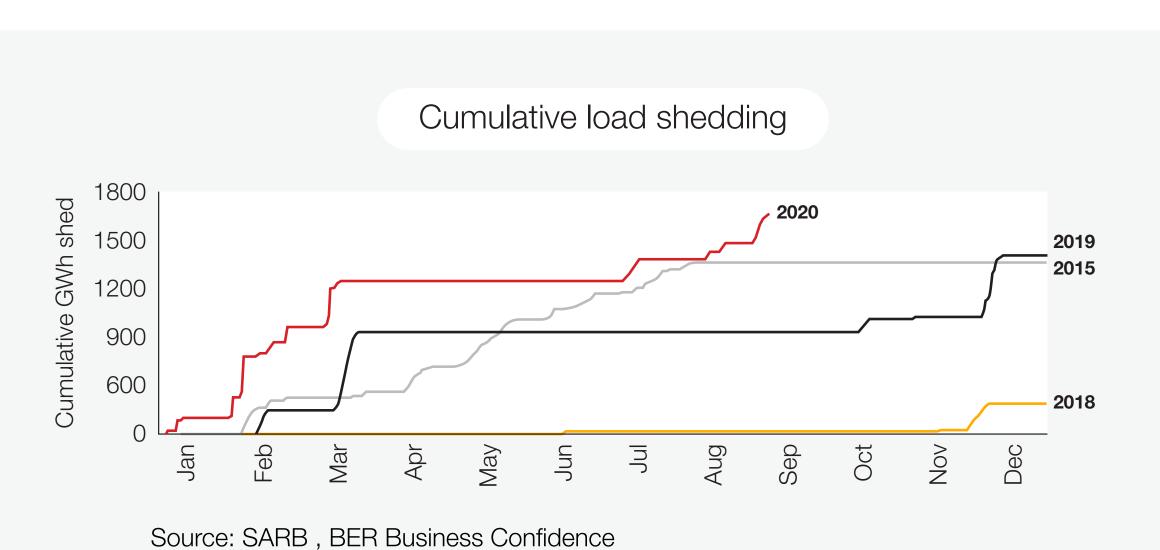
Macro-economic challenges

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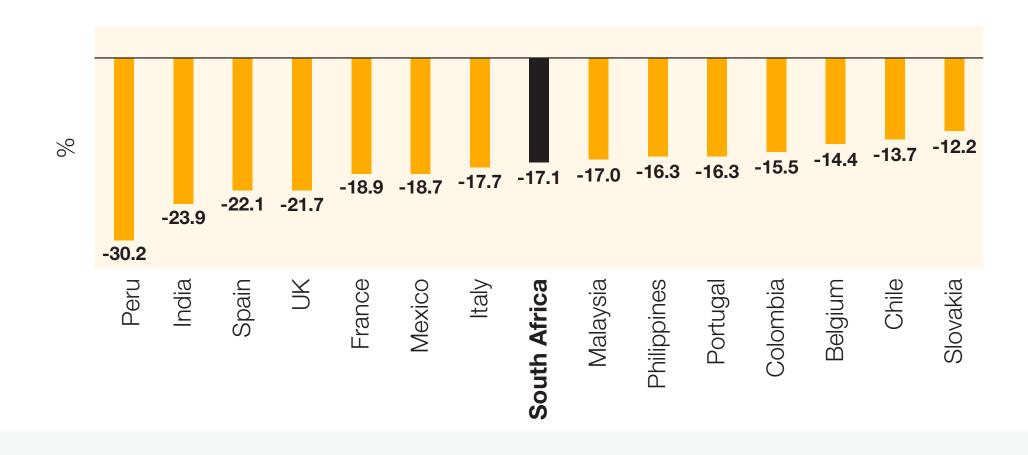


The impact of COVID-19 has been devastating on all economies across the world





GDP growth Q2 2020



Business Confidence



26 index points

• Q4 2019

18 index points

V Q1 2020

5 index points

Q2 2020

24 index points

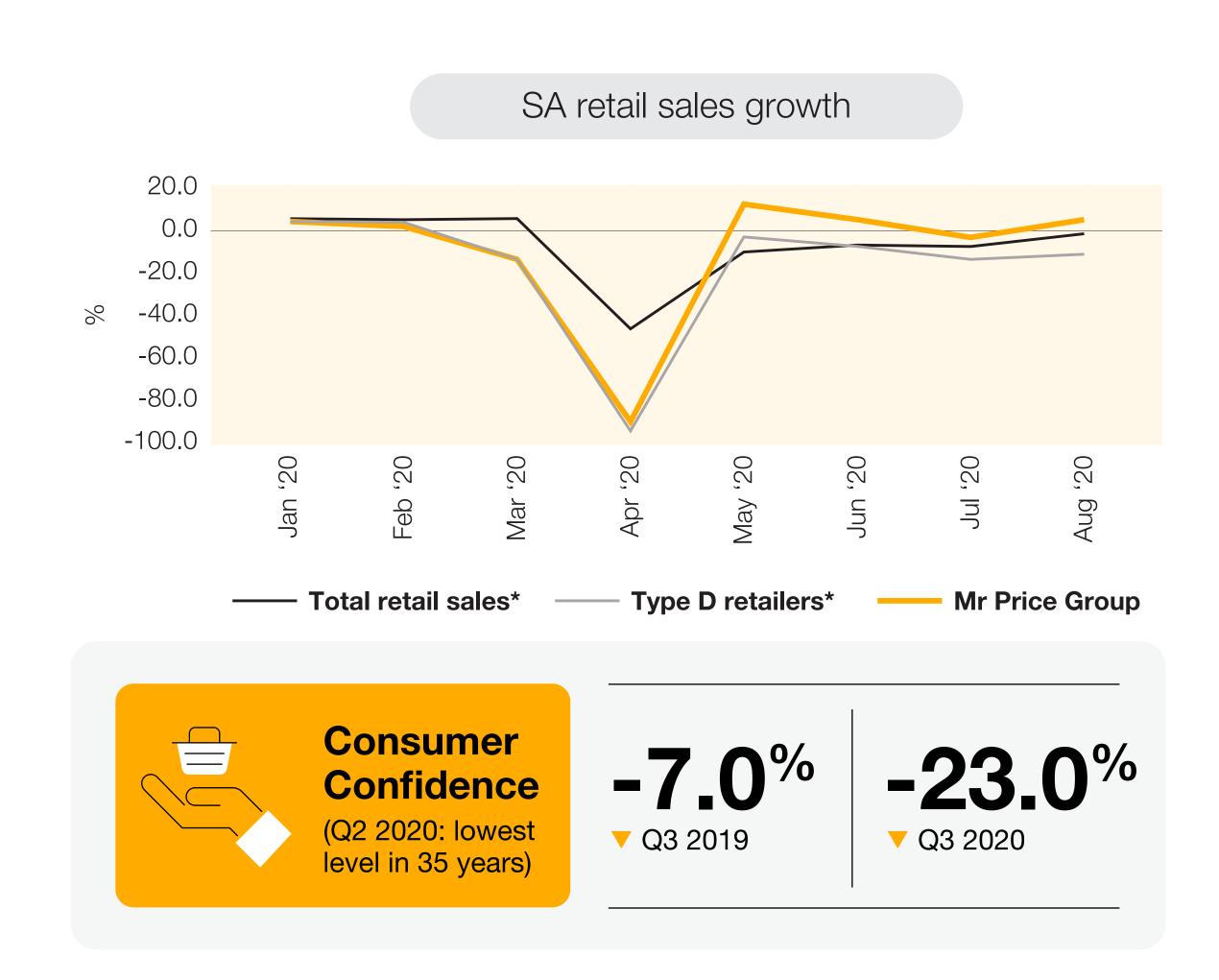
Q3 2020

The bounce back in Q3 2020 was a result of the transition to level 1 lockdown & the economy opening up further

Consumer challenges



Consumers continue to be under pressure - unlikely to ease in the near term





30₈%
Q3 2020 | 170bps increase
Highest level in 17 years

2.2m jobs lost in Q2 2020. Potentially haven't felt the full unemployment effect due to:

- Private sector retrenchment packages
- Temporary Employment Relief Scheme
- Credit providers payment holidays
- Significant repo rate cuts (300bps in 2020)
- Household discretionary income flowed into food, drug, apparel & homeware categories as entertainment, travel & liquor were curbed by restrictions
- Government relief funding via increased social grant payments & TERS. Support ceased Oct 20. R350 COVID-19 social relief grant extended by a further 3 months

Source: *Stats SA, BER Consumer Confidence

Group performance

"Post Lockdown": May to Sep 2020. April 2020 excluded due to all RSA stores closed under level 5 restrictions

Revenue	(14.4%)	R9.2bn	Operating Margin*	(150 bps)	14.4%
Post Lockdown:	+3.2%	R8.9bn	Post Lockdown:	+40bps	16.0%
EBITDA	(20.1%)	R2.0bn	HEPS	(24.8%)	333.5c
Post Lockdown:	(1.9%)	R2.0bn	Post Lockdown:	+5.9%	367.9c
Total diluted HEPS	(24.6%)	328.5c	Dividend per share	210.1c Dividend resumed at 0	63.0% pay-out ratio
Post Lockdown:	+6.0%	362.4c			

Group performance



Unprecedented challenges

Health & safety

Cash preservation

Lockdown levels

Supply chain

Consumer behaviour

- Significant pressure on household income
- Avoiding trips to regional & suburban centres to rather shop at convenient locations
- Fewer transactions but bigger baskets
- Rapid rise in online adoption & home shopping
- Strong emphasis on value purchases
- Preferring cash over credit



Response enablers

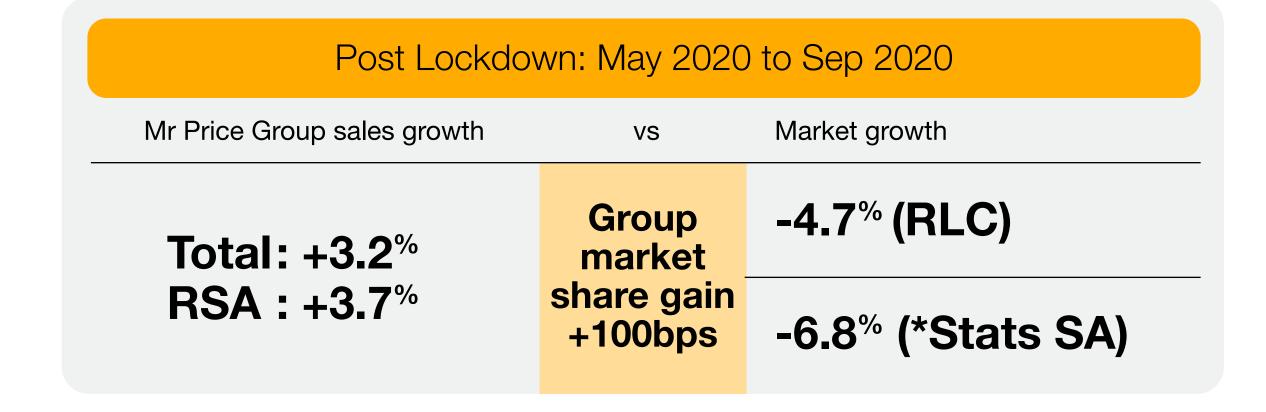


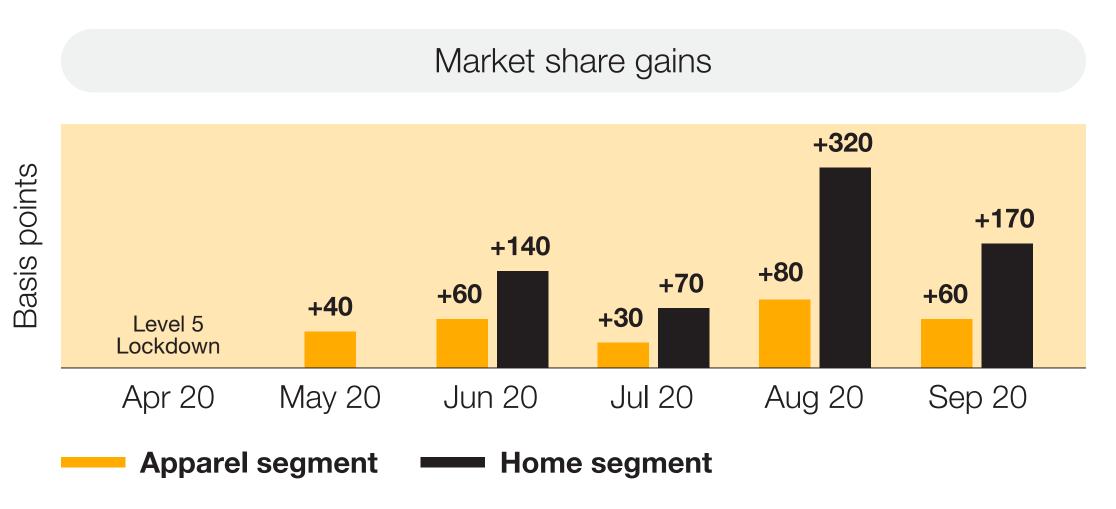
Group performance

Highlights

- Higher cash generation than anticipated despite estimated ~R1.8bn in lost sales
- Strong cash balance to execute operationally, invest in growth & return to shareholders
- Debt free: no distractions
- Quick in-season response through agile supply chain based on strategic partnership. In line with strategic intent, sourced 40.3% (cost value) of total merchandise in RSA
- Strong overhead expense management

- Stock on hand down 16.7% at the end of Sep 2020
- Home segment & Cellular reported double digit sales growth Post Lockdown
- Increased GP by 200bps due to low markdown levels
- Post Lockdown, online sales grew 71.5%, accounting for 2.5% of sales
- Value of partnership displayed by all stakeholders, embracing the call to action





- Largest division gained every month since March 20
- Home segment gained every month post restrictions



Performance

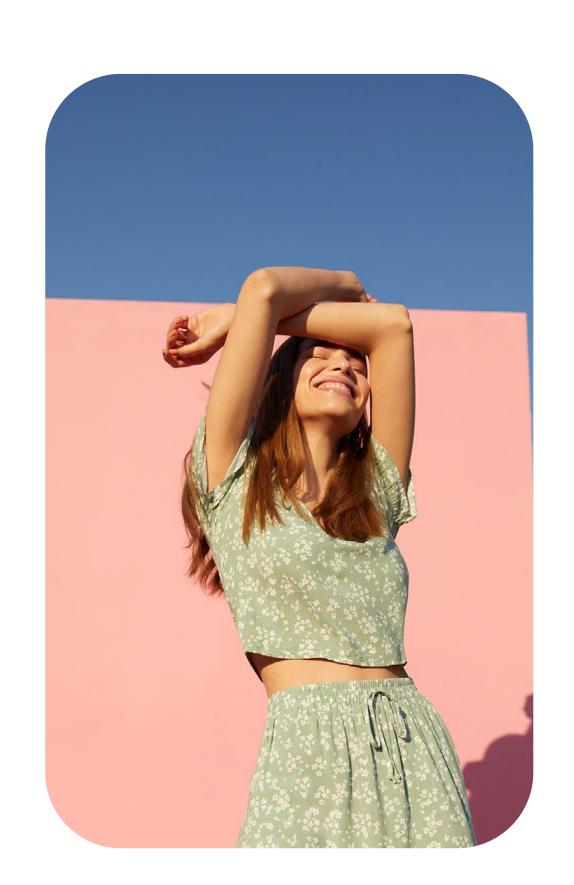
Detailed Group & Divisional Results

By Mark Stirton - CFO

mrprice group limited

Group income statement

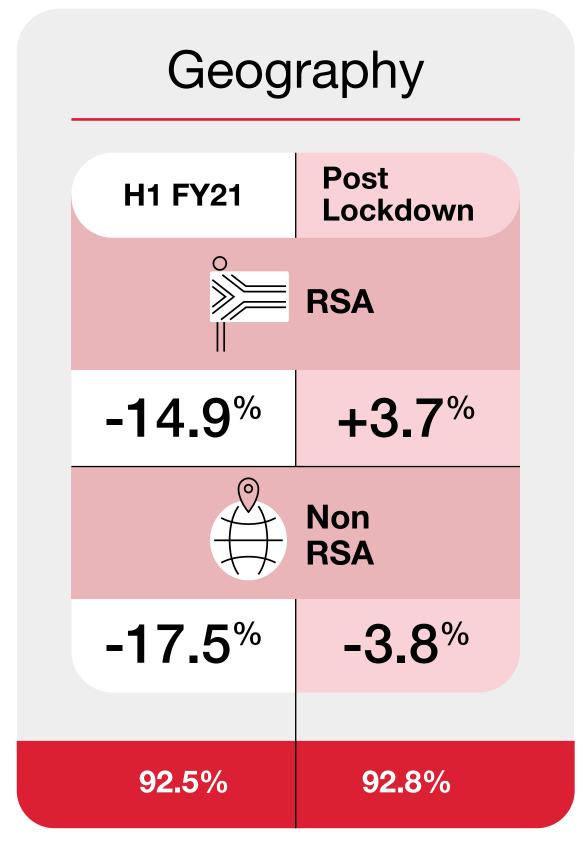
R'M	2020	2019	% Change
Continuing operations			
Retail sales & other income (pg 52) ¹	9 053	10 622	(14.8%)
Gross profit (pg 14) ²	3 660	4 096	(10.6%)
Expenses (pg 15) ³	2 864	2 801	2.2%
Profit from operating activities	1 148	1 688	(32.0%)
Net finance (expense)/income	(87)	(88)	(1.4%)
Profit before taxation	1 061	1 600	(33.7%)
Taxation ⁴	304	452	(32.6%)
Net profit from continuing operations	757	1 148	(34.1%)
Net loss from discontinued operations	(4)	(0)	
Profit attributable to shareholders ⁵	753	1 148	(34.4%)

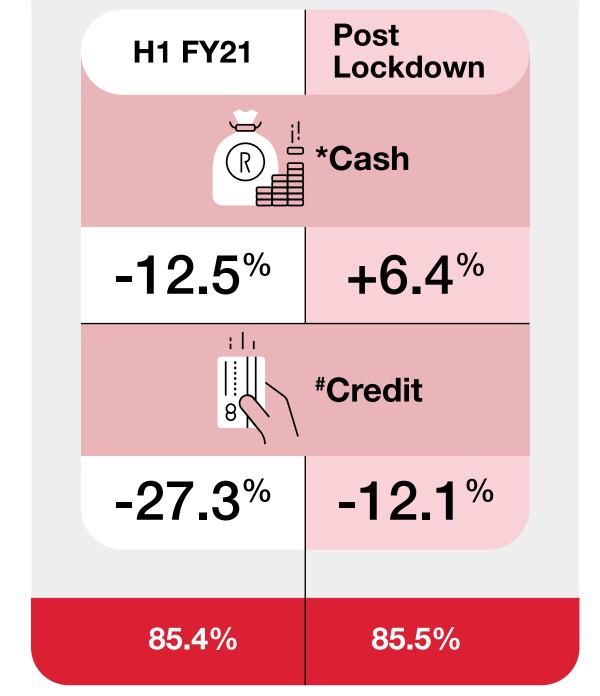


- ¹Retail sales Post Lockdown up 3.2%, up 3.7% in RSA
- ²Gross margin level improved 200bps, driven by lower markdowns
- ³Cost curtailment efforts continued. Excluding impairments total expenses decreased 3.2%
- ⁴Effective tax rate 28.7% (PY 28.2%). Increased due to timing differences vs PY
- 5Profit growth impacted by lower sales, increased provisions & impairments/asset write-offs

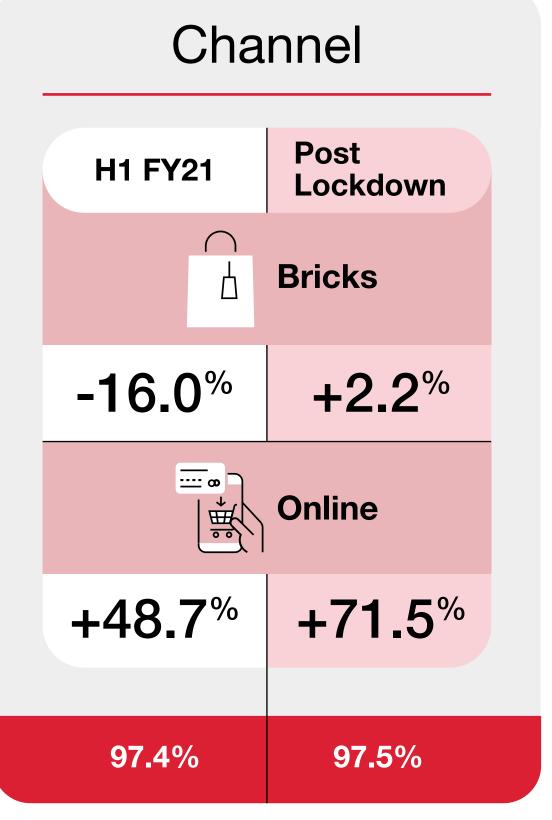
Group sales' growth drivers

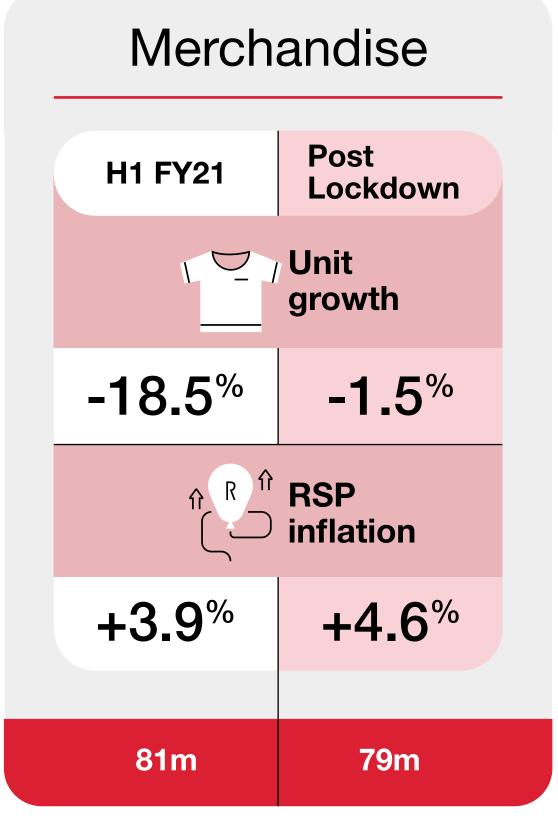
- Post Lockdown starkly different to the full H1 period
- Bricks transactions down but Rands & units per basket up by double digits
- Strong online growth partly offset foot traffic decline
- Higher inflation driven by improved markdowns





Tender type



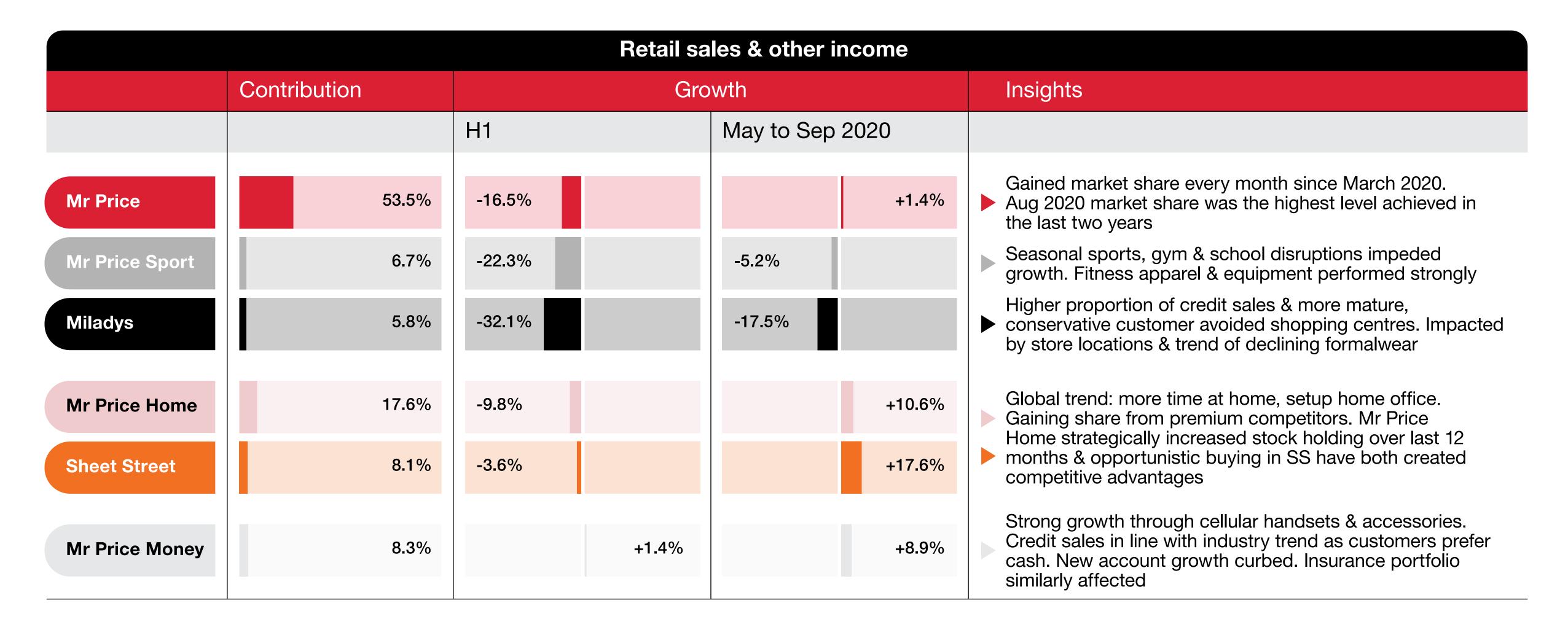


RSA % of sales Cash % of sales

Bricks % of sales

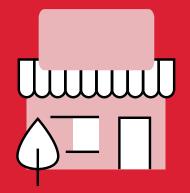
^Includes Cellular | *Cash & Card (debit/credit) | #Store card sale

Divisional performance & insights



*Retail sales & other income

Space growth

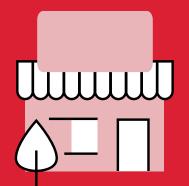


Total Group

1 386 stores

Mr Price Apparel
Miladys
Mr Price Sport
Mr Price Home
Sheet Street

528 stores
238 stores
128 stores
180 stores
312 stores

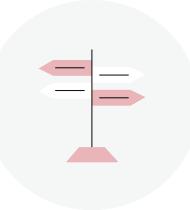


Total gross space 763 615m⁻²



Numbers (Refer pg 53 for detail)

- Annualised: 3.1% new space growth & 2.2% net growth (w.avg)
- H1: 1.7% new space growth & 1.3% net growth (w.avg)
- 17 new stores added. 10 stores less than original capex plan
- Strategic plan to close identified non-RSA stores impacted net space growth
- 125 renewed leases. Avg escalation has decreased & meaningful rent reversions have been achieved
- Group trading density >R30 000m⁻². Declined at a significantly lower rate than retail sales



Strategic approach

- Interrogated and re-baselined store metrics
- Strong relationship with landlords is important, driven by frequent & transparent communication
- Strategic growth vehicles (new concepts etc) provides opportunity for landlords to grow with us
- Diversified store profile micro, small & medium size stores enabled growth
- Store base supports click & collect model, enabling a profitable online channel
- Net space growth target for H2 is 1% to 2%



Gross profit analysis



Merchandise GP

2019	2020	2021
43.3%	40.8%	43.2%

Post Lockdown: Gross profit Rands up 8.7%

- Increase driven by low markdown levels offsetting negative avg exchange rate impact of 19.6% on PY
- Fashion-value assortment led to more full priced items sold per basket
- Clean stock levels end of winter



Telecoms GP

2019	2020	2021
19.1%	17.7%	20.3%

Post Lockdown: Gross profit Rands up 49.3%

- Increase driven by strategic mix changes in Mobile (MVNO)
- Cellular GP% increase driven by significant sales growth in handsets & accessories



Total GP

2019	2019	2021
42.6%	40.0%	42.0%

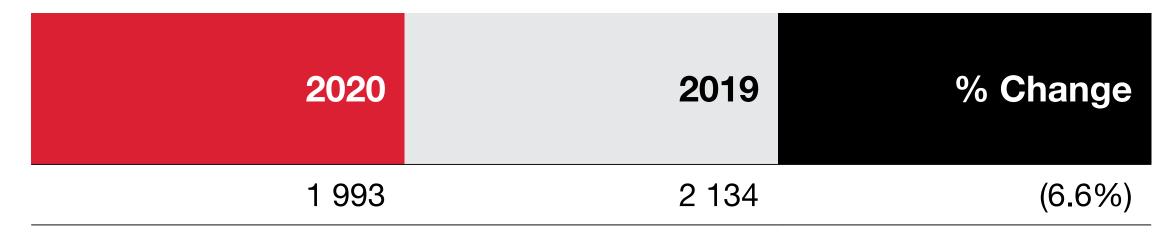
Post Lockdown: Gross profit Rands up 9.4%

- Gains across Apparel, Home & Telecoms segment
- ZAR/\$ depreciation will add pressure to H2 margins despite disciplined hedging strategy

Overhead expenses

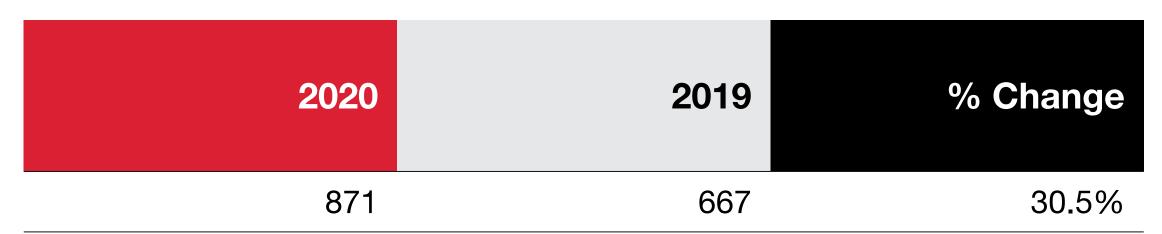
Total +2.2%
Total excl. impairments & additional debtors' provision (4.5%)

Selling expenses* (R'M)



- COVID-19 costs of ~R20m (PPE, cleaning & data costs)
- Employment costs down 18.3%, aided by TERS
- W.avg space growth of 2.2% (new space growth of 3.1%)
- Rental concessions of R116.2m & lower turnover rentals
- Rent reversions aiding expense declines
- Increased debtors impairment provision to account for COVID-19 impact
- Impairment of right-of-use assets of R10.6m
- Excluding right-of-use asset impairment & COVID-19 debtors' provision increase, selling expenses decreased 8.8%

Administrative expenses* (R'M)



- Impairment of IT assets of R142.8m
- Employment costs excluding provisions down 3.8% (timing impact)
- Excluding IT impairment & employment cost timing, expenses decreased 1.8%

Market leading balance sheet

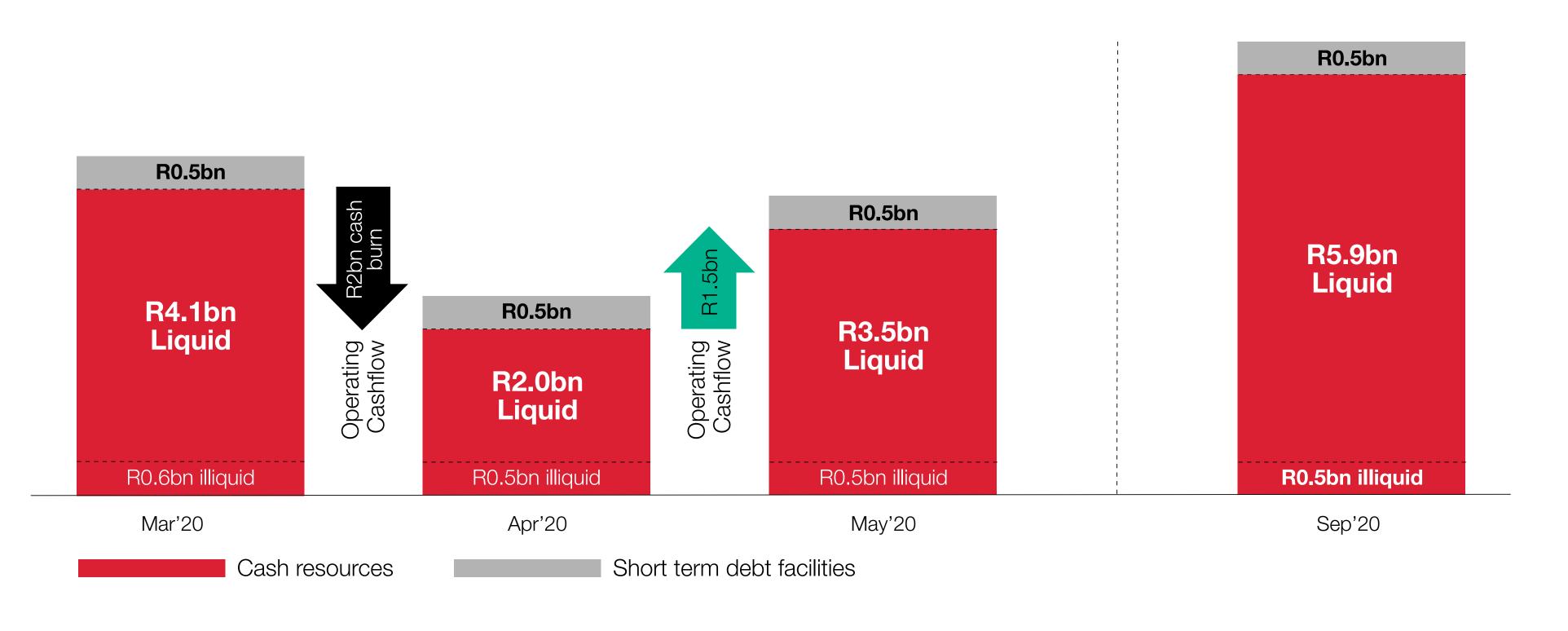


Net asset value per share 3 874 cents, increased 18.4%

R'M	Sep 2020	Sep 2019	
Non-current assets	7 076	6 969	
Current assets	11 211	9 472	
Inventories	2 426	2 669	
Trade & other receivables ¹	1 985	2 222	
Cash & cash equivalents	6 388	4 310	
Reinsurance assets	238	202	
Other ²	174	69	
Total	18 287	16 441	
Shareholders equity	10 019	8 487	
Total liabilities	8 268	7 954	
Total	18 287	16 441	

- Inventory on hand excl GIT decreased 16.7% (Including GIT -7.3%). Agile supply chain enabled stock inputs to decrease in line with sales
- GIT up 44.0% due to summer input delays & exchange rates
- Markdown units ~40% lower than PY
- Higher than expected free cash flow generation (Refer pg 17)
- R531m held in non RSA territories & share trusts. Reduced from March 2020 as planned
- Working capital improved ~R1bn
- ¹Balance impacted by higher write-offs, reduced credit sales, slower new account growth & lower interest rates. Higher provision raised (refer pg 20)
- ²Fx hedging gains due to favourable mark to market movements

Cash generation





Utilisation

- Interim dividend of 210.1c declared at 63.0% pay-out ratio
- Additional short-term debt facilitates not activated
- Will not implement equity raise. Will pursue capital allocation opportunities through cash & short-term debt (Refer pg 21 to 49)
- Budgeted capex continues to be closely monitored
- Share buyback during Sep 2020 & closed period
- COVID-19 second wave uncertainty & unpredictable trade

Cash flow movements

R'M Mar 2020	4 726		
Cash from operations	1 959		Decreased 18.2% on PY due to Apr 20 store closures. Post lockdown up 3.7%
Working capital	980	ating 7bn	Improved payment terms & creditor timing. Lower stock & debtors' balances
Net interest received	302	Operating R2.7bn	Interest received up 12.1% on higher cash balances
Taxation	(525)		Timing of provisional & final payments vs PY
PPE & intangibles	(118)	Investing (R0.1bn)	PPE additions: R52m Intangible additions: R69m
Dividends	0		No final dividend declared in FY20
Treasury shares	(85)	ncing 9bn)	Share buybacks
Repayment of lease liabilities	(820)	Financir (R0.9br	Rental payments under financing cash flow
Other	(31)		Exchange losses on foreign currency translation
Sep 2020	6 388		

Credit performance

Credit market

Break-even level between improvement & deterioration is at 50

Rose to 7.8% of total accounts from 6.4% in Q1

Source: Transunion | National Credit Regulator, Absa Research

Mr Price Group



- Credit sales declined 27.3% in line with market trends. Transactions decreased 24.5%, basket sizes grew 12.5%
- Sales growth decrease experienced across all divisions. Miladys impacted the most due to customer's cautious return to stores
- Applications in the market down ~45%. Rejection rate rose to all time high of 67.4%
- Will continue to adopt a cautious approach for balance of FY21









Trade receivables

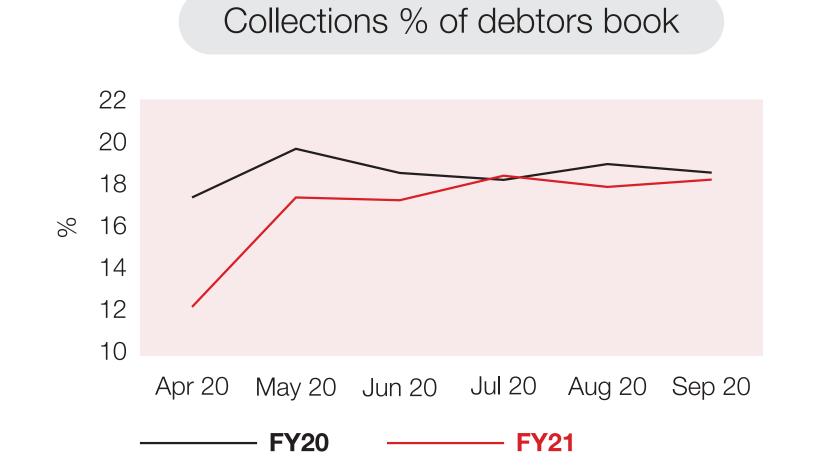
R'M	Sep 20	Mar 20	Sep 19	% Change	
	3ep 20		эер тэ	Sep/Mar	Sep/Sep
Total debtors book	2 031	2 300	2 200	(11.7%)	(7.7%)
NBD: book (excl collection costs)	8.1%	6.3%	7.6%		
Impairment provision	15.2%	10.4%	7.5%		

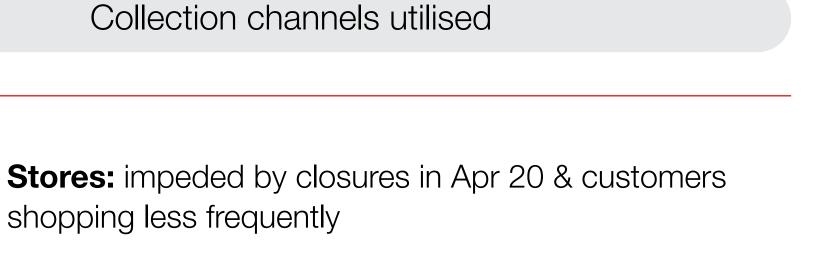
- Credit sales deteriorated in line with market. April sales were significantly impacted by store closures
- Debtors' book freeze during lockdown level 5 resulted in no write-offs in March & April. Increase in the number of customers that rolled forward when aging resumed impacted NBD:book. Accelerated effects of book freeze anticipated in H2 FY21

80%

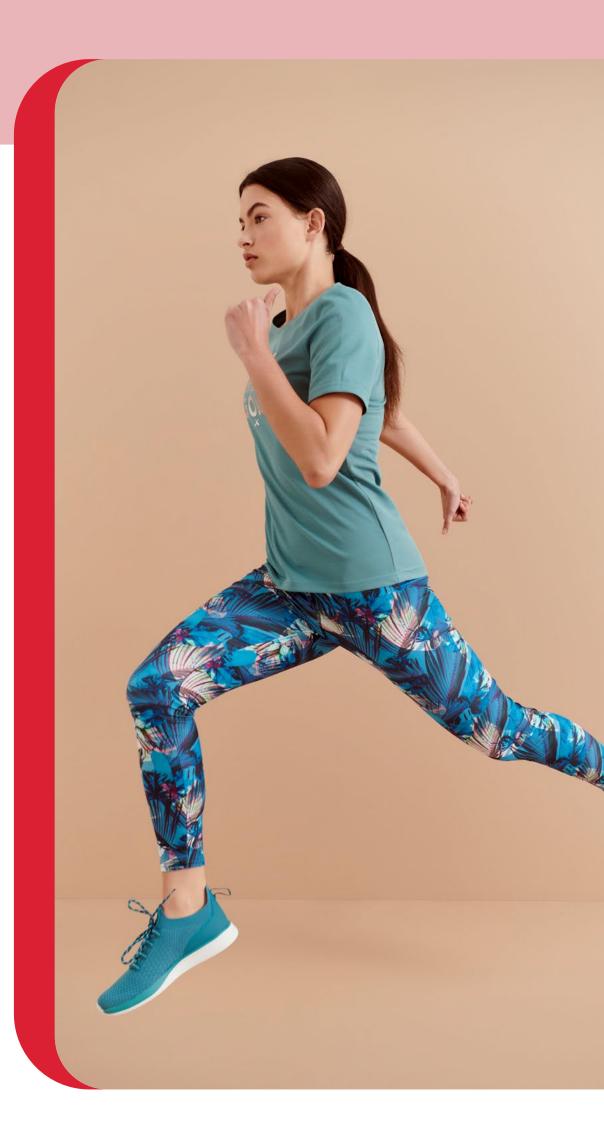
20%

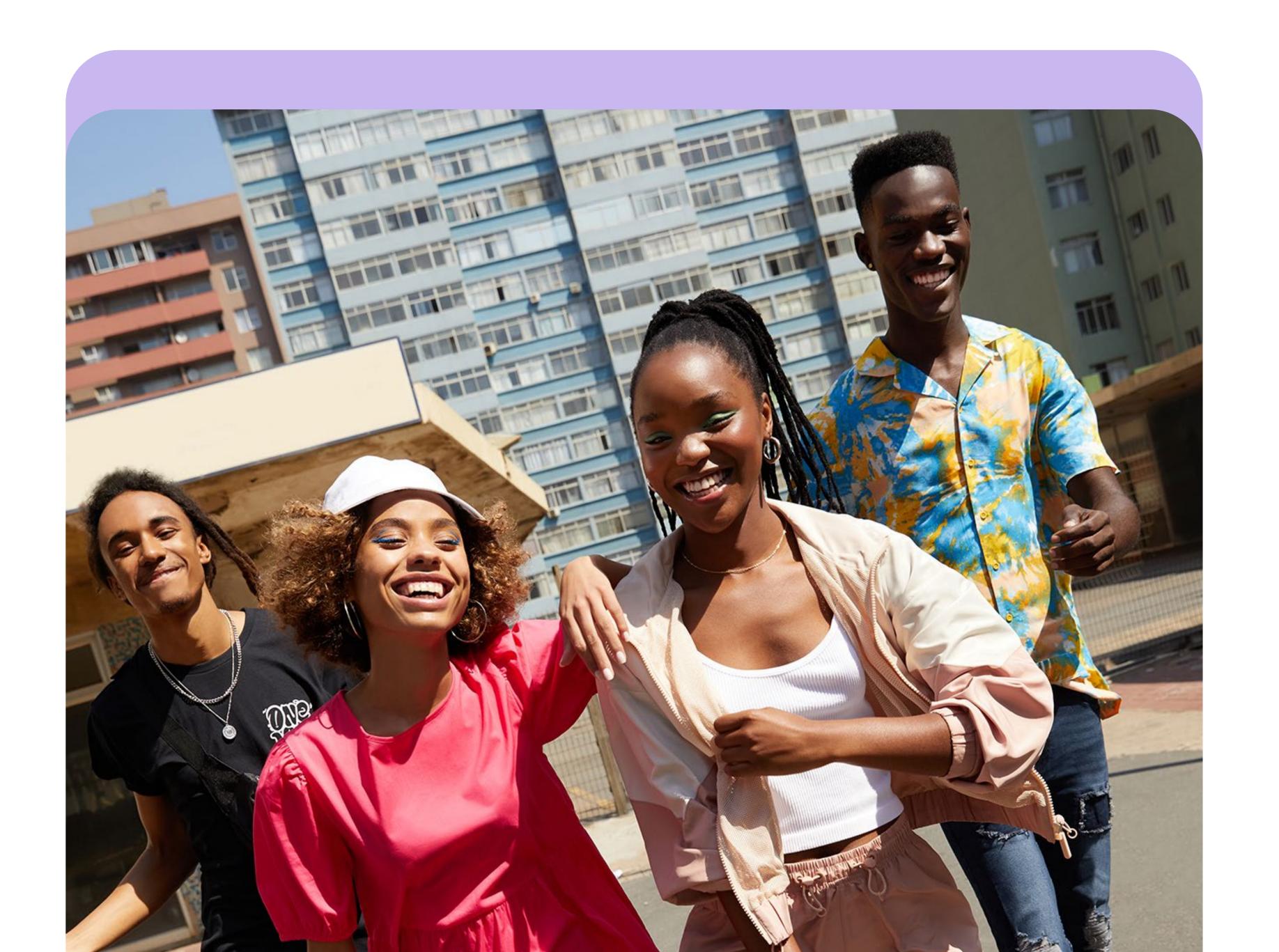
• Increase in the provision compared to LY due to prescribed IFRS 9 modeling & economic overlays





Other: encouraged settlement using alternative channels





Value creation & growth

Capital allocation & Outlook

by Mark Blair - CEO

mrprice group limited

Strategy & capital allocation journey

What we said in May 2019

Undertook a detailed review of merchandise processes & structures, areas for improvement identified Most significant immediate opportunity is for Mr Price apparel to re-gain market share Commencing research phase to identify growth opportunities Expect balance sheet strength & cash flow to fund our growth plans

Group strategic research

Sep 19 - Mar 20

Market share gain: +10bps

Capital allocation

- Frontline investment
- New categories
- Growth: organic or acquisition
- Geography: RSA
- Return to shareholders-dividends & share buyback

Apr 20 - Jun 20

Market share gain: +20bps

React

- Lockdown
- Cash preservation
- Authority for equity raise
- Explore acquisition targets
- Pent up demand
- Sales exceeded revised budget

Jul 20 - Sep 20

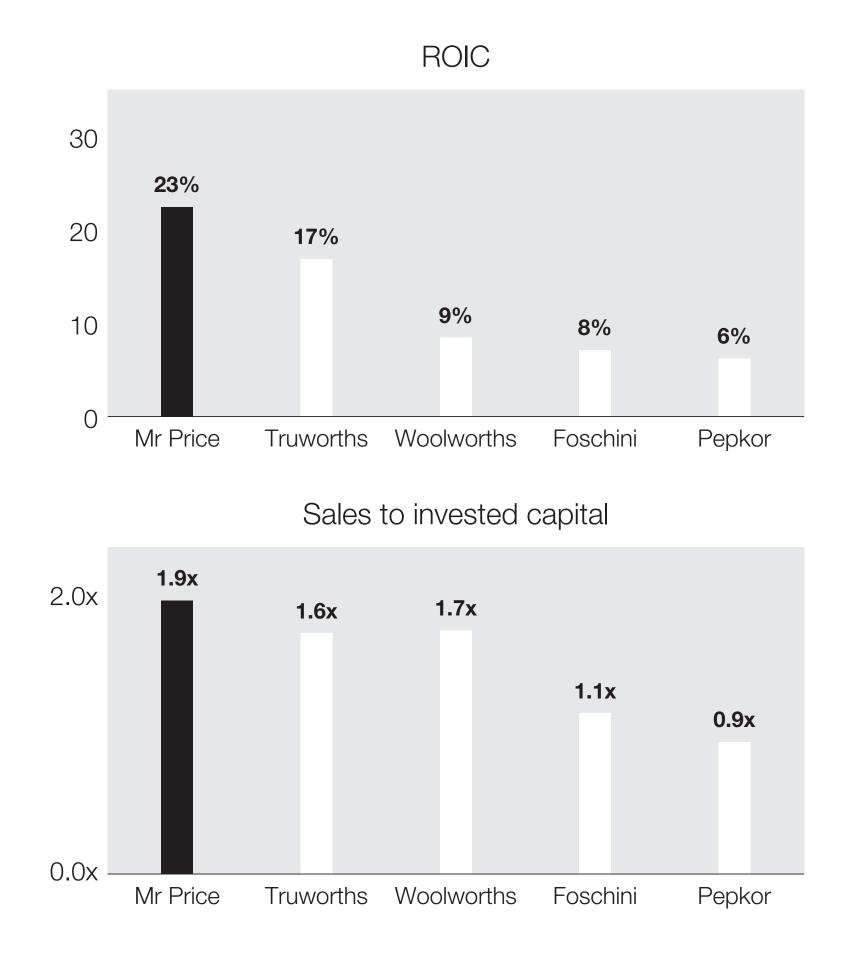
Market share gain: +150bps

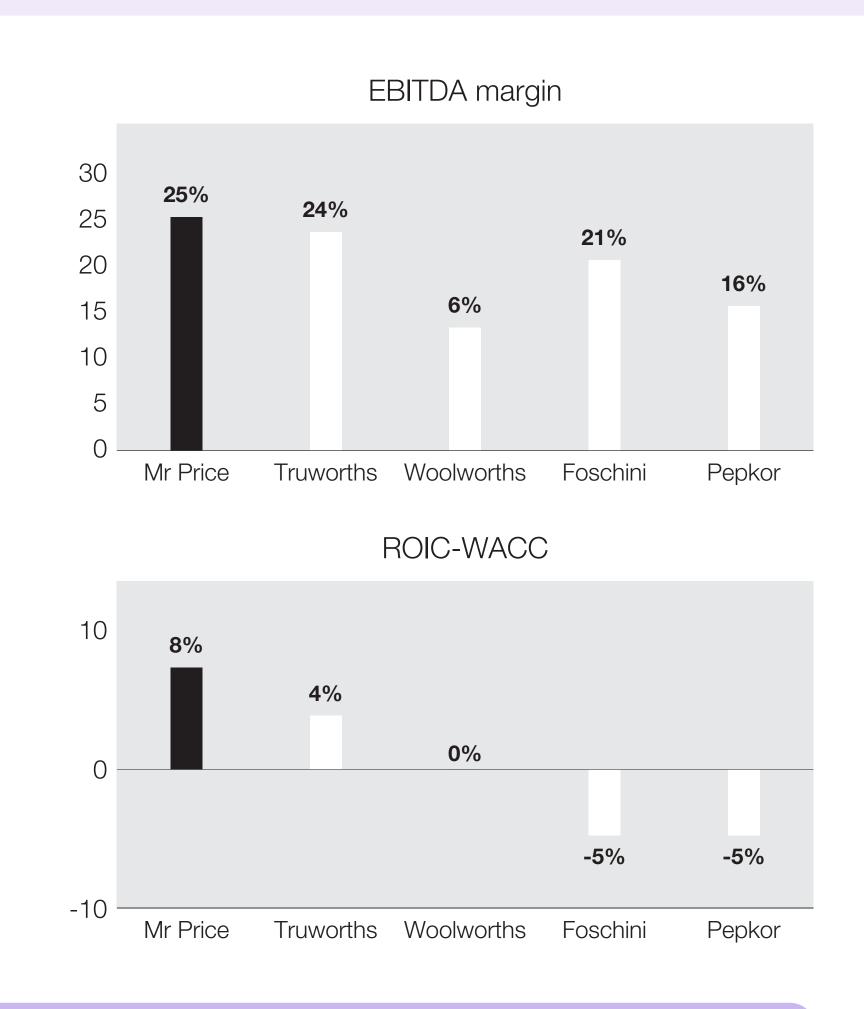
Reboot

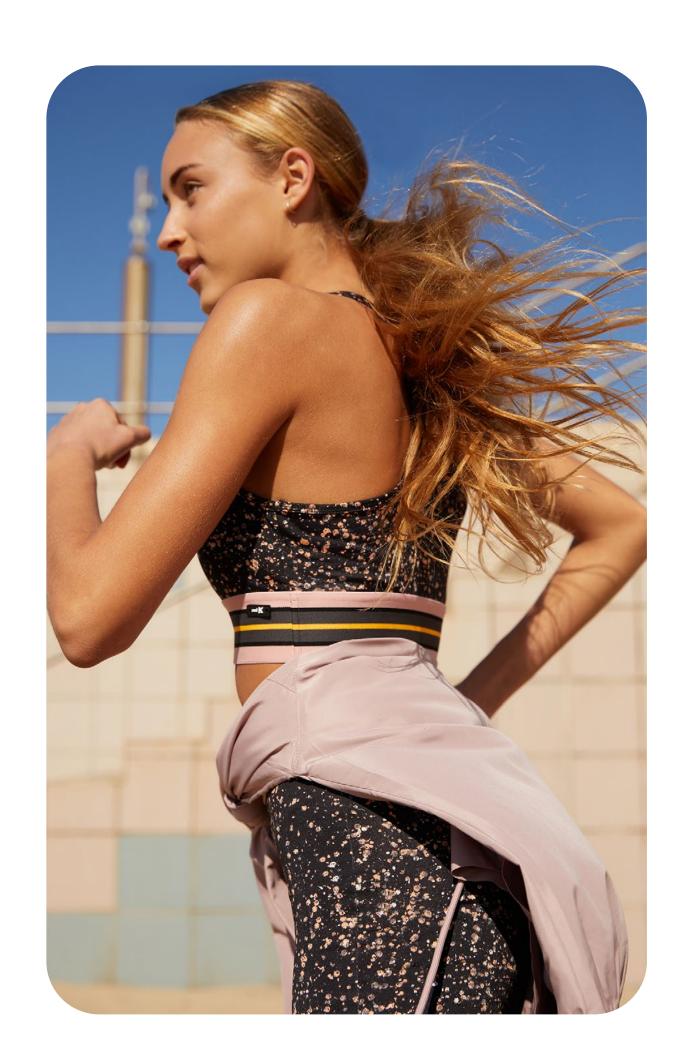
- COVID-19 risk management
- Consumer demand slowing
- Sales exceeded budget = cash
- Explore acquisition targets
- Share buyback commenced
- Set group strategy

Reimagine

Capital allocation







Leading apparel retailer in generating return on capital

Source: JP Morgan - Annualised to Dec year end | Includes JPMe forecasts

Capital allocation



Frontline

- Investment back into the Mr Price Brand & unique people culture
- Store enhancements & navigation
- Customer experience & blended retail
- Product quality: fabric, fit & sizing
- Brand sponsorship















Retail brand value ranking





Brandz™ South African Top 30 and Most Valuable Brands 2020 (USD bn)

2.7 bn FNB



2.7 bn Standard bank

13



2.7 bnCastle Lager



2.5 bn Vodacom



1.9 bn Nandos

15



1.8 bn MTN



1.1 bn
Absa



1.0 bn Discovery



959 mn Woolworths



892 mn DSTV



11

846 mn Old Mutual



840 mn Capitec



830 mn Sanlam



810 mn Nedbank



776 mnHansa Pilsener



678 mn Investec



672 mn Pick n Pay

28



595 mn Shoprite



571 mn Cell C



535 mn Sasol



Life.

433 mnLife Healthcare



430 mn Mediclinic



407 mn Clicks



376 mn Netcare



374 mn Liberty



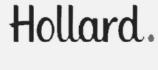
340 mn Checkers



333 mn Flying Fish

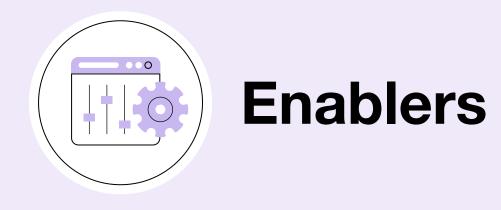


316 mn Santam



285 mn Hollard

Capital allocation

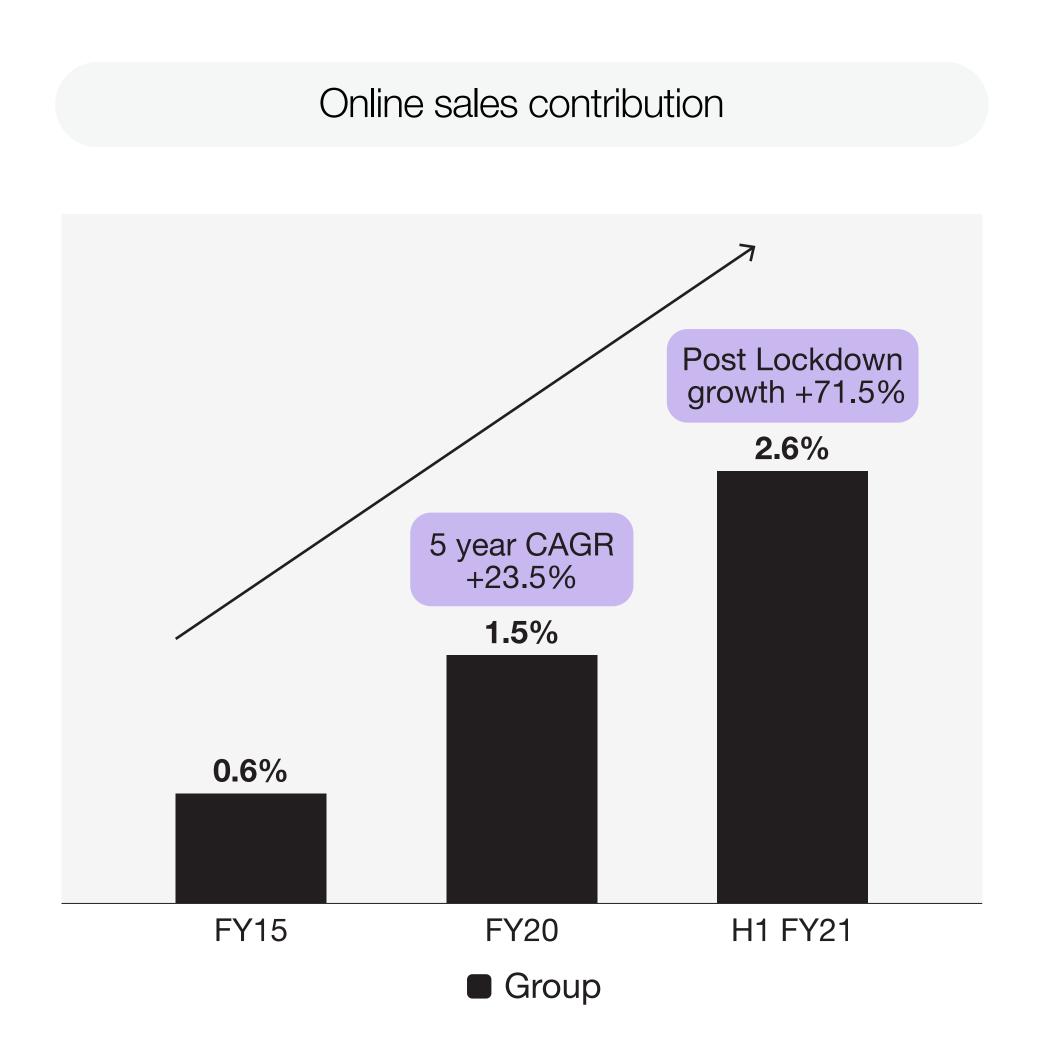


- Resourcing & supply chain capabilities
- Supplier grading tool fully integrated in to business process. Used extensively to improve supply chain performance
- Increased local sourcing & committed to CTFL Master Plan 2030 with growth from ~80m units to ~100m units (R5.5bn) by 2025
- ERP & planning systems
- Building strong infrastructure base to handle increased capacity to support growth plans
- Planning tools to raise stock accuracy & support higher sales levels
- Predictive analytics & machine intelligence capabilities
- e-Commerce
- Magento 2 re-platform due Feb 2021. Cloud based, increasing speed & capacity to meet higher demand
- Live in >900 Pargo collection points supporting customer convenience
- Store fulfillment extended to additional stores. Shorter delivery times & lower logistics costs

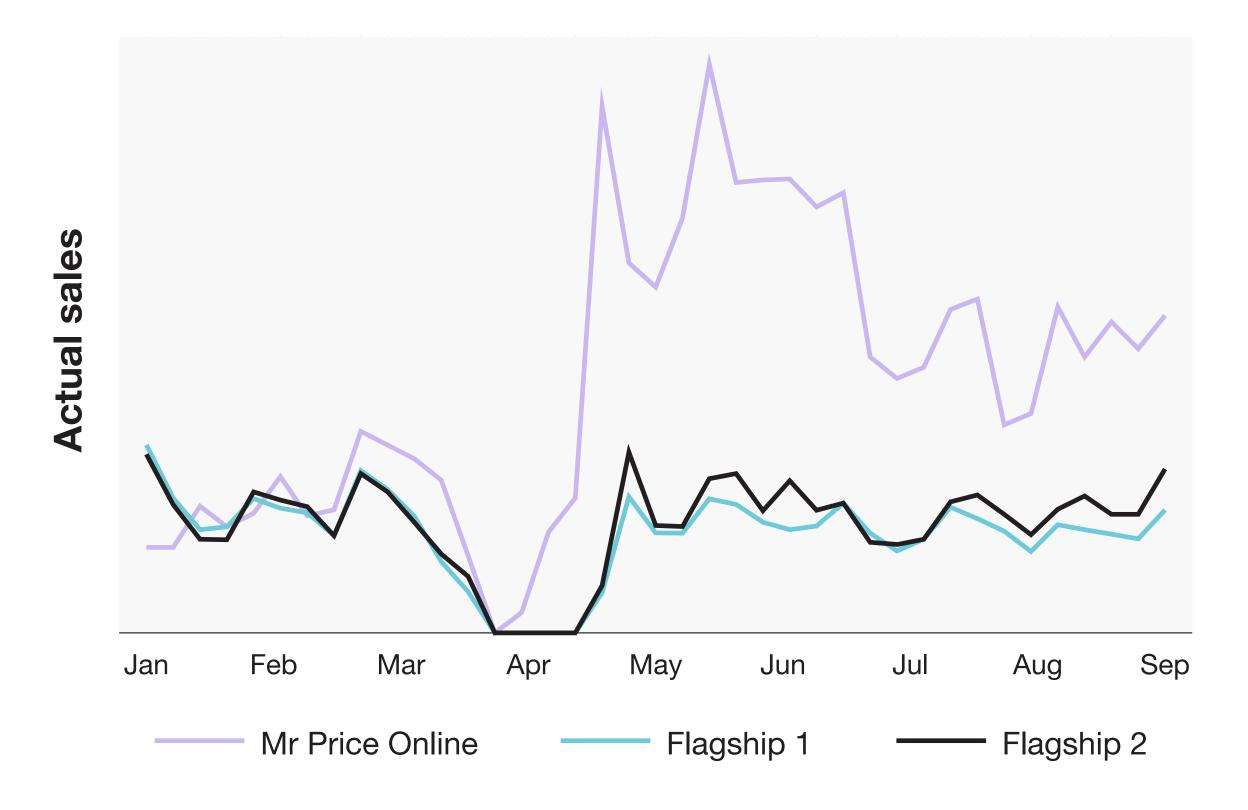


Strong e-commerce performance

Will continue to invest in the e-Commerce growth channel at an appropriate level that considers consumer trends & profitability



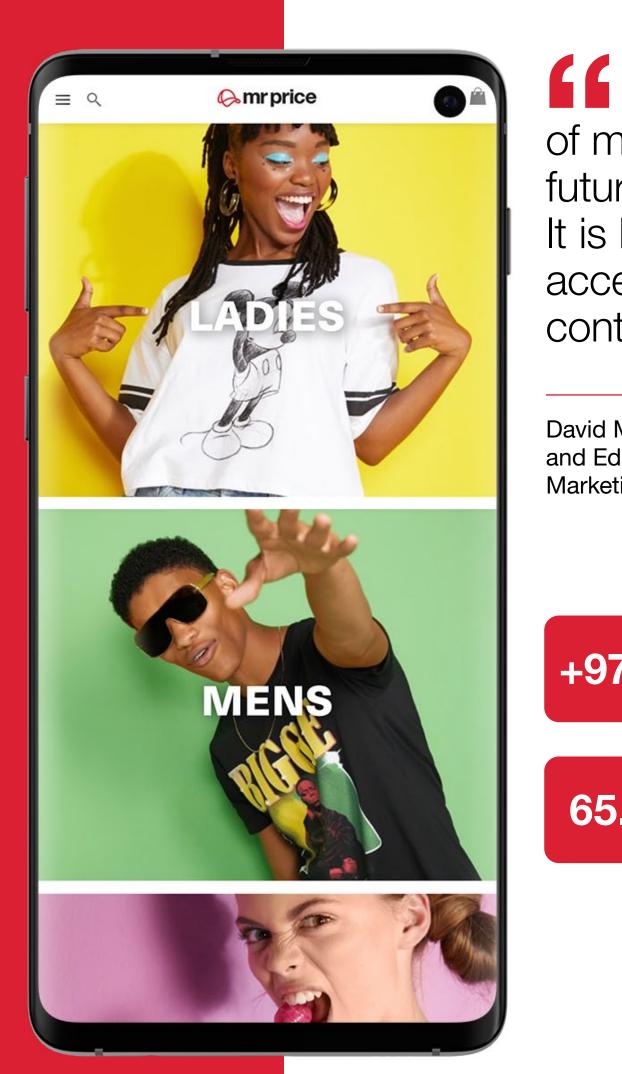




The power of traffic & mobile

Mr Price has been the most searched apparel retailer in South Africa for the last 5 years Google Trends





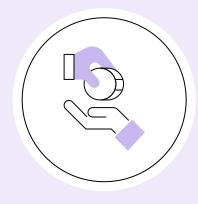
The future of mobile is the future of online. It is how people access online content now.

David Murphy, Founder and Editor of Mobile Marketing Daily

Mobile traffic (app traffic +108.9%)

of online turnover via mobile device

Capital allocation



Share buyback

Once trading had become more 'stable' & the level of potential acquisition became clear:

- Commenced share buyback during Sep 2020 & closed period
- R165m re-purchased to date (1.3m shares at R126.50)
- Anticipated repurchasing a higher volume but were unable to alter parameters during closed period
- Future share buybacks will be determined in conjunction with other capital allocation decisions



Capital allocation



Growth vehicles

Last 12 months

- Delivered ~R400m non comp merchandise sales growth
- Scarlett Hill Beauty
- Extended sizes
- Active-wear
- Furniture
- Miladys online
- Cellular online
- Other

H2 FY21

- mrpBaby (R3.8bn market)
- mrpSchoolgear (R4.5bn market)
- mrp&co
- Tender types introduced:
- Lay-by
- Zapper
- RCS card acceptance
- Acquisition

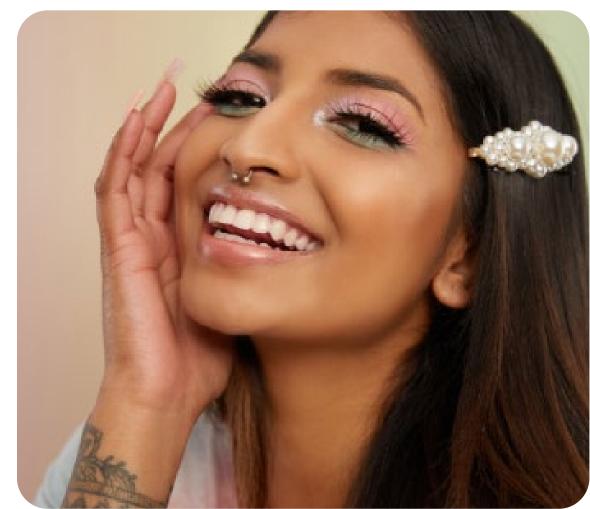


Key non-comp launches

Scarlett Hill Beauty

- Launched in Nov'19 in 40 stores
- Jul'20 = 80 stores full assortment plus another 100 stores with Tools
- Sep'20 = 120 stores full assortment plus another 60 stores with Tools
- Performing well ahead of plan
- GP% ahead of divisional average





Extended sizes

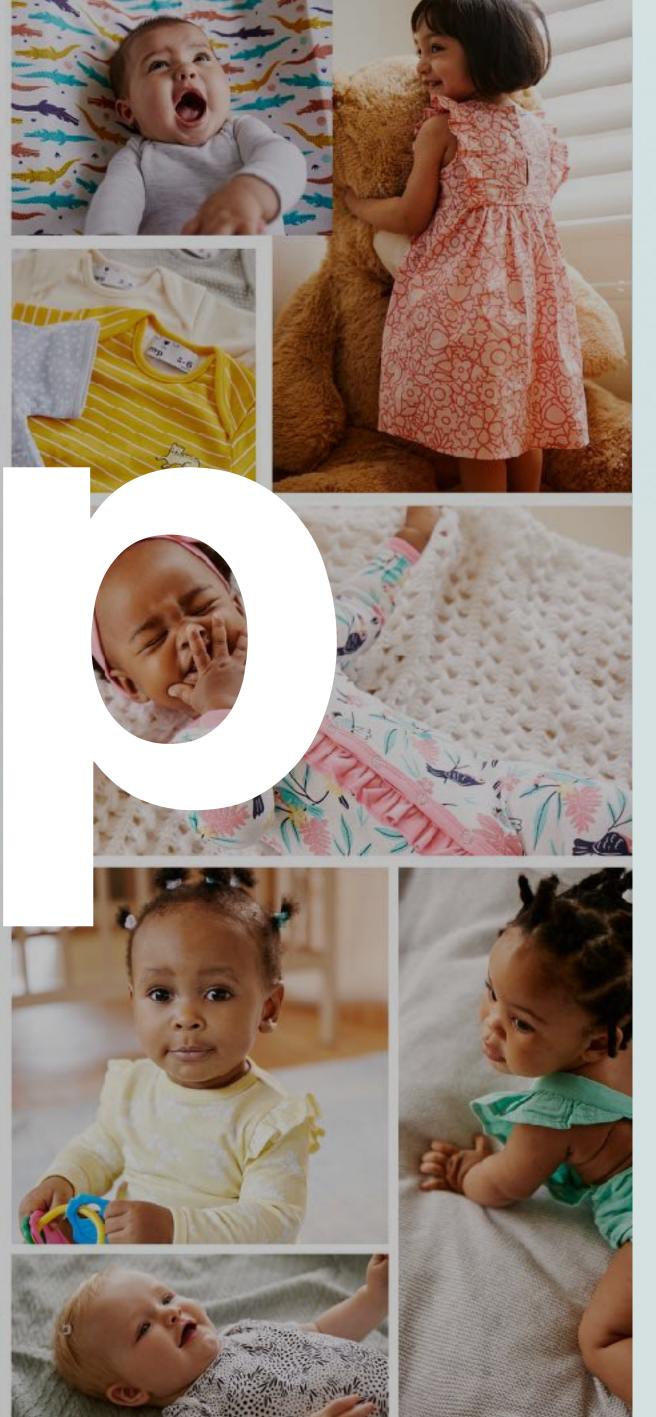
- Launched in response to voice of the customer
- Commenced from Oct'19. Incremental size roll-out in all stores
- Performing well ahead of plan
- GP% ahead of rest of merchandise-categories where implemented had higher margin than divisional average













Cue the ooh, because there's a new baby in town!

Mr Price launched mrpBaby in 188 stores and online on the 5th of November.

Our aim is to gain our customer's TRUST by giving them QUALITY at GREAT PRICES & delivering on our promise to always EXCITE & DELIGHT!

We will do this through our fashionability & a ONE-OF-A-KIND print handwriting – making sure to give our customer something that they won't be able to find anywhere else.

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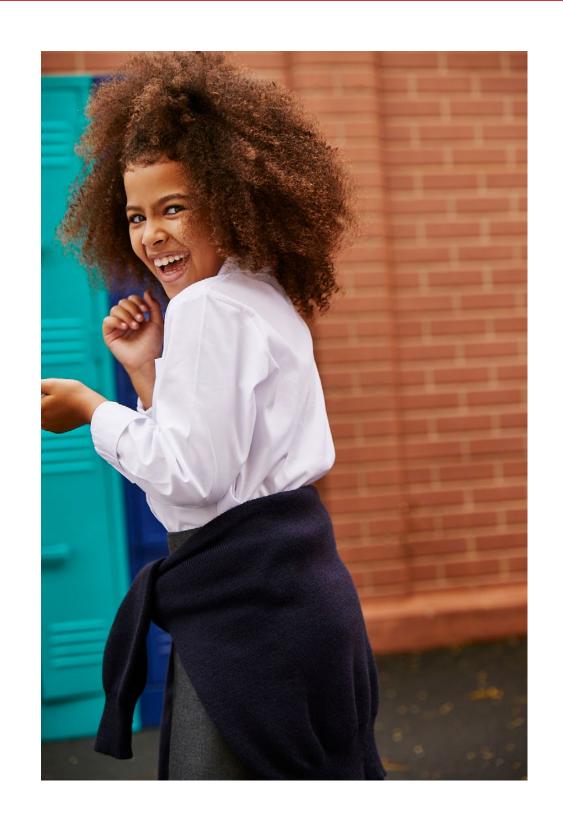






Ready to make friends? Because, there's a new kid in school! Mr Price will be launching Schoolgear in all stores and online from mid-December.

watch this space!

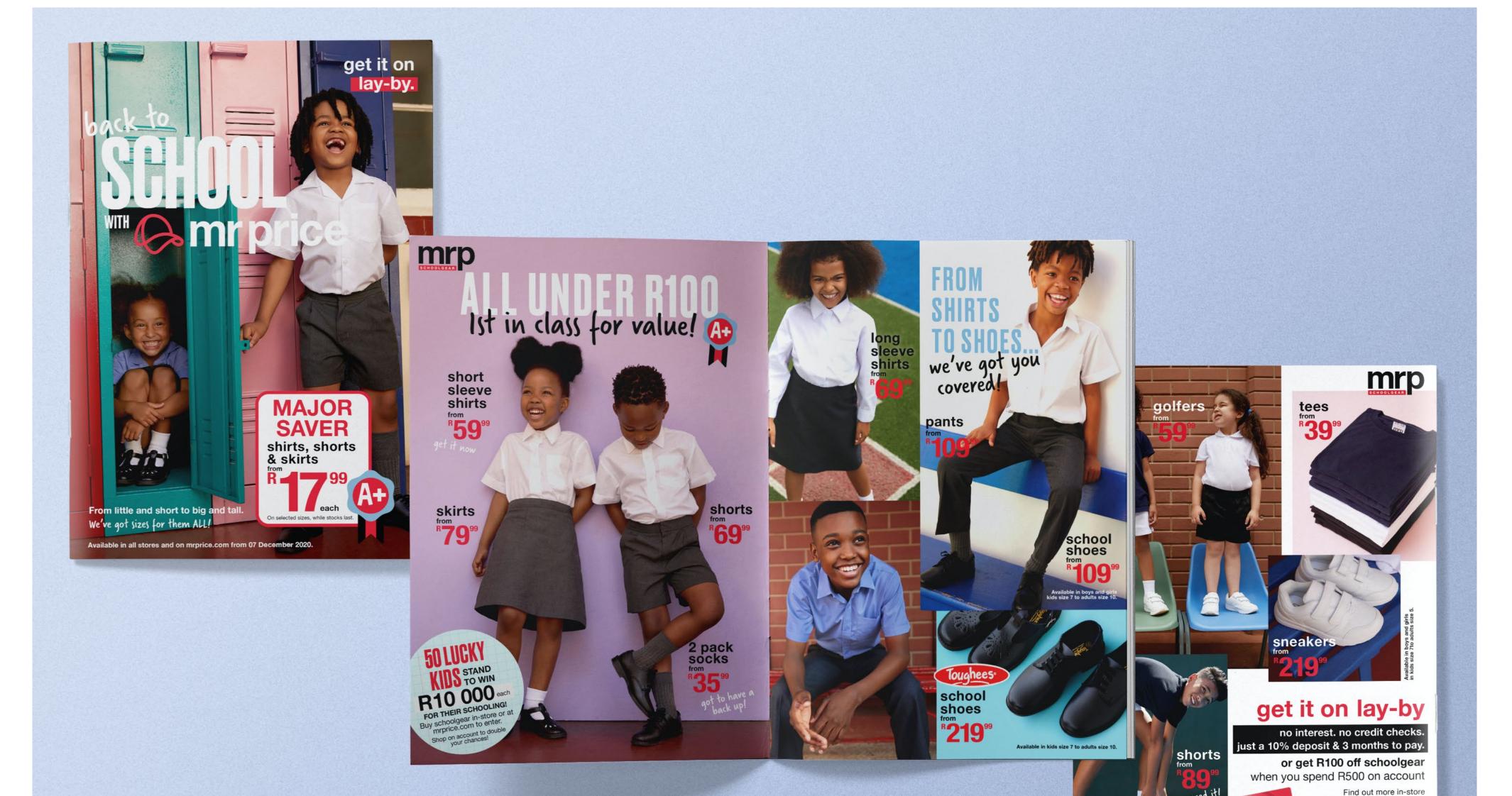








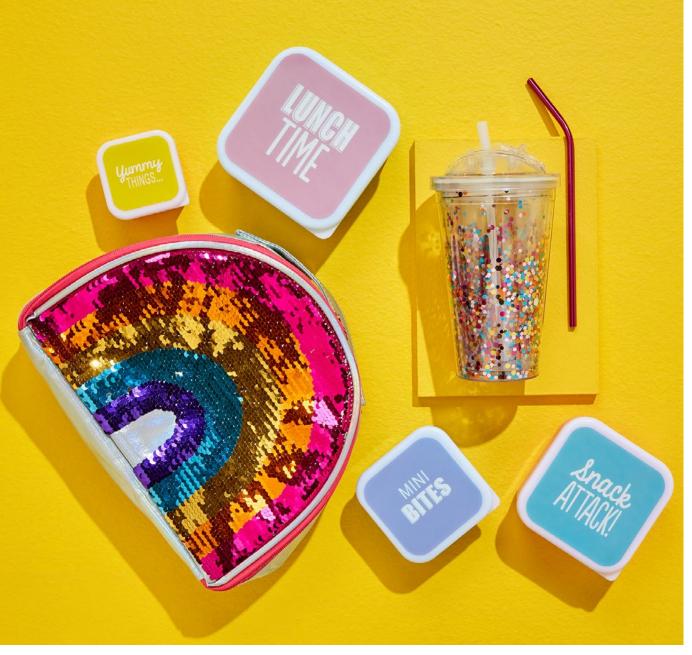






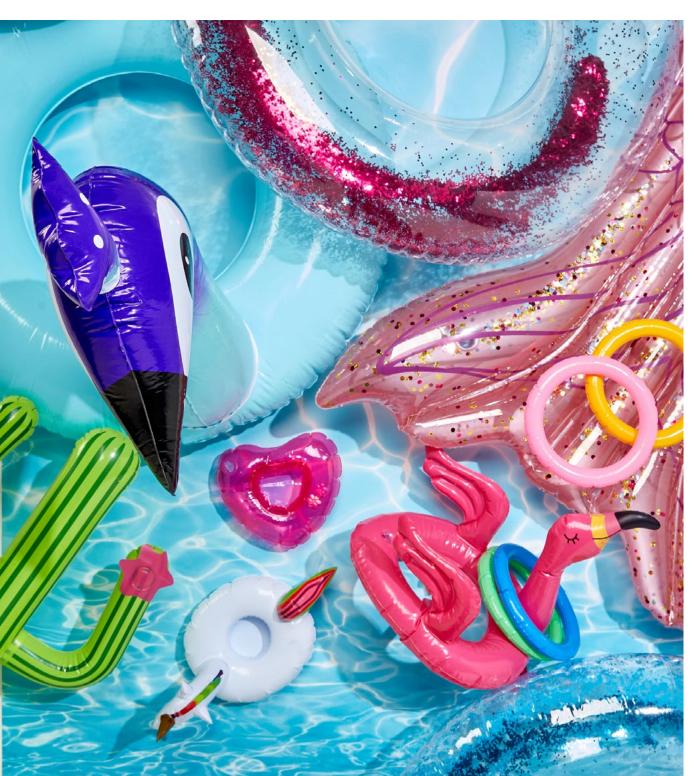
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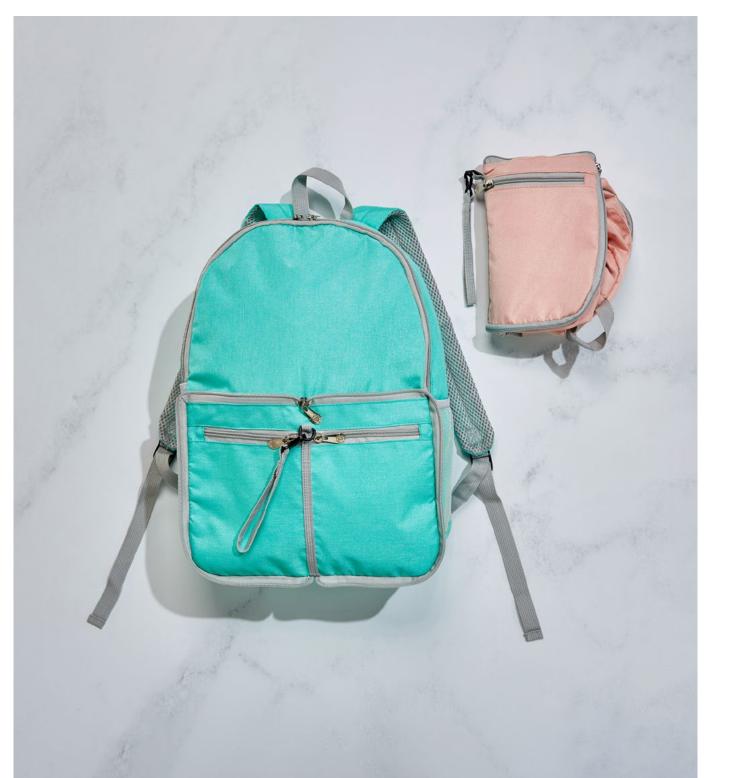
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Key novelty and gifting categories including Tech, Pool & Beach, Lunch Club, Stationery and more!





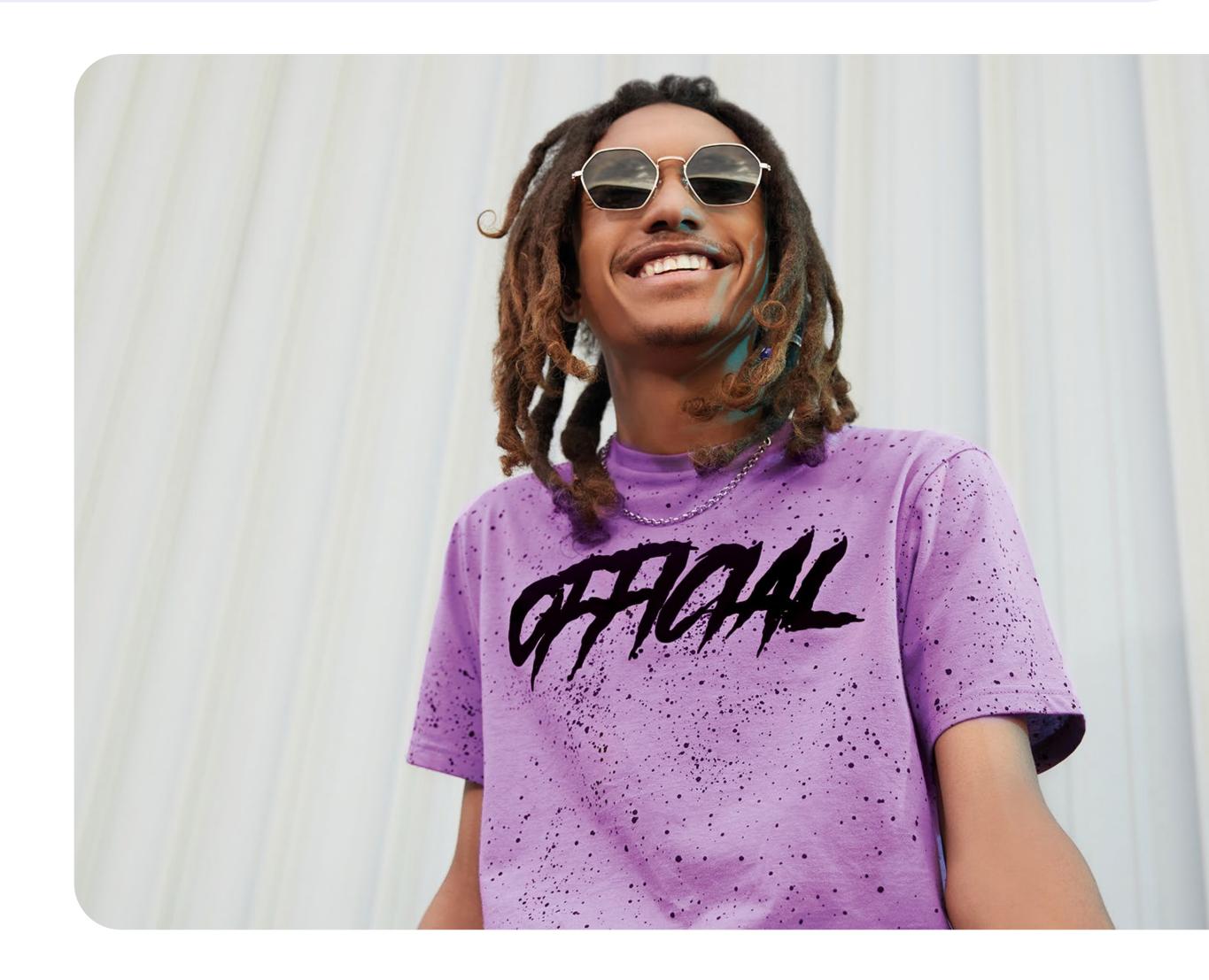




Capital allocation



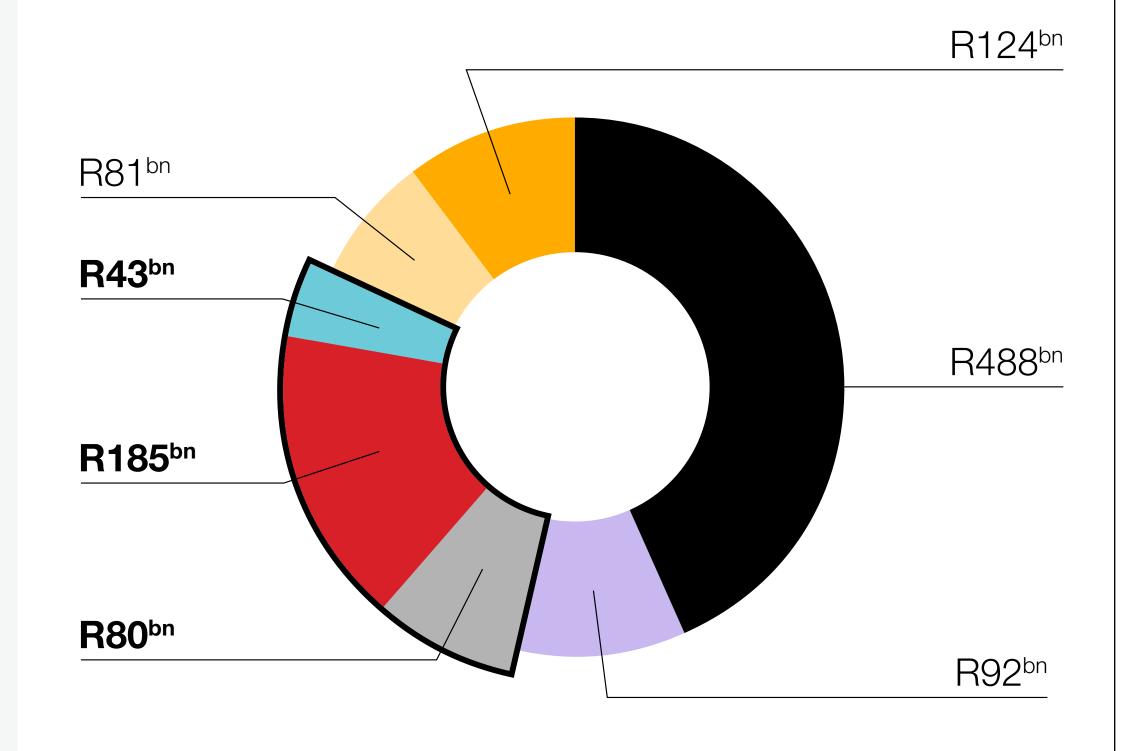
- Geography
- New concepts
- New sectors
- Acquisition



Sizing up the opportunity

- Stats SA reported total retail sales in 2019 of ~R1.1t
- Focusing on gaining a greater share
 of the South African retail market.
 Currently MRPG ~R21bn across three
 sectors = 6.8% share of textiles,
 homeware & cosmetics/pharma
- R287bn market share available via:
- Existing competitors
- Organic rollout of new concepts
- Acquisition

2019 - Retail Sales by Category (R'bn)



General dealers

Food beverages & tobacco in specialised stores

Pharmaceutical & medical goods, cosmetics and toiletries

Textiles, clothing, footwear & leather goods

Household furniture, appliances & equipment

Hardware, paint & glass

All other retailers

Source: StatsSA

If our customers got to chose what we should invest in...

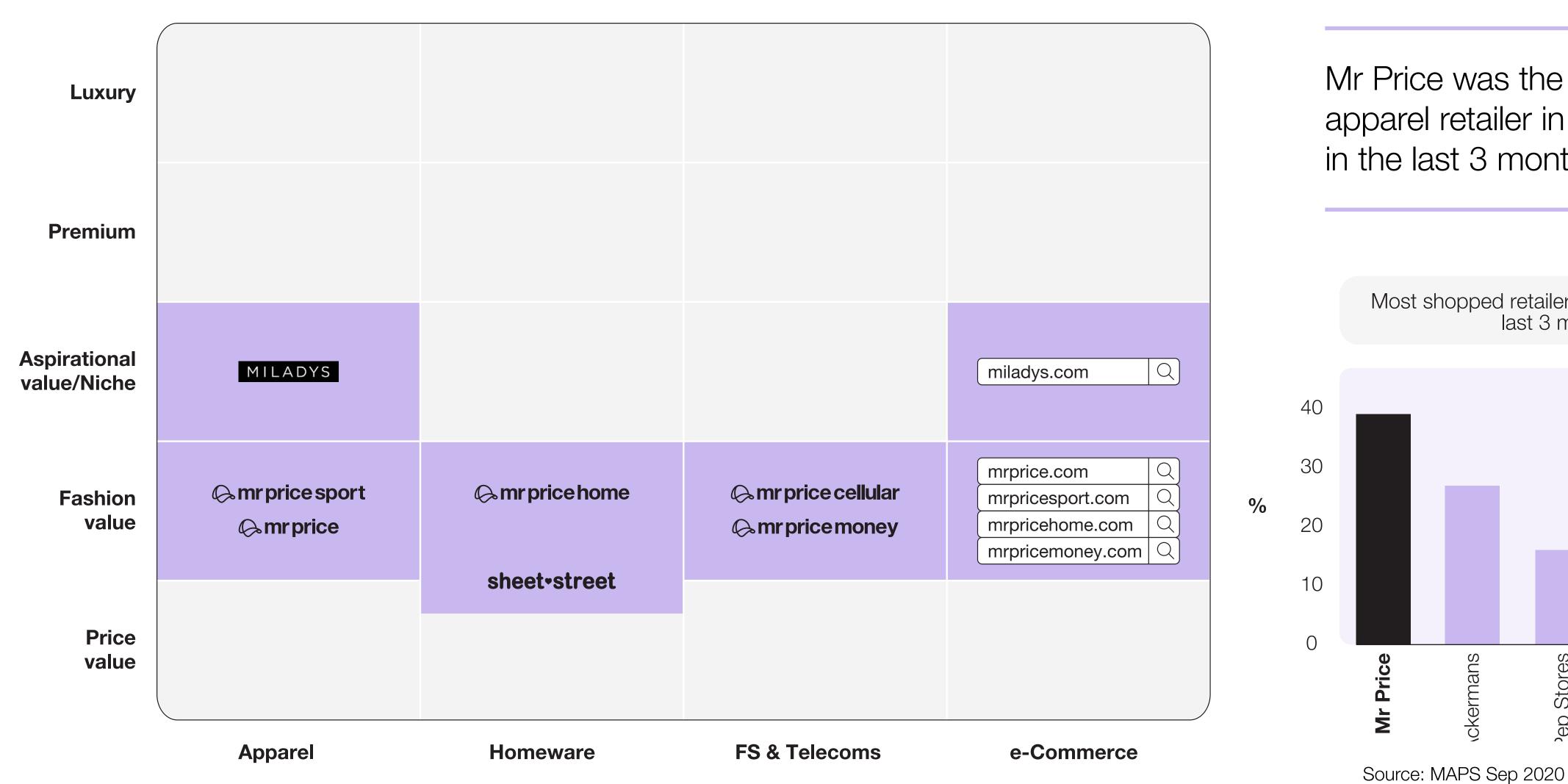






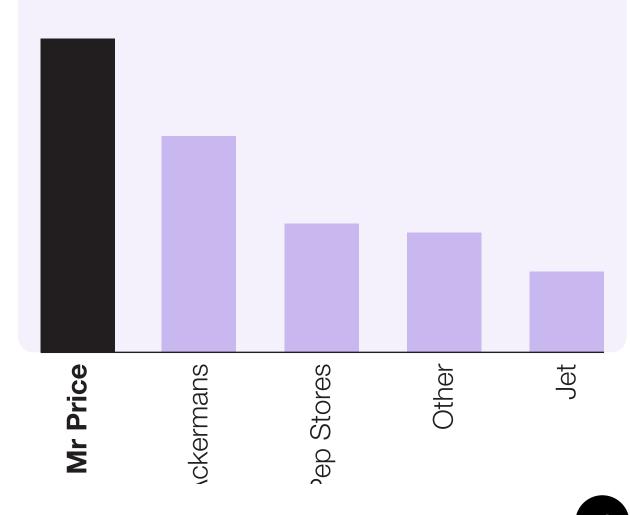
Mr Price Group and beyond

Existing business well positioned to capture market share. Each division has identified additional growth opportunities

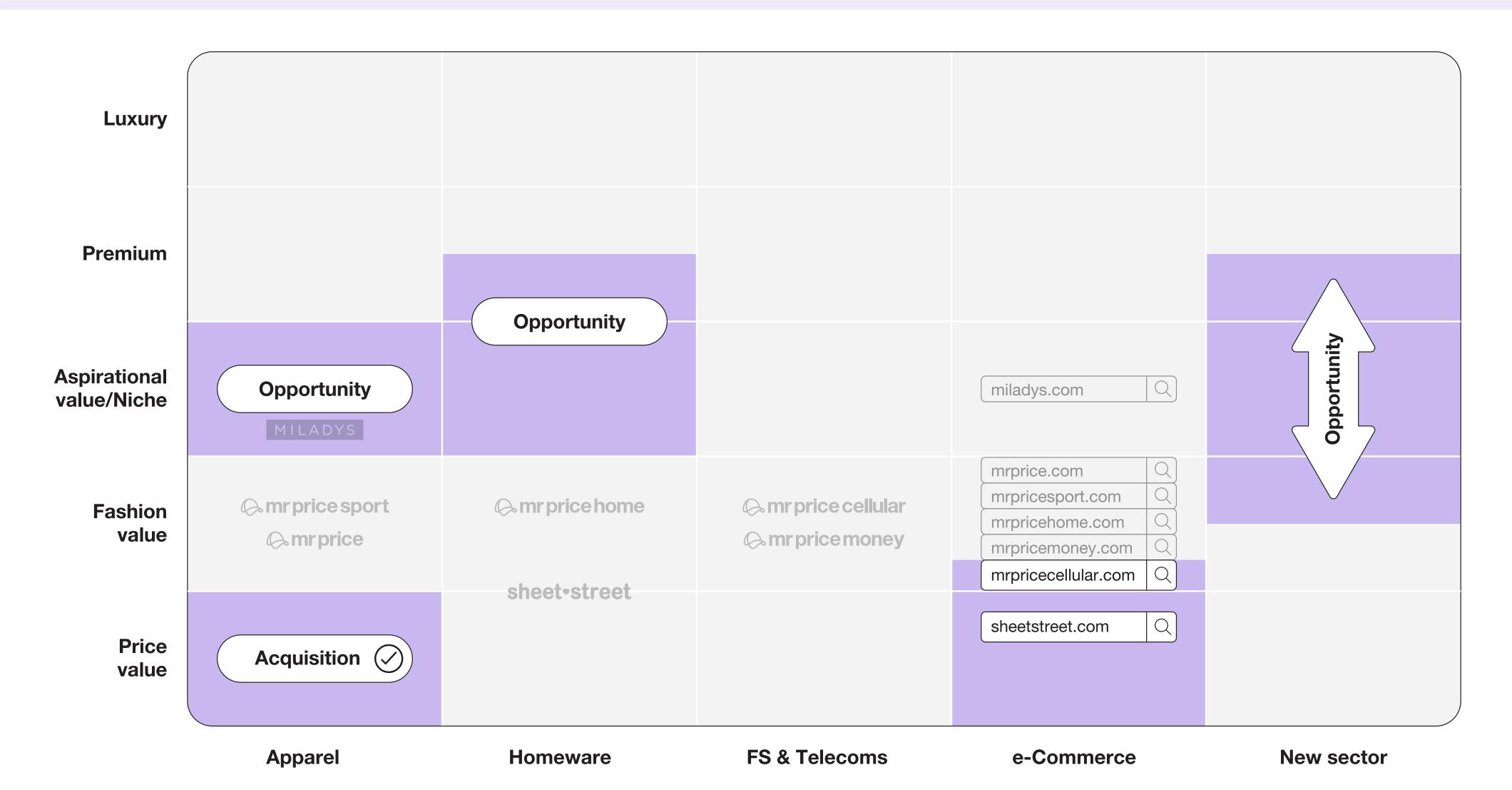


Mr Price was the most shopped apparel retailer in ladies & mens in the last 3 months

Most shopped retailer for womens clothing last 3 months



Mr Price Group and beyond



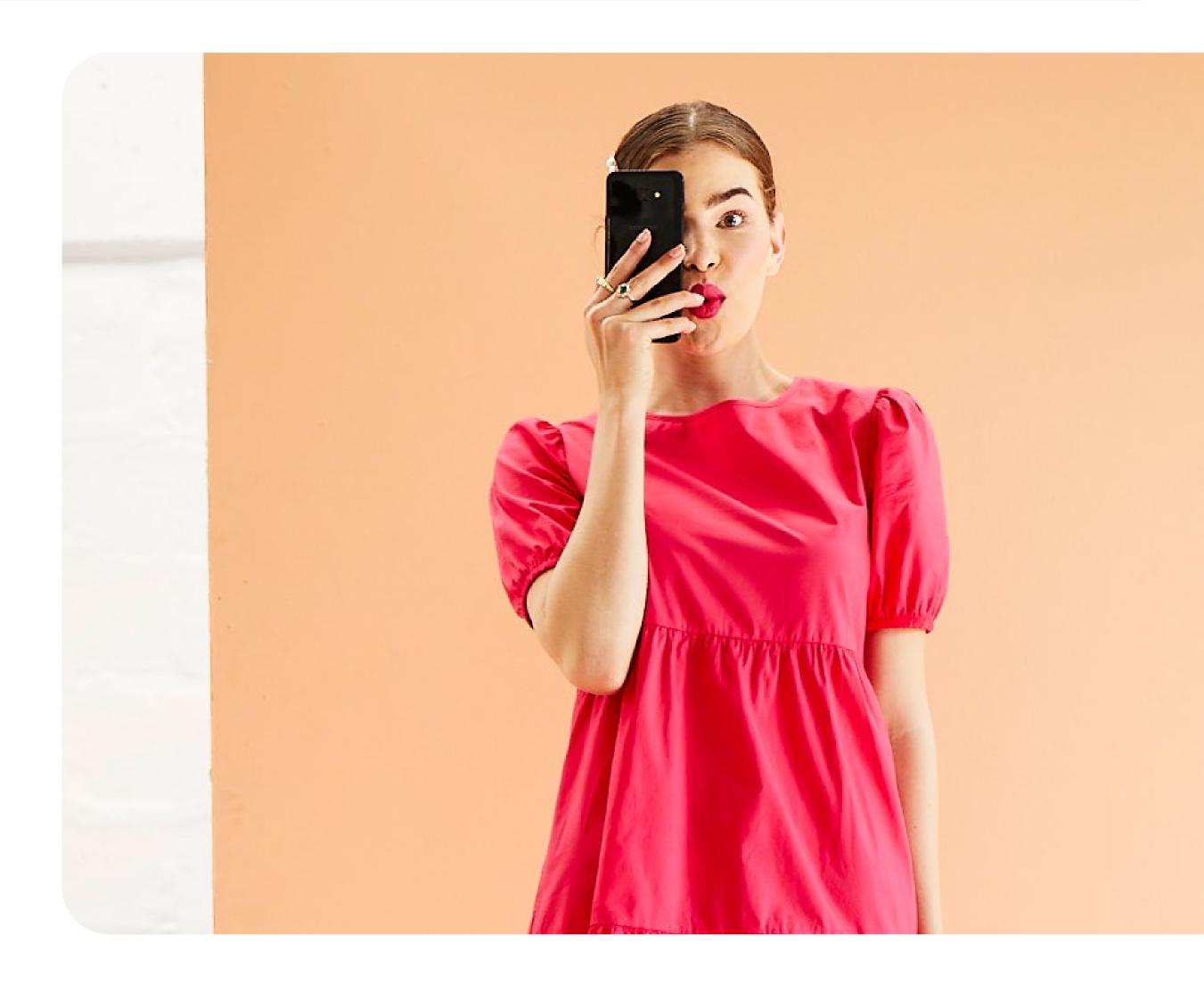


Mr Price Group and beyond



Growth vehicles

- Research undertaken has identified new retail concepts & detailed business cases are currently being developed
- In due course, will further explore the opportunity to extend the Red-Cap halo beyond the opportunities identified
- As per investment criteria, all opportunities must have strong leadership & a skilled team. Not pursuing growth at all costs, resource capacity has to be sufficient





Acquisition



Durban based head office, 3rd generation family run business which started in the 1950's

Meets our strict investment criteria:

- Value focused fashion business, cash-based. Aligned to our core capabilities
- 2 Transaction size ~4% of market cap, bolt on. Aligned to capital allocation strategy to be settled in cash
- High performing business (including through COVID-19) with strong track record. Not a "fixer-upper"
- An existing business of attractive scale, available at a reasonable valuation. Immediately earnings accretive with opportunity for significant future growth in footprint & categories
- Southern African footprint: 170 stores. Low risk of acquiring an entity in an unknown territory with additional foreign exchange risk
- Strong management team, prevents distracting group management. Good cultural fit





Introducing Power Fashion

Customer

- Low to mid income households
- More value (price) than fashion focused
- Offers product for the whole family

Value proposition

- Value price positioning aligned to target market
- Fashionable but not fashion forward
- Mainly apparel, but also cellular, electricity, basic household items, basic cosmetics & other opportunistic products

Location

- High density & high foot traffic areas serving their target customer
- Typically high street & community centered malls rather than regional & super regional locations





A sufficiently differentiated business model Provides access to a wider customer base

Introducing Power Fashion



Agility

- Trading mentality with quick decision making
- Avoid complexities that introduce cost with limited benefit to the model
- Potential clearing house for Mr Price Group merchandise if needed

Performance metrics

• **Turnover** : Will contribute ~7% to Mr Price Group revenue. Strong double

digit growth over an extended period of time

Expenses : % of RSOI similar to Mr Price Group

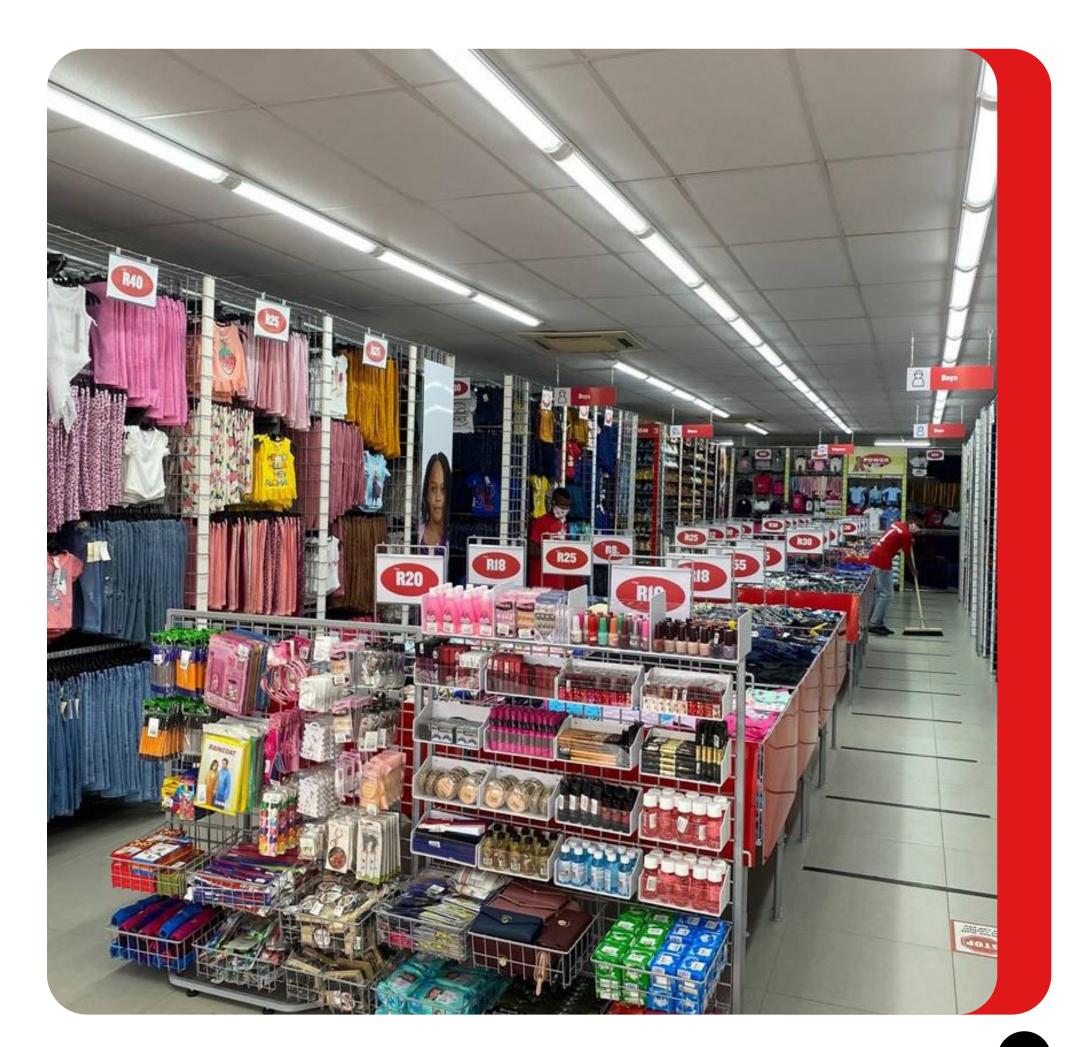
• Operating margin: Double digit but lower than Mr Price Group. Strategically aligned to

growth vision. Scale & group efficiencies will improve this

• **HEPS** : Immediately earnings accretive

Process

- Sale & purchase agreement signed 20 November 2020
- Subject to competition commission approval & fulfillment of conditions precedent
- Targeting effective date April 2021

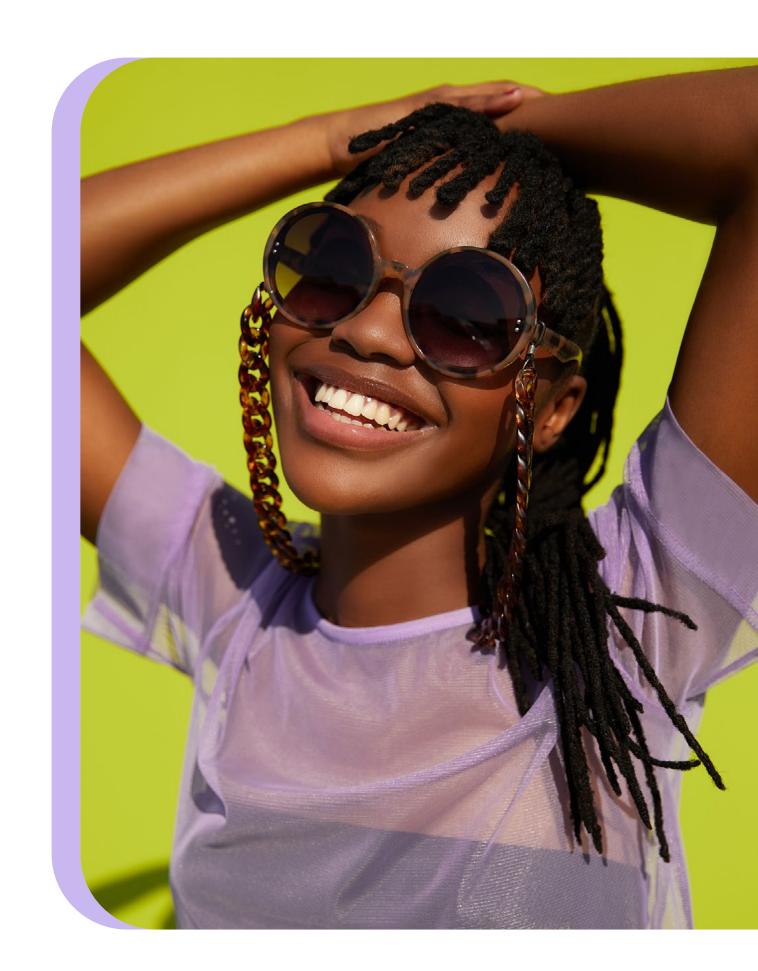


H2 outlook

- COVID-19 second wave uncertainty
- Stronger gross margin base in H2
- W.avg annual space growth to be between 1%-2%. 50 new stores planned (31 confirmed) in H2
- Double digit sales growth in first 6 weeks of H2. Sales growth flat in the week prior to Black Friday week
- Cautious on Black Friday week due to COVID-19 store restrictions & fragile consumer environment
- School holidays: same duration but different timing (less in Dec 2020 but more in Jan 2021)
- Next market communication: trading update in January 2021

Closing comments:

- Our relative performance has proven the resilience of our associates & our business model
- Well positioned to navigate further uncertainty
- New vision & strategy is centred around growth & underpinned by culture, fueling internal optimism





Appendix

Detailed supporting information

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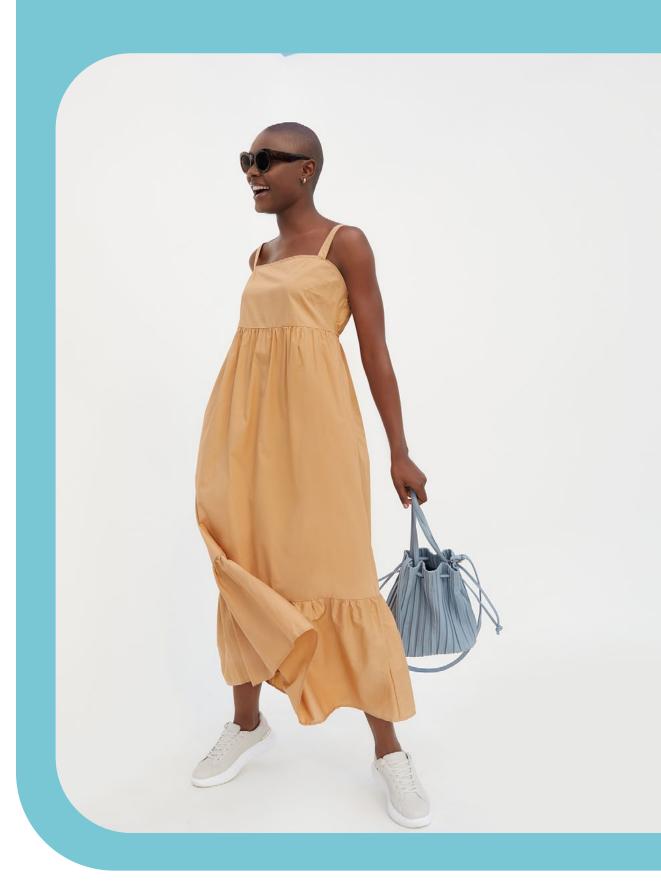
Earnings & dividend per share

	2020	2019	% Change
Profit attributable to shareholders (R'm)	753	1 148	(34.4%)
W. Avg shares in issue (000)	259 262	258 881	
Basic earnings per share	290.5c	443.6c	(34.5%)
Addbacks (R'm)	111.4	(0.9)	
Headline earnings (R'm)	865	1 147	
Headline earnings per share	333.5c	443.2c	(24.8%)
Shares for diluted earnings (000)	263 171	263 224	
Diluted headline earnings per share	328.5c	435.9c	(24.6%)
Dividend per share	210.1c	311.4c	(32.5%)



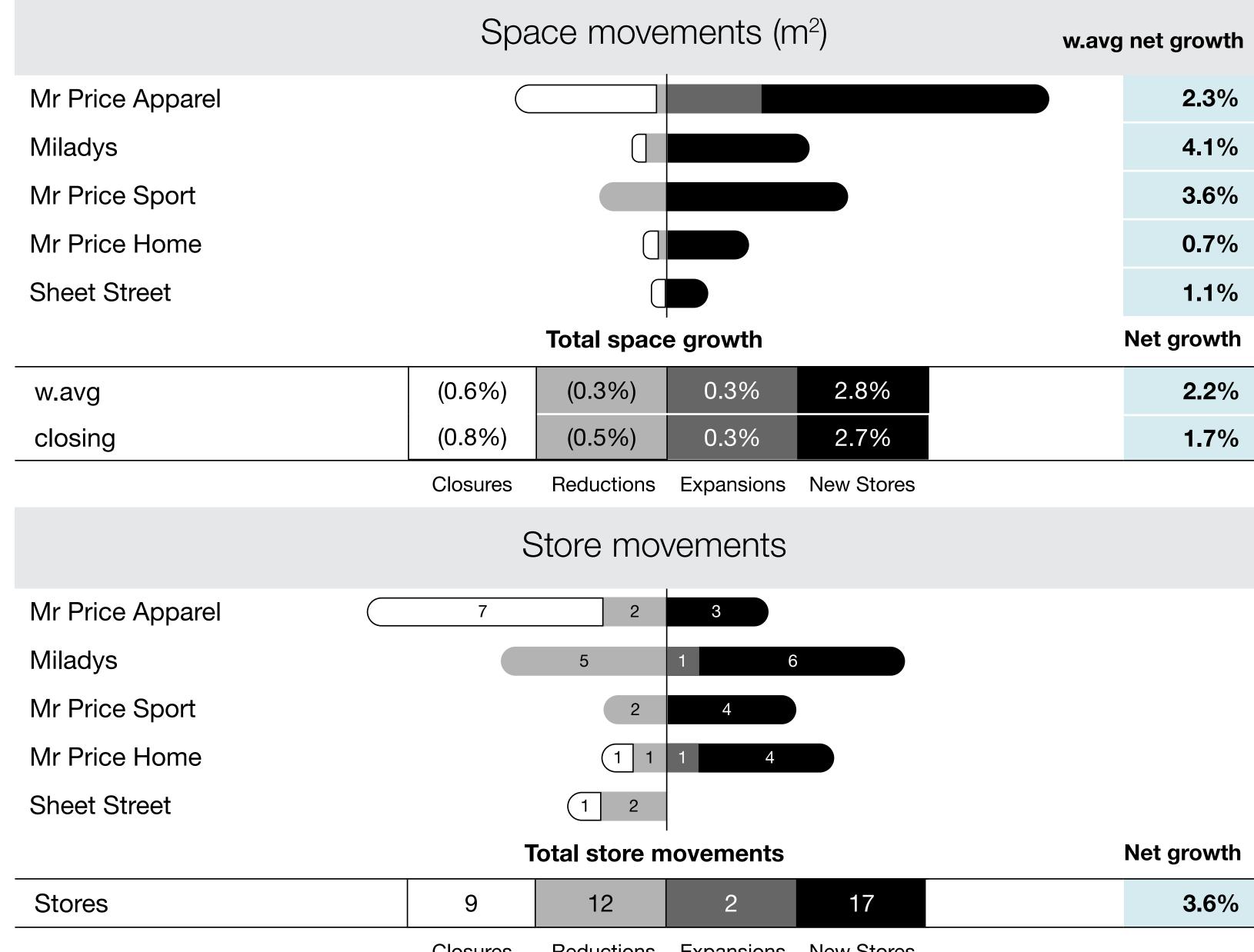
Revenue

R'M	2020	2019	% Change
Retail sales	8 620	10 120	(14.8%)
Other income	433	502	(13.6%)
Financial services & Telecoms	407	475	(14.3%)
Other	26	27	(1.8%)
Total retail sales, interest & other income	9 053	10 622	(14.8%)
Finance income	150	134	11.9%
Total revenue	9 204	10 757	(14.4%)



Space growth

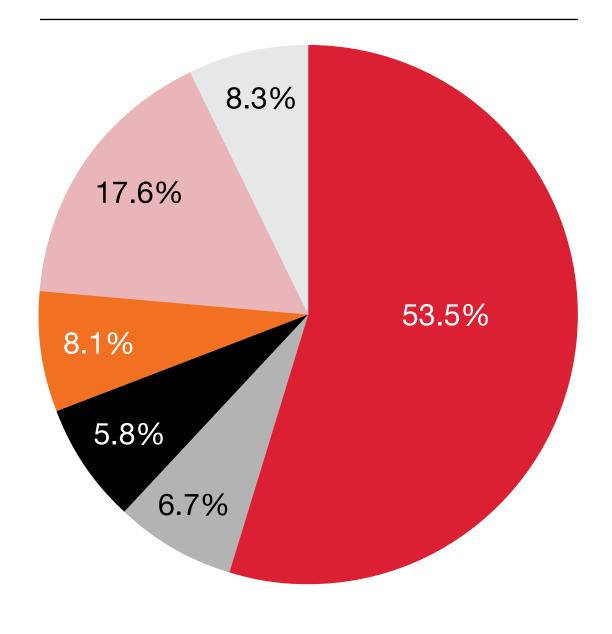




Closures Reductions Expansions New Stores

Segment performance

*RSOI Contribution



RSOI Growth



Home

Mr Price Home (9.8%)

Sheet Street (3.6%)

FS & Telecoms

Mr Price Money +1.4%

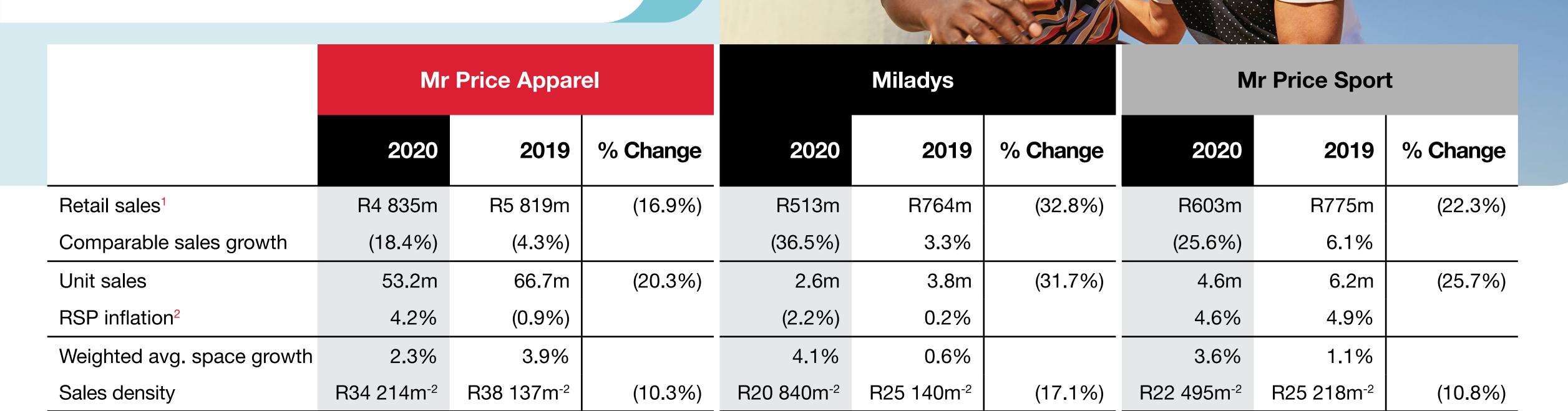
Segment

	H1
Apparel	
RSOI	(18.8%)
Operating profit	(26.4%)
Operating margin	13.3%

Home	
RSOI	(7.9%)
Operating profit	(9.5%)
Operating margin	16.4%

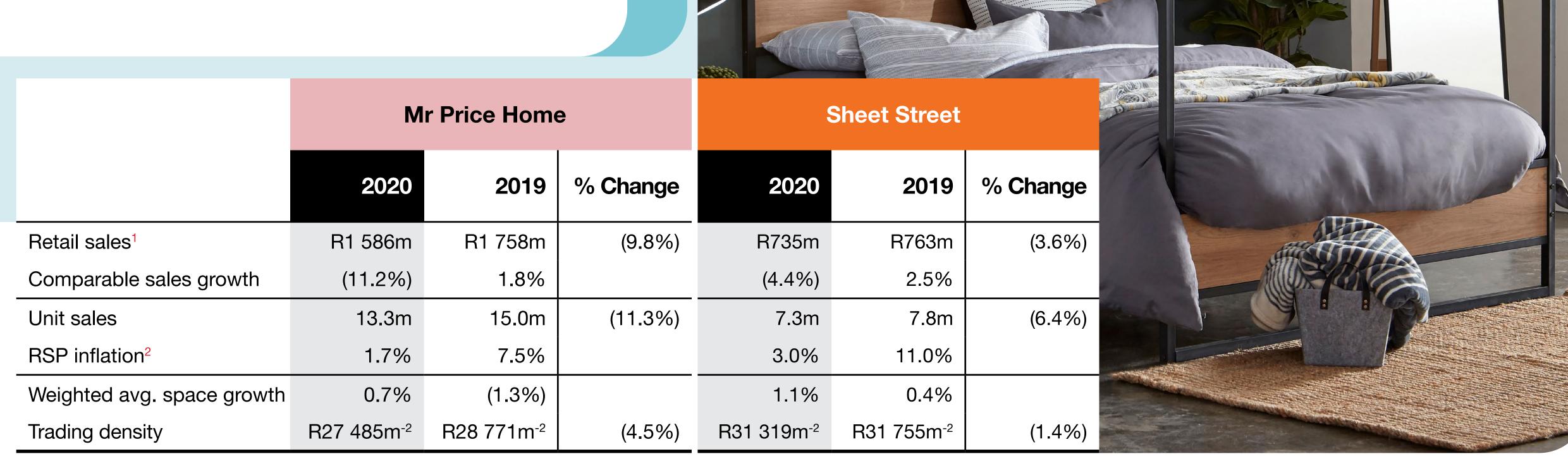
FS & Telecoms	
RSOI	1.4%
Operating profit	(58.5%)
Operating margin	13.9%

Apparel segment



¹Excludes franchise & VAT | ²Includes VAT

Home segment



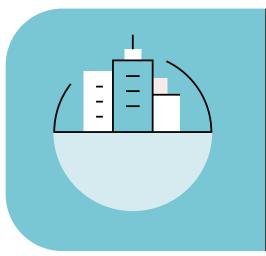
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Mr Price Money

Mr Price Money			
R'm	2020	2019	% Change
Telecoms	425	357	18.9%
Financial services	328	385	(14.8%)
Total revenue	753	743	1.4%

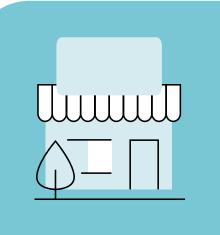


Rest of Africa



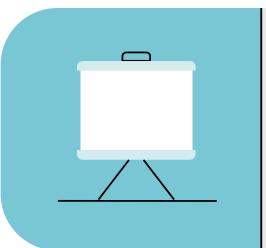
Total % of Group sales

7.5% FY20: 7.7%



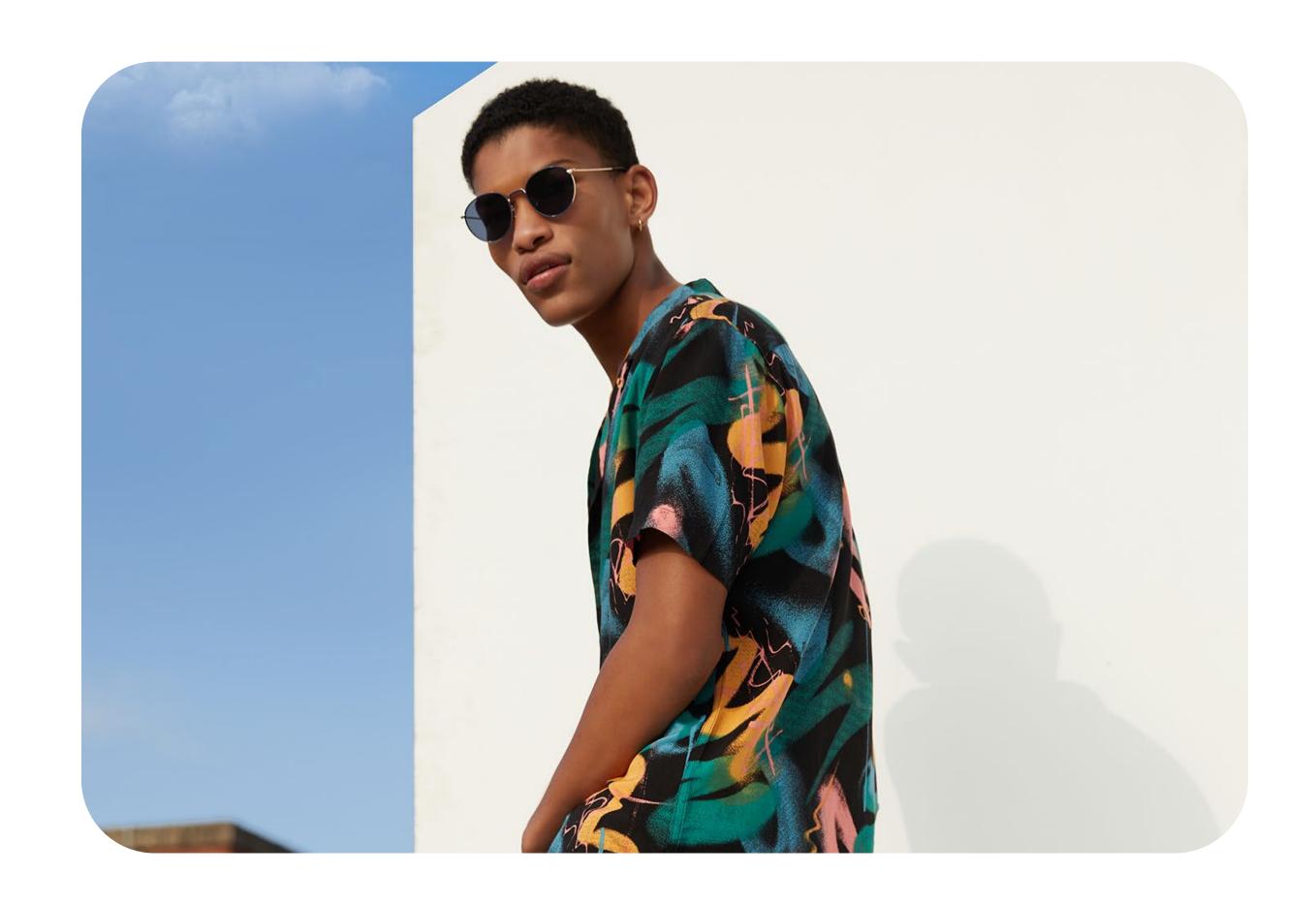
No. of stores

124 Corporate owned stores: 116

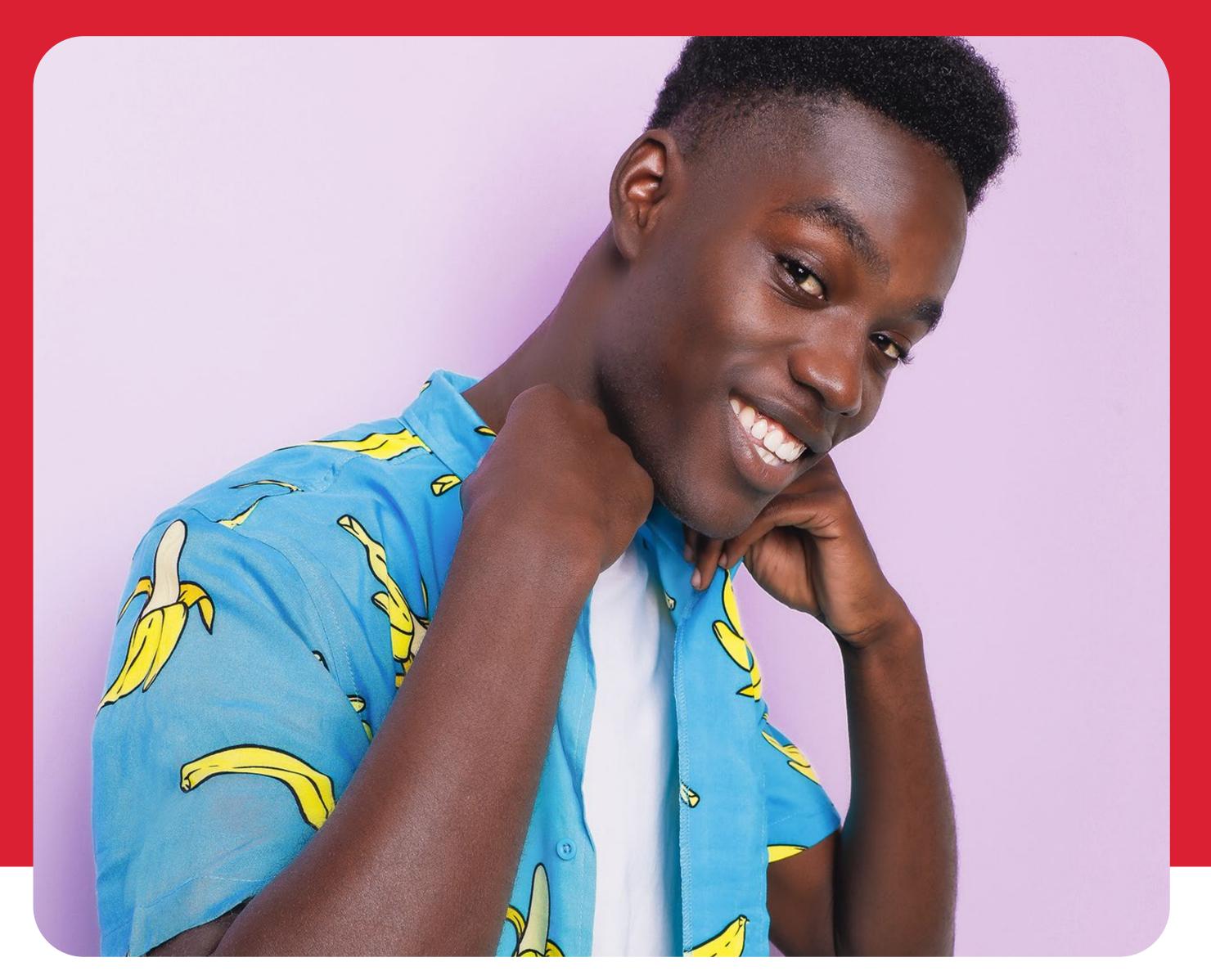


Sales growth (ZAR)

(17.5%) FY20: (2.2%)







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