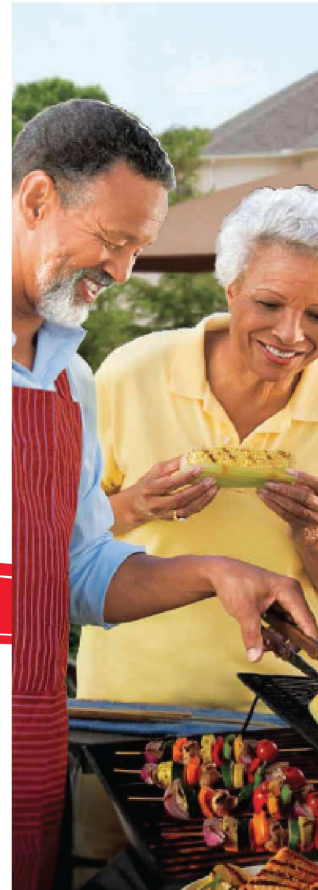




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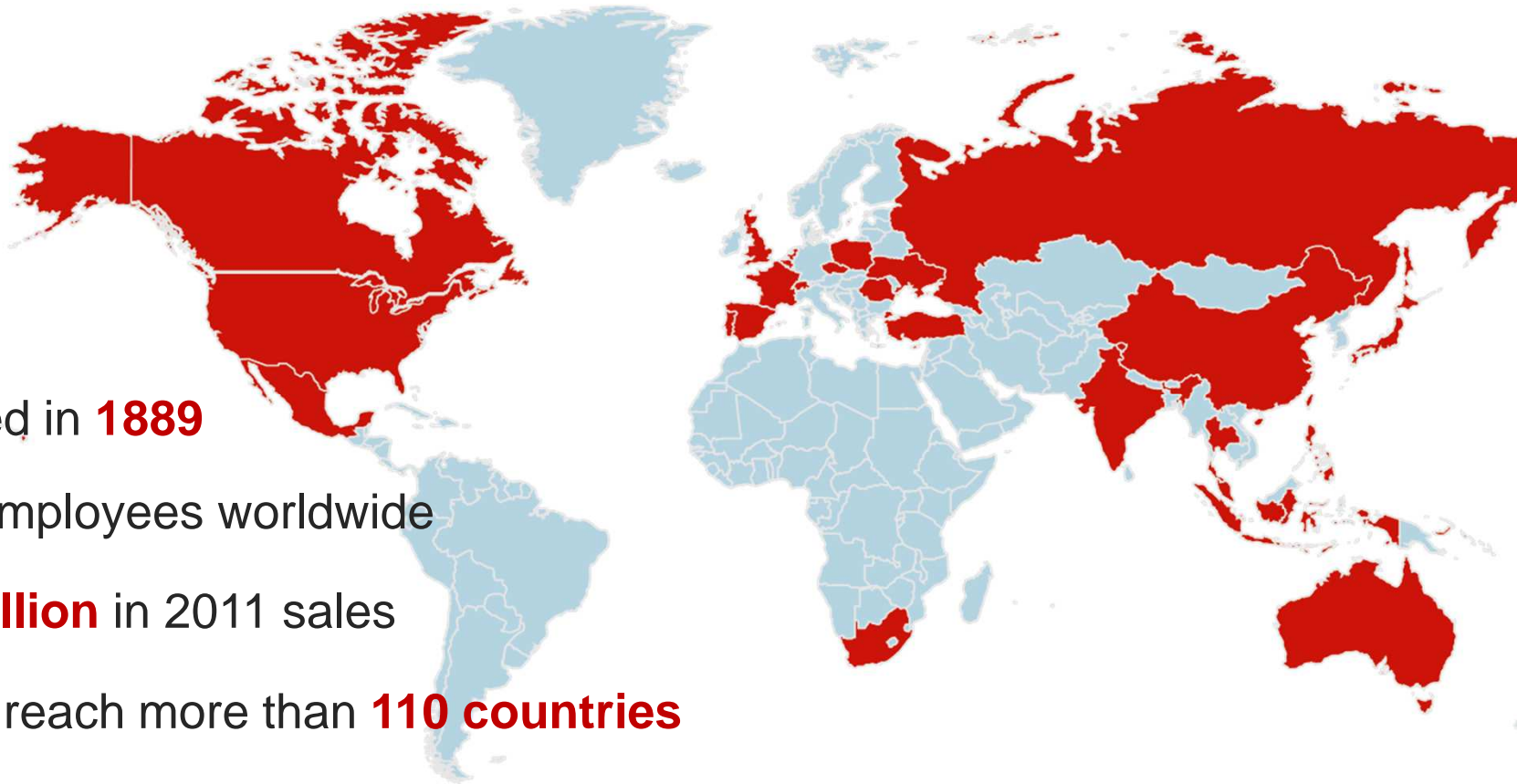
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McCormick, a Global Leader in Flavor



Founded in **1889**

9500 Employees worldwide

\$3.7 Billion in 2011 sales

Brands reach more than **110 countries**

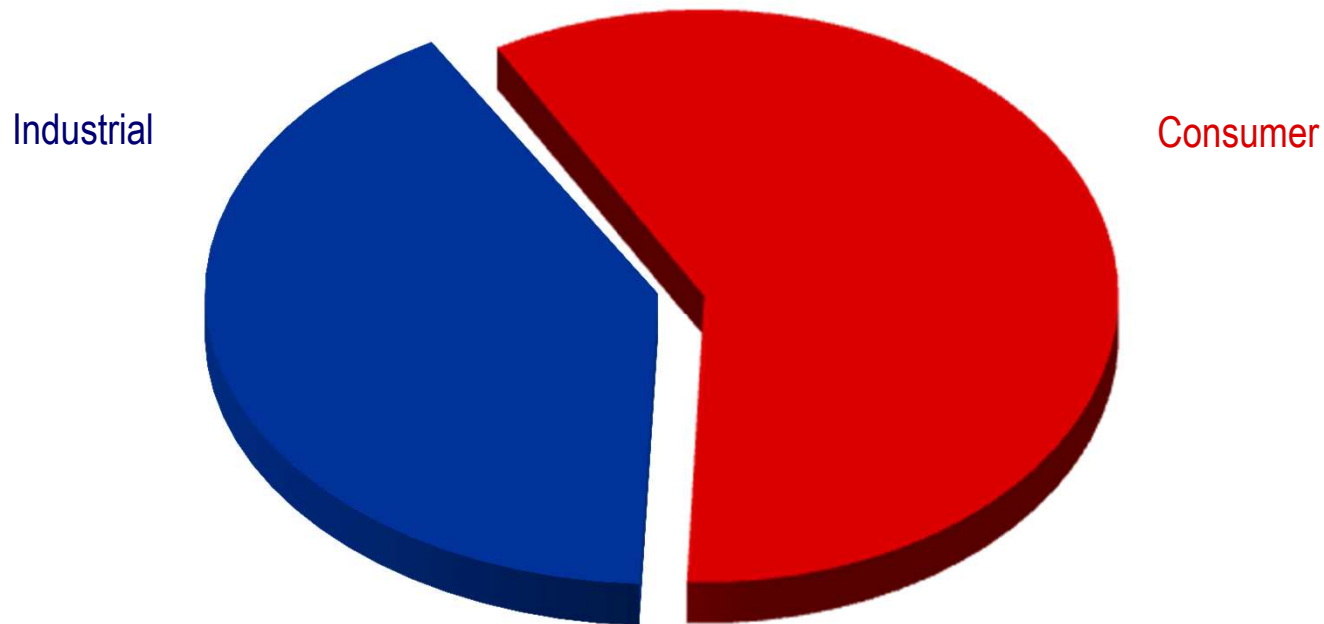
Serving customers from nearly **50 locations** in **24 countries**

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Operate Across Two Segments

2011 Net sales by segment



- ❖ Every day, no matter where or what you eat, you are likely to taste something flavored by McCormick

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Leading Brands in Three Growth Platforms

- ❖ Two thirds of sales are composed of branded products with #1 position.



Regional leaders



Recipe Mixes



Consumer business net sales by growth platform



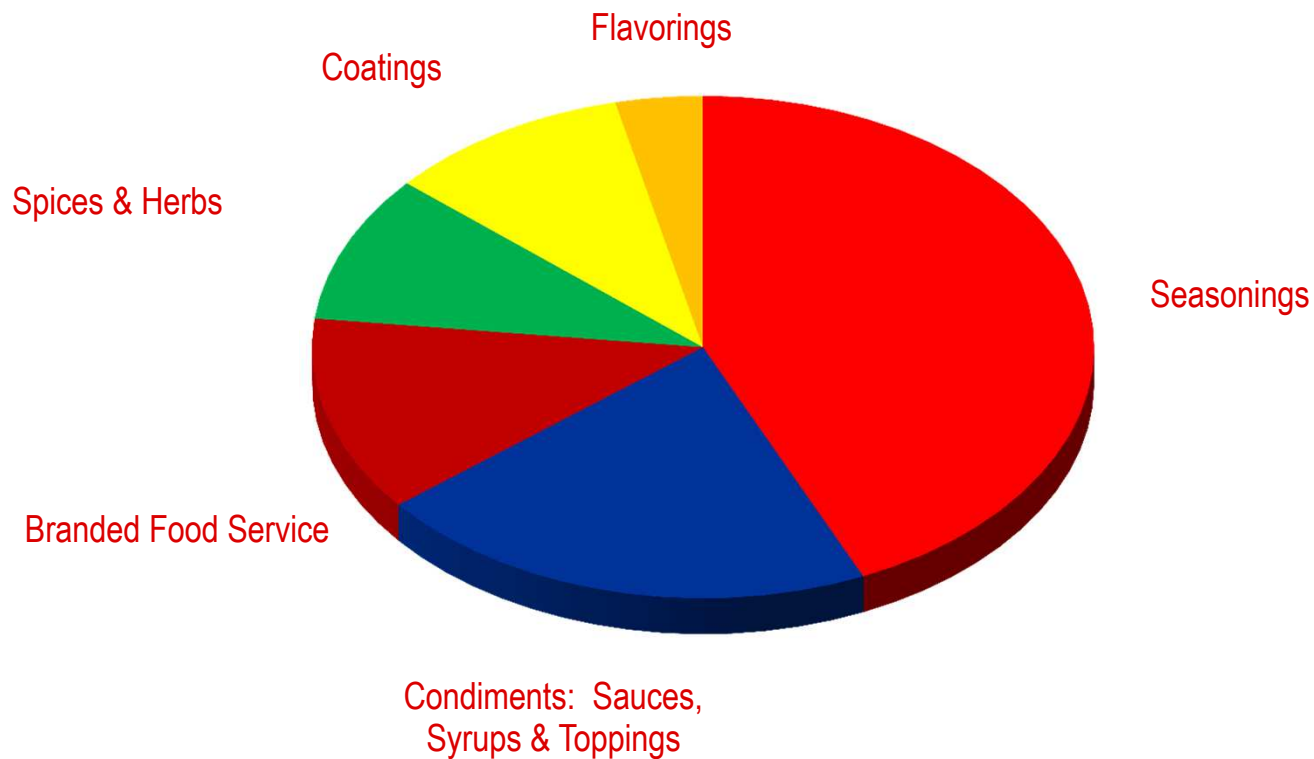
Herbs, Spices & Seasonings

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A Broad Range of Flavor Solutions for Leading Industrial Customers

Industrial business net sales by product type

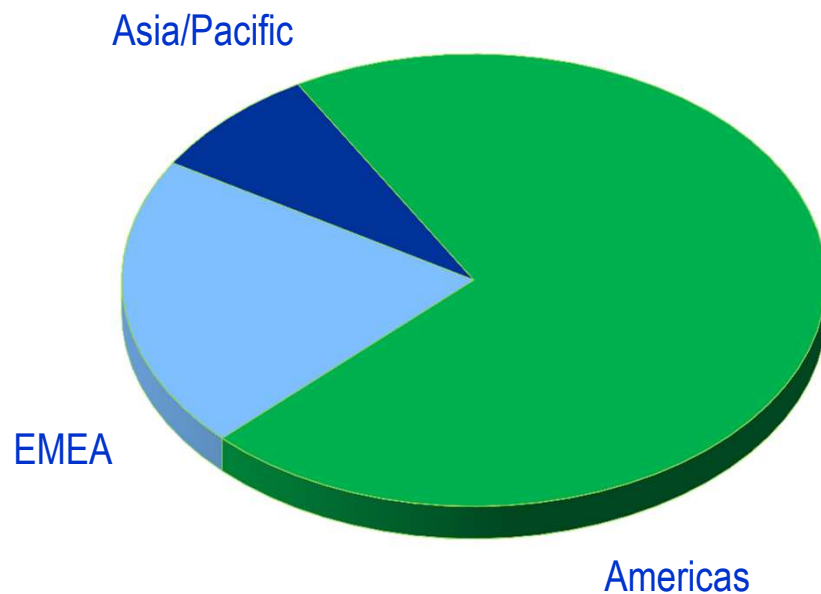


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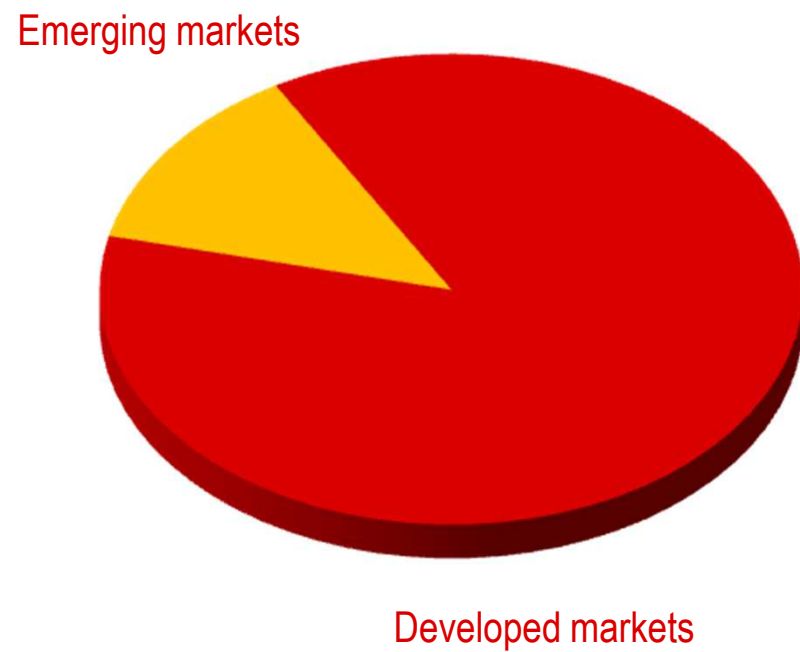


Balance Across Geographic Regions

2011 Net sales by region



2012 Estimated net sales
by market type



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Consumer Demand for Flavor Is Growing

- ❖ 87% say taste is #1
- ❖ 69% like to try new flavors
- ❖ 53% visit restaurants offering new or innovative flavors
- ❖ Growing preference for spicy foods



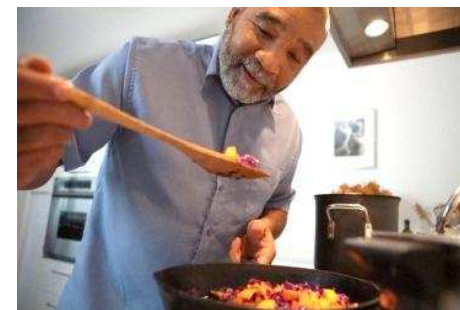
Source: January 2012 Food Technology "What, when and where America Eats".

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Consumer Demand for Flavor Is Growing

- ❖ Nearly 2/3 indicate “flavor makes all the difference in my meals”
- ❖ About half are “adventurous” in trying new foods/dishes
- ❖ More than half agree that using spices is quick and easy

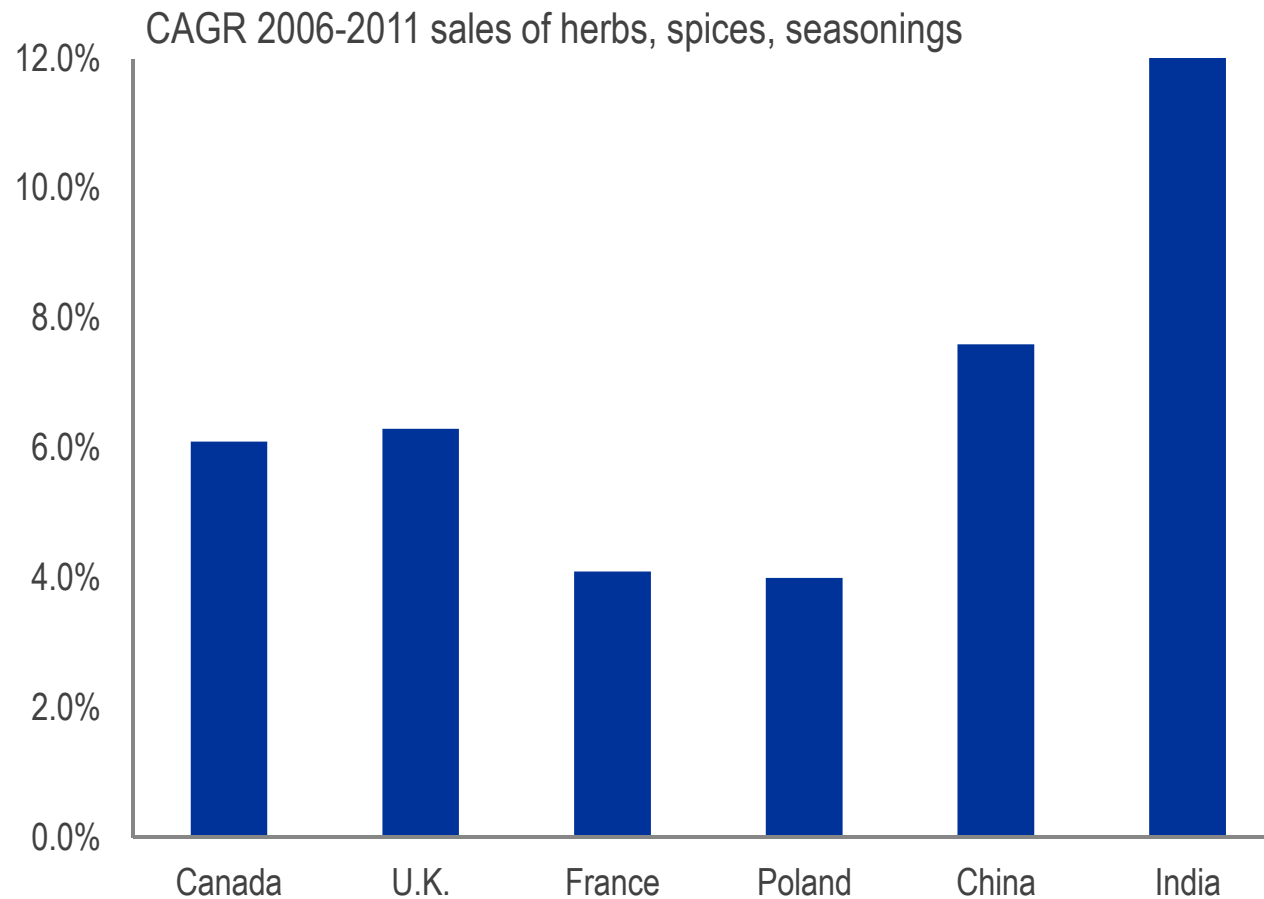


Source: Alcott Group Consumer Segmentation Framework – April 2012

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International Demand for Flavor Is Growing as Well



Source: Euromonitor



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McCormick Believes People Will Switch to Healthier Foods if They Don't Have to Sacrifice Taste or Convenience

- ❖ At McCormick R&D spending up 30% from 2006
- ❖ New Technical Innovation Centers opened in U.K. and Mexico, and to be completed in China by end of 2012
- ❖ Our significant investment created a leading all-natural flavor creation capability



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Leveraging MSI Research to Develop the Evidence



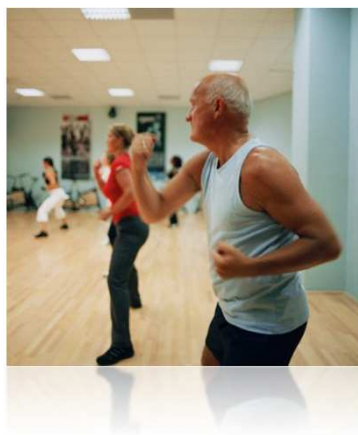
17 studies completed or underway



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Providing a Range of Flavors from “Better-for-You” to “Indulgent”



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Interest in Flavor and Health Driving Flavor

- ❖ Herbs, spices and seasonings projected to exceed \$10 billion by 2015.

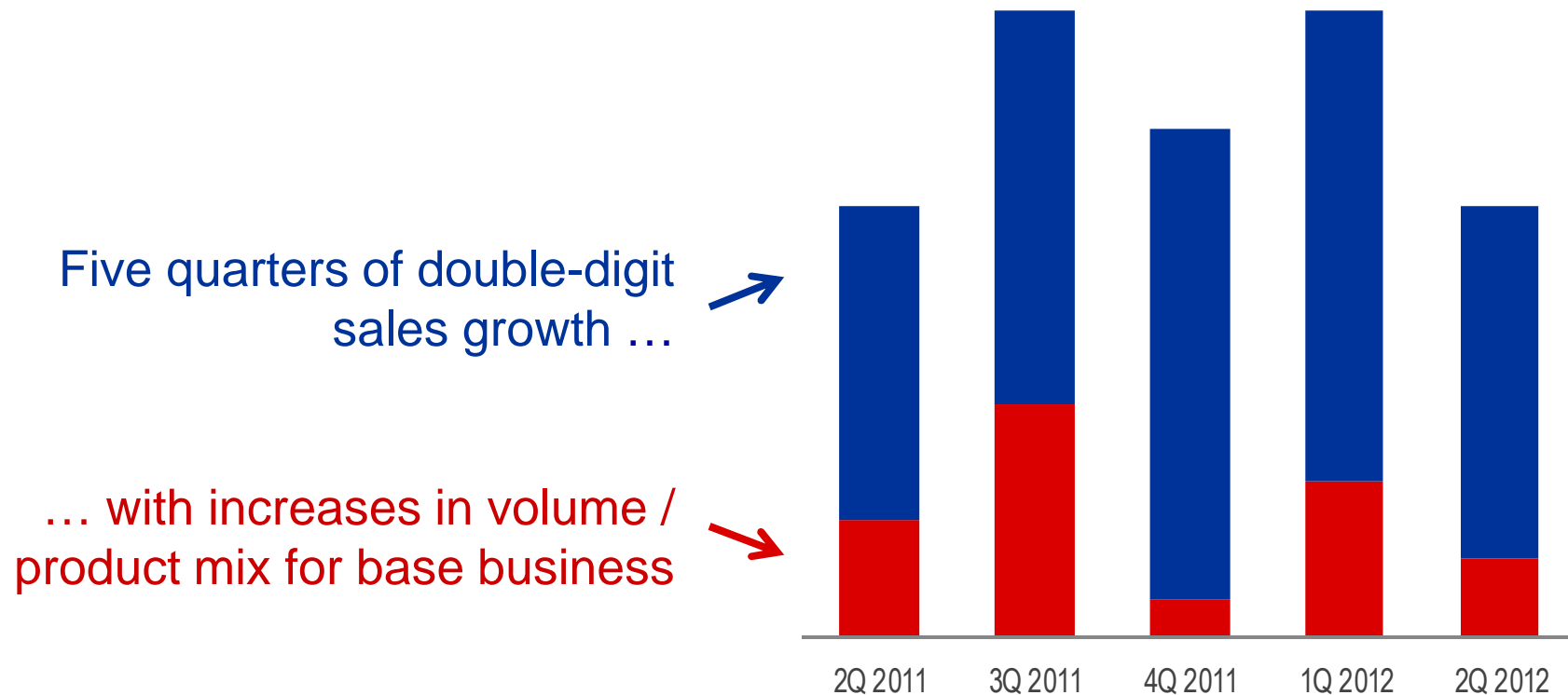


Source: Euromonitor

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Achieving Volume Increases in Base Business



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Solid Performance Expected in 2012

Sales growth*	9-11%
Operating income growth	9-11%
EPS	\$3.01 - \$3.06

* In local currency

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Strong Long-term Financial Outlook Grounded in 5-year Track Record

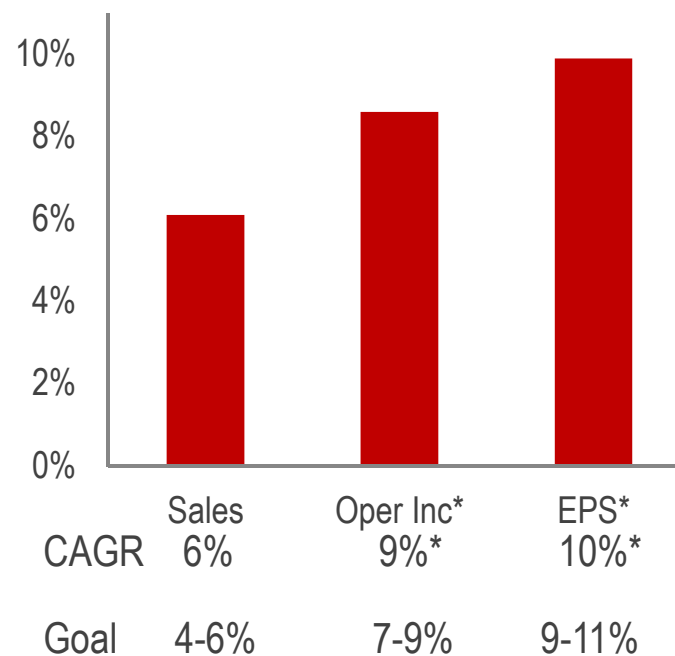
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Total shareholder return	11-13%

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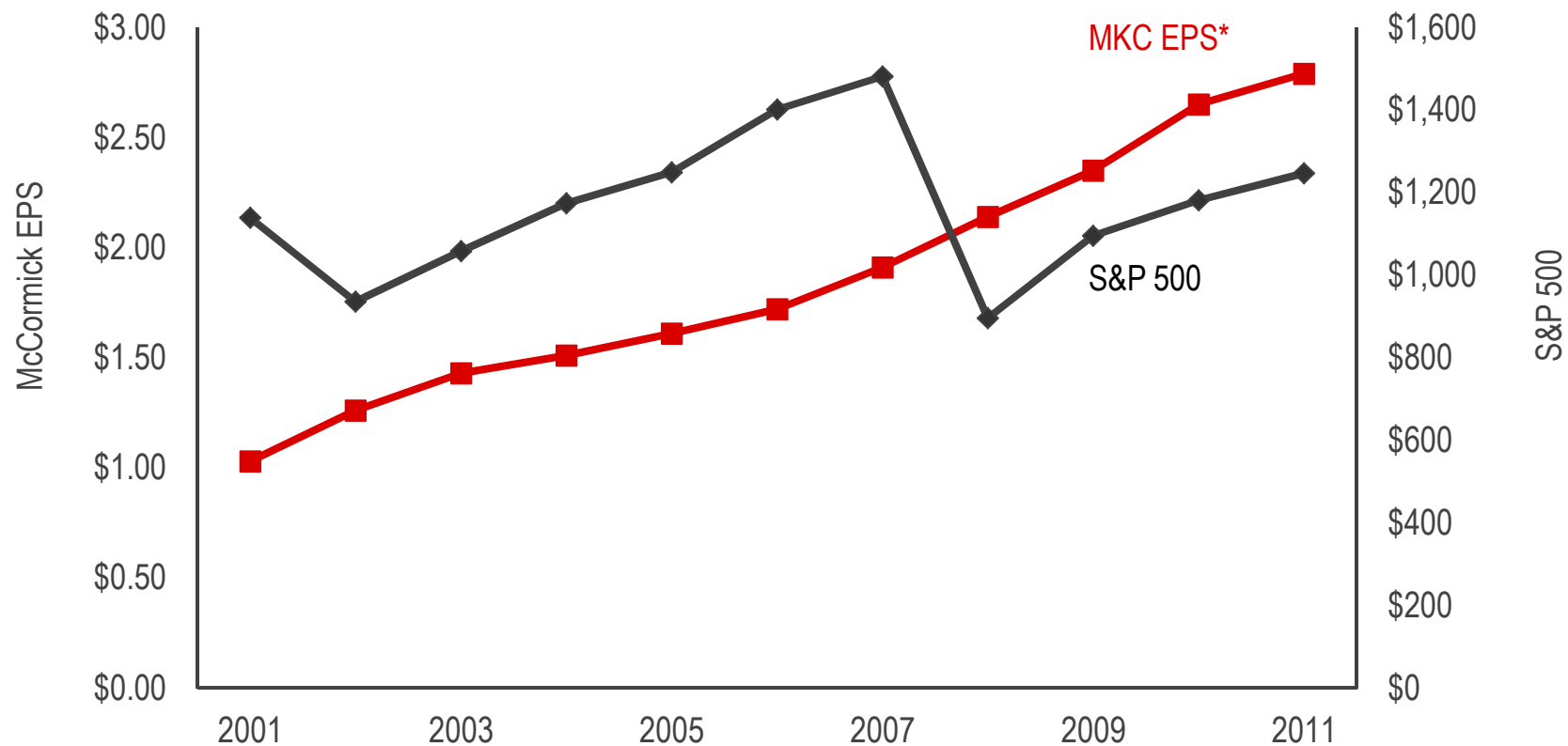
* On comparable basis

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Delivering High Performance through A Variety of Economic Cycles

❖ Reported EPS* growth in each of the last 10 years, in up and down markets

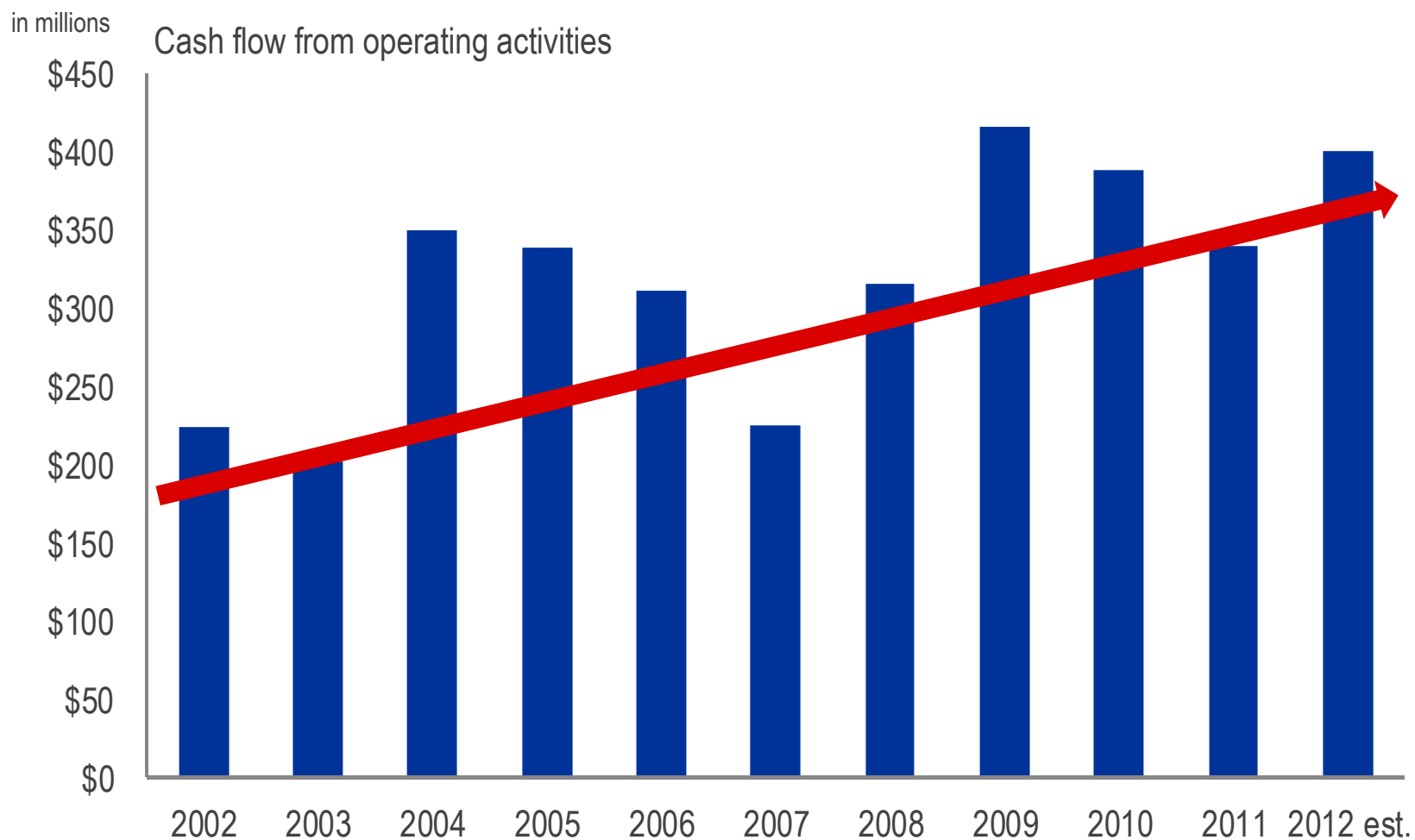


* On a comparable basis. See detail at end of presentation.

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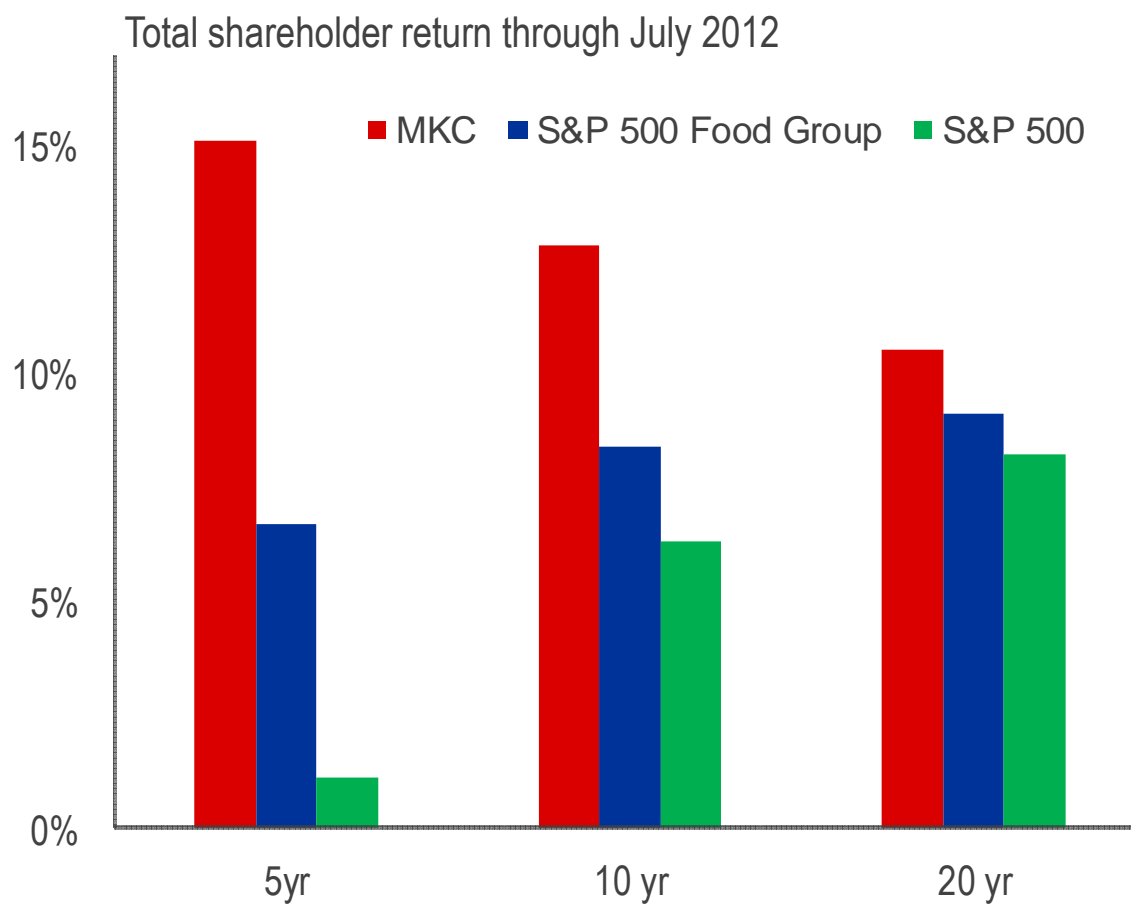
Generating Strong Cash Flow



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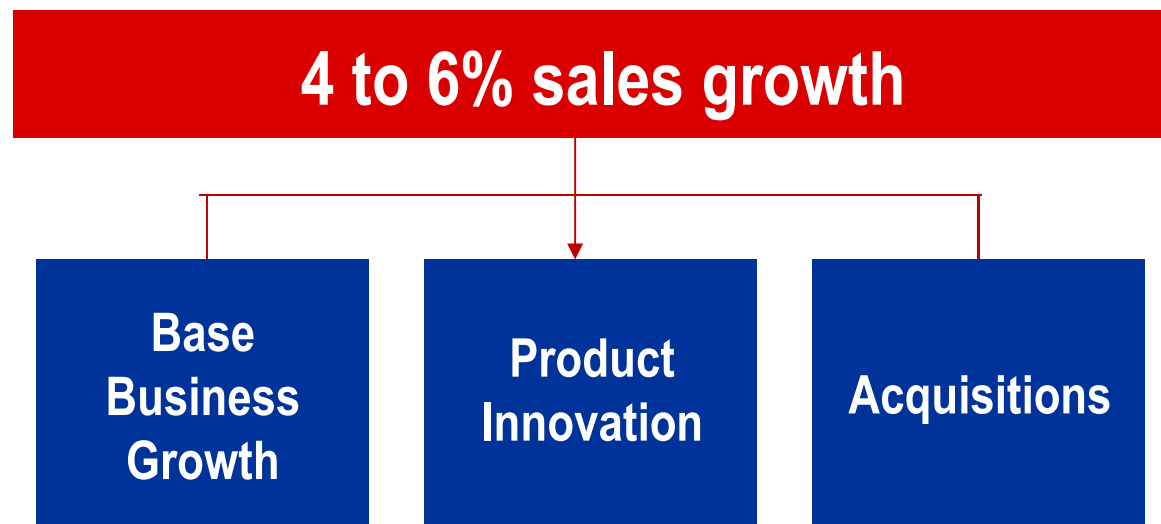
Strong Shareholder Returns



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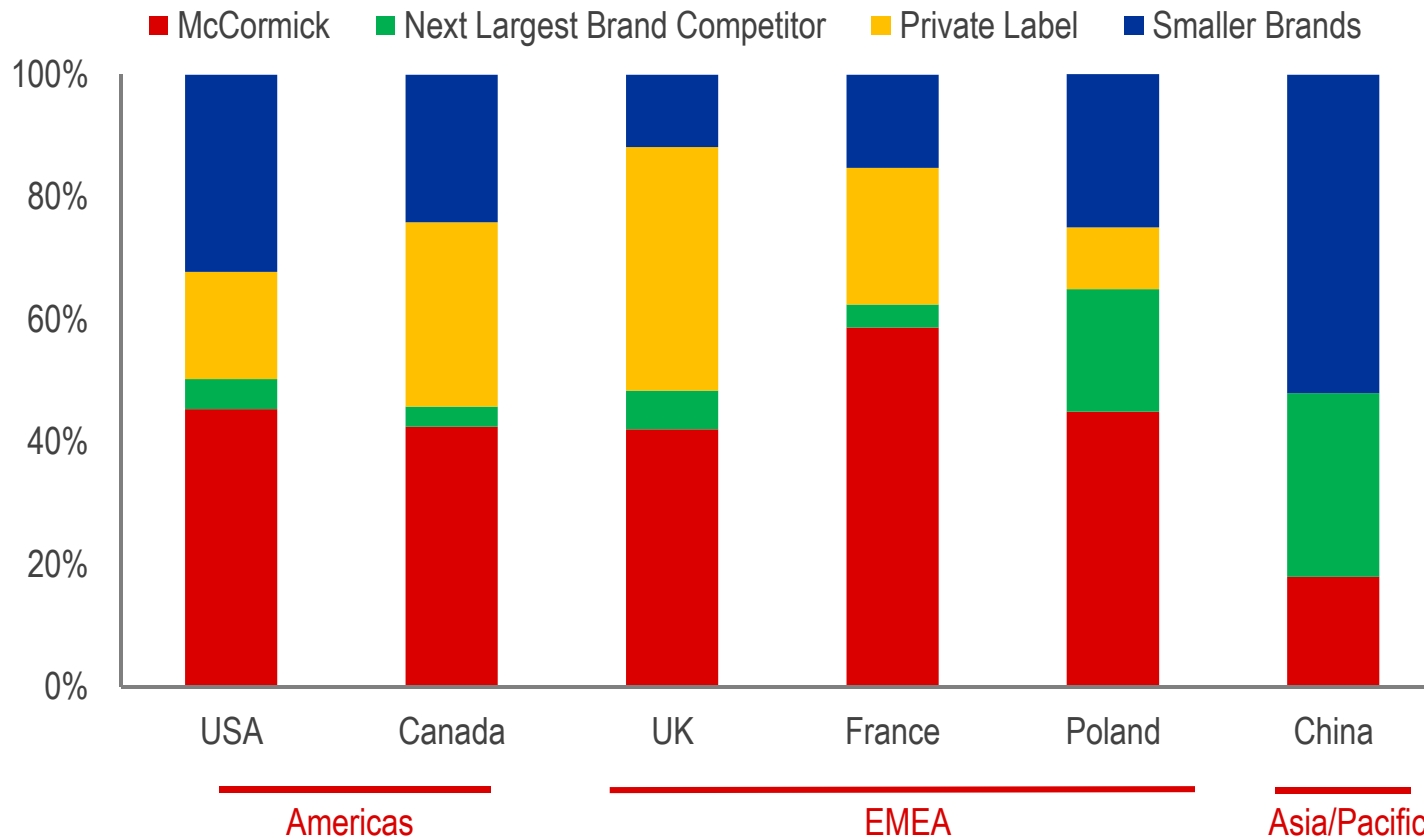
Three Avenues Driving Top-line Growth



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#1 or #2 Brand Position with Herbs, Spices & Seasonings



Source: IRI, Nielsen, National Grocery
Dollars 52 wks/e Jan 2012

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“Winning” with Customer Intimacy in Multiple Channels

New distribution in developed markets won in past 2 years

Brands in Grocery

- France national chain
- U.K. small and mid-size store format
- Netherlands national chain
- Australian wholesaler

Brands in Alternative Channels

- U.S. dollar store
- U.S. warehouse club
- U.K. convenience store
- Portugal discounters

Private Label

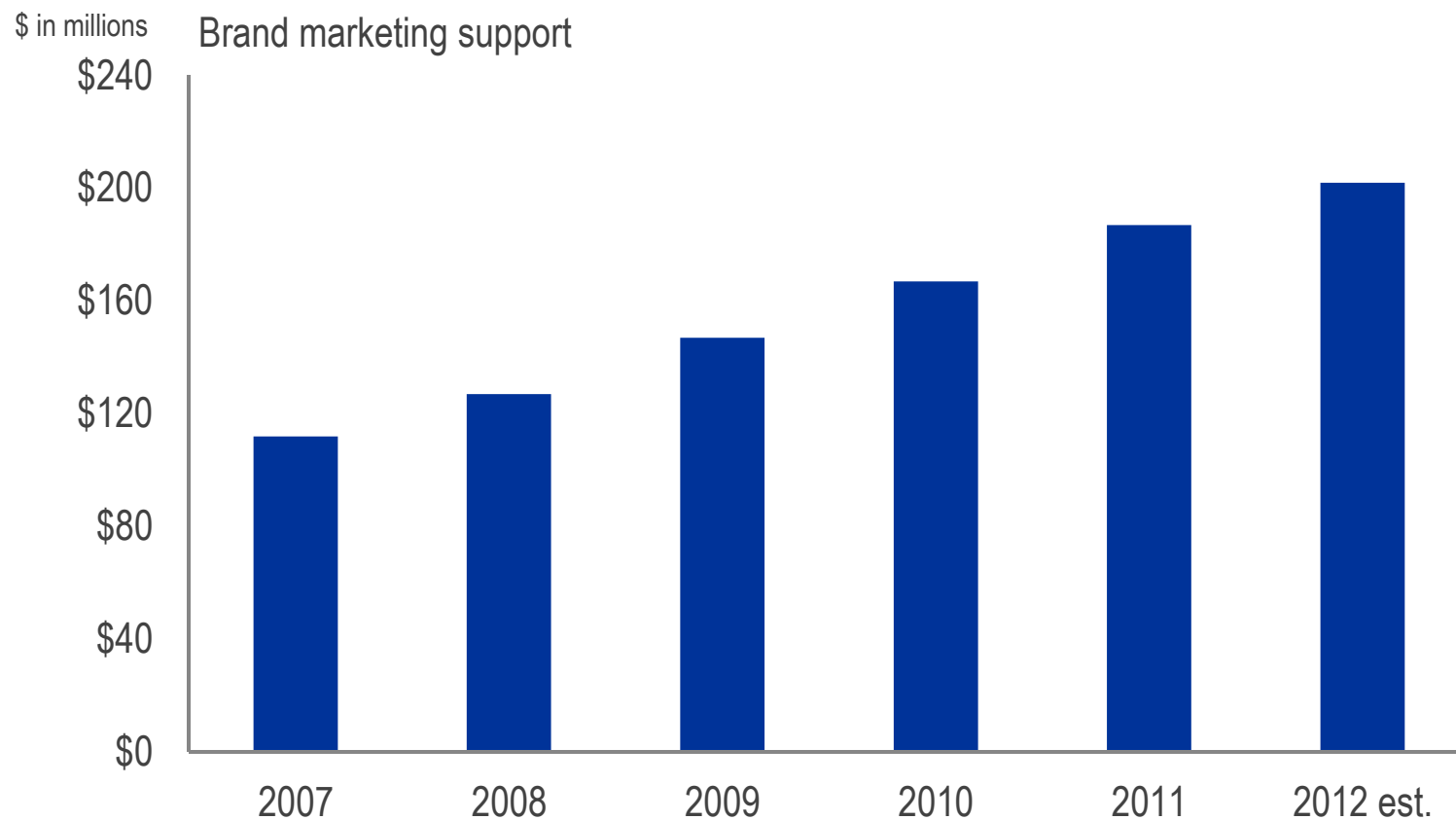
- U.S. grocery
- U.S. drug store
- U.K. grocery

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Superior Investment in Brand Marketing

❖ 180 bp increase as a % Consumer business sales 2007-2011

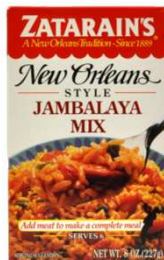


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Ensuring Consumers Perceive the Superior Value of Our Brands

❖ 10% of the cost / 90% of the flavor!



	Price per Serving
Black pepper	4¢
Chili mix	34¢
Jambalaya	33¢



per serving

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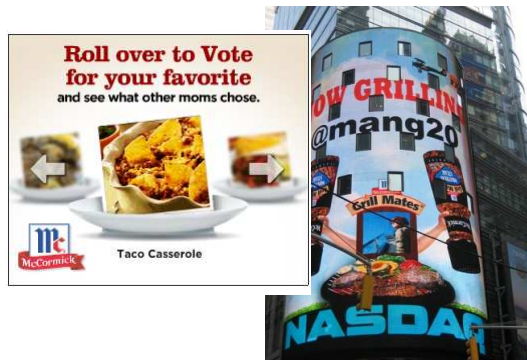
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Connecting with Consumers Digitally

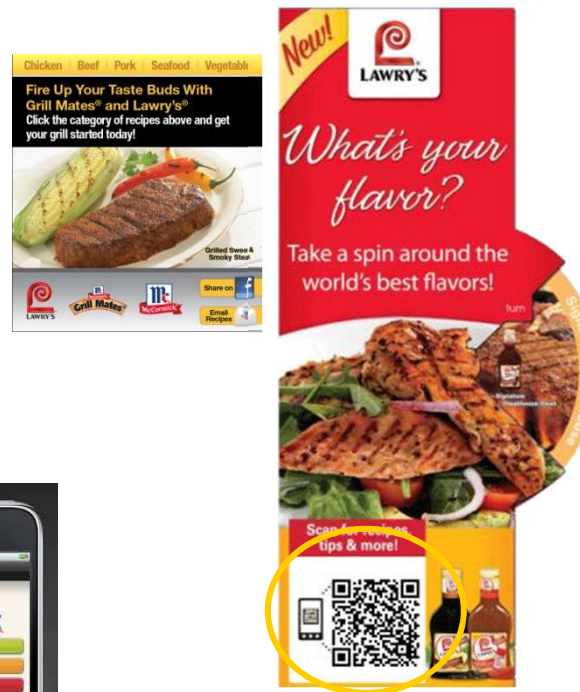
Inspire

Breakthrough digital campaigns



Anticipate

In-store marketing + quick response code testing



Celebrate

Social media channels



Shop & Prep

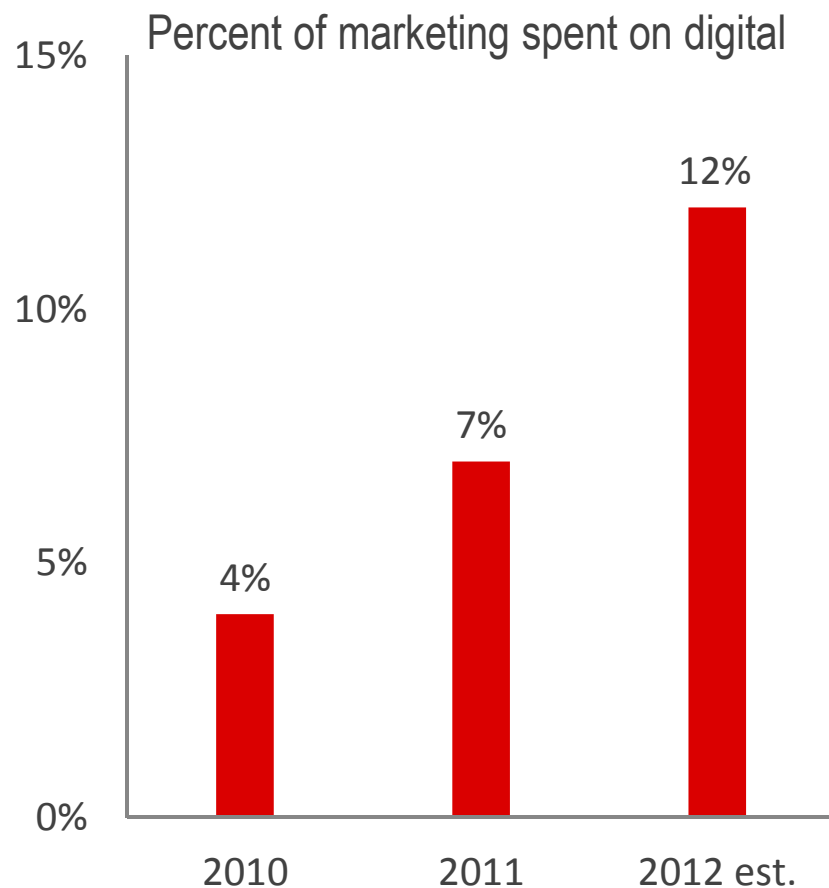
Multi-platform mobile presence



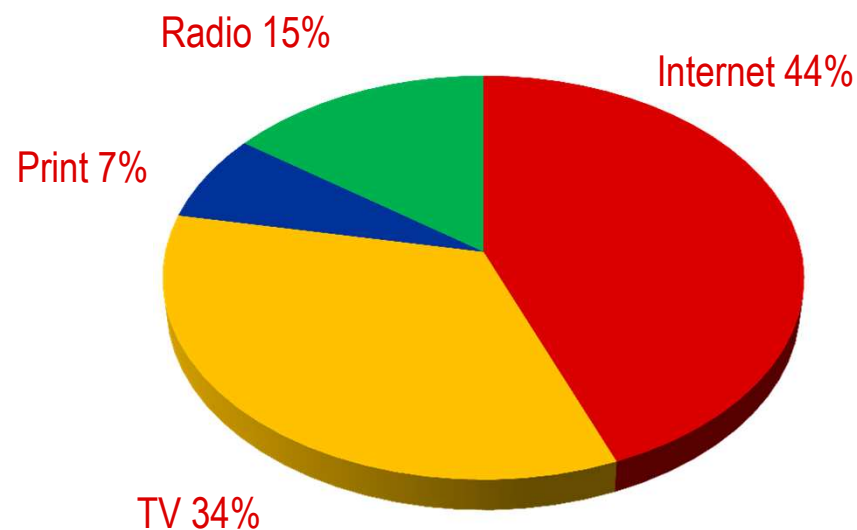
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Shifting Marketing Mix Towards Digital Marketing



North America Consumption by Media Channel



Sources:

Population: National Estimates at January 1st: Euromonitor International from national statistics/UN. Date Exported (GMT): 01/03/2012 19:55:40

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Expanding Connections Throughout Flavor Lifecycle



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Lawry's Marinade-Balsamic Herb

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Grilled Honey Balsamic Chicken Salad

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

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McCormick Grill Mates

Lawry's Mediterranean Herb & White Wine

Lawry's Marinade-Tuscan Sundried Tomato

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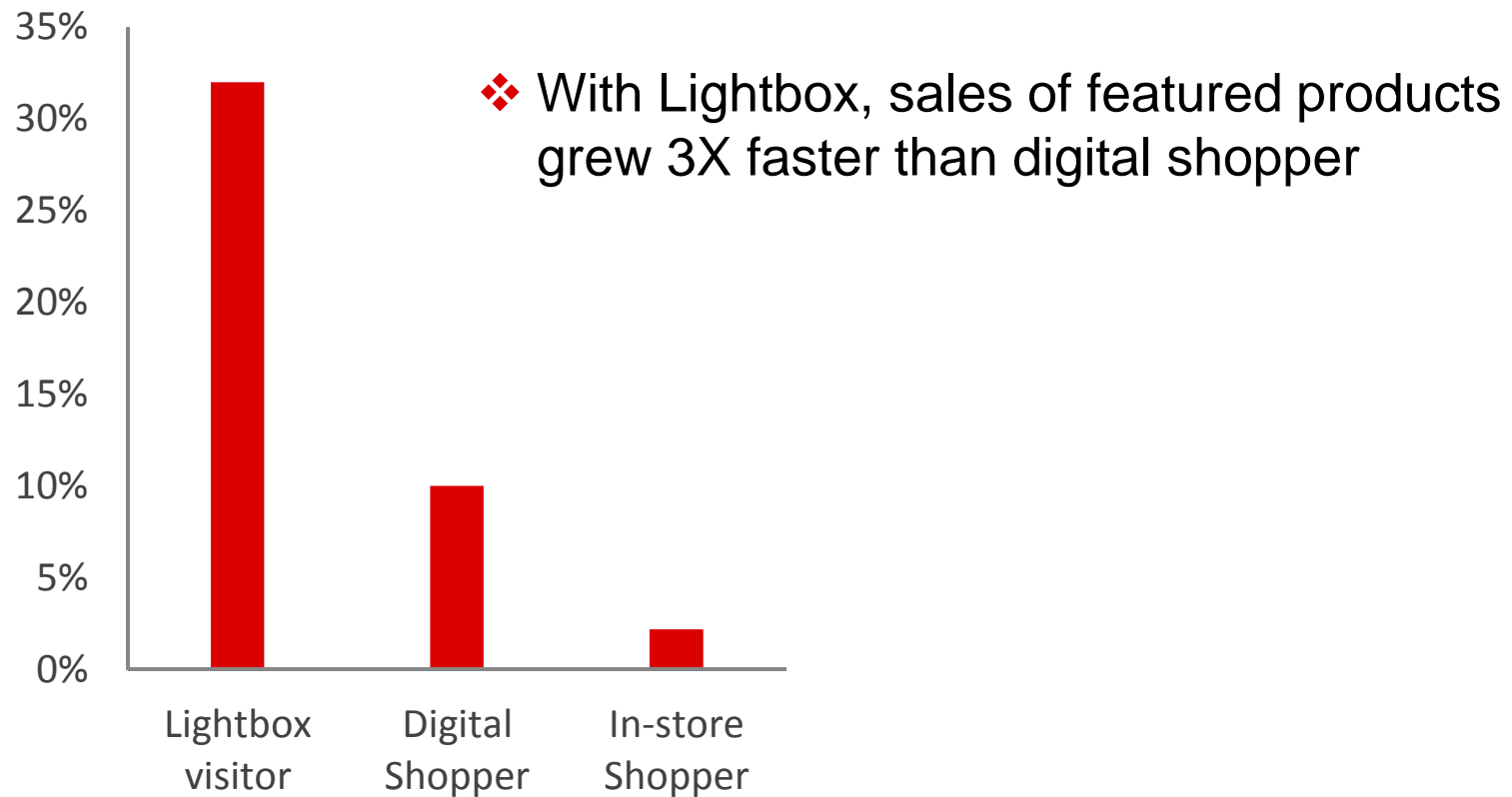
Page geo-locates user to their closest store

Easily add products to in-store shopping list

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Expanding Connections Throughout Flavor Lifecycle



Source: MWG Shopper Data. Segments based on Shoppers who purchased at retailers during the prior year period and during the campaign period. February 1 – March 16, 2012 and February 1 – March 16, 2011.

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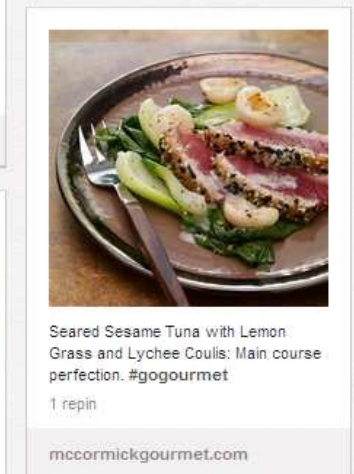
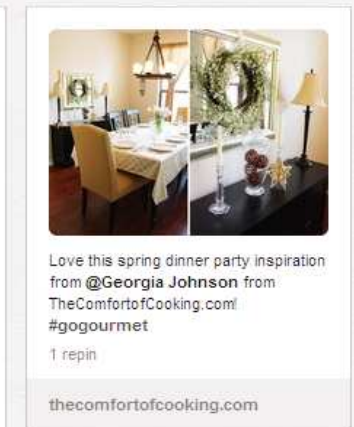


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Expanding Connections Throughout Flavor Lifecycle

- ❖ Early adopter of emerging social networks
- ❖ Tapping into existing consumer behavior
- ❖ Launched **Pinterest** page and **Instagram** presence



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“In 2012 McCormick was the #2 site for super bowl recipe searches”



“Across brands, our facebook fan base is 1.5 million+ and growing”

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Innovation Starts with the Consumer

- ❖ Dedicated commercial innovation teams with global linkage
- ❖ Consumer panels + CreateIT®!
- ❖ Our consumer-centered process and 360° food industry view gives us competitive advantage
- ❖ Higher emphasis on research
 - ❖ Focused on product differentiation

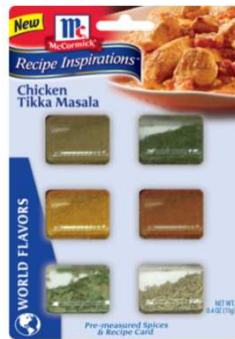


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Consumer Needs Drove Recipe Inspirations

U.S.
2010



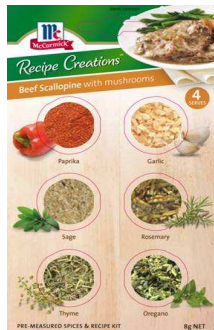
U.K.
2011



Canada
2011



Australia
2012



France
2012



Netherlands
2012



Spain
2012



Portugal
2012



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Scalable Innovation with Seasoning Blends

Canada
2000's



U.S.
2010



U.K.
2011



France
2011



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Driving Recipe Mix Platform Globally

U.K.
2008



Canada
2011



U.S.
2012



Australia
2012



- ❖ First **All Natural** Recipe Mix – global roll-out
- ❖ Flavor you can see (spice blend window)
- ❖ Restaurant meal variety & quality
- ❖ Strong dedicated support

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Accelerated Innovation in France

Organic range



Premium Intense flavor



Convenient mixes Local favorites



Re-sealable Economy pack



Unique Extracts



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Authentic New Orleans Cuisine Made Easy



Zatarain's is successfully bringing New Orleans flavor to the frozen food category

- ❖ National ACV of 54%
- ❖ 2012 new item in the growing multi-serve category



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Building Upon Strong Base of Hispanic Products

- ❖ Flavor innovation leveraging culinary expertise and brand reputation

Mexico



U.S. bagged spices



Central America



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❖ Flavor innovation leveraging culinary expertise



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Product Innovation Driving Growth

- ❖ Launching 250 new consumer products in 2012

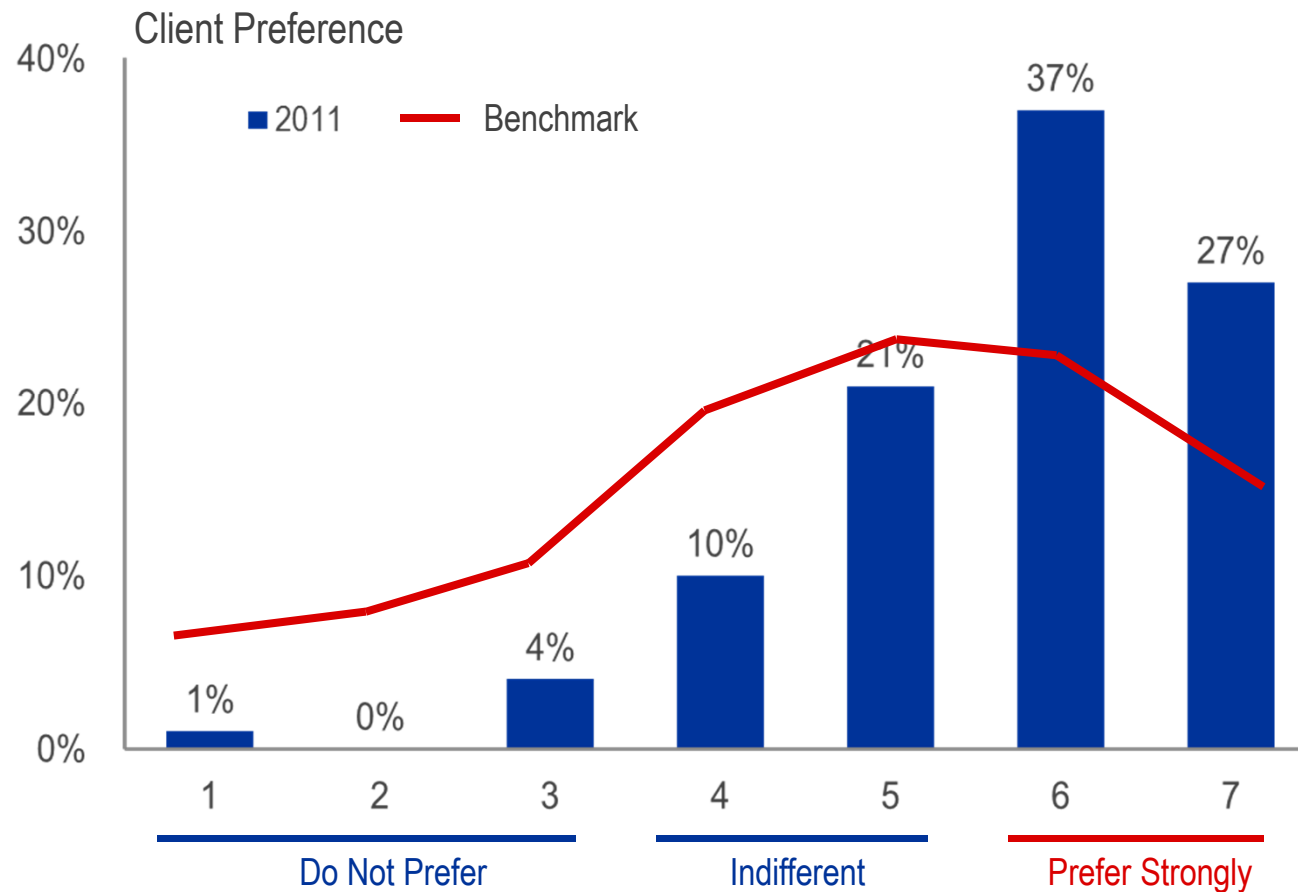


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High Industrial Customer Loyalty

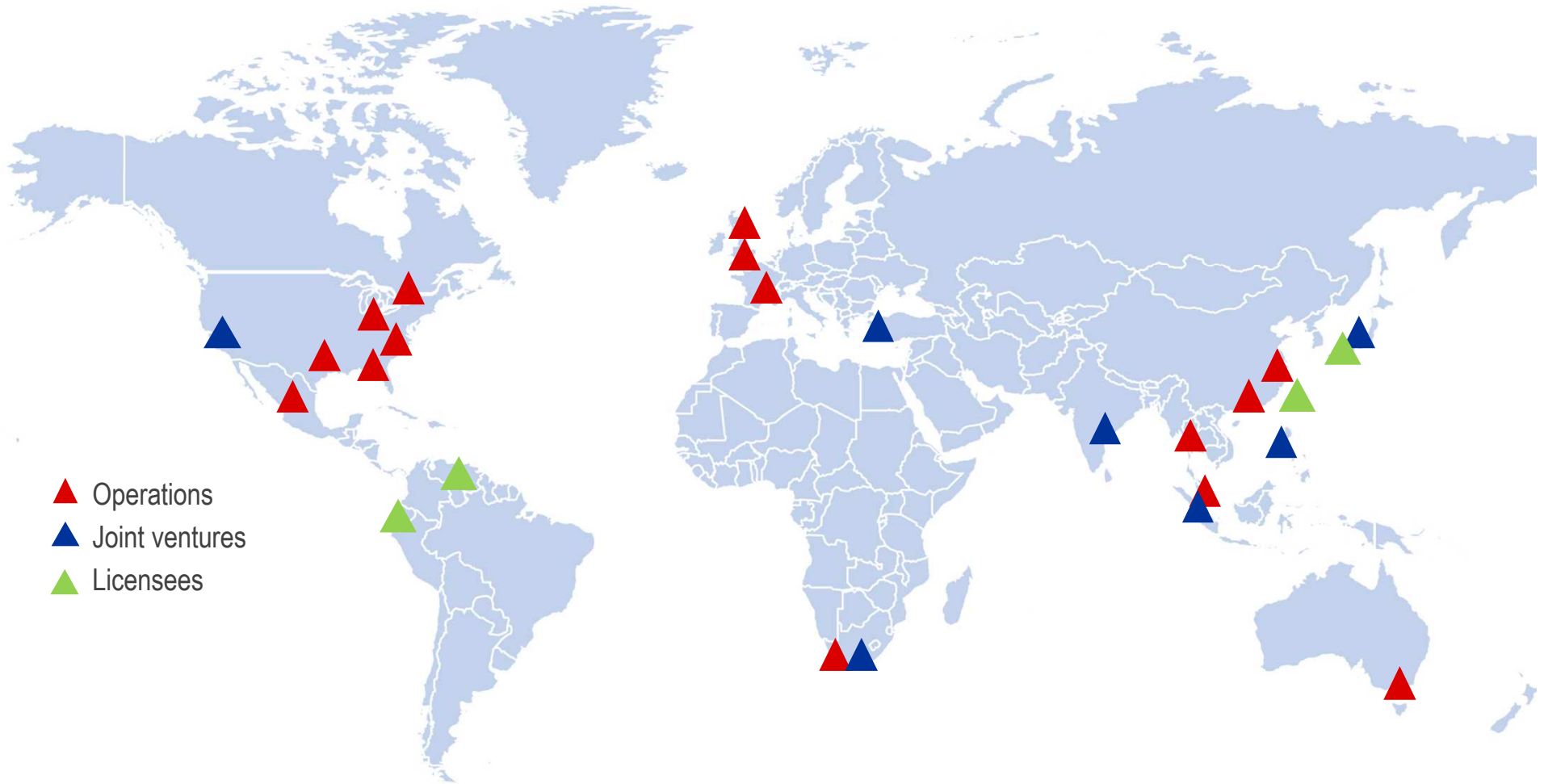
- ❖ Nearly 2/3 of industrial customers strongly prefer McCormick



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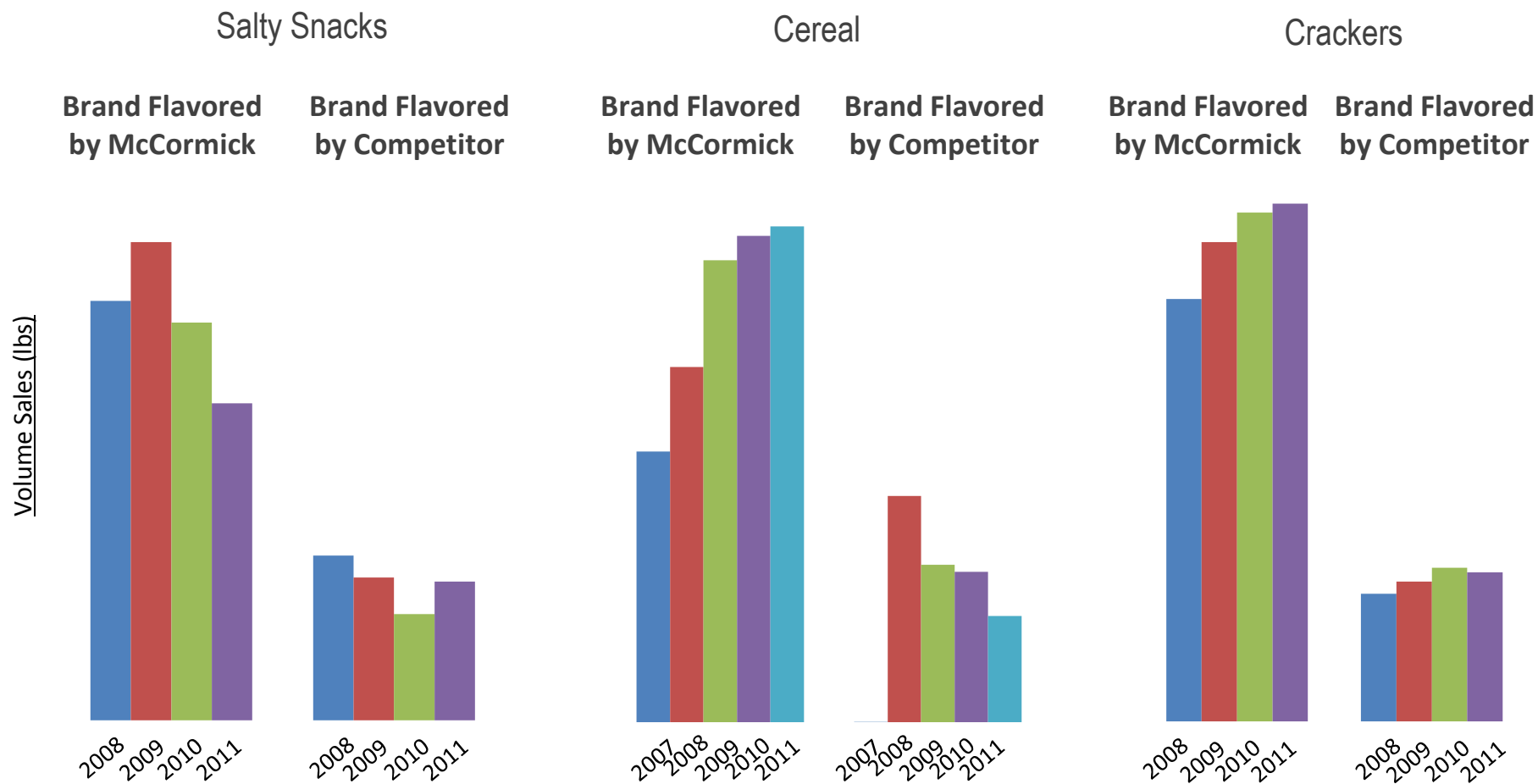
Supplying Industrial Customers Locally to Support Their Global Growth



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Value Validated Across Multiple Categories and Brands

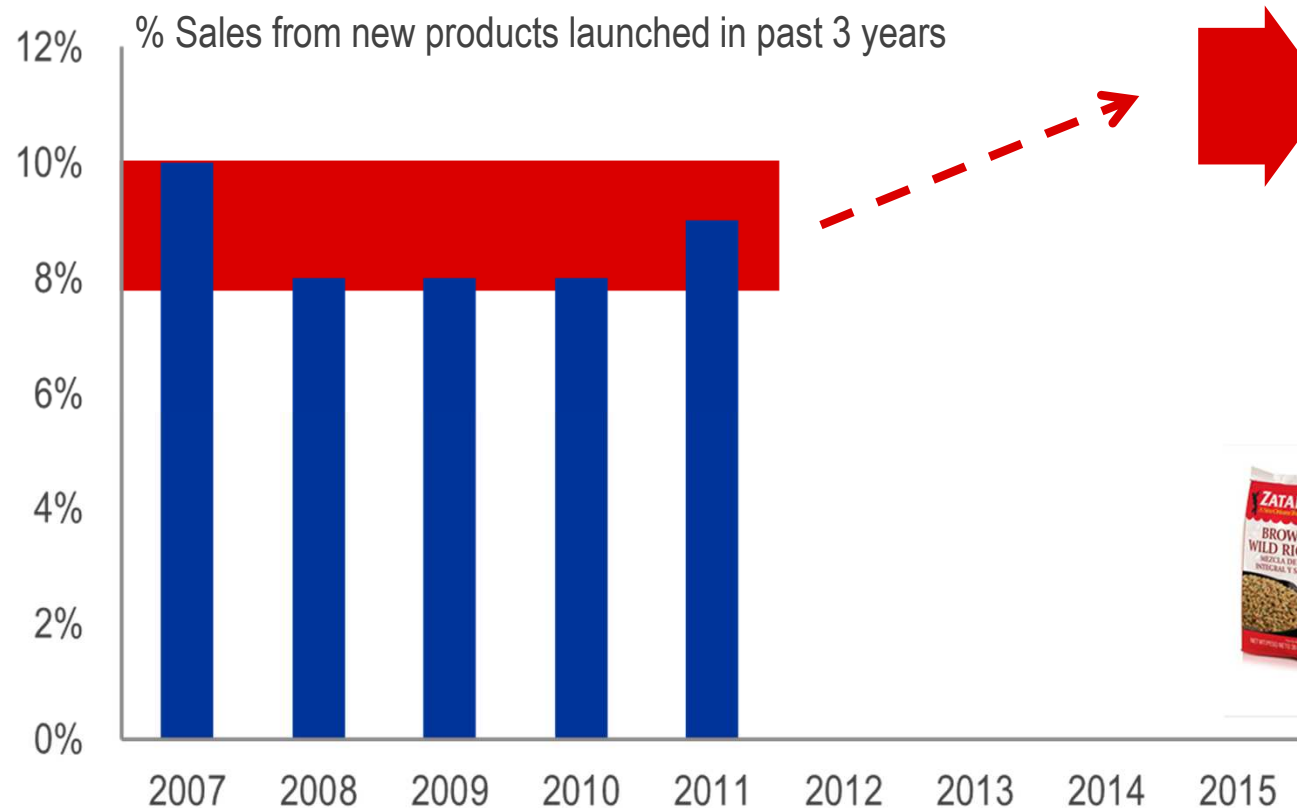


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Innovation Has Been An Important Contributor

- ❖ Goal to achieve 10-12% sales from new products by 2015



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Acquisitions Driving One Third of Sales Growth

Build Share in Core Growth Platforms



Expand Opportunity Growth Platforms



Enter and Increase Scale in Emerging Markets



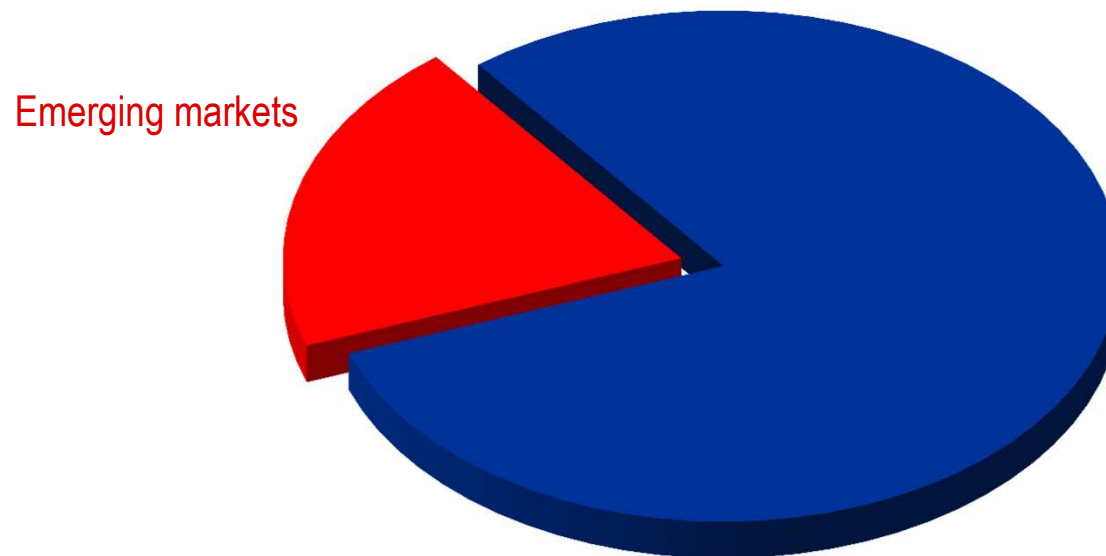
* Unconsolidated joint venture

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Expand Geographic Footprint

- ❖ Consolidated sales in emerging markets expected to be nearly 20% of our portfolio in 2015



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Favorable Trends in Emerging Markets

- ❖ Growing middle class
- ❖ Increased consumption of protein
- ❖ Interest in brands
- ❖ Safety and convenience of spices and seasonings as a packaged food vs bulk

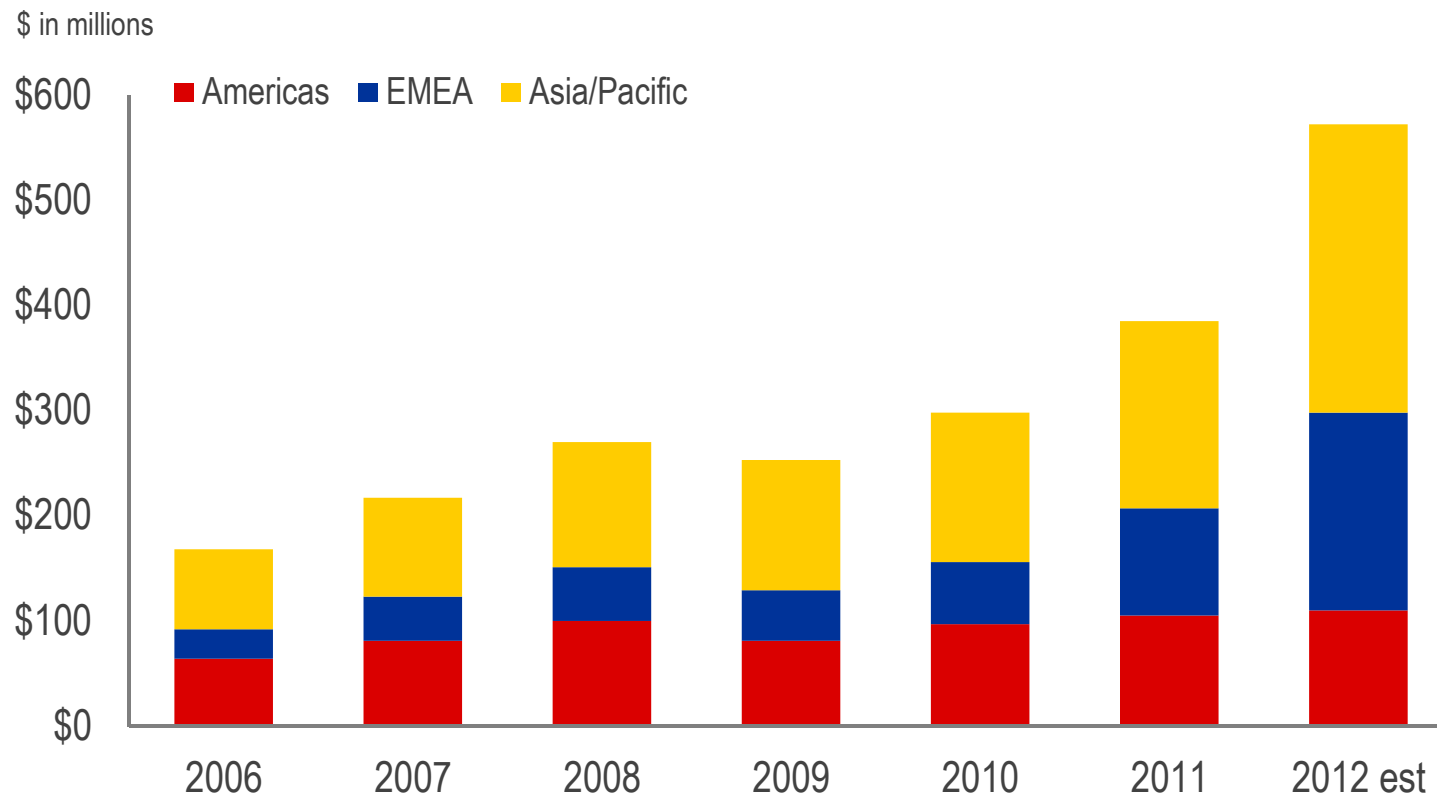


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We Have A Growing Presence in Emerging Markets

❖ Consolidated sales in emerging markets 18% CAGR 2006-2011



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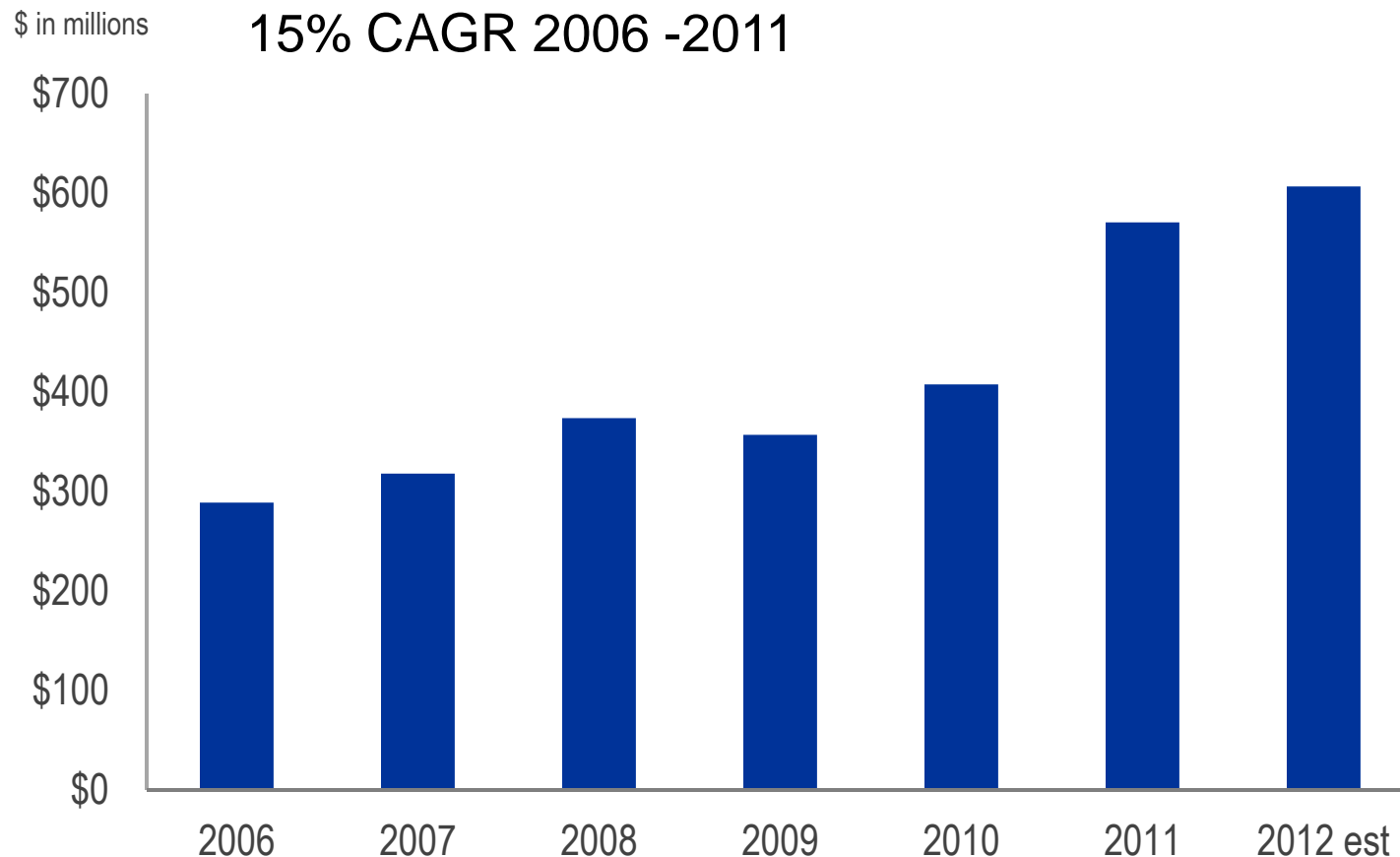
Agreement to acquire WAPC, a leader of bouillon



- ❖ Agreed to acquire 100% of assets of Wuhan Asia-Pacific Condiments Co., Ltd. for approximately \$141 million.
- ❖ DaQiao and ChuShiLe brands well-known in central China
- ❖ Annual sales approximately \$115 million, growing at double-digit rate
- ❖ Excellent fit with McCormick's current business in China
- ❖ Completion expected mid-2013 subject to regulatory approvals

Joint Ventures Offer Further Access to Rapidly Growing Markets

❖ Sales of unconsolidated operations in emerging markets
15% CAGR 2006 -2011



* Total joint venture sales shown (not just McCormick's share of sales).

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Opportunities for Growth in Emerging Markets

- ❖ Brand support
- ❖ Product innovation
- ❖ Distribution expansion
- ❖ Industrial customers
- ❖ Acquisitions



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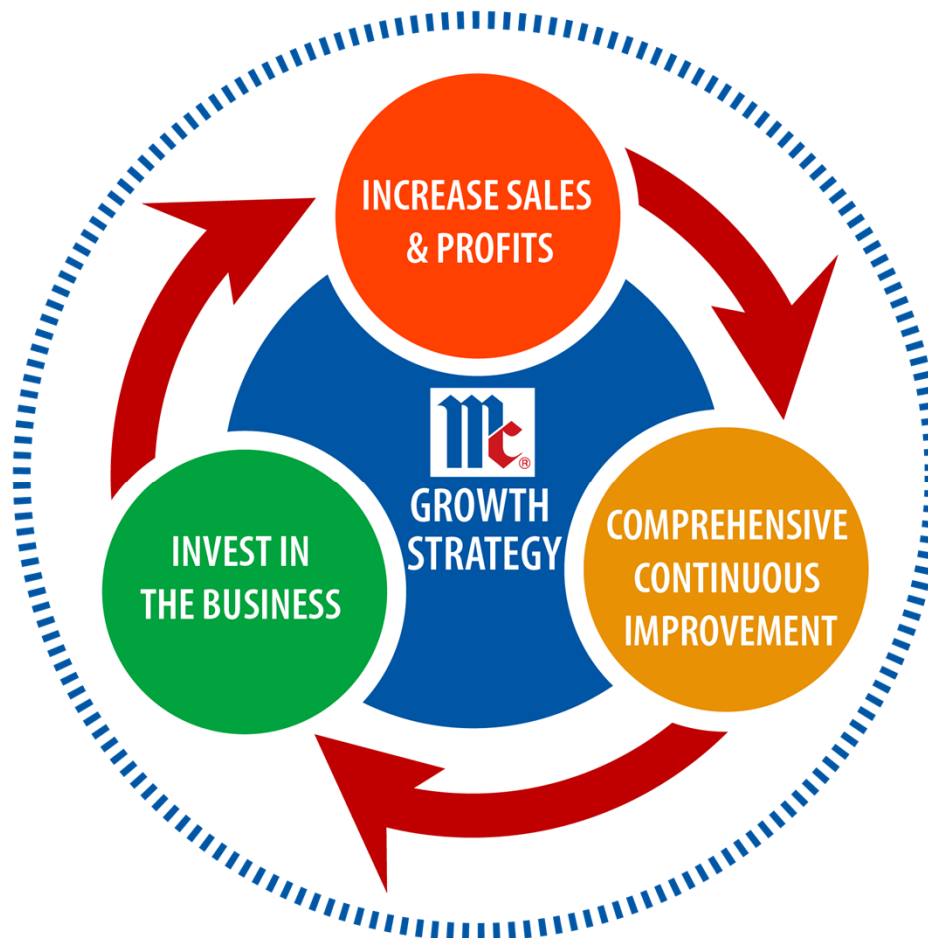




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Delivering High Performance



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Comprehensive Continuous Improvement

CCI: on-going initiative to improve productivity and reduce cost throughout the organization

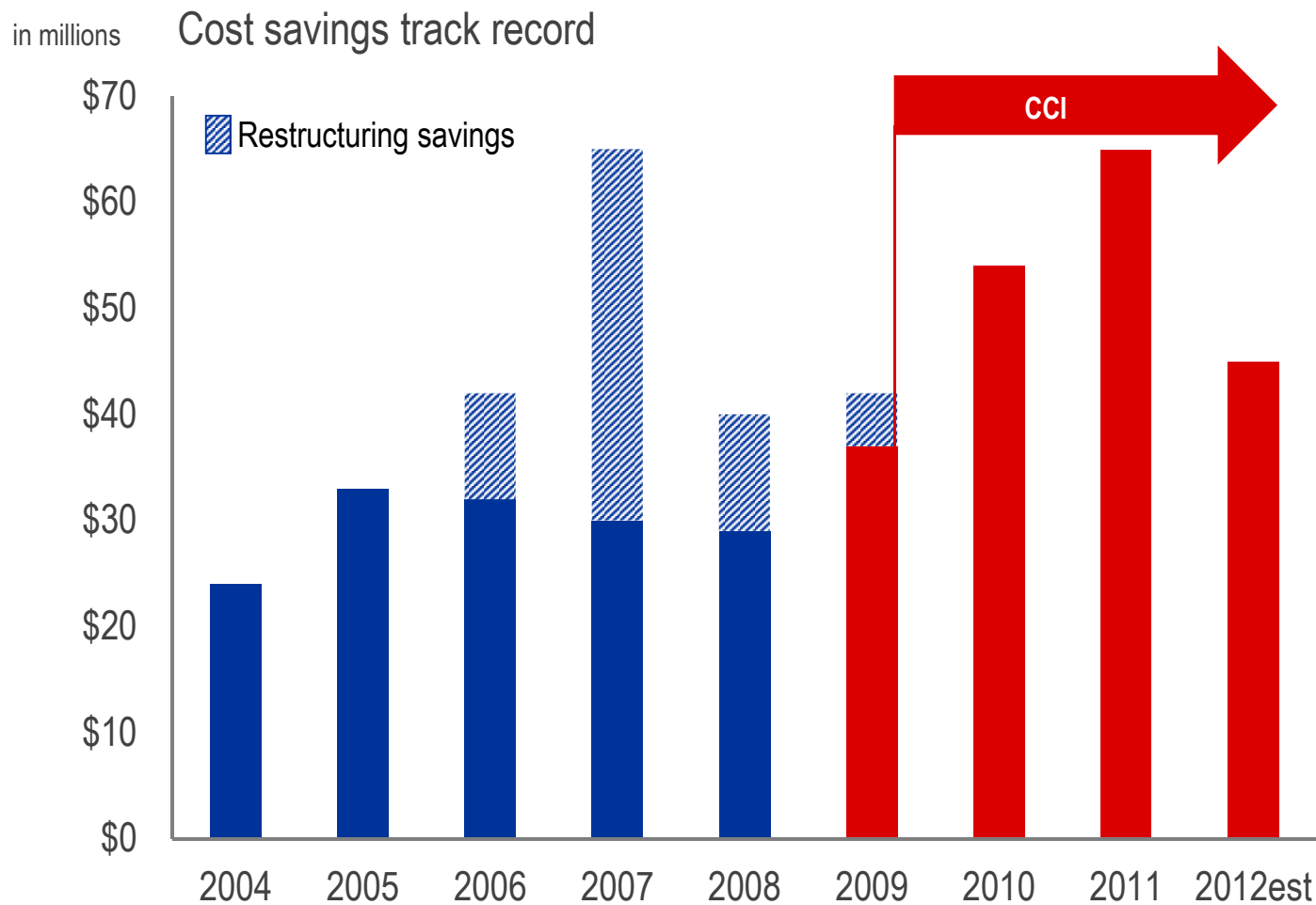
- ❖ McCormick's High Performance System
- ❖ Global CCI Champions
- ❖ Employee engagement



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A Long Runway for CCI



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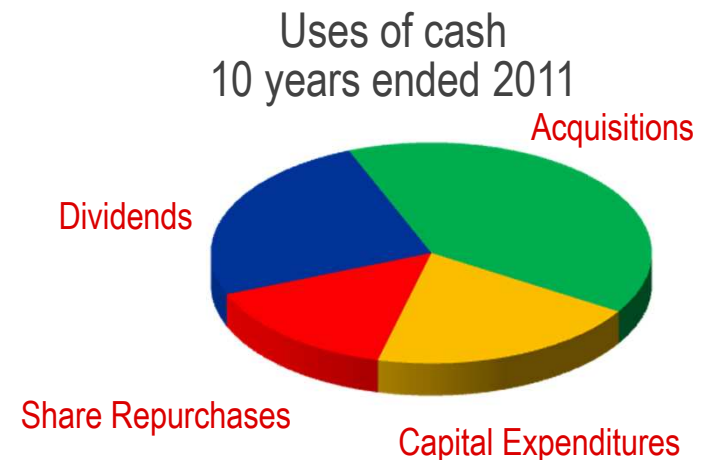
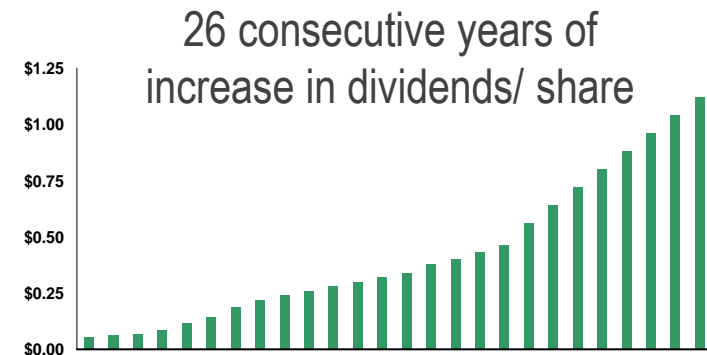


Balanced Use of Cash Delivering Shareholder Return while We Invest to Drive Growth

2011 Cash Uses

- ❖ Invested \$441 million in acquisitions and joint ventures
- ❖ Invested \$97 million in capital projects
- ❖ Returned \$180 million* to shareholders in dividends and share repurchases

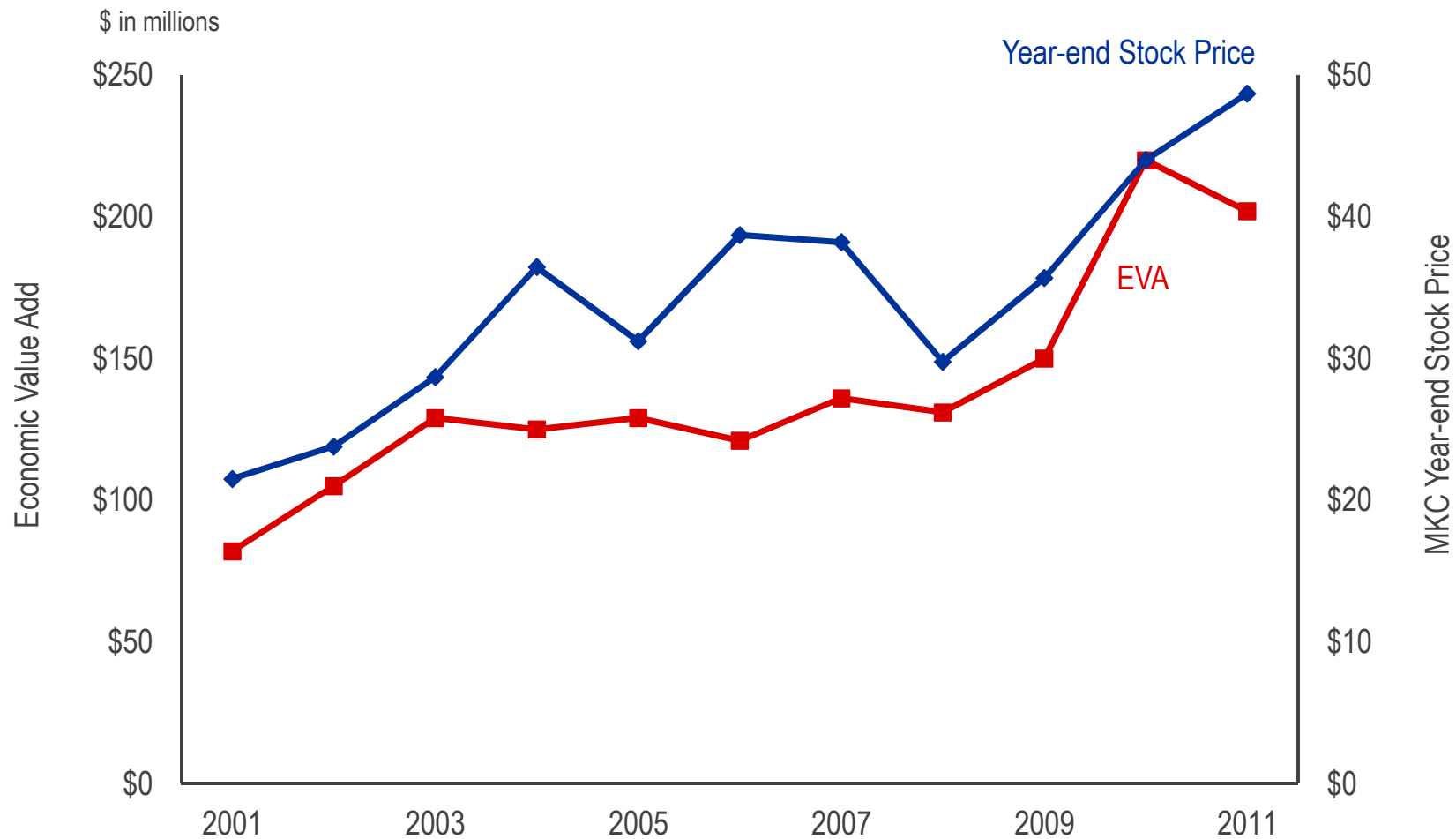
* Net of proceeds from stock option exercises



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Increasing EVA[®]* and Building Shareholder Value



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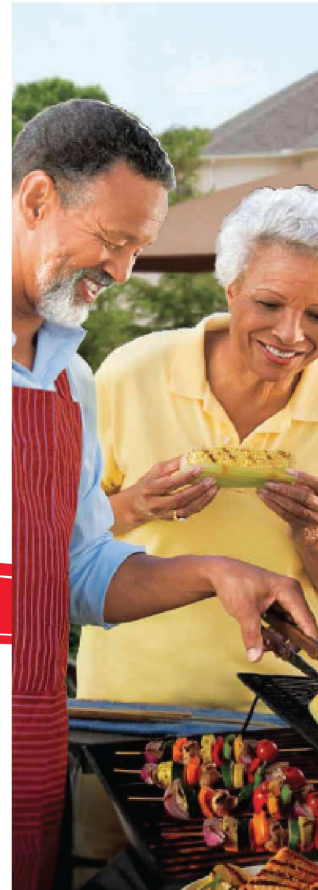
- ❖ Solid foundation and strong momentum
- ❖ Meeting increased demand for flavor with leading brands and global growth initiatives
- ❖ Delivering high performance with an effective strategy and engaged employees

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Historical Financial Summary

The financial information contained in this summary should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited financial statements contained in its annual reports.

<i>(millions except per share and ratio data)</i>	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
For the Year											
Net sales	\$3,697.6	\$3,336.8	\$3,192.1	\$3,176.6	\$2,916.2	\$2,716.4	\$2,592.0	\$2,526.2	\$2,269.6	\$2,044.9	\$1,939.1
Net sales prior to EITF 01-09	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,092.9
Percent increase	10.8%	4.5%	0.5%	8.9%	7.4%	4.8%	2.6%	11.3%	11.0%	5.5%	4.1%
Operating income	540.3	509.8	466.9	376.5	354.2	269.6	343.5	332.7	295.5	262.4	219.6
Income from unconsolidated operations	25.4	25.5	16.3	18.6	20.7	17.1	15.9	14.6	16.4	22.4	21.5
Net income from continuing operations	374.2	370.2	299.8	255.8	230.1	202.2	214.9	214.5	199.2	173.8	137.1
Net income	374.2	370.2	299.8	255.8	230.1	202.2	214.9	214.5	210.8	179.8	146.6
Per Common Share											
Earnings per share - diluted											
Continuing operations	\$ 2.79	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.27	\$ 1.94	\$ 1.73	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.56	\$ 1.52	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.98
Discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.09	0.04	0.07
Accounting change	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(0.01)	—	—
Net income	2.79	2.75	2.27	1.94	1.73	1.50	1.56	1.52	1.48	1.26	1.05
Earnings per share - basic	2.82	2.79	2.29	1.98	1.78	1.53	1.60	1.57	1.51	1.29	1.06
Common dividends declared	1.15	1.06	0.98	0.90	0.82	0.74	0.66	0.58	0.49	0.425	0.405
Market Non-Voting closing price - end of year	48.70	44.01	35.68	29.77	38.21	38.72	31.22	36.45	28.69	23.79	21.50
Book value per share	12.17	11.00	10.19	8.17	8.57	7.20	6.25	6.79	5.67	4.37	3.44
At Year-End											
Total assets	\$ 4,087.8	\$3,419.7	\$3,387.8	\$3,220.3	\$2,787.5	\$2,568.0	\$2,272.7	\$2,369.6	\$2,145.5	\$1,930.8	\$1,772.0
Current debt	222.4	100.4	116.1	354.0	149.6	81.4	106.1	173.2	171.0	137.3	210.8
Long-term debt	1,029.7	779.9	875.0	885.2	573.5	569.6	463.9	465.0	448.6	450.9	451.1
Shareholders' equity	1,618.5	1,462.7	1,343.5	1,062.8	1,095.0	936.9	829.1	920.7	777.4	610.9	476.1
Total capital	2,870.6	2,343.0	2,334.6	2,302.0	1,818.1	1,587.9	1,399.1	1,558.9	1,397.0	1,199.4	1,138.0
Other Financial Measures											
Percentage of net sales											
Gross profit	41.2%	42.5%	41.6%	40.6%	40.9%	41.0%	40.0%	39.9%	39.6%	39.1%	38.0%
Operating income	14.6%	15.3%	14.6%	11.9%	12.1%	9.9%	13.3%	13.2%	13.0%	12.8%	11.3%
Capital expenditures	\$ 96.7	\$ 89.0	\$ 82.4	\$ 85.8	\$ 78.5	\$ 84.8	\$ 66.8	\$ 62.7	\$ 83.0	\$ 92.4	\$ 96.8
Depreciation and amortization	98.3	95.1	94.3	85.6	82.6	84.3	74.6	72.0	65.3	53.4	60.7
Common share repurchases	89.3	82.5	—	11.0	157.0	155.9	185.6	173.8	120.6	6.8	11.9
Debt-to-total-capital	43.6%	37.6%	42.5%	53.8%	39.8%	41.0%	40.7%	40.9%	44.4%	49.0%	58.2%
Average shares outstanding											
Basic	132.7	132.9	130.8	129.0	129.3	131.8	134.5	137.0	139.2	139.5	137.8
Diluted	134.3	134.7	132.3	131.8	132.7	135.0	138.1	141.3	142.6	142.3	140.2

Notes to Historical Financial Summary

The historical financial summary includes the impact of certain items that affect the comparability of financial results year to year. In 2010, the Company had the benefit of the reversal of a significant tax accrual. From 2006 to 2009, restructuring charges were recorded and are included in the table below. Also, in 2008 an impairment charge of \$29.0 million was recorded to reduce the value of the Silvo brand. Related to the acquisition of Lawry's in 2008, the Company recorded a net gain of \$7.9 million. In 2004, the net gain from a special credit was recorded. The net impact of these items is reflected in the following table:

<i>(millions except per share data)</i>	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Operating income	—	—	\$ (16.2)	\$ (45.6)	\$ (34.0)	\$ (84.1)	\$ (11.2)	\$ 2.5	\$ (5.5)	\$ (7.5)	\$ (11.2)
Net income	—	\$ 13.9	(10.9)	(26.2)	(24.2)	(30.3)	(7.5)	1.2	(3.6)	(5.5)	(7.4)
Earnings per share - diluted	—	0.10	(0.08)	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.22)	(0.05)	0.01	(0.03)	(0.04)	(0.05)

The reconciliation below shows earnings per share excluding the items in the above table:

Non-GAAP reconciliation

(per share data)

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Earnings per share - diluted											
Continuing operations	\$ 2.79	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.27	\$ 1.94	\$ 1.73	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.56	\$ 1.52	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.98
Items affecting comparability	—	0.10	(0.08)	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.22)	(0.05)	0.01	(0.03)	(0.04)	(0.05)
Adjusted earnings per share from continuing operations - diluted	\$ 2.79	\$ 2.65	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.14	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.72	\$ 1.61	\$ 1.51	\$ 1.43	\$ 1.26	\$ 1.03

Other items that varied by year are noted below

In 2006, McCormick began to record stock-based compensation expense and prior years' results have not been adjusted. Stock-based compensation impacted operating income, net income and earnings per share as indicated in the table below:

<i>(millions except per share data)</i>	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Operating income	\$ (13.0)	\$ (11.9)	\$ (12.7)	\$ (17.9)	\$ (21.2)	\$ (22.0)
Net income	(9.2)	(8.9)	(8.7)	(12.4)	(14.7)	(15.1)
Earnings per share - diluted	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.10)	(0.11)	(0.11)

Also in 2006 McCormick reclassified the net book value of in-store displays from property, plant and equipment to other assets. Capital expenditures through 2002 have been adjusted to reflect this reclassification.

In 2003, McCormick sold its packaging segment and Jenks Sales Brokers in the U.K. and 2001 and 2002 were restated for these discontinued operations. Also in 2003, McCormick consolidated the lessor of a leased distribution center which was recorded as an accounting change.

In 2002, all share data was adjusted for a 2-for-1 stock split. In addition, McCormick adopted SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." Prior year results have not been adjusted. Also in 2002, McCormick implemented EITF 01-09. Results were reclassified for 2001.

Common dividends declared includes fourth quarter dividends which, in some years, were declared in December following the close of the fiscal year.

Total capital includes debt and shareholders' equity.

McCormick & Company, Inc.
Economic Value Added (EVA®) and Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)

We use EVA® as a comprehensive way to evaluate business decisions and as a tool to measure the Company's performance. EVA® was adopted in 1996 and since that time has had a strong correlation to the creation of long-term value for McCormick shareholders. As such, we use it to evaluate capital expenditures, acquisitions, divestitures and other key business decisions.

In addition, we believe that both EVA® and ROIC are performance measures that are used by industry analysts and investors to evaluate financial performance relative to peers and, therefore, when considered in conjunction with the financial statements, are informative. These measures are not defined by United States generally accepted accounting principles and may be calculated differently from similar measures used by other companies.

EVA Calculation

We define EVA® as net income from operations, excluding interest and amortization expense (NOPAT), in excess of a capital charge for average capital employed. EVA® is a registered trademark of Stern Stewart & Co.

The following table contains selected EVA® information for the fiscal years ended November 30.

(in millions)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Net operating profit after taxes (NOPAT)	\$410.5	\$406.9	\$335.8	\$295.6	\$272.2
Capital charge	<u>208.5</u>	<u>187.1</u>	<u>185.5</u>	<u>164.8</u>	<u>136.2</u>
EVA®	\$202.0	\$219.8	\$150.3	\$130.8	\$136.0

A reconciliation of GAAP net income to NOPAT and the calculation of the EVA® capital charge follow:

(in millions)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
GAAP net income	\$374.2	\$370.2	\$299.8	\$255.8	\$230.1
Interest expense, net of taxes	<u>36.3</u>	<u>36.7</u>	<u>36.0</u>	<u>39.8</u>	<u>42.1</u>
Net operating profit after taxes (NOPAT)	\$410.5	\$406.9	\$335.8	\$295.6	\$272.2

EVA® and ROIC Calculation - Continued

(in millions)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Current debt	\$ 222.4	\$ 100.4	\$ 116.1	\$ 354.0	\$ 149.6
Long-term debt	1,029.7	779.9	875.0	885.2	573.5
Shareholders' equity	1,618.5	1,462.7	1,343.5	1,062.8	1,095.0
Total capital	\$2,870.6	\$2,343.0	\$2,334.6	\$2,302.0	\$1,818.1
Average total capital	\$2,606.8	\$2,338.8	\$2,318.3	\$2,060.1	\$1,703.0
Weighted average cost of capital	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%
Capital charge	208.5	187.1	185.5	164.8	136.2

Average total capital is the average of the current and prior year total capital.

ROIC Calculation

We define ROIC as net income from operations, excluding interest expense (NOPAT), divided by the sum of debt and equity (average total capital).

The following table contains selected ROIC information for the fiscal years ended November 30.

(in millions)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Net operating profit after taxes (NOPAT)	\$ 410.5	\$ 406.9	\$ 335.8	\$ 295.6	\$ 272.2
Average total capital	2,606.8	2,338.8	2,318.3	2,060.1	1,703.0
ROIC	15.7%	17.4%	14.5%	14.3%	16.0%

As noted in our 2011 annual report, financial results for 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 include the impact of certain items that affect the comparability of financial results year to year. In 2010, the Company had the benefit of a reversal of a significant tax accrual. From 2006 to 2009 restructuring charges were recorded. In 2008 an impairment charge was recorded to reduce the value of the Silvo® brand. Related to the acquisition of Lawry's® in 2008, we recorded a net gain due primarily to the sale of Season-All. The net impact of these items on NOPAT is reflected in the following table:

2010	2009	2008	2007
\$13.9	\$(10.9)	\$(26.2)	\$(24.2)

Economic Value Added (EVA®) and Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)

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In addition, we believe that both EVA® and ROIC are performance measures that are used by industry analysts and investors to evaluate financial performance relative to peers and, therefore, when considered in conjunction with the financial statements, are informative. These measures are not defined by United States generally accepted accounting principles and may be calculated differently from similar measures used by other companies.

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The following table contains selected EVA® information for the fiscal years ended November 30.

(in millions)	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Net operating profit after tax (NOPAT)	\$240.3	\$247.3	\$243.1	\$239.3	\$209.9	\$181.9
Capital charge	119.5	118.3	118.2	110.3	105.2	99.8
EVA®	\$120.8	\$129.0	\$124.8	\$128.9	\$104.7	\$ 82.1

NOPAT includes the following impact of restructuring charges, and in 2004 the net gain from a special credit (in millions):

2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
\$(30.3)	\$(7.5)	\$1.2	\$(3.6)	\$(5.5)

In 2003 the Company sold its packaging segment and Jenks Sales Brokerage in the U.K. NOPAT in 2003 included a \$8.0 million gain related to this sale.

A reconciliation of GAAP net income to NOPAT and the calculation of the EVA® capital charge follow:

(in millions)	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
GAAP net income	\$202.2	\$214.9	\$214.5	\$210.8	\$179.8	\$146.6
Interest expense, net of tax	38.1	32.4	28.6	28.5	30.1	35.3
Net operating profit after taxes (NOPAT)	\$240.3	\$247.3	\$243.1	\$239.3	\$209.9	\$181.9

EVA® Calculation - Continued

(in millions)	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Current debt	\$ 81.4	\$ 106.1	\$ 173.2	\$ 171.0	\$ 137.3	\$209.8
Long-term debt	569.6	463.9	465.0	448.6	450.9	454.1
Minority interest	3.6	29.2	31.0	22.2	18.9	11.0
Shareholder equity	933.3	799.9	889.7	755.2	592.3	463.1
Total capital	\$1,587.9	\$1,399.1	\$1,558.9	\$1,397.0	\$1,199.4	\$1,138.0
Average total capital*	\$1,493.5	\$1,479.0	\$1,478.0	\$1,298.2	\$1,168.7	\$1,108.9
Weighted average cost of capital	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.5%	9.0%	9.0%
Capital charge	119.5	118.3	118.2	110.3	105.2	99.8

* Average total capital is the average of the current and prior year total capital.

ROIC Calculation

We define ROIC as net income from operations, excluding interest and amortization expense (NOPAT), divided by the sum of debt and equity, including minority interest (average total capital).

The following table contains selected ROIC information for the fiscal years ended November 30.

(in millions)	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Net operating profit after tax (NOPAT)	\$ 240.3	\$ 247.3	\$ 243.1	\$ 239.3	\$ 209.9
Average total capital	1,493.5	1,479.0	1,478.0	1,298.2	1,168.7
ROIC	16.1%	16.7%	16.4%	18.4%	18.0%

NOPAT includes the following impact of restructuring charges, and in 2004 the net gain from a special credit (in millions):

2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
\$(30.3)	\$(7.5)	\$1.2	\$(3.6)	\$(5.5)

In 2003 the Company sold its packaging segment and Jenks Sales Brokerage in the U.K. NOPAT in 2003 included a \$9.0 million gain related to this sale.