Topps Tiles

Final Results 2015



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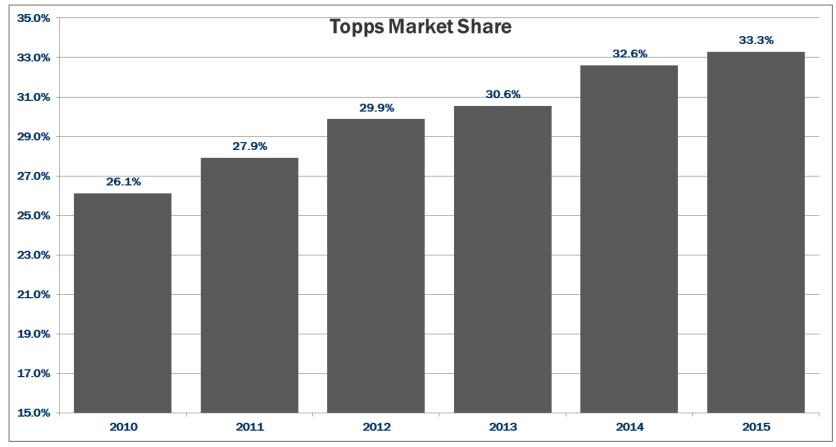
Introduction

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Financial performance	 Record sales of £212m, +5.4% LFL Profit before tax £20.4m, +19.3% Dividend, +33%
Convenience	 Trade mix growth Portfolio management
Inspiration	 World class customer service All store improvements inspired by Boutique
Range	 New product development & innovation Exclusive hero ranges

Goal of taking £1 in every £3 of domestic tile spend achieved one year early



Assumptions:

- MBD forecast volume growth for 2015 = 2.6%, assumed value growth of 3.6%, and Topps tile sales growth of 5.8%
- Prior year market share has been restated based on 2015 MBD report



Financial Performance

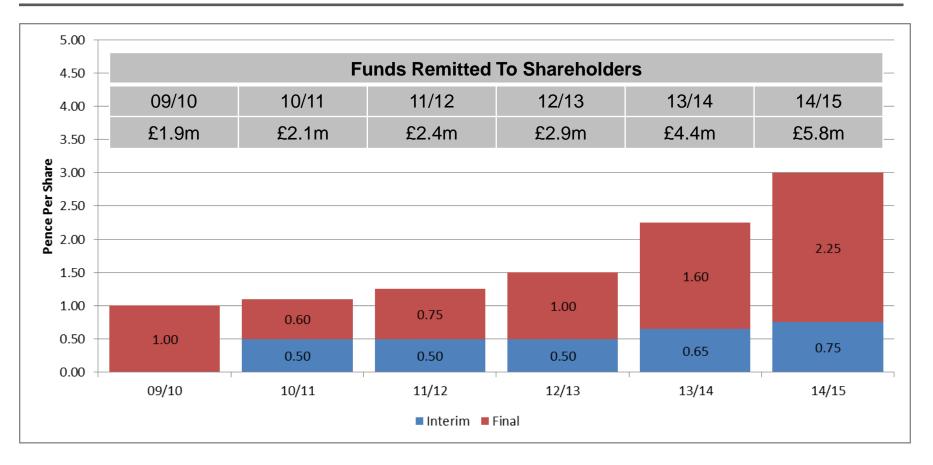
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Income Statement Highlights - Adjusted

53 weeks ended 3 October 2015

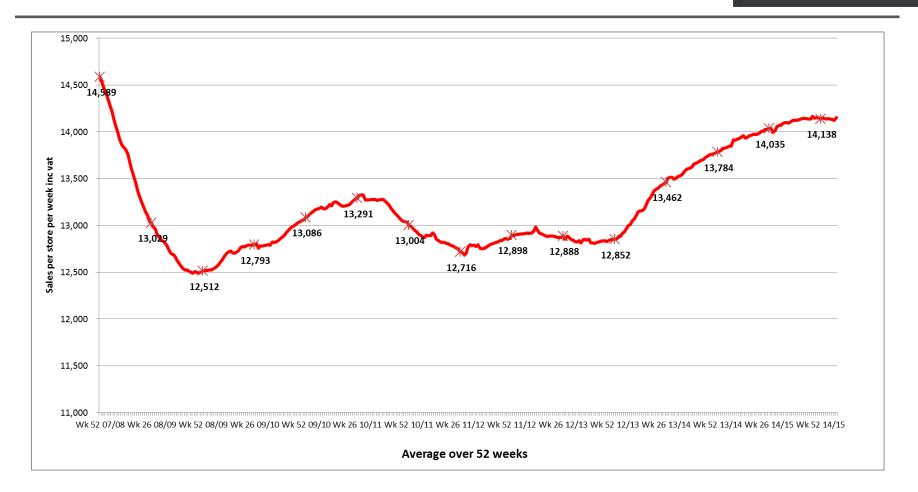
	FY 15	FY 14	YoY
Sales - £m	212.2	195.2	+8.7%
Gross Profit - £m	129.9	118.9	+9.3%
Gross Margin %	61.2%	60.9%	+0.3%
Adjusted Opex - £m	(108.4)	(100.2)	+8.2%
Adjusted Operating Profit - £m	21.5	18.7	+15.0%
Adjusted Interest - £m	(1.1)	(1.6)	(31.3)%
Adjusted PBT - £m	20.4	17.1	+19.3%
Adjusted Net Margin %	9.6%	8.8%	+0.8%
Adjusted EPS - pence	8.17	6.63	+23.2%

- Strong sales growth of +5.4% on a LFL basis
- Gross margin grown by 30bps, including strong trade performance
- Adjusted PBT of £20.4m, +19.3%
- Final dividend of 2.25 pence per share, full year dividend 3.00 pence per share, +33%



- Increased dividend driven by improved EPS and payout ratio
- DPS increased by 50% in FY14 and 33% in FY15
- FY15 cover of 2.72x on an adjusted basis target of 2x over medium term

52 Week Rolling Average Sales

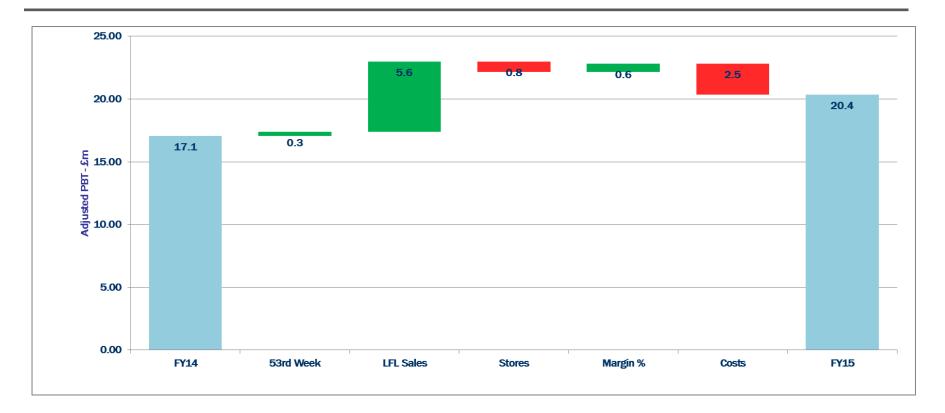


- Sensitivity +1% LFL = c.£2m sales p.a. / £500 per store per week = c.£7.5m sales p.a.
- Target = 25% incremental operating margin for long term sustained increases in sales (net of investments into labour, marketing and other key activities)

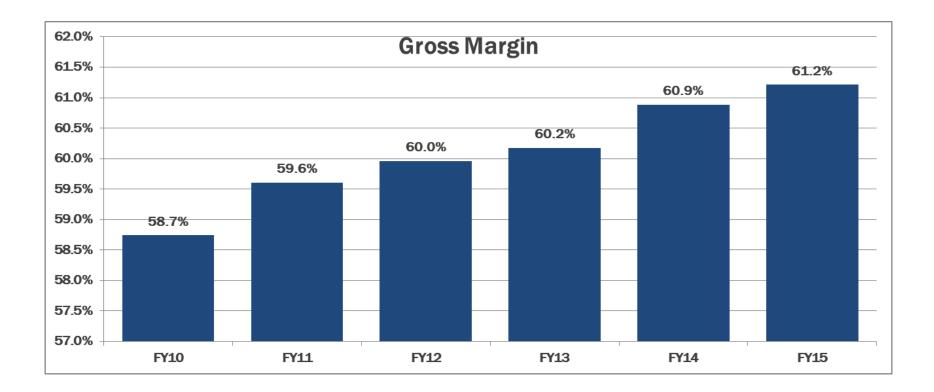
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Adjusted Pre Tax Profit bridge 53 weeks ended 3 October 2015





- LFL is the key driver, £10.5m of additional sales and £5.6m of PBT
- Stores includes new stores, relocations and refits
- Gross margin +30bps vs FY14
- Costs includes inflation, interest, profit share and discretionary



- Full year gross margin of 61.2%, +30bps vs prior year
- Underlying gains driven from supply chain, new product development and own brand/exclusivity
- Includes dilution from strong growth of lower margin trade business now c.50% of mix
- Outlook confident and further modest gains expected

	FY 2015	FY 2014	YoY
Inventory	27.4	27.8	-1.4%
Stock Days	124	133	-6.8%
Net Assets	10.8	0.8	+1250%
Cash	16.6	19.5	-14.9%
Borrowings	45.0	50.0	-10.0%
Net Debt	28.4	30.5	-6.9%

- Inventory stable vs prior year, days cover reducing as sales grow
- Net assets position continues to strengthen
- Net debt improved vs interim expectation due to delay of HMRC historic payments (c.£4m) and improved working capital vs interim position

Summary Cashflow	FY	FY 15		FY 14		YoY	
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	
Cashflows from operating activities (EBITDA)	26.0		24.4		1.6		
Change in working capital	(4.3)		0.5		(4.8)		
Interest	(1.9)		(1.7)		(0.2)		
Тах	(3.9)		(2.6)		(1.3)		
Exceptional items	2.6		0.0		2.6		
Operations		18.5		20.6		(2.1)	
Capital Expenditure	(12.0)		(11.4)		(0.6)		
Proceeds from disposals	0.5		0.7		(0.2)		
Purchase of own shares and interest received	(0.4)		(0.5)		0.1		
Investments		(11.9)		(11.2)		(0.7)	
Dividends	(4.5)		(3.2)		(1.3)		
Movement in loans	(5.0)		(5.0)		0.0		
Other	0.0		(0.1)		0.8		
Financing		(9.5)		(8.3)		(1.2)	
Net movement in cash		(3.0)		1.1		(4.1)	

Outlook

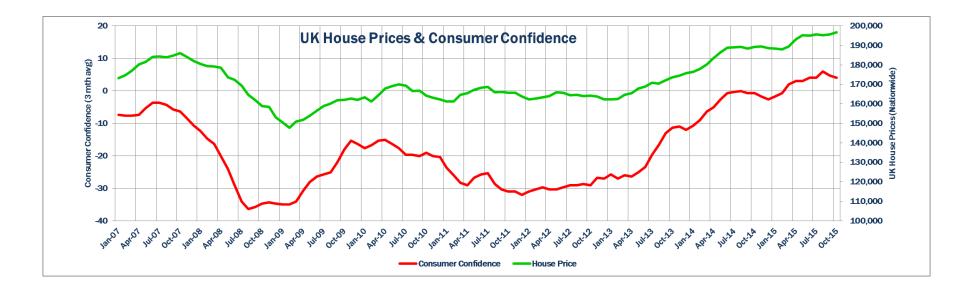
- Closure of legacy tax enquiries c.£4m outflow expected in H1
- Capex will be broadly flat yoy at c.£12m

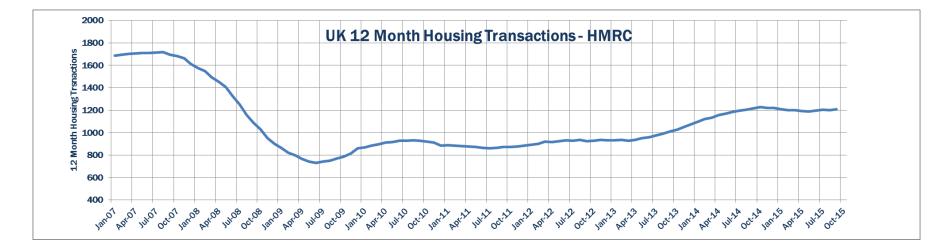


Strategy & Operations

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Market Backdrop





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Strategy "Out Specialising the Specialists"



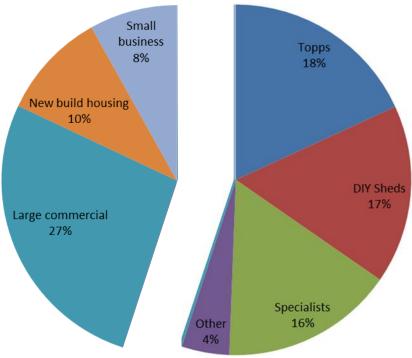
- Focus on further profitable sales growth in the core estate
- 'Out Specialising the Specialists' continues to have significant potential
- Opportunities to access elements of the commercial market through existing channels

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The broader UK tile market is split into two end use segments:

- Domestic principally refurbishment of residential properties (c.55%)
- Commercial infrastructure projects, small business and new build domestic properties (c.45%)

The UK Tile Market is valued at RSP c.£640m



Source: AMA & MBD, Topps estimates

- Active management of core store portfolio in FY15
 - 10 new openings, 1 relocation, 6 closures 323 stores trading (2014: 318)
 - **13** full refits, minor works to 7 stores
 - Decision to exit clearance format 4 stores to be converted to core format, remaining 7 to close
- Encouraging overall progress made with Boutique format
 - 13 stores now trading (2014: 5)
 - Key role in driving brand re-appraisal and in evolving core estate
 - Further work planned in FY16 to optimise performance
 - Roll-out potential remains significant









Opportunity for up to 450 UK stores across all formats

- Increased focus on trade channel to ensure we are well placed to exploit 'do it for me' trend and optimise availability
- Trade sales now 50% of mix, with further growth expected (2014: 46%)
- Building trader participation in the trade rewards programme
 - Over 12,000 traders participating
 - Over 60% of trade channel sales linked to participating traders



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 New Microsoft Dynamics CRM system helping target trade communications





- **Topps Tiles**
- Our world-class customer service continues to be at the heart of an inspirational customer experience
- High customer service requirement
- NPS score of 73% world class
- Colleague training key area of focus high service requires high skill and knowledge levels
- Online is a key aspect of inspiration research & industry leading visualiser



- Lab stores opened in Worcester and Shoreditch
 - New store treatments partially inspired by Boutique
 - Early rollout to all stores of new merchandising
 - Further merchandising trials planned
 - New stores to adopt majority of lab store merchandising
- All stores rebranded during the year









Range

- Unrivalled authority in product range across tiles and associated products
- New Product Development a key sales and margin driver, including:
 - Closer collaboration / enhanced relationships with key suppliers
 - Continued innovation and pace of new product launch more than one new range launched a week
- Extended and re-launched UTV range





Range – Regional Reflections

- Unique collaborative design builds on digital print technology advances
- Six British stone quarries are the sources of inspiration with tiles using the names of nearby villages
- A hard wearing ceramic floor and wall tile that captures the looks of regional stone
- Concept initiated by Topps and sourced under exclusive agreement with a UK manufacturer







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- Goal of £1 in every £3 in the UK domestic tile market achieved a year early
- Strong financial performance
- Updated dividend policy targeting 2x cover
- Current trading positive at +3.3% LFL in first eight weeks of FY16
- Organisation focussed on delivering further profitable sales growth from strategy of "Out Specialising the Specialists"



Appendix

	FY 15	FY 14	YoY
Adjusted PBT - £m	20.4	17.1	+19.4%
Adjustments - £m	(3.5)	(0.5)	+600%
MTM (FX) - £m	0.1	0.1	0%
PBT - £m	17.0	16.7	+1.8%
Net Margin %	8.0%	8.6%	(60)bps
Tax %	23.2%	25.0%	(1.8)%
PAT - £m	13.1	12.5	+4.8%
EPS – pence	6.75	6.49	+4.0%
Final dividend - pence	2.25	1.60	+40.6%
Full Year dividend - pence	3.00	2.25	+33.3%

- Adjusting items includes provision for closure of seven Topps Clearance stores and centralisation of support functions onto one site in Leicester
- Statutory PBT of £17.0m, 1.8% increase