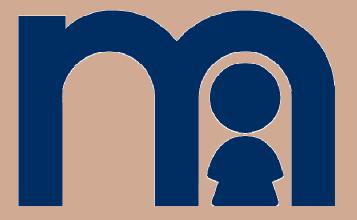


# mothercare

NEW DELHI
9 December 2010



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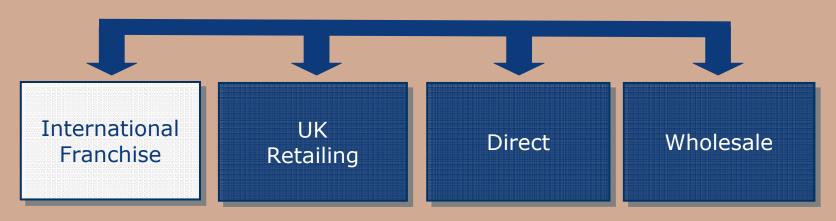
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#### Our strategy

Two global brands



Four growth channels

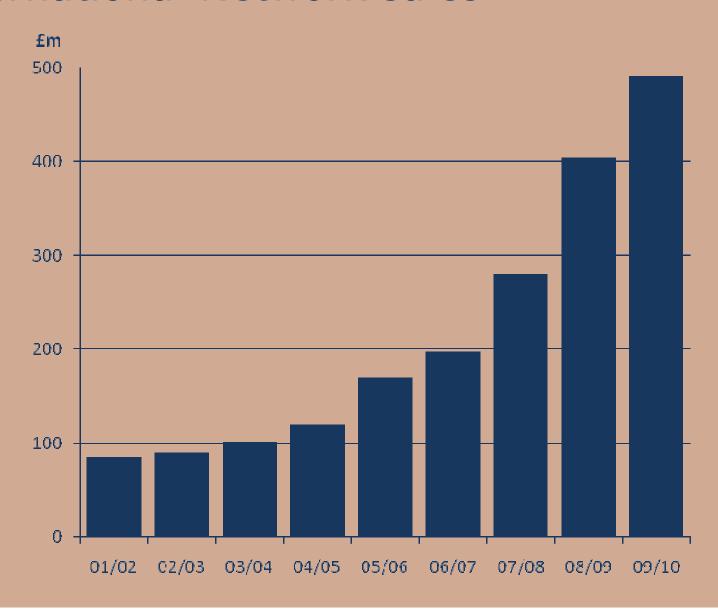


"To meet the needs and aspirations of parents and children worldwide."

### Key milestones

2010	Australia JV with Headline Group – Opened Chadstone in March 2010
2009	500 <sup>th</sup> Mothercare store
2009	India JV with Delhi Land & Finance (DLF)
2009	1 million sq. ft. of Mothercare. 156,000 to 210,000 sq. ft. of ELC
2007	China JV with Goodbaby
2007	Mothercare acquired Early Learning Centre
2006	Opened first Mothercare store in India with Shopper's Stop
1983	First international Mothercare store – Kuwait, opened with Alshaya
1972	Mothercare listed as a public company (Storehouse)
1968	First Mothercare store opened internationally in Denmark (wholly owned)
1961	Mothercare launched - first store opened in Kingston

#### **International Network sales**



#### Since 2001/2002...

- 169 to 860 stores
- 36 to 53 countries
- More stores internationally than in the UK
- 60% clothing sold internationally
- Growth accelerated in last 4 years



#### International growth

- 1. Brands travel well
- 2. Retail globalisation
- 3. Unique franchise network
- 4. World class supply capabilities



#### 1. Our brands travel well



- Universal concept
- Mothers and babies have the same needs and demands
- Concept is welcomed and recognised immediately

### 2. Retail has gone global



- Growing appetite for European and US brands
- Retail property market mobilised
- Right time for international expansion

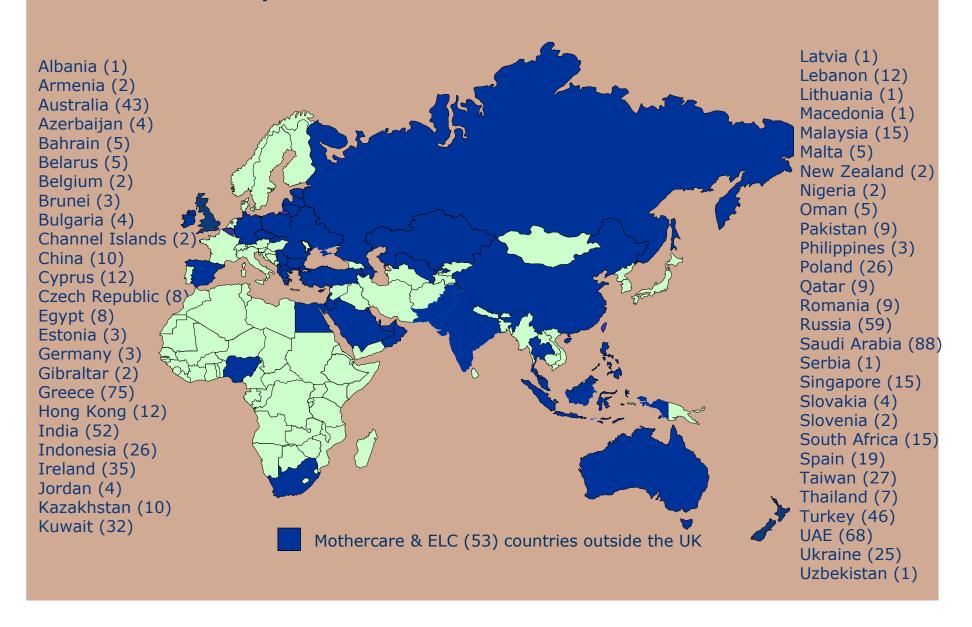
#### 3. Unique franchise network

- Proven success in franchising with 27 years experience
- Global footprint with 39 franchise partners in 53 countries outside the UK
- Network of highly experienced and reliable partners
- Franchise model evolved into JVs in India, China and Australia





#### Global footprint - 2010



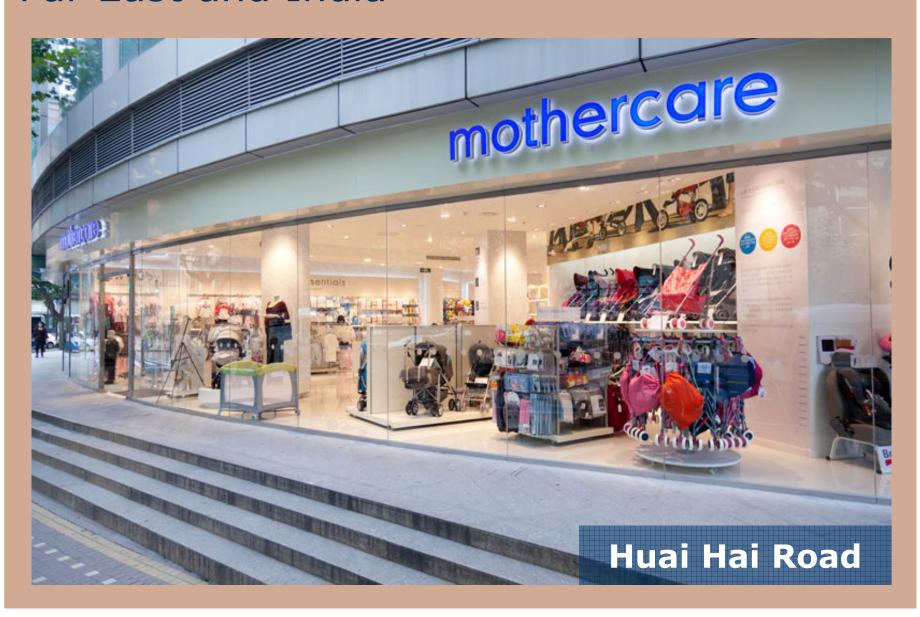
### Europe



#### Middle East and Africa



#### Far East and India



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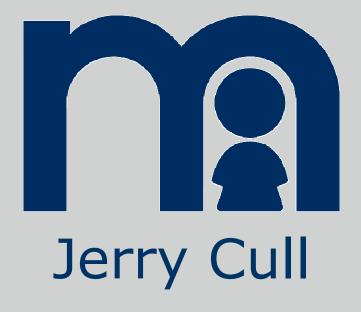


#### Significant growth opportunity



- New stores
- New countries
- Store size
- Multi-channel





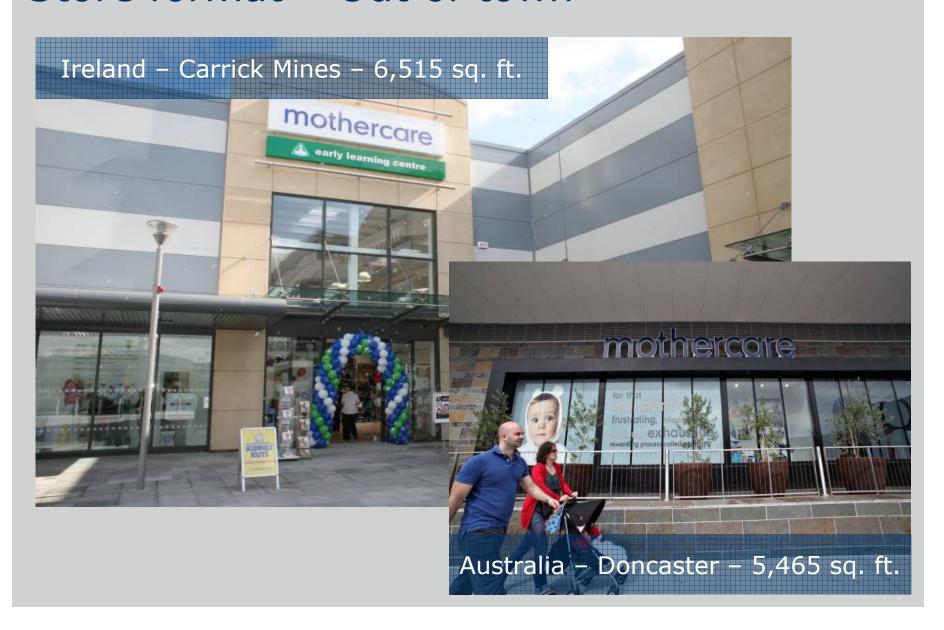
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#### Store format - Malls



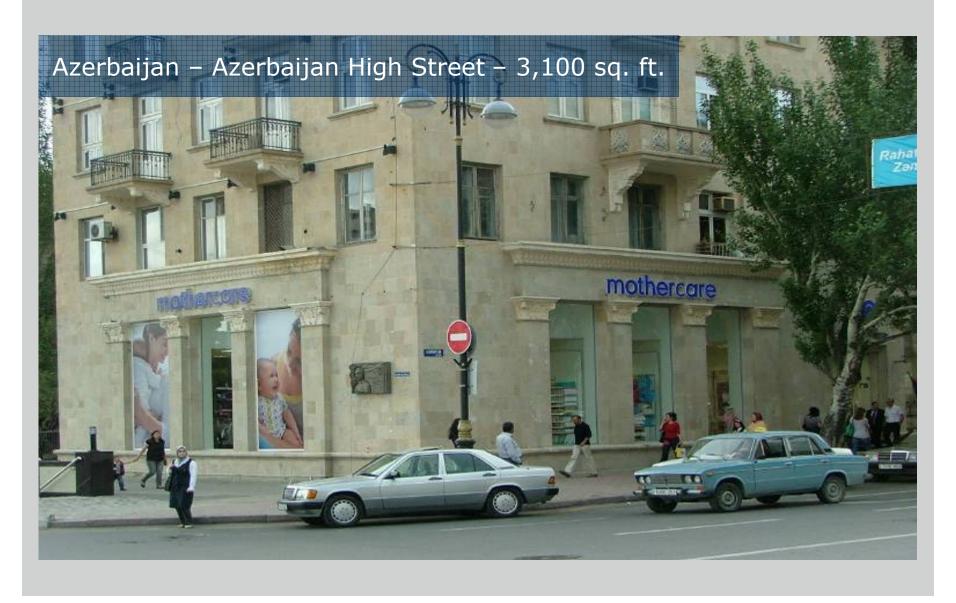
#### Store format - Out of town



### Store format – Shop in shop



#### Store format - Street location



#### Store format - Malls



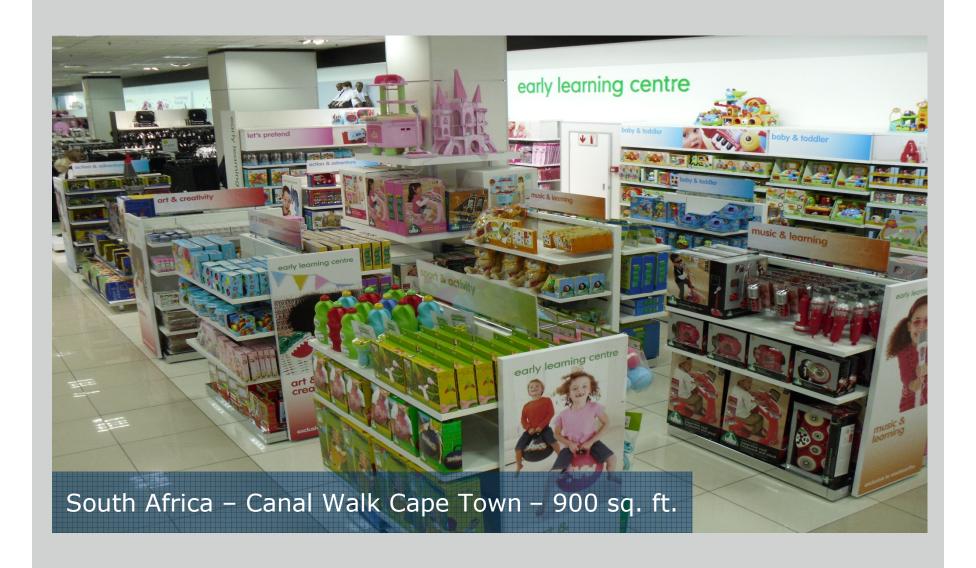
#### Store format - Standalone



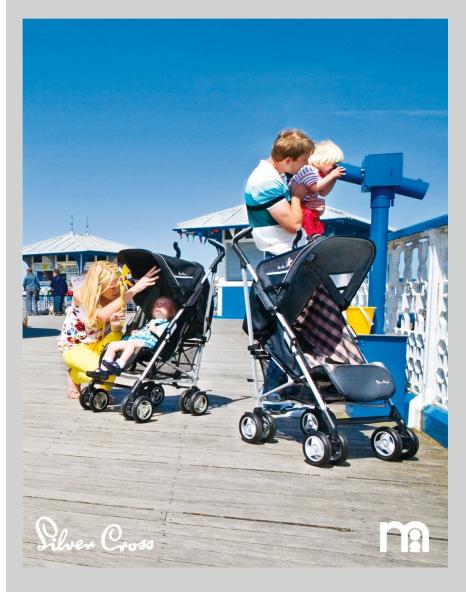
#### Store format – Shop in shop



### Store format - Shop in shop



## Buying - Benefits





### Group sourcing





#### Delivery

- New franchisee/JV supply operation in Shenzhen, South China
- Fully operational for Mothercare and ELC brands from September 2010
- Scaleable to support franchisee/JV growth
- Capacity to absorb all Asia source volumes
- Capable of supporting common stock and value added processes

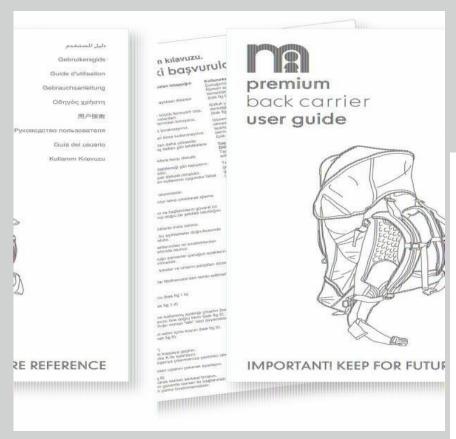


### Brand Management – Local marketing





### Brand Management - Multi-language





#### Franchise support structure







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#### "Franchise" model

- Franchisee sales to customer = Network sales
- Network sales x royalty % = Royalty fee
- Royalty fee central costs = Mothercare operating profit
- Sales of stock to franchisees + royalty fee = "Reported" sales
- Operating cash flows = operating profit
- Low risk @ 5% return on Network sales

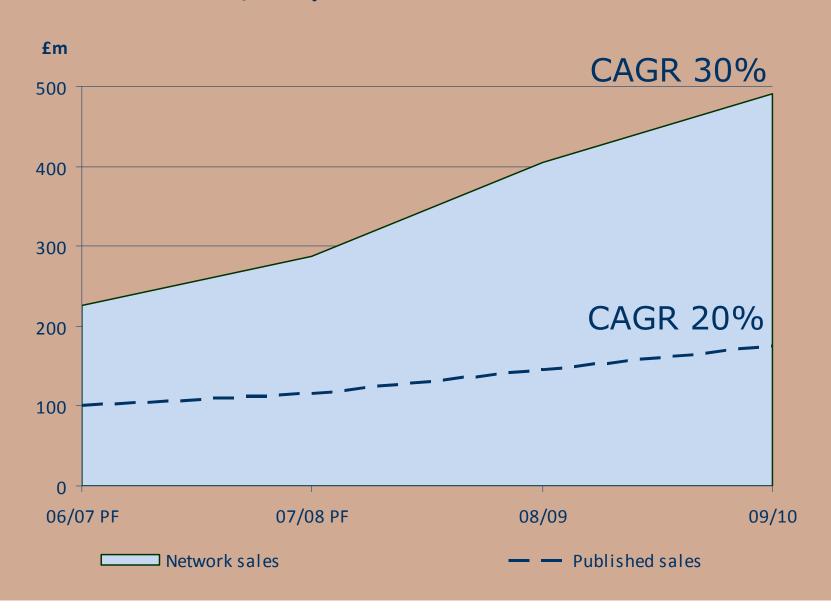
#### "Joint Venture" model

- Same as franchise model; royalty % on Network sales
- Mothercare own share of franchisee equity
- Shareholder agreement; franchise agreement; Board nominee(s)
- Contribute share of capital
- Earn share of post tax profits
- Increased risk, higher potential return on Network sales
- Operating cash flows as franchise + share of dividends share of investment
- Adopted in key growth markets
  - Currently China 30%, India 30%, Australia 25%

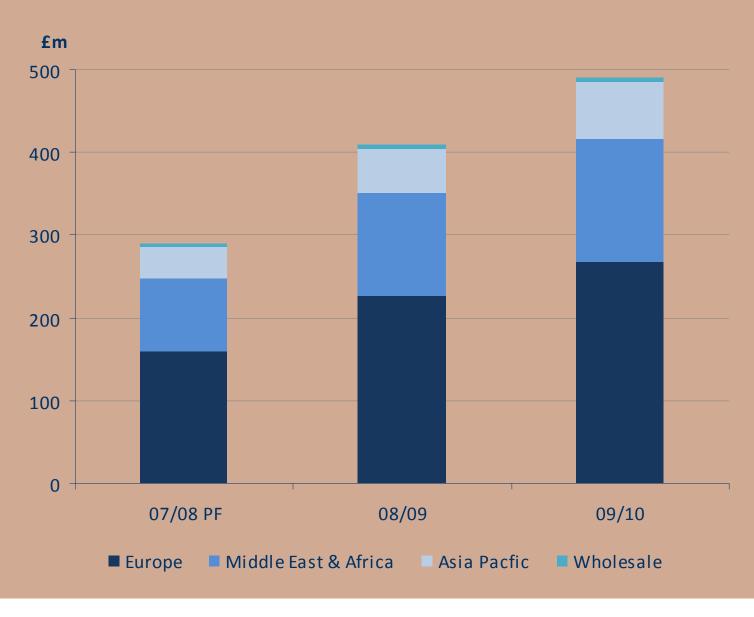
# 2 year growth trends

	H1 08/09 Base Year	H1 09/10	H1 10/11	2 Year Growth
Store numbers	572	671	840	21% CAGR
Retail selling space ('000 sq. ft.)	1,207	1,420	1,729	20% CAGR
Total international network sales	£195.0m	£252.8m	£297.3m	23% CAGR
Underlying profit from operations	£7.7m	£11.8m	£15.8m	43% CAGR
Underlying profit margin	3.9%	4.7%	5.3%	140 bps

### Network sales, reported sales

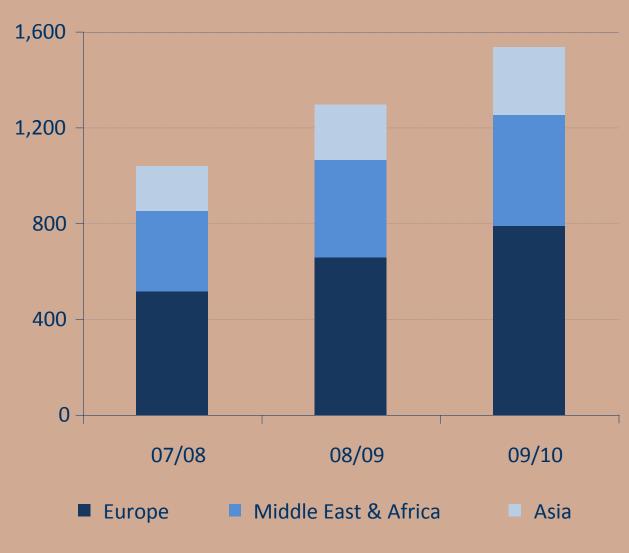


## Network sales growth by region

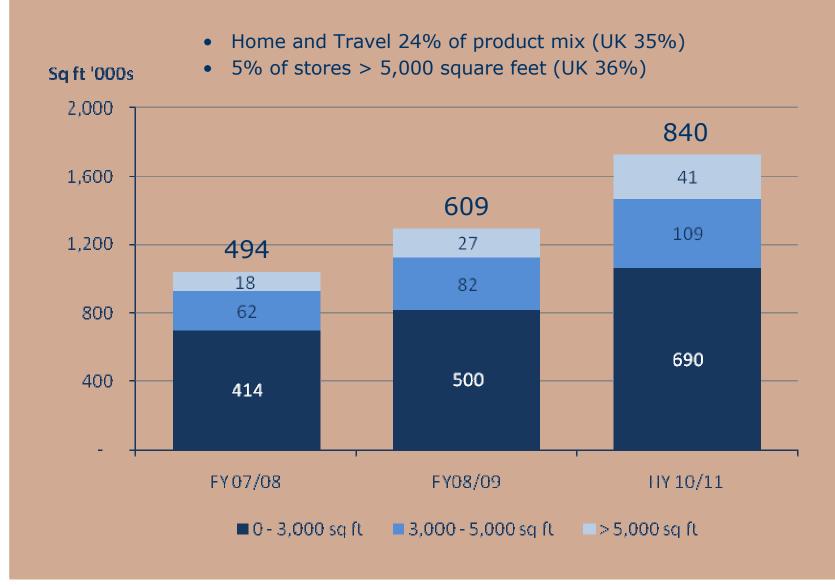


# Space growth by region



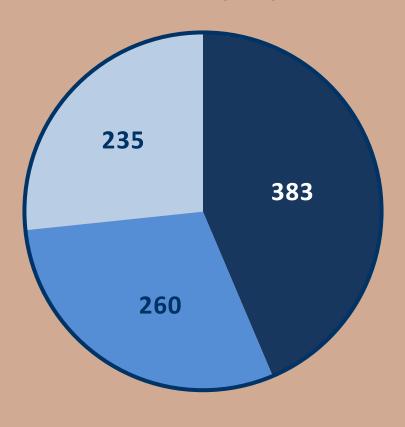


# Store space and numbers



#### 878 International stores today; 150 opened YTD

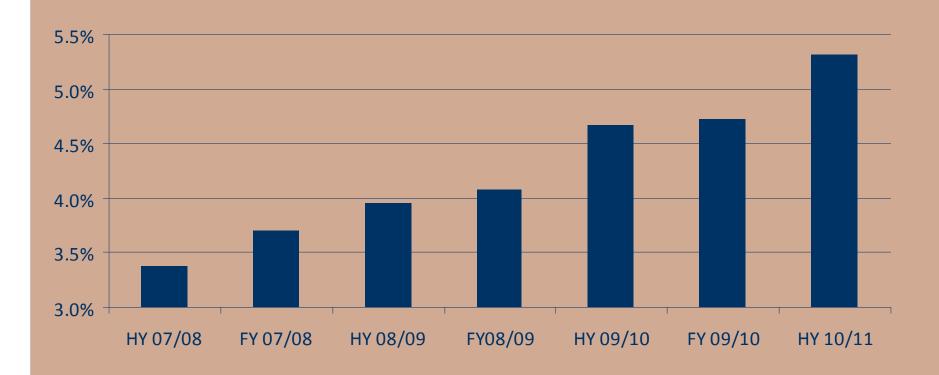




■ Europe ■ Middle East & Africa ■ Asia

# Margin growth

#### Profit as a % network sales



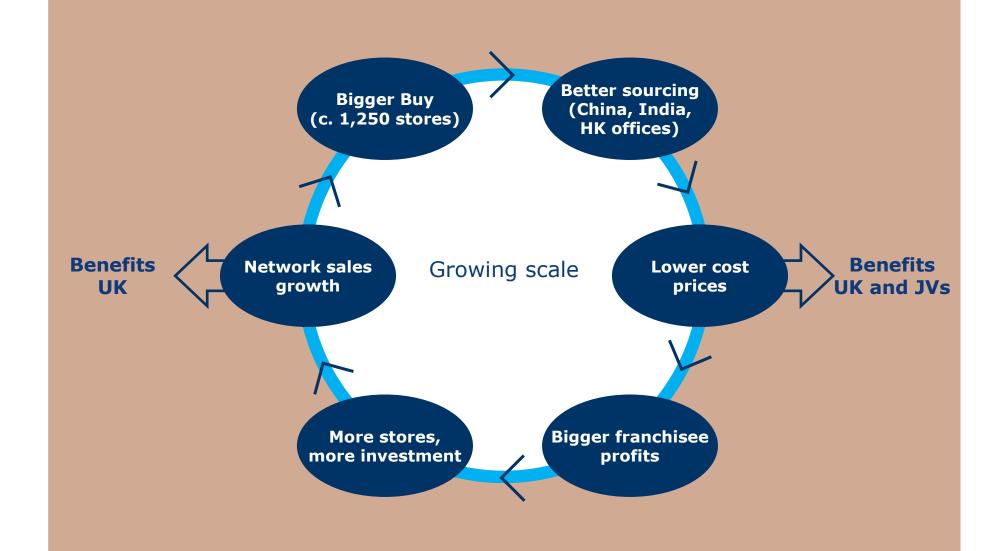
### Drivers of Mothercare margin growth

- Gearing rapid sales growth, small fixed cost based c. 10-20 bps p.a.
- Mix royalty rates vary by country/economy
- FX multi-currency revenue stream, overall royalties benefit from weaker Sterling

#### International in context of Mothercare group

- Structural FX hedge (pay suppliers in currency)
- Strongly positive and growing cash flow underpins investment in International and dividend growth
- Helps reduce group operational gearing (fixed charge cover 07/08, 1.8x; 09/10 2.0x)
- Scale benefits (cost prices, fixture prices, product improvements, learnings)

#### Benefits of scale



#### Working capital investment: receivables



#### Free cash flow

	FY 07/08	F۱	7 08/09	FY 09/10
Operating profit	£10.6m	2	£16.5m	£23.2m
Tax rate	28%		28%	28%
Profit after tax	£7.6m	1	£11.9m	£16.7m
JV capex (share)	(£1.0m)	(	£0.3m)	(£1.6m)
Change in W/C	(£2.3m)	(	£4.0m)	(£4.2m)
Free cash flow	£4.3m		£7.6m	£10.9m

ROI (07/08 to 09/10) - **77%** 

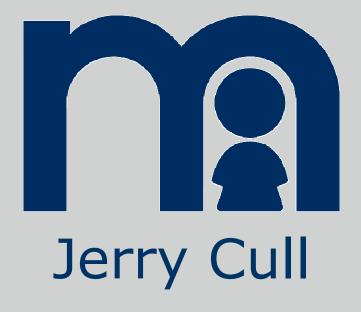
#### International KPIs

- 1. Birth rate
- 2. GDP growth
- 3. Competition

# Top ten growth countries - KPIs

Top 10 countries	B/R (per 1000 population)	GDP growth (%)
India	21.0	8.4
China	13.7	9.4
Russia	11.3	3.3
Turkey	17.1	3.4
Ukraine	10.8	4.1
Australasia	13.0	4.0
South Africa	20.9	3.6
Poland	9.8	2.7
Indonesia	16.8	6.0
Egypt	23.2	5.0
UK for comparison	12.3	1.8

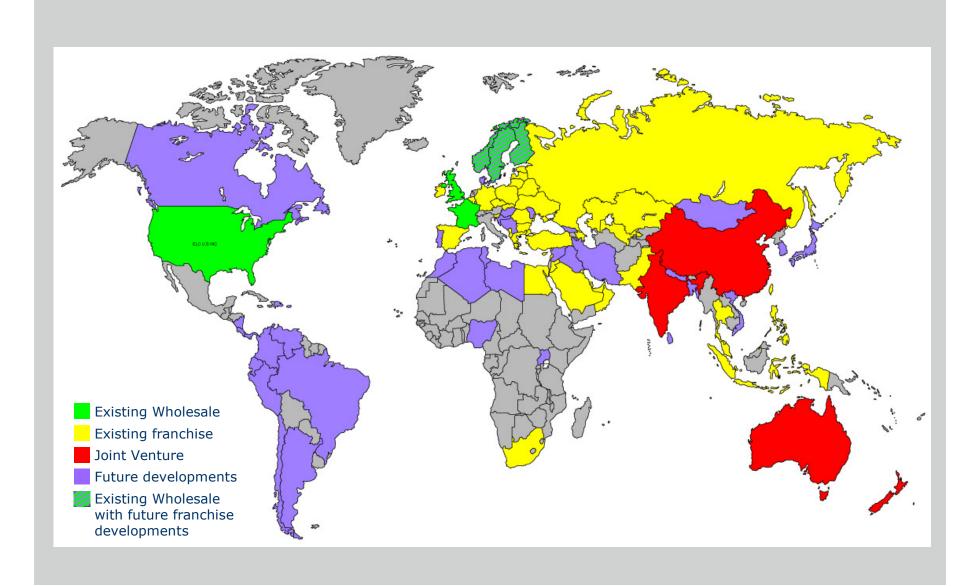




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# **Existing markets**



### Existing markets - China

Population (m)

1,321.3

Number of births (m) **16.1** 

GDP growth rate (%)
9.9

Annual expenditure per capita (US\$)

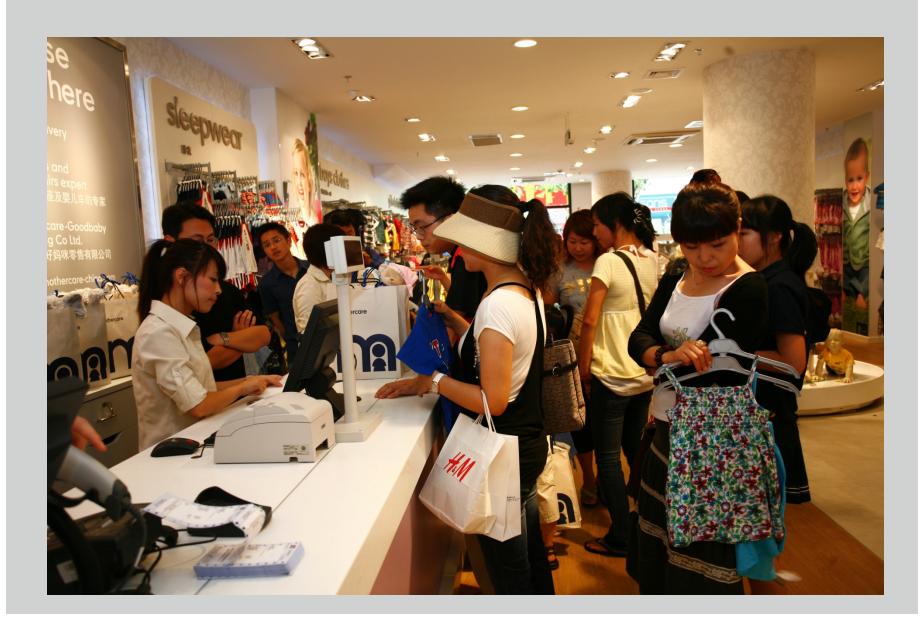
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# China



# China



### Existing markets - Russia

Population (m)

142.4

Number of Births (m)

1.7

GDP growth rate (%)

3.3

Annual expenditure per capita (US\$)

3,379



#### Russia



### Russia



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### Existing markets – Turkey

Population (m) 74.3

Number of Births (m)

1.4

GDP growth rate (%)
3.4

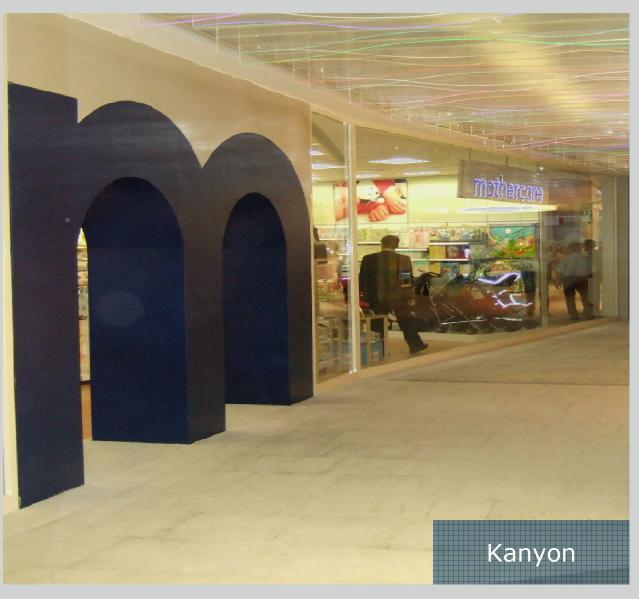
Annual expenditure per capita (US\$)
5,438



# Turkey



# Turkey



## Turkey



### Channel opportunity – e-commerce









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- Presentation from Shopper's Stop
  - BS Nagesh
- Presentation from DLF
  - Dipak Agarwal
- Presentation from Alshaya
  - Thomas Haig and Stuart Dickerson







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#### Latin America

- South America has been identified as a high priority development opportunity for our two brands
- Market feasibility studies and partner selection progress commenced earlier this year
- Market complexities exist in some countries including reverse seasonality, high import duties
- Lack of credible National competitors across Latin America provides us with a huge opportunity to roll out our highly efficient Franchise model
- Dedicated team to provide support and develop a launch strategy for each market



#### Scandinavia

- Have identified potential partners for Scandinavia with a view to launching stores in the region in 2012
- Great success of our existing business in Russia, the Baltic States and Poland provides us with strong knowledge of trading in a similar climate
- Location strategy likely to be out of town with large space stores that provide a superior store environment and significantly better customer service than exists in the market today



#### Asia

- 60% of world population in Asia
- 3 areas of focus:
  - Japan
  - South Korea
  - Vietnam



#### North Africa

- First store opening in Morocco A/W 2011
- Libya and Algeria planned with Alshaya 2013/2014





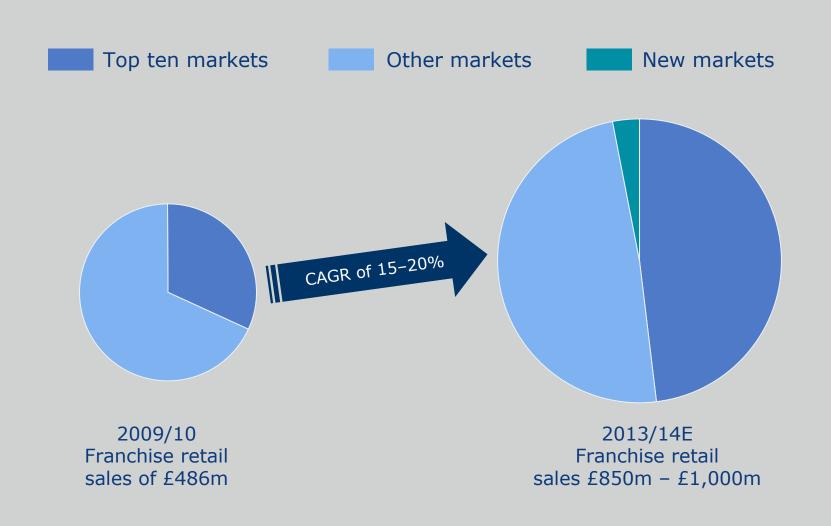


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## Potential future retail sales growth



#### Estimates - 1

- Network sales double by March 2014
- 175 new stores 2010/11, increasing space by 20-25%
- 150 new stores per annum thereafter
- 15-20% increase in sales/space per annum
- India 200 stores by March 2015 (current average store size c. 2,000 sq. ft.)
- China 50 stores by March 2015 (current average store size c. 3,500 sq. ft.)

#### Estimates - 2

- Margin expansion to continue
- Total 20-30 bps per annum to 2014
- JVs move to profit India 11/12; China 12/13
- £5m capital investment in JVs over 3 years
- £5-£10m working capital increase per annum (inc. JVs)





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