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January 2011



# Income Statement

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£m	2011	2010	
Revenue	<u>3,454</u>	<u>3,406</u>	+ 1.4%
Operating profit	575	530	+ 8.5%
Interest	<u>(24)</u>	<u>(25)</u>	
Profit before tax	551	505	+ 9%
Taxation	<u>(150)</u>	<u>(141)</u>	
Profit after tax	<u>401</u>	<u>364</u>	
EPS	221.9p	188.5p	+ 18%
Dividend per share	78p	66p	+ 18%

# Balance Sheet

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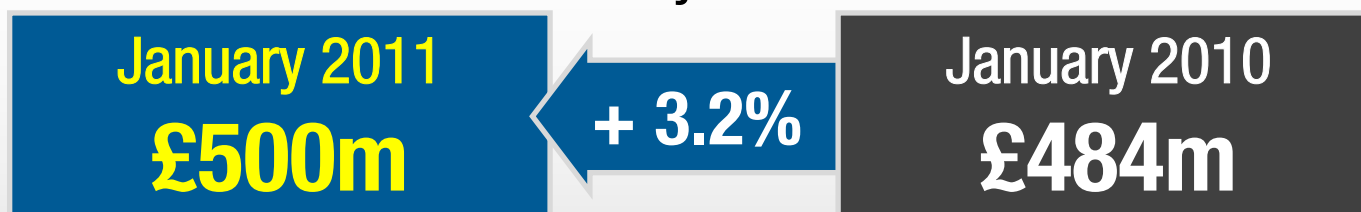
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Fixed assets	599	582	
Goodwill	47	47	
Stocks	368	309	+ 19%
Debtors	645	617	
Creditors	(904)	(863)	
Pension surplus / (deficit)	56	(50)	
Buyback commitments	(49)	(109)	
Net debt	(530)	(400)	
Net assets	<u>232</u>	<u>133</u>	

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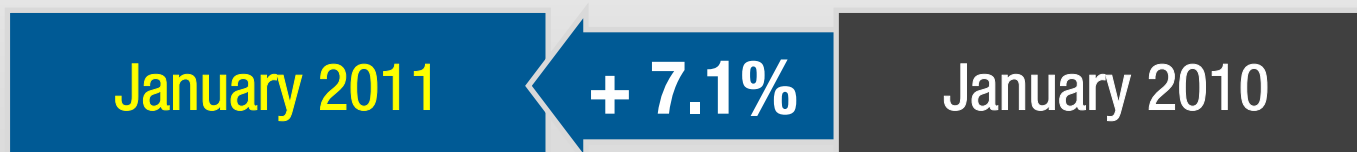
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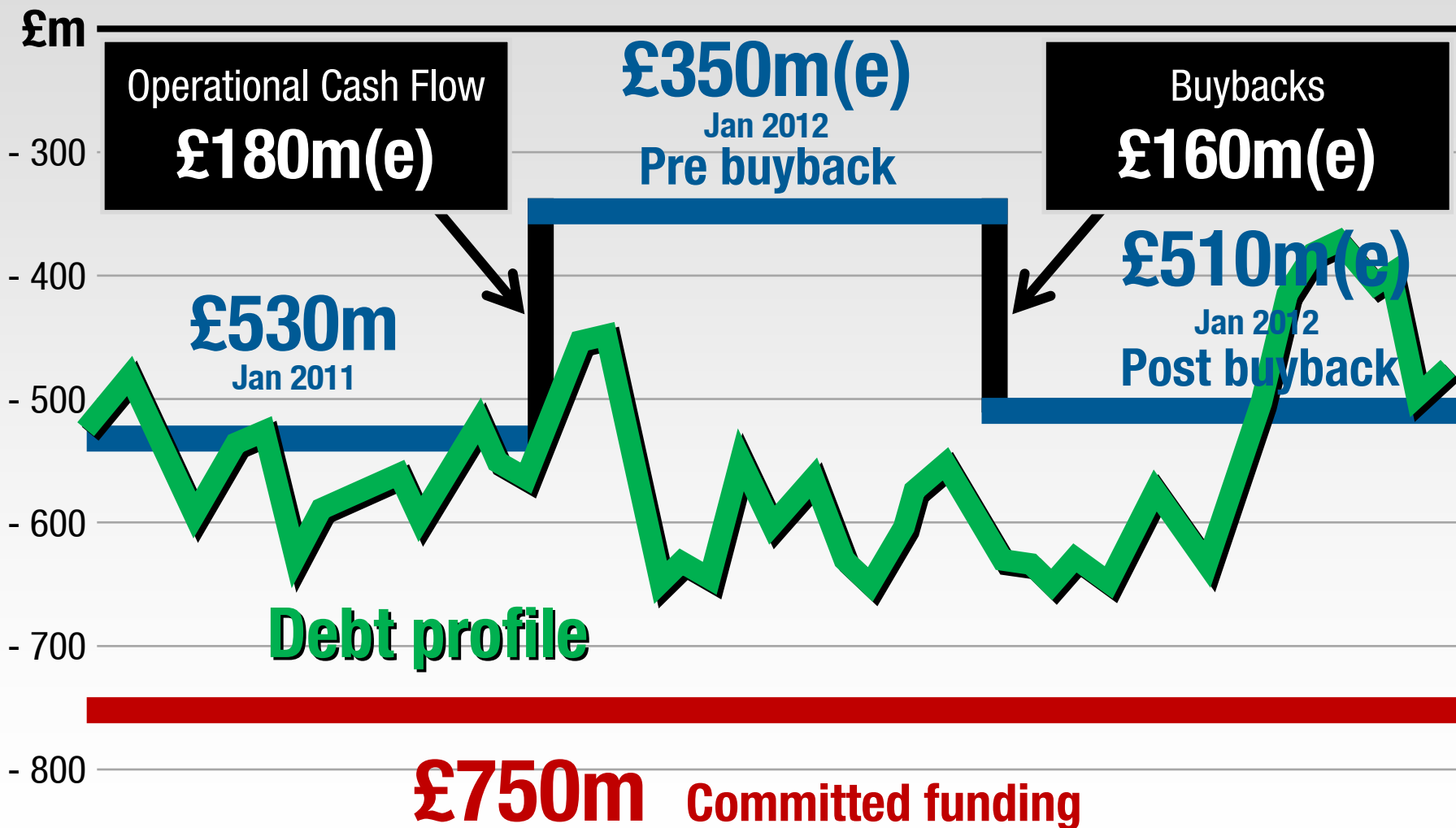
## Directory Debtors



## Annual Sales Increase







# Cash Flow

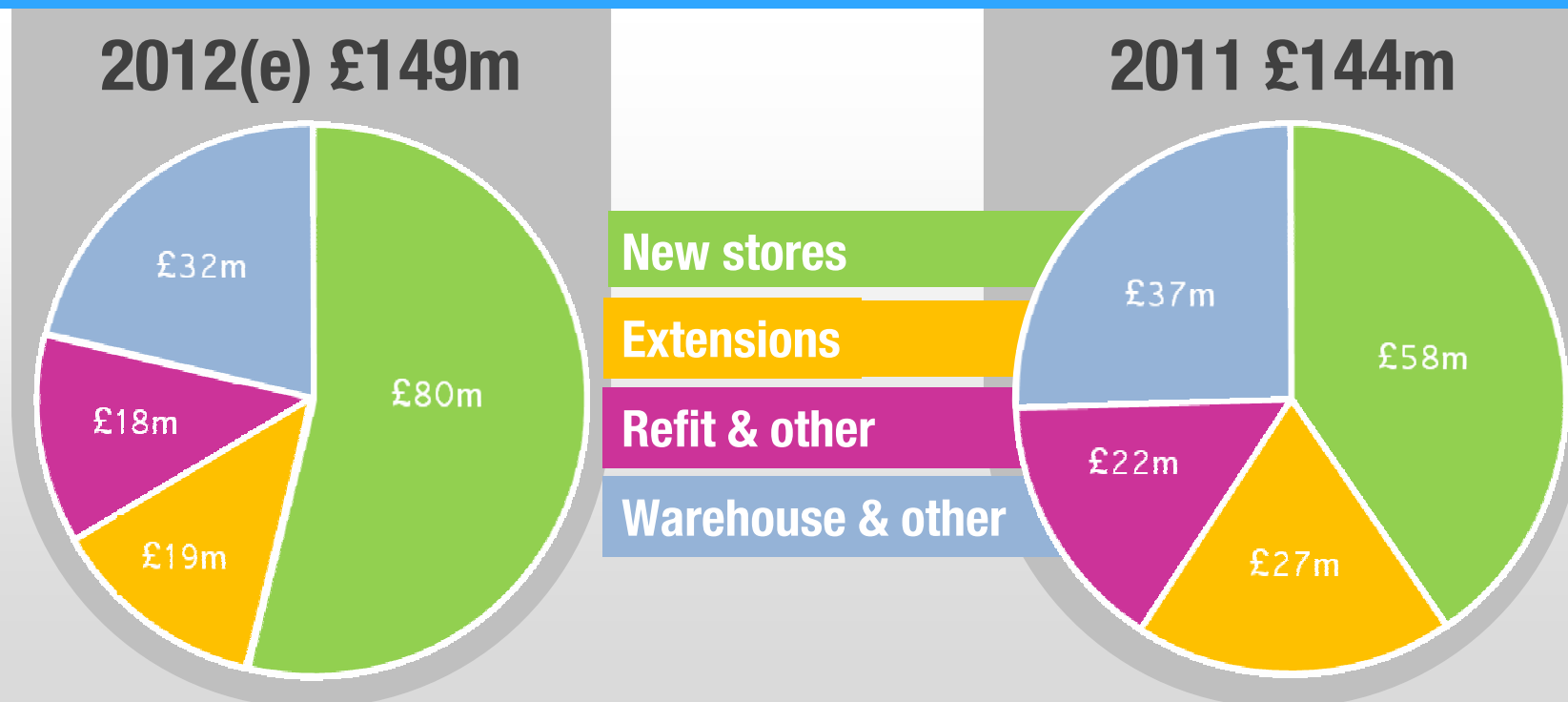
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£m	2011	2010
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Depreciation / impairment	130	136
Capital expenditure	(144)	(99)
Working capital	(45)	51
ESOT, Pension & NSL	(128)	(38)
Dividends paid	(130)	(109)
Tax paid	(142)	(115)
Share buybacks	(222)	(102)
Net cash flow	<u>(130)</u>	<u>229</u>

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# Retail



# Retail : Sales Analysis

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<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>328.8</b>	324.0	+ 1.5%
% to revenue	<b>14.8%</b>	14.2%	

## Sales analysis

Total sales	- 2.3%
Adjust for 53 <sup>rd</sup> week	+ 1.3%
52 week comparison	<u>- 1.0%</u>



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Branch payroll	0.0%
Occupancy	- 0.6%
Central overheads	+ 0.6%

# Retail : Space Expansion

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	Stores	Sq. Ft.	
<b>Jan 2010</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>5,763</b>	
<b>New</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>69</b>	
<b>Closed</b>	<b>(11)</b>	<b>(79)</b>	
<b>Re-sites (9)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>106</b>	
<b>Extensions (19)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53</b>	
	<b>(3)</b>	<b>149</b>	
<b>Home stand alone (1)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>161</b>	
<b>Jan 2011</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>6,073</b>	<b>+ 5.4%</b>
	Mainline	Home	Total
Sales vs target	+6%	+12%	<b>+8%</b>
Payback (months)	16	17	<b>17</b>
Store profit	19%	20%	<b>19%</b>

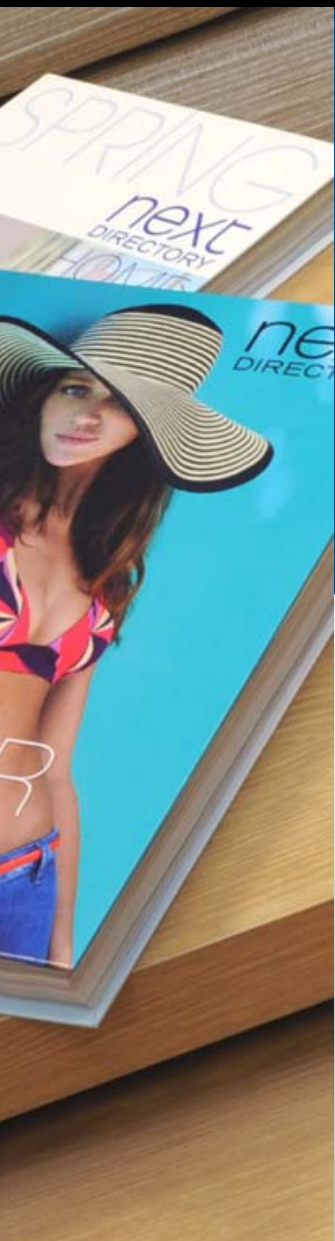


# Directory



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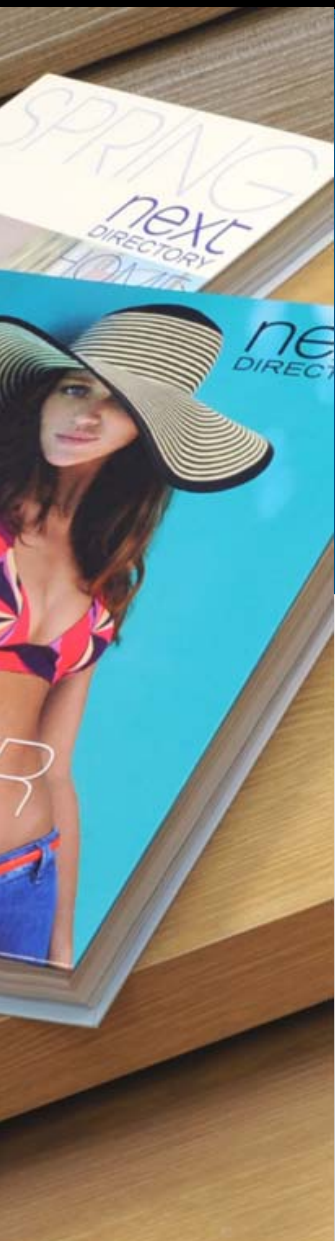
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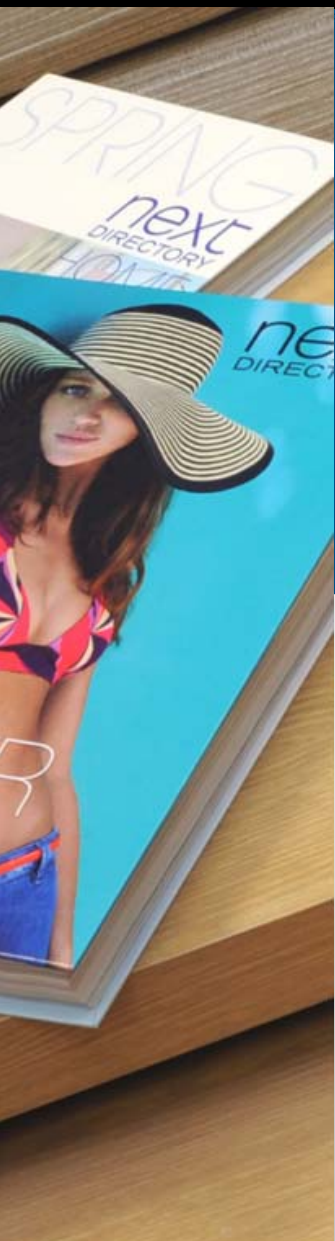
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## Sales drivers

Credit	2,464	2,284	+ 8%
Cash	267	148	+ 81%
Active customers (000's)	2,731	2,432	+ 12%
Printed pages	4,084	3,968	+ 3%

# Directory : Profit Analysis

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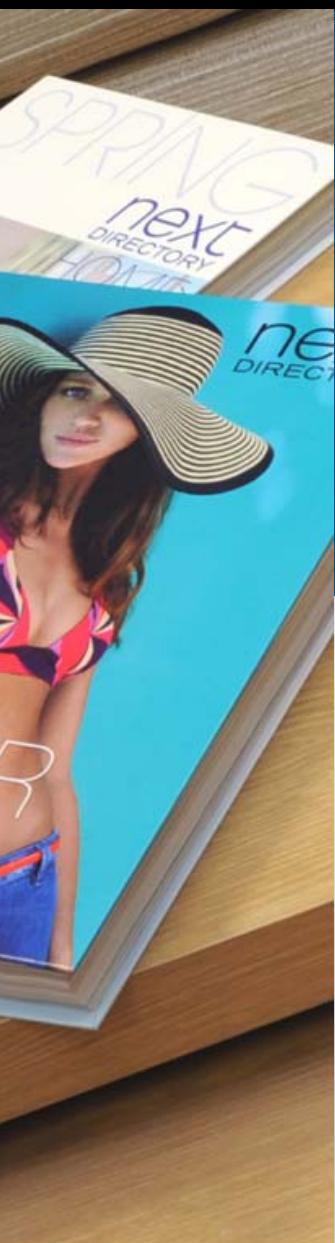
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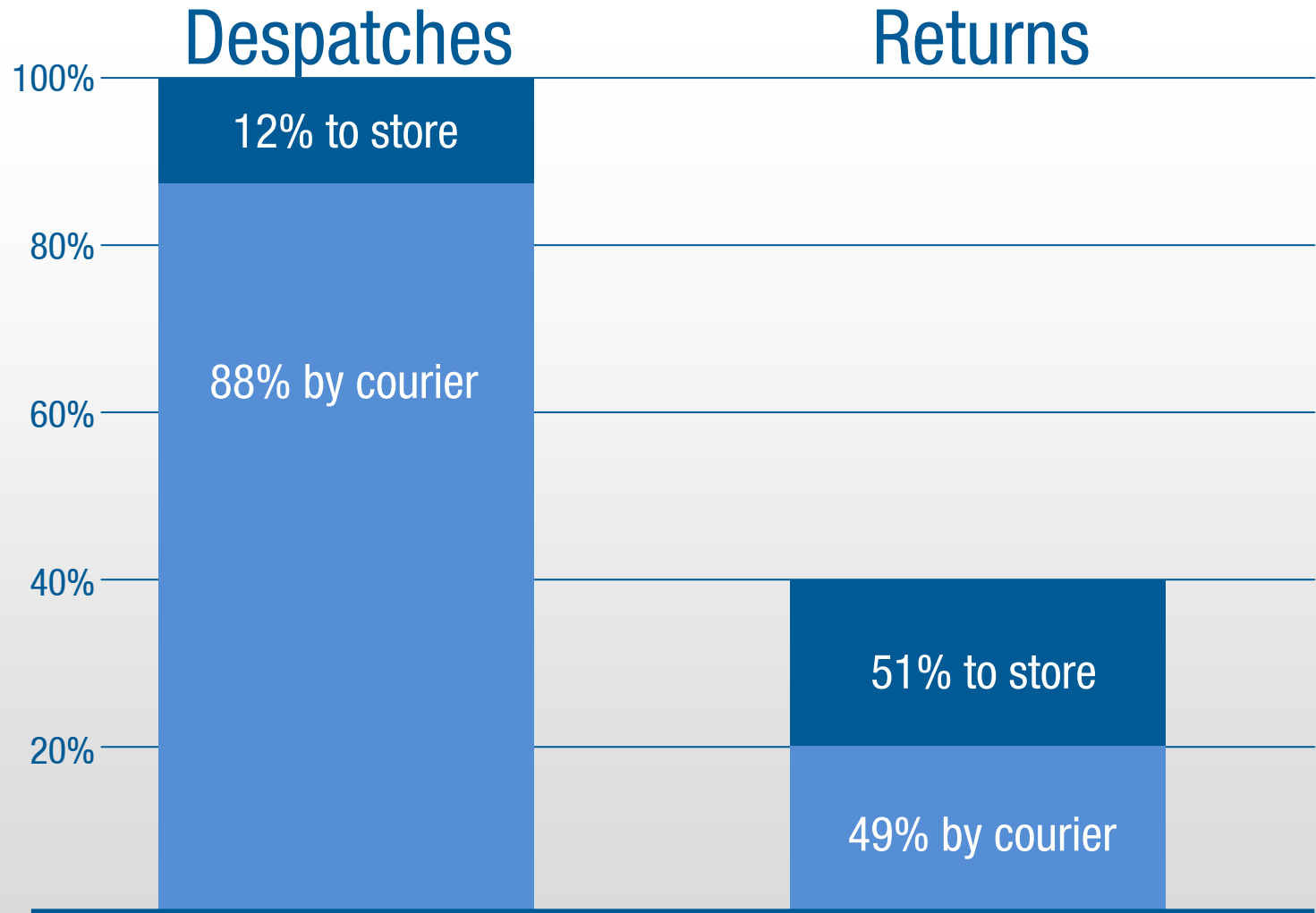
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## Margin movement

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Bad debt reduction	+ 0.6%
Service charge	- 0.6%
Warehouse & distribution	+ 1.0%
Central overheads	+ 0.4%

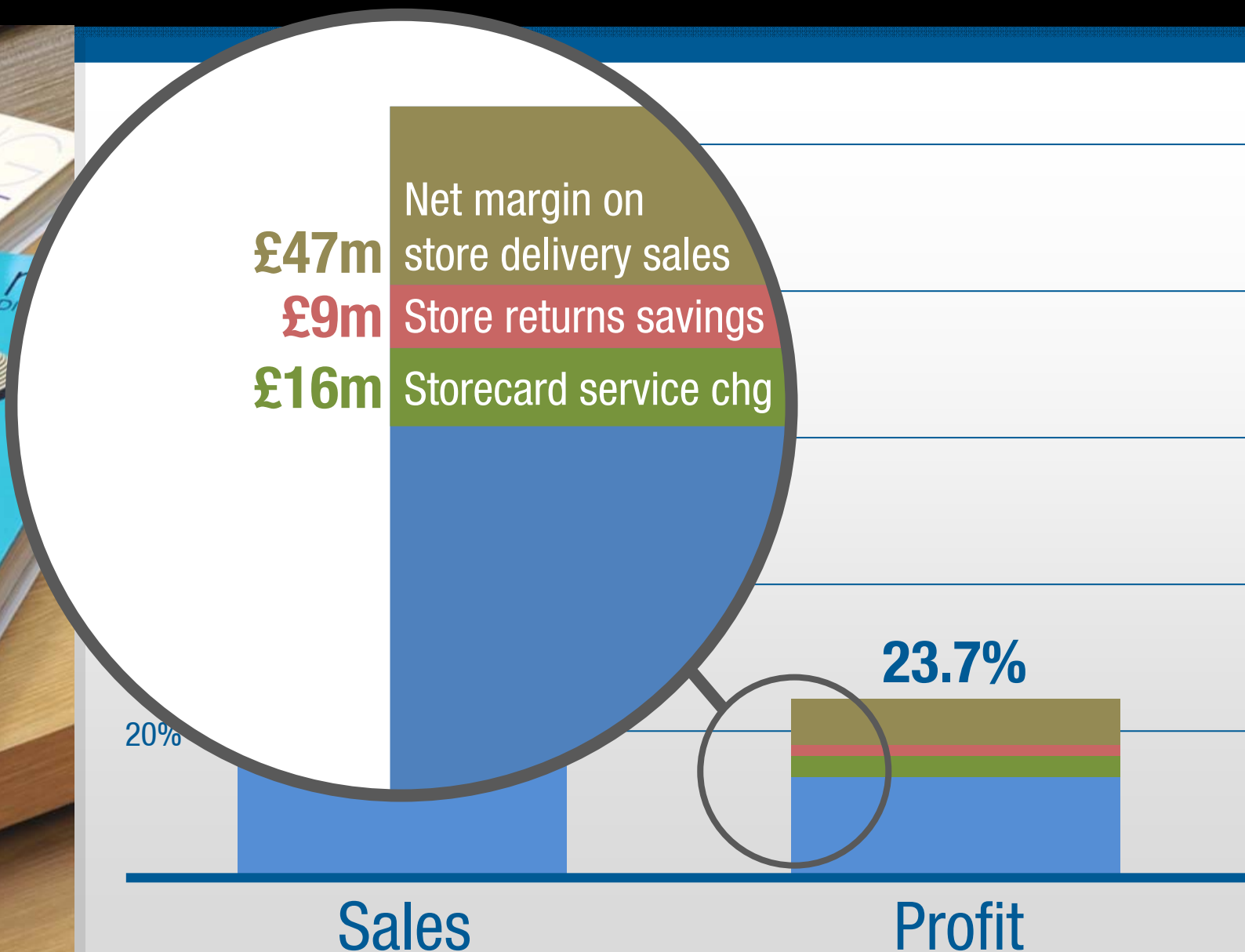
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£m	2011	2010	
<b>Franchise income</b>	<b>49.9</b>	48.7	
<b>Wholly owned</b>	<b>17.4</b>	15.5	
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>67.3</b>	64.2	+ 4.8%
<b>Profit</b> excl. write offs	<b>7.0</b>	6.1	+ 14.3%
<b>Write offs</b>	<b>(1.2)</b>	(4.9)	
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>5.8</b>	1.2	

- Franchise LFLs - 4%
- Wholly owned LFLs - 1%
- Profit forecast 2011/12(e) £6m



£m	2011	2010	
Intra-group sales	505.7	529.9	- 4.6%
Operating profit	26.7	35.7	- 25.2%

- Extremely competitive sourcing environment
- Lower commission rates circa £6m
- Current year expectations circa £20m



£m	2012(e)	2011	2010	
Revenue	56.1	44.7	27.8	+ 61%
Trading profit	5.0	3.4	1.0	+ 250%
Amortisation	(0.9)	(0.9)	(0.9)	
Profit share	(2.1)	(1.5)	0.0	
Operating profit	2.0	<u>1.0</u>	<u>0.1</u>	

## 14 new stores

- Sales vs target + 14%
- Payback (months) 15
- Store profit 18%

The Year  
ahead







**Rising taxation**

**Public sector job cuts**

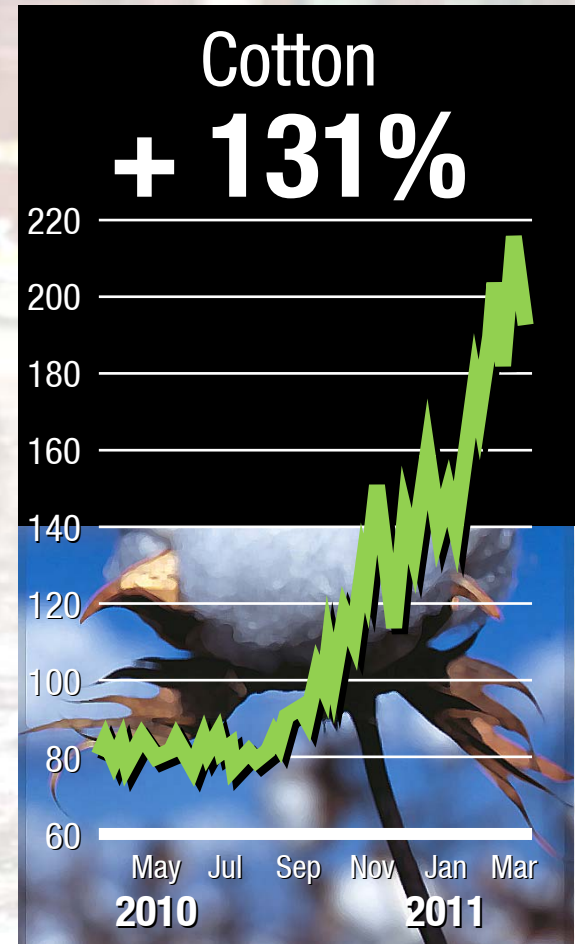
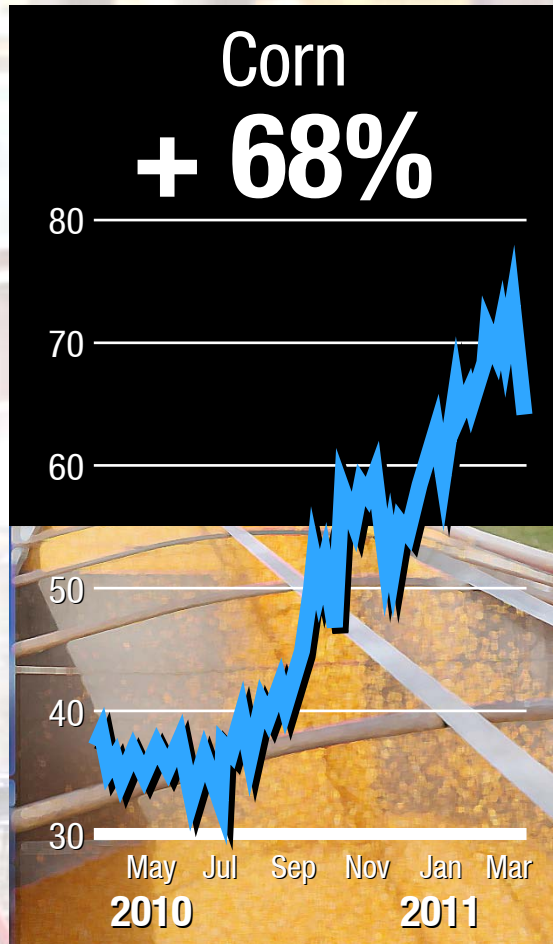
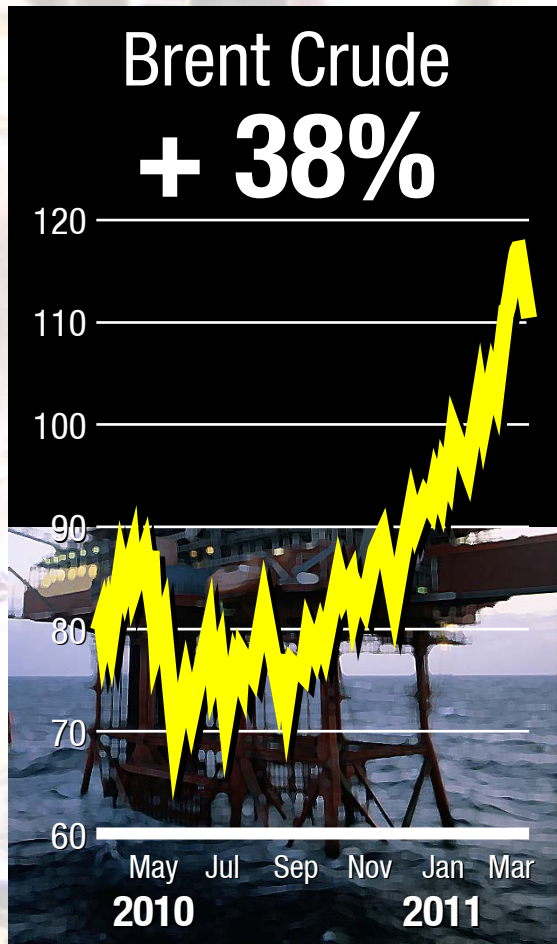
**Low credit growth**

**General inflation**



# Economic Outlook for Consumers

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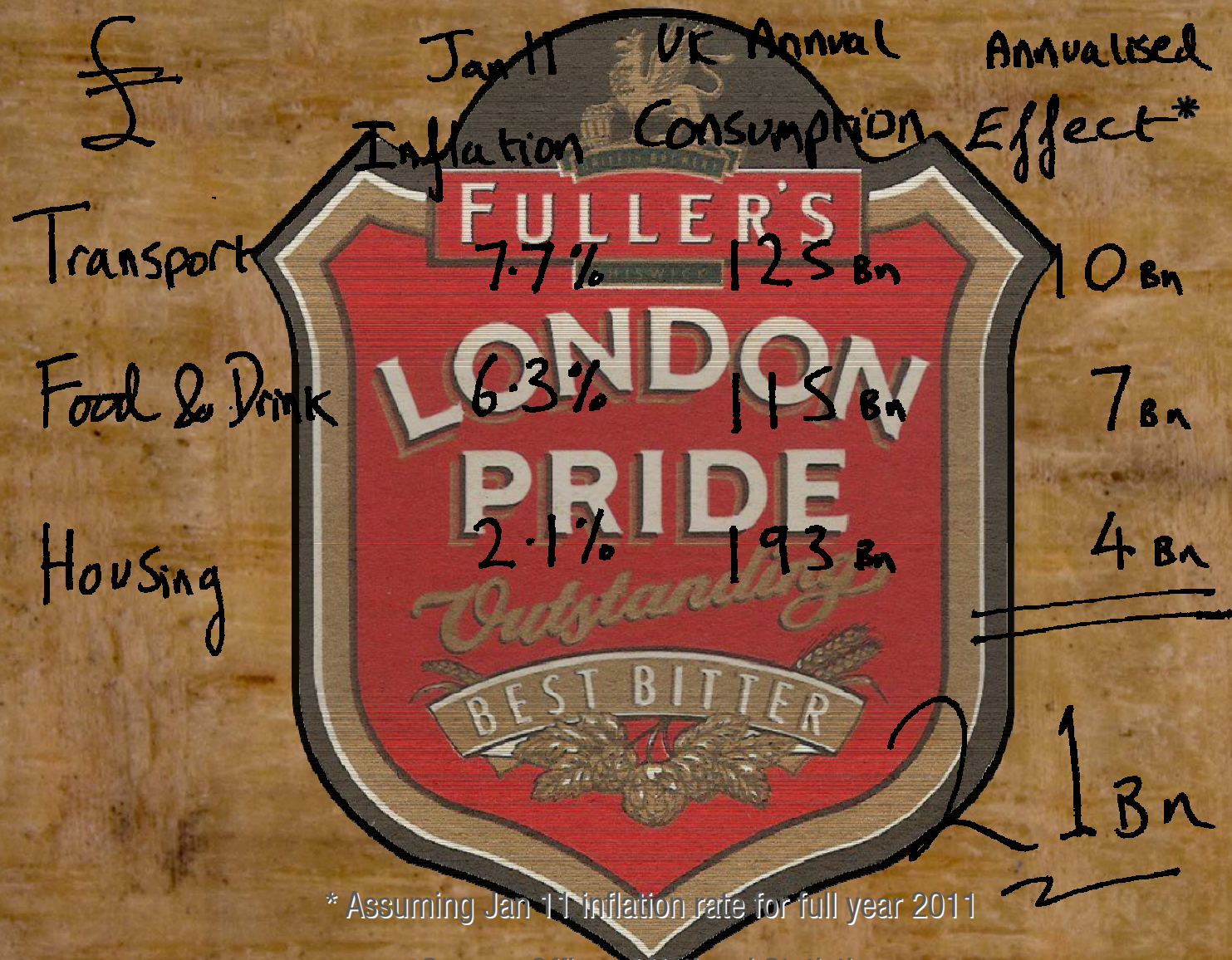


**General inflation**



# UK Household Inflation 2011

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\* Assuming Jan 11 inflation rate for full year 2011

Source: Office of National Statistics



# Next Price Inflation?

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Cotton

Capacity  
& Wages

VAT

Do nothing?

**SS11 ASP at least 18%**

# Action to Reduce Prices

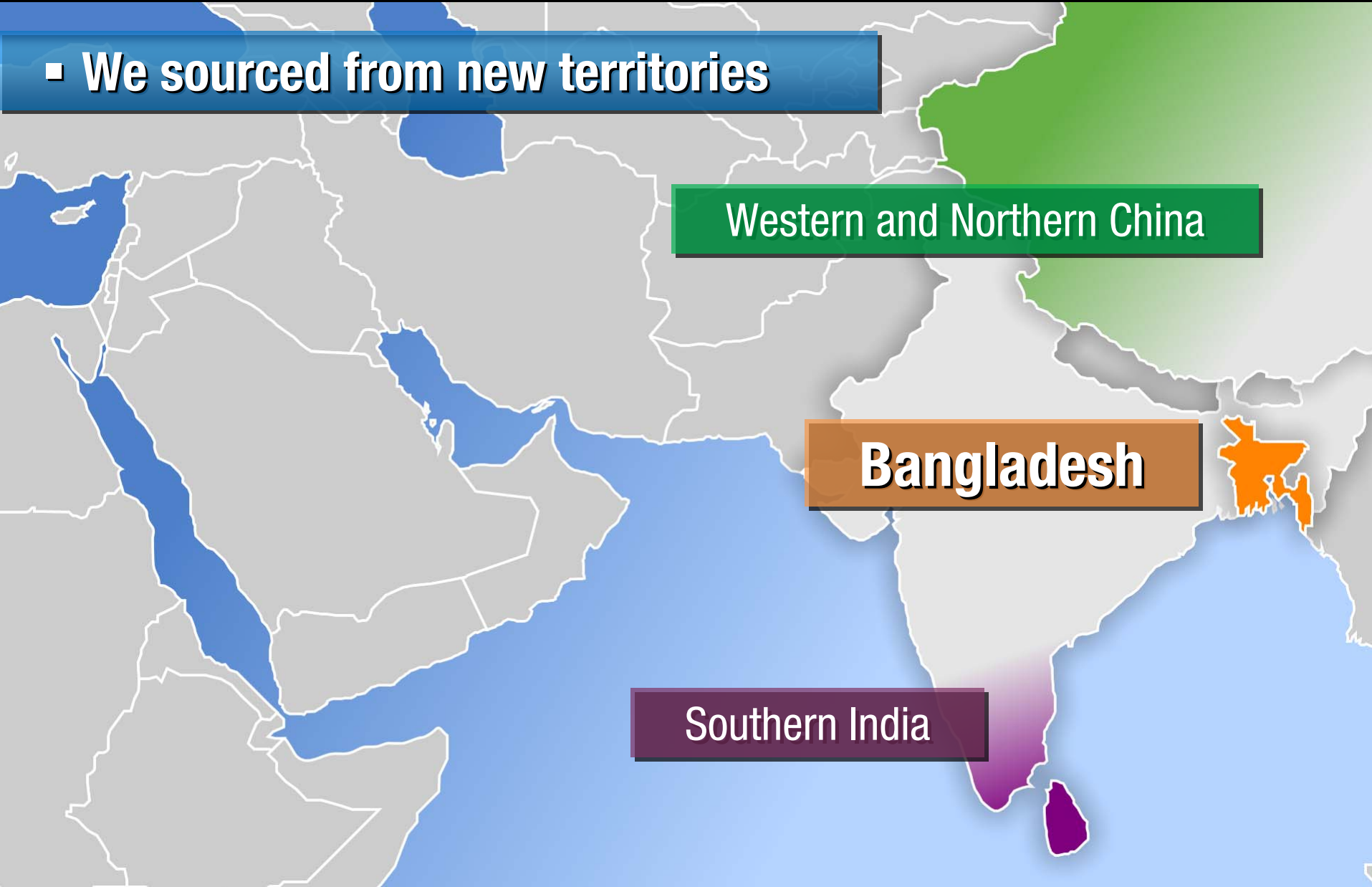
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- We sourced from new territories

Western and Northern China

Bangladesh

Southern India





- Bigger buys, bought earlier

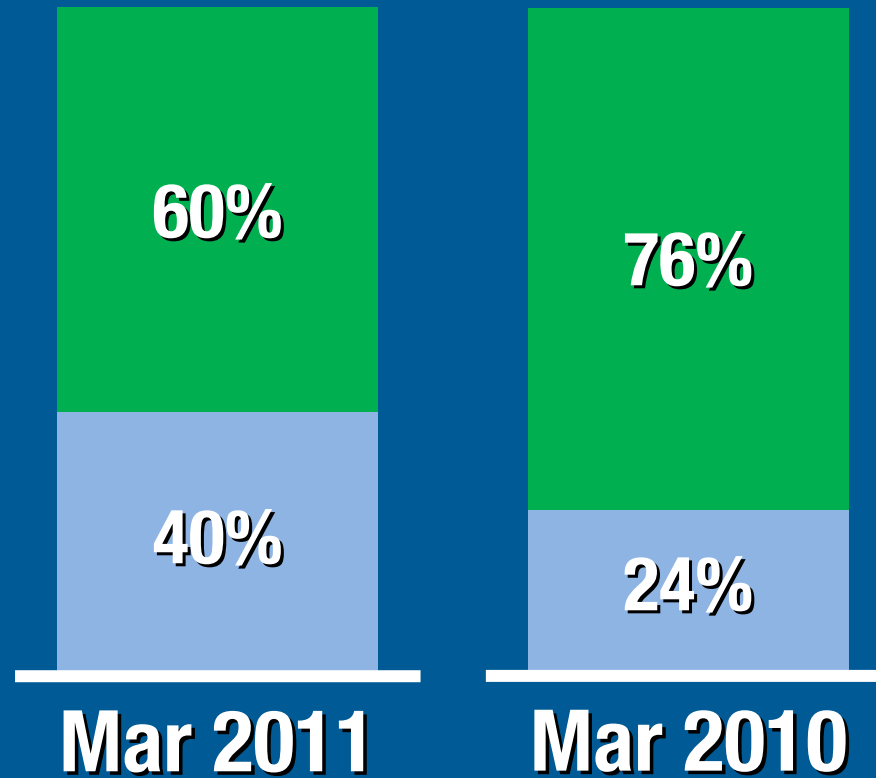
## Retail spend Autumn Winter



Balance to buy



Bought



# Action to Reduce Prices

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- Expanded production in Next factories

## Next Sourcing factories (Production at RSP)

Sri Lanka		China		Total
Current	£96m	Current	£14m	£110m
Planned	£117m	Planned	£28m	£145m
Growth	+22%	Growth	+100%	+32%



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v 2010

**SS11 ASP bought**

**+ 8%**

**SS11 ASP sold to date**

**+ 6%**

**AW11 ASP estimated**

**+ 8% to + 10%**

# Calculating Elasticity

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- Few LFL products
- LFL item price change – impact is varied



## Womenswear bootcut jean

WAS	NOW	PRICE INC.	UNITS	SALES
£18	£20	+11%	- 1%	+10%



## Menswear white shirt

WAS	NOW	PRICE INC.	UNITS	SALES
£20	£22	+10%	- 28%	- 21%

- LFL item price change – impact is varied

## Basket of 20 items

Price increase	+ 14%
Unit decrease	- 15%
Elasticity	- 1.1



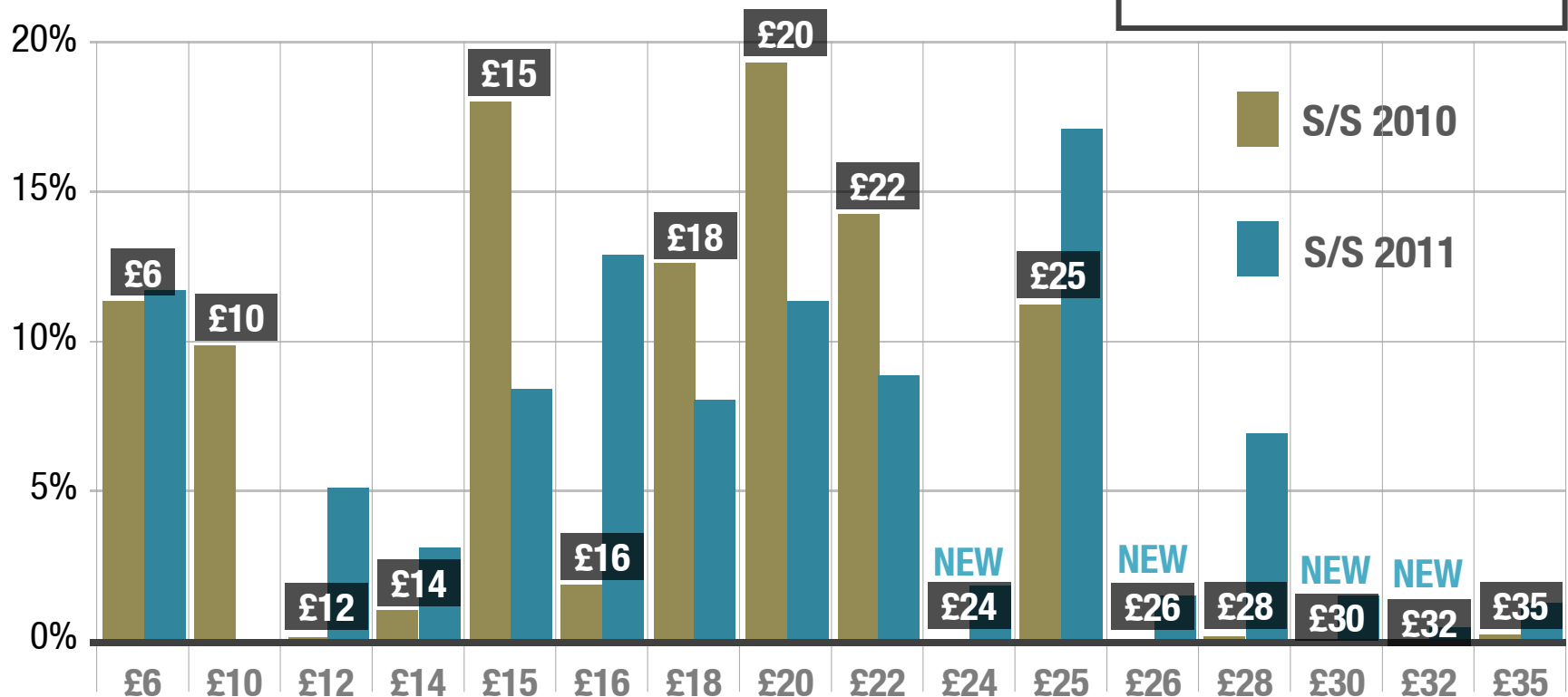


## Price architecture and ASP

ASP SS10 to SS11

**+8%**

Mens Jersey - Sales participation %



## Womenswear

**AW10**

v AW09

Mens

Womens

Home

Childrens

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- Ranges well received

- Market research positive

- Few missed trends

# Womenswear : A Missed Opportunity

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- **Supply issues**

AW10 Denim

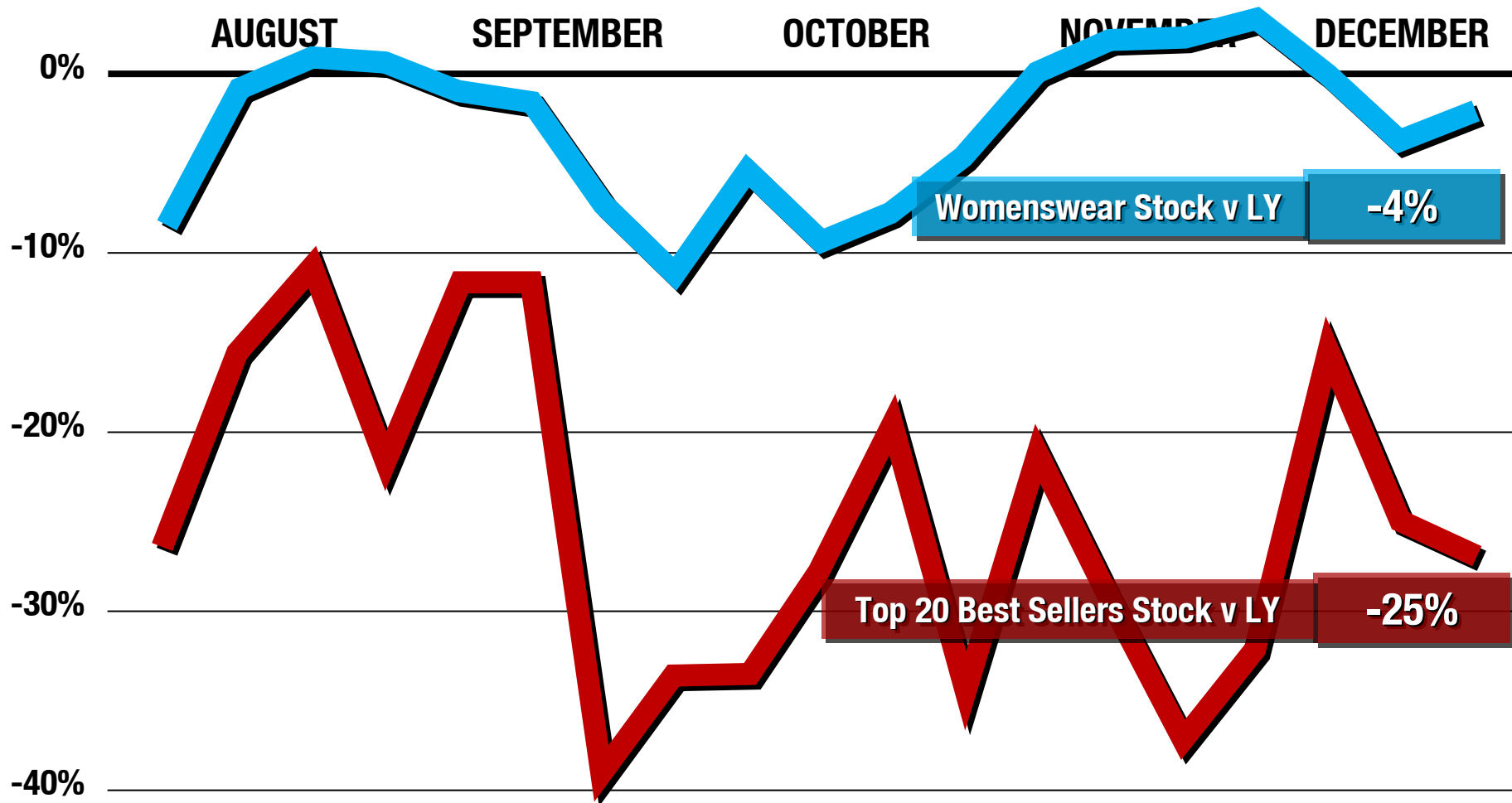
**-£5m**



# Womenswear : A Missed Opportunity

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## ■ Poor best seller availability





- Too few best seller colourways



**Phase 1 = sold out in 3 weeks**

**Other colour ways too late**



# Putting it Right in 2011 “Power Programmes”

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**Gypsy top**

**£584k**

**£410k**

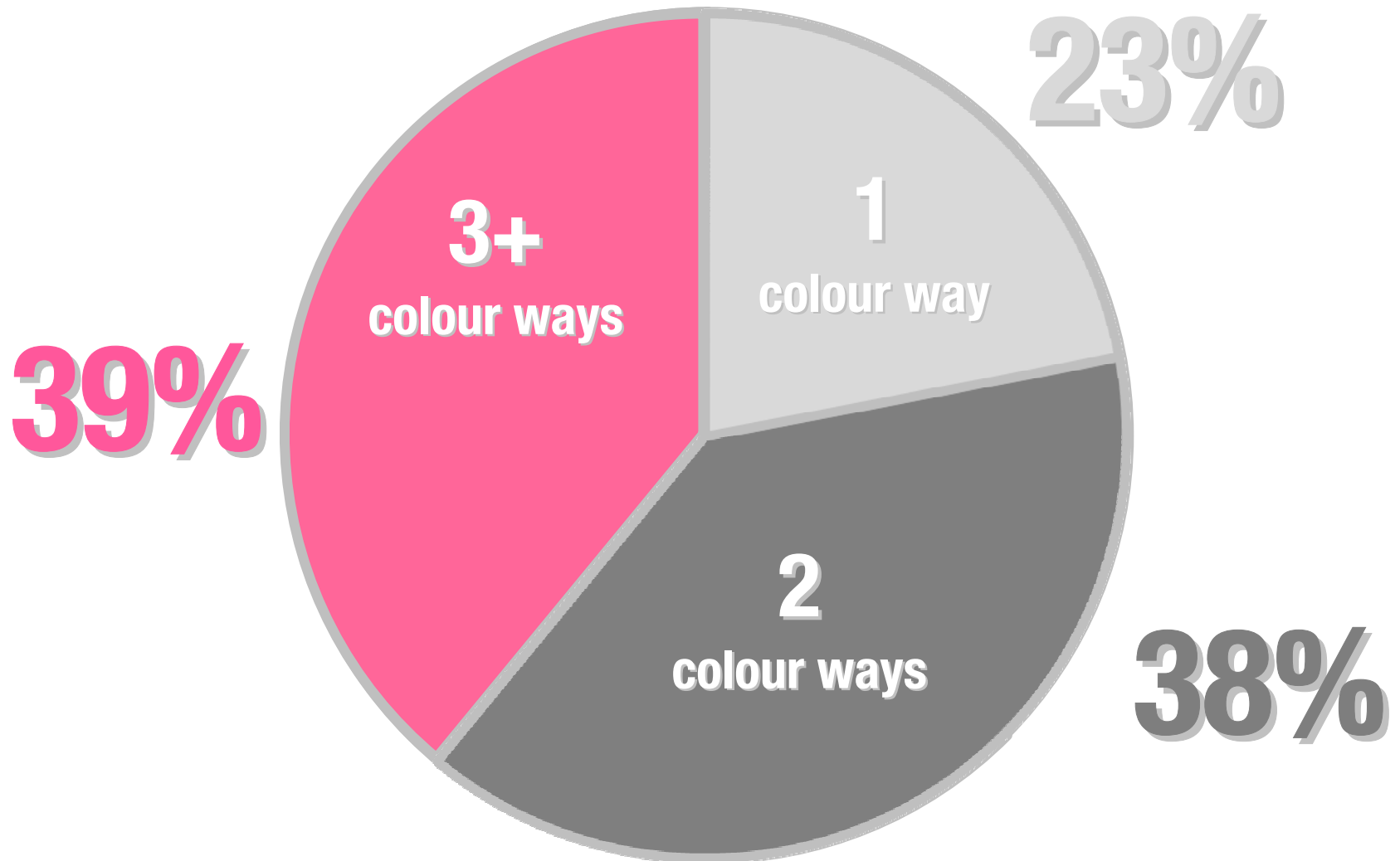
**£307k**

**£209k**

**£182k**



## Womenswear split by colour ways SS11





**£67m**

**2010/11**

Examples:  
Gross Margin,  
Retail operations,  
bad debt,  
Directory  
operations,  
etc.

**2011/12(e)**

Examples:  
Payroll (ASP),  
air freight, UID,  
duty refund,  
etc.

**2010/11  
Net Savings**



**2011/12(e)  
Net Savings**



**Extra Costs**

Examples:  
air freight, rent and  
rates, cost of living, etc.

**2010/11**

**£30m**

Examples:  
margin erosion of VAT  
increase, rent and rates,  
cost of living,  
etc.

**2011/12(e)**

**Savings**



# Cost Control Opportunities

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**OLD**

**9 Digit POS**

**Black trouser**

**Size 12 R**



928-487-097

- Identify fraudulent returns
- Eliminate discount and refund fraud

**NEW**

**15 Digit POS**

**Black trouser**

**Size 12 R**

**Item No. 000416**



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- Numerous stock handling benefits

# More Efficient Use of Stock

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1. Customer orders item from Directory
2. Item not found in warehouse
3. Surplus in store
4. Pick it in store
5. Order delivered via Directory
6. Sale deducted from store target



# New Space : Home Stand Alones

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next  
HOME



# 2011

**STORES**

**44**

**SQ FT K**

**627**

**MAT £m**

**169**





**Shoreham Project – AUGUST 2011**



**Sheds**

**Fencing**

**Paving**

**Aggregates**

**Plants**

**Garden tools**

**Bird care**

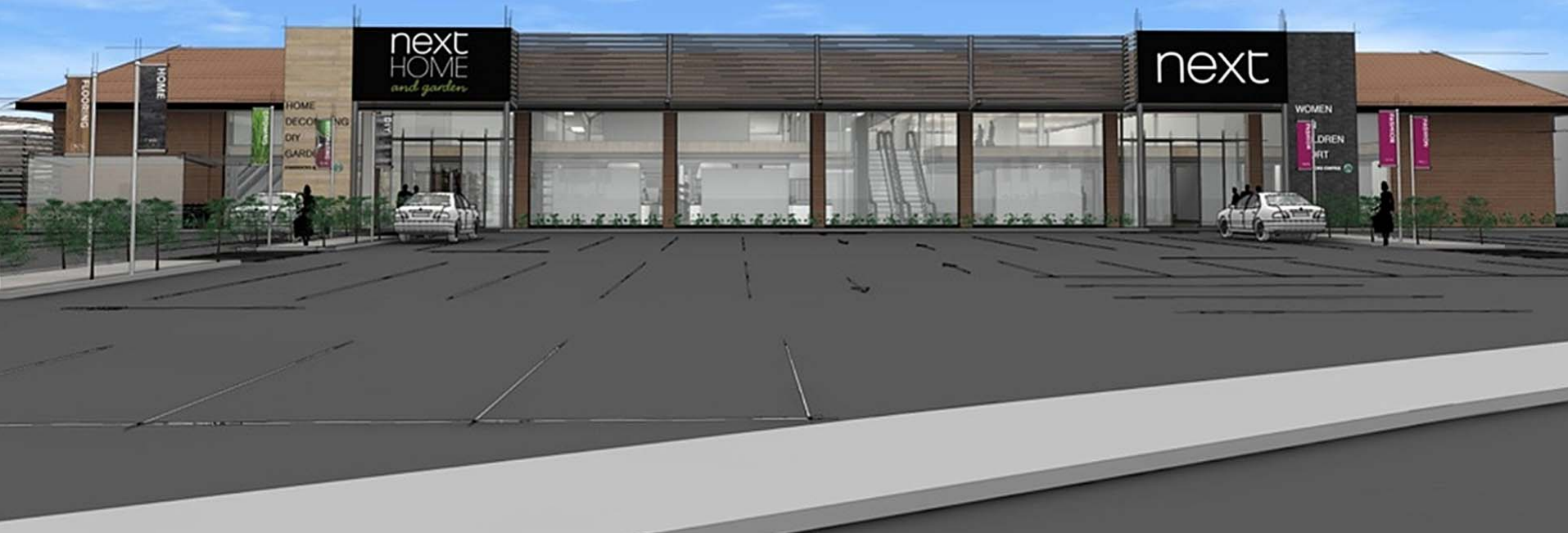
**Planters and pots**

**Indoor tools**

**Wood care**

**Fillers and sealants**

**Branded paint**



**New Product**



# Service Developments

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- |   |      |
|---|------|
| ▪ Cash accounts                         | SS10 |
| ▪ 5 day sofa delivery for stocked sofas | AW10 |
| ▪ Deliver to alternative address        | AW10 |
| ▪ Order up to 9pm for next day delivery | AW10 |

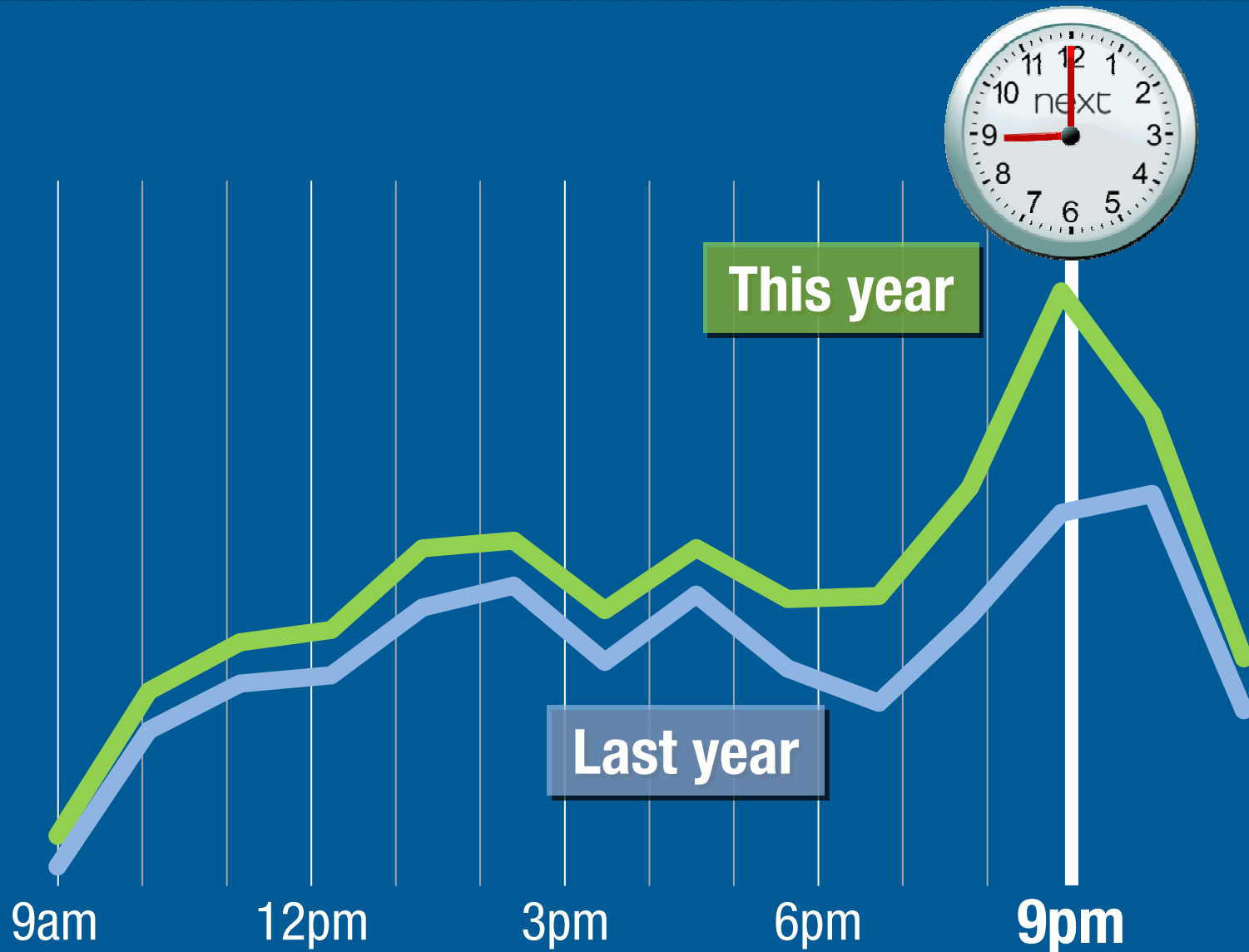
**2008**  
**5pm**



**October**  
**2010**  
**9pm**

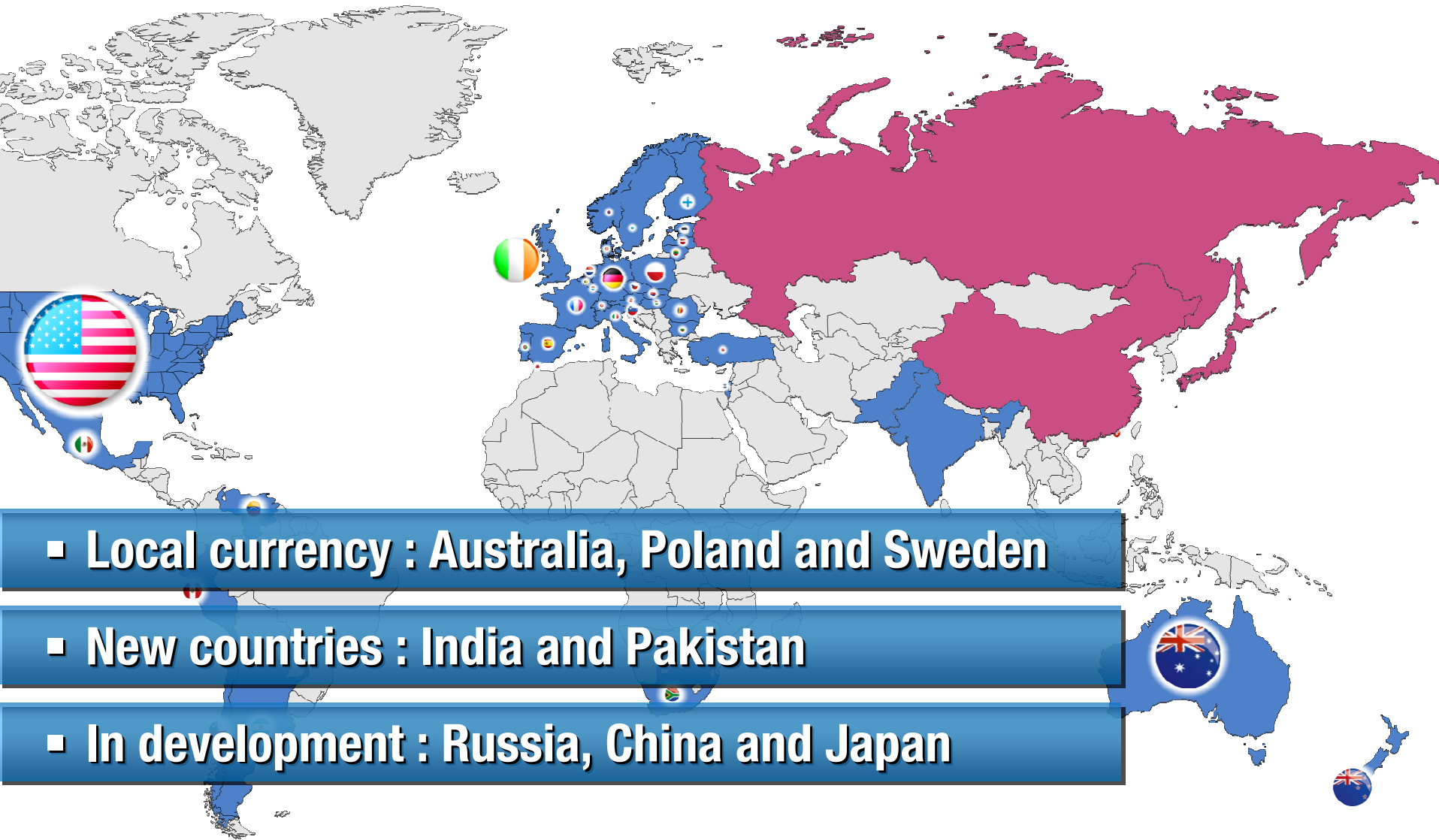
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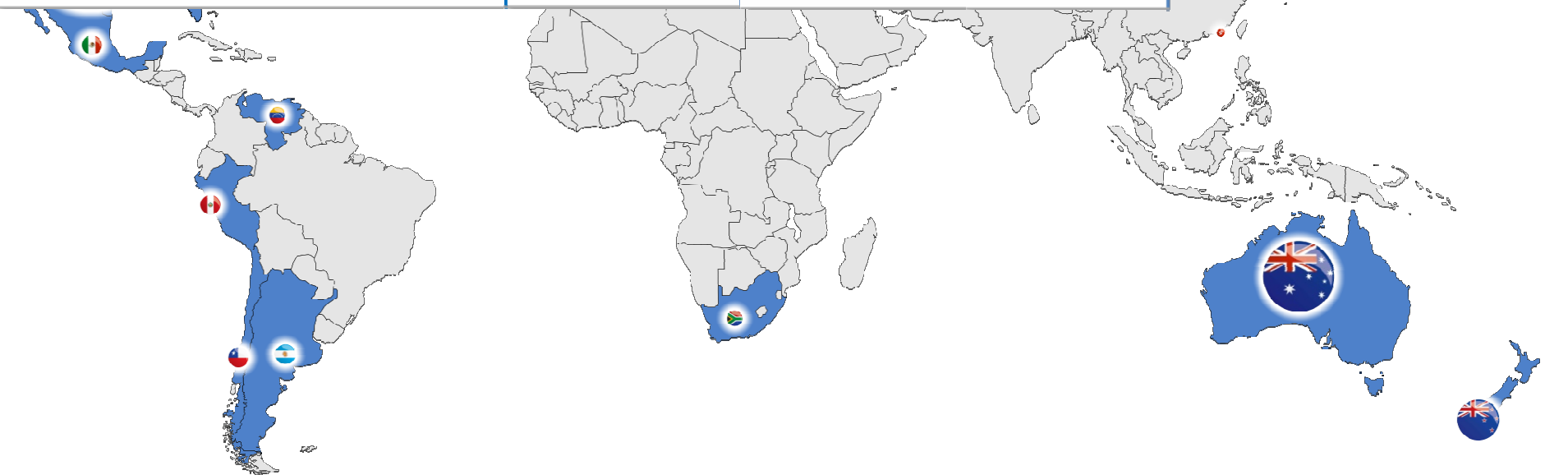


- Local currency : Australia, Poland and Sweden
- New countries : India and Pakistan
- In development : Russia, China and Japan

# Next Directory Overseas

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	2012 (e)	2011	2010
Revenue (inc. Eire)	£20m	£10.0m	£4.7m
Trading profit	£4m	£2.4m	£1.7m
Contribution %	20%	24%	35%



# Brand Outlook for 2011/12 - Estimate

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If...

**Full Year Brand Sales (VAT ex)**

**- 0.5%**

**+ 2.5%**

Then...

**Profit before tax**

**£520m**

to

**£570m**

**Variance to last year**

**- 5.5%**

to

**+ 3.5%**

**Buyback enhancement**

**+ 5.0%**

to

**+ 5.0%**

**Growth in EPS**

**- 0.5%**

to

**+ 8.5%**

**Current dividend yield**

**+ 4.0%**

to

**+ 4.0%**

**TSR (assuming constant PE ratio)**

**+ 3.5%**

to

**+ 12.5%**



# In Summary

**Another challenging year in 2011**

**Continued focus on cost control**

**Opportunities for new space**

**Further growth from Directory**

**Strong cash flows**



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