

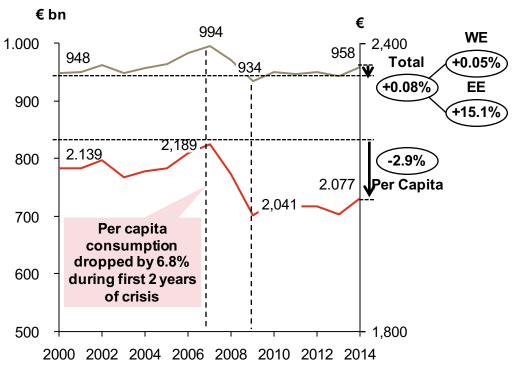


Grocery Retail 2020 Outlook and perspective



Grocery spend has been stagnant, while per capita consumption has declined

Real European¹) grocery spend – total and per capita 2000 – 2014, € bn, € per capita



Grocery Spend per Capita (right axis)

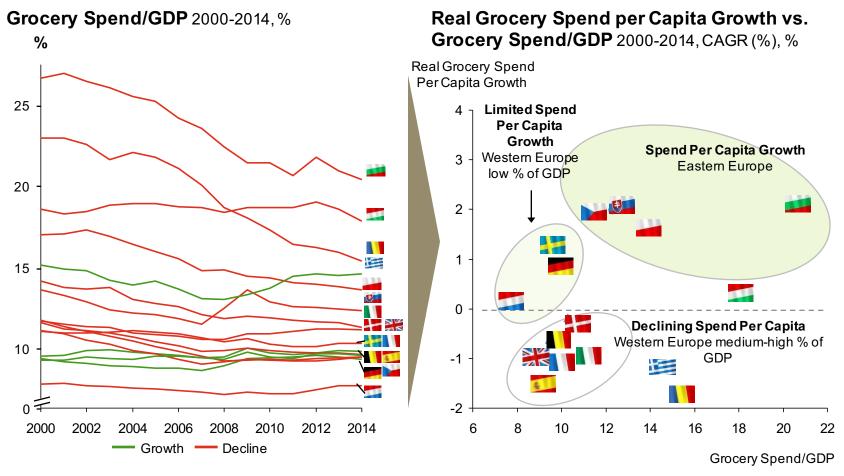
Total European Grocery Spend (left axis)

1) Includes UK, GE, FR, IT, NL, ES, DK, BE, SE, GR, CZ, HU, PL, RO, BU, SL Source: Planet Retail, Strategy& analysis

Insights

- Total real grocery spend barely changed since 2000, while per capita grocery spend decreased by 2.9%
- Before the credit crunch, spend per capita grew by 0.3% per year...
- ...only to suffer a steep drop of 6.8% in 2008 and 2009...
- ...destroying €60Bn
- Per capita spend has grown by 0.35% per year since 2009

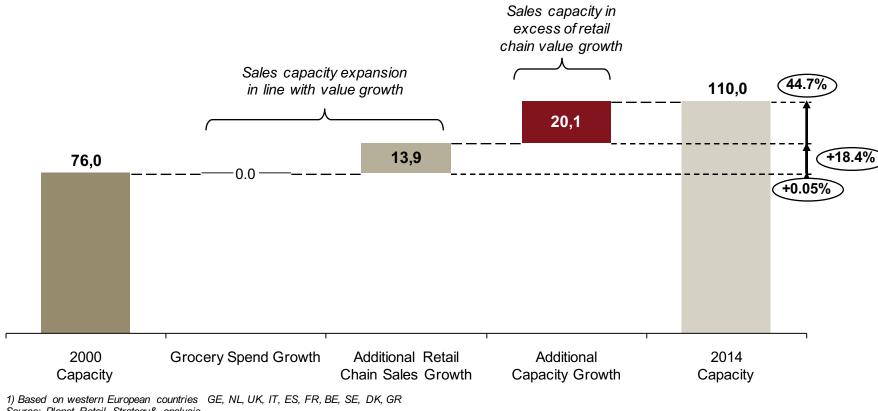
Per capita growth has stagnated in most Western European countries – grocery spend/GDP is converging across Europe



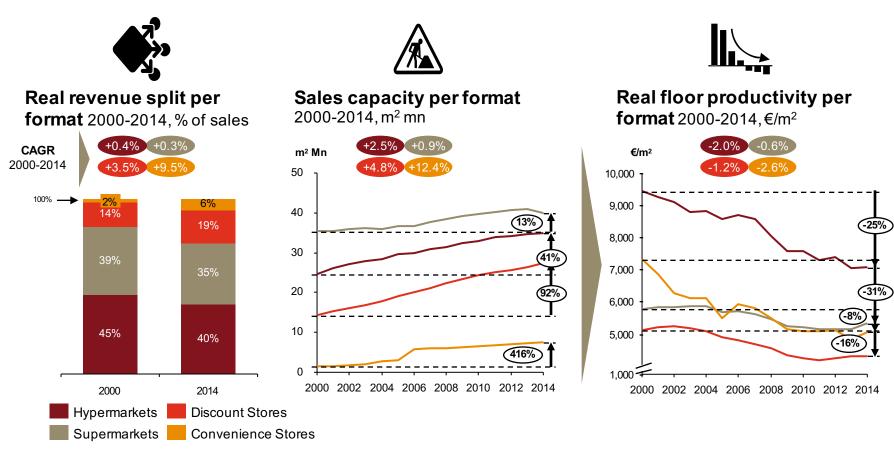
Source: Planet Retail, Strategy& analysis

Grocery chains have added more capacity than they added value

European¹⁾ Retail Chain Sales Capacity 2000-2014, Mn m²



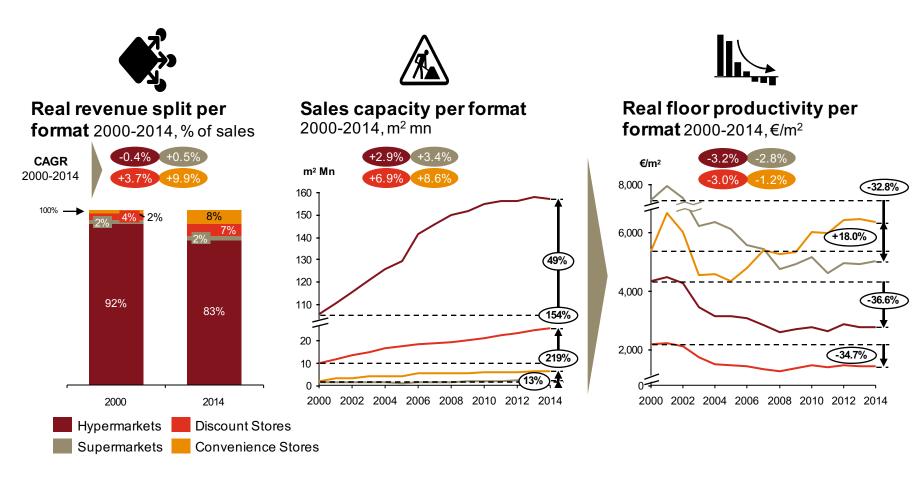
Expansion in new store formats has contributed to the sector-wide decline in productivity (Europe)



Note: Analysis based on western European retailers included in planet retail, includes GE, NL, UK, ES, IT, FR, SE, BE, DK, GR Source: Planet Retail, Strategy& analysis



We have seen similar trends in the US



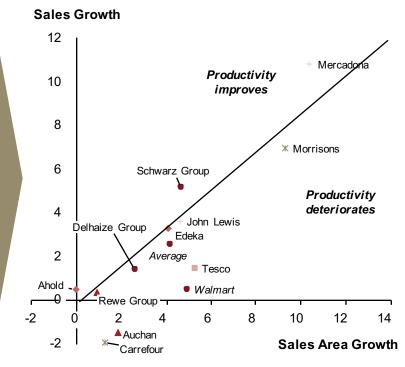
Source: Planet Retail, Strategy& analysis

Grocers appear to have converged propositions

Convergence of Retail Propositions

- Discounters are improving their offering to include strong fresh propositions
- All grocery retailers not just discounters have started to work hard on their price image
- Hard discounters have recently started investment programs to make their stores look better
- Most grocery chains have 2 to 4 different tiered private label brands
- Most leading European retailers have an online store and offer all delivery options
- Loyalty cards are omnipresent

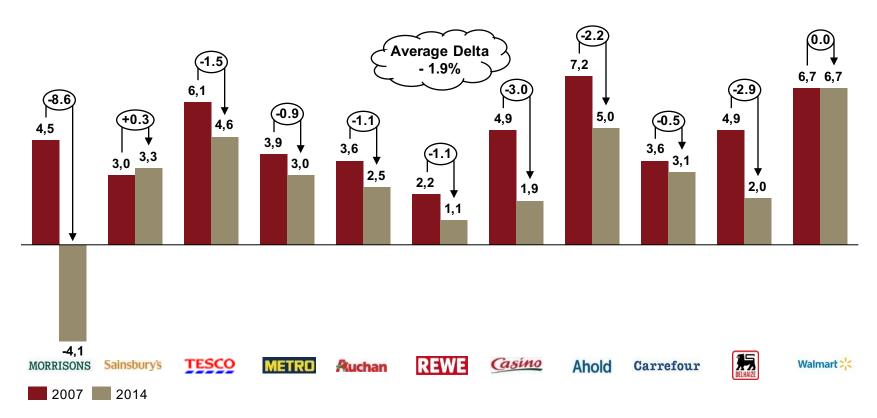
Retail Chain Real Sales Growth vs. Sales Area Growth¹⁾ 2000-2014, CAGR (%), CAGR (%)



¹⁾ Based on sales and sales area in the retailer's home country only Note: Schwarz Group includes Lidl and Kaufland; John Lewis includes John Lewis and Waitrose

This struggle is reflected in small and declining margins

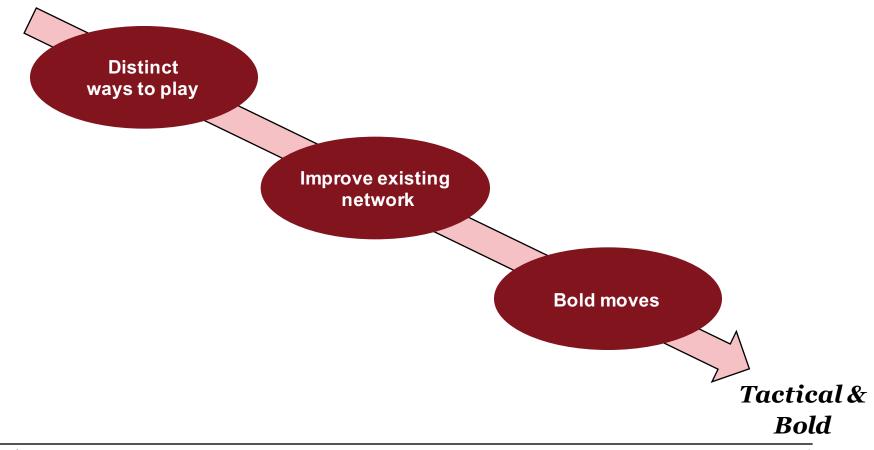
Operating margin EU and US Grocery retailers 2007-2014¹⁾, %



¹⁾ Delhaize based on Group P&L; Carrefour on EU P&L; Ahold on NL P&L; Casino on France P&L; Rewe on EU P&L; Auchan on Group P&L; Metro on Cash&Carry P&L; Tesco on EU P&L; Sainsbury's on UK P&L; Morrisons on UK P&L; Walmart on US P&L. 2013 operating margin for Tesco and REWE Source: Bloomberg, REWE & Metro Group Annual reports Strategy& analysis

What might happen? What needs to happen?

Strategic



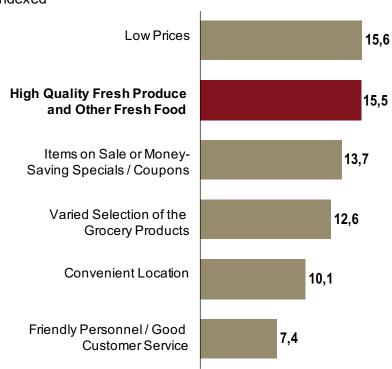
Strategy&

9

Importance of Fresh food will sustain – or even increase

The fresh food offering is a critical driver of banner selection...

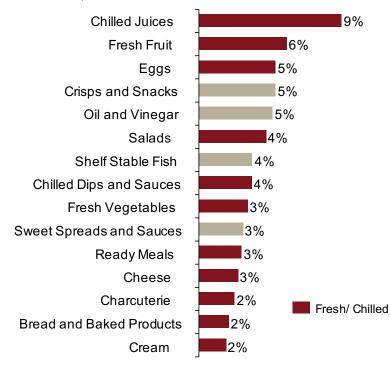
Top Store Selection Criteria Indexed¹



...and one of the few categories driving growth across the grocery outlet

Top 15 Growth Categories²

2011-2013, real terms



¹ Consumers were asked to indicate most and least important factors in selecting a store (Based on MaxDiff scaling); ² Selected European markets NL, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, UK

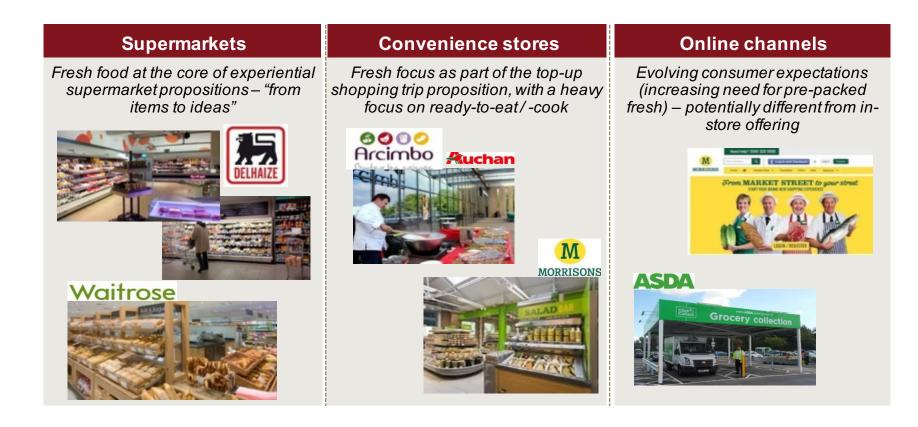
Source: PwC Strategy& 2013 US Consumer Trends Survey; Symphony IRI Retail Databases

Strategically, retailers need to define "new ways to play"



Source: Strategy& analysis

Fresh will play differently across formats and channels



Varying levels of certainty on future requirements and supply chain configuration

In the near term retailers should take coherent actions to optimize performance of their existing network

NOT EXHAUSTIVE

Key Trends

Volume growth is under pressure

Consumer faces abundance of shopping options



Potential Actions

Mining the footprint

- Lower the break-even of individual stores
- Drive-out performance variance



Choosing a coherent 'store and customer'

- Customization (local, seasonal and personal adaptation and differentiation)
- Standardization (minimizing complexity)



Mining the customer

- Target its customer (segments) more effectively
- Sharpen the positioning (and perception) and optimize margin mix (through e.g. improved pricing&range, smart promotions

For some, bold moves will be required ...



strategy&
Formerly Booz & Company



pwc

PwC Strategy& (Amsterdam) Inc. Apollolaan 151 1077AR Amsterdam Tel: +31 20 504 1994 Mobile: +31 651 842 480 marco.kesteloo@strategyand.pwc.com www.strategyand.com/nl

Marco Kesteloo Partner – Retail Practice leader