

Halfords Group plc

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Introduction to Halfords and key markets

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Halfords Group

The UK's leading retailer of motoring, cycling and leisure products and a leading independent operator in garage servicing and auto repair



FY17: £938m sales, £101m **EBITDA**

460 main chain stores across the UK and ROI



c.8,000colleagues

17 Cycle Republic and 4 **Tredz shops**









AUTOCENTRES



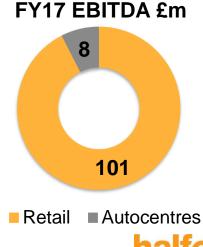
FY17: £157m sales, £8m **EBITDA**

315 centres across the UK

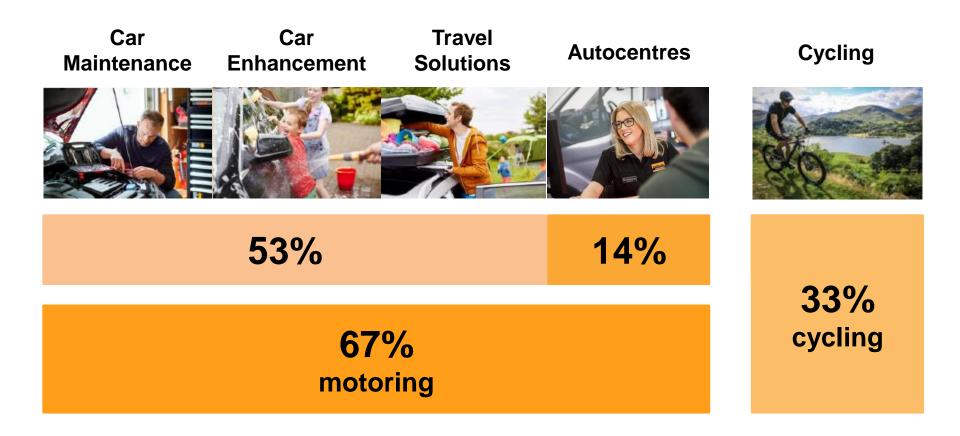


c.2.000colleagues

Acquired February 2010



Halfords Group Revenue Split





Key Characteristics of Halfords



of customers want advice or service with their purchase



of Retail stores are profitable



of online purchases are collected in store*

Service-led retailer Stores are an asset



Motoring market

Car parts, accessories, consumables and technology

c. £7bn

3% annual growth over last 3 years

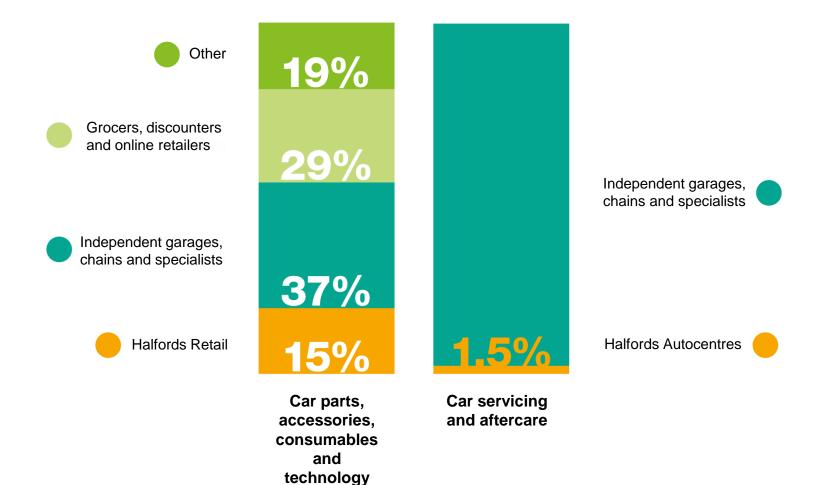
Car servicing & aftercare

c. £9bn

2% annual growth over last 3 years



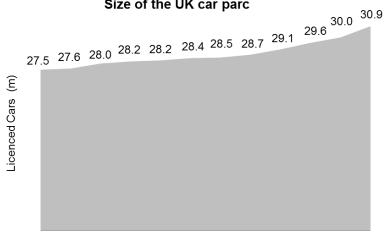
Motoring market share





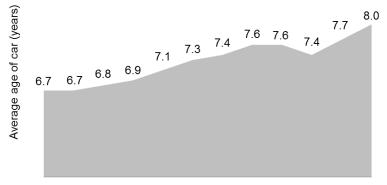
Motoring market trends

Size of the UK car parc



2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016

Average age of UK car parc



2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016

Increasing complexity of cars and parts

Continued trend from 'Do it Yourself" to "Do it For Me"

Our target market is the "second life of the car"

Anticipate market growth of 2-3% per annum on average over time

Source: Department for Transport National Statistics



Cycling market



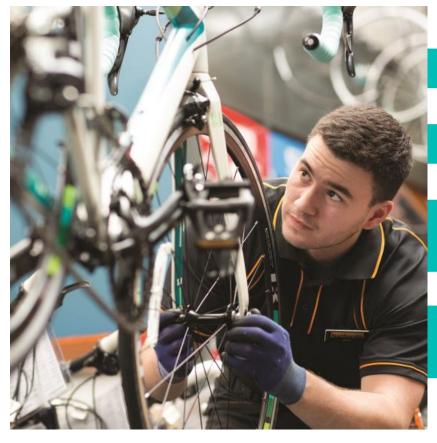




Note: Market size figures are annual market sales including VAT Source: Halfords estimates

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Cycling market trends



Fundamentals driving market growth

E-bikes growth opportunity

Market prices moving up due to Sterling depreciation against US dollar

Anticipate market growth of 3-5% per annum on average over time





Moving Up
A Gear
strategy

Highlights



Strong progress across
Moving Up A Gear
strategic pillars



Market share growth in motoring and cycling



Service-related Retail sales growth of 18%



Enhanced customer data driving incremental sales



Group online sales up 11%



Expanded Group's reach and capabilities



Moving Up A Gear strategy



Service in our DNA



Better Shopping Experience



Building on our Uniqueness



Putting Customers in the Driving Seat



Fit for the Future Infrastructure







Over 30 motoring and cycling services

Service-related Retail sales up 18%

Lowest ever colleague turnover (33%)

Target "Gears" programme levels met

Apprenticeship scheme growing

New in-store services in FY18





We have over 30 in-store services across motoring and cycling

New motoring services in FY18:

- Ad-blue top-up
- Car key fob repair
- Fuse fitting

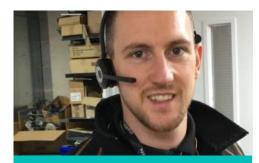
Trial of cycling services in FY18:

- Bike personalisation
- Bike radio frequency identification tagging

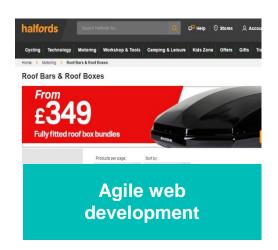


Better Shopping Experience





Headsets to support colleagues and improve customer service









Better Shopping Experience







Updated store refresh concept:

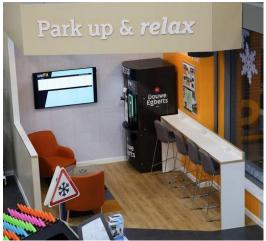
- Evolution of successful previous concept
- Strong sales uplifts and feedback so far
- 5 updated store refreshes in FY17
- Around 40 to follow in FY18
- "Lite" version developed



Better Shopping Experience









New Features:

- Electric vehicle charging points
- "Park up and Relax" lounge
- Digital booking timetable
- Colleague headsets
- Dedicated hubs for Tradecard and Click & Collect

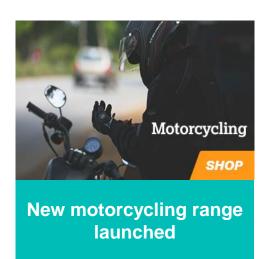


Building on our Uniqueness





Boardman wins awards





Market leading retailer and fitter of dash-cams



Improved our Tradecard offer





Grew child seat sales twice as fast as the market in FY17



Building on our Uniqueness









Tredz acquisition means we can now service all cycling customer segments





Tyres on the Drive investment to enhance service and convenience credentials



Putting Customers in the Driving Seat





Single customer view phase 1 complete

Email traffic up triple digit percent

50% Retail customer sales match rate

Over 1m additional website sessions

Open rates of email campaigns at 35%



Fit for the Future Infrastructure







Delivered "Dayforce" resourcing tool

New third party warehouse in Daventry



Piloting i-serve technology in-store

Single view of stock completed

Continued focus on "We Operate for Less" programme



Autocentres



Long-term investment in colleagues:

- · New technician pay grading scheme
- Apprenticeship programme growing

Improved offer to customers:

- Sunday & Bank holiday opening
- Electric and hybrid vehicle servicing

A year of transition:

 Actions underway to improve profitability including review of operating model





Financial Guidance

Financial Targets

Grow sales faster than the market* Group EBITDA margin broadly flat prior to impact of FX **Grow the ordinary dividend every year** Net Debt target of 1x EBITDA with a range** up to 1.5x***

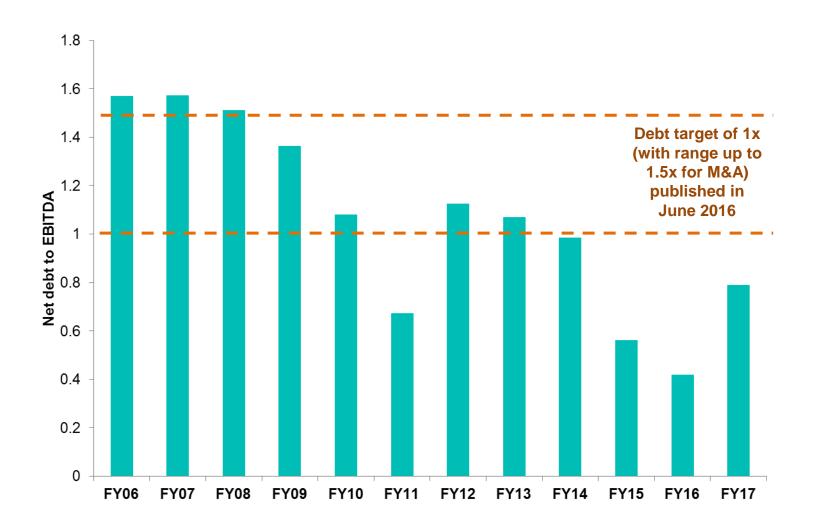
^{**} This target was published in June 2016 with guidance that it will be arrived at over time. In FY17 net debt moved from 0.4x to 0.8x



^{*} Halfords principally operates in two markets: motoring and cycling. Management currently anticipates these markets to grow by 2-3% and 3-5% per annum respectively on average over the next few years

^{**} With a coverage of 2 times on average over time, prior to impact of FX

Net debt to EBITDA





Capital Allocation Priorities

Pre-conditions of maintaining a strong balance sheet and operating in line with the debt framework

1

Investment for growth

2

Pay and grow the ordinary dividend

3

Appropriate M&A



Surplus cash returned to shareholders

FY18 Financial Guidance

All of the following guidance is in respect of the Group:

Capital Expenditure circa £40m

Depreciation & Amortisation charge circa £33m

Effective Tax Rate circa 20%





FY17 **Financial** Performance

Group Financial Highlights

Revenue:	£1,095.0m	1	+7.2% YoY +2.7% LFL	+£73.5m YoY
Underlying EBITDA:	£108.7m	•	-5.1% YoY	-£5.9m YoY
Underlying PBT:	£75.4m	•	-7.5% YoY	-£6.1m YoY
Basic Underlying EP	S: 30.3p	•	-8.7% YoY	-2.9p YoY
Ord. Dividend:	17.51p	1	+3.0% YoY	Ord Dividend Cover 1.73
c.£14m gross impact of Sterling devaluation	£37.7m Free Cash Flow		Special dividend of 10 pence per share paid Feb 2017	Net Debt £85.9m representing 0.8x EBITDA

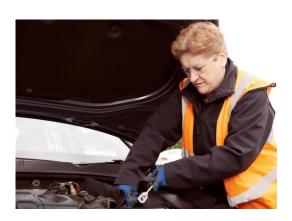
Votes:

2) Relevant comparatives are for the 52 weeks to 1 April 2016.



¹⁾ All numbers represent performance for the 52 weeks to 31 March 2017 and are before non-recurring items.

Retail Financial Highlights





Revenue:	£938.4m	1	+8.0% YoY +3.1% LFL
Gross Margin:	48.6%	•	-260 bps YoY
Operating costs:	£379.8m	•	+4.6% YoY +2.4% LFL
Underlying EBIT:	£76.8m	•	-£5.0m YoY
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Notes:

- 1) All numbers represent performance for the 52 weeks to 31 March 2017 and are before non-recurring items.
- 2) Relevant comparatives are for the 52 weeks to 1 April 2016.
- 3) Like-for-like sales represent revenue from Retail stores open for at least a year and online sales, but excluding prior year revenue from Retail stores closed during the year, at constant foreign exchange rates

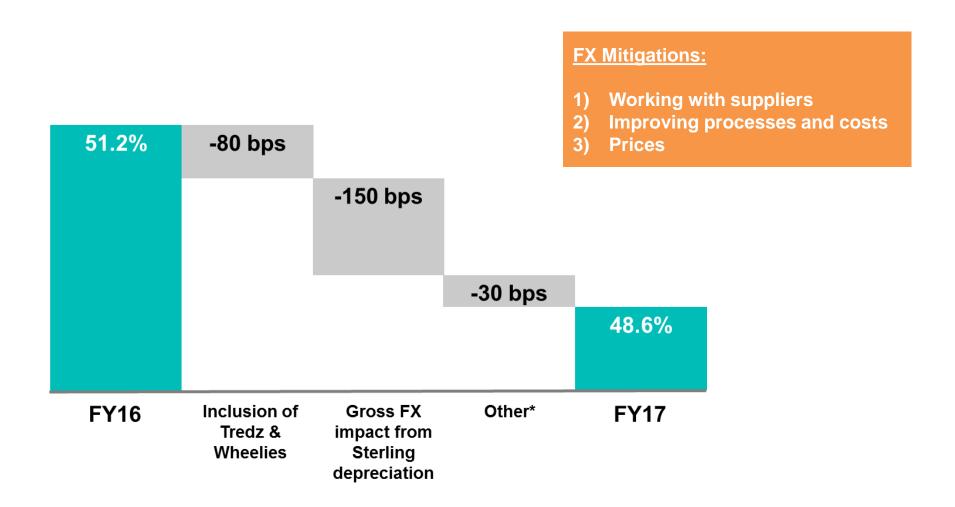
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Underlying EBITDA: £101.1m



-£4.9m YoY

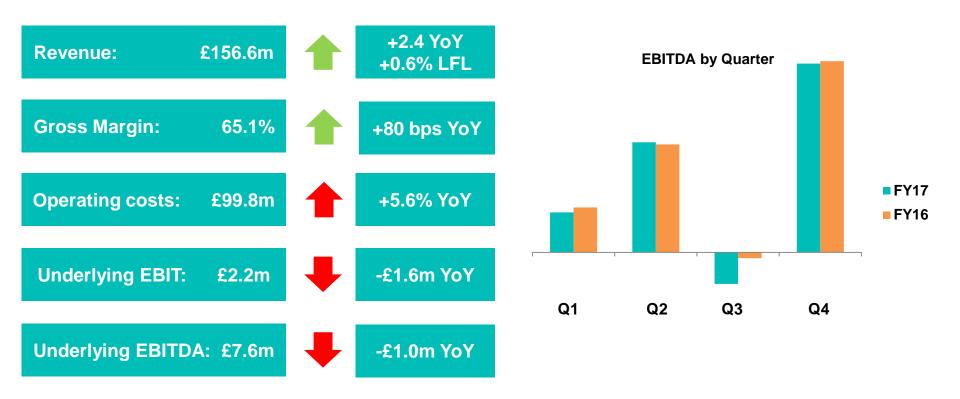
Retail Gross Margin – decline of 260 bps as expected



^{*}The net of the adverse mix impact of faster cycling sales and the cycling promotion in the first half, partially offset by the accretive mix impact of service-related sales and the early benefits of FX mitigation.



Autocentres Financial Highlights



^{**} The quarters in the graph above represent four thirteen week quarters rather than matching our external trading reporting periods.

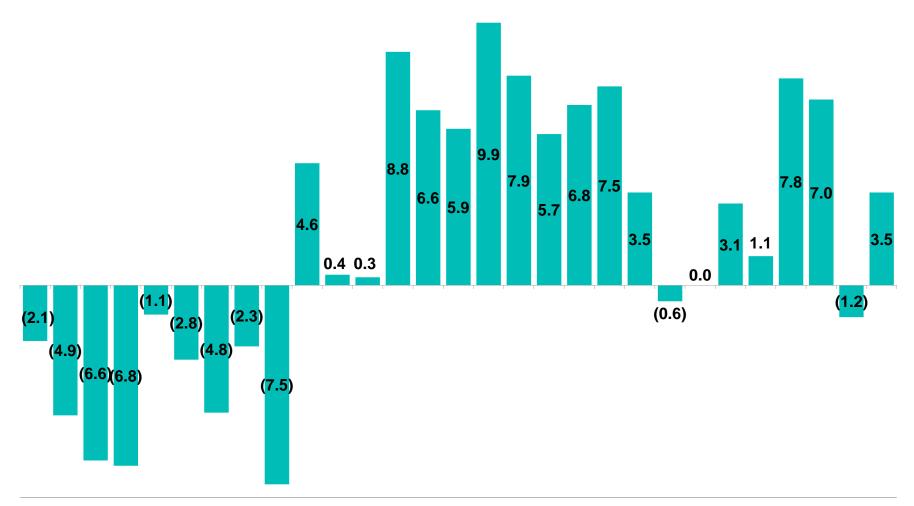


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Appendices

Retail LFLs

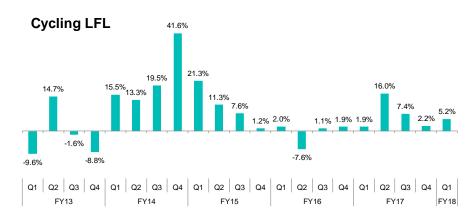


Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 FY11FY11FY11FY11FY12FY12FY12FY12FY13FY13FY13FY14FY14FY14FY14FY15FY15FY15FY16FY16FY16FY16FY17FY17FY17FY17FY17FY18

Note: From FY17 onwards, Q1 is a 20 week period, incorporating the summer peak period for cycling. In previous years Q1 represented a 13 week period. Q3 is a 15 week period incorporating the Christmas peak trading period.

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Retail LFLs











Group Components

FY17	Retail £m	Autocentres £m	Amortisation £m	Group £m
Revenue	938.4	156.6	-	1,095.0
Gross Profit	456.6	102.0	-	558.6
Operating Costs	(379.8)	(99.8)	(1.9)	(481.5)
EBIT	76.8	2.2	(1.9)	77.1
EBITDA	101.1	7.6	-	108.7

FY16	Retail £m	Autocentres £m	Amortisation £m	Group £m
Revenue	868.5	153.0	-	1021.5
Gross Profit	444.8	98.3	-	543.1
Operating Costs	(363.0)	(94.5)	(1.1)	(458.6)
EBIT	81.8	3.8	(1.1)	84.5
EBITDA	106.0	8.6	-	114.6

Note: All numbers are before non-recurring items



Group Balance Sheet

	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	YOY £m	Change
Goodwill and Intangible Assets	394.1	362.9	+31.2	8.6%
Property, Plant & Equipment	102.8	107.3	-4.5	-4.2%
Investments	8.1	-	8.1	100%
Derivative Financial Instruments	3.7	4.2	(0.5)	-11.9%
Net Working Capital	24.7	8.4	+16.3	+194.0%
Net Debt	(85.9)	(47.9)	(38.0)	+79.3%
Other Creditors	(40.0)	(29.5)	(10.5)	+35.6%
Net Assets	407.5	405.4	+2.1	+0.5%
Inventories	191.1	157.9	+33.2	+21.0%



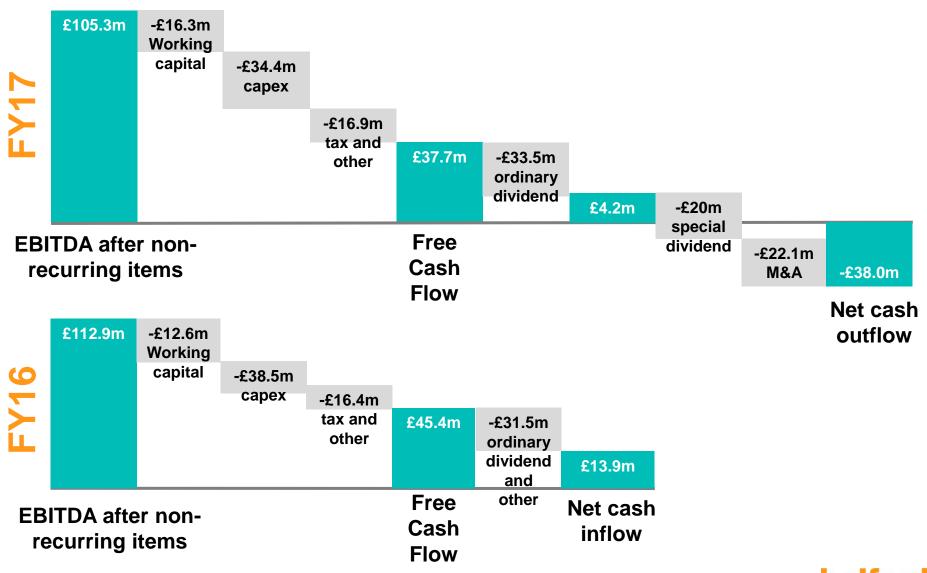
Cash flow and Net Debt

Operating Cashflow	£m	Free Cashflow	£m	Net Debt	£m
Underlying EBIT	77.1	Operating Cashflow	90.0	Opening Net Debt	(47.9)
Non-recurring operating expenses	(3.4)	Capital Expenditure	(34.4)	Free Cashflow	37.7
Depreciation, Amortisation and loss on disposal	31.8	Net Finance Costs	(0.8)	Finance lease payments/loan fee amortisation	(1.5)
Employee Share Scheme	1.0	Taxation	(15.3)	Proceeds from issue of shares	1.4
Working Capital	(16.3)	Fair value gain on derivatives	(1.8)	Dividends	(53.5)
Provisions	(0.2)			Acquisition of subsidiary	(18.0)
				Purchase of investment	(4.1)
Operating Cashflow	90.0	Free Cashflow	37.7	Closing Net Debt	(85.9)

Net debt to EBITDA at 0.8x Full-year Ordinary Dividend up 3.0% to 17.51p



FY17 vs. FY16 Cash Flow



Halfords Retail Categories









CAR MAINTENANCE

the highest-margin category

Includes 3Bs (bulbs, blades & batteries), oils, tools and winter

CAR ENHANCEMENT

the lowest-margin category

Includes sat nav GPS, audio, DAB Radio, car cleaning and styling

TRAVEL SOLUTIONS

the average-margin category

Includes childsafety seats, camping and roof boxes

CYCLING

below Retail average margin

Includes cycles, parts, accessories, clothing, repair & service



Bike brands available across the Group

	Halfords only	Halfords and Cycle Republic	Cycle Republic only	Tredz and Wheelies
Own brands	apollo	BOARDMAN WIGGINS O		
cycle revenue		OLIVEANDORANGE Pendleton		
Third party brands		V. O. O. D. O. O. TIFOSI Quella mongoose	BASSO	GGIANT: 4 SPECIALIZED C cannondate
c.10% of cycle revenue		DAH N. PARAMETA	Gocycle MHPIBIHE	C CUBE



Group site portfolio

	FY15	FY16	FY17
Halfords Retail	463	462	460
Halfords Autocentres	305	314	313
Cycle Republic	4	10	15
Tredz	-	-	4
Total	772	786	792

	Number of Autocentres
Acquired	223
FY11	230
FY12	250
FY13	283
FY14	303
FY15	305
FY16	314
FY17	313

	Average remaining lease length
Retail	6.6 years
Autocentres	6.7 years



Forward-Looking Statements

Included in this presentation are forward-looking management comments and other statements that reflect management's current outlook for future periods

These expectations are based on currently available competitive, financial, and economic data along with our current operating plans and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results contemplated by the forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements in this presentation should be read in conjunction with the risks and uncertainties discussed in the Halfords Annual Report and Accounts.



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