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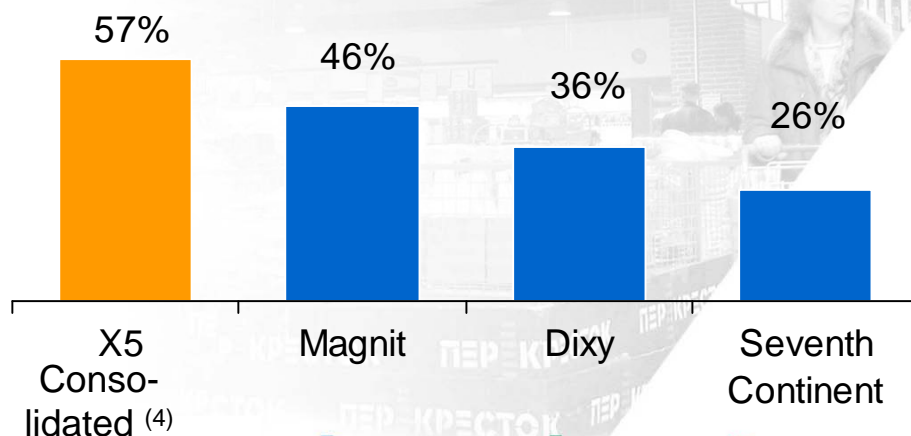




**... an Unrivaled Leader in Russian Retail...**

- 2008 pro-forma<sup>(1)</sup> net sales - USD 8,844 mln
- 1,101 company-managed store in Russia and Ukraine<sup>(2)</sup>
- 607 stores operated by X5's franchisees across Russia<sup>(2)</sup>
- Over 874 thousand sq. m. of net selling space<sup>(2)</sup>
- Over 816 million customer visits to X5 stores in 2008

**FY 2008 Retail Revenue Growth (in USD)**



#	Company	FY 2007 Sales (USD mln)	% in Top-10	% in Total Market
1.	X5 + Karusel <sup>(1)</sup>	6,151	24.6%	3.2%
2.	Metro <sup>(3)</sup>	3,888	15.6%	2.0%
2.	Magnit	3,677	14.7%	1.9%
4.	Auchan	3,200	12.8%	1.7%
5.	Lenta	1,559	6.2%	0.8%
6.	Dixy	1,433	5.7%	0.8%
7.	Kopeyka	1,366	5.5%	0.7%
8.	Viktorija	1,305	5.2%	0.7%
9.	Seventh Continent	1,273	5.1%	0.7%
10.	O'Key	1,115	4.5%	0.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>24,967</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13.1%</b>



Sources: Business Analytica

(1) Including Karusel on pro-forma basis from 1 January 2007 and 2008, respectively; (2) As at 31 December 2008;

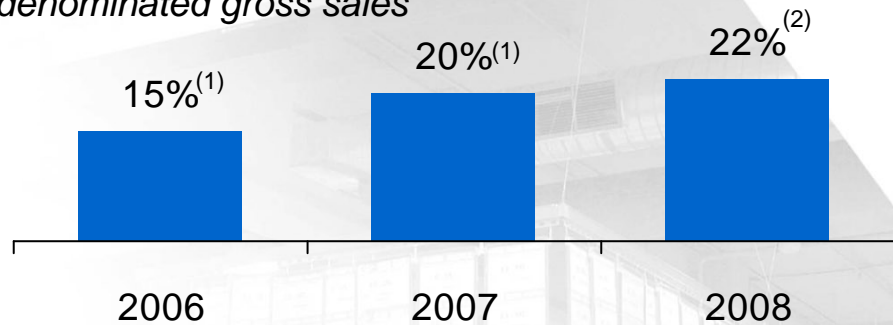
(3) Including Metro Cash & Carry and Real, excluding Media Markt and Saturn; (4) Including Karusel on consolidation basis from 1 July 2008;



**... of Operating Performance...**

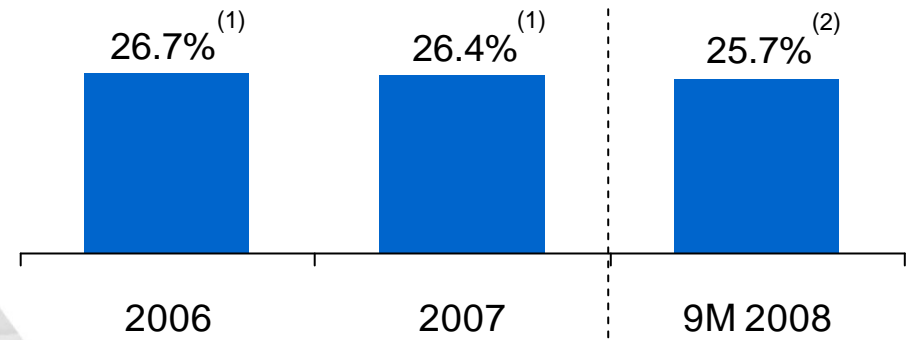
**LFL**

Based on RUR-denominated gross sales

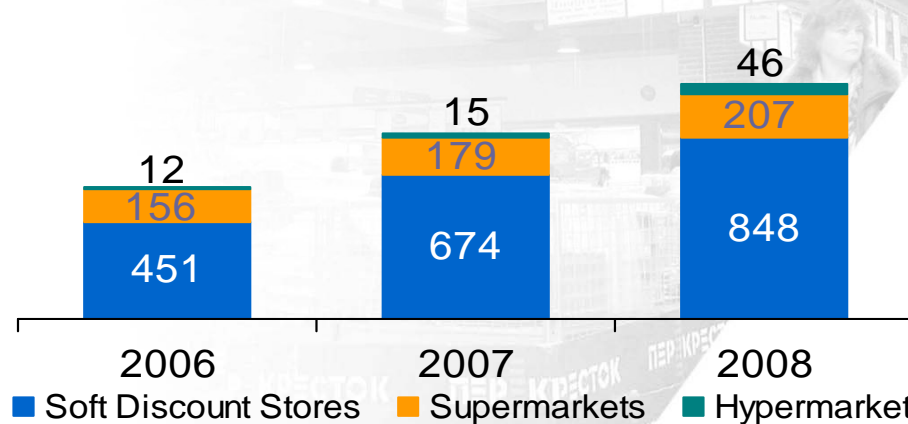


**Gross Margin**

% of net sales



**Number Of Stores**



**Net Selling Space**

Thousand square meters



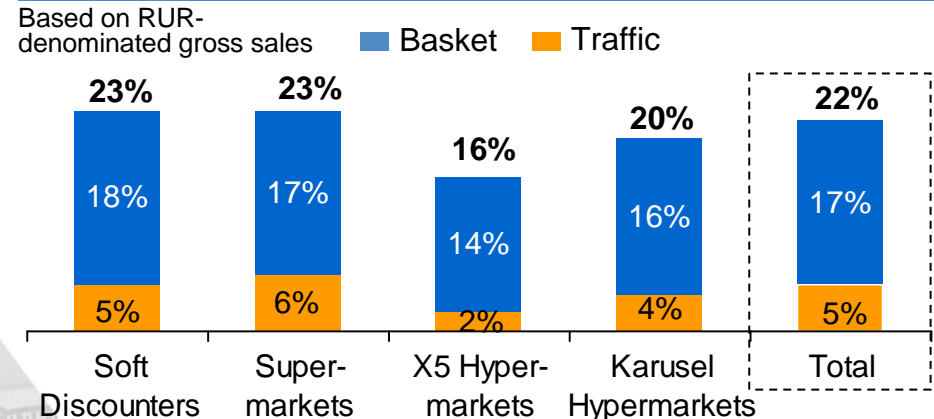
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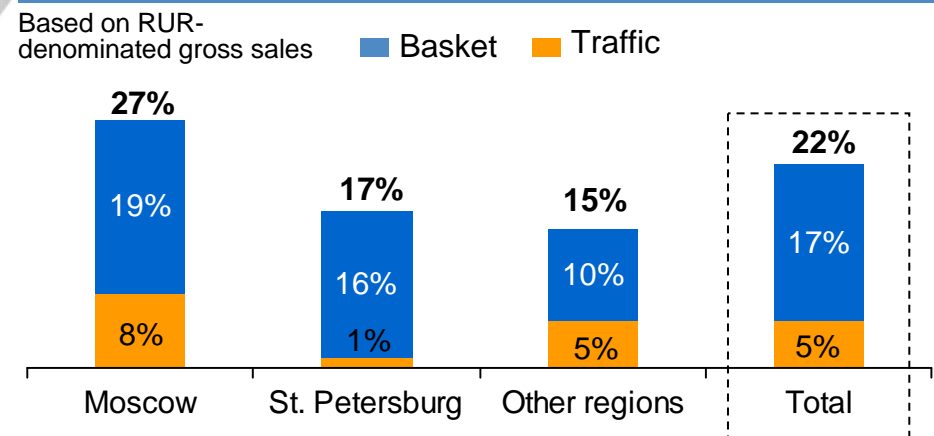
## ... Was Strong Across Formats & Regions...

- Positive traffic and basket growth in excess of inflation
- Karusel hypermarkets' performance affected by 3-4 day closings in Q3 2008 for IT platform replacement (4% revenue loss in Q3)
- In Q4 - first signs of trading down, resulting in strong customer inflow to discounters, especially noticeable in the regions (+7% traffic growth in Q4)
- Perekrestok supermarkets continue to perform very well in Moscow and St. Petersburg (76% of X5's supermarkets sales) despite trading down trends

### 2008 LFL Performance by Format (1)



### 2008 LFL Performance by Region (1)

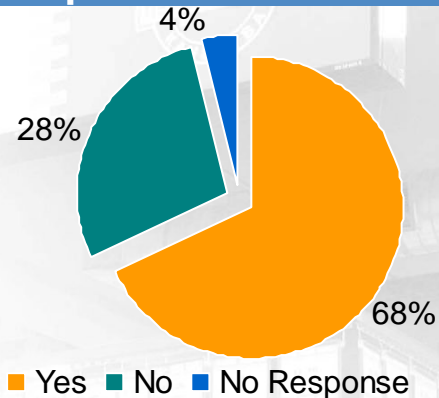


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**... Is Changing...**

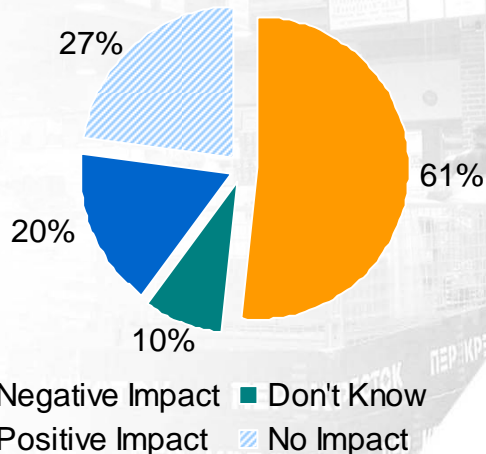
**Russian Population Sees Financial Crisis**



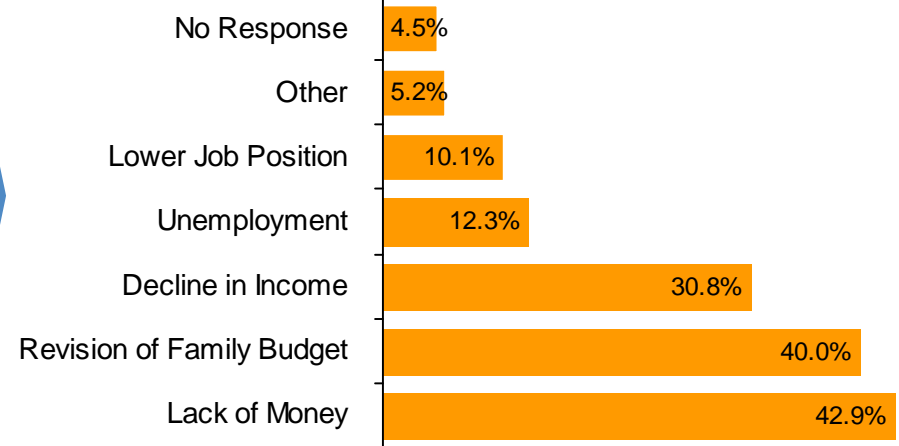
Sampling: 4166 respondents (Moscow, St. Petersburg, Samara)

- Almost two thirds of consumers (irrespective of income level) believe there is a financial crisis
- More than half of respondents believe that the financial crisis will impact them negatively
- People are mostly concerned about lacking enough money and the need to cut back on family spending

**Public Opinion About Financial Crisis Impact**



Sampling: among those who admit the crisis, 2140 respondents



Source: Romir, crisis perception research, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Samara, October-November 2008

**... Should Result in...**

**Trading Down by Consumers...**

- On the back of...
  - slower income growth...
  - ...higher unemployment...

**Financial Constraints...**

**Operating performance**

- Pressure on average ticket...
- ...shift in demand for lower-margin products...
- ...resulting in pressure on gross margin

**Expansion**

- Limited access to financing will affect expansion (resulting in either slower pace or adjusted approach)

**...However....**

- Impact on food retail will be limited as...
  - ...people will continue buying staples...
  - ...food represents mainly non-discretionary purchasing

**...Opportunities for X5**

- Attracting additional traffic from troubled retailers & non-organized trade
- Maximizing efficiency of existing store portfolio
- Further optimizing cost base
  - Cutting Moscow & regional HQ headcount by 30%
  - Lower pressure on wages and lease expenses
- More efficient CapEx due to...
  - ...higher internal return requirements...
  - ...lower cost of expansion...
  - ...lower maintenance costs
- Opportunistic consolidation of distressed assets



## Providing Short-Term Liquidity and Long-Term Sector Stimulus

RF Government has designated Retail as a strategic sector to ensure a well-functioning supply chain and efficient market for servicing consumer needs



- **Financial assistance to large Russian retailers on**

- Refinancing of short-term debt
  - VTB has opened a 1.5 year credit line for X5 for a total amount of RUR 9 bln

- Stabilization of payments to suppliers
- Acquisitions of distressed retailers



- **Long-term policies to support sector development, including tax incentives**

- Decrease of corporate income tax from 24% to 20% (not only retail)
- Deferral of VAT payments
- VAT reimbursement
- Recognition of shrinkage for tax purposes
- Assistance in streamlining legal structures for tax optimization purposes



**... Enables Quick Reaction to Changes in Consumer Spending**

**Soft Discount Stores**



As at 31 Dec 2008

- 848 stores
- Total net selling space – 419,207 sq. m.
- Sales per sq.m. – USD 14,324

**Supermarkets**



As at 31 Dec 2008

- 207 stores
- Total net selling space – 222,362 sq. m.
- Sales per sq.m. – USD 16,193



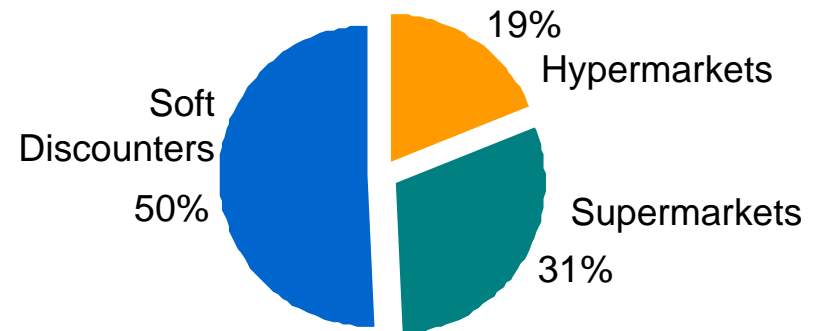
**Hypermarkets**



As at 31 Dec 2008

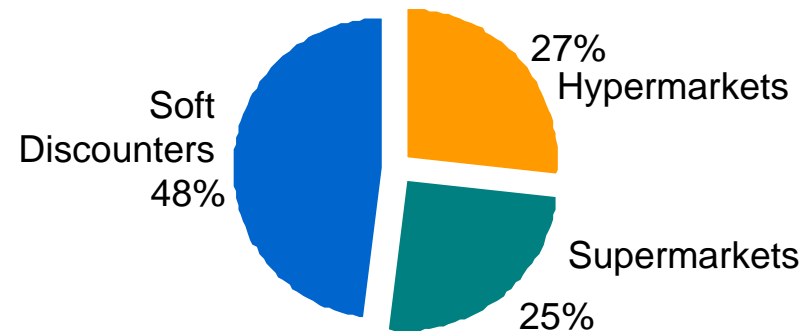
- 46 stores
- Total net selling space – 232,462 sq.m.
- Sales per sq.m. – USD 9,635

**FY 2008 Net Retail Sales Break Down by Format (1)**



Total net retail sales including Karusel(1) – USD 8.8 bln

**FY 2008 Selling Space Break Down by Format**



Total selling space – 874,032 sq. m.



(1) Including Karusel on pro-forma basis from 1 January 2008



**X5's Soft Discounters – Positioned for Trading-Down Trends**



**Value Proposition**

- Price leadership
- Convenient location
- Attractive assortment

**Strengths**

- High brand recognition
- Basic assortment at lowest price on the market
- Low cost operations
- Cheap & quick expansion potential
- Significant opportunities for private label development
- High quality store portfolio

**Opportunities**

- Attracting new customer categories on the back of trading down
- Traffic inflow from non-organized retail
- Traffic inflow from troubled competitors

**Focus in 2009**

- Strengthening the image of price leader
- Ensuring product availability
- Capitalizing on private label opportunities
- Limiting expansion to X5's core regions to maximize value





**X5's Supermarkets – Best Value for Money**

**Value Proposition**

- Quality & Convenience
- The best supermarket in promotions
- The best supermarket in fresh

**Strengths**

- High brand recognition
- The most attractive price in supermarkets
- Efficient promotions, strong customer response
- Strong loyalty program
- Opportunities for private label development
- Concentration in cities/regions with highest incomes
- High quality store portfolio

**Opportunities**

- Attracting new customers from premium supermarkets
- Retaining existing customers through smart pricing
- Traffic inflow from troubled competitors

**Focus in 2009**

- Optimizing regional supermarkets portfolio
- Rationalizing assortment
- Enhancing strength in fresh
- Facilitating promo activities
- Enhancing private label sales
- Improving service
- Limiting expansion to cities with over 1 mln of population





**X5's Hypermarkets – Better Alternative to Open-Air Markets**

**Value Proposition**

- Everything under one roof
- Low price
- High quality of goods
- Good location and convenient access

**Strengths**

- Premium locations
- Two formats – compact & full-size
- Basic assortment at lowest price available in the market
- Supplemental services and attractions
- Efficient promos
- Opportunities for private label development
- Limited exposure to non-food

**Opportunities**

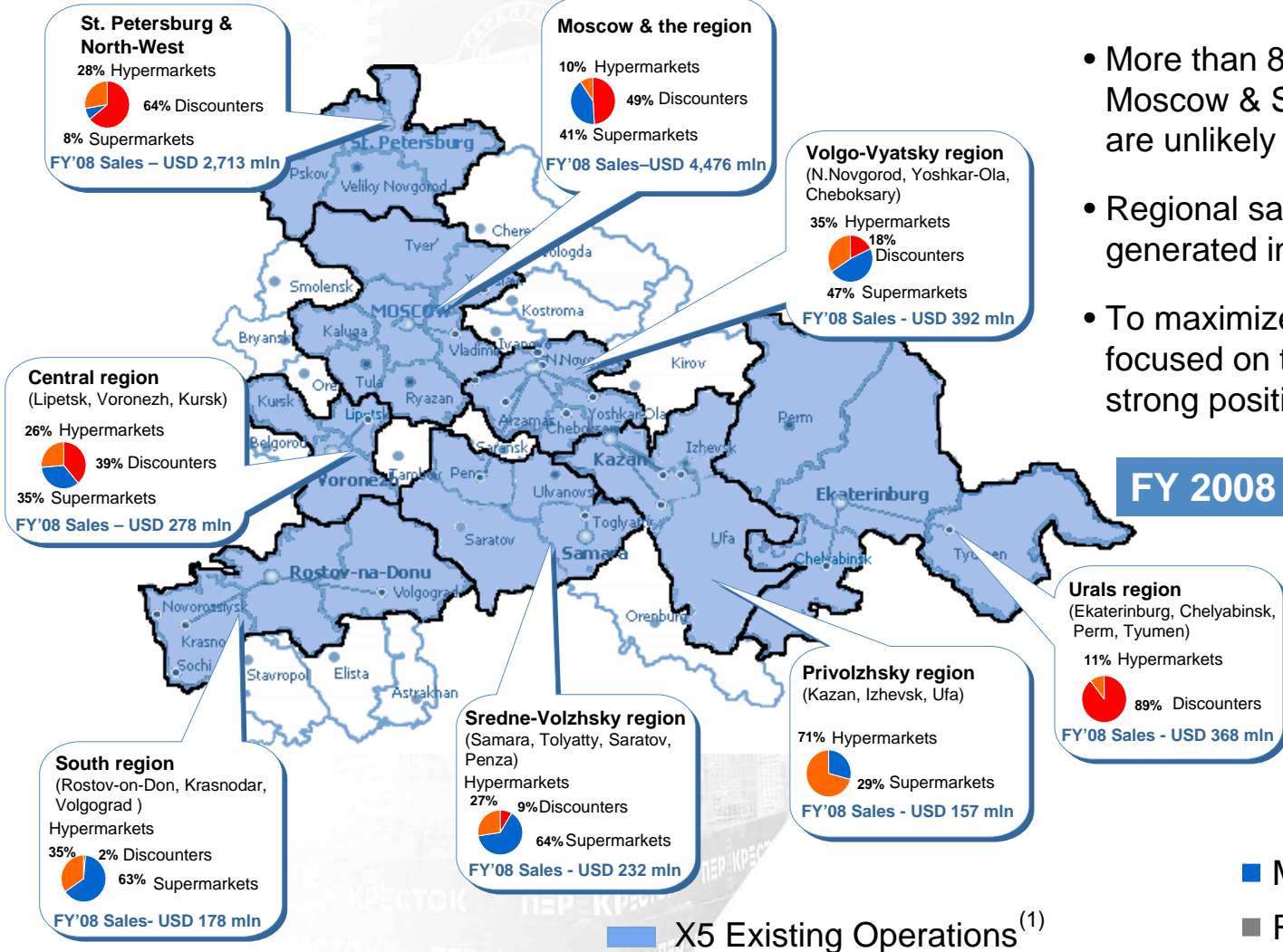
- Capturing all possible consumer segments for week-end shopping
- Providing an attractive alternative to open-air markets
- Traffic inflow from troubled competitors

**Focus in 2009**

- Rebrand all hypermarkets to Karusel by March 2009
- Strengthen “everything under one roof” image
- Focus on sales per square meter improvement
- Develop private label
- Non-food focused on fast-moving goods
- Expansion: only selective projects in best locations with outstanding economics

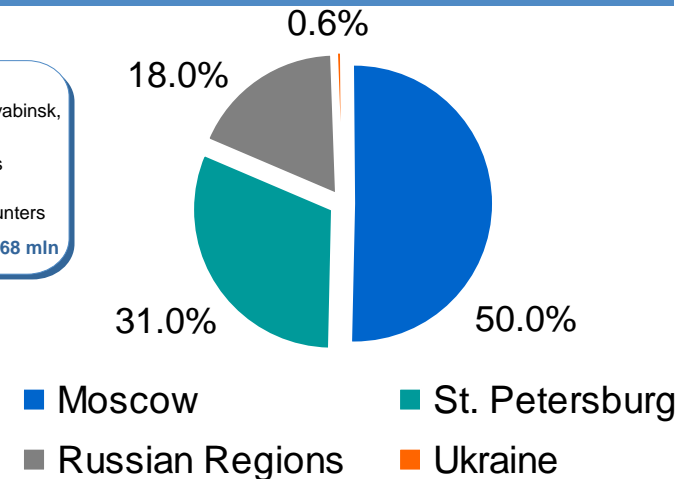


... In the Most Defensive Markets/Big Cities



- More than 80% of X5's sales are generated in Moscow & St. Petersburg, where consumers are unlikely to significantly cut spending on food
- Regional sales (18% of total) are mainly generated in big cities
- To maximize value, in 2009 expansion will be focused on the regions where X5 already has strong positions

FY 2008 Net Retail Sales by Region (2)



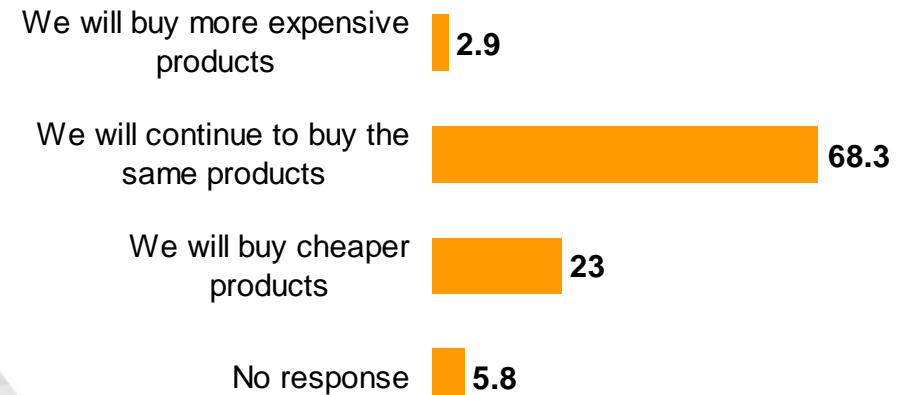
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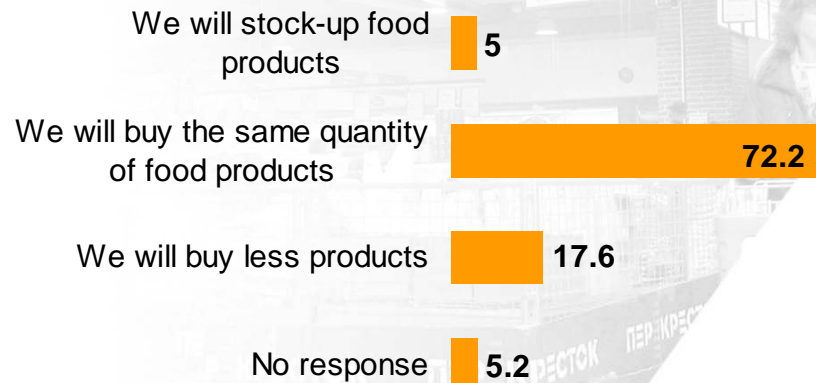
**... Are the Most Resilient in the Changing Market Environment**

- 68% of respondents have not changed their pricing preferences
- 72% of respondent plan to buy the same quantity of food items
- 51% of respondents do not plan to stop buying or replace usual product categories

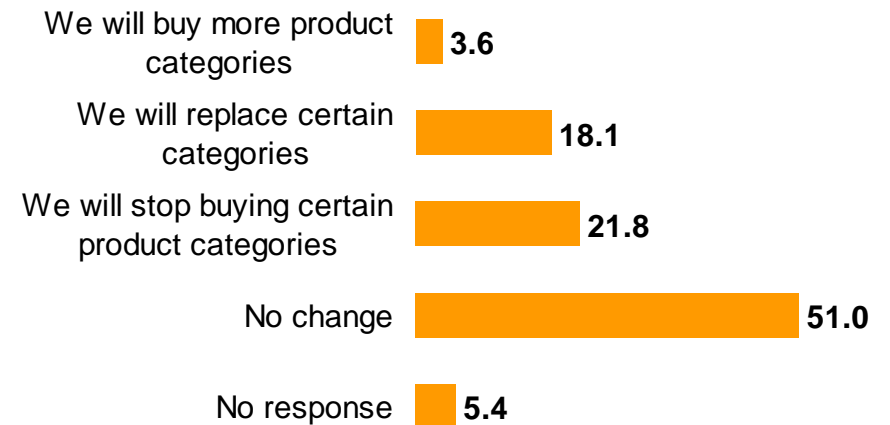
**PRICE**



**QUANTITY**



**PRODUCT CATEGORIES**



Source: Romir, random search of 4166 people, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Samara, October-November 2008





## Sector Leadership Leads to Stronger Pricing Advantage over Competition

- Purchasing power further grows with market leadership
- Suppliers need and want to do business with X5 due to...
  - increasing purchasing volumes
  - guaranteed payment
- Enhanced opportunity to balance margin and cash flow (payment terms)
- Benefits of deliveries to own DCs given increasing centralization

### Leadership in Price

- Inflation in X5 stores is always well below average inflation in Russia
  - December 08 to December 07 food inflation in Russia totaled 16.5%, while in X5's stores it was 12.9%

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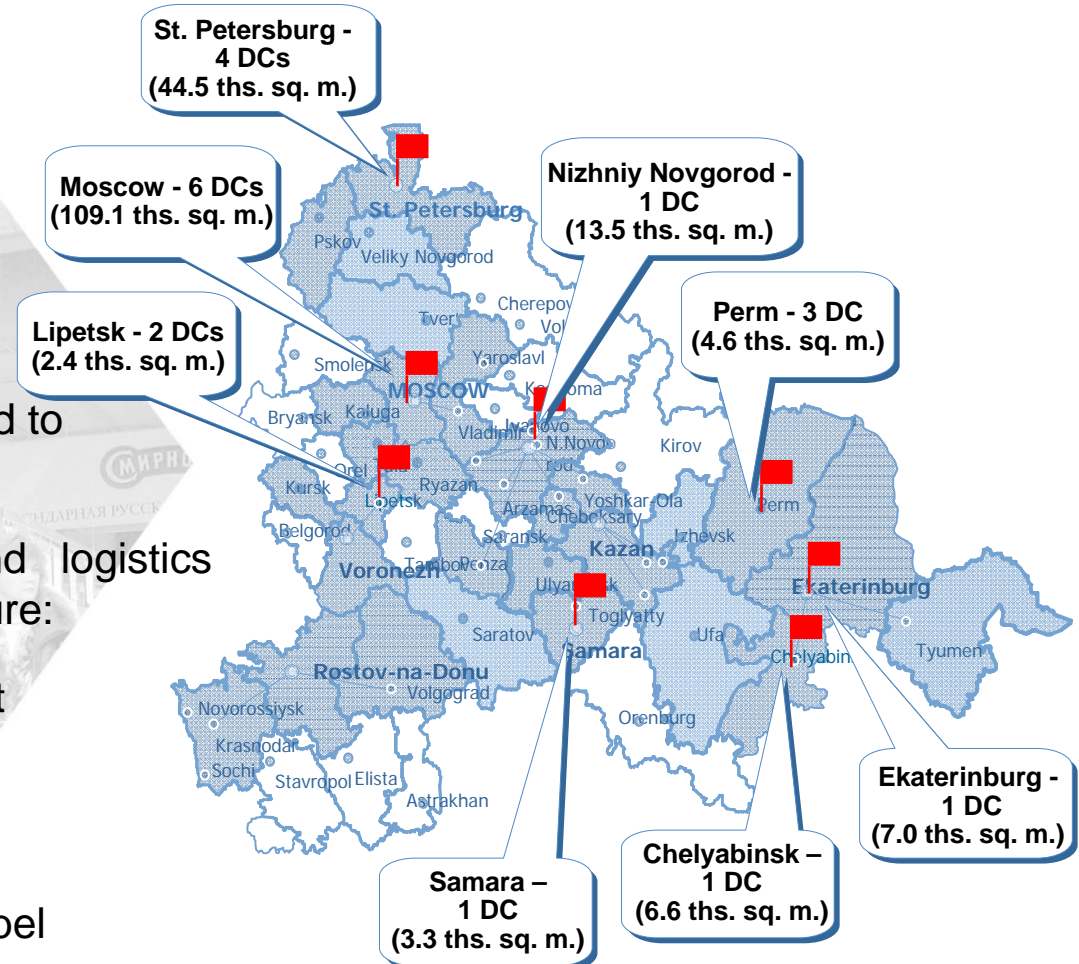
Компания X5 Retail Group N.V., крупнейший в России ритейлер по объемам продаж, объявила о снижении цен на 30% ассортимента - более 3300 наименований товаров - во всех супермаркетах «Перекресток», расположенных в Москве, Московской области, Санкт-Петербурге и Ленинградской области. На некоторые товары цены снижены на 37%.

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## ... Is Supported by Developed Logistics Infrastructure

- Total area of 19 DCs operated by X5 at 31 December 2008 was appr. 191 thousand sq.m.
- The Company operates fleet of over 450 trucks
- Current average level of supply centralization is appr. 50% and is expected to go up to 57% by end of 2009
- The Company will continue to expand logistics infrastructure in 2009 (lease&3PL) to ensure:
  - Higher levels and control over product availability
  - Better working capital management
  - Support for promotions and private label development





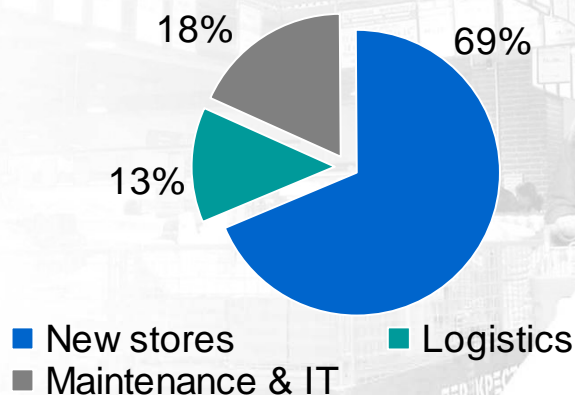
## Rationalization of Assortment & Private Label Development Should Enhance Appeal to Consumers and Support Margins...

- Financial crisis triggers rationalization of supplier base....
- ...category leaders will have priority
- Focusing on food (90% of total Group's sales today) and only fast-moving categories in non-food
- Private label development will become an increasingly attractive option for:
  - Consumers – because of price
  - Retailers – as traffic generators and margin support
  - Suppliers – guaranteed volume and payment by large, stable customer



	2008	2009E
Sales Growth (in RUR)	41%	>25% <sup>(1)</sup>
Capital Expenditures	~USD 1,000 mln	Up to RUR 14 bln (USD 500 mln at RUR/USD of 28)

## 2009 Preliminary CapEx Breakdown



## Key Rules for Expansion in 2009

- Higher returns and shortest possible paybacks required
- Priority given to
  - discounters versus other formats
  - leased properties versus ownership
  - regions with already strong presence of X5
- CapEx may be adjusted in response to financial market changes



(1) Based on management's current estimates of 2009 inflation (of around 12%) and may be adjusted in future based on actual inflation trends



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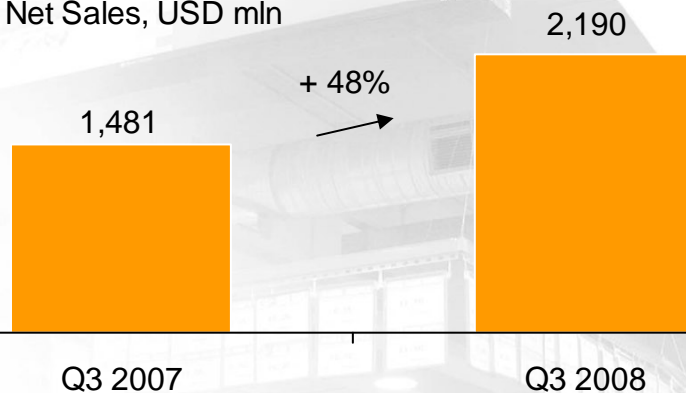


- Solid Revenue Growth
- Higher Profitability before FX Revaluation Effects
- Strong Cash Generation from Operations
- Financial Position Provides Room for Maneuver and Deleveraging

**Solid Financial Results**

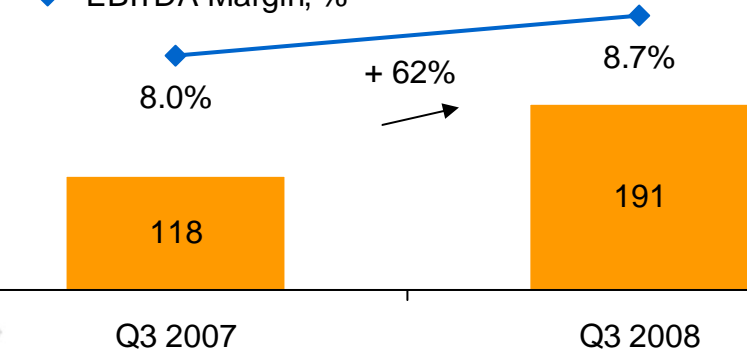
**Net Sales**

Net Sales, USD mln



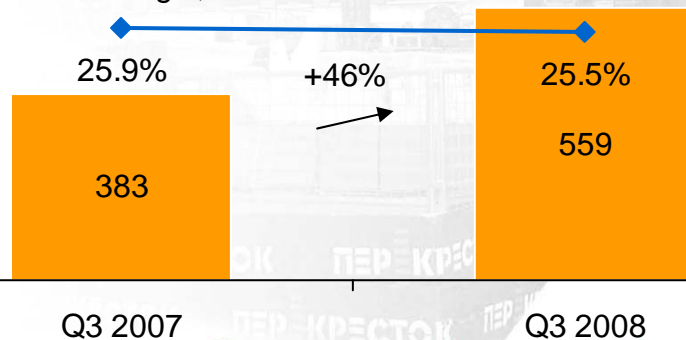
**EBITDA**

EBITDA, USD mln  
EBITDA Margin, %



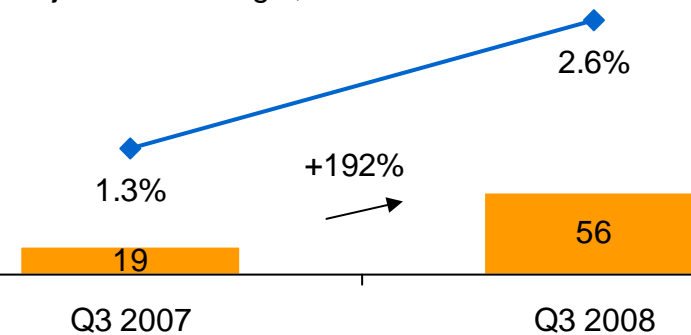
**Gross Profit**

Gross Profit, USD mln  
Gross Margin, %



**Adjusted Net Profit excl. FX Revaluation (2)**

Adjusted Net Profit, USD mln  
Adjusted Net Margin, %



(1) All P&L numbers in this presentation are provided on pro-forma basis, i.e. including Karusel results from 1 January 2007 and 2008 respectively.

(2) Excluding FX gain/loss and adjusted for respective tax

USD mln	Q3 2008	Q3 2007	% change, y-o-y	9M 2008	9M 2007	% change, y-o-y
<b>Net Sales</b>	<b>2,190.3</b>	<b>1,480.6</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>6,516.1</b>	<b>4,171.3</b>	<b>56%</b>
incl. Retail	2,177.0	1,470.2	48%	6,478.7	4,144.3	56%
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>558.8</b>	<b>382.9</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>1,673.7</b>	<b>1,083.4</b>	<b>54%</b>
Gross Margin, %	25.5%	25.9%		25.7%	26.0%	
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>190.5</b>	<b>117.7</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>578.0</b>	<b>358.7</b>	<b>61%</b>
EBITDA Margin, %	8.7%	8.0%		8.9%	8.6%	
<b>EBIT</b>	<b>127.4</b>	<b>68.0</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>393.3</b>	<b>217.0</b>	<b>81%</b>
EBIT Margin, %	5.8%	4.6%		6.0%	5.2%	
Finance costs (net)	(44.5)	(48.0)	-7%	(117.6)	(111.1)	6%
Net FX gain/(loss)	(84.9)	1.8	n/a	(40.0)	11.7	n/a
<b>Profit before tax</b>	<b>(2.1)</b>	<b>22.2</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>235.6</b>	<b>118.1</b>	<b>100%</b>
Income tax expense	(12.6)	(4.4)	187%	(97.5)	(57.5)	69%
<b>Net Profit (Loss)</b>	<b>(14.7)</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>138.2</b>	<b>60.6</b>	<b>128%</b>
Net Margin, %	n/a	1.2%		2.1%	1.5%	
<b>Adjusted Net Profit excl. FX Revaluation effects <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>192%</b>	<b>165.9</b>	<b>53.6</b>	<b>210%</b>
Adjusted Net Margin, %	2.6%	1.3%		2.5%	1.3%	



## Strong Cash Generation from Operations

USD mln	For the nine months ended 30-Sep-08	For the nine months ended 30-Sep-07	% change
Net Cash from Operating Activities, incl.	259.8	95.7	171%
<i>Net Cash from Operating Activities before Changes in Working Capital</i>	554.7	354.1	57%
<i>Change in Working Capital</i>	21.1	(106.3)	n/a
<i>Net Interest and Income Tax Paid</i>	(316.0) <sup>(2)</sup>	(152.0)	108%
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(1,524.2)	(508.8)	200%
Net Cash from Financing Activities	1,318.3	364.2	262%
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash	(9.1)	7.5	n/a
<b>Net Increase /(Decrease) in Cash</b>	<b>44.7</b>	<b>(41.4)</b>	<b>n/a</b>

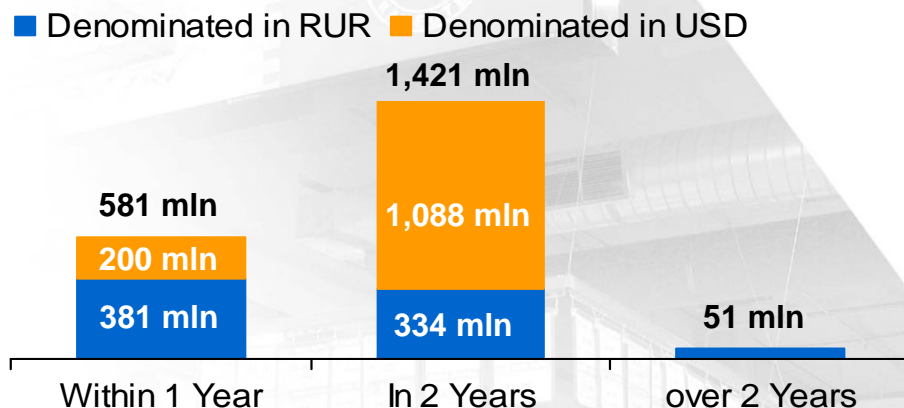
(1) Cash Flow numbers are provided on consolidation basis, i.e. including Karusel from 30 June 2008 (excluding Karusel in 2007)

(2) Strong cash generation from operations was to a large extent offset by advance income tax payments, which should result in lower tax to be paid in the fourth quarter 2008

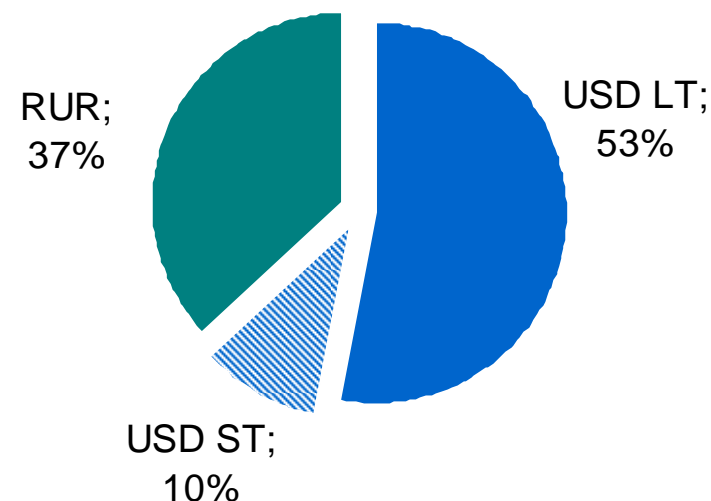
USD mln	30-Sep-08	30-Jun-08	31-Dec-07	% change vs 31-Dec-07
<b>Non-Current Assets, incl.</b>	<b>7,592.8</b>	<b>7,881.8</b>	<b>5,688.4</b>	<b>33%</b>
PP&E & investment property	3,693.4	3,708.4	2,119.6	74%
Goodwill	3,230.7	3,477.6	2,955.6	9%
<b>Current Assets, incl.</b>	<b>1,212.5</b>	<b>1,533.7</b>	<b>861.2</b>	<b>41%</b>
Cash	224.2	377.0	179.5	25%
<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>8,805.3</b>	<b>9,415.5</b>	<b>6,549.6</b>	<b>34%</b>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>4,585.7</b>	<b>4,963.5</b>	<b>3,243.7</b>	<b>41%</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities, incl.</b>	<b>1,929.0</b>	<b>2,032.9</b>	<b>1,725.7</b>	<b>12%</b>
Long-term borrowings	1,561.3	1,605.3	1,464.7	7%
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	<b>2,290.6</b>	<b>2,419.2</b>	<b>1,580.2</b>	<b>45%</b>
Short-term borrowings	706.0	712.7	253.7	178%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>4,219.6</b>	<b>4,452.1</b>	<b>3,305.9</b>	<b>28%</b>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>8,805.3</b>	<b>9,415.5</b>	<b>6,549.6</b>	<b>34%</b>
<b>Net Debt</b>	<b>2,043.0</b>	<b>1,941.1</b>	<b>1,538.9</b>	<b>33%</b>
<b>Net Debt/EBITDA</b>	<b>2.7x</b>	<b>2.8x</b>	<b>3.2x</b>	
<b>Net Working Capital</b>	<b>(372.1)</b>	<b>(172.8)</b>	<b>(465.3)</b>	<b>-20%</b>



## Debt Maturity Profile, USD (as at 31.12.08)



## Debt Currency Profile (as at 31.12.08)



- Over 70% of X5's debt is long-term, represented mainly by RUR 9 bln bonds with put option in July 2010 and USD 1.1 billion syndicated loan maturing in December 2010
- For refinancing of short-term debt
  - the Company had undrawn credit lines for a total amount of more than RUR 13 bln as at 10 February 2009
- Approximately 70% of debt is not exposed to interest rate fluctuations (long-term debt with fixed or hedged interest). Refinancing or new short-term borrowings are undertaken on fixed-rate basis
- No margin call risk on X5's debt (no margin call provisions in credit arrangements)



## Liquidity Position

- USD 581 mln of short-term debt maturing within 12 months
- Year-end cash balance of approximately USD 250 mln
- As at 10 February 2009 RUR 13 bln of undrawn credit lines available for refinancing
- Expected free cash flow generation in 2009 should enable further deleveraging
- Over 80% of planned 2009 CapEx is fully discretionary and can be adjusted in response to market conditions

## FX Exposure

- No material FX risk in operations
- FX risk on short-term USD debt hedged by purchased dollars in Q4 2008 (USD 115 mln)
- FX risk mainly arises on USD 1.1 bln syndicated loan maturing in December 2010, however:
  - Exposure on revaluation of principal is non-cash
  - Limited cash flow exposure as the facility has a very attractive interest rate (LIBOR + 150 bp) which minimizes potential cash FX losses on interest payments
  - Hedging is prohibitively expensive
  - Refinancing in RUR would negatively affect not only P&L but also cash flow, as X5 would commit to much higher interest payments
- To mitigate FX risks, X5 undertakes new borrowings primarily in RUR



## I. Source of Strength in Russian Retail

- Leadership in Russian Retail
- Track Record of Operating Performance
- Retail Environment and Consumer Trends
- Government Support
- Power of 5 Go-To-Market Strategy
- 2009 Preliminary Guidance

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## III. Long-Term View





## We Should Not Forget that...

- Russian retail market remains very fragmented and immature...
- ...offering unique opportunities to strongest players...
- ...on the back of...
  - long-term potential for income and spending growth...
  - ...organic expansion...
  - ...and market consolidation