

### Australian Consumer Goods & Retail

INDUSTRY UPDATE - 26 September 2023

### **VALUATION MULTIPLES**

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 30/08/2023) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Consumer Goods & Retail sector have increased over the period. At the end of August, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 8.8x, which was less than the ASX200's multiple of 8.8x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (values as at 30/08/2023) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$m)	EV/EBITDA FY2023	EV/EBIT FY2023	Price / Earnings FY2023
Consumer	14,426	10.9x	15.6x	20.7x
Food & Agribusiness	19,744	5.2x	11.0x	16.8x
Luxury Goods & Services	28,269	12.7x	15.1x	21.1x
Online Commerce	1,352	52.1x	NA	NA
Personal and Household Goods	4,152	7.7x	11.8x	15.3x
Retail	179,580	6.1x	12.7x	17.1x
Consumer Goods & Retail	247,523	9.5x	13.2x	18.2x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2023. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result.

Composition of companies in Sector Dashboards are updated every 6 months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The InterFinancial Consumer Goods & Retail Index set is an unweighted index comprising Consumer Goods & Retail sector related companies trading on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Estimates are sourced from FactSet Research Systems Inc.



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#### **MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...**



Value: AUD 1.5bn

**Advent International** has agreed to acquire majority stake in **Zimmermann Wear**, the Australia-based designer, and manufacturer of women's apparel from **Style Capital**. The consideration was AUD 1.5bn.



Roc Partners

Value: AUD 350m

Pace Farms, the Australia based egg producer was acquired by ROC Partners, the private equity firm that focuses on the Asia Pacific markets through funds investment, secondary investments and co-investment. The consideration was AUD 350m.



Value: Undisclosed

**Crackerjack Foods**, a Melbourne, Australia-based potato cakes maker, has been acquired by **Lamb Weston**, a US-based French fries producer. Crackerjack, a privately-owned business, generated annual revenue of AUD 20m (USD 13m). Lamb Weston is planning to increase production at two Melbourne plants acquired in the transaction.



Value: AUD 1,49bn

**Costa Group [ASX:CGC],** an Australia-based fruit and vegetable grower, has entered into a scheme implementation agreement to be acquired by a consortium led by **Paine Schwartz Partners** (PSP) by way of scheme of arrangement, representing a value of AUD 3.20 cash per share.



The PSP-led consortium is comprised of entities controlled by PSP, Driscoll's Inc and British Columbia Investment Management Corporation. Entities affiliated with PSP and Driscoll's Inc hold in aggregate, approximately 19.62% of the Costa shares currently on issue.





Value: AUD 60m

**Pental Ltd** [ASX:PTL] will sell the Pental Consumer Products Business and Shepparton manufacturing facility to **Selleys**, a division of DuluxGroup (Australia) Pty Ltd, for AUD 60m (USD 38.4m),



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#### **RETAIL RUMOURS**

- Unispace Global, the Australia based interior design firm, has acquired Bulb Laboratories, the United Kingdom based laboratory design and consulting company. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.
- Reece, the Australia based wholesaler of plumbing, bathroom, heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration products
  has acquired Barsco, the United States based company that distributes refrigeration and HVAC equipment, parts and supplies.
  The terms of the deal were undisclosed.
- Pernod Ricard [EPA:RI] is conducting a review of its Australia and New Zealand wine business. The review could result in a sale process for the business as early as next month.
- Betr, an Australia-based bookmaker, is in talks with six or seven potential acquisitions. Founder Matthew Tripp noted that six or seven businesses have expressed interest in selling to the company and the group is in due diligence with most of those parties. Tripp also noted that Betr remains interested in buying PointsBet [ASX: PBH], should it be a willing seller. Trip said that Betr plans to continue to consolidate the market by bolting on operators that see value in selling now. Betr recently turned its first profit, which Tripp said was always expected to take between 20 and 24 months.
- Odeum Farms, an Australian fruit and vegetable supplier, is seeking urgent expressions of interest for a restructure or sale of the business and assets of Odeum Produce Pty Ltd. Odeum Farms supplies fruit and vegetables to major supermarket chains in Western Australia and Nationally, with a turnover of circa AUD 60m (USD 39m) per annum. Odeum Farms has locations in Baldivis and Wanneroo and has affiliated farm partners located in Geraldton, Carnarvon and Kununurra.



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