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Next plc: good and cheap

Simple business

Soundly financed

Modest cash flow volatility

Strongly positioned

Strong track record

Profitable growth avenues

Solid stewardship

Cheap





Business simplicity

Business model

Multi-brand, multi geography, omnichannel retail business

Business history

40-year heritage of innovation and expansion

The most exciting developments have come in the last two years

Marketplace model

Operating system for brands

Next Finance

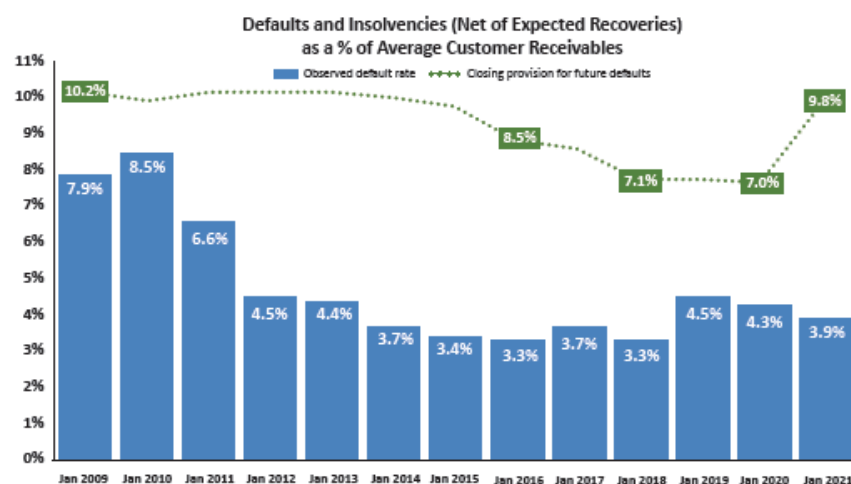
Sales enabler and highly profitable in its own right



Finances

£0.6bn of net debt is well supported
-50% yoy; 75% of operating cash

Credit provisioning is reasonable and bad debt expense modest





Cash flow volatility

Business performance resilient through lockdowns

Total sales fell 17%, profits after tax fell 50%

Cash increased by almost £0.5bn

Cash flows and net debt positioned improved through COVID

Suspension of shareholder returns

Unwinding of customer receivables

SKU range

Competitive positioning

Value chain symbiosis

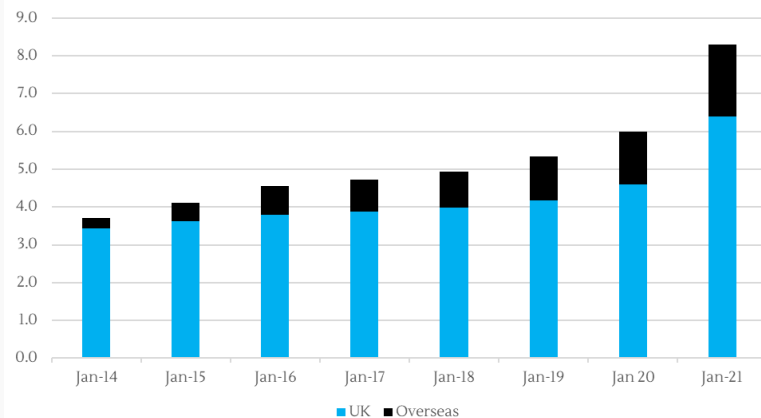
Consumer proposition: Product choice and convenience

Supplier proposition: the most favourable route to market

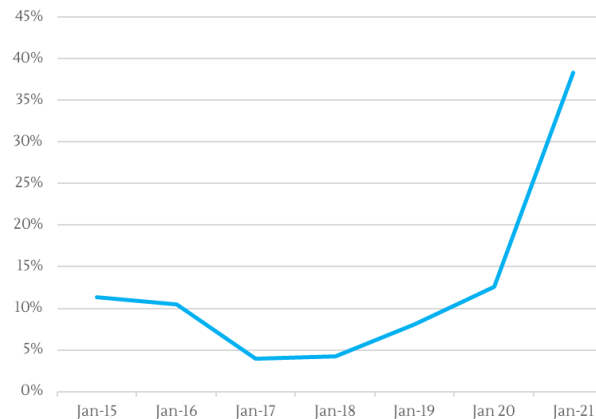
Self-disruption is a form of time arbitrage

Embracing third party brands is not without sacrifice; they cannibalise own brand sales

Online active customers



Online active customer growth



Competitive positioning

Monetisation model transition

Wholesale → commission

LABEL has low penetration, but proposition is compelling

Vertically integrated omnichannel retail is complex

Units picked has increased while picking times have fallen

Anti-fragility

Right model right time

Competitive disarray with high cross-shop

Multichannel virtuous circle

Store network distribution is a cost advantage

Online data improves in store experience

In store collection and returns drives footfall and lowers CAC



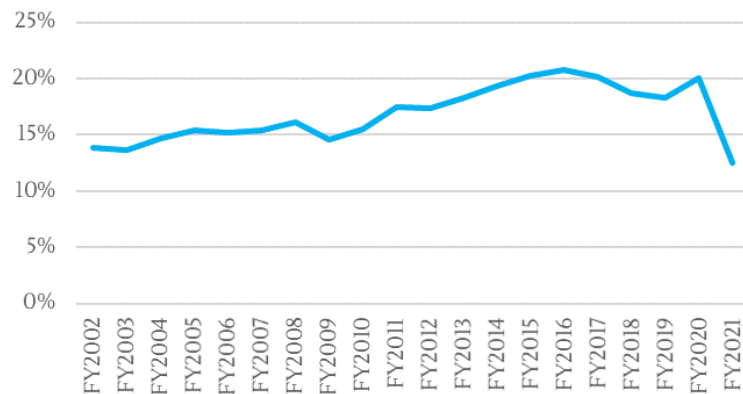
Track record

40-year business history of successful pivoting

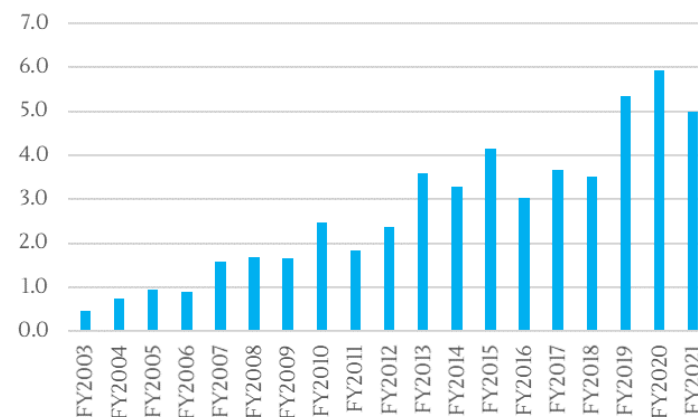
Out of town stores, apparel expansion, multi-brand, operating system for brands – often controversial

Demonstrable history of value creation against structural challenges

Next EBIT margin



FCF per share



Growth opportunity

Online is lowering variable and fixed capital intensity
Impressive online capacity asset turns
Aggregation business has negative working capital
Expanding the lending book to new customer surface area is valuable

Multi-brand offering leverages distribution and marketing investments
Using existing assets to access adjacent revenue opportunities

LABEL opportunity is vast; proposition is compelling
LABEL is 1% of the UK apparel market, still mostly apparel

Online business models enable geographic expansion
Physical store investments require customer density; LABEL underrepresented overseas
Overseas growth is valuable growth

Growth opportunity

New business adjacencies

Licensing

Beauty and homewares

Total Platform

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New Customers

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You can use this account to shop Childsplay and Next.

Future scale of internal reinvestment larger and more valuable

Capital allocation: time for change?



Stewardship

Candid and able leadership
Brutal honesty, inflection in tone

A CEO incentivised to make choices in the interest of long-term results
Shares 100x comp

Risks

Capital allocation fails to evolve with changing modes of optimal value creation

The future is not multibrand

The future is not omnichannel

Valuation

Market cap £10.5bn, EV £11.5bn

EBITDA £1bn, FCF £800mn, £1bn owner earnings

Opportunity cost return on the equity assumes cost of capital reinvestment

Yet current incremental returns are extremely high and evidence and logic supports durable barriers to entry



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