

Rent · A · Center:

Investor Presentation
Fourth Quarter & Year End 2002



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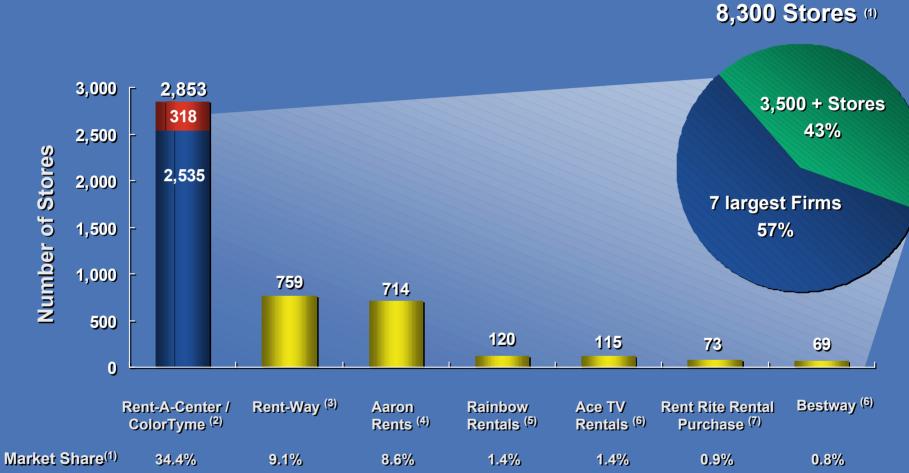


Leading RTO Operator in U.S.

- Largest rent-to-own operator in the U.S.
 - 31% market share based on 2,535 store count as of 2/28/03
 - ColorTyme subsidiary represents an additional 4% market share
- Broad selection of high quality goods through flexible rental agreements
 - Home electronics
 - Appliances
 - Personal computers
 - Furniture and home accessories
- Primarily serves the "underbanked" consumer
- Generated \$2.01BN in revenue and \$395.9MM in EBITDA in 2002.



Dominant Player in Fragmented Marketplace



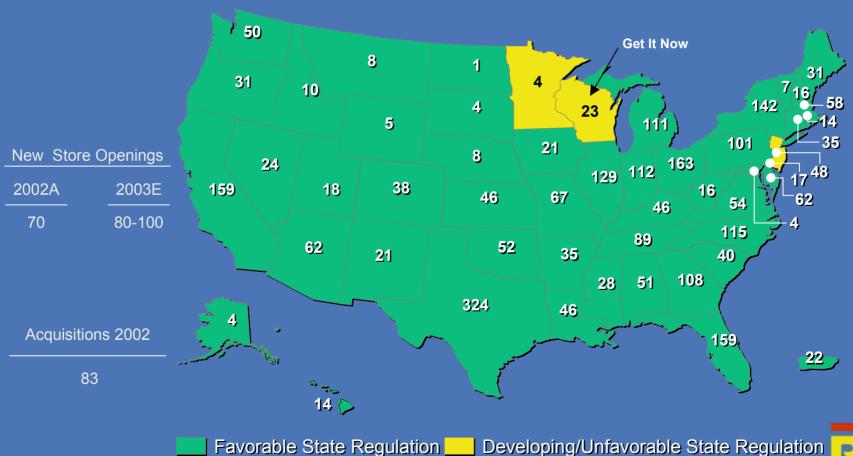
Notes:

- (1) Based on Association of Progressive Rental Organization (APRO) estimates in 2002 Industry Survey of 8.300 total store
- (2) Company data as of February 28, 2003
- (3) Company issued press release February 11, 2003
- (4) Company issued press release February 26, 2003 Aaron's Sales & Lease Ownership stores
- (5) Company issued press release February 26, 2003
- (6) Company web site store locations
- (7) APRO 2002 Industry Survey

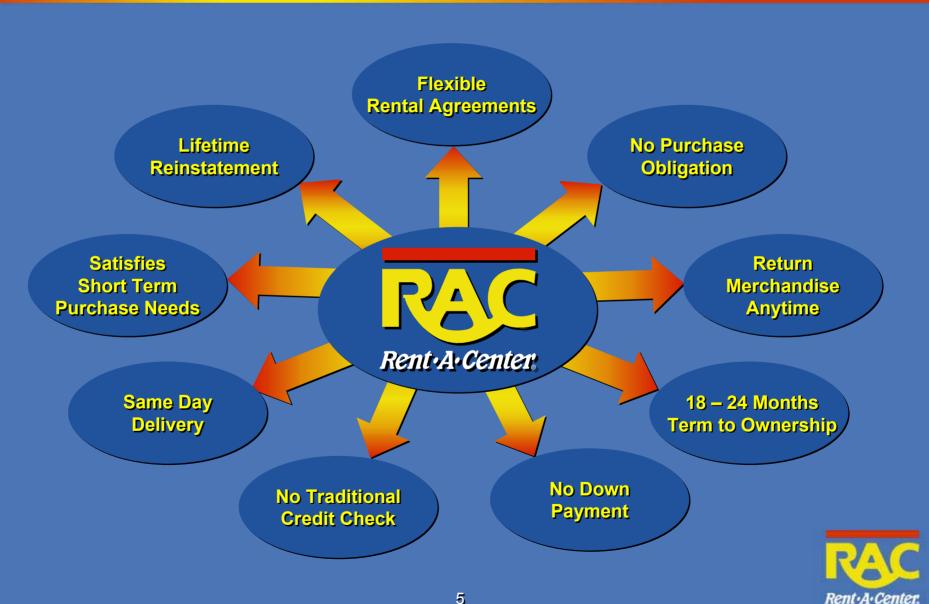


Leading National Footprint

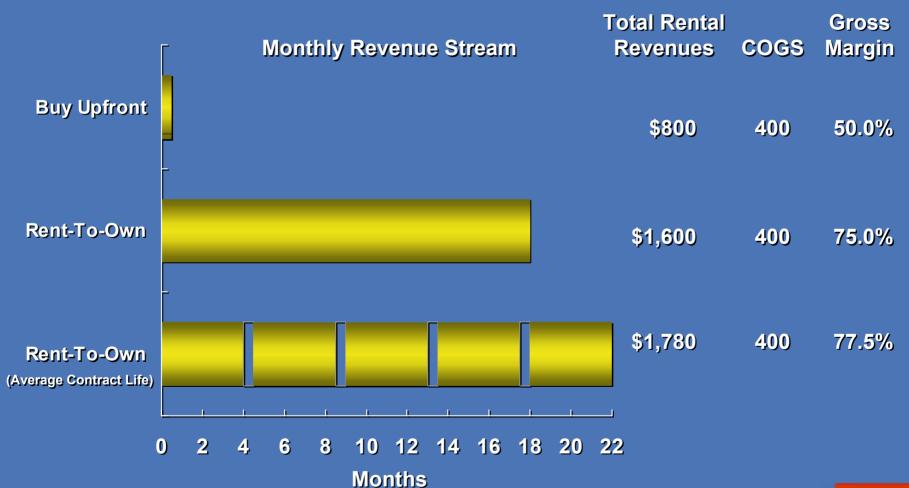
2,535 company-owned stores and 318 franchised stores



Rent-to-Own is an Appealing Transaction...



...With Attractive Economics ...



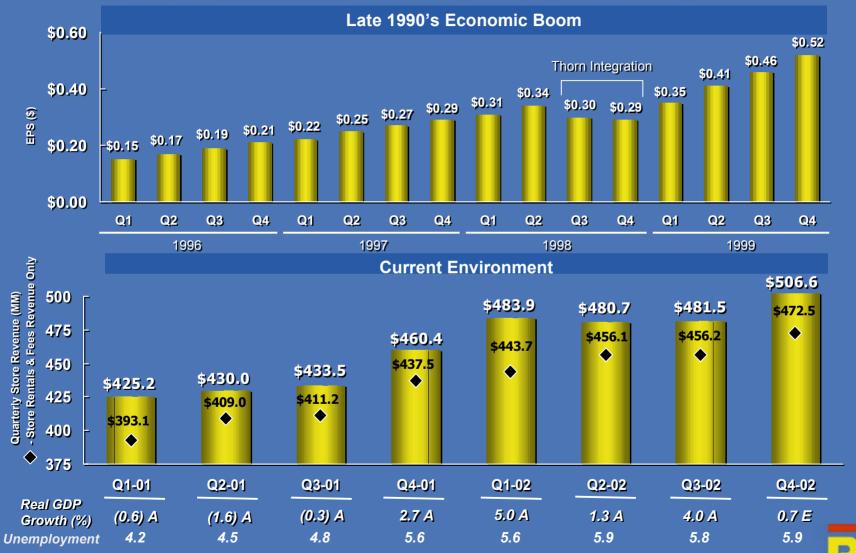
...Consistent Industry Growth...







...In Any Economic Environment





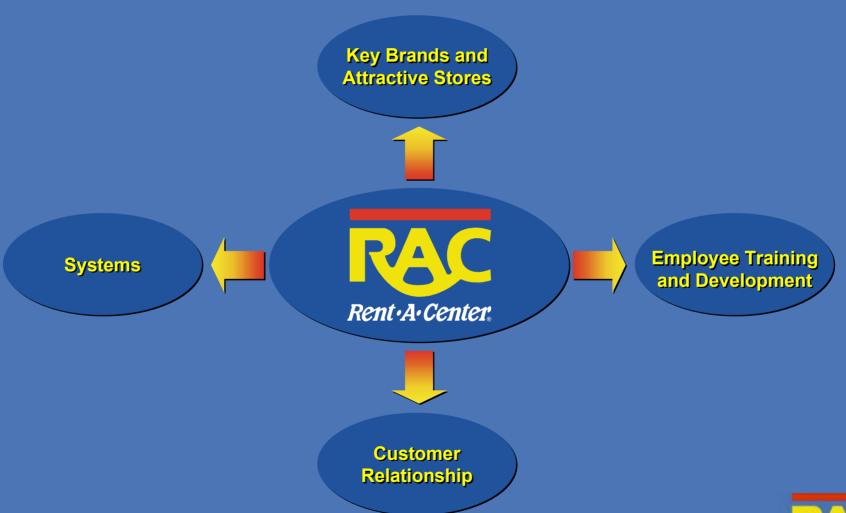
Serves the "Underbanked Working Family"

- 92% of Customers Have Household Incomes Between \$15,000 and \$50,000⁽¹⁾
- 44MM Households With Household Incomes Between \$15,000 and \$50,000⁽¹⁾
- Industry Is Only Serving 2.8MM of These Households⁽²⁾
- Great Market Opportunity



Note:

Proven Business Model





Rent-A-Center Store Profitability vs. Peers

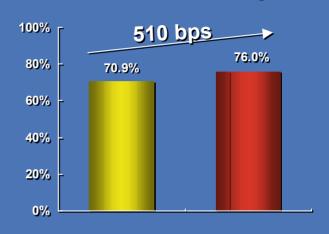
Monthly Revenue



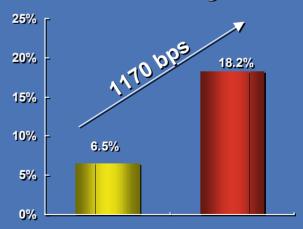
Store Operating Margin



Gross Profit Margin



EBITA Margin



Industry Average (1)



Notes: (1) Source: APRO 2001 Data.

(2) Per LTM data for the period ended December 31, 2002 for Rent-A-Center stores (excludes Get It Now & ColorTyme)

(3) Store Operating Margin is before overhead allocation





Easily Accessible, Highly Visible Sites





Spacious Showroom Interior





High Quality, Brand-name Merchandise

Electronics
42% of Revenues

SONY

PHILIPS



Furniture
32% of Revenues







Appliances
16% of Revenues

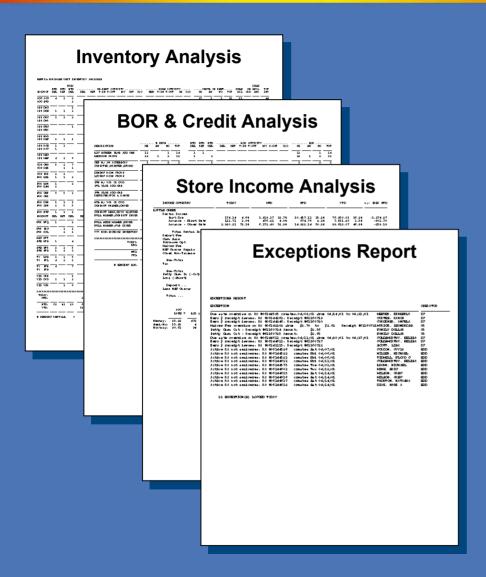


Computers
10% of Revenues





State-of-the Art Systems Capabilities



- Daily reports at all levels of organization from store manager to Chairman/CEO
- Manage by exception philosophy
- Systems help enforce strict inventory/cost control

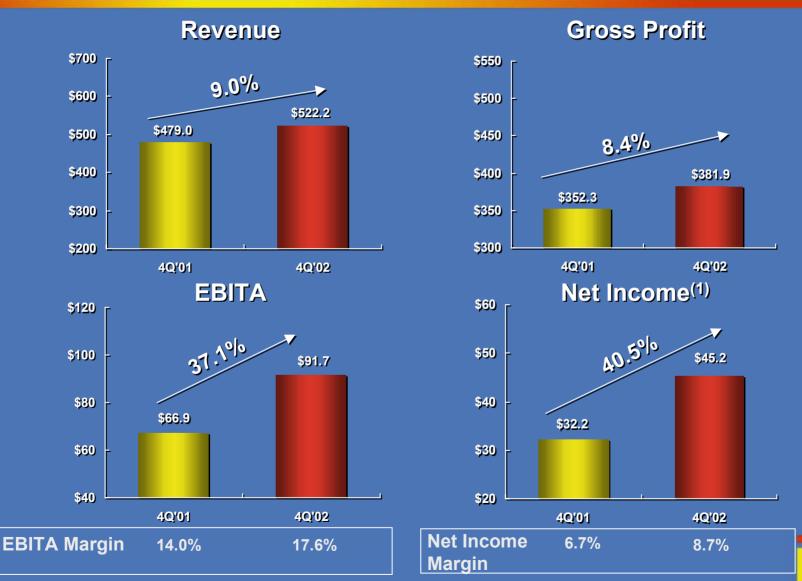


Strategic Objectives

- Integrate the Rent-Way Acquisition of 295 Stores
- Improve store level profitability
- Open new stores
- Acquire existing rent-to-own stores
- National branding

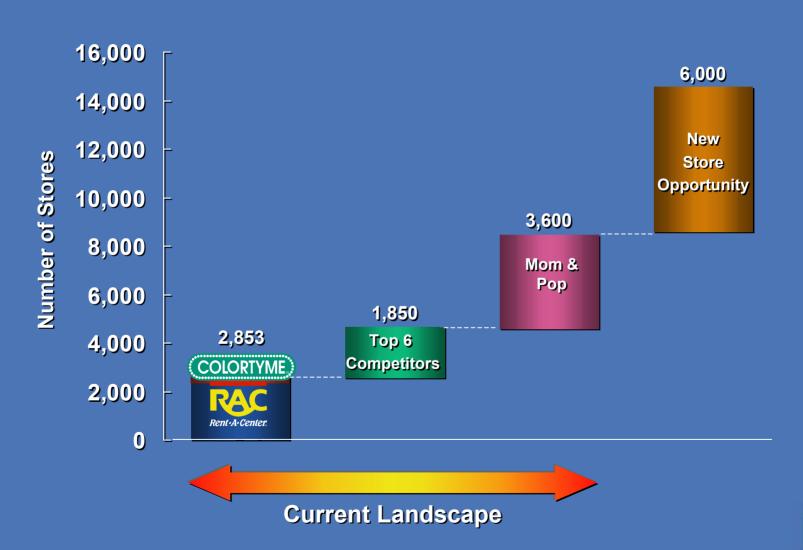


Improved Store Level Profitability - 4Q02 Review



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Significant Market Opportunity





Strong New Store Economics

- Start-up investment of approximately \$450,000 (2/3 for inventory)
- Begin turning a monthly profit in approximately nine months
- Cumulative break even within 18–24 months
- Internal Rate of Return of approximately 50%

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	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Revenues	\$400,000	\$650,000	\$750,000	\$800,000
Store operating margins	(25.0%)	10.0%	17.0%	20.0%
EBITDA	(\$85,000)	\$80,000	\$140,000	\$170,000



Enhancing National Brand — "Get The Good Stuff"



- High brand awareness through comprehensive national and spot media
- Multi-cultural appeal
- Educate consumers about RTO alternative and the availability of quality merchandise



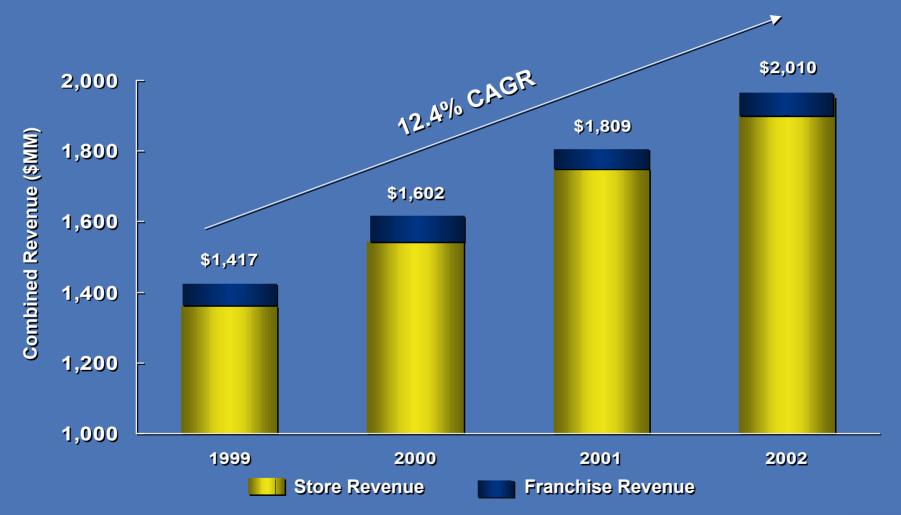
Experienced Management Team

- Senior management team is most experienced in RTO industry
 - CEO Mark Speese has nearly 25 years RTO experience
 - President Mitch Fadel has over 19 years of RTO experience
 - Senior executives average over 10 years of RTO experience
- Attracting the best personnel with industry-leading salary and incentive plans



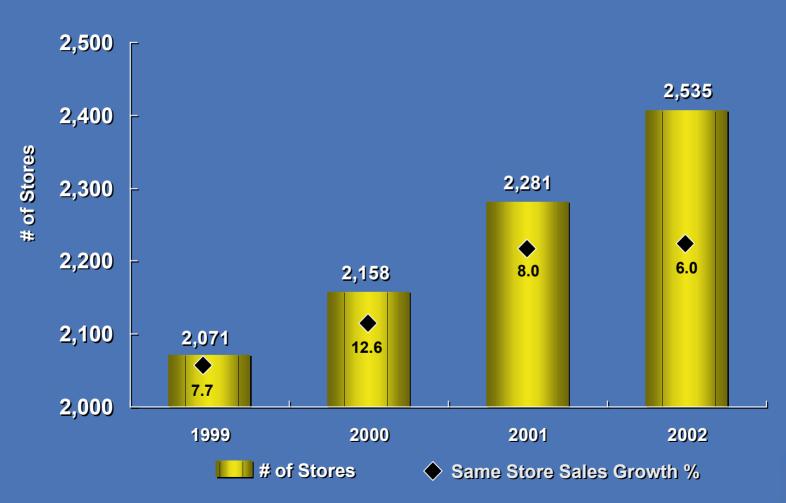
Financial Overview

Strong, Consistent Sales Growth





Consistent Growth in Same Store Sales





Current Capital Structure

	Dec 31 2001	% of Book <u>Capital</u>	Dec 31 2002	% of Book Capital
Cash & Equivalents	<u>\$108.0</u>	N/A	<u>\$85.7</u>	N/A
Senior Credit Facilities	428.0	30.6%	249.5	18.3%
Subordinated Notes	274.5	19.6%	272.3	19.9%
Total Debt	702.5	50.2%	521.8	38.2%
Shareholders' Equity	697.3	49.8%	842.4	61.8%
Total Capitalization	\$1,399.8	100.0%	\$1,364.2	100.0%

Consolidated Leverage Ratio 1.25x (4Q02)
Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio 6.35x (4Q02)



Substantial Cash Flow to Reduce Debt & Repurchase Common Stock

Cash Flow Generation	2002
Net Income	\$ 172.2
Amortization of Intangibles	5.0
Amortization of Financing Fees	5.9
Depreciation of Property Assets	38.4
Net Investment in Rental Merchandise	40.5
Change in Other Assets/Liabilities	32.5
Cash Flow from Operating Activities	\$ 294.5
Capital Expenditures	(37.6)
Acquisitions	(59.5)
Sale of Property Assets	0.4
Cash Flow before Financing Activities	\$ 197.8



Schedule of Free Cash Flow 2002 Actual vs. 2003 Estimate

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>
EBITDA	\$396MM	\$425MM - \$445MM
Interest	(\$62MM)	(\$55MM)
CapEx	(\$38MM)	(\$40MM)
Working Capital	\$41MM	(\$60MM)
Taxes	(\$30MM)	(\$120MM)
Free Cash Flow	\$307MM	\$150MM - \$170MM

Free Cash Flow Yield of 8 - 10%



2003 Guidance

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003*</u>	<u>Growth</u>
Total Revenue	\$2.010BN	\$2.195-2.230BN	9-11%**
Diluted EPS	<i>\$4.82</i>	\$5.45-\$5.60	13-16%



^{*} Includes the Rent-Way acquisition of 295 stores only

^{** 4.5% - 6.0%} excluding Rent-Way acquisition

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