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Rent-A-Center will continue to return value to shareholders in a number of ways

Core U.S.

- Optimize profitability in maturing business
- Strategic initiatives such as Flexible Labor and Supply Chain

Acceptance Now

- Maximize revenue growth and profit opportunity
- Expand beyond staffed model by expanding sales channels

Capital Allocation

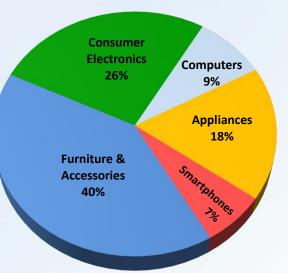
- Disciplined capital allocation
- Balanced approach including debt reduction and dividends
- Target leverage ratio of 2.5x debt to EBITDA

Rent-A-Center snapshot

Rent-A-Center overview

- Rent-A-Center (NASDAQ: RCII) is one of the <u>Largest</u> rent-to-own ("RTO") operators in the U.S.
 - 5,018 locations across the US, Mexico,
 Canada and Puerto Rico
 - 2,672 Core U.S. locations
 - 1,976 Kiosks at retailers
 - 143 Mexico locations
 - 227 Franchised stores
- Offers high quality, durable products
 - Flexible rental purchase agreements
 - Allows customers to obtain ownership at the conclusion of an agreed upon rental term







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- Includes Core U.S. and Acceptance Now stores only
- 2) Percentages based on Total Rental Income



RTO industry offers attractive fundamentals and Rent-A-Center is one of the largest operators

Key industry facts

- ~\$9.0 billion industry
- 18,000+ stores across the United States, Mexico and Canada
- Serves an estimated 4.8 million households
- Revenue increased by a 5.6% CAGR from 2007-2014
- National industry with established, constructive regulatory environment



⁽¹⁾ APRO (Association of Progressive Rental Organizations) as October 2013; Industry numbers were not updated in 2011 or 2013

(2) RAC internal estimation

Core U.S. overview



Domestic company-owned RTO operations:

- Offering high-quality products to consumers under flexible rental-purchase agreements
- Largest segment with 72% of 2015 revenues









Core U.S. Strategic Initiatives



Flexible Labor Model

- Replacing fixed overtime hours with part-time hours
- \$20-\$25mm of annual labor savings opportunity related to overtime premium
- Ability to flex hours up or down based on store activity levels

Supply Chain

- Product cost savings from a more efficient supply chain using 3rd party logistics provider;
 Improve in-stock rates by reducing shipping lead times from 17 days to 4-5 days
- Initiative remains on track to fully realize \$25-35mm of annual run-rate income statement benefits by the end of 2016

Pricing

Continue to optimize pricing strategies and take opportunistic actions based on test results



Acceptance NOW overview

Description

- Kiosks inside traditional retailers
 - Customers turned down for credit are referred to Acceptance NOW
 - Retailers "save the sale" (~50% conversion rate)
 - Developed Acceptance NOW Direct technology for lower volume locations
- Low initial investment since inventory is not purchased until the sale is made
- Growing customer base with Same Store Sales (Q4'15) at 13.7%
- Focus on profitable growth in 2016

Capturing a new customer base

Credit scores:	< 520	521–580	> 581	
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Acceptance NOV	41%	29%	30%	

(1) Random sample of 1,000 RTO & 1,000 Acceptance NOW customer's credit scores provided by TransUnion

Status

- As of Q4 '15, 1,444 Acceptance NOW staffed and 532 Acceptance NOW direct locations open
- 30 staffed locations opened and 29 closed in Q4'15
- 286 direct locations opened in Q4'15; two were closed in Q4 '15
- 25 staffed locations converted to direct locations





Acceptance NOW



RTO kiosks inside traditional retail stores:

- Alternative transaction for customers of retail partners who cannot buy on credit
- Rapidly growing segment with 25% of 2015 revenues
- Focus on maximizing revenue growth and profit opportunity



Strategic Initiatives

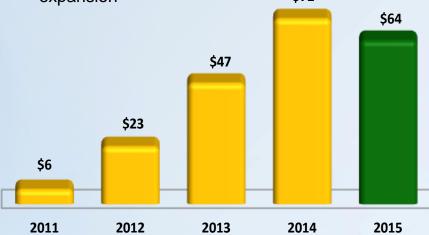
- Established a dedicated commercial sales organization to grow Acceptance Now's national footprint while continuing to deliver industry leading service
- Working on improving the profitability of 90 day cash option transactions
- Doubled the penetration of online approval via retailer websites as well as the technology to support the seamless application process. Each of these technologies are available in about a third of our staffed locations

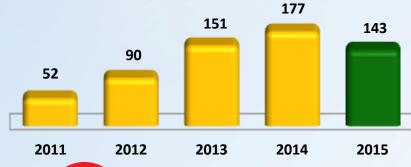
Mexico and Franchise Segment overview

Mexico

Mexico company-owned RTO operations:

- Segment with 2% of 2015 revenues
- FY '16 EBITDA goal of breakeven and exiting underperforming markets
- Potential platform for future international expansion\$72







Franchising

Franchisor of RTO stores:

- Sells merchandise to franchisors who in turn rent it out to public
- Earn royalties of approx. 2-6% of revenues
- Segment with 1% of 2015 revenues



Financial Highlights

Q4 2015 Rent-A-Center operating results

Financial Metrics (Non-GAAP)

(\$ in mm)	Q4'15	Q4'14	▲ YoY
Core US	\$574	\$601	(4.5%)
Acceptance NOW	\$197	\$170	16.0%
Mexico	\$15	\$20	(23.3%)
Franchising	\$8	<u>\$7</u>	11.7%
Total Revenue	\$794	\$797	(0.4%)
Same Store Sales	1.7%	4.7%	(300 bps)
Core US	\$408	\$433	(5.7%)
Acceptance NOW	\$106	\$98	8.0%
Mexico	\$10	\$13	(26.3%)
Franchising	\$3	\$2	42.3%
Total Gross Profit	\$526	\$546	(3.6%)
Gross Profit Margin	66.3%	<i>68.5%</i>	(220 bps)
Core US	\$63	\$70	(10.2%)
Acceptance NOW	\$29	\$27	7.6%
Mexico	(\$1)	(\$5)	74.5%
Franchising	\$2	\$1	62.1%
Corporate	(\$39)	(\$42)	8.6%
Operating Profit	\$53	\$51	5.6%
Operating Profit Margin	<i>6.7</i> %	6.4%	+ 40 bps
EBITDA	\$74	\$73	0.9%
EBITDA Margin	9.3%	9.2%	+ 0 bps
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Key Results

- Total revenues decreased ~\$3mm, or (0.4%)
 - Revenue decrease in Core U.S. offset by the Acceptance NOW segment, which grew by 16%
- Core U.S. same store sales decreased by 2.2% as the company has fully lapped the introduction of the smartphone category
- Gross profit margins decreased 220 bps, and gross profit dollars decreased ~\$20mm, or 3.6%
 - Gross margin decline primarily driven by growth of our 90 day option pricing in Acceptance NOW
- Operating profit increased ~\$2mm, or 5.6%

⁽¹⁾ Includes restated financials

Rent-A-Center balance sheet

(\$mm)	Book			% of Book
	Q4'15	Capital	Q4'14	Capital
Cash	\$60		\$46	
Senior Credit Facilities	\$411	28.5%	\$478	19.7%
Unsecured Revolver	\$15	1.0%	\$15	0.6%
Senior Unsecured Notes	\$543	37.7%	\$550	22.6%
Total Debt	\$968	67.3%	\$1,043	42.9%
Shareholder's Equity	\$470	32.7%	\$1,389 ⁽¹⁾	57.1%
Total Capitalization	\$1,439	100.0%	\$2,432	100.0%
Net Debt/Total Capitalization		63.1%		41.0%

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Rent-A-Center Leverage

Unused Revolver (\$mm)

\$451 \$430 \$401 \$390 \$316 \$215 \$235 \$199 Q3'15 2011 2012 2013 2014 Q1'15 Q2'15 Q4'15

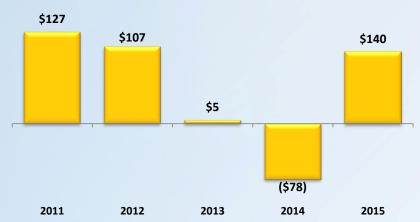
Strong liquidity position

Returning Value to Shareholders



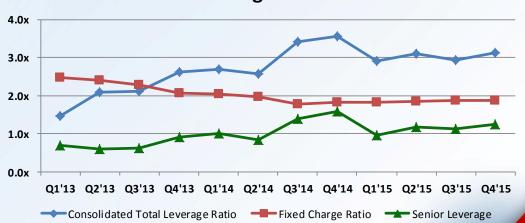
2016 dividend reduced to \$0.08 per quarter

Free Cash Flow (\$mm)



'14 FCF impacted by tax deferral reversal

Leverage Ratios



Ratios below covenants

\$250

\$200

\$150 E & S

\$50

\$0

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