

Q3 2009 Results

Adecco Group

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Today's agenda

Operational review

Financial review

Outlook



Operational review Patrick De Maeseneire, Group CEO



Q3 2009 results summary

	Reported		Adjusted*		Variance (09 vs. 08) in percent
	EUR m	% of rev.	EUR m	% of rev.	Reported Adjusted* (constant currency)
Revenues	3,718		3,718		-27 -28
Gross profit	658	17.7%	647	17.4%	-28 -31
SG&A	523	14.1%	522	14.0%	-21 -22
EBITA**	135	3.6%	125	3.4%	-47 -52
Operating income***	127	3.4%			-48
Net income attributable to Adecco shareholders	90	2.4%			-46

* Adjusted is a non US GAAP measure and excludes the positive impact on gross profit of EUR 11 million in Q3 2009 due to favourable developments which resulted in the reassessment of existing accruals in France and the negative impact on SG&A of EUR 1 million in Q3 2009 associated with restructuring costs for headcount reductions and branch optimisation

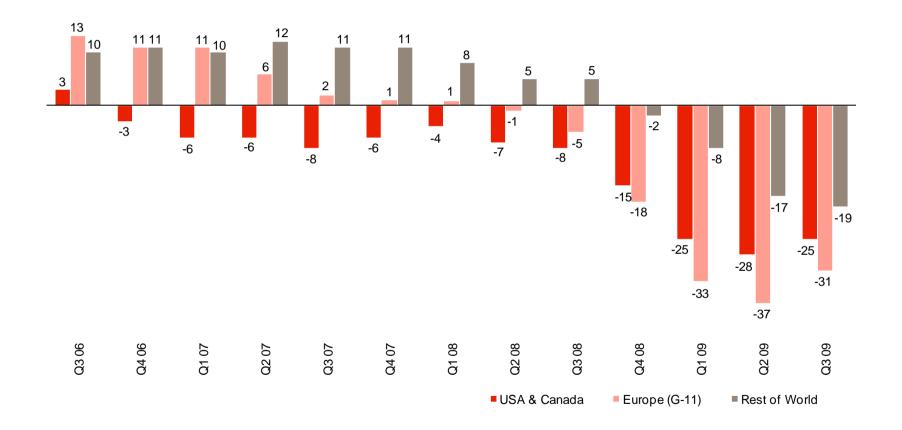
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Revenue development by region

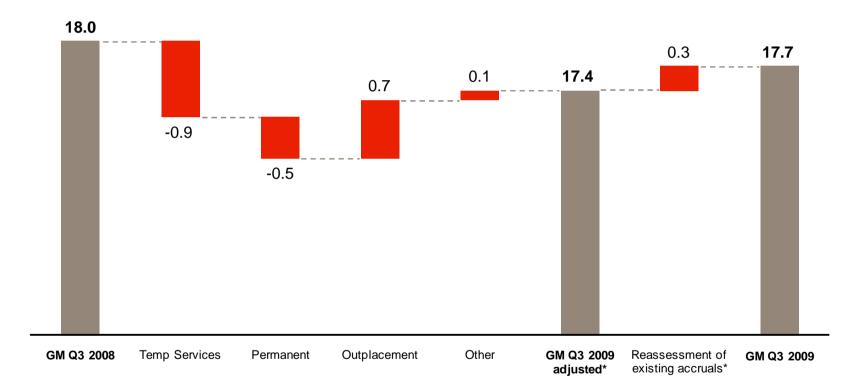
Organic year-on-year change in percent





Gross margin drivers

In percent of revenues



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Revenues and EBITA by geography

Q3 2009 vs. Q3 2008 in constant currency

	Revenue	es	EBITA		
	EUR m	growth yoy constant currency	EUR m	growth yoy constant currency	EBITA margin
34% E France**	1,280	-27%	47	-33%	3.6%
14% 🔳 USA & Canada	525	-25%	24	-25%	4.4%
7% 🔳 Germany	247	-39%	20	-62%	8.1%
8% 🔲 Japan	298	-28%	20	-36%	6.7%
6% 🔳 UK & Ireland	228	-28%	0	-89%	0.2%
4% 🔳 Italy	163	-43%	5	-64%	3.4%
6% 🔳 Benelux*	204	-18%	5	-63%	2.8%
4% Nordics	145	-35%	5	-62%	3.6%
5% 🔳 Iberia	183	-33%	6	-66%	3.1%
3% 🔳 Switzerland & Austria	101	-39%	5	-59%	5.7%
2% 🔳 Australia & New Zealand	72	-27%	2	-53%	2.4%
7% Emerging Markets*	272	-4%	10	-20%	3.5%
Corporate			(14)		
Adecco Group**	3,718	-28%	135	-48%	3.6%

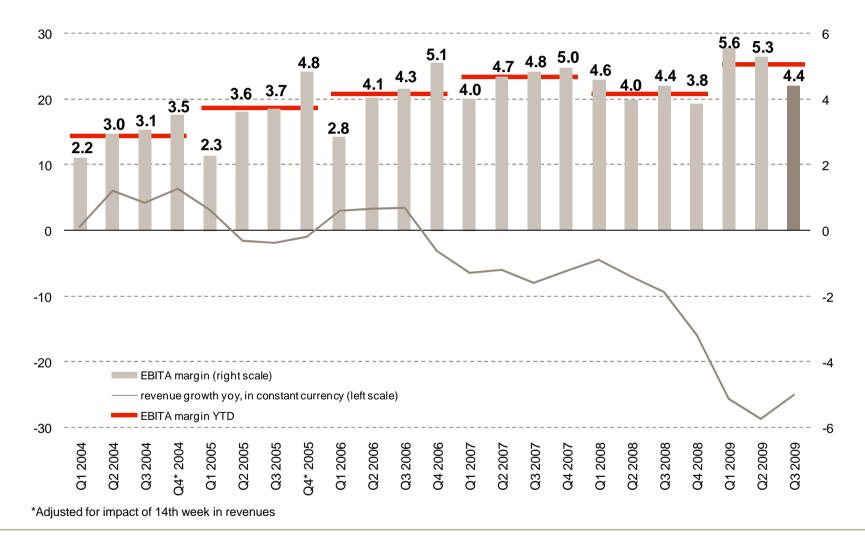
* Q3 2009 revenue development organically in Benelux -24% and in the Emerging Markets -3%

** Excl. restructuring costs (EUR -3 million for France and EUR 4 million for various countries) and the positive impact on gross profit of EUR 11 million due to favourable developments which resulted in the reassessment of existing accruals in France, adjusted Group EBITA was EUR 125 million (3.4% adjusted EBITA margin) and adjusted EBITA in France was EUR 33 million (2.5% adjusted EBITA margin)



USA & Canada revenue and EBITA margin

Development Q1 2004 – Q3 2009 in percent





Revenue development by business lines

Q3 2009 vs. Q3 2008 in constant currency

	Revenues*	Revenue growth** in %, in constant currency	
Office	818	-28	7
Industrial	1,940	-34	/
Information Technology	248	-14	
Engineering & Technical	147	-25	
Finance & Legal	78	-33	7
Medical & Science	65	-13	
Sales, Marketing & Events	80	-17	
Human Capital Solutions	73	20	
Emerging Markets***	269	-4	
Adecco Group	3,718	-28	

* Breakdown of revenues is based on dedicated branches

** In Q3 2009, revenues changed organically in IT by -21%, in Finance & Legal by -36% and in Emerging Markets -3%

*** Emerging Markets excluding professional business lines



Q3 2009 professional business lines*

33%

18%

11%

7%

7%

6%

5%

5%

4%

2%

2%

Revenues by geography



yoy growth, in constant currency

USA & Canada**	-22%
France**	4%
UK & Ireland	-30%
Japan	-24%
Germany	-23%
Nordics	-24%
Australia & New Zealand	-16%
Iberia	-14%
Benelux**	31%
Italy	-4%
Switzerland & Austria	-15%

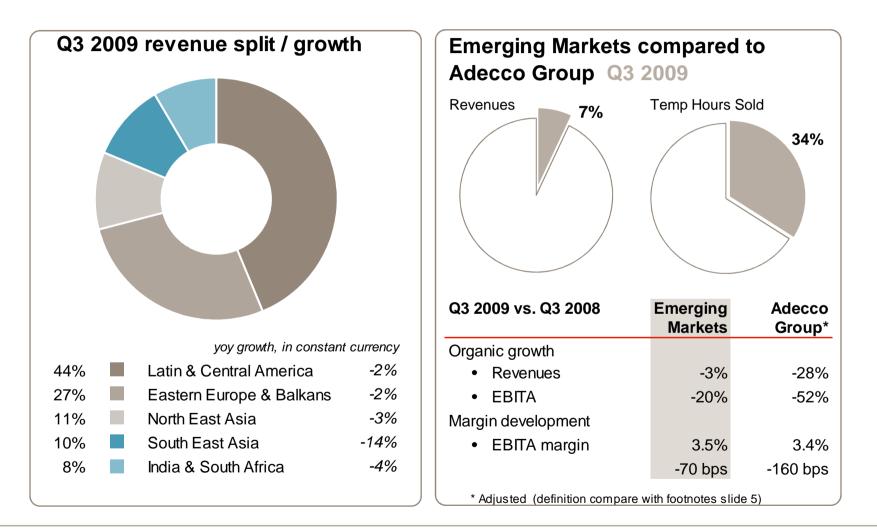
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** Organically: USA & Canada -21%, France -8% and Benelux -37%



Developments in the Emerging Markets







Financial review Dominik de Daniel, Group CFO



Q3 2009 Results in detail – P&L

In EUR millions

	Q3 2009	Q3 2008	Var	iance	Q3 2009	Variance %
	reported	reported	EUR	Constant Currency	adjusted*	adjusted* constant currency
Revenues	3,718	5,101	-27%	-28%	3,718	-28%
Direct costs of services	(3,060)	(4,184)			(3,071)	
Gross profit	658	917	-28%	-29%	647	-31%
Gross margin	17.7%	18.0%			17.4%	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(523)	(663)	-21%	-22%	(522)	-22%
As a percentage of revenues	14.1%	13.0%			14.0%	
EBITA**	135	254	-47%	-48%	125	-52%
EBITA margin	3.6%	5.0%			3.4%	
Amortisation of intangible assets	(8)	(10)				
Operating income	127	244	-48%	-49%		
Operating income margin	3.4%	4.8%				
Interest expense	(17)	(15)				
Other income/(expenses), net	(1)	2				
Income before income taxes	109	231	-52%			
Provision for income taxes	(19)	(63)				
Net income	90	168	-46%			
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests						***************************************
Net income attributable to Adecco	90	168	-46%			
shareholders	90	601	-40 /0			
Net income margin attributable to Adecco shareholders	2.4%	3.3%				

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Q3 2009 reported and adjusted In EUR millions

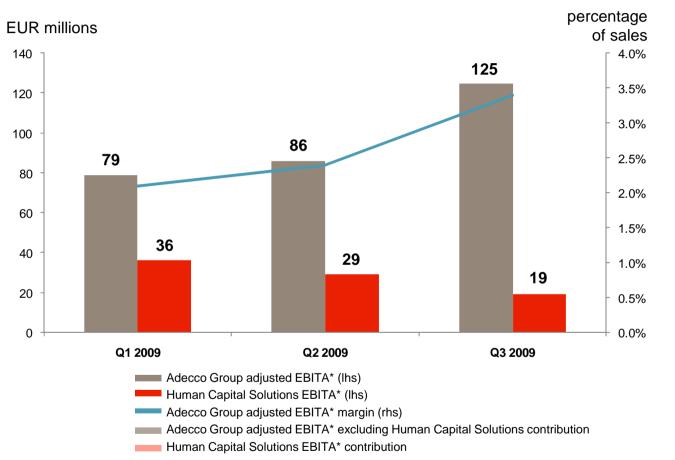
	Q3 2009			Q3 2009	
	reported	restructuring expenses	reassessment of existing accruals	adjusted*	adjusted* grow th yoy constant currency
Gross profit	658		11	647	-31%
Gross margin	17.7%			17.4%	
SG&A	(523)	(1)		(522)	-22%
% of revenues	14.1%			14.0%	
France		3			
Other		(4)			
EBITA**	135	(1)	11	125	-52%
% margin	3.6%			3.4%	

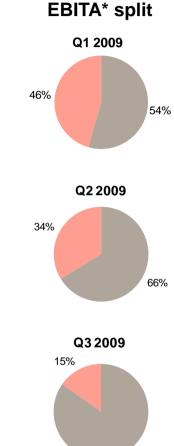
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Human Capital Solutions impact on Adecco Group profitability In EUR millions





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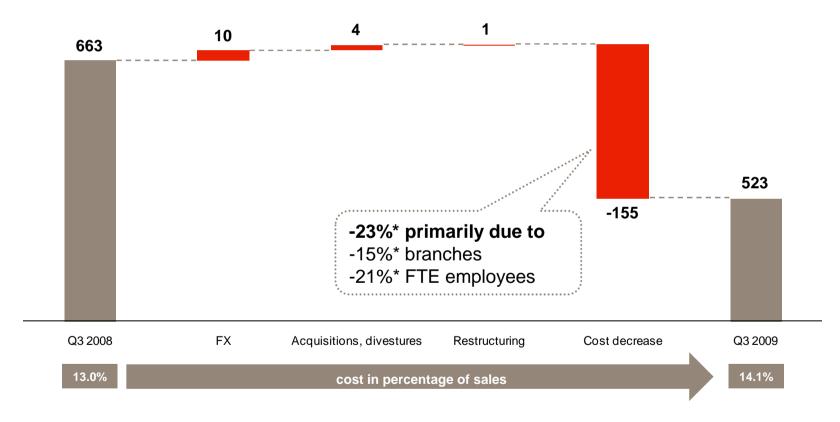


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85%

Q3 2009 SG&A movements

In EUR millions



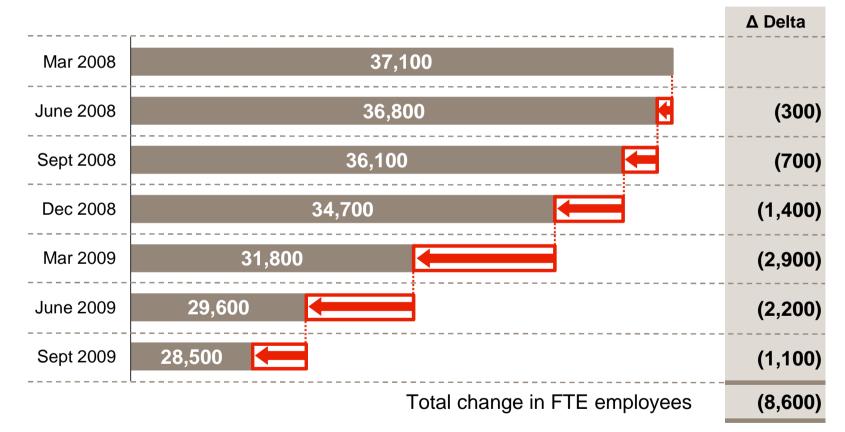
* Organically



Development of full-time equivalent (FTE) employees

Trend since end March 2008

Group FTE employees





Restructuring timeline In EUR millions

	Restr	structuring costs expensed			Benefits starting
Countries	Q4 2008	Q1 2009	Q2 2009	Q3 2009	schedule
France	23	12	29	-3	First plan: Q2 2009; Adia plan: Q1 2010
Italy		18	1		End Q1 2009
lberia	5		10		Q1 2009 / Q4 2009
Benelux			10	2	Mid Q3 2009
Other	12	6	4	2	Various
Total	40	36	54	1	

Restructuring liability stands at EUR 52 million as of 30 September 2009

Restructuring costs of EUR 35 million are expected in Q4 2009. The largest part relates to France (Adia plan and further measures for the Adecco brand). The remainder is targeted for the completion of the branch footprint optimisation in the US in Q4 2009 and for measures in various other countries.



Balance sheet In EUR millions

Assets	Sept 30 2009	Dec 31 2008
Cash and cash equivalents	767	574
Short-term Investments	1	7
Trade accounts receivable, net	2,528	3,046
Other current assets	471	389
Property, equipment, and leasehold improvements, net	234	236
Other assets	269	219
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	2,874	3,059
Total assets	7,144	7,530
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,671	3,053
Short- and long-term debt	1,470	1,198
Other liabilities	437	481
Total Adecco shareholders' equity	2,565	2,793
Noncontrolling interests	1	5
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	7,144	7,530
Net Debt*	702	617

* Net debt is a non US GAAP measure and comprises short-term and long-term debt less cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments.



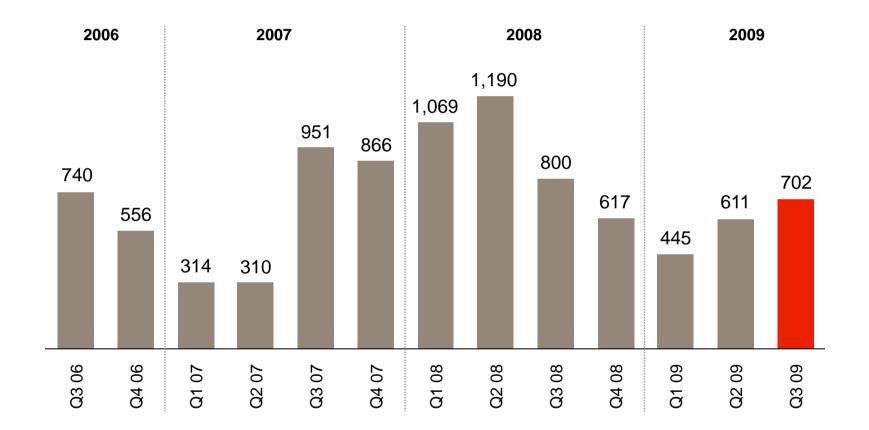
Cash-flow statement In EUR millions

	Q3		9N	1
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Net income/(loss)	90	168	(34)	520
Adjustments to reconcile net income/(loss) to cash flows from operating activities:				
 Depreciation and amortisation 	26	31	93	93
 Impairment of goodwill and intangible assets 			192	
 Other charges 	(4)	31	(31)	56
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:				
 Trade accounts receivable 	(76)	179	508	74
 Accounts payable and accrued expenses 	39	1	(383)	(107)
 Other assets and liabilities 	(8)	21	4	33
Cash flows from operating activities	67	431	349	669
Cash flows from/(used in) investing activities	(152)	(29)	(251)	(120)
Cash flows from/(used in) financing activities	(72)	(87)	86	(430)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	2	12	9	(3)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(155)	327	193	116



Net debt* development since Q3 2006

In EUR millions



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Credit facilities and cash & short term investments

As of September 30, 2009

	Principal at maturity	Maturity	Fixed interest rate	Total in EUR million
Guaranteed Euro medium term notes	EUR 500	2014	7.625%	499
Guaranteed zero-coupon convertible bond	CHF 696	2013*		433
Fixed rate guaranteed notes	EUR 500	2013	4.5%	517
Committed multicurrency revolving credit facility	EUR 550	2013	variable	_**
Uncommitted lines	EUR 435	various	variable	21
Short & long term debt				1,470
Cash & short term investments				768
Net Debt				702

* Put option per August 2010

** EUR 79 million used for letters of credit



Outlook Patrick De Maeseneire, Group CEO



Adecco Group strategy

Our two-folded market approach





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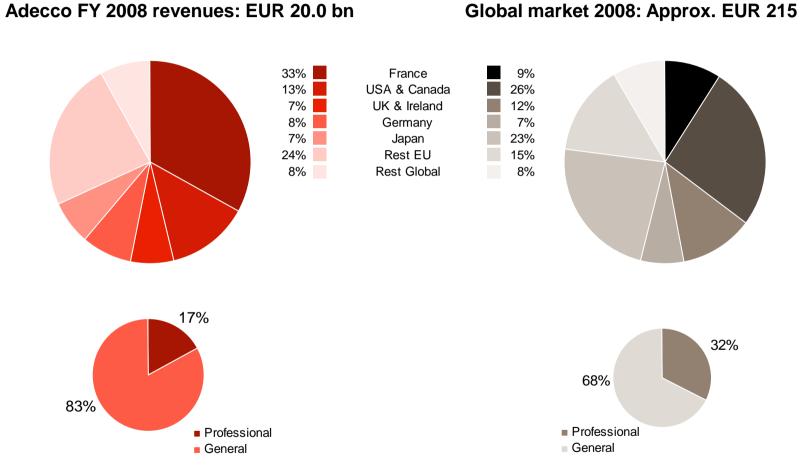


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Market potential for Professional and General staffing

Market size and FY 2008 revenues of Adecco



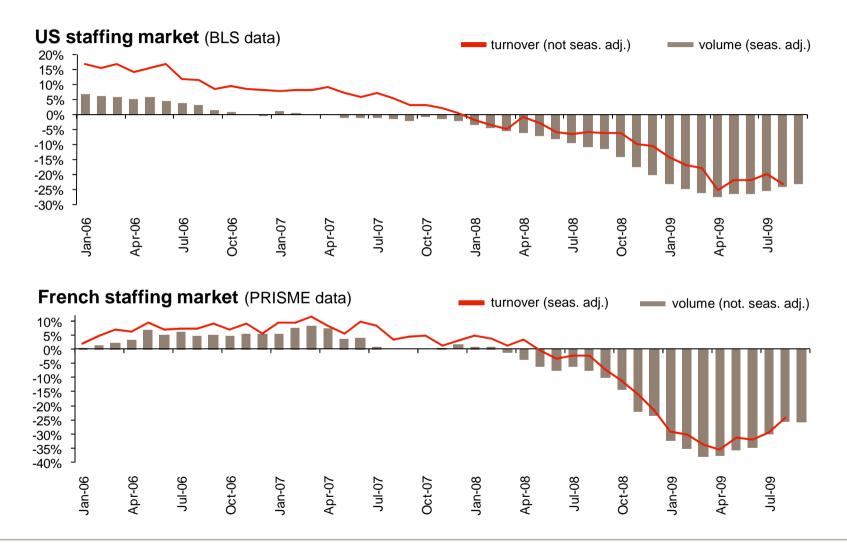
Global market 2008: Approx. EUR 215 bn

Source: National statistics and Adecco estimates



Development of US and French staffing market

Year-on-year growth



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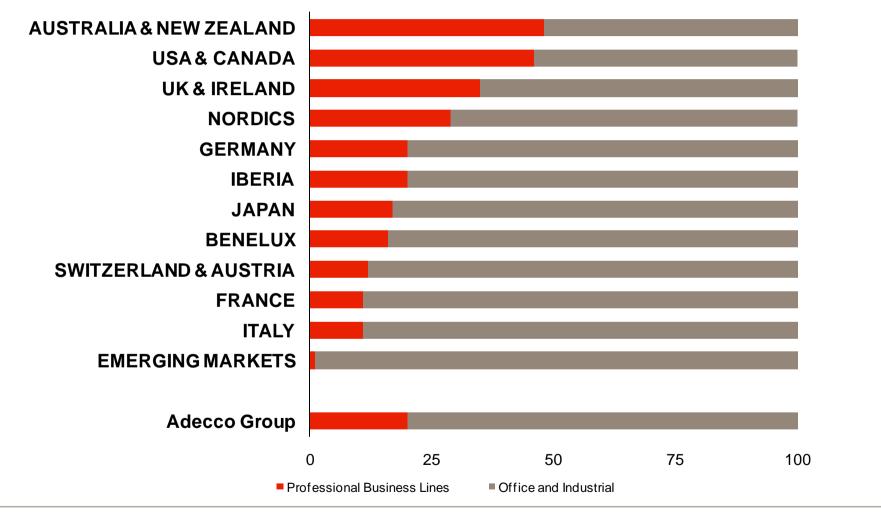
Our market Structure of the operating fields of Adecco

Fields of operation / HR services	Adecco's business structure				
	General staffing				
 Temporary staffing Permanent placement Secondment Outsourcing Training Assessment 	OfficeIndustrial				
	Professional business lines				
	 Professional staffing Information Technology Engineering & Technical Finance & Legal Medical & Science Sales, Marketing & Events 				
 Restructuring Career transition/outplacement Talent management Training 	Professional servicesHuman Capital Solutions				
 HR process management services 	RPO MSP Recruitment Process Outsourcing Managed Service Provider				



Revenues – Office and Industrial vs. Professional business lines

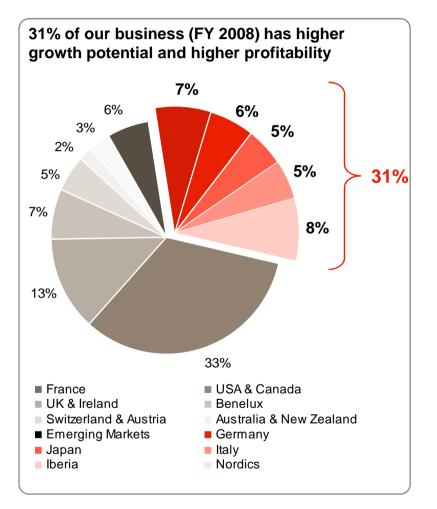
In percent, based on dedicated branches in 9M 2009

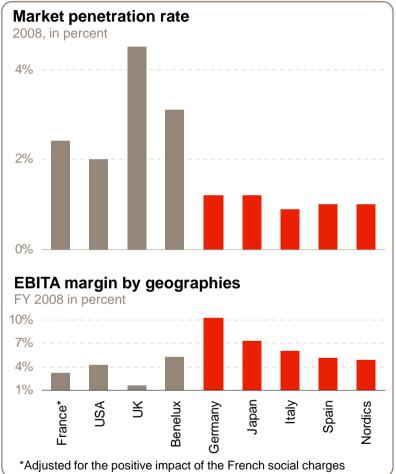




Exposure to structural growth markets

Market penetration rate as growth driver



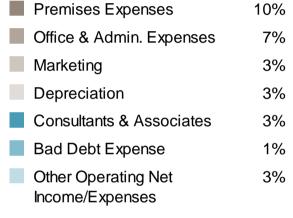


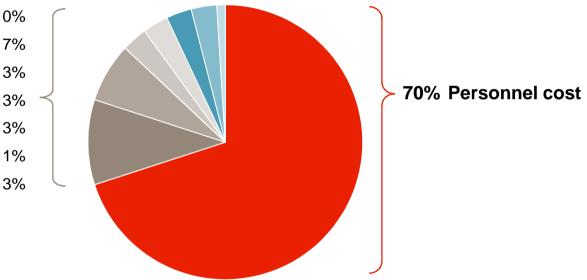
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Protecting profitability in weakening markets

How we deal with the cyclical nature of our business

SG&A breakdown for 9M 2009

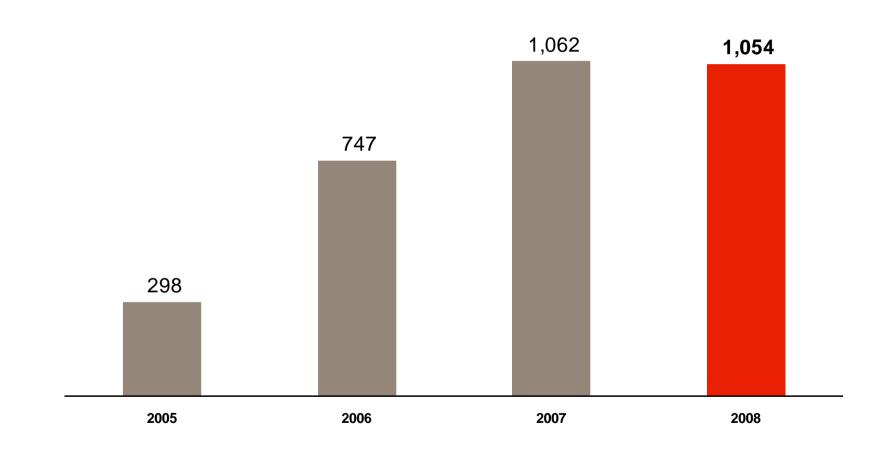






Strong cash flow development

Cash flows from continuing operations 2005 – 2008, in EUR millions





Market potential

Regulatory framework evolution in France

- **Opening of the French administration Temp sector** Adopted in the National Assembly on 7th July, 2009
 - Temporary staffing allowed in public sector (State and Local Administrations, Hospitals)
 - Potential evaluated by Eurociett is around 130,000 FTE in the mid term (25% of actual temp market, EUR 3-5 billion potential)
 - Strengthens Adecco's position for perm placements in public sector
- Public Tender by French employment office Pole Emploi
 - The government employment office will hand over 320'000 unemployed persons to staffing agencies by the end of 2011 as part of the government's EUR 466 million Plan d'Urgence
 - Adecco's value share is approximately 15%
 - Synergies with existing staffing operations



Managed Service Program (MSP) offering

Overview

