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September 2021 Business Update

Forward Looking Statements & Non-GAAP Measures

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this presentation constitute "forward-looking" statements, which include any statements related to the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"), the Freshpet Kitchens Expansion, and the Company's general operating and economic environment. These statements are based on management's current opinions, expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, assumptions or projections regarding future events or future results. These forward-looking statements are only predictions, not historical fact, and involve certain risks and uncertainties, as well as assumptions. Actual results, levels of activity, performance, achievements and events could differ materially from those stated, anticipated or implied by such forward-looking statements. While Freshpet believes that its assumptions are reasonable, it is very difficult to predict the impact of known factors, and, of course, it is impossible to anticipate all factors that could affect actual results. There are many risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements made herein including, most prominently, the risks discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's latest annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such forward-looking statements are made only as of the date of this presentation. Freshpet undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, no inference should be made that we will make additional updates with respect to those or other forward-looking statements.

Non-GAAP Measures

Freshpet uses certain non-GAAP financial measures, including EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA as a % of net sales, Adjusted Gross Profit, Adjusted Gross Profit as a % of net sales (Adjusted Gross Margin), Adjusted SG&A and Adjusted SG&A as a % of net sales. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered as supplements to GAAP reported measures, should not be considered replacements for, or superior to, GAAP measures and may not be comparable to similarly named measures used by other companies.

Freshpet defines EBITDA as net income (loss) plus interest expense, income tax expense and depreciation and amortization expense, and Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA plus net income (loss) on equity method investment, plant start-up expense, non-cash share-based compensation, launch expense, fees related to equity offerings of our common stock, implementation and other costs associated with the implementation of an ERP system, and other expenses, including loss on disposal of equipment and COVID-19 expenses.

Forward Looking Statements & Non-GAAP Measures (cont.)

Freshpet defines Adjusted Gross Profit as gross profit before depreciation expense, plant start-up expense, COVID-19 expenses and non-cash share-based compensation, and Adjusted SG&A as SG&A expenses before depreciation and amortization expense, non-cash share-based compensation, launch expense, gain (loss) on disposal of equipment, fees related to equity offerings of our common stock, implementation and other costs associated with the implementation of an ERP system and COVID-19 expenses.

Management believes that the non-GAAP financial measures are meaningful to investors because they provide a view of the Company with respect to ongoing operating results. Non-GAAP financial measures are shown as supplemental disclosures in this presentation because they are widely used by the investment community for analysis and comparative evaluation. They also provide additional metrics to evaluate the Company's operations and, when considered with both the Company's GAAP results and the reconciliation to the most comparable GAAP measures, provide a more complete understanding of the Company's business than could be obtained absent this disclosure. Adjusted EBITDA is also an important component of internal budgeting and setting management compensation. The non-GAAP measures are not and should not be considered an alternative to the most comparable GAAP measures or any other figure calculated in accordance with GAAP, or as an indicator of operating performance. The Company's calculation of the non-GAAP financial measures may differ from methods used by other companies. Management believes that the non-GAAP measures are important to an understanding of the Company's overall operating results in the periods presented. The non-GAAP financial measures are not recognized in accordance with GAAP and should not be viewed as an alternative to GAAP measures of performance.

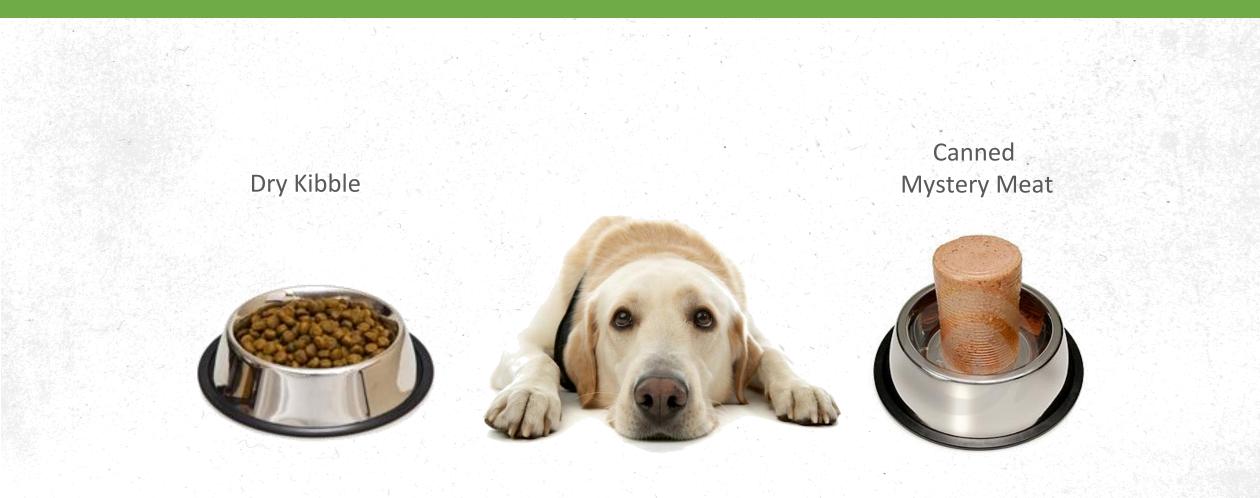
Certain of these measures present the Company's guidance for fiscal year 2021. The Company does not provide guidance for the most directly comparable GAAP measure and similarly cannot provide a reconciliation to such measure without unreasonable effort due to the unavailability of reliable estimates for certain items. These items are not within the Company's control and may vary greatly between periods and could significantly impact future financial results.

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Nourishing Pets, People and Planet

Freshpet strengthens the bond between **people** and our **pets** so that we both live longer, healthier and happier lives -- while being kind to the **planet**

Until Freshpet, a dog's choices were really limited



First major innovation since dry kibble in 1956



Freshpet Fresh from the Kitchen is a giant leap forward versus canned dog food



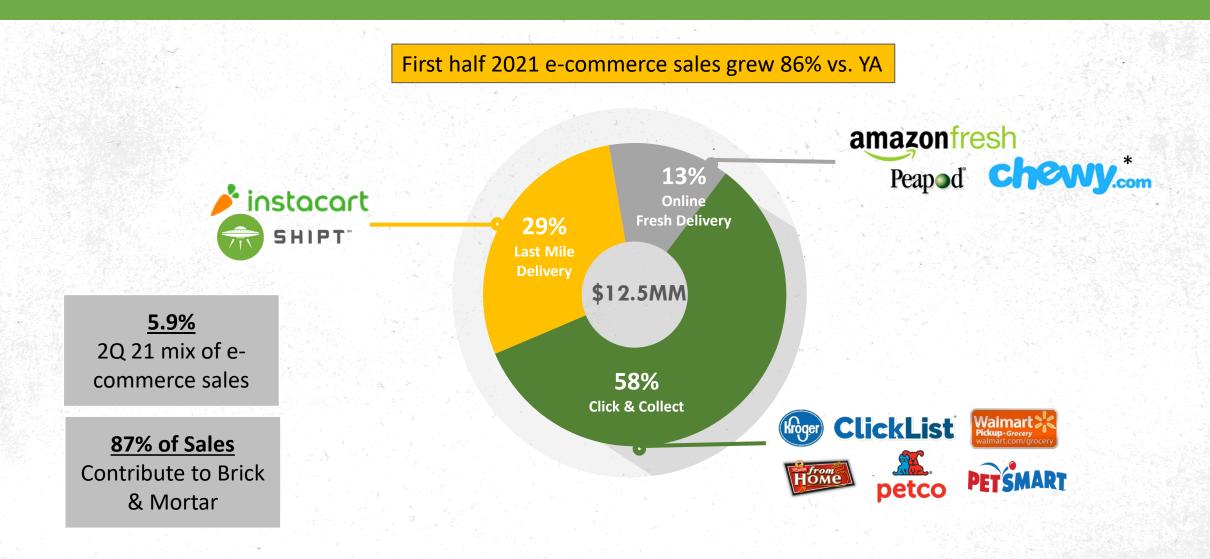
Available in a variety of fresh product forms



Sold in leading retail outlets in company-owned fridges



Also available via leading e-commerce platforms



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The positive benefits to human health from interacting with animals



Immune System Development



Psycho-Social Development



Support Coping & Recovery

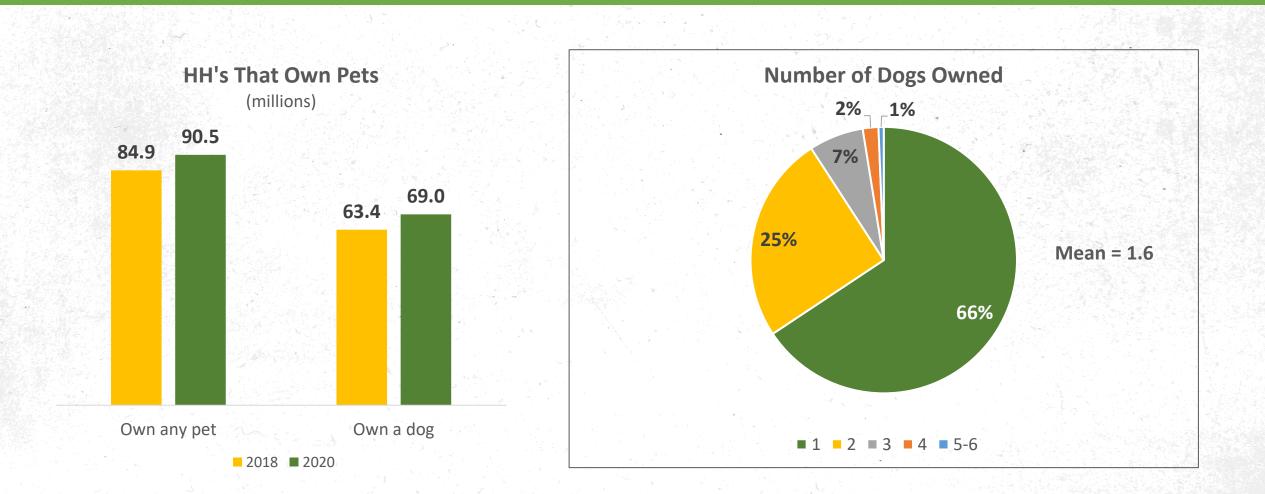


Catalyze Social Interactions

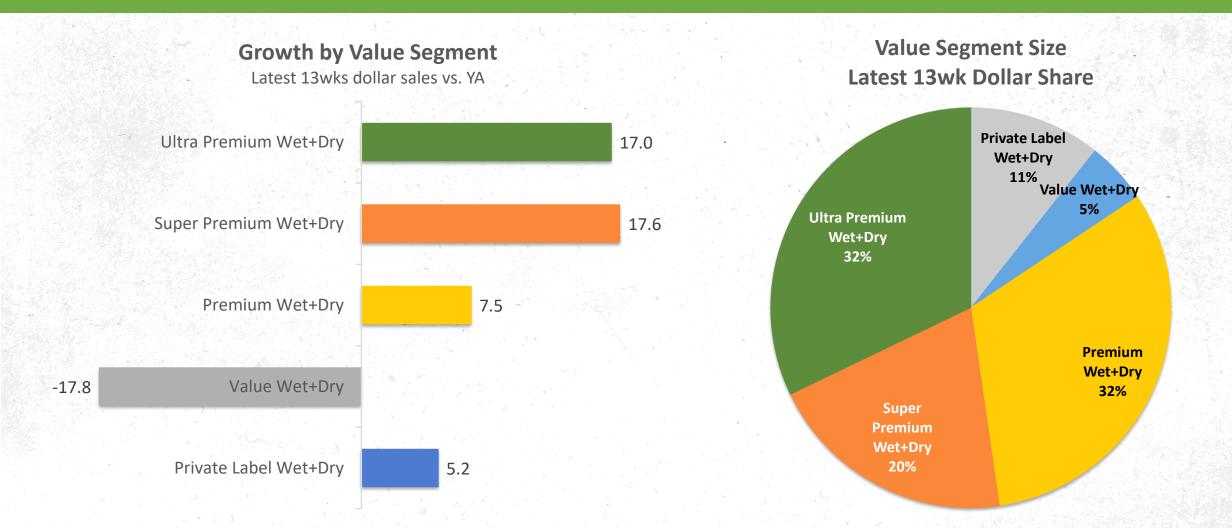


Motivate Regular Exercise

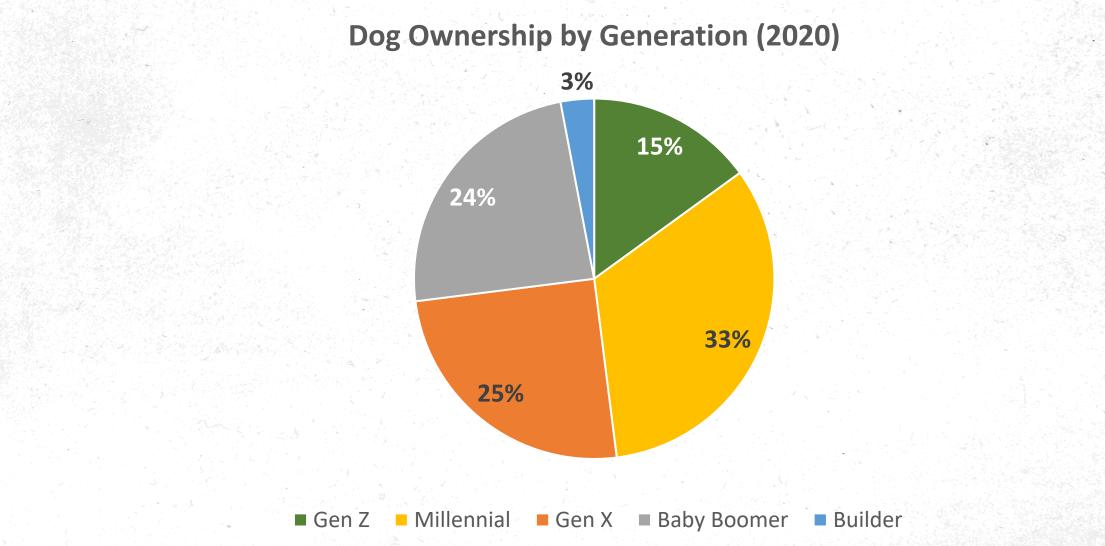
Dog ownership is growing



Category growth skews towards premium items

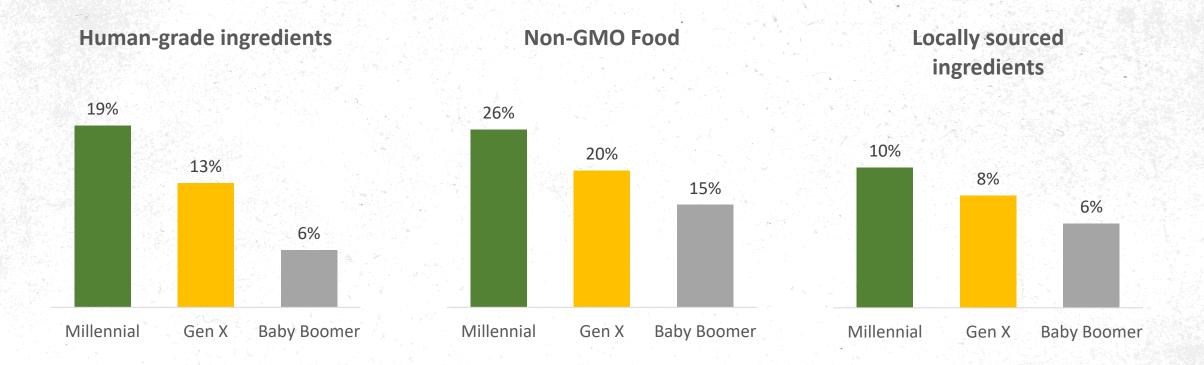


Millennials: Largest share of the dog food market today

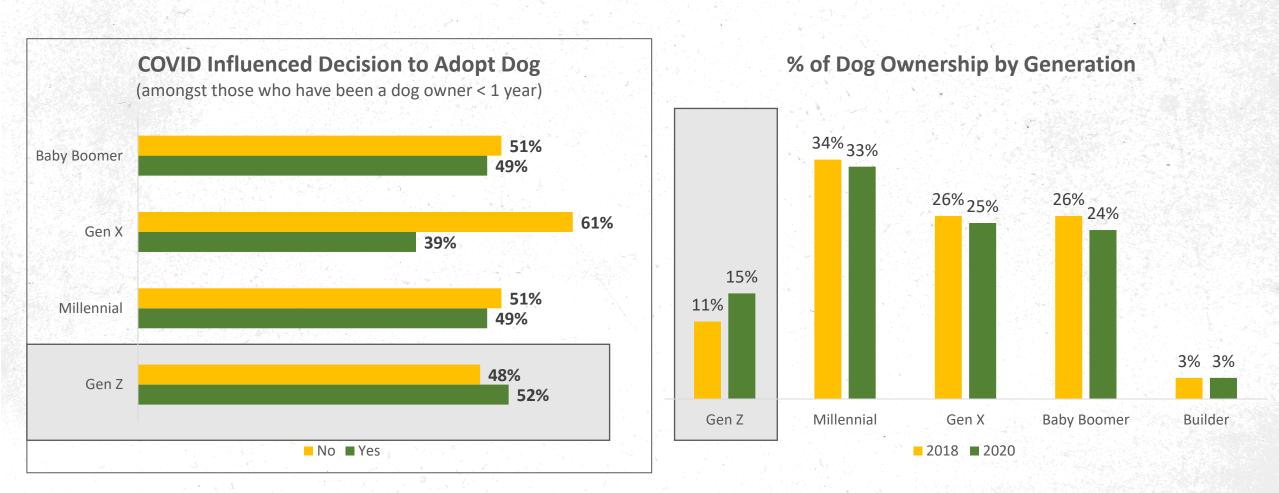


Millennials are seeking pet foods like Freshpet

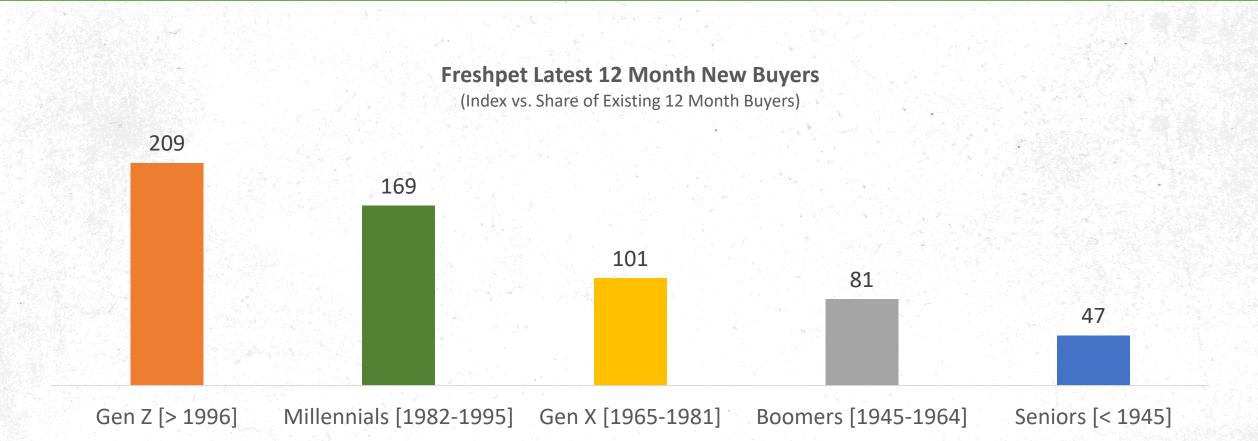
Purchased pet food with these attributes:



Gen Z is a growing segment of the pet market



GenZ is choosing Freshpet even more than previous generations





Strategy & Results

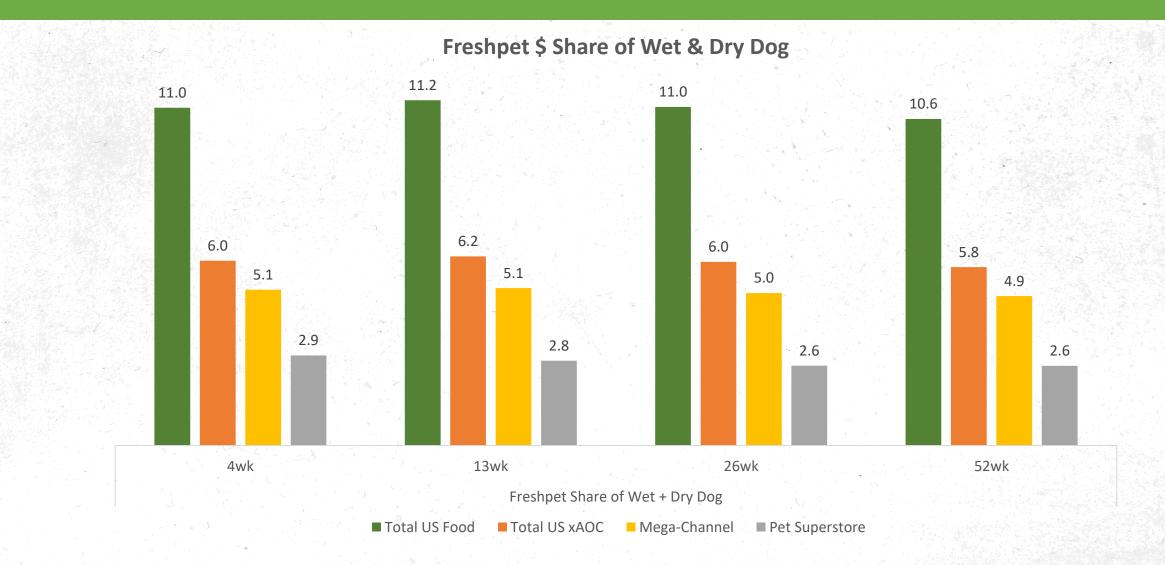
Fortified business model provides competitive insulation



"Feed the Growth" generates significant scale and operating leverage as we maximize our first mover advantage



Freshpet: Building meaningful share of the category

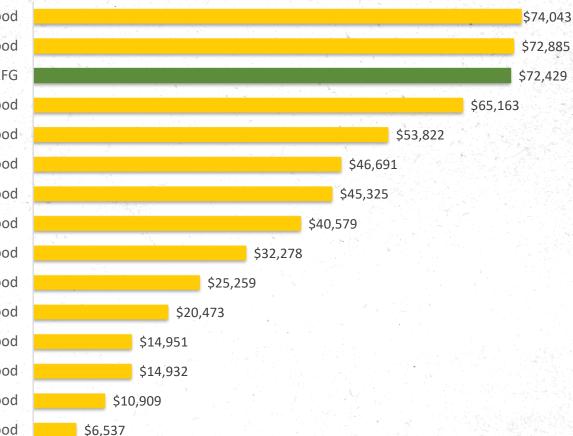


On a total brand basis, Freshpet now rivals the leading brands in the grocery channel

Total Wet & Dry Dog Food Brands Dollar Sales: US Food

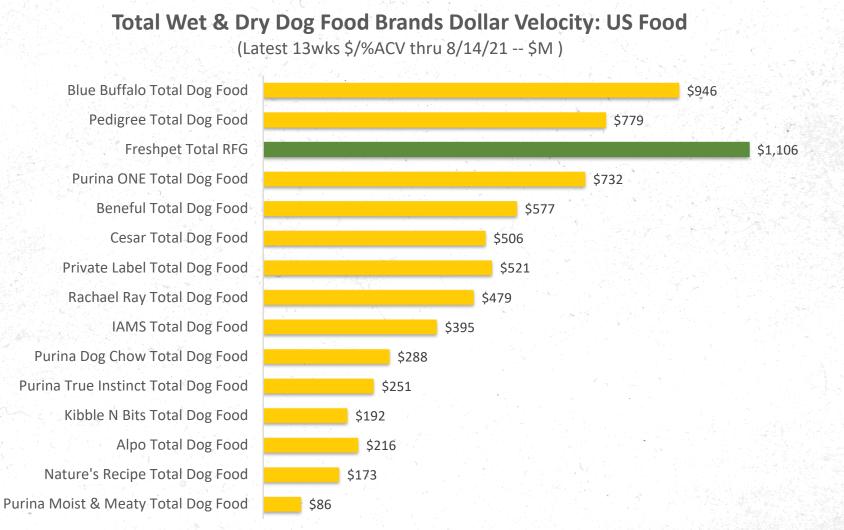
(Latest 13wks thru 8/14/21 -- \$M)

Blue Buffalo Total Dog Food Pedigree Total Dog Food Freshpet Total RFG Purina ONE Total Dog Food Beneful Total Dog Food Cesar Total Dog Food Private Label Total Dog Food Rachael Ray Total Dog Food IAMS Total Dog Food Purina Dog Chow Total Dog Food Purina True Instinct Total Dog Food Kibble N Bits Total Dog Food Alpo Total Dog Food Nature's Recipe Total Dog Food Purina Moist & Meaty Total Dog Food



Source: Nielsen Mega-Channel Data thru 8/14/21

Freshpet velocity leads the category in grocery

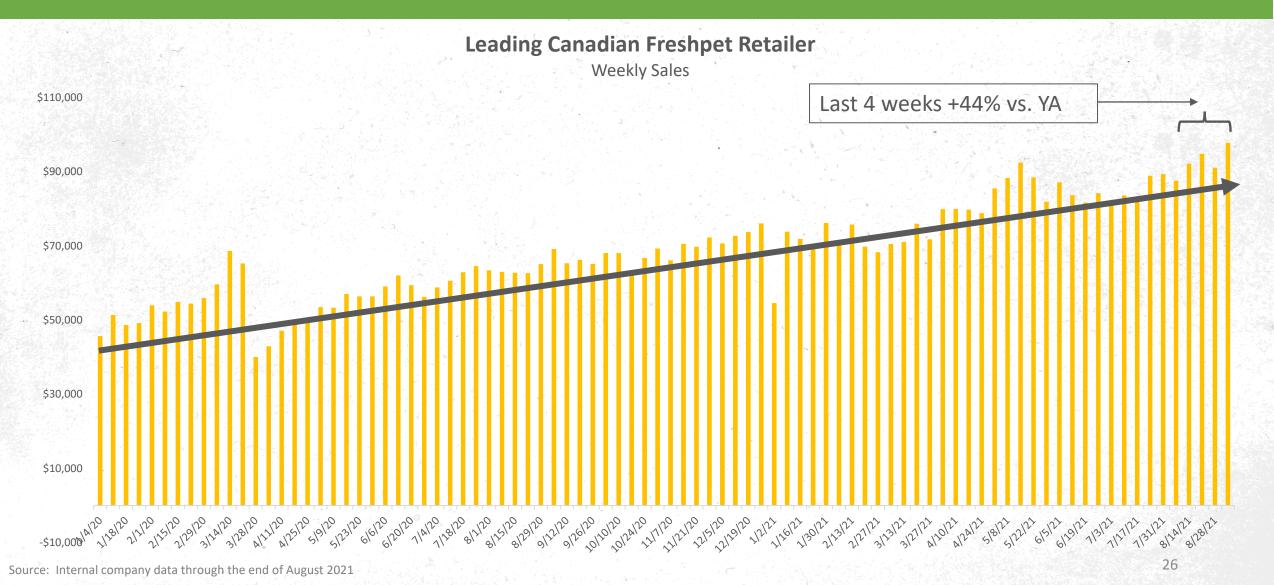


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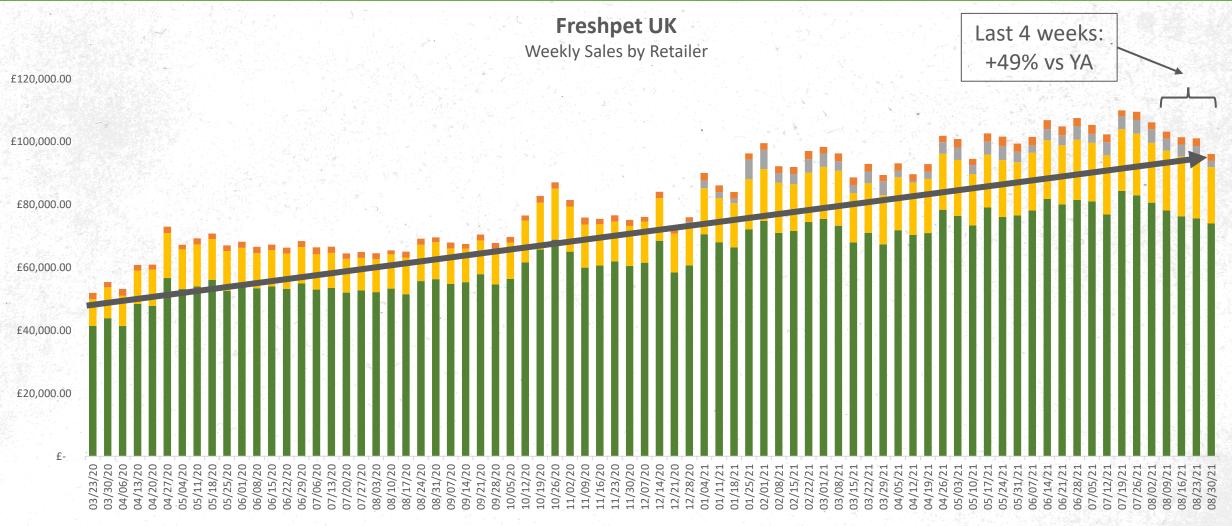


International Business

Canadian business accelerating behind advertising investment



Freshpet's advertising-driven model works in the UK



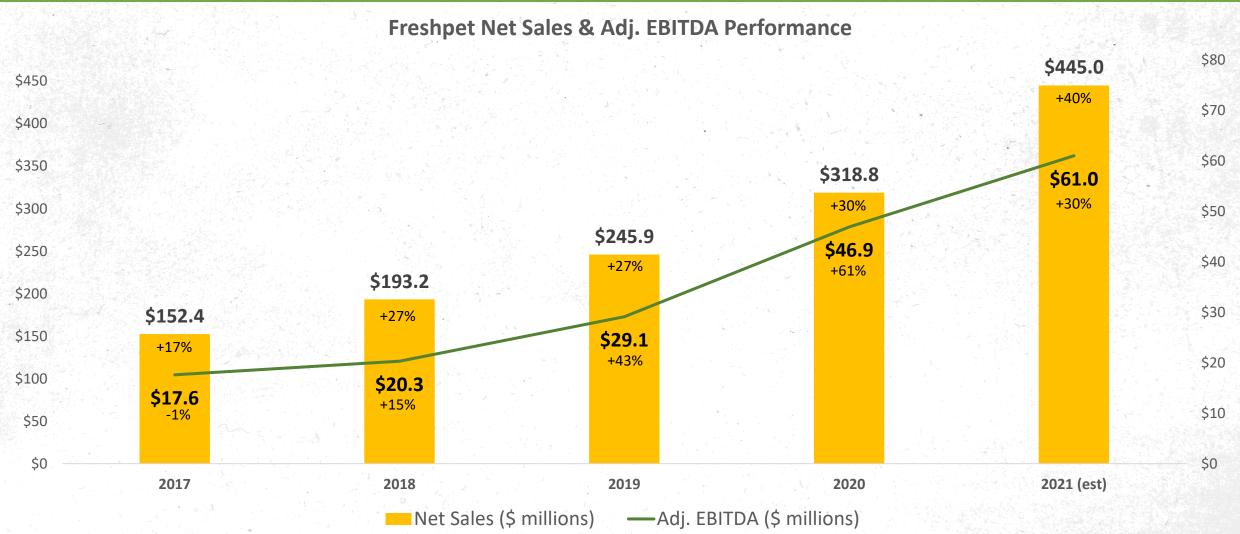
Retailer A Retailer B Retailer C Retailer D

Source: Internal company data through the end of August 2021

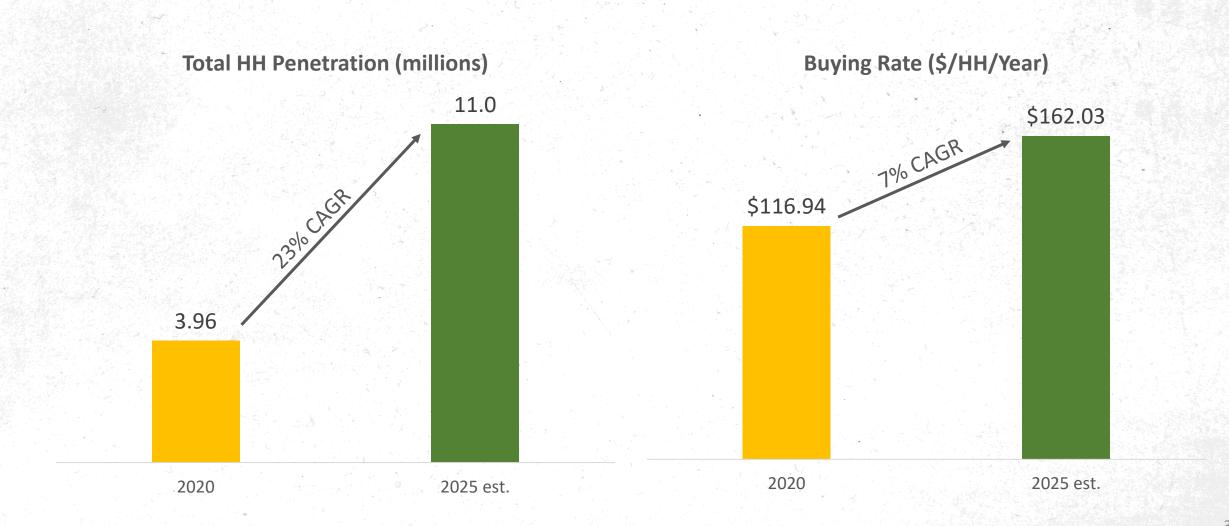


Financial Performance & Goals

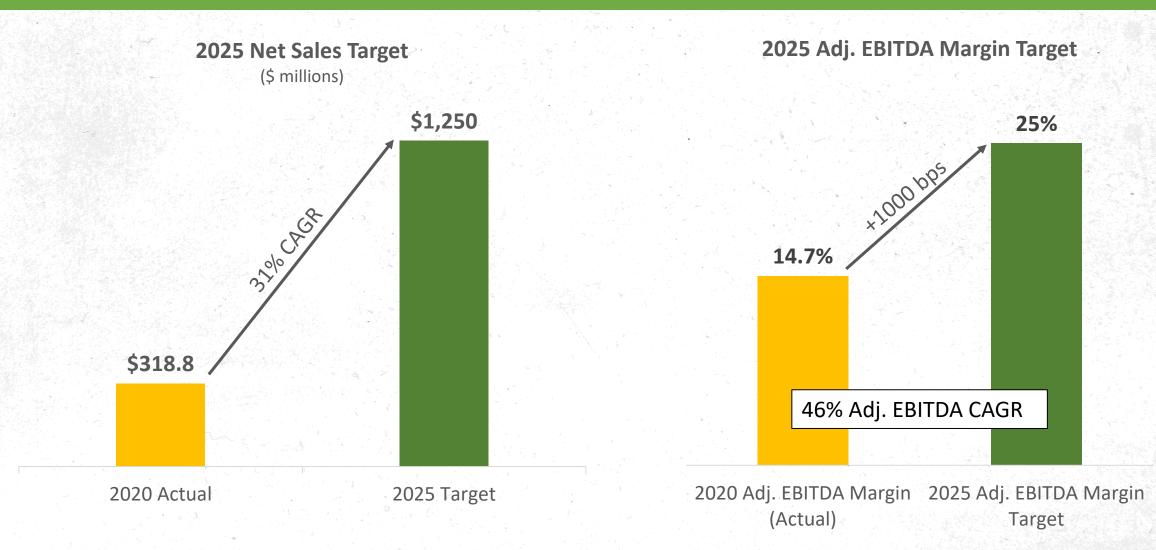
Strong track record of accelerating growth



2025 Goals: Continue driving HH penetration and buying rate gains at same rate as 2020



2025 Target: Net Sales of \$1.25 billion with 25% Adj. EBITDA margin







Summary

- Increasing rate of consumption growth has resumed
 - Nielsen Mega-Channel growth up 17% week of 8/21 vs. 13% during the week of 8/14
- Retail in-stock conditions began improving in the third week of August
 - Third party warehouse is back on track after struggles in early-mid July

• Production and capacity expansion are on-track

- Quarter-to-date, production (lbs.) is up 40% vs. YA despite taking 3 days for extended maintenance over July 4th (August +47%)
- Starting up Kitchens South line #2 next week
- Taking one bag line down for automation and upgrades later this month and will restart in mid-November
- Ennis will be "dried in" this month on track for Q2 2022 start-up
- Media on air continuously in H2 but skews heavily to Q4
 - Strong media presence matches improved in-stock conditions and available capacity

• Expecting net sales growth in H2 to skew towards Q4; approximate 44% growth

• YA had a very soft December due to winter storms – creating the potential for a much stronger growth rate in Q4 than Q3

Price increase announced; effective with orders placed on 11/29/21

- Effective increase = 4.8% but varies significantly by item
- Minimal impact this year

Inflation and temporary operating inefficiencies will mute benefits from increased net sales guidance in H2

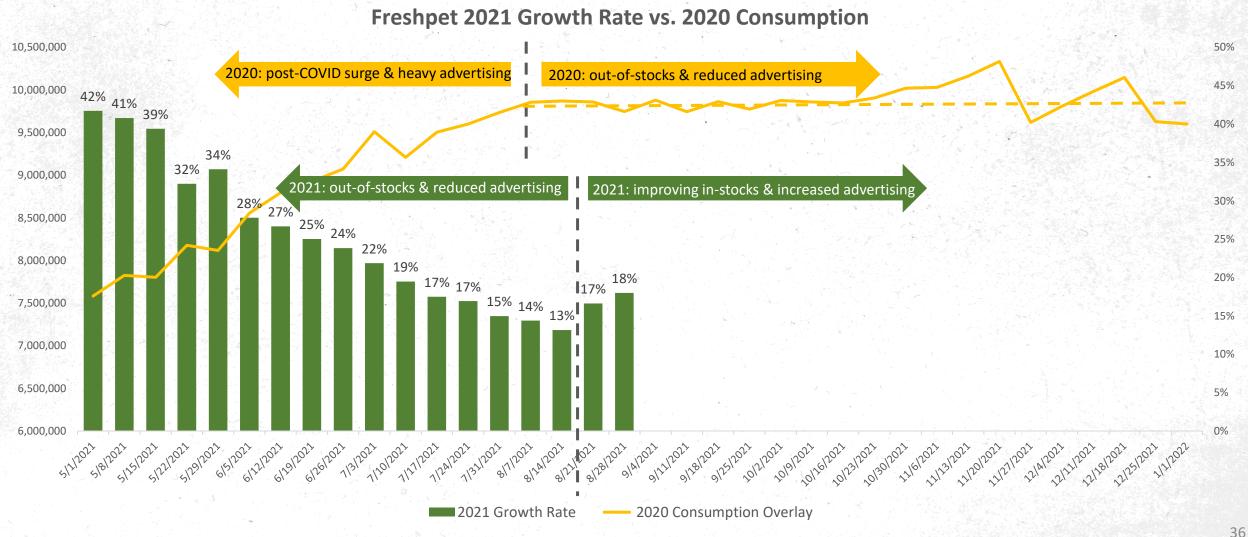
Key cost element	Chicken	Beef	Packaging	Labor	Freight
Potential cost impact	Priced annually in December; potential impact next year	Priced quarterly; assumed in plan	Resin and corrugate cost increases anticipated	Tight labor market; second wage increase in September	Assumed inflation but exceeding expectations

• Announced plans to increase prices at the end of this year



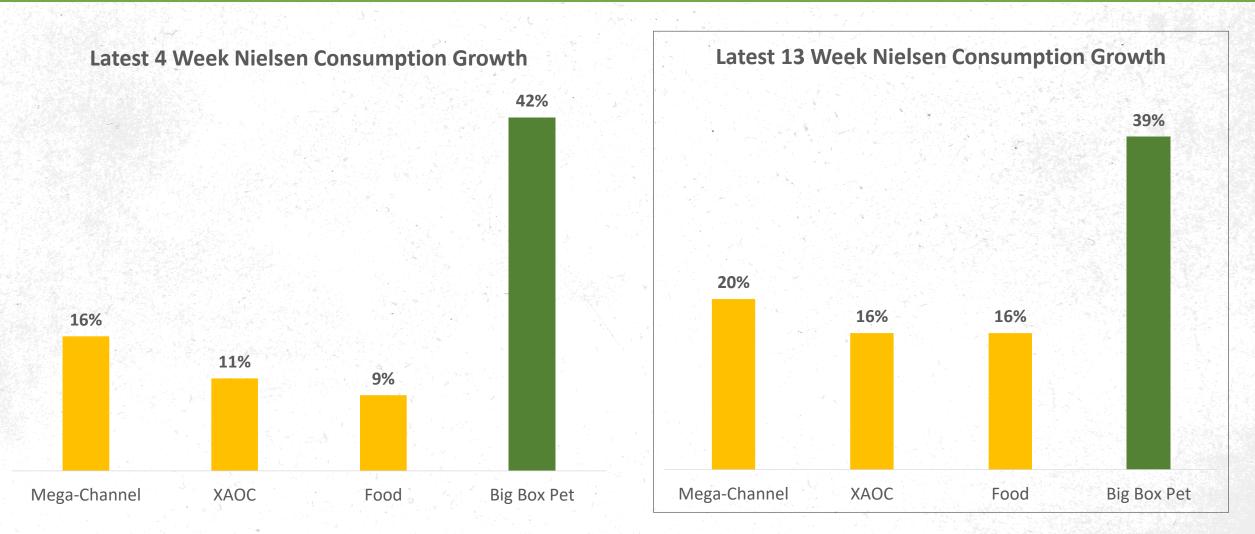
Consumption Trends

Inflection point: 2021 growth rate re-accelerates as instocks improve & advertising investment increases

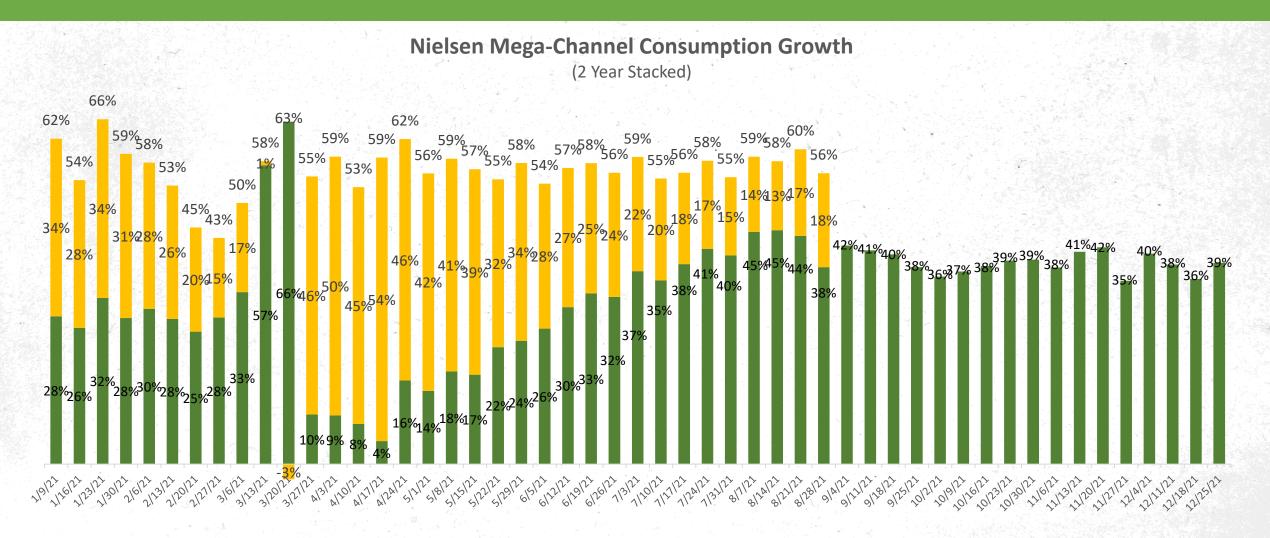


Source: Nielsen Mega-Channel Data thru 8/28/21

Pet specialty is our fastest growing channel



Increasing growth should drive two-year stacked to >60%

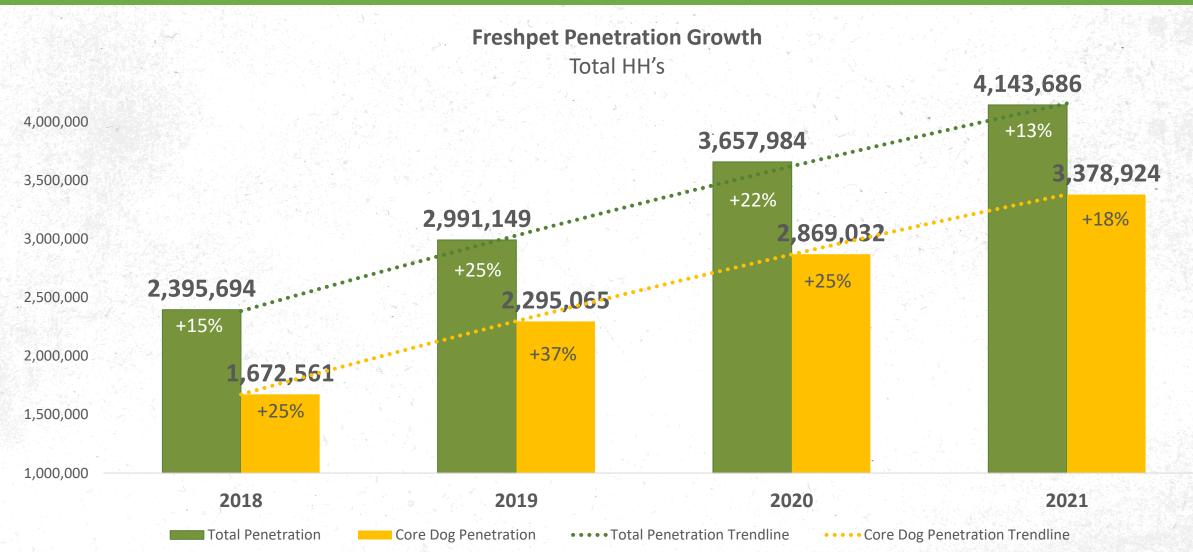


2020 2021



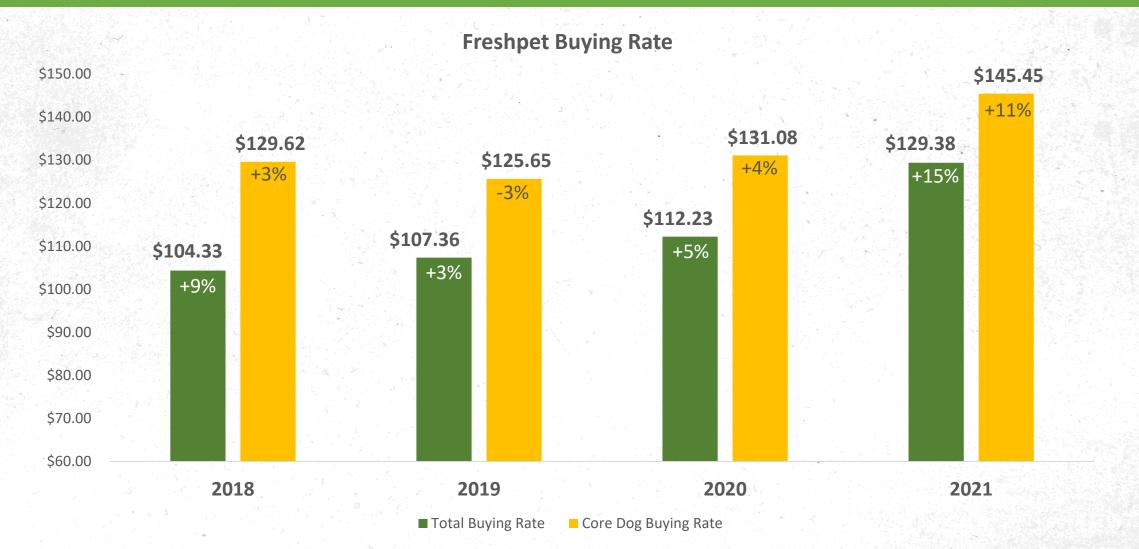
Penetration & Buying Rate

HH penetration growth is temporarily depressed due to out-of-stocks



Source: Nielsen HH Panel for the period ending mid-August 2017-2021

Buying rate continues to grow despite out-of-stocks



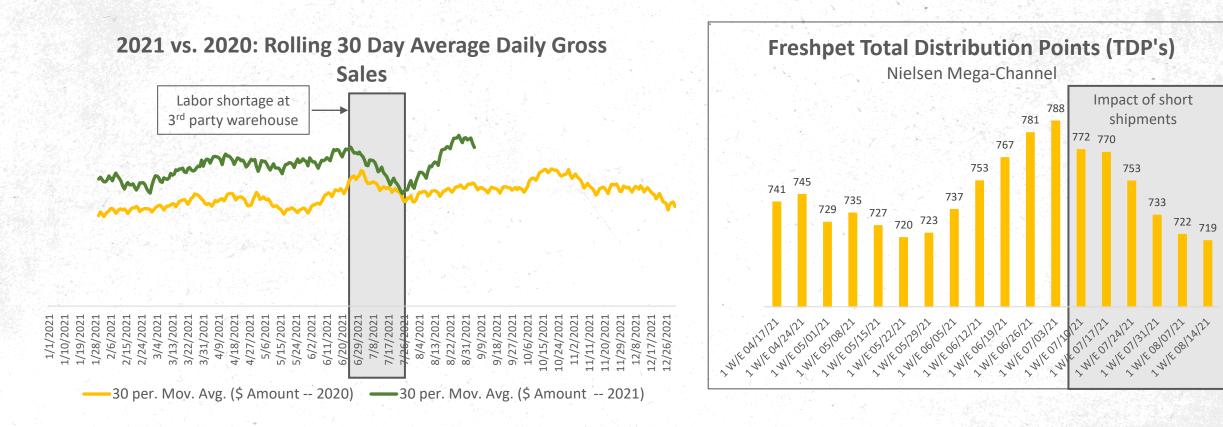
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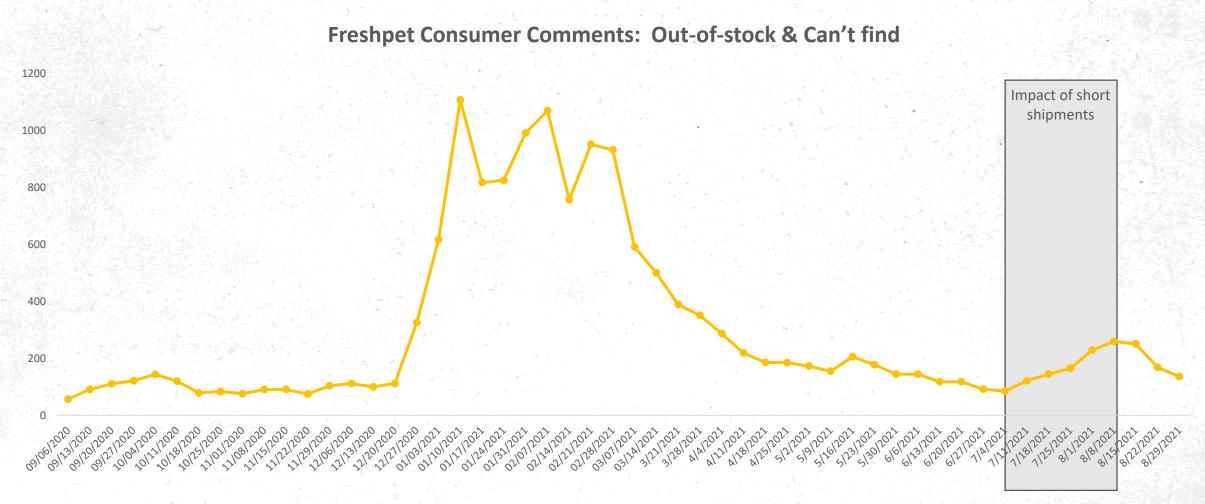
Retail Conditions

Short shipments in July increased out-of-stocks; strong August shipments are helping to restore retail conditions

Short-term labor issues at our 3rd party warehouse constrained shipments in early-mid July – increasing out-ofstocks and reducing consumption. Staffing and shipments were restored by the end of July and delivered strong August shipments. Retail condition improvements will lag shipment improvements by ~2-3 weeks.



Strong August shipments are improving in-stocks after the July short shipments



Out of Stock/Can't Find



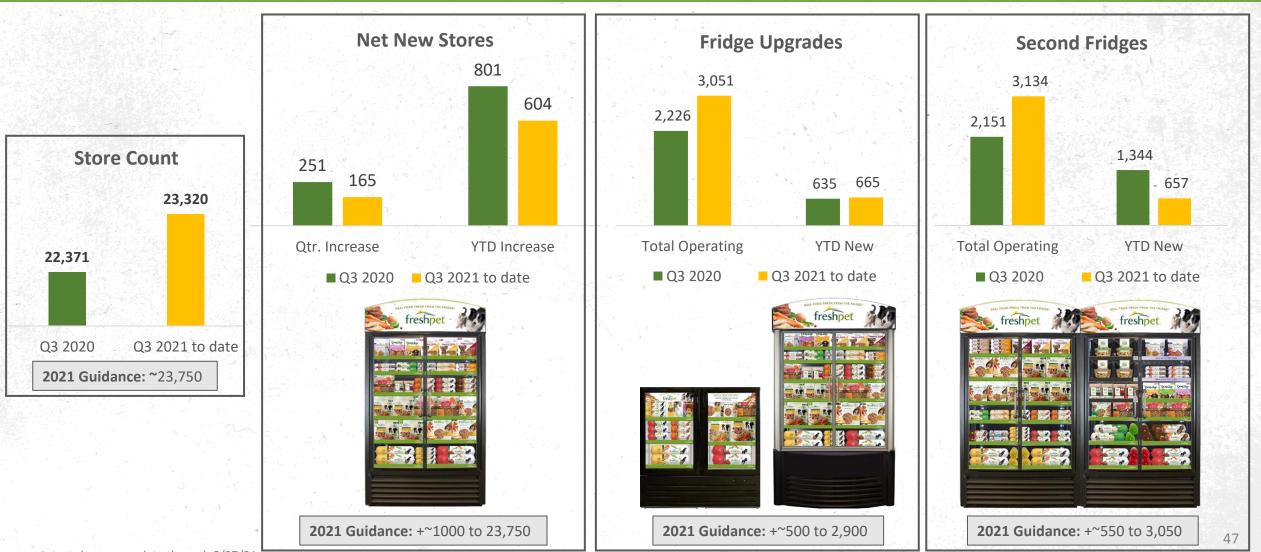
Visibility & Availability

Despite out-of-stocks, store count continued to grow



Source: Internal data for the period ending 8/27/21

Q3: Continued increases in retail availability & visibility

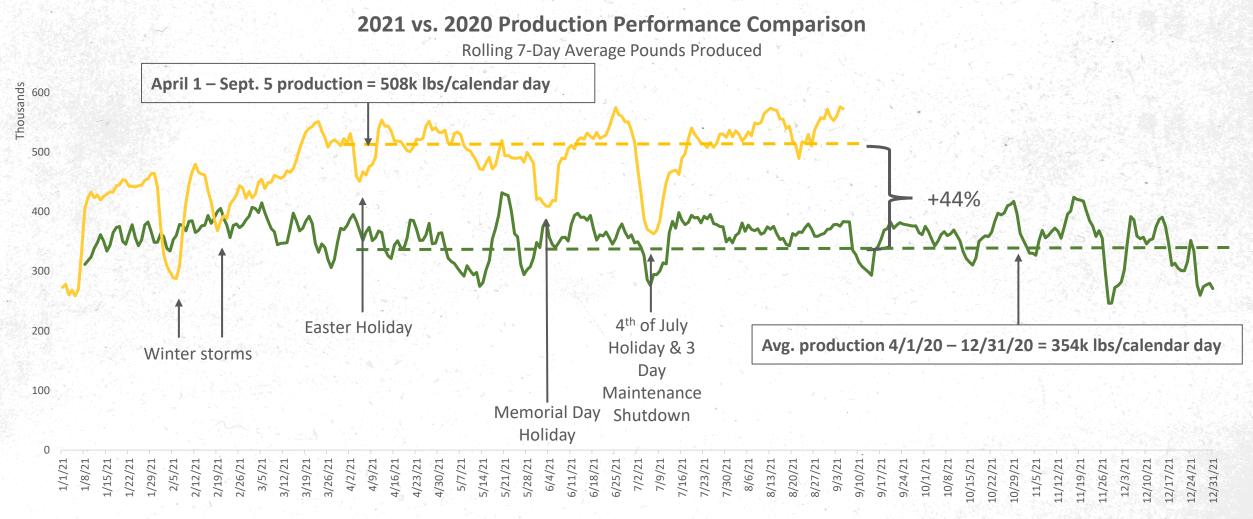


Source: Internal company data through 8/27/21





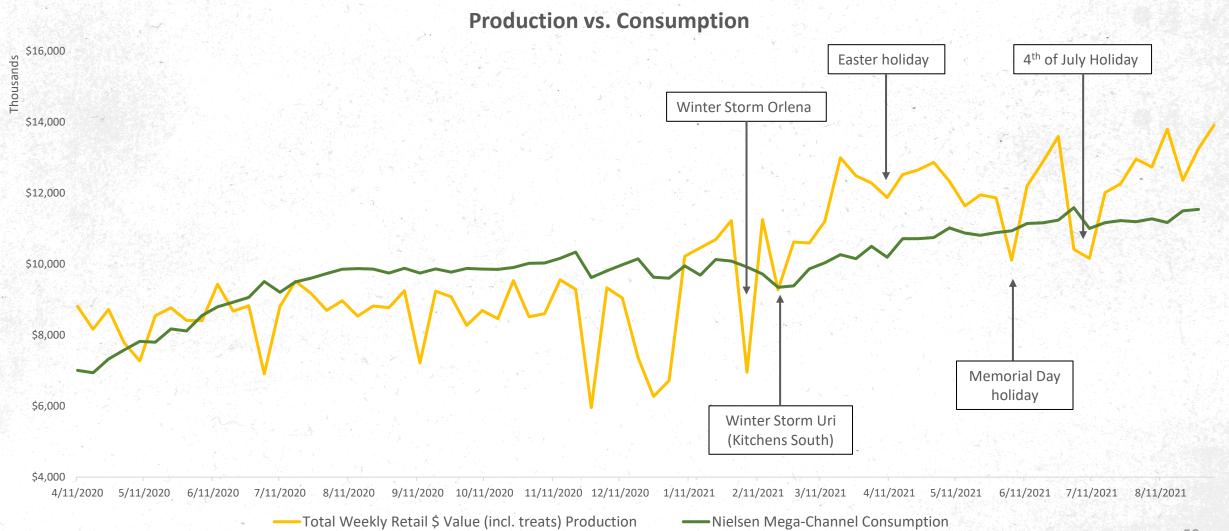
Production is running well ahead of YA with more capacity coming on-stream in September



-----Rolling 7 Day Average - 2020 ------Rolling 7 Day Average - 2021

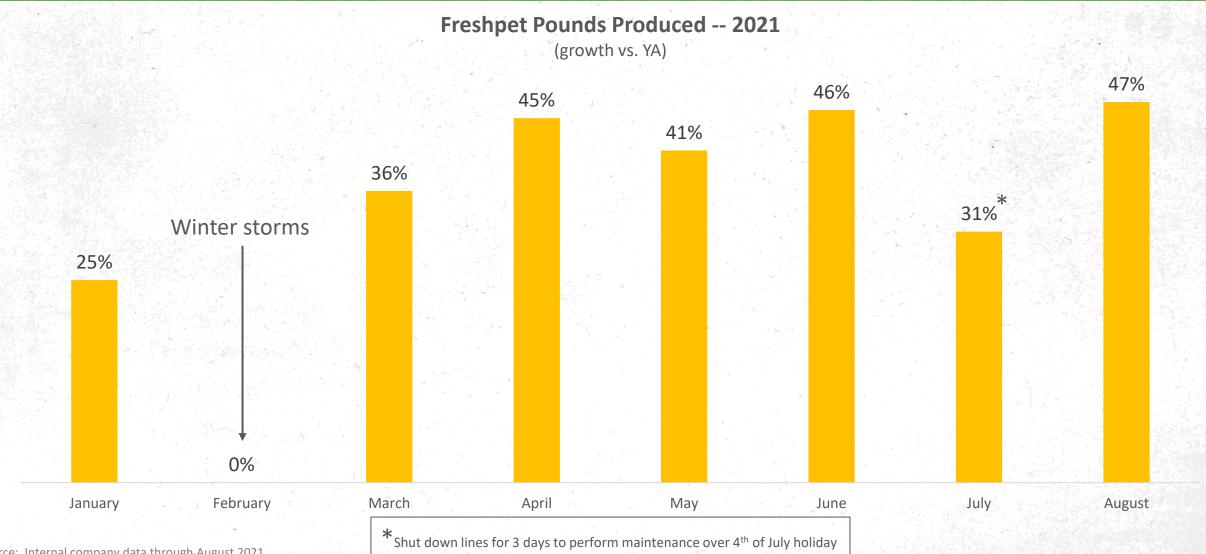
Source: Internal company data through September 5, 2021

Outside of holidays and snowstorms, production is in excess of consumption every week this year



Source: Nielsen Mega-Channel Data thru 8/28/21 and internal company data

Strong production supports robust growth vs. YA



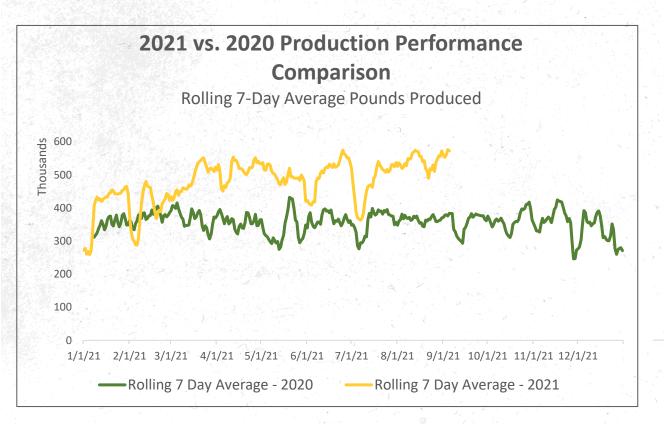
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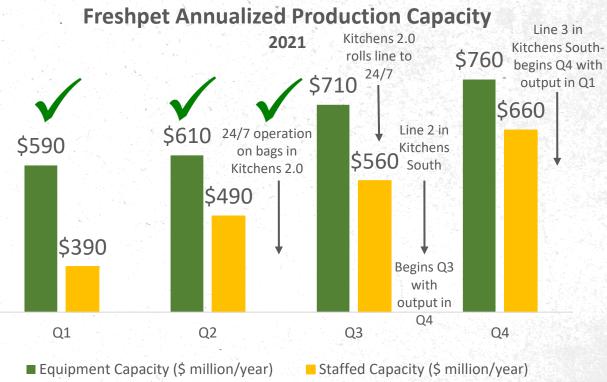




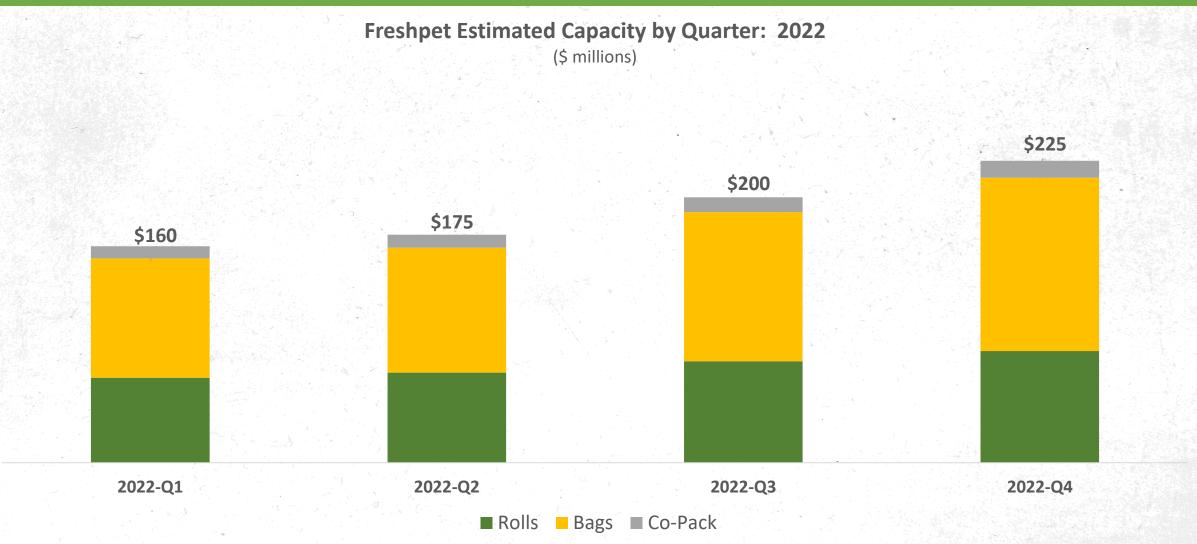
Capacity plans are on track

Production continues to run >40% ahead of YA and is accelerating – with August production +47% vs. YA and running at >\$525 million annualized run rate

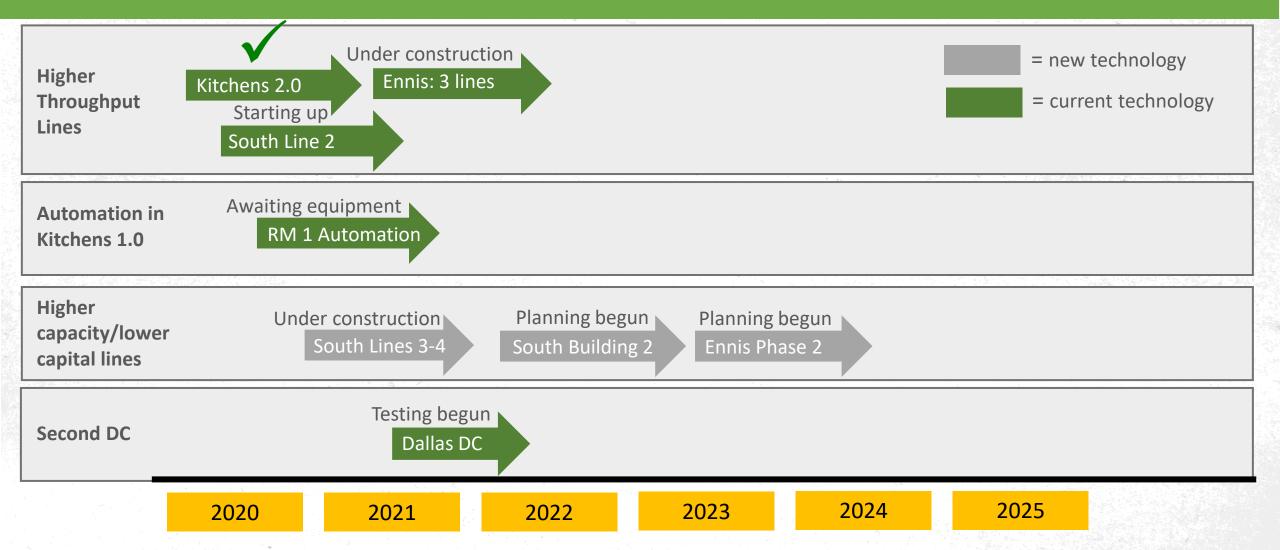




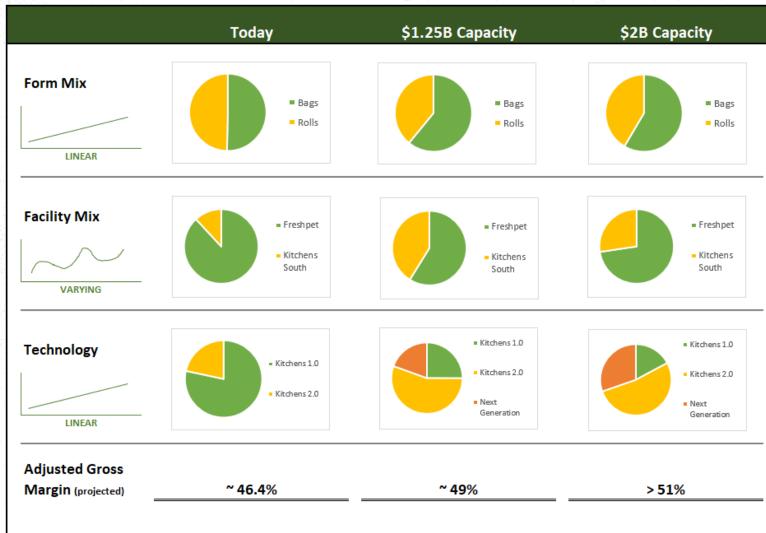
Ample capacity to support strong growth in 2022



Investing in more efficient capacity



Manufacturing technology can drive margin improvement



Amounts shown are percentage of projected Net Sales capacity.

Building \$2 billion in net sales capacity







