

# **UP Global Sourcing Holdings plc**

# Who we are

- Ultimate Products was established in 1997.
  - As a company, we own, manage, design and develop a range of value-focused consumer goods brands.
- Our headquarters in Oldham, Greater Manchester, have Design, Sales, Marketing, Buying, Quality Assurance and Support functions, as well as warehouse facilities across two sites.

We have a spectacular 20,000 sq. ft. showroom at Manor Mill, the head office, as well as an office and showroom in Guangzhou, China, and a new European showroom in Cologne, Germany.

Employing over 290 staff, we sell to over 300 retailers across 38 countries.

Six product categories – Audio, Heating and Cooling, Housewares, Laundry, Luggage and Small Domestic Appliances.

Our products are sold to a broad cross-section of both large national and international multichannel retailers, as well as smaller national retail chains, incorporating discount retailers, supermarkets, general retailers and online retailers.



# Key financials

	12 m July 2019 £'m
Turnover	123.3
Underlying EBITDA	9.9
Underlying PBT	8.5
Underlying PAT	6.7

# **Premier brands**









# **Specialist divisions**



# A brief history

### 1997

Business founded by Simon Showman and Barry Franks.

### 1999

Switched sourcing base from the US to Far East.

### 2005

Lloyds Development Capital invested in the business.

### 2006

Awarded 'Business of the Year' by Manchester Evening News. Opened Hong Kong showroom.

### 2009

Acquired Intempo and Beldray brands. Opened QA and sourcing office, Guangzhou, China.

### 2010

Procured well known luggage brand Constellation.

# **Fundamental growth factors**

### A brief history (cont'd)

### 2012

Expansion of the Far East offices is made.

We refocused on our brands.

### 2014

Our management team buy back Lloyds Development Capital's stake in the company.

The cookware brands George Wilkinson and Progress are acquired.

With further growth in mind, we opened a brand new distribution centre at Heron Mill. Ultimate Products IPOs on the LSE main market.

### 2018

European showroom opened in Cologne, Germany. Kleeneze brand acquired. We have benefited from store expansion with existing discount customers.

- There has been an increased penetration of UK supermarkets.
- Online business has grown.
- The company has expanded internationally.

# Capabilities



With 56 people in our buving teams. we brought 1,279 new SKUs to the market in FY19.



Over 98 % on time delivery In-house team of 33 staff since 2013.

Experienced buving teams based in Manchester and in Guangzhou. We have 278 suppliers in China and 52 based in other territories



In-house design department of 30 people covering branding, product design, surface pattern. packaging and video content.



We sell to over 300 customers



We have a well invested IT infrastructure and have developed our own bespoke applications including CAPTURE (buying) and CRITICAL PATH (Merchandising)



We employ 125 people (42 % of workforce) who are on or have been through our Graduate Development Scheme.

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# **Company directors**

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