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## Topsports（6110 HK）

## Turnaround continues after a resilient 3Q24

We still think Topsorts＇s turnaround is solid despite the macro uncertainty．Sales growth acceleration should be from the new products and better marketing while margin improvement should be from self－initiated efficiency gains．
－3Q24 retail sales growth was at low－teens，in line with expectations but the underlying fundamentals are good．Topsports＇total retail sales growth（including both retail and wholesale operations）in 3Q24（ending Nov 2023）was at low－teens，slightly below CMBI est．of $15 \%$ ．However，given the weak industry environment and sentiment（esp．after Li Ning and Xtep＇s recent cuts in guidance and their needs of more de－stocking），we believe such a result is in line with the market expectation．In fact，we do find the growth quality in 3Q24 high，because of：1）the strong rebound（was a LSD decline in 2Q24），2）balanced improvements from all brands（retail sales growth for leading／lagging brands had both improved to high－teens／＋ve MSD in 3Q24，from just low－teens／－ve MSD in 1H24），3）its better than peers＇performance（way faster than Pou Sheng＇s $7 \% \%$ ），4）resilient e－ commerce sales growth（also at teens level，similar to the offline growth）， and 5）excellent store productivity（SSSG is also at teens level and similar to the offline growth）．
－We still think the outlook for Topsports is solid，despite industry headwinds．We are certainly concerned about the industry performance in 4Q23E，given the fall in purchasing power，weak consumer sentiment and scale－up in inventory de－stocking，echoed by the underperformance of some domestic brands．However，thanks to Topsports＇healthy inventory position and resilient brand equity，we believe it is able to optimize the timing and needs to boost sales growth and do promotions．Therefore，in terms of outlook，we are still confident on Topsports to maintain its rapid growth （CMBI est．of $8 \%$ retail sales growth in 4Q24E， $9 \% / 12 \%$ listed－co level sales growth in 2H24E／FY25E），thanks to：1）stable growth in Dec 2023 （similar to the level of Nov 2023，according to management），2）the late CNY in 2024 （a longer peak season of around 3 weeks should drive better growth），3） reasonably successful new products launched in 1Q－4Q24E（since the sell－ through rate had increased YoY ），4）resumption of growth in gross selling area（managed to increase by $0.5 \%$ QoQ，vs flattish in 2Q24 and $1.7 \%$ drop in 1Q24），likely to accelerate in FY25E when closures of Adidas NEO stabilize，and 5）increased efforts in marketing（leveraging various sports events and competitions）．
－Maintain BUY and TP of HK\＄9．23，based on 18x FY2／25E P／E （unchanged）．The stock is trading at $12 x$ FY2／25E P／E，which is highly attractive，given a 4 －year avg．P／E of $13 x$ and $21 \% 3$－year NP CAGR during FY23－26E．
Earnings Summary

| （YE 28 Feb） | FY22A | FY23A | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revenue（RMB mn） | 31,877 | 27,073 | 29,241 | 32,657 | 36,249 |
| YoY growth（\％） | $(11.5)$ | $(15.1)$ | 8.0 | 11.7 | 11.0 |
| Operating profit（RMB mn） | 3,430 | 2,431 | 3,146 | 3,849 | 4,411 |
| Net profit（RMB mn） | $2,446.5$ | $1,836.6$ | $2,261.0$ | $2,809.2$ | $3,246.3$ |
| EPS（Reported）（RMB） | 0.39 | 0.30 | 0.36 | 0.45 | 0.52 |
| YoY growth（\％） | $11.7)$ | $(24.9)$ | 23.1 | 24.2 | 15.6 |
| P／E（x） | 12.5 | 18.3 | 14.9 | 12.0 | 10.3 |
| P／B（x） | 2.9 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 2.7 |
| Yield（\％） | 5.2 | 6.1 | 4.6 | 5.7 | 6.6 |
| ROE（\％） | 24.1 | 18.1 | 22.7 | 26.3 | 27.5 |

Source：Company data，Bloomberg，CMBIGM estimates

## BUY（Maintain）

Target Price
HK\＄9．23
（Previous TP
HK\＄9．23）
Up／Downside
50．5\％
Current Price
HK\＄6．13
China Consumer Discretionary
Walter WOO
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Stock Data

| Mkt Cap（HK\＄mn） | $38,013.5$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Avg 3 mths t／o（HK\＄mn） | 33.6 |
| 52 H High／Low（HK\＄） | $8.04 / 5.44$ |
| Total Issued Shares（mn） | 6201.2 |

Source：FactSet
Shareholding Structure

| Hillhouse Capital | $34.9 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| WMVL Limited | $20.2 \%$ |

Source：HKEX
Share Performance

|  | Absolute | Relative |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 1－mth | $-7.5 \%$ | $-0.5 \%$ |
| 3－mth | $-1.3 \%$ | $6.9 \%$ |
| $6-15.4 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ |  |
| Source：FactSet |  |  |
| 12－mth Price Performance |  |  |
| （HK\＄ |  |  |
| 8.5 |  |  |
| 8.0 |  |  |
| 7.5 |  |  |
| 7.0 |  |  |
| 6.5 |  |  |
| 6.0 |  |  |
| 5.5 |  |  |
| 5.0 |  |  |
| 4.5 |  |  |

Source：FactSet

## Recent Reports：

Topsports（ 6110 HK ）－Turnaround is on track despite bumpy sales
（24 Oct 23）

Anta Sports（2020 HK）－ 2023 Investor Day and the new 3 years targets：excited about Anta brand＇s new strategies （19 Oct 23）

Xtep（ 1368 HK ）－An inline 3Q23 and strong FY24E guidance
（18 Oct 23）

Anta Sports（ 2020 HK ）－Earnings cut and de－rating may end here
（13 Oct 23）

China Consumer Sector－An inline golden week but we will stay cautious （10 Oct 23）
－We think the margin in 3Q24 is positive．Even though the company did not announce detailed financials，we are still optimistic on its GP margin trend in 3Q24， because of：1）continual improvements in retail discounts（improved by LSD vs 3Q23， a similar trend back in 1 H 24 ），2）increases in the sales contribution of direct retail operation，3）a lower level of subsides for the principal brands in 3Q24（hence less drags）vs 1 H 24 ，and 4 ）strong SSSG（CMBI est．teens level）．
－Inventory level is already healthy and still improving．Management also mentioned that the amount of inventory in 3Q24 had dropped by a double digit vs 3Q23 and stayed flattish vs 2Q24．Moreover，Topsports＇inventory to sales ratio is already below 4 months in 3Q24（ending Nov 2023），which is not only healthy but also decent vs the industry（e．g．Pou Sheng and Xtep are at about 4.8 months／ 4.5 to 5.0 months in Sep 2023）．

## Earnings revision

Figure 1：Earnings revision

| RMB mn | FY24E | $\begin{aligned} & \text { New } \\ & \text { FY25E } \end{aligned}$ | FY26E | FY24E | $\begin{gathered} \text { Old } \\ \text { FY25E } \end{gathered}$ | FY26E | FY24E | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Diff (\%) } \\ \text { FY25E } \end{gathered}$ | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | 29，241 | 32，657 | 36，249 | 29，241 | 32，657 | 36，249 | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ |
| Gross profit | 12，298 | 13，891 | 15，499 | 12，298 | 13，891 | 15，499 | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ |
| EBIT | 3，146 | 3，849 | 4，411 | 3，146 | 3，849 | 4，411 | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ |
| Net profit att． | 2，261 | 2，809 | 3，246 | 2，261 | 2，809 | 3，246 | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ |
| Diluted EPS（RMB） | 0.365 | 0.453 | 0.523 | 0.365 | 0.453 | 0.523 | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ | 0．0\％ |
| Gross margin | 42．1\％ | 42．5\％ | 42．8\％ | 42．1\％ | 42．5\％ | 42．8\％ | Oppt | Oppt | Oppt |
| EBIT margin | 10．8\％ | 11．8\％ | 12．2\％ | 10．8\％ | 11．8\％ | 12．2\％ | Oppt | Oppt | Oppt |
| Net profit att．margin | 7．7\％ | 8．6\％ | 9．0\％ | 7．7\％ | 8．6\％ | 9．0\％ | Oppt | Oppt | Oppt |

Source：Company data，CMBIGM estimates
Figure 2：CMBIGM estimates vs consensus

| RMB mn | FY24E | CMBIGM FY25E | FY26E | Consensus |  |  | Diff（\％） |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| Revenue | 29，241 | 32，657 | 36，249 | 30，191 | 33，911 | 37，670 | －3．1\％ | －3．7\％ | －3．8\％ |
| Gross profit | 12，298 | 13，891 | 15，499 | 12，863 | 14，536 | 16，237 | －4．4\％ | －4．4\％ | －4．5\％ |
| EBIT | 3，146 | 3，849 | 4，411 | 3，131 | 3，680 | 4，192 | 0．5\％ | 4．6\％ | 5．2\％ |
| Net profit att． | 2，261 | 2，809 | 3，246 | 2，361 | 2，747 | 3，108 | －4．2\％ | 2．3\％ | 4．4\％ |
| Diluted EPS（RMB） | 0.365 | 0.453 | 0.523 | 0.387 | 0.456 | 0.512 | －5．9\％ | －0．6\％ | 2．2\％ |
| Gross margin | 42．1\％ | 42．5\％ | 42．8\％ | 42．6\％ | 42．9\％ | 43．1\％ | －0．5ppt | －0．3ppt | －0．3ppt |
| EBIT margin | 10．8\％ | 11．8\％ | 12．2\％ | 10．4\％ | 10．9\％ | 11．1\％ | 0．4ppt | 0．9ppt | 1ppt |
| Net profit att．margin | 7．7\％ | 8．6\％ | 9．0\％ | 7．8\％ | 8．1\％ | 8．3\％ | －0．1ppt | 0．5ppt | 0．7ppt |

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## Operating numbers

Figure 3：Sportswear brands sales growth trend

| Operating numbers | 3Q20 | 4Q20 | 1Q21 | 2Q21 | 3Q21 | 4Q21 | 1Q22 | 2Q22 | 3Q22 | 4Q22 | 1Q23 | 2 Q 23 | 3Q23 | 4Q23E | 1Q24E | 2Q24E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nike China sales | 8\％ | 19\％ | 42\％ | 9\％ | 1\％ | －24\％ | －8\％ | －20\％ | －13\％ | 6\％ | 1\％ | 25\％ | 12\％ | 8\％ | 5\％ | 13\％ |
| Adidas China sales | －5\％ | 7\％ | 156\％ | －16\％ | －15\％ | －24\％ | －35\％ | －35\％ | －27\％ | －50\％ | －9\％ | 16\％ | 6\％ | 20\％ | 10\％ | 10\％ |
| Anta brand＇s SSSG |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anta brand＇s retail sales | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve LSD | 40\％－45\％ | 35\％－40\％ | ＋ve Low－ teens | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve High－ teens | －ve MSD | ＋ve MSD | －ve HSD | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve HSD | 18\％ | 16\％ | 3\％ |
| Core brand | －ve MSD | －ve MSD | 35\％－40\％ | 35\％－40\％ | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve MSD | $\begin{aligned} & \text { +ve Mid- } \\ & \text { teens } \end{aligned}$ | －ve Low－ teens | ＋ve LSD | －ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve HSD |  |  |  |
| Kids | ＋ve Low－ teens | －ve Low－ teens | 45\％－50\％ | Over 20\％ | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve Mid－ teens | 20\％－25\％ | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve HSD | －ve High－ teens | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve HSD |  |  |  |
| Online | Over 50\％ | Over 25\％ | Over 60\％ | Over 45\％ | 25\％－30\％ | 30\％－35\％ | Over 30\％ | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve MSD | －ve LSD | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve LSD |  |  |  |
| FILA brand＇s retail sales | 20\％－25\％ | 25\％－30\％ | 75\％－80\％ | 30\％－35\％ | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve MSD | －ve HSD | ＋ve Low－ teens | －ve Low－ teens | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve High－ teens | ＋ve Low－ teens | 26\％ | 10\％ | 14\％ |
| Classic／Core brand | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve MSD | 80\％ | Over 20\％ | Flat | Flat | －ve MSD | －ve DD | －ve LSD | －ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve HSD |  |  |  |
| Kids | Over 30\％ | Over 20\％ | 100\％ | Over 40\％ | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve LSD | －ve Low－ teens | －ve HSD | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve HSD |  |  |  |
| Fusion | Over 50\％ | Over 50\％ | 150\％ | Over 80\％ | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve Low－ teens | Over 20\％ | －ve MSD | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve HSD | －ve HSD | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve HSD |  |  |  |
| Online | Over 90\％ | 70\％－80\％ | Over 40\％ | Over 40\％ | 20\％－25\％ | 25\％－30\％ | Over 20\％ | ＋ve MSD | Over 65\％ | Over 40\％ | Over 40\％ | 60\％－65\％ | －ve Mid－ teens |  |  |  |
| Other brands | 50\％－55\％ | 55\％－60\％ | $\begin{gathered} 115 \%- \\ 120 \% \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 70\％－75\％ | 35\％－40\％ | 30\％－35\％ | 40\％－45\％ | 20\％－25\％ | 40\％－45\％ | ＋ve Low－ teens | 75\％－80\％ | 70\％－75\％ | 45\％－50\％ |  |  |  |
| Descente | 90\％ | Over 80\％ | 150\％ | 100\％ | 50\％ | 40\％－45\％ | 40\％－45\％ | Over 20\％ | Over 35\％ | －ve Low－ teens | 70\％－75\％ | 60\％－65\％ | 40\％－45\％ |  |  |  |
| Kolon | 20\％－25\％ | 30\％－40\％ | Over 75\％ | 40\％ | 30\％ | －ve High－ teens | 40\％－45\％ | Over 20\％ | Over 55\％ | －ve High－ teens | 100\％ | 100\％ | 60\％－65\％ |  |  |  |
| Li Ning group＇s SSSG | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve Low－ teens | n／a | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 80 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve High } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | －ve Low－ teens | ＋ve HSD | －ve High－ teens | －ve HSD | ＋ve LSD | －ve MSD |  |  |  |
| Direct retail | －ve MSD | ＋ve HSD | n／a | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 90 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 30 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Mid } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Mid } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | －ve High－＂ teens | ＋ve MSD | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text {-ve High } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | －ve LSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve MSD |  |  |  |
| Wholesales | －ve MSD | ＋ve MSD | n／a | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 70 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Mid } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | ＋ve High－ teens | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low- } \\ \text { teens } \end{array}$ | －ve High－ teens | ＋ve HSD | $\begin{array}{r} \text {-ve Low } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | －ve LSD | ＋ve LSD | －ve Low－ teens |  |  |  |
| E－Commerce | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 30 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 30 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | n／a | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 80 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +\mathrm{ve} \mathrm{Mid} \\ 30 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Mid } \\ 30 \% \end{array}$ | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve Low－ teens | －ve LSD | $\begin{array}{r} \text {-ve Low } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ＋ve LSD | －ve LSD |  |  |  |
| Li Ning group＇s retail sa | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve Mid－ teens | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve High } \\ 80 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 90 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 40 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 30 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | －ve HSD | ＋ve Mid－ teens | －ve Low－ teens | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve MSD | 18\％ | 0\％ | 2\％ |
| Direct retail | Flat | ＋ve MSD | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 90 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 80 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} +\mathrm{ve} \mathrm{Mid} \\ 30 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Mid } \\ 30 \% \end{array}$ | －ve HSD | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | －ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve Mid－ teens | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Wholesales | －ve LSD | ＋ve Low－ teens | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 80 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 90 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve High } \\ 30 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { +ve High } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 20 \% \end{array}$ | －ve HSD | ＋ve Low－ teens | -ve Low $20 \%$ | ＋ve MSD | + ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve LSD |  |  |  |
| E－Commerce | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 40 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Mid } \\ 30 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 100\％ | $\begin{array}{r} + \text { ve High } \\ 90 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +\mathrm{ve} \text { Mid } \\ 50 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Low } \\ 40 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve Mid } \\ 30 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ＋ve MSD | $\begin{array}{r} +\mathrm{ve} \text { Mid } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ＋ve MSD | －ve Low－ teens | ＋ve Low－ teens | －ve LSD |  |  |  |
| Xtep brand＇s SSSG |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Xtep brand＇s retail sales | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve HSD | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mid 50\%- } \\ 60 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 30\％－35\％ | ＋ve Mid－ teens | 20\％－25\％ | 30\％－35\％ | ＋ve Mid－ teens | 20\％－25\％ | －ve HSD | 20\％ | ＋ve High－ teens | ＋ve High－ teens | 29\％ | 7\％ | 6\％ |
| 361 Degree brand＇s SSSG |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 361 Degree brand＇s reta | －ve HSD | ＋ve LSD | ＋ve High－ teens | 15\％－20\％ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline+\mathrm{ve} \text { Low- } \\ \text { teens } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ＋ve High－ teens | ＋ve High－ teens | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low- } \\ \text { teens } \end{array}$ | ＋ve Mid－ teens | Flat | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low- } \\ \text { teens } \end{array}$ | ＋ve Low－ teens | 15．0\％ |  |  |  |
| Kids |  |  | 20\％－25\％ | 30\％－35\％ | 15\％－20\％ | 25\％－30\％ | 20\％－25\％ | 20\％－25\％ | 20\％－25\％ | ＋ve LSD | 20\％－25\％ | 20\％－25\％ | 25\％－30\％ |  |  |  |
| E－Commerce |  |  |  |  |  | 35\％－40\％ | 50\％ | 40\％ | 45\％ | 25\％ | 35\％ | 30\％ | 30\％ |  |  |  |
| Pou Sheng＇s SSSG | －13\％ | －1\％ | 32\％ | －11\％ | －25\％ | －29\％ | －21\％ | －25\％ | －10\％ | －27\％ | 0\％ | 13\％ | －5\％ |  |  |  |
| Pou Sheng＇s sales | 0\％ | 1\％ | 48\％ | －15\％ | －25\％ | －27\％ | －25\％ | －24\％ | －8\％ | －20\％ | 7\％ | 17\％ | －1\％ | 11\％ | 4\％ | 18\％ |
| Topsports＇retail sales |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text {-ve 20\%- } \\ 25 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | －ve High－ teens | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text {-ve High } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | －ve LSD | －ve High－ teens | －ve Low－ | $\begin{array}{r} + \text { ve Low- } \\ 20 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | －ve LSD | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low- } \\ \text { teens } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 8\％ | 12\％ |
| Dong Xiang＇s SSSG | ＋ve Low to Mid SD | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve HSD | ＋ve Mid to High SD | －ve High－ teens | －ve Mid to High－ teens | －ve MSD | －ve Low to Mid－ teens | －ve Low to Mid SD | －ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve Low to Mid－ teens | ＋ve Low to Mid－ teens | ＋ve Low to Mid SD |  |  |  |
| Dong Xiang＇s retail sale | ＋ve MSD | ＋ve Low－ teens | 60\％－70\％ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text { +ve Low } \\ \text { to Mid- } \\ \text { teens } \end{array}$ | －ve Mid to High－ teens | －ve Mid－ teens | －ve MSD | $\begin{array}{r} \hline \text {-ve Mid to } \\ \text { High- } \\ \text { teens } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ＋ve LSD | －ve Mid 20\％to 30\％ | ＋ve Low to Mid－ teens | ＋ve Mid－ teens | ＋ve MSD |  |  |  |
| Direct retail | Flat | ＋ve MSD | 70\％－75\％ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E－Commerce | $\begin{array}{r} + \text { ve } 30 \%- \\ 35 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { +ve } 20 \% \text { - } \\ 30 \% \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 35\％－40\％ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Source：Company data，CMBIGM estimates，＊Nike＇s year end is in May（e．g．4Q18 calendar year＝2Q19 fiscal year＝Sep－Nov 2018）

## Assumptions

Figure 4：CMBIGM＇s assumptions

| Major assumptions | FY21A | FY22A | FY23A | FY24E | FY25E | FY26E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales by segment（RMB mn） |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Retail operations | 30，815 | 26，420 | 22，741 | 24，892 | 28，206 | 31，562 |
| Wholesale operations | 4，954 | 5，220 | 4，158 | 4，149 | 4，224 | 4，435 |
| Concessionaire fee income | 240 | 236 | 175 | 201 | 226 | 252 |
| Total | 36，009 | 31，877 | 27，073 | 29，241 | 32，657 | 36，249 |
| Sales by segment growth（\％） |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Retail operations | 6\％ | －14\％ | －14\％ | 9\％ | 13\％ | 12\％ |
| Wholesale operations | 17\％ | 5\％ | －20\％ | 0\％ | 2\％ | 5\％ |
| Concessionaire fee income | －10\％ | －2\％ | －26\％ | 15\％ | 13\％ | 11\％ |
| Total | 7\％ | －11\％ | －15\％ | 8\％ | 12\％ | 11\％ |
| Number of stores | 8，006 | 7，695 | 6，565 | 6，190 | 6，348 | 6，539 |
| Total sales area（sq m） | 1，598 | 1，683 | 1，568 | 1，592 | 1，696 | 1，808 |
| Growth（\％） | 4\％ | 5\％ | －7\％ | 2\％ | 7\％ | 7\％ |
| Average store size（sq m） | 200 | 219 | 239 | 257 | 267 | 277 |
| Growth（\％） | 9\％ | 10\％ | 9\％ | 8\％ | 4\％ | 3\％ |
| Retail sales（offline）per store | 3.3 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 3.7 |
| Growth（\％） | 5\％ | －13\％ | －6\％ | 15\％ | 10\％ | 8\％ |
| Retail sales（online） | 4，533 | 4，491 | 5，117 | 5，782 | 6，649 | 7，580 |
| Growth（\％） | 50\％ | －1\％ | 14\％ | 13\％ | 15\％ | 14\％ |
| GP margins | 40．8\％ | 43．4\％ | 41．7\％ | 42．1\％ | 42．5\％ | 42．8\％ |
| Rental expenses／sales | －13．8\％ | －13．9\％ | －13．2\％ | －12．9\％ | －12．7\％ | －12．8\％ |
| Staff costs／sales | －8．8\％ | －10．9\％ | －10．7\％ | －9．3\％ | －9．5\％ | －9．5\％ |
| D \＆A／sales | －2．0\％ | －2．2\％ | －2．3\％ | －2．1\％ | －2．1\％ | －2．0\％ |
| S \＆D expenses／sales | －26．8\％ | －29．6\％ | －29．7\％ | －27．9\％ | －27．4\％ | －27．3\％ |
| $G \& A$ expenses／sales | －3．5\％ | －4．1\％ | －4．1\％ | －4．1\％ | －4．0\％ | －4．0\％ |
| Effective tax rate | －28\％ | －26\％ | $-21 \%$ | －25\％ | －25\％ | －25\％ |
| NP att．margin | 8\％ | 8\％ | 7\％ | 8\％ | 9\％ | 9\％ |
| NP att．growth（\％） | 20\％ | －12\％ | －25\％ | 23\％ | 24\％ | 16\％ |

Source：Company data，CMBIGM estimates

## Valuation

Figure 5：Peers valuation table

| Company | Ticker | Rating | $\begin{gathered} 12 \mathrm{~m} \\ \text { TP } \\ \text { (LC) } \end{gathered}$ | Price <br> （LC） | Up／ <br> Down－ <br> side | Mkt．Cap <br> （HK\＄mn） | Year <br> End | P／E（x） |  | P/B $(x)$ <br> FY2E | ROE <br> （\％） <br> FY2E | $\begin{gathered} \text { 3yrs } \\ \text { PEG } \\ (\mathrm{x}) \\ \text { FY1E } \end{gathered}$ | Yield <br> （\％） <br> FY1E | $\begin{gathered} \text { YTD } \\ \text { per.(\% } \\ \text { ) } \\ \text { FY1E } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | FY1E | FY2E |  |  |  |  |  |
| H shares Sportswear |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Topsports | 6110 HK | BUY | 9.23 | 6.13 | 51\％ | 38，013 | Feb－23 | 14.9 | 12.0 | 3.0 | 20.4 | 0.7 | 6.0 | 1.4 |
| Pou Sheng | 3813 HK | NR | n／a | 0.66 | n／a | 3，515 | Dec－22 | 8.2 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 4.6 | 0.1 | 4.8 | （12．0） |
| Anta Sports | 2020 HK | BUY | 109.99 | 74.90 | 47\％ | 212，164 | Dec－22 | 19.5 | 16.4 | 3.7 | 21.8 | 1.1 | 2.3 | （26．8） |
| Li Ning | 2331 HK | BUY | 32.93 | 19.00 | 73\％ | 49，881 | Dec－22 | 11.9 | 10.0 | 1.5 | 16.8 | 1.6 | 3.1 | （72．0） |
| Xtep | 1368 HK | BUY | 8.58 | 4.43 | 94\％ | 11，702 | Dec－22 | 9.8 | 8.1 | 1.1 | 11.7 | 0.6 | 5.2 | （49．0） |
| 361 Degrees | 1361 HK | NR | n／a | 3.37 | n／a | 6，968 | Dec－22 | 6.7 | 5.7 | 0.6 | 10.9 | 0.4 | 4.3 | 1.2 |
| China DX | 3818 HK | NR | n／a | 0.24 | n／a | 1，384 | Mar－23 | 10.7 | 7.1 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 9.3 | （21．8） |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Avg． | 11.7 | 9.1 | 1.5 | 12.5 | 0.7 | 5.0 | （25．6） |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Med． | 10.7 | 8.1 | 1.1 | 11.7 | 0.6 | 4.8 | （21．8） |
| Global sportswear distributor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Topsports | 6110 HK | NR | 9.23 | 6.13 | 51\％ | 38，013 | Feb－23 | 14.9 | 12.0 | 3.0 | 20.4 | 0.7 | 6.0 | 1.4 |
| Pou Sheng | 3813 HK | NR | n／a | 0.66 | n／a | 3，515 | Dec－22 | 8.2 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 4.6 | 0.1 | 4.8 | （12．0） |
| Foot Locker | FL US | NR | n／a | 30.48 | n／a | 22，396 | Jan－23 | 22.8 | 15.4 | 0.9 | 2.4 | （2．5） | 3.9 | （19．3） |
| Jd Sports | JD／LN | NR | n／a | 173.15 | n／a | 88，984 | Jan－23 | 13.0 | 11.4 | 5.8 | 9.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 37.3 |
| Frasers Group | FRAS LN | NR | n／a | 923.50 | n／a | 41，475 | Apr－23 | 10.7 | 9.6 | 1.5 | 33.4 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 30.1 |
| Dick＇s Sporting | DKS US | NR | n／a | 144.68 | n／a | 92，290 | Jan－23 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 4.2 | 41.4 | 18.9 | 2.8 | 20.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Avg． | 13.6 | 10.7 | 2.6 | 18.6 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 9.6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Med． | 12.4 | 11.3 | 2.3 | 15.0 | 0.4 | 3.4 | 10.8 |
| International sportswear |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nike | NKE US | NR | n／a | 121.55 | n／a | 1，443，555 | May－23 | 32.5 | 27.7 | 12.3 | 33.9 | 2.1 | 1.2 | 3.9 |
| Adidas | ADS GY | NR | n／a | 192.52 | n／a | 295，028 | Dec－22 | n／a | 43.5 | 6.3 | （3．7） | 0.0 | 0.2 | 51.0 |
| Puma | PUM GY | NR | n／a | 52.86 | n／a | 67，876 | Dec－22 | 23.3 | 16.9 | 2.6 | 10.8 | 1.2 | 1.5 | （6．8） |
| Under Armour | UAA US | NR | n／a | 8.60 | n／a | 28，662 | Mar－23 | 17.4 | 14.3 | 1.6 | 21.0 | （2．7） | 0.0 | （15．4） |
| Lululemon | LULU US | NR | n／a | 491.46 | n／a | 483，955 | Jan－23 | 39.5 | 34.5 | 11.6 | 30.5 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 53.4 |
| Skechers | SKX US | NR | n／a | 61.71 | n／a | 74，150 | Dec－22 | 17.8 | 15.0 | 1.9 | 14.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 47.1 |
| Vf Corp | VFC US | NR | n／a | 19.91 | n／a | 60，420 | Apr－23 | 13.0 | 10.3 | 2.3 | （8．1） | 0.1 | 3.9 | （27．9） |
| On | ONON US | NR | n／a | 30.88 | n／a | 76，660 | Dec－22 | 55.9 | 38.5 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 0.5 | n／a | 80.0 |
| Decker | DECK US | NR | n／a | 702.81 | n／a | 141，118 | Mar－23 | 29.5 | 25.9 | 7.2 | 37.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 76.1 |
| Columbia | COLM US | NR | n／a | 81.51 | n／a | 38，487 | Dec－22 | 18.0 | 17.5 | 2.2 | 15.3 | 8.6 | 1.5 | （6．9） |
| Wolverine World | WWW US | NR | n／a | 8.98 | n／a | 5，573 | Dec－22 | 119.7 | 10.4 | 1.9 | （62．1） | （0．7） | 4.5 | （17．8） |
| Mizuno | 8022 JP | NR | n／a | 3840.00 | n／a | 5，607 | Mar－23 | 9.3 | 8.5 | 0.8 | 8.7 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 36.5 |
| Asics | 7936 JP | NR | n／a | 4528.00 | n／a | 47，233 | Dec－22 | 27.2 | 22.1 | 4.0 | 17.5 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 55.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Avg． | 33.6 | 21.9 | 4.7 | 9.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 25.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Med． | 25.2 | 17.5 | 2.6 | 14.4 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 36.5 |

Source：Bloomberg，company data，CMBIGM estimates

Figure 6：Valuation－forward blended 12 months P／E band


Source：Bloomberg，Company data，CMBIGM estimates

Financial Summary

| INCOME STATEMENT | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YE 28 Feb（RMB mn） |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue | 36，009 | 31，877 | 27，073 | 29，241 | 32，657 | 36，249 |
| Cost of goods sold | $(21,328)$ | $(18,052)$ | $(15,789)$ | $(16,943)$ | $(18,766)$ | $(20,751)$ |
| Gross profit | 14，681 | 13，824 | 11，284 | 12，298 | 13，891 | 15，499 |
| Operating expenses | $(10,898)$ | $(10,732)$ | $(9,153)$ | $(9,358)$ | $(10,273)$ | $(11,344)$ |
| Selling expense | $(9,655)$ | $(9,439)$ | $(8,052)$ | $(8,149)$ | $(8,955)$ | $(9,895)$ |
| Admin expense | $(1,243)$ | $(1,293)$ | $(1,101)$ | $(1,209)$ | $(1,319)$ | $(1,449)$ |
| R\＆D expense | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Operating profit | 3，989 | 3，430 | 2，431 | 3，146 | 3，849 | 4，411 |
| Other income | 206 | 338 | 300 | 207 | 231 | 256 |
| Share of（losses）／profits of associates／JV | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EBITDA | 4，697 | 4，128 | 3，230 | 3，958 | 4，583 | 5，014 |
| Depreciation | （680） | （667） | （778） | （790） | （712） | （581） |
| Other amortisation | （28） | （31） | （22） | （22） | （22） | （22） |
| Interest income | 141 | 114 | 103 | 79 | 108 | 128 |
| Interest expense | （279） | （218） | （211） | （211） | （211） | （211） |
| Net Interest income／（expense） | （139） | （104） | （109） | （132） | （103） | （83） |
| Other income／expense | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre－tax profit | 3，851 | 3，326 | 2，322 | 3，015 | 3，746 | 4，328 |
| Income tax | $(1,081)$ | （880） | （486） | （754） | （936） | $(1,082)$ |
| After tax profit | 2，770 | 2，447 | 1，837 | 2，261 | 2，809 | 3，246 |
| Minority interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net profit | 2，770 | 2，447 | 1，837 | 2，261 | 2，809 | 3，246 |
| BALANCE SHEET | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| YE 28 Feb（RMB mn） |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current assets | 10，440 | 10，980 | 10，159 | 10，964 | 12，472 | 13，959 |
| Cash \＆equivalents | 1，229 | 1，753 | 1，556 | 2，412 | 2，976 | 3，447 |
| Restricted cash | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Account receivables | 2，177 | 1，107 | 1，113 | 1，202 | 1，342 | 1，490 |
| Inventories | 6，211 | 6，686 | 6，272 | 6，034 | 6，684 | 7，391 |
| Prepayment | 823 | 1，435 | 1，218 | 1，316 | 1，470 | 1，631 |
| Other current assets | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Non－current assets | 7，266 | 6，816 | 6，584 | 6，358 | 6，212 | 6，189 |
| PP\＆E | 1，020 | 1，009 | 799 | 594 | 469 | 468 |
| Right－of－use assets | 3，625 | 3，100 | 3，100 | 3，100 | 3，100 | 3，100 |
| Investment in JVs \＆assos | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Intangibles | 1，090 | 1，093 | 1，071 | 1，050 | 1，028 | 1，007 |
| Other non－current assets | 1，532 | 1，614 | 1，614 | 1，614 | 1，614 | 1，614 |
| Total assets | 17，706 | 17，796 | 16，743 | 17，322 | 18，683 | 20，148 |
| Current liabilities | 5，426 | 4，873 | 4，650 | 4，831 | 5，117 | 5，422 |
| Short－term borrowings | 1，337 | 518 | 518 | 518 | 518 | 518 |
| Account payables | 445 | 927 | 952 | 1，021 | 1，131 | 1，251 |
| Tax payable | 807 | 697 | 697 | 697 | 697 | 697 |
| Other current liabilities | 1，516 | 1，645 | 1，397 | 1，509 | 1，685 | 1，871 |
| Lease liabilities | 1，320 | 1，086 | 1，086 | 1，086 | 1，086 | 1，086 |
| Non－current liabilities | 2，575 | 2，342 | 2，342 | 2，342 | 2，342 | 2，342 |
| Long－term borrowings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Convertible bonds | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other non－current liabilities | 2，575 | 2，342 | 2，342 | 2，342 | 2，342 | 2，342 |
| Total liabilities | 8，001 | 7，215 | 6，992 | 7，173 | 7，459 | 7，764 |
| Share capital | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Retained earnings | 4，666 | 7，070 | 5，000 | 5，678 | 6，521 | 7，495 |
| Other reserves | 5，040 | 3，512 | 4，752 | 4，471 | 4，703 | 4，889 |
| Total shareholders equity | 9，706 | 10，582 | 9，752 | 10，149 | 11，224 | 12，383 |
| Minority interest | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 9，706 | 10，582 | 9，752 | 10，149 | 11，224 | 12，383 |


| CASH FLOW | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| YE 28 Feb（RMB mn） |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Profit before taxation | 3，851 | 3，326 | 2，322 | 3，015 | 3，746 | 4，328 |
| Depreciation \＆amortization | 708 | 698 | 799 | 811 | 734 | 603 |
| Tax paid | （950） | （903） | （486） | （754） | （936） | $(1,082)$ |
| Change in working capital | （968） | 568 | 401 | 233 | （657） | （711） |
| Others | 2，065 | 2，000 | 211 | 211 | 211 | 211 |
| Net cash from operations | 4，706 | 5，690 | 3，248 | 3，516 | 3，097 | 3，349 |
| Investing |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital expenditure | （572） | （668） | （567） | （585） | （588） | （580） |
| Acquisition of subsidiaries／investments | （17） | （34） | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Others | 2，686 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net cash from investing | 2，098 | （671） | （567） | （585） | （588） | （580） |
| Financing |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividend paid | $(5,294)$ | $(1,550)$ | $(2,667)$ | $(1,864)$ | $(1,734)$ | $(2,087)$ |
| Net borrowings | （63） | （805） | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Proceeds from share issues | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Share repurchases | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Others | $(3,042)$ | $(2,140)$ | （211） | （211） | （211） | （211） |
| Net cash from financing | $(8,398)$ | $(4,494)$ | $(2,878)$ | $(2,075)$ | $(1,945)$ | $(2,298)$ |
| Net change in cash |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash at the beginning of the year | 2，824 | 1，229 | 1，753 | 1，556 | 2，412 | 2，976 |
| Exchange difference | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cash at the end of the year | 1，229 | 1，753 | 1，556 | 2，412 | 2，976 | 3，447 |
| GROWTH | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| YE 28 Feb |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue | 6．9\％ | （11．5\％） | （15．1\％） | 8．0\％ | 11．7\％ | 11．0\％ |
| Gross profit | 3．5\％ | （5．8\％） | （18．4\％） | 9．0\％ | 13．0\％ | 11．6\％ |
| Operating profit | 20．8\％ | （14．0\％） | （29．1\％） | 29．4\％ | 22．3\％ | 14．6\％ |
| EBITDA | 15．7\％ | （12．1\％） | （21．8\％） | 22．5\％ | 15．8\％ | 9．4\％ |
| Net profit | 20．3\％ | （11．7\％） | （24．9\％） | 23．1\％ | 24．2\％ | 15．6\％ |
| PROFITABILITY | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| YE 28 Feb |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gross profit margin | 40．8\％ | 43．4\％ | 41．7\％ | 42．1\％ | 42．5\％ | 42．8\％ |
| Operating margin | 11．1\％ | 10．8\％ | 9．0\％ | 10．8\％ | 11．8\％ | 12．2\％ |
| EBITDA margin | 13．0\％ | 12．9\％ | 11．9\％ | 13．5\％ | 14．0\％ | 13．8\％ |
| Return on equity（ROE） | 27．4\％ | 24．1\％ | 18．1\％ | 22．7\％ | 26．3\％ | 27．5\％ |
| GEARING／LIQUIDITY／ACTIVITIES | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| YE 28 Feb |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current ratio（ x ） | 1.9 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.6 |
| Receivable turnover days | 22.1 | 12.7 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| Inventory turnover days | 106.3 | 135.2 | 145.0 | 130.0 | 130.0 | 130.0 |
| Payable turnover days | 7.6 | 18.7 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 |
| VALUATION | 2021A | 2022A | 2023A | 2024E | 2025E | 2026E |
| YE 28 Feb |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P／E | 11.4 | 12.5 | 18.3 | 14.9 | 12.0 | 10.3 |
| $\mathrm{P} / \mathrm{E}$（diluted） | 11.4 | 12.5 | 18.3 | 14.9 | 12.0 | 10.3 |
| P／B | 3.3 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 2.7 |
| P／CFPS | 12.0 | 9.1 | 10.3 | 9.8 | 11.2 | 10.3 |
| Div yield（\％） | 7.0 | 5.2 | 6.1 | 4.6 | 5.7 | 6.6 |

Source：Company data，CMBIGM estimates．Note：The calculation of net cash includes financial assets．

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