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**INVESTOR
PRESENTATION**

FISCAL 2024

MSC



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MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT: COMPANY OVERVIEW

MSC is a leading value-add industrial distributor offering products, services and solutions that enable its customers to achieve higher levels of growth, productivity, and profitability

- ✓ Founded in 1941 and listed on NYSE (MSM) since 1995
- ✓ Leader in highly fragmented industrial distribution market
- ✓ >7,000 associates
- ✓ 42 warehouses, 9 regional inventory centers, 5 distribution centers and 5 manufacturing locations
- ✓ Broad offering: 2.4 million SKUs from 3,000+ suppliers
- ✓ Value-add solutions: metalworking expertise, supply chain management, e-commerce, productivity improvement and training



¹Year Ended August 31, 2024
²20-Year CAGR calculated through August 31, 2024
³Over the last three fiscal years ended August 31, 2024
 *See appendix for non-GAAP reconciliations

KEY MSC INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

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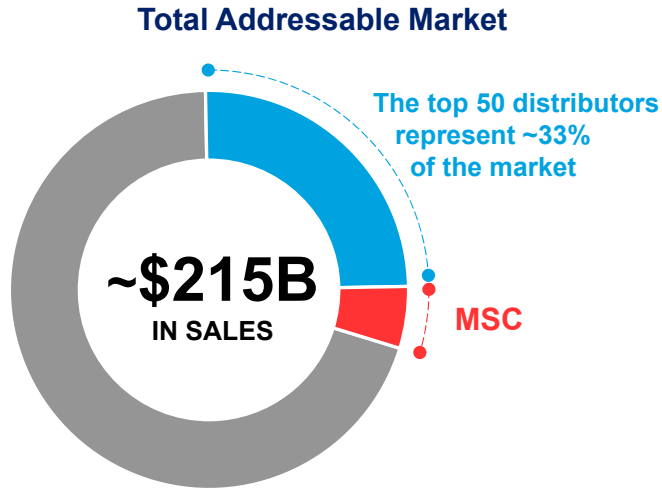
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HIGHLY FRAGMENTED INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION MARKET

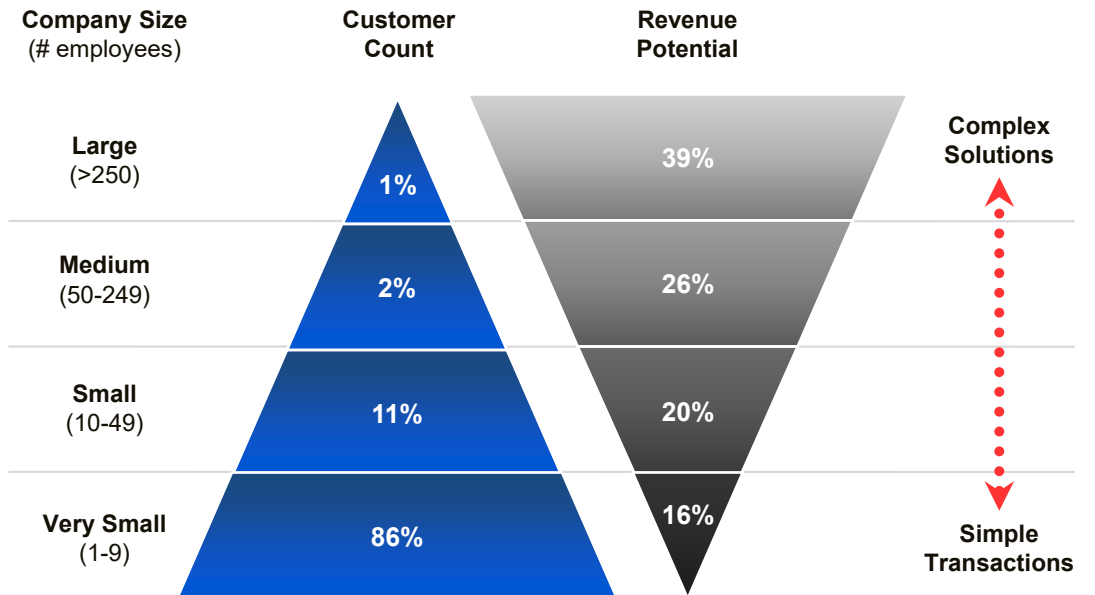
The North American industrial distribution market is very large and highly fragmented both across the addressable market and the customer landscape



✓ ~\$215B of the MRO market in N. America directly addressable by MSC²

✓ Highly fragmented with ~145K distributors in the US¹

Industrial Distribution Customer Landscape



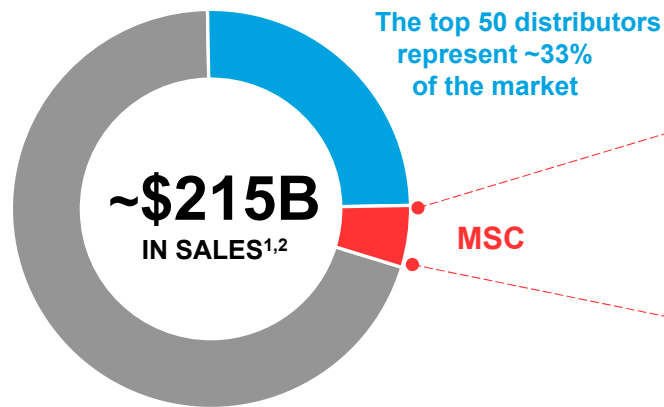
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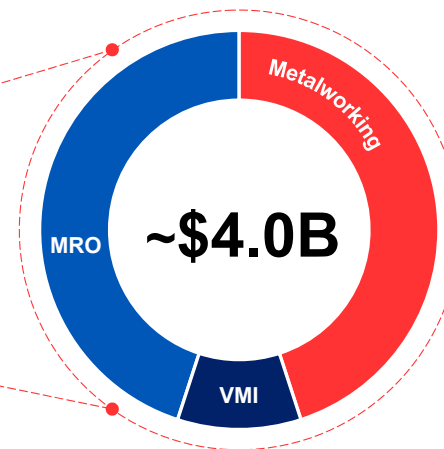
MSC'S POSITION IN THE MARKET

MSC's target manufacturing market makes up about 50% of total addressable marketplace spend, making brand awareness and equity critical to attract and maintain customers

Total Addressable Market



MSC Fiscal Year 2023 Sales



- ✓ Within the approximately ~19.5M total potential customers, MSC can serve the ~750k metalworking customers²
- ✓ These ~750k customers make up a large amount of the overall spend in manufacturing²
- ✓ ~205K are larger customers, while ~545K are smaller customers²

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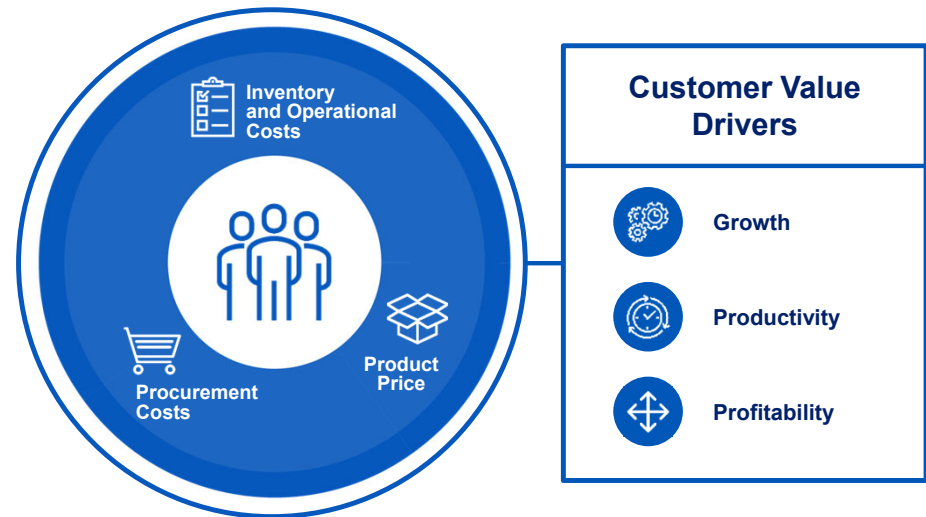
MSC'S DIFFERENTIATOR IN THE MARKET: BUILT TO MAKE YOU BETTER

MSC's value-added solutions approach focuses on addressing customer total cost of ownership with highly technical expertise across a broad portfolio of products and services

Industry Model
(Product Price Driven)



MSC Solutions Approach
(Total Cost of Ownership Focused)



MSC CUSTOMER CARE: ENSURING CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

Obsession with delivering personalized and effortless customer experiences that enable success, measured directly from our customers

Customer Care Delivery



High-Touch
Customer Care



Technical and
Sourcing Experts



Consistent
Customer Service



Creative
Problem Solving

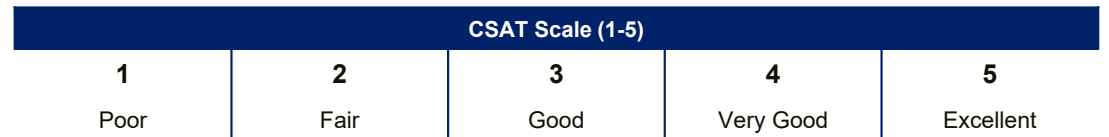
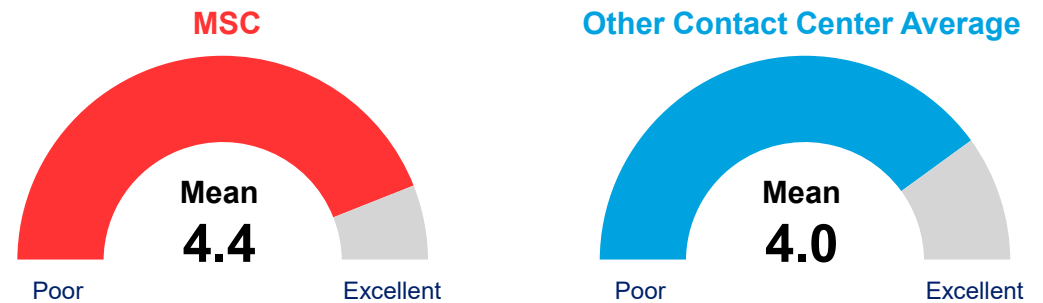


Focus on Customer
Satisfaction



Build Trust
and Loyalty

Customer Care Center Satisfaction Levels



MSC SOLUTIONS: TURNING EXPERTISE AND DATA INTO INFORMATION AND SAVINGS

MSC provides continuous improvement solutions for customers by combining technical expertise and data analytics, driving significant and documented customer cost savings

| Technical Solutions | MSC MillMax® (Ap Op™) | New Opportunity Capture (Ap Op™) |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Industry | Aerospace & Defense | Medical Devices |
| Manufacturer | Kennametal | Iscar |
| Application | Solid Milling | Turning |
| Objective | Reduce Cycle Time | Improve Tool Life |
| Cycle Time Reduction | 50% | 32% |
| Capacity Gained | 625 hours | 1,150 hours |
| Annual Cost Savings | \$78,125 | \$179,998.50 |



| SKU Consolidation | Continuous Improvement | | MSC Solution |
|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Product | 22 Oz. Multi-Purpose Cleaner | 22 Oz. Premium Degreaser | 32 Oz. All Purpose Cleaner and Degreaser |
| Cost (per unit) | \$0.277 | \$1.32 | \$0.20 |
| Usage (units) | 45,936 | 792 | 46,728 |
| Total Cost | \$12,740.88 | \$1,048.32 | \$9,345.60 |
| | | | Annual Cost Savings |
| | | | \$4,443.60 |



MSC CUSTOMER VALUE: TRUE STORIES. TRUE RESULTS.

Documentation program delivered

~\$500 million

in documented cost savings presented to:
MSC customers in Fiscal 2024



\$2.7 million ▼

Annual Cost Savings

Paper Manufacturing

Large paper manufacturer realizes savings through MSC's broad across multiple US locations



> \$310k ▲

Profit Improvement

Contract Machine Shop

A simple, 15-minute MSC MillMax® impact test in a milling operation improved profits while reducing cycle time from 98 seconds to 35 seconds



> \$370k ▲

Total Profit Improvement

Aerospace Defense Contractor

Reduced cycle time from 7 minutes to 1 minute, creating improved profit and increased capacity of over 1,000 hours annually



\$1.5 million ▼

Savings in Milling Process

Firearms Manufacturer

Reduced milling cycle time from 8 minutes to less than 3 minutes, saving time and enabling greater throughput on existing machine base



\$2.9 million ▼

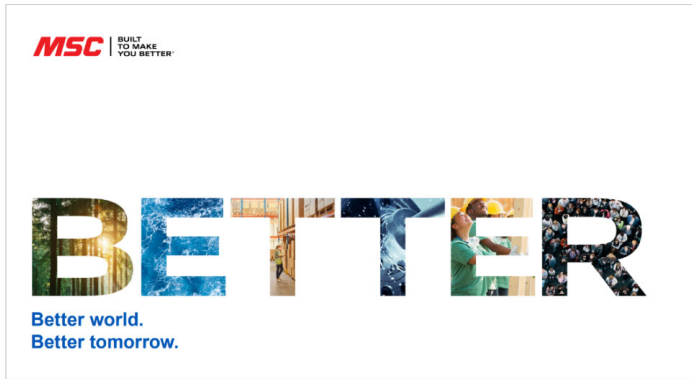
Productivity Savings

Global Truck Manufacturer

One of North America's largest producers of heavy-duty trucks, engines and transmissions annual savings across all MSC solutions



FISCAL YEAR 2023 ESG REPORT HIGHLIGHTS



Awards & Recognition



The Charlotte Observer
LONG ISLAND PRESS
Dan's Papers

ESG Performance & Ratings



| Striving For a BETTER World and BETTER Tomorrow | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Environment | >20K lbs Carbide recycled since 2021 through regrind services | 1.5K tons Of corrugate packaging recycled at MSC CFC's in FY'23 | 80% New recycling target across all major distribution centers |
| Sustainable Solutions | 32M kWh Reduced through sustainable metalworking solutions | 20K+ Environmentally preferred products across MSC portfolio | \$1M+ Achieved in customer safety savings |
| Social & Governance | 430,000 Meals donated to food banks nationwide in FY'23 | 90 Score on the 2023 Best Places to Work Disability Equality Index | 1,300+ Dedicated MSC members across 7 inclusion circles |

THE NEXT CHAPTER OF MISSION CRITICAL IS EXPECTED TO GENERATE FAVORABLE RESULTS ACROSS THE BUSINESS OVER THE CYCLE

Extensive Digital Roadmap

Maintaining Momentum

- Win in Metalworking
- Expand Share of Wallet Across Existing Customer Base
- Maximize Impact of Large Account Programs
- Drive Innovative Solutions
- Further Penetrate Attractive End Markets

New Elements to Growth

- Reenergize Core Customers Through...
 - Improved E-commerce Experience
 - Enhance Pricing Model
 - Increased Personalization
- Execute on Cross-Selling Opportunities with a Focus on OEM Fasteners

Optimizing Cost to Serve

- Improve Network Performance and Productivity
- Portfolio Optimization and Product Line Review Execution
- Streamline Order-to-Cash and Procure-to-Pay Value Streams
- Strategic Working Capital Management

Performance Metrics Over the Cycle



At Least **400 bps** of Market Outgrowth



Incremental Margins* of **~20%**

Driving Achievable Long-Term Targets

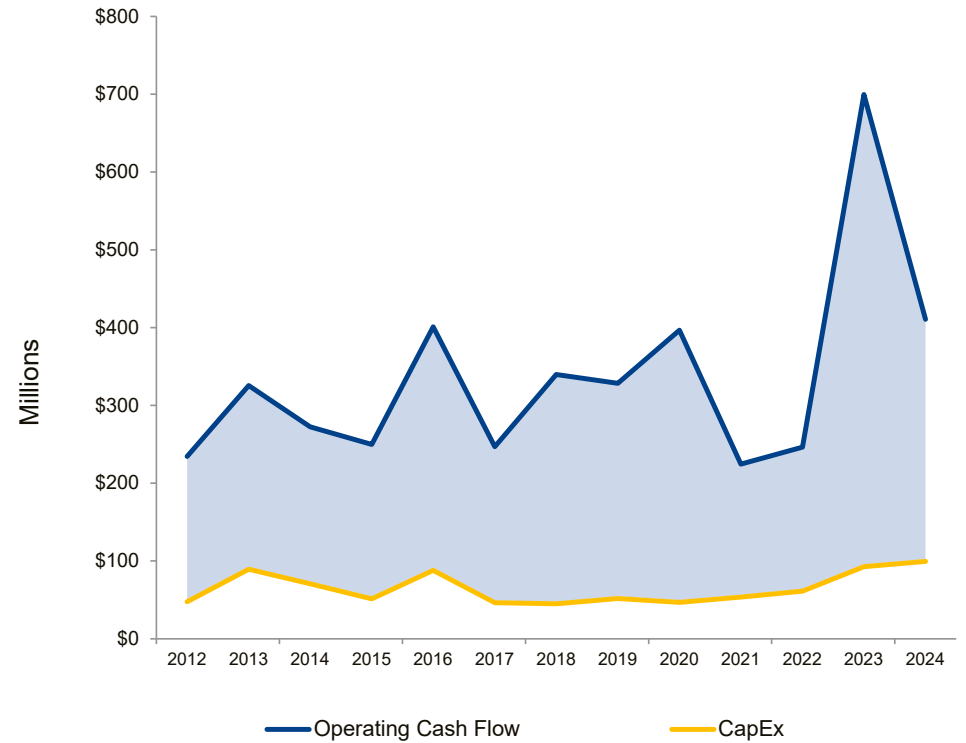
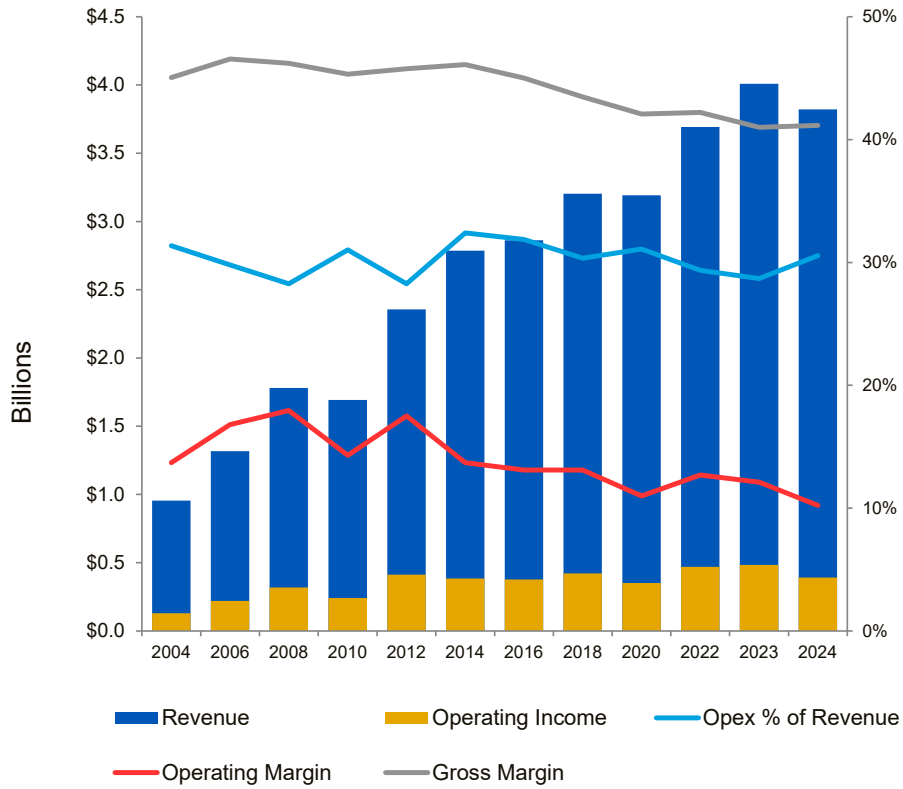


Adjusted Operating Margin* in the **Mid-Teens**



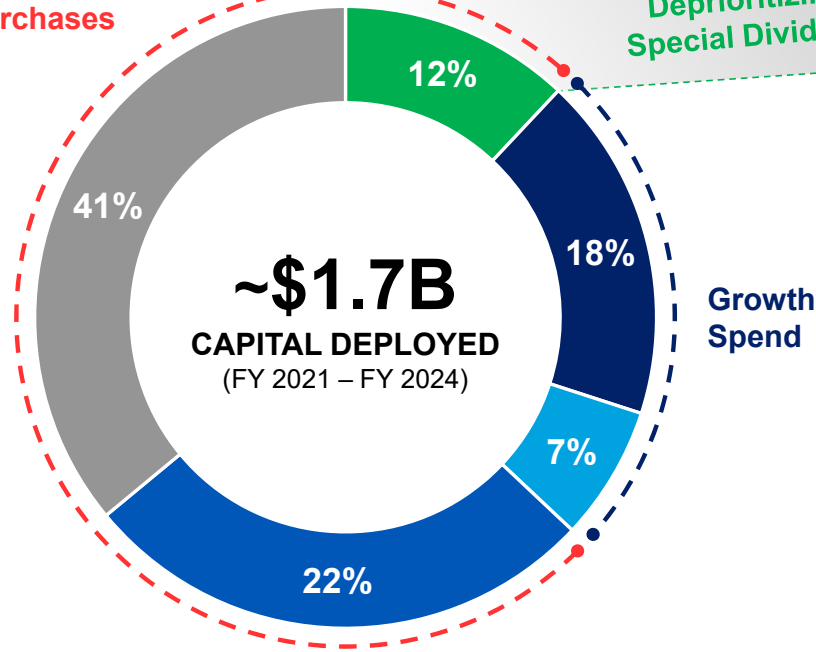
Greater Than **20%** ROIC*

TRACK RECORD OF GROWTH AND RESILIENCE



CLEAR CAPITAL ALLOCATION PRIORITIES

Dividends and Share Repurchases



Long-Term Priorities

Strategic Optionality

Significant capital allocation optionality after deprioritizing special dividends; potential uses include organic growth investments, strategic M&A, debt paydown, or further deployment to shareholders

Capex

Ongoing investment to strengthen operations, digital capabilities, and service offerings

M&A

Bolt-on acquisitions expected to continue with a focus on underserved regions, adjacent product categories, technologies, and high-growth end markets

Share Repurchases

Targeting to offset annual stock-based compensation dilution at a minimum

Ordinary Dividend

Targeting modest annual increases in the ordinary dividend

Disciplined focus on Return on Invested Capital* and value creation



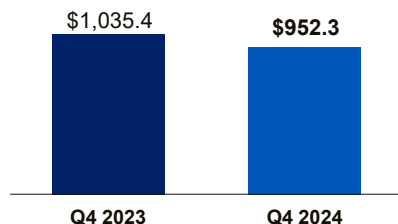
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FISCAL FOURTH QUARTER 2024 UPDATES

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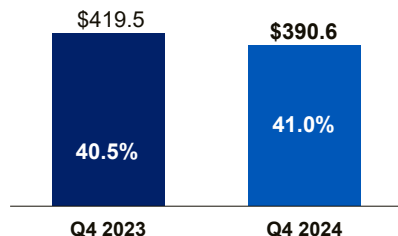
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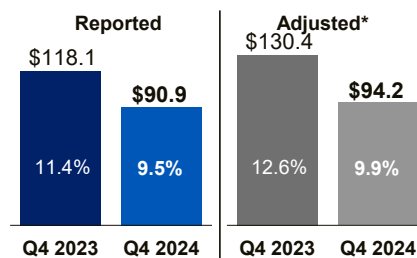
- ADS decline of 8.0% driven by a 300 bps headwind from non-repeating Public Sector orders in the prior year and lower volumes, partially offset by acquisition benefits
- National Accounts down 2%, Core and Other Customers down 7%, and Public Sector down 28% due to non-repeating orders in prior year
- In-Plant sales up 5%, representing 16% of sales
- Sales through vending machines flat YoY, representing 17% of sales

Gross Profit (millions and % of sales)



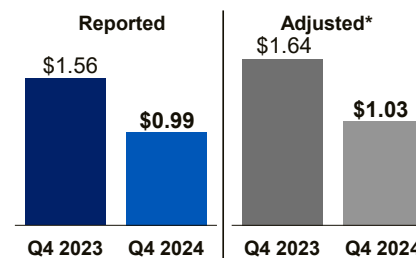
- Gross margin up 50 bps YoY
- YoY improvement was primarily driven by a 100 bps tailwind from non-repeating Public Sector orders in the prior year and benefits from gross margin countermeasures
- Partially offset by negative price/cost and impacts from acquisitions

Operating Profit (millions and % of sales)



- Reported operating profit in Q4'24 includes \$2.7 million of restructuring and other costs and \$0.6 million of acquisition related costs
- Reported operating profit in Q4'23 includes \$2.2 million in restructuring costs and \$10.1 million in share reclassification costs
- Operating margin impacted by lower sales and higher operating expenses that were primarily investment related which was partially offset by productivity benefits

Earnings (per diluted share)



- Q4'24 reported EPS includes \$0.03 of restructuring and other costs and \$0.01 of acquisition related costs
- Q4'23 reported EPS includes \$0.03 from restructuring costs, \$0.14 from share reclassification costs, and \$0.09 from ERC tax benefit
- Higher interest and other expenses, which includes FX revaluation, represent an adjusted EPS headwind of \$0.07



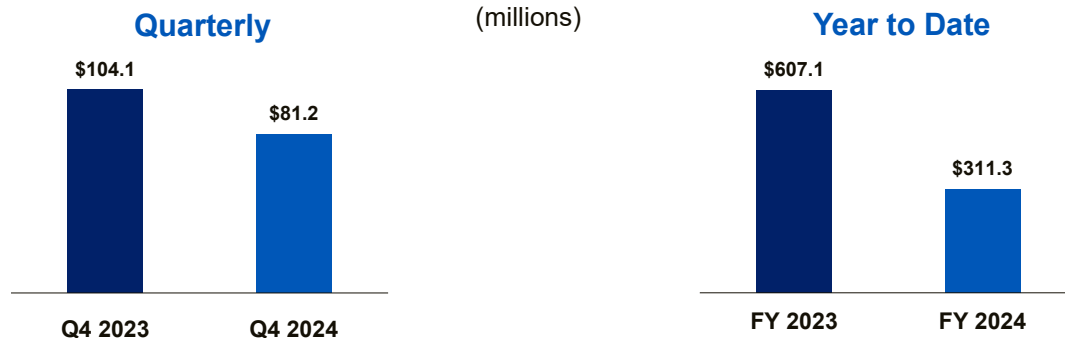
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FISCAL FOURTH QUARTER 2024 BALANCE SHEET AND CASH FLOW

- Strong operating cash flow during the quarter primarily driven by working capital improvement resulting in 4Q'operating cash flow conversion of 199%**
- Free cash flow* was lower YoY due primarily to lower current year net income partially offset by working capital improvement
- Strong free cash flow* generation of 151% in 4Q'24 and 122% in the fiscal year**

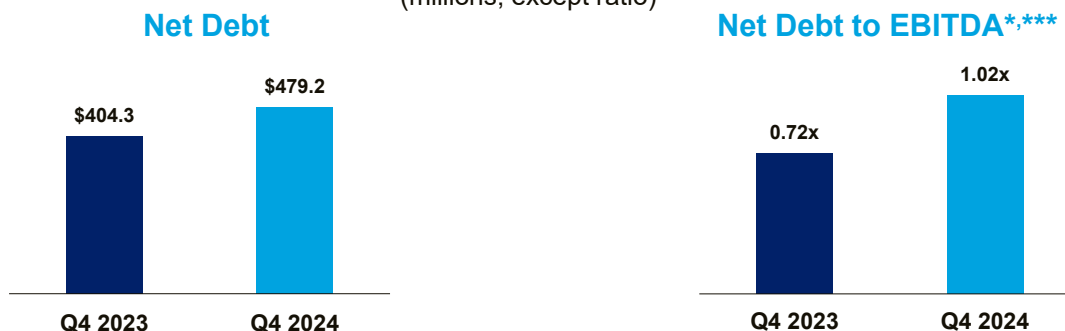
- Net debt increased \$74.9 million as a result of share repurchases in FY'24 to offset share reclassification dilution and strategic investments
- Maintaining a healthy balance sheet with net debt to EBITDA currently at 1.02x*,***
- Within net debt to EBITDA ratio target range of 1.0x to 2.0x*,***

Free Cash Flow* (millions)



Net Debt and Financial Leverage

(millions, except ratio)



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IMPROVING EXECUTION AND LONG-TERM POSITION DESPITE MARKET SOFTNESS CONTINUING IN FISCAL 2025



Reenergize the Core Customer

| Priority | Detail |
|--|---|
|  Maintain Solutions Momentum | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 342 In-Plant programs at FY'24 end +29% YoY • 27,003 installed vending units at FY'24 end +9% YoY • FY'24 National Account ADS approximately 150 bps above the IP Index |
|  Web Enhancements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making progress on improvements to the experience including search and product display functions • On track for web enhancements to be launched in fiscal 2Q |
|  Drive Awareness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketing campaign primed for launch in 2Q'25 to boost website traffic • Campaign elements include digital and search engine marketing, printed materials, and personal outreach • Testing in FY'24 to enable deployment of a more optimized and diversified digital media mix |
|  Stabilize Gross Margins | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remedied issues associated with the launch of our web price realignment initiative • Delivered gross margin of 41.0% in 4Q'24, up 10 bps sequentially and above historical averages |
|  Optimize Cost to Serve | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Execution launched on portfolio of opportunities identified in network study beginning in FY'25 • Efforts underway to unlock sales rep productivity and addressable spend |
|  Strong Cash Generation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating cashflow conversion of 160%** in FY'24 well above annual target of >125% • Delivered free cash flow* of \$81M in 4Q'24 and \$311M in FY'24 |

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TAKING ACTION TO UNLOCK PRODUCTIVITY ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION



Network Optimization

Supply Chain Simplification

- Integrating C-part and OEM fastener categories to MSC sourcing and demand planning to improve purchasing power

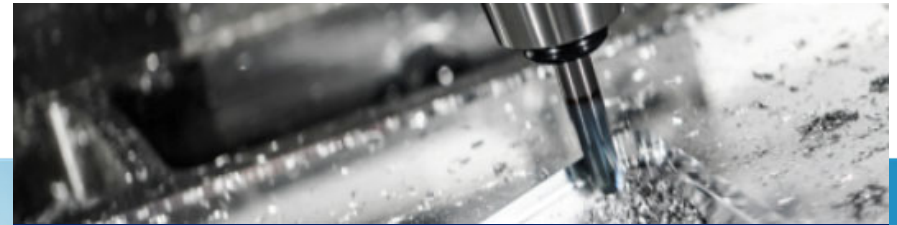
Enhanced Inventory Management

- Applying enhanced inventory optimization technology to improve the planning and placement of inventory

Freight Optimization

- Multiple initiatives to optimize inbound and outbound freight

Improving customer service levels and lowering cost to serve with additional opportunities to come



Customer Coverage Enhancements

Territory Coverage and Service Optimization

- Maximizing seller potential and coverage through an enhanced territory model based on data driven insights
- Initiatives in the pipeline to increase implementation speed of our largest and most complex wins

Performance Enhancements

- Accelerating time to perform for new hires through an enhanced onboarding roadmap customized for each sales role
- Enhanced sales management process

Expanding access to addressable spend with minimal incremental investment

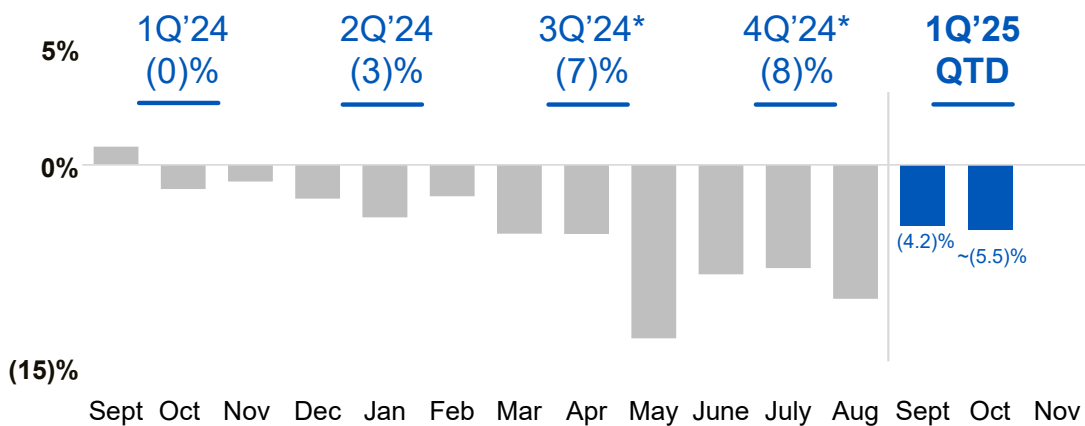
FIRST QUARTER EXPECTATIONS REFLECT HIGHER COSTS IN A CHALLENGING DEMAND ENVIRONMENT

1Q'25 OUTLOOK

Down 5.5% to 4.5% YoY
AVERAGE DAILY SALES (ADS)

7.0% to 7.5%
ADJUSTED OPERATING MARGIN**

ADS YoY TRENDS



ASSUMPTIONS

- ADS softness driven by ongoing weakness in end markets combined with strike and hurricane related headwinds along with uncertainty surrounding the upcoming election
- Gross margins tracking expectations and historical sequential trends quarter-to-date
- Incentive compensation program reset, incremental depreciation and amortization, and merit resulting in adjusted operating expenses to step-up ~\$8M from 4Q'24 levels**



*ADS in 3Q'24 and 4Q'24 include headwinds from non-repeating Public Sector orders that occurred in the prior year

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ASSUMED FY'25 AVERAGE DAILY SALES CADENCE AND GUIDED METRICS

FY'25 MODELING ASSUMPTIONS

\$90-\$95M
Depreciation and Amortization

~\$45M
Interest and Other Expense

\$100-\$110M***
Capital Expenditures

~100%
Free Cash Flow Conversion*

24.5%-25.0%
Tax Rate

AVERAGE DAILY SALES CADENCE

1Q'25 ADS Mid Point
\$14.6M

| | 1Q to 2Q | 2Q to 3Q | 3Q to 4Q |
|--------------------------|--|---|----------|
| Historical QoQ Average** | (1)% | +5% | (2)% |
| Considerations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extended customer holiday shutdowns likely to persist at post COVID-19 levels Anticipating belt tightening by customers towards calendar year end | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential for macro improvement beginning in calendar year 2025 Web enhancements and awareness campaign initiates in fiscal 2Q Seller productivity initiatives begin to take stride | |
| Business Days | 2Q: 63 | 3Q: 64 | 4Q: 63 |



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**5-year historical ADS average (FY'20-FY'24)

*** Includes expenditures associated with cloud computing arrangements

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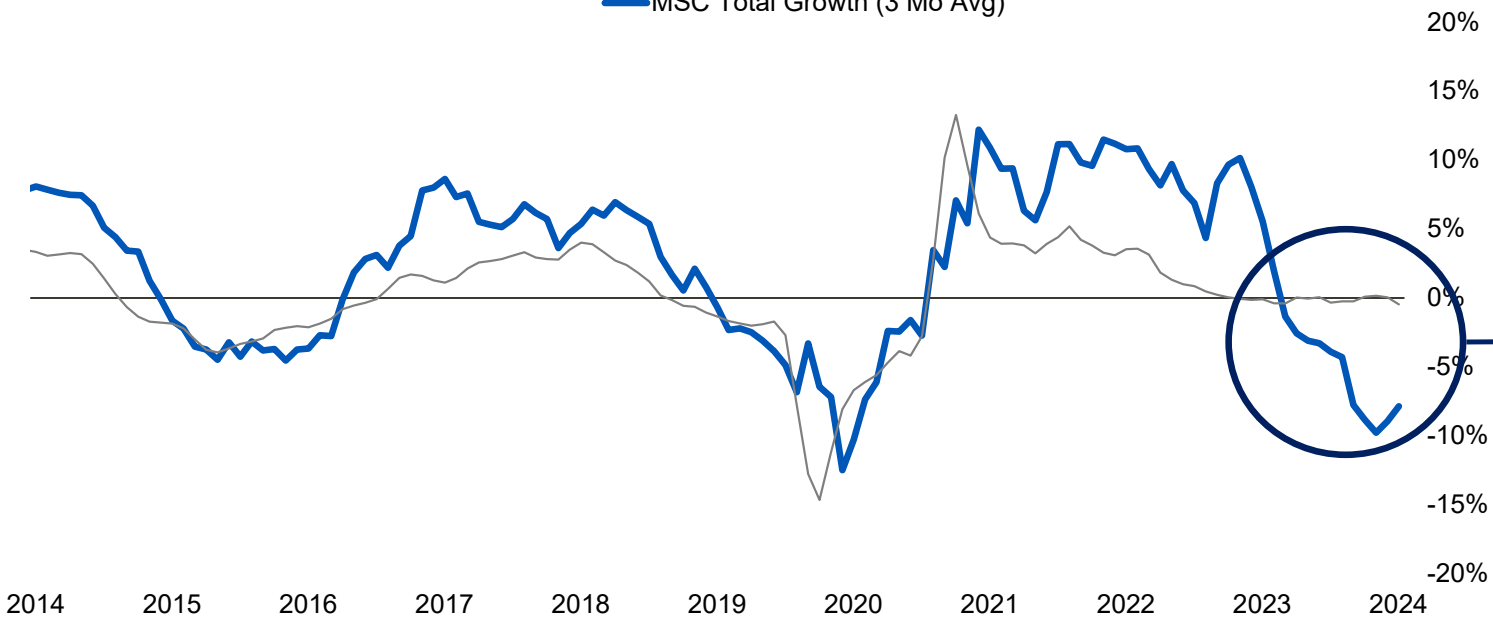
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TAKING ACTION TO RETURN GROWTH WELL ABOVE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

MSC Total Organic Sales Growth

3-Month Average – IP Index*

— MSC Total Growth (3 Mo Avg)



IP Index Performance YoY of MSC's Top 5 Industries

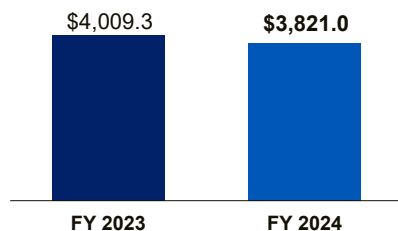
| Industry Group | 4Q'24 | FY'24 |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| Machinery & Equipment | (1.6)% | (3.2)% |
| Primary Metals | (2.6)% | (0.5)% |
| Fabricated Metals | (0.9)% | (0.9)% |
| Automotive | (3.6)% | +0.4% |
| Aerospace & Defense | +1.3% | +4.0% |



- Data as of October 17, 2024;
- Source: Federal Reserve

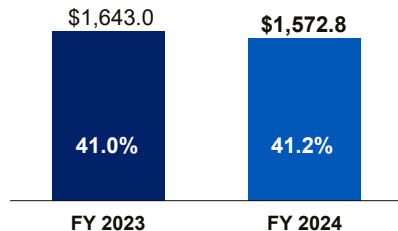
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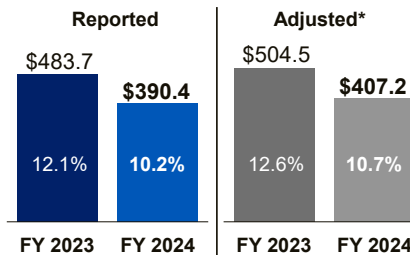
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- Sales through vending machines were up 3%, representing 17% of total sales

Gross Profit (millions and % of sales)



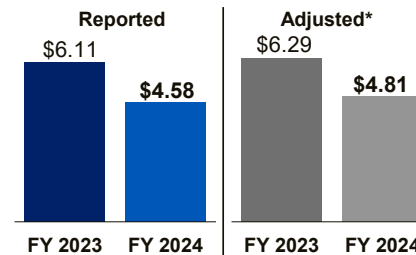
- Gross margin up 20 bps and includes a YoY benefit of ~50 bps from non-repeating Public Sector headwinds in the prior year
- Factors that negatively impacted gross margins for the full year include product and customer mix as well as temporary headwinds from our web price realignment initiative that occurred in 3Q'24 and have been subsequently resolved

Operating Profit (millions and % of sales)



- Reported operating profit in FY'24 includes \$14.5 million of restructuring and other costs, \$1.1 million of acquisition related costs, and \$1.2 million of share reclassification costs
- Reported operating profit in FY'23 includes \$8.3 million in restructuring and acquisition costs and \$12.4 million in share reclassification costs
- Operating margin down due to higher operating expenses YoY on lower levels of sales combined with lower margin acquisitions that occurred in FY'24

Earnings (per diluted share)



- FY'24 reported EPS includes \$0.19 of restructuring and other costs, \$0.03 of acquisition and share reclassification costs
- FY'23 reported EPS includes \$0.11 from restructuring and acquisition costs, \$0.16 from share reclassification costs, and \$0.09 from ERC tax benefit
- Declines reflect lower volumes YoY on higher levels of operating expenses driven by strategic investments
- Higher interest and other expenses, which includes FX revaluation, represent an adjusted EPS headwind of \$0.17



* Represents a non-GAAP financial measure. See appendix for non-GAAP reconciliations. Individual amounts may not agree to the total due to rounding.

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement MSC's unaudited selected financial data presented consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"), the Company discloses certain non-GAAP financial measures, including return on invested capital (as defined below), non-GAAP income from operations, non-GAAP operating margin, non-GAAP provision for income taxes, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP diluted earnings per share, that exclude restructuring and other costs, acquisition-related costs, share reclassification costs, and employee retention credit ("ERC") tax benefit (prior year) and tax effects, as well as free cash flow conversion, which is a measure calculated using free cash flow, which is a non-GAAP measure.

These non-GAAP financial measures are not presented in accordance with GAAP or an alternative for GAAP financial measures and may be different from similar non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies. The presentation of this additional information is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure and should only be used to evaluate MSC's results of operations in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP financial measure.

Financial data may also include certain forward-looking information that is not presented in accordance with GAAP. The Company believes that a quantitative reconciliation of such forward-looking information to the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP cannot be made available without unreasonable efforts because a reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures would require the Company to predict the timing and likelihood of potential future events such as restructurings, M&A activity, capital expenditures and other infrequent or unusual gains and losses. Neither the timing or likelihood of these events, nor their probable significance, can be quantified with a reasonable degree of accuracy. Accordingly, a reconciliation of such forward-looking information to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is not provided.

Free Cash Flow ("FCF") and Free Cash Flow Conversion ("FCF Conversion")

FCF is a non-GAAP financial measure. FCF is used in addition to and in conjunction with results presented in accordance with GAAP, and FCF should not be relied upon to the exclusion of GAAP financial measures. Management strongly encourages investors to review our financial statements and publicly-filed reports in their entirety and to not rely on any single financial measure. FCF, which we reconcile to "Net cash provided by operating activities," is cash flow from operations reduced by "Expenditures for property, plant and equipment". We believe that FCF, although similar to cash flow from operations, is a useful additional measure since capital expenditures are a necessary component of ongoing operations. Management also views FCF, as a measure of the Company's ability to reduce debt, add to cash balances, pay dividends, and repurchase stock. FCF has limitations due to the fact that it does not represent the residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures. For example, FCF does not incorporate payments made on finance lease obligations or required debt service payments. In addition, different companies define FCF differently. Therefore, we believe it is important to view FCF as a complement to our entire consolidated statements of cash flows. FCF Conversion is useful to investors for the foregoing reasons and as a measure of the rate at which the Company converts its net income reported in accordance with GAAP to cash inflows, which helps investors assess whether the Company is generating sufficient cash flow to provide an adequate return.

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Results Excluding ERC Tax Benefit (prior year), Restructuring and Other Costs, Acquisition-Related Costs, and Share Reclassification Costs

In calculating non-GAAP financial measures, we exclude ERC tax benefit (prior year), restructuring and other costs, acquisition-related costs, share reclassification costs, and tax effects. Management makes these adjustments to facilitate a review of the Company's operating performance on a comparable basis between periods, for comparison with forecasts and strategic plans, for identifying and analyzing trends in the Company's underlying business and for benchmarking performance externally against competitors. We believe that investors benefit from seeing results from the perspective of management in addition to seeing results presented in accordance with GAAP for the same reasons and purposes for which management uses such non-GAAP financial measures.

Return on Invested Capital ("ROIC")

ROIC is calculated using a non-GAAP financial measure. We calculate ROIC by dividing non-GAAP net operating profit after tax ("NOPAT") by average invested capital, a GAAP measure. NOPAT is defined as tax effected income from operations. Average invested capital is defined as net debt plus shareholder's equity using a trailing 13-month average. We believe that ROIC is useful to investors as a measure of performance and of the effectiveness of the use of capital in our operations. We use ROIC as one measure to monitor and evaluate operating performance. This method of determining non-GAAP ROIC may differ from other companies' methods and therefore may not be comparable to those used by other companies. ROIC should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with GAAP. The financial measure calculated under GAAP which is most directly comparable to ROIC is considered to be the ratio of Net income to Average invested capital. See below for the calculation of ROIC and the reconciliation to the comparable GAAP measure.

Net Debt to Earnings before Interest, Taxes, and Depreciation and Amortization ("EBITDA")

Net debt to EBITDA is calculated using a non-GAAP financial measure, EBITDA. The Company defines EBITDA as GAAP net income adjusted for taxes, total other expense and depreciation and amortization for the preceding 12 months. Net debt, a GAAP measure, is calculated as total debt less cash and cash equivalents. The Company presents net debt to EBITDA because it more clearly represents the operating profitability of the company and is a more accurate representation of the Company's financial position and its ability to cover its net debt obligations with results from its core operations. This method of determining non-GAAP EBITDA may differ from other companies' methods and therefore may not be comparable to those used by other companies. EBITDA should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with GAAP.

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MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
 Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
 Fiscal Quarters and Years Ended August 31, 2024 and September 2, 2023
 (dollars in thousands, except percentages)

| | Fiscal Quarters Ended | | Fiscal Years Ended | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | August 31, 2024 | September 2, 2023 | August 31, 2024 | September 2, 2023 |
| (a) Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 107,263 | \$ 132,505 | \$ 410,696 | \$ 699,582 |
| (b) Expenditures for property, plant and equipment | \$ (26,052) | \$ (28,380) | \$ (99,406) | \$ (92,493) |
| (a-b) = (c) Free cash flow | \$ 81,211 | \$ 104,125 | \$ 311,290 | \$ 607,089 |
| (d) Net income | \$ 53,952 | \$ 87,441 | \$ 255,957 | \$ 343,107 |
| (a)/(d) Operating cash flow conversion | 199 % | 152 % | 160 % | 204 % |
| (c)/(d) Free cash flow conversion | 151 % | 119 % | 122 % | 177 % |

RECONCILIATIONS

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
Thirteen Weeks Ended August 31, 2024
(In thousands, except percentages and per share data)

| | GAAP Financial Measure | | Items Affecting Comparability | | Non-GAAP Financial Measure | |
|--|------------------------|----|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| | Total MSC Industrial | | Restructuring and Other Costs | Acquisition-related Costs | Adjusted Total MSC Industrial | |
| Net Sales | \$ 952,284 | \$ | — | \$ | — | \$ 952,284 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 561,676 | | — | | — | 561,676 |
| Gross Profit | 390,608 | | — | | — | 390,608 |
| Gross Margin | 41.0 % | | — % | | — % | 41.0 % |
| Operating Expenses | 297,011 | | — | | 614 | 296,397 |
| Operating Expenses as % of Sales | 31.2 % | | — % | | (0.1)% | 31.1 % |
| Restructuring and Other Costs | 2,739 | | 2,739 | | — | — |
| Income from Operations | 90,858 | | (2,739) | | (614) | 94,211 |
| Operating Margin | 9.5 % | | 0.3 % | | 0.1 % | 9.9 % |
| Total Other Expense | (14,718) | | — | | — | (14,718) |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 76,140 | | (2,739) | | (614) | 79,493 |
| Provision for income taxes | 22,188 | | (797) | | (179) | 23,164 |
| Net income | 53,952 | | (1,942) | | (435) | 56,329 |
| Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest | (1,740) | | — | | — | (1,740) |
| Net income attributable to MSC Industrial | \$ 55,692 | \$ | (1,942) | \$ | (435) | \$ 58,069 |
| Net income per common share: | | | | | | |
| Diluted | \$ 0.99 | \$ | (0.03) | \$ | (0.01) | \$ 1.03 |

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RECONCILIATIONS

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024
(In thousands, except percentages and per share data)

| | GAAP Financial Measure | | | | Items Affecting Comparability | | Non-GAAP Financial Measure |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| | Total MSC Industrial | Restructuring and Other Costs | Acquisition-related Costs | Share Reclassification Costs | Adjusted Total MSC Industrial | | |
| Net Sales | \$ 3,820,951 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 3,820,951 | | |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 2,248,168 | — | — | — | 2,248,168 | | |
| Gross Profit | 1,572,783 | — | — | — | 1,572,783 | | |
| Gross Margin | 41.2 % | — % | — % | — % | 41.2 % | | |
| Operating Expenses | 1,167,870 | — | 1,079 | 1,187 | 1,165,604 | | |
| Operating Expenses as % of Sales | 30.6 % | — % | 0.0 % | 0.0 % | 30.5 % | | |
| Restructuring and Other Costs | 14,526 | 14,526 | — | — | — | | |
| Income from Operations | 390,387 | (14,526) | (1,079) | (1,187) | 407,179 | | |
| Operating Margin | 10.2 % | 0.4 % | 0.0 % | 0.0 % | 10.7 % | | |
| Total Other Expense | (47,638) | — | — | — | (47,638) | | |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 342,749 | (14,526) | (1,079) | (1,187) | 359,541 | | |
| Provision for income taxes | 86,792 | (3,577) | (266) | (293) | 90,928 | | |
| Net income | 255,957 | (10,949) | (813) | (894) | 268,613 | | |
| Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest | (2,637) | — | — | — | (2,637) | | |
| Net income attributable to MSC Industrial | <u>\$ 258,594</u> | <u>\$ (10,949)</u> | <u>\$ (813)</u> | <u>\$ (894)</u> | <u>\$ 271,250</u> | | |
| Net income per common share: | | | | | | | |
| Diluted | <u>\$ 4.58</u> | <u>\$ (0.19)</u> | <u>\$ (0.01)</u> | <u>\$ (0.02)</u> | <u>\$ 4.81</u> | | |

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RECONCILIATIONS

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
Thirteen Weeks Ended September 2, 2023
(In thousands, except percentages and per share data)

| | Items Affecting Comparability | | | | Non-GAAP Financial Measure |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| | GAAP Financial Measure | | | | |
| | Total MSC Industrial | Restructuring and Other Costs | Share Reclassification Costs | ERC Tax Benefit | Adjusted Total MSC Industrial |
| Net Sales | \$ 1,035,441 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 1,035,441 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 615,907 | — | — | — | 615,907 |
| Gross Profit | 419,534 | — | — | — | 419,534 |
| Gross Margin | 40.5 % | — % | — % | — % | 40.5 % |
| Operating Expenses | 299,264 | — | 10,139 | — | 289,125 |
| Operating Expenses as % of Sales | 28.9 % | — % | (1.0)% | — % | 27.9 % |
| Restructuring and Other Costs | 2,215 | 2,215 | — | — | — |
| Income from Operations | 118,055 | (2,215) | (10,139) | — | 130,409 |
| Operating Margin | 11.4 % | 0.2 % | 1.0 % | — % | 12.6 % |
| Total Other Expense | (2,333) | — | — | 6,566 | (8,899) |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 115,722 | (2,215) | (10,139) | 6,566 | 121,510 |
| Provision for income taxes | 28,281 | (523) | (2,394) | 1,550 | 29,648 |
| Net income | 87,441 | (1,692) | (7,745) | 5,016 | 91,862 |
| Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest | (158) | — | — | — | (158) |
| Net income attributable to MSC Industrial | \$ 87,599 | \$ (1,692) | \$ (7,745) | \$ 5,016 | \$ 92,020 |
| Net income per common share: | | | | | |
| Diluted | \$ 1.56 | \$ (0.03) | \$ (0.14) | \$ 0.09 | \$ 1.64 |

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RECONCILIATIONS

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
Fiscal Year Ended September 2, 2023
(In thousands, except percentages and per share data)

| | GAAP Financial Measure | | Items Affecting Comparability | | | Non-GAAP Financial Measure |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| | Total MSC Industrial | Restructuring and Other Costs | Acquisition-related Costs | Reclassification Costs | ERC Tax Benefit | Adjusted Total MSC Industrial |
| Net Sales | \$ 4,009,282 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 4,009,282 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 2,366,317 | — | — | — | — | 2,366,317 |
| Gross Profit | 1,642,965 | — | — | — | — | 1,642,965 |
| Gross Margin | 41.0 % | — % | — % | — % | — % | 41.0 % |
| Operating Expenses | 1,151,295 | — | 398 | 12,388 | — | 1,138,509 |
| Operating Expenses as % of Sales | 28.7 % | — % | 0.0 % | (0.3)% | — % | 28.4 % |
| Restructuring and Other Costs | 7,937 | 7,937 | — | — | — | — |
| Income from Operations | 483,733 | (7,937) | (398) | (12,388) | — | 504,456 |
| Operating Margin | 12.1 % | 0.2 % | — % | 0.3 % | — % | 12.6 % |
| Total Other Expense | (27,577) | — | — | — | 6,566 | (34,143) |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 456,156 | (7,937) | (398) | (12,388) | 6,566 | 470,313 |
| Provision for income taxes | 113,049 | (2,040) | (100) | (3,183) | 1,687 | 116,685 |
| Net income | 343,107 | (5,897) | (298) | (9,205) | 4,879 | 353,628 |
| Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest | (126) | — | — | — | — | (126) |
| Net income attributable to MSC Industrial | \$ 343,233 | \$ (5,897) | \$ (298) | \$ (9,205) | \$ 4,879 | \$ 353,754 |
| Net income per common share: | | | | | | |
| Diluted | \$ 6.11 | \$ (0.10) | \$ (0.01) | \$ (0.16) | \$ 0.09 | \$ 6.29 |

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MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
Fiscal Years Ended August 31, 2024 and September 2, 2023
(In thousands, except percentages)

| | Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024 | Fiscal Year Ended September 2, 2023 |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| (a) Net income attributable to MSC Industrial (twelve-month trailing) | \$ 258,594 | \$ 343,233 |
| NOPAT | | |
| Income from Operations (twelve-month trailing) | 390,387 | 483,733 |
| Effective tax rate | 25.3 % | 24.8 % |
| (b) Non-GAAP NOPAT | 291,532 | 363,850 |
| (c) Adjusted Non-GAAP NOPAT | 304,072 ¹ | 379,531 ² |
| Invested Capital | | |
| Total MSC Industrial shareholders' equity | \$ 1,391,797 | \$ 1,479,164 |
| Current portion of debt including obligations under finance leases | 229,911 | 229,935 |
| Long-term debt including obligations under finance leases | 278,853 | 224,391 |
| Total Debt | 508,764 | 454,326 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 29,588 | 50,052 |
| Net debt | 479,176 | 404,274 |
| Invested capital | \$ 1,870,973 | \$ 1,883 |
| (d) Average invested capital (thirteen-month trailing average) | \$ 1,883,503 | \$ 1,951,818 |
| (e) Adjusted average invested capital (thirteen-month trailing average) | \$ 1,900,259 ¹ | \$ 1,953,516 ² |
| (a)/(d) Net income to Average invested capital | 13.7 % | 17.6 % |
| (b)/(d) Non-GAAP ROIC | 15.5 % | 18.6 % |
| (c)/(e) Adjusted Non-GAAP ROIC | 16.0 % | 19.4 % |

¹ Adjusted Non-GAAP NOPAT and invested capital excludes \$14.5 million of restructuring and other costs, \$1.1 million of acquisition-related charges and \$1.2 million of share reclassification costs, net of an associated tax benefit of \$4.1 million.

² Adjusted Non-GAAP NOPAT and invested capital excludes \$7.9 million of restructuring and other costs, \$0.4 million of acquisition-related charges and \$12.4 million of share reclassification costs, net of an associated tax benefit of \$5.3 million.

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MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
 Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Information
 Fiscal Years Ended August 31, 2024 and September 2, 2023
 (In thousands)

| | Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2024 | Fiscal Year Ended September 2, 2023 |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Net Debt | | |
| Current portion of debt including obligations under finance leases | \$ 229,911 | \$ 229,935 |
| Long-term debt including obligations under finance leases | 278,853 | 224,391 |
| Total debt | 508,764 | 454,326 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 29,588 | 50,052 |
| (a) Net debt | \$ 479,176 | \$ 404,274 |
| Net Income | \$ 255,957 | \$ 343,107 |
| Total other expense | 47,638 | 27,577 |
| Income tax expense | 86,792 | 113,049 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 80,522 | 74,731 |
| (b) EBITDA | \$ 470,909 | \$ 558,464 |
| (a)/(b) Net Debt to EBITDA | 1.02 | 0.72 |

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