

Rental Service Business Area

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Equipment Rental and Atlas Copco

- Rental industry
 - Drivers
 - History and development
- Why Atlas Copco chose equipment rental industry
- Creating Rental Service Business Area
 - Prime acquisition
 - RSC acquisition
 - Creating RSBA
 - Merger
- Economic situation and outlook



Rental Industry Drivers

Outsourcing Trend

Industry

Growth

Increased need for customer focus

Rental improves asset utilization

Economic Uncertainty

Rental avoids large capital outlays

> Additional capacity for specific job

Peak period requirements

Rental reduces storage and maintenance costs

Need for increased flexibility and availability



U.S. Equipment Industry First Generation 1960s - 1980s

- Product was manufactured
- Manufacturer had a distribution body, dealer or representatives
- Sacred ground per contract in local markets
 - - Preferred Lines of Equipment
 - Best Territories
 - Name Recognition Within The Marketplace
- Well-trained sales force (after-market support) locked in clientele



U.S. Equipment Industry Second Generation

- Consolidation became normal
 - Rental companies
 - Equipment manufacturers
 - Equipment dealers
- Changing market conditions!
 - Scrambling to figure out what was going on
- Our segments of the U.S. economy were strong
- We experienced competitive pressure on all fronts due to consolidation



Key Consolidation Drivers

Ability to serve national accounts

Ability to leverage overhead costs

More extensive product range

Consolidation

Increased availability of equipment

Enhanced purchasing power

Improved fleet utilization

Geographic diversification



Largest Rental Companies in North America

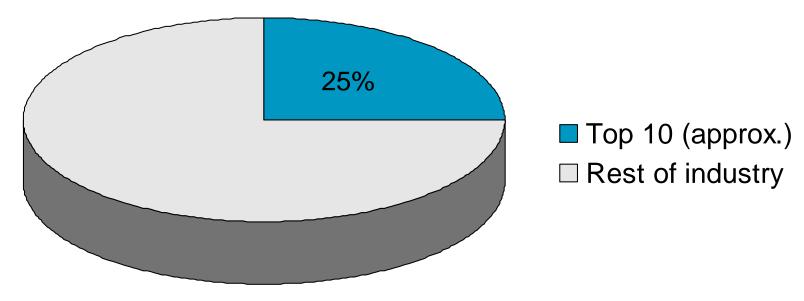
	2000 Rank	1995 Rank
United Rentals	1	
Atlas Copco	2	
Hertz	3	1
NationsRent	4	
NES	5	
Prime Service		2
BET Plant Services		3
U.S. Rental		4
American Equipment Rental		5

Source: Lehman Brothers, Rental Equipment Register



Fragmented Rental Industry

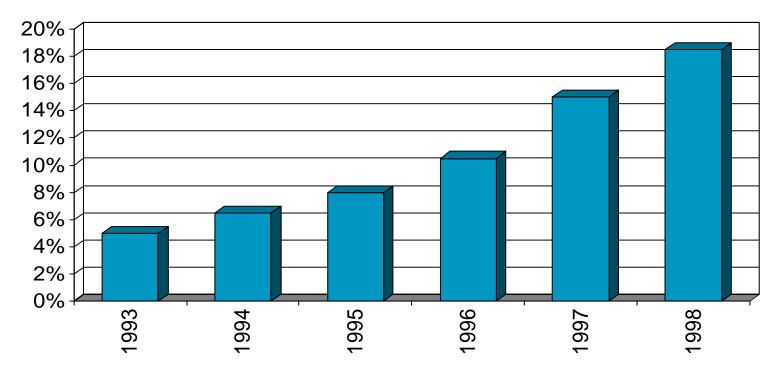
- It's estimated, by various sources, that the major rental companies today represent about 25% of industry sales
- The balance of the industry is made up by smaller independents, operating in local or niche markets



Source: Atlas Copco estimate



U.S. Contractor Fleet Percentage of Fleet Rented



Source: Lehman Brothers Estimates



U.S. Equipment Industry Third Generation Companies

- Some of us are already there!
- The future is now!
 - Return of capital employed focus
- Industry standards have changed
- Manufacturer's loyalties to previous dealer arrangements have lessened.
 - They are pursuing industry growth trends
- Everyone is looking at us to see the industry of tomorrow!



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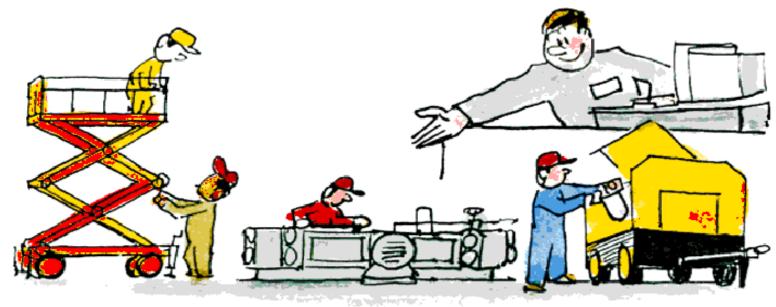
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Group Strategy – Growth Use of products

- Service and parts
- Accessories

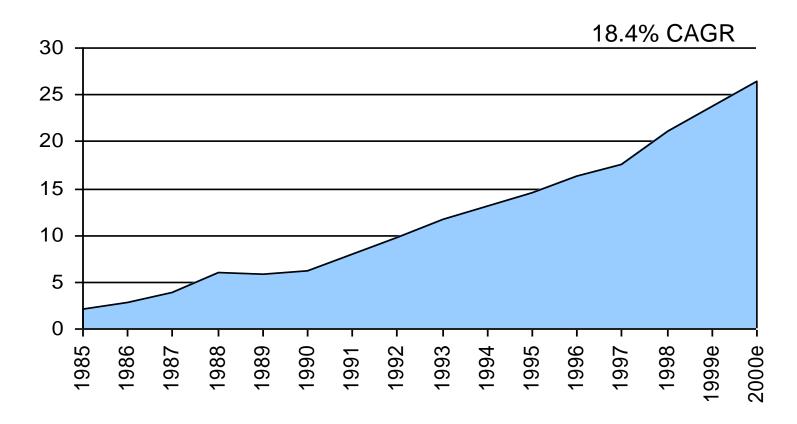
- Consumables
- Equipment rental





Rental Industry Revenues in the U.S. A Fast Growing Market

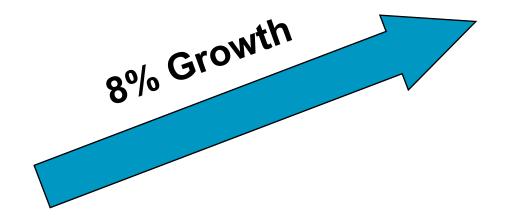
\$ billions



Source: Deutsche Banc. Alex Brown



Why did Atlas Copco Enter the Rental Service Business?



To improve growth capabilities for the Group from 5% to 8% per year over a business cycle

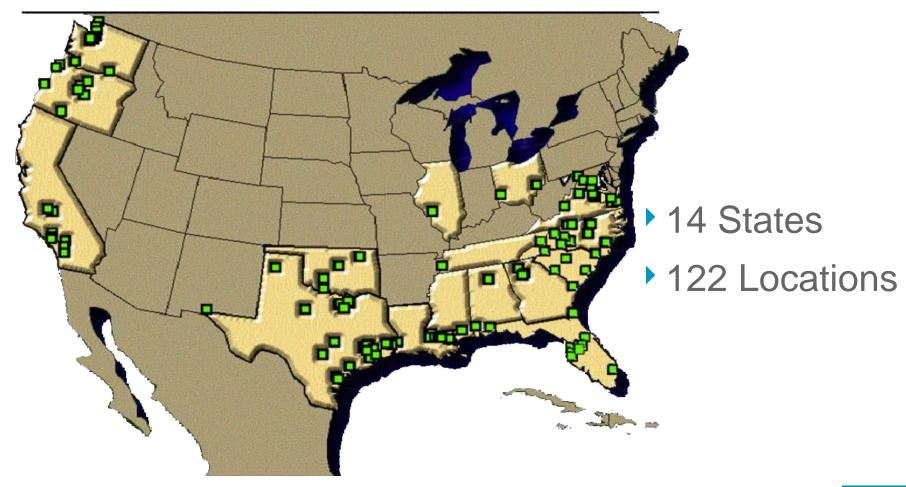


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Atlas Copco Acquires Prime July 1997





Acquisition of Prime

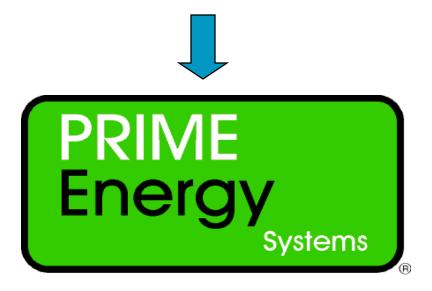
Added Value

- Improved customer satisfaction and loyalty
- Broad-based distribution network
- Recognized national account supplier
- Recognized service provider in the industry
- Fleet mobility
- Strong relationship with top manufacturers
- Enhanced buying power
- Strong used equipment sales



Atlas Copco Rentals Inc. October 1998 Merger

Atlas Copco Rentals, Inc.



Why?



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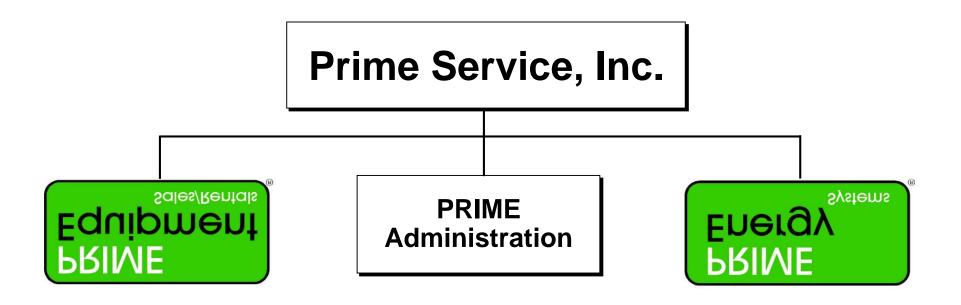
- Increased rental locations
 - Business segments and geographical presence
- Shared services such as Administration, IS/IT, Purchasing and Marketing
- Better utilization rate for shared products
- Cost savings of combined lease space



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PRIME Structure

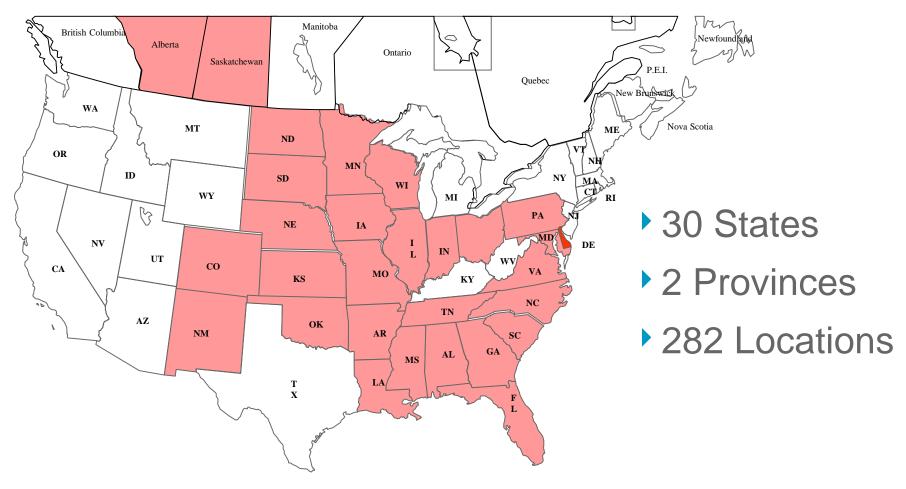
1998





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Rental Service Corporation August 1999



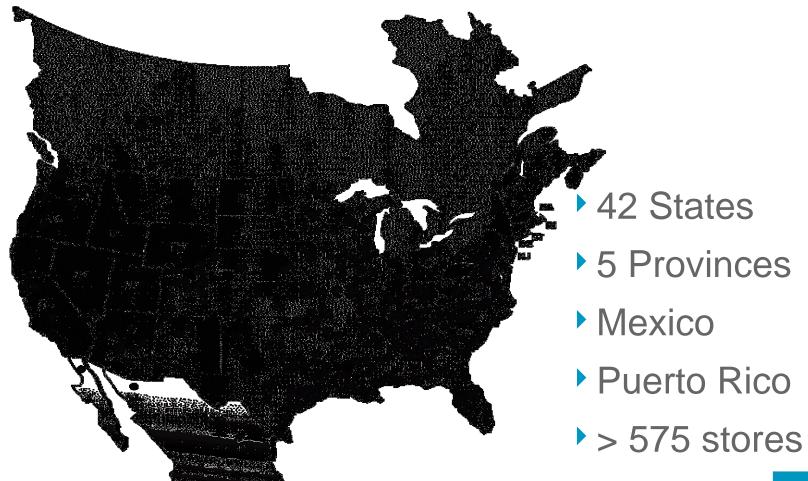


Why Rental Service Corporation?

- Perfect fit to Atlas Copco's business; culture, business and customer attitude
- Complementary (to Prime) in geographical and territory coverage
- Access to proven management team with record of success
- Synergies
 - Synergies with Prime Service
 - Synergies with other Atlas Copco divisions
 - Provide greater access to, and lower cost of capital

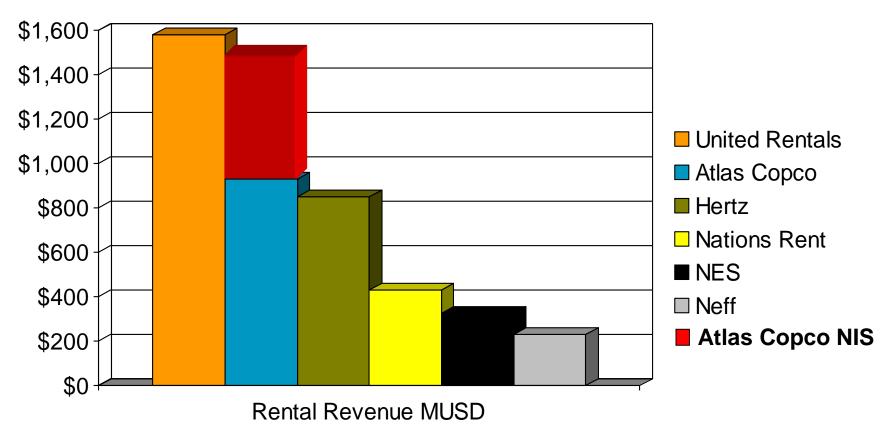


Rental Service Business Area February 2001





Today We are the Second Largest



Source: Rental Equipment Register, Corporate Web pages



Industry Consolidators Increase in Store Locations, 1997-2000

				1998-1999		1999-2000
	1997	1998	1999	%Change	2000	%Change
United Rentals	86	404	702	173%	740	5%
Atlas Copco	162	181	480	265%	589	39%
Hertz	144	230	288	25%	300	4%
NationsRent	0	134	187	40%	200	7%
NES	77	128	181	41%	184	2%
Ashtead/Sunbelt	43	66	146	121%	147	1%
Neff	67	83	84	1%	85	1%

Source: Atlas Copco, Rental Equipment Register, Company information



Vision

- To gain unquestioned status as the "most preferred supplier of products and services" to our customers!
 - Tangible differentiation from competition
 - ■ Best in Class
 - Dominate all of our major service areas



Bluechip Customer Base

Tenured Relationships



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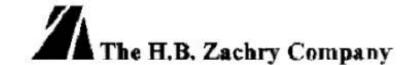




Brown & Root, Inc.







Mission

- To achieve above-industry growth while focusing on customer care
 - same store = greenfields
- To meet Atlas Copco Group's financial goals, thereby being accretive to the Group and improve accretion year over year
- To achieve maximum synergies subject to the items above



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Strategy

- Growth from mixture of greenfields, same store and acquisitions, with emphasis on greenfields
- Benefits and synergies from merger to support growth and contribute to increased profitability
- Continuous improvement
- Stability Profitability Growth







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Rental Service Corporation

A Company Within The Allias Copico Group

Merger

- Proactive
- Great for customers
- Great for employees
- Accelerates efficiencies and synergies



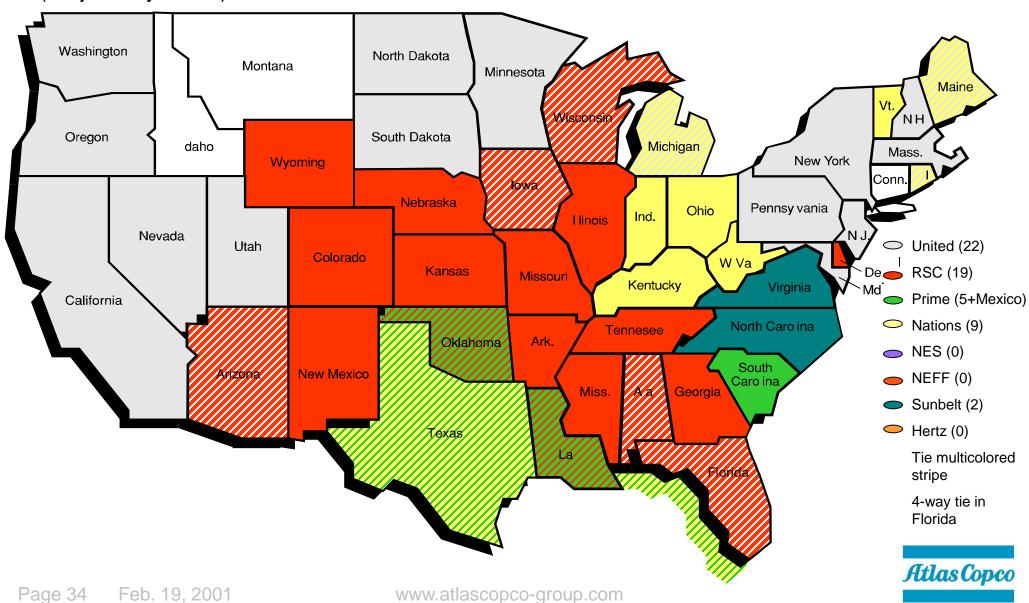
Merger - Customer Benefits

- Bigger is better and stronger
 - surety of supply
 - nationwide footprint
- Brand identity
 - First in Mind, First in Choice
- Customer focused marketing
- Customer focused organization
 - Increased geographic coverage
 - Increased availability of supply
 - Simpler easy to understand
 - One legal entity one invoice



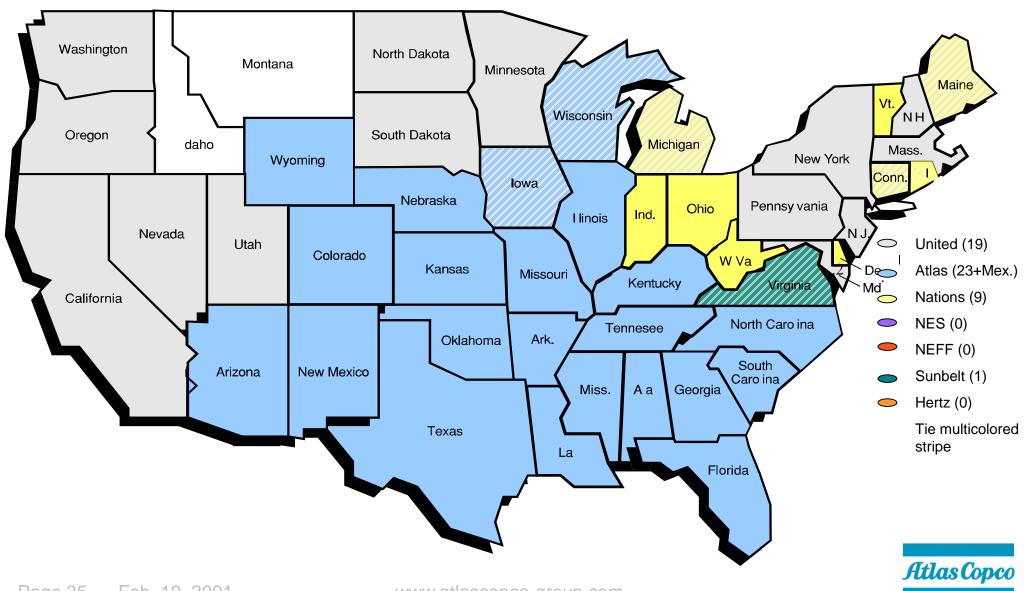
Estimated Stand-Alone Market Share

(subjectively based)



Estimated Consolidated Market Share

(subjectively based)



Video

Synergies

- One legal entity and one common management
 - Fleet management / fleet sharing
 - Parts and merchandising
 - Purchasing
 - Standardization of rental rates
 - Store consolidation
 - One administrative support ISP integration
- Common platforms and systems
- One brand per market segment



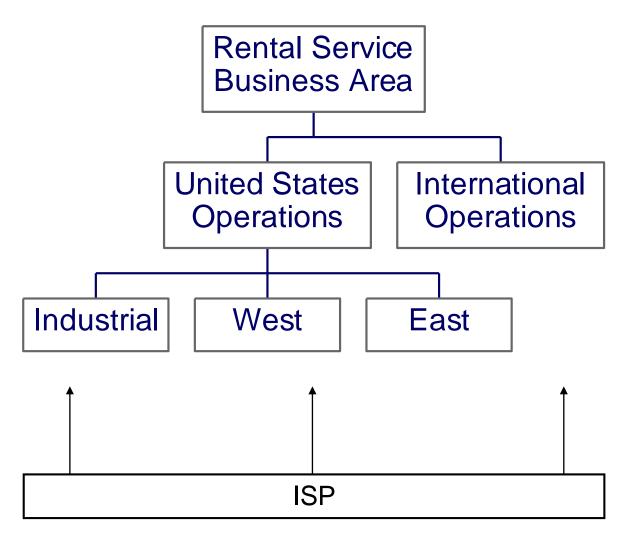
Employee Benefits

- Over 7,000 employees on the same team!
- Streamline management structure
 - Common management in duplicate market areas
- Maximize quality of work force
- Common benefits at lowest costs



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Organizational Structure





Rental Service Business Area Characteristics

- Here to Stay
- First in Mind First in Choice
 - We do not want to be the biggest, but aim to be the first choice of our customers
 - ▼ To be First Choice, we have to offer the best value



Marketing

Key Strategic Elements

- Segmentation
- Focus
- Differentiation
- Coverage
- Positioning



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Marketing Mix



National Ads & PR



Strategic Accounts



E-Facts & E-commerce



Equipment Decals



Sales Force Automation



On-Line Marketing Support



Promotional items



Signage, Yellow Pages & National 800 #



Direct mail programs



Marketing Focus

- Organized by customer and market segments
- Territory management
- Focused sales organization
- Key account management
 - standard national accounts approach
 - standard industrial account approach
- Unified advertising program
- e-Commerce
 - Brand is key to website awareness





Customer Focus and Service One-Stop Shop

- Vast product availability
- National presence
- Just-in-time delivery
- ▶ 24-hour service
- Comprehensive maintenance program
- Professional, experienced sales force who will
 - Sell, rent, trade, service, and add value!



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e-Commerce

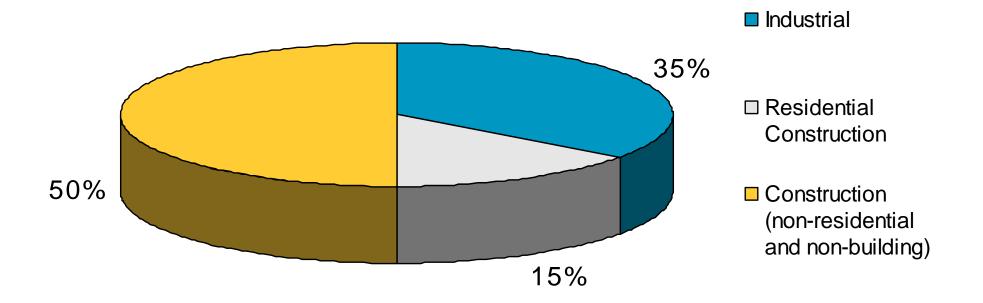


- Customer focused web site
- Functionality
- Interactivity
- Connectivity
- Best in class



Market Segments

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Positioning

- Market Leader by Market Segment
 - Customer focused
 - Segment specialist





- Technology Leader
 - Fleet management Total Control
 - Integrated Rental Management
 - **≚** E-commerce
 - Sales force automation
- Coverage



2001 Strategic Growth **Above Industry Average**

2001 Focus Growth Areas

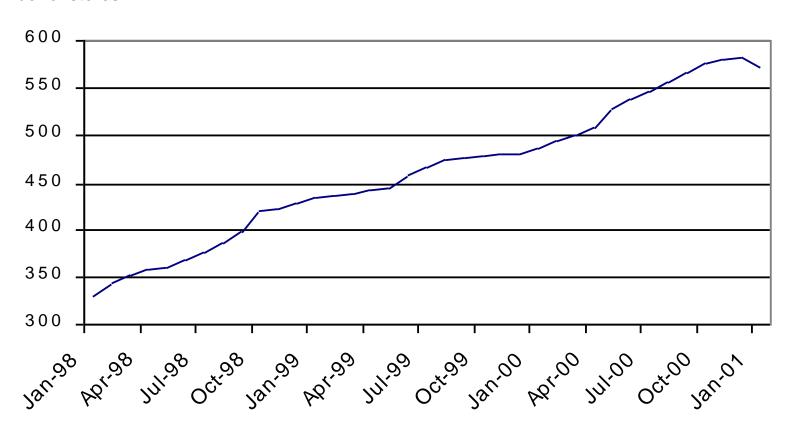
- United States
 - California coast
- International

 - Brazil
 - South America



Internal Score Card Store Count

Number of stores





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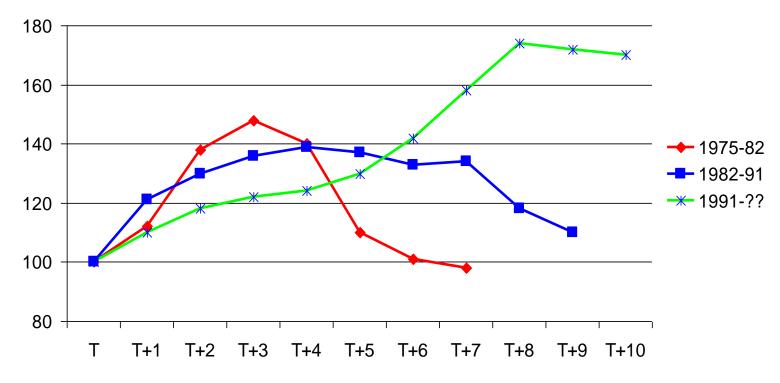
Economic Conditions/Outlook

- Market Conditions
 - Higher awareness of outsourcing
 - Cost of money environment
 - Tenth year of economic expansion
 - Predicted slower growth creates caution
 - Demand for products and services continues



Total Construction Activity by Cycle Based on constant 1992 prices

Cyclical Trough (T) = 100

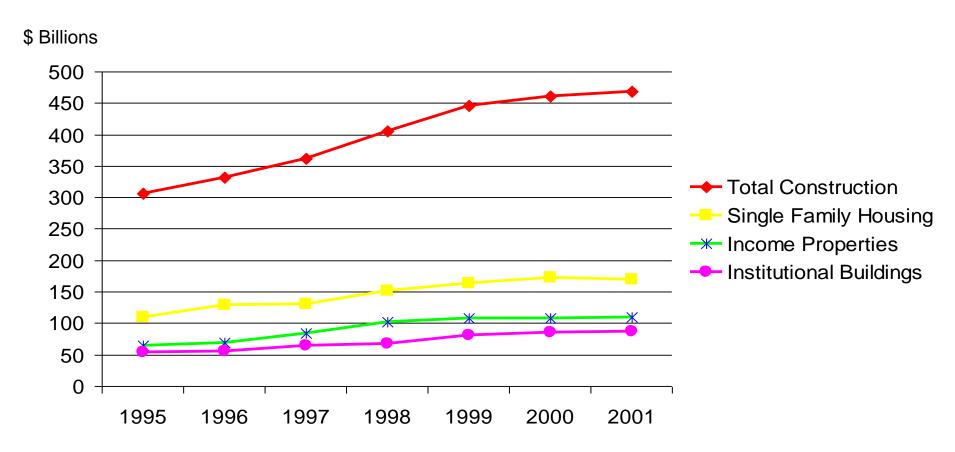


Years from Cyclical Trough

Source: McGraw-Hill Construction Information Group



U.S. Construction Outlook

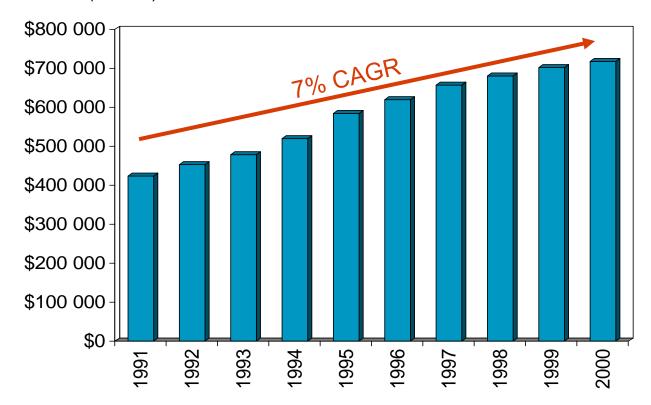


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Construction Put in Place Estimated for the United States

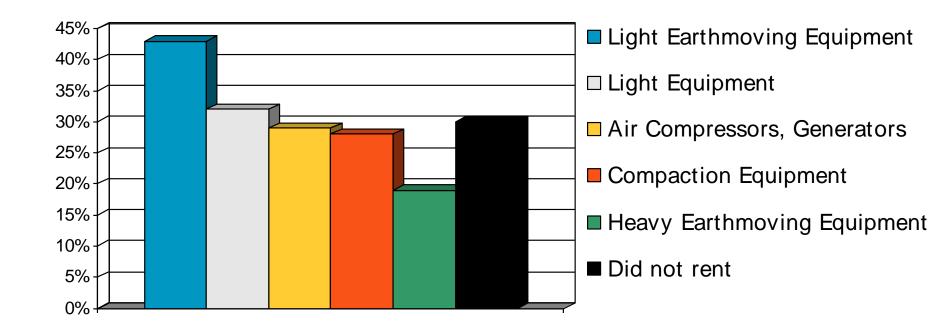
\$ Millions (current)



Source: Building Permits, Construction Put in Place, Clark Reports and trade sources. Estimates and forecasts by FMI.



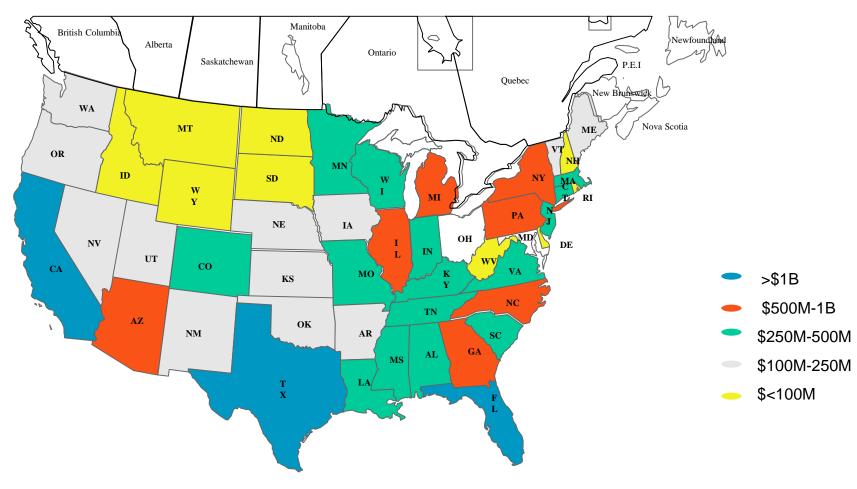
Contractor Rental Trends % Renting Equipment, by Type



Source: Construction Equipment/New Holland Construction Annual Report & Forecast Study

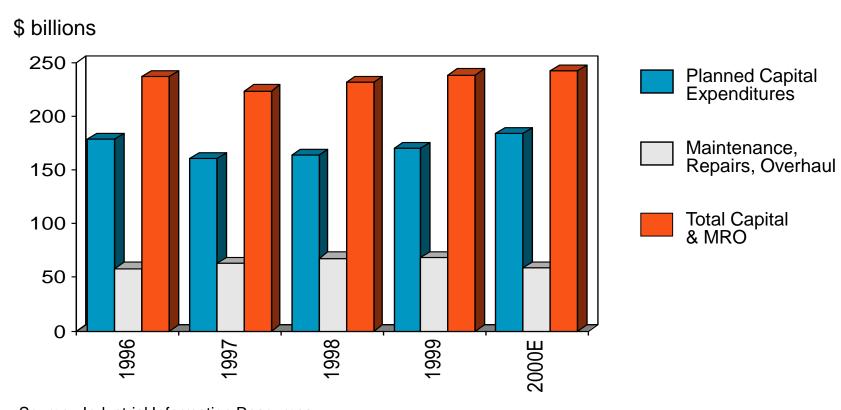


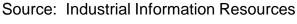
2000 Construction Market Rental Potential \$17.5B





U.S. Forecast Analysis Industrial Market

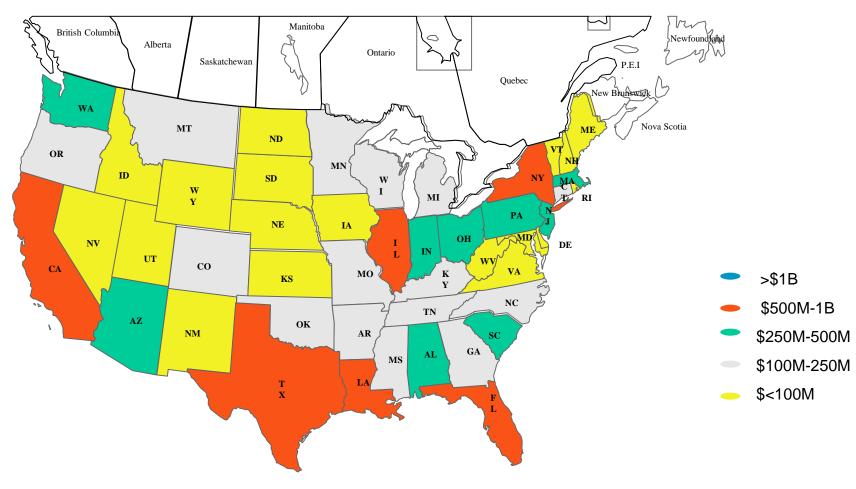






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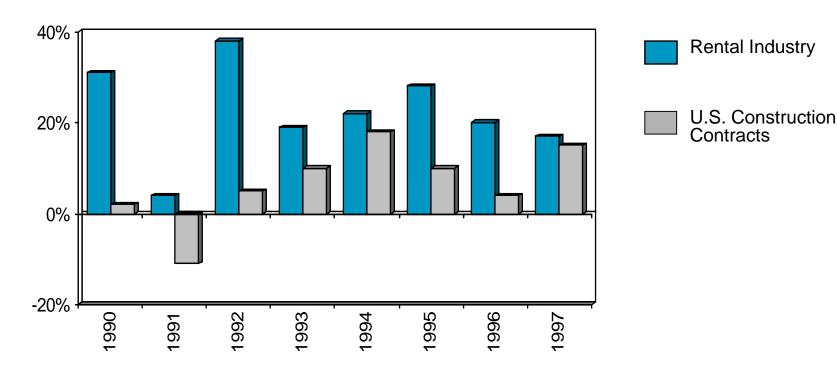
2000 Industrial Rental Potential \$4.4B





Rental Growth

vs. Construction Activity



Source: Rental Equipment Register, Bureau of Census, Dept. of Commerce

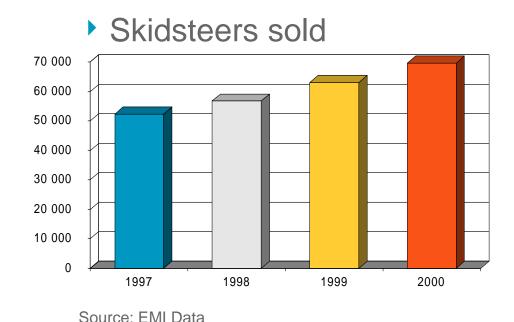


What Has Changed?

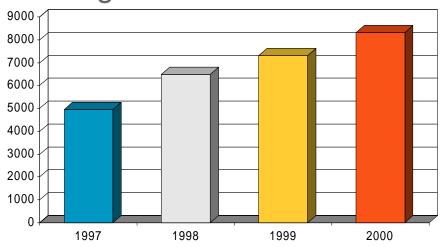
- Manufacturers capacities and efficiencies expanded over a ten year growth cycle!
- Supply of equipment grew faster than customer demand
- Today we experience flooded supply in certain types of equipment



Supply of Equipment Grew Faster Than Customer Demand



Straight Booms sold



Source: EMI Data



Market and Business Conditions What Has Changed?

- Financial community involvement
 - Wall Street mentality, short term earnings focus
 - Greater access to capital
- New Equipment
 - More equipment leased
 - Split/rents
 - Vendor financing program
- Higher availability of supply
- Price compression



Rental Industry

- Needs to:
 - ■ Raise rates
 - Strengthen balance sheet
 - **▼** Improve margins
 - Financial survivability in downturn



Economic Summary

- Economy still strong and at an all-time high level
- Fed is lowering interest rates to maintain economic growth
- Much opportunity ahead
- Strong drivers in place toward rental
 - Outsourcing





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