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Rental Service Business Area

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Atlas Copco

Equipment Rental and Atlas Copco

▶ Rental industry

- ▾ Drivers
- ▾ History and development

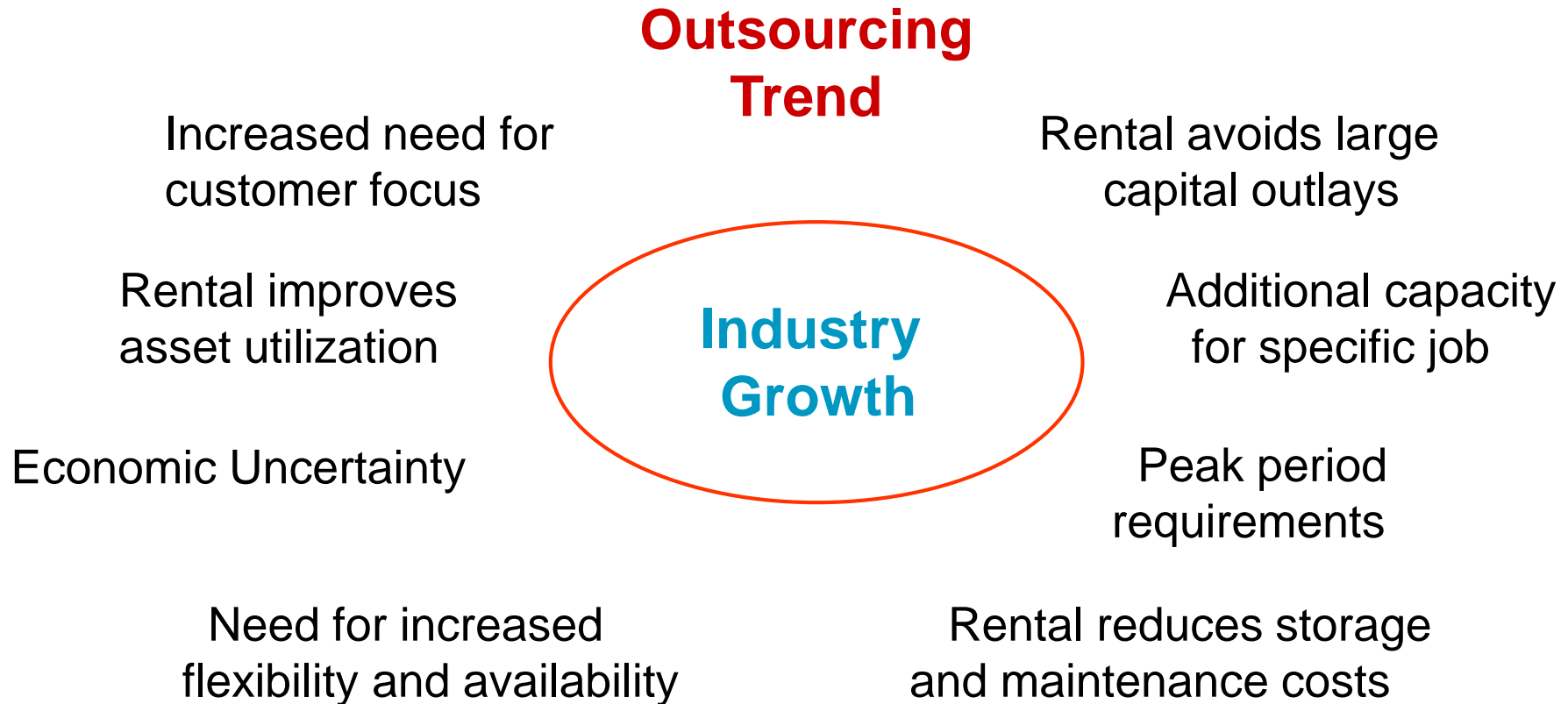
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Rental Industry Drivers



U.S. Equipment Industry

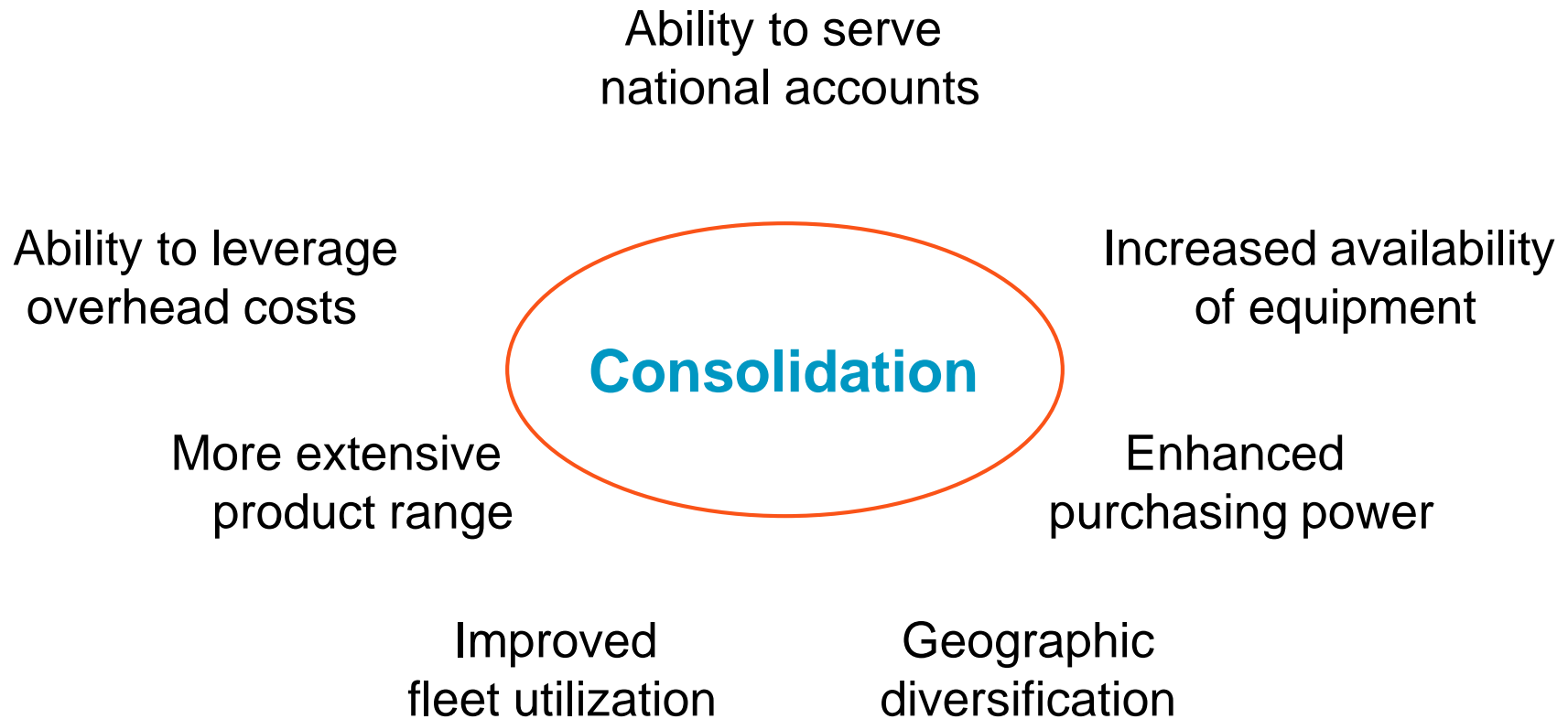
First Generation 1960s - 1980s

- ▶ Product was manufactured
- ▶ Manufacturer had a distribution body, dealer or representatives
- ▶ Sacred ground per contract in local markets
 - ▾ Life was easy
 - 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



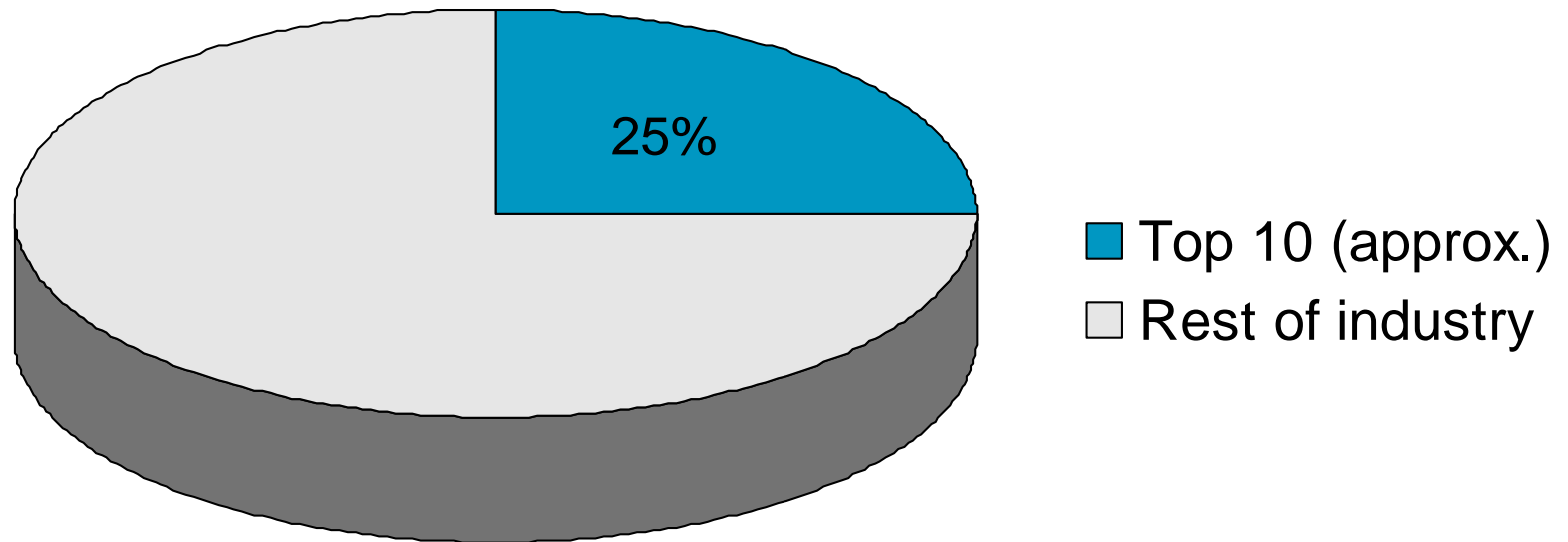
Largest Rental Companies in North America

	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

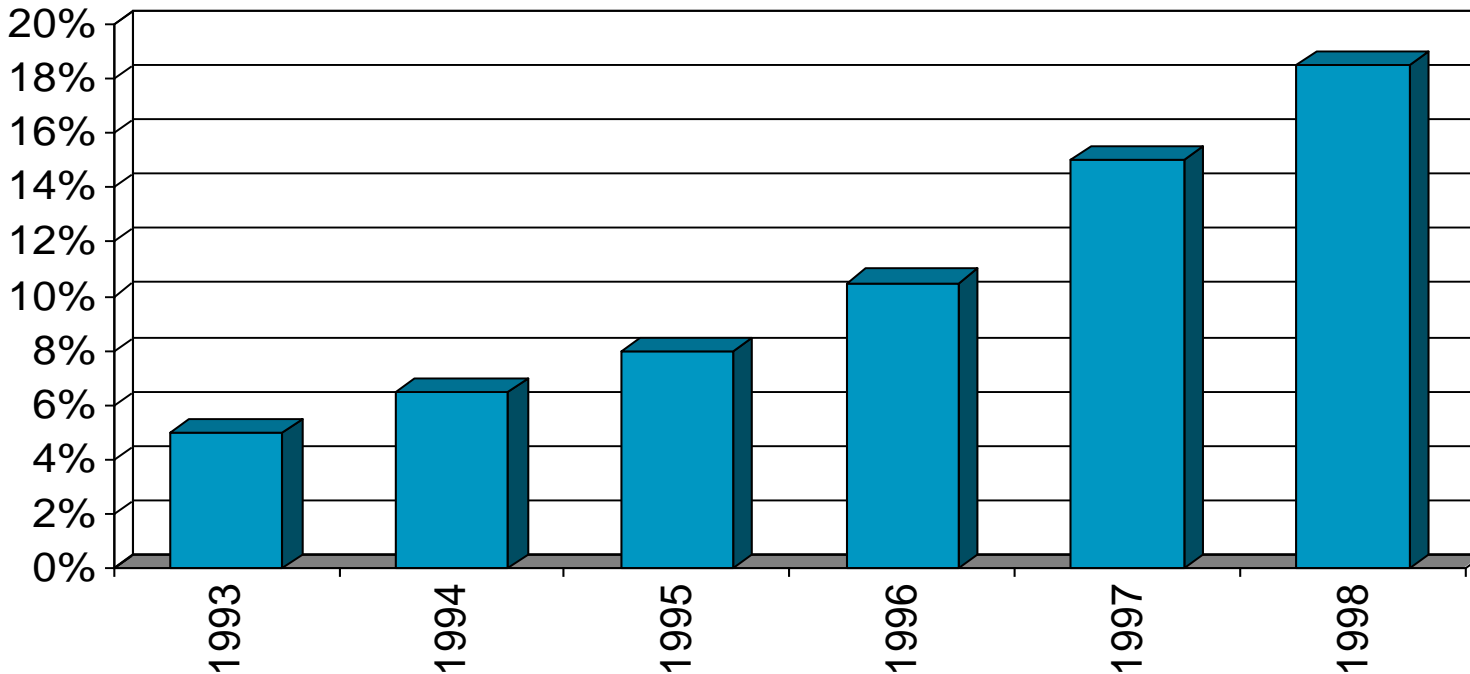
Fragmented Rental Industry

- ▶ 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



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- ▶ 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
 - ▾ Rental - Rental - Rental!
 - ▶ Everyone is looking at us to see the industry of tomorrow!

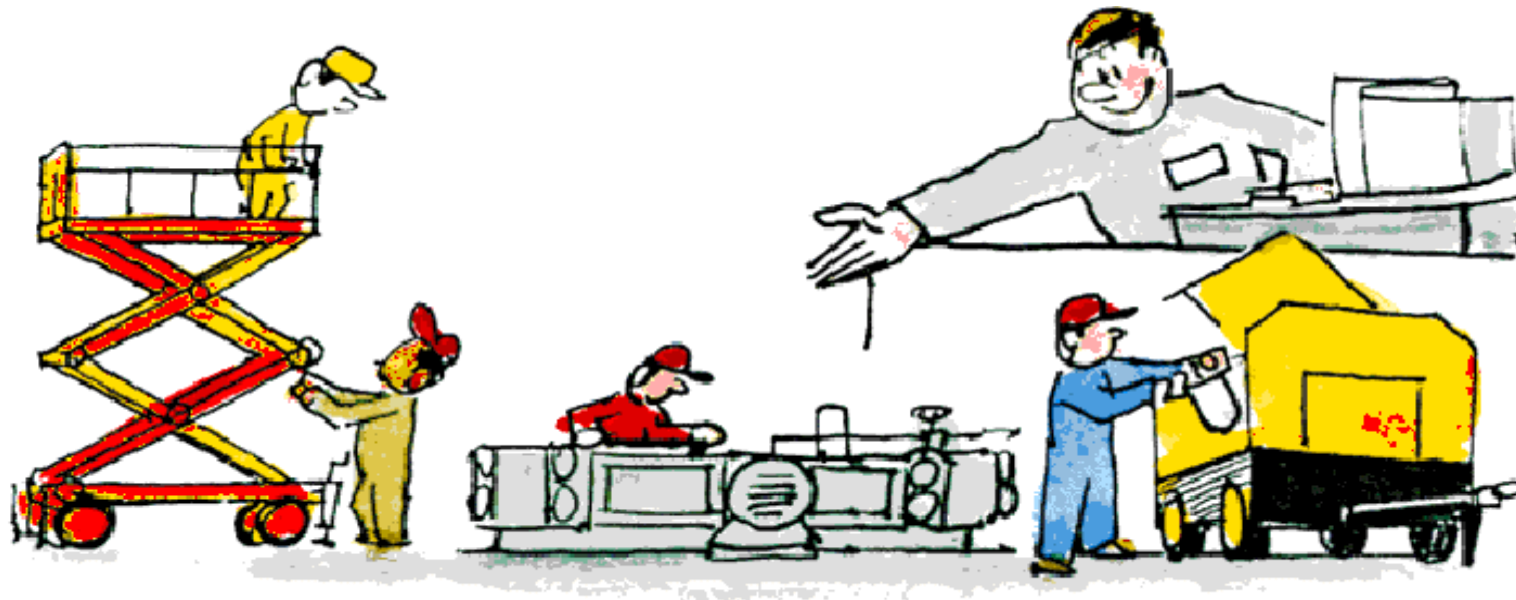
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Group Strategy – Growth

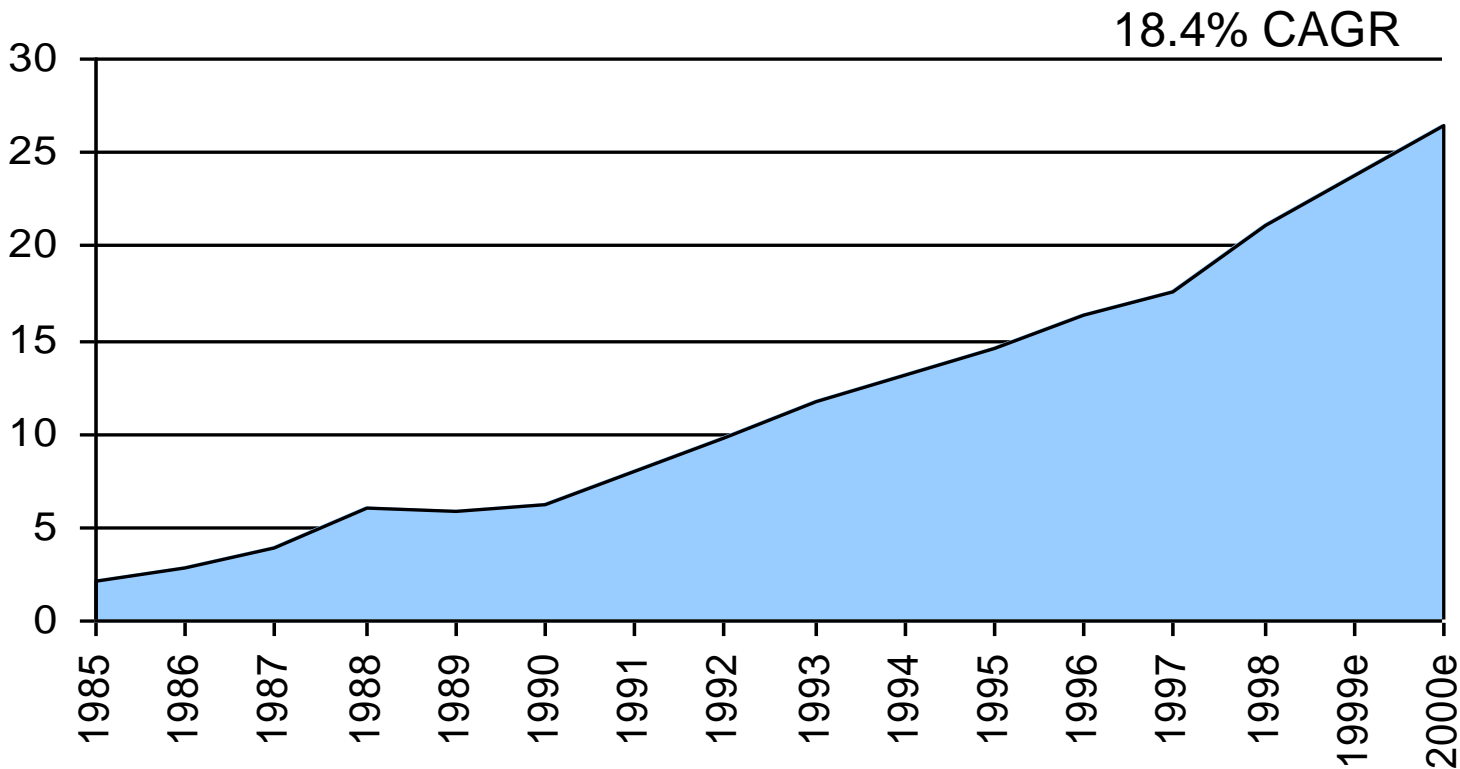
Use of products

- ▶ Service and parts
- ▶ Accessories
- ▶ Consumables
- ▶ Equipment rental



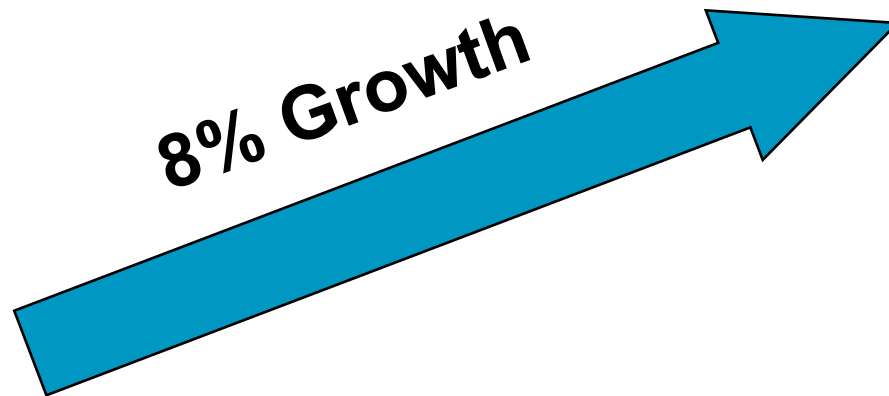
Rental Industry Revenues in the U.S. A Fast Growing Market

\$ billions



Source: Deutsche Banc. Alex Brown

Why did Atlas Copco Enter the Rental Service Business?

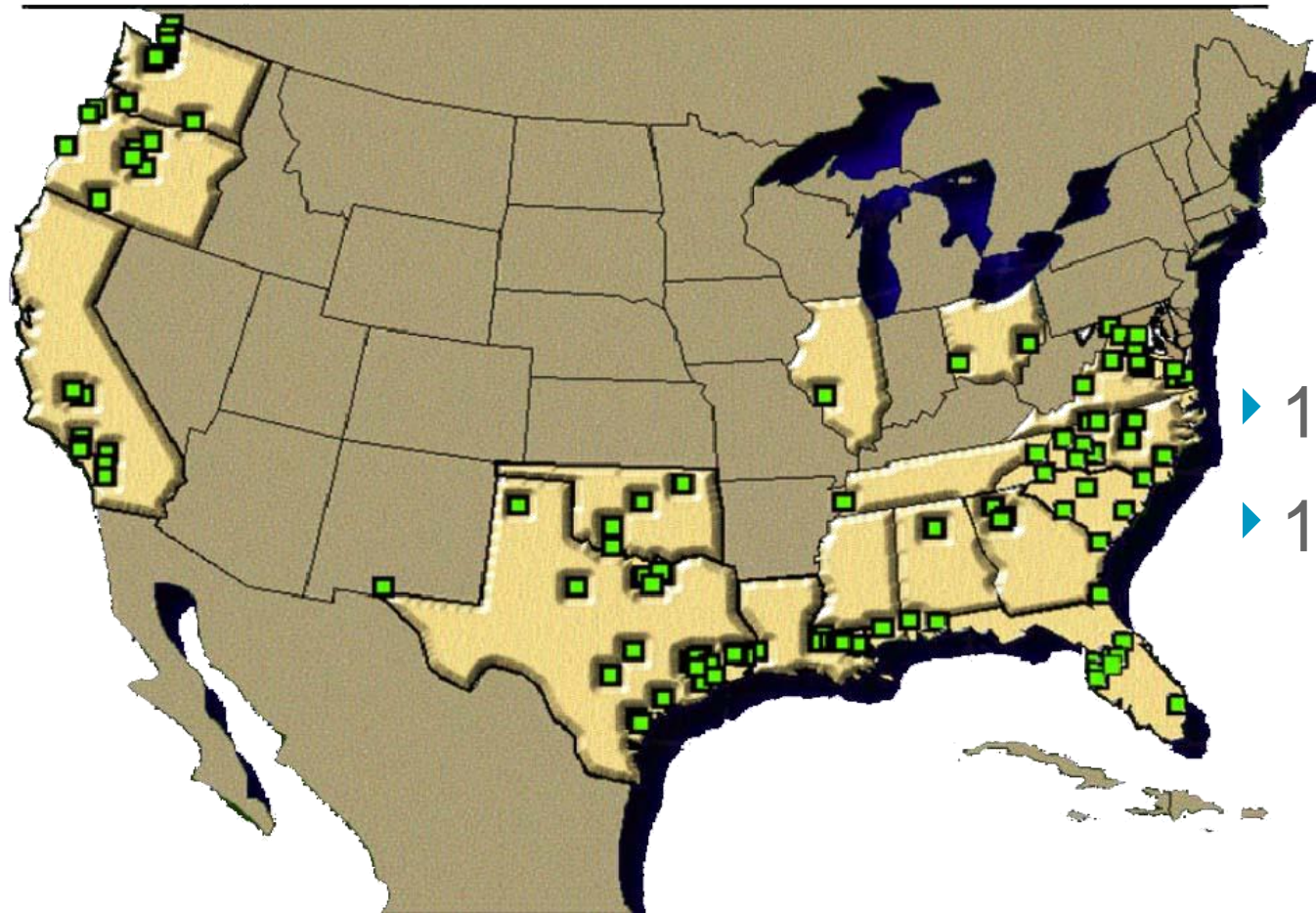


- ▶ To improve growth capabilities for the Group from 5% to 8% per year over a business cycle

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Atlas Copco Acquires Prime July 1997



- ▶ 14 States
- ▶ 122 Locations

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?

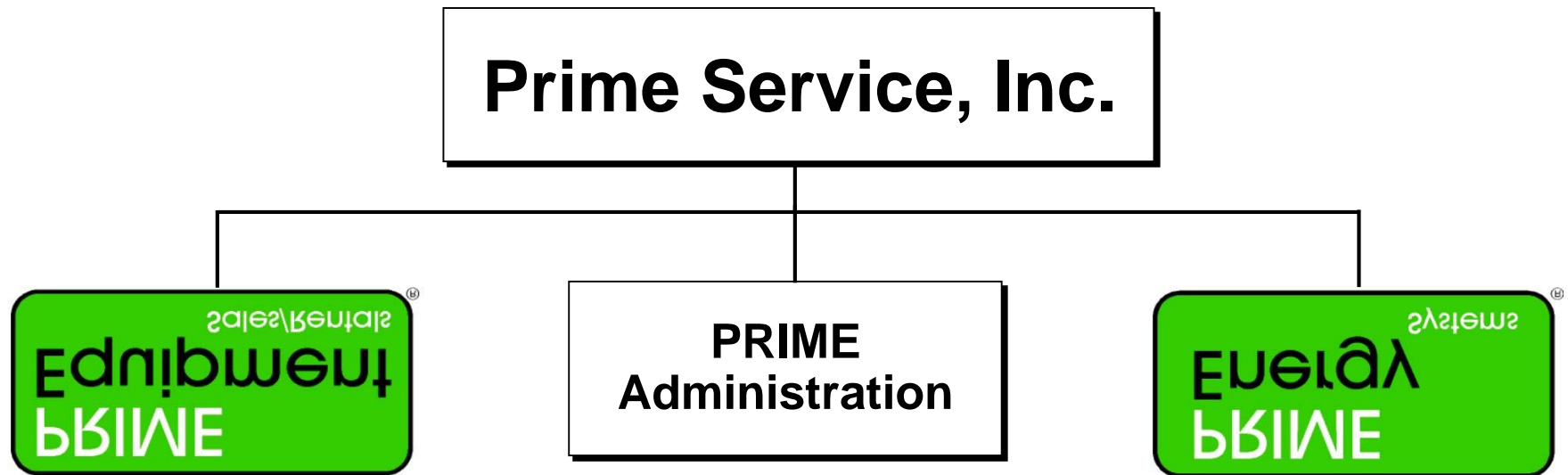
Atlas Copco Rentals Inc.

October 1998 Merger

- ▶ 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

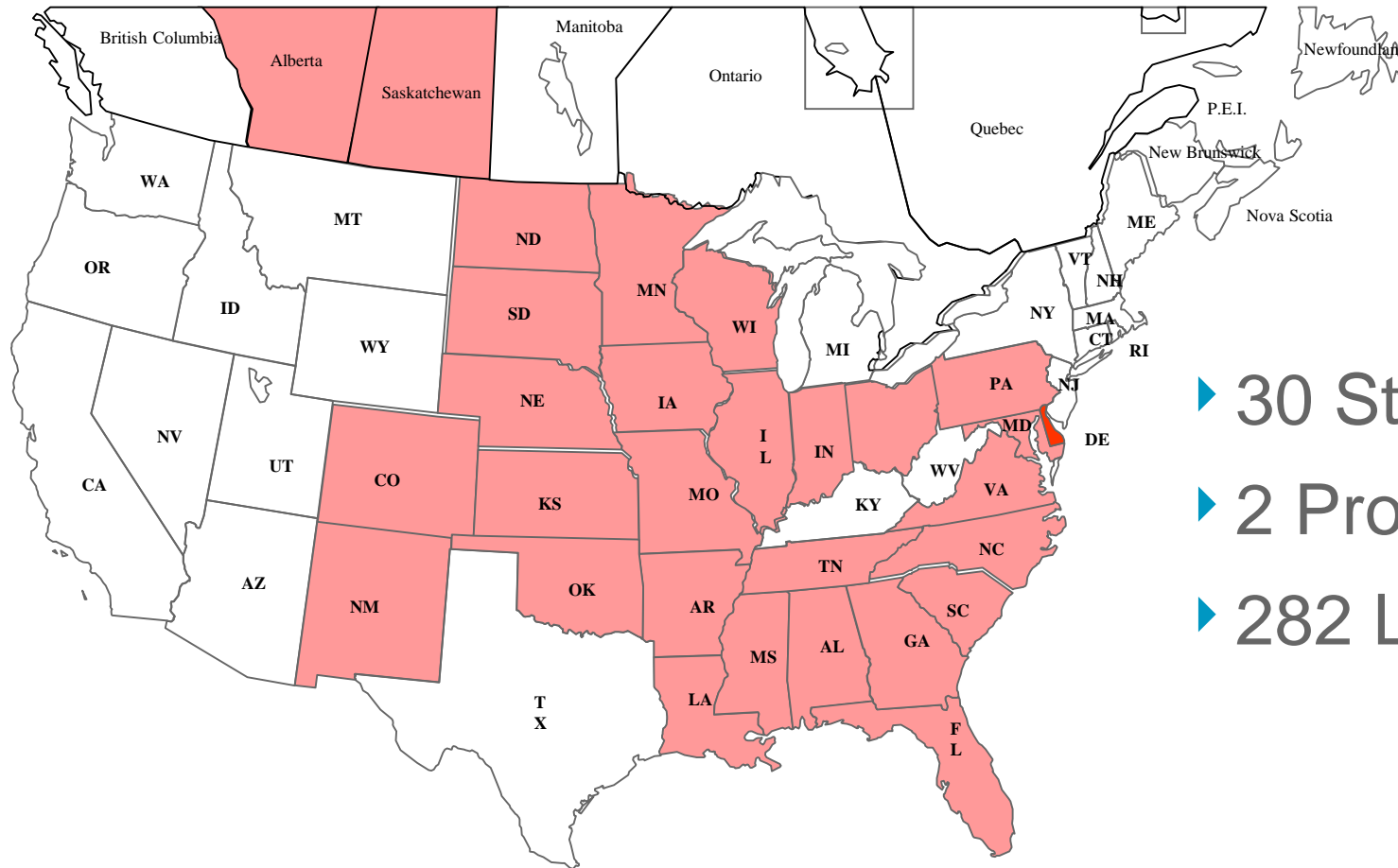
PRIME Structure

1998



Rental Service Corporation

August 1999



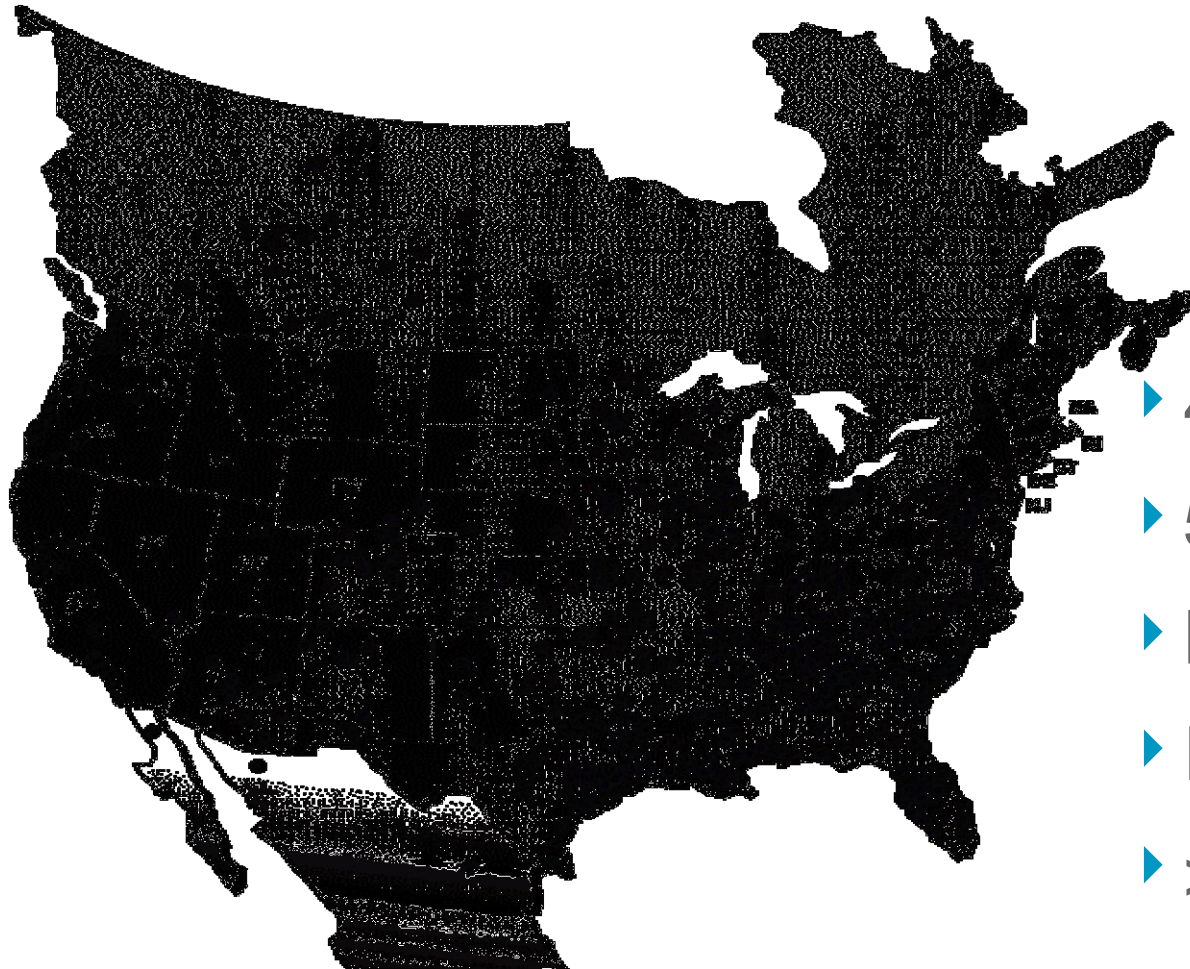
- ▶ 30 States
- ▶ 2 Provinces
- ▶ 282 Locations

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

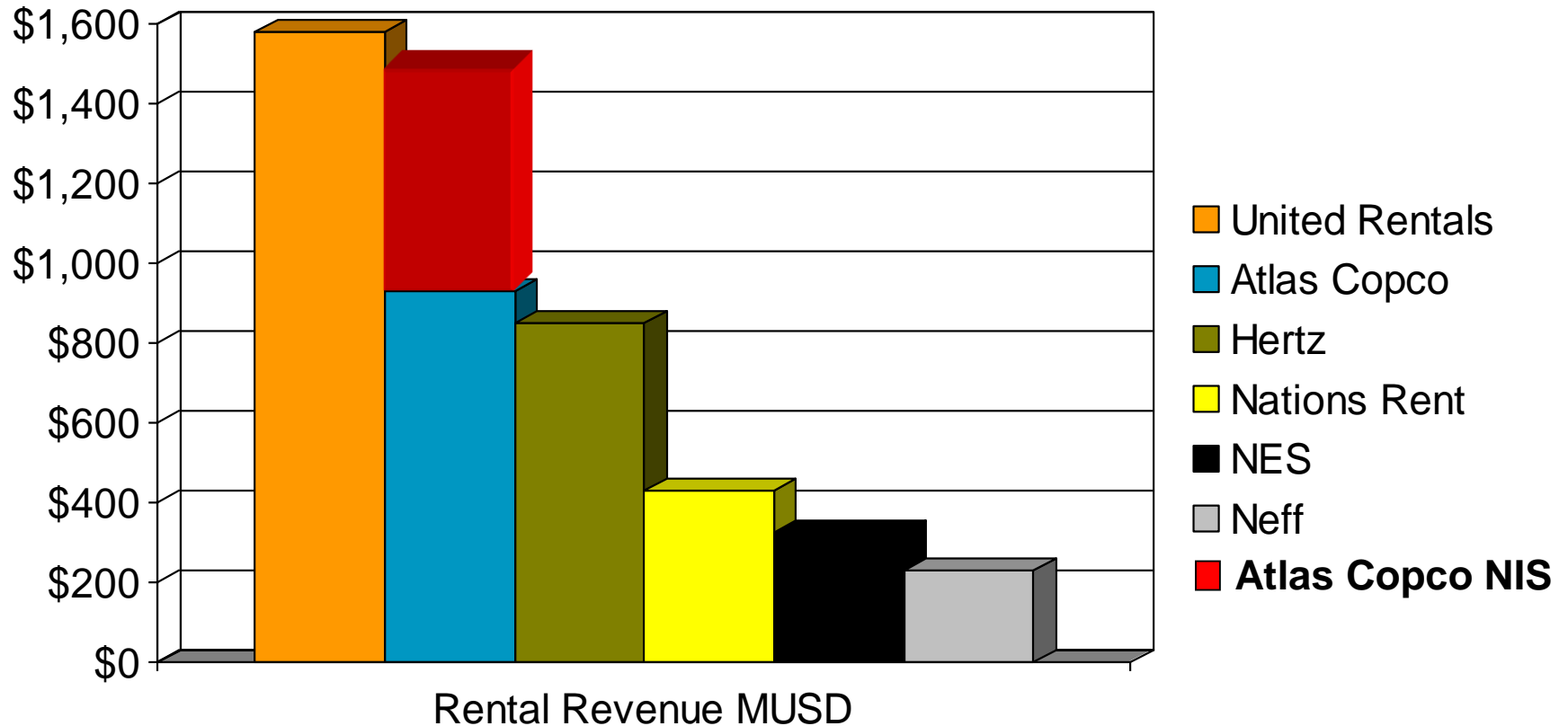
Rental Service Business Area

February 2001



- ▶ 42 States
- ▶ 5 Provinces
- ▶ Mexico
- ▶ Puerto Rico
- ▶ > 575 stores

Today We are the Second Largest



Source: Rental Equipment Register, Corporate Web pages

Industry Consolidators

Increase in Store Locations, 1997-2000

	1997	1998	1999	1998-1999 %Change	2000	1999-2000 %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
 - ▾ Improve operating efficiencies

Bluechip Customer Base Tenured Relationships



OxyChem.



Disney

BASF




ExxonMobil



Brown & Root, Inc.



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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

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

THE *POWER*



OF

PRIME
Service, Inc.

Rentals/Sales/Service/Systems

A Company Within The Atlas Copco Group

RSC

Rental Service Corporation



Merger

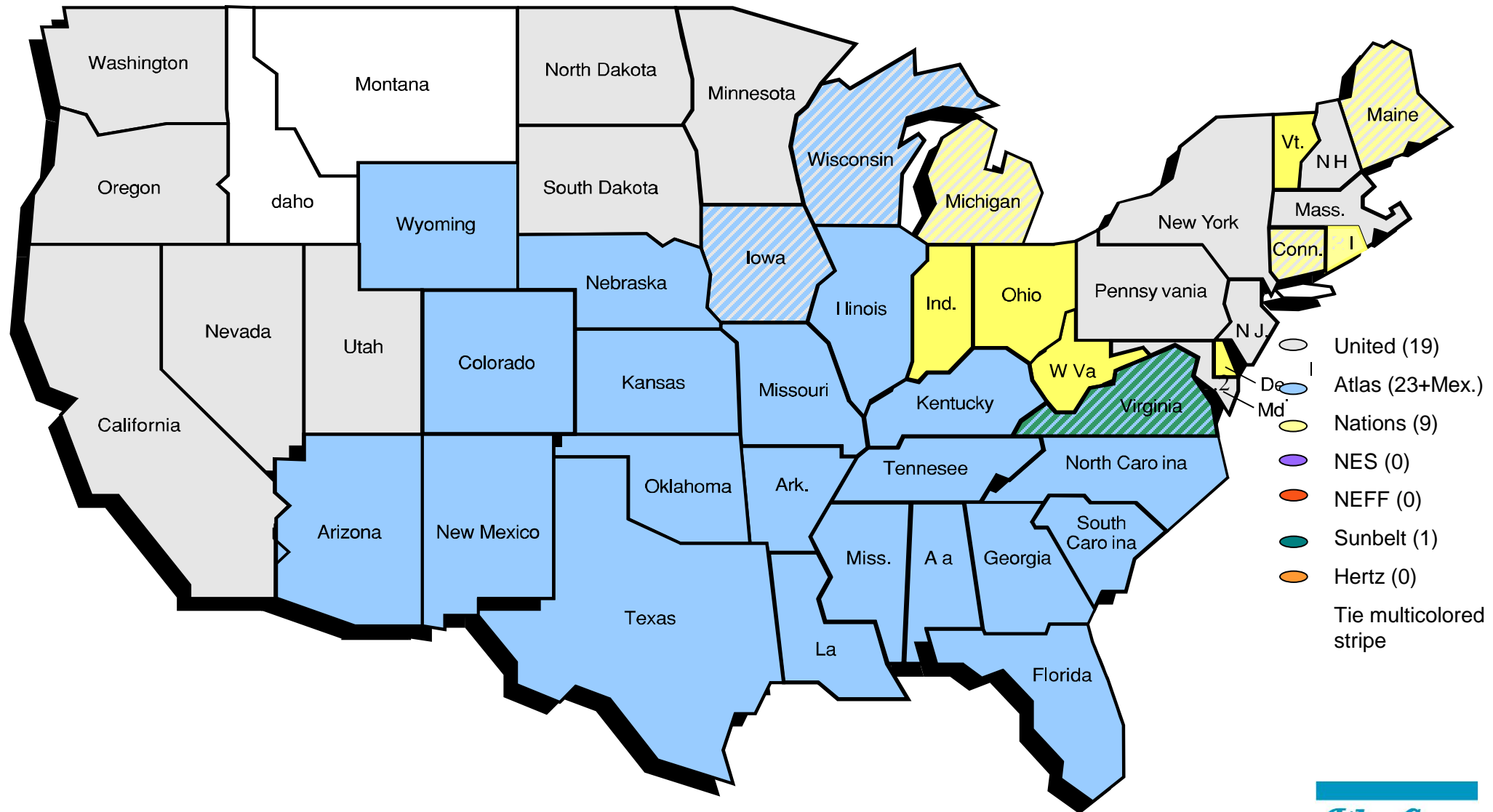
- ▶ Proactive
- ▶ Great for customers
- ▶ Great for employees
- ▶ Accelerates efficiencies and synergies

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 Consolidated Market Share

(subjectively based)



Video

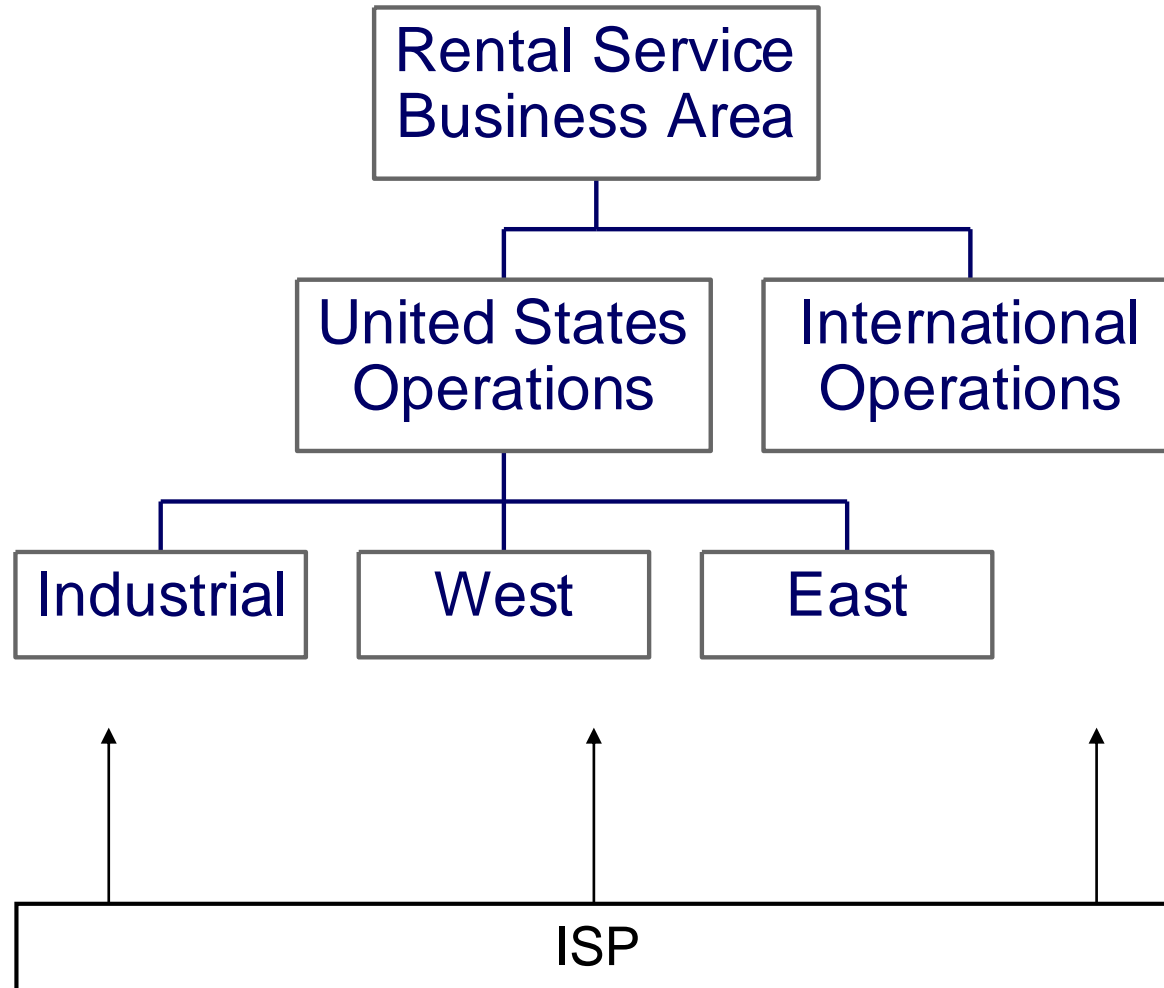
Synergies

- ▶ 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

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

Marketing Mix



National Ads & PR



Equipment Decals



Promotional items



Strategic Accounts



Sales Force Automation



Signage, Yellow Pages & National 800 #



E-Facts & E-commerce



On-Line Marketing Support



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

ONE-STOP SHOPPING



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!

e-Commerce

RSC
Rental Service Corporation

WEATHER enter city or zip

PRIME Industrial

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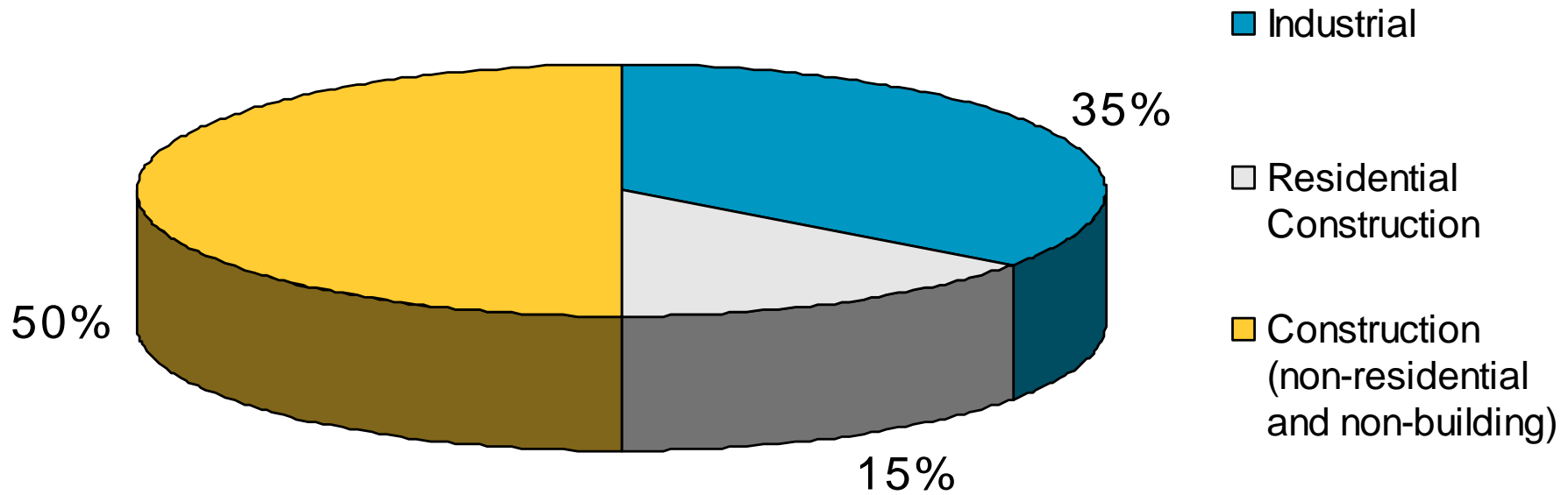
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- ▶ Customer focused web site
- ▶ Functionality
- ▶ Interactivity
- ▶ Connectivity
- ▶ Best in class

Market Segments

Rental Service Business Area



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

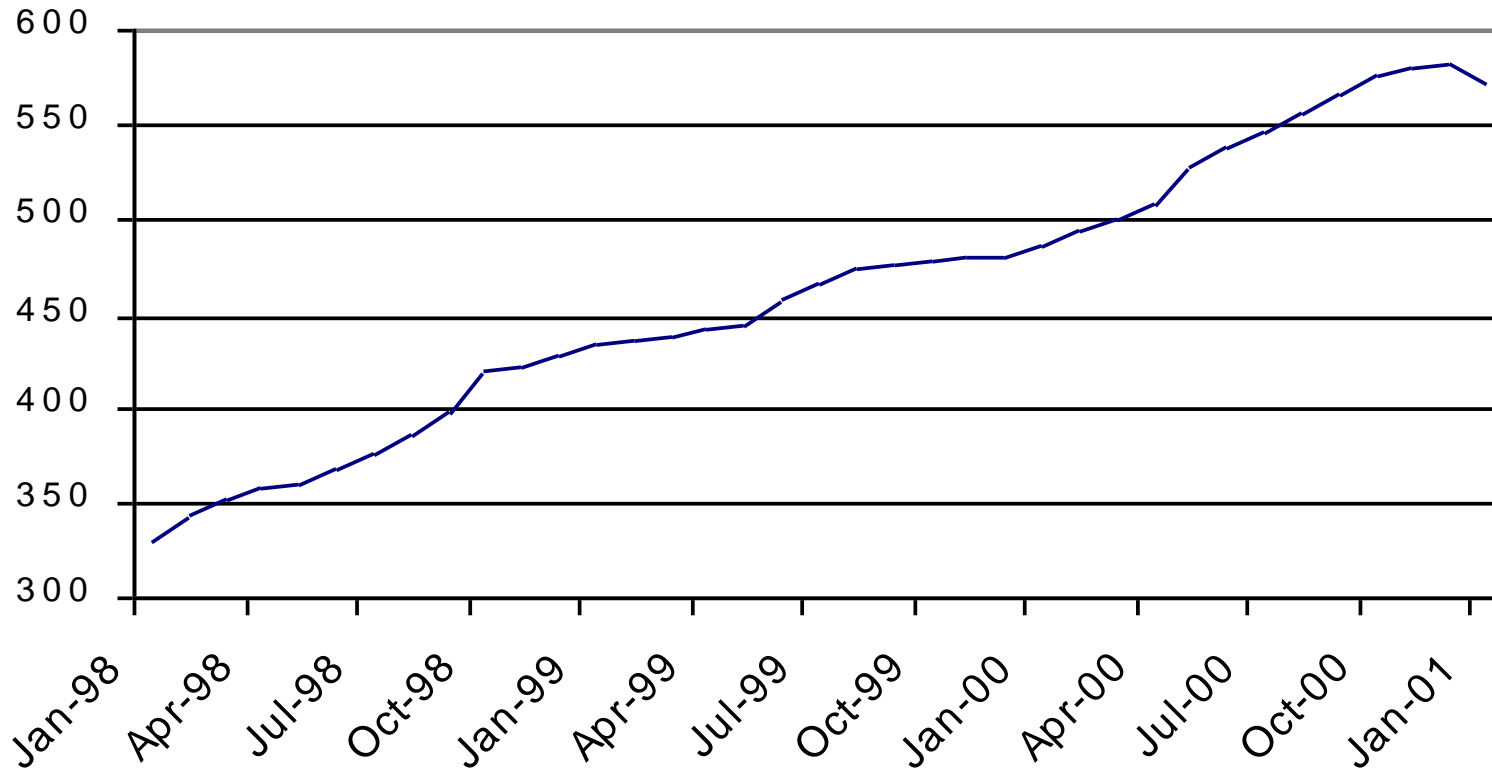
2001 Focus Growth Areas

- ▶ United States
 - ▾ California coast
 - ▾ Indiana, Michigan, Ohio & Northeast
- ▶ International
 - ▾ British Columbia, Quebec & Mexico
 - ▾ Puerto Rico
 - ▾ Brazil
 - ▾ South America

Internal Score Card

Store Count

Number of stores



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Economic Conditions/Outlook

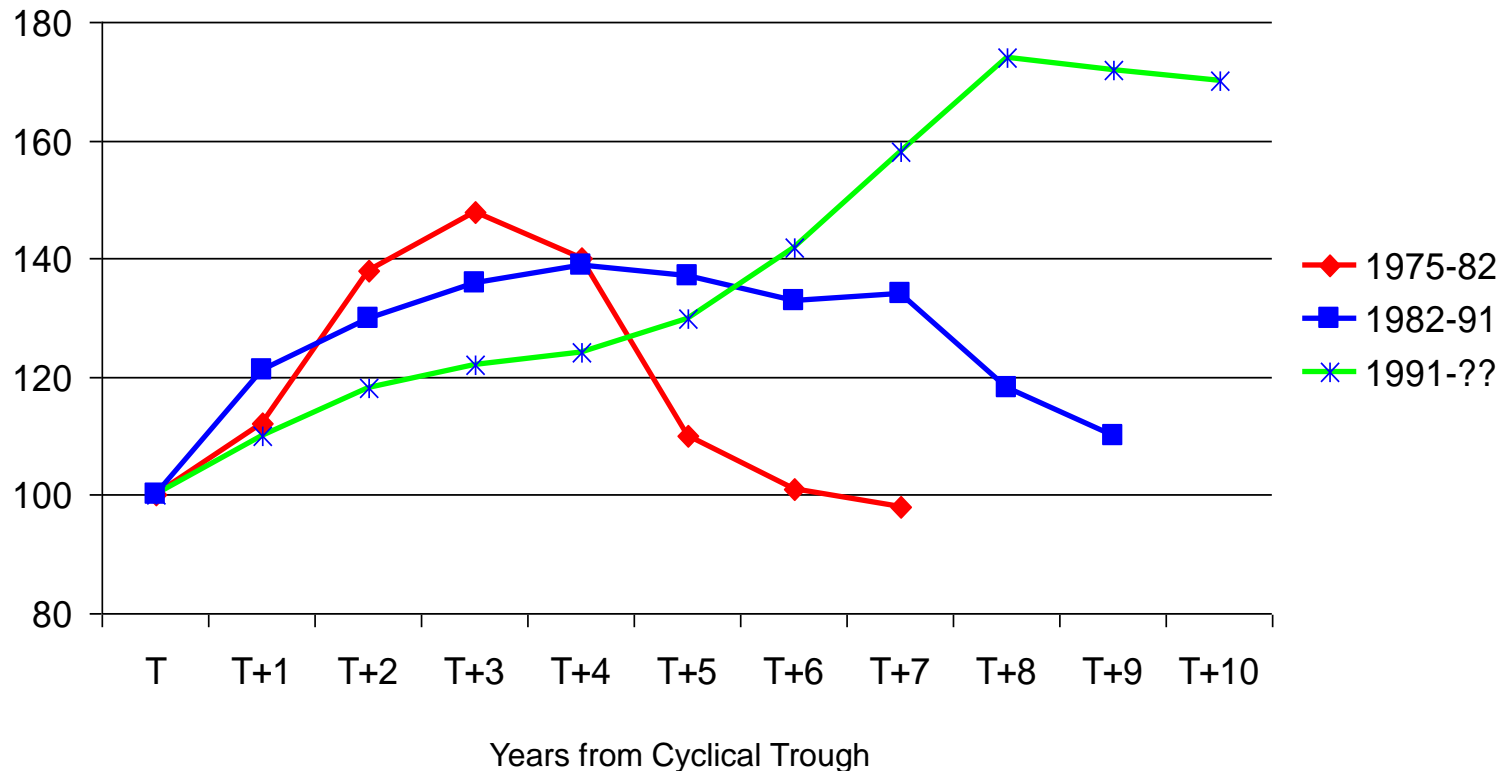
▶ Market Conditions

- ▶ 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

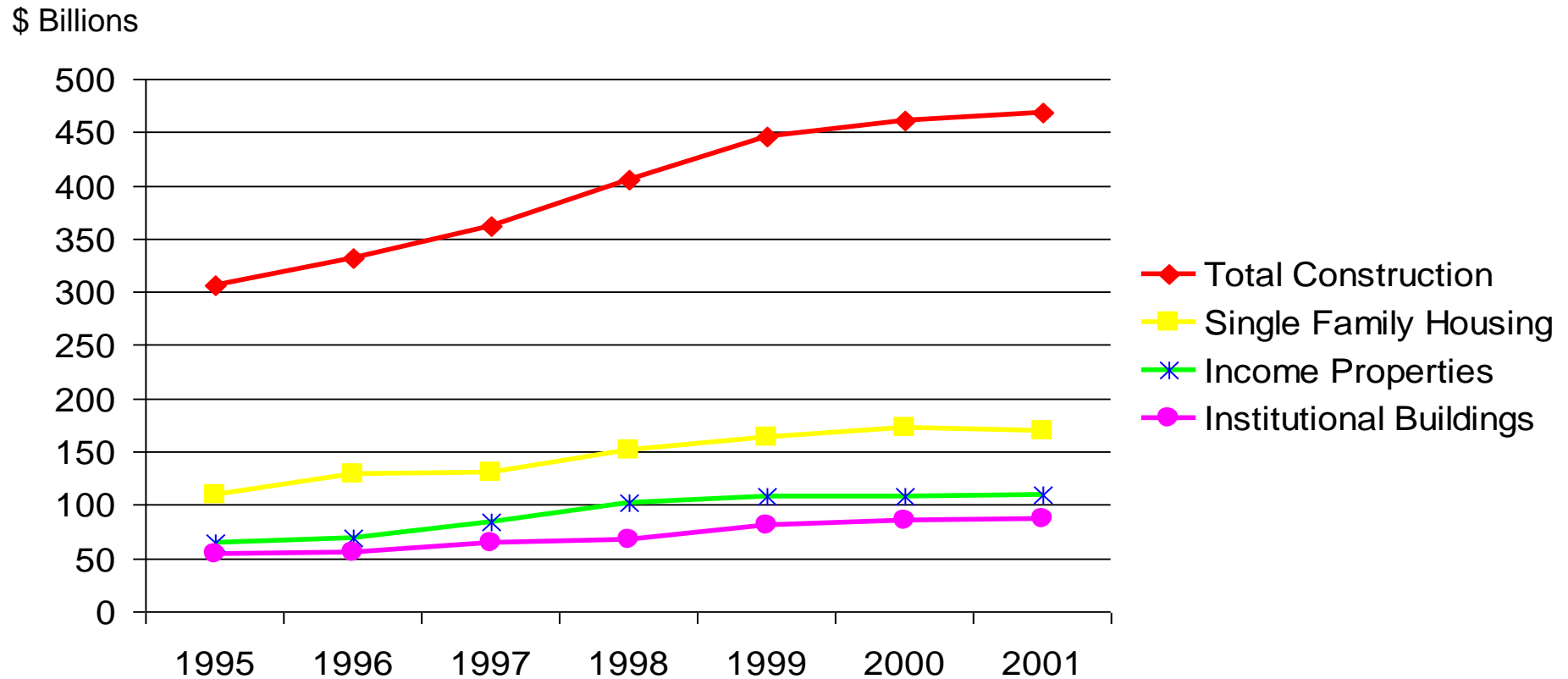
Based on constant 1992 prices

Cyclical Trough (T) = 100



Source: McGraw-Hill Construction Information Group

U.S. Construction Outlook

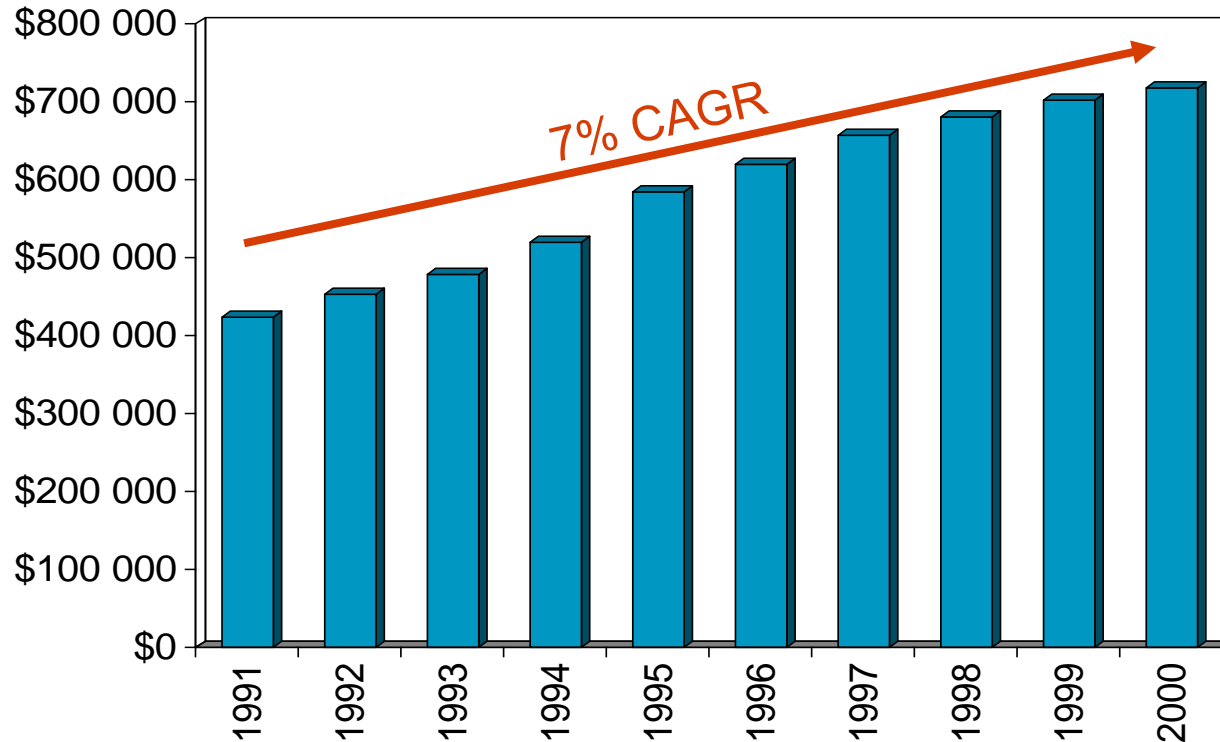


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Construction Put in Place

Estimated for the United States

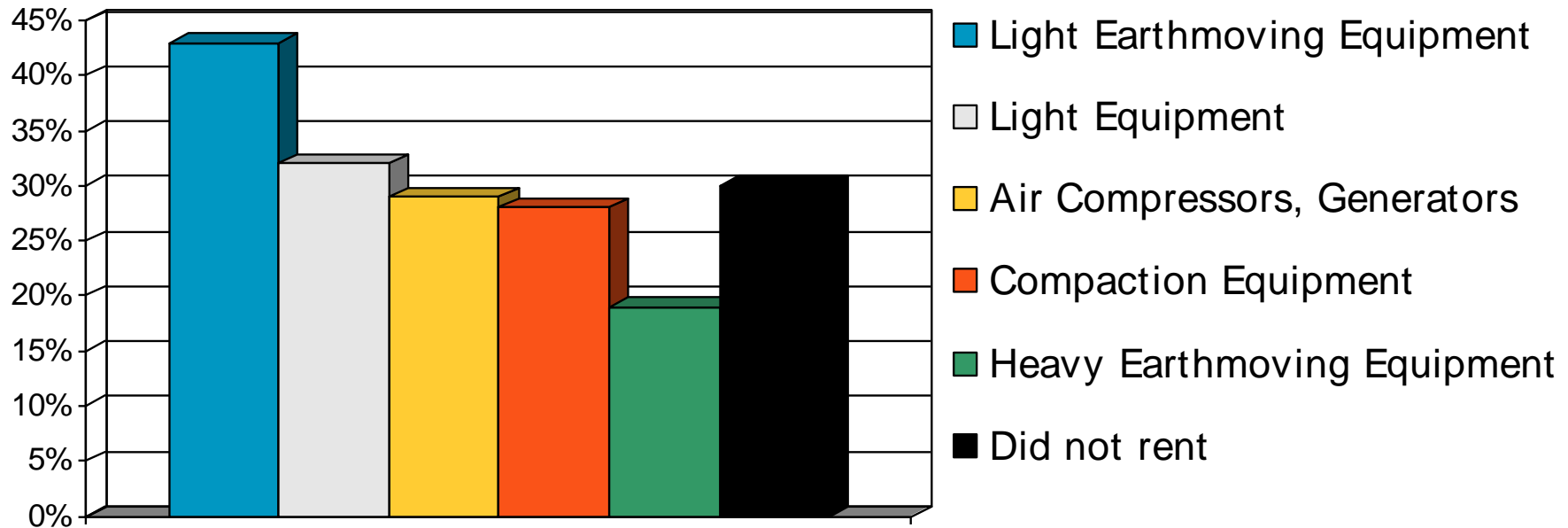
\$ Millions (current)



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

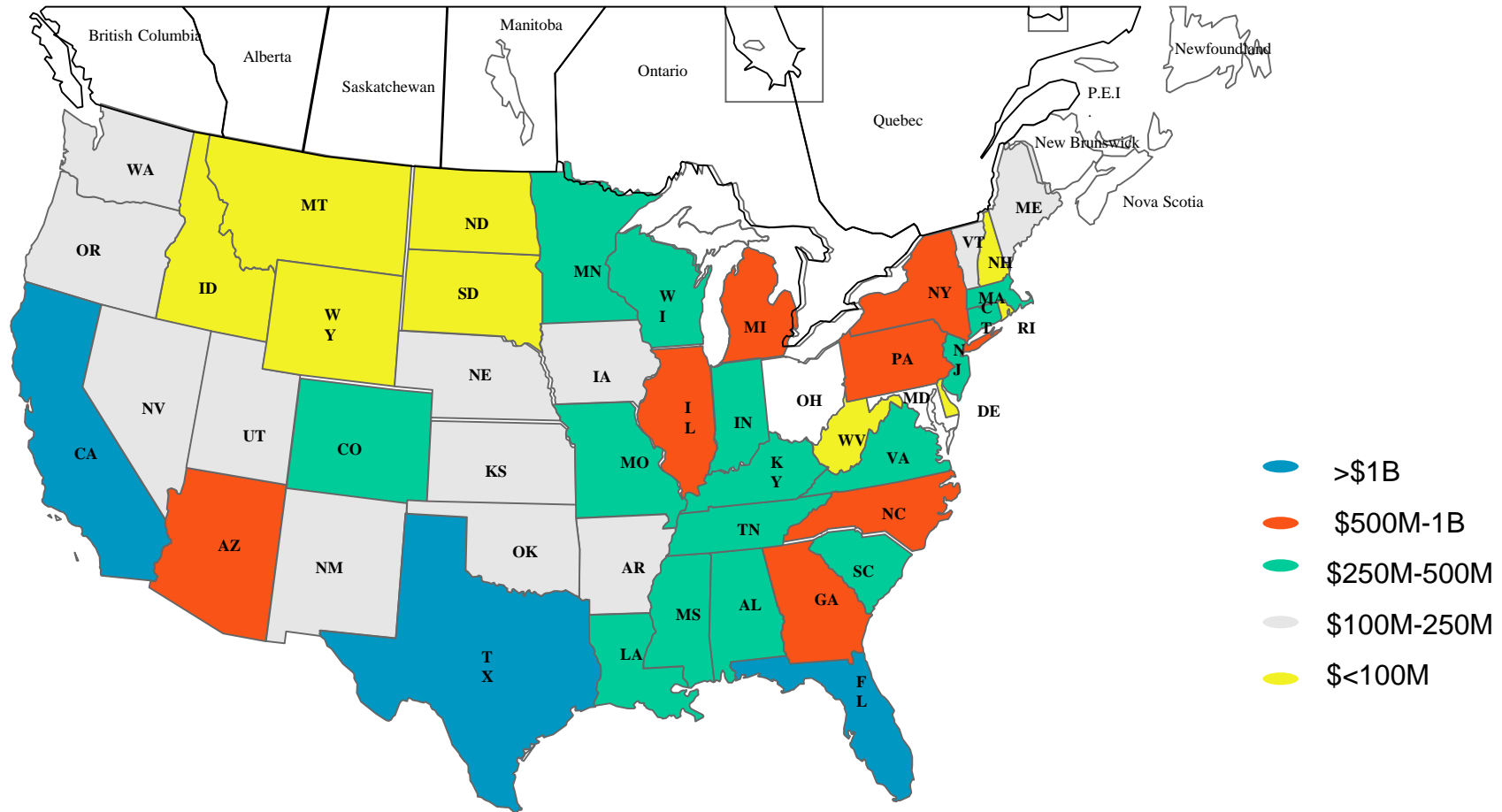
Contractor Rental Trends

% Renting Equipment, by Type

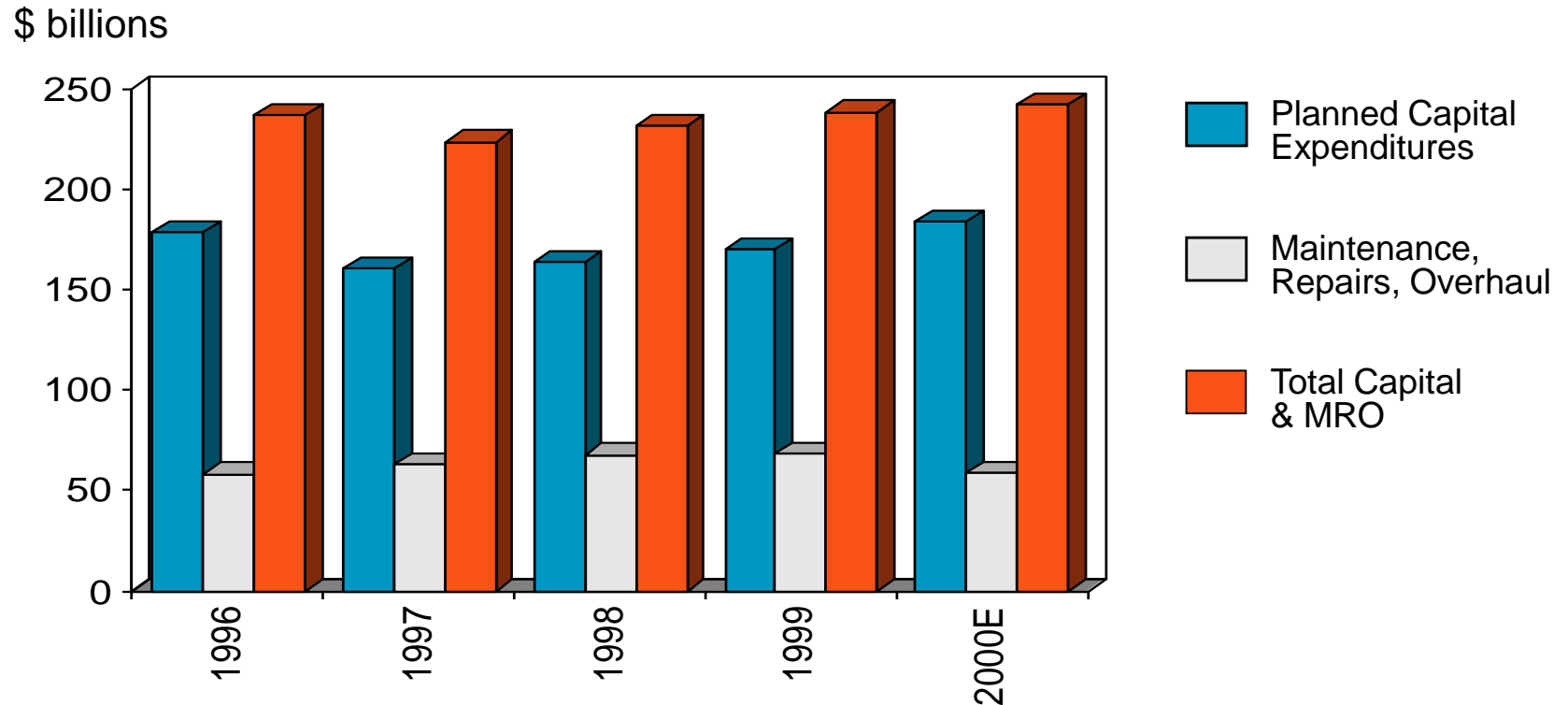


Source: Construction Equipment/New Holland Construction Annual Report & Forecast Study

2000 Construction Market Rental Potential \$17.5B

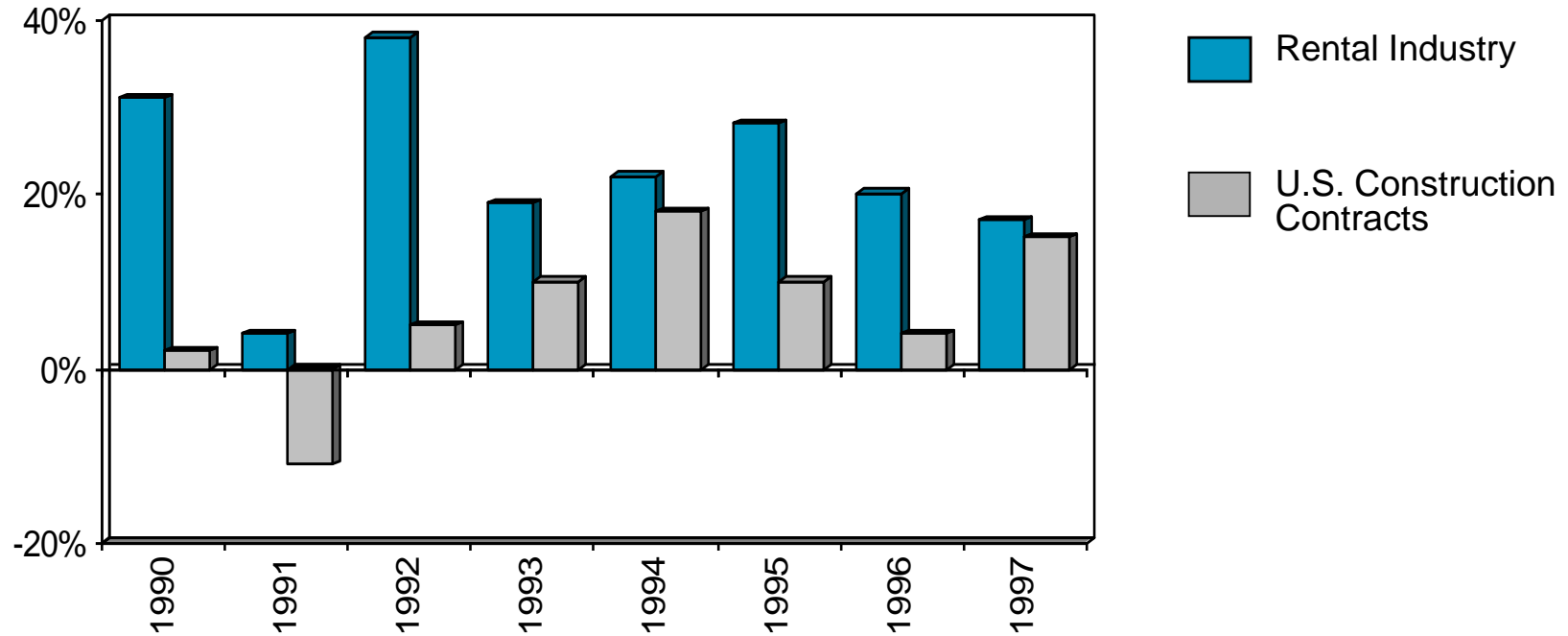


U.S. Forecast Analysis Industrial Market



Source: Industrial Information Resources

Rental Growth vs. Construction Activity



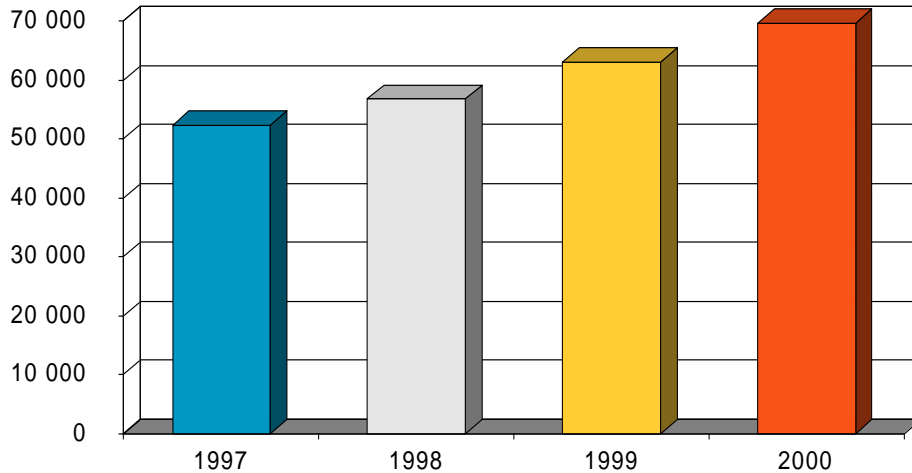
Source: Rental Equipment Register, Bureau of Census, Dept. of Commerce

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

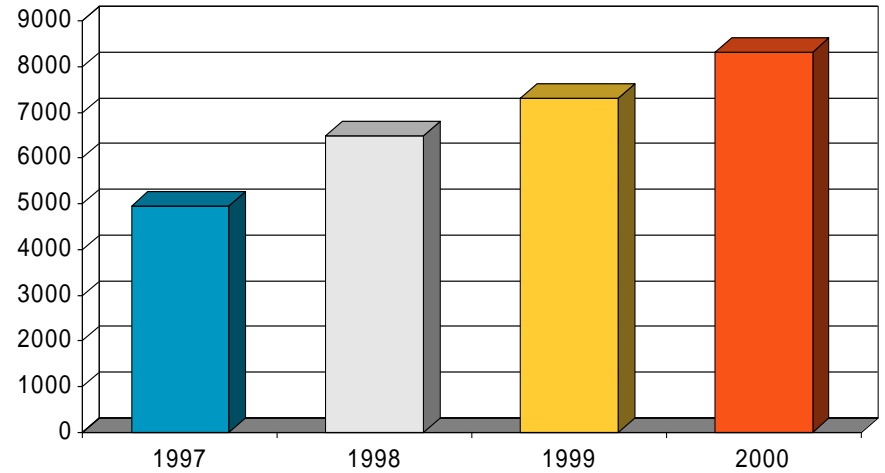
Supply of Equipment Grew Faster Than Customer Demand

▶ Skidsteers sold



Source: EMI Data

▶ 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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