

We invest in a single portfolio of 15 highly profitable, market-leading, global businesses. They create wealth for shareholders by earning a sustainably high ROIC and reinvesting capital at attractive incremental rates of return.

The businesses we own are resilient to economic stress and to competitive challenges, whilst also being adaptable to the changing needs of their customers.

Time makes them stronger.

Our Portfolio

accenture

Accenture is the world's leading IT outsourcing and consulting company. It helps large organisations deal with change, improve operating efficiency, modernise their IT infrastructure and manage risks, such as cybersecurity. Of its top 100 customers, 98 have been customers for more than a decade, which speaks to the depth and durability of its client relationships.

In a world of rapidly changing IT needs and potential, Accenture has continuously evolved its offering through hiring and retraining, and successful bolt-on acquisitions, to remain not only relevant but also increasingly valuable to its clients.

Amphenol

Amphenol is a leading global producer of interconnect devices, which are used to join electrical circuits and sensors that measure a physical parameter and convert it to an electrical signal.

Sensors and connectors are sold into a wide range of end markets, including commercial aerospace, automotive, mobile devices, mobile networks, data centres and military. Many of these markets are experiencing rising electrical content, in particular automotive.

While these are simple-looking devices, Amphenol has particular strength in sensors and connectors for use in extreme temperature and pressure environments.



Headquartered in the UK, Compass is the world's largest contract catering business. It serves over 16 million meals a day across tens of thousands of corporate offices, hospitals, schools and universities, mining sites, and sporting and entertainment venues. A growing share of catering sites are being outsourced to third parties like Compass, allowing its customers to focus on their core businesses. Compass has consistently outgrown its catering peers and has industry-leading rates of customer retention and satisfaction. On average it keeps its customers for 25 years.

DIPLOMA PLC

Diploma is a UK based, value-added distributor of specialised products that are critical components in its customers' value chains. The company thrives in offering solutions that are technical, can survive harsh, demanding operating conditions and add value through product customisation or packaging.

Diploma comprises a diverse set of businesses that operate across a variety of countries and end markets, such as labour-saving cabling systems for data centres and aftermarket parts for out of warranty industrial robots.

Diploma adds to its businesses regularly through a highly successful bolt-on acquisition program, which has been another driver of its growth.



Experian is a leading global data and analytics company with particular strength in the US, the UK and Brazil. It is the world's largest credit bureau, collecting and aggregating information on more than one billion people and over 100 million businesses.

Experian's data is used by businesses to manage credit risk, mitigate fraud, automate credit decisions and generate targeted marketing. It has capabilities to help organisations turn vast amounts of information into insights and better decisions. It is also used directly by consumers to protect themselves against identity theft and fraud, and shop for credit and insurance offers.



W.W. Grainger is a leading distributor of maintenance, repair and operating (MRO) supplies in North America and Japan. It serves over 4.5 million customers through two core models: a high-touch service for large, complex organisations and an online-first offering for smaller businesses.

Grainger's scale, product breadth and supply chain capabilities make it a critical partner for businesses looking to manage inventory efficiently and avoid downtime. High customer retention and consistent reinvestment in digital infrastructure have driven strong, sustained growth.

Halma

Halma is a global group of life-saving technology companies. It operates in highly specialised niche markets focused on safety, health and the environment.

Halma's many products include instruments that detect flammable and hazardous gases, fire detection systems, elevator safety products, devices that assist in eye surgery, and products for water-quality testing.

The markets Halma serves are all supported by regulation and trends towards higher safety and environmental standards. Barriers to entry are high, and long-term growth and profitability have been impressive.

IHG HOTELS & RESORTS

IHG is the brand owner and franchisor of hotel chains globally. The largest hotel brands in the IHG system are Holiday Inn and Holiday Inn Express, which together account for about 50% of gross revenue. The next most significant is InterContinental, followed by Crowne Plaza. There are 19 brands in total across IHG's 6.600 hotels.

IHG provides hotel owners the benefits of its loyalty program (IHG One), reservation system, and revenue management system in return for a franchisee fee. This makes it more economically attractive for the owner to franchise rather than operate an independent hotel, and it also makes it attractive for existing independent hotels to convert to one under the IHG system. IHG today accounts for 4% of global hotel rooms and 10% of the pipeline, as an indicator that it should continue to gain share for many years to come.

jack henry

Jack Henry is a leading provider of software to banks and credit unions in the U.S. Its products allow banks to accept deposits, transfer funds, and process payments. Over 75% of banks in the U.S use at least one Jack Henry product. The mission critical nature of the software combined with high levels of customer service has resulted in a customer retention rate of 99%.

Jack Henry has invested in broadening its product offering which has seen it win new customers and provide more products to existing customers. The focus on customer service combined with investment in innovation has enabled Jack Henry to consistently outgrow peers.



Founded in 1909, L'Oréal is the world's largest beauty company. It operates across make-up, hair care, hair colour, skin care and perfume in most countries in the world. It owns iconic beauty brands such as L'Oréal Paris, Maybelline, Yves Saint Laurent, Lancôme, Garnier and Redken.

L'Oréal operates across all distribution channels, selling through professional salons, department stores, pharmacies, specialist beauty stores and travel retail. Breadth across brands, beauty segments, geographies and channels provide L'Oréal with balance and resilience, and access to growth wherever it may occur.

Microsoft

Microsoft is the world's largest enterprise and consumer software company. Its Windows operating system and Office application suite are used by 1.5 billion and 1.2 billion people respectively. Microsoft Azure is number two in cloud-computing services and growing strongly, supporting the critical IT needs of many of the world's largest organisations.

Over many years and through heavy investment in innovation, Microsoft has become more relevant and more valuable to more users. Its security products have become increasingly important in protecting corporate and consumer data, while its Teams product has rapidly become an essential communication and collaboration tool.



RELX is a global provider of information-based analytics and decision tools for professional and business customers across science and academia, legal, risk, and insurance. These tools enable their customers to make better decisions, achieve better results and be more productive.

They are the largest publisher of scientific journals globally, the 2nd largest provider of legal publications in the US, and one of the biggest providers of risk tools to banks and insurance companies. RELX also have an exhibitions business, where they host over 500 events across 43 sectors each year.



SAP is the world's leading enterprise resource planning (ERP) software company, which is an integrated set of applications across HR, finance, manufacturing, supply chain management and customer relationship management. 99 of the world's 100 largest customers use SAP, and 77% of the world's transactions touch an SAP system. As customers transition to the cloud with SAP, they take more SAP applications, including data analytics and AI tools, and their annual spend with SAP typically increases 2-3x. 50% of SAP's revenue today is from the cloud.



Sherwin-Williams is the world's largest paint and coatings company. The business has a particularly strong position in the market for professional painters in the US, which it distributes through its own stores. The business is impressively dominant, with a market share 10x its closest peer. Remarkably, its market share continues to rise. Its strong position comes from its willingness to invest in its product development, its distribution network, and its people.

Sherwin-Williams also has dominant positions in the many niches that its industrial coatings business serves. This business shares many of the paint business' strengths. It has invested in the technical capabilities of its products, in expert reps, and in other value-adds that customers appreciate.



Visa is best known for enabling consumers to make debit and credit card payments. In the year to September 2023, 4.3 billion Visa cardholders made 213 billion transactions on its network, to a total value of \$12.1 trillion.

Visa has consistently grown the number of cardholders on its network, the number of merchants that accept its network, and the share of global payments processed by its network, which is most notably displacing cash. Adoption of its network is also aided by the rise of e-commerce, the development of lower friction tap-to-pay mobile payment technology, and Visa's investments in anti-fraud technologies.

