

FIRST HALF 2011 RESULTS

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Solid performance in a contrasted environment

▼ Strong consolidated sales growth:

- ▼ Reported increase +16.4% and +10.7% at constant scope and exchange rates

▼ Solid EBITDA growth and resilient margins

- ▼ EBITDA at €253 million, +9,2% and +4,4% at constant scope and exchange rates
- ▼ EBITDA margin is 22.1%

▼ Reported consolidated Group share of net income at €91 million

▼ Robust cash flow generation

- ▼ €194 million compared with €181 million in H1 2010 (+7.1% and +2.2% at constant scope and exchange rates)



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Simplified Net Income Statement

€ Millions	H1 2011	H1 2010	Change (reported)	Change (at constant scope & exchange rates)
Consolidated sales	1 146	985	+16.4%	+10.7%
EBITDA*	253	232	+9.2%	+4.4%
<i>EBITDA margin (%)</i>	<i>22.1</i>	<i>23.6</i>		
EBIT**	165	148	+11.0%	+5.3%
<i>EBIT margin (%)</i>	<i>14.4</i>	<i>15.1</i>		
Consolidated net income	108	119	-9.1%	-12.8%
<i>Cons. net income margin (%)</i>	<i>9.5</i>	<i>12.1</i>		
Net income, Group's share	91	95	-3.9%	-7.2%
Cash flow	194	181	+7.1%	+2.2%

* EBITDA: sum of gross operating income and other income and expenses on ongoing business

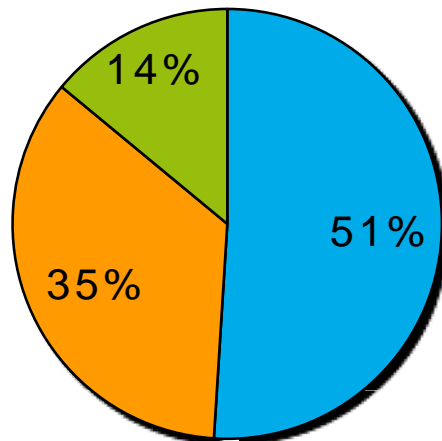
** EBIT: sum of EBITDA and net depreciation and provisions on ongoing business



Breakdown of consolidated sales by activity

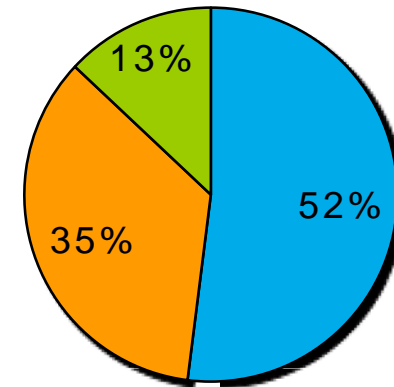
Contribution by activity:

H1 2011



Contribution by activity:

H1 2010



- ▼ Sales: €1,146 million (+16.4% and +10.7% at constant scope and exchange rates)
 - ▼ Cement: €588 million up +9.4%*
 - ▼ Concrete & Aggregates: €404 million up +11.2%*
 - ▼ Other Products & Services: €154 million up +14.7%*

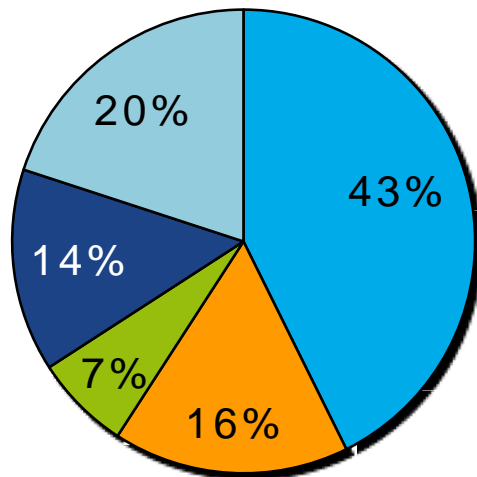
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Breakdown of consolidated sales by region

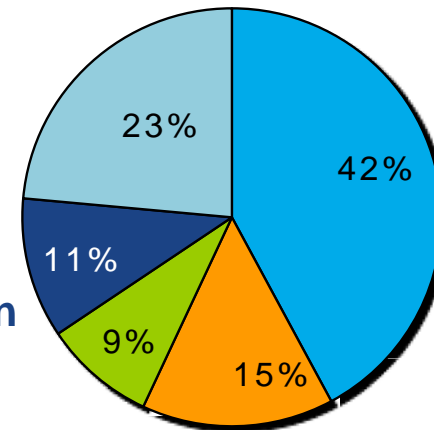
Contribution by region:

H1 2011



Contribution by region:

H1 2010

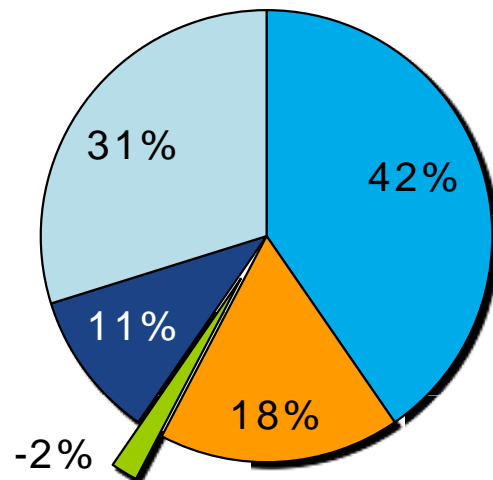


- ▼ Increase of contribution from Turkey, India & Kazakhstan
- ▼ Slight increase of contribution from France and Europe
- ▼ Decline in US contribution and from Africa & Middle East

Breakdown of EBITDA by region

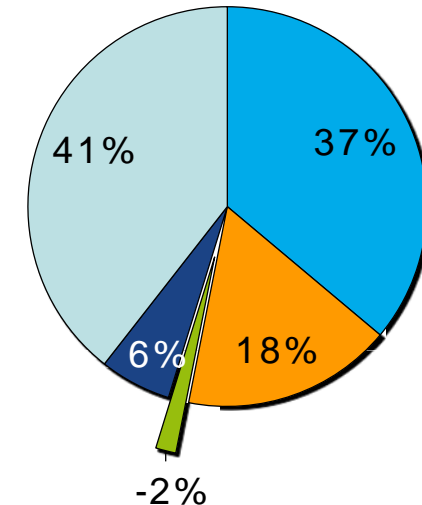
Contribution by region:

H1 2011



Contribution by region:

H1 2010



- ▼ Strong increase in contribution from France and from Turkey, India & Kazakhstan
- ▼ Slight increase in contribution from Europe
- ▼ Decrease in contribution from Africa & Middle East
- ▼ Still negative contribution from the USA

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Analysis by region

France

€ Millions	H1 2011	H1 2010	Change (reported)	Change (at constant scope & exchange rates)
Consolidated sales	489	415	+17.8%	+15.7%
EBITDA	106	87	+22.0%	+20.1%
EBIT	77	60	+29.3%	+27.3%

▼ Sales

- ▼ Strong increase thanks to very favourable weather conditions in Q1 and overall improvement in market conditions
- ▼ *Cement* sales up +14.1%
 - ▼ Strong volume growth at +11%
 - ▼ Average selling prices increase: significant increase in export prices and very slight decline in domestic prices mainly due to unfavourable product and geographical mixes
- ▼ *Concrete & Aggregates* sales up +14%
 - ▼ Strong volume growth by more than +16% for Concrete and nearly +18% for Aggregates
 - ▼ Flat selling prices for Concrete and slight increase for Aggregates

▼ EBITDA margin

- ▼ EBITDA margin rose to 21%, from 20.7%, mainly due to the improvement in the Cement division
- ▼ *Cement*: increase in EBITDA margin
 - ▼ Very strong performance considering the Group's commitment to fully satisfy customer demand in Q1 with additional non recurring expenses to reduce duration of scheduled maintenance shutdowns
- ▼ *Concrete & Aggregates*: flat EBITDA margin



Analysis by region

Europe (excluding France)

€ Millions	H1 2011	H1 2010	Change (reported)	Change (at constant scope & exchange rates)
Consolidated sales	189	146	+29.2%	+7.5%
EBITDA	47	41	+14.7%	+0.8%
EBIT	34	29	+16.3%	+3.0%

▼ Switzerland: strong sales growth and solid EBITDA margins

- ▼ Sales up +7.4%
 - ▼ Robust market and particularly favourable weather conditions in Q1
- ▼ *Cement*: sales growth +5.1%, EBITDA margin decrease by 2.6 percentage points
 - ▼ Dynamic momentum of the Swiss market
 - ▼ EBITDA decrease mainly due to the scheduled maintenance shutdown of the Reuchenette plant (vs H2 in 2010)
- ▼ *Concrete & Aggregates*: strong sales increase (+16.1%), EBITDA margin gained nearly 2 points
- ▼ *Precast*: sales up +1.5%, EBITDA margin declined slightly due to unfavourable product mix

▼ Italy: strong performance in a persistently sluggish market environment

- ▼ Sales up by +9.3%
 - ▼ Strong volume growth of more than +19%
 - ▼ Selling prices decline vs H1 2010 but strong increase on a quarterly basis



Analysis by region

United States of America

€ Millions	H1 2011	H1 2010	Change (reported)	Change (at constant scope & exchange rates)
Consolidated sales	77	85	-9.5%	-4.4%
EBITDA	(6)	(4)	-41.8%	-49.8%
EBIT	(21)	(21)	-2.5%	-3.0%

▼ Consolidated sales fell 4.4%

- ▼ In *Cement*, sales fell 13.1%, affected by lower prices in both California and Alabama (flat on a quarterly basis) and volumes down 4.5%
- ▼ In *Concrete*, stable consolidated sales (-0.3%), but decline of 5.6% on a reported basis, due to significant increase in volumes in California and a slight upturn in Alabama but with declining prices

▼ Negative EBITDA of €6 million reported for H1 2011

- ▼ Market continued to be hard hit by a deteriorated economic environment and unfavourable weather conditions in Alabama and in California
- ▼ *Cement*: negative EBITDA but better performance than in H1 2010
- ▼ *Concrete*: negative EBITDA after reaching breakeven in H1 2010

Analysis by region

Turkey, India, and Kazakhstan

€ Millions	H1 2011	H1 2010	Change (reported)	Change (at constant scope & exchange rates)
Consolidated sales	162	107	+51.8%	+22.4%
EBITDA	29	14	+102.9%	+48.6%
EBIT	14	3	+310.6	+150.7

▼ Turkey:

▼ Sales at €94 million, up +9%

- ▼ Dynamic regional growth in both residential market and infrastructure, selling prices benefiting from the upturn in both the Konya region and in greater Ankara
- ▼ *Cement*: sales up +13.3% with volumes up nearly +4%, solid increase in average selling prices
- ▼ *Concrete & Aggregates*: up +3.3%, with volumes decline of more than 12% in concrete and over 11% in aggregates, prices up strongly as the Group switched to a more selective marketing approach

▼ EBITDA margin improved to 16.1%, up from 14.1%

- ▼ *Cement*, EBITDA margin continued to improve
- ▼ *Concrete & Aggregates*, EBITDA positive after reporting a slight loss in H1 2010

▼ India:

- ▼ Sales at of €61 million vs. €47 million for the overall Bharathi Cement 8-month consolidation period in 2010
- ▼ EBITDA margin improved strongly to 24.2%, from 14.7%

▼ Kazakhstan:

- ▼ Sales at nearly €7 million: volumes at more than 131,000 tonnes in a favourable price environment
- ▼ Taking into account the start-up phase, the H1 2011 operational performance is not relevant



Analysis by region

Africa and Middle East

€ Millions	H1 2011	H1 2010	Change (reported)	Change (at constant scope & exchange rates)
Consolidated sales	229	232	-1.1%	+3.8%
EBITDA	78	95	-17.4%	-13.2%
EBIT	60	77	-22.1%	-18.0%

- ▼ Sales grew by +3.8% and EBITDA margin at 34.1% down from 40.8%, mainly due to the decline in activity and higher production costs in Egypt
- ▼ Egypt:
 - ▼ Sales down 13.9%
 - ▼ 6.4% decline in sales volumes and a sharp drop in selling prices due to the current political turmoil
 - ▼ EBITDA margin eroded by more than 10 points to 35.9%
 - ▼ Current tensions generated several surplus charges (use of heavy fuels Group to operate the Group's two kilns)
 - ▼ Still, the Group remains confident in the Egyptian market's medium and longer-term growth trend and in Vicat's capacity to fully benefit from this growth
- ▼ West Africa: sales up +20.1%
 - ▼ Cement:
 - ▼ Strong volume growth up nearly +21%, selling prices decline due to the strong increase in export sales, in line with the Group's regional diversification strategy
 - ▼ Consequently, the EBITDA margin declined
 - ▼ Aggregates
 - ▼ Sales growth by +39.7%: volumes up at more than +16%, driven by robust business, notably for public works
 - ▼ EBITDA increased despite slight decline in the EBITDA margin



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Financial situation in H1 2011

Balance Sheet

- ▼ Group Gearing at 48% vs. 39% at 31 December 2010 and 41% at 30 June 2010
 - ▼ Net debt at €1,138 million at 30 June 2011 vs. €988 million at 31 December 2010 and €1,028 million at 30 June 2010
 - ▼ Shareholders' equity at €2,386 million vs. €2,557 million at 31 December 2010 and €2,505 million at 30 June 2010

- ▼ In June 2011, the Group successfully closed and signed a €480 million, 5-year revolving credit facility
 - ▼ The revolving credit facility was set up to finance the Group's general financing needs and to refinance a €445 million multicurrency 3-year revolving credit facility dating from 20 July 2009
 - ▼ The new credit facility has extended the average maturity of the Group's debt to 5.5 years, and to 6 years for Vicat SA

- ▼ Given the level of the group's net debt, its financial position and balance sheet liquidity are not at risk from any bank covenants
 - ▼ At 30 June 2011, Vicat's financial ratios are comfortably within the limits required by covenants in financing agreements

Financial situation in H1 2011

Cash Flow

- ▼ Cash flow in H1 2011 of €194 million vs. €181 million for H1 2010

- ▼ Capital expenditure at €122 vs. €140 million in H1 2010
 - ▼ Largely involving on-going investments in projects in India and Kazakhstan
 - ▼ Remainder corresponds to investments in maintenance and improvements in all countries

- ▼ Financial investments of €42 million vs. €220 million in H1 2010
 - ▼ Mainly for the acquisition of another 21% stake in Mynaral Tas Company LLP, the controlling holding company for Jambyl Cement, from its Kazakhstan partner
 - ▼ The Group also invested KZT3,942 million in the KZT4,380 million new share issue of Mynaral Tas Company LLP
 - ▼ Following these operations, the Group now holds an 84.1% stake in this company

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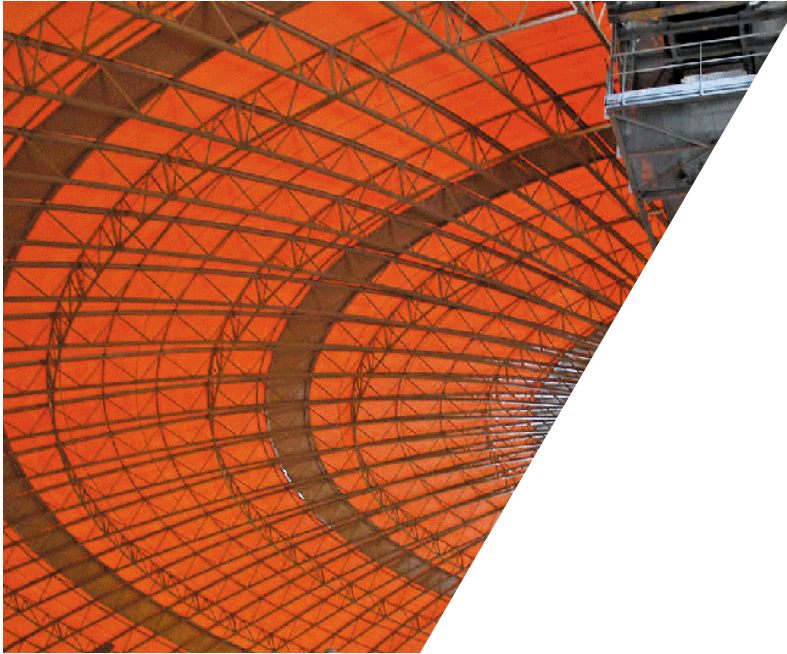
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2011 outlook

- ▼ The Group confirms the expected trends as communicated with the publication of its 2010 full year results and during its AGM
 - ▼ Several factors will affect the EBITDA margin in 2011:
 - ▼ The ramping up of the Bharathi Cement plant in India and the start-up costs of the Jambyl Cement plant in Kazakhstan
 - ▼ The impact of recent events in Egypt. Moreover, in 2011, the Group will not benefit from €18 million in non-recurring income reported in 2010 for the retroactive revision of the amount of the cement tax per tonne
 - ▼ A slight increase in energy costs, due mainly to higher electricity prices in some countries
 - ▼ In contrast, several factors will have a positive impact on the EBITDA margin:
 - ▼ The gradual recovery in business in the mature countries
 - ▼ The on-going strong momentum in the emerging countries, with the exception of Egypt
 - ▼ And on-going efforts to boost productivity gains and reduce fixed expenditure, as well as the combined impact of the Performance plans
 - ▼ After taking all these factors into account, the Group expects a slightly lower EBITDA margin in full-year 2011 than in 2010

2011 outlook

- ▼ Vicat is determined to continue cautiously pursuing its growth strategy, which is supported by:
 - ▼ a solid financial structure
 - ▼ the benefits of the "Performance 2010" plan, particularly lower production costs resulting from the modernisation of production facilities and the strengthening of the Group's industrial and commercial positions
 - ▼ and its expansion in Kazakhstan and India



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