

# Achieving our Goals through Improved Controls

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#### **United States at a glance**

#### Key figures in 2004

- Revenue of \$3.3B
- 1.5% EBITA margin

#### **Business numbers**

- ≈ 110K temps per week
- ≈ 4K perm placements in H1 2004
- ≈ 40K active clients

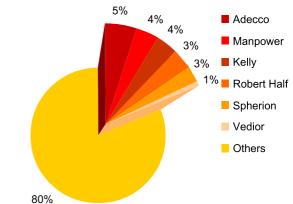
#### **Network & Clients**

- ≈ 1,200 branches
- ≈ 3,000 employees
- Service ≈79% of Fortune 500 Companies

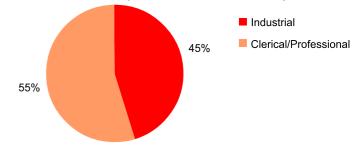
#### Year to date performance (June)

- ≈ +1% sales growth, excl. divestitures
- -3% sales growth reported

#### **Approximate Market Size \$82B 2004**



#### Revenue Mix (Skilled vs. Unskilled)





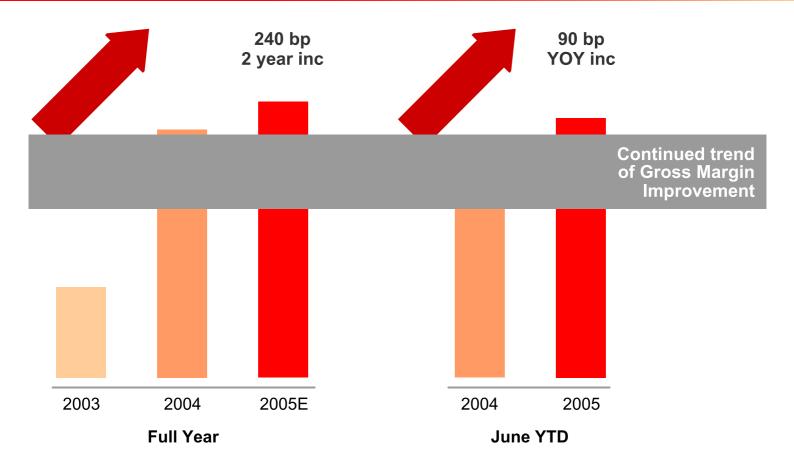
## Our Vision, Business Objectives, & Strategy

Vision: Become the best in class staffing company in North America

#### **Business Objectives Strategy** Profitable Revenue Growth Create Technical Division Increase Gross Margin, target Grow Transactional +100bps per year Create Finance Vertical Increase ROS, target 5% Achieve Balanced Portfolio Mix Grow Perm Business National vs. Transactional Implement Pricing Strategy Vertical/Value-added vs. low margin industrial Business Process Improvements Focus on Quality and Consistency (Front-Office, Back-Office, & IT) in operations

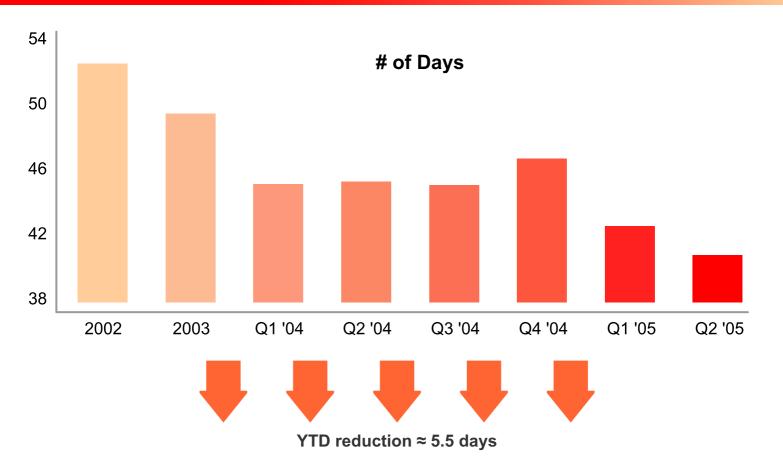


## Adecco US – Gross Margin Trend





#### Adecco US - DSO Trend





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## **Linkage of Business Objectives with Controls**

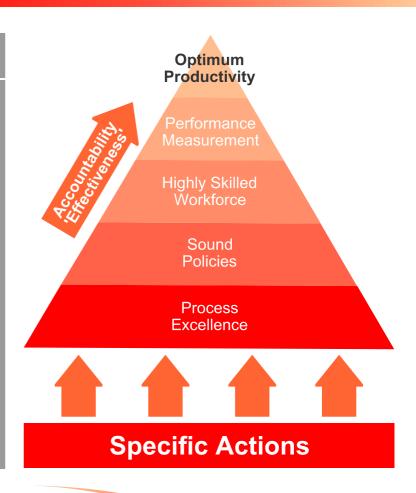




## **Process & Control Improvements Strategy**

#### **Primary Objectives**

- Strengthen Process Controls
- Maintain Compliance with Policies and Procedures
- Realign Administrative Responsibilities
- Efficient and Cost-effective Admin. Processing
- Provide training and tools
- Implement measurement systems
- Drive Accountability for performance and compliance



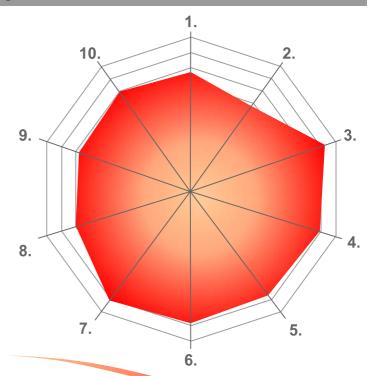


## **Adecco's Commitment to Quality**

#### **Tools/scorecard development:**

- Compliance/Quality Operating procedures developed
- Quarterly Performance Review (QPR) of 10 Basics with rating and sampling procedures
- 62 Regional Operations Managers conducting QPR's

- 1. Business Requirements/Office Mgt
- 2. Sales
- 3. Pay/Bill Management
- 4. Order Management
- 5. Client Management
- 6. Employee Management
- 7. Colleague Training and Development
- 8. Accounts Receivable Management
- 9. Expenses Management
- 10. Risk Management



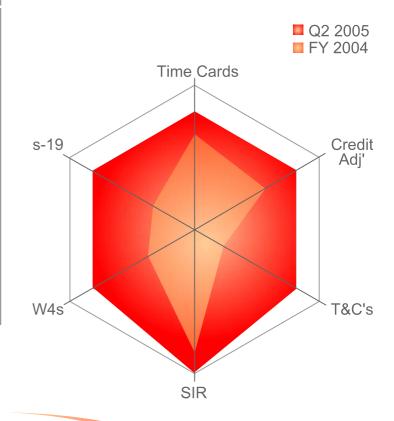


## **Compliance & Quality Program – Status**

## Management Identified 6 high priority control related items for specific review

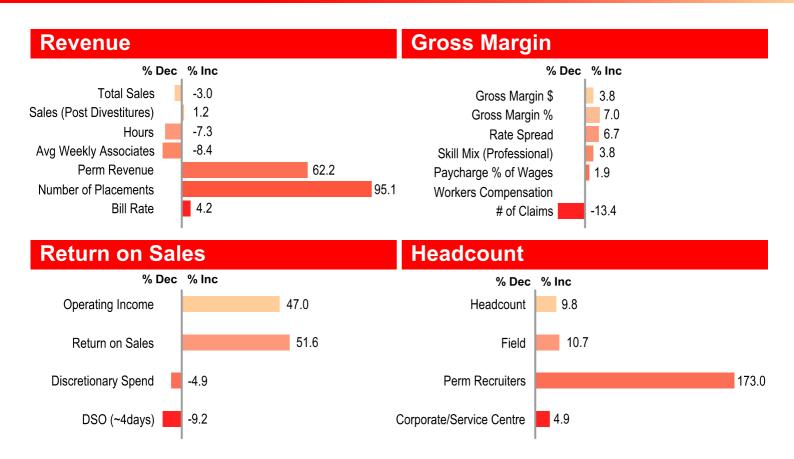
- Continuous testing & scoring conducted to validate existence, accuracy, propriety, and completeness.
- Remarkable progress made in a short timeframe (company-wide and across divisions).
- Goal is continuous improvement.

#### **Adecco US High Priority Items**





#### Financial Metrics – H1 '05 vs H1 '04





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## **Market Assessment and Prognosis**

- Mixed messages for US market statistics
- Recovery impacted by high cost of oil and other commodities such as copper and steel
- Unemployment Rate 4.9% (lowest since 09/01)
- Temp jobs increased by 8,800 in June, decreased by 4,300 in May and increased by 10,600 in April
- YOY growth has slowed from 02/05 to 06/05
- Katrina Impact??



## **Hurricane Katrina Disaster Recovery Efforts**

#### **Overview**

- Most Costly Natural Disaster to ever hit the United States
- 4 states impacted with heavy damage in Louisiana and Alabama
- Approx. 1 million Americans have been evacuated from their homes

#### **Impact on Business**

- 7 branches impacted, sales loss ≈ \$0.5M since 8/29
- All but 2 branches are back up and running
- All colleagues re-located to alternate locations

#### **Adecco US Response**

- Established a Disaster Response Team
- Identified critical action items and owners
- Communication plan in place
- Leverage our core competence



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#### **Conclusions**





## Thank you

**Any Questions?** 

