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THE FMCG INDUSTRY (FAST-MOVING CONSUMER GOODS) HAS BEEN CHALLENGED BY DECREASED CONSUMPTION IN 2016

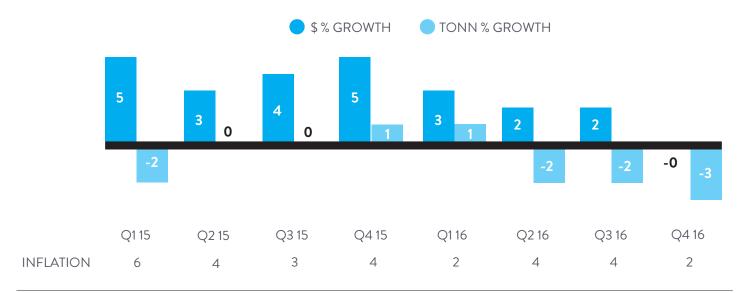


INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE

	SALES VOLUME (MILLIONS)	\$% GROWTH	UNITS % GROWTH	INFLATION
Latest 52 Weeks	\$5,669.0	+2	-3	5
Latest 12 Weeks	\$1,230.3	-0	-3	2

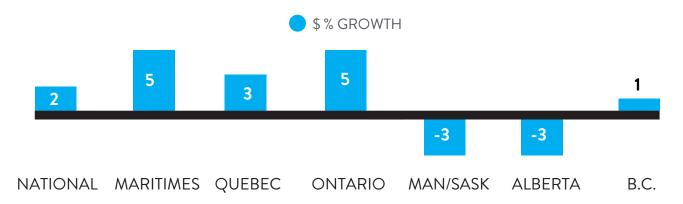
Q4 2016 STRUGGLED FOR GROWTH

NATIONAL FMCG CONSUMPTION TRENDS



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REGIONAL FMCG PERFORMANCE - LATEST 52 WEEKS



Source: Nielsen, Convenience Track, National Convenience and Gas Banners, period ending January 07, 2017 Total Tracked Sales excluding Fresh Random Weight

SUB-DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCE

TOTAL C&G TRACKED SALES

		LATEST 12 WEEKS			LATEST 52 WEEKS		
		\$ (000's)	\$ Share	\$ % Growth	\$ (000's)	\$ Share	\$ % Growth
	TOTAL TRACKED SALES	1,230,305.5	100.0%	0	5,668,971.0	100.0%	2
0	GENERAL MERCH	833,449.6	67.7%	0	3,785,934.5	66.8%	3
0	COLD BEVERAGES	131,834.1	10.7%	-3	665,011.9	11.7%	-3
	SNACK	61,386.9	5.0%	-3	287,151.4	5.1%	-2
	CONFECTIONERY	58,515.7	4.8%	3	277,866.4	4.9%	2
	REFRIG/DAIRY	44,542.3	3.6%	-3	191,833.5	3.4%	-4
	ОТС	13,724.7	1.1%	1	58,091.5	1.0%	2

Source: Nielsen MarketTrack, National Convenience & Gas Banners, 52 and 12 Weeks ending January 07, 2017 - UPC items only. Excludes Fresh Random Weight
Sub-departments reporting a dollar share of 1% or higher

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WHAT'S HOT AND WHAT'S NOT IN CANADIAN FMCG

A LOOK AT THE TOP 10 FASTEST GROWING AND SHARPEST DECLINING CATEGORIES IN THE LATEST 52 WEEKS (ANNUAL SALES >\$2 MILLION)

WHAT'S HOT				
Category	\$ % Growth	Vol % Growth*		
Rtd Iced Tea Cans	19	5		
Energy & Nutrition Products	14	9		
Natural Cheese - Non Deli	10	9		
Carbonated Water	9	7		
Milkshakes & Eggnogs	7	8		
Coffee Type Drinks	7	6		
Cookies	4	-5		
Cigarettes	4	-1		
Ice Cream & Related Products	4	5		
Candy Confections	4	-9		

WHAT'S NOT				
Category	\$ % Growth	Vol % Growth*		
Antismoking Products	-43	-25		
Frozen Dinners & Entrees	-27	-55		
Instant Breakfasts	-19	-13		
Lunch Kits	-17	-20		
Chewing Tobacco	-10	-12		
Candied Snack Foods	-9	-7		
Coconut Water	-9	-2		
Commercial Bread	-8	-9		
Commercial Rolls	-7	-8		
Milk	-6	-5		

Source: Nielsen MarketTrack, National Convenience & Gas Banners, 52 Weeks Ending January 07, 2017

^{*} Volume measured in tonnage – unit of measure may vary by category

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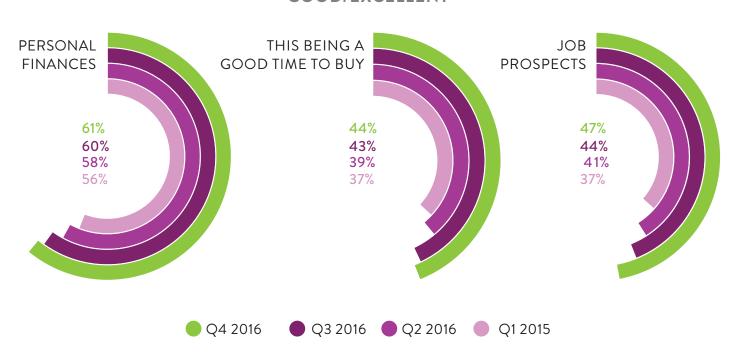
CONSUMERS ENTER 2017 ON A MORE OPTIMISTIC NOTE

CANADA

Q4 2016	98
Q3 2016	97
Q2 2016	95
Q1 2016	93

OPTIMISM RISES FOR PERSONAL FINANCES, BUYING INTENTIONS AND JOBS

GOOD/EXCELLENT



Source: Global Consumer Confidence Report, Q4 2016 - Canada

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