## Consumer

Market leaders navigate tariff risks and sector consolidation

## August 2025

Tariff uncertainty easing



### President Trump's tariffs and threatened trade actions

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20% - 25% tariffs on

India.



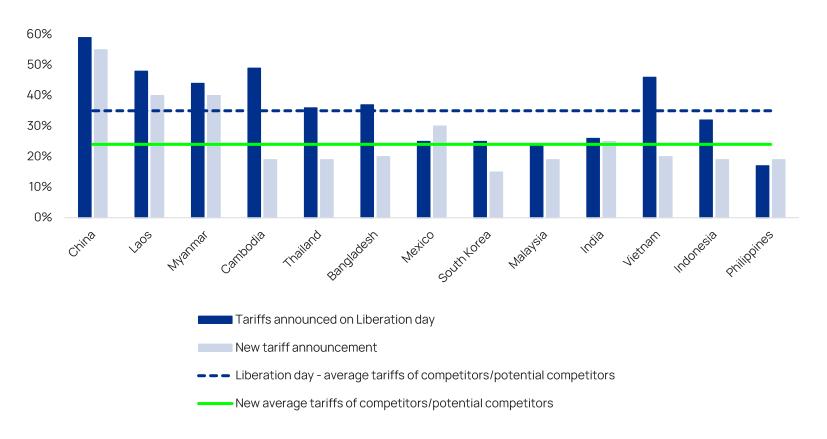
partners.

10% reciprocal tariff. Also, a

40% additional tariff will be

imposed on "transshipment."

### **US tariff on Vietnam vs peers**

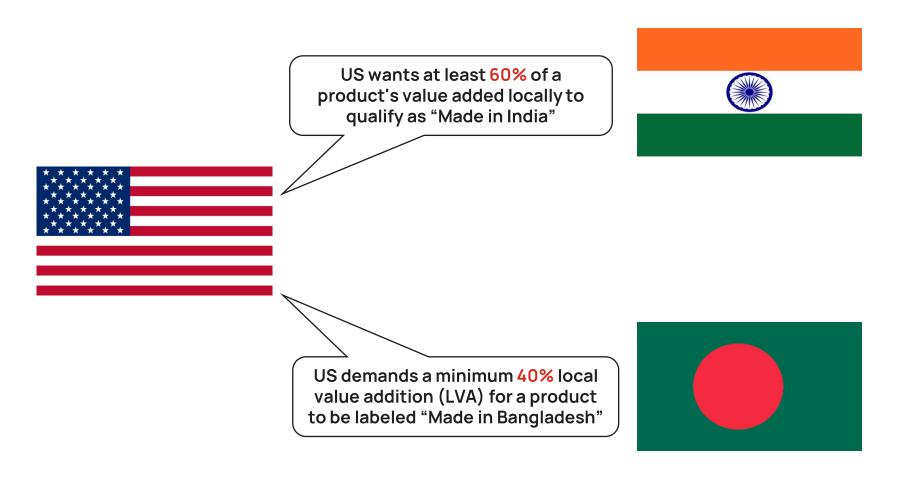


Source: White House, Vietcap compilation

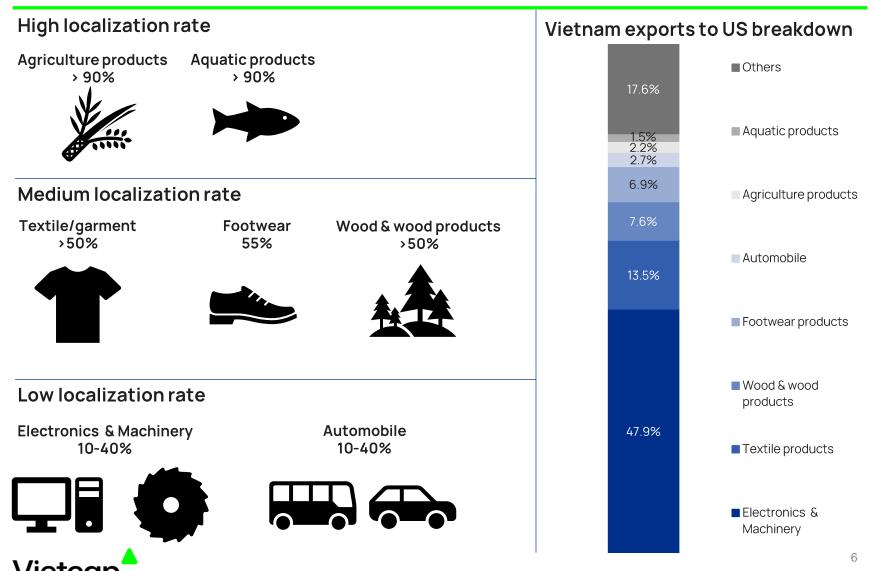
- \* Peers: Southeast Asian countries excluding Brunei and Singapore, plus India and Bangladesh; Mexico and China pending)
- Liberation day average: 33% (Excl. China)
- New average: 24% (Excl. China and Mexico which have not finalized tariff rates)



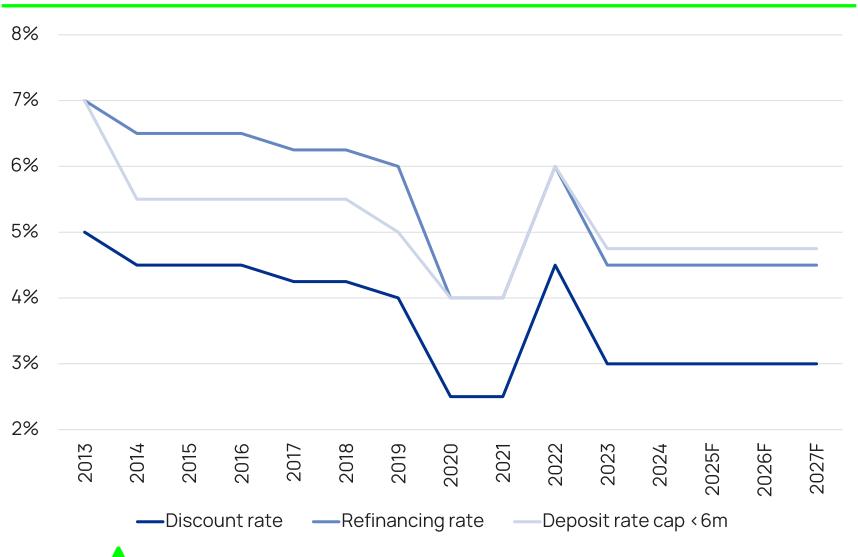
## "Transshipment" definition negotiation



## Low localization rate poses risks for higher tariff



## SBV to maintain an accommodative monetary stance





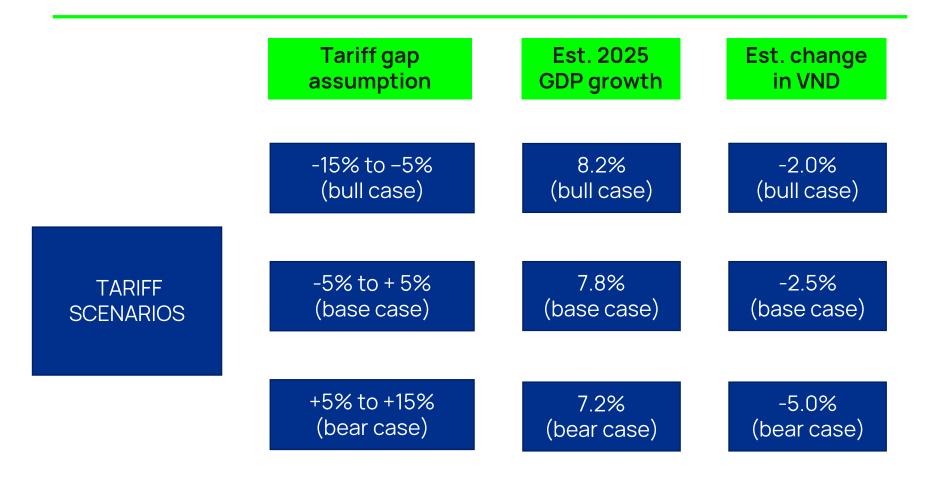
# Government raised public investment budget to boost growth

#### Breakdown of the State Budget

Unit: USD bn	H1 2025	% of annual plan	YoY %
Budget revenue	51.24	67.70%	28.30%
Domestic revenue	44.55	69.40%	33.30%
Revenue from crude oil	0.95	46.30%	-16.70%
Revenue from exports-imports	5.72	63.30%	6.50%
Others	0.02		
Budget expenditures	42.39	43.20%	38.50%
Current expenditures	29.85	49.50%	40.80%
Investment & development	10.31	33.90%	42.30%
Interest repayment	2.14	50.40%	-0.30%
Others	0.09		
Budget balance	8.85		



## Impact on Vietnam's economy



Note: In all cases, we assume US tariff on imports from Vietnam to be lower vs China.

(\*) Assuming tariff gap between Vietnam vs its main/potential competitors – categorized by Vietcap.

Source: Vietcap

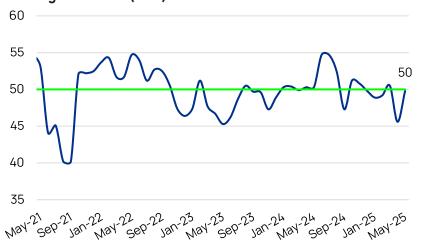


## Consumption growth momentum is building

Consumer confidence remained stable but weakened in June 2025<sup>1</sup>



The S&P Global Vietnam Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)



#### Vietnam's monthly retail sales





## Policy support measures pave the way for 2025-2026's outlook

2024 2025-2026

**Extension of VAT deduction** *Effective Jan 1, 2025 - Dec 31, 2026* 

The VAT cut could directly **benefit**Bach Hoa Xanh (MWG), MSN

(excluding MHT), VNM, QNS, and PNJ

Public sector salary reform<sup>1</sup> Effective from July 1, 2024

To enhance civil servants' income and quality of life, boost labor productivity, and support economic growth.

50% car registration fee cut Effective Sep 1 - Nov 30, 2024

To improve consumer sentiment and support discretionary spending.

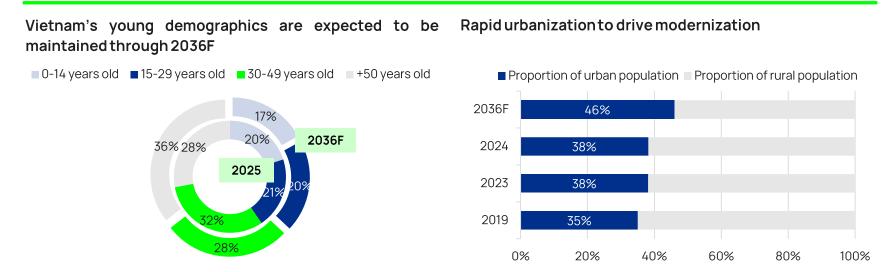
# Regional minimum wage increase

Official proposal to be issued in end-February/early-March 2025

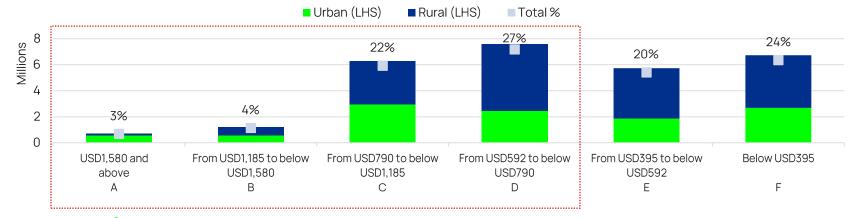
To improve consumers' disposable income, improve productivity and economic growth.



# Long-term demographic advantages remain intact, supporting continued growth in consumption and modernization



Consuming class with monthly income above USD592/VND15mn accounted for 56% of Vietnam's total households in 2024





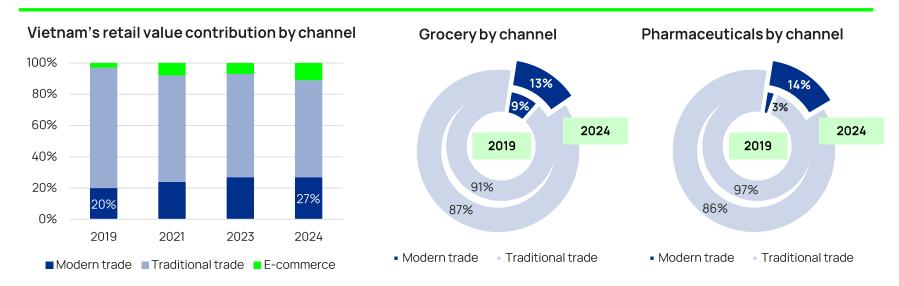
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## Key themes and outlook

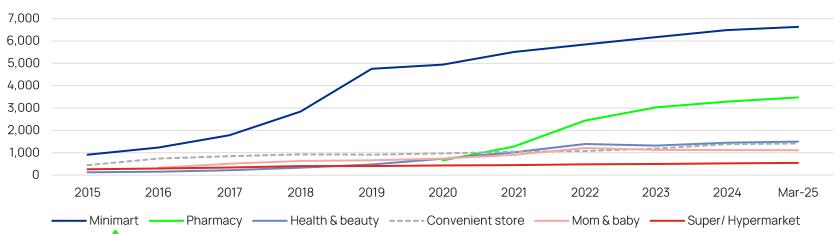
Morder retail to thrive



# Modern trade becomes increasingly important; minimarts and pharmacies lead the expansion



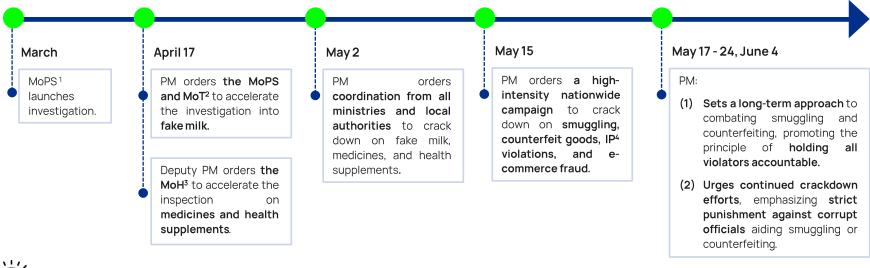
#### Minimarts and pharmacies lead the modern store expansion in Vietnam





# Prime Minister (PM) established special task force to crack down on smuggling and counterfeit goods

Vietnamese Government's key directives on anti-smuggling and counterfeit control in 2025





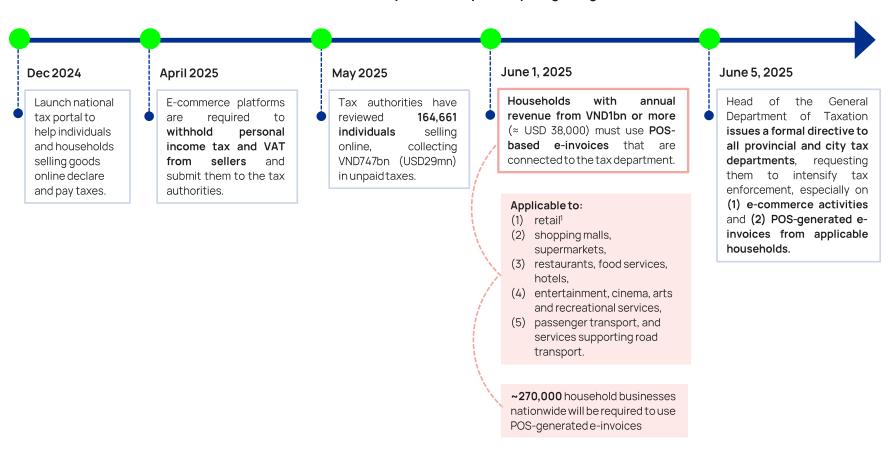
#### Initial outcomes and possible next steps

- Handling and resolving > 34,400 violations across multiple provinces:
  - (1) >8,200 cases of trading smuggled goods
  - (2) > 25,100 cases of trade and tax fraud
  - (3) >1,100 cases of counterfeit goods, mainly food, medicine, supplements, cosmetics, and milk
- · Possible next steps:
  - (1) Proposing to the National Assembly to increase penalties for producing and trading counterfeit goods, fraud, and IP violations
  - (2) Improving regulation effectiveness and closing loopholes to better fight crimes



# Government tightened tax compliance from e-commerce and household businesses

Vietnamese Government's actions to enforce tax compliance, especially targeting e-commerce and household businesses





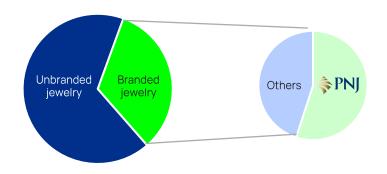
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Leading players strengthen positions

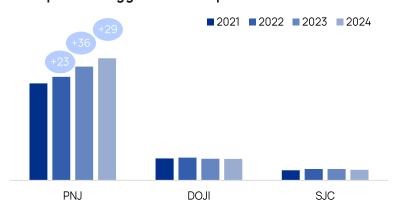


# Jewelry: PNJ's resilience and outperformance amid industry headwinds lay the foundation for sustainable long-term growth

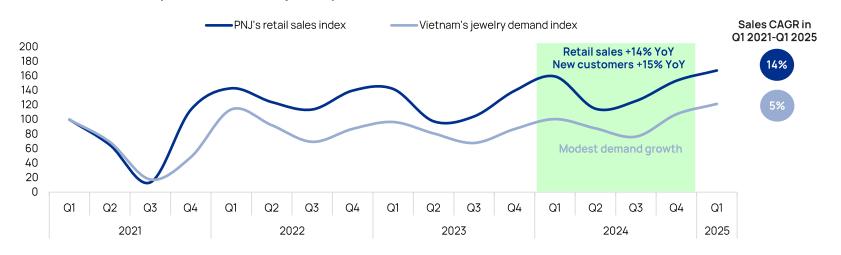
Branded jewelry accounted for 33% of the jewelry market, with PNJ holding a dominant position in this segment



PNJ has continuously expanded its store network amid peers' sluggish store expansion



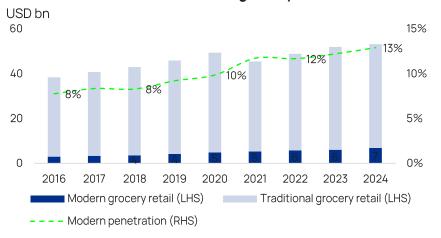
#### PNJ's retail sales outpaced the overall jewelry market<sup>1</sup>



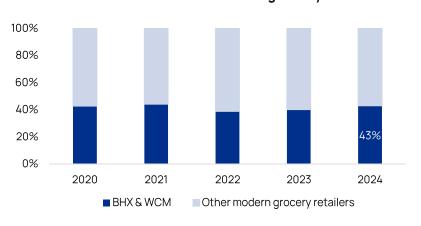


# Grocery: Segment leader continues to strengthen its dominance

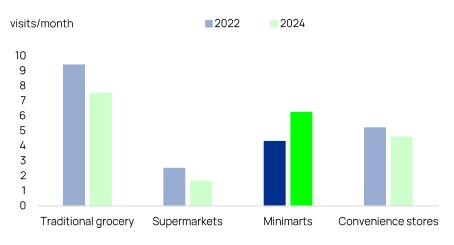
#### Vietnam's modern vs traditional grocery retail market value



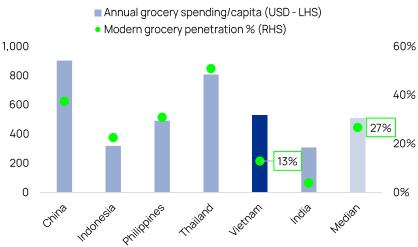
#### BHX & WCM dominate modern retail grocery market



#### Rising shift in customer visits toward minimarts



# Modern grocery retail penetration in our selected Asian countries



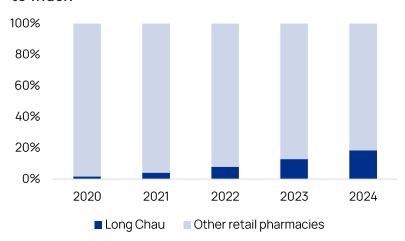


# Pharmacy: Long Chau outgrows the competition in Vietnam's retail pharmacy landscape

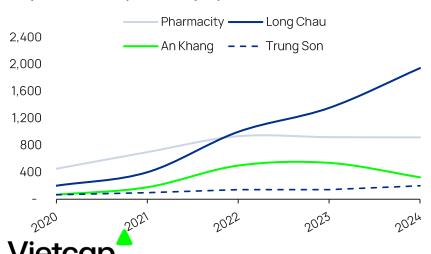
# Retail channel continues to dominate Vietnam's pharmaceutical sales



# Long Chau's market share in retail pharmacy continues to widen

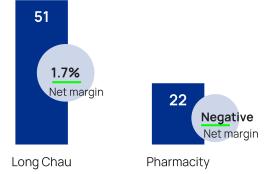


#### Expansion of key modern players



#### Key modern players' sales/store & profitability1

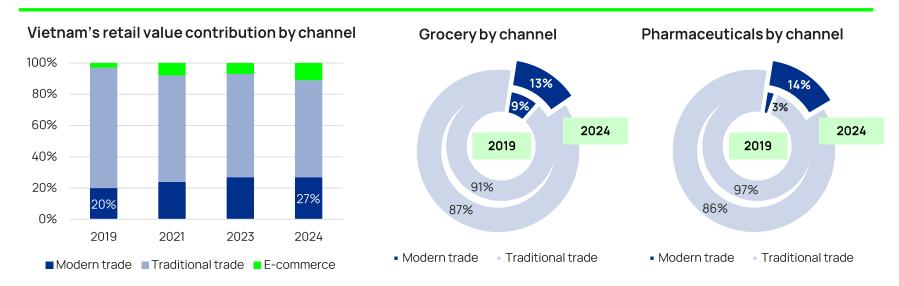
■ TTM monthly sales/store\* (USD thousand)



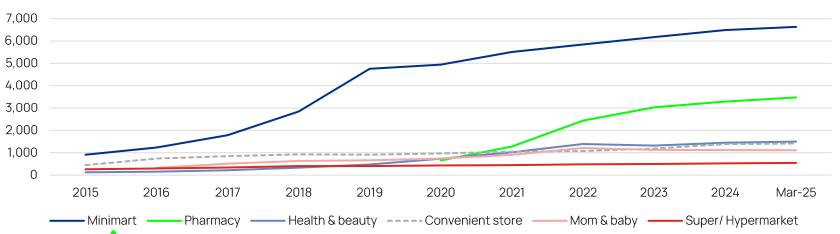


Source: IQVIA, Company disclosures, Vietcap; <sup>1</sup>TTM ended Q1 2025

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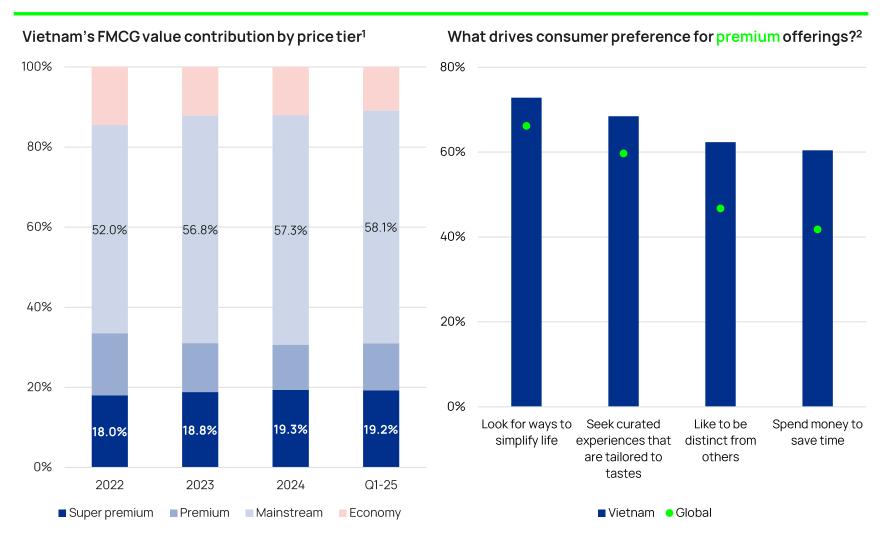


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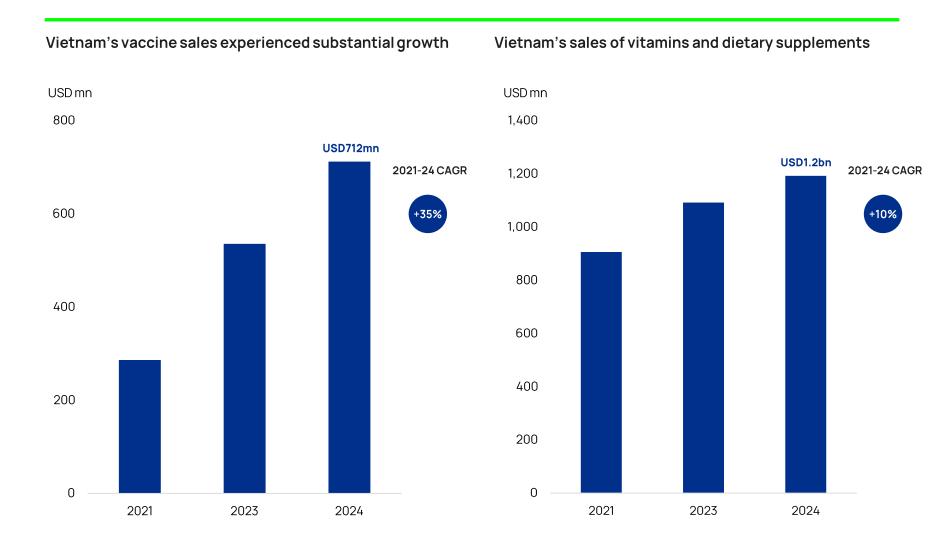


# Premiumization continues as consumers trade up from economy to mainstream, and from premium to super premium





# Heightened awareness of preventive healthcare





# H1 2025 earnings wrap-up

		Sales growth YoY	Profitability changes YoY
ICT & CE	Abangson distance Training Salatery	+12%	GPM +3.9 ppts <sup>1</sup>
retailers	FPT Shop.com.vn	+3%	GPM -1.0 ppts
narmaceutical retailers	NHÀ THUỐC FPT Rocall LONG CHÂU	+40%	NPM +0.5 ppts
Grocery	South Start	+16%	OPM +0.7 ppts <sup>1</sup>
retailers Wi	₩inMart	+13%	OPM +1.8 ppts
<u>Vinamilk</u>	<b>Vinamil</b> k	-4%	GPM-1.0 ppts
	Masan	-1%	GPM -1.0 ppts
Consumer nanufacturers	SABECO	<b>-12%</b> <sup>2</sup>	GPM+3.2 ppts <sup>2</sup>
	GNS	+17%³	GPM +5.4 ppts <sup>3</sup>
Luxury	<b>♦</b> PNJ	+6%4	GPM +1.4 ppts <sup>4</sup>
goods	VEAM VEAM CORP	<b>+7%</b> <sup>5</sup>	ROE+6.6 ppts



Consumer sector performance through economic slowdown

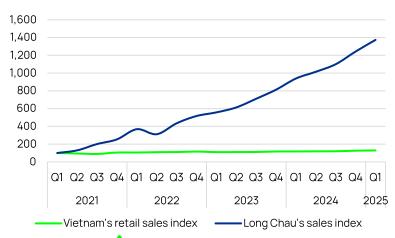


### Consumer sector performance through economic slowdown

#### ICT retail sales slumped amid broad-based slowdown



#### Long Chau delivered strong, sustained growth



# VNM, SAB tracked closely with retail sales trends; MCH remained solid



#### PNJ outperformed jewelry industry, remained resilient vs Vietnam's retail sales despite discretionary nature





# Consumer team's top picks

Stocks	Comments
Resilient growth ba	sket
FRT	Leading pharmacy chain driving the growth of Vietnam's modern pharmacy segment; healthcare to be the new growth driver.
FPT	Vietnam's preeminent IT outsourcing company with sustainable cost advantages and strengthening technological capabilities.
Extended basket in	favorable tariff scenarios
MSN	Strong consumer ecosystem that focuses on consumers' daily essential needs.
MWG	Preeminent player in modern retail in Vietnam, which is undergoing rapid long-term growth of modern grocery sector.
PNJ	Leading fashion gold jewelry company riding on growing discretionary spending.



# **Consumer Sector: Key data**

Code	Rating	Market cap, USD mn	State O'ship	Foreign limit	Foreign avail, USD mn	ADTV 30D, USD mn	Share price, VND ps	Target price, VND ps	Target price, updated	Upside	Div. yield	12M TSR
SAB	BUY	2,324	36.0%	100%	954	3.7	47,500	67,000	06/03/2025	41.1%	7.4%	48.4%
VHC	BUY	497	0.0%	100%	399	4.3	58,000	81,700	17/02/2025	40.9%	3.4%	44.3%
MSN	BUY	4,115	0.0%	49%	972	27.7	74,600	101,200	21/05/2025	35.7%	0.0%	35.7%
FRT	BUY	981	0.0%	49%	154	5.8	151,000	193,800	26/05/2025	28.3%	0.0%	28.3%
CTR	O-PF	397	65.7%	49%	162	2.9	90,900	114,300	30/06/2025	25.7%	2.2%	27.9%
PNJ	BUY	1,102	0.0%	49%	0	3.0	85,500	105,900	29/05/2025	23.9%	2.3%	26.2%
VNM	BUY	4,792	36.0%	100%	2,440	16.4	60,100	70,300	24/04/2025	17.0%	6.7%	23.6%
VEA	M-PF	1,970	88.5%	49%	620	1.4	38,900	42,200	20/09/2024	8.5%	12.5%	20.9%
QNS	O-PF	687	0.0%	49%	59	0.4	49,000	53,400	30/08/2024	9.0%	8.2%	17.1%
FPT	BUY	6,876	5.8%	49%	270	36.0	105,800	120,600	27/05/2025	14.0%	1.9%	15.9%
MWG	BUY	3,909	0.0%	49%	16	26.4	69,300	78,300	30/05/2025	13.0%	1.4%	14.4%
DGW	M-PF	365	0.0%	49%	83	5.5	43,700	47,400	23/07/2025	8.5%	1.1%	9.6%



# **Consumer Sector: Summary valuations**

Code	Share price, VND ps	EPS g 2024 %	EPS g 2025F %	EPS g 2026F %	P/E TTM x	P/E 2025F x	P/E 2026F x	EV/EBITDA 2025F x	ROE 2025F %	P/B LQ x	Net D/E LQ x
SAB	47,500	6%	9%	1%	15.2	13.1	13.0	7.0	20%	2.9	-1.0
VHC	58,000	57%	21%	36%	9.1	8.7	6.4	6.3	16%	1.4	-0.1
MSN <sup>1</sup>	74,600	279%	69%	56%	38.8	39.8	25.5	8.2	9%	3.3	1.2
FRT	151,000	N.M.	134%	54%	47.7	35.2	22.8	19.7	26%	9.0	1.0
CTR	90,900	3%	9%	20%	18.4	23.6	19.6	9.4	29%	5.2	-0.3
PNJ	85,500	4%	-6%	15%	14.6	15.7	13.7	11.6	17%	2.4	0.1
VNM	60,100	8%	0%	5%	16.4	15.0	14.3	9.0	26%	4.0	-0.4
VEA	38,900	2%	11%	9%	6.9	7.4	6.8	4.7	28%	1.8	-0.6
QNS	49,000	-4%	0%	1%	7.4	7.1	7.0	5.2	22%	1.5	-0.5
FPT	105,800	21%	15%	22%	20.8	21.6	17.7	12.2	28%	5.4	-0.3
мwg	69,300	2,120%	47%	30%	21.0	18.5	14.2	12.6	18%	3.5	-0.3
DGW	43,700	16%	20%	32%	19.7	17.9	13.5	15.2	17%	3.1	0.5

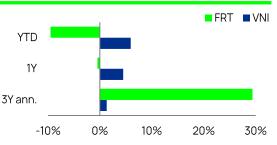


# **Top Picks**



### FRT - Healthcare as new growth engine

Rating*	BUY			2024	2025F	2026F	2027F			
Share Price (June 5)	VND168,000	Revenue (	(VND bn)	40,104	49,781	59,249	68,288			
Target Price (TP)*	VND242,300	%YoY		25.9%	24.1%	19.0%	15.3%			
		NPAT-MI (	NPAT-MI (VND bn)		733	1,132	1,629			
			% YoY	N.M.	130.8%	54.4%	44.0%			
Upside to TP	+44.2%	EPS	% YoY	N.M.	133.5%	54.3%	44.1%			
Dividend Yield	0.0%	GPM		18.9%	19.4%	19.9%	20.4%			
TSR	+44.2%	EBITDA ma	argin	2.2%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%			
		OPM		1.7%	2.6%	3.3%	4.0%			
Industry	Retailing	NPM		0.8%	1.5%	1.9%	2.4%			
Market Cap	USD878mn	FCF/Sales	;	2.3%	1.9%	2.6%	3.2%			
Foreign Room	USD143mn	EV/EBITD/	4	30.8x	18.5x	13.4x	10.3x			
ADTV30D	USD2.9mn	P/E		73.3x	31.4x	20.3x	14.1x			
State Ownership	0%	ROE		18.1%	25.6%	23.0%	24.2%			
Outstanding Shares	136 mn	ROIC		5.2%	8.8%	10.7%	12.5%			
Fully Diluted Shares	136 mn	* TP and ra	TP and rating last updated May 26, 2025							



Company Overview

Established in 2012, FPT Retail owns (1) the largest pharmacy chain Long Chau and (2) the second-largest ICT retailing chain, FPT Shop, in Vietnam.

FRT owns (1) Vietnam's largest pharmacy chain, Long Chau (LC), and (2) Vietnam's second-largest ICT retail chain, FPT Shop.

Long Chau has broadened its healthcare reach by launching a vaccination services business. LC's competitive advantages to capture growth in this market include an extensive store network and healthcare partnerships, strong brand reputation, and thorough customer insights. LC has expanded its vaccination centers from 10 at YE 2023 to 164 currently. In the next five years, we project its vaccination business to deliver a 2024-29F sales CAGR of 61%, contributing to LC's sales CAGR of 21%. We forecast that this business will help improve LC's overall OPM to 6.7% in YE 2029F, from 2.7% in 2024.

We expect LC's 2024-29F sales CAGR to be 21% and reach USD2.5bn in 2029, with a corresponding NPAT-MI CAGR of 50% to USD136mn in 2029.

We estimate FPT Shop's 2024-29F sales CAGR at 5% due to (1) a gradual ICT consumption recovery starting in 2024, and (2) Vietnam's rising digital adoption as a result of the country's growing middle-income class.

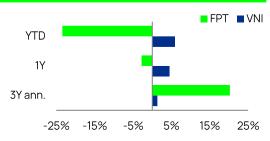
We expect LC to contribute major earnings due to (1) its extensive expansion and (2) a modest recovery in ICT margins over the next five years. We project LC to contribute ~90% to our NPAT-MI forecast for FRT in 2029F.

**Potential upside/downside risks:** Stronger/weaker-than-expected store rollouts and profitability for LC; stronger/weaker-than-expected recovery in ICT profitability.



### FPT - Vietnam's IT service powerhouse

Rating*	BUY			2024	2025F	2026F	2027F
Share Price (June 5)	VND116,800	Revenue	Revenue (VND bn)		71,113	84,575	101,363
Target Price (TP)*	VND138,700		%YoY	19%	13%	19%	20%
•		NPAT-M	NPAT-MI (VND bn)		9,074	11,119	13,580
			% YoY	22%	16%	23%	22%
Upside to TP	+18.8%	EPS	% YoY	21%	15%	22%	21%
Dividend Yield	2.0%	GPM		37.7%	36.7%	37.0%	37.2%
TSR	+20.7%	EBITDA r	EBITDA margin		20.0%	20.8%	20.8%
		PBT mar	PBT margin		18.1%	18.3%	18.6%
Industry	Technology	NPM		12.5%	12.8%	13.1%	13.4%
Market Cap	USD6.6bn	P/OCF		14.8x	20.3x	12.1x	10.1x
Foreign Room	USD529mn	EV/EBITI	DA	12.4x	11.4×	9.2x	7.7×
ADTV30D	USD34.4mn	P/E		23.9x	20.7x	17.0x	13.8x
State Ownership	5.8%	P/B		6.3x	5.3x	4.4x	3.6x
Outstanding Shares	1,481 mn	ROE	ROE		27.8%	28.2%	28.0%
Fully Diluted Shares	1,481 mn	* TP and	d rating last upo	dated May 27	', 2025		



#### Company Overview

FPT is a Vietnam's leading tech conglomerate, with a diversified presence across three main pillars: technology (global IT & domestic IT), telecom, and education. FPT has achieved a global IT revenue CAGR of 29% over the last three years.

We are optimistic on FPT's long-term outlook, led by its global IT business and complemented by its stable telecom and education segments.

We project global IT 2024-27F PBT CAGR of 26% driven by accelerated digital transformation (DX) adoption, especially AI. This leverages Vietnam's competitive labor costs and improving technological capabilities, while moving up the value chain to provide higher-margin services. We believe Japan will remain the key market with its revenue CAGR of 27% fueled by strong DX adoption and FPT's strong footprint, while we expect the remaining markets to recover from 2026F, supported by an IT spending recovery as well as FPT's competitive advantages and market expansion initiatives.

Domestic IT is set to post a 30% PBT CAGR in 2024-27F due to domestic DX adoption and the high-margin GPUaaS business.

We expect telecom services' PBT CAGR to grow 12% in 2024-27F. We expect stable broadband revenue, in addition to rising data center revenue supported by rising demand for cloud computing and data localization.

**Education PBT to deliver 11% CAGR in 2024-27F, fueled by recovery in new enrollments and K-12 expansion**. In our view, the education segment plays a vital role in providing an IT engineering talent pipeline for the global IT business, apart from its steady revenue growth and lucrative profitability.

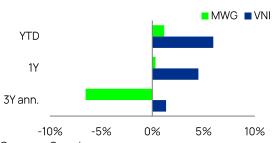
Valuations: We believe FPT's 2025F/26F P/Es of 20.7x/17.0x (vs its 3Y avg. TTM P/E of 20.5x) is compelling vs its bright long-term prospects.

**Potential upside/downside risks:** Stronger/weaker global IT spending, DX adoption; faster/slower progress of FPT Fornix HCMC02 data center; faster/slower Al Factory utilization acceleration.



## MWG - Prominent modern retailer with nationwide coverage

Rating*	BUY			2024	2025F	2026F	2027F
Share Price (June 5)	VND61,700	Revenu	e (VND bn)	134,341	147,094	167,007	184,779
Target Price (TP)*	VND78,300	%YoY		13.6%	9.5%	13.5%	10.6%
		NPAT-MI (VND bn)		3,722	5,533	7,328	8,330
			% YoY	2119.8%	48.7%	32.4%	13.7%
Upside to TP	26.9%	EPS	% YoY	2119.8%	47.3%	30.1%	11.0%
Dividend Yield	<u>1.6%</u>	GPM		20.5%	20.1%	20.4%	20.9%
TSR	+28.5%	EBITDA	EBITDA margin		5.1%	5.7%	6.0%
		OPM		3.0%	3.7%	4.4%	4.6%
Industry	Retailing	NPM		2.8%	3.8%	4.4%	4.5%
Market Cap	USD3.5bn	FCF/Sal	es	9.6%	3.8%	4.4%	4.7%
Foreign Room	USD40mn	EV/EBIT	DA	13.0x	11.1x	8.7x	7.5x
ADTV30D	USD22.8mn	P/E		24.3x	16.5x	12.7x	11.4x
State Ownership	0%	ROE		14.6%	18.3%	20.5%	19.6%
Outstanding Shares	1.48 bn	ROIC		6.1%	7.5%	9.2%	9.6%
Fully Diluted Shares	1.48 bn	* TP and	rating last upd	ated May 30,	2025		



Company Overview

MWG owns the leading mobile phone and consumer electronics chains in Vietnam with 2022 market shares of 60% and 50%, respectively. To sustain strong long-term growth, MWG is rolling out the Bach Hoa Xanh minimart chain.

 $We believe MWG \, remains \, well-positioned \, to \, seize \, growing \, demand \, for \, modern \, grocery \, retail \, from \, increasingly \, discerning \, consumers.$ 

Maintaining its position as Vietnam's leading minimart, BHX is well-positioned for regional nationwide expansion and strong earnings growth. With a competitive advantage in fresh food, we believe BHX is at the forefront of capturing the rising demand for convenience-driven grocery retailing in Vietnam. After turning profitable in 2024, BHX has resumed store expansion, opening 72 new locations in 2024 and 359 stores in 4M 2025, primarily in southern and central Vietnam. Given the huge expansion opportunities for BHX across Vietnam, we project BHX to reach over 2,600/3,500 stores by YE 2026/YE 2029, respectively.

We expect resilient earnings recoveries for TGDD & DMX in 2024-29F. We expect its sales to grow at a 2024-29F CAGR of 5%. A full recovery of Vietnam's consumption should support GPM to improve by 30 bps per year in 2026-27, reaching 18.7% in 2027 and remaining stable in 2028-29. We anticipate ICT's EBIT to grow at a 2024-29F CAGR of 11%, with the 2029 EBIT margin approaching 6.1%.

**Potential upside/downside risks:** Stronger/weaker-than-expected ICT profitability; stronger/weaker-than-expected store expansion and operational efficiency at BHX.



## MSN - Prime beneficiary of Vietnam's consumption growth

Rating*	BUY			2024	2025F	2026F	2027F			<u> </u>	ISN ■VNI
Share Price (June 5)	VND65,800	Revenue	(VND bn)	83,178	81,417	90,401	99,123				IOIN WINI
Target Price (TP)*	VND101,200		%YoY	6.3%	-2.1%	11.0%	9.6%	YTD	•		
		EBIT	% YoY	47.7%	17.1%	17.7%	18.8%				
		PBT	% YoY	135.1%	11.2%	36.1%	28.9%	1Y			
Upside to TP	+53.8%	NPAT-MI	1 (VND bn)	1,681	2,852	4,475	6,399				
Dividend Yield	0.0%	EPS1	% YoY	278.7%	68.9%	56.2%	42.3%	3Y ann.			
TSR	+53.8%	EBITDA m	argin <sup>2</sup>	16.3%	18.8%	18.9%	19.4%				
		OPM	· ·	7.4%	8.9%	9.4%	10.2%	-20%	-10%	0%	10%
Industry	Consumer	NPM <sup>1</sup>		2.0%	3.5%	4.9%	6.5%	-20%	-10%	0%	1076
Market Cap	USD3.6bn	FCF/Sale	S	6.5%	-5.0%	2.3%	3.8%	Company Over	<u>/iew</u>		
Foreign Room	USD885mn	EV/EBITD	A <sup>2</sup>	11.5×	10.2x	9.1x	8.1x	Masan Group	specializes in	consumer bu	ısinesses
ADTV30D	USD15.5mn	P/E <sup>1</sup>		58.2x	35.1x	22.5x	15.7x	that span FMC	G, the meat va	alue chain an	d grocery
State Ownership	0.0%	P/B		3.1x	2.9x	2.5x		retailing. Othe			
Outstanding Shares	1.44 bn	ROE <sup>1</sup>		5.9%	9.0%	12.6%	15.9%	materials and a	significant hold	ding in Techco	mbank.
Fully Diluted Shares	1.51 bn	* TP and ra	iting last upda	ated May 21, :	2025				3	J	
		<sup>1</sup> Based on	core earnings	that exclude	e one-off fina	ancial incom	e;2Core				
		EBITDA exc	ludes profits	from Techco	mbank (TCB	).					

We believe MSN is a proxy play on consumption growth in Vietnam, driven by rising incomes, urbanization, and ongoing modernization.

MSN's subsidiary – MCH UpCOM has sustained its leading market shares in some of the largest FMCG categories such as convenience foods, seasonings, and energy drinks over the past five years. MSN also has WCM as the market leader in modern grocery retailing.

Over the past year, management has positioned MSN more clearly as a consumer-led company, with increasing ownership and investments in consumer-related business and divestment of the non-core business. MSR completed the sale of 100% of H.C. Starck to Mitsubishi Materials Corporation at YE 2024. Furthermore, MSN increased its stake in WCM to 85% (from 79% at YE 2024). As WCM has achieved positive NPAT since June 2024 with extensive growth headroom in Vietnam's modern grocery retail, MSN can consolidate a larger portion of WCM's earnings over the longer term.

We forecast an EBIT CAGR of 21% in 2024-29. We forecast MCH UpCOM to deliver a 12% EBIT CAGR in 2024-29. In addition, we expect WCM to contribute 14%/18% to MSN's NPAT-MI in 2028/29, respectively.

**Upside potential:** Reduced exposure to MSR to reduce net debt; corporate action following the listing of MCH UpCOM on HOSE; MCH UpCOM's stronger-than-expected earnings growth.

Key risks to our positive view: MSR's weaker-than-expected profitability; WCM's lower-than-expected like-for-like (LFL) sales growth and profitability improvements.



### PNJ - Unquestioned leader in Vietnam's fashion jewelry market

Rating*	BUY			2024	2025F	2026F	2027F			
Share Price (June 5)	VND77,900	Revenue	Revenue (VND bn)		33,472	36,875	40,468			
Target Price (TP)*	VND105,900		%YoY	14%	-12%	10%	10%	YTD		
• • •		NPAT-M	(VND bn)	2,113	2,000	2,324	2,812	_		
			% YoY	7%	-5%	16%	21%	1Y		
Upside to TP	+35.9%	EPS	% YoY	4%	-6%	15%	20%			
Dividend Yield	<u>2.6%</u>	GPM		17.6%	21.2%	22.0%	22.9%	3Y ann.		
TSR	+38.5%	EBITDA r	nargin	7.3%	7.8%	8.3%	9.0%			
		OPM		7.1%	7.5%	8.0%	8.8%	-20%	-10%	09
Industry	Jewelry	NPM		5.6%	6.0%	6.3%	6.9%	-20%	-10%	U.
Market Cap	USD1.0bn	FCF/Sale	es	-0.1%	3.3%	3.5%	4.5%	Company Overv	<u>iew</u>	
Foreign Room	USD2mn	EV/EBIT[	DΑ	10.2x	10.7x	9.2x	7.7x	PNJ is the lead	ling jewelry j	oroducer
ADTV30D	USD4.8mn	P/E		13.7×	14.3x	12.4x	10.4x	Vietnam with ar	n extensive n	etwork c
State Ownership	0%	P/B		2.3x	2.1x	1.9x	1.7x	of YE2024.		
Outstanding Shares	337.9 mn	ROE		20.1%	16.9%	17.6%	18.8%			
Fully Diluted Shares	337.9 mn	* TP and r	ating last upda	ated May 29,	2025					

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PNJ, Vietnam's leading fashion jewelry player, is poised to capitalize on the long-term growth of the branded jewelry industry. We anticipate that rising incomes and an increasing share of discretionary spending will drive jewelry consumption in Vietnam, particularly for branded jewelry, which has seen its market share double from 16% in 2015 to 33% in 2022. Within this space, PNJ is the market leader with a diversified product range, exceptional inhouse design and manufacturing capabilities, and a substantial lead in store count, whereas competitive threats remain limited.

Resilience and market outperformance during short-term headwinds to set stage for recovery from 2026F. According to the World Gold Council, Vietnam's jewelry market posted a modest 5% CAGR in Q1 2025 vs Q1 2021 amid soft consumer sentiment and difficulties in sourcing raw gold materials. In contrast, PNJ delivered a 14% CAGR over the same period, significantly outperforming the market. While other modern jewelry chains struggled to expand, PNJ has continuously scaled its store network, adding respective 23/36/29 stores in 2022/23/24. This further widens PNJ's lead in store count and enables it to grow its customer base. Additionally, potential revisions to Decree 24 on gold business, which is scheduled to be finalized by end-June 2025, could ease constraints on raw gold supply and support PNJ's retail business.

We forecast PNJ to deliver a retail revenue CAGR of 11% in 2024-29F, which corresponds to our forecast for an EPS CAGR of 14% for this period.

Valuations: Our projected 2025F/26F P/Es of 14.3x/12.4x are below 5Y average TTM P/E of 15.6x, which we believe undervalues the company's bright growth prospects.

Upside potential: Stronger demand; faster store expansion; contribution from lifestyle items.

Downside risks: Weaker demand; slower store expansion; less favorable/delayed revisions to Decree 24.



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