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## Market Outlook - Demand

#### New construction housing demand:

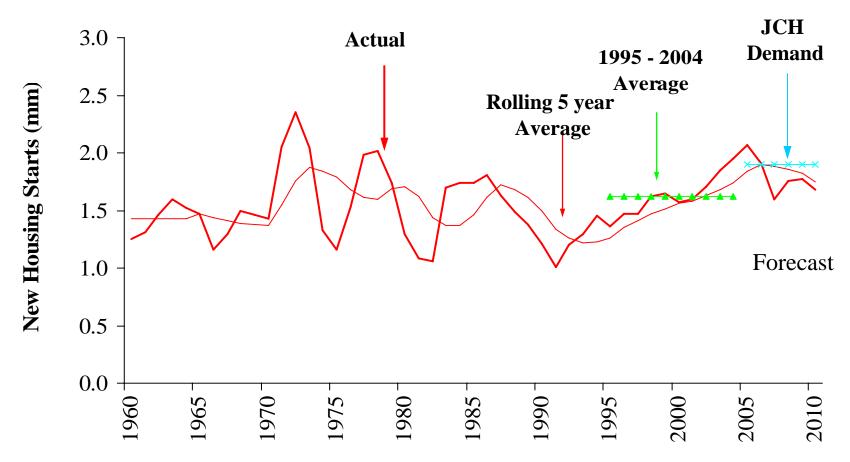
- Positive long term trends and demographics including: household formations, immigration, low interest rates
- Sustainable at 1.85 1.95 million starts per year (2005-2015)
   Source: The State of the Nation's Housing 2004, Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University
- Despite a better than expected Q1, clouds on the horizon ...
   slowing trend in new home orders, unsold home inventory increasing; home prices rising more slowly; interest rates going up; and energy costs likely to impact consumer spending

#### Repair / remodel demand continues to grow:

- More houses in the existing stock
- Homes are getting older
- Rise of "big box retailers" and availability of "installed sales is making access easier
- Commercial and light industrial picked up in 2005 and is forecasted for continued strength



## Home Building Demand Housing Starts (single and multi-family)

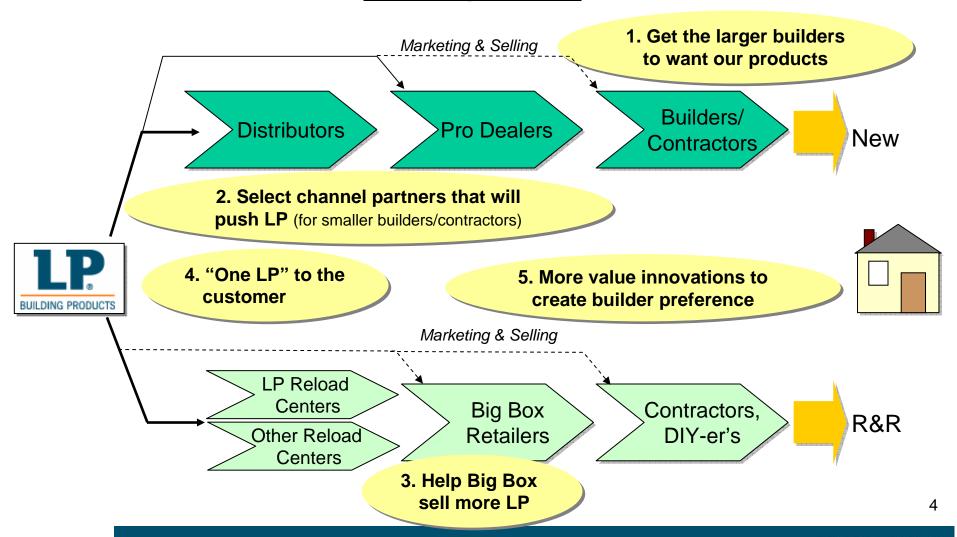


Sources: US Department of Commerce; RISI April 2006, 5 year forecast; and the State of the Nation's Housing – 2004, Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University (JCH)



# LP Channel Strategy: Supplier of Choice by Getting Customers to Have a Preference for LP Products

#### **5 Strategic Goals**





## LP's Business Segments

#### OSB

- CommodityPanels
- Tech Shield
- Flooring

## Engineered Wood Products

- LaminatedVeneer Lumber
- I Joist

#### Siding

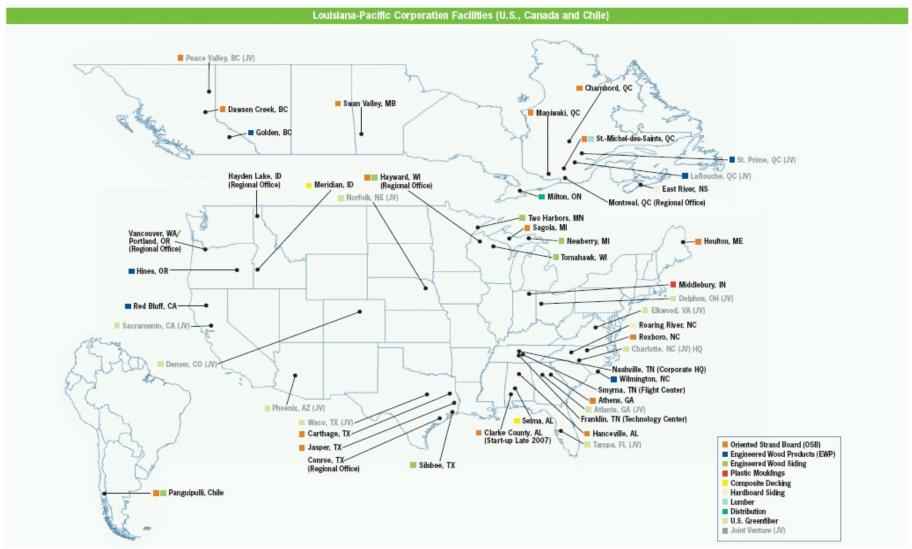
- SmartSide OSB Siding
- Exterior Hardboard Siding

## Other Building Products

- Composite Decking
- Moulding
- Chile OSB
- U.S. Greenfiber

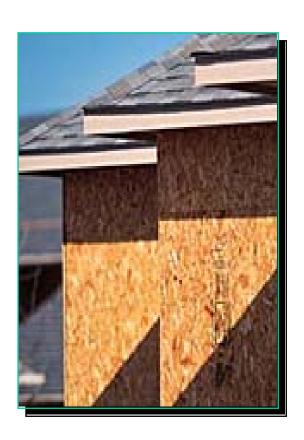


## Map of LP Facilities





## Oriented Strand Board (OSB)



- #1 North American OSB producer with about 23% market share ... about 15% share of structural panels
- Best geographic coverage allows for a low delivered cost
- Growth through existing mill investments and new mills

Mill capacities:

13 mills - 5.7 bsf

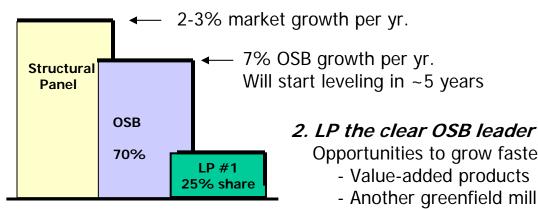
Peace Valley JV – 800 mmsf

Alabama under construction – 700 mmsf



### **OSB Market Summary**

#### 1. OSB growth slowing, but still growing



Opportunities to grow faster than market:

- Value-added products
- Another greenfield mill late in the planning cycle

#### 3. Cyclical market

- New mills coming on line
- Demand remains strong
- D/C ratio will decline in near term
- Prices forecast (from RISI) to drop in 2007

#### 4. Low substitution threat

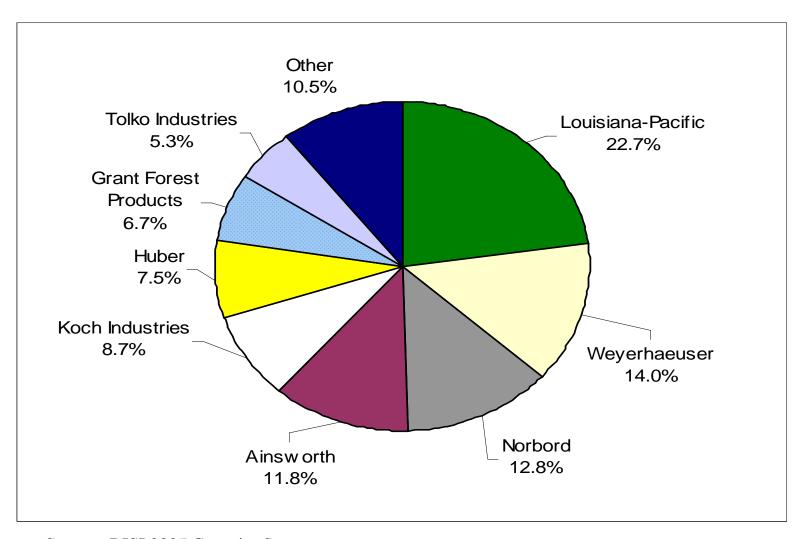
 No major new technology threats, but new building techniques could emerge following catastrophic events

#### 5. Competitive dynamics

- Share determined by quality of service, cost and footprint
- Profitability determined by relative delivered cost and product mix
- Rationalization will occur (plywood and high-cost OSB mill closures)



### OSB Market Share - 2005

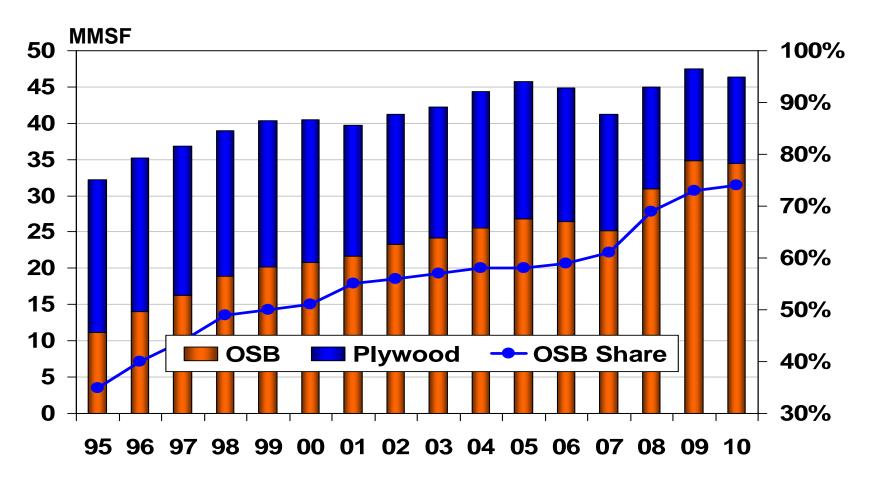


Source: RISI 2005 Capacity Survey



### Structural Panel Demand

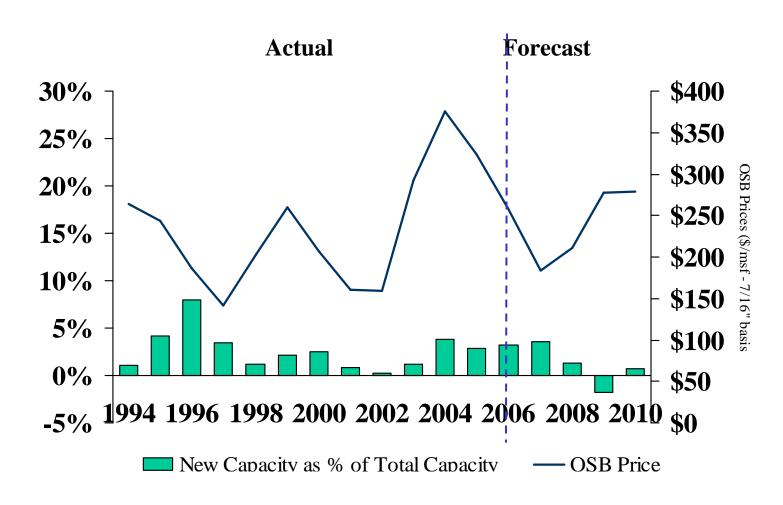
#### **North America Structural Panel Demand**



Source: RISI April 2006, 5 year forecast



## Favorable OSB Supply Outlook Net Additions and OSB Prices – Structural Panels



Source: RISI April 2006, 5 year forecast, includes greenfield and "creep" capacity



## **Engineered Wood Products**



- #1 position in solid-sawn I-Joist
- #3 position in LVL / I-Joist
- Steady demand growth
- Aligned and supportive customer base (#1 supplier to 2-step independent distribution)

#### Mill capacities:

LVL - 12.1 mmcf

I-Joist - 80 mmlf

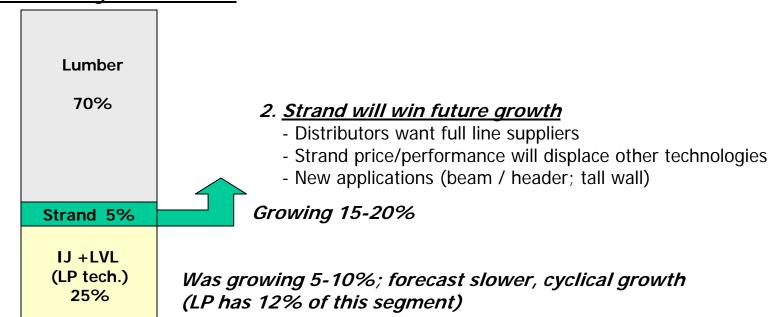
- 140 mmlf (Abitibi JV)

OSL – 7 mmcf (2008)



## **LP** EWP Market Summary

## 1. High EWP Potential: \$9 Billion as Engineered Wood

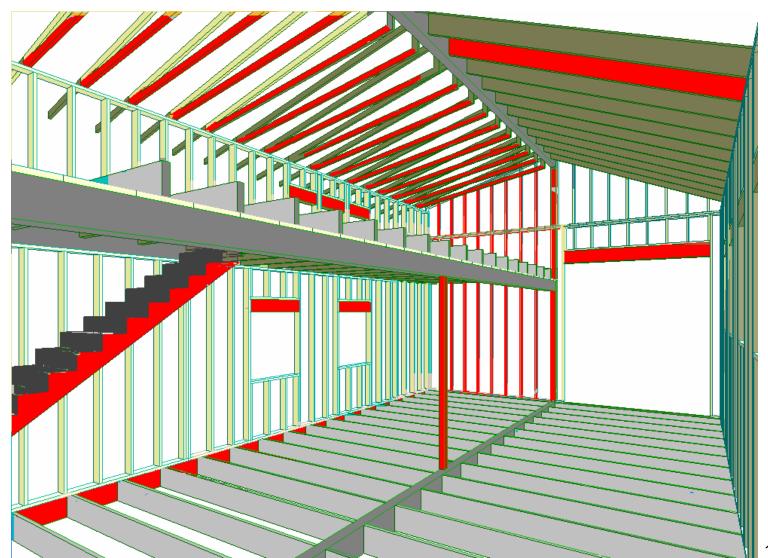


#### 3. LP position in LVL, IJ needs to be solidified ... but fit with LP is very strong

- JV in Quebec gives LP low cost position in I-Joist
- Good LVL position in the West but need more Eastern capacity
- LP #3 share; BC and TJ have own distribution and broader product lines



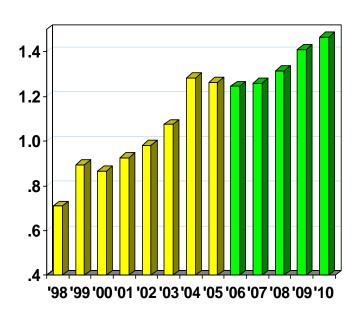
## OSL will be <u>pushed</u> into the existing "LP House" and will substitute for current lumber applications



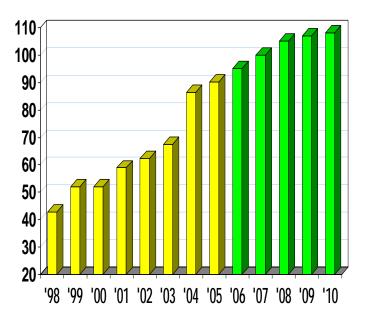


### **EWP Demand Growth**

I-Joist - Billion Linear Ft.



LVL - Million Cubic Ft.







- Smart Side product line exhibiting strong growth:
  - Family of products lap, panel, trim, fascia, soffit
  - Lower installed cost than Fiber Cement, Aluminum, and Wood
  - Curb appeal / outstanding performance
  - Hayward conversion in production
- Hardboard lowest cost and broadest product line in the industry

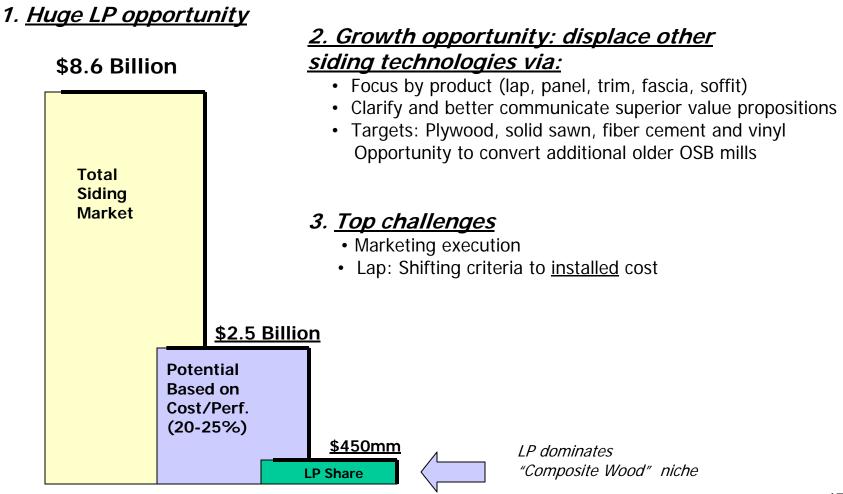
Mill capacities:

4 SmartSide mills - 900 mmsf

2 Hardboard mills - 550 mmsf

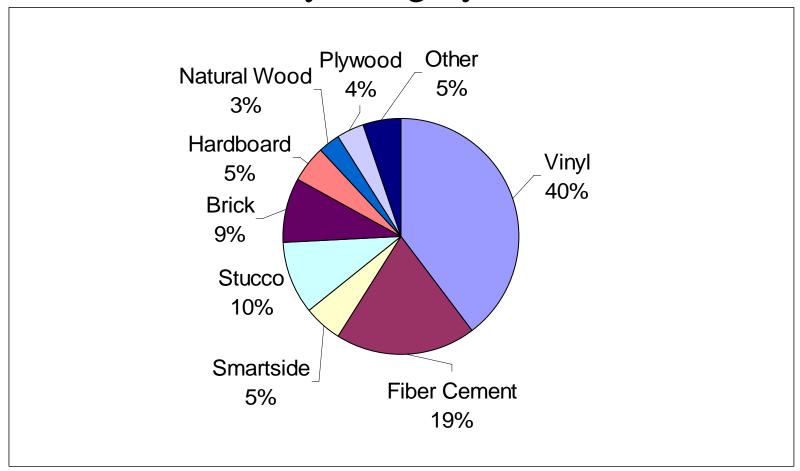


## Siding Market Summary





## Exterior Siding Market – Market Share by Category – 2005

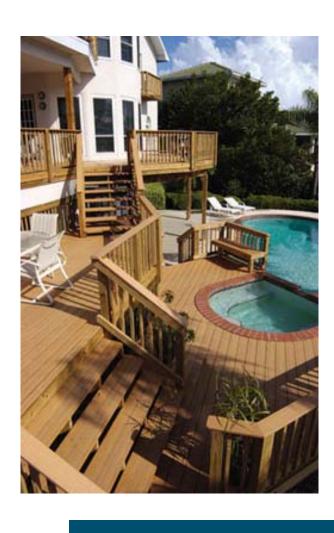


**Total Siding Demand in North America in 2005 = 11 billion square feet** 

Source: Ciprus, Freedonia, James Hardie, LP Internal



## Other Building Products



- Outdoor Living #2-3 position, excellent decking products (good/better/best strategy)
- Chile operation supporting early South American growth; one mill, another to be completed 2007
- Mouldings profitable interior business with ability to broaden product line
- U.S. GreenFiber largest cellulose insulation business in North America (50%-owned JV)
   Mill capacities:

Decking - 90 mmlf

Chile – 130 mmsf; 150 mmsf to be added

Moulding - 300 mmlf

U.S. GreenFiber – 14 facilities

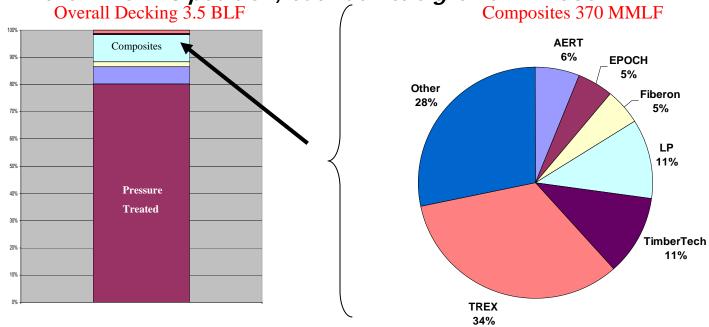


## Composite Decking Market Summary

#### 1. The market continues to grow at double digits

- Displacement of treated lumber, now at about 13%, shows no sign of leveling off (forecast: 25-30%)
- Wood treaters response: forecasting decline; some entering composites

2. LP in the #2 or #3 position, but had little growth in 2005



#### 3. LP aggressive response:

- Actions to grow faster than market
- Capacity in place ahead of demand (recent Meridian and Selma expansions)

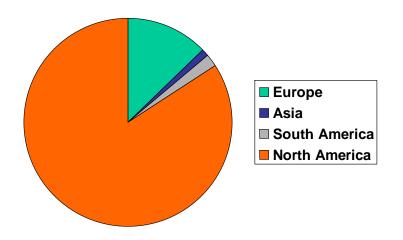


## International – Situation Analysis

Global OSB = 27 billion SF U.S. comprises 85 %

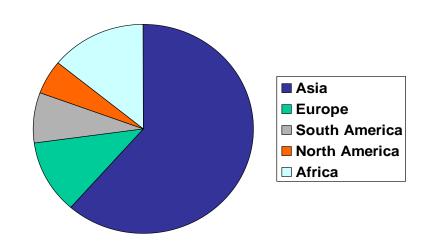
#### 2005 Global OSB Demand

27 Billion SF



#### **World Population By Region**

6.4 Billion People



**Current market** 

Theoretical opportunity

The opportunity for OSB is just emerging



## Very Strong Balance Sheet

#### In millions except per share

	2006 March 31			Decem 2005	31 2004	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents *	\$	1,374	\$	1,395	\$	1,249
Working Capital *		1,524		1,451		1,164
Net Cash and Investments *		966		968		845
Capital Expenditures (YTD)		42		258		180
Depreciation, amortization, and cost of timber harvested (YTD)		35		133		141
Book Value per Share		19.95		19.31		16.05

<sup>\*</sup> See appendix for reconciliations



### **Conclusions**

#### LP has ...

- Leadership position in OSB with exceptional geographic distribution
- Specialty businesses with sales > \$1 billion and growing profitability
- A focused business model
- Continuing drive to be the low cost producer
- Growth opportunities in OSB (commodity and specialty),
   EWP and specialty exterior products
- Discipline in capital deployment
- Strong balance sheet ... financial flexibility



## Q1 Highlights

- Net Sales \$680 million
- Net Income \$84 million ... EPS \$0.79
- OSB volume up 19% from Q4 and 14% from Q1 05
- EWP profit up 22% from Q4 and 83% from Q1 05
- Siding volume up 10% from Q4 and 13% from Q1 05
- Decking volume up 89% from Q4 and 35% from Q1 05
- Spent \$42 million in capital (includes JVs)



## Questions



## Appendix



	March 31, 2006		December 31, 2005		December 31, 2004	
Calculation of "Working Capital" Current assets	\$	1,851	\$	1,797	\$	1,604
Current liabilities	Ψ	(327)	Ψ	(346)	Ψ	(440)
Working capital	\$	1,524	\$	1,451	\$	1,164
Calculation of "Net Cash and Investments"						
Long-term debt	\$	(734)	\$	(735)	\$	(623)
Current portion of long term debt		(1)		(19)		(178)
Current portion of limited recourse debt		(70)		(70)		-
Notes receivable from assets sales		397		397		397
Total cash and investments		1,374		1,395		1,249
Net cash and investments	\$	966	\$	968	\$	845
Calculation of "Total Cash and Investments"						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	698	\$	608	\$	545
Short term investments		613		717		608
Restricted cash		40		56		66
Long-term investments		23		14		30
Total cash and investments	\$	1,374	\$	1,395	\$	1,249