

# Future PLC Fundamental Company Report Including Financial, SWOT, Competitors and Industry Analysis

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# **Abstracts**

Future PLC Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between Future PLC and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of Future PLC position in the <a href="Media">Media</a> Industry.

The report contains detailed information about Future PLC that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for Future PLC. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The Future PLC financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trendcharts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and company's long-term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your



company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes Future PLC competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of Future PLC business.

#### **About Future PLC**

Future plc publishes special-interest consumer magazines internationally with portfolios in the computing, games, music, sports, motoring, crafts and leisure sectors from operations in the UK, U.S., France and Italy.

The company publishes 96 magazines; contains 32 games titles, 37 computing titles, and 27 entertainment titles in four countries.

#### Magazines

The company publishes games magazines in France with the acquisition, in 2003, of PlayStation 2 Le Magazine Officiel, Joypad and Joystick boosting the port.

#### Websites

The company has built websites and networks that serve the needs and interests of various passionate gadget lovers, games players, music fans, PC buffs, and the ebusiness and creative communities.

#### Future U.K.



The company publishes special-interest magazines, such as Official PlayStation 2 Magazine, Total Film, Official Xbox Magazine, Redline and Cross Stitcher.

#### Future U.S.A

Future U.S.A publishes magazines in the games, technology, music and action sports arenas. In 2003, the company entered the U.S. guitar-publishing sector with the purchases of the Guitar World family of magazines and Guitar One magazine. The company's new titles in 2005 from its new magazine group-Future Action Sports-include: Skateboard Trade News, Snowboard Trade News and consumer title Future Snowboarding.

The company's major products include Official Xbox Magazine, PSM, Maximum PC, Pc Gamer and Guitar World.

#### **Future France**

Future France publishes special-interest magazines for readers aged 15 to 35, who are passionate about digital entertainment technology, computer games, computing, photography, the internet and digital arts.

The company's products include PlayStation 2, Le Magazine Officiel, Windows News, Joystic. Jeux Video Magazine and PC Achat.

#### Future Italy

Future Italy engages in the computing and games magazine sectors in Italy. In the computing sector II Mio Computer and Computer Magazine are among the titles for computer enthusiasts.

The company's products include Giochi per il Mio Computer, Computer Magazine, Il Mio Computer, PSM and Xbox Magazine Ufficial.

#### International Licensing

Approximately 100 international editions of the company's magazines are published under license in 30 other countries across the world. The company's principal licensed title is T3, an international brand with 21 editions worldwide.



History

Future plc was founded in the United Kingdom in 1985.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are subject to change.

It means that we have all necessary data in our database to prepare the report but need **2-3 days** to complete it. During this time we are also updating the report with respect to the current moment. So, you can get all the most recent data available for the same price. Please note that preparation of additional types of analyses requires extra time.



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# **ANALYSIS FEATURES**

## **SWOT Analysis**

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

# **Enhanced SWOT Analysis**

Enhanced SWOT is a 3×3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

#### **PESTEL Analysis**

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.



# Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

Political – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

Economic – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

Sociological – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

Technological – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

Environmental – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

Legal – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

## IFE, EFE, IE Matrices

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors



integrated into one suggestive model.

# **Porter Five Forces Analysis**

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

# **VRIO Analysis**

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity



# Reputation

# Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?
Rare?
Costly to imitate?
Organized properly?



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