

# IMAX China Full-Year 2021 Financial Results

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### IMAX China is Uniquely Positioned to Benefit in the Post-Pandemic Theatrical Space

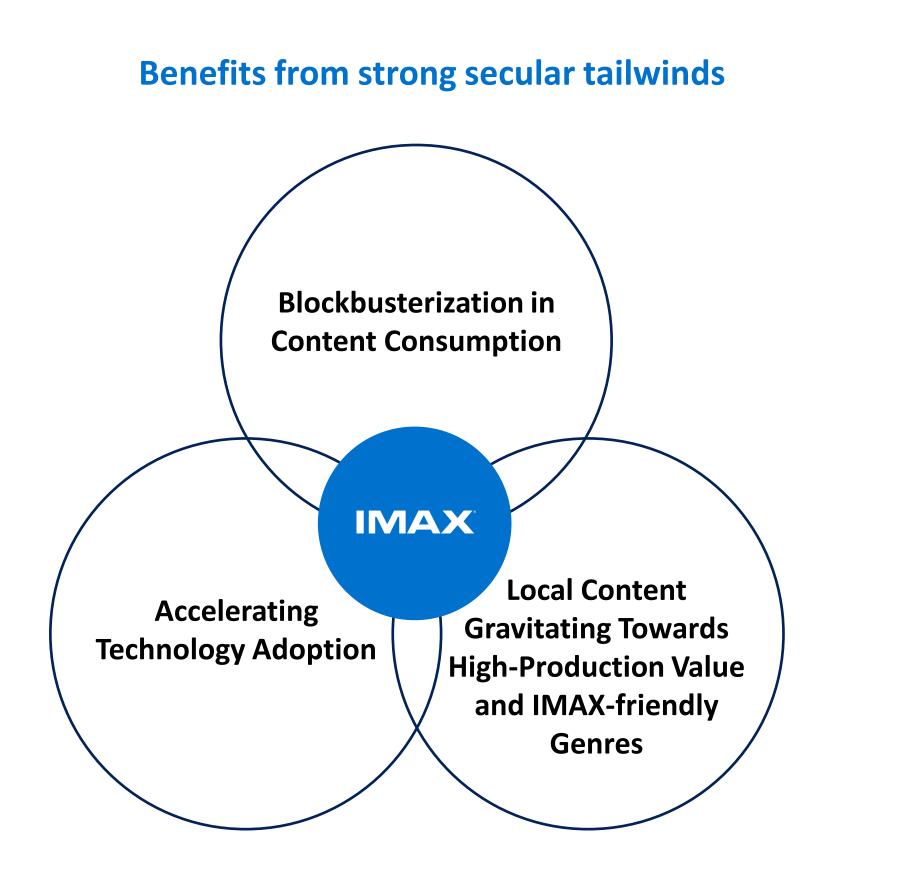


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### **Strong Full-Year Results Underscore Growing Demand for IMAX**



(1): Average opening weekend indexing

Demonstrated demand for the IMAX Experience from consumers, studios and exhibitors drives strong business turnaround

Expansion

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#### ...drive improving metrics across-the-board

Strong Financials Turnaround	<ul> <li>Revenue of US\$113 million and adjusted earnings of US\$ 42 million recovered to levels nearly in line with 2019</li> </ul>
Market Share Gain in Local Language	<ul> <li>Record-high local language box office of US\$150 million</li> <li>Record-high Chinese New Year opening weekend and National Day Holiday box office</li> <li>Deepening IMAX DNA involvement with two out of the top three highest-grossing titles in 2021 being Filmed in IMAX</li> <li>Growing local language indexing to c.5%<sup>(1)</sup></li> </ul>
Strengthening Hollywood Footprint	<ul> <li>Average Hollywood opening weekend indexing accelerated to over 13%<sup>(1)</sup></li> <li>Strong 2022 blockbuster pipeline empowered with IMAX DNA</li> </ul>
Continued Network	<ul> <li>Growing network to 783 theaters and 215 in backlog</li> </ul>

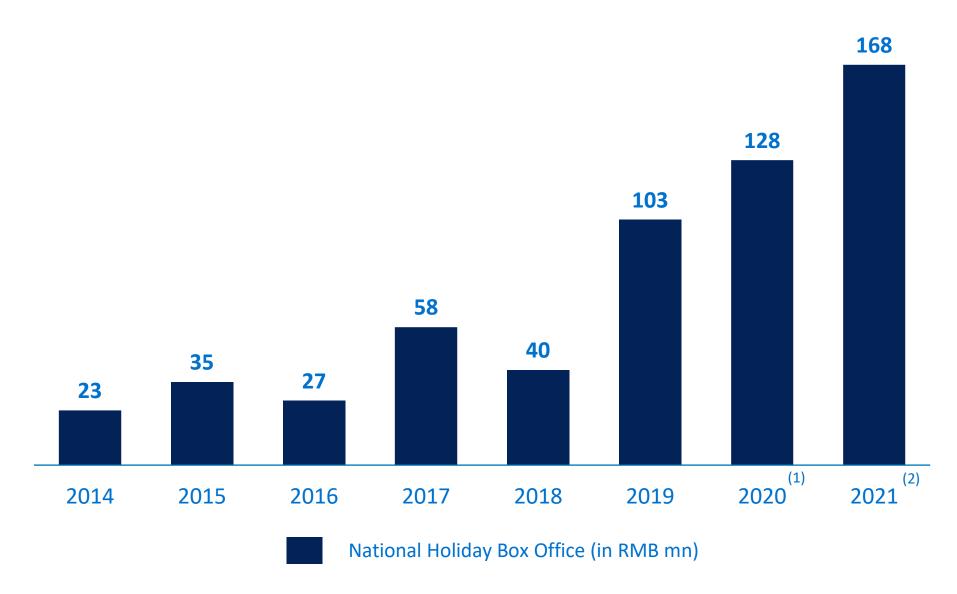
Sales and maintenance revenue surpassed that of 2019



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### **Strengthening Local Language Footprint on Rising Production Value and IMAXfriendly Genres**

#### **IMAX China National Day Holiday Box Office**

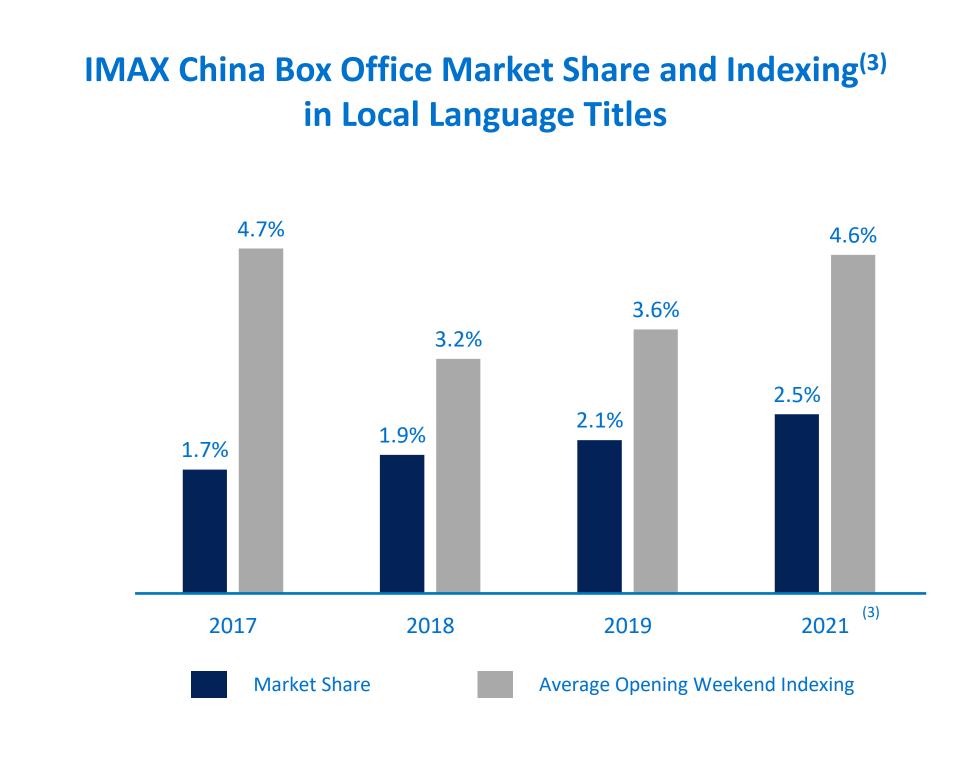


(1):2020 National Day Holiday box office includes Oct 1 to Oct 8(2):2021 National Day Holiday box office includes Sept 30 to Oct 7

Source: Company data, all box office include service fees

Record National Holiday box office and share gain in local language content

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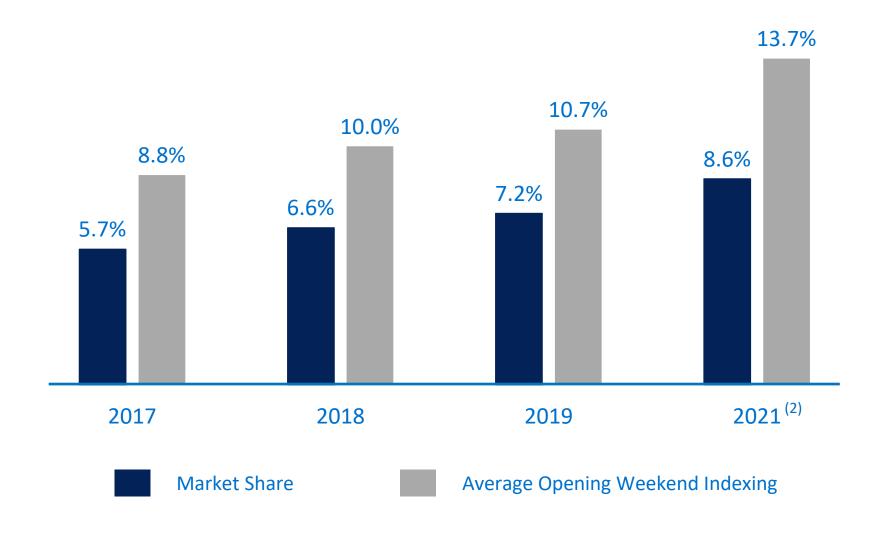


(3): Indexing = IMAX China's box office of a single title/ total box office of a single title
(4): As of Dec 31, 2021
Source: Company data



### 'Blockbusterization' in Content Consumption Drives Higher Indexing and **Market Share for IMAX China**

#### IMAX China Box Office Market Share and Indexing<sup>(1)</sup> in Hollywood Titles



(1): Indexing = IMAX China's box office of a single title/ total box office of a single title (2): As of Dec 31, 2021 Source: Company data

IMAX China's average indexing and market share in Hollywood titles accelerated to over 13% and 8% respectively

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#### Average IMAX Opening Weekend Indexing of Major Hollywood Tentpoles



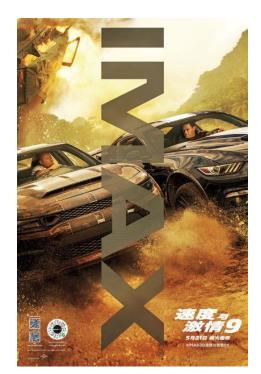
Dune (24% indexing)



Godzilla vs. Kong (12% indexing)



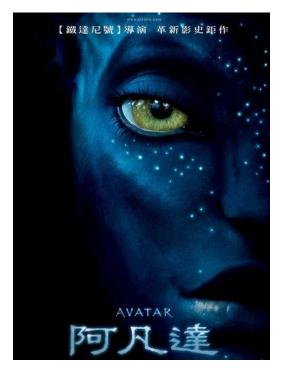
No Time to Die (15% indexing)



Fast and Furious 9 (9% indexing)



Free Guy (13% indexing)



Avatar re-release (31% indexing)



### **Strong Pipeline of Tentpole Releases in 2022 SONY PICTURES** The Unchartered Batman *China: 14 March 2022 China: 18 March 2022* MARVEL STUDIOS **MARVEL** STUDIOS Black **Thor: Love** Panther 2: and Thunder

July 2022

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#### Heavy involvement of IMAX DNA bodes well for greater box office share

Note: Titles have been confirmed to be released in North America but such release schedule might be postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic. Release schedule in China to be determined except Uncharterd and The Batman.

**o** = indicates IMAX DNA with expanded aspect ratio or filmed with IMAX certified cameras

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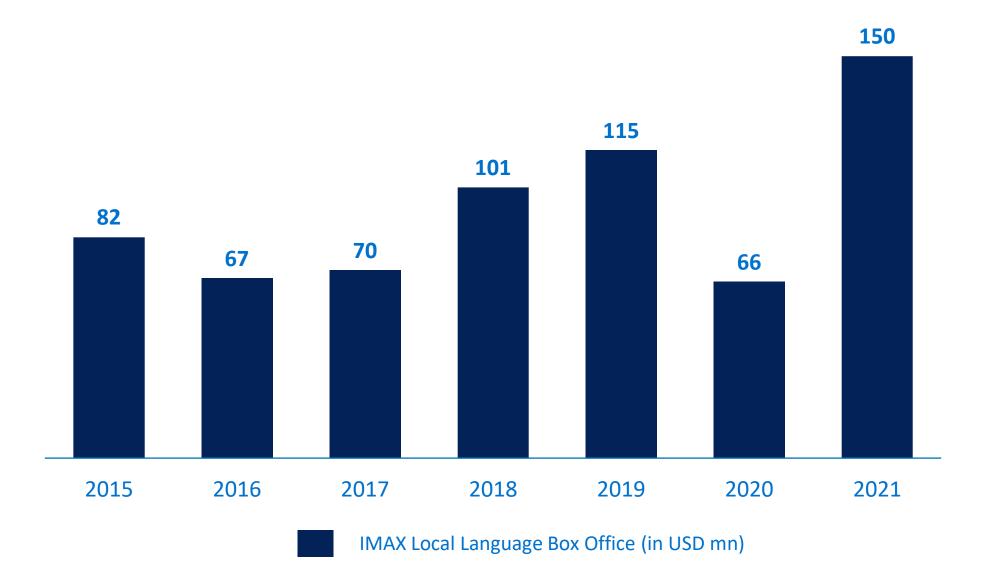
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### IMAX Technology Empowers Blockbuster Filmmaking

#### **IMAX China Local Language Box Office**



Source: Company data Note: Mainland China only, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan

Value of IMAX brand and technology gains widening recognition among local filmmakers

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#### The Battle at Lake Changjin (Oct 2021)

- IMAX expanded aspect ratio
- Highest-grossing title in China film history



#### **Detective Chinatown 3 (Feb 2021)**

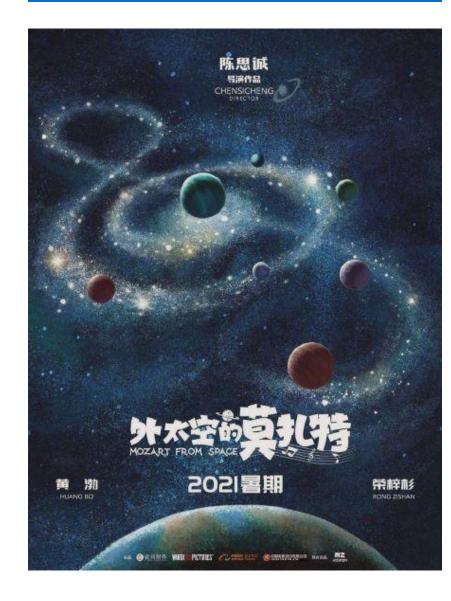
- Filmed with IMAX cameras
- Best 3-day opening weekend of all time



### **Promising Pipeline of Potential Local Language Titles**

### Watergate Bridge





(1): Sequel to The Battle at Lake Changjin (2): Filmed in IMAX Note: Release schedule of the abovementioned titles in China to be determined.

#### **Mozart From** Space <sup>(2)</sup>

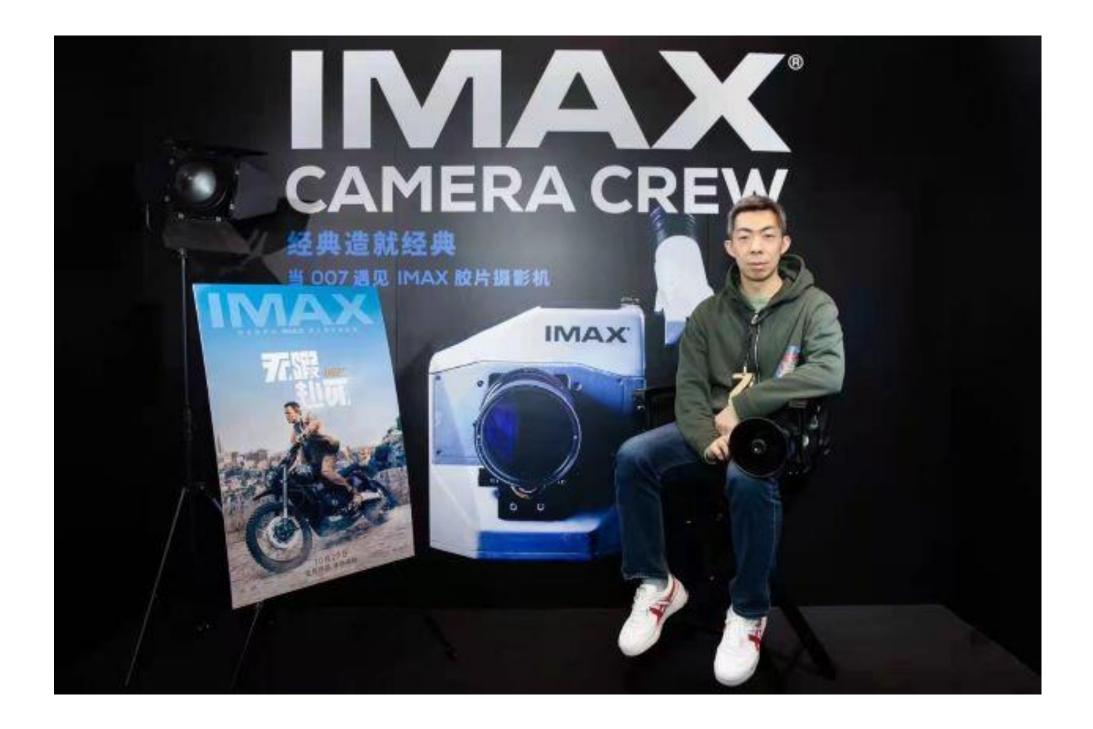
### Wandering Earth 2



#### Multiple blockbuster caliber potential local language titles



### **Chinese Film Makers Embrace IMAX Technology**



Director Lu Yang (A Writer's Odyssey) and Director of Cinematography Cao Yu (The Eight Hundred) at IMAX No Time To Die screening

We expect more and more directors and producers to embrace the IMAX technology to differentiate their films

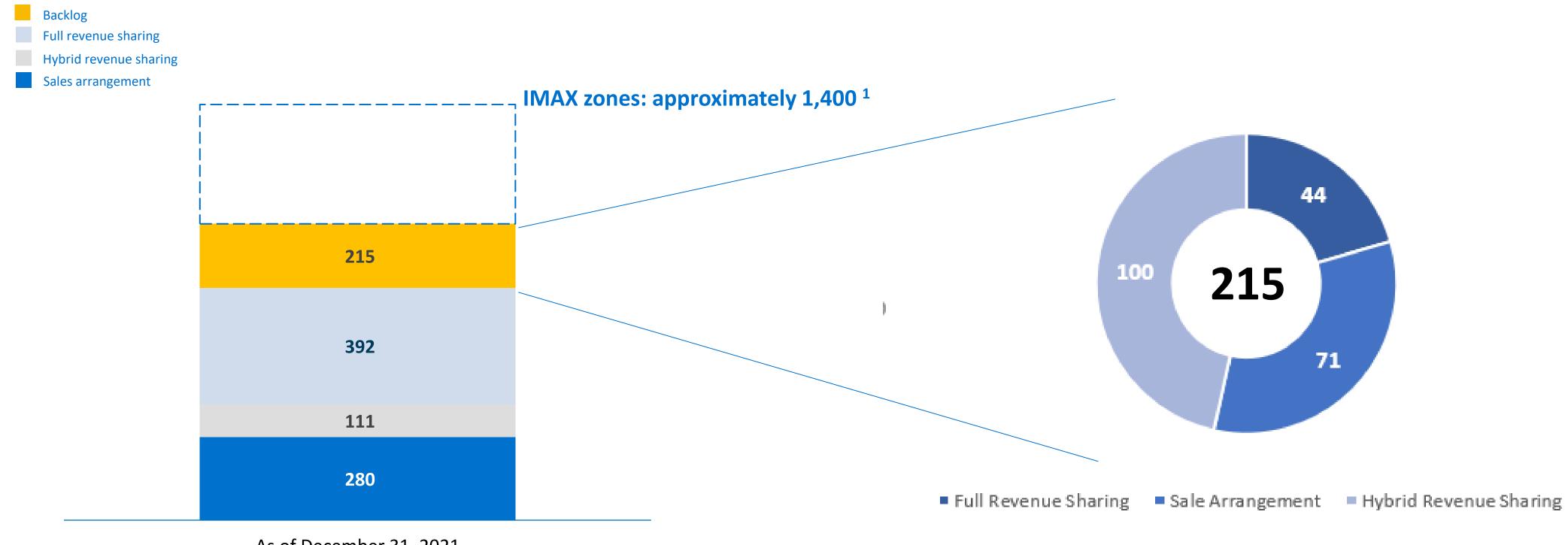
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### **Exhibitor Partners Continue to See the Value of IMAX to Their Business**

#### **IMAX Greater China Theater Footprint**



#### As of December 31, 2021

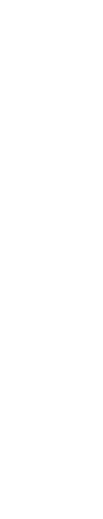
Note 1: As of December 31, 2021 Source: Company Data

Including backlog, Greater China contracted network approaching a 1,000-theater milestone for the first time

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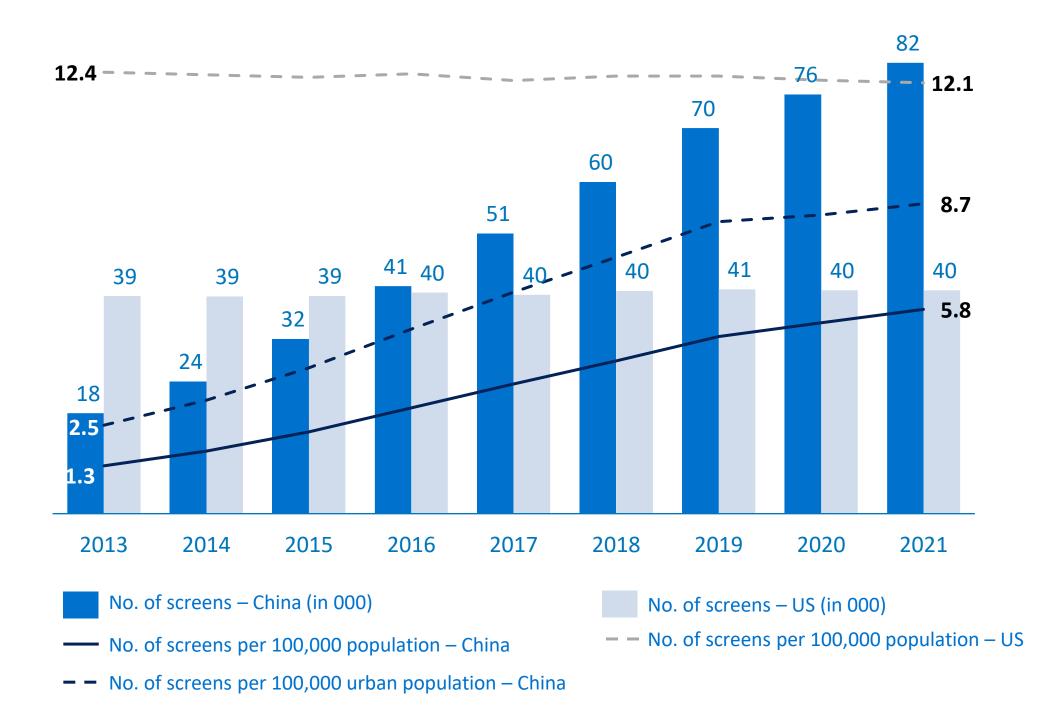
#### **Greater China Backlog Mix<sup>2</sup>**

Note 2: As of Dec 31, 2021 Source: Company Data



### **Favorable Policy Support**

#### No. of Cinema Screens per 100,000 Population



Urbanization, rising purchasing power and supply of quality content should continue to drive screen growth

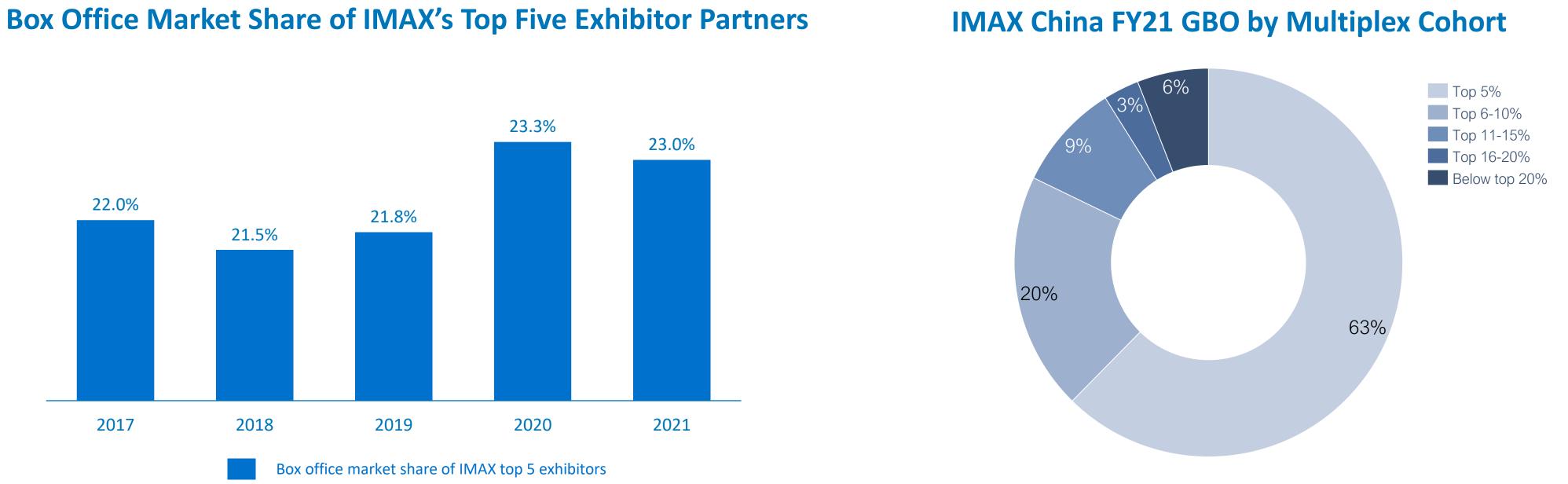
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#### Highlights from the 14<sup>th</sup> Five-Year Development Plan Published by China Film Bureau

- Target at least 100,000 screens by 2025
- Maintain at least 55% industry box office contribution from local language movies – leaving room for Hollywood and other international releases
- Improve local language content creation quality and technology adoption
- Support local sci-fi and animation movie production
- Support cinema technology upgrades for better movie-going experience
- Support overseas distribution of Chinese movies



### **IMAX China's Premium Network is Well-insulated From Any Potential Industry** Consolidation



#### Source: TOP Consulting

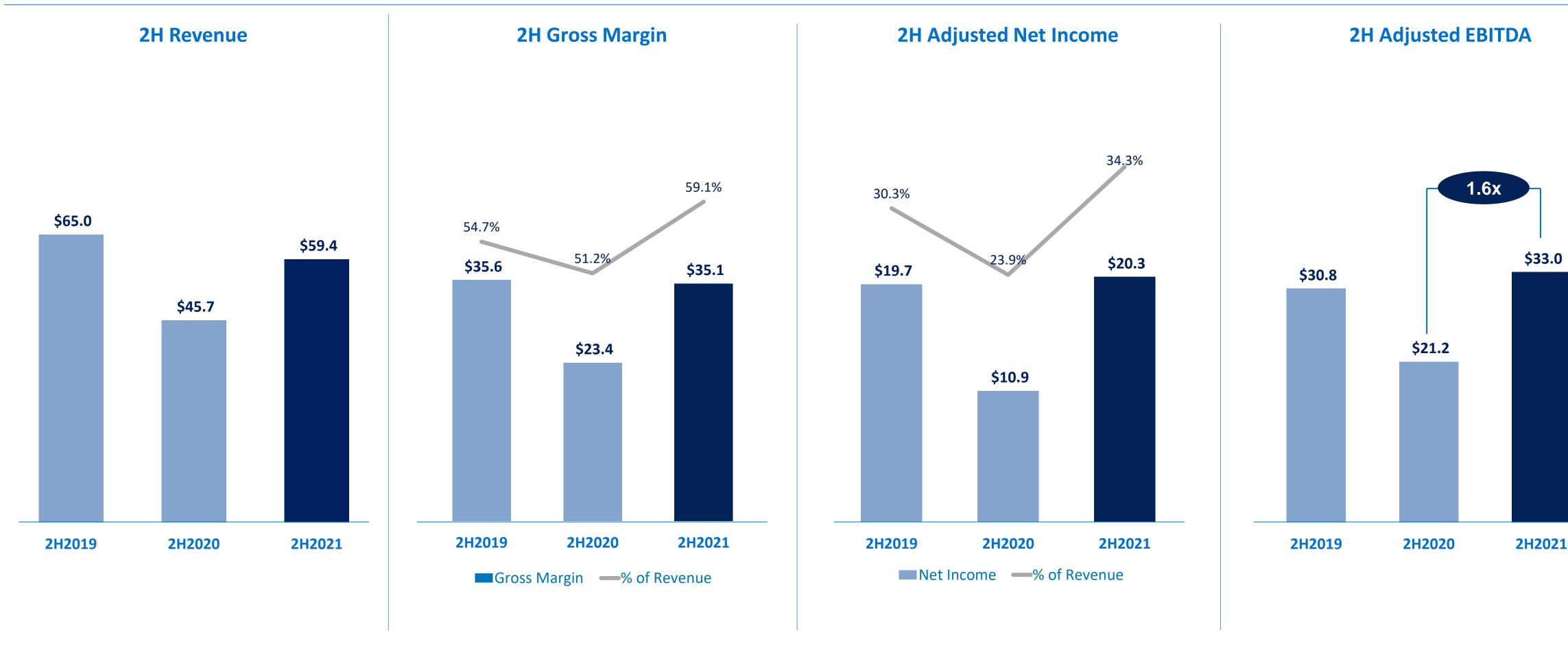
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#### 95% of IMAX China box office was generated from top 20% multiplexes



### **Strong 2H2021 provides momentum into 2022**

\$ in Millions



Source: Company Data

Compared to 2H2019: growth of Net Income and Adjusted EBITDA in 2H2021; growth of Gross Margin and Net Income Margin in 2H2021





### **Strong Financials Turnaround**

- FY21 total revenue of US\$112.8 million, up from US\$52.3 million in FY20
  - contribution
  - installs

- **YE20**

#### Growing indexing and pick-up in installs drives strong revenue and earnings rebound to levels largely in-line with FY19

Note 1: Adjusted net profit excludes share-based compensation and deferred income tax charge that is non-cash and non-recurring in nature

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Technology network revenue of US\$39.4 million, up from US\$15.3 million in FY20 driven by box office recovery to US\$239.5 million and higher take-rate of 16.4% on higher local language

Technology sales and maintenance revenue of US\$73 million, up from US\$36.8 million in FY20, and 2.8% higher than that of FY19 driven by pick-up in installations and higher mix of Laser

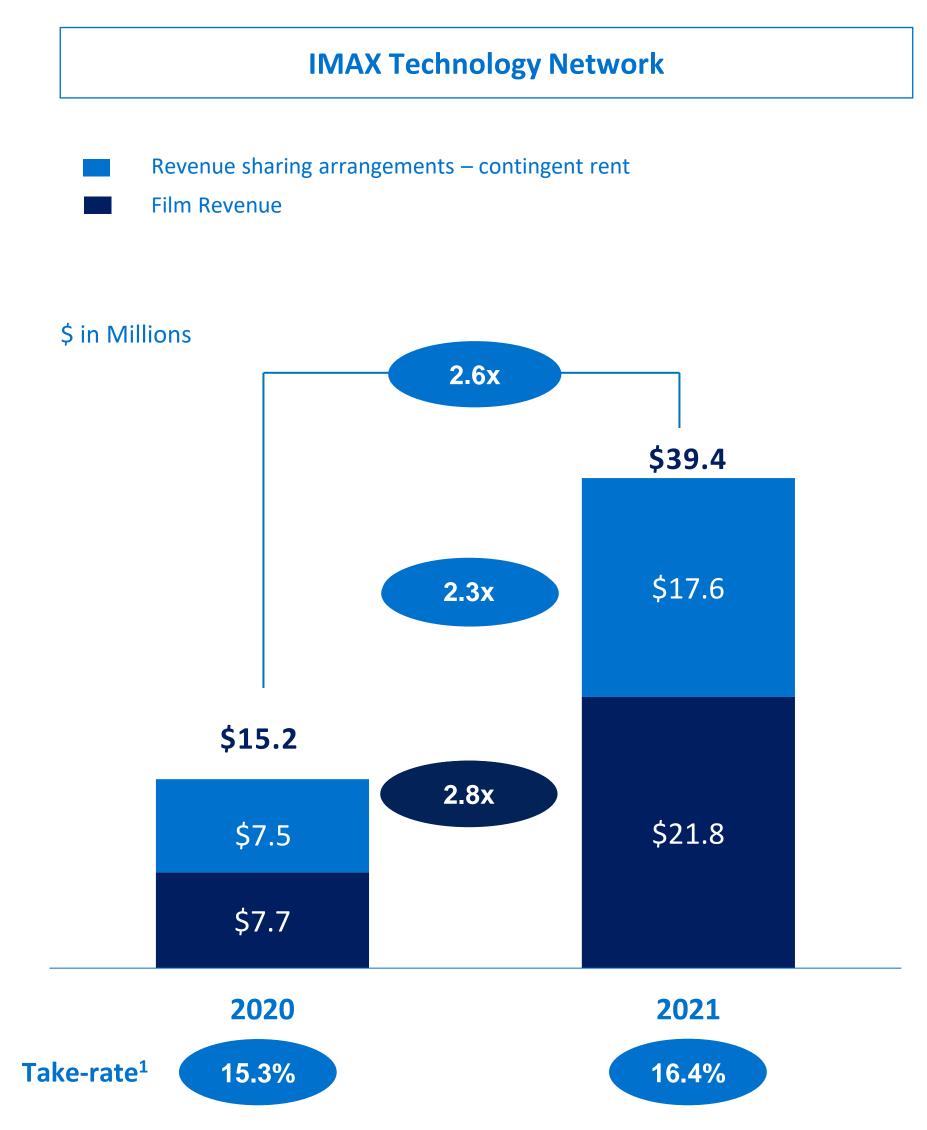
• FY21 adjusted net profit<sup>(1)</sup> of US\$ 42 million, vs. net loss <sup>(1)</sup> of US\$4.6 million in FY20

Returned a total of US\$27 million capital to shareholders in 2021 including US\$17 million in dividends on a higher payout ratio of 50%, and US\$10 million in share buybacks

Strong balance sheet with US\$97.7 million in cash as of Dec 31, 2021, up from US\$88.4 million in



### **2021 Segment Details: Technology Network**



Note 1:Take-rate defined as network revenue dividend by total IMAX box office Source: Company data

## Network revenue of \$39.4 million, up from \$15.2 million in 2020

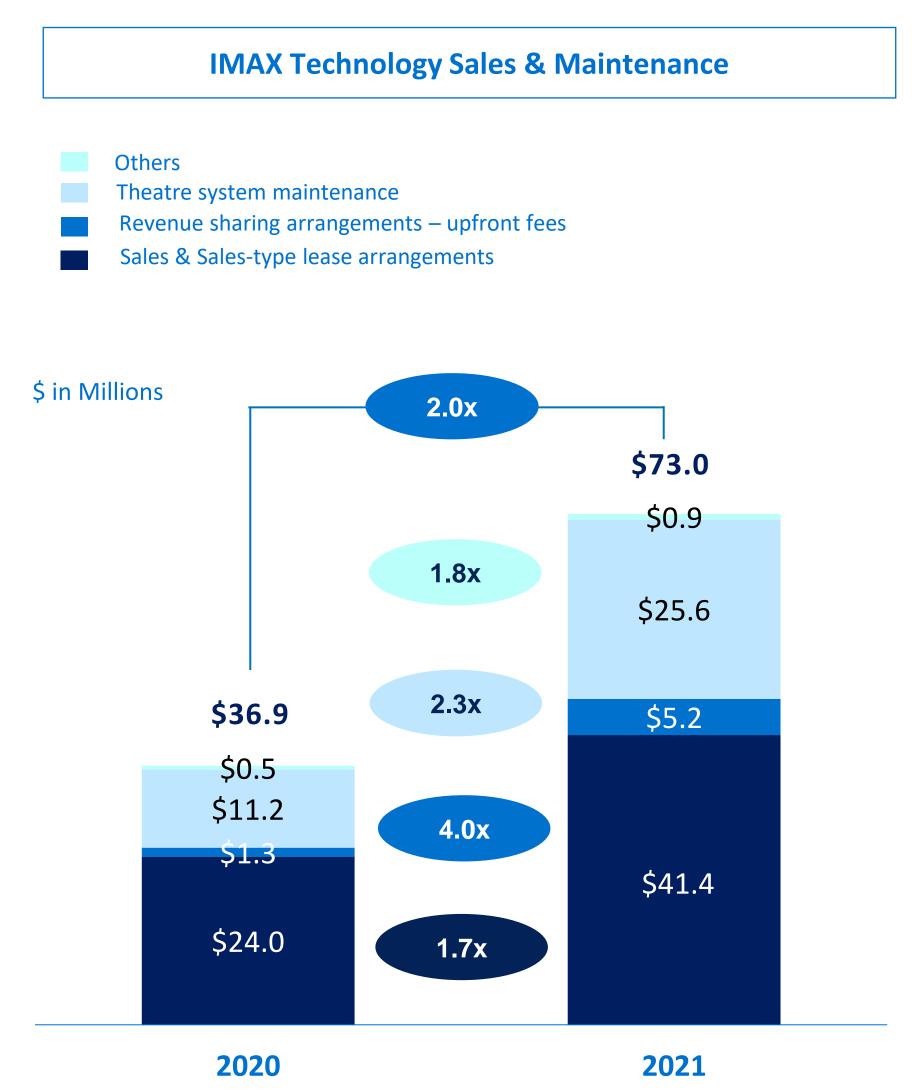
- Greater China box office of \$239 million, up from \$99 million in prior year period
- Improving box office take-rate to 16.4%, +110bps, with local language contributing 63% of IMAX box office

#### Network gross margin of 57%, vs. 0.6% in 2020

- Benefitting from inherent operating leverage
- Higher take rate also attributed to a higher box office in local language films



### **2021 Segment Details: Technology Sales & Maintenance**



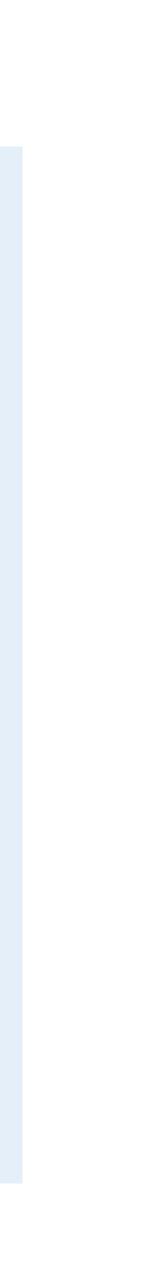
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Sales & maintenance revenue of \$73.0 million, up from \$36.9 million in 2020

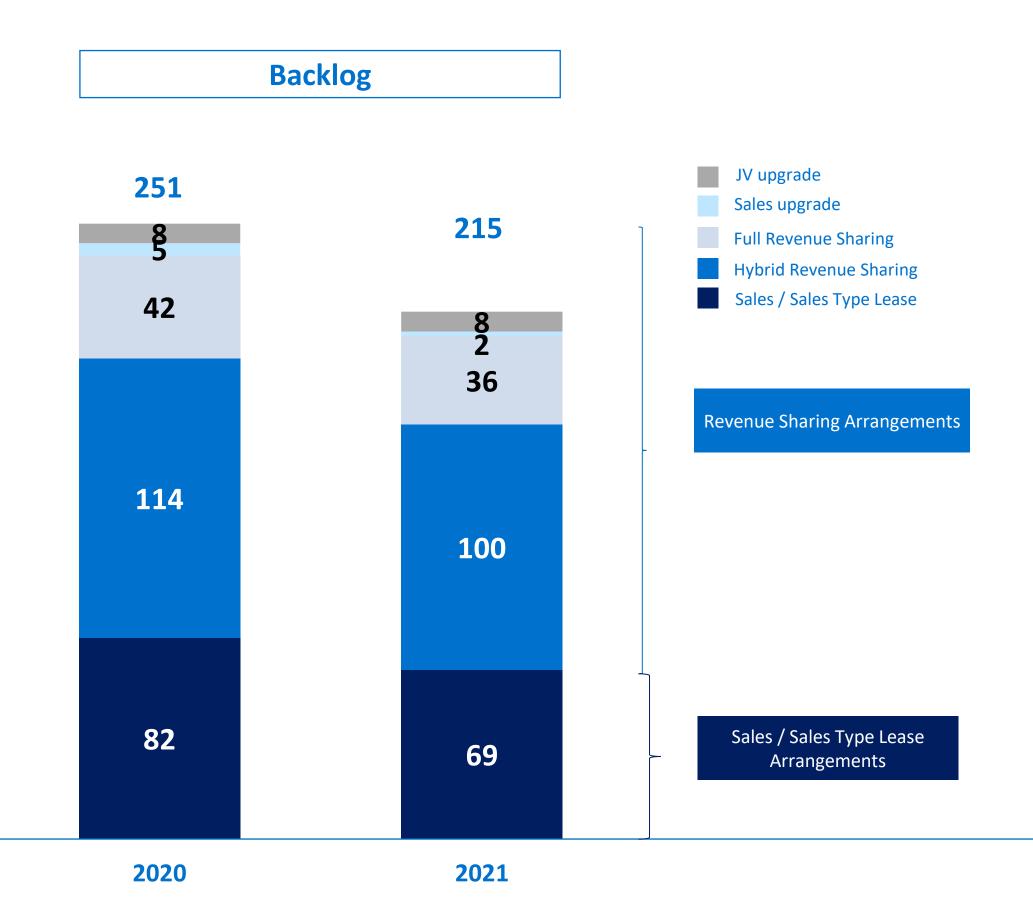
- 57 installations including 5 Laser upgrade, vs. 3 upgrades in the prior year period
- 20 sales, 9 hybrid and 15 full revenue share within new installs
- Improvement in maintenance revenue as theatres picking up operation

### Sales & maintenance gross margin of 63%, up from 52% in 2020

• Total 20 new sales installations and 4 sales upgrade, vs. 15 new sales installs and 2 sales upgrades in prior year period



### **Network Update**



Source: Company Data

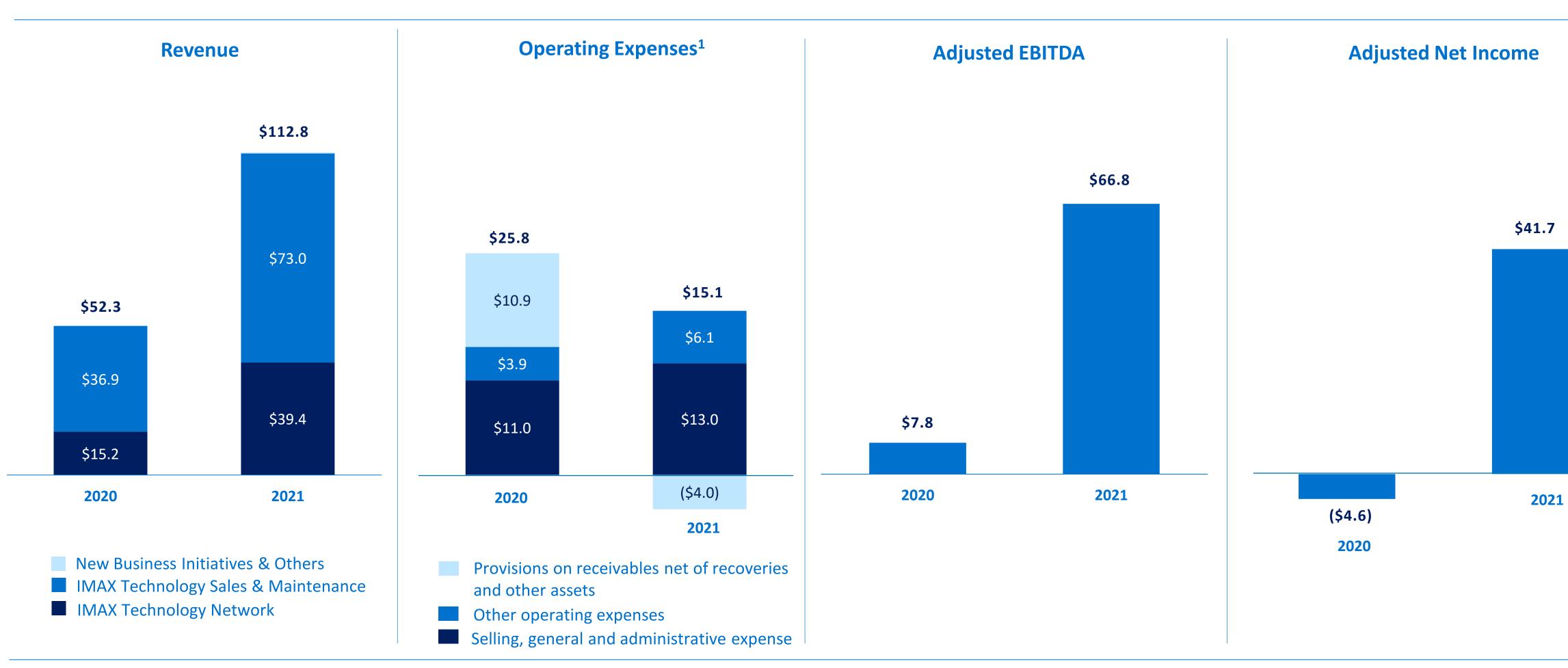
#### Signings and Installations

	Total Signings	<b>Total Installations</b>
Sales and STL	9	20
Hybrid	0	9
JV	9	15
Upgrades	2	5
Relocation	0	8
Renewal	5	-
Total	25	57



### **2021 Financial Summary**

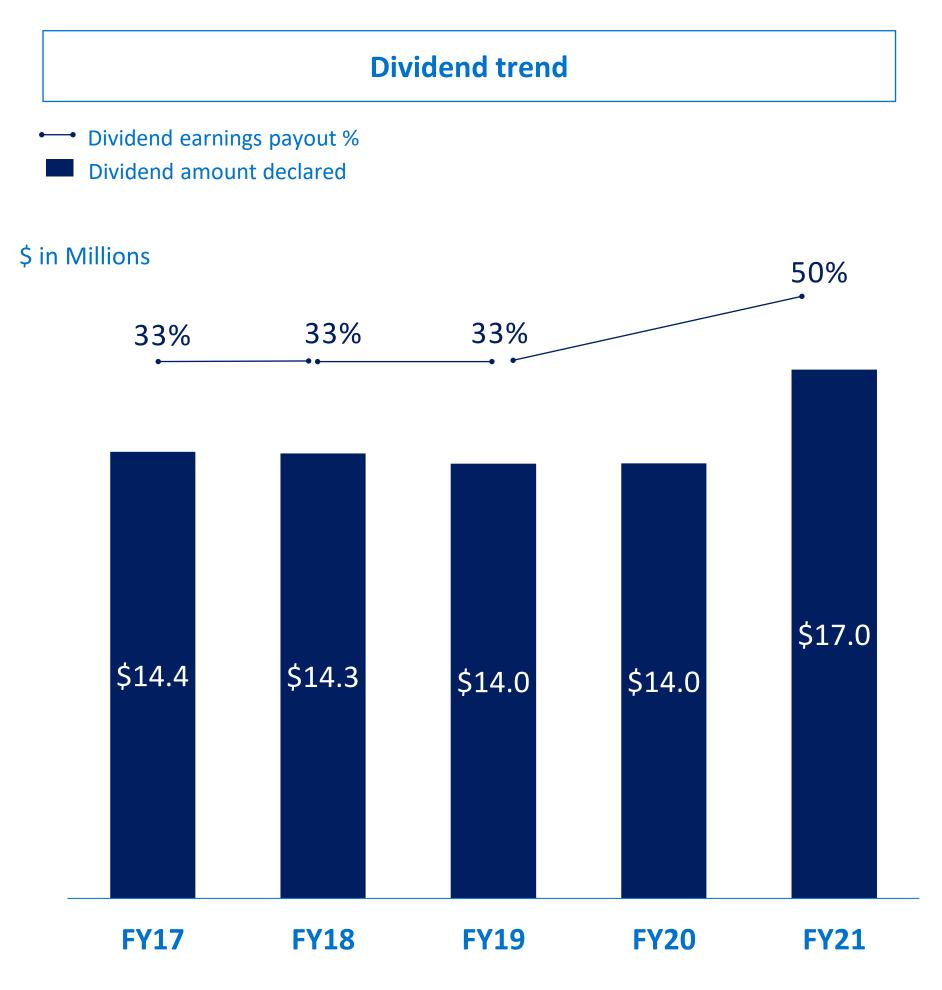
#### \$ in Millions



Note 1: Operating expenses defined as selling, general and administrative expenses and others, less stock-based compensation Source: Company data



### **Shareholder Return**

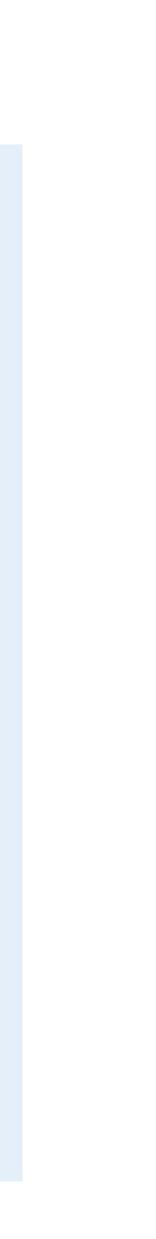


Source: Company data

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# Committed to increase shareholder return with a strong balance sheet, sustainable cash flow and earnings growth

- Increased dividend payout ratio from 33% to 50% for FY22
- Returned a total of US\$27 million capital to shareholders in 2021 including US\$17 million in dividends and US\$10 million in share buybacks





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