

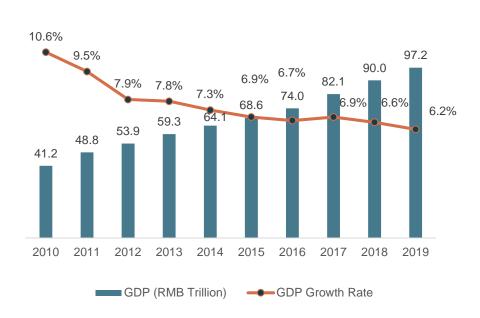
# **The State of the Chinese Consumer Pre Covid-19**



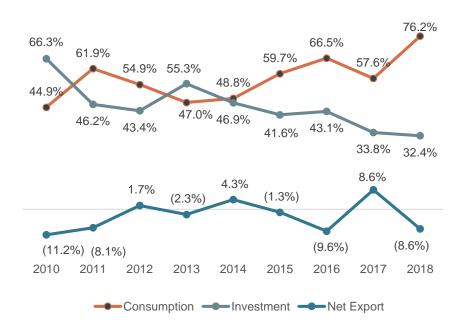
# **China's Economy Has Been Rapidly Transforming to One That is Driven by Consumption**

- ◆ The Chinese economy is transitioning from high growth to more moderate, stable growth
  - > As it has transitioned, consumption expenditures as a percentage of GDO has steadily increased
- ◆ Consumption has replaced exports and investment to become the driving force of China's economic growth
  - > Consumption upgrade, or the growth of the middle class, has been one of the main driving forces of this growth

### 2010- 2019 China GDP Growth Rate



# Contribution Rate Of Consumption, Investment and Net Exports To GDP Growth Rate In 2010-2018

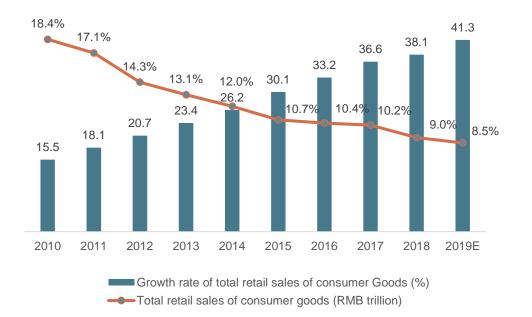




# Consumption Data Has Generally Been Better Than China's Overall Macro **Data with Additional Room for Growth**

- From 2010 to 2019, total retail sales of consumer goods grew rapidly, well in excess of overall macroeconomic growth
- The per capita disposable income of residents across the country has grown rapidly
- As the world's largest middle class market, China will provide a broad market space for new products and services

### 2010 - 2019 China's Total Retail Sales of Consumer Goods



### 2010 - 2019 Per Capita Disposable Income of National Residents



Actual growth rate (%)



# The Overall Market Has Grown Steadily With Less-Developed Urban and Rural Markets Driving the Next Wave Of Consumption Growth

Some Categories Have Faced Pressure, but Overall Growth Has Continued

### Retail channels:

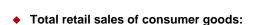
 E-commerce continues to squeeze the traditional retail channel



### Urban and rural areas:

 Urban and Rural Consumption Potential is Accelerating



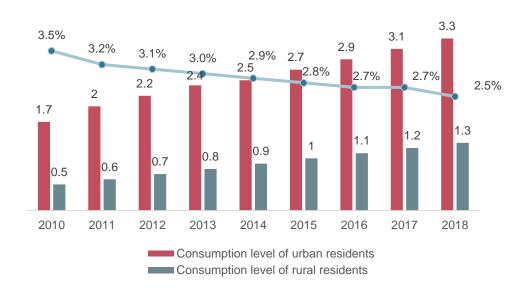


- Necessity goods such as automobiles, petroleum, and food play an important role in stimulating consumption and boosting the economy
- Textile and apparel, jewelry, office supplies, and other categories have been below the overall growth rate of retail sales

**Less-Developed Urban and Rural Markets Growth in Consumption Has Injected New Momentum** 

- The gap between urban and rural consumption has narrowed, with the growth of the middle class in rural markets
- ◆ E-commerce expansion will drive rural market consumption

Comparison of Consumption Levels Between Urban and Rural Residents in China Between 2010-2018 (Unit: RMB ten thousands)





# The Launch of the STAR Market Made 2019 An Important Year For A-share IPOs

♦ 2019 was a big year for A-share IPOs. 203 A-share IPOs, raising RMB 253.3 billion (20 IPOs from STAR Market, RMB 82.4billion)

### Number of A-share IPOs 2014 - 2019



### Capital Raising By A-share IPOs 2014-2019 (Unit: RMB mm)



♦ In 2019, of China's large consumer company IPOs, the food and beverage sector was particularly strong

### 18 A-share IPOs, raising RMB 181.4 billion

Number of A-share IPOs and transaction value of consumer companies in 2019 (Unit: RMB mm)



### 58 H-share IPOs, raising HK USD 1,870.8 billion

Number of H-share IPOs and transaction value of consumer companies in 2019 (Unit: RMB mm)



Source: Dealogic and Wind



# **2019 Consumer Sector Highlights And Trends**

### 5G starts commercial wave

- Growth of the commercial use of 5G has driven consumer electronics, content, internet, medical health, automobile manufacturing and other industries
- ◆ The integration of AI, VR / AR, cloud computing and other technologies has significant room for development







Content



Industrial internet



Healthcare



**Automobiles** 

### **Leading Companies Accelerated Listings**

 The number of large companies in the consumer sector landing A-share, H-share, and US stock exchange continues to increase



### **Live Streaming E-commerce Is Growing Significantly**

- ♦ Live streaming has become a new battlefield by major platforms
- Brands have established direct connections to fans and consumers (D2C, Direct to Customer) through live streaming, further evolving traditional brands and the retail industry

### 20 billion

Taobao Double 11 Shopping Festival Transaction value



### 500 billion

Transaction value is expected to increase in the next three years

### Capital Raising for Food & Beverage Businesses Has Been Active

H share IPO listing と語



Change since IPO: 20.7%

A share IPO listing 5/8/2019

Change since IPO: 71.3%

A share IPO listing

1/25/2019

Change since IPO: 129.7%

A share IPO listing 7/12/2019

Change since IPO: 338.8%

A share IPO listing

6/19/2019

Change since IPO: 51.6%

A share IPO listing

11/13/2019

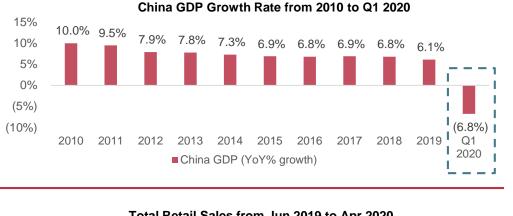
Change since IPO: 237.7%

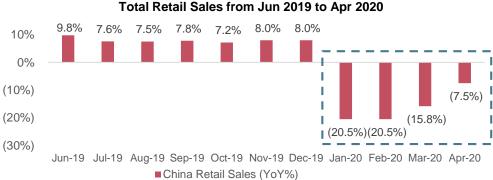
# The Impact of Covid-19 on the Chinese Consumer



## Pandemic-Induced Economic Impacts Have Been Broad-Based

- Since COVID-19 was first detected at the end of 2019, the Chinese government rapidly undertook strong measures to control the spread
- China's Q1 GDP registered its first decline since the economic indicator was first released in 1992. From January to March, total retail sales of consumer goods reached 7,858 billion yuan, down 19% vs. the year prior, the first negative growth in history
- ♦ The quarantine period eroded between 20-90% of all key sector indicators including sales in the retail and consumer sectors



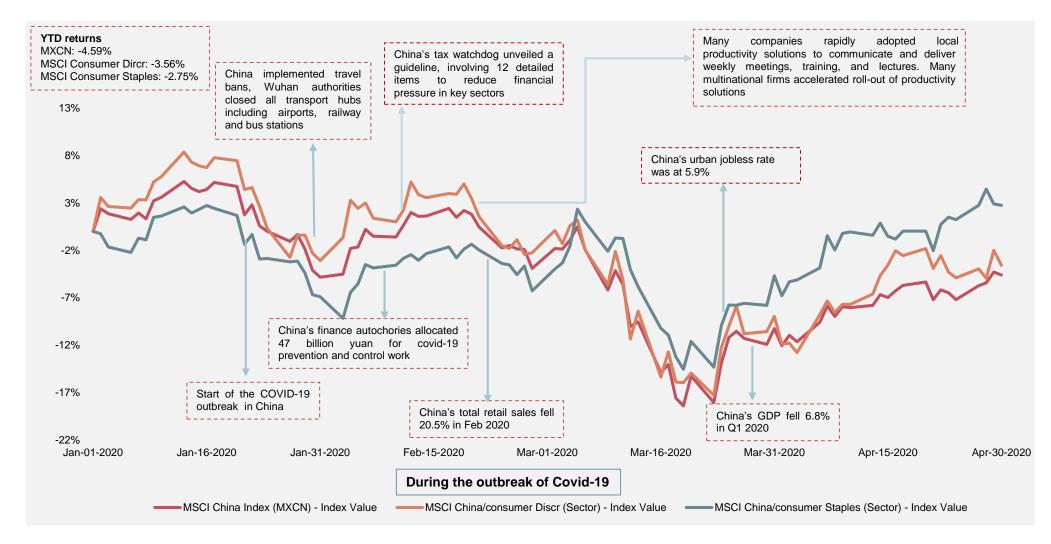


### Main Activity Indicators by Sector In China - Impact after 55 Days of Quarantine **Severely Impacted Sectors** Tourism. Real Estate & Industry & auto transportation Retail construction and logistics 202 Traffic of Industrial Retail sales Real estate sales passengers production -21% -36% -88% -14% Online channel Finished Hotel occupancy Car sales residential works sales -90% -79% +3% -24%



# **Major Indices Performance During and Prior to Covid-19**

### **Key index performance YTD**



Source: Capital IQ, Statista



## The Various Impact of Covid-19 on Consumer Subsectors

- The epidemic has transformed online consumer behavior
  - Online penetration and home delivery have rapidly increased
- Change in grocery shopping frequency and methodology have increased the basket size, which should help margins impacted by high distribution costs for smaller basket sizes

Online retail Hotel, dining and leisure

Retail & Consumer Sectors

Traditional retail

Food and beverage

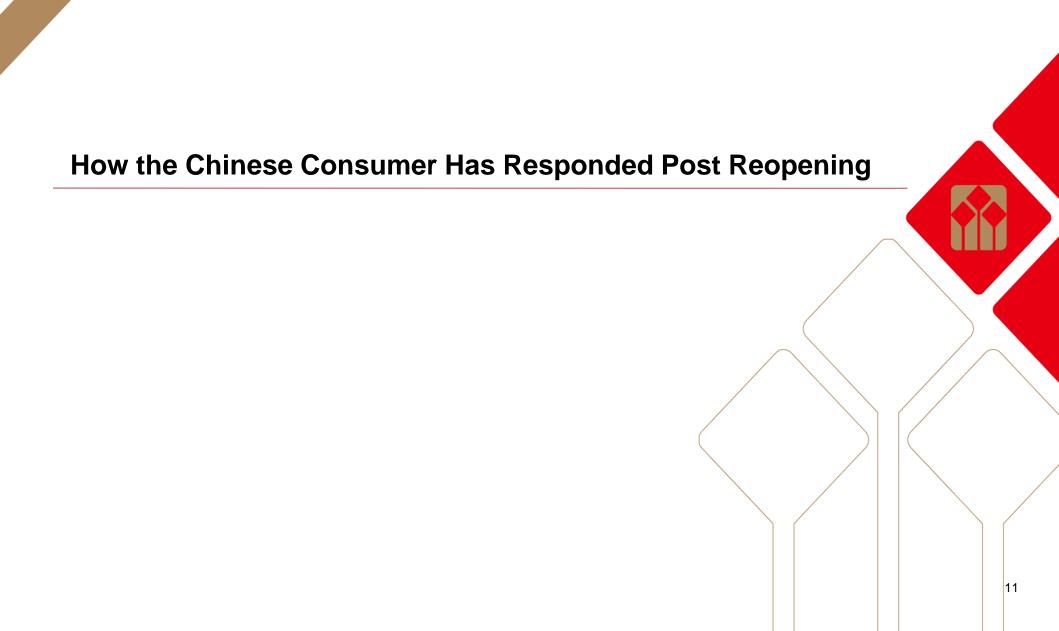
- ◆ Epidemic dramatically impacted the hotel, dining and leisure sectors
  - Reduced movement of people during the epidemic, suspension of domestic tour groups and the closure of places for social functions has been a heavy blow to this subsector
  - With large fixed costs, small and medium-sized hotels and restaurants are facing severe challenges

- ◆ The short-term impact of the epidemic on physical shops is expected to be considerable, particularly for luxuries or treats
  - The epidemic has accelerated the pace of online and offline penetration and the development of multichannel propositions

Various impact on food and beverage

- The epidemic has had a short-term impact on the F&B gift segment, such as tobacco and alcohol
- The impact on meat, convenience foods, seasonings and dairy products has been limited

Source: PwC, Deloitte





# Various Initiatives Have Been Established to Support the Economy and to Promote Positive Consumer Sentiment

- China began to show a slowdown in the number of new cases in mid-Q1, leading to the start of the economic reopening in March 2020
- Various initiatives have been established to support the economy and to promote positive consumer sentiment in order to bolster consumption trends

### The People's Bank of China has implemented various measures in recent months to stimulate the economy





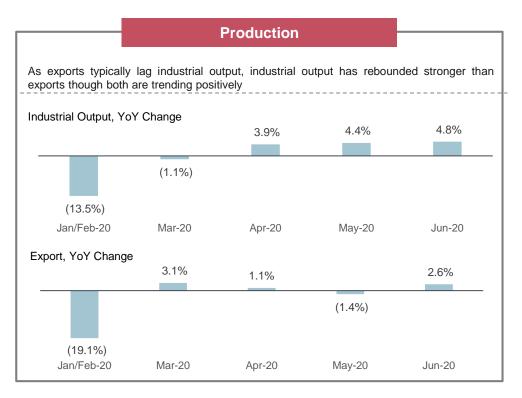


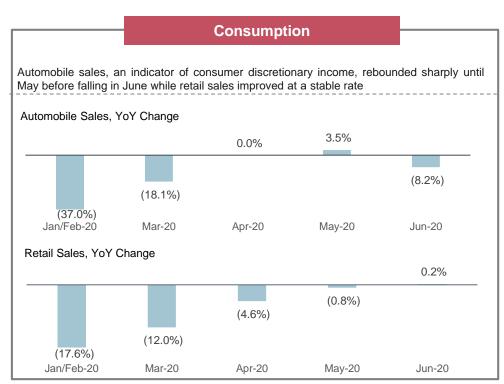


- Announced fiscal stimulus package of RMB 3.6 Trillion (\$500 billion USD) in May 2020
- Implemented monetary policy measures including:
- Easing of reserve requirements and lending rates
- Lending support through issuance and a 19% increase in bank loans
- Offering potential to defer loan repayments
- Potential for incremental stimulus exists, as stimulus program is comparatively lower relative to other countries
- ◆ Stimulus as a of GDP:
- > ~1-4% for China vs ~11% for the U.S.
- China spent more than
  1.2T yuan (\$170 bn) in
  February buying shares to shore up prices
- ◆ The Shanghai Index has only decreased ~2.7% since December

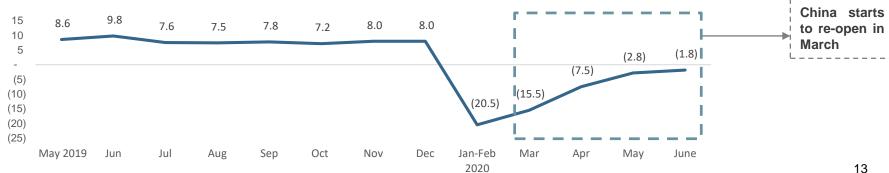


# Several Factors on Both the Production and Consumption Side Indicate the **Positive Impact of the Stimulus On Economy**





### Monthly Growth Rate of Total Retail Sales of Consumer Goods (%)





# **China Is Recovering with Consumption Returning**

Consumption data in mainland China for the May Day holiday (1-5 May), the first long weekend post COVID-19 pandemic, hints at a strong recovery and new momentum in various segments

- Online grocery shopping remains robust
  - Growth momentum in online grocery shopping in China has been robust since the 2020 Chinese New Year holiday as people move their grocery shopping online as part of social distancing



Gross merchandise volume (GMV) of the domestic/imported fresh food on 148 / 151% yoy JD.com grew



Pinduoduo saw total orders of agricultural/personal care products surge by **160/210%** yoy

- Traffic has ticked up at shopping centers, particularly in lower-tier cities
  - Relaxation of quarantine measures in China has led to increased foot traffic at major domestic shopping centers
  - According to the Winneryun platform, foot traffic at shopping centers nationwide have recovered to 62.3% of normal levels as of 2 May
  - Specifically, Tier-3 cities recovered to 68% of the norm, versus 58/65% for Tier-1/2 cities
- Consumers have spent more than usual on health
  - Consumers in China appear to be placing increasing emphasis on health in the post-pandemic period, as evidenced by the sharp rise in demand for health-related products and services during the May Day holiday
  - For instance, spending on sports and fitness tripled month on month during 1-3 May, according to data from WeChat Pay, while GMV of sportswear products increased by 85% mom during 1-5 May on JD.com
- Catering has accelerated amid vibrant nightlife
  - Catering was among the key sectors that resumed. Per Ministry of Commerce, the consumption recovery index of the catering sector was up by 18.8% during 1-5 May from that in the Qingming holiday
  - > Spending on catering services had recovered to 70% of that in the same period a year ago
- Leisure and entertainment services rebound
  - > As social activities in China are gradually returning to normal in the post pandemic period, experience-based leisure and entertainment consumption has ramped up
  - > During 29 April to 3 May, beauty-related activities such as manicure and spa services booked through Meituan doubled month on month
  - ➤ The transaction volume of WeChat Pay for leisure services rose by 521% mom during 1-3 May