

## Leading Players of the Global Mobile Phone Industry

Overview of Groups – SWOTs – Benchmarking - Company Profiles and Financials

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1.2. Ranking

## Apple continues to leverage its premium positioning and retains its lead

Overview of leading mobile phone companies analysed

unit: 2018 smartphone-related revenues in billion euros

| Profile   | Name  | Country | Revenues | Main smartphone families |
|---|---|---------|----------|--------------------------|
| Divisions of diversified consumer<br>electronics groups | Apple Inc - iPhone                                  |         | 141.15   | iPhone                   |
|   | Samsung Electronics - IT & Mobile<br>Communications |         | 77.50    | Samsung Galaxy           |
| is of diversified cor<br>electronics groups             | LG Electronics - Mobile<br>Communications           |         | 6.14     | lg g, lg V, lg Q, lg K   |
| of dive<br>ectron                                       | Lenovo - Mobile Business Group*                     | *):     | 6.13     | Moto Z, K, K Note        |
| visions<br>el   | Sony - Mobile Communications*                       |         | 5.47     | Sony Xperia              |
| Di  | TCL Communication Technology**                      | *1      | 1.85     | Alcatel, Blackberry      |
| com<br>ment<br>alists                                   | Huawei – Consumer**                                 | *1      | 30.38    | Huawei, Honor            |
| Telecom<br>equipment<br>specialists                     | ZTE Corp - Consumer business**                      | *]      | 4.51     | Blade, Axon              |
| Mobile<br>phone<br>specialists                          | Xiaomi Corp**                                       | *1      | 14.68    | Mi, Redmi                |
|   | HTC**   | *<br>*  | 1.75     | HTC U                    |

Source: Xerfi Global with company reports; \*2017 revenue; \*\*last fiscal year ended March 31, 2018

## To regain their verve, former leaders have narrowed their focus

SWOT analysis of leading mobile phone companies analysed

| COMPANY                             | STRENGTHS   | WEAKNESSES AND RISKS  | MAIN STRATEGIC PRIORITIES  |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Sony - Mobile<br>Communications     | entertainment as well as imaging modules  | <ul> <li>High cost manufacturing base</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Reshape the smartphone business by integrating cutting-edge audio and video technologies</li> <li>Privilege quality over scale in its smartphone business – premium focus</li> </ul>            |
| ZTE Corp -<br>Consumer<br>business* | <ul> <li>Diversification into telecom equipment reinforces business ties with telecom carriers</li> <li>Increasing demand for its smartphones in international markets</li> </ul> | •ZTE has continued to lose ground in<br>China<br>•Reliance on a narrow customer base<br>(telecom carriers in selected markets)                        | •Sharpen development and marketing<br>focus on two smartphone families in the<br>high and mid-tier segments<br>•Return to being a top-three smartphone<br>vendor in China within the next three<br>years |
| TCL<br>Communication<br>Technology  | <ul> <li>Part of TCL Corp, a diversified consumer electronics groups, ensures synergies</li> <li>Owner of the Alcatel and BlackBerry brands</li> </ul>                            | specialises in entry ranges   | <ul> <li>Focus on both hardware and software innovations in smartphones</li> <li>Revitalise the acquired Alcatel and Blackberry smartphone brands</li> </ul>   |
| НТС                                 | •Diversification into VR platforms<br>(hardware and content) via Vive<br>•Focus on a narrower range of high-<br>end smartphone series   | <ul> <li>Massive smartphone market share loss since 2011</li> <li>Rapidly deteriorating sales and operating margin over the past few years</li> </ul> | •Build a VR ecosystem around the HTC<br>Vive platform as part of efforts to<br>diversify away from smartphones<br>•Target niche areas (blockchain-<br>technology oriented smartphones)                   |

Source: Xerfi Global

Others

0.6%



| Beijing, | China |
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| 2017 key figures   |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Consolidated sales | €14.68bn |
| Operating margin   | 10.7%    |
| Capex ratio        | 1.1%     |

| 2017 revenue by region |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| Mainland China         | 72% |
| RoW                    | 28% |

• Xiaomi is one of the fast growing smartphone companies globally. It entered the mobile device market in 2011 by selling affordable phones in China.

Internet services

8.6%

Xiaomi Corp

**Reporting segments:** 

IoT and lifestyle

products

20.5%

- While it edged out Samsung as China's leading smartphone vendor in 2014, Xiaomi's popularity has waned over the past few years in the face of competition from Chinese peers such as Huawei, Oppo, and Vivo. It was China's fifth largest smartphone provider in Q4 2018, with a 9% slice of the market.
- Xiaomi shipped 122.4m smartphones in 2018 (2017: 88.9m), for a 7.9% share of the market (2017: 5.8%), and was the fourth largest smartphone vendor globally.
- In 2018, Xiaomi continued its international expansion and began selling smartphones in European countries such as Spain, Italy, France and the UK for the first time.