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From humble beginnings in 1929 when Richard "Doc" Farmer started a small business to reclaim and clean rags for local factories, Cintas has grown to clothe more than 5 million people for work every day.

Herschell Farmer became president of the company in 1952 after his father's death and, after 23 years of continued success, turned the helm over to his son, Richard. The company entered the uniform rental business in 1965, a move that would dramatically reshape the company and revolutionize the uniform marketplace. For example, Cintas was the industry pioneer in introducing polyester-cotton blend fabric that doubled the life of uniforms and made cleaning more efficient.

In 1983, the company made its initial public offering of stock.

In 2003, Richard Farmer appointed Robert Kohlhepp as Vice Chairman. Scott Farmer, the fourth generation of the Farmer family, serves as President and Chief Executive Officer.

Today Cintas is the largest uniform supplier in North America, with more than 500,000 clients. The Company has 350 facilities across North America, including 15 manufacturing plants and seven distribution centers employing more than 32,000 people.

Cintas has been recognized by Fortune Magazine as one of America's Most Admired Companies each year since 2001, and has posted 37 consecutive years of growth in both sales and earnings.