## H \& M HENNES \& MAURITZ AB NINE-MONTH REPORT

1 December 2009-31 August 2010

## NINE MONTHS

- The H\&M Group's sales excluding VAT during the first nine months of the financial year amounted to SEK 78,772 m (73,382), an increase of 7 percent. In local currencies, the increase was 14 percent.
- Profit after financial items amounted to SEK $17,830 \mathrm{~m}(14,111)$, an increase of 26 percent. Group profit after tax was SEK 13,194 m (10,230), corresponding to SEK 7.97 (6.18) per share


## THE THIRD QUARTER

- Strong sales increase and strong profit development.
- The H\&M Group's sales excluding VAT during the third quarter amounted to SEK 26,893 m $(23,545)$, an increase of 14 percent. In local currencies, the increase was 21 percent and 11 percent in comparable units.
- Gross profit amounted to SEK $16,279 \mathrm{~m}(14,514)$, corresponding to a gross margin of 60.5 percent (61.6).
- Operating profit increased by 20 percent to SEK $5,656 \mathrm{~m}(4,700)$, corresponding to an operating margin of 21.0 percent (20.0).
- Profit after financial items amounted to SEK 5,735 m (4,773). Group profit after tax increased by 23 percent to SEK $4,244 \mathrm{~m}(3,460)$, corresponding to SEK 2.56 (2.09) per share.
- Sales in August increased by 24 percent in local currencies compared to the same month last year. Sales in comparable units increased by 14 percent.
- The autumn collections have been well received. Sales in the period 1-27 September 2010 increased by 15 percent in local currencies compared to the same period last year.
- The completion of some shopping malls that already had been started has been halted which means that H\&M will not get access to approximately 20 planned store locations for the autumn 2010. This means that the store net for the full-year is planned to be approximately 220 compared to the 240 stores previously communicated.
- Successful launch of H\&M online sales in the UK in September.

|  | NINE MONTHS | NINE MONTHS | Q3 | Q3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| (SEK m) |  |  |  |  |
| Net sales | 78,772 | 73,382 | 26,893 | 23,545 |
| Gross profit | 49,477 | 43,893 | 16,279 | 14,514 |
| gross margin, \% | 62.8 | 59.8 | 60.5 | 61.6 |
| Operating profit | 17,599 | 13,735 | 5,656 | 4,700 |
| operating margin, \% | 22.3 | 18.7 | 21.0 | 20.0 |
| Net financial items | 231 | 376 | 79 | 73 |
| Profit after financial items | 17,830 | 14,111 | 5,735 | 4,773 |
| Tax | $-4,636$ | $-3,881$ | $-1,491$ | $-1,313$ |
| Profit for the period | 13,194 | 10,230 | 4,244 | 3,460 |
|  |  |  |  | 2.56 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | 7.97 | 6.18 |  | 2.09 |

## Sales

Sales including VAT for the first nine months of the financial year amounted to SEK $92,174 \mathrm{~m}(85,939)$, an increase of 7 percent. In local currencies the increase was 14 percent and in comparable units sales increased by 4 percent. H\&M Group sales excluding VAT amounted to SEK 78,772 $\mathrm{m}(73,382)$, an increase of 7 percent.

Sales including VAT for the third quarter amounted to SEK $31,475 \mathrm{~m}(27,587)$, an increase of 14 percent. In local currencies the increase was 21 percent. Sales in comparable units increased by 11 percent. Sales excluding VAT for the third quarter amounted to SEK $26,893 \mathrm{~m}(23,545)$, an increase of 14 percent.

In August 2010, sales including VAT in local currencies, increased by 24 percent compared to the same month the previous year. Sales in comparable units increased by 14 percent.

The Group opened 105 (116) stores and closed 15 (14) stores during the first nine months. The total number of stores in the Group as per 31 August 2010 thus amounted to $2,078(1,840)$, of which 43 are franchise stores, 28 COS stores and 60 stores within the FaBric Scandinavien Group.

## Results for nine months

Gross profit for the Group for the first nine months amounted to SEK 49,477 m (43,893), an increase of 13 percent. This corresponds to a gross margin of 62.8 percent (59.8).

The operating profit amounted to SEK $17,599 \mathrm{~m}(13,735)$, an increase of 28 percent, which corresponds to an operating margin of 22.3 percent (18.7).

Operating profit for the nine-month period has been charged with depreciation amounting to SEK $2,332 \mathrm{~m}(2,158)$.

Consolidated net interest income was SEK 231 m (376).
Profit after financial items amounted to SEK 17,830 m (14,111), an increase of 26 percent.

Profit after tax for the Group after an estimated tax rate of 26.0 percent (27.5) amounted to SEK $13,194 \mathrm{~m}(10,230)$ for the nine-month period, corresponding to earnings per share of SEK 7.97 (6.18).

Return on shareholders' equity, rolling twelve months, was 52.3 percent (46.8) and return on capital employed, rolling twelve months, was 69.3 percent (64.5).

## Results for the third quarter

Gross profit for the third quarter amounted to SEK 16,279 m (14,514), an increase of 12 percent. This corresponds to a gross margin of 60.5 percent (61.6).

Operating profit for the third quarter amounted to SEK $5,656 \mathrm{~m}(4,700)$, an increase of 20 percent. This corresponds to an operating margin of 21.0 percent (20.0).

Profit after financial items was SEK 5,735 m (4,773), an increase of 20 percent.
Profit after tax was SEK 4,244 m $(3,460)$, corresponding to SEK 2.56 (2.09) per share.

## Comments on the third quarter

H\&M has continued to invest in a further improved customer offering by giving the customers even more fashion and quality for the money. This is being done in order to maintain H\&M's strong market position in the long term. It is the company's view that the investment has contributed to the strong sales increase in the quarter. Sales increased by 21 percent in local currencies and by 11 percent in comparable units.

The gross margin amounted to 60.5 percent (61.6). In the corresponding quarter last year, there was a positive effect on the gross margin of 1.6 percentage units from the former currency hedging policy.*

In the third quarter the gross margin has been positively affected by external factors such as the US dollar exchange rate, spare capacity at the suppliers, transportation costs and raw material prices. The positive effects from these factors have gradually diminished however and therefore had less impact than in the second quarter 2010.

The positive effects on the gross margin have been partly offset by the increased investments in a further improved customer offering.

The mark-downs in relation to sales have been on the same level as in the corresponding quarter last year.

Selling and administrative expenses in the quarter in relation to sales decreased by 2.2 percentage units to 39.5 percent (41.7). The decrease is due to strong sales and good cost control. In local currencies, selling and administrative expenses increased by 14 percent compared to the corresponding quarter last year.

The sales increase in combination with continued high cost consciousness have led to a strong operating profit which increased by 20 percent to SEK 5,656 $\mathrm{m}(4,700)$.

The stock-in-trade, which increased by 3.2 percent to SEK $10,545 \mathrm{~m}(10,215)$ is well composed and at a good level.

## Financial position and cash flow

Consolidated total assets as per 31 August 2010 amounted to SEK 54,397 m $(47,575)$, an increase of 14 percent compared to the same time last year.

During the first nine months of the financial year, the Group generated a cash flow of SEK $860 \mathrm{~m}(-6,566)$. The current operations generated a positive cash flow of SEK $16,181 \mathrm{~m}(10,354)$. Cash flow was among other things affected by dividends of SEK $-13,239 \mathrm{~m}(-12,825)$, investments in fixed assets of SEK $-3061 \mathrm{~m}(-3,688)$ and by short-term investments with a duration of four to twelve months of SEK $979 \mathrm{~m}(-350)$. Liquid funds and short-term investments amounted to SEK $21,362 \mathrm{~m}(16,238)$.

The stock-in-trade amounted to SEK $10,545 \mathrm{~m}(10,215)$, corresponding to 9.9 percent (10.2) of sales excluding VAT, rolling twelve months. The stock-in-trade was 19.4 percent (21.5) of total assets.

The equity/assets ratio was 72.3 percent (72.8) and the share of risk-bearing capital was 75.8 percent (76.2).

Shareholders' equity apportioned on the outstanding 1,655,072,000** $(1,655,072,000)$ shares as per 31 August 2010 was SEK 23.78 (20.91).

* H\&M changed its currency hedging policy as of 1 December 2009, see the Full-year report from 28 January 2010.


## ** Share split

H\&M has in the third quarter implemented a $2: 1$ share split, where each share was split into two shares of the same class. The first day of trading in the split shares was 1 June 2010. Following the implemented share split the new number of shares is $1,655,072,000$, of which $194,400,000$ are series A shares and $1,460,672,000$ are series B shares.

Earnings per share has been calculated based on the new number of shares. According to IAS 33 Earnings Per Share, the earnings per share is adjusted retroactively for all reported periods.

## Expansion

H\&M remains positive towards the future expansion and the company's business opportunities.

During the fourth quarter, the Group plans to open approximately 140 (159) stores and close 10 (11).

The supply of attractive store locations in the end of 2010 has diminished slightly as the completion of mainly some shopping malls has been halted as a consequence of the weak economy. This primarily concerns shopping malls in Southern Europe. As a consequence, the planned store net for the full-year will be approximately 220 compared to the 240 stores previously communicated.

Tax
The tax rate is estimated to amount to approximately 26.0 (25.9) percent for the full year of 2009/2010.

## Parent company

The parent company had no external sales (-) for the first nine months of the financial year 2010. Profit after financial items amounted to SEK 3,606 m (2,895). Investments in fixed assets amounted to SEK 50 m (69).

## Comments on the current quarter

The autumn collections have been well received. Sales during the period 1 - 27 September 2010 increased by 15 percent in local currencies compared to the same period last year.

The launch of H\&M online sales in the UK in September was successful. This launch means H\&M now offers online and catalogue sales in eight countries.

As previously communicated in a press release on 7 September 2010, H\&M's Board of Directors has proposed that a long-term incentive programme should be established for all employees throughout the H\&M Group. The programme will commence in 2011 provided it is approved by an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held at 10 a.m. on 20 October 2010 in the Grünewald Hall at the Stockholm Concert Hall, Kungsgatan 43, Stockholm.

## Accounting principles

The Group applies the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU. This report has been prepared according to IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting as well as the Swedish Annual Accounts Act.

The accounting principles used in the preparation of this report are described in the annual accounts and consolidated accounts for 2008/2009 in Note 1 Accounting Principles.

Starting in 2009/10 the Group is applying IFRS 8 Operating Segments for its segment reporting. According to this standard, segment information is to be presented based on the internal segments determined by executive management. The new standard has not required any changes to be made to the way segments were reported previously. The Group's business consists primarily of the sale of clothes and cosmetics to consumers. Internal reporting is broken down by country.

In its segment reporting the Group has grouped countries together into three geographical areas: the Nordic Region, Euro Zone excluding Finland and the Rest of the World. The financial characteristics are similar in each segment. The parent company and other subsidiaries without external sales are reported in a separate, Group function segment.

A statement of consolidated comprehensive income is also presented containing items previously reported in the statement of shareholders' equity that do not constitute shareholder transactions.

The parent company applies the Swedish Annual Accounts Act and the Swedish Financial Reporting Board's recommendation RFR 2.3 Accounting for Legal Entities, which essentially involves applying IFRS. In accordance with RFR 2.3 the parent company does not apply IAS 39.

Earnings per share has been calculated based on the new number of shares. According to IAS 33 Earnings Per Share, the earnings per share is adjusted retroactively for all reported periods.

## Risks and uncertainties

A number of factors may affect H\&M's results and business. Most of these can be dealt with through internal routines, while certain others are affected more by external influences. There are risks and uncertainties related to fashions, weather situations, climate changes, trade interventions and exchange rates, but also in connection with expansion into new markets, the launch of new concepts, changes in consumer behaviour and handling of the brand.

For a more detailed description of risks and uncertainties, refer to the Administration Report and to Note 2 in the Annual Report and Consolidated Accounts for 2008/2009. There were no significant changes in risks and uncertainties during the period.

## KEY RATIO DEFINITIONS

Return on equity: Profit for the year in relation to average shareholders' equity. Return on capital employed: Profit after financial items plus interest expense in relation to average shareholders' equity plus average interest-bearing liabilities.
Share of risk-bearing capital: Shareholders' equity plus deferred tax liability in relation to the balance sheet total.
Equitylassets ratio: Shareholders' equity in relation to the balance sheet total.
Equity per share: Shareholders' equity divided by number of shares.
P/E ratio: Price per share divided by earnings per share.
Comparable units: Comparable units comprise the stores and the internet and catalogue sales countries that have been in operation for at least one financial year. H\&M's financial year is from 1 December to 30 November.

All figures within parenthesis refer to the corresponding period or point of time the previous year.

## CALENDAR

20 October 2010 Extraordinary General Meeting, Stockholm Concert Hall's Grünewald Hall, Kungsgatan 43, Stockholm, at 10 a.m.

27 January 2011 Full-year report, 1 December 2009-30 November 2010
In the end of March
The Annual Report 2010 to be published
31 March 2011 Three-month report, 1 December 2010-28 February 2011
22 June 2011 Six-month report, 1 December 2010 - 31 May 2011

Stockholm, 28 September 2010
Board of Directors

## REVIEW REPORT

H \& M Hennes \& Mauritz AB (publ), corporate identity number 556042-7220

## Introduction

We have reviewed the interim report for H \& M Hennes \& Mauritz AB (publ) as of 31 August 2010 and for the nine-month period which ended on this date. It is the responsibility of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director to prepare and present this interim report in accordance with IAS 34 and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this interim report based on our review.

## Focus and scope of review

We conducted our review in accordance with the Swedish Standard on Review Engagements SÖG 2410, Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. A review consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review has a different focus and is substantially less in scope compared with the focus and scope of an audit conducted in accordance with the Standards on Auditing in Sweden (RS) and the generally accepted auditing practices. The procedures performed in a review do not enable us to obtain a level of assurance that would make us aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Therefore, the opinion expressed based on a review does not provide the same level of assurance as an opinion expressed on the basis of an audit.

## Conclusion

On the basis of our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim report, in all material aspects, was not prepared in accordance with IAS 34 and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act in the case of the Group and in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act in the case of the parent company.

Stockholm, 28 September 2010
Ernst \& Young AB
Erik Åström
Authorised Public Accountant

The information in this Interim Report is that which H \& M Hennes \& Mauritz AB (publ) is required to disclose under Sweden's Securities Market Act. It will be released for publication at 8.00 (CET) on 29 September 2010.

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## GROUP INCOME STATEMENT (SEK m)

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Dec 09- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Dec 08- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 09 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Jun 10- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { Jun 09- } \\ & 31 \text { Aug } 09 \end{aligned}$ | 1 Dec 0830 Nov 09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales including VAT | 92,174 | 85,939 | 31,475 | 27,587 | 118,697 |
| Sales excluding VAT | 78,772 | 73,382 | 26,893 | 23,545 | 101,393 |
| Cost of goods sold | -29,295 | -29,489 | -10,614 | -9,031 | -38,919 |
| GROSS PROFIT | 49,477 | 43,893 | 16,279 | 14,514 | 62,474 |
| Gross margin, \% | 62.8 | 59.8 | 60.5 | 61.6 | 61.6 |
| Selling expenses | -29,809 | -28,263 | -9,938 | -9,204 | -38,224 |
| Administrative expenses | -2,069 | -1,895 | -685 | -610 | -2,606 |
| OPERATING PROFIT | 17,599 | 13,735 | 5,656 | 4,700 | 21,644 |
| Operating margin, \% | 22.3 | 18.7 | 21.0 | 20.0 | 21.3 |
| Interest income | 234 | 381 | 80 | 75 | 467 |
| Interest expense | -3 | -5 | -1 | -2 | -8 |
| PROFIT AFTER FINANCIAL ITEMS | 17,830 | 14,111 | 5,735 | 4,773 | 22,103 |
| Tax | -4,636 | -3,881 | -1,491 | -1,313 | -5,719 |
| PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD | 13,194 | 10,230 | 4,244 | 3,460 | 16,384 |
| Earnings per share, SEK* | 7.97 | 6.18 | 2.56 | 2.09 | 9.90 |
| Number of shares, thousands* | 1,655,072 | 1,655,072 | 1,655,072 | 1,655,072 | 1,655,072 |
| * Before and after dilution. See page 4, Share split. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation, total | 2,332 | 2,158 | 777 | 722 | 2,830 |
| of which cost of goods sold | 257 | 215 | 86 | 72 | 310 |
| of which selling expenses | 1,932 | 1,843 | 643 | 617 | 2,350 |
| of which administrative expenses | 143 | 100 | 48 | 33 | 170 |

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (SEK m)

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Dec 09- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { Dec 08- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 09 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Jun } 10- \\ 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { Jun 09- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 09 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { Dec 08- } \\ 30 \text { Nov } 09 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Profit for the period | 13,194 | 10,230 | 4,244 | 3,460 | 16,384 |
| Other comprehensive income |  |  |  |  |  |
| Translations effects etc. regarding equity | -1,290 | -781 | -483 | -1,140 | 294 |
| Change in hedging reserves | 100 | 1,311 | -642 | 769 | -264 |
| Tax attributable to other comprehensive income | -26 | -273 | 169 | -121 | 74 |
| OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME | -1,216 | 257 | -956 | -492 | 104 |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD | 11,978 | 10,487 | 3,288 | 2,968 | 16,488 |

## GROUP BALANCE SHEET IN SUMMARY (SEK m)

|  | 31 Aug 2010 | 31 Aug 2009 | 30 Nov 2009 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |
| Fixed assets |  |  |  |
| Intangible fixed assets | 1,568 | 1,618 | 1,674 |
| Tangible fixed assets | 14,960 | 13,404 | 14,811 |
| Financial assets | 1,653 | 1,664 | 1,797 |
|  | 18,181 | 16,686 | 18,282 |
| Current assets |  |  |  |
| Stock-in-trade | 10,545 | 10,215 | 10,240 |
| Current receivables | 4,309 | 4,436 | 3,816 |
| Short-term investments, 4-12 months | 2,022 | 350 | 3,001 |
| Liquid funds | 19,340 | 15,888 | 19,024 |
|  | 36,216 | 30,889 | 36,081 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 54,397 | 47,575 | 54,363 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES |  |  |  |
| Equity | 39,352 | 34,612 | 40,613 |
| Long-term liabilities* | 2,543 | 2,637 | 2,660 |
| Short-term liabilities** | 12,502 | 10,326 | 11,090 |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | 54,397 | 47,575 | 54,363 |

* Only pension liabilities are interest-bearing.
** No short-term liabilities are interest-bearing.


## CHANGE IN GROUP EQUITY (SEK m)

|  | 31 Aug 2010 | 31 Aug 2009 | 30 Nov 2009 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Shareholders' equity at the beginning of the period | 40,613 | 36,950 | 36,950 |
| Dividend | $-13,239$ | $-12,825$ | $-12,825$ |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | 11,978 | 10,487 | 16,488 |
| Shareholders' equity at the end of the period | 39,352 | 34,612 | 40,613 |

## GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT (SEK m)

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Dec 09- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{array}$ | 1 Dec 08- <br> 31 Aug 09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current operations |  |  |
| Profit after financial items* | 17,830 | 14,111 |
| Provisions for pensions | 17 | 31 |
| Depreciation | 2,332 | 2,158 |
| Tax paid | -3,278 | -4,345 |
| Cash flow from current operations before changes in working capital | 16,901 | 11,955 |
| Cash flow from changes in working capital |  |  |
| Current receivables | -543 | -30 |
| Stock-in-trade | -505 | -1,797 |
| Current liabilities | 328 | 226 |
| CASH FLOW FROM CURRENT OPERATIONS | 16,181 | 10,354 |
| Investment activities |  |  |
| Investments in intangible fixed assets | -131 | -120 |
| Investments in tangible fixed assets | -2,930 | -3,568 |
| Change in short-term investments, 4-12 months | 979 | -350 |
| Other investments | - | -57 |
| CASH FLOW FROM INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES | -2,082 | -4,095 |
| Financing activities |  |  |
| Dividend | -13,239 | -12,825 |
| CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES | -13,239 | -12,825 |
| CASH FLOW FOR THE PERIOD | 860 | -6,566 |
| Liquid funds at the beginning of the financial year | 19,024 | 22,726 |
| Cash flow for the period | 860 | -6,566 |
| Exchange rate effect | -544 | -272 |
| Liquid funds at the end of the period** | 19,340 | 15,888 |

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## SALES INCLUDING VAT BY COUNTRY AND NUMBER OF STORES

Nine months 1 December-31 August

| COUNTRY | $\begin{array}{r} \text { SEK m } \\ 2010 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { SEK m } \\ 2009 \end{array}$ | Change in \% |  | No. of stores 31 Aug 2010 | New stores | Closed stores |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | SEK | Local currency |  |  |  |
| Sweden | 6,186 | 5,673 | 9 | 9 | 165 | 6 | 2 |
| Norway | 4,325 | 4,062 | 6 | 5 | 98 | 6 |  |
| Denmark | 3,180 | 3,111 | 2 | 12 | 83 | 6 |  |
| United Kingdom | 5,954 | 5,433 | 10 | 16 | 178 | 12 | 1 |
| Switzerland | 4,461 | 4,353 | 2 | 5 | 73 |  |  |
| Germany | 22,418 | 21,810 | 3 | 12 | 369 | 13 | 6 |
| Netherlands | 5,355 | 5,353 | 0 | 9 | 104 | 2 | 1 |
| Belgium | 2,463 | 2,601 | -5 | 3 | 63 | 4 | 2 |
| Austria | 3,836 | 3,957 | -3 | 6 | 64 | 2 | 1 |
| Luxembourg | 298 | 302 | -1 | 8 | 10 | 1 |  |
| Finland | 1,926 | 1,907 | 1 | 10 | 42 | 4 |  |
| France | 6,574 | 6,188 | 6 | 16 | 138 | 4 | 1 |
| USA | 6,388 | 5,503 | 16 | 25 | 196 | 7 |  |
| Spain | 4,511 | 4,645 | -3 | 6 | 116 | 3 | 1 |
| Poland | 1,946 | 1,764 | 10 | 12 | 69 | 4 |  |
| Czech Republic | 508 | 479 | 6 | 12 | 20 | 1 |  |
| Portugal | 698 | 693 | 1 | 10 | 21 | 1 |  |
| Italy | 3,019 | 2,523 | 20 | 31 | 67 | 3 |  |
| Canada | 1,952 | 1,583 | 23 | 17 | 53 | 1 |  |
| Slovenia | 410 | 446 | -8 | 0 | 11 | 1 |  |
| Ireland | 376 | 413 | -9 | -1 | 11 |  |  |
| Hungary | 264 | 217 | 22 | 30 | 10 |  |  |
| Slovakia | 158 | 128 | 23 | 35 | 5 | 1 |  |
| Greece | 465 | 317 | 47 | 60 | 15 |  |  |
| China | 1,757 | 1,122 | 57 | 69 | 37 | 10 |  |
| Japan | 1,298 | 634 | 105 | 108 | 9 | 3 |  |
| Russia | 629 | 243 | 159 | 164 | 7 | 2 |  |
| South Korea | 162 |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |
| Franchise | 657 | 479 | 37 | 37 | 43 | 7 |  |
| Total | 92,174 | 85,939 | 7 | 14 | 2,078 | 105 | 15 |

## SALES INCLUDING VAT BY COUNTRY AND NUMBER OF STORES

Third quarter 1 June - 31 Aug

| COUNTRY | SEK m 2010 | SEK m 2009 | Change in \% |  | No. of stores 31 Aug 2010 | New stores | Closed <br> stores |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | SEK | Local currency |  |  |  |
| Sweden | 2,190 | 1,983 | 10 | 10 | 165 | 2 | 2 |
| Norway | 1,541 | 1,447 | 6 | 6 | 98 |  |  |
| Denmark | 1,069 | 1,024 | 4 | 15 | 83 |  |  |
| United Kingdom | 2,075 | 1,842 | 13 | 20 | 178 | 2 |  |
| Switzerland | 1,522 | 1,353 | 12 | 9 | 73 |  |  |
| Germany | 7,644 | 6,866 | 11 | 23 | 369 | 2 |  |
| Netherlands | 1,744 | 1,626 | 7 | 18 | 104 | 1 |  |
| Belgium | 845 | 801 | 5 | 16 | 63 |  |  |
| Austria | 1,254 | 1,200 | 5 | 15 | 64 | 1 | 1 |
| Luxembourg | 105 | 94 | 12 | 23 | 10 |  |  |
| Finland | 707 | 675 | 5 | 16 | 42 |  |  |
| France | 2,130 | 1,902 | 12 | 24 | 138 | 1 |  |
| USA | 2,294 | 1,751 | 31 | 32 | 196 | 2 |  |
| Spain | 1,434 | 1,443 | -1 | 10 | 116 | 1 |  |
| Poland | 687 | 602 | 14 | 19 | 69 |  |  |
| Czech Republic | 179 | 159 | 13 | 21 | 20 |  |  |
| Portugal | 222 | 217 | 2 | 13 | 21 |  |  |
| Italy | 958 | 737 | 30 | 44 | 67 | 1 |  |
| Canada | 711 | 564 | 26 | 18 | 53 |  |  |
| Slovenia | 139 | 132 | 5 | 16 | 11 |  |  |
| Ireland | 121 | 127 | -5 | 6 | 11 |  |  |
| Hungary | 87 | 69 | 26 | 46 | 10 |  |  |
| Slovakia | 55 | 41 | 34 | 52 | 5 |  |  |
| Greece | 135 | 100 | 35 | 50 | 15 |  |  |
| China | 636 | 399 | 59 | 60 | 37 | 4 |  |
| Japan | 405 | 167 | 143 | 117 | 9 |  |  |
| Russia | 270 | 114 | 137 | 136 | 7 | 1 |  |
| South Korea | 63 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| Franchise | 253 | 152 | 66 | 66 | 43 | 1 |  |
| Total | 31,475 | 27,587 | 14 | 21 | 2,078 | 19 | 3 |

## KEY RATIOS PER QUARTER

Sales including VAT, SEK m
Sales excluding VAT, SEK m

Change from previous year, \% Operating profit, SEK m Operating margin, \%

Depreciation for the period, SEK $m$ Profit after financial items, SEK m Profit after tax, SEK m

Liquid funds and short-term investments, SEK m
Stock-in-trade, SEK m
Equity, SEK m

Earnings per share, SEK*
Equity per share, SEK*
Cash flow from current operations per share, SEK*

Share of risk-bearing capital, \%
Equity/assets ratio, \%

Total number of stores

## Rolling 12 months

Earnings per share, SEK*
Return on shareholders' equity, \%
Return on capital employed, \%
Stock-in-trade in \% of turnover

| 2008 |  |  |  | 2009 |  |  |  | 2010 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 |
| 23,241 19,742 | 25,412 21,609 | 24,540 20,871 | 30,848 26,310 | 27,282 23,299 | 31,070 26,538 | 27,587 23,545 | 32,758 28,011 | 29,095 24,846 | 31,604 27,033 | 31,475 26,893 |
| 18 | 8 | 12 | 15 | 18 | 23 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 14 |
| 3,799 | 5,155 | 4,365 | 6,819 | 3,364 | 5,671 | 4,700 | 7,909 | 4,978 | 6,965 | 5,656 |
| 19.2 | 23.9 | 20.9 | 25.9 | 14.4 | 21.4 | 20.0 | 28.2 | 20.0 | 25.8 | 21.0 |
| 578 | 577 | 590 | 457 | 721 | 715 | 722 | 672 | 772 | 783 | 777 |
| 4,057 | 5,433 | 4,586 | 7,114 | 3,554 | 5,784 | 4,773 | 7,992 | 5,055 | 7,040 | 5,735 |
| 2,941 | 3,939 | 3,325 | 5,089 | 2,577 | 4,193 | 3,460 | 6,154 | 3,741 | 5,209 | 4,244 |
| 22,450 | 14,528 | 17,786 | 22,726 | 23,625 | 14,904 | 16,238 | 22,025 | 26,200 | 18,992 | 21,362 |
| 7,892 | 7,073 | 7,930 | 8,500 | 9,052 | 8,601 | 10,215 | 10,240 | 8,402 | 8,562 | 10,545 |
| 34,803 | 27,263 | 30,828 | 36,950 | 41,043 | 31,644 | 34,612 | 40,613 | 43,746 | 36,064 | 39,352 |
| 1.78 | 2.38 | 2.01 | 3.07 | 1.56 | 2.53 | 2.09 | 3.72 | 2.26 | 3.15 | 2.56 |
| 21.03 | 16.47 | 18.63 | 22.33 | 24.80 | 19.12 | 20.91 | 24.54 | 26.43 | 21.79 | 23.78 |
| 1.48 | 3.17 | 2.57 | 3.63 | 0.74 | 3.60 | 1.91 | 4.60 | 3.25 | 4.30 | 2.23 |
| 81.0 | 76.0 | 75.1 | 75.7 | 77.9 | 74.8 | 76.2 | 78.5 | 80.8 | 75.9 | 75.8 |
| 79.5 | 74.2 | 73.5 | 72.1 | 74.6 | 71.0 | 72.8 | 74.7 | 77.2 | 71.8 | 72.3 |
| 1,529 | 1,593 | 1,618 | 1,738 | 1,748 | 1,822 | 1,840 | 1,988 | 1,992 | 2,062 | 2,078 |
| 8.60 | 8.88 | 8.98 | 9.24 | 9.02 | 9.18 | 9.26 | 9.90 | 10.61 | 11.22 | 11.69 |
| 43.6 | 56.9 | 50.7 | 44.3 | 39.4 | 51.6 | 46.8 | 42.2 | 41.4 | 54.8 | 52.3 |
| 60.5 | 77.4 | 68.9 | 61.1 | 54.3 | 70.9 | 64.5 | 56.7 | 55.4 | 72.9 | 69.3 |
| 9.7 | 8.5 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 8.9 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 9.9 |

[^1]Definitions on key figures see page 5 .

## SEGMENT REPORTING (SEK m)

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Dec 09- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Dec 08- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 09 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nordic region |  |  |
| External net sales | 13,112 | 11,873 |
| Operating profit | 643 | 510 |
| Operating margin, \% | 4.9 | 4.3 |
| Euro Zone excluding Finland |  |  |
| External net sales | 41,995 | 41,551 |
| Operating profit | 1,150 | 522 |
| Operating margin, \% | 2.7 | 1.3 |
| Rest of the World |  |  |
| External net sales | 23,665 | 19,958 |
| Operating profit | 1,006 | 704 |
| Operating margin, \% | 4.3 | 3.5 |
| Group Functions |  |  |
| Internal net sales | 43,222 | 38,264 |
| Operating profit | 14,800 | 11,999 |
| Eliminations |  |  |
| Internal net sales | -43,222 | -38,264 |
| Total |  |  |
| External net sales | 78,772 | 73,382 |
| Operating profit | 17,599 | 13,735 |
| Operating margin, \% | 22.3 | 18.7 |

PARENT COMPANY INCOME STATEMENT (SEK m)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { Dec 09- } \\ & 31 \text { Aug } 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { Dec 08- } \\ 31 \text { Aug } 09 \end{gathered}$ | 1 June 1031 Aug 10 | 1 June 0931 Aug 09 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { Dec 08- } \\ & 30 \text { Nov } 09 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| External sales | - | - | - | - | - |
| Internal sales excluding VAT* | 4,383 | 3,546 | 1,719 | 1,364 | 5,521 |
| Cost of goods sold | - | - | - | - |  |
| GROSS PROFIT | 4,383 | 3,546 | 1,719 | 1,364 | 5,521 |
| Selling expenses | -1,378 | -1,253 | -343 | -209 | -1,898 |
| Administrative expenses | -1,319 | -1,120 | -413 | -351 | -1,561 |
| OPERATING PROFIT | 1,686 | 1,173 | 963 | 804 | 2,062 |
| Dividend from subsidiaries | 1,890 | 1,635 | 551 | 167 | 13,092 |
| Interest income | 30 | 87 | 7 | 2 | 113 |
| PROFIT AFTER FINANCIAL ITEMS | 3,606 | 2,895 | 1,521 | 973 | 15,267 |
| Year-end appropriations | - | - | - | - | -41 |
| Tax | -451 | -353 | -255 | -226 | -608 |
| PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD | 3,155 | 2,542 | 1,266 | 747 | 14,618 |

[^2]PARENT COMPANY BALANCE SHEET IN SUMMARY (SEK m)

|  | 31 Aug 2010 | 31 Aug 2009 | 30 Nov 2009 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |
| Fixed assets |  |  |  |
| Tangible fixed assets | 389 | 406 | 414 |
| Financial assets | 1,717 | 1,212 | 1,363 |
|  | 2,106 | 1,618 | 1,777 |
| Current assets |  |  |  |
| Current receivables | 1,016 | 4,296 | 8,726 |
| Short-term investments | 2,012 | 350 | 3,001 |
| Liquid funds | 2,254 | 362 | 3,644 |
|  | 5,282 | 5,008 | 15,371 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 7,388 | 6,626 | 17,148 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES |  |  |  |
| Equity | 5,510 | 4,993 | 15,594 |
| Untaxed reserves | 825 | 782 | 825 |
| Long-term liabilities* | 211 | 193 | 211 |
| Short-term liabilities** | 842 | 658 | 518 |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | 7,388 | 6,626 | 17,148 |

* Relates to provisions for pensions.
** No short-term liabilities are interest-bearing.


[^0]:    * Interest paid amounts for the Group to SEK 3 m (5).
    ** Liquid funds and short-term investments 4-12 months amounted to SEK $21,362 \mathrm{~m}(16,238)$ at the end of the period.

[^1]:    * Number of shares adjusted according to share split. See page 4, Share split.

[^2]:    * Includes received royalty from group companies.

