

**KESKO INVESTOR PRESENTATION** 

# KESKO SEEKS GROWTH IN ALL ITS THREE BUSINESS DIVISIONS

Q1 2025

## **KESKO TODAY**

### **KEY FINANCIALS**

	Q1/2025	2024
Net sales, € million	11,988.3	11,920.1
Operating profit, € million*	646.2	650.1
Operating margin, %*	5.4	5.5
Profit before tax, € million*	531.0	543.0
Cash flow from operating activities, € million	871.1	1,008.2
Return on capital employed, %*	11.0	11.3
Capital expenditure, € million	484.9	675.9



Leading trading sector company in Northern Europe with retail and B2B sales of nearly €15bn



~39,000 employees in the whole K Group,1,800 stores, 3 divisions, comprehensive digital services in 8 countries



**Sustainability** at the core of the strategy



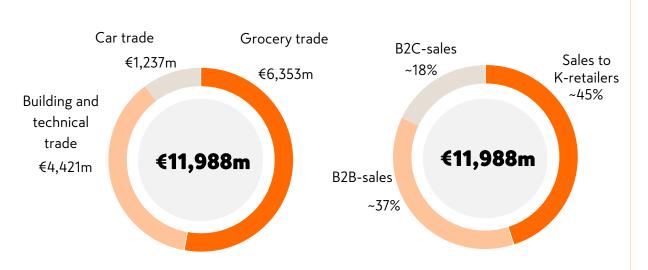
Market cap over **€8bn** with ~**115,000** shareholders



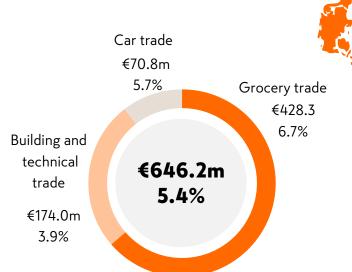
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## **KESKO SEGMENT KEY FIGURES**

### **NET SALES**



### **OPERATING PROFIT**





## **KESKO GROWTH STRATEGY**

THE LEADING AND MOST ATTRACTIVE TRADING SECTOR
GROWTH COMPANY IN NORTHERN EUROPE

**VISION** 

**STRATEGIC** 

**TARGETS** 

DELIVERING PROFITABLE GROWTH

STRENGTHENING MARKET POSITION

BUILDING A FOCUSED B2C AND B2B BUSINESS PORTFOLIO INCREASING CUSTOMER VALUE

**COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES** 

OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

OMNICHANNEL CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

K-RETAILERS & COMMERCIAL SPIRIT

FORERUNNER IN SUSTAINABILITY

TRUSTED K BRAND

**BUSINESSES** 







**GROCERY TRADE** 

BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE

**CAR TRADE** 

**PURPOSE** 

TOWARDS BETTER TRADE EVERY DAY - CUSTOMER AND QUALITY IN EVERYTHING WE DO

**PRINCIPLES** 

I OPERATE DIRECTLY,
OPENLY AND HONESTLY

I SHOW THE PATH

I'M ALL IN

I CREATE TRUST





## **GROCERY TRADE DIVISION IN BRIEF**



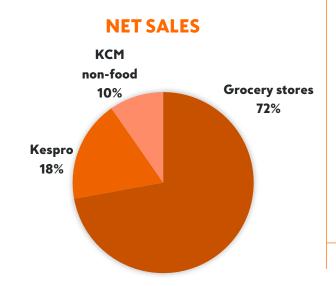




### KESPRO

The leading foodservice provider in Finland

49,1% market share



	2024	2023	2022
Net sales, € million	6,381.4	6,351.6	6,124.7
Operating profit*, € million	438.0	444.8	460.4
Operating margin*	6.9%	7.0%	7.5%
Capital expenditure, € million	276.0	304	258

**GROCERY STORE CHAINS** 

**FOODSERVICE** 











# GROCERY TRADE: TARGET TO MAINTAIN GOOD PROFITABILITY AND GAIN MARKET SHARE

### **KEY ACTIONS:**

- STRENGTHENING STORE SPECIFIC BUSINESS IDEAS: Focusing on strengthening chosen competitive advantages and raising the level of stores.
- DEVELOPING STORE SITE NETWORK: Targeted investments in the store site network focusing on growth centres.
- price competitiveness with a systematic price program and improving price image.
- **CONTINUING GOOD DEVELOPMENT IN KESPRO:** Further strengthening Kespro's market-leading position.

INVESTMENTS WILL HAVE A SLIGHT EFFECT ON PROFITABILITY.

HOWEVER, EBIT DEVELOPMENT WILL BE STABLE AND PROFITABILITY CLEARLY ABOVE 6% DESPITE INVESTMENTS.





## **GROCERY TRADE DIVISION**

### **GROCERY STORE BUSINESS**



### In brief:

Operates in Finland, business comprises three grocery store chains with some 1,100 stores across the country operated by some 860 K-retailer entrepreneurs. Three different store formats. Also online grocery services and popular private label products. Accounts for 82% of the division's net sales. Private labels ~20% of total sales.

### **Customers:**

B2C trade: some 1.6 million daily customer encounters and 4.5 million weekly visits to digital channels.

Over 3.4 million members of the K-Plussa customer loyalty

programme. K-ruoka app weekly users some 800,000

### **Key figures:**

Net sales €5,211.7 million; operating profit €360.2 million; operating margin 6.9%



### **Market and market shares:**

Total Finnish grocery trade market €21–22 billion; Kesko the **second biggest operator** with a market share 33.7% (NielsenIQ). Over 40 % market share in online grocery.

### **Growth drivers:**

GDP, purchasing power, consumer confidence, price competition, urbanisation and changes in population structure, customer data and insight.

### **Competitors and peers:**

Grocery store operators in Finland: S Group, Lidl International peers: Ahold Delhaize, Axfood, Coop Group, Tesco, Kroger, Carrefour



### **KESKO AND K-RETAILERS**

#### **KESKO**

Store concepts

Chain selections, wholesale

Steering retail prices and campaigns

Responsible purchasing channels, purchasing alliances, logistics

Own brands

Data-driven management, customer data

Marketing services

Online stores

Store chains

Store sites

Centralised services
(IT, financial administration, other support processes)

Retailer reserves

Wholesale, product strategy

Chain agreement, chain steering

Services and business support



Wholesale profit

Chain fees based on net sales

Store site fees based on sales margin

Other cost-based fees



#### **K-RETAILERS**

Ensure customer satisfaction, results and profitability in their stores

Store-specific business ideas based on customer data

Synergies from the multi-store model

Significant employers

Purchases from local businesses

Members of K-Retailers'
Association

## **GROCERY TRADE DIVISION**

### **FOODSERVICE BUSINESS**



### In brief:

Operates in Finland, business comprises Kespro's foodservice wholesale with 13 cash-and-carry outlets and online sales representing 70% of total sales, a wide range of services and digital tools e.g. training, menu development, reporting and forecasting, and Kespro's own brand products: 50% of total sales.

### **Customers:**

B2B trade: restaurants, cafés, workplace cafeterias, hotels and public operators such as municipalities and hospitals. Lunch and cafeteria type of sales account for ~ 70% of Kespro's sales.

### **Key figures:**

Net sales €1,169.6 million; operating profit €77.8 million; operating margin 6.7%



### **Market and market share:**

Total Finnish foodservice market €2.5 billion; Kespro the market leader with a market share of 49.1%



### **Growth drivers:**

The growing popularity of eating out, GDP, purchasing power, consumer confidence, price competition, urbanisation and changes in population structure.

### **Competitors and peers:**

Foodservice in Finland: Valio Aimo, Meira Nova, Metro-tukku International peers: Marr, Snabbgross, Sysco

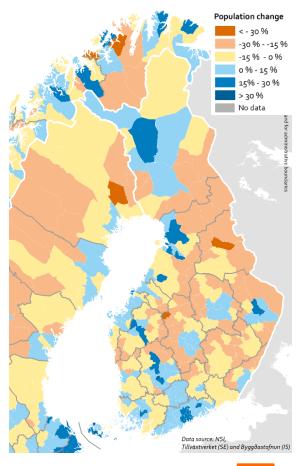


## GROCERY TRADE STORE SITE INVESTMENT FOCUS ON GROWTH CENTRES

Emphasising hypermarkets and other larger units

- Urbanisation is expected to accelerate in Finland
- Long-term store site investment programme to ensure Kesko's competitiveness and market share development
- During up-coming years annual investments: €200M €250M per year
- Key targets:
  - To focus store site network in growth areas and larger units
  - To open new urban hypermarkets especially in Helsinki Metropolitan Area
  - To improve customer experience, sales efficiency and profitability in the stores
  - To improve the online shopping experience
- By the end of the decade, the store site network is updated, in the right locations and meets upcoming legislative requirements related to energy efficiency and greenhouse gases

Population projection 2017-2040\* Nordregio

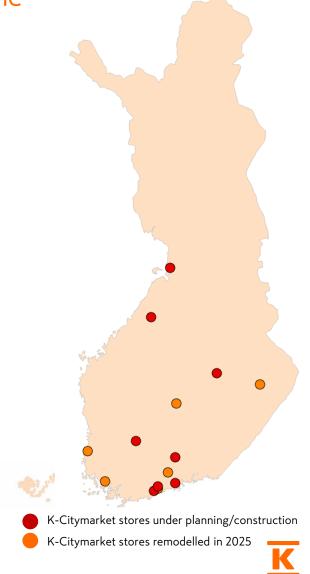




## NEW URBAN HYPERMARKETS TO BE OPENED IN FINNISH GROWTH CENTRES

Several new growth centre hypermarkets in pipeline

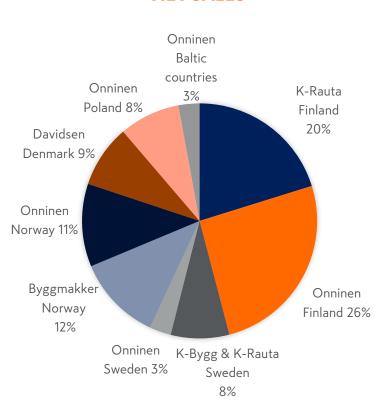
- New K-Citymarket in a shopping centre in Lempäälä near Tampere in 2025
- New K-Citymarket in Lahti city centre in autumn 2025, replacing K-Citymarket Paavola
- New K-Citymarket in middle of Kivistö residential area, Vantaa, Helsinki metropolitan area in spring 2026
- New K-Citymarket in Haapaniemi in the city of Kuopio, in summer 2026
- New K-Citymarket in Ylivieska in autumn 2026, replacing an outdated hypermarket
- New K-Citymarket in Porvoo city centre area in spring 2027, replacing an outdated hypermarket
- Under planning: New K-Citymarket in Ritaportti in the city of Oulu, in spring 2027
- Under planning: New K-Citymarket in Espoon keskus shopping centre in Finland's second biggest city Espoo in autumn 2028
- In 2024, 44 remodelled stores and 15 new stores, incl. K-Citymarket Vuosaari in the Columbus shopping centre
- In 2025, 48 remodelled stores and 15 new stores, incl. K-Citymarkets Lempäälä and Paavola
- Investments in store updates and new stores totalling €200-250 million in 2023, same store-site capex level to be expected in upcoming years





## **BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE IN BRIEF**





Leading operator in building and technical trade in Northern Europe



**Customer segments:** Technical professionals, professional builders and consumers **Division's number of employees:** some 6,500

	2024	2023	2022
Net sales, € million	4,352	4,193	4,591
Operating profit*, € million	169.1	212.5	323.8
Operating margin*	3.9%	5.1%	7.1%
Capital expenditure, € million	293.7	273.0	108.2

<sup>\*</sup> comparable

**TECHNICAL TRADE** 













# BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE: FOCUSING ON SECURING PROFITABILITY AND GENERATING CASH FLOW

### **KEY ACTIONS:**

- **FINLAND:** Continuing growth and winning market share.
- SWEDEN AND NORWAY: Stabilising and improving business performance. Integration of acquired companies.
- **DENMARK:** Finalising the integration of Davidsen and improving performance through growth.
- **GROWTH THROUGH ACQUISITIONS:** M&A to boost profitable growth in Northern Europe.

THE LONG-TERM STRATEGIC TARGET OF 6-8 % EBIT MARGIN IS STILL VALID.





## **BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE**

### **TECHNICAL TRADE**



### In brief:

Operates in 8 countries. Kesko subsidiary Onninen offers technical wholesale products and services (offering varies between countries) in stores, online and via on-site solutions. Finland accounts for 50% of net sales

### **Customers:**

100% B2B trade – customers include technical contractors like plumbers and electricians, industry, infrastructure builders, and retailers

### **Key figures:**

Net sales €2,255.0 million; operating profit €90.5 million; operating margin 4.0%



### **Market and market shares:**

Total market (est.) for 8 countries (incl. Denmark) €22 bn; Kesko's market shares Finland 44% (market leader). Sweden 11% (infra-structure), Norway 39% (electricals)\*, Poland 6%, Estonia 12%, Latvia 5%, Lithuania 3%

### **Growth drivers:**

Urbanisation, green transition, building and construction work becoming more technical and being outsourced to professionals, growing renovation need and infrastructure investment debt, digitalisation, market consolidation

### **Competitors and peers:**

Dahl, Ahlsell, Rexel, Grainger, Wurth, Sanistål, Elektroskandia, Solar, Sonepar



## **BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE**

### **BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT**



### In brief:

Operates in 8 countries; offers products and services for building, renovation, garden, interior decoration and home furnishing through various store chains, including K-Rauta (FI), K-Bygg (SE), Byggmakker (NO), Kesko Senukai (Baltics), Davidsen (DK) as of 1 Feb. 2024; Finland 41% of net sales

### **Customers:**

68% building professionals, 32% consumers (DIY)

### **Key figures:**

Net sales €2,160.7 million; operating profit €57.9 million; operating margin 2.7%

Joint venture Kesko Senukai operating profit €20.9 million



### Market and market shares:

Total market (est.) for 8 countries €25 bn; Kesko's market shares Finland 52% (market leader), Sweden 6%, Norway 12%, entry to Denmark in 2024: market share 9%

### **Growth drivers:**

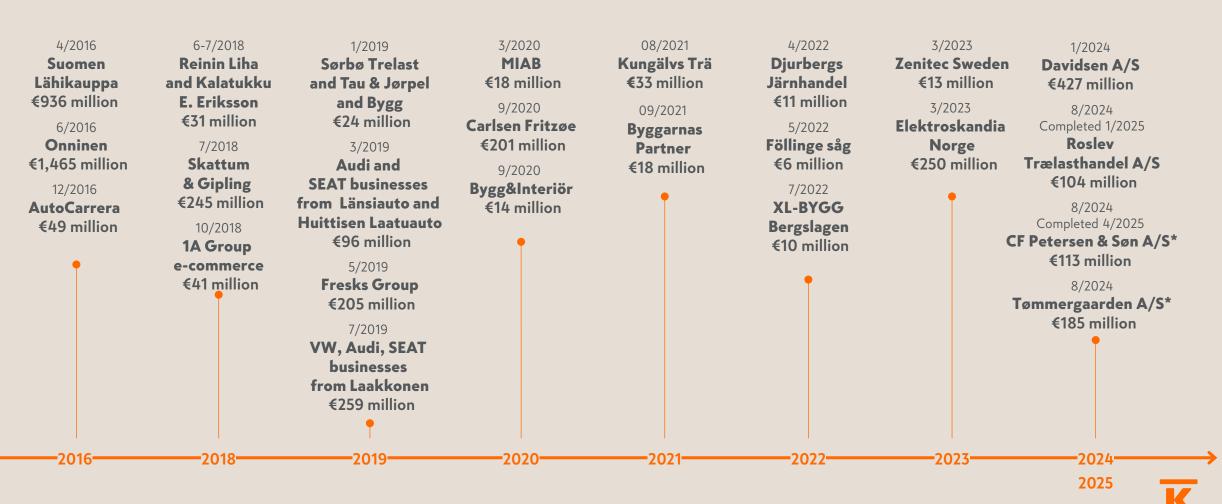
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### **Competitors and peers:**

Stark, Beijer, Optimera, Mestergruppen, Bygma, Travis Perkins, Ferguson

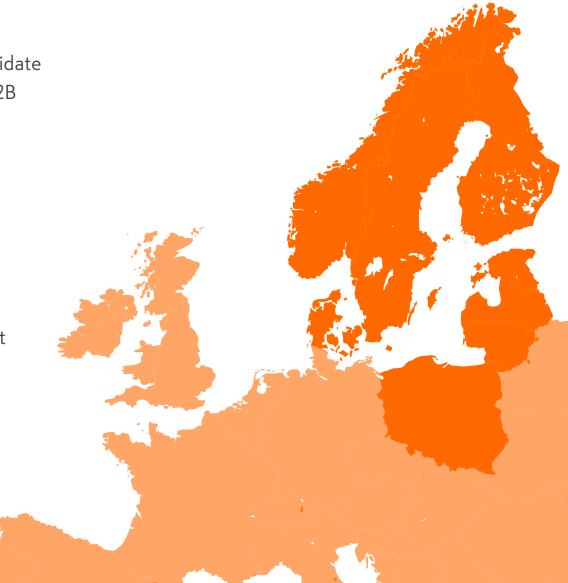


## ACQUISITIONS HAVE PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL GROWTH



## RECENT ENTRY TO DENMARK AN IMPORTANT STRATEGIC STEP

- Kesko has a consistent strategy in building and technical trade: to consolidate the market in Northern Europe and to be among the leading players in B2B business in each country
- The Danish market is not yet consolidated, great potential for growth organically and through acquisitions
- Low cycle affects the construction business, but at the same time offers consolidation opportunities for an industrial operator like Kesko
- Kesko acquired Davidsen in Jan 2024, and three more builders' merchant companies' acquisitions were announced in Aug 2024:
  - Roslev Trælasthandel was completed in January 2025
  - CF Petersen & Søn in April 2025
  - Tømmergaarden is expetected to be completed in H1/2025



## MARKET SHARE IN DANISH BUILDERS' MERCHANT SET TO RISE FROM ~10% TO ~20% VIA ACQUISITIONS

### **DAVIDSEN**

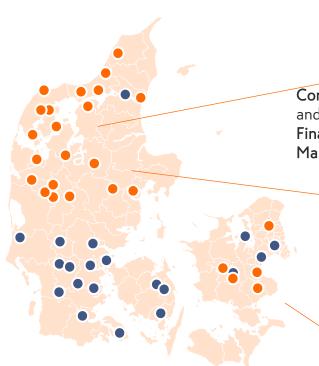
#### KESKO SUBSIDIARY AS OF 1 FEB. 2024

Kesko acquired 90% of the previously family-owned Davidsen Koncernen A/S, EV approx. €190 million

Company: One of Denmark's biggest building and home improvement trade operators, focus on B2B customers

Financials: 2023 net sales €427 million, operating profit €7 million (excl. IFRS 16)

Market share: ~30% in Southern Denmark, ~10% in the whole country; 23 stores (19 owned by Davidsen)



### **ACQUISITIONS ANNOUNCED ON 14 AUGUST 2024**

### TØMMERGAARDEN A/S\*

Company: A builders' merchant focusing mainly on B2B customers in Northern and Central Jutland. Privately held, currently part of the XL Byg chain.

Financials: 2023 net sales €185 million, operating profit €8 million (excl. IFRS 16)

Market share: ~11% in Northern and Central Jutland, 17 fully-owned stores

## ROSLEV TRÆLASTHANDEL A/S PART OF DAVIDSEN AS OF 1 FEB. 2025

**Company:** A builders' merchant focusing on B2B customers in Central Jutland. Privately held, currently part of the XL Byg chain.

Financials: 2023 net sales €104 million, operating profit €6 million (excl. IEDS 16)

IFRS 16)

Market share: ~9% in Central Jutland, 4 fully-owned stores

## CF PETERSEN & SØN A/S PART OF DAVIDSEN AS OF 1 MAY 2025

**Company:** A builders' merchant focusing on B2B customers in Zealand. Privately held, currently part of the XL Byg chain.

Financials: 2023 net sales €113 million, operating profit €5 million (excl. IFRS 16)

Market share: ~8% in Zealand, 5 fully-owned stores



## TECHNICAL TRADE - OPPORTUNITIES FOR FURTHER GROWTH OUTSIDE FINLAND

### **Total market size ~€22 billion**

#	Technical trade
Retail market (€bn)	2.9
Market share	19%
Market share of current operating market (2024)	39%*

<b>+</b>	Technical trade
Retail market (€bn)	6.3
Market share	2%
Market share of current operating market (2024)	11%**

+	Technical trade
Retail market (€bn)	3.1



<b>+</b>	Technical trade	
Retail market (€bn)	2.5	
Market share (2024)	44%	

	Technical trade	
Retail market (€bn)	2.0	
Market share (2024)	12%, 5%, 3%	

	Technical trade
Retail market (€bn)	5.8
Market share (2024)	6%



<sup>\*</sup> Norway: Currently Kesko operates only in electrical market (Virke)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Sweden: Currently Kesko operates only in water & sewage and infra markets (SEG+RGF)

## BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT – STILL FURTHER POSSIBILITIES ESPECIALLY OUTSIDE FINLAND

### Total market size ~€18 billion

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Retail market (€bn)

Market share (2024)

Professional Consumers builders

3.1

1.7

12%

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Retail market (€bn)

Market share (2024)

Professional Consumers builders

3.4

2.3

6%

1

Retail market (€bn)

Market share (2024)\*

Professional Consumers builders

3.4

1.3

**17%** 





Retail market (€bn)

Market share (2024)

Professional Consumers builders

1.6

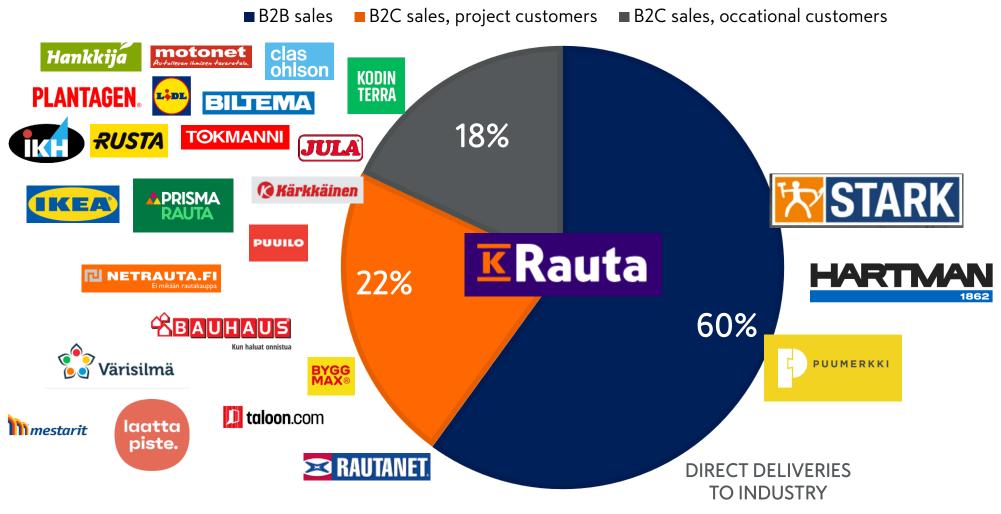
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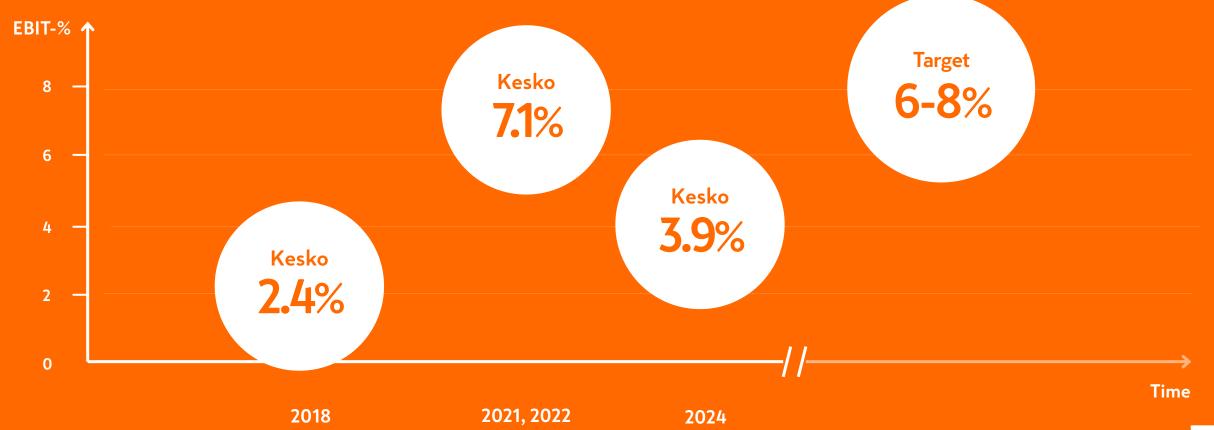
## STRONG FOCUS ON B2B TRADE IN BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT TRADE ALSO IN FINLAND

Breakdown of K-Rauta Finland's sales by customer segments





## BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE LONG-TERM EBIT-% TARGET INTACT







## **CAR TRADE IN BRIEF**



## K-Auto is the leading and most interesting automotive company in Finland



Importing and sales of attractive and high-quality new cars.



Significant multi-brand used car sales in Finland.



Comprehensive offering of car maintenance and repair services including nationwide K-Lataus EV charging network.

Number of employees: Approx. 1,500

	2024	2023	2022
Net sales, € million	1,209	1,262	1,125
Operating profit*, € million	69	83	64
Operating margin*	5.7%	6.5%	5.7%
Capital expenditure, € million	89	80	38'

\*) Comparable





Market share in new cars in 2024 (incl. passenger cars and vans) <u>--</u>Auto

One unified brand for over million customers









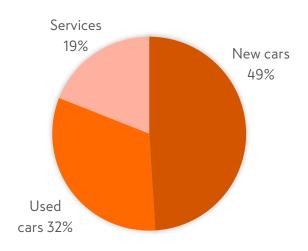






## 2024 CAR TRADE NET SALES €1,041m'

'Excluding sports trade





### **CAR TRADE:**

## FOCUSING ON PERFORMING BETTER THAN THE MARKET IN ALL BUSINESSES

### **KEY ACTIONS:**

- CONTINUING WITH GROWTH STRATEGY:
   Major turnaround and continuous development establish a robust foundation for the next strategy period.
- MAINTAINING THE BALANCED BUSINESS PORTFOLIO:
   New cars, used cars and services.
- COOPERATION WITH THE VOLKSWAGEN GROUP: Continuing the good cooperation with Volkswagen Group and Porsche AG.
- Continuing as a strong market leader in sports trade.

### **SOLID EBIT DEVELOPMENT**

**#1 IN BRAND AWARENESS AND PREFERENCE** 





### **CAR TRADE**



### In brief:

Operates in Finland. The whole value chain - imports and sells Volkswagen Group car brands, sells used cars, and offers carrelated services e.g. servicing, leasing, EV charging. Division also includes two sports trade chains.

### **Customers:**

Primarily Finnish consumers, also companies when leasing cars or commercial vehicles

### **Key figures:**

Net sales €1,209.4 million; operating profit €69.3 million; operating margin 5.7%

Of which sports trade net sales €168.7m, operating profit €7.6m, operating margin 4.4%



### Market and market shares:

Total first registrations of new cars incl. vans in Finland approx. 74,000 in 2024, of which Kesko's K-Auto accounted for some 14.5%

### **Growth drivers:**

E-mobility, updating Finland's outdated vehicle stock, digitalisation changing customer behaviour and helping to improve operational efficiency, new competitors entering European markets

### **Competitors and peers:**

Car trade: Veho, Kamux, Hedin, Rinta-Jouppi, Wetteri Sports trade: XXL, Stadium





















# OTHER STRATEGIC THEMES



## **KESKO IS AFFECTED BY VARIOUS MEGATRENDS**



#### **INTEREST RATES & INFLATION**

- Weak consumer and business confidence
- Higher cost of capital
- Lower construction activity
- Price driven consumer behaviour

#### **DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES**

- Aging population increasing role of senior citizen customers
- Smaller households
- Immigration and availability of employees

#### **URBANISATION**

- Migration to growth centres
- Substantial infra and building debt
- Drives K's store site network development

#### **EFFORTLESSNESS**

- Convenience emphasised in consumption habits – ready meals, eating in restaurants, express deliveries
- Increased individuality

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE & GREEN TRANSITION**

- Energy efficiency and energy infrastructure investments
- Electric vehicle transition is expected to accelerate
- Increasing sustainability regulation

#### **DIGITALISATION & AI**

- Increasing need for high-class digital services
- Fully utilising the AI potential improving process efficiency, more personalised customer experience



## **KESKO'S FINANCIAL TARGETS INTACT**

	TARGET	Q1/2025
OPERATING MARGIN, COMPARABLE	OVER 6%	5.4%
RETURN ON CAPITAL EMPLOYED, COMPARABLE, %	OVER 14.5%	11.0%
INTEREST-BEARING NET DEBT/EBITDA, EXCLUDING IFRS 16 IMPACT	AT MAXIMUM 2.5	1.6



## **KESKO STRATEGY SUMMARY 2024-2026**

- # The portfolio will most likely stay as is during 2024-2026. The focus is on maintaining and further developing current businesses.
- # Targeting growth and profitability improvement as outlook strengthens in construction in 2025-2026.
- # In grocery trade, focusing on maintaining profitability and gaining market share. Raising the level of store-specific business ideas, developing store site network and improving price competitiveness as main focus areas. Further strengthening Kespro's market-leading position.
- # In building and technical trade, focusing on securing profitability and generating cash flow. Finland continues winning market share, Sweden and Norway will focus on integrating past acquisitions and driving profitability. Organic and M&A growth in Denmark.
- # In car trade, continuing with growth strategy in new cars, used cars and services. Winning market in all businesses.
- # Highlighting the importance of people and culture.
- # Balance sheet moderately leveraged.



## SUSTAINABILITY IS INTEGRATED INTO OUR BUSINESS



### **SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY**

### VISION

We enable sustainable choices for our customers and drive change throughout the value chain

### **FOCUS AREAS**

Climate and nature
Value chain
Our people
Good governance

### **EXECUTION BY THE BUSINESS DIVISIONS**

Grocery trade

Building and technical trade

Car trade

## PROGRESS MEASURED USING INDICES AND ASSESSMENTS

Dow Jones Sustainability Indices, MSCI ESG, Sustainalytics, and CDP



## **FOCUS AREAS AND KEY ACTIONS**

WE ENABLE SUSTAINABLE CHOICES FOR OUR CUSTOMERS AND DRIVE CHANGE THROUGHOUT THE VALUE CHAIN



### **CLIMATE AND NATURE**

#### Reduce emissions in the value chain

- Near-term scope 1 and 2 reductions by 2034
- Net zero emissions by 2050
- Challenge suppliers to set science-based climate targets

### Promote biodiversity

- Prevent biodiversity losses throughout the value chain by following the biodiversity roadmap
- Set goals for our biodiversity impacts

### Take care of the water sufficiency

 Mitigate water scarcity risks in the value chain through responsible water management and by encouraging suppliers to adopt water efficiency targets

#### Enhance circular economy

- Create new circularity business models
- Enhance waste management and recycling



### **VALUE CHAIN**

### Ensure sustainability in the value chain

- Require all our suppliers from risk countries to be audited for social responsibility
- Broaden the scope of supplier social responsibility audits by moving from a riskcountry approach to a risk-based approach
- Ensure suppliers' adherence to the K Code of Conduct, sustainability policies, and other relevant standards

### Enable sustainable choices for our customers

- Increase the share of sustainable products of net sales
- Make sustainable choices attractive through selections, data-based tools and communications

## Create sustainable value for entire society



### **OUR PEOPLE**

## Increase the safety and wellbeing of our people

• Support our people's health, wellbeing and capabilities

## Foster diversity, equity and inclusion for our employees

- Diverse and inclusive workplace
- Equal pay
- Gender balance on all levels of the organisation



### **GOOD GOVERNANCE**

Commit to the K Code of Conduct

Strengthen sustainability competencies

Automate ESG data processes

## KESKO LISTED IN SUSTAINABILITY INDICES

Sustainability indices are key tools for investors to assess the ESG level of corporations.



Kesko is the only company in the world to have been on the Global 100 list every year since it was launched in 2005.





Dow Jones Best-in-Class Indices (World and Europe)





## FORERUNNER IN TRADING SECTOR DIGITALISATION

Using digitalisation to improve customer experience and make operations more efficient



## Online and digital sales growing forcefully

Digital sales €2.0 billion

Growth in online sales continues

Continuously improving online efficiency and customer experience



## Data and analytics at the core of business operations

K Group's customer loyalty scheme in Finland has 3.4 million customers

Data-based store-specific business ideas and services

Extensive utilisation of data in everyday decision-making

Versatile data services to partners



## Digitalisation of stores and processes proceeding at a fast pace

Easy-to-use tools to make store processes more efficient

Electronic shelf labels help improve customer satisfaction and make operations more efficient

Electronic in-store displays make stores even more effective marketing channels

Automation of supply chain and background processes



## Digitalisation increases customer loyalty

Targeted marketing

Personal benefits and offers

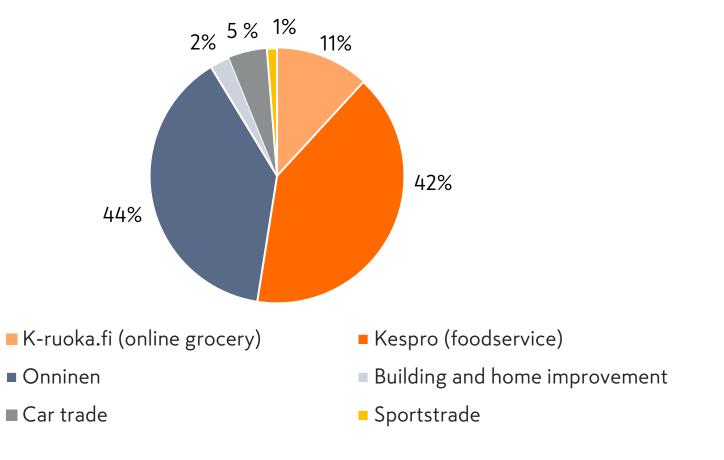
Digital Plussa money

Personal purchase trackers, e.g. carbon footprint calculator

Seamless customer experience irrespective of channel



### **SALES VIA DIGITAL CHANNELS €2.2 BILLION**

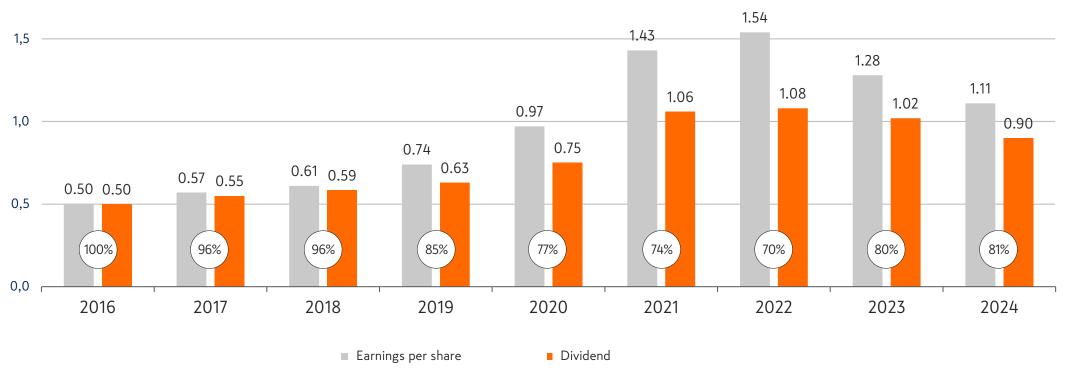




### **DIVIDEND**

Dividend for 2024: €0.90/ share, paid in four instalments.

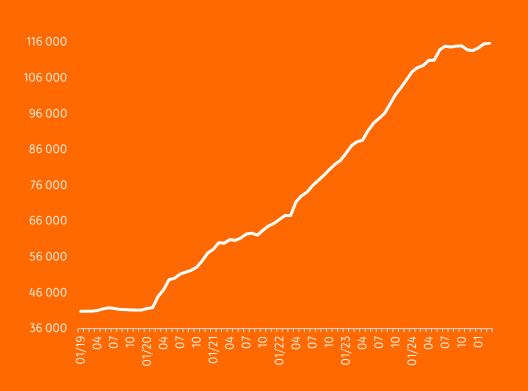
Kesko's dividend policy: In the long-term, Kesko aims to distribute a steadily growing dividend of some 60-100% of its comparable earnings per share, taking into account the company's financial position and strategy.



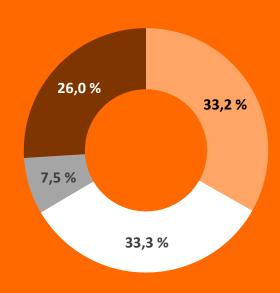


### **NUMBER OF SHAREHOLDERS HAS GROWN**

### ~115,000 REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS



### **BALANCED OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE**



- Nominee-registered, foreign ownership
- Finnish institutions
- K-Retailers' Association and related parties (19,6% of votes)
- Households





**KESKO INTERIM REPORT Q1/2025** 

# STABLE PERFORMANCE DURING THE SLOWEST QUARTER OF THE YEAR

## **SUMMARY OF Q1/2025**

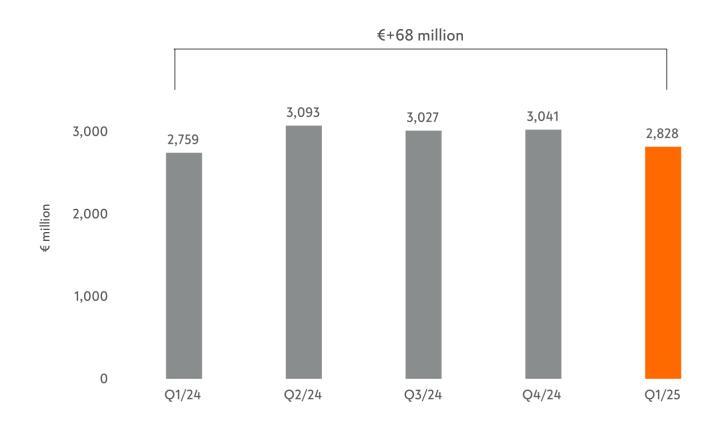
- Net sales increased, comparable operating profit decreased
- Grocery trade: net sales and profit down as anticipated due to the timing of Easter and price programme implementation
- Building and technical trade: sales picked up especially in the B2B segment in building and home improvement trade in Finland, Denmark and Norway
- Car trade: net sales and profit increased, a balanced and comprehensive product and service portfolio underpins good performance in changing market conditions
- Acquisition of Roslev Trælasthandel completed at the end of January; Danish authorities approved the acquisition of CF Petersen & Søn without conditions – acquisition expected to be completed on 30 April 2025
- Kesko repeats is profit guidance for 2025: comparable operating profit for the year is estimated to amount to €640-740 million

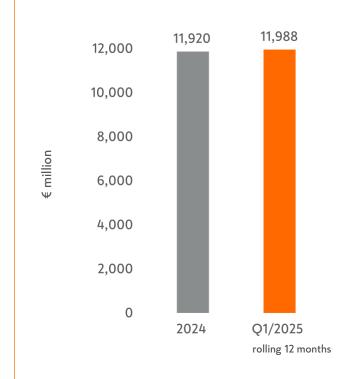
	Q1/2025	Q1/2024
Net sales, € million	2,827.7	2,759.5
Change in net sales, %*	1.1	-5.5
Operating profit, € million*	95.6	99.5
Operating margin, %*	3.4	3.6
Profit before tax, € million*	65.1	77.1
Earnings per share, basic, €*	0.13	0.16
Cash flow from operating activities, € million	-24.5	112.6

<sup>\*</sup> Comparable



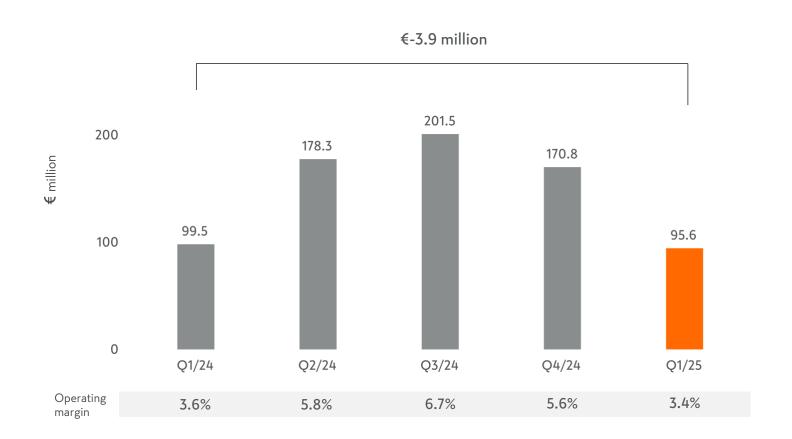
## **NET SALES**







## **OPERATING PROFIT**







### **RETURN ON CAPITAL EMPLOYED**





### **FINANCIAL POSITION**

### Seasonal increase in working capital impacted cash flow

- Factors impacting cash flow from operating activities
  - Building and technical trade: preparing for upcoming high season
  - Car trade: rental cars in inventory delivered in Q2,
     and new cars waiting for delivery
  - Grocery trade: timing of the quarter's final banking day on a Monday, and inventory growth

	Q1/2025	Q1/2024
Cash flow from operating activities, € million	-24.5	112.6
Liquid assets, € million	147.5	145.1
Capital expenditure, € million	138.0	329.0
Interest-bearing net debt excl. lease liabilities, € million	1,216.7	881.7
Interest-bearing net debt / EBITDA (excl. IFRS 16 impact, rolling)	1.6	1.1
Lease liabilities, € million	2,196.8	2,023.6



### **CAPITAL EXPENDITURE**

# Main CAPEX: Roslev acquisition, Onnela logistics centre and investments in store sites

	Q1/2025	Q1/2024
Store sites, € million	66.2	111.3
Acquisitions, € million	34.8	170.0
IT, € million	3.1	3.6
Other investments, € million	33.9	44.2
Total, € million	138.0	329.0



# **EXPENSES**Expenses up mainly due to acquisitions

	Q1/2025	Q1/2024
Fixed costs, € million	529.6	507.1
- Employee benefit expenses, € million	223.1	204.8
- Other expenses, € million	165.3	162.8
- Depreciation, € million	141.2	139.4
Cost ratio, %	18.7	18.4





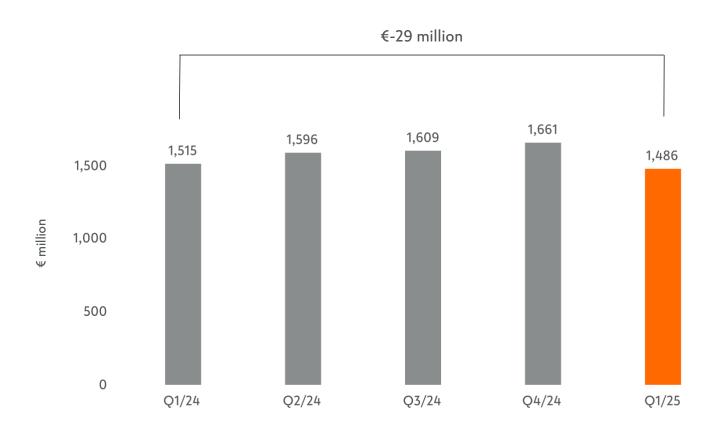
**GROCERY TRADE Q1** 

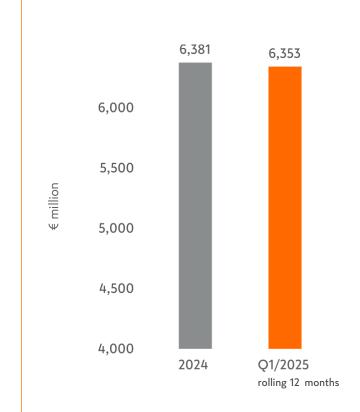
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### **GROCERY TRADE**

## **NET SALES**

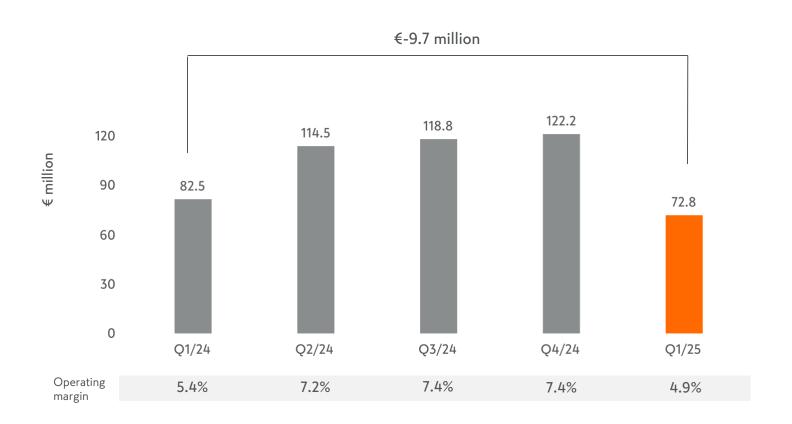


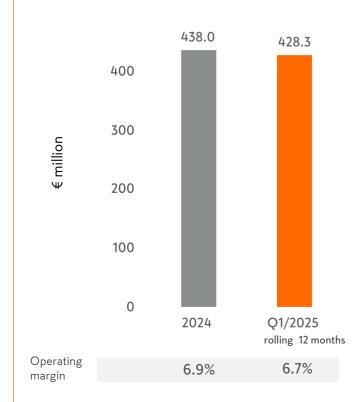




### **GROCERY TRADE**

### **OPERATING PROFIT**







## **GROCERY TRADE HIGHLIGHTS IN Q1**

- Sales and profit impacted especially by the timing of Easter the second most important sales season for the division – which fell on April this year and on March in 2024
  - K Group grocery sales down by 1.4%
  - Kespro's net sales down by 0.5%, exceeding market growth again
  - K-Citymarket non-food sales down by 1.3%
- Promising results from the price programme launched in January as expected, the programme had a negative profit impact
- Online grocery sales up by 5.6%
- Total grocery market flat year-on-year
- Grocery price inflation in Finland approx. 1.8% (Statistics Finland, including VAT)
- Customer flows continued to grow thanks to price programme and campaigns, but average purchase is down





# AIMING FOR A MARKET SHARE TURNAROUND IN GROCERY TRADE

- The decline in K Group's market share slowed down in 2024
- According to the NielsenIQ Grocery Shop Directory, K Group's market share in 2024 was 33.7%
   (2023: 34.3%); market share in online grocery above 40%
- Withdrawal from the Neste K chain and closure of smaller K-Market stores had an over
   0.2 percentage point negative impact on market share, but a positive impact on profit. In 2024,
   the total number of K Group grocery stores decreased by 80, of which 65 were Neste K stores
- According to NielsenIQ statistics, growth in grocery trade has been driven by larger stores
- In Q1/2025, K Group market share development in line with the market in the hypermarket segment







# MARKET SHARE TURNAROUND IN GROCERY TRADE: QUALITY x PRICE x NETWORK

### **IMPROVING QUALITY:**

- Further refining store-specific business ideas
- Investments particularly in the bread and fruit & vegetable departments
- Extensive, relevant selections aided by data and AI
- Digital services to make everyday life easier

### **IMPLEMENTING PRICE PROGRAMME:**

- Continuously affordable products: prices cut on 1,200 everyday staples as of January
- Investing in campaigns and relevant personal Oma Plussa benefits
- Combined price programme investment from Kesko and retailers some €50 million in 2025
- Store-specific price investments depending on the market situation

#### **INVESTMENTS IN NETWORK:**

- 2024–2025: 30 new store openings,
   92 stores modernised
- Particular investment focus on hypermarkets: 8 new / replacement K-Citymarket stores by 2028
- Annual investments of some €200–250 million





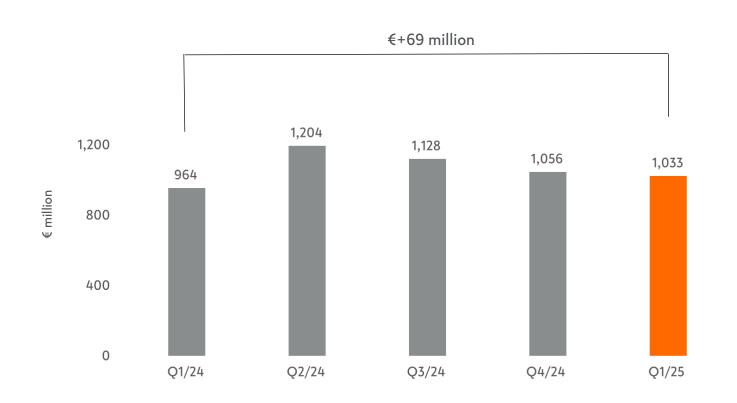
**BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE Q1** 

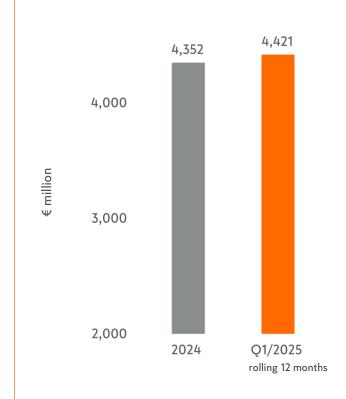
# PICK-UP IN BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT TRADE UNDERPINNED SALES AND PROFIT



### **BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE**

### **NET SALES**

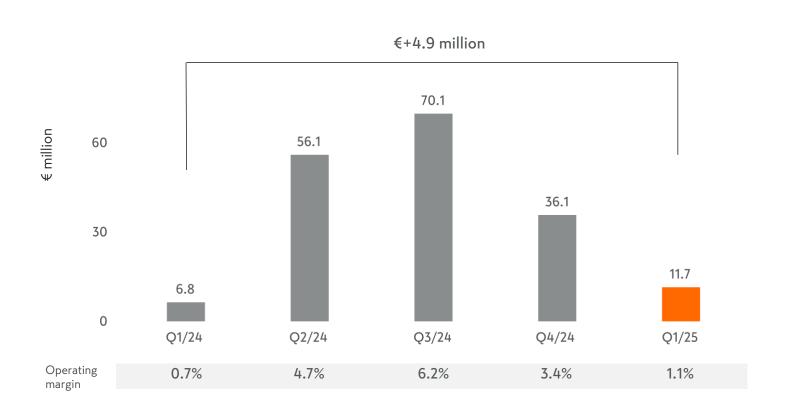


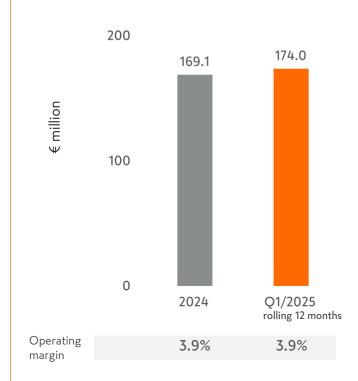




### **BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE**

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# BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE HIGHLIGHTS IN Q1

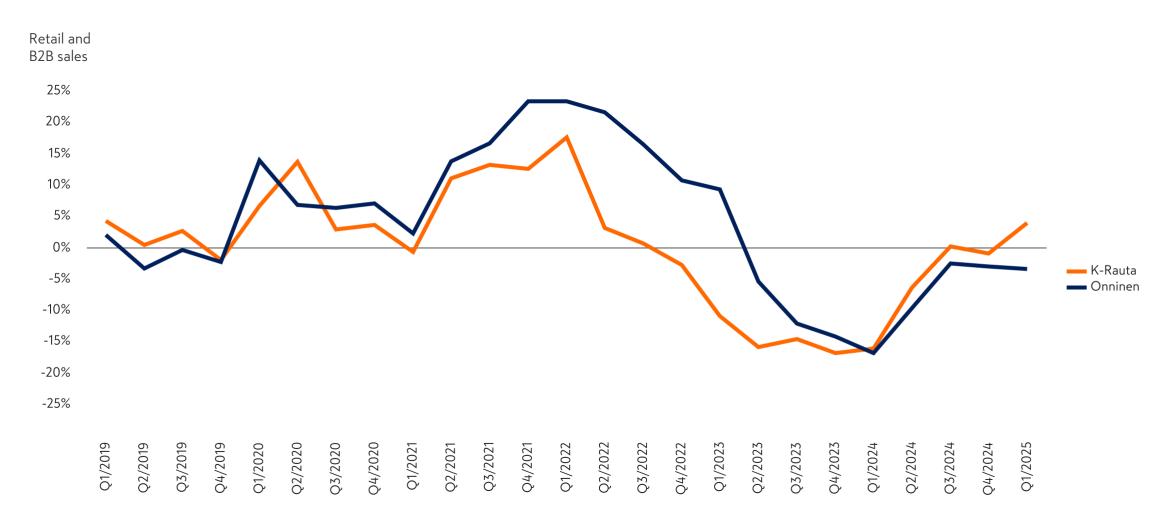
- Construction cycle turning, demand has grown stronger especially in building and home improvement trade:
  - Growth in K-Rauta sales in Finland driven by B2B. Especially sales of heavy construction materials clearly up. B2C trade has also picked up.
  - Sales for Onninen Finland fell short of the comparison period
  - Building and home improvement trade sales in Denmark and Norway clearly up;
     sales for Onninen Norway up
  - Technical trade sales in Sweden clearly up; still ramping up locations converted in K-Bygg stores. Sales in Poland slightly down.
- Sales of heavy construction materials up in building and home improvement trade other product categories typically follow with a slight delay. Post-cyclical technical trade usually picks up some 6 months after a turnaround in building and home improvement B2B sales.
- Credit risk well under control, €0.3 million written down for trade receivables past due date (in the comparison year a positive impact of €0.2 million)
- Kesko Senukai did not report its financials as scheduled, and thus in Kesko's Q1/2025 reporting the share of result from Kesko Senukai is €0.0 million (€-0.4 million in Q1/2024).

	Q1/2025	Q1/2024
Net sales, € million	1,033.1	963.6
Technical trade	527.0	522.5
Building & home improvement trade	522.7	455.6
Operating profit*, € million	11.7	6.8
Technical trade	13.2	15.5
Building & home improvement trade	-1.3	-8.3
Operating margin, %*	1.1	0.7
Technical trade	2.5	3.0
Building & home improvement trade	-0.2	-1.8

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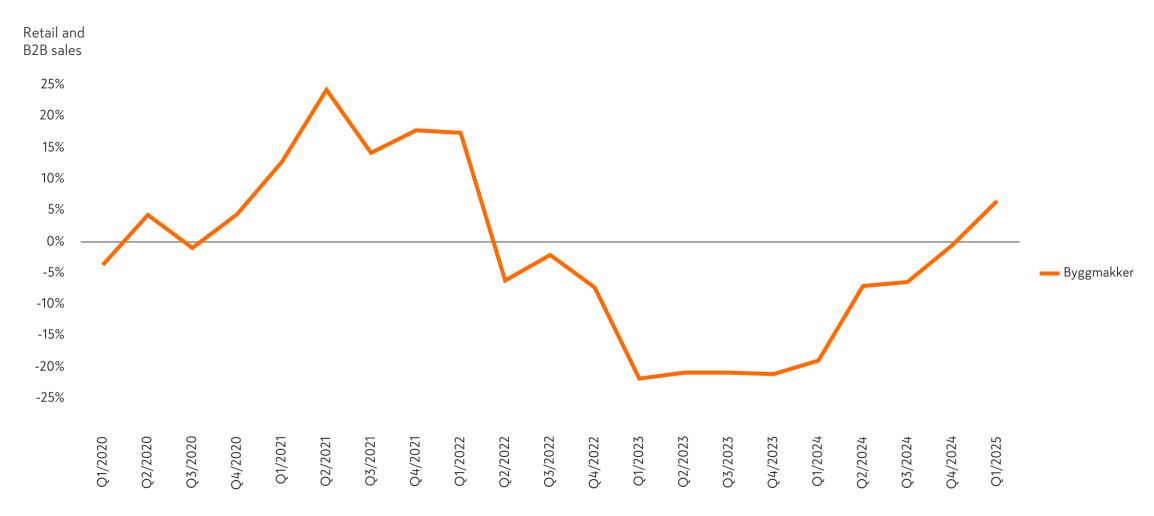


# SALES OF K-RAUTA FINLAND AND ONNINEN FINLAND





### **BYGGMAKKER SALES IN NORWAY**







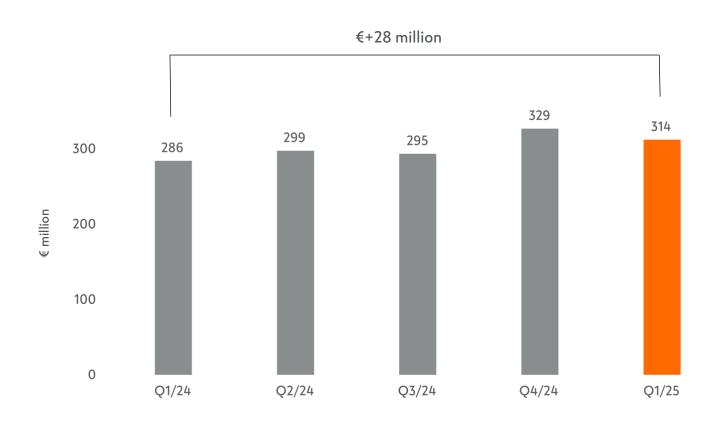
**CAR TRADE Q1** 

# STRONG POSITION IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF CAR TRADE SUPPORTED PROFIT DEVELOPMENT



### **CAR TRADE**

## **NET SALES**

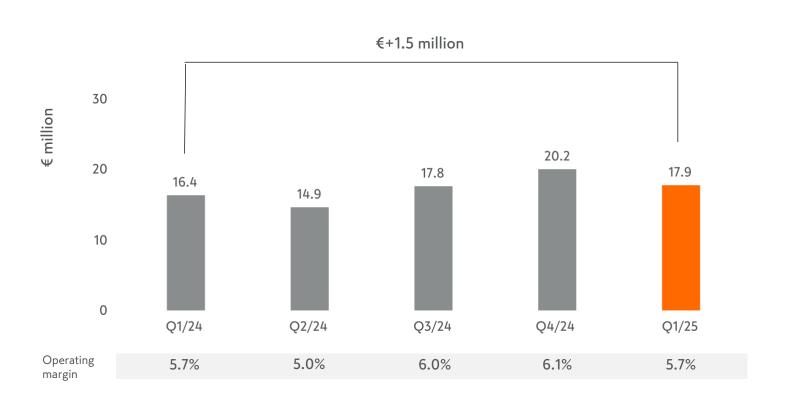


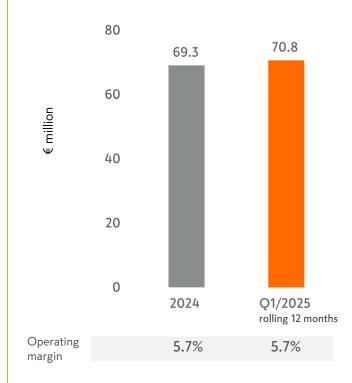




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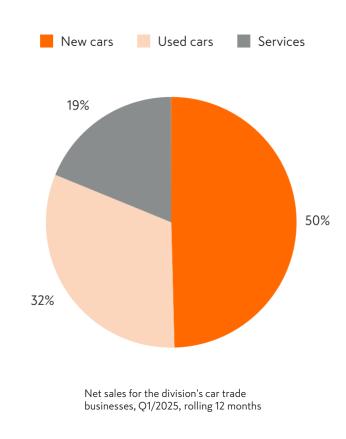




## **CAR TRADE HIGHLIGHTS IN Q1**

- Market demand for new cars muted, Q1 first registrations of passenger cars and vans down by 7.0%; first registrations of brands represented by Kesko up by 15.1% in Q1
- Net sales and comparable operating profit grew markedly despite the challenging market, thanks to strong new car sales in particular
- New car sales continued to grow thanks to the good sales of Volkswagen models
- Used car and service sales also grew
- Net sales and comparable operating profit grew in sports trade

### **K-AUTO, NET SALES**





# PROFIT GUIDANCE AND OUTLOOK FOR 2025 UNCHANGED



### **PROFIT GUIDANCE FOR 2025**

Kesko Group's profit guidance is given for the year 2025, in comparison with the year 2024.

Kesko's operating environment is estimated to improve in 2025, but to still remain somewhat challenging. Kesko's comparable operating profit is estimated to improve in 2025. Kesko estimates that its comparable operating profit in 2025 will amount to €640–740 million. The profit guidance is based on an estimate of a gradually improving economic cycle in all Kesko operating countries. Key uncertainties impacting Kesko's outlook are developments in consumer confidence, investment appetites, as well as geopolitical crises and tensions.



### **OUTLOOK FOR 2025**

In grocery trade, B2C trade and the foodservice market are estimated to remain stable. In 2025, the comparable operating margin for the grocery trade division is estimated to stay clearly above 6% despite the investments in price and the store site network in accordance with Kesko's strategy for 2024-2026.

In building and technical trade, the cycle is expected to improve in 2025 from the historically low levels. Profitability in the building and technical trade division is estimated to improve on 2024.

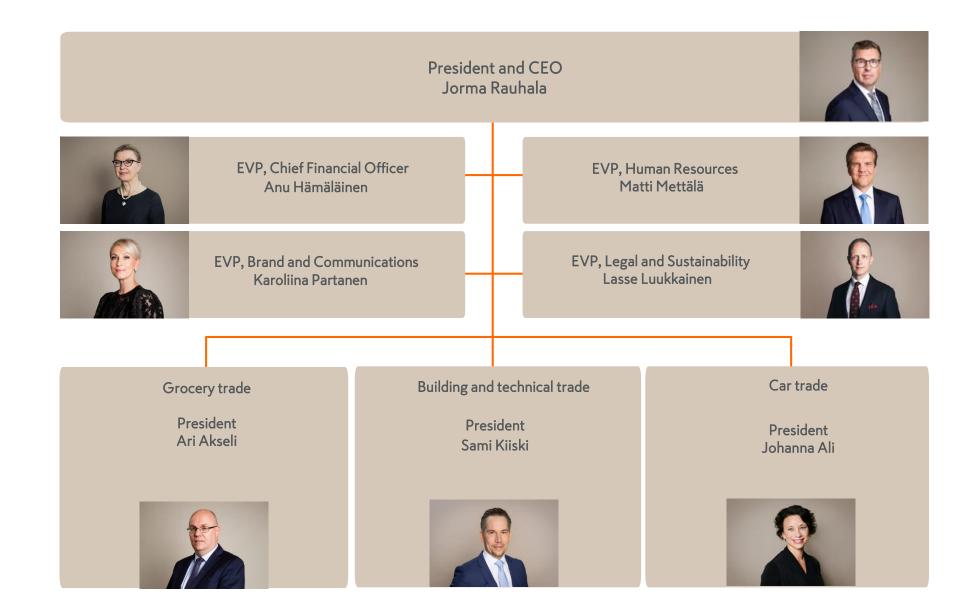
In car trade, the market for new cars is expected to stay at a low level. Demand for used cars and services is estimated to remain good. Profitability for the car trade division is estimated to remain at a good level in 2025 despite weak demand for new cars.



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