

KESKO

SUCCESSFUL STRATEGY EXECUTION DRIVING GROWTH

September 2023

K GROUP AND KESKO TODAY



Leading trading sector company in Northern Europe with retail sales of over €16bn



Profitable growth strategy in 3 core divisions



~45 000 employees, 1,800 stores and comprehensive digital services in 8 countries



Strong financial position with good dividend capacity



Market cap nearly €7bn with ~96,000 shareholders



Sustainability at the core of the strategy

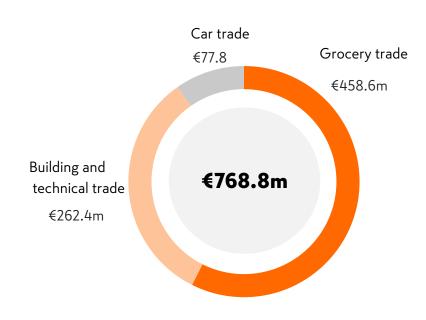


KESKO IN A NUTSHELL

NET SALES

OPERATING PROFIT









BUSINESS OPERATIONS FOCUSED IN THREE DIVISIONS



Fauta 7-21 9-18 €6,338 million onninen megaexpress megaexpress



GROCERY TRADE

~1,200 stores in Finland, of which more than 500 offer on-line services, retailer-model

#2 in Finnish retail, market share ~36% #1 on the Finnish foodservice market ~46%

BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE

Serves three customer segments: technical professionals, professional builders, and consumers

~470 stores in total in 8 countries #1 in Northern Europe

CAR TRADE

Volkswagen, Audi, SEAT, Porsche and Bentley Used car sales and services Sportstrade business in Finland part of the division #1 in Finland



KESKO'S BUSINESS MODEL



Customers B2C and B2B

Retail sales to customers

- Grocery stores, K-Rauta stores and main part of Intersport's sales in Finland
- Car dealers
- Some of the building and home improvement trade in Norway

Kesko's wholesale to retailers 46%*

Kesko's B2B trade 40%*

- · Kespro in Finland
- Onninen in all operating countries
- Most of Byggmakker in Norway and K-Bygg in Sweden
- · Car trade B2B sales in Finland

Kesko's own retailing 14%*

- · K-Citymarket non-food
- Budget Sport and part of Intersport's sales in Finland
- · Most of car trade in Finland
- International operations, e.g. most of K-Rauta Sweden's sales, some of K-Bygg's and Byggmakker's sales

Divisions:





Building and technical trade



Car trade

Responsible for:

- Store and chain concepts
- · Store sites
- Purchasing, selection management, logistics

- Digital services and IT
- Sales, marketing and customer data

- Personnel and retailer operations
- · Support functions

Suppliers and service providers

* Share of Kesko's net sales in 2022

KESKO AND K-RETAILERS

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Store concepts

Chain selections, wholesale

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

Responsible for ensuring 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

SUCCESSFUL STRATEGY





TRANSFORMATION FROM A TRADITIONAL RETAILING **COMPANY INTO A FOCUSED K GROUP**







KESPRO





































ECITYMARKET



KMarket

















OUR SUCCESS IS NOT A COINCIDENCE

The right strategic choices and their successful execution

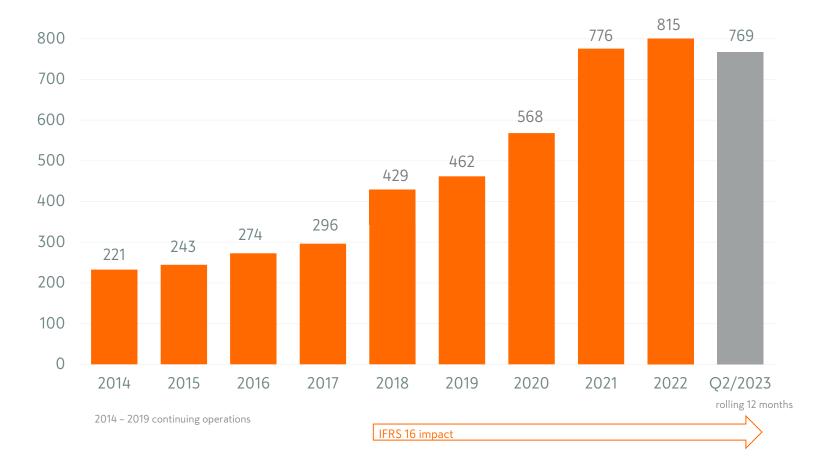
- FOCUSING ON THREE CORE BUSINESSES
- MASSIVE DIVESTMENTS OF NON-CORE BUSINESSES, INCLUDING RUSSIAN OPERATIONS
- TRANSFORMING BUILDING MATERIALS
 TRADE TO BE B2B-DRIVEN
- EXPANSION TO TECHNICAL TRADE BY ACQUIRING ONNINEN

- MARKET LEADERSHIP IN NEIGHBOURHOOD STORES THROUGH THE SUOMEN LÄHIKAUPPA ACQUISITION
- DIGITAL FORERUNNER IN THE EUROPEAN RETAIL INDUSTRY
- STRONG GROWTH IN BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE IN NORTHERN EUROPE
- GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY FORERUNNER



STRONG PROFIT GENERATION ALSO IN A WEAKER MARKET

Comparable operating profit Reported figures, € million





SALES GROWTH THROUGH EXISTING STORES AND SYSTEMS HAS IMPROVED OUR EFFICIENCY

Plenty of additional potential

Retail and B2B sales growth for core businesses since 2014

€6.0 bn

Steady cost ratio improvement

16.4%

2014: 19.2%



STRONG POSITION IN ALL AREAS OF FINNISH FOOD TRADE

ECITYMARKET

KSupermarket

™Market



- Strong No. 2 in the Finnish consumer grocery trade market, with ~36% market share
- Finland's most extensive grocery store network with 1,200 stores operated by K-retailers
- The best consumer online grocery store in the market
- 1.6 million customers every day

- No. 1 in Finnish foodservice business, with over 46% market share
- Largest online food store in the market, 70% of sales online
- Strong private labels, share of sales over 50%

Shared advanced sourcing, logistics and IT systems



LEADING PLAYER IN BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE IN NORTHERN EUROPE

Total retail sales of €6.3 billion*, B2B accounts for over 80% of sales**

TECHNICAL TRADE

BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT TRADE



KRauta





- Net sales €2,352 million
- Operating profit €158.6 million
- Operating margin 6.7%
- 100% B2B

- Net sales €1,647 million
- Operating profit €86.3 million
- Operating margin 5.2%
- Builders merchant for professional builders 67%
- DIY for consumers 33% of sales



- Kesko Senukai joint venture
- Leading DIY operator in the Baltics, 70% DIY ***
- Kesko's share 50%
- Retail sales €1,204 million*



LEADING CAR TRADE PLAYER IN FINLAND

KAuto

- Kesko operates a major part of VW Group's businesses
- One of the leading operators in market in new car sales, market share 14.1%
- Fast growing used car business
- Nationwide service and charging networks
- Sports trade part of car division 1 April 2023

- Net sales €1,241 million
- Operating profit €77.8 million
- Operating margin 6.3%
- All business units profitable
- One shared K-Auto brand

















FORERUNNER IN TRADING SECTOR DIGITALISATION

Using digitalisation to improve customer experience and make operations more efficient



Online and digital sales growing forcefully

Digital sales already nearly €1.9 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 3.3 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

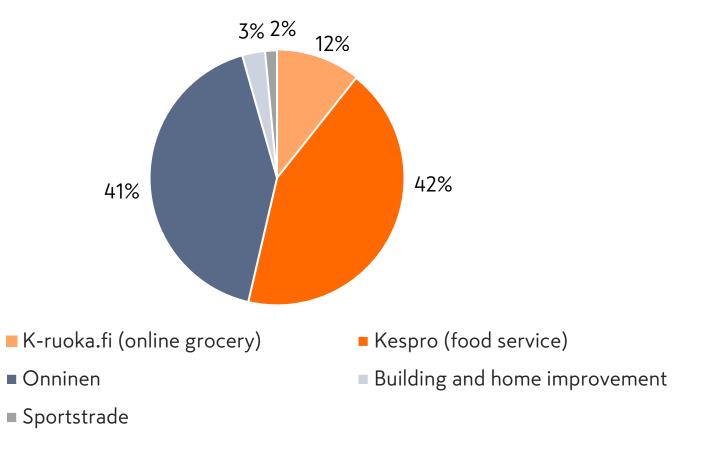
Digital Plussa money

Personal purchase trackers, e.g. carbon footprint calculator

Seamless customer experience irrespective of channel



SALES VIA DIGITAL CHANNELS ALREADY € 1.9 BILLION





KESKO UPDATED ITS SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

MANAGEMENT REMUNERATION TIED TO SUSTAINABILITY TARGETS

SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY

VISION:

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

FOCUS AREAS:

- CLIMATE AND NATURE
- VALUE CHAIN SUSTAINABILITY
- RESPONSIBILITY FOR PEOPLE
- GOOD GOVERNANCE

IMPLEMENTATION WITHIN DIVISIONS:

- GROCERY TRADE
- BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE
- CAR TRADE

INDICES AND ASSESSMENTS AS INDICATORS OF PROGRESS:

Dow Jones World, MSCI ESG, Global 100, CDP



FOCUS AREAS AND KEY OBJECTIVES

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



CLIMATE AND NATURE

Achieving carbon neutral K Group

- Carbon neutrality by 2025 and zero emissions by 2030 in our own operations and transports
- Challenging our suppliers to set their CO₂ reduction targets
- Reducing emissions from the use of sold products

Promoting biodiversity

 Continuing our biodiversity work by creating a biodiversity programme and setting goals for our biodiversity impacts

Enhancing circular economy

- Sustainable packaging for all of our own brand products by 2025
- Reducing food waste by half by 2030



VALUE CHAIN

Ensuring sustainability in the supply chain

- 100% of suppliers from high-risk countries audited for social responsibility
- Extending audits to take climate and environmental aspects into account

Enabling sustainable choices for our customers

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

Creating value for society through sustainable value chains

• Strengthening the Finnish food chain and security of supply



OUR PEOPLE

Increasing the safety and wellbeing of our employees

- Supporting people's health, wellbeing and success
- Ultimate target zero injuries

Fostering diversity, inclusion and equal opportunities for our current and future employees

- Diversity and inclusion programme
- Equal pay
- Gender equality on all levels of the organisation



GOOD GOVERNANCE

Committing to K Code of Conduct

Remunerating based on sustainability performance

Strengthening sustainability competencies

Using data in a responsible and ethical way that creates value

FINANCIAL TARGETS

| Operating margin, comparable | Over 6% |
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| Return on capital employed, comparable, % | Over 14.5% |
| Interest-bearing net debt/EBITDA, excluding IFRS 16 impact | at maximum 2.5 |

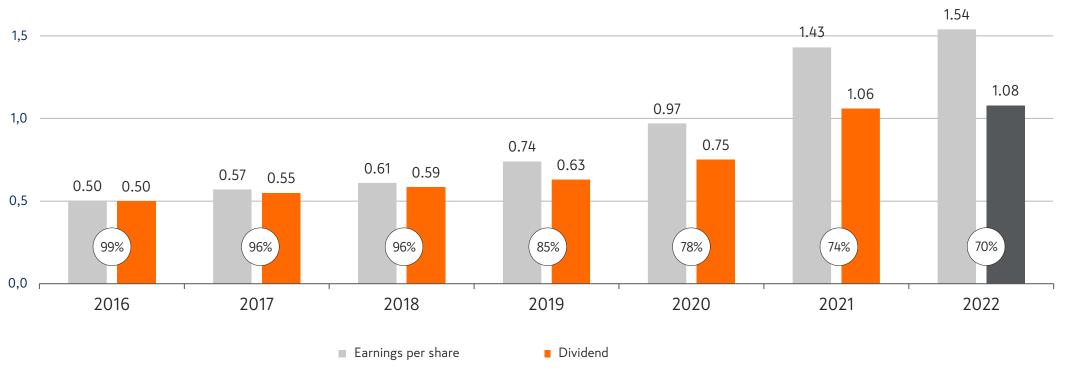


DIVIDEND PROPOSAL

Board dividend proposal to the Annual General Meeting: €1.08 / share

Proposed to be paid in four instalments in 2023

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.





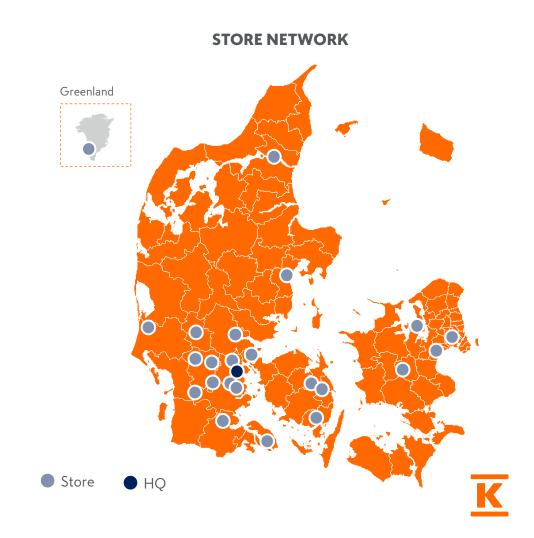


LATEST NEWS: KESKO ACQUIRES THE DANISH BUILDERS' MERCHANT DAVIDSEN AND ENTERS DENMARK

23 August 2023

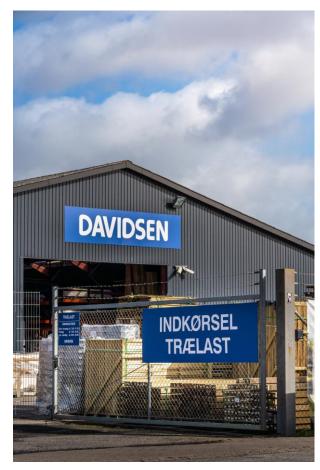
DAVIDSEN IN BRIEF

- Kesko acquires 90% of the family-owned Davidsen A/S
- Family-owned builders' merchant company headquartered in Kolding,
 Denmark
- One of the largest building materials retailers focusing on the B2B segment with ~9% market share, ~30% market share in Southern Denmark
- 23 stores, of which 19 are owned by the company
- Davidsen has some 850 employees
- In 2022, the company's net sales approximately €560 million with an EBITDA of €27 million and EBIT of €23 million (excl. IFRS 16 impact)
- Temporarily sales and profitability are expected to be below 2022 year's level due to economic down-turn and lower construction volumes



DAVIDSEN TRANSACTION KEY POINTS

- The agreed debt-free enterprise value for 100% of the company is approximately €190 million, of which Kesko will acquire 90%, which equals approximately €170 million
- The Davidsen family continues with a 10% ownership and will support the company's development and expansion
- The company will continue under Davidsen brand and current local management will continue leading the company
- The rationale behind the acquisition is strategic. However, transaction offers some synergies in sourcing, selections and leveraging best-practices
- Kesko finances the acquisition with a customary bank loan
- The acquisition is subject to the EU Commission's merger approval and fulfilment of certain other conditions. The transaction is expected to be completed at the latest in Q1 2024





BIG POTENTIAL IN BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT MARKET IN DENMARK

- The Danish building and home improvement market was approximately €5.7 billion in 2022, which is over 1.5x the size of the Finnish market of €3.7 billion
- Three largest builders' merchant companies Stark, Bygma and Davidsen represent some 50% of the market
- Approximately 30 independent retailers form together a broad XL
 Byg chain, which has some 20% of the market
- There are also a large number of small, local builders' merchant companies
- The Davidsen acquisition creates a good platform to grow and participate in the consolidation of the Danish building and home improvement market



Davidsen Aahlborg



COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE IN DANISH BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT BUSINESS

Competitive landscape and positioning, illustrative





DAVIDSEN ACQUISITION AND ENTRY TO DENMARK ARE IMPORTANT STRATEGIC STEPS

- 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
- Downturn affects the business, but at the same time offers consolidation opportunities for an industrial operator like Kesko



KESKO HALF-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT Q2/2023

STRONG PERFORMANCE IN A CHALLENGING MARKET



KEY EVENTS IN Q2

- Grocery trade: sales improved compared to earlier this year,
 Kespro also continued to perform well
- Building and technical trade: result down due to weakened construction volumes
- Car trade: sales and profit at a record level thanks to deliveries of cars ordered earlier
- Cost-efficiency improved thanks to efficiency improvement measures implemented
- Strong cash flow from operating activities

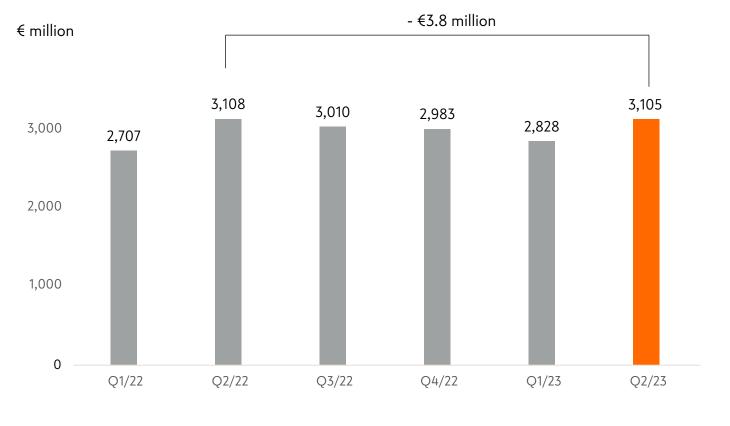
| | 4-6/2023 | 4-6/2022 |
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| Net sales, € million | 3,104.7 | 3,108.5 |
| Net sales growth, % | -0.1 | 4.0 |
| Net sales growth, %* | -0.8 | 3.9 |
| Operating profit, € million* | 207.6 | 236.0 |
| Operating margin, %* | 6.7 | 7.6 |
| Earnings per share, basic, €* | 0.38 | 0.45 |

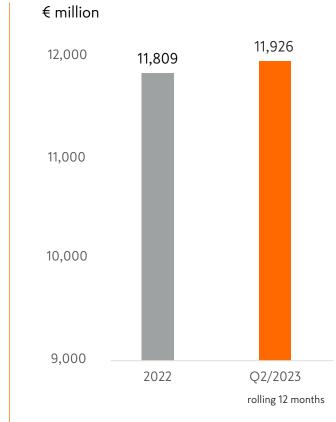
^{*} Comparable



NET SALES

A decrease of 0.1%, or -0.8% in comparable terms

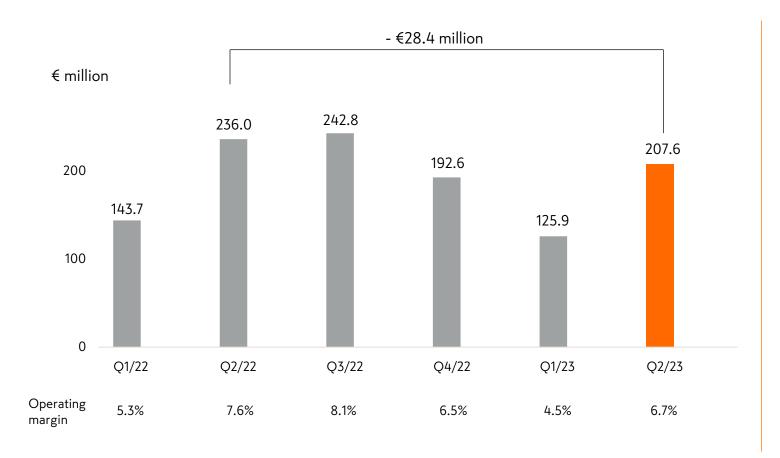


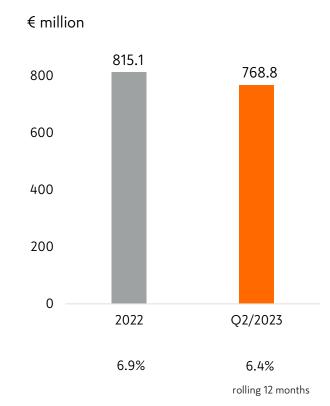




OPERATING PROFIT

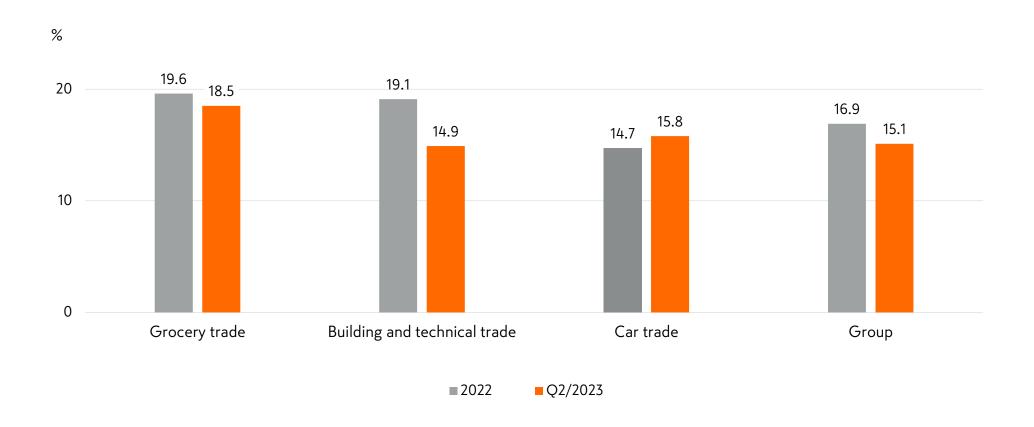
Down by €28.4 million







GOOD RETURN ON CAPITAL EMPLOYED





STRONG FINANCIAL POSITION

Good cash flow from operating activities

- Cash flow strengthened year-on-year, as working capital management improved in all three divisions
- Interest-bearing net debt increased as a result of investments in store sites and logistics, acquisitions, and growth in working capital

| | Q2/2023 | Q2/2022 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Cash flow from operating activities, € million | 285.2 | 262.4 |
| Liquid assets, € million | 271.0 | 345.3 |
| Capital expenditure, € million | 161.2 | 124.6 |
| Interest-bearing net debt excl. lease liabilities, € million | 629.6 | 197.8 |
| Interest-bearing net debt/EBITDA* | 0.7 | 0.2 |
| Lease liabilities, € million | 2,002.4 | 1,960.9 |
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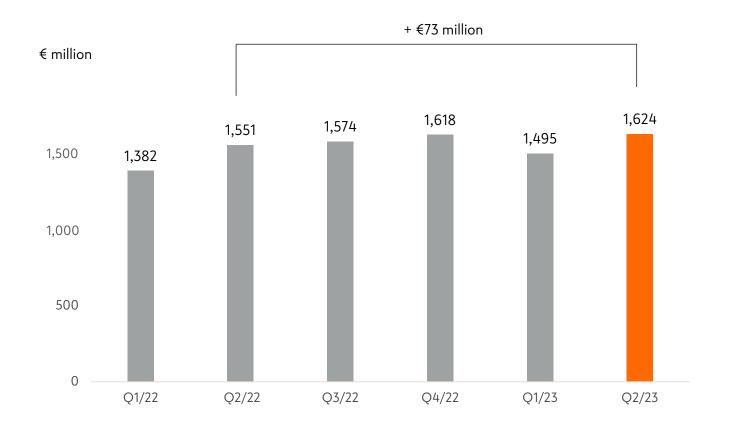
^{*}Rolling, excluding IFRS 16 impact

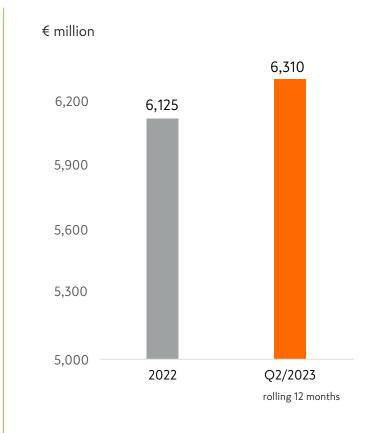




GROCERY TRADE

NET SALES UP BY 4.7%

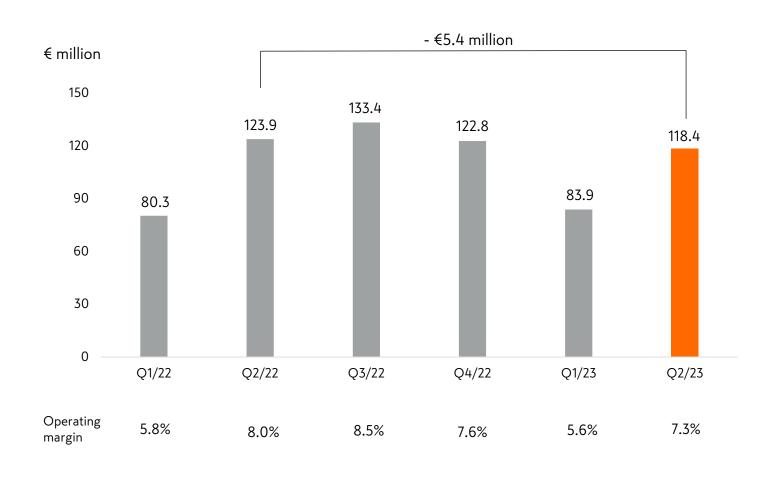


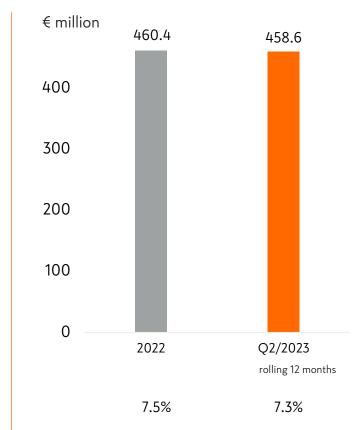




GROCERY TRADE

OPERATING PROFIT €118.4 MILLION







GROCERY TRADE KEY TOPICS IN Q2

- Market still price-driven, price inflation for groceries at 10.9%
- Campaigns and other marketing efforts saw customer visits and sales in K Group grocery stores increase
- Grocery sales in K Group grocery stores up by 4.6%; this fell short of the market, but less so than in Q1
- Kespro's sales up by 9.8%, exceeding the market
- K-Citymarket's non-food sales up by 1.3%
- Online grocery sales up by 3.8%
- Norwegian online grocery operator Oda announced exit from the Finnish market

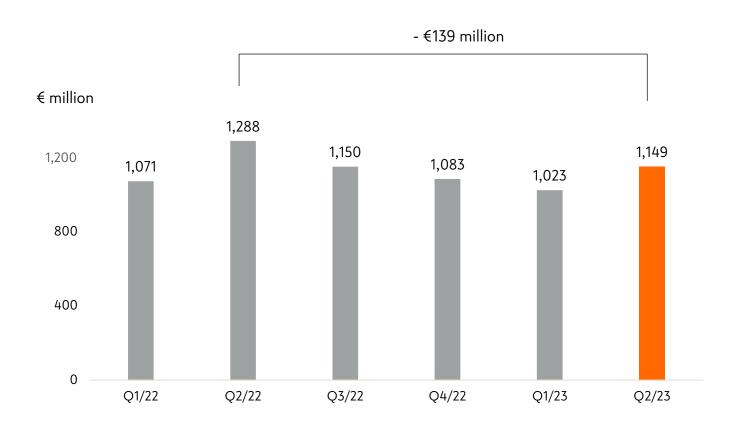


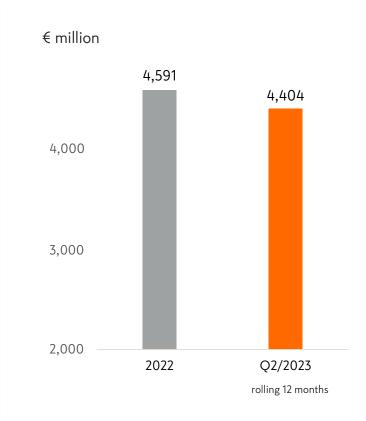




BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE

NET SALES DOWN BY 10.8%

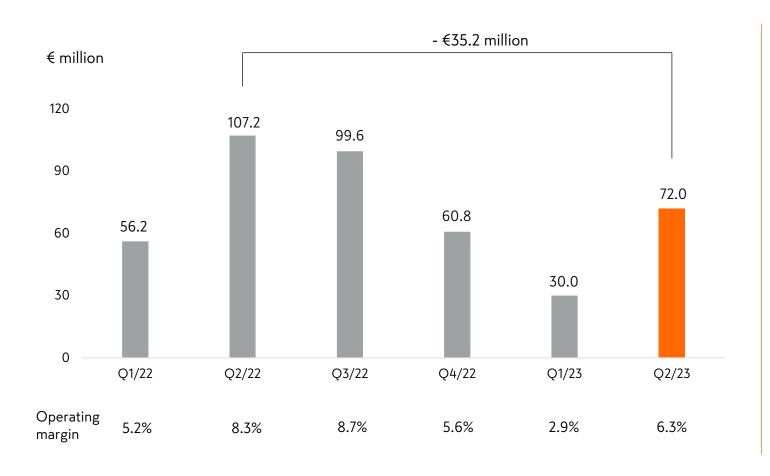


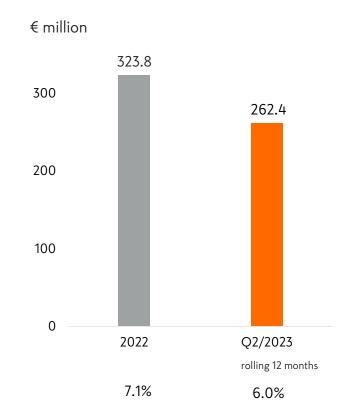




BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE

OPERATING PROFIT €72 MILLION



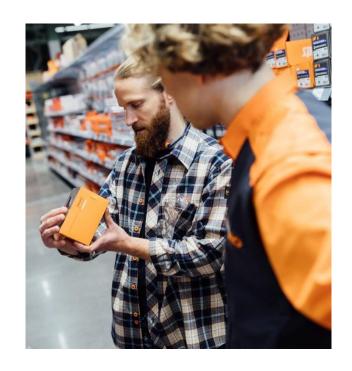




BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE KEY TOPICS IN Q2

BUILDING AND HOME IMPROVEMENT TRADE

- Rising inflation and interest rates have seen construction activity clearly decrease in Northern Europe, especially in new building construction
- Building and home improvement net sales and profit decreased in all operating countries
- Sales decreased in both B2B and B2C trade
- Operating margin for building and home improvement trade at a good level of 6.1% despite market weakening
- Operating margin in the biggest market Finland at a good level at 8.3%, market share continued to strengthen further





BUILDING AND TECHNICAL TRADE KEY TOPICS IN Q2

TECHNICAL WHOLESALE

- Net sales up by 3.8%, down by 5.3% in comparable terms
- Sales grew in Norway, but were down in the other operating countries
- Operating margin declined to 5.5%
- Decline in operating margin attributable to, among other factors, the profitability of the acquired company Elektroskandia, which fell short of that of the rest of the business. Integration proceeding according to plan, acquisition expected to bring significant synergies and strengthen Onninen's profitability in Norway in upcoming years.
- Operating margin in Onninen's biggest market Finland at a good level at 8.2%, market share continued to grow further

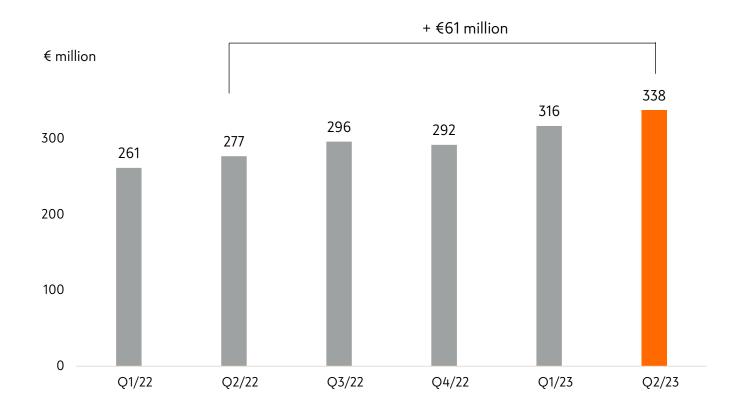






CAR TRADE

NET SALES UP BY 24.9%*



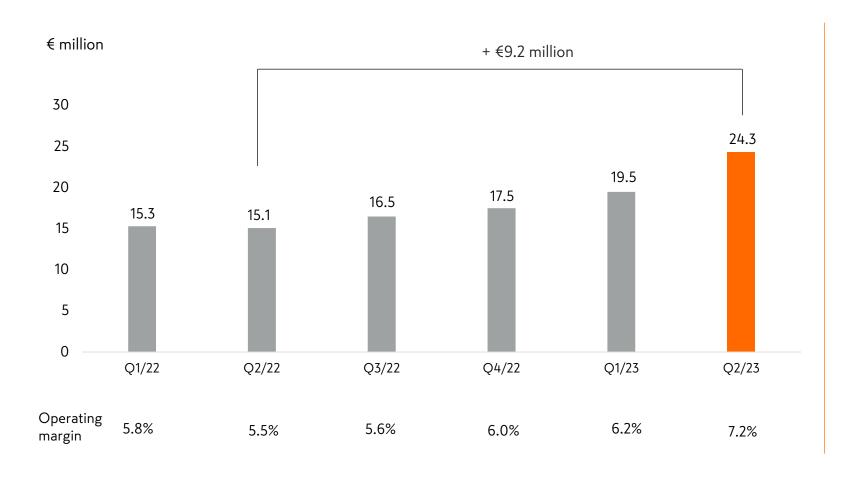


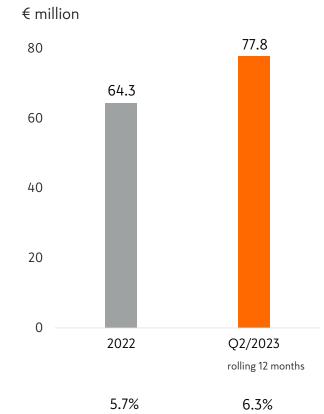


^{*} Comparable

CAR TRADE

OPERATING PROFIT €24.3 MILLION







CAR TRADE KEY TOPICS IN Q2

- New car deliveries increased significantly year-on-year, causing net sales and operating profit to increase
- Sales development good in used car sales and services
- Order book for new cars remains above normal levels, but weakening market
 has seen new car orders decrease clearly on the comparison period
- Sports trade part of the car trade division as of 1 April. Sales in sports trade decreased due to weakened consumer demand





EBIT

€208 MILLION

STRONG PERFORMANCE
IN A CHALLENGING MARKET



OPERATING ENVIRONMENT CHALLENGING COMPANIES

- Inflation
- Rising interest rates
- Weakened purchasing power
- High employment
- Energy transformation
- Russia's offensive war in Ukraine
- Geopolitical tensions





THE IMPORTANCE OF STRATEGY GROWS IN A CHALLENGING MARKET





IN GOOD SHAPE TO GENERATE PROFITS

- A good strategy: focusing on our own strengths
- Strong customer relationships, some 2 million daily customer visits
- Ability to respond quickly to changes in operating environment
- Continuously improving efficiency and managing cost ratio
- Strong balance sheet and efficient use of capital
- Investments in growth and efficiency
- Acquisitions and their integration



GOOD SUCCESS IN IMPROVING EFFICIENCY AND MANAGING COST RATIO

Fixed costs down by €5.5 million despite inflation

- Cost cuts and savings in all divisions and Group common operations
- A 2.6% reduction in personnel expenses despite significant wage inflation
- Significant savings also with changes in management practices and decision-making authorisations
- Foreign exchange rates have also had a positive impact on costs

| | 4-6/2023 | 4-6/2022 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Fixed costs, € million | 494.9 | 500.3 |
| - Personnel expenses, € million | 201.9 | 207.4 |
| - Other expenses, € million | 161.2 | 171.1 |
| - Depreciation and amortisation, € million | 131.7 | 121.9 |
| Cost ratio, % | 15.9 | 16.1 |





OUTLOOK FOR 2023

In the grocery trade division, B2C trade is estimated to remain stable, and the foodservice market to grow. Inflation will increase sales, but also causes costs to rise. Operating profit is expected to remain at a good level.

In the building and technical trade division, the market is expected to decline compared to 2022.

New building construction is estimated to decrease, but renovation building to grow slightly.

Operating profit is expected to remain at a good level.

In the car trade division, car availability has improved, but orders for new cars are expected to remain below last year's level. Demand for used cars and services is estimated to remain at a good level.

Profitability is expected to remain good.



GUIDANCE FOR 2023 (SPECIFIED)

Kesko specifies the outlook and guidance first given in its financial statements release on 2 February 2023 and repeated in the first-quarter interim report on 28 April 2023.

Guidance is given for the year 2023, in comparison with the year 2022. Kesko now estimates that its comparable operating profit in 2023 will be $\leq 680-760$ million. Before, the company estimated that its comparable operating profit would be in the range of $\leq 680-800$ million.

The specified guidance is based on developments in the first half of the year, as well as updated estimates on weakened development in the construction market. Key uncertainties impacting Kesko's outlook are developments in inflation and interest rate levels, and Russia's ongoing offensive war in Ukraine.





