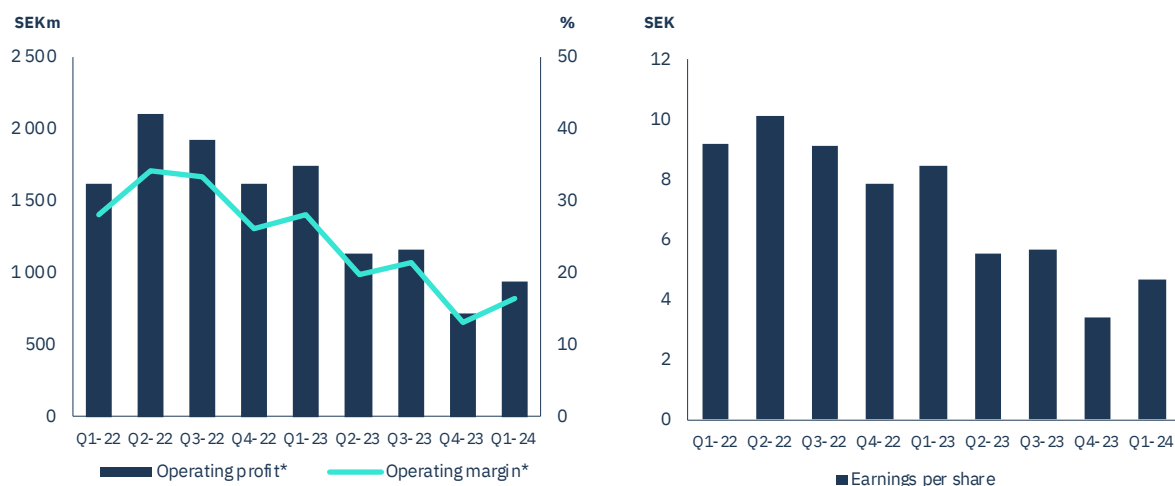


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Holmen's Interim Report January-March 2024

| SEKm | Quarter | | Full year | |
|--|---------|--------|-----------|--------|
| | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| Net sales | 5 720 | 5 400 | 6 223 | 22 795 |
| EBITDA | 1 300 | 1 059 | 2 080 | 6 114 |
| Operating profit | 944 | 714 | 1 737 | 4 755 |
| Profit after tax | 744 | 538 | 1 371 | 3 697 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | 4.7 | 3.4 | 8.5 | 23.0 |
| Operating margin, % | 17 | 13 | 28 | 21 |
| Book value, forest assets, SEKm | 56 532 | 56 348 | 52 308 | 56 348 |
| Cash flow before investments and change in working capital | 1 112 | 551 | 2 299 | 5 311 |
| Net financial debt | 2 034 | 1 869 | 376 | 1 869 |
| Debt/equity ratio, % | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 |

- Operating profit for January-March amounted to SEK 944 million (January-March 2023: 1 737), which corresponds to an operating margin of 17 per cent. The decrease in operating profit is due to lower paper prices and the positive impact of income from the sale of surplus electricity the previous year.
- Compared with the fourth quarter, operating profit increased by SEK 230 million. The increase is mainly due to a major maintenance shutdown, which had a negative impact off SEK 180 million in the previous quarter.
- Profit after tax for January-March amounted to SEK 744 million (1 371), which corresponds to earnings per share of SEK 4.7 (8.5).



*Excl. items affecting comparability.

CEO comments

In the first quarter, consumption and new construction were subdued by central banks maintaining high interest rates to contain inflation. Thanks to strong earnings from forest, hydro power and paper, we were still able to deliver a good profit of SEK 944 million.

Although the forest industry was not producing at full capacity, competition for logs and pulpwood was strong. Wood prices continued to increase, which further increased profit from forest to SEK 452 million. Our position in the wood market, with good control over the raw materials and the entire value chain, is becoming increasingly important as demand for forest raw materials grows. It ensures the security of our raw material supplies and puts us in a good position to develop our industries.

Electricity prices in the Nordics were higher than normal due to a cold winter and low hydro and nuclear power production. At SEK 208 million, profit from energy were largely unchanged compared with the previous quarter, where higher electricity prices were offset by lower hydro power production. During the quarter we decided to invest SEK 1.5 billion in the construction of Blisterliden Wind Farm, which will increase our electricity production from hydro and wind by 20 per cent.

The wood products market continued to be marked by weak construction activity, but prices still increased due to a global shortage of raw materials. However, the price increase was not enough to offset the increased cost of logs, resulting in a SEK -26 million loss from wood products. With well-invested sawmills and an increased processing capacity, we will be in a strong position when the construction market turns.

The consumer paperboard market recovered somewhat as our customers' stocks are back to normal levels. Paperboard prices have been under pressure but stabilised during the quarter. For paper, demand was largely unchanged after a significant decrease the previous year. Paper prices slightly decreased. Despite lower prices and higher raw material costs, board and paper delivered a profit of SEK 370 million. By bringing our process industry expertise together, we are improving our capacity for business development in consumer paperboard as well as transport packaging, books and magazines.

Holmen has developed well by creating added value from the forest and land we own, and our business model is now focused on four distinct business lines, i.e. forestry, hydro and wind power, woodworking industry and process industry operations. With our large forest holdings as a foundation, we grow houses while also harnessing the energy that blows over the treetops and flows in the rivers. We then make renewable packaging, magazines and books from the residual forestry products. Our strong financial position equips us well for a world that is set to transition to a fossil-free society.

Key figures Q1 2024

Operating profit, SEKm

944

Operating margin, %

17

Debt/equity ratio, %

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Forest

Holmen carries out active and sustainable forestry on over 1 million hectares of its own productive forest land. The annual harvest from own forest normally amounts to 2.8 million m³sub.

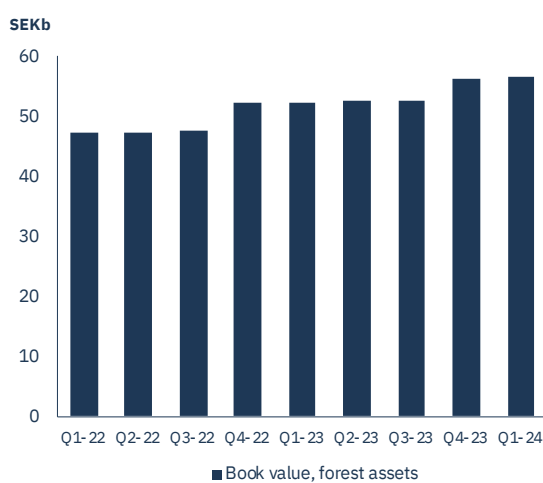
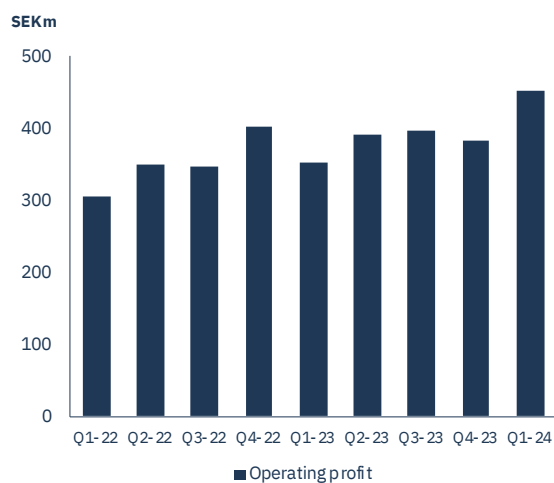
| SEKm | Quarter | | | Full year |
|---|------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| Net sales | 2 233 | 1 939 | 2 105 | 7 996 |
| Of which from own forest | 455 | 422 | 384 | 1 768 |
| Operating costs | -1 937 | -1 714 | -1 865 | -6 958 |
| Change in biological assets | 174 | 183 | 133 | 562 |
| EBITDA | 470 | 408 | 373 | 1 600 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -18 | -24 | -22 | -77 |
| Operating profit | 452 | 384 | 351 | 1 523 |
| Investments (incl. reforestation) | 38 | 53 | 28 | 222 |
| Book value, forest assets | 56 532 | 56 348 | 52 308 | 56 348 |
| EBITDA margin, %* | 62 | 52 | 61 | 57 |
| Operating margin, %* | 61 | 50 | 59 | 55 |
| Deliveries, own forest, '000 m ³ sub | 631 | 618 | 620 | 2 702 |

*Own forest before change in biological assets.

Competition on the wood market remained strong and prices increased further in the first quarter.

Operating profit for January-March was SEK 452 million (351). The improvement in earnings is attributable to an increase in wood prices of just over 15 per cent.

Compared with the fourth quarter, profit increased by SEK 68 million as a result of increasing wood prices.



Renewable Energy

In a normal year Holmen delivers 1.8 TWh of renewable hydro and wind power.

| SEKm | 1-24 | Quarter 4-23 | 1-23 | Full year 2023 |
|---|------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|
| Net sales | 302 | 312 | 368 | 1 070 |
| Operating costs | -67 | -72 | -60 | -263 |
| EBITDA | 235 | 241 | 309 | 807 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -28 | -28 | -27 | -110 |
| Operating profit | 208 | 213 | 282 | 697 |
| Investments | 129 | 28 | 9 | 59 |
| Capital employed | 4 309 | 4 283 | 4 319 | 4 283 |
| EBITDA margin, % | 78 | 77 | 84 | 75 |
| Operating margin, % | 69 | 68 | 76 | 65 |
| Deliveries hydro and wind power, GWh | 475 | 491 | 517 | 1 658 |

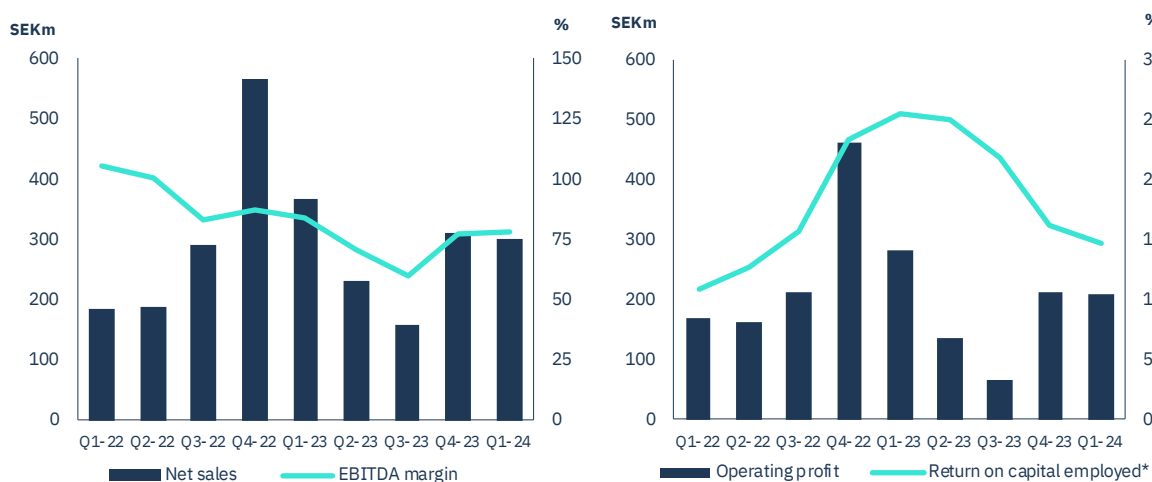
Electricity prices in the Nordics were higher than normal in the first quarter due to a cold winter and low hydro and nuclear power production. In northern Sweden, the electricity price averaged 550 SEK/MWh (Q1 2023: 600, Q4 2023: 500).

Operating profit for January-March was SEK 208 million (282). The decrease in earnings is the result of 10 per cent lower electricity prices in northern Sweden and lower wind power production.

Profit was largely unchanged compared with the fourth quarter. Higher electricity prices made a positive contribution, but this was offset by lower hydro power production.

In March, the replacement of the generator and turbine at Junsterforsen Power Plant began, and is expected to take all year and result in a loss of production of 90 GWh.

In the first quarter, a decision was made to invest SEK 1.5 billion to build Blisterliden Wind Farm. The wind farm should be commissioned in 2026 and is expected to produce 360 GWh per year in a normal year.



*Twelve-month rolling average.

Wood Products

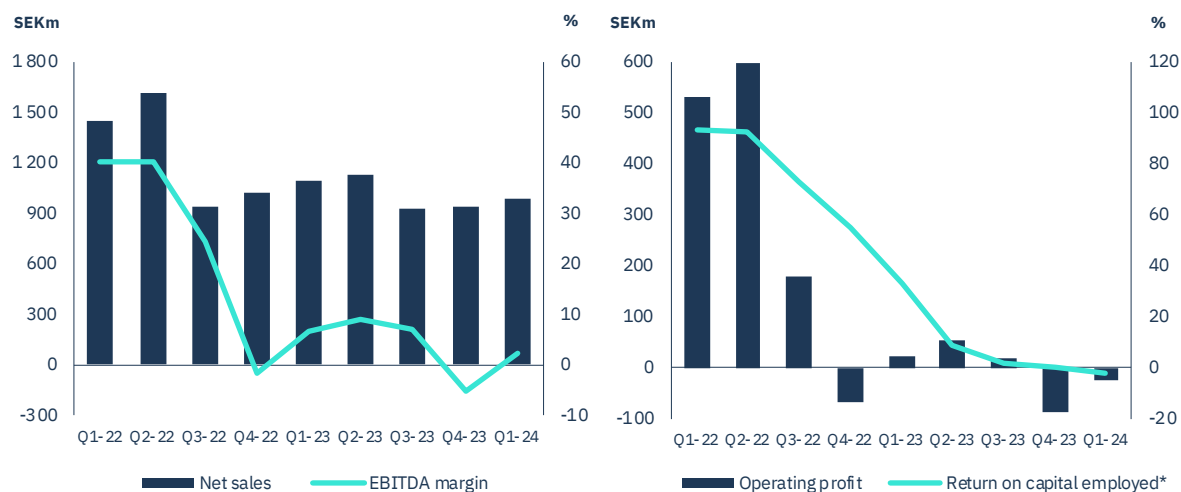
Holmen delivers wood products for joinery and construction purposes. Production takes place at five sawmills adjacent to own forest with an annual production of 1.5 million cubic metres.

| SEKm | 1-24 | Quarter 4-23 | 1-23 | Full year 2023 |
|---|------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------|
| Net sales | 989 | 935 | 1 087 | 4 075 |
| Operating costs | -966 | -983 | -1 017 | -3 885 |
| EBITDA | 23 | -48 | 70 | 190 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -49 | -41 | -48 | -184 |
| Operating profit | -26 | -89 | 23 | 6 |
| Investments | 100 | 168 | 75 | 391 |
| Capital employed | 2 276 | 2 139 | 2 193 | 2 139 |
| EBITDA margin, % | 2 | -5 | 6 | 5 |
| Operating margin, % | -3 | -10 | 2 | 0 |
| Deliveries, '000 m ³ | 356 | 359 | 397 | 1 498 |

Demand for wood products remained weak, but prices still increased in the first quarter due to supply shortages.

Operating profit for January-March was SEK -26 million (23). The decrease in profit is due to lower deliveries. The cost of logs increased, but this was offset by higher selling prices and increased income from the sale of wood chips and biofuel.

Compared with the fourth quarter, profit improved by SEK 63 million, as selling prices increased slightly more than the cost of raw materials, and as the fourth quarter was negatively affected by a shutdown for a rebuild at Iggesund Sawmill.



*Twelve-month rolling average.

Board and Paper

Holmen produces premium paperboard and innovative paper products from fresh fibre from sustainably managed forests. Annual production normally amounts to 1.5 million tonnes at a total of four production facilities in Sweden and the UK.

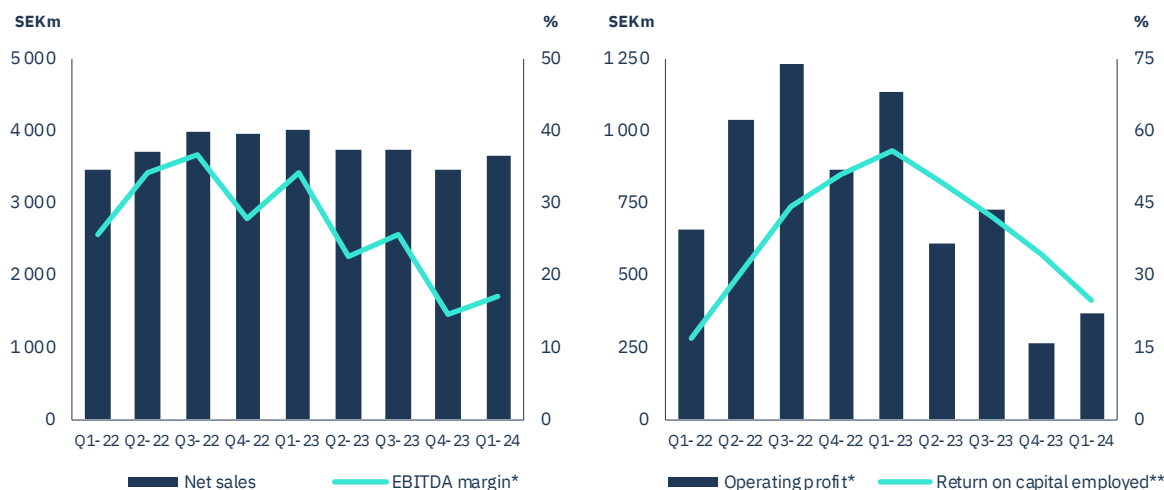
| SEKm | 1-24 | Quarter 4-23 | 1-23 | Full year 2023 |
|---|------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------|
| Net sales | 3 655 | 3 471 | 4 005 | 14 965 |
| Operating costs | -3 031 | -2 968 | -2 630 | -11 278 |
| EBITDA | 624 | 503 | 1 374 | 3 687 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -253 | -243 | -239 | -957 |
| Operating profit | 370 | 260 | 1 135 | 2 730 |
| Investments | 218 | 343 | 201 | 1 011 |
| Capital employed | 8 153 | 7 625 | 8 050 | 7 625 |
| EBITDA margin, % | 17 | 14 | 34 | 25 |
| Operating margin, % | 10 | 7 | 28 | 18 |
| Deliveries, '000 tonnes | 352 | 337 | 338 | 1 343 |

Demand for both consumer paperboard and paper was at the same level as a year ago. Paperboard prices stabilised after being under pressure. Paper prices slightly decreased from a high level.

Operating profit for January-March was SEK 370 million (1 135). The decrease in profit is mainly due to lower paper prices and the positive impact of income from the sale of surplus electricity the previous year.

Profit increased by SEK 110 million compared with the fourth quarter. The annual maintenance shutdown at Iggesund Mill had a negative impact off SEK 180 million on profit for the fourth quarter. Lower selling prices and higher raw material costs had a negative impact on profit but were partly offset by increased deliveries.

The annual maintenance shutdown at Iggesund Mill is planned for the fourth quarter, with an expected negative impact on profit of SEK 200 million.



*Excl. items affecting comparability. **Excl. items affecting comparability and twelve-month rolling average.

Cash flow, financing and net financial items

Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital totalled SEK 1 112 million (2 299) for January-March. Working capital increased, which had a SEK -640 million (-150) impact on cash flow. Cash flow from investing activities was SEK -486 million (-319).

The Group's net financial debt increased by SEK 165 million to SEK 2 034 million in January-March. Net debt was 4 per cent of equity.

At 31 March, the Group's long-term borrowing amounted to SEK 1 600 million and short-term borrowing was SEK 1 300 million. Cash and cash equivalents totalled SEK 1 147 million. The agreed credit facility amounts to SEK 4 000 million and is available until 2027. The credit facility is unused.

Standard & Poor's long-term credit rating for Holmen is BBB+ with a stable outlook.

Net financial items for January-March totalled SEK -7 million (-10).

Tax

Recognised tax for January-March amounted to SEK -194 million (-356). Recognised tax as a proportion of profit before tax was 21 per cent (21).

Equity

In January-March, the Group's equity increased by SEK 37 million to SEK 56 960 million. Profit for the period amounted to SEK 744 million (1 371) and other comprehensive income amounted to SEK -711 million (-2 184), which mainly relates to changes in the market value of electricity and currency hedges.

Hedging of exchange rates

The Group hedges parts of its future estimated net flows in foreign currencies. Operating profit for January-March includes results from currency hedges of SEK -122 million (-108). For EUR/SEK, more than 2 years of expected net flows are hedged at an average exchange rate of 11.15. For other currencies, 4-8 months of flows are hedged.

Hedging of electricity prices

Electricity consumption at the Group's paper mills amounts to 3 TWh per year. To reduce the impact of changing electricity prices on profit, consumption is partly hedged. In the first quarter, 80 per cent of the paper mills' electricity consumption was hedged. For the remainder of 2024, 90 per cent is hedged. For 2025, price hedges are in place covering 85 per cent, 40 per cent is hedged for 2026 and 10 per cent for 2027.

The Group delivers 1.8 TWh of hydro and wind power in a normal year. There are no hedges for the remainder of 2024.

Personnel

The average number of employees (FTE) in the Group was 3 422 (3 451).

Dividend

The 2024 AGM set the dividend at SEK 11.5 (16) per share, of which SEK 3 (8) per share related to an extra dividend. The dividend, totalling SEK 1 831 million, was paid on 23 April.

Share buy-backs

The 2024 AGM renewed the Board's authorisation to take decisions on purchasing up to 10 per cent of the company's shares. No buy-backs took place during the period. The company holds 2.0 per cent of the total number of shares.

Stockholm, 26 April 2024
Holmen AB (publ)

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Group

| Condensed income statement, SEKm | Quarter | | Full year | |
|---|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| Net sales | 5 720 | 5 400 | 6 223 | 22 795 |
| Other operating income | 406 | 522 | 487 | 1 996 |
| Change in inventories | 150 | -200 | 83 | -79 |
| Raw materials and consumables | -3 244 | -2 799 | -2 823 | -11 162 |
| Personnel costs | -840 | -839 | -826 | -3 312 |
| Other operating costs | -1 068 | -1 205 | -1 204 | -4 691 |
| Change in value of biological assets | 174 | 183 | 133 | 562 |
| Profit from investments in associates | 2 | -3 | 8 | 6 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -356 | -345 | -343 | -1 360 |
| Operating profit | 944 | 714 | 1 737 | 4 755 |
| Finance income | 16 | 15 | 16 | 49 |
| Finance costs | -23 | -27 | -26 | -98 |
| Profit before tax | 938 | 702 | 1 727 | 4 705 |
| Tax | -194 | -164 | -356 | -1 008 |
| Profit for the period | 744 | 538 | 1 371 | 3 697 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | | | | |
| Basic | 4.7 | 3.4 | 8.5 | 23.0 |
| Diluted | 4.7 | 3.4 | 8.5 | 23.0 |
| Operating margin, %* | 17 | 13 | 28 | 21 |
| Return on capital employed, %* | 6 | 5 | 12 | 8 |
| Return on equity, % | 5 | 4 | 10 | 7 |

*Excl. item affecting comparability.

| Condensed statement of comprehensive income, SEKm | Quarter | | Full year | |
|--|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| Profit for the period | 744 | 538 | 1 371 | 3 697 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | |
| Revaluation of forest land | - | 3 493 | - | 3 493 |
| Revaluations of defined benefit pension plans | -3 | 4 | 11 | -6 |
| Tax attributable to items that will not be reclassified to profit for the period | 1 | -720 | -2 | -718 |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit for the period | -3 | 2 777 | 9 | 2 769 |
| Cash flow hedging | -961 | 759 | -2 789 | -3 549 |
| Translation difference on foreign operation | 118 | -92 | 48 | 55 |
| Hedging of currency risk in foreign operation | -79 | 58 | -33 | -42 |
| Tax attributable to items that will be reclassified to profit for the period | 214 | -168 | 581 | 740 |
| Items that will be reclassified to profit for the period | -708 | 557 | -2 193 | -2 795 |
| Total other comprehensive income after tax | -711 | 3 334 | -2 184 | -27 |
| Total comprehensive income | 33 | 3 872 | -813 | 3 671 |

| Condensed change in equity in summary, SEKm | Jan-Mar | |
|---|---------------|--------|
| | 2024 | 2023 |
| Opening equity | 56 923 | 56 950 |
| Profit for the period | 744 | 1 371 |
| Other comprehensive income | -711 | -2 184 |
| Total comprehensive income | 33 | -813 |
| Share saving program | 3 | 3 |
| Dividend | - | -2 592 |
| Closing equity | 56 960 | 53 547 |

Group

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Condensed balance sheet, SEKm | 31 Mar | 31 Dec |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Forest assets | | |
| Biological assets | 30 738 | 30 555 |
| Forest land | 25 795 | 25 793 |
| Intangible non-current assets | 509 | 513 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 10 526 | 10 330 |
| Right-of-use assets | 265 | 244 |
| Investments in associates | 1 688 | 1 686 |
| Other shares and participating interests | 5 | 5 |
| Non-current financial receivables | 62 | 61 |
| Deferred tax assets | 3 | 3 |
| Total non-current assets | 69 591 | 69 190 |
| Current assets | | |
| Inventories | 5 102 | 4 837 |
| Trade receivables | 3 241 | 2 696 |
| Current tax receivable | 50 | 114 |
| Other operating receivables | 997 | 1 630 |
| Current financial receivables | 7 | 50 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 1 147 | 1 202 |
| Total current assets | 10 544 | 10 529 |
| Total assets | 80 135 | 79 719 |
| Equity | 56 960 | 56 923 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Non-current financial liabilities | 1 602 | 1 902 |
| Non-current liabilities relating to right-of-use assets | 158 | 160 |
| Pension obligations | 11 | 9 |
| Non-current provisions | 411 | 418 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 13 752 | 13 858 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 15 934 | 16 347 |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Current financial liabilities | 1 365 | 1 021 |
| Current liabilities relating to right-of-use assets | 114 | 91 |
| Trade payables | 3 387 | 3 394 |
| Current tax liability | 120 | 105 |
| Current provisions | 36 | 31 |
| Other operating liabilities | 2 219 | 1 808 |
| Total current liabilities | 7 241 | 6 449 |
| Total liabilities | 23 175 | 22 796 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 80 135 | 79 719 |
| Debt/equity ratio, % | 4 | 3 |
| Equity/assets ratio, % | 71 | 71 |
| Capital employed | 58 994 | 58 793 |
| Net financial debt | 2 034 | 1 869 |

Group

| Condensed cash flow statement, SEKm | 1-24 | Quarter 4-23 | 1-23 | Full year 2023 |
|--|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Operating activities | | | | |
| Profit before tax | 938 | 702 | 1 727 | 4 705 |
| Adjustments for non-cash items | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | 356 | 345 | 343 | 1 360 |
| Change in value of biological assets | -174 | -183 | -133 | -562 |
| Other* | 7 | -10 | -5 | -31 |
| Paid income taxes | -15 | -304 | 367 | -160 |
| Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital | 1 112 | 551 | 2 299 | 5 311 |
| Cash flow from changes in working capital | | | | |
| Change in inventories | -228 | 341 | -61 | 11 |
| Change in trade receivables and other operating receivables | -428 | 326 | 451 | 899 |
| Change in trade payables and other operating liabilities | 17 | 110 | -540 | -417 |
| Cash flow from operating activities | 472 | 1 329 | 2 149 | 5 805 |
| Investing activities | | | | |
| Acquisition of non-current assets | -487 | -601 | -319 | -1 706 |
| Disposal of non-current assets | 1 | 7 | 1 | 53 |
| Cash flow from investing activities | -486 | -594 | -319 | -1 653 |
| Financing activities | | | | |
| Amortization of liabilities associated with to right-of-use assets | -33 | -31 | -31 | -114 |
| Change in financial liabilities and current financial receivables | -9 | -417 | -521 | -1 064 |
| Buy-back of own shares | - | - | - | -1 119 |
| Dividends paid to the shareholders of the parent company | - | - | - | -2 592 |
| Cash flow from financing activities | -43 | -448 | -552 | -4 888 |
| Cash flow for the period | -57 | 287 | 1 279 | -736 |
| Opening cash and cash equivalents | 1 202 | 917 | 1 935 | 1 935 |
| Exchange difference in cash and cash equivalents | 2 | -2 | 1 | 3 |
| Closing cash and cash equivalents | 1 147 | 1 202 | 3 214 | 1 202 |

| Change in net financial debt, SEKm | 1-24 | Quarter 4-23 | 1-23 | Full year 2023 |
|---|---------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Opening net financial debt | -1 869 | -2 616 | -2 145 | -2 145 |
| Cash flow from operating activities | 472 | 1 329 | 2 149 | 5 805 |
| Cash flow from investing activities (excl. financial receivables and acquisition) | -486 | -594 | -319 | -1 653 |
| Buy-back of own shares | - | - | - | -1 119 |
| Dividend paid | - | - | - | -2 592 |
| Liabilities arising from new right-of-use agreements | -55 | -42 | -34 | -117 |
| Revaluations of defined benefit pension plans | -3 | 3 | 9 | -6 |
| Foreign exchange effects and changes in fair value | -93 | 51 | -36 | -43 |
| Closing net financial debt | -2 034 | -1 869 | -376 | -1 869 |

*The adjustments consist primarily of change in provisions, interests in earnings of associated companies, currency effects and revaluations of financial instruments as well as capital gains/losses on sale of fixed assets.

Parent company

| | | Quarter | | Full year |
|---|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Condensed income statement, SEKm | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| Operating income | 5 329 | 5 201 | 5 699 | 21 571 |
| Operating costs | -5 008 | -5 089 | -4 780 | -19 152 |
| Operating profit | 321 | 112 | 919 | 2 419 |
| Net financial items | -85 | 129 | -37 | 359 |
| Profit after net financial items | 236 | 240 | 882 | 2 778 |
| Appropriations | 149 | 77 | -189 | 190 |
| Profit before tax | 385 | 317 | 693 | 2 968 |
| Tax | -85 | -71 | -143 | -547 |
| Profit for the period | 299 | 246 | 550 | 2 421 |

| | | Quarter | | Full year |
|---|-------------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| Condensed statement of comprehensive income, SEKm | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| Profit for the period | 299 | 246 | 550 | 2 421 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | |
| Cash flow hedging | -963 | 762 | -2 672 | -3 429 |
| Tax attributable to other comprehensive income | 198 | -157 | 550 | 706 |
| Items that will be reclassified to profit for the period | -765 | 605 | -2 121 | -2 723 |
| Total comprehensive income | -465 | 851 | -1 571 | -302 |

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Condensed balance sheet, SEKm | 31 Mar | 31 Dec |
| Non-current assets | 19 022 | 18 810 |
| Current assets | 8 826 | 8 901 |
| Total assets | 27 848 | 27 711 |
| Restricted equity | 5 915 | 5 915 |
| Non-restricted equity | 7 071 | 7 533 |
| Untaxed reserves | 4 615 | 4 484 |
| Provisions | 1 142 | 1 308 |
| Liabilities | 9 104 | 8 471 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 27 848 | 27 711 |

Sales to Group companies accounted for SEK 96 million (90) of operating income for January-March.

Appropriations include net Group contributions totalling SEK 280 million (-57).

The parent company's investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets totalled SEK 13 million (10).

Notes

1. Accounting policies

This report was prepared in accordance with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting. Information in accordance with IAS 34.16A can be found in the financial statements and their accompanying notes, as well as in other parts of the interim report. The consolidated accounts are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. The parent company's accounts are prepared in accordance with RFR 2 Accounting for Legal Entities and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. New or revised IFRS and interpretative statements from IFRIC have not had any material effect on the earnings or position of the Group or the parent company. In the first quarter of 2024, Board and Paper was reported on as a new business area. Comparison periods have therefore been recalculated. The figures in tables are rounded off.

2. Forest assets

The Group's forest assets are recognised at fair value based on the transaction prices for forest properties in those areas where the Group has forest land. Forest assets are usually valued at year-end. The total value of the forest assets is allocated across growing trees and forest land. The value of the growing trees, which is recognised in accordance with IAS 41 biological assets, is determined by calculating the present value of expected cash flows and is updated regularly during the year. Changes in value are recognised in the income statement. The value of forest land is recognised in accordance with IAS 16 and is updated when the annual value of the forest assets is calculated, and when there are acquisitions or disposals. Changes in the value of forest land are recognised in other comprehensive income.

The value of the biological assets at 31 March was SEK 30 738 million (31 Dec 2023: 30 555). The change in value of biological assets, calculated as the net of the change due to harvesting and the unrealised change in fair value, totalled SEK 174 million in the first quarter and is recognised in the Group's operating profit. The book value of forest land at 31 March was SEK 25 795 million (31 Dec 2023: 25 793).

3. External net sales by market

| | Forest | Renewable Energy | Wood Products | Board and Paper | Group |
|------------------------|------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Jan-Mar 2024 | | | | | |
| Scandinavia | 774 | 302 | 367 | 175 | 1 617 |
| Rest of Europe | 0 | - | 349 | 2 821 | 3 170 |
| Asia | - | - | 50 | 385 | 436 |
| Rest of the world | - | - | 223 | 273 | 496 |
| Total Net sales | 775 | 302 | 989 | 3 655 | 5 720 |

| | Forest | Renewable Energy | Wood Products | Board and Paper | Group |
|------------------------|------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Jan-Mar 2023 | | | | | |
| Scandinavia | 762 | 368 | 416 | 196 | 1 742 |
| Rest of Europe | 1 | - | 372 | 3 183 | 3 555 |
| Asia | - | - | 99 | 441 | 540 |
| Rest of the world | - | - | 200 | 186 | 386 |
| Total Net sales | 763 | 368 | 1 087 | 4 005 | 6 223 |

4. Composition of share capital

| Share structure | Votes | No. of shares | No. of votes | Quotient value | SEKm |
|-------------------------------------|-------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| A share | 10 | 45 246 468 | 452 464 680 | 26 | 1 180 |
| B share | 1 | 117 265 856 | 117 265 856 | 26 | 3 058 |
| Total number of shares | | 162 512 324 | 569 730 536 | | 4 238 |
| Holding of own B shares bought back | | -3 289 969 | -3 289 969 | | |
| Total number of shares issued | | 159 222 355 | 566 440 567 | | |

5. Financial instruments

| SEKm | Book value | | Fair value | |
|---------------------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------|
| | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 |
| | 31 Mar | 31 Dec | 31 Mar | 31 Dec |
| Assets at fair value | 317 | 941 | 317 | 941 |
| Assets at acquisition cost | 4 412 | 3 926 | 4 412 | 3 926 |
| Liabilities at fair value | 1 017 | 561 | 1 017 | 561 |
| Liabilities at acquisition cost | 6 306 | 6 314 | 6 306 | 6 314 |

Holmen measures financial instruments at fair value or at cost in the balance sheet, depending on their classification. In addition to items of net financial debt, excluding pension obligations and liabilities related to right-of-use assets, financial instruments include trade receivables and trade payables. Financial instruments measured at fair value in the balance sheet belong to measurement level 2 pursuant to IFRS 13 and mostly consist of electricity price, currency and interest rate hedging derivatives. Their net fair value at 31 March was SEK -700 million, which is SEK 1 080 million lower than at year-end, mainly due to the change in the market value of electricity and currency derivatives.

6. Alternative performance measures

Holmen uses performance measures to supplement measures defined by IFRS or directly in the income statement and balance sheet in order to clarify the company's financial position and performance.

Earnings measures

Operating profit is the principal measure of earnings that is used to monitor financial performance. This includes all income and costs except for financial items and tax. Depreciation/amortisation of non-current assets is also included. EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation) is used as a supplementary measure. To clarify how these earnings measures are affected by matters outside normal business operations, such as impairment losses, closures, major restructuring measures and breakdowns, as well as changes to assumptions in the valuation of biological assets, the term 'items affecting comparability' is used. The purpose is also to increase comparability between different periods. The effects of maintenance and rebuilding shutdowns are not treated as items affecting comparability. Operating profit for January-March 2024 and the comparison periods included no items affecting comparability. Page 112 of Holmen's 2023 annual report shows the items recognised as affecting comparability in previous periods.

| SEKm | Quarter | | Full year | |
|---|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 1-24 | 4-23 | 1-23 | 2023 |
| EBITDA | 1 300 | 1 059 | 2 080 | 6 114 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -356 | -345 | -343 | -1 360 |
| Operating profit excl. items affecting comparability | 944 | 714 | 1 737 | 4 755 |
| Items affecting comparability | - | - | - | - |
| Operating profit | 944 | 714 | 1 737 | 4 755 |

Measure of margin, return and indebtedness

Operating profit, excluding items affecting comparability, as a proportion of sales is known as the operating margin. EBITDA as a proportion of sales is known as the EBITDA margin. The performance measure of return on capital employed is used to measure operating profit, excluding items affecting comparability, as a proportion of capital employed. Capital employed is calculated as fixed assets plus working capital less the net sum of deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets. This corresponds to equity plus net financial debt. Average capital employed is calculated based on quarterly data.

| SEKm | 2024 | 2023 |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 31 Mar | 31 Dec |
| Fixed assets* | 69 526 | 69 126 |
| Working capital** | 3 217 | 3 522 |
| Deferred tax assets | 3 | 3 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | -13 752 | -13 858 |
| Capital employed | 58 994 | 58 793 |

*Forest assets, non-current intangible assets, property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, investments in associates and other shares and participations.

**Inventories, trade receivables, current tax receivable, other current operating receivables, trade payables, current tax liability, non-current provisions, current provisions and other operating liabilities.

The debt/equity ratio is calculated as net financial debt divided by equity. The equity/assets ratio is calculated as equity divided by total assets. Net financial debt consists of the following components:

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| SEKm | 31 Mar | 31 Dec |
| Non-current financial liabilities | 1 602 | 1 902 |
| Non-current liabilities relating to right-of-use assets | 158 | 160 |
| Current financial liabilities | 1 365 | 1 021 |
| Current liabilities relating to right-of-use assets | 114 | 91 |
| Pension obligations | 11 | 9 |
| Non-current financial receivables | -62 | -61 |
| Current financial receivables | -567 | -50 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | -587 | -1 202 |
| Net financial debt | 2 034 | 1 869 |

7. Transaction with related parties

There were no transactions between Holmen and related parties that had a significant effect on the company's financial position and performance.

8. Material risks and uncertainties

The Group's and the parent company's material risks and uncertainties relate primarily to changes in demand and the prices of its products, the cost of key input goods, and changes in exchange rates. For a more detailed description of the material risks and uncertainties, see Holmen's annual report for 2023, pages 49–53, and Note 27.

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| Quarterly figures, SEKm | 2024 Q1 | Q4 | 2023 Q3 | Q2 | Q1 | Full year 2023 |
|---|--------------|--------|------------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Income statement | | | | | | |
| Net sales | 5 720 | 5 400 | 5 418 | 5 754 | 6 223 | 22 795 |
| Operating costs | -4 596 | -4 521 | -4 053 | -4 391 | -4 284 | -17 249 |
| Change in value of biological assets | 174 | 183 | 140 | 106 | 133 | 562 |
| Profit from associates and joint ventures | 2 | -3 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 6 |
| EBITDA | 1 300 | 1 059 | 1 505 | 1 471 | 2 080 | 6 114 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -356 | -345 | -339 | -332 | -343 | -1 360 |
| Operating profit | 944 | 714 | 1 166 | 1 138 | 1 737 | 4 755 |
| Net financial items | -6 | -12 | -18 | -10 | -10 | -49 |
| Profit before tax | 938 | 702 | 1 148 | 1 129 | 1 727 | 4 705 |
| Tax | -194 | -164 | -250 | -239 | -356 | -1 008 |
| Profit for the period | 744 | 538 | 898 | 890 | 1 371 | 3 697 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | 4.7 | 3.4 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 8.5 | 23.0 |
| Net sales | | | | | | |
| Forest | 2 233 | 1 939 | 1 880 | 2 073 | 2 105 | 7 996 |
| Renewable Energy | 302 | 312 | 159 | 231 | 368 | 1 070 |
| Wood Products | 989 | 935 | 929 | 1 124 | 1 087 | 4 075 |
| Board and Paper | 3 655 | 3 471 | 3 749 | 3 740 | 4 005 | 14 965 |
| Elimination of intra-group net sales | -1 459 | -1 257 | -1 298 | -1 413 | -1 342 | -5 311 |
| Group | 5 720 | 5 400 | 5 418 | 5 754 | 6 223 | 22 795 |
| EBITDA by business area | | | | | | |
| Forest | 470 | 408 | 417 | 402 | 373 | 1 600 |
| Renewable Energy | 235 | 241 | 95 | 163 | 309 | 807 |
| Wood Products | 23 | -48 | 66 | 102 | 70 | 190 |
| Board and Paper | 624 | 503 | 961 | 848 | 1 374 | 3 687 |
| Group-wide | -51 | -44 | -34 | -44 | -47 | -170 |
| Group | 1 300 | 1 059 | 1 505 | 1 471 | 2 080 | 6 114 |
| Operating profit/loss by business area | | | | | | |
| Forest | 452 | 384 | 397 | 390 | 351 | 1 523 |
| Renewable Energy | 208 | 213 | 68 | 135 | 282 | 697 |
| Wood Products | -26 | -89 | 19 | 55 | 23 | 6 |
| Board and Paper | 370 | 260 | 724 | 611 | 1 135 | 2 730 |
| Group-wide | -59 | -54 | -41 | -52 | -54 | -202 |
| Group | 944 | 714 | 1 166 | 1 138 | 1 737 | 4 755 |
| Operating margin, % | | | | | | |
| Wood Products | -3 | -10 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| Board and Paper | 10 | 7 | 19 | 16 | 28 | 18 |
| Group | 17 | 13 | 22 | 20 | 28 | 21 |
| Return on capital employed, % | | | | | | |
| Industry (Wood Products, Board and Paper) | 14 | 7 | 29 | 26 | 47 | 27 |
| Group | 6 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 8 |
| Return on equity, % | | | | | | |
| Group | 5 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 7 |
| Deliveries | | | | | | |
| Own forest, '000 m ³ sub | 631 | 618 | 676 | 788 | 620 | 2 702 |
| Hydro- and wind power, GWh | 475 | 491 | 317 | 334 | 517 | 1 658 |
| Wood Products, '000 m ³ | 356 | 359 | 353 | 388 | 397 | 1 498 |
| Board and Paper, '000 tonnes | 352 | 337 | 346 | 323 | 338 | 1 343 |

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| Full year review, SEKm | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Income statement | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net sales | 22 795 | 23 952 | 19 479 | 16 327 | 16 959 | 16 055 | 16 133 | 15 513 | 16 014 | 15 994 |
| Operating costs | -17 249 | -15 865 | -14 622 | -13 250 | -13 961 | -12 984 | -13 379 | -12 626 | -13 348 | -13 270 |
| Change in value of biological assets | 562 | 509 | 464 | 579 | 487 | 425 | 415 | 315 | 267 | 282 |
| Profit from associates and JV | 6 | 10 | 0 | -6 | 0 | -9 | -12 | -22 | 7 | -7 |
| EBITDA* | 6 114 | 8 607 | 5 321 | 3 651 | 3 486 | 3 488 | 3 157 | 3 179 | 2 940 | 2 999 |
| Depreciation and amortisation according to plan | -1 360 | -1 345 | -1 261 | -1 172 | -1 141 | -1 012 | -991 | -1 018 | -1 240 | -1 265 |
| Operating profit excl. items affecting comparability | 4 755 | 7 262 | 4 061 | 2 479 | 2 345 | 2 476 | 2 166 | 2 162 | 1 700 | 1 734 |
| Items affecting comparability | - | 266 | -330 | - | 8 770 | -94 | - | -232 | -931 | -450 |
| Operating profit | 4 755 | 7 527 | 3 731 | 2 479 | 11 115 | 2 382 | 2 166 | 1 930 | 769 | 1 284 |
| Net financial items | -49 | -87 | -39 | -42 | -34 | -25 | -53 | -71 | -90 | -147 |
| Profit before tax | 4 705 | 7 441 | 3 691 | 2 437 | 11 081 | 2 356 | 2 113 | 1 859 | 679 | 1 137 |
| Tax | -1 008 | -1 567 | -688 | -458 | -2 351 | -89 | -445 | -436 | -120 | -230 |
| Profit for the year | 3 697 | 5 874 | 3 004 | 1 979 | 8 731 | 2 268 | 1 668 | 1 424 | 559 | 907 |
| Earnings per share, SEK | 23.0 | 36.3 | 18.5 | 12.2 | 52.6 | 13.5 | 9.9 | 8.5 | 3.4 | 5.4 |
| EBITDA by business area* | | | | | | | | | | |
| Forest | 1 600 | 1 488 | 1 573 | 1 422 | 1 217 | 1 216 | 1 099 | 1 030 | 935 | 845 |
| Renewable Energy | 807 | 1 112 | 375 | 242 | 362 | 205 | 159 | 143 | 198 | 233 |
| Wood Products | 190 | 1 441 | 1 857 | 309 | 159 | 337 | 165 | 80 | 86 | 160 |
| Board and Paper | 3 687 | 4 713 | 1 679 | 1 820 | 1 887 | 1 861 | 1 884 | 2 051 | 1 860 | 1 887 |
| Group-wide | -170 | -148 | -163 | -143 | -140 | -132 | -149 | -124 | -138 | -126 |
| Group | 6 114 | 8 607 | 5 321 | 3 651 | 3 486 | 3 488 | 3 157 | 3 179 | 2 940 | 2 999 |
| Operating profit by business area* | | | | | | | | | | |
| Forest | 1 523 | 1 401 | 1 495 | 1 367 | 1 172 | 1 185 | 1 069 | 1 001 | 905 | 817 |
| Renewable Energy | 697 | 1 006 | 347 | 215 | 336 | 181 | 135 | 120 | 176 | 212 |
| Wood Products | 6 | 1 237 | 1 668 | 185 | 62 | 246 | 80 | -3 | 9 | 37 |
| Board and Paper | 2 730 | 3 796 | 743 | 886 | 944 | 1 018 | 1 053 | 1 192 | 772 | 815 |
| Group-wide | -202 | -178 | -193 | -174 | -168 | -154 | -170 | -148 | -163 | -146 |
| Group | 4 755 | 7 262 | 4 061 | 2 479 | 2 345 | 2 476 | 2 166 | 2 162 | 1 700 | 1 734 |
| Deliveries | | | | | | | | | | |
| Own forest, '000 m³sub | 2 702 | 2 813 | 2 833 | 2 841 | 2 699 | 2 816 | 2 883 | 2 945 | 3 132 | 3 207 |
| Hydro- and wind power, GWh | 1 658 | 1 639 | 1 230 | 1 352 | 1 109 | 1 145 | 1 169 | 1 080 | 1 441 | 1 113 |
| Wood products, '000 m³ | 1 498 | 1 435 | 1 373 | 1 052 | 879 | 828 | 852 | 776 | 730 | 725 |
| Board and Paper, '000 tonnes | 1 343 | 1 498 | 1 573 | 1 426 | 1 534 | 1 561 | 1 643 | 1 630 | 1 824 | 1 798 |
| Balance sheet | | | | | | | | | | |
| Forest assets | 56 348 | 52 151 | 47 080 | 43 202 | 41 345 | 18 701 | 17 971 | 17 595 | 17 340 | 17 032 |
| Other non-current assets | 12 781 | 12 477 | 12 251 | 11 784 | 10 781 | 10 586 | 10 780 | 11 106 | 12 184 | 13 189 |
| Current assets | 9 277 | 14 758 | 7 956 | 6 878 | 6 264 | 6 845 | 5 710 | 5 852 | 5 607 | 5 964 |
| Financial receivables | 1 313 | 2 050 | 814 | 679 | 950 | 781 | 430 | 338 | 325 | 249 |
| Total assets | 79 719 | 81 436 | 68 101 | 62 543 | 59 340 | 36 912 | 34 891 | 34 891 | 35 456 | 36 434 |
| Equity | 56 923 | 56 950 | 46 992 | 42 516 | 40 111 | 23 453 | 22 035 | 21 243 | 20 853 | 20 969 |
| Deferred tax liability | 13 858 | 13 490 | 11 610 | 10 570 | 10 299 | 5 839 | 5 650 | 5 613 | 5 508 | 5 480 |
| Financial liabilities and interest-bearing provisions | 3 182 | 4 195 | 4 915 | 4 860 | 4 733 | 3 587 | 3 366 | 4 283 | 5 124 | 6 156 |
| Operating liabilities | 5 755 | 6 801 | 4 584 | 4 597 | 4 196 | 4 033 | 3 840 | 3 752 | 3 971 | 3 829 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 79 719 | 81 436 | 68 101 | 62 543 | 59 340 | 36 912 | 34 891 | 34 891 | 35 456 | 36 434 |
| Cash flow | | | | | | | | | | |
| Operating activities | 5 805 | 5 484 | 3 229 | 2 457 | 2 884 | 2 286 | 2 509 | 1 961 | 2 526 | 2 176 |
| Investing activities** | -1 653 | -1 352 | -1 332 | -1 924 | -1 050 | -1 005 | -644 | -123 | -824 | -815 |
| Cash flow after investments | 4 153 | 4 132 | 1 897 | 533 | 1 834 | 1 281 | 1 865 | 1 838 | 1 702 | 1 361 |
| Return on capital employed, industry, %*** | 27 | 52 | 26 | 12 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 13 | 6 | 7 |
| Return on equity, % | 7 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 35 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 4 |
| Debt/equity ratio, % | 3 | 4 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 13 | 19 | 23 | 28 |
| Ordinary dividend, SEK | 8.5 | 8 | 7.5 | 7.25 | 3.5 | 6.75 | 6.5 | 6 | 5.5 | 5 |
| Extra dividend, SEK | 3 | 8 | 4 | 3.5 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Average number of employees | 3 546 | 3 466 | 3 474 | 2 974 | 2 915 | 2 955 | 2 976 | 2 989 | 3 315 | 3 359 |

*Excl. items affecting comparability.

**Net after disposals and before changes in non-current financial receivables.

***Wood Products, Board and Paper excl. items affecting comparability.

Holmen in brief

Holmen's extensive forest holdings are the foundation of our business. Using our own production facilities, the growing trees are refined into everything from wood for climate-smart building to renewable packaging, magazines and books, while at the same time we generate hydro and wind power on our own land. A business that not only creates value for shareholders and customers, but also contributes to a better climate and thriving rural communities.

Press and analyst conference

On the publication of the interim report, a webcast press and analyst conference will be held at 09.00 CEST on Friday 26th of April. Holmen President and CEO Henrik Sjölund, together with Executive Vice President and CFO Anders Jernhall, will present and comment on the report. The presentation will be held in English.

The press and analyst conference will be webcast and may be followed via:

www.holmen.com/reports

You may also participate in the conference by telephone, by calling no later than 08.55 CEST on:

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Financial report

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| 15 August 2024 | Interim report January-June 2024 |
| 24 October 2024 | Interim report January-September 2024 |
| 31 January 2025 | Year-end report 2024 |

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