

Third quarter 2015

- Consolidated net sales amounted to SEK 25,517 million (22,016). Excluding acquisition and divestment effects, the increase was 5.3%.
- Operating profit excluding non-recurring items was SEK 1,321 million (1,172). Of the earnings increase, SEK 58 million was a net effect of the acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat, including costs of SEK 52 million related to the integration of Apotek Hjärtat.
- Profit from continuing operations (ICA Gruppen excl. ICA Norway) amounted to SEK 979 million (676). Profit for the same period a year ago included impairment of goodwill in inkClub totalling SEK -322 million.
- Earnings per share for continuing operations were SEK 4.83 (3.19).
- Cash flow from operating activities for continuing operations amounted to SEK 955 million (395).
- ICA Gruppen's cash offer to the shareholders of Hemtex on 25 August was accepted, so that ICA Gruppen's ownership reached 98.3% at the end of the acceptance period on 1 October.

January–September 2015

- Consolidated net sales amounted to SEK 74,732 million (63,994).
- Operating profit excluding non-recurring items was SEK 3,114 million (2,856).
- Profit from continuing operations amounted to SEK 2,294 million (2,297).
- Earnings per share for continuing operations were SEK 11.11 (10.98).
- Cash flow from operating activities for continuing operations amounted to SEK 3,861 million (2,118).

Events after the end of the quarter

- After the extension of the acceptance period to 15 October, ICA Gruppen's ownership in Hemtex increased to 99%. ICA Gruppen has initiated compulsory redemption of the remaining shares, and on 23 October Hemtex's shares were delisted from Nasdaq Stockholm.
- ICA's insurance company began operating on 1 October.

Apotek Hjärtat is included in ICA Gruppen as from 15 January 2015. Cura pharmacies, previously part of ICA Sweden, are included in the pharmacy segment for the entire period. Historical comparative figures for ICA Sweden have been adjusted to exclude Cura pharmacies. ICA Norway is reported as a discontinued operation through 13 April 2015.

SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
Group						
Net sales	25,517	22,016	74,732	63,994	97,912	87,174
Operating profit before depreciation/amortisation (EBITDA)	1,708	1,616	4,302	4,396	5,725	5,819
Operating profit (EBIT) excluding non-recurring items	1,321	1,172	3,114	2,856	4,195	3,937
Operating profit (EBIT)	1,278	904	3,120	3,031	4,186	4,097
Profit before tax	1,185	823	2,832	2,775	3,784	3,727
Profit from continuing operations	979	676	2,294	2,297	3,102	3,105
Profit for the period	980	495	3,484	1,787	4,364	2,667
Cash flow from operating activities for continuing operations	955	395	3,861	2,118	5,537	3,794
Cash flow from operating activities	956	551	3,983	2,158	5,437	3,612
Operating margin excluding non-recurring items, %	5.2	5.3	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.5
Operating margin, %	5.0	4.1	4.2	4.7	4.3	4.7
Return on capital employed, %	-	-	9.6	9.3	9.6	10.1
Return on equity, %	-	-	15.4	7.9	15.4	9.3
Earnings per ordinary share, SEK ¹	4.83	2.29	17.03	8.44	21.13	12.53
Earnings per ordinary share, continuing operations, SEK ¹	4.83	3.19	11.11	10.98	14.84	14.71

¹ Same figure for ordinary shares and C shares.

CEO's comments

We had a good quarter for the entire Group. All parts are showing good sales development, and in terms of earnings, all segments posted a higher operating profit on a like-for-like basis. Our development projects are proceeding according to plan, and we are well in line with the strategic priorities we set for 2015.

Also this quarter we grew faster than the market in Sweden. Sales growth has among other things been driven by our focus on private label products and on the organic and health products. Sales growth in stores is mainly price-driven, with an annualised food price inflation that has been above 2% every month this year since February – which is a significant change compared with 2014, when we had price increases of less than 1% until October, when the trend turned upwards.

Our Rimi stores continue to gain market shares in the Baltic countries, while our discount stores – mainly in Estonia – have had a slightly tougher time. Price competition is fierce in all three countries, with very low inflation; however, in view of the conditions, Rimi Baltic had a very good quarter with a further strengthening in market position and stable earnings growth. The integration of Apotek Hjärtat is on track, ICA Real Estate is showing higher earnings, and ICA Bank posted stronger like-for-like earnings than the corresponding period a year ago in a challenging market. In addition, on 1 October our new insurance company opened for business. Elsewhere, after the end of the acceptance period, we attained 99% ownership in Hemtex, which was delisted from the stock exchange on 23 October. As the sole owner we can now work further on developing Hemtex and on better utilising the synergies that exist in, for example, our non-food business and in purchasing.

In line with our strategic priorities

As we now near the end of 2015 we can briefly reflect on our success at delivering on some of the strategic priorities that we set at the start of the year.

Growth in the share of private label products is in line with our goal to grow by one percentage point per year. Developing our private label offering is important, not least to further enhance our customer offering in the organic and health concepts. Our online solution is being rolled out at a good pace, and more than 100 stores now offer their customers online shopping. By year-end, 150 stores will be connected to ICA's online platform.

We continue to strengthen our store network, and to date this year we have opened five stores and 11 pharmacies in Sweden, and 11 stores in the Baltic countries. ICA Real Estate has begun a couple of interesting projects in which we are securing store locations by taking broader responsibility through development of sites rather than just stores.

The major logistics changeover in southern Sweden is now approaching the finish line. This has been a very extensive project that all-in-all has been delivered on plan. Our major IT outsourcing project has been delivered according to plan, and the work on instilling ICA's Group-wide values is being followed up throughout the organisation alongside the work on being even better at sustainability – an area that is becoming increasingly important.

We are also dedicating a lot of time and resources to upgrading our CRM solutions, where digital bonus cheques and simpler payment solutions are a couple of examples. More developments will emerge in this area, which holds many interesting opportunities. All in all I feel that to date we are in line with the goals that we set for 2015.

A dynamic market

We live in a time distinguished by a fast pace of change in a turbulent business environment. Our competitors are not standing still, customers' demands are evolving, and the conditions in our industry will be different tomorrow than they are today. We can be satisfied with ICA Gruppen's performance, but we cannot let up. It is more important now than ever before that we make sure that we focus on the right things and act upon the challenges facing us. We have a strong position, and from this we have every opportunity to be even stronger.

Per Strömberg
CEO, ICA Gruppen



**“A good quarter
across the group”**

Group performance

Net sales and earnings

Third quarter 2015

Consolidated net sales increased by 15.9%. On a like-for-like basis, sales rose for all segments. Adjusted for acquisition and divestment effects, sales rose by 5.3%, while the increase in local currency was 5.0%. Sales growth has been driven by larger volumes in ICA Sweden's wholesale operations, and by newly opened stores and pharmacies. Higher food price inflation has impacted sales growth in Sweden, while price increases in the Baltic countries have remained very limited.

Operating profit excluding non-recurring items amounted to SEK 1,321 million for the quarter (1,172). The earnings increase includes effects from the acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat in a net amount of SEK 58 million after integration costs of SEK 52 million were charged against earnings. Adjusted for these acquisition effects, earnings were SEK 91 million higher, or approximately 8%, than in the preceding year. All segments posted improved earnings except for ICA Bank. However, on a like-for-like basis, the bank's earnings also improved compared with a year ago. The Group's earnings improvement is mainly attributable to higher sales, but also to better gross margins adjusted for costs for the logistics changeover at ICA Sweden. The operating margin excluding non-recurring items was 5.2% (5.3%). The slightly lower margin is explained by higher costs and a changed business mix.

Profit for the period from continuing operations – ICA Gruppen excluding ICA Norway – was SEK 979 million (676). Earnings per share for continuing operations were SEK 4.83 (3.19). Profit for the corresponding period a year ago included impairment of goodwill in inkClub, totalling SEK -322 million, and capital gains of SEK 104 million on sales of property in Sweden and the Baltic countries.

January–September 2015

Consolidated net sales for the period January–September amounted to SEK 74,732 million (63,994). Excluding effects of acquisitions, sales rose by 5.9%. Operating profit excluding non-recurring items increased by 9.0% to SEK 3,114 million (2,856). Earnings include effects from the acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat in a net amount of SEK 137 million, of which acquisition and integration costs totalled SEK 132 million.

Profit for the period from continuing operations was SEK 2,294 million (2,297), and earnings per share from continuing operations were SEK 11.11 (10.98).

Net sales per segment (SEKm)

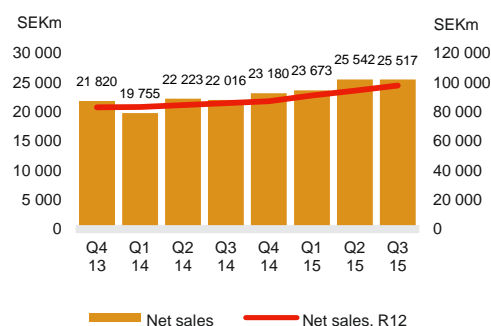
SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
ICA Sweden	18,356	17,550	53,720	51,032	71,936	69,248
Rimi Baltic	3,196	2,952	9,264	8,437	12,459	11,632
Apotek Hjärtat (pharmacy) ^{1), 2)}	3,113	524	9,108	1,528	9,672	2,092
ICA Real Estate	600	562	1,776	1,678	2,351	2,253
ICA Bank	221	207	641	641	848	848
Portfolio companies	380	579	1,294	1,731	2,127	2,564
Other	25	20	78	66	109	97
Intra-Group sales	-374	-378	-1,149	-1,119	-1,590	-1,560
Net sales	25,517	22,016	74,732	63,994	97,912	87,174

Operating profit excluding non-recurring items per segment, (SEKm)

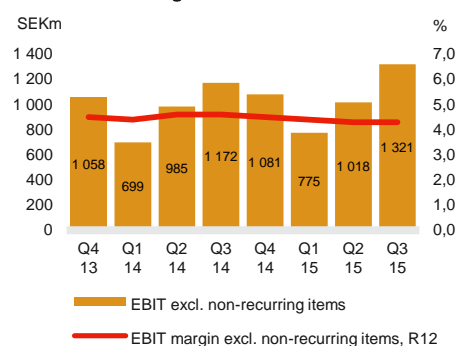
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ICA Sweden	996	970	2,554	2,421	3,361	3,228
Rimi Baltic	110	93	287	238	432	383
Apotek Hjärtat (pharmacy) ^{1), 2)}	85	12	189	12	198	21
ICA Real Estate	134	112	344	314	439	409
ICA Bank	48	58	88	144	133	189
Portfolio companies	18	-13	-71	-63	45	53
Other	-70	-60	-277	-210	-413	-346
Operating profit excluding non-recurring items	1,321	1,172	3,114	2,856	4,195	3,937

1) Includes acquisition- and integration-related costs of SEK -52 million in Q3 and SEK -132 million in January–September.
2) 2014 figures pertain to Cura pharmacies for all periods.

Net sales



EBIT and EBIT margin



Net financial items and tax

Net financial items for the Group amounted to SEK -93 million (-81) during the third quarter and SEK -288 million (-256) for the period January–September. The difference in the third quarter compared with a year ago is mainly due to gains on interest rate swaps in 2014. Excluding these, net financial items were unchanged. The less favourable level of net financial items for the period January–September is attributable to costs for currency hedges in 2015 associated with the divestment of ICA Norway and to a charge for early redemption of a credit facility.

The tax expense for the quarter was SEK 206 million (147), which represents an effective tax rate of 17.4% (17.9%). The tax rate for the full period January–September was 19.0% (17.2%). The slightly lower tax rate in the preceding year was due to the tax-exempt capital gain on the sale of Kjell & Company in 2014.

Financial position

Consolidated net debt (excluding ICA Bank and pension liabilities) amounted to SEK 14,132 million (8,276) at the end of the quarter. Net debt has increased as a result of the acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat and completion of the early redemption of preference shares in July 2015 for a redemption amount of SEK 3,300 million. At 30 September, net debt in relation to EBITDA (rolling 12 months) was 2.5 (1.5), which is slightly higher than the Group's long-term target of <2.0.

Cash flow

Cash flow from operating activities (excluding ICA Bank) amounted to SEK 624 million (454) in the third quarter. Cash flow before financing activities amounted to SEK 154 million (1,018) in the quarter. Cash flow for the corresponding period a year ago included a positive effect of property sales in the amount of SEK 1,306 million. For the period January–September, the divestment of ICA Norway had a positive effect by approximately SEK 2.8 billion, while the acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat affected cash flow by approximately SEK -3.5 billion.

Investments

The Group's investments amounted to SEK 501 million (603) during the quarter. Of this total, SEK 166 million (259) was attributable to the real estate company. Investments during the period January–September (excluding company acquisitions) amounted to SEK 1,849 million (1,834), of which SEK 782 million (686) pertained to ICA Real Estate. Major investments in 2015 have included the expansion of the warehouse in Långeberga outside Helsingborg, IT investments, and store investments in Sweden and in the three Baltic countries, mainly Lithuania.

Important events during the quarter

- The remaining preference shares were redeemed early for a total of SEK 3,300 million on 20 July 2015.
- On 25 August 2015 ICA Gruppen made a cash offer of SEK 7.50 per share to the shareholders of Hemtex. At the end of the acceptance period on 1 October, ICA Gruppen's share of ownership was 98.3%.

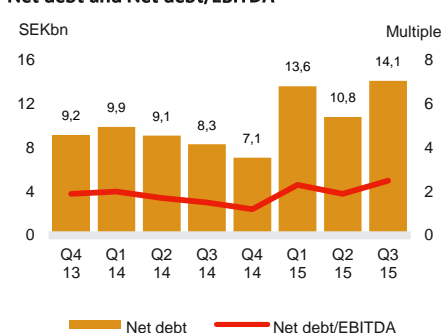
Events after the end of the quarter

- The extended acceptance period for Hemtex shareholders ended on 15 October, at which time ICA Gruppen's ownership in Hemtex amounted to 99.0%. Compulsory redemption of the remaining shares has been initiated, and Hemtex was delisted from Nasdaq Stockholm on 23 October 2015.
- ICA's insurance company began operating on 1 October.

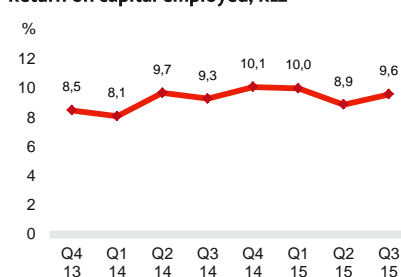
Consolidated cash flow statement, excluding ICA Bank

SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	Full year 2014
	2015	2014	2015	2014		
Cash flow						
From operating activities before change in working capital	1,361	1,312	3,544	3,101	4,807	4,364
Change in working capital	-737	-858	-993	-808	-485	-300
From operating activities	624	454	2,551	2,293	4,322	4,064
Investing activities, net	-470	564	-2,464	40	-3,050	-546
Before financing activities	154	1,018	87	2,333	1,272	3,518

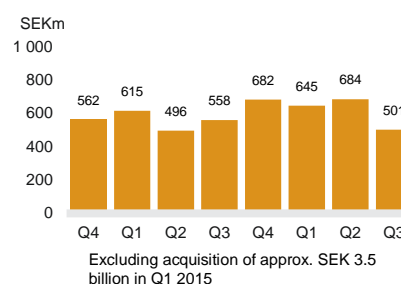
Net debt and Net debt/EBITDA



Return on capital employed, R12



Capex (cash-flow)



ICA Sweden

ICA Sweden conducts grocery retail business in cooperation with independent ICA retailers. The retailers own and manage their own stores, but have agreements with ICA Sweden in areas such as purchasing, logistics, market communication and store development. ICA Sweden also includes ICA Non food, which conducts sales of non-food items at Maxi ICA Hypermarkets.

Net sales and earnings

Cura pharmacies, previously part of ICA Sweden, are included in the pharmacy segment since 1 January 2015. Historical comparative figures for ICA Sweden have been adjusted to exclude Cura.

Third quarter 2015

ICA Sweden's net sales increased by 4.6% compared with the same period a year ago. In addition to higher wholesale sales (volume and price), the sales increase can be credited to higher prices in store subsidiaries and newly opened stores. The increase in wholesale sales was driven mainly by Fruit & Vegetables, Fresh Foods and Dry Groceries. An additional key factor was the growth in sales of organic products and private label products.

Operating profit excluding non-recurring items increased by 2.7% to SEK 996 million (970). Increased sales led to a higher gross profit, which was partly counteracted by higher logistics and store costs. Logistics costs were mainly affected by the ongoing logistics changeover in southern Sweden, while the increase in store costs was driven by newly opened stores. The operating margin was slightly lower for the quarter, 5.4% compared with 5.5% for the same period in 2014.

January–September 2015

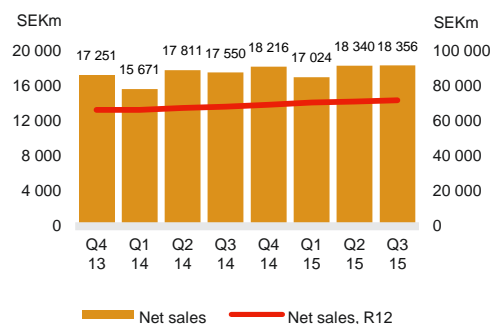
Net sales increased by 5.3% to SEK 53,720 million (51,032), and operating profit before non-recurring items rose 5.5% to SEK 2,554 million (2,421). In addition to increased sales, a higher profit distribution from retailer-owned stores contributed to earnings. Slightly higher costs for projects and new stores had a negative impact. The operating margin was slightly higher for the period, 4.8% compared with 4.7% for the same period in 2014.

Other

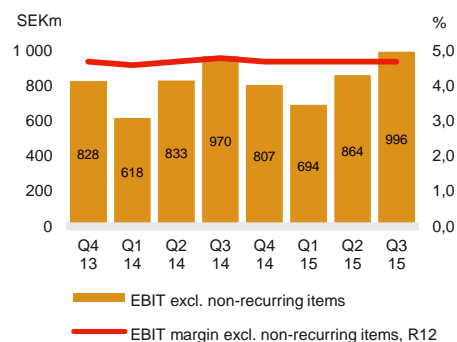
The logistics project in southern Sweden is proceeding according to plan. During the quarter extensive changes were made without resulting in any serious operational disruptions.

At the end of the quarter 102 ICA stores were under way with online sales. The rollout is on track toward the goal that 150 stores will offer online sales by year-end.

Net sales



EBIT and EBIT margin



ICA Sweden

	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
Net sales, SEKm	18,356	17,550	53,720	51,032	71,936	69,248
Operating profit before depreciation/ amortisation (EBITDA), SEKm	1,102	1,056	2,850	2,672	3,759	3,581
Operating profit excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	996	970	2,554	2,421	3,361	3,228
Operating margin excl. non-recurring items, %	5.4	5.5	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.7
Investments, SEKm	173	150	527	426	727	626
Depreciation/amortisation, SEKm	106	87	296	254	400	358
Number of employees	-	-	8,164	7,421	-	7,560
Private label share of store sales, %	-	-	23.3	22.2	-	22.7

The market and ICA store sales

The Swedish grocery retail market grew by 2.9% during the quarter. Food price inflation continued to be at a higher level than a year ago, and the price effect for the third quarter was 2.8%. The price effect was 2.7% in the preceding quarter and 1.4% for the same period in 2014.

Sales (excluding VAT) in the Swedish ICA stores increased by 3.6% during the quarter and by 2.9% in like-for-like stores. The corresponding figures for the period January–September were 3.8% and 3.0%, respectively. The sales increase is mainly attributable price increases and thus an average higher spend, however, a larger number of customers also contributed somewhat to the increase. The Fruit & Vegetables, Private Label Products and Health categories continue to show good sales growth. Sales of non-food products in the Toys & Leisure and Clothes & Shoes categories also performed well during the quarter.

Adjusted for the price effect, volume growth for the quarter was 0.8% and 0.1% for like-for-like stores, and 1.4% for the period January–September and 0.6% for like-for-like stores.

Private label products as a share of accumulated sales amounted to 23.3% (22.2%).

ICA store sales, incl. retailer-owned stores

Store sales in Sweden

Store sales excl. VAT	Third quarter 2015			January–September 2015		
	SEKm	Change all stores	Change like-for-like	SEKm	Change all stores	Change like-for-like
Maxi ICA Stormarknad	8,188	6.2	3.8	24,121	5.9	3.6
ICA Kvantum	6,553	3.9	3.7	19,372	4.6	3.5
ICA Supermarket	8,568	1.9	2.0	24,678	2.1	2.4
ICA Nära	4,377	1.9	2.3	12,182	2.2	2.6
Total	27,686	3.6	2.9	80,353	3.8	3.0

Number of stores in Sweden

Format	December 2014				September 2015
	New	Converted	Closed		
Maxi ICA Stormarknad	79	2	0	0	81
ICA Kvantum	123	1	-1	-1	122
ICA Supermarket	431	1	0	-1	431
ICA Nära	676	1	1	-12	666
ICA To Go	5	0	0	-1	4
Total	1,314	5	0	-15	1,304

Rimi Baltic

Rimi Baltic conducts grocery retail business via 252 wholly owned stores in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. The store formats are Rimi Hypermarket, Rimi Supermarket, and the discount chains Säästumarket and Supernetto. Rimi Baltic also includes the properties owned by the Group in the Baltic countries.

Net sales and earnings

Third quarter 2015

The total market for the three Baltic countries grew by 3.2% during the third quarter, with an overall price increase rate of -0.1%.

Rimi Baltic's net sales increased by 8.3% to SEK 3,196 million (2,952). The increase in local currency was 5.7%. Store sales increased by 5.8% and by 0.3% on a like-for-like basis. Sales rose in all countries and formats with the exception of the discount stores in Estonia. During the third quarter Rimi Baltic opened a total of three new stores, and thus to date this year 11 new stores have opened. Taken overall, Rimi Baltic increased its market share in the region, even though lower sales for the discount stores led to a slightly lower market share in Estonia.

Higher sales volumes and lower purchasing prices had a positive impact on earnings during the quarter, which was partly counteracted by some price pressure and higher costs. The higher costs are mainly attributable to newly opened stores, higher payroll costs, and higher rents. Operating profit excluding non-recurring items increased, however, by 18% to SEK 110 million (93). The increase in local currency was approximately 15%. The operating margin rose to 3.4% (3.2%).

January–September 2015

Net sales rose to SEK 9,264 million (8,437), and earnings grew 21% to SEK 287 million (238). The improvement is mainly attributable to higher volumes and lower purchasing prices. The operating margin rose to 3.1% (2.8%).

Other

Operating profit before depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) for the quarter was lower this year than in 2014 due to capital gains of SEK 53 million on sales of properties that were reported as a non-recurring item in the third quarter of 2014. For the entire period January–September, capital gains on sales of properties amounted to SEK 64 million (53). Additional non-recurring items consist of impairment losses of SEK 5 million (12).

Rimi Baltic

	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	Full year 2014
	2015	2014	2015	2014		
Net sales, SEKm	3,196	2,952	9,264	8,437	12,459	11,632
Operating profit before depreciation/amortisation (EBITDA), SEKm	182	220	567	504	785	722
Operating profit excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	110	93	287	238	432	383
Operating margin excl. non-recurring items, %	3.4	3.2	3.1	2.8	3.5	3.3
Investments, SEKm	112	115	283	436	347	500
Depreciation/amortisation, SEKm	72	74	216	213	288	285
Number of employees	-	-	9,361	8,846	-	8,995
Private label share of sales, %	-	-	21.3	20.0	-	19.9
EUR exchange rate, average	9.4343	9.2153	9.3717	9.0463	9.3481	9.1093

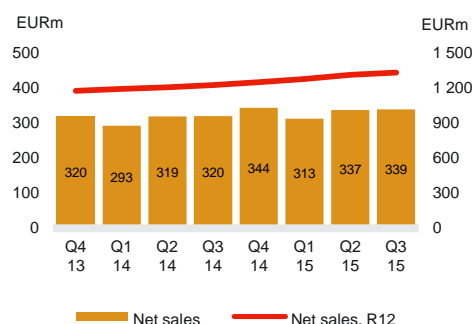
Store sales in the Baltic countries

	Third quarter 2015			January-September 2015		
	EURm	Change all stores	Change like-for-like	EURm	Change all stores	Change like-for-like
Estonia	92	1.2	-2.2	271	1.5	-0.3
Latvia	172	5.0	2.0	505	4.9	2.3
Lithuania	73	14.1	-0.6	207	15.9	1.1
Total	337	5.8	0.3	983	6.0	1.3

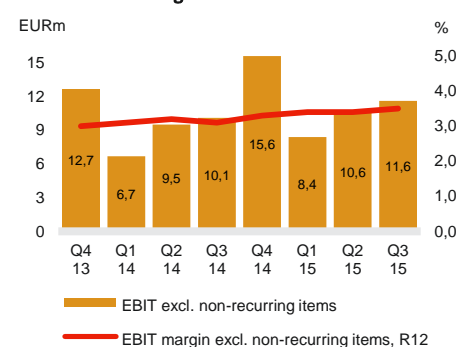
Number of stores in Baltic countries

Country	December 2014	New	Closed	September 2015
Estonia	84	3	-1	86
Latvia	112	3	0	115
Lithuania	46	5	0	51
Total	242	11	-1	252

Net sales



EBIT and EBIT margin



Apotek Hjärtat

Apotek Hjärtat has been part of ICA Gruppen since the beginning of 2015. With 384 pharmacies in Sweden, Apotek Hjärtat is the second-largest player in the Swedish pharmacy market.

Net sales and earnings

Apotek Hjärtat has been part of ICA Gruppen since 15 January. Comparative figures pertain to Cura pharmacies. Cura is included in the pharmacy segment for the entire period.

Third quarter 2015

The total pharmacy market in Sweden grew by 6.0% during the quarter compared with the same period in 2014. During the last 12-month period, other products and services, which account for approximately 15% of total sales in the market, saw the highest growth, by 9.8%.

Net sales for the quarter totalled SEK 3,113 million (524), and operating profit excluding non-recurring items was SEK 85 million (12). Operating profit includes total costs of SEK 52 million related to the ongoing integration of Apotek Hjärtat. The operating margin was 2.8% (2.3%).

The integration work is continuing according to plan and includes reprofiling of Cura pharmacies to the new brand. At the end of the quarter, 25 pharmacies had been converted, and the remaining conversion will be conducted during the fourth quarter of 2015. Four new pharmacies opened during the third quarter.

January–September 2015

Apotek Hjärtat's net sales during the period January–September amounted to SEK 9,108 million (1,528), and operating profit excluding non-recurring items was SEK 189 million (12). Earnings include total costs of SEK 132 million for the acquisition and integration of Apotek Hjärtat. Acquisition and integration costs for the full-year 2015 are expected to total approximately SEK 200 million.

The earlier announcement remains unchanged that the acquisition is expected to provide net annual synergies of approximately SEK 70 million from 2016 and approximately SEK 80 million from 2019. Primarily in relation to purchasing, synergies will start to be captured as early as in 2015.

Other

On 2 November 2015 the sale was completed of the care and nursing business, which was a separate business area in Apotek Hjärtat, with sales of SEK 830 million in 2014. The sale is expected to have only a marginal impact on Apotek Hjärtat's operating profit. The purchase price of SEK 62 million corresponds to the book value after transaction costs.

Apotek Hjärtat

	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
Net sales, SEKm	3,113	524	9,108	1,528	9,672	2,092
Of which:						
– Prescription drugs	2,360	316	6,802	912	7,150	1,260
– OTC drugs	323	114	1,010	349	1,132	471
– Other products and services	430	94	1,296	267	1,390	361
Operating profit before depreciation/ amortisation (EBITDA), SEKm	125	24	300	44	314	58
Operating profit excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	85	12	189	12	198	21
Operating margin excl. non-recurring items, %	2.7	2.3	2.1	0.8	2.1	1.0
Investments, SEKm	15	5	39	24	45	30
Depreciation/amortisation, SEKm	39	12	110	32	115	37
Number of employees	-	-	3,120	700	-	653
Private label share of other products, %	-	-	17.0	6.6	-	7.2

Number of pharmacies

	December 2014	Acquired	New	Closed	September 2015
Apotek Hjärtat	67	307	11	-1	384

ICA Real Estate

ICA Real Estate's mission is to satisfy the Group's future needs for premises in the right marketplaces in Sweden. The real estate company is an active buyer and seller of properties and both develops shopping centres from scratch and buys strategic properties with existing ICA stores.

Net sales and earnings

Third quarter 2015

Net sales increased by 7% during the quarter, to SEK 600 million (562). Rental income from owned properties rose by approximately 6%, or SEK 17 million. The increase is attributable to higher revenue from the warehouse in Långeberga outside Helsingborg and the establishment of new ICA Maxi stores. Compared with the same period a year ago, property sales had a negative impact on rental income, by approximately SEK 19 million.

Operating profit excluding non-recurring items rose 20% to SEK 134 million (112). The earnings growth is attributable to higher rental income and revenue from Ancore Fastigheter, which was counteracted by higher costs only to a limited extent.

Investments were lower than in the same period in 2014, owing to a higher level of investment in Långeberga in the preceding year. Sales of the Norwegian properties were initiated on a small scale during the quarter, and the goal is that all properties in Norway will be sold by the first quarter of 2017 at the latest. The book value of the Norwegian properties is NOK 2.1 billion. ICA Real Estate also plans to sell a number of properties in Sweden, which is why these are reported as assets held for sale. Capital gains on sales of properties amounted to SEK 4 million (51) during the quarter. The figure for the same period a year ago included a major sale to Ancore Fastigheter. These capital gains are reported as non-recurring items, which explains why profit before depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) was lower than a year ago.

January–September 2015

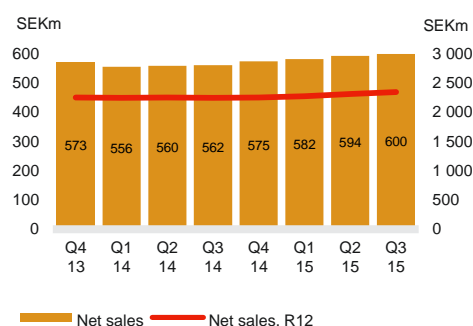
Net sales increased to SEK 1,776 million (1,678), of which income from owned properties totalled SEK 894 million (867). Operating profit excluding non-recurring items increased by SEK 30 million. Higher revenues and improved earnings from joint ventures, coupled with lower administrative costs, were counteracted to some extent by higher operating expenses, maintenance and depreciation.

Other

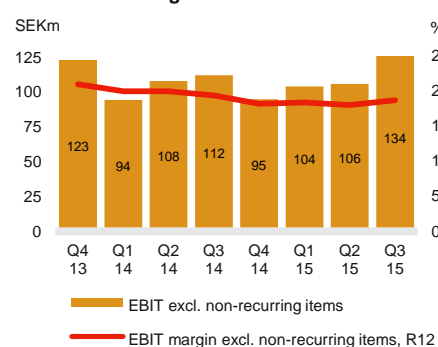
A valuation of all Swedish properties was carried out during the quarter. The market value of the wholly owned properties, excluding those held for sale, was SEK 10.5 billion (book value SEK 9.2 billion). Added to this are partly owned properties (50%) in Långeberga logistics and Ancore Fastigheter with an estimated market value of SEK 1.8 billion and SEK 5.8 billion, respectively (book value SEK 1.6 billion and SEK 4.8 billion, respectively).

During the quarter, impairment of property values was recognised, primarily in Norway, for a combined total of SEK 43 million (41). These impairment losses are reported as non-recurring items charged against profit.

Net sales



EBIT and EBIT margin



ICA Real Estate

	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	2014
Net sales, SEKm	600	562	1,776	1,678	2,351	2,253
Of which, rental income owned properties, SEKm	308	291	894	867	1,174	1,147
Operating profit before depreciation/amortisation (EBITDA), SEKm	266	290	743	751	965	973
Operating profit excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	134	112	344	314	439	409
Operating margin excl. non-recurring items, %	22.3	19.9	19.4	18.7	18.7	18.2
Investments, SEKm	166	259	782	686	1,151	1,055
Divestments, SEKm	9	994	9	999	47	1,037
Depreciation/amortisation, SEKm	129	127	396	385	526	515
Yield, %	-	-	7.2	7.1	-	6.9
Occupancy rate, %	-	-	98.3	98.0	-	98.3
Number of owned properties	-	-	189	190	-	185
Number of owned square metres, 000 sq. m.	-	-	843	770	-	716
Number of employees	-	-	85	76	-	77

ICA Bank

ICA Bank offers a full range of financial services to private individuals in Sweden. The goal is to increase customer loyalty to ICA and to reduce transaction costs for ICA stores and ICA Gruppen.

Revenues and earnings

Third quarter 2015

ICA Bank's revenues increased by 6.8% during the quarter, mainly driven by higher loan volumes, an increase in net commissions and higher card revenues. However, the low repo rate continues to put pressure on net interest income. Net commissions improved as a result of a higher volume of home mortgages and prepaid cards. Business volume developed favourably, especially with respect to home mortgages and fund savings. The number of banking customers continued to rise during the quarter and is now over 674,000.

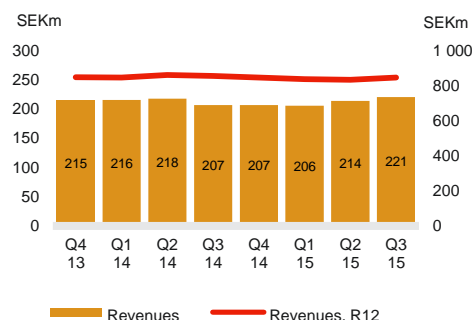
Operating profit excluding non-recurring items decreased by SEK 10 million to SEK 48 million (58). Higher revenues and slightly lower costs were counteracted by start-up costs of SEK 14 million for ICA's insurance company. In addition, during the corresponding period in 2014 a provision for credit losses was dissolved, giving rise to a positive earnings effect of SEK 20 million. In other respects, recognised credit losses are at the same level in 2015 as in 2014. Taking these two items into account, the bank's underlying profit was considerably better than the same period a year ago.

The insurance company began operating as planned on 1 October.

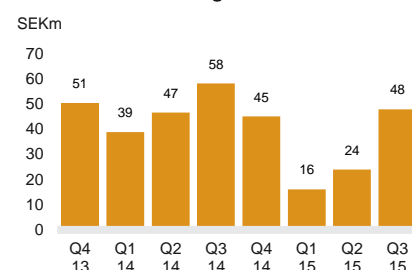
January–September 2015

ICA Bank's revenue for the period January–September amounted to SEK 641 million (641). Operating profit before non-recurring items was SEK 56 million lower than for the same period in 2014 and totalled SEK 88 million (144). Profit includes accumulated costs of SEK 33 million for the start-up of the insurance company. In other respects, earnings were affected by changes in credit losses, described above, and lower income from deposits as a result of the lower repo rate.

Revenues



EBIT excl. non-recurring items



ICA Bank

	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
Revenues, SEKm	221	207	641	641	848	848
Of which, net interest, SEKm	102	100	303	315	403	415
Operating profit before depreciation/ amortisation (EBITDA), SEKm	55	66	109	167	171	229
Operating profit excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	48	58	88	144	133	189
C/I ratio, %	-	-	83.4	78.0	-	78.9
Return on equity, %	-	-	7.0	11.8	7.0	10.5
Loan loss ratio, %	-	-	-0.3	0.0	-	0.1
Capital adequacy ratio, %	-	-	17.2	15.0	-	16.3
Business volume, SEKm	-	-	28,110	25,850	-	26,353
Number of employees	-	-	334	321	-	322

Portfolio companies

With effect from the second quarter of 2015, the portfolio companies are Hemtex and inkClub. Hemtex is a home textile retail chain with stores in Sweden, Finland and Estonia. With a total of 158 stores, Hemtex is the Nordic region's leading home textile chain. inkClub conducts online sales of a range of consumables to customers in 14 European countries.

Net sales and earnings

Third quarter 2015

The portfolio companies' net sales amounted to SEK 380 million (579) a decrease of SEK 199 million, which is mainly explained by divestments completed in 2014 and 2015. Adjusted for these (Kjell & Company, Forma Publishing, Beauty Planet and Cervera), sales increased from SEK 361 million to SEK 380 million, or by slightly more than 5%. The total operating profit excluding non-recurring items amounted to SEK 18 million (-13). Operating profit increased by SEK 14 million on a like-for-like basis. For inkClub, the text below pertains to the company's historical performance adjusted for the divestment of Beauty Planet.

Hemtex's sales amounted to SEK 266 million (246). The sales increase was driven by higher volume, which was partly counteracted by price reductions. The average spend increased, while the number of customers was unchanged. Hemtex's operating profit excluding non-recurring items amounted to SEK 8.4 million (1.8). Compared with the preceding year, earnings include a positive effect of SEK 5 million from the revaluation of unrealised currency forwards. The increase in revenue was counteracted by higher costs for new stores and advertising.

inkClub's sales were unchanged, at SEK 115 million (115). Sales of toner decreased, while sales of other products, including coffee and hygiene products, increased. Operating profit excluding non-recurring items totalled SEK 11.3 million (3.6). The improvement is attributable to a higher gross profit from higher average prices and lower costs resulting from completed cost-cutting measures.

January–September 2015

Net sales amounted to SEK 1,294 million (1,731) for the period. On a like-for-like basis, sales increased by approximately 7%. Operating profit excluding non-recurring items was SEK -71 million (-63). On a like-for-like basis, operating profit decreased by SEK 16 million. Hemtex's sales for the period amounted to SEK 729 million (676), and operating profit was SEK -50 million (-38). inkClub's sales totalled SEK 373 million (358), and operating profit fell from SEK 9.1 million to SEK 4.9 million, mainly owing to restructuring costs and a provision for customs duties related to a dispute with Swedish Customs.

Cash offer to shareholders of Hemtex

On 25 August ICA Gruppen announced a cash offer to the shareholders of Hemtex to acquire all outstanding shares in Hemtex for SEK 7.50 per share. Prior to the offer, ICA Gruppen's holding in Hemtex amounted to 68.5% of the shares. At the end of the acceptance period on 1 October, ICA Gruppen owned 98.3% of Hemtex, and at the end of the extended acceptance period on 15 October ICA Gruppen's ownership had increased to 99%. ICA Gruppen has initiated compulsory redemption of the remaining shares, and Hemtex was delisted from Nasdaq Stockholm on 23 October.

Portfolio companies

	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
Net sales, SEKm	380	579	1,294	1,731	2,127	2,564
Operating profit/loss after depreciation/ amortisation (EBITDA), SEKm	30	3	-51	412	135	598
Operating profit/loss excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	18	-13	-71	-63	45	53
Operating margin excl. non-recurring items, %	4.7	-2.2	-5.5	-3.6	2.1	2.1
Investments, SEKm	3	10	27	37	39	49
Depreciation/amortisation, SEKm	10	11	31	30	42	41
Number of employees	-	-	752	1,054	-	1,025

Store sales

	Third quarter 2015			January-September 2015		
	SEKm	Change all stores	Change like-for-like	SEKm	Change all stores	Change like-for-like
Store sales excl. VAT						
Hemtex	256	6.3	5.8	704	6.4	5.5

Number of stores, incl. franchise stores

	December 2014	New	Closed	September 2015
Hemtex	157	2	-1	158

Other, Group

Seasonal variations

Grocery retail sales are affected by national holidays and when these occur. Christmas and Easter in particular are key holidays for groceries. For a large part of the retail sector the fourth quarter is seasonally the strongest quarter of the year.

Risks and uncertainties

ICA Gruppen works at Group level to systematically identify and manage the risks associated with its operations. The risk management process is an integrated part of the strategy and budget work of each unit. Risks are consolidated, and risk management is reported to and monitored by ICA Gruppen's Executive Management and Board of Directors. The key risk areas are legal risks, market risks, sustainability and product safety risks, brand risks and continuity risks.

ICA Gruppen has significant exposure to the Swedish and Baltic grocery retail sector. Economic downturns and political decisions are factors that could have a negative impact on the Group's sales and earnings. ICA Gruppen's finance policy stipulates how financial risks are to be managed and mitigated. The policy also provides a framework for the Group's treasury management. More information about risk management is provided on pages 16–20 of ICA Gruppen's 2014 Annual Report.

Related-party transactions

No significant transactions took place between ICA Gruppen and related parties during the period.

Parent Company

The Parent Company's net sales amounted to SEK 8 million (7) for the third quarter and SEK 29 million (31) for the period January–September. Profit before tax was SEK 2,840 million (-148) for the third quarter and SEK 3,276 million (3,755) for the period January–September. The change in earnings can mainly be attributed to a difference in dividends from subsidiaries and impairment of shares in Cervera Intressenter AB in the first quarter of 2014.

Share information

ICA Gruppen's share capital amounts to SEK 502,866,988 distributed among 201,146,795 shares, each with a quota value of SEK 2.50. At the end of the period the number of C shares was 82,067,892 and the number of ordinary shares was 119,078,903. Ordinary shares and C shares carry the same voting rights but a different dividend entitlement. Ordinary shares have an unlimited dividend entitlement, while C shares do not carry entitlement to cash profit distribution. All C shares will be converted to ordinary shares on 1 January 2016, which means that thereafter the company will only have one class of share in the form of ordinary shares with dividend entitlement. The total number of shares will remain unchanged after the conversion.

Ownership structure – Largest identified shareholders in ICA Gruppen at 30 September 2015

	Number of shares	Share of capital and voting rights, %
ICA-handlarnas förbund	103,163,599	51.3%
Industrivärden	21,125,000	10.5%
SEB	2,883,330	1.4%
Skandia	2,755,283	1.4%
Handelsbanken	2,745,821	1.4%
Swedbank Robur	1,949,665	1.0%
L Jönsson	1,259,601	0.6%
Länsförsäkringar	963,360	0.5%
Folksam	698,144	0.3%
U Davidson	630,000	0.3%
Ten largest shareholders total:	138,173,803	68.7%
Other shareholders	62,972,992	31.3%
Total	201,146,795	100.0%

Source: Euroclear Sweden AB.

Annual General Meeting 2016

ICA Gruppen's Annual General Meeting will be held on 20 April 2016 at Friends Arena, in Solna, Sweden.

Nomination Committee appointed

ICA Gruppen's 2015 Annual General Meeting resolved that the Nomination Committee shall consist of four members who represent the company's shareholders. Two members are to be appointed by the largest shareholder and two members are to be appointed by the next two largest shareholders. The three largest shareholders on at the end of August 2015 were ICA-handlarnas Förbund, Industrivärden and Skandia Investment Management.

ICA-handlarnas Förbund has appointed Claes Ottosson, an ICA retailer in Hovås, and Anna-Karin Liljeholm, legal counsel at ICA-handlarnas Förbund, as its representatives on the Nomination Committee. Industrivärden has appointed Annika Lundius as its representative, and Skandia Investment Management has appointed Stephanie Gabrielsson, a portfolio manager at Skandia Investment Management, as its representative on the Nomination Committee.

Shareholders who wish to submit proposals and views regarding the work of the Nomination Committee are requested to do so as soon as possible, but not later than 29 February 2016 to ICA Gruppen AB (publ), Valberedningen, c/o Koncernjuridik, SE-171 93 Solna.

Financial statements

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

SEKm	Note	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year 2014
		2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept.2015	
Net sales		25,517	22,016	74,732	63,994	97,912	87,174
Cost of goods sold		-21,963	-18,914	-64,590	-55,171	-84,457	-75,038
Gross profit		3,554	3,102	10,142	8,823	13,455	12,136
Other operating income		123	213	358	816	425	883
Selling expenses		-1,640	-1,485	-5,118	-4,516	-6,787	-6,185
Administrative expenses		-665	-552	-2,091	-1,728	-2,725	-2,362
Other operating expenses		-98	-375	-183	-375	-194	-386
Share of profits of associates and joint ventures	2	4	1	12	11	12	11
Operating profit	3	1,278	904	3,120	3,031	4,186	4,097
Financial income		10	5	32	31	39	38
Financial expenses		-103	-86	-320	-287	-441	-408
Profit before tax		1,185	823	2,832	2,775	3,784	3,727
Tax		-206	-147	-538	-478	-682	-622
Profit for the period from continuing operations		979	676	2,294	2,297	3,102	3,105
Profit/loss from discontinued operations	7	1	-181	1,190	-510	1,262	-438
Profit for the period		980	495	3,484	1,787	4,364	2,667
Other comprehensive income, items that may not be reclassified to profit or loss, net of tax							
Remeasurement defined benefit pensions		-	73	103	-19	-124	-246
Other comprehensive income, items that may be reclassified to profit or loss, net of tax							
Change in translation reserve		-7	54	-68	206	-129	145
Change in hedging reserve		3	-1	-118	-72	-119	-73
Share of other comprehensive income of joint ventures		-6	-11	3	-68	10	-61
Total items that may be reclassified to profit or loss		-10	42	-183	66	-238	11
Comprehensive income for the period		970	610	3,404	1,834	4,002	2,432
Profit for the period attributable to							
Owners of the parent		972	461	3,425	1,698	4,245	2,518
Non-controlling interests		8	34	59	89	119	149
Comprehensive income for the period attributable to							
Owners of the parent		968	580	3,348	1,757	3,892	2,301
Non-controlling interests		2	30	56	77	110	131
Earnings per share before and after dilution, SEK¹							
Ordinary share		4.83	2.29	17.03	8.44	21.12	12.53
Ordinary share, continuing operations		4.83	3.19	11.11	10.98	14.84	14.71
Ordinary share, discontinued operations		0.00	-0.90	5.92	-2.54	6.28	-2.18

¹ Same figures as for ordinary shares and C shares. Earnings per share have been reduced by an amount corresponding to the dividend to preference shareholders in ICA Fastigheter Sverige AB. The effect is SEK 0.19 per share per quarter through the second quarter of 2015.

Condensed consolidated statement of financial position

	Note	30 September 2015	30 September 2014	31 December 2014
ASSETS				
Non-current assets				
Goodwill		16,294	11,545	11,545
Trademarks		13,653	13,084	13,112
Other intangible assets		979	740	803
Interests in joint ventures and associates	2	759	773	757
Deferred tax assets		306	350	254
Lending and investments in ICA Bank		6,575	6,931	7,159
Land, buildings and investment properties		14,674	15,702	15,923
Other non-current assets		2,124	1,599	1,703
Total non-current assets		55,364	50,724	51,256
Current assets				
Inventories		4,400	3,313	3,566
Lending and investments in ICA Bank		3,119	2,923	3,075
Other current assets		5,921	4,064	4,926
Cash and cash equivalents in ICA Bank		3,937	2,749	2,380
Cash and cash equivalents		361	1,608	3,711
Total current assets		17,738	14,657	17,658
Assets held for sale	4	1,440	3,782	3,520
TOTAL ASSETS		74,542	69,163	72,434
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
Equity				
		26,801	27,352	27,911
Non-current liabilities				
Provisions		2,321	2,021	2,342
Deferred tax liabilities		4,927	4,827	4,839
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities		9,726	7,514	9,658
Other non-current liabilities		183	107	156
Total non-current liabilities		17,157	14,469	16,995
Current liabilities				
Deposits ICA Bank		11,726	10,972	11,031
Current interest-bearing liabilities		4,768	2,506	1,277
Other current liabilities		13,963	11,526	13,298
Total current liabilities		30,457	25,004	25,606
Liabilities held for sale	4	127	2,338	1,922
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		74,542	69,163	72,434
Pledged assets		1,601	1,566	2,361
Contingent liabilities		96	205	208

Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows, incl. ICA Norway

SEKm	Note	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months Oct. 2014- Sept.2015	Full year 2014
		2015	2014	2015	2014		
Operating profit		1,267	725	4,275	2,527	5,412	3,664
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment		429	894	1,181	1,778	1,539	2,136
Other non-cash items		-76	-91	-1,221	-525	-1,283	-587
Income tax paid		-217	-157	-653	-550	-776	-673
Cash flow from operating activities before change in working capital		1,403	1,371	3,582	3,230	4,892	4,540
Change in working capital:							
Inventories		-68	-200	-65	-54	-346	-335
Current receivables		41	8	-504	310	-1,339	-525
Current liabilities		-733	-782	-257	-1,044	1,320	533
ICA Bank's net of deposits, lending and investments		313	154	1,227	-284	910	-601
Cash flow from operating activities		956	551	3,983	2,158	5,437	3,612
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		-501	-603	-1,849	-1,834	-2,591	-2,576
Sale of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		6	1,301	2,810	1,982	2,956	2,128
Acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat		-	-	-3,499	-	-3,499	-
Investments in joint ventures		0	0	0	0	-158	-158
Change in financial assets		7	-146	5	-144	152	3
Interest received		9	9	29	28	41	40
Cash flow from investing activities		-479	561	-2,504	32	-3,099	-563
Sale of treasury shares		-	-	43	-	43	0
Dividend paid		-38	-37	-1,243	-1,041	-1,281	-1,079
Redemption of preference shares		-3,300	-	-3,300	-	-3,300	-
Change in loans		3,194	370	1,320	-273	2,249	656
Interest received		-53	-52	-278	-237	-385	-344
Cash flow from financing activities		-197	281	-3,458	-1,551	-2,674	-767
Cash flow for the period	5	280	1,393	-1,979	639	-336	2,282
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		3,973	3,179	6,258	3,948	4,528	3,948
Exchange differences in cash and cash equivalents		45	-44	19	-59	106	28
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	5	4,298	4,528	4,298	4,528	4,298	6,258
Cash and cash equivalents are recognised on the following lines							
Cash and cash equivalents		4,298	4,357	4,298	4,357	4,298	6,091
Assets held for sale		-	171	-	171	-	167
		4,298	4,528	4,298	4,528	4,298	6,258

Disclosure on cash flow from discontinued operations

ICA Norway's operating profit amounted to SEK 1 million (-180) for the third quarter and SEK 1,167 million (-506) accumulated. ICA Norway's cash flow is included in cash flow from operating activities in the amount of SEK 1 million (156) for the third quarter and SEK 122 million (40) accumulated; in cash flow from investing activities in the amount of SEK -1 million (-16) for the third quarter and SEK 2,448 million (-125) accumulated; and in cash flow from financing activities in the amount of SEK 0 million (0) for the third quarter and SEK -1 million (-3) accumulated.

Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity

SEKm	Note	Attributable to owners of the parent	Attributable to non-controlling interests	Total
Opening equity, 1 January 2015		24,706	3,205	27,911
Change in non-controlling interests		-	-14	-14
Dividend		-1,130	-113	-1,243
Early redemption of preference shares		-300	-3,000	-3,300
Sale of treasury shares		43	-	43
Comprehensive income for the period		3,348	56	3,404
Closing equity, 30 September 2015		26,667	134	26,801

SEKm	Note	Attributable to owners of the parent	Attributable to non-controlling interests	Total
Opening equity, 1 January 2014		23,363	3,178	26,541
Change in non-controlling interests		-	10	10
Dividend		-951	-90	-1,041
Transfer		-15	15	0
Lower issue costs for preference shares		2	-	2
Reversal of unpaid share dividends		6	-	6
Comprehensive income for the period		1,757	77	1,834
Closing equity, 30 September 2014		24,162	3,190	27,352

Supplementary disclosures – Group

NOTE 1, ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

This interim report is prepared according to IAS 34. The accounting principles and calculation methods are the same as those applied in the 2014 Annual Report. For 2015 only a few amendments have been published by IASB and IFRIC. These amendments have not had any material impact on ICA Gruppen's financial statements.

New standards from IASB not endorsed by the EU with relevance for ICA Gruppen: IFRS 15 Revenues from Contracts with Customers was published in May 2014 and comes into force on 1 January 2018. In a preliminary analysis, ICA Gruppen's assessment is that the effect on the financial statements will be limited when it is introduced.

IFRS 9 Financial instruments was published in July 2014. It comes into force for financial years starting on or after 1 January 2018. It has not yet been possible to assess the effects of its introduction, however, the standard has relevance for, among other things, recognition of credit losses, and therefore particularly for ICA Bank, as well as for hedge accounting.

Preparation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make assessments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the accounting principles and the carrying amounts in the income statement and the balance sheet. Estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and a number of factors that are considered reasonable based on the circumstances. The results of these estimates and assumptions are used to assess the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates and assessments.

NOTE 2, INTERESTS IN JOINT VENTURES AND ASSOCIATES

SEKm	Book value 30 September		Share of profit Jan.-Sept.	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Trade Press AS	-	12	0	0
Kjell & Co Elektronik AB	-	-	-	11
Ancore Fastigheter AB	756	750	12	1
Other	3	11	0	-1
Total	759	773	12	11

Information pertaining to Ancore Fastigheter AB

SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2014
Income	97	76	293	227	325
Expenses	-40	-29	-123	-91	-135
Operating profit	57	47	170	136	190
Net financial items	-45	-41	-133	-121	-168
Tax	-3	-3	-14	-13	-19
Profit/loss for the period	9	3	23	2	3
Other comprehensive income	-11	-20	7	-86	-121
Comprehensive income for the period	-2	-17	30	-84	-118
Non-current assets			4,781	4,813	4,826
Current assets			99	111	122
Total assets			4,880	4,924	4,948
Equity			-82	59	-112
Shareholder loan			1,526	1,526	1,526
Non-current liabilities			3,200	3,182	3,138
Current liabilities			236	157	396
Total equity and liabilities			4,880	4,924	4,948

Ancore Fastigheter AB is co-owned in a joint arrangement between Alecia pensionsförsäkring and ICA Gruppen. The parties each own 50% of the company, which is a joint venture. Ancore Fastigheter AB owns and manages 30 properties in Sweden that house ICA stores in which operations are conducted by non-consolidated ICA retailers.

NOTE 3, NON-RECURRING ITEMS

SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2014
Operating profit excl. non-recurring items	1,321	1,172	3,114	2,856	3,937
Capital gains on sale of non-current assets					
Portfolio companies, Forma	-	-	-7	-	-2
Portfolio companies, Kjell & Co	-	5	-	445	445
Portfolio companies, inkClub	-	-	2	-	-
Portfolio companies, Cervera	-	-	-8	-	-
ICA Real Estate	4	51	4	52	49
Rimi Baltic	-	53	64	53	54
Other	-	-2	2	0	0
Impairment					
Portfolio companies	-	-322	-	-322	-322
ICA Real Estate	-43	-41	-46	-41	-42
Rimi Baltic	-4	-12	-5	-12	-22
Operating profit	1,278	904	3,120	3,031	4,097

NOTE 4, ASSETS AND LIABILITIES HELD FOR SALE

SEKm, 30 September	Apotek Hjärtat	ICA Real Estate	Total
Intangible assets	1	-	1
Property, plant and equipment	1	1,246	1,247
Inventories	26	-	26
Other current assets	166	-	166
Total assets held for sale	194	1,246	1,440
Current liabilities	127	-	127
Total liabilities held for sale	127	0	127

The figures for Apotek Hjärtat pertain to the sale of the Apotek Hjärtat's care and nursing business to ApoEx. The sale is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2015, and the purchase sum after transaction costs corresponds to the book value.

NOTE 5, CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEKm, January-September	Group 2015	ICA Bank 2015	Group excl. Bank
Cash flow from operating activities before change in working capital	3,582	38	3,544
Change in working capital			
Inventories	-65	0	-65
Current receivables	-504	32	-536
Current liabilities	-257	135	-392
ICA Bank's net of deposits, lending and investments	1,227	1,227	0
Cash flow from operating activities	3,983	1,432	2,551
Cash flow from investing activities	-2,504	-40	-2,464
Cash flow from financing activities	-3,458	165	-3,623
Cash flow for the period	-1,979	1,557	-3,536
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	6,258	2,380	3,878
Exchange differences in cash and cash equivalents	19	0	19
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	4,298	3,937	361

NOTE 6, FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

At 30 September 2015 financial assets measured at fair value in ICA Gruppen amounted to SEK 1,948 million (3,800). Financial liabilities measured at fair value amounted to SEK 350 million (133) at 30 September 2015. In the fair value hierarchy, SEK 1,196 million (0) of financial assets is attributable to level 1 and SEK 752 million (3,800) is attributable to level 2. The corresponding figure for liabilities is SEK 350 million (133), attributable to level 2. Carrying amount corresponds to fair value for all financial assets and liabilities apart from bond loans, where fair value exceeds the carrying amount by SEK 325 million.

NOTE 7, DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2014
Net sales	0	3,984	4,235	11,737	15,826
Other income	0	37	1	37	108
Expenses	0	-4,201	-4,228	-12,280	-16,367
Operating profit/loss	0	-180	8	-506	-433
Net financial items	0	-1	-1	-4	-5
Tax	0	0	0	0	0
Profit/loss from operations	0	-181	7	-510	-438
Gain from divestment	1	0	1,183	0	0
Profit/loss from discontinued operations	1	-181	1,190	-510	-438

ICA Norway has been classified as a discontinued operation since 30 September 2014. No impairment arose at measurement to fair value after deduction for selling costs. At 13 April 2015, all the conditions for completion of the transaction were met, and ICA Norway is reported as a divested operation from that date.

NOTE 8, ACQUISITIONS OF APOTEK HJÄRTAT

As part of efforts to strengthen its position in the Swedish pharmacy market, ICA Gruppen announced on 12 November that an agreement had been signed with Altor Fund III to acquire all of the shares in Apotek Hjärtat AB for a purchase price of SEK 5.7 billion on a debt-free basis. Completion of this transaction was subject to approval from the Swedish Competition Authority and the Swedish Medical Products Agency. Approval from the Medical Products Agency was received on 5 December 2014. Approval was received from the Swedish Competition Authority on 9 January, and the acquisition was completed on 15 January 2015.

Apotek Hjärtat has approximately 2,000 employees and more than 300 pharmacies. Apotek Hjärtat and ICA Gruppen's own Cura pharmacies will have combined annual sales in excess of SEK 11 billion and form the second-largest player in the Swedish market with a market share of approximately 30%. Starting in 2019 the acquisition is expected to provide annual cost synergies for ICA Gruppen of approximately SEK 80 million. Synergies will mainly arise within central overhead costs, purchasing and logistics. The acquisition was initially financed through a combination of cash and existing credit facilities. Apotek Hjärtat is expected to make a positive contribution to ICA Gruppen's net earnings per share for 2015, before non-recurring acquisition-related costs. Apotek Hjärtat had sales of SEK 9,596 million in 2014, with an operating profit of SEK 401 million and profit after tax of SEK 103 million. Cura had sales of SEK 2,092 million (1,671) in 2014 with an operating profit of SEK 21 million (-32).

The total consideration transferred was SEK 3,787 million, which exceeds the net fair value of all identifiable assets and liabilities in the acquisition. Acquisition-related costs of SEK 33 million have been recognised as an expense. In the preliminary purchase price allocation, surplus values were attributable to customer relationships, trademarks and goodwill. For the period January–September the acquisition of Apotek Hjärtat affected net sales by SEK 7,247 million and operating profit excluding non-recurring items by SEK 137 million. If the acquisition had taken place as per 1 January 2015, ICA Gruppen's net sales for the first nine months of the year would have amounted to SEK 75,085 million, and profit excluding non-recurring items would have amounted to SEK 3,116 million.

SEKm	
Value according to purchase price allocation	
Trademarks	550
Customer relationships	28
Other intangible assets	62
Property, plant and equipment	200
Other non-current assets	6
Inventories	800
Other current assets	789
Cash and cash equivalents	288
Provisions	-1
Non-current liabilities	-9
Deferred tax liabilities	-126
Current liabilities	-3,549
Acquired, identifiable net assets	-962
Goodwill	4,749
Acquired, identifiable net assets including goodwill	3,787
Consideration transferred	3,787
Cash and cash equivalents in Apotek Hjärtat AB	-288
Change in consolidated cash and cash equivalents	3,499

Condensed Parent Company income statement

SEKm	Third quarter		Jan.-Sept.		12 months	Full year
	2015	2014	2015	2014	Oct. 2014- Sept. 2015	
Net sales	8	7	29	31	42	44
Gross profit	8	7	29	31	42	44
Administrative expenses	-77	-65	-301	-247	-453	-399
Operating profit/loss	-69	-58	-272	-216	-411	-355
Financial income	5	0	5	0	5	0
Financial expenses	-63	-90	-224	-312	-315	-403
Profit/loss from investments in Group companies	2,967	0	3,767	4,283	3,275	3,791
Profit/loss after financial items	2,840	-148	3,276	3,755	2,554	3,033
Appropriations	-	-	-	-	1,159	1,159
Profit/loss before tax	2,840	-148	3,276	3,755	3,713	4,192
Tax	28	32	105	98	-104	-111
Profit/loss for the period	2,868	-116	3,381	3,853	3,609	4,081

Condensed Parent Company balance sheet

SEKm	30 September 2015	30 September 2014	31 December 2014
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Investments in Group companies	29,939	29,910	29,774
Other intangible assets	92	87	77
Deferred tax assets	218	308	214
Other non-current assets	104	118	120
Total non-current assets	30,353	30,423	30,185
Current assets			
Current receivables from Group companies	4,769	989	2,314
Other current assets	206	161	68
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-
Total current assets	4,975	1,150	2,382
TOTAL ASSETS	35,328	31,573	32,567
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity	22,570	20,048	20,276
Provisions	330	308	316
Non-current liabilities			
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities	8,475	6,478	8,482
Liabilities to Group companies	-	3,000	3,000
Other non-current liabilities	-	-	-
Total non-current liabilities	8,475	9,478	11,482
Current liabilities			
Current interest-bearing liabilities	3,571	1,484	171
Current liabilities to Group companies	6	13	20
Other current liabilities	376	242	302
Total current liabilities	3,953	1,739	493
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	35,328	31,573	32,567

Quarterly overview

	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2015
Net sales, SEKm	21,820	19,755	22,223	22,016	23,180	23,673	25,542	25,517
Operating profit before depreciation (EBITDA), SEKm	1,307	1,028	1,752	1,616	1,423	1,146	1,448	1,708
Operating profit (EBIT) excl. non-recurring items, SEKm	1,058	699	985	1,172	1,081	775	1,018	1,321
Operating margin excl. non-recurring items, %	4.8	3.5	4.4	5.3	4.7	3.3	4.0	5.2
Operating profit (EBIT), SEKm	753	704	1,424	904	1,065	777	1,065	1,278
Operating margin, %	3.5	3.6	6.4	4.1	4.6	3.3	4.2	5.0
Profit before tax, SEKm	601	615	1,338	823	951	686	961	1,185
Profit from continuing operations, SEKm	645	477	1,145	676	807	529	786	979
Profit/loss from discontinued operations, SEKm	-114	-178	-151	-181	72	10	1,179	1
Profit for the period, SEKm	531	299	994	495	879	539	1,965	980
Earnings per share, continuing operations, SEK ¹	3.06	2.39	5.40	3.19	3.74	2.51	3.77	4.83
Earnings per share, discontinued operations, SEK ¹	-0.57	-0.89	-0.75	-0.90	0.36	0.05	5.86	0.00
Earnings per share, SEK ¹	2.49	1.50	4.65	2.29	4.09	2.56	9.63	4.83
Equity per share, SEK ¹	116.23	117.27	117.33	120.21	122.91	123.12	127.76	132.57
Return on equity, %	6.0	7.0	8.6	7.9	9.3	10.2	15.3	15.4
Return on capital employed, %	8.5	8.1	9.7	9.3	10.1	10.0	8.9	9.6
Cash flow from operating activities, continuing operations, SEKm	2,105	201	1,522	395	1,676	221	2,685	955
Cash flow from operating activities, discontinued operations, SEKm	-95	-138	22	156	-222	95	26	1
Cash flow from operating activities, SEKm	2,010	63	1,544	551	1,454	316	2,711	956
Cash flow per share from operating activities, continuing operations, SEKm ¹	10.47	1.00	7.57	1.96	8.34	1.10	13.35	4.75
Cash flow per share from operating activities, discontinued operations, SEKm ¹	-0.47	-0.69	0.11	0.78	-1.11	0.47	0.13	0.00
Cash flow per share from operating activities, SEKm ¹	10.00	0.31	7.68	2.74	7.23	1.57	13.48	4.75
Investing activities, continuing operations (cash flow), SEKm	562	615	496	558	682	4,144	684	501
Investing activities, discontinued operations (cash flow), SEKm	84	74	46	45	60	19	0	0
Investing activities (cash flow), SEKm	646	689	542	603	742	4,163	684	501
Net debt, SEKm	-9,190	-9,909	-9,084	-8,276	-7,058	-13,596	-10,845	-14,132
Net debt/EBITDA	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.2	2.3	1.9	2.5

¹ Same figures for ordinary shares and C shares.

Quarterly data by segment

Net sales by segment

SEKm	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2015
ICA Sweden	17,251	15,671	17,811	17,550	18,216	17,024	18,340	18,356
Rimi Baltic	2,838	2,597	2,888	2,952	3,195	2,932	3,136	3,196
Apotek Hjärtat	445	469	535	524	564	2,783	3,212	3,113
ICA Bank	215	216	218	207	207	206	214	221
ICA Real Estate	573	556	560	562	575	582	594	600
Portfolio companies	892	565	587	579	833	521	393	380
Other	20	24	22	20	31	26	27	25
Intra-Group sales	-414	-343	-398	-378	-441	-401	-374	-374
Net sales	21,820	19,755	22,223	22,016	23,180	23,673	25,542	25,517

Operating profit before depreciation/amortisation by segment (EBITDA)

SEKm	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2015
ICA Sweden	922	702	914	1,056	909	787	961	1,102
Rimi Baltic	182	128	156	220	218	150	235	182
Apotek Hjärtat	0	3	17	24	14	61	114	125
ICA Bank	60	46	55	66	52	23	31	55
ICA Real Estate	245	223	238	290	222	234	243	266
Portfolio companies	60	-28	437	3	125	-30	-51	30
Other	-162	-46	-65	-43	-117	-79	-85	-52
Operating profit before depreciation/amortisation (EBITDA)	1,307	1,028	1,752	1,616	1,423	1,146	1,448	1,708

Operating profit excluding non-recurring items by segment

SEKm	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2015
ICA Sweden	828	618	833	970	807	694	864	996
Rimi Baltic	113	59	86	93	145	78	99	110
Apotek Hjärtat	-9	-7	7	12	9	25	79	85
ICA Bank	51	39	47	58	45	16	24	48
ICA Real Estate	123	94	108	112	95	104	106	134
Portfolio companies	131	-36	-14	-13	116	-43	-46	18
Other	-179	-68	-82	-60	-136	-99	-108	-70
Operating profit excluding non-recurring items	1,058	699	985	1,172	1,081	775	1,018	1,321

Depreciation/amortisation by segment

SEKm	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2015
ICA Sweden	94	84	83	87	104	93	97	106
Rimi Baltic	69	69	70	74	72	72	72	72
Apotek Hjärtat	9	10	10	12	5	36	35	39
ICA Bank	9	7	8	8	7	7	7	7
ICA Real Estate	108	129	129	127	130	130	137	129
Portfolio companies	11	8	11	11	11	11	10	10
Other	17	17	17	17	19	20	21	19
Depreciation/amortisation	317	324	328	336	348	369	379	382

Definitions of key figures

Capital adequacy ratio (ICA Bank)

Refers to ICA Bank. The bank's capital base in relation to risk-weighted assets.

Capital employed

Total assets less non-interest bearing liabilities and provisions.

Cash flow from operating activities per share

Cash flow from operating activities for the period divided by the average number of shares outstanding.

C/I ratio (ICA Bank)

Total costs in relation to total income.

Earnings per C share

Same definition as for earnings per ordinary share, since ordinary shares and C shares provide entitlement to equal participation in earnings and equity. C shares do not carry entitlement to a cash dividend, however, which is the case for ordinary shares.

Earnings per ordinary share

Profit for the period, excluding non-controlling interests, divided by the average number of shares outstanding.

EBITDA

(Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation)

Operating profit, excluding acquisition effects, before depreciation, amortisation and impairment.

Equity/assets ratio

Equity including non-controlling interests as a percentage of total assets.

Equity per share

Equity, excluding non-controlling interests, divided by the total number of shares outstanding.

Gross profit

Net sales minus cost of goods sold.

Investments

Investments paid during the period according to the statement of cash flows.

Loan loss ratio (ICA Bank)

Loan losses in relation to average lending.

Net debt

Interest-bearing liabilities excluding pensions, ICA Bank and cash and cash equivalents.

Net interest (ICA Bank)

Difference between the bank's interest income and interest expense.

Net margin

Profit for the period as a percentage of net sales.

Non-recurring items

Gain/loss on disposal of non-current assets, impairment of non-current assets as well as major structural changes. The term also includes the gain that arose in 2013 when the remaining shares in ICA AB were acquired.

Occupancy rate (ICA Real Estate)

Market rental for rented properties divided by total rental income (contracted annual rent + market rent for unrented premises).

Operating margin

Operating profit as a percentage of net sales.

Return on capital employed

Profit after financial income, excluding acquisition effects, as a percentage of average capital employed. ICA Bank's operations are excluded from both the income statement and balance sheet when calculating return on capital employed.

Return on equity

Profit after tax as a percentage of average equity. ICA Bank's operations are excluded from both the income statement and balance sheet when calculating return on equity.

Yield (ICA Real Estate)

Operating net in relation to average book value.

Glossary

Hard discount

Distinctively low price store with limited product range.

Joint venture

Cooperation project, a joint venture company.

MTN

A medium-term note is a continuously offered debt note with a set maturity date.

Near food

Items such as household products, pet food and over-the-counter drugs.

Non-food

Items that are not food, such as clothing and footwear.

Private labels

Own brand products.

This interim report has been reviewed by the company's auditors.
The auditors' review report is provided below.

Stockholm, 11 November 2015
Per Strömberg
CEO ICA Gruppen

Report of review of interim financial information

ICA Gruppen AB, reg. no. 556048-2837

Introduction

We have reviewed the condensed interim financial information (interim report) of ICA Gruppen AB (publ) as of 30 September 2015 and the nine-month period then ended. The board of directors and the CEO are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the interim financial information in accordance with IAS 34 and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this interim report based on our review

Scope of review

We conducted our review in accordance with the International Standard on Review Engagements ISRE 2410, Review of Interim Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. A review consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA) and other generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden.

The procedures performed in a review do not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim report is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34 and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, regarding the Group, and with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, regarding the Parent Company.

Stockholm, 11 November 2015
Ernst & Young AB

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Press and analyst meeting

ICA Gruppen is arranging a press and analyst meeting at Tändstickspalatset, Stockholm, on Wednesday, 11 November 2015 at 10.00 CET. CEO Per Strömberg and CFO Sven Lindskog will present the interim report. The meeting will be webcast and can be followed at www.icagruppen.se/investerare. There is also an opportunity to call in on tel. +46 8 566 426 69, +44 20 3428 1436.

Calendar

10 February 2016	Year-end report 2015
20 April 2016	Annual General Meeting
4 May 2016	Interim report January–March 2016
17 August 2016	Interim report January–June 2016
9 November 2016	Interim report January–September 2016

Sustainability report

ICA Gruppen will publish its Sustainability Report for the third quarter of 2015 on 12 November. The report will be available at icagruppen.se.

ICA Gruppen AB (publ) is a leading retail company with a focus on food and health. The Group includes ICA Sweden and Rimi Baltic which mainly conduct grocery retail, ICA Real Estate which owns and manages properties, ICA Bank which offers financial services and Apotek Hjärtat which conducts pharmacy operations. The Group also includes the portfolio companies inkClub and Hemtex. For more information see icagruppen.se.

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