

First quarter 2022

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- The operating result increased to SEK 184 M (86), including inventory gains of SEK 4 M (18)
- Result after tax increased to SEK 148 M (63)
- Cash flow from operating activities increased to SEK 108 M (60)
- Earnings per share increased to SEK 11.41 (4.88)
- During the quarter, an agreement was signed to acquire the assets of Hercules Rebar from Hercules Grundläggning AB, a subsidiary within NCC. The acquisition is expected to be finalized during the second quarter 2022

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	2022	2021		2021
Results overview	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Change	Full-year
Tonnage, thousands of tonnes	92	88	4	342
Net sales, SEK M	1,845	1,100	745	5,388
Underlying operating result, SEK M	180	68	112	529
Operating result, SEK M	184	86	98	621
Profit/loss for the period, SEK M	148	63	85	495
Earnings per share, SEK	11.41	4.88	6.53	38.10
Cash flow from operating activities, SEK M	108	60	48	32

BE Group, which is listed on the Nasdaq Stockholm exchange, is a trading and service company in steel, stainless steel and aluminium. BE Group offers efficient distribution and value-adding production services to customers primarily in the construction and manufacturing industries. In 2021, the Group reported sales of SEK 5.4 billion. BE Group has approximately 630 employees, with Sweden and Finland as its largest markets. The head office is located in Malmö, Sweden. Read more about BE Group at www.begroup.com.



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Statement from the CEO

BE Group again delivered a strong quarter thanks to continued high steel prices and good cost control. The operating margin rose to 10.0%, which is by far the best that has been delivered for the first quarter since the stock exchange listing in 2006.

Compared to the corresponding quarter in 2021, net sales increased by 68 percent and the underlying operating result increased to SEK 180 M (68). Rising steel prices led to inventory gains of SEK 4 M (18) and the operating result increased to SEK 184 M (86).

The war in Ukraine and steel price trends

The war in Ukraine is terrible. It entails great human suffering and mass destruction of buildings and infrastructure. The restoration of the damage will require a lot of effort, both in terms of labor and materials, and this, together with increased defense spending worldwide, will make steel both sought-after and expensive.

Russia and Ukraine are major producers of iron ore and other input materials and European producers import part of their need for coal from Russia. In addition, a large part of Europe's gas comes from Russia. The war has affected and will continue to affect the European steel market through sharp price increases, among other things. There is absolutely a risk that radically increased prices could lead to investments being postponed. Less demand can then compensate for the decreased supply due to the absence of materials from Russia and Ukraine.

About 10% of BE Group's total steel purchases in 2021 came from Russiancontrolled steel producers and BE Group immediately ceased orders and payments to companies subject to global sanctions. We are carefully monitoring developments and reviewing what can be done proactively to ensure the delivery of steel and to safeguard our capacity to support our customers in these challenging times.

Acquisition of assets of the Hercules Rebar

On March 25, BE Group announced the signing of the agreement to acquire the assets of Hercules Rebar from Hercules Grundläggning AB, a subsidiary of NCC. The acquisition strengthens BE Group's reinforcement offering in Sweden and entails production and storage capacity being added close to our Norrköping facility. The acquisition includes machinery, inventory, personnel and rental agreement for the rebar site and a multi-year cooperation agreement on reinforcement with NCC. Transfer of possession will take place in the second quarter.

Future outlook

The external situation makes it hard to predict the future. What we know is that steel prices will remain high in the second quarter and, in the short term, we do not see any decline in demand. This means that there are good possibilities for BE Group to deliver a significantly improved second quarter compared to the first quarter this year.

In addition to carefully monitoring developments and keeping our ears very close to the ground, BE Group will continue to build on a good and long-term profitable company and to create a stable foundation for the future. The primary focus at the moment is to secure deliveries of steel and, consequently, our ability to support our customers.

Peter Andersson

President and CEO

Bridge 2021-2022 operating result SEK M	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Operating result 2021	86	158	219	158
Reversal of inventory gains (-)/losses (+)	-18	-25	-26	-23
Items affecting comparability	-	_	-	-
Underlying operating result 2021	68	133	193	135
Change in sales	131	-	-	-
Change in underlying gross margin	-1	_	_	-
Change in overhead costs	-18	_	-	-
Underlying operating result 2022	180	_	-	-
Reversal of inventory gains (+)/losses (-)	4	-	-	-
Items affecting comparability	0	_	_	-
Operating result 2022	184	-	-	-

Comments on the report

First quarter

The Group's consolidated net sales for the period increased by 68 percent compared to last year, amounting to SEK 1,845 M (1,100). The increase is explained by positive price and mix effects of 62 percent, organic tonnage growth of 4 percent and positive currency effects of 2 percent. After a pending start of the quarter characterized by the pandemic and lack of components, demand significantly increased by the end of the quarter after Russias invasion of Ukraine on February 24. Sanctions directed towards Russia, shortage of inputs and rising energy costs led to significant price increases among the producers.

Higher steel prices and volume contributed to an increased gross profit of SEK 327 M (207) and resulted in a gross margin of 17.7 percent (18.9). The operating result increased to SEK 184 M (86), corresponding to an operating margin of 10.0 percent (7.8). Adjusted for inventory gains of SEK 4 M (18), the underlying operating result increased to SEK 180 M (68). The underlying operating margin during the period increased to 9.8 percent (6.1) and the improvement is attributable to high steel prices in combination with increased tonnage.







The business area includes the Group's operations in Sweden consisting of the companies BE Group Sverige and Lecor Stålteknik, as well as the Polish operation BE Group Poland.

First quarter

Net sales increased by 53 percent in the first quarter compared to last year and amounted to SEK 842 M (550). The higher sales is explained by positive price and mix effects of 53 percent while tonnage was unchanged. The operating result increased to SEK 76 M (36). Adjusted for inventory gains of SEK 8 M (12), the underlying operating result increased to SEK 69 M (24).

The Swedish operations delivered a strong underlying operating result compared to last year driven by high steel prices and at the end of the quarter an increased demand from the construction industry after the pandemic had subsided. The aquisition of Hercules Rebar will strenghten BE Group's offering of reinforcement in Sweden and means that production and storage capacity will be added close to the facility in Norrköpng.

In the Polish operations and in Lecor Stålteknik profitability improved as a result of higher occupancy and improved prices and our joint venture AMBE provided a slightly better operating result compared to last year.





The business area includes the Group's operations in Finland and the three Baltic countries.

First quarter

Net sales increased by 82 percent in the first quarter compared to last year amounting to SEK 1,013 M (556). Sales growth is mainly explained by positive price and mix effects of 69 percent and increased tonnage by 9 percent. The operating result increased to SEK 112 M (52) mainly due to high steel prices. Adjusted for inventory gains and losses of SEK -3 M (6), the underlying operating result increased to SEK 116 M (46).

The Finnish operations provided a very strong underlying operating result and that in comparison with a strong quarter also last year. This was a result of increased tonnage, higher steel prices and sustained gross margin and cost level.

Also the Baltic operations showed strong earnings driven by high steel prices.



Parent Company & consolidated items

Parent Company & consolidated items include the Parent Company, Group eliminations and also parts of the Group's operations undergoing restructuring. For additional information see the Annual Report for 2021.

The effects regarding IFRS 16 were reported under Parent Company & consolidated items and have not been allocated to the two business areas.

Sales for the first quarter of the Parent Company, BE Group AB (publ), amounted to SEK 30 M (22) during the period and derived from intra-Group services. These intra-Group services mainly include central expenses for IT and business systems, the subsidiaries' use of the BE Group brand and Finance. These expenses are distributed and invoiced to all subsidiaries in the Group. In the result follow-up of the business areas, these intra-group expenses have been eliminated except for expenses for IT and business systems. Out of the total costs for the Parent Company, of SEK 14 M (11), SEK 10 M (9) was allocated to the subsidiaries. The operating result amounted to SEK 16 M (11).

Net financial items for the quarter amounted to SEK 3 M (96). Profit before tax amounted to SEK 19 M (107) and profit after tax amounted to SEK 15 M (105). Investments in the Parent Company amounted to SEK 0 M (1). At the end of the period, cash and equivalents in the Parent Company amounted to SEK 112 M (272).

Group

Net financial items and tax

The Group's consolidated net financial items in the first quarter amounted to SEK -2 M (-8), of which net interest amounted to SEK -3 M (-4). During the quarter, interest expenses related to leasing according to IFRS 16 amounted to SEK -2 M (-2).

Taxes for the first quarter amounted to SEK -34 M (-15). Profit after tax amounted to SEK 148 M (63).

Cash flow

The Group's consolidated working capital amounted to SEK 920 M (376) at the end of the period and the average working capital tied-up for the first quarter was 12.0 percent (8.2). Cash flow from operating activities amounted to SEK 108 M (60) during the quarter, of which approximately SEK 45 M is related to deferred supplier payments as a result of sanctions imposed on Russian-controlled companies. Cash flow from investing activities amounted to SEK -6 M (-3). Cash flow after investments thus amounted to SEK 102 M (57).

Financial position and liquidity

At the end of the period, consolidated cash and cash equivalents, including overdraft facilities, amounted to SEK 269 M (442) and the interest-bearing net debt excl. IFRS 16 was SEK 159 M (124). Equity amounted to SEK 1,568 M (981) at the end of the period.

Organization, structure and employees

The number of employees increased to 663 compared to 609 at the same time last year. The average number of employees during the year amounted to 645 (613).



Other information

Significant events during the first quarter

During the quarter, BE Group has signed an agreement to acquire the assets of Hercules Rebar in Norrköping from Hercules Grundläggning AB, a subsidiary within NCC. Hercules Rebar offers reinforcement in the shape of straight steel, reinforcement mesh and cut and bent reinforcement to projects all over Sweden and the turnover in 2021 amounted to approximately SEK 140 M. The acquisition include machines, inventory, employees and rental agreement for the reinforcement facility and a multi-year cooperation agreement on reinforcement with NCC.

The transfer of possession takes place on May 1 at the latest and the business will be a part of BE Group Sverige AB. The acquisition is estimated to have a marginally positive impact on the underlying result for 2022. More information about the aquisition will be released in connection with the report for the second quarter.

Significant events after the end of the period

No significant events have taken place after the end of the period.

Transactions with related parties

No transactions took place between BE Group and related parties that had a material impact on the company's financial position and results.

Annual General Meeting 2022

BE Group's Annual General Meeting will take place on April 21, 2022, at 4:00 pm in Malmö, Sweden. Please visit www.begroup.com for more information.

Proposed dividend

According to BE Group's dividend policy, the Group will distribute at least 50 percent of profit after tax, over time. Dividends shall be distributed taking BE Group's financial position and prospects into account. The Board of Directors proposes dividend of SEK 12 (-) to be paid for the financial year of 2021 which corresponds to approximately SEK 156 M.

Proposed composition of the Board

The Nominating Committee has proposed re-election of Board members Lars Olof Nilsson, Mats O Paulsson, Petter Stillström and Jörgen Zahlin and new election of Monika Gutén. It is proposed that Jörgen Zahlin be re-elected as Chairman.

Proposal for election of auditors

Based on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Nominating Committee proposes re-election of the auditing firm Öhrlings PricewaterhouseCoopers AB as the Company's auditor.

Significant risks and uncertainties

Through its operations, BE Group is exposed to global macroeconomic factors, the competitive situation, structural changes in the market and the economy, as well as financial risks such as currency risks, interest risks, credit and counterparty risks. Within the companies of the Group, continuous processes are ongoing to identify existing risks and assess how these should be handled. The risk exposure is explained in the 2021 Annual Report, which was published in March 2022. Risks related to the war in Ukraine is described below.

The war in Ukraine

As Russia and Ukraine are major producers of iron ore and other inputs and European manufacturers are importing parts of their coal needs from Russia, the war will continue to have a major impact on the European steel market with shortages and sharp price increases as a possible consequence. About 10% of BE Group's total steel purchases in 2021 came from Russian-controlled steel producers. The imposed sanctions resulted in BE Group immediately stopping orders and payments to companies subject to it. BE Group is monitoring the development closely and are working proactively with finding alternatives to secure the deliveries of steel. The effect of sanctions and potentially other consequences connected to the war may affect the company's financial position.

Accounting principles

The interim report was prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. The Parent Company's interim report is prepared in compliance with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act and the Swedish Financial Reporting Board's recommendation RFR 2 Accounting for Legal Entities.

Refer to the 2021 Annual Report for details of the Group's other accounting principles and definitions of certain terms. The principles applied are unchanged in relation to the Annual Report. In other regards, the new standards and interpretations that have come into effect from the financial year 2022 have had no significant effect on the financial reporting.

Future information

Future reporting dates

BE Group AB (publ) intends to publish financial information on the following dates:

- The Interim Report for January–June 2022 will be published on July 13, 2022.
- The Interim Report for January–September 2022 will be published on October 19, 2022.
- The Year-end report for 2022 will be published in January 2023.

Financial information is available in Swedish and English from BE Group's website and can be ordered by phone +46 (0) 40 38 42 00 or e-mail: info@begroup.com.

Malmö, April 21, 2022 BE Group AB (publ)

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This report has not been reviewed by the company's auditors.

This information is information that BE Group AB (publ) is obliged to make public pursuant to the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted for publication through the agency of the contact persons set out above at 11:00 a.m. CET on April 21, 2022.

Condensed consolidated income statement

		2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Note	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Net sales		1,845	1,100	5,388	6,133
Cost of goods sold	1	-1,518	-893	-4,286	-4,911
Gross profit		327	207	1,102	1,222
Selling expenses	1	-122	-100	-418	-440
Administrative expenses	1	-29	-26	-110	-113
Other operating income and expenses	2	0	-1	-18	-17
Participation in joint venture		8	6	65	67
Operating profit/loss		184	86	621	719
Financial items		-2	-8	-17	-11
Profit/loss before tax		182	78	604	708
Tax		-34	-15	-109	-128
Profit/loss for the period		148	63	495	580
Earnings per share (SEK)		11.41	4.88	38.10	44.63
Earnings per share before and after dilution (SEK)		11.41	4.88	38.10	44.63

Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

(SEK M)	2022 Jan-Mar	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Full-year	Rolling 12 months
Profit/loss for the period	148	63	495	580
Other comprehensive income				
Items that have, or may be, reclassified to profit/loss for the period				
Translation differences	7	13	13	7
Tax on items that have, or may be, reclassified to profit/loss for the period	-	-	-	_
Total other comprehensive income	7	13	13	7
Comprehensive income for the period	155	76	508	587

Condensed consolidated balance sheet

	2022	2021	2021
(SEK M) Note	31 Mar	31 Mar	Dec 31
Goodwill	564	562	561
Other intangible assets	10	4	9
Tangible assets	90	88	90
Right of use assets	467	519	479
Investment in joint venture	184	123	182
Financial assets	0	0	0
Deferred tax assets	4	22	5
Total non-current assets	1,319	1,318	1,326
Inventories	1,026	534	1,033
Accounts receivable	1,102	615	653
Other receivables	23	37	39
Cash and equivalents	119	292	54
Total current assets	2,270	1,478	1,779
Total assets 3	3,589	2,796	3,105
Equity	1,568	981	1,413
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities	271	414	287
Non-current leasing liabilities	380	430	394
Deferred tax liability	42	43	42
Total non-current liabilities	693	887	723
Current interest-bearing liabilities	7	2	8
Current leasing liabilities	89	89	87
Accounts payable	893	598	641
Other current liabilities	338	212	229
Other current provisions	1	27	4
Total current liabilities	1,328	928	969
Total equity and liabilities 3	3,589	2,796	3,105

Condensed consolidated cash-flow statement

(SEK M)	2022 Jan-Mar	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Full-year	Rolling 12 months
Operating result	184	86	621	719
Adjustment for non-cash items	15	21	28	22
- of which, amortization/depreciation	27	30	118	115
- of which, other items	-12	-9	-90	-93
Interest paid/received and other financial items	-3	-4	-15	-14
Income tax paid	-2	-2	-67	-67
Change in working capital	-86	-41	-535	-580
Cash flow from operating activities	108	60	32	80
Changes in intangible assets	0	0	-1	-1
Changes in tangible assets	-6	-3	-24	-27
Other cash flow from investing activities	0	0	0	0
Cash flow after investments	102	57	7	52
Cash flow from financing activities	-38	66	-121	-225
Cash flow for the period	64	123	-114	-173
Translation differences in cash and equivalents	1	3	2	0
Change in cash and equivalents	65	126	-112	-173

Condensed statement of changes in equity

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Equity at beginning of period	1,413	905	905	981
Comprehensive income for the period	155	76	508	587
Dividend	-	-	-	-
Equity at end of period	1,568	981	1,413	1,568

Note 1 Amortizations and depreciations

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Amortization of intangible assets	1	1	2	2
Depreciation of tangible assets	6	6	23	23
Depreciation of right of use assets	20	23	93	90
Total amortizations and depreciations	27	30	118	115

Note 2 Items affecting comparability

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Restructuring expenses	-	-	-	-
Total items affecting comparability	-	_	_	_

Note 3 Valuation of financial assets and liabilities

In all material respects fair value coincides with the carrying amount in the balance sheet for financial assets and liabilities.

The assessment of the fair value of the financial assets has been carried out in accordance with level 2, with the exception of cash and equivalents and bank loans, which are valued in accordance with level 1. For additional information, see Note 31 in the 2021 Annual Report. No material changes have taken place in relation to the valuation as per December 31.

Segment reporting

Net sales by business area

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	842	550	2,625	2,917
Finland & Baltics	1,013	556	2,790	3,247
Parent Company & consolidated items	-10	-6	-27	-31
Group	1,845	1,100	5,388	6,133

Net sales by business area and product group

2022	Sweden & Poland	Finland & Baltics	Parent company & consolidated items	Tota	al
	2022 Jan-Mar	2022 Jan-Mar	2022 Jan-Mar	2022 Jan-Mar	Rolling 12 months
Long steel products	396	299	0	695	2,361
Flat steel products	258	503	0	761	2,529
Stainless steel	121	148	0	269	859
Aluminium	35	50	0	85	256
Other	32	13	-10	35	128
Total	842	1,013	-10	1,845	6,133

2021	Sweden & Poland	Finland & Baltics	Parent company & consolidated items	Total	I
	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Full-year
Long steel products	265	150	0	415	2,081
Flat steel products	163	282	0	445	2,213
Stainless steel	81	86	0	167	757
Aluminium	18	30	0	48	219
Other	23	8	-6	25	118
Total	550	556	-6	1,100	5,388

Net sales by country based on customer's domicile

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden	732	539	2,575	2,768
Finland	894	482	2,442	2,854
Other	219	79	371	511
Group	1,845	1,100	5,388	6,133

Shipped tonnage per segment

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(Thousands of thonnes)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	41	41	164	164
Finland & Baltics	51	47	180	184
Parent Company & consolidated items	0	0	-2	-2
Group	92	88	342	346

Operating result (EBIT) per segment

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	76	36	282	322
Finland & Baltics	112	52	370	430
Parent Company & consolidated items	-4	-2	-31	-33
Group	184	86	621	719

Operating margin per segment

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	9.1%	6.6%	10.7%	11.1%
Finland & Baltics	11.1%	9.3%	13.2%	13.2%
Parent Company & consolidated items	neg	neg	neg	neg
Group	10.0%	7.8%	11.5%	11.7%

Underlying operating result (uEBIT) per segment 1)

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	69	24	221	266
Finland & Baltics	116	46	339	409
Parent Company & consolidated items	-5	-2	-31	-34
Group	180	68	529	641

Underlying operating margin per segment 2)

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	8.2%	4.4%	8.4%	9.1%
Finland & Baltics	11.4%	8.2%	12.1%	12.6%
Parent Company & consolidated items	neg	neg	neg	neg
Group	9.8%	6.1%	9.8%	10.5%

Depreciation per segment

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	3	3	16	16
Finland & Baltics	3	3	11	11
Parent Company & consolidated items	21	24	91	88
Group	27	30	118	115

Investments in tangible and intangible assets per segment

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Sweden & Poland	2	1	12	13
Finland & Baltics	4	1	11	14
Parent Company & consolidated items	0	1	3	2
Group	6	3	26	29

¹⁾ Operating profit/loss (EBIT) adjusted for inventory gains and losses and items affecting comparability. Inventory gains and losses are the differences between the cost of goods sold at acquisition value and the cost of goods sold at replacement cost. The Group's internal model is used to calculate inventory gains and losses and has not been subject for review by the Group's auditor.

 $^{^{\}rm 2)}$ Underlying operating result (uEBIT) as a percentage of net sales.

Key data

(SEK M unless otherwise stated)	2022 Jan-mar	2021 Jan-Mar	2021 Full-year	Rolling 12 months
Net sales	1,845	1,100	5,388	6,133
Earnings measurements				
Gross result	327	207	1,102	1,222
Underlying gross result	322	193	1,038	1,167
Operating result (EBIT)	184	86	621	719
Underlying operating result (uEBIT)	180	68	529	641
Margin measurements				
Gross margin	17.7%	18.9%	20.4%	19.9%
Underlying gross margin	17.5%	17.5%	19.3%	19.0%
Operating margin	10.0%	7.8%	11.5%	11.7%
Underlying operating margin	9.8%	6.1%	9.8%	10.5%
Capital structure				
Net debt excl. IFRS 16 ¹⁾	159	124	241	159
Net debt/equity ratio excl. IFRS 16 ¹⁾	10.1%	12.6%	17.0%	10.1%
Working capital at end of period	920	376	856	920
Working capital (average)	889	360	524	640
Capital employed (average) excl. IFRS 16 ¹⁾	1,785	1,785 1,318		1,581
Working capital tied-up	12.0%	8.2%	9.7%	10.4%
Return				
Return on capital employed excl. IFRS 16 1)	40.9%	25.1%	42.0%	45.0%
Per share data				
Earnings per share (SEK)	11.41	4.88	38.10	44.63
Earnings per share after dilution (SEK)	11.41	4.88	38.10	44.63
Equity per share (SEK)	120.80	75.55	108.84	120.80
Cash flow from operating activities per share (SEK)	8.35	4.62	2.49	6.21
Shares outstanding at period end (thousands)	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983
Number of shares (thousands) before and after dilution	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983
Growth				
Sales growth	68%	-2%	47%	68%
– of which organic tonnage growth	4%	-3%	11%	14%
– of which price and mix changes	62%	4%	38%	54%
- of which currency effects	2%	-3%	-2%	0%
Other				
Average number of employees	645	613	621	637
Inventory gains and losses	4	18	92	78
Shipped tonnage (thousands of tonnes)	92	88	342	346

¹⁾ To visualize the development of BE Group's financial position, some information is in the key figure overview that is not defined in IFRS. A reconciliation/bridge between alternative performance measures used in this report and the closest IFRS measure is presented under Alternative performance measures.

Condensed parent company income statement

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Net sales	30	22	104	112
Administrative expenses	-14	-11	-44	-47
Other operating income and expenses	0	0	0	0
Operating profit/loss	16	11	60	65
Financial items	3	96	98	5
Profit/loss after financial items	19	107	158	70
Appropriations	-	-	124	124
Profit/loss before tax	19	107	282	194
Tax	-4	-2	-38	-40
Profit/loss for the period, or comprehensive income for the period	15	105	244	154

Condensed parent company balance sheet

	2022	2021	2021
(SEK M)	Mar 31	Mar 31	Dec 31
Intangible assets	4	1	5
Tangible assets	0	3	0
Financial assets	881	905	880
Total non-current assets	885	909	885
Current receivables	134	91	353
Cash and equivalents	112	272	38
Total current assets	246	363	391
Total assets	1,131	1,272	1,276
Equity	974	820	959
Non-current liabilities	103	210	226
Current liabilities	54	242	91
Total equity and liabilities	1,131	1,272	1,276

Key data - multi-quarter summary

(SEK M unless otherwise stated)	2022 Jan-Mar	2021 Oct-Dec	2021 Jul-Sep	2021 Apr-Jun	2021 Jan-Mar	2020 Oct-Dec	2020 Jul-Sep	2020 Apr-Jun	2020 Jan-Mar
Net sales	1,845	1,510	1,375	1,403	1,100	875	744	935	1,118
Earnings measurements									
Gross result	327	283	316	296	207	135	105	138	170
Underlying gross result	322	269	301	275	193	129	114	140	180
Operating result (EBIT)	184	158	219	158	86	18	4	21	-4
Underlying operating result (uEBIT)	180	135	193	133	68	12	14	28	42
Margin measurements									
Gross margin	17.7%	18.7%	23.0%	21.1%	18.9%	15.5%	14.1%	14.7%	15.2%
Underlying gross margin	17.5%	17.8%	21.9%	19.6%	17.5%	14.8%	15.3%	14.9%	16.1%
Operating margin	10.0%	10.4%	15.9%	11.3%	7.8%	2.1%	0.5%	2.2%	-0.4%
Underlying operating margin	9.8%	9.0%	14.0%	9.5%	6.1%	1.4%	1.8%	3.0%	3.8%
Capital structure									
Net debt excl. IFRS 16 ¹⁾	159	241	98	75	124	156	281	254	322
Net debt/equity ratio excl. IFRS $16^{1)}$	10.1%	17.0%	7.6%	6.7%	12.6%	17.0%	30.0%	27.5%	34.2%
Working capital at end of period	920	856	610	434	376	343	474	455	520
Working capital (average)	889	734	523	405	360	409	464	487	534
Capital employed (average) excl. IFRS 16 $^{1)}$	1,785	1,639	1,467	1,387	1,318	1,272	1,258	1,258	1,389
Working capital tied-up	12.0%	12.1%	9.5%	7.2%	8.2%	11.7%	15.6%	13.0%	11.9%
Return									
Return on capital employed excl. IFRS 16 $^{1)}$	40.9%	38.3%	59.1%	44.9%	25.1%	5.1%	0.5%	5.8%	-1.2%
Per share data									
Earnings per share (SEK)	11.41	10.00	13.49	9.74	4.88	1.06	-0.32	1.34	-1.75
Earnings per share after dilution (SEK)	11.41	10.00	13.49	9.74	4.88	1.06	-0.32	1.34	-1.75
Equity per share (SEK)	120.80	108.84	98.68	84.82	75.55	69.73	70.87	70.92	72.19
Cash flow from operating activities per share (SEK)	8.35	-8.87	0.50	6.24	4.62	11.72	0.06	7.32	7.18
Shares outstanding at period end (thousands)	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983
Number of shares (thousands) before and after dilution	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983	12,983
Growth									
Sales growth	68%	73%	85%	50%	-2%	-11%	-24%	-22%	-7%
– of which organic tonnage growth	4%	4%	21%	28%	-3%	-1%	-16%	-17%	-5%
- of which price and mix changes	62%	70%	65%	25%	4%	-8%	-6%	-5%	-3%
– of which currency effects	2%	-1%	-1%	-3%	-3%	-2%	-2%	0%	1%
Other									
Average number of employees	645	627	625	616	613	625	636	637	637
Inventory gains and losses	4	23	26	25	18	6	-10	-2	-11
Shipped tonnage (thousands of tonnes)	92	79	77	98	88	76	64	77	90

¹⁾ To visualize the development of BE Group's financial position, some information is in the key figure overview that is not defined in IFRS. A reconciliation/bridge between alternative performance measures used in this report and the closest IFRS measure is presented under Alternative performance measures.

Alternative performance measures

The Group uses a number of alternative performance measures in its report. The alternative performance measures that BE Group considers significant are the following:

Underlying operating result (uEBIT)

	2022	2021	2021	Rolling
(SEK M)	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Full-year	12 months
Operating result	184	86	621	719
Reversal of inventory gains (-)/losses (+)	-4	-18	-92	-78
Adjustment for items affecting comparability	-	-	-	-
Group	180	68	529	641

Working capital

	2022	2021	2021
(SEK M)	Mar 31	Mar 31	Dec 31
Inventories	1,026	534	1,033
Accounts receivable	1,102	615	653
Other receivables	23	37	39
Deduction accounts payable	-893	-598	-641
Deduction other current liabilities	-338	-212	-229
Rounding	-	-	1
Group	920	376	856

Average working capital is an average for each period based on quarterly data.

Net debt excl. IFRS 16

	2022	2021	2021
(SEK M)	Mar 31	Mar 31	Dec 31
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities and leasing liabilities	651	844	681
Current interest-bearing liabilities and leasing liabilities	96	91	95
Deduction leasing liabilities	-469	-519	-481
Deduction financial assets	0	0	0
Deduction cash and equivalents	-119	-292	-54
Rounding	-	_	-
Group	159	124	241

Net debt/equity ratio excl. IFRS 16 is calculated as net debt excl. IFRS 16 divided by Equity.

Capital employed excl. IFRS 16

(SEK M)	2022 Mar 31	2021 Mar 31	2021 Dec 31
Equity excl. IFRS 16	1,576	986	1,420
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities and leasing liabilities	651	844	681
Current interest-bearing liabilities and leasing liabilities	96	91	95
Deduction leasing liabilities	-469	-519	-481
Rounding	-	1	1
Group	1,854	1,403	1,716

 $\label{eq:capital} \textit{Average capital employed excl. IFRS 16} \ is \ an \ average \ for \ each \ period \ based \ on \ quarterly \ data.$

Definitions of key data

Underlying gross result	The underlying gross result is the reported gross result adjusted for inventory gains and losses (deductions for gains and additions for losses).
Underlying operating result (uEBIT)	Operating result (EBIT) before items affecting comparability adjusted for inventory gains and losses (deductions for gains and additions for losses).
Items affecting comparability	Items that do not have any link to the normal operations of the Group or that are of a non-recurring nature, where a reporting together with other items in the consolidated comprehensive income statement would have given a comparison distortion effect that would have made it diffcult to judge the development of the ordinary operations for an outside viewer.
Adjusted margin measurements	
Underlying gross margin	Underlying gross result as a percentage of net sales.
Underlying operating margin	Underlying operating result (uEBIT) as a percentage of net sales.
Capital structure	
Net debt excl. IFRS 16	Interest-bearing liabilities excluding leasing liabilities acc. to IFRS 16 less cash and equivalents and financial assets.
Net debt/equity ratio excl. IFRS 16	Net debt excl. IFRS 16 divided by equity excl. IFRS 16.
Working capital	Inventories and current receivables less current liabilities, excluding provisions and interest-bearing liabilities.
Working capital (average)	Inventories and current receivables less current liabilities, excluding provisions and interest-bearing liabilities. This measure represents an average for each period based on published quarterly data.
Capital employed excl. IFRS 16	Equity excl. IFRS 16 plus interest-bearing liabilities excl. leasing liabilities acc. to IFRS 16.
Capital employed (average) excl. IFRS 16	Equity excl. IFRS 16 plus interest-bearing liabilities excl. leasing liabilities acc. to IFRS 16. This measure represents an average for each period based on published quarterly data.
Working capital tied-up	Average working capital, as a percentage of annually adjusted net sales.
Return on capital	
Return on capital employed excl. IFRS 16	Annually adjusted operating result excl. IFRS 16, as a percentage of average capital employed excl. IFRS 16.
Per share data	
Earnings per share	Profit/loss for the period divided by the average number of shares outstanding during the period.
Equity per share	Equity divided by the number of shares outstanding at the end of the period.
Cash flow per share from operating activities	Cash flow from operating activities divided by the average number of shares for the period.
Shares outstanding at the end of the period	Shares outstanding at the end of the period adjusted for rights issues and share splits.
Average number of shares	Weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period, adjusted for rights issued and share splits.
Growth	
Sales growth	Change in net sales from the preceding period in percent.
Other	
Inventory gains and losses	The difference between the cost of goods sold at acquisition value and the cost of goods sold at replacement cost.

Please refer to the 2021 annual report for other definitions of key data.

About BE Group

A leading steel service company in Northern Europe

BE Group is a trading and service company in the steel and metal industry. Customers mainly operate in the construction and manufacturing industries in Sweden, Finland and the Baltic States, where BE Group is one of the market's leading actors.

With extensive expertise and efficient processes in purchasing, logistics and production, BE Group offers inventory sales, production service and direct deliveries to customers based on their specific needs for steel and metal products. BE Group has approximately 630 employees and sales of SEK 5.4 billion in 2021. The head office is located in Malmö, Sweden.

Number of employees

approx. 630

Net sales

SEK 5.4 billion

BUSINESS IDEA

BE Group is an independent efficient distributor of steel, stainless steel, aluminum and value adding services to Nordic manufacturing and construction companies.

