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## Report of the Directors

### Sales and Earnings

The Telia Group's net sales increased by over 4 percent for comparable units, to MSEK 54,064 (52,121). The rise resulted from continued volume growth. Prices decreased 6 percent during the year.

Underlying EBITDA dropped by 7 percent to MSEK 13,087 (14,059). Sales via the OM Stockholm Exchange of a majority stake in Eniro AB contributed a capital gain of MSEK 6,020. Operating income was affected positively by the fact that company funds held by SPP totaling MSEK 518 were recognized as revenue.

Operating income thus improved, to MSEK 12,006 (5,946). Comments on trends in income are provided in the sections titled "Group Performance Analysis" and "Performance Analysis per Business Area."

### **Financial Position**

The Group is in a healthy financial position. The asset turnover rate declined as the balance sheet total rose by 60 percent to MSEK 122,715 (76,604), chiefly due to the acquisition of NetCom ASA and an otherwise high level of investment.

The equity/assets ratio improved to 44.4 percent (41.0 percent). Equity increased by 70 percent to MSEK 55,988, chiefly through a new share issue with a par value of MSEK 12,750. Retained earnings equaled MSEK 12,241 (5,651).

The Group's financial position is described in more detail in the section titled "Comments to the Group Balance Sheets."

### Financing and Investments

Investments rose sharply, chiefly through the acquisition of Net-Com ASA, with goodwill of MSEK 22,758, and continued expansion of the international carrier network. Depreciation and amortization totaled MSEK 8,222 (7,652) for the year.

The NetCom acquisition was partially financed through the new share issue, but also entailed extensive borrowing. Net interest-bearing liability increased to MSEK 20,235 (7,527). The interest coverage ratio was 7.3 (8.5).

Financing and investments are described in more detail in the section titled "Comments to the Group Cash Flow Statements."

### **Human Resources**

The average number of employees in the Group rose by slightly over two percent. The proportion of women was 38 percent (38 percent), and men 62 percent (62 percent). The average number of employees outside Sweden was 4,924 (4,132), of which 39 (40) percent women and 61 (60) percent men.

The number of employees as of 31 December was approximate-

|                                       | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Number of employees                   | 29,868 | 30,643 | 30,593 |
| Average number of full-time employees | 30,307 | 29,546 | 31,320 |
| Key figures per employee (kSEK)       |        |        |        |
| Net sales                             | 1,784  | 1,764  | 1,583  |
| Net income                            | 339    | 143    | 160    |
| Value added                           | 1,119  | 835    | 858    |

ly 2 percent lower than year-end 1999. Adjusted for operations acquired and divested, the number of employees increased by 1,448, of which 540 employees were in Sweden and 908 were on other markets.

For 2000, salaries and remuneration totaled MSEK 9,543 (9,184), up 4 percent. Employer's social security contributions increased slightly over 5 percent, to MSEK 3,055 (2,895). Salaries and wages for employees outside Sweden were MSEK 1,399 (1,158).

### **Market Position**

Telia reinforced its strong position as a mobile operator in the Nordic countries during the year. Telia is the only operator in the Nordic countries that operates its own mobile network and offers mobile services in Sweden, Norway, Finland and Denmark.

Telia retained its strong position on the Swedish fixed services market during the year. Market shares were lost in certain areas due to the carrier preselect reform of the fall of 1999. After the implemented rate changes, Telia now has very competitive offerings.

The rapid expansion of the Viking Network allowed Telia to quickly establish itself as a major carrier in the global market.

### **New Group Structure**

During the year, the Group sharpened its focus on its core business and high-priority target areas. The Group also stepped up its rate of divestment of non-core business. A new Group Structure is being introduced on 1 April 2001 in order to strengthen this orientation and promote internationalization while laying the ground for Telia to participate in the transformation of the industry.

### Telia Mobile

Responsible for the mobile network, mobile services and for the development of integrated fixed/mobile services.

### Telia International Carrier

Responsible for the international carrier business.

### Telia Networks

Responsible for the fixed network, fixed telephony services and data communications services along with the further development of the IP infrastructure with particular focus on the Swedish market.

### Telia Internet Services

Responsible for Internet services (accesses, applications and portals) on the consumer and business markets in Sweden and the other Nordic countries.

### Telia Equity

Responsible for the Group's stakes and interests outside of Telia's core businesses.

Telia Sweden, a joint sales and customer unit for consumers and business customers, is being established in order to streamline marketing efforts in Sweden.

### The Environment

The expansion of UMTS has drawn attention to the potential health and environmental risks of mobile telephony. Telia is closely monitoring this development and plays a key role in industrial cooperation in this regard. One example of Telia's commitment is the company's allocation of MSEK 3 over a three-year period for independent external research in electromagnetic fields. The body of research to date has not shown any evidence that mobile telephony is associated with risks.

A life cycle analysis, LCA, on fixed telephony was completed during the year. The purpose of these analyses is to illuminate the environmental advantages of telecommunications over other types of communication and identify areas of improvement.

On an initiative from Telia, IT companies decided during the year to institute an industry-wide environmental product declaration for telecommunications equipment. Telia also initiated the development of product-specific rules for certified environmental information for telecom services (The Swedish EMAS Council). The first product – Centrex (a network-based PBX solution) – is expected to be ready by mid-year 2001.

Producer responsibility for electronic products takes effect at mid-year. Efforts are underway on implementation and practical solutions for product collection in the Group.

### **Applied Research and Development**

Rapid advances in telecommunications make demands on Telia's ability to renew and refine its businesses and products. The emphasis is shifting from in-house development to cooperation with suppliers. In 2000, Telia invested MSEK 1,564 (1,570) in applied research and development, chiefly product development.

Developmental efforts during the year were mainly concentrated in the following areas: broadband service for consumers, integrated IP-based solutions for businesses, mobile multimedia and mobile electronic commerce and IP-based network services.

### **Regulatory Changes**

On 8 April 2000, new legislation took effect concerning radio and terminal equipment. This entails increased transfer of responsibility to market players for fulfillment of EU-defined requirements. Telia has published technical interfaces for publicly accessible telecom networks, as required by the new legislation.

On 1 May 2000, changes in legislation took effect that obligate license-holders to offer capacity in their mobile networks to others on competitive terms, provided capacity is available.

As of 1 July 2000, mobile operators are required to enter into agreements for domestic roaming, which will be particularly significant in conjunction with the expansion of the UMTS networks. The Swedish National Post and Telecom Agency (PTS) decided on 16 December not to grant Telia one of four UMTS licenses. Telia appealed the decision to the court in the beginning of 2001.

During the year, PTS decided that number portability will be introduced in the mobile networks on 1 September 2001. This means that customers will be able to retain their mobile numbers when switching mobile operators.

The special price regulation on Telia's telephone subscriptions was eliminated at the end of 2000.

In December 2000, the EU decided on a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on unbundled access to the local loop. The Regulation took effect on 2 January 2001 and is immediately applicable in EU member states. Telia opened its access network to other operators already in the spring of 2000 and will have modified its offering to the resolutions of the Regulation during the first quarter of 2001.

In November 2000, Telia was granted one of four licenses for UMTS in Norway. A UMTS license was obtained in Finland in 1999.

### Transition to the Euro

Telia is actively preparing for a transition to the euro. The aim is primarily to allow Telia's customers to use euros by ensuring the development of services priced in euros as customer demand accelerates. Some subsidiaries in EMU have gone over to euros as their accounting currency.

### Changes in the Board and Executive Management

At an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders on 7 January 2000, Lars-Eric Petersson and Carl Bennet were elected to the Board of Directors. At the same time, Dag Detter vacated his seat on the Board. Lars-Eric Petersson was elected Chairman of the Board by a meeting following the election on the same day and Jan-Åke Kark was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer succeeding Stig-Arne Larsson. At the annual general meeting of 5 May 2000, Ingvar Carlsson was elected to the Board of Directors.

Among the members appointed by the employee organizations, Elof Isaksson replaced Kjell Olofsson. Christer André and Anders Boman were appointed as deputies to the members representing the employee organizations.

Marianne Nivert, former Senior Executive Vice President of Telia AB with special responsibility for the Carrier & Networks business area, was appointed on 11 October 2000 by the Board of Directors to succeed Jan-Åke Kark as Acting President and CEO. Jan-Åke Kark stepped down from his position as President and CEO on the same day. Bo Jacobsson, previously Head of Corporate Financial Control at Telia AB, was appointed on 13 October 2000 as Chief Financial Officer.

### Work of the Board of Directors

Telia's Board of Directors has grown during the year from four to six members. The employee organizations were represented by three members. The Board of Directors met 25 times.

The guidelines for the work of the Board of Directors and instructions defining the responsibilities of the Board members and the CEO, respectively, along with reporting to the Board are set down in a rule of procedure adopted by the Board on 19 May 2000. The rule of procedure defines rules regarding the number of ordinary Board meetings (at least five ordinary meetings per calendar year), the business on the agenda of ordinary Board meetings, responsibilities within the Board, including the commitments of the Chairman of the Board, responsibilities of members of the Board and the CEO, and how work is carried out in committees.

The Board of Directors has appointed a compensation committee, which considers cases and submits recommendations to the Board. The committee is responsible for matters that affect remuneration to the president, vice presidents and business area heads.

This responsibility also includes any stock option programs or similar forms of reward or compensation aimed at a larger number of employees in the Group. The committee members are Lars-Eric Petersson, Carl Bennet and Ingvar Carlsson.

The Board of Directors focused special attention on the following matters, among others, during the year:

- · Strategic issues,
- IPO of Telia AB,
- · Acquisition of NetCom ASA in Norway,
- Whole and partial divestitures of companies in the Enterprises business area.
- The Swedish National Post and Telecom Agency's awards of UMTS licenses.

### Nominations in Preparation for the Annual General Meeting

A nominating committee with representatives from Telia's four largest shareholders and Telia's Chairman of the Board has dealt with certain business in preparation for the 2001 Annual General Meeting.

The committee members are Dag Detter (Ministry of Industry, Employment and Communications), Ramsay Brufer (Alecta), Björn Lind (SEB Fonder), Marianne Nilsson (Robur) and Lars-Eric Petersson (Chairman of the Board).

The recommendations of the nominating committee will be reported in the notice of and at the Annual General Meeting.

#### Telia Stock

On 13 June, Telia's shares were quoted on the A list of the OM Stockholm Exchange. At the same time, 150 million new shares were issued. The new issue provided a capital infusion to Telia of MSEK 12,429 after issue expenses. The IPO price was set at SEK 85 per share.

The Swedish state retained a 70.6 percent holding of Telia after the listing of the company.

Of the remaining stock, 21 percent was owned by 847,000 Swedish private investors, 63 percent by Swedish institutional investors, and 16 percent by foreign investors, on 31 December.

As of 31 December, the highest price paid for the share was SEK 94.00 and the lowest was SEK 46.90.

### **Parent Company**

The parent company Telia AB, whose Board of Directors is registered in Stockholm, contains the Group's Swedish operations for fixed network development, construction, and operation, and provides basic production of network services. Service and installation personnel in the international carrier business were transferred to subsidiaries effective 1 January 2000 and personnel within network wholesaling operations were transferred as of 1 October. The parent company also comprises Group executive management functions, several support units, and the Group's internal banking operations.

Net sales were MSEK 23,341 (25,983), of which MSEK 20,274 (22,508) was billed to subsidiaries. Earnings before appropriations and tax declined to MSEK 6,335 (8,362), primarily due to reduced Group contributions from subsidiaries.

Net income after appropriations and tax was MSEK 5,006 (5,182). Equity was MSEK 36,459 (20,393) and retained earnings amounted to MSEK 12,961 (9,748).

Total assets increased to MSEK 91,494 (74,456). Cash flow from operating activities was MSEK 4,117 (3,502), while operating cash

flow was MSEK -20,949 (-5,540). Net borrowings declined to MSEK 6,463 (11,909). Liquid funds equaled MSEK 538 (1,368).

The current ratio was 1.69 (1.08). The equity/assets ratio (including the equity component of untaxed reserves) improved to 51.9 percent (43.8 percent).

Total investments were MSEK 20,017 (8,595), including MSEK 4,163 (3,500) in tangible fixed assets, primarily fixed telephony installations. Other investments totaling MSEK 15,854 (5,095) were primarily attributable to capital infusions in subsidiaries and associated companies. In 2000, MSEK 575 (1,076) was invested in applied research and development.

The number of employees as of 31 December was 1,066 (6,514). The decline in the workforce is due to transfer of operations to subsidiaries.

The average number of employees during the year was 3,148 (6,637), of which 37 (24) percent women and 63 (76) percent men. Salaries and remuneration totaled MSEK 1,380 (2,117). Employer's social security contributions were MSEK 473 (700).

### Dividend 2000

The Board of Directors is proposing a dividend of SEK 0.20 per share. In addition, the Board of Directors is proposing an extra dividend of SEK 0.30 per share, owing to the positive result from divestitures in the Enterprises business area. The total distribution for a combined dividend of SEK 0.50 (0.52) per share is MSEK 1,501 (1,470) (see also the section "Proposed Appropriation of Earnings"). The Annual General Meeting will be held on 10 May 2001.

### Outlook for 2001

Robust growth in mobile communications, the establishment of Telia in the international carrier market, and new broadband services for the consumer market in Sweden are creating good conditions for sustained revenue growth. We expect the general price structure for traditional fixed services to stabilize compared with the preceding year. Combined with ongoing efficiency measures, we believe that these conditions will contribute to sustained good profitability.

The current streamlining and restructuring of the company will free up resources that will be used to enhance the Group's core business.

# Group Income Statements

| MSEK   |                  | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    |
|--|------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Net sales                                    | Notes 6, 37, 38  | 54,064  | 52,121  | 49,569  |
| Costs of production                          | Notes 7, 12      | -33,028 | -31,206 | -30,988 |
| Gross income                                 |                  | 21,036  | 20,915  | 18,581  |
| Selling, administrative, and R&D expenses    | Notes 7, 12      | -16,326 | -14,887 | -15,045 |
| Other operating revenues and operating costs | Notes 8, 12      | 8,493   | -805    | 4,388   |
| Share of earnings in associated companies    | Notes 11, 37, 38 | -1,197  | 723     | -704    |
| Operating income                             | Notes 37, 38     | 12,006  | 5,946   | 7,220   |
| Financial revenues and expenses              | Note 13          | -289    | 34      | -77     |
| Income after financial items                 |                  | 11,717  | 5,980   | 7,143   |
| Taxes  | Note 14          | -1,447  | -1,754  | -2,092  |
| Minority shares in income for the year       |                  | 8       | -4      | -40     |
| Net income                                   |                  | 10,278  | 4,222   | 5,011   |
| Earnings per share (SEK)                     | Note 21          | 3.50    | 1.48    | 1.76    |
|  |                  |         |         |         |

### Quarterly Data

| 2000  | Q1     | Q2     | Q3     | Q4        | Total  |
|---|--------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Net sales                                       | 12,857 | 13,180 | 13,487 | 14,540    | 54,064 |
| Underlying EBITDA (Notes 37, 38)                | 3,260  | 2,857  | 3,180  | 3,790     | 13,087 |
| Non-recurring items and pensions (Notes 37, 38) | 1,316  | 201    | -116   | 6,937     | 8,338  |
| Share of earnings in associated companies       | 642    | -710   | -759   | -370      | -1,197 |
| EBITDA  | 5,218  | 2,348  | 2,305  | 10,357    | 20,228 |
| Operating income                                | 3,382  | 488    | 206    | 7,930     | 12,006 |
| Income after financial items                    | 3,436  | 356    | 267    | 7,658     | 11,717 |
| Net income                                      | 2,390  | 308    | 172    | 7,408     | 10,278 |
| Earnings per share (SEK)                        | 0.84   | 0.10   | 0.06   | 2.47      | 3.50   |
| 1999  | Q1     | Q2     | Q3     | Q4        | Total  |
| Net sales                                       | 12,397 | 13,066 | 11,771 | 14,887    | 52,121 |
| Underlying EBITDA (Notes 37, 38)                | 3,634  | 3,616  | 3,466  | 3,343     | 14,059 |
| Non-recurring items and pensions (Notes 37, 38) | -542   | -362   | -273   | <b>-7</b> | -1,184 |
| Share of earnings in associated companies       | -564   | 227    | -153   | 1,213     | 723    |
| EBITDA  | 2,528  | 3,481  | 3,040  | 4,549     | 13,598 |
| Operating income                                | 682    | 1,609  | 1,150  | 2,505     | 5,946  |
| Income after financial items                    | 682    | 1,609  | 1,244  | 2,445     | 5,980  |
| Net income                                      | 480    | 1,118  | 869    | 1,755     | 4,222  |
| Earnings per share (SEK)                        | 0.17   | 0.39   | 0.30   | 0.62      | 1.48   |
| 1998  | Q1     | Q2     | Q3     | Q4        | Total  |
| Net sales                                       | 11,338 | 12,496 | 11,871 | 13,864    | 49,569 |
| Underlying EBITDA (Notes 37, 38)                | 3,193  | 3,396  | 3,393  | 3,327     | 13,309 |
| Non-recurring items and pensions (Notes 37, 38) | -418   | 1,961  | 703    | -485      | 1,761  |
| Share of earnings in associated companies       | -221   | -84    | -395   | -4        | -704   |
| EBITDA  | 2,554  | 5,273  | 3,701  | 2,838     | 14,366 |
| Operating income                                | 742    | 3,466  | 1,897  | 1,115     | 7,220  |
| Income after financial items                    | 688    | 3,469  | 1,892  | 1,094     | 7,143  |
| Net income                                      | 487    | 2,415  | 1,299  | 810       | 5,011  |
| Earnings per share (SEK)                        | 0.17   | 0.85   | 0.46   | 0.28      | 1.76   |

# **Group Performance Analysis**

### Sales

Consolidated net sales rose by 3.7 percent from the preceding year. The increase was 4.5 percent for comparable units. Fourth-quarter sales increased by 3.5 percent. Growth was fueled primarily by strong sales increases in mobile telephony and vigorous demand in the international carrier business and Swedish network wholesaling. Prices were lowered by an average of 6.7 percent during the year, meaning that consolidated sales volume rose by 12 percent for comparable units.

The number of mobile telephony customers in the Nordic region increased by an impressive 60 percent (1,712,000 new customers), from 2,841,000 to 4,553,000. The acquisition of NetCom ASA in Norway accounted for 773,000 of the new customers. Net sales of mobile telephony climbed 42 percent during the year due to the burgeoning customer base. The fourth-quarter increase was 48 percent. Excluding NetCom ASA, sales growth was 21 percent for the year and 14 percent for the fourth quarter.

Deregulation of the European market and higher Internet usage are stimulating demand for transport of telephony and IP-based services in the global carrier market. Net sales in the international carrier business rose by 32 percent during the year to MSEK 2,823. Fourth-quarter sales surged by 46 percent to MSEK 888.

### **Business Ratios**

| Percent                  | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|
| Sales growth             | 3.7  | 5.1  | 8.6  |
| volume change            | 11.2 | 11.3 | 11.0 |
| price change             | -6.7 | -5.5 | -2.2 |
| Underlying EBITDA margin | 24.2 | 27.0 | 26.8 |
| Operating margin         | 22.2 | 11.4 | 14.6 |
| Earnings per share (SEK) | 3.50 | 1.48 | 1.76 |

Deep price cuts (8.4 percent) and stiffer competition caused a 9.4 percent decline in sales of fixed telephony during the year in the Swedish retail market. Strong measures taken to regain customers combined with the effects of the carrier preselect reform that are now evident in the comparative figures stopped the decline in fourth-quarter net sales at 7.1 percent.

The decline in retail revenues was partially compensated through higher wholesale sales. Sales of network capacity and network services to outside operators and service providers rose by 62 percent during the year. At 30 percent, the increase was somewhat lower in the fourth quarter, due to the effects of the carrier preselect reform now evident in the comparative figures.

Demand for Internet access continued to climb. The number of Internet customers in the fixed network increased during the year from 599,000 to 714,000 in the Swedish market, accompanied by a 27.1 percent jump in net sales to MSEK 1,390. The fourth-quarter increase in net sales was 34.5 percent.

Demand for broadband was strong. As of year-end, the general agreements closed with rental property owners, building cooperatives and homeowners represented potential connection of

822,000 households to the fixed network. As the year drew to a close, there were 40,000 paying customers connected to Telia ADSL and LAN solutions.

### Net Sales per Business Area and Product Segment

|                           | 2000<br>MSEK | Chg<br>% | 1999<br>MSEK | 1998<br>MSEK |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|--------------|--------------|
| Mobile                    |              |          |              |              |
| Mobile telephony          | 11,318       | 42.0     | 7,971        | 6,734        |
| Other                     | 766          | 11.8     | 685          | 840          |
|                           | 12,084       | 39.6     | 8,656        | 7,574        |
| Carrier & Networks        |              |          |              |              |
| International Carrier     | 2,823        | 32.1     | 2,137        | 1,234        |
| Network wholesaling,      |              |          |              |              |
| Nordic countries          | 3,143        | 43.5     | 2,191        | 2,437        |
|                           | 5,966        | 37.8     | 4,328        | 3,671        |
| Business/People Solutions |              |          |              |              |
| Fixed telephony           | 20,777       | -10.1    | 23,115       | 23,110       |
| Leased lines              | 1,582        | 1.4      | 1,560        | 1,429        |
| Data communications       | 1,815        | -10.1    | 2,020        | 1,678        |
| Internet                  | 1,460        | 16.3     | 1,255        | 904          |
| Other                     | 2,459        | 3.1      | 2,384        | 2,632        |
|                           | 28,093       | -7.4     | 30,334       | 29,753       |
| Enterprises               | 7,811        | -11.0    | 8,778        | 8,546        |
| Group-wide                | 110          | n/a      | 25           | 25           |
| Total                     | 54,064       | 3.7      | 52,121       | 49,569       |

As of year-end, Telia's cable television company, com hem, had agreements in place for the sale of 346,000 broadband connections through the cable television network. Some 193,000 customers were connected by the end of the year, including 22,000 with Internet subscriptions.

In the Enterprises business area, where a great many businesses were sold during the year, net sales increased by 11 percent for comparable units.

## Earnings Underlying EBITDA

To show the trend in earnings in the Group's majority-owned core operations, the term "underlying EBITDA" is used, which describes income before depreciation and amortization, excluding non-recurring items and earnings from associated companies.

Underlying EBITDA for the year was MSEK 13,087, which is a decline of 6.9 percent.

There was a strong 13 percent increase in underlying EBITDA in the fourth quarter, however, evidence that the third-quarter improvement in profitability is continuing.

Strong customer growth in mobile telephony in the Nordic countries entailed higher customer acquisition costs. Development of new services in Sweden, particularly investments in broadband access and services for the consumer market, also encumbered income, as did expansion in the global carrier market, since Telia is now building wholly owned networks in Europe and the United States.

Vigorous efficiency measures and higher wholesale sales resulted in higher margins for the year for the company's traditional business, fixed telephony services in Sweden, despite considerable price reductions and stiffer competition in the retail markets for Business Solutions and People Solutions. Underlying EBITDA could consequently be maintained at the 1999 level. The profit margin was further reinforced in the fourth quarter, when underlying EBITDA increased.

### **Underlying EBITDA and Operating Income**

| , ,  |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| MSEK                                       | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
| Mobile                                     | 3,353  | 3,507  | 2,539  |
| Carrier & Networks                         | 7,679  | 7,872  | 8,655  |
| Business Solutions                         | 1,171  | 1,192  | 1,009  |
| People Solutions                           | 855    | 1,694  | 1,277  |
| Enterprises                                | 1,760  | 2,501  | 2,104  |
| Group-wide                                 | -1,731 | -2,707 | -2,275 |
| Total underlying EBITDA                    | 13,087 | 14,059 | 13,309 |
| Depreciation, amortization and write-downs | -8,222 | -7,652 | -7,146 |
| Non-recurring items and pensions           | 8,338  | -1,184 | 1,761  |
| Share of earnings in associated companies  | -1,197 | 723    | -704   |
| Operating income                           | 12,006 | 5,946  | 7,220  |

The decline in underlying EBITDA in the Enterprises business area is due to the divestiture of certain operations, primarily through the initial public offering of Eniro. The decline in underlying EBITDA for comparable units was approximately 6 percent.

The sharp reduction in Group-wide costs is attributable to the conclusion of projects during the year, cutbacks in consultant services, and more extensive allocation of costs for Group projects to the business areas.

### **Earnings from Associated Companies**

Earnings from associated companies during the year totaled MSEK –1,197, compared with the preceding year's earnings of MSEK 723. The loss is mainly attributable to Tess in Brazil and Eircom in Ireland.

Share of Earnings in Associated Companies

| MSEK                                      | 2000   | 1999   | 1998 |
|---|--------|--------|------|
| Netia Holdings (Business Solutions)       | -411   | -327   | -165 |
| Baltic states (Mobile/Business Solutions) | 190    | 139    | 82   |
| Unisource/AUCS (Business Solutions)       | 1,445  | 1,534  | -588 |
| Comsource/Eircom (Business Solutions)     | -933   | 409    | 148  |
| Telia Overseas (Enterprises)              | -1,719 | -1,347 | -78  |
| Eniro (Enterprises)                       | 185    | _      | _    |
| Other associated companies                | 46     | 315    | -103 |
| Total                                     | -1,197 | 723    | -704 |

*Netia.* The company is in a build-up phase. The customer base demonstrated unabated strong growth throughout the year. The decline in earnings is attributable mainly to Telia having increased its stake in the company and to exchange rate effects. The company is sharpening its focus on business customers in order to improve profitability.

Baltic states. The mobile operators in the Baltic states and north-western Russia are demonstrating strong growth in customer base and earnings. The total customer base swelled by 383,000 to 1,159,000 during the year. Fixed network operators in the Baltic states are preparing for future competition by rebalancing rates, developing IP-based services, and implementing efficiency measures.

*Unisource/AUCS*. Earnings for the past two years are chiefly attributable to capital gains in connection with liquidation of companies within Unisource.

Eircom. The net result includes the costs of restructuring the company (MSEK -475). Telia intends to sell its interest in the company and to support Vodafone's bid to acquire Eircom's mobile company Eircell.

Telia Overseas. The decline in earnings is attributable chiefly to the mobile operator Tess, which is in a build-up phase. Directly and indirectly via Telia Overseas, Telia increased its share of equity in the company from 44.9 to 60.8 percent during the year. However, Telia does not have a sole controlling majority of votes, so the company has not been consolidated. A Letter of Intent was signed by the parties in early 2001 on the sale of Tess to Telecom Americas.

*Eniro*. Following the initial public offering in October 2000, Eniro carried out a number of acquisitions in Germany, Russia, and elsewhere, all within the framework of its growth strategy.

### Non-recurring Items

Non-recurring items had a favorable impact on consolidated operating income in the amount of MSEK 8,338 (MSEK –1,184). Non-recurring items include capital gains of MSEK 7,856, of which MSEK 6,020 from the market listing of Eniro. Common pension commitments totaled MSEK 854, including a refund from SPP in the amount of MSEK 518. The remainder consists of the effects of revaluation of certain pension commitments.

### Operating Income/Net Income

Consolidated operating income increased during the year from MSEK 5,946 to MSEK 12,006.

Consolidated net income after financial income and expense, taxes, and minority shares rose to MSEK 10,278 compared with MSEK 4,222 in the preceding year.

Earnings per share increased from SEK 1.48 to SEK 3.50.

## Performance Analysis per Business Area

### Mobile Business Area

The number of mobile telephone customers in the Nordic countries rose enormously, from 2,841,000 to 4,553,000, including 773,000 gained through the acquisition of NetCom ASA, further reinforcing Telia's market position. The company began preparing during the year to offer GPRS services in the entire Nordic market.

| MSEK                      | 2000   | 1999   | 1998  |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Net sales                 | 14,276 | 10,714 | 9,767 |
| of which external         | 12,084 | 8,656  | 7,574 |
| Underlying EBITDA         | 3,353  | 3,507  | 2,539 |
| Operating income          | 1,571  | 2,458  | 1,498 |
| Investments               | 25,814 | 1,318  | 2,193 |
| Sweden                    |        |        |       |
| Net sales                 | 11,354 | 10,009 | 9,299 |
| of which external         | 9,242  | 7,971  | 7,179 |
| Underlying EBITDA         | 3,801  | 4,040  | 3,342 |
| Investments               | 1,229  | 909    | 811   |
| of which mobile telephony |        |        |       |
| Net sales                 | 10,904 | 9,645  | 8,977 |
| of which external         | 8,871  | 7,556  | 6,719 |
| Underlying EBITDA         | 4,011  | 3,970  | 3,218 |
| Investments               | 1,108  | 845    | 782   |
| Norway                    |        |        |       |
| Net sales                 | 1,669  | _      | _     |
| of which external         | 1,655  | _      | _     |
| Underlying EBITDA         | 472    | -9     | -99   |
| Investments               | 23,267 | _      | 1     |
| Finland                   |        |        |       |
| Net sales                 | 763    | 348    | 291   |
| of which external         | 760    | 340    | 290   |
| Underlying EBITDA         | -458   | -262   | -187  |
| Investments               | 274    | 104    | 25    |
| Denmark                   |        |        |       |
| Net sales                 | 490    | 357    | 177   |
| of which external         | 428    | 345    | 105   |
| Underlying EBITDA         | -451   | -262   | -517  |
| Investments               | 246    | 263    | 669   |

Vigorous customer growth resulted in a 40 percent increase in external net sales during the year. Excluding NetCom ASA, the increase was 20 percent. Fourth-quarter growth, excluding NetCom, was 12 percent.

Major developmental initiatives coupled with the costs of customer acquisition resulted in a moderate decline in underlying EBITDA during the year.

Shares in earnings from associated companies were MSEK 111 (MSEK 108) for the year. Associated companies in the Baltic states and northwestern Russia increased their total customer base from 776,000 to 1,159,000 during the year.

Operating income for the business area was MSEK 1,571, compared with MSEK 2,458 the year before. The result reflects amortization of goodwill in the amount of MSEK 450 following the acquisition of NetCom ASA.

Investments amounted to MSEK 25,814, including MSEK 22,758 to acquire NetComASA. Other investments were mainly devoted to expansion of capacity in existing networks and preparations for GPRS and UMTS.

Mobile's strong position in the Nordic and Baltic regions and large customer base are shaping opportunities for synergy and economies of scale, affecting network expansion and service development alike. Efforts to coordinate the billing systems were begun during the year.

### Sweden - Mobile Telephony

External sales rose by 17 percent for the Swedish mobile telephony business to MSEK 8,871. The increase is attributable to strong customer growth, higher traffic volume per customer, and low churn. The number of GSM customers increased by 728,000 to 3,076,000.

Usage of SMS, which is the gateway to more sophisticated mobile data services, increased by more than 300 percent to 185 million messages. Demand for DOF service rose as well, with the number of subscriptions climbing from 23,000 to 56,000 in the course of the year.

Prices were cut 6 percent during the year. Lower prices and the burgeoning customer base, with a larger percentage of prepaid card customers, caused a softening of monthly average revenue per user (ARPU) from SEK 332 to SEK 308.

The business area cut back on marketing activities towards the end of the year and lowered discounts for terminals. Customer growth weakened slightly as a result and fourth-quarter sales growth peaked at 11 percent, compared with the same period in the preceding year. There was also a slight decline in traffic volume per user during the period. ARPU for the fourth quarter was SEK 303, compared with SEK 304 in the third quarter.

Underlying EBITDA in Sweden was essentially unchanged from 1999. For the fourth quarter, underlying EBITDA was MSEK 1,234 compared with MSEK 1,284 the preceding year.

Compared with the third quarter, the fourth-quarter margin improved from 37 percent to 42, primarily attributable to lower customer acquisition costs. A non-subsidized subscription, Mobitel Fri, was launched during the year.

Efficiency measures have been implemented, aimed at strengthening profitability in the Swedish operations.

The GSM network in Sweden was upgraded during the year with High Speed Circuit Switched Data (HSCSD) as a step on the path towards development of tomorrow's sophisticated mobile services.

As previously announced, the analog mobile NMT 900 network was closed for traffic in late 2000. However, the business area is still running NMT 450, which has certain advantages by virtue of its superior coverage in sparsely populated and coastal areas.

### Sweden, Other Business

In addition to mobile telephony, Swedish operations include contractor services for coastal and maritime radio and other miscellaneous services such as paging. The Swedish operations were charged

with costs for projects and joint ventures run by the New Business unit aimed at developing new business concepts for mobile communications.

### **Other Nordic Countries**

Positive trends for the Norwegian mobile operator NetCom ASA remain unbroken. External net sales rose by 7.9 percent in the fourth quarter, accompanied by a rise in the number of GSM customers from 810,000 to 850,000. ARPU sagged in the fourth quarter from NOK 329 to NOK 310 compared with the third quarter. In addition to its own customers, NetCom ASA also has 50,000 indirect customers through service providers that use the NetCom network. SMS message volume surged by more than 90 percent to reach 311 million during the year.

The customer base in Denmark increased during the year by 127,000 to 297,000 and external net sales rose 24 percent compared with the preceding year. The number of customers in Finland increased by 116,000 to 149,000, generating a jump in net sales for mobile telephony from MSEK 70 to MSEK 364. The retail outlet business in Finland increased from MSEK 270 to MSEK 396 as a result of shop acquisitions. High customer acquisition costs held down earnings in both countries. In order to ensure full nationwide coverage in Denmark and thereby attract more customers, the business area applied for and obtained a GSM 900 license. In Finland, a roaming agreement with Radiolinja has enabled the business area to offer nationwide coverage for its GSM services.

Carrier & Networks Business Area

| MSEK                  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net sales             | 25,861 | 25,889 | 25,647 |
| of which external     | 5,966  | 4,328  | 3,671  |
| Underlying EBITDA     | 7,679  | 7,872  | 8,655  |
| Operating income      | 3,414  | 3,083  | 3,809  |
| Investments           | 10,916 | 4,970  | 3,761  |
| International Carrier |        |        |        |
| Net sales             | 4,033  | 3,466  | 2,142  |
| of which external     | 2,823  | 2,137  | 1,234  |
| Underlying EBITDA     | -471   | 679    | 412    |
| Investments           | 6,576  | 1,009  | 82     |
| Network wholesaling,  |        |        |        |
| Nordic countries      |        |        |        |
| Net sales             | 21,828 | 22,423 | 23,505 |
| of which external     | 3,143  | 2,191  | 2,437  |
| Underlying EBITDA     | 8,150  | 7,193  | 8,243  |
| Investments           | 4,340  | 3,961  | 3,679  |

### International Carrier

The Viking Network – Telia's international fiber optic carrier network – was further expanded during the year.

In Europe, the fiber optic network's reach was extended from 4,070 to 13,000 kilometers, while ducts were extended from 1,900 to 5,300 kilometers. Several routes have been rolled out.

Swaps with two American operators during the year gave Telia

access to an 18,000-kilometer-long fiber optic network in the United States. The network is now being equipped with IP routers and wavelength capacity. The first route between New York and Miami was rolled out in early 2001.

Points of Presence (POP) were expanded from 27 to 52.

External net sales rose 32 percent during the year. Telephony transport increased by 50 percent, while IP transport, which is expected to become one of the two major products along with leasing of IP capacity, climbed by an impressive 270 percent. Fourthquarter net sales in the international carrier business rose by 46 percent, compared with the corresponding period in the preceding year.

Agreements on infrastructure sales worth MSEK 3,600 were signed during the year. Also closed were a number of agreements on capacity sales worth a total of MSEK 800. In terms of cash flow, payment is received when the facilities are deployed. Payments totaling MSEK 900 were received during the year. Revenues are accrued over the term of the agreement, which is 20 years as a rule. The equivalent value of swaps with other operators is MSEK 2,600. Collocation and service agreements worth MSEK 3,400 were also signed in connection with swaps and sales of infrastructure and capacity.

The international carrier business is in an early stage of development with costs for establishing local technology and sales companies on the domestic markets, and Points of Presence (POP) for connecting customers as well as license fees, all of which encumber earnings.

Underlying EBITDA was MSEK –471 for the year.

Investments amounted to MSEK 6,576. The majority of investments were for fiber duct installation, fiber optic cables and wavelength capacity.

### Network Wholesaling, Nordic Countries

The nationwide fiber optic carrier network in Sweden was expanded during the year at a rate of 40,000 kilometers of fiber pairs per month, while simultaneously achieving a substantial increase in the percentage of fiber closest to the customer. There are now complete fiber optic infrastructures in 121 Swedish cities.

The national IP network, which is undergoing rapid construction, was accessible in 41 municipalities as of year-end. An automatic ADSL delivery system has been built up in order to meet vigorous demand for broadband.

The network wholesaling business in Sweden is run under the Skanova brand. Sales in the other Nordic countries are under the Telia brand.

Sales to external operators and service providers of telephony, IP traffic, data communications and network capacity demonstrated unabated strong growth. External net sales in Sweden, Skanova's main market, were MSEK 2,874, an increase of 62 percent compared with the preceding year. Volume growth was 80 percent. The fourth-quarter increase in net sales to external customers was somewhat lower, at 30 percent. The slower rate of growth is due to the impact

of the carrier preselect reform passed in autumn 1999, which is now evident in the comparison period as well.

Sales to other Telia business areas declined by 7 percent. Weaker internal sales were compensated for mainly through dramatically higher external sales. Skanova's total net sales were MSEK 21,828 for the year, which is on the same level as for the preceding year.

Vigorous efficiency measures and higher external sales served to improve underlying EBITDA by 13 percent to MSEK 8,150. Fourth-quarter earnings rose by 40.0 percent to MSEK 2,244.

Operating income increased from MSEK 2,524 to MSEK 4,150. Investments during the year amounted to MSEK 4,340. Substantial initiatives were devoted to developing the networks in Sweden, aimed chiefly at improving the infrastructure from a circuit-switched network to a packet oriented network, which is more cost-efficient and better equipped to meet market demand for broadband services.

### **Business Solutions Business Area**

The year at Business Solutions was focused on further refining and customizing the product line and achieving more effective marketing. Tremendous energy was devoted to integrating services for fixed and mobile telephony, voice, and data on IP-based platforms. New broadband solutions were deployed during the year, including a Virtual Private IP-based Network, IP-VPN.

Business Solutions is the dominating broadband player in the Swedish market. Net sales for broadband services were approximately MSEK 2,000 for the year.

| MSEK              | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net sales         | 15,531 | 17,433 | 17,388 |
| of which external | 11,241 | 12,403 | 11,805 |
| Underlying EBITDA | 1,171  | 1,192  | 1,009  |
| Operating income  | 1,602  | 2,218  | -196   |
| Investments       | 3,063  | 3,066  | 2,892  |
| Sweden            |        |        |        |
| Net sales         | 14,660 | 16,121 | 16,065 |
| of which external | 10,434 | 11,022 | 10,608 |
| Underlying EBITDA | 1,434  | 1,562  | 1,490  |
| Investments       | 658    | 330    | 702    |

External sales for Business Solutions declined during the year by 7.1 percent for comparable units. The decline in the fourth quarter was at the same level. The decrease in revenues is attributable to substantial price reductions for fixed telephony in Sweden. Prices in Sweden were cut by 12 percent during the year.

Business Solutions compensated for the impact of price reductions on earnings through efficiency measures and higher sales of value added services such as TeleMöte, Centrex, and VCC (Virtual Call Centers), for which sales rose by 40 percent for the year. Underlying EBITDA remained level with 1999 and improved in the fourth quarter from MSEK 337 to MSEK 382. Improved profitability in the Danish business and divestiture of losing operations in Norway contributed to the favorable EBITDA trend.

Earnings from associated companies: fixed network operators in the Baltic region and Infonet, Unisource and Eircom, decreased during the period from MSEK 1,607 to MSEK 117. The decline is chiefly attributable to Eircom.

Business Solutions is reporting operating income of MSEK 1,602 after earnings from associated companies and non-recurring items. Non-recurring items, mainly capital gains from the sale of operations in Norway, amounted to MSEK 750. Non-recurring items totaled MSEK –218 in the preceding year.

### People Solutions Business Area

Customers are migrating from narrowband to broadband. A number of broadband services were launched during the year, mainly in the games and entertainment segment, as the first step towards development of a multi-portal for the Swedish consumer market.

People Solutions has achieved a very competitive market offering by slashing prices and simplifying its price structure.

| MSEK              | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net sales         | 18,337 | 19,150 | 19,512 |
| of which external | 16,852 | 17,931 | 17,948 |
| Underlying EBITDA | 855    | 1,694  | 1,277  |
| Operating income  | 1,288  | 1,170  | 898    |
| Investments       | 1,052  | 251    | 261    |
| Sweden            |        |        |        |
| Net sales         | 17,469 | 18,439 | 18,974 |
| of which external | 16,102 | 17,246 | 17,412 |
| Underlying EBITDA | 1,046  | 1,997  | 1,484  |
| Investments       | 807    | 86     | 74     |

Price reductions and the impact of the carrier preselect reform led to a decline in external net sales of 5.6 percent for comparable units in the business area. The fourth-quarter decline was 0.8 percent. Net sales of fixed telephony in Sweden, which accounts for approximately 85 percent of People Solutions' external net sales, sagged during the year by 8.4 percent, mainly due to price reductions. The decline was substantially less in the fourth quarter, at 4.7 percent. Measures designed to instill customer loyalty and win back former customers produced results at the same time that the impact of the carrier preselect reform was manifested in comparative figures. The company believes the general price structure will now begin to stabilize.

Demand for Internet access remained strong in the Swedish market. External net sales climbed by 27 percent. A service was launched mid-year that allows Duocom customers to add a 64 kbit/s channel to their subscriptions.

External sales in Denmark rose 37 percent to MSEK 677 as a result of higher sales of fixed telephony and cable television and the business area's takeover of small business customers from Business Solutions. In Finland, net sales decreased as a result of weaker growth and substantial price cuts.

Underlying EBITDA decreased during the year from MSEK 1,694 to MSEK 855. Fourth-quarter underlying EBITDA totaled MSEK 244

compared to MSEK 333 year on year. Cost reductions and increased sales of value added services and Internet did not fully compensate for the price reductions for fixed telephony and the effects of the carrier preselect reform. Extensive initiatives in the development of broadband services were entered on the income statement with a concomitant impact on earnings.

The upgrading of the cable television network in Denmark to provide high speed Internet service, combined with higher costs for customer service and billing in telephony operations, caused a moderate decline in underlying EBITDA. Earnings improved during the year for the Finnish operations.

Earnings from the associated companies Scandinavia Online AB (SOL) and Chili A/S, which both operate portals, improved during the year from MSEK –26 to MSEK 86.

Operating income for People Solutions improved during the year from MSEK 1,170 to MSEK 1,288, mainly due to capital gains of MSEK 527 from the sale of operations in Norway and the cable television business in Estonia.

Concerted efforts were made during the year to streamline customer service in order to reduce costs and simultaneously improve service by providing a more extensive range of self-service options via www.telia.se, Mina Sidor ("My Pages"), and automated customer service by phone.

The monthly fee for basic telephone service for consumers in Sweden is being raised by SEK 20, effective 1 March 2001.

### **Enterprises Business Area**

Companies that do not belong to the Group's core business, and which will be divested wholly or partially, have been organized under Enterprises. The following companies were divested during the year: Telia Contracting, Telia Kompetens, Telia Konferens, IN good company, Svefo, Telia Academy, Smålandsbörsen, Starman Kaabeltelevisiooni, the Danish Telia System & Service, along with parts of Telia's remaining real estate holdings. Participations in Egmont Online and ADC Telecommunications were also sold. Telia Trading was divested in early 2001.

Eniro AB was listed on the O list of the OM Stockholm Exchange in October. The total issue was 75,150,000 shares, representing 50.1 percent of the capital in Eniro. The IPO price was set at SEK 84 per share. Telia received MSEK 6,114 from the sale, and capital gains totaled MSEK 6,020. The company exercised its over-allotment option and brought its share of equity down to 49.1 percent.

The divestitures led to a decline in net sales for Enterprises during the year. External net sales increased for comparable units by 11 percent. The fourth-quarter increase was 7 percent. The largest growth was achieved in the units Swedia Networks (network construction), com hem (Swedish cable television business), DRS (call center), and Telia Finans.

| MSEK              | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net sales         | 22,565 | 21,767 | 21,752 |
| of which external | 7,811  | 8,778  | 8,546  |
| Underlying EBITDA | 1,760  | 2,501  | 2,104  |
| Operating income  | 5,373  | 335    | 5,932  |
| Investments       | 7,048  | 2,540  | 2,582  |

Underlying EBITDA declined to MSEK 1,760, primarily due to the IPO of Eniro. The decline in underlying EBITDA for comparable units was approximately 6 percent. The decline is in large part attributable to developmental initiatives in com hem made to upgrade the cable television network for broadband. As of the end of the year, 193,000 broadband customers had been connected.

Underlying EBITDA improved in Swedia Networks and ProSoft (IT consulting services).

The result from associated companies was MSEK -1,497 compared with MSEK -959 in the preceding year. The Brazilian mobile operator Tess impacted earnings by MSEK -1,630 (MSEK -1,278), while Eniro contributed MSEK 185 in 2000.

A Letter of Intent was signed by the parties in early 2001 on the sale of Tess to Telecom Americas. Tess increased its customer base in 2000 by 594,000 to 939,000.

Operating income for Enterprises, which increased greatly during the year, was affected by non-recurring items, mainly capital gains from the IPO of Eniro totaling MSEK 6,174. Net non-recurring items in 1999 were MSEK –7.

The business area's investments increased to MSEK 7,048, primarily due to an increase in the company's stake in Tess (MSEK 4,131). Investments in com hem during the year totaled MSEK 678.

# Group Balance Sheets

| MSEK   |              | 2000    | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Assets   |              |         |        |        |
| Intangible fixed assets                          | Note 15      | 25,198  | 2,146  | 1,844  |
| Tangible fixed assets                            | Note 16      | 43,807  | 33,318 | 34,801 |
| Financial fixed assets                           | Note 17      | 22,335  | 18,023 | 12,553 |
| Total fixed assets                               |              | 91,340  | 53,487 | 49,198 |
| Inventories etc.                                 | Note 18      | 773     | 971    | 946    |
| Receivables                                      | Note 19      | 29,072  | 20,369 | 16,451 |
| Short-term investments                           | Note 20      | 178     | 1,264  | 202    |
| Cash and bank deposits                           |              | 1,352   | 513    | 481    |
| Total current assets                             |              | 31,375  | 23,117 | 18,080 |
| Total assets                                     |              | 122,715 | 76,604 | 67,278 |
| Equity and liabilities                           |              |         |        |        |
| Restricted equity                                |              |         |        |        |
| Share capital                                    |              | 9,604   | 8,800  | 8,800  |
| Restricted reserves                              |              | 34,143  | 18,442 | 18,343 |
| Non-restricted equity                            |              |         |        |        |
| Non-restricted reserves                          |              | 1,963   | 1,429  | -2,810 |
| Net income                                       |              | 10,278  | 4,222  | 5,011  |
| Total equity                                     |              | 55,988  | 32,893 | 29,344 |
| Minority interest in equity                      |              | 320     | 210    | 210    |
| Provisions for pensions and employment contracts | Note 22      | 3,525   | 3,246  | 1,733  |
| Deferred tax liability, other provisions         | Note 23      | 7,826   | 7,242  | 6,002  |
| Total provisions                                 |              | 11,351  | 10,488 | 7,735  |
| Interest-bearing liabilities                     |              |         |        |        |
| Long-term loans                                  | Notes 24, 30 | 20,876  | 9,123  | 6,491  |
| Short-term loans                                 | Notes 25, 30 | 13,166  | 6,934  | 7,062  |
| Non-interest-bearing liabilities                 |              |         |        |        |
| Long-term liabilities                            | Note 26      | 1,029   | 162    | 114    |
| Current liabilities                              | Note 27      | 19,985  | 16,794 | 16,322 |
| Total liabilities                                |              | 55,056  | 33,013 | 29,989 |
| Total equity and liabilities                     |              | 122,715 | 76,604 | 67,278 |
| Contingent assets                                | Note 31      | _       | 541    | _      |
| Collateral pledged                               | Note 31      | 12      | 76     | 69     |
| Contingent liabilities                           | Note 31      | 1,350   | 1,616  | 1,103  |

# Comments to the Group Balance Sheets

The Group is in a healthy financial position. During the year, new shares were issued and NetCom ASA was acquired. The balance sheet total thereby increased greatly, and the asset turnover rate as well as the interest coverage ratio decreased from the preceding year.

| Business Ratios                | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Growth in total assets (%)     | 60.2 | 13.9 | 2.1  |
| Asset turnover rate (multiple) | 0.54 | 0.72 | 0.74 |
| Current ratio (multiple)       | 0.95 | 0.97 | 0.77 |
| Equity/assets ratio (%)        | 44.4 | 41.0 | 41.5 |

Fixed assets rose sharply during the year through the acquisition of NetCom, expansion of the international carrier network, and continued investments in associated companies.

Fixed assets increased to 74 percent (70 percent) of total assets by year-end. The proportion of tangible assets in total assets in particular is declining, as a result of technical advances that push down the price/capacity ratio, shorter depreciation schedules, and the divestiture of non-strategic assets.

Current assets were nearly 36 percent higher than year-end 1999. New loans to associated companies for the acquisition of additional shares in Eircom as well as shorter customer financing agreement periods and greater tax benefits were the main factors behind the upward surge.

Despite the divestiture of the directory operations, the fourth quarter still represented the largest proportion of sales. Accounts receivable from customers thereby rose somewhat and totaled MSEK 10,896 (10,637), equal to 16.1 percent (16.3 percent) of net sales adjusted for value-added tax. Including accruals and deferrals, total accounts receivable from customers ended at MSEK 13,949 (13,867). Bad debt expense increased, to MSEK 442 (332), corresponding to 0.8 percent (0.6 percent) of net sales.

Non-interest-bearing provisions increased owing to higher provisions for taxes. The rise in operating liabilities was mainly attributable to advance invoicing to customers, in addition to accounts payable which rose to MSEK 6,028 (4,181).

### Capital Employed and Operating Capital

| Capital Employed and Operating Capital |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|
| MSEK                                   | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    | 1997    | 1996    |  |  |
| Fixed assets                           | 91,340  | 53,487  | 49,198  | 49,471  | 47,399  |  |  |
| Current assets Non-interest-bearing    | 31,375  | 23,117  | 18,080  | 16,439  | 15,116  |  |  |
| liabilities                            | -21,014 | -16,956 | -16,436 | -13,042 | -13,901 |  |  |
| Non-interest-bearing<br>provisions     | -7,826  | -7,242  | -6,002  | -5,329  | -4,042  |  |  |
| Non-interest-bearing                   |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| financing                              | -28,840 | -24,198 |         | -18,371 | -17,943 |  |  |
| Proposed dividend                      | -1,501  | -1,470  | -1,400  | -1,210  | -1,152  |  |  |
| Total capital employed                 | 92,374  | 50,936  | 43,440  | 46,329  | 43,420  |  |  |
| Equity                                 | 55,988  | 32,893  | 29,344  | 25,487  | 24,413  |  |  |
| Less proposed dividend                 | -1,501  | -1,470  | -1,400  | -1,210  | -1,152  |  |  |
| Minority capital                       | 320     | 210     | 210     | 306     | 218     |  |  |
| Long-term interest-                    |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| bearing liabilities                    | 20,876  | 9,123   | 6,491   | 7,082   | 4,424   |  |  |
| Current interest-                      |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| bearing liabilities                    | 13,166  | 6,934   | 7,062   | 7,731   | 5,413   |  |  |
| Provisions for pensions                | 3,525   | 3,246   | 1,733   | 6,933   | 10,104  |  |  |
| External financing                     | 37,567  | 19,303  | 15,286  | 21,746  | 19,941  |  |  |
| Total financing                        | 92,374  | 50,936  | 43,440  | 46,329  | 43,420  |  |  |
| Shares and participations              |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| in companies outside                   |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| the Group                              | -634    | -527    | -800    | -1,176  | -1,081  |  |  |
| Interest-bearing accounts              |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| receivable and other                   |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| interest-bearing assets                | -16,698 | -11,249 | -7,719  | -5,961  | -5,326  |  |  |
| Operating capital                      |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
| (Notes 37, 38)                         | 75,042  | 39,160  | 34,921  | 39,192  | 37,013  |  |  |

# Group Cash Flow Statements

| MSEK   |              | 2000    | 1999    | 1998   |
|--|--------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Net income   |              | 10,278  | 4,222   | 5,011  |
| Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs                      |              | 8,323   | 7,661   | 7,153  |
| Capital gains/losses on sales/discards of fixed assets           |              | -8,223  | -568    | -5,444 |
| Income/Loss in associated companies                              |              | 1,357   | -226    | 1,158  |
| Pensions and other provisions                                    |              | -811    | 427     | 290    |
| Financial items  | Note 13      | 74      | 144     | -541   |
| Taxes  | Note 14      | -1,252  | 313     | 1,447  |
| Minority interest, miscellaneous non-cash items                  |              | -157    | 242     | 56     |
| Cash flow before change in working capital                       |              | 9,589   | 12,215  | 9,130  |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in operating receivables               |              | -2,185  | -1,616  | -1,018 |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in inventories etc.                    |              | -252    | -34     | 36     |
| Increase (+)/Decrease (-) in operating liabilities               |              | 3,000   | 150     | 2,153  |
| Change in working capital  |              | 563     | -1,500  | 1,171  |
| Cash flow from operating activities                              |              | 10,152  | 10,715  | 10,301 |
| Intangible and tangible fixed assets acquired                    |              | -15,997 | -7,887  | -7,663 |
| Intangible and tangible fixed assets divested                    |              | 603     | 1,092   | 1,451  |
| Compensation received for divested IRU                           |              | 263     | _       | _      |
| Compensation paid for acquired IRU                               |              | -332    | _       | _      |
| Shares, participations, and operations acquired                  | Note 17      | -30,841 | -4,426  | -4,115 |
| Shares, participations, and operations divested                  | Note 17      | 9,325   | 993     | 9,335  |
| Loans made and other investments                                 |              | -314    | -318    | -522   |
| Repayment of loans made and other investments                    |              | 248     | 51      | 76     |
| Investment in financial leasing receivables                      |              | -3,010  | -3,578  | -3,549 |
| Amortization of financial leasing receivables                    |              | 3,095   | 2,638   | 1,791  |
| Compensation from/Provisions to pension funds                    |              | 1,050   | 2,057   | -5,508 |
| Net change in advances and short-term loans to associated co     | mpanies etc. | -1,211  | -1,323  | -263   |
| Cash flow from investing activities                              |              | -37,121 | -10,701 | -8,967 |
| Operating cash flow  |              | -26,969 | 14      | 1,334  |
| Dividend   |              | -1,470  | -1,400  | -1,210 |
| New share issue  |              | 12,429  | _       | _      |
| Transactions with minority shareholders                          |              | 838     | 61      | 156    |
| Loans raised   |              | 8,905   | 2,711   | 109    |
| Loans amortized  |              | -159    | -70     | -696   |
| Net change in interest-bearing liabilities with short maturities |              | 6,275   | -297    | -660   |
| Cash flow from financing activities                              |              | 26,818  | 1,005   | -2,301 |
| Cash flow for the year   |              | -151    | 1,019   | -967   |
| Liquid funds, opening balance                                    |              | 1,575   | 543     | 1,445  |
| Cash flow for the year   |              | -151    | 1,019   | -967   |
| Exchange rate differences in liquid funds                        |              | 13      | 13      | 65     |
| Liquid funds, closing balance                                    | Note 20      | 1,437   | 1,575   | 543    |

## Comments to the Group Cash Flow Statements

Cash flow from operating activities was consistent with the preceding year. Operating cash flow sagged due to greatly increased net investments.

Investments were financed by external borrowing at good terms and by the new share issue, which raised MSEK 12,429 after issue expenses. Overall, the equity/assets ratio improved.

| MSEK                               | 2000    | 1999  | 1998  |
|------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|
| Net interest-bearing liability     | 20,235  | 7,527 | 6,767 |
| Net borrowings                     | 16,710  | 4,281 | 5,034 |
| average cost of loans (%)          | 2.90    | 0.10  | 1.63  |
| excluding customer financing (%)   | 3.51    | 6.86  | 6.85  |
| Debt/equity ratio                  | 0.37    | 0.24  | 0.24  |
| Interest coverage ratio (multiple) | 7.3     | 8.5   | 10.4  |
| Net cash flow                      | -12,708 | -760  | 7,842 |

Interest-bearing receivables increased to MSEK 16,698 (11,249), primarily through more lending to associated companies, which limited the expansion of operating capital.

### **Investing Activities**

Investments surged compared to the preceding year, chiefly as a result of goodwill in the MSEK 22,758 acquisition of NetCom. Greater initiatives were also made in the high-priority areas of mobile services, international carrier operations and the expansion of Swedish broadband. The regional distribution is described in Note 38 "Geographic Segment Breakdown." Certain investments were made by exchanging shares or converting claims (see Note 10 "Non-cash Transactions").

### Investments

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   | 1997   | 1996   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Goodwill                                   | 22,893 | 335    | 223    | 50     | 740    |
| Other intangible assets                    | 509    | 373    | 248    | 233    | 317    |
| Real estate                                | 552    | 53     | 370    | 1,478  | 477    |
| Machinery and equipment<br>Fixed telephony | 15,519 | 7,275  | 7,045  | 7,926  | 7,510  |
| installations<br>Mobile telephony          | 4,115  | 3,364  | 2,158  | 3,023  | 3,367  |
| installations<br>Other machinery           | 1,411  | 1,166  | 1,273  | 1,360  | 1,188  |
| and equipment                              | 9,993  | 2,745  | 3,614  | 3,543  | 2,955  |
| Shares and participations                  | 8,269  | 4,109  | 3,852  | 1,177  | 1,964  |
| Total (Notes 37, 38)                       | 47,742 | 12,145 | 11,738 | 10,864 | 11,008 |

Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs totaled MSEK 8,222 (7,652). No general changes in depreciation schedules were applied in 2000. Depreciation and amortization corresponded to 15 percent (15 percent) of net sales and 8 percent (10 percent) of the total acquisition value of fixed assets.

Heavy investments in shares and participations were made in the mobile operations in Brazil totaling MSEK 4,131 and in Russia totaling MSEK 700, in fixed network operations in Poland totaling MSEK 2,021 as well as MSEK 402 in the Scandinavia Online portal.

### **Financing Activities**

Limits for two open-market financing programs were raised during the year. The limit for Euro Medium Term Notes (EMTN) was raised by GUSD 1 to GUSD 2 and for Flexible Term Notes (FTN) by GSEK 4 to GSEK 12.

Two public loans totaling MEUR 800 were taken during the year in the EMTN program. The loans are long-term loans with a threeyear term to maturity (MEUR 500) and a five-year term to maturity (MEUR 300). Telia also took on additional long-term borrowing in the form of FTN bonds with terms to maturity between three and seven years. Short-term borrowing, including through the Group's Euro Commercial Paper Program, was also utilized during the year.

This increased borrowing was mainly a result of payments for the acquisition of NetCom ASA.

The Group's relative costs of borrowing (interest spread) increased during the latter half of the year as a consequence of the significant financing needs that arose in the telecom sector, primarily due to payment for UMTS licenses in Europe, which had a negative impact on the industry as a whole.

Change in Net Interest-bearing Liability

|   | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   | 1997   | 1996   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Opening balance<br>Increase (+)/Decrease (-)              | 7,527  | 6,767  | 14,609 | 13,534 | 12,065 |
| in long-term loans<br>Increase (+)/Decrease (-)           | 11,753 | 2,632  | -591   | 2,658  | 2,404  |
| in short-term loans<br>Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in       | 6,232  | -128   | -669   | 2,318  | 2,920  |
| interest-bearing receivables<br>Increase (–)/Decrease (+) | -5,803 | -2,163 | -2,258 | -299   | -426   |
| in short-term investments<br>Increase (–)/Decrease (+)    | 1,086  | -1,062 | 315    | -345   | 586    |
| in cash and bank deposits                                 | -839   | -32    | 561    | -87    | -371   |
| Change in net borrowings<br>Increase (+)/Decrease (-)     | 12,429 | -753   | -2,642 | 4,246  | 5,113  |
| in pension provisions                                     | 279    | 1,513  | -5,200 | -3,171 | -3,644 |
| Change in net interest-                                   |        |        |        |        |        |
| bearing liability   | 12,708 | 760    | -7,842 | 1,075  | 1,469  |
| Closing balance   | 20,235 | 7,527  | 6,767  | 14,609 | 13,534 |

# Statement of Changes in Group Equity

| MSEK  | Share<br>capital | Share<br>premium<br>reserve | Equity reserve | Other restricted reserves | Acc. exchange<br>rate diff.,<br>restricted<br>reserves | Non-<br>restricted<br>equity | Acc. exchange<br>rate diff.,<br>non-restricted<br>reserves | Total  |
|---|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|--------|
| Closing balance, 31 December 1997                     | 8,800            | 1,855                       | 346            | 12,144                    | -77  | 2,341                        | 78   | 25,487 |
| Exchange rate difference (Note 21)                    | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | 55   | _                            | 1  | 56     |
| Total change in earnings                              |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| not reported in the income statement                  | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | 55   | _                            | 1  | 56     |
| Dividend  | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | _  | -1,210                       | _  | -1,210 |
| Transfer between restricted and non-restricted equity | _                | _                           | 155            | 3,865                     | _  | -4,020                       | _  |        |
| Net income  | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | _  | 5,011                        | _  | 5,011  |
| Closing balance, 31 December 1998                     | 8,800            | 1,855                       | 501            | 16,009                    | -22  | 2,122                        | 79   | 29,344 |
| Capital infusion from outside investors               | _                | _                           | 332            | _                         | _  | 281                          | _  | 613    |
| Exchange rate difference (Note 21)                    | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | 48   | _                            | 66   | 114    |
| Total change in earnings                              |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| not reported in the income statement                  | _                | _                           | 332            | _                         | 48   | 281                          | 66   | 727    |
| Dividend  | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | _  | -1,400                       | _  | -1,400 |
| Transfer between restricted and                       |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| non-restricted equity                                 | _                | _                           | 341            | -622                      | _  | 281                          | _  | _      |
| Net income  | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | _  | 4,222                        | _  | 4,222  |
| Closing balance, 31 December 1999                     | 8,800            | 1,855                       | 1,174          | 15,387                    | 26   | 5,506                        | 145  | 32,893 |
| New issue expenses after taxes                        | _                | -231                        | _              | _                         | _  | _                            | _  | -231   |
| Transactions with non-related                         |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| parties (Note 9)                                      | _                | _                           | -82            | _                         | _  | _                            | _  | -82    |
| Share of earnings in companies                        |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| previously outside the Group                          | _                | _                           | 29             | _                         | _  | _                            | _  | 29     |
| Exchange rate difference (Note 21)                    | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | 1,414  | _                            | 407  | 1,821  |
| Total change in earnings                              |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| not reported in the income statement                  | _                | -231                        | -53            | _                         | 1,414  | _                            | 407  | 1,537  |
| Dividend  | _                | _                           | _              | _                         | _  | -1,470                       | _  | -1,470 |
| Stock dividend  | 324              | _                           | _              | _                         | _  | -324                         | _  | _      |
| New share issue                                       | 480              | 12,270                      | _              | _                         | _  | _                            | _  | 12,750 |
| Transfer between restricted and                       |                  |                             |                |                           |  |                              |  |        |
| non-restricted equity                                 | -                | _                           | 176            | 2,125                     | _  | -2,301                       | _  | _      |
| Net income  | _                | _                           | _              | -                         | _  | 10,278                       | _  | 10,278 |
| Closing balance, 31 December 2000                     | 9,604            | 13,894                      | 1,297          | 17,512                    | 1.440  | 11,689                       | 552  | 55,988 |

## Notes to the Consolidated Accounts

### Changes and Innovations

*Leasing*. When the Group sold fiber and ducts in the operations of the newly established international carrier business in 2000, title was not transferred to the lessee.

For such cases, IAS 17 does not provide clear-cut rules on how to classify contracts entered into as financial or operating leases. However, U.S. GAAP (FAS 13) stipulates that title must be transferred for the leasing of real property to be reported as financial leasing. In the interpretation of FAS 66 (FIN 43), it is determined that integral equipment shall be defined as real property. Current practice is that cables and similar equipment are included in integral equipment. These transactions are thus reported as operating leases in the consolidated financial statements. Direct sales costs for each agreement are capitalized and written off over the period of the agreement.

Securitization. During the year, some of the Group's leasing receivables were securitized. IAS practice (application of SIC-12) is under preparation. U.S. GAAP (FAS 125) stipulates that leasing receivables be taken up in the balance sheet, with the terms stipulated by the securitization contracts. The leasing receivables are thus included in the consolidated accounts.

Client Company Funds held by SPP. The discounted value of the Group's share of client company funds held by SPP is reported as other income and is not included in underlying EBITDA. After deducting cash repayment received during the year, the remainder is reported as an asset in the balance sheet, divided into current and long-term receivables.

Goodwill NetCom. Goodwill as a result of the acquisition of NetCom ASA is written off on a straight-line basis over a period of 20 years and is classified as a cost of production in the income statement. The acquisition is expected during the period to yield a sustainable lower level of production costs for services provided both in Sweden and in the other Nordic countries and to lay the ground for the development of pan-Nordic mobile telephony services in wholly owned networks.

*Pro forma accounts*. A new business organization for the Group was progressively implemented during the year. Hence, the business segment figures in this annual report have been restated pro forma.

### Accounting Standards

The Telia Group's accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act and IAS.

IAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement" (revised 2000) is in effect as of 1 January 2001 and may not be applied retroactively. Application of this standard is not expected to have a material effect on the Group's earnings and position.

IAS 40 "Investment Property" is in effect as of 1 January 2001. Telia does not own assets of the type regulated by this standard. IAS 41 "Agriculture," which goes into effect on 1 January 2003, does not affect Telia's operations.

IAS 12 "Income Taxes" and IAS 19 "Employee Benefits" were revised in 2000. During the year, the interpretations SIC-19 "Reporting Currency — Measurement and Presentation of Financial Statements Under IAS 21 and IAS 29," SIC-20 "Equity Accounting Method — Recognition of Losses," SIC-21 "Income Taxes — Recovery of Revalued Non-Depreciable Assets," SIC-22 "Business Combinations — Subsequent Adjustment of Fair Values and Goodwill Initially Reported," SIC-23 "Property, Plant and Equipment — Major Inspection and Overhaul Costs," SIC-24 "Earnings Per Share — Financial Instruments and Other Contracts that May Be Settled in Shares" and SIC-25 "Income Taxes — Changes in the Tax Status of an Enterprise or its Shareholders" were added. These revisions and interpretations do not entail any changes to the comparative figures or quarterly figures reported during 2000.

Discrepancies between U.S. GAAP and the accounting principles that Telia applies are discussed in a separate note.

Unless otherwise specified, all amounts are in millions of Swedish kronor (MSEK) and are based on the period 1 January—31 December for income statement items and 31 December for balance sheet items, respectively.

### **2** Use of Estimates

To be able to prepare accounts according to generally accepted accounting principles, company management must make estimates and assumptions that affect the asset and liability items and revenue and expense items reported in the final accounts as well as other information, such as that provided on contingent liabilities. Actual outcomes can differ from estimates.

### **3** Consolidated Financial Statements

General. The consolidated financial statements comprise the parent company Telia AB and all companies in which Telia directly or indirectly controls more than 50 percent of the voting rights or otherwise has a controlling influence. The Group's financial accounts are based on accounts prepared by all Group companies as per 31 December according to the purchase method, as in previous years. Values for companies acquired or divested during the year are included in the consolidated income statement only for the period during which they were owned.

In subsidiaries not wholly owned, the share of equity and untaxed reserves owned by external shareholders is reported as minority interest. The income statement shows the minority share of income after tax.

Internal sales and other intercompany transactions and profits within the Group have been eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.

Foreign currency translation. The Group's subsidiaries outside Sweden are independent. Several subsidiaries in the Group have independent branch offices outside Sweden. The Group has no operations in countries experiencing high inflation. The accounts for foreign operations are kept in the currency used for the normal conduct of business by that Group unit.

The income statements and balance sheets of foreign operations (subsidiaries, associated companies, and branch offices) are translated into Swedish kronor (SEK) based on the current method, that is, the exchange rate prevailing on the balance sheet date (closing rate) is used to convert all items in the balance

sheets except for equity, which is converted at the historical rate. Each income statement is translated using the average rate for that period. Differences resulting from translation, as well as realized and unrealized gains or losses after tax on financial instruments used to hedge net foreign investments, do not affect income but are charged directly to equity.

Associated companies. Companies in which the Telia Group has a long-term interest and directly or indirectly owns shares or participations granting control of 20-50 percent of the voting rights are reported as associated companies.

Holdings in associated companies are reported in the consolidated income statement and balance sheet according to the equity method. In the income statement, the Group's share of net income in associated companies is reported in operating income, because the operations of associated companies are related to telecommunications and it is the Group's strategy to capitalize know-how by investing in partly owned operations. This item also includes amortization of goodwill and similar assets on consolidation in associated companies as well as gains and losses on the sale of participations in associated companies.

Any internal profits are eliminated.

Business segments. The Group's operations are managed and reported primarily by business area and secondarily by geographic market. Segments are consolidated based on the same principles as the Group as a whole. When operations are transferred from one business area to another, comparative figures for periods are restated pro forma.

### 4 Foreign Currency Transactions

Transactions denominated in currencies other than Swedish kronor are translated into Swedish kronor at the exchange rates prevailing at the time of each transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies and forward contracts for foreign exchange are translated at the closing rate, and any resulting exchange rate differences are charged to income. Accordingly, realized as well as unrealized exchange rate differences are reported in the income statement. Exchange rate differences arising from operating receivables or liabilities are reported in operating income, while differences attributable to financial assets or liabilities are reported as earnings or losses on financial investments.

### **5** Changes in Group Composition

### Significant events in 2000

Telia acquired approximately 51 percent of the Norwegian mobile operator Net-Com ASA at the end of June. After making a bid to other shareholders and a completed compulsory acquisition in December, Telia owns all shares in NetCom.

In February, Telia acquired 29.5 percent of the shares in Luxembourg-based First National Holding S.A., which has stakes in several mobile and fixed network operators in northwestern Russia.

Telia's operations in Finland were expanded in March with the acquisition of operations in Tietopuhelin, a nationwide retail chain with over 70 telecom shops.

Together with Volvo and Ericsson, an associated company called WirelessCar Sweden AB was founded during the year, with all partners having equal stakes, to develop wireless applications for the automotive industry.

In May, the U.S. subsidiary Telia Internet, Inc. acquired the operations of the Internet service provider (ISP) Apex Global Information Services, Inc. (AGIS).

At the beginning of April, Telia became the owner of 11 percent of the shares in Netia 1 Sp. z o.o. The company, in which Telia's associated company Netia Holdings S.A. owns an additional 38 percent, has been awarded a license for long-distance telephony in Poland. Telia upped its holding in Netia Holdings S.A. during the year, to 48.1 percent.

In November, Telia and FöreningsSparbanken formed a joint company, with each party owning equal stakes, Marakanda Marknadsplats AB for the development of e-business services.

Cable TV operations in Denmark were expanded in July through the acquisition of all shares in Jydsk Central Antenne A/S.

Additional shares in the Brazilian associated company Eriline Celular S/A. were acquired during the year, bringing Telia's share of equity in the company to 76.7 percent. Eriline owns a small interest in the mobile operator Tess S/A, which operates in the state of São Paulo.

During the period, Telia Business Innovation acquired shares in several more small development companies. In May, the holding in Altitun AB was sold to the U.S. company ADC Telecommunications, Inc.

On 1 November, Telia, Skandia/If, and WM-data coordinated the respective parties' administrative internal service operations in the newly formed IN Ackuratess AB. Telia contributed its subsidiary IN good company AB and owns one third of IN Ackuratess.

The majority of the Group's fixed telephony operations in Norway were sold effective 1 January 2000 to Enitel ASA. The agreement called for the provision of certain services by Telia to Enitel throughout 2000.

The associated company Scandinavia Online AB (SOL) was listed on the OM Stockholm Exchange in June. Following additional purchases in early July, Telia owns 24.6 percent of the company's shares. The subsidiary Eniro AB was listed on the exchange in early October. Telia thereby owns 49.1 percent of the company's shares

Telia's associated company interests in the directory production company Any Media Solutions AB and the Danish company Egmont Online A/S were sold in the second quarter. All shares in the subsidiary SVEFO Sverige AB were sold in late June, followed by the sale in late September of the company's remaining holdings in the Estonian subsidiary Starman Kaabeltelevisiooni AS.

In October, the company sold all shares in the subsidiary Telia Contracting AB, which provides consulting services related to mobile telephony systems, and in November all shares in the partly owned subsidiary Smålandsbörsen AB, which deals in second hand computers.

### Major acquisitions and divestitures during 1998-2000

In fiscal 2000, 1999 and 1998, Telia acquired and divested numerous companies and businesses from and to independent parties outside the Group. None of those acquisitions or divestitures was of a size that, individually or collectively with others, had a material effect on the Group's pro forma sales or net profit for the year in which the transaction was executed nor the year immediately preceding.

#### Post balance sheet events

During 2000 the Board of Directors made a policy decision to sell or partially divest operations that do not belong to the Group's core business. In line with this decision, operations were sold in January 2001 in the subsidiary Combinator IT AB, which handles project management and technical integration in distributed IT environments. In February, the subsidiary Telia Trading AB was divested, which sells and leases reconditioned telecom and datacom products.

A Letter of Intent was signed in February regarding the sale of significant financial interests in the Brazilian mobile telephony operator Tess S/A to Telecom Americas. The purchase price totals MUSD 950, equivalent to approximately GSEK 9. Telia's holding is approximately 62 percent, including holdings via the subsidiary Telia Overseas AB. The assets in Tess have been valued at over GSEK 16 in the deal. The sale requires the approval of the Brazilian government, which is anticipated at the end of March 2001.

On 21 December 2000, Vodafone Group plc and Eircom plc announced an agreement that Vodafone will acquire Eircom's mobile operations, Eircell. The acquisition entails the transfer of operations to the newly incorporated company Eircell 2000 plc, after which Eircom's shareholders will receive one Eircell 2000 share for every one Eircom share. Vodafone's offer for Eircell will be 0.9478 Vodafone shares for every two Eircell 2000 shares. Telia and KPN, which will own 35 percent of the shares in Eircell via Comsource UnLtd, have accepted the offer and pledged not to sell Vodafone shares during a 30-day period from receipt and not to sell Eircom shares for a 90-day period after Eircell shares have been distributed. Telia's share of received Vodafone shares is valued at approximately GSEK 5.1 as of 20 December. The acquisition, which is contingent on the acceptance of the offer and governmental approval, is expected to be completed during the first six months of 2001.

### Net Sales

Sales are reported at the value of each sale less deductions for value-added tax and advertising tax. Sales principally consist of traffic charges including interconnect traffic and roaming, subscription fees, hookup fees, and service charges as well as sales of customer premises equipment and advertising space in directories.

Revenue is recognized for the period in which the service is performed or the product is delivered. Subscription fees are recognized as revenue during the subscription period. Revenues from directories are reported in the period in which the directory is published. Customer cable TV hookup fees are reported as cost reductions over the depreciation schedule for the facility in question. Other hookup and installation fees are recognized as revenue as these services are rendered. In the portal operations, ad swapping with another portal provider is not recognized as revenue.

Sales of Indefeasible Rights of Use (IRU) regarding fiber and ducts are recognized as revenue over the period of the agreement (see also Note 28 "Leasing Agreements and Contractual Obligations"). IRU swaps with other operators are not recognized as revenue.

Sales are broken down by business segment in Note 37 "Business Area Breakdown." The following is a breakdown of the net sales per product segment.

|                             | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Mobile communications       | 12,038 | 8,607  | 7,446  |
| Fixed telephony             | 25,437 | 26,124 | 25,865 |
| Internet                    | 1,697  | 1,345  | 942    |
| Network capacity            | 3,122  | 3,212  | 2,630  |
| Data communications         | 2,021  | 2,254  | 1,835  |
| Cable TV                    | 1,030  | 797    | 741    |
| Service, installation       | 1,624  | 1,709  | 1,583  |
| Customer premises equipment | 3,018  | 3,175  | 3,480  |
| Consulting                  | 595    | 540    | 460    |
| Directory services          | 1,728  | 2,899  | 2,608  |
| Financial services          | 492    | 361    | 306    |
| Other                       | 1,262  | 1,098  | 1,673  |
|                             | 54,064 | 52,121 | 49,569 |

Invoiced advertising tax was MSEK 116, MSEK 184 and MSEK 171 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

Sales in and exports to markets outside Sweden were distributed among economic regions as follows.

|                                   | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| EU                                | 5,711 | 5,255 | 4,095 |
| EEA                               | 2,048 | 1,085 | 823   |
| Rest of Europe                    | 313   | 555   | 341   |
| NAFTA                             | 754   | 399   | 144   |
| Rest of world                     | 776   | 746   | 665   |
|                                   | 9,602 | 8,040 | 6,068 |
| Proportion of total net sales (%) | 17.8  | 15.4  | 12.2  |

Sales (including exports) in Nordic markets outside Sweden equaled MSEK 5,658, MSEK 4,465 and MSEK 3,519 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively, while sales in the Baltic states, Poland, and Russia were MSEK 216, MSEK 345 and MSEK 239. Sales are broken down by geographic business segment in Note 38 "Geographic Segment Breakdown."

### 7 Operating Expenses

Production includes all costs for services and products sold as well as for installation, maintenance, service, and support.

Costs for commissions to retailers, advertising, and other marketing are expensed on an ongoing basis. The same applies to expenses for maintenance and adaptation of software in preparation for the turn of the millennium and for euro conversion. Costs for customer-specific product development and applied research are expensed in the period in which they occur.

Costs were distributed among functions as follows.

|                            | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Production Other functions | 33,028 | 31,206 | 30,988 |
| Sales                      | 8,277  | 6,508  | 6,689  |
| Administration             | 6,485  | 6,809  | 6,647  |
| Research and development   | 1,564  | 1,570  | 1,709  |
|                            | 16,326 | 14,887 | 15,045 |
|                            | 49,354 | 46,093 | 46,033 |

Each functional area includes depreciation, amortization, and write-downs as specified in Note 12 "Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs." This is also broken down by type of installation.

Operating expenses were spread over the following types of costs.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Goods purchased                          | 8,091  | 9,105  | 9,071  |
| Network expenses                         | 7,323  | 6,100  | 6,958  |
| Change in inventories                    | 42     | 64     | 38     |
|  | 15,456 | 15,269 | 16,067 |
| Salaries and remuneration                | 9,543  | 9,184  | 9,098  |
| Employer's social security contributions | 3,055  | 2,895  | 2,762  |
| Capitalized work by employees            | -99    | -282   | -42    |
| Pension expenses                         | 901    | 1,051  | 2,224  |
| Other personnel expenses                 | 1,107  | 1,043  | 801    |
|  | 14,507 | 13,891 | 14,843 |
| Rent and leasing fees                    | 1,574  | 1,377  | 1,083  |
| Energy expenses                          | 184    | 191    | 211    |
| Travel expenses                          | 860    | 753    | 742    |
| Consultants' services                    | 2,784  | 2,731  | 2,161  |
| Marketing expenses                       | 1,990  | 1,355  | 1,250  |
| Bad debt expense                         | 442    | 332    | 354    |
| Information technology                   | 961    | 864    | 992    |
| Other expenses                           | 2,584  | 1,809  | 1,268  |
|  | 11,379 | 9,412  | 8,061  |
| Depreciation, amortization,              |        |        |        |
| and write-downs                          | 8,012  | 7,521  | 7,062  |
|  | 49,354 | 46,093 | 46,033 |

Costs for advertising totaled MSEK 452, MSEK 444 and MSEK 427 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

### 8 Other Operating Revenues and Expenses

Other operating revenues and other operating expenses include: gains and losses on the sale of operations or shares in companies that are not associated companies (cf. "Share of Earnings in Associated Companies"); net gains or losses on the sale or retirement of intangible or tangible fixed assets, public funding, and exchange rate differences on operating transactions. This item also includes costs incurred for the IPO, costs incurred in 1999 for the canceled merger with Telenor and other significant items of a non-recurring nature.

Other operating revenues and expenses were distributed as follows.

|                                     | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Revenues                            |       |       |       |
| Capital gains, shares               | 6,568 | 113   | 4,492 |
| Capital gains, other fixed assets   | 1,444 | 240   | 906   |
| Exchange rate gains                 | 161   | 57    | 62    |
| Commissions etc.                    | 114   | _     | _     |
| Funding etc.                        | 79    | _     | _     |
| Recovered accounts receivable       | 47    | _     | _     |
| Damages received                    | 37    | _     | _     |
| SPP funds                           | 518   | _     | _     |
| Other revenues                      | _     | 366   | 168   |
|                                     | 8,968 | 776   | 5,628 |
| Expenses                            |       |       |       |
| Capital losses, shares              | 9     | 11    | 38    |
| Capital losses, other fixed assets  | 18    | 7     | 293   |
| Provisions for lossmaking contracts | 51    | 613   | _     |
| Exchange rate losses                | 43    | 7     | 71    |
| IPO/integration preparations        | 144   | 226   | _     |
| Restructuring costs                 | 210   | _     | _     |
| Other expenses                      | _     | 717   | 838   |
|                                     | 475   | 1,581 | 1,240 |
| Net effect on income                | 8,493 | -805  | 4,388 |

### 9 Related Party Transactions

*Group companies*. Commercial terms and market prices apply for the supply of goods and services between Group companies. Intercompany sales totaled MSEK 57,759, MSEK 56,322 and MSEK 68,063 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

The Swedish state. The Swedish state owns 70.6 percent of the shares in Telia AB. The Telia Group's range of services and products is offered to the Swedish state, its agencies, and state-owned companies in competition with other operators and on conventional commercial terms. Certain government-owned companies conduct business in competition with Telia. Likewise, Telia purchases services from state-owned companies at market rates and on conventional

commercial terms. Neither the Swedish state, its agencies, nor state-owned companies represent a significant share of Telia's net sales or income.

The Swedish telecommunications market is governed by the Telecommunications Act and telecom regulations as well as conditions for permits issued by the Swedish National Post and Telecom Agency (PTS). According to the conditions for those permits, Telia must maintain, without special compensation, a certain level of service for public phones in sparsely populated regions. Telia's costs for operating these public phones were MSEK 15 in 2000, MSEK 14 in 1999 and MSEK 14 in 1998. According to telecom regulations, operators that have significant influence on the overall Swedish market for services that must be registered with PTS are required to pay a fee to finance measures to prevent serious threats and disruptions to telecommunications during peacetime. To date, Telia has been the only operator with a "significant influence" as described by law. Fees paid for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively, totaled MSEK 100, MSEK 100 and MSEK 100. In addition, Telia pays annual fees to PTS to fund the Agency's activities, as must other operators subject to registration with PTS. The fee was set as of 2000 at 1.5 thousandths (previously 0.85 thousandths) of the operator's sales in respect of activities that require a permit. Telia paid fees of MSEK 49 in 2000, MSEK 28 in 1999 and MSEK 26 in 1998.

Eniro. After the listing of Eniro AB on OM Stockholm Exchange in October 2000, Telia holds a participating interest in the company. In preparation for the listing, several agreements were drawn up between Telia and Eniro. Telia divested to Eniro all outstanding shares in those subsidiaries active in directory operations, with the exception of Telia InfoMedia Varumärke AB, which owns certain trademarks used in Eniro's operations. Eniro takes possession of the shares in Telia InfoMedia Varumärke during the first quarter of 2001 and has until that time exclusive rights of use to the trademarks.

In addition, Telia, with its statutory obligation to provide directories containing basic subscriber information to all fixed telephony subscribers in Sweden, appointed Eniro as the official publisher of such information (i.e. the directories Vita Sidorna and Rosa Sidorna). Eniro receives compensation for this in the amount of MSEK 20 per year starting on 1 July 2000. Furthermore, Telia will, if outstanding shares in the at present 49 percent holding in the Polish directory company Panorama Polska are acquired, give Eniro an irrevocable option to acquire all shares in said company at market value. Telia has informed Eniro that it has no intention to start up any operations in competition with Eniro for a certain length of time.

Amber Teleholding/Lietuvos Telekomas. Telia owns via Amber Teleholding A/S a participating interest in AB Lietuvos Telekomas, which was listed on the stock exchange in June 2000. At the time of the listing, the Lithuanian government, one of the majority shareholders in the company, cut its participating interest from 35 percent to approximately 10 percent. One part of these shares fell to a subsidiary of Lietuvos Telekomas setting off a claim that the company had against the Lithuanian government. Telia's share in Lietuvos Telekomas' revaluation of its own shares was charged directly to equity.

*UAB Sontel*. The company, which is jointly owned by Telia and Sonera, of Finland, was established in 1999 and provides services to AB Lietuvos Telekomas. Telia sold services to Sontel worth MSEK 27 in 2000 and MSEK 34 in 1999.

Unisource/AUCS. Telia previously held equal stakes in Unisource N.V. together with Swisscom and KPN of the Netherlands. All operations in Unisource, except for AUCS Communications Services (AUCS), were sold or shut down in 1999. During 1999 and 1998, Telia sold services and products to the Unisource group worth MSEK 161 and MSEK 698, respectively, and purchased services and products from the Unisource group worth MSEK 313 and MSEK 1,347, respectively.

In connection with the sale of operations, Unisource received cash and cash equivalents that have now been lent pro rata to the partners pending final closure of the company. Telia's debt to Unisource as of 30 June totaled MSEK 3,280. As of 1 July, Unisource was dissolved and all assets were distributed pro rata to a subsidiary of each party, in Telia's case, Telia Telecommunications International B.V. (TTI). Telia's liability is thereby primarily attributable to TTI and is eliminated in the consolidated accounts. Share of earnings in associated companies includes the interest in AUCS starting from the last-mentioned date. In 2000, Telia sold services worth MSEK 51 to AUCS.

In 1999, Unisource and its shareholders signed a three-year management agreement with Infonet Services Corporation (see below) on the operations in AUCS. The agreement entails the sale of a large part of AUCS's operations to Infonet. AUCS is expected to be liquidated before or during 2003. Under the terms of other contracts, Unisource will perform services for Infonet during the threeyear period. Unisource and its shareholders will also be responsible for any losses in AUCS and will pay Infonet a bonus if the losses are lower than an amount specified in the contract. In total, this means that Telia's share of Unisource's expenses as per the agreement will be at least MSEK 1,348. Telia received compensation for these undertakings through the acquisition of shares in Infonet at a price less than market value shortly prior to Infonet's listing on the stock exchange. Based on the selling price at the time of listing, the value of the shares was MSEK 2,758, while Telia paid MSEK 110. The future profit on this transaction, that is, the difference between the market value of the shares after deducting the purchase price (MSEK 2,648) and the obligations that Telia has undertaken (MSEK 1,348, as explained above), will be reported as share of earnings in AUCS during a three-year period during which the management agreement and other agreements will be in effect.

Infonet. Since 1999, Telia has owned a participating interest in the American company Infonet Services Corp. In conjunction with the stock exchange listing of Infonet in December 1999, Telia sold shares in the company and made a commitment to sell 1,282,057 more series B shares if the issue was oversubscribed. This transaction was completed in January 2000 at a price of USD 20 per share. In 2000 and 1999, Telia sold services and products to Infonet for MSEK 38 and MSEK 29, respectively, and purchased services and products for MSEK 264 and MSEK 117, respectively.

Comsource/Eircom. Telia owns 40 percent of the Irish company Comsource UnLtd; KPN of the Netherlands owns the other 60 percent. Comsource in turn owns 35 percent of the shares in Eircom plc. At the end of the year, Telia had interest-bearing loans to Comsource totaling MSEK 6,271, granted primarily to finance the acquisition of the company's stake in Eircom. Telia sold services to Eircom worth MSEK 16 in 2000, MSEK 39 in 1999, and MSEK 23 in 1998.

Tess. Telia owns a participating interest in the Brazilian mobile operator Tess S/A. As of year-end, Telia AB and Telia Overseas AB had two interest-bearing claims on Tess, of MSEK 109 and MSEK 52, respectively. Telia AB had as of the balance sheet date, a term surety bond equaling MSEK 620 on that part of Tess's borrowing from parties outside the Group.

Scandinavia Online AB. The company, which was listed on the stock exchange in June, is an associated company to Telia. Telia acquired shares in the company in June for MSEK 249 (see also Note 10 "Non-Cash Transactions").

NorSea Com AS. This company is jointly owned with Enitel, of Norway, and owns telecom cables in the North Sea. As of 31 December 2000, Telia had interest-bearing claims of MSEK 34 on NorSea Com.

IN. Since November 2000, Telia indirectly owns a participating interest in the former subsidiary IN good company AB. During the period after the change of ownership, Telia purchased services from IN for MSEK 113.

Other relations. In addition, Telia buys and sells services and products to a limited extent from and to other associated companies. The transactions between Telia and these associated companies, as well as the transactions mentioned above, are based on commercial terms.

### 10 Non-Cash Transactions

Vehicles. Telia leases vehicles through financial leasing, primarily from GE Capital. New acquisitions for the year resulted in a non-cash investment of MSEK 583.

Infrastructure/capacity swaps. Within the international carrier business, swap contracts were signed during the year with other carriers for infrastructure and capacity. As the swap contracts concern assets of similar value and nature, the transactions in the consolidated accounts were not reported as acquisitions or divestitures. Before both parties have fulfilled all deliveries as per the agreements, the delivered value can differ from received value. As of the balance sheet date, Telia had received infrastructure and network capacity through swapping for a market value of MSEK 519.

Scandinavia Online. Telia invested MSEK 153 in the associated company Scandinavia Online AB (SOL) with no cash payment in conjunction with the listing of the company on the stock exchange. Telia received new shares in SOL by converting a claim of MSEK 50 and by contributing all shares in its Finnish subsidiary Telia InfoMedia Interactive Oy, with an assessed market value of MSEK 103. When the other shareholders in SOL contributed to operations, Telia's ownership stake in the company was diluted. Combined with further dilution at the end of the year when SOL acquired a company in consideration of payment in shares, the company realized a non-cash capital gain of MSEK 214.

Altitun. The entire shareholding in Altitun AB was sold for consideration in the form of shares in the listed U.S. company ADS Telecommunications, Inc. This transaction resulted in a non-cash acquisition of MSEK 182, which was realized later in the year.

Tel Investimentos/Eriline/Tess. Telia's Brazilian associated companies Tel Investimentos Ltda. and Eriline Celular S/A own stakes in the operator company Tess S/A, which is also an associated company to Telia. Claims of MSEK 187 against Tel Investimentos, MSEK 235 against Eriline, and MSEK 1,586 against Tess have been converted to shares in each company. Telia Overseas AB made similar conversions of MSEK 114 to shares in Tel Investimentos and MSEK 1,067 to shares in Tess.

Bharti Mobile. Of the opening receivables balance of MSEK 211, MSEK 102 was converted during the year to shares in the Indian associated company Bharti

### Share of Earnings in Associated Companies

In addition to the Group's share of earnings in associated companies, this item includes amortization of goodwill and other consolidation adjustments made upon the acquisition of associated companies as well as gains or losses on the divestiture of stakes in associated companies.

|                               | 2000   | 1999 | 1998 |
|-------------------------------|--------|------|------|
| Share in income for the year  | -879   | 992  | -862 |
| Amortization of goodwill etc. | -549   | -672 | -219 |
| Capital gains/losses          | 231    | 403  | 377  |
| Net effect on income          | -1,197 | 723  | -704 |

Income is broken down by business and market segments in Note 37 "Business Area Breakdown" and Note 38 "Geographic Segment Breakdown."

Large individual stakes (including stakes held through subsidiaries) have impacted earnings as follows.

|   | 2000   | 1999   | 1998 |
|---|--------|--------|------|
| Eniro AB, Sverige                       | 185    | _      | _    |
| Scandinavia Online AB, Sweden           | 89     | -32    | -43  |
| Wireless MainGate AB, Sweden            | -33    | -11    | _    |
| AS Eesti Telekom, Estonia               | 136    | 106    | 70   |
| Latvijas Mobilais Telefons SIA, Latvia  | 103    | 54     | 29   |
| AB Lietuvos Telekomas, Lithuania        | -20    | -23    | -11  |
| UAB Omnitel, Lithuania                  | -30    | 1      | -6   |
| Netia Holdings S.A., Poland             | -411   | -327   | -165 |
| Unisource N.V./AUCS, the Netherlands    | 1,445  | 1,534  | -588 |
| Infonet Services Corp., USA             | 8      | -28    | -    |
| Eircom plc, Ireland                     | -933   | 409    | 148  |
| Tess S/A, Brazil                        | -1,630 | -1,278 | -288 |
| Bharti Mobile Ltd., India               | -41    | -56    | -126 |
| SI.MOBIL, Slovenia                      | -51    | -19    | -6   |
| Other holdings (including divestitures) | -14    | 393    | 282  |
| Net effect on income                    | -1,197 | 723    | -704 |

Cf. Note 17 "Financial Fixed Assets" and Note 39 "Specification of Shareholdings and Participations."

### Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs

Depreciation according to plan on tangible assets and amortization on intangible assets are based on the historical acquisition value (purchase cost) and the estimated economic life of various classes of assets. For assets acquired during the year, depreciation is calculated taking into account the date of acquisition. Depreciation and amortization are charged on a straight-line basis at the following rates.

| Goodwill                            | Individual evaluation, at least 5% |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Licenses for fixed and mobile tele- | morridat evaluation, at teast 370  |
| phony and related goodwill          | License period                     |
| Other intangible assets             | 10–20 <sup>°</sup>                 |
| Buildings                           | 2-10%                              |
| Land improvements                   | 5-20%                              |
| Expenditure on improvements to      |                                    |
| property not owned by the Group     | Leases remaining term              |
|                                     | -                                  |

| property not owned by the Group     | Leases remaining term   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Fixed telephony installations       |   |
| Switching systems and transmission  |   |
| systems                             | 10-33%  |
| Transmission media (cable)          | 5-12.5%   |
| Equipment for special networks      | 20-33%  |
| Licenses of a limited duration      | License period or time<br>corresponding to underlying<br>tangible fixed asset |
| Other installations                 | 3–33%   |
| Mobile telephony installations      | 10-33%  |
| Cable TV and alarm installations    | 10-33%  |
| Equipment, tools, and installations | 12.5-33%  |

The book values of the Group's tangible, intangible, and financial fixed assets are continuously reassessed using analyses for individual assets or classes of asset that naturally belong together. If an analysis indicates that the value registered is too high, the asset's recoverable value is set, which is the greater of the net realizable value of the asset and its value in use. Value in use is measured as anticipated discounted future cash flows. A write-down consists of the difference between book value and recoverable value.

Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs on tangible and financial fixed assets for the year were distributed among the following classes of asset.

|                                | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Goodwill                       | 656   | 180   | 166   |
| Other intangible assets        | 212   | 156   | 78    |
| Buildings                      | 98    | 109   | 205   |
| Land improvements              | 4     | 1     | 6     |
| Fixed telephony installations  | 4,473 | 4,552 | 4,161 |
| Mobile telephony installations | 1,158 | 1,103 | 934   |
| Other machinery and equipment  | 1,621 | 1,551 | 1,596 |
|                                | 8,222 | 7.652 | 7.146 |

Accelerated depreciation, to the extent allowed by tax legislation, is reported in the individual Group companies as appropriations and untaxed reserves (see

Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs were distributed among the following functions.

|                          | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Production               | 7,325 | 7,011 | 6,629 |
| Sales                    | 343   | 259   | 256   |
| Administration           | 283   | 214   | 135   |
| Research and development | 61    | 37    | 42    |
| Other operating expenses | 210   | 131   | 84    |
|                          | 8,222 | 7,652 | 7,146 |

Costs of depreciation, amortization, and write-downs are broken down by business and market segments in Note 37 "Business Area Breakdown" and Note 38 "Geographic Segment Breakdown."

### Financial Revenues and Expenses

Financial items are expensed in the period they occur, with the exception of interest during installation periods, which is capitalized (see also Note 15 "Intangible Fixed Assets" and Note 16 "Tangible Fixed Assets"). Interest expenses include loan-related bank fees and fees to rating institutions and market makers.

|                                     | 2000  | 1999 | 1998 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Earnings from financial investments |       |      |      |
| Dividends                           | 14    | 53   | 5    |
| Capital gains/losses                | 10    | 23   | 10   |
|                                     | 24    | 76   | 15   |
| Other financial revenues            |       |      |      |
| Interest on financial leases        | 598   | 499  | 399  |
| Other interest income               | 864   | 227  | 234  |
| Exchange rate gains                 | 85    | 29   | 32   |
|                                     | 1,547 | 755  | 665  |
| Other financial expenses            | '     |      |      |
| Interest expense                    | 1,742 | 783  | 840  |
| Capitalized interest                | -19   | _    | -89  |
| Exchange rate losses                | 137   | 14   | 6    |
|                                     | 1,860 | 797  | 757  |
| Net effect on income                | -289  | 34   | -77  |

### Interest received and interest paid

Interest received and interest paid for each year was as follows.

|                   | 2000   | 1999 | 1998   |
|-------------------|--------|------|--------|
| Interest received | 1,510  | 791  | 636    |
| Interest paid     | -1,226 | -628 | -1,551 |
| Net position      | 284    | 163  | -915   |

### **4** Taxes

The income statement item Taxes shows paid and deferred corporate income tax for Swedish and foreign Group units. Telia Group companies are liable for taxation under current legislation in the countries where they are domiciled. The corporate income tax rate in Sweden was 28 percent in 2000 and is applied to the nominal income reported, plus non-deductible items and less non-taxable revenues and other deductions, mainly tax-free dividends from subsidiaries.

The liability method is used to report income taxes. According to this method, deferred tax liabilities and benefits are reported for all temporary differences between book values and tax-effective values of assets and liabilities and for other tax-effective deductions or losses. Deferred tax liabilities and benefits are calculated based on the tax rate expected when the temporary difference will be reversed. The effects of changes in applicable tax rates are charged to income in the period when the change is required by law. Deferred tax benefits are reduced by means of a valuation reserve to the extent that the company cannot determine the likelihood of being able to realize the underlying tax benefit within the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax liabilities on undistributed earnings in foreign subsidiaries are not reported if such retained earnings are regarded as permanently invested in the countries in question. Deferred tax liabilities for undistributed earnings in Swedish companies and foreign associated companies are not reported because such retained earnings can be withdrawn as non-taxable dividends. Income after financial items was as follows.

|                                     | 2000   | 1999  | 1998   |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|
| Sweden, Group companies (including  |        |       |        |
| foreign branch offices)             | 6,220  | 6,522 | 9,221  |
| Sweden, associated companies        | 5      | -58   | -76    |
|                                     | 6,225  | 6,464 | 9,145  |
| Rest of world, Group companies      | 6,924  | -862  | -998   |
| Rest of world, associated companies | -1,432 | 378   | -1,004 |
|                                     | 5,492  | -484  | -2,002 |
|                                     | 11.717 | 5.980 | 7.143  |

The tax expense reported was distributed as follows.

| 2000  | 1999                                | 1998   |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--|
|       |                                     |  |
| 1,602 | 1,680                               | 1,565  |
| 114   | 25                                  | 12   |
| 1,716 | 1,705                               | 1,577  |
|       |                                     |  |
| 81    | 395                                 | 807  |
| -350  | -346                                | -292   |
| -269  | 49                                  | 515  |
| 1,447 | 1,754                               | 2,092  |
|       | 1,602<br>114<br>1,716<br>81<br>-350 | 1,602 1,680<br>114 25<br>1,716 1,705<br>81 395<br>-350 -346<br>-269 49 |

Current tax expenses for fiscal 2000 attributable to the previous year's earnings and tax booked directly to equity were distributed as follows.

|                                   | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Tax attributable to previous year | 10   | 47   | 3    |
| Tax booked directly to equity     | -215 | 36   | -19  |

The difference between the nominal rate of Swedish taxation and the effective tax rate comprises the following components.

| %   | 2000  | 1999 | 1998 |
|---|-------|------|------|
| Swedish income tax rate   | 28.0  | 28.0 | 28.0 |
| Differences in tax rates on foreign operations                            | 0.2   | 0.1  | 0.0  |
| Adjustment of taxes for previous periods<br>Losses for which deferred tax | -1.5  | -0.8 | 0.4  |
| benefits were not taken into account Profits for which deferred tax       | 5.0   | 1.6  | 1.5  |
| liabilities were not taken into account                                   | -2.8  | -2.0 | -0.6 |
| Non-deductible expenses   | 3.0   | 2.4  | 0.8  |
| Non-taxable revenues  | -19.6 | 0.0  | -0.8 |
| Tax rate as per the income statement                                      | 12.3  | 29.3 | 29.3 |
| Tax booked directly to equity   | -1.8  | 0.6  | -0.3 |
| Effective tax rate  | 10.5  | 29.9 | 29.0 |
| Tax rate, current tax   | 14.6  | 28.5 | 22.1 |

The accumulated tax loss carry-forwards were distributed as follows.

|               | 2000  | 1999 | 1998 |
|---------------|-------|------|------|
| Sweden        | 237   | 298  | 3    |
| Rest of world | 2,545 | 492  | 413  |
|               | 2,782 | 790  | 416  |

Swedish tax loss carry-forwards have no expiration date. Total loss carry-forwards as of the balance sheet date 2000 expire in the following years.

| Expiration year | MSEK  |
|-----------------|-------|
| 2001            | 36    |
| 2002            | 69    |
| 2003            | _     |
| 2004            | 121   |
| 2005            | 37    |
| 2006 or later   | 622   |
| Inlimited       | 1,897 |
|                 | 2 782 |

Deferred tax liabilities and benefits were distributed as follows.

|                                     | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Deferred tax liability              |       |       |       |
| Shares and participations           | 60    | 60    | 60    |
| Other long-term assets              | 6,323 | 5,159 | 4,983 |
| Provisions                          | 2     | _     | 16    |
| Current receivables and liabilities | 43    | 45    | 50    |
| Off-balance-sheet items             | 334   | 734   | 293   |
|                                     | 6,762 | 5,998 | 5,402 |
| Deferred tax benefit                |       |       |       |
| Shares and participations           | 1,884 | 917   | 787   |
| Other long-term assets              | 256   | 103   | 23    |
| Other long-term liabilities and     |       |       |       |
| provisions                          | 812   | 915   | 659   |
| Current receivables and liabilities | 224   | 56    | _     |
| Tax-effective deductions for losses | 718   | 221   | 117   |
|                                     | 3,894 | 2,212 | 1,586 |
| Valuation reserve                   | -502  | -61   | -12   |
| Net deferred tax benefit            | 3,392 | 2,151 | 1,574 |
| Net deferred tax liability          | 3,370 | 3,847 | 3,828 |

The deferred tax liability in other long-term assets chiefly refers to untaxed reserves (see below). Non-reported deferred tax liabilities for undistributed earnings in subsidiaries, affiliates and associated companies totaled MSEK 316 in 2000, MSEK 434 in 1999 and MSEK 242 in 1998.

Cash paid for income taxes for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively, totaled MSEK 2,700, MSEK 1,441 and MSEK 645.

### Untaxed reserves and appropriations

Tax legislation in Sweden and certain other countries allows companies to postpone tax payments by making provisions to untaxed reserves in the balance sheet via the Appropriations line item in the income statement. Of particular interest to Telia AB, with its extensive investment in infrastructure, are Swedish tax regulations for depreciation that make it possible to depreciate assets at an accelerated rate (see also Note 12 "Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs"). However, untaxed reserves and appropriations are not reported in the consolidated financial statements.

Overall, the individual Group companies reported the following untaxed

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Profit equalization reserve            | 3,584  | 2,544  | 983    |
| Accumulated excess depreciation        | 18,466 | 18,132 | 18,017 |
| Provisions for foreign exchange losses | _      |        | 2      |
| Contingency reserve                    | 94     | 77     | 64     |
|  | 22,144 | 20,753 | 19,066 |

The following is a breakdown of the excess depreciation.

|                 |      | 2000<br>Machin- |      |        | 1998<br>d- Machin- |        |
|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|--------|--------------------|--------|
|                 | ings | ery             | ings | ery    | ings               | ery    |
| Opening balance | 37   | 18,095          | 37   | 17,980 | 172                | 16,024 |
| Provisions      | _    | 1,895           | _    | 420    | _                  | 2,521  |
| Reversals       | -25  | -1,536          | _    | -305   | -135               | -565   |
| Closing balance | 12   | 18,454          | 37   | 18,095 | 37                 | 17,980 |

In the consolidated accounts, untaxed reserves after eliminations have been divided into a deferred tax liability and a restricted reserve in equity. If reported as income and taxed, the latter would be transferred to non-restricted reserves (cf. Note 21 "Equity, Earnings per Share").

### 15 Intangible Fixed Assets

Intangible assets are reported in the balance sheet at acquisition value less accumulated amortization according to plan. For assets acquired during the year, depreciation is calculated taking into account the date of acquisition. The rates and other parameters applied are specified in Note 12 "Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs."

Direct external and internal charges for the development of software for inhouse administrative use are capitalized, provided that efficiency gains exceed accrued expenses. Activities in projects at the feasibility study stage as well as maintenance and training activities are expensed on an ongoing basis. MSEK 129 was capitalized in 2000, MSEK 120 in 1999, and MSEK 73 in 1998. In the three years, amortization was MSEK 96, MSEK 86, and MSEK 60, respectively.

|                           | 20     | 000    | 1     | 999    | 19    | 98     |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|                           | Good-  | Misc.  | Good- | Misc.  | Good- | Misc.  |
|                           | will   | assets | will  | assets | will  | assets |
| Acquisition value,        |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| opening balance           | 1,793  | 1,243  | 1,550 | 904    | 1,321 | 641    |
| Purchases                 | 22,893 | 509    | 335   | 373    | 223   | 248    |
| Operations acquired       | 38     | 105    | 12    | 5      | _     | _      |
| Sales/discards            | -64    | -43    | -40   | -30    | -41   | -13    |
| Operations divested       | -655   | -8     | _     | _      | _     | _      |
| Reclassifications         | -11    | -95    | -8    | -12    | -8    | 25     |
| Exchange rate differences | 844    | 29     | -56   | 3      | 55    | 3      |
| Accumulated acquisition   |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| value, closing balance    | 24,838 | 1,740  | 1,793 | 1,243  | 1,550 | 904    |
| Depreciation,             |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| opening balance           | -604   | -240   | -521  | -89    | -382  | -14    |
| Operations acquired       | -19    | -65    | -     | -2     | _     | -      |
| Sales/discards            | 33     | 20     | 33    | 6      | 34    | 3      |
| Operations divested       | 358    | 4      | -     | _      | _     | _      |
| Reclassifications         | 1      | 19     | 1     | 1      | 5     | -      |
| Depreciation for the year | -655   | -212   | -130  | -156   | -166  | -78    |
| Exchange rate differences | -16    | -3     | 13    | 0      | -12   | _      |
| Accumulated depreciation, |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| closing balance           | -902   | -477   | -604  | -240   | -521  | -89    |
| Write-downs, opening      |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| balance                   | -46    | _      | _     | _      | _     | _      |
| Operations divested       | 46     | _      | _     | _      | _     | _      |
| Write-downs for the year  | -1     | _      | -46   | -      | _     | _      |
| Accumulated write-downs,  |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| closing balance           | -1     | -      | -46   | _      | -     | -      |
| Residual value according  |        |        |       |        |       |        |
| to plan, closing balance  | 23,935 | 1,263  | 1,143 | 1,003  | 1,029 | 815    |

Residual value according to plan was distributed as follows.

|                                | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Goodwill                       | 23,935 | 1,143 | 1,029 |
| Administrative support systems | 440    | 421   | 434   |
| Licenses, patents, etc.        | 739    | 375   | 337   |
| Leases, etc.                   | 84     | 207   | 24    |
| Advances                       | _      | _     | 20    |
| Total residual value           | 25,198 | 2,146 | 1,844 |

## 16 Tangible Fixed Assets

### General

Assets are entered in the balance sheet at acquisition value less accumulated depreciation according to plan and, in the case of cable TV installations, less a deduction for customer hookup fees paid in advance (fixed-asset contributions). Software that is a direct prerequisite for the production of the Group's services is capitalized as a tangible asset.

For assets acquired during the year, depreciation is calculated taking the date of acquisition into account. The rates and other parameters applied are specified in Note 12 "Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs." New installations under construction are valued at the expense already incurred, including interest during the installation period. Interest paid on construction loans is taken up for buildings. Otherwise interest is calculated based on the Group's average cost of borrowing (5.5 percent for 2000).

### **Buildings and land**

The Group's real estate holdings include some 1,100 properties. The majority is used solely for technical facilities.

|                                    | 2000  | 1999  | 1998   |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Acquisition value, opening balance | 2,071 | 2,404 | 7,320  |
| Purchases                          | 552   | 53    | 370    |
| Operations acquired                | 53    | _     | _      |
| Sales/discards                     | -400  | -332  | -4,985 |
| Operations divested                | -15   | _     | -      |
| Reclassifications                  | -76   | -48   | -305   |
| Exchange rate differences          | 8     | -6    | 4      |
| Accumulated acquisition value,     |       |       |        |
| closing balance                    | 2,193 | 2,071 | 2,404  |
| Depreciation, opening balance      | -706  | -721  | -1,122 |
| Operations acquired                | -11   | _     | -      |
| Sales/discards                     | 14    | 108   | 483    |
| Operations divested                | 4     | _     | -      |
| Reclassifications                  | 15    | 15    | 126    |
| Depreciation for the year          | -102  | -109  | -207   |
| Exchange rate differences          | -0    | 1     | -1     |
| Accumulated depreciation,          |       |       |        |
| closing balance                    | -786  | -706  | -721   |
| Write-downs, opening balance       | -3    | _     | -9     |
| Sales/discards                     | -     | _     | 9      |
| Operations divested                | 3     | _     | -      |
| Write-downs for the year           | -0    | -3    |        |
| Accumulated write-downs,           |       |       |        |
| closing balance                    | -0    | -3    | -      |
| Residual value according to plan,  |       |       |        |
| closing balance                    | 1,407 | 1,362 | 1,683  |

No interest is included in the acquisition value for the years 2000, 1999 or 1998. The Group's Swedish real estate holdings have been assessed for taxes at the following values.

|                            | 2000 | 1999 | 1998  |
|----------------------------|------|------|-------|
| Buildings                  | 671  | 786  | 897   |
| Land and land improvements | 124  | 89   | 114   |
| Tax-assessed value         | 795  | 875  | 1,011 |

Several more properties were assigned tax-assessed values during the year. However, the number of real estate properties that have been assessed for tax is limited. Real estate properties used for technical facilities are classified predominantly as communication buildings. Taxed real estate properties were sold.

### Plant and machinery

|                                      | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Acquisition value, opening balance   | 65,534  | 60,517  | 53,949  |
| Purchases                            | 13,457  | 5,775   | 5,351   |
| Operations acquired                  | 2,796   | 12      | 697     |
| Sales/discards                       | -272    | -768    | -979    |
| Operations divested                  | -52     | _       | -       |
| Reclassifications                    | 897     | 216     | 1,385   |
| Exchange rate differences            | 245     | -218    | 114     |
| Accumulated acquisition value,       |         |         |         |
| closing balance                      | 82,605  | 65,534  | 60,517  |
| Depreciation, opening balance        | -36,738 | -31,504 | -25,096 |
| Operations acquired                  | -824    | _       | -559    |
| Sales/discards                       | 250     | 668     | 700     |
| Operations divested                  | 8       | _       | -       |
| Reclassifications                    | -470    | -96     | -1,197  |
| Depreciation for the year            | -6,131  | -5,858  | -5,325  |
| Exchange rate differences            | -24     | 52      | -27     |
| Accumulated write-downs,             |         |         |         |
| closing balance                      | -43,929 | -36,738 | -31,504 |
| Write-downs, opening balance         | -100    | _       | -       |
| Write-downs for the year             | -35     | -100    | -       |
| Exchange rate differences            | -       | 0       | _       |
| Accumulated depreciation,            |         |         |         |
| closing balance                      | -135    | -100    | -       |
| Fixed-asset contributions from cable |         |         |         |
| TV customers, net                    | -78     | -99     | -144    |
| Residual value according to plan,    |         |         |         |
| closing balance                      | 38,463  | 28,597  | 28,869  |

The acquisition value includes interest of MSEK 496 for 2000, MSEK 477 for 1999, and MSEK 477 for 1998.

### Equipment, tools, and installations

|                                    | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Acquisition value, opening balance | 6,846  | 7,811  | 8,437  |
| Purchases                          | 2,075  | 1,514  | 1,571  |
| Operations acquired                | 797    | _      | 80     |
| Sales/discards                     | -1,495 | -2,297 | -1,536 |
| Operations divested                | -810   | _      | _      |
| Reclassifications                  | -796   | -102   | -807   |
| Exchange rate differences          | 65     | -80    | 66     |
| Accumulated acquisition value,     |        |        |        |
| closing balance                    | 6,682  | 6,846  | 7,811  |
| Depreciation, opening balance      | -3,475 | -3,562 | -4,032 |
| Operations acquired                | -380   | _      | -80    |
| Sales/discards                     | 1,324  | 1,299  | 1,064  |
| Operations divested                | 463    | _      | _      |
| Reclassifications                  | 484    | 59     | 957    |
| Depreciation for the year          | -1,119 | -1,294 | -1,451 |
| Exchange rate differences          | -41    | 23     | -20    |
| Accumulated depreciation,          |        |        |        |
| closing balance                    | -2,744 | -3,475 | -3,562 |
| Write-downs, opening balance       | -12    | _      | _      |
| Operations divested                | 12     | _      | _      |
| Write-downs for the year           | -1     | -12    | _      |
| Exchange rate differences          | -0     | 0      | -      |
| Accumulated write-downs,           |        |        |        |
| closing balance                    | -1     | -12    | -      |
| Residual value according to plan,  |        |        |        |
| closing balance                    | 3,937  | 3,359  | 4,249  |

### Distribution by class of asset

The total residual value according to plan was distributed as follows.

|        |   | 1998   |
|--------|---|--|
|        |   |  |
|        |   |  |
| 126    | 94  | 87   |
| 1,051  | 1,058   | 1,383  |
| 230    | 210   | 213  |
| 1,407  | 1,362   | 1,683  |
|        |   |  |
|        |   |  |
| 7,636  | 7,168   | 6,782  |
| 6,005  | 4,722   | 4,708  |
|        |   |  |
| 10,894 | 10,538  | 11,032   |
| 6,138  | 4,023   | 3,950  |
| 1,078  | 473   | 440  |
| 54     | 2   | 5  |
|        |   |  |
| 6,658  | 1,671   | 1,952  |
| 38,463 | 28,597  | 28,869   |
|        |   |  |
| 694    | 200   | _  |
|        |   |  |
| 3,243  | 3,159   | 4,249  |
| 3,937  | 3,359   | 4,249  |
| 43,807 | 33,318  | 34,801   |
|        | 1,051<br>230<br>1,407<br>7,636<br>6,005<br>10,894<br>6,138<br>1,078<br>54<br>6,658<br>38,463<br>694<br>3,243<br>3,937 | 1,051 1,058 230 210  1,407 1,362  7,636 7,168 6,005 4,722  10,894 10,538 4,023 1,078 473 54 2 2  6,658 1,671 38,463 28,597 694 200 3,243 3,159 3,937 3,359 |

New installations under construction comprising plant and machinery are chiefly installations for fixed and mobile telephony.

## 17 Financial Fixed Assets

### General

The principles for the consolidation of Group companies and associated companies are described in Note 3 "Consolidated Financial Statements." The statements do not include negative equity participation with the exception of associated companies for which the Group has contractual commitments to contribute additional capital. Any negative equity participation is reported in this case as other provisions.

Long-term holdings of stocks and bonds, except for participations in associated companies, are valued at the acquisition price, unless an assessment of the market value indicates that revaluation is justified (see Note 12 "Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs").

### Participations in associated companies

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998  |
|--|--------|--------|-------|
| Book value, opening balance            | 10,177 | 5,404  | 2,837 |
| Acquisitions                           | 2,337  | 2,728  | 2,486 |
| Equity participation in former subsid. | -8     | 96     | -     |
| Issues of new shares and               |        |        |       |
| shareholder contributions              | 5,375  | 1,858  | 984   |
| Share in earnings                      | -879   | 992    | -862  |
| Amortization of goodwill etc.          | -549   | -672   | -219  |
| Divestitures                           | -12    | -19    | -102  |
| Dividends received                     | -166   | -90    | -77   |
| Reclassifications                      | -3,611 | 3      | 234   |
| Exchange rate differences              | 634    | -123   | 123   |
| Book value, closing balance            | 13,298 | 10,177 | 5,404 |

The book value was distributed as follows.

|                             | 2000   | 1999   | 1998  |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Goodwill and similar assets |        |        |       |
| on consolidation            | 5,773  | 2,327  | 2,363 |
| Participation in equity     | 7,525  | 7,850  | 3,041 |
|                             | 13,298 | 10,177 | 5,404 |

Book value is broken down by business segment in Note 37 "Business Area Breakdown" and Note 38 "Geographic Segment Breakdown."

The following shows the associated companies' aggregate balance sheets and income statements in summary.

|                                      | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Fixed assets                         | 70,632 | 47,828 | 48,544 |
| Current assets                       | 27,478 | 24,089 | 15,404 |
| Long-term liabilities and provisions | 23,390 | 17,876 | 20,383 |
| Current liabilities                  | 34,549 | 21,907 | 24,889 |
| Net sales                            | 39,336 | 31,523 | 33,158 |
| Gross income                         | 9,546  | 13,280 | 12,938 |
| Net income                           | -102   | 6,075  | -1     |
|                                      |        |        |        |

### Other long-term financial assets

|                              | 2000   | 1999  | 1998   |
|------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|
| Book value, opening balance  | 7,846  | 7,149 | 5,829  |
| Purchases                    | 5,388  | 2,242 | 2,629  |
| Operations acquired/divested | 324    | _     | _      |
| Sales/discards               | -3,582 | -994  | -1,234 |
| Write-downs                  | -1     | -7    | -      |
| Reclassifications            | -1,044 | -542  | -75    |
| Exchange rate differences    | 106    | -2    | -      |
| Book value, closing balance  | 9,037  | 7,846 | 7,149  |

### Distribution by class of asset

The total book value was distributed as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Associated companies                   |        |        |        |
| Participations in associated companies | 13,298 | 10,177 | 5,404  |
| Interest-bearing receivables           | 4      | 47     | 210    |
| Non-interest-bearing receivables       | 17     | 15     | 3      |
|  | 13,319 | 10,239 | 5,617  |
| Other holdings of securities           |        |        |        |
| Shares and participations              | 634    | 527    | 800    |
| Other securities                       | 1      | _      | 7      |
|  | 635    | 527    | 807    |
| Deferred tax benefit                   | 3,392  | 2,151  | 1,574  |
| Other long-term receivables            |        |        |        |
| Interest-bearing                       |        |        |        |
| Financial leasing agreements           | 3,403  | 4,113  | 3,800  |
| Service-financing agreements           | 434    | 401    | 389    |
| Loans to employees                     | 291    | 377    | 274    |
| Other                                  | 201    | 98     | 81     |
| Non-interest-bearing                   |        |        |        |
| Operating lease agreements             | 277    | _      | -      |
| Other                                  | 383    | 117    | 11     |
|  | 4,989  | 5,106  | 4,555  |
|  | 22,335 | 18,023 | 12,553 |

Deferred tax benefit is discussed in Note 14 "Taxes" and leasing agreements in Note 28 "Leasing Agreements and Contractual Obligations." The market valuation of financial fixed assets is discussed in Note 30 "Financial Instruments." Share-

holdings and participations in associated companies as well as other participations are specified in Note 39 "Specification of Shareholdings and Participations."

### Cash flow from acquisitions and divestitures

The Telia Group is continually restructured through the acquisition and divestiture of subsidiaries and lines of business as well as associated companies and companies outside the Group. The market value of assets and liabilities assumed in subsidiaries and the total cash flow from acquisitions were broken down as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|--|--------|-------|-------|
| Intangible fixed assets                                | 22,952 | 43    | 279   |
| Tangible fixed assets                                  | 2,431  | 13    | 182   |
| Accounts receivable, inventories etc.                  | 1,231  | 33    | 578   |
| Liquid funds   | 1,861  | 8     | 239   |
| Provisions   | -89    | _     | -42   |
| Long-term liabilities                                  | -2,351 | -13   | _     |
| Current liabilities                                    | -1,079 | -55   | -718  |
| Total purchase price<br>Less liquid funds in companies | 24,956 | 29    | 518   |
| Group companies  | -1,861 | -8    | -239  |
| Cash flow from acquired                                |        |       |       |
| Group companies, net                                   | 23,095 | 21    | 279   |
| Purchase price for other acquisitions                  | 7,746  | 4,405 | 3,836 |
| Cash flow from acquisitions                            | 30,841 | 4,426 | 4,115 |

The market value of assets and liabilities transferred in subsidiaries and the total cash flow from divestitures were broken down as follows.

|                                       | 2000   | 1999 | 1998   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|------|--------|
| Intangible fixed assets               | 8,296  | 230  | _      |
| Tangible fixed assets                 | 387    | 716  | 6,212  |
| Accounts receivable, inventories etc. | 2,396  | 90   | _      |
| Liquid funds                          | 31     | 1    | -      |
| Long-term liabilities                 | -81    | _    | -2,511 |
| Current liabilities                   | -2,679 | -46  | -1,146 |
| Total sale price                      | 8,350  | 991  | 2,555  |
| Less liquid funds in divested         |        |      |        |
| Group companies                       | -31    | -1   | _      |
| Repayment of loans in Group           |        |      |        |
| companies divested                    | 761    | _    | 3,663  |
| Cash flow from divested               |        |      |        |
| Group companies, net                  | 9,080  | 990  | 6,218  |
| Sale price for other divestitures     | 245    | 3    | 3,117  |
| Cash flow from divestitures           | 9,325  | 993  | 9,335  |

### 8 Inventories etc.

Inventory and stock in trade are valued at acquisition value, based on first in/first out, or fair value, whichever is lower. Write-downs for obsolescence are made separately for each individual stockholding. Obsolescence is assessed with reference to the age and rate of turnover of the articles. The entire difference between the opening and closing balances of the reserve for obsolescence is charged to operating income for the year.

Work in progress is valued at expense incurred, applying the lower of original cost and replacement value. Interest paid during installation is not capitalized. Work in progress refers chiefly to short-term (one to three months) installation work onsite at the customer and, for previous years, directory production. Installation work is recognized as revenue when all or nearly all undertakings have been completed. Revenues from directory production are recognized as revenue in the period in which each directory or section of directory is published.

After deductions for obsolescence in inventory and stock in trade, the item consists of the following.

|   | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|---|------|------|------|
| Raw materials and essential inputs        | 80   | 107  | 40   |
| Products at work                          | 6    | 0    | 12   |
| Finished products                         | 466  | 407  | 643  |
| Work in progress                          |      |      |      |
| Expense incurred                          | 212  | 455  | 228  |
| Partial amounts invoiced                  | _    | -12  | _    |
| Reserve for obsolescence and risk of loss | -    | -1   | -6   |
|   | 764  | 442  | 222  |
| Advances to suppliers                     | 9    | 15   | 29   |
|   | 773  | 971  | 946  |
|   |      |      |      |

Finished products includes materials purchased that are mainly intended for use in constructing Telia's own installations and for repair and maintenance. Materials valued at MSEK 89, MSEK 138 and MSEK 418 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively, were stored at central locations. The remainder was held at local warehouses and worksites.

### Receivables

|                                       | 2000   | 1999   | 1998  |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Accounts receivable from customers    |        |        |       |
| Invoiced receivables                  | 11,477 | 11,144 | 9,993 |
| Reserve for doubtful receivables      | -580   | -507   | -492  |
|                                       | 10,896 | 10,637 | 9,501 |
| Other current receivables             |        |        |       |
| Interest-bearing                      |        |        |       |
| Receivable from associated companies  | 7,363  | 1,594  | 270   |
| Financial leasing agreements          | 3,087  | 2,609  | 1,932 |
| Receivable from others                | 384    | 233    | 73    |
| Non-interest-bearing                  |        |        |       |
| Receivable from associated companies  | 223    | 213    | 97    |
| Prepaid value-added tax               | 803    | 148    | 168   |
| Other tax benefits                    | 327    | 91     | 9     |
| International settlements             | 66     | 79     | 220   |
| Receivable from others                | 1,130  | 567    | 518   |
|                                       | 13,383 | 5,534  | 3,287 |
| Accrued revenues and prepaid expenses |        |        |       |
| Metered call charges                  | 1,481  | 1,602  | 1,835 |
| Interconnect and roaming charges      | 521    | 496    | 208   |
| Other traffic charges                 | 971    | 969    | 468   |
| Construction and service projects     | 80     | 163    | 132   |
| Prepaid rent and leasing fees         | 166    | 115    | 122   |
| Other accrued or prepaid items        | 1,573  | 853    | 898   |
|                                       |        |        |       |
|                                       | 4,792  | 4,198  | 3,663 |

Allowance for doubtful receivables on mass invoicing is calculated primarily using a standardized method based on actual losses from previous years.

The net receivable on the client for construction and service projects is reported as an adjusting entry. Construction projects mainly refer to larger installations of PBXs and customer premises networks. Revenue is recognized progressively, with the degree of completion based on the phases completed.

For information on leases, see Note 28 "Leasing Agreements and Contractual Obligations."

### Short-Term Investments, Liquid Funds

Short-term investments consist primarily of surplus funds invested in the overnight market and valued at the acquisition cost plus accrued interest income. The market valuation of short-term investments is discussed in Note 30 "Financial Instruments."

|   | 2000 | 1999  | 1998 |
|---|------|-------|------|
| Investments with a maturity<br>over three months<br>Investments with a maturity up to and | 93   | 202   | 140  |
| including three months  | 85   | 1,062 | 62   |
|   | 178  | 1,264 | 202  |

Investments with a maturity up to and including three months are combined with Cash and bank deposits to produce the item Liquid funds, as follows.

|                        | 2000  | 1999  | 1998 |
|------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Investments            | 85    | 1,062 | 62   |
| Cash and bank deposits | 1,352 | 513   | 481  |
| Liquid funds           | 1,437 | 1,575 | 543  |

### 21 Equity, Earnings per Share

#### Restricted and non-restricted equity

According to Swedish rules, equity is divided into funds available for distribution (non-restricted) and not available for distribution (restricted). In a group, the shareholders can receive as a distribution only the non-restricted funds in the parent company or the group, whichever is lower.

The share capital and share premium reserve/legal reserve make up restricted equity. The Group's non-restricted equity in the consolidated accounts includes only that part of a subsidiary's non-restricted equity that can be assigned to the parent company without having to write down the value of the shares in the subsidiary.

The Group balance sheet also shows the equity component of untaxed reserves as restricted equity. Earnings in associated companies that have not been distributed are reported in the Group's equity as an equity reserve among restricted reserves.

#### **Exchange Rate Differences**

|  | 2000  | 1999 | 1998 |
|--|-------|------|------|
| Tax effect arising from the translation                                      | _     |      |      |
| of foreign associated companies  | 5     | 21   | -10  |
| Exchange rate differences arising from the translation of foreign operations | 2.122 | -2   | 115  |
| Exchange rate differences after tax on                                       | ,     |      |      |
| forward contracts used as equity hedge                                       | -306  | 95   | -49  |
|  | 1,821 | 114  | 56   |

The accumulated exchange rate differences in restricted equity were distributed as follows.

|                           | 2000  | 1999 | 1998 |
|---------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Equity profit reserve     | 562   | -23  | 17   |
| Other restricted reserves | 878   | 49   | -39  |
|                           | 1,440 | 26   | -22  |

### Earnings per share

|                                 | 2000      | 1999      | 1998      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Net income, MSEK                | 10,278    | 4,222     | 5,011     |
| Average number of shares ('000) | 2,932,757 | 2,851,200 | 2,851,200 |
| Earnings per share, SEK         | 3.50      | 1.48      | 1.76      |
| Dividend per share, SEK         | 0.50      | 0.52      | 0.49      |

See also Note 15 to the Parent company accounts "Equity."

## Provisions for Pensions and Employment Contracts

### The Telia Group

Almost all employees in Sweden are covered by defined benefit pension plans. The Group's employees outside Sweden are usually covered by defined contribution pension plans. Contributions to the latter are usually set at a certain percentage of the employee's salary. The Group's commitments for defined benefits in Sweden were secured by two pension funds until year-end. Telia's Pension Fund secured all pension obligations that Telia AB assumed when it was converted into a limited liability company on 1 July 1993. Telia's Pension Fund 2 secured the remaining pension obligations of Telia AB as well as obligations of Swedish subsidiaries in which the Group controlled more than 90 percent of the capital. Following a change in the statutes, the capital and purpose of the first fund were transferred as of 31 December 2000 to Telia's Pension Fund 2, which at this time changed its name to Telia Pension Fund.

Pension obligations are calculated annually, on the balance sheet date, based on actuarial principles.

The assets of the Fund constitute plan assets for pensions and are valued at market value. When the net cumulative unrecognized actuarial gain or loss on pension obligations and plan assets goes outside a "corridor" equal to 10 percent of the greater of either pension obligations or the market value of plan assets, the surplus amount is amortized over the remaining employment period.

The nominal value of the Group's share of client company funds held by SPP was MSEK 535, of which MSEK 121 was settled in cash during 2000. Since the funds may be used during a three-year period, the amount was discounted using an interest factor of 5.5. The discounted amount, MSEK 518, was reported as other revenue and was not included in underlying EBITDA. MSEK 387 was reported as an asset in the balance sheet, divided into current and long-term receivables.

Total pension expenses in the income statement were distributed as follows.

|   | 2000   | 1999   | 1998  |
|---|--------|--------|-------|
| Current service cost                      | 484    | 499    | 338   |
| Interest on pension provisions            | 914    | 940    | 848   |
| Expected return on assets                 | -1,183 | -1,186 | -972  |
| Net transition gain (–)/loss (+)          |        |        |       |
| recognized in year                        | -40    | -40    | -40   |
| Depreciation of unrecognized actuarial    |        |        |       |
| gain (-)/loss (+)                         | -145   | _      | -     |
| Pension expenses,                         |        |        |       |
| defined benefit pension plans             | 30     | 213    | 174   |
| Early retirement pensions (excl. premiums |        |        |       |
| and pension-related social charges)       | 416    | 347    | 1,135 |
| Pension expenses,                         |        |        |       |
| defined benefit contribution plans        | 336    | 325    | 360   |
| Pension-related social charges,           |        |        |       |
| other pension expenses                    | 218    | 166    | 555   |
| Operations divested                       | -99    | _      | -     |
| Total pension cost                        | 901    | 1,051  | 2,224 |

The following provisions for pension obligations were made in the balance sheet.

|  | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| Present value of the obligation                                | 15,801  | 15,784  | 17,661  |
| Fair value of plan assets                                      | -15,334 | -16,703 | -16,843 |
| Pension obligations less plan assets<br>Unrecognized actuarial | 467     | -919    | 818     |
| gains (+) and losses (-)                                       | 2,775   | 3,838   | 548     |
| Unrecognized transition gains                                  | 283     | 327     | 367     |
| Provisions for pensions  | 3,525   | 3,246   | 1,733   |

The actuarial calculation of pension expenses and pension obligations is based on the following principal assumptions. Values reported are as of the balance date for each year.

| <b>%</b>                               | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--|------|------|------|
| Weighted average discount rate         | 6.0  | 6.0  | 5.5  |
| Expected rate of compensation increase | 3.0  | 3.0  | 3.0  |
| Expected return on plan assets         | 7.5  | 7.0  | 7.5  |
| Annual adjustments to pensions         | 2.0  | 2.0  | 2.0  |
| Employee turnover                      | 5.0  | 0.0  | 0.0  |

Changes in projected benefit obligation, plan assets, and the net liability in the balance sheet and actuarial net gains or losses for the defined benefit pension plans were as follows. Repayment from pension trust refers to money disbursed for pension expenses incurred by the employer.

|                                    | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Present value of the obligation    |        |        |        |
| Opening balance                    | 15,784 | 17,661 | 14,609 |
| Current service cost               | 484    | 499    | 338    |
| Interest expenses                  | 914    | 940    | 848    |
| Benefits paid                      | -1,118 | -1,104 | -1,001 |
| Early retirement pensions          | 416    | 347    | 1,135  |
| Operations divested                | -220   | _      | -      |
| Actuarial gains (-) and losses (+) | -459   | -2,559 | 1,732  |
| Closing balance                    | 15,801 | 15,784 | 17,661 |
| Plan assets                        |        |        |        |
| Opening balance                    | 16,703 | 16,843 | 9,400  |
| Expected return on plan assets     | 1,183  | 1,186  | 972    |
| Employer contributions             | _      | _      | 5,508  |
| Repayment from pension trust       | -1,050 | -2,057 | _      |
| Operations divested                | -163   | _      | -      |
| Actuarial gains (-) and losses (+) | -1,339 | 731    | 963    |
| Closing balance                    | 15,334 | 16,703 | 16,843 |
| Expected return on plan assets     |        |        |        |
| Expected return on plan assets     | 1,183  | 1,186  | 972    |
| Actuarial gains (-) and losses (+) | -1,339 | 731    | 963    |
| Actual return                      | -156   | 1,917  | 1,935  |

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Provisions for pension obligations           |        |        |        |
| Opening balance                              | 3,246  | 1,733  | 6,933  |
| Pension expenses,                            |        |        |        |
| defined benefit pension plans                | 30     | 213    | 174    |
| Benefits paid                                | -1,118 | -1,104 | -1,001 |
| Employer contributions                       | _      | _      | -5,508 |
| Repayment from pension trust                 | 1,050  | 2,057  | =      |
| Early retirement pensions                    | 416    | 347    | 1,135  |
| Operations divested, net                     | -99    | _      |        |
| Closing balance                              | 3,525  | 3,246  | 1,733  |
| Actuarial gain (+)/loss (-) to be recognized |        |        |        |
| Net cumulative unrecognized actuarial        |        |        |        |
| gains (+) and losses (-)                     | 3,838  | 548    | 1,317  |
| Limit of "corridor" as of 1 January          | 1,670  | 1,766  | 1,461  |
| Excess value (A)                             | 2,168  | _      | _      |
|  |        |        |        |
| Average expected remaining                   | 1.5    | 4-     | 15     |
| working life, years (B)                      | 15     | 15     | 15     |
| Opening balance, actuarial                   |        |        |        |
| gains (+) and losses (-)                     | 3,838  | 548    | 1,317  |
| Actuarial gains (-) and                      |        |        |        |
| losses (+) to be recognized (A/B)            | -145   | _      | _      |
| Actuarial gains (–) and                      |        |        |        |
| losses (+), divested operations              | -38    | _      | _      |
| Actuarial gains (+) and                      |        |        |        |
| losses (–), pension obligations              | 459    | 2,559  | -1,732 |
| Actuarial gains (+) and                      |        |        |        |
| losses (–), plan assets                      | -1,339 | 731    | 963    |
| Closing balance, actuarial                   |        |        |        |
| gains (+) and losses (-)                     | 2,775  | 3,838  | 548    |
| Operations divested                          |        |        |        |
| Decrease in pension obligations              | -220   | _      | _      |
| Decrease in plan assets                      | 163    | _      | _      |
| Decrease in unrecognized net transition      |        |        |        |
| gain/loss                                    | -4     | _      | _      |
| Decrease in unrecognized                     |        |        |        |
| actuarial gains                              | -38    |        |        |
| Net position                                 | -99    | _      | _      |

Plan assets chiefly consist of equities and interest-bearing securities, which had the following market value as per the balance sheet date.

|                                  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Telia's Pension Fund             |        |        |        |
| Shares and participations        | 3,756  | 7,605  | 7,000  |
| Interest-bearing securities etc. | 5,749  | 2,995  | 4,360  |
|                                  | 9,505  | 10,600 | 11,360 |
| Telia's Pension Fund 2           |        |        |        |
| Shares and participations        | 2,108  | 3,839  | 3,186  |
| Interest-bearing securities etc. | 3,721  | 2,264  | 2,297  |
|                                  | 5,829  | 6,103  | 5,483  |
|                                  | 15,334 | 16,703 | 16,843 |

Plan assets include shares in Telia AB with a market value of MSEK 72, MSEK – and MSEK – as per the balance sheet date 2000, 1999 and 1998 respectively.

### **Accounts of Swedish Group units**

Swedish Group units report the actuarial value of all commitments based on current contracts under Provisions for Pensions and Employment Contracts.

The parent company and most subsidiaries use the ITP-Tele plan, while other companies use other individual supplementary retirement benefits (ITP) plans. The majority of companies make their own pension provisions.

Pension obligations are calculated annually, on the balance sheet date. Actuarial principles set by the FPG/PRI system and the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority are used to calculate the value of commitments made.

Provisions for certain commitments, chiefly the contractual right to retire at age 55, 60, or 63 for certain categories of personnel, constitute taxed reserves. Starting in 1999, these reserves are reported in their entirety by the parent company. The fund was analyzed at the end of 2000 to determine future utilization, and it was determined that the utilization ratio will decline. This adjusted assessment and the divestment of operations have had an impact on the size of the reserves.

The pension liability reported consists of:

|   | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| FPG/PRI pensions                        | 8.632   | 8.290   | 7.844   |
| Other pension commitments               | 6,703   | 6,871   | 7,345   |
| Taxed reserves for employment contracts | 1,265   | 1,879   | 1,905   |
| Total commitments                       | 16,600  | 17,040  | 17,094  |
| Less pension fund capital               | -14,309 | -14,685 | -14,804 |
| Book value                              | 2,291   | 2,355   | 2,290   |

The pension expense (including pension premiums) reported by Group units, taking into account the yield on Telia's pension funds, was as follows.

|   | 2000 | 1999   | 1998  |
|---|------|--------|-------|
| Contractual pension obligations           |      |        |       |
| Current service cost                      | 777  | 577    | 766   |
| Pension-related social charges            | 180  | 38     | 237   |
|   | 957  | 615    | 1,003 |
| Non-recurring Items                       |      |        |       |
| Contractual pensions for early retirement | 431  | 364    | 1,173 |
| Pension-related social charges            | 41   | 88     | 290   |
| Changed estimates                         | -670 | _      | -     |
|   | -198 | 452    | 1,463 |
| Interest expense on principal             |      |        |       |
| reported as a financial cost              | 92   | 85     | 222   |
| reported in operating income              | 519  | 535    | 380   |
|   | 611  | 620    | 602   |
| Effect on income of change                |      |        |       |
| in fund assets                            | -788 | -1,486 | -398  |
| Net pension expense                       | 582  | 201    | 2,670 |

Surplus capital in the assets in the pension fund has changed as follows.

| 2000   | 1999                                   | 1998   |
|--------|--|--|
| 1,968  | 1,537                                  | _  |
| -155   | 1,917                                  | 1,935  |
|        |  |  |
| 212    | 119                                    | 104  |
| -1,000 | -1,605                                 | -502   |
| -788   | -1,486                                 | -398   |
| 1,025  | 1,968                                  | 1,537  |
|        | 1,968<br>-155<br>212<br>-1,000<br>-788 | 1,968 1,537<br>-155 1,917<br>212 119<br>-1,000 -1,605<br>-788 -1,486 |

Secured commitments, surplus capital, provisions made, and compensation received are distributed as follows between Telia's two pension funds.

|                                 | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Telia's Pension Fund            |       |       |       |
| Secured commitments (principal) | 8,485 | 8,842 | 9,323 |
| Surplus capital in fund         | 1,020 | 1,758 | 1,537 |
| Provisions to fund              | _     | _     | 355   |
| Compensation from fund          | 1,000 | 1,555 | 500   |
| Telia's Pension Fund 2          |       |       |       |
| Secured commitments (principal) | 6,668 | 6,258 | 5,814 |
| Surplus capital in fund         | 5     | 210   | _     |
| Provisions to fund              | _     | _     | 5,153 |
| Compensation from fund          | _     | 50    | 2     |

## Deferred Tax Liability, Other Provisions

|                                  | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Book value, opening balance      | 7,242 | 6,002 | 5,329 |
| Provisions for the period        | 1,194 | 1,350 | 857   |
| Operations acquired              | 89    | _     | _     |
| Utilized provisions              | -424  | -110  | -219  |
| Operations divested              | -8    | _     | _     |
| Reversals of provisions          | -191  | _     | _     |
| Timing and interest-rate effects | -76   | _     | 35    |
| Book value, closing balance      | 7,826 | 7,242 | 6,002 |

The book value of the provisions was distributed as follows.

|  | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Deferred tax liability                   | 6,761 | 5,998 | 5,402 |
| Other provisions                         |       |       |       |
| Payroll taxes on future pension payments | 307   | 456   | 447   |
| Lossmaking contracts                     | 499   | 613   | -     |
| Guarantee reserve                        | 79    | 9     | _     |
| Other provisions                         | 180   | 166   | 153   |
|  | 1,065 | 1,244 | 600   |
|  | 7,826 | 7,242 | 6,002 |

## 24 Long-term Loans

|                             | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Financial leasing, vehicles | 581    | 127   | _     |
| Bank overdraft facilities   | 51     | 154   | 100   |
| Telia FTN/FTO               | 7,012  | 4,126 | 2,366 |
| Telia EMTN, other hedged    |        |       |       |
| foreign currency loans      | 9,987  | 4,390 | 3,664 |
| Other loans                 | 3,245  | 326   | 361   |
|                             | 20,876 | 9,123 | 6,491 |

Bank overdraft facilities have a total limit of MSEK 1,316, MSEK 930 and MSEK 1,110 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively. For these years, MSEK 4,807, MSEK 3,728 and MSEK 3,807 of the loans fall due more than five years after the balance sheet date. See also Note 30 "Financial Instruments."

### **25** Current Loans

|                                 | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Loans from associated companies | 50     | 24    | 187   |
| Financial leasing, vehicles     | 120    | 73    | _     |
| ECP                             | 9,131  | 3,397 | 3,715 |
| Telia FTN                       | 1,335  | 1,525 | 1,217 |
| Telia EMTN, other hedged        |        |       |       |
| foreign currency loans          | 1,122  | 1,420 | 1,176 |
| Other bank loans                | 1,408  | 495   | 767   |
|                                 | 13,166 | 6,934 | 7,062 |

See also Note 30 "Financial Instruments."

## 26 Long-term Liabilities

|                            | 2000  | 1999 | 1998 |
|----------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Prepaid leasing agreements | 1,015 | _    | _    |
| Other liabilities          | 14    | 162  | 114  |
|                            | 1,029 | 162  | 114  |

For the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, MSEK -, MSEK 9 and MSEK 31 of the loans fall due more than five years after the balance sheet date.

### **2** / Current Liabilities

|                                       | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Accounts payable                      | 6,028  | 4,181  | 4,186  |
| Liabilities to associated companies   | 39     | 282    | 181    |
| Tax liabilities                       | 342    | 1,355  | 1,049  |
| Other liabilities                     |        |        |        |
| Provisions for telephone cards        | 402    | 398    | 118    |
| Deductible calling charges            | 443    | 587    | 715    |
| Advances, deposits, etc.              | 796    | 252    | 354    |
| Value-added tax, excise taxes         | 796    | 826    | 905    |
| Payable to employees                  | 459    | 365    | 502    |
| International settlements             | 404    | 70     | 16     |
| Other                                 | 739    | 758    | 276    |
|                                       | 4,039  | 3,256  | 2,886  |
| Accrued expenses and prepaid revenues |        |        |        |
| Accrued payroll expenses              | 1,137  | 721    | 925    |
| Accrued employer's social security    |        |        |        |
| contributions                         | 458    | 567    | 731    |
| Accrued leasing expenses              | 494    | 980    | 946    |
| Accrued interest                      | 829    | 382    | 318    |
| Subscription charges                  | 1,664  | 1,483  | 1,364  |
| Interconnect charges                  | 530    | 256    | 261    |
| Retailer commissions                  | 104    | 161    | 202    |
| Prepaid leasing agreements            | 678    | 753    | 484    |
| Other accrued or prepaid items        | 3,643  | 2,417  | 2,789  |
|                                       | 9,537  | 7,720  | 8,020  |
|                                       | 19,985 | 16,794 | 16,322 |
|                                       |        |        |        |

## 28 Leasing Agreements and Contractual Obligations

#### Telia as a lessee

As a lessee, Telia has entered into financial and operating leases and rental contracts. For a financial leasing agreement, the consolidated accounts include the leased asset as a tangible fixed asset and the future obligation to the lessor as a liability in the balance sheet. Other agreements are operating leases, with the leasing costs amortized evenly throughout the period of the agreement.

Financial leasing. The Group's financial leasing concerns production vehicles, cars to employees and other vehicles. Leasing was implemented at the end of 1999 when the fleet was sold off to outside parties. There is no subleasing.

The book value of the leased assets as of the balance date was as follows.

|   | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|---|------|------|------|
| Acquisition value                         | 783  | 200  | _    |
| Less accumulated depreciation             | -89  | _    | -    |
| Net value of financial leasing agreements | 694  | 200  | -    |

Depreciation and write-downs totaled MSEK 89 and MSEK - for the years 2000 and 1999, respectively. Leasing fees paid during 2000 totaled MSEK 99.

Future minimum leasing fees and their present value as per financial agreements that could not be canceled in advance and were longer than one year in duration were as follows.

| Maturity | Future<br>leasing fees | Present value<br>of future<br>leasing fees |
|----------|------------------------|--|
| 2001     | 150                    | 146  |
| 2002     | 150                    | 138  |
| 2003     | 150                    | 132  |
| 2004     | 123                    | 103  |
| 2005     | 67                     | 54   |
| Later    | 165                    | 128  |
|          | 805                    | 701  |

As of the balance sheet date, the present value of future minimum leasing fees under noncancelable financial leasing agreements was as follows.

|  | 2000        | 1999 | 1998 |
|--|-------------|------|------|
| Total future minimum leasing fees<br>Less interest charges | 805<br>-104 | 200  | _    |
| Present value of future minimum leasing fees               | 701         | 200  | _    |

Operating leasing. The Group's operating leasing concerns primarily offices and computers. Subleasing consists mainly of computers to employees.

Future minimum leasing fees as per operating agreements that could not be canceled in advance and were longer than one year in duration were as follows.

| Maturity | Future<br>leasing fees | Sub-<br>leasing |
|----------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 2001     | 1,403                  | 13              |
| 2002     | 1,189                  | _               |
| 2003     | 818                    | _               |
| 2004     | 640                    | _               |
| 2005     | 597                    | _               |
| Later    | 1,947                  | _               |
|          | 6.594                  | 13              |

Total paid rent and leasing fees were MSEK 1,574, MSEK 1,377 and MSEK 1,083 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively. Revenue for subleased objects totaled MSEK 49, MSEK 70 and MSEK 41 for these years.

#### Telia as financial lessor

Telia owns assets that it leases to customers based on financial leasing agreements. These assets are reported at the gross investment cost in the lease, less unearned financial revenues. The normal contract period is three years, but most contracts can be renewed. Some of the leasing receivables have been securitized. Based on the terms stipulated by the securitization contracts, the leasing receivables have been included in the Group Balance Sheet.

As of the balance sheet date, the present value of future minimum lease payment receivables under noncancelable financial leasing agreements was as follows.

|   | 2000          | 1999          | 1998          |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Gross investment in financial lease contracts<br>Less unearned financial revenues           | 7,264<br>-774 | 7,498<br>-776 | 6,498<br>-766 |
| Net investment in financial lease contracts<br>Less: Unguaranteed residual values of leased | 6,490         | 6,722         | 5,732         |
| properties for the benefit of the lessor  | -20           | -101          | -87           |
| Present value of future minimum lease payment receivables                                   | 6,470         | 6,621         | 5,645         |

As per the balance sheet date, the gross investment and present value of receivables regarding future minimum lease payments related to noncancelable financial leasing agreements were distributed as follows.

| Maturity | Gross<br>invest-<br>ment | Present value of<br>future minimum<br>lease payments |
|----------|--------------------------|--|
| 2001     | 3,447                    | 3,025  |
| 2002     | 2,096                    | 1,872  |
| 2003     | 1,170                    | 1,078  |
| 2004     | 376                      | 342  |
| 2005     | 137                      | 123  |
| Later    | 38                       | 30   |
|          | 7,264                    | 6,470  |

Reserve for doubtful receivables regarding minimum lease payments totaled MSEK 28 as per the balance sheet date.

The leasing portfolio includes financing of IT-related products primarily in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Finland. The portfolio grew substantially in recent years, chiefly through home-PC contracts. At the end of 2000, approximately 45 percent of the portfolio consisted of sales-type leases with Telia as the vendor, primarily of PBXs.

The financing of other vendors' products refers to computer and office equipment. These agreements increased from a 25 percent share of the total stock in 1997, to 55 percent in 2000. The other Nordic countries' share of the leasing portfolio increased from 6 percent in 1997 to 24 percent in 2000.

The term of the contract stock is 15 quarters. The term of new agreements signed in 2000 is 14 quarters. Of all contracts, 58 percent carry a floating interest rate, 42 percent a fixed rate.

### Telia as operating lessor

Fiber and ducts are sold as part of the operations of Telia's international carrier business. Telia has decided to view these as integral equipment. Under the agreements, title was not transferred to the lessee. The transactions are therefore reported as operating lease agreements. Direct expenditures incurred in connection with agreements are capitalized and written off over the term of the agreement. The contracted sale price is chiefly paid in advance and is recognized as revenue during the period of the agreement. Sales not recognized as revenue are reported as long-term liabilities and prepaid income.

The book value of the leased assets as of the balance sheet date was as follows.

|   | 2000   | 1999 | 1998 |
|---|--------|------|------|
| Acquisition value                         | 1,270  | _    | _    |
| Less accumulated depreciation             | -22    | _    | -    |
| Gross book value                          | 1,248  | _    | _    |
| Plus prepaid sales costs                  | 10     | _    | _    |
| Less prepaid lease payments               | -1,015 | _    | _    |
| Net value of operating leasing agreements | 243    | -    | _    |

Depreciation and write-downs totaled MSEK 22, MSEK – and MSEK – for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998.

Future minimum lease payment receivables under operating agreements in effect as of 31 December 2000 that could not be canceled in advance, and were in excess of one year, were as follows.

| Maturity | Future<br>lease payments |
|----------|--------------------------|
| 2001     | 2,233                    |
| 2002     | 712                      |
| 2003     | 73                       |
| 2004     | 38                       |
| 2005     | 33                       |
| Later    | 3                        |

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The leasing portfolio includes some ten agreements with international operators. The period of the agreement is usually 20 years.

### Other contractual obligations

The Group had as of the balance sheet date the following contractual obligations regarding future acquisitions (or equivalent) of tangible or financial fixed assets.

| Tangible fixed assets            | 4,235 |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Indefeasible Rights of Use (IRU) | 1,026 |
| Associated companies             | 84    |
| Companies outside the Group      | 61    |
|                                  | 5,406 |

Most of the obligations regarding tangible fixed assets and all obligations regarding IRU include construction on contract of Telia's international fiber optic carrier network - the Viking Network.

## Credit Risks

The Telia Group offers a diversified portfolio of services and products in an extremely competitive market. Hence, the Group has limited exposure to individual customers, suppliers, lenders, products or services sold, geographic markets, materials procured, personnel, services purchased, or licenses.

### Financial Instruments

Telia uses derivatives, such as interest rate and currency swaps and forward contracts, primarily to control exposure to fluctuations in interest rates and exchange rates for foreign currencies.

For balances and transactions to be regarded as hedged, the hedging action must have the express purpose of serving as a hedge, have a direct correlation to the hedged position, and also effectively hedge the position by producing financial effects that counteract the effects created by the position that is hedged.

In the case of forward exchange contracts, the underlying receivable or liability is valued at the spot rate at the time the forward contract is signed plus the portion of the forward premium that has accrued as of the balance sheet date.

Amounts to be paid or received as a result of interest rate swaps, which are intended to hedge effectively interest-bearing assets or liabilities as specified above, are reported on an ongoing basis as an interest income or expense.

Gains and losses in conjunction with the close of a hedge contract are charged to income when the hedged position is closed. To the extent that a hedge remains, the gain or loss is carried forward and written off or reversed during the time remaining on the hedge contract.

Derivatives that do not satisfy the criteria for being reported as hedges are reported in the balance sheet at the lesser of acquisition or fair value. Any resulting unrealized losses are reported as losses on financial investments, while unrealized gains are carried forward.

The Group's interest-bearing borrowings, excluding bank overdraft facilities, were as follows.

|                             | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Long-term loans             | 20,825 | 8,969  | 6,391  |
| Current loans               | 13,166 | 6,934  | 7,062  |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | 33,991 | 15,903 | 13,453 |

Usually, the business is financed with funds generated in operations and funds borrowed through the Group's open-market financing programs. Telia also has credit lines with several banks. As per the balance sheet date, the Group's outstanding loans had an average term to maturity of more than 2.4 years. The Group's net borrowings had a duration (average period of fixed interest) of approximately 1.7 years as per the balance sheet date.

### Bank credit facilities

The Group's revolving credit facility, which is a syndicated bank credit facility and can be used for short-term financing to a limit of MUSD 1,000, had not been utilized as of the balance sheet date. Telia also has significant bilateral, confirmed bank credit facilities. Telia has loans equivalent to MSEK 2,992 in four different currencies from the European Investment Bank (EIB).

Of Telia's Euro Medium Term Note (EMTN) program, with a limit of MUSD 2,000 (1,000), the equivalent of MUSD 886 (204) had been utilized as of the balance sheet date, with an average term to maturity of 4.2 years. The Group's Euro Commercial Paper (ECP) program has a limit of MUSD 1,000 (1,000). As of the balance sheet date, the equivalent of MUSD 958 (399) had been utilized, with an average remaining maturity of 0.2 years.

In the Swedish market, Telia's Flexible Term Note (FTN) program provides loan facilities of up to MSEK 12,000 (8,000). FTNs outstanding at the close of books totaled MSEK 8,347 (5,659), with an average remaining maturity of 3.5 years.

### Maturity structure and currencies

The Group's interest-bearing borrowings (excluding bank overdraft facilities) had the following maturity structure at year-end.

|         | Teli<br>Fixed | Telia Treasury Division<br>Fixed Floating |        |       |        |
|---------|---------------|---|--------|-------|--------|
| Matures | rate          | rate                                      | Total  | units | Group  |
| 2001    | _             | 11,676                                    | 11,676 | 1,490 | 13,166 |
| 2002    | 569           | 300                                       | 869    | 1,009 | 1,878  |
| 2003    | 4,597         | 3,178                                     | 7,775  | 475   | 8,250  |
| 2004    | 805           | _   | 805    | 575   | 1,380  |
| 2005    | 2,947         | 500                                       | 3,447  | 1,063 | 4,510  |
| Later   | 4,328         | 350                                       | 4,678  | 129   | 4,807  |
|         | 13,246        | 16,004                                    | 29,250 | 4,741 | 33,991 |

Borrowing by Telia Treasury had a present value of MSEK 30,472 as per the balance sheet date. The average cost for the year was 4.9 percent, and the weighted average time to maturity of net borrowings was 2.6 years. The average cost of outstanding long-term and short-term borrowings as per the balance sheet date in the past three years was as follows.

| <b>%</b>              | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|
| Long-term borrowings  | 5.81 | 5.68 | 5.90 |
| Short-term borrowings | 4.38 | 4.72 | 4.14 |

Normally, borrowings denominated in foreign currencies are swapped into Swedish kronor. The exceptions are funds borrowed to finance the Group's ventures abroad. The portfolio of swaps for interest rates and foreign currency interest rates as per the balance sheet date 2000, 1999 and 1998 had a nominal value of MSEK 14,491, MSEK 6,415 and MSEK 4,604, respectively.

As of the balance sheet date, the long-term loan portfolio was composed of the following currencies, with Swedish krona equivalents based on swap contracts.

|                  | 2000     |         |          | 99      | 1998     |         |  |
|------------------|----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|--|
|                  |          | Amount  | Amount   |         |          | Amount  |  |
|                  | Interest | in cur- | Interest | in cur- | Interest | in cur- |  |
| Currency         | (%)      | rency   | (%)      | rency   | (%)      | rency   |  |
| Swapped into SEK |          |         |          |         |          |         |  |
| EUR/XEU          | 6.1      | 906     | 5.7      | 150     | 5.8      | 118     |  |
| DEM              | 5.8      | 278     | 5.2      | 399     | 5.2      | 399     |  |
| DKK              | _        | _       | _        | _       | 6.7      | 3       |  |
| GBP              | 6.2      | 35      | 7.7      | 48      | 7.7      | 48      |  |
| ESP              | _        | _       | 5.8      | 8,000   | 5.8      | 8,000   |  |
| USD              | _        | _       | 5.9      | 25      | _        | _       |  |
| JPY              | 6.0      | 2,574   | 0.8      | 3,000   | _        | -       |  |
| Total SEK        | 6.0      | 9,987   | 5.5      | 4,390   | 6.5      | 3,664   |  |
| Not swapped      |          |         |          |         |          |         |  |
| SEK              | 5.6      | 8,169   | 5.8      | 4,458   | 6.2      | 2,691   |  |
| NOK              | 6.0      | 2,061   | _        | -       | -        | -       |  |
| LKR              | 22.0     | 3,050   | -        | -       | -        | -       |  |
| USD              | 8.7      | 11      | 8.2      | 11      | _        | _       |  |
| FIM              | 4.7      | 0       | 4.9      | 0       | _        | _       |  |
| LVL              | _        | _       | 10.0     | 2       | 14.0     | 1       |  |
| EEK              | _        | _       | -        | -       | 18.0     | 36      |  |
| Total SEK        |          | 10,838  | 4,579    |         | 9 2,72   |         |  |
|                  |          | 20,825  |          | 8,969   | 6,391    |         |  |

### Financial risk management

#### Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that fluctuations in exchange rates will adversely affect items in the Group's income statement and balance sheet. Foreign exchange risk can be divided into transaction exposure and conversion exposure. Transaction exposure is the risk that arises from net inflow or outflow of a foreign currency required by operations (exports and imports) and financing (interest and amortization). Conversion exposure is the risk that arises from equity in a foreign subsidiary or associated company that is denominated in a foreign currency and any goodwill arising from acquisitions.

Transaction exposure. The Telia Group requires foreign currency for its ongoing operations, as a result of deficits in settlements for international telecom traffic and the import of equipment and supplies.

Currently, 60 percent of the Group's transaction exposure is in USD and 34 percent in EUR and other currencies within the EMU.

Assuming a total transaction exposure equivalent to that for the year 2000, if the Swedish krona is weakened by one percentage point vis-à-vis transaction currencies, the negative impact on earnings would be approximately MSEK 40 on a full-vear basis

Telia's policy is to hedge its known transaction exposure to foreign currency in order to limit earnings fluctuation. The following is a breakdown of the net foreign exchange outflow.

| Currency         | 2000<br>Amount<br>in MSEK | o<br>% | 199<br>Amount<br>in MSEK | 9 % | 1998<br>Amount<br>in MSEK | 3 % |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------|--------------------------|-----|---------------------------|-----|
| -                |                           |        |                          |     |                           |     |
| USD              | 2,377                     | 60     | 1,173                    | 59  | 1,386                     | 63  |
| EUR/XEU          | 898                       | 23     | 356                      | 18  | 176                       | 8   |
| GBP              | 199                       | 5      | 121                      | 6   | 132                       | 6   |
| NOK              | 127                       | 3      | -9                       | 0   | 34                        | 2   |
| DEM              | 113                       | 3      | _                        | _   | 176                       | 8   |
| FRF              | 43                        | 1      | 136                      | 7   | 88                        | 4   |
| NLG              | 67                        | 2      | 86                       | 4   | 110                       | 5   |
| ESP              | 40                        | 1      | 75                       | 3   | _                         | _   |
| DKK              | -37                       | -1     | -76                      | -4  | -86                       | -4  |
| Other currencies | 107                       | 3      | 109                      | 7   | 184                       | 8   |
| Total equivalent |                           |        |                          |     |                           |     |
| value            | 3,934                     | 100    | 1,971                    | 100 | 2,200                     | 100 |

Conversion exposure. The Group is growing relatively fast outside Sweden, which implies growing conversion exposure. The actions that Telia takes to manage that risk vary depending on factors such as the investment horizon, size of the holding, the country, and the currency in question. Taking into account tax-related effects, the Group usually hedges positions entailing conversion exposure when they are relatively short-term, are a large amount, and are located in a country with smoothly functioning financial markets or are denominated in a freely convertible currency. On the other hand, a long-term investment, or a minor amount, in a country or currency allowing little room for financial risk management would not be hedged.

Net foreign assets, that is, the sum of equity and goodwill from acquisitions, are distributed as follows.

|                  | 200     | 0   | 199     | 9   | 1998    | 3   |
|------------------|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|
|                  | Amount  |     | Amount  |     | Amount  |     |
| Currency         | in MSEK | %   | in MSEK | %   | in MSEK | %   |
| NOK              | 26,303  | 48  | -288    | -3  | 32      | 1   |
| EUR              | 12,194  | 22  | 1,347   | 13  | 1,083   | 18  |
| USD              | 3,425   | 6   | 1,926   | 19  | 35      | 1   |
| LTL              | 2,957   | 6   | 2,816   | 27  | 2,697   | 46  |
| BRL              | 2,519   | 5   | -63     | -1  | 324     | 5   |
| PLN              | 2,287   | 4   | 456     | 5   | 129     | 2   |
| DKK              | 1,696   | 3   | 403     | 4   | -108    | -1  |
| DEM              | 1,067   | 2   | 169     | 2   | 22      | 0   |
| EEK              | 497     | 1   | 440     | 4   | 320     | 5   |
| GBP              | 415     | 1   | 69      | 1   | 74      | 1   |
| LVL              | 239     | 1   | 144     | 1   | 61      | 1   |
| FRF              | 193     | 0   | 118     | 1   | _       | _   |
| FIM              | 107     | 0   | 430     | 4   | 480     | 8   |
| NLG              | 98      | 0   | 2,211   | 21  | 645     | 11  |
| LKR              | 89      | 0   | 57      | 1   | 71      | 1   |
| Other currencies | 300     | 1   | 132     | 1   | 45      | 1   |
|                  | 54,386  | 100 | 10,367  | 100 | 5,910   | 100 |
| of which hedged  | 10,239  | 19  | 2,198   | 21  | 1,011   | 17  |

The hedged risk concerns Telia Norge AS, Telia Telecommunications International B.V., Telia International Holdings B.V. and Comsource UnLtd.

Foreign exchange derivatives. Telia's portfolio of foreign-currency interestrate swaps represented the following currencies and maturity dates as per the balance sheet date.

| Amount<br>in MSEK         | 2001        | 2002 | 2003  | 2004 | 2005  | Later | Total  |
|---------------------------|-------------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|--------|
| IN MISEK                  | 2001        | 2002 | 2003  | 2004 | 2005  | Later | Iotai  |
| Currency swaps<br>Buy EUR | s, received | l    |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | -           | -    | 4,422 | -    | 2,657 | 1,983 | 9,062  |
| Present value             | _           | _    | 4,463 | _    | 2,832 | 2,022 | 9,317  |
| Buy DEM                   |             |      |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | 842         | -    | 453   | 510  | -     | -     | 1,805  |
| Present value             | 860         | _    | 477   | 537  | _     | _     | 1,874  |
| Buy GBP                   |             |      |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | -           | -    | 683   | -    | -     | _     | 683    |
| Present value             | -           | -    | 729   | -    | -     | -     | 729    |
| Buy ESP                   |             |      |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | 426         | _    | _     | _    | _     | _     | 426    |
| Present value             | 447         | -    | -     | -    | -     | _     | 447    |
| Buy USD                   |             |      |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | 238         | _    | _     | _    | _     | _     | 238    |
| Present value             | 241         | -    | -     | -    | -     | _     | 241    |
| Buy JPY                   |             |      |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | _           | 244  | _     | -    | _     | -     | 244    |
| Present value             | _           | 247  | _     | _    | _     | _     | 247    |
| Book value                | 1.506       | 244  | 5.558 | 510  | 2.657 | 1.983 | 12,458 |
| Present value             | 1,548       | 247  | 5,669 | 537  | 2,832 | 2,022 | 12,855 |
| Currency swaps            | s, paid     |      |       |      |       |       |        |
| Book value                | 1,439       | 214  | 5,154 | 302  | 2,511 | 1,963 | 11,583 |
| Present value             | 1,491       | 224  | 5,381 | 322  | 2,713 | 2,089 | 12,220 |

The portfolio of other foreign exchange derivatives that hedge loans and investments was broken down as follows as per the balance sheet date.

| Amount in MSEK | Book<br>value | Present<br>value |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|
| Sell EUR       | 4,699         | 4,878            |
| Sell USD       | 1,087         | 1,064            |
| Sell GBP       | 486           | 493              |
| Sell NOK       | 357           | 364              |
| Sell LVL       | 25            | 25               |
| Sell CHF       | 5             | 5                |
| Sell HKD       | 3             | 3                |
| Sell total     | 6,662         | 6,832            |
| Buy USD        | -6,456        | -6,559           |
| Buy NOK        | -1,637        | -1,625           |
| Buy EUR        | -1,468        | -1,536           |
| Buy CHF        | -331          | -349             |
| Buy GBP        | -45           | -45              |
| Buy total      | -9,937        | -10,114          |
| Buy net        | -3,275        | -3,282           |

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that a change in interest rates will negatively affect the Group's net interest income. Telia's financial policy contains guidelines for interest rates and the average maturity of borrowings. The basic goal is to optimize interest rate risk for the Group as a whole.

A substantial portion of the Group's borrowings consists of financing for leasing agreements. Many of these agreements have interest rates fixed for a short time, so the Group needs the interest rates on a considerable proportion of its loans to be fixed in the short term. For the remainder of borrowings, the duration should be 1–3 years. In 2000, the duration for that portion of interest-bearing borrowings was at the longer end of the interval.

The Group's interest-bearing borrowings, not including funding required by leasing agreements, was roughly GSEK 27 at year-end, with a fixed interest rate period of over two years, so that the overall interest-rate risk is relatively limited at present

The portfolio of interest-rate swap contracts had the following composition.

|                            | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | Later | Total |
|----------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Fixed interest rec         | eived |      |      |      |      |       |       |
| Book value                 | -     | _    | 640  | -    | _    | -     | 640   |
| Present value              | _     | _    | 676  | _    | _    | _     | 676   |
| Floating interest received |       |      |      |      |      |       |       |
| Book value                 | 100   | 400  | 243  | _    | 150  | 500   | 1,393 |
| Present value              | 102   | 406  | 246  | _    | 151  | 504   | 1,409 |
| Total received             |       |      |      |      |      |       |       |
| Book value                 | 100   | 400  | 883  | _    | 150  | 500   | 2,033 |
| Present value              | 102   | 406  | 922  | _    | 151  | 504   | 2,085 |
| Fixed interest pai         | id    |      |      |      |      |       |       |
| Book value                 | 100   | 400  | 243  | 200  | 150  | 500   | 1,593 |
| Present value              | 103   | 414  | 251  | 212  | 162  | 553   | 1,695 |
| Floating interest          | paid  |      |      |      |      |       |       |
| Book value                 | · –   | _    | 639  | -    | _    | -     | 639   |
| Present value              | _     | _    | 647  | _    | _    | _     | 647   |
| Total paid                 |       |      |      |      |      |       |       |
| Book value                 | 100   | 400  | 882  | 200  | 150  | 500   | 2,232 |
| Present value              | 103   | 414  | 898  | 212  | 162  | 553   | 2,342 |

#### Financing risk

Telia's borrowings usually have a longer maturity than duration (principal is fixed longer than interest rates). This allows the Group to obtain the desired interest rate risk without having to assume a high financing risk.

Telia AB enjoys an excellent credit rating, which enables the Group to obtain financing easily in the financial markets. The credit rating agency Standard & Poor's has assigned Telia its highest possible ratings for short-term borrowing: K-1 for borrowing in Swedish kronor and A-1+ in foreign currencies. For long-term borrowing, Telia has an AA rating from Standard & Poor's.

Telia also has the best short-term rating given by the credit rating agency Moody's. For long-term borrowing, Moody's has assigned Telia an Aa3 rating. In December, Moody's posted Telia's rating on its watchlist for possible downgrade.

Telia finances its operations chiefly by borrowing directly in Swedish and international money markets and capital markets.

To reduce financing risk, Telia AB has a revolving credit facility, that is, confirmed credit lines from a syndicate of leading international banks. These confirmed credit lines have a limit of MUSD 1,000, or the equivalent value in certain other currencies. Telia also has a considerable amount of confirmed bilateral credit lines with banks, in addition to credit available in unconfirmed lines at credit facilities.

### Liquidity risk and credit risk

The Telia Group usually has no great surplus liquidity. If a surplus occurs, it is invested in extremely short-term interest-bearing instruments with superior credit ratings. The permitted exposure to each counterparty depends on the rating of that party.

The Group employs derivatives in its financial management activities. Derivatives are used chiefly to obtain the fixed interest rates desired on the loan portfolio and the risk profile desired in foreign exchange dealings.

Telia accepts only the most creditworthy counterparties for financial transactions such as interest-rate and foreign-currency swaps and other transactions in derivatives. Telia requires each counterparty to have an approved rating and an International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (ISDA) agreement. The permitted exposure to each counterparty depends on the rating of that party.

At year-end, the aggregate exposure to counterparties in derivative instruments was MSEK 169. No investments were made in interest-bearing securities with maturities exceeding 1 month. The Group's contingency liquidity is secured via substantial confirmed bank credit lines, which at year-end exceeded GSEK 10 and were not utilized.

### Estimated market value of financial instruments

The estimated market value of the Group's financial instruments is based on market rates and generally accepted valuation methods. Values reported are indicative and will not necessarily be realized.

Official public quotes as per the close of books are used for valuation. If such a rate is not available, the instrument is valued by discounting future cash flows at a quoted market rate of interest for each maturity.

Conversion to SEK is done at quoted exchange rates as per the close of books. The market value for listed associated companies is reduced by loans made by Group companies to the company in question. For leasing receivables, any credit losses arising are reduced by gains from the sale of equipment returned.

Other interest-bearing long-term and current accounts receivable chiefly consist of claims on associated companies and personnel. Thus, the book value of these items is regarded as corresponding to the market value.

The market value for interest and currency swaps includes underlying principal. Swaps received and paid are based on each leg of a swap.

The book value and estimated market value of interest-bearing assets and liabilities are shown below. Accounts receivable from customers and other noninterest-bearing items are entered in the accounts at fair value.

|  | 20            | 00           | 19            | 99           | 19            | 98           |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|  |               | Mar-         |               | Mar-         |               | Mar-         |
|  | Book<br>value | ket<br>value | Book<br>value | ket<br>value | Book<br>value | ket<br>value |
| Balance sheet items                                      |               |              |               |              |               |              |
| Participations in  |               |              |               |              |               |              |
| associated companies<br>Other holdings                   | 13,298        | 23,173       | 10,177        | 35,976       | 5,404         | 5,404        |
| of securities  | 635           | 412          | 527           | 452          | 807           | 658          |
| Leasing receivables Other long-                          | 6,490         | 6,422        | 6,722         | 6,722        | 5,732         | 5,732        |
| term receivables<br>Other current                        | 930           | 930          | 923           | 923          | 954           | 954          |
| receivables<br>Short-term                                | 7,747         | 7,747        | 1,827         | 1,827        | 343           | 343          |
| investments  | 178           | 178          | 1,264         | 1,264        | 202           | 202          |
| Assets<br>Long-term loans                                | 29,278        | 38,862       | 21,440        | 47,164       | 13,442        | 13,293       |
| (excl. derivatives)<br>Current loans                     | 21,433        | 22,107       | 9,134         | 9,419        | 6,876         | 7,126        |
| (excl. derivatives)<br>Interest swaps                    | 13,234        | 13,483       | 6,953         | 7,084        | 7,062         | 7,105        |
| received   | -2,033        | -2,085       | -843          | -870         | -943          | -970         |
| Interest swaps paid<br>Currency swaps                    | 2,232         | 2,342        | 1,043         | 1,080        | 1,143         | 1,180        |
| received   | -12,458       | -12,855      | -5,572        | -4,896       | -4,145        | -4,049       |
| Currency swaps paid                                      | 11,583        | 12,220       | 5,188         | 4,414        | 3,460         | 3,459        |
| Liabilities<br>Off-balance-sheet<br>items                | 33,991        | 35,212       | 15,903        | 16,231       | 13,453        | 13,851       |
| Foreign exchange<br>derivatives sold<br>Foreign exchange | 9,937         | 10,114       | 3,382         | 3,422        | 4,088         | 4,186        |
| derivatives purchased                                    | 6,662         | 6,832        | 8,837         | 8,874        | 5,423         | 5,625        |

The market capitalization for the Group's holdings of publicly quoted shares as of the balance sheet date was as follows.

|   | 2000   | 1999   | 1998 |
|---|--------|--------|------|
| Eniro AB, Sweden                          | 6,992  | _      | _    |
| Scandinavia Online AB, Sweden             | 352    | _      | _    |
| AS Eesti Telekom, Estonia                 | 1,648  | 1,966  | _    |
| AB Lietuvos Telekomas, Lithuania          | 1,251  | _      | _    |
| Netia Holdings S.A., Poland               | 2,448  | 1,195  | _    |
| Eircom plc, Ireland                       | 7,392  | 11,249 | _    |
| Infonet Services Corp., USA               | 4,499  | 21,118 | _    |
| Digital Telecom. Phils. Inc., Philippines | 52     | 187    | 120  |
| Other holdings                            | 14     | 0      | 0    |
|   | 24,648 | 35,715 | 120  |

### Contingent Assets, Collateral Pledged and Contingent Liabilities

|  | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Contingent assets                      |       |       |       |
| Company funds held by SPP              | _     | 541   | -     |
|  | _     | 541   | _     |
| Collateral pledged                     |       |       |       |
| For off-balance-sheet instruments:     |       |       |       |
| Blocked funds in bank accounts         | 5     | 34    | 33    |
| For deposits from customers:           |       |       |       |
| Blocked funds in bank accounts         | 7     | 7     | 10    |
| For long-term liabilities to           |       |       |       |
| credit institutions:                   |       |       |       |
| Real estate mortgages                  | _     | 2     | _     |
| Liens on assets                        | _     | 7     | _     |
| Shares in associated companies         | _     | 26    | 26    |
|  | 12    | 76    | 69    |
| Contingent liabilities                 |       |       |       |
| Credit and performance guarantees etc. | 995   | 1,182 | 627   |
| FPG/PRI                                | 165   | 161   | 146   |
| Other contingent liabilities           | 164   | 273   | 330   |
|  | 1,324 | 1,616 | 1,103 |

Some loan covenants agreed by the Group limit its scope for divesting or pledging certain assets. Most of the credit and performance guarantees concern the associated company Tess S/A (see Note 9 "Related Party Transactions").

### **32** Disputes

Within the scope of day-to-day business activities, from time to time Telia is involved as a party to arbitration between operators under the auspices of the Swedish National Post and Telecom Agency (PTS), or as a party to complaints dealt with by the competition authority and the Swedish Consumer Ombudsman (KO). At present, Telia has appealed certain decisions of PTS. These appeals include the Agency's decision not to grant Telia a UMTS license and the Agency's decision regarding interconnect charges for terminating traffic in Telia Mobile's networks.

Also, from time to time Telia is a party to court procedures or other legal proceedings in Sweden and in other countries where the Group conducts day-to-day business activities. Telia currently is not aware of any court procedures, summons, complaints, or other claims that, individually or taken as a whole, would have a significantly negative impact on the Group's business activities, financial position, or earnings.

### **Human Resources**

### Employees, salaries, and social security expenses

During the year, the number of employees decreased, to 29,868 (30,643). The breakdown by business segment is presented in Note 37 "Business Area Breakdown." The number of employees in Sweden decreased by 932. Outside Sweden, the number of employees increased by 157. In other Nordic countries, the increase was 999, while employees on markets outside the Nordic countries decreased by 842 (see also Note 38 "Geographic Segment Breakdown").

Adjusting for acquired and divested operations, the number of employees increased by 1,448, of which 540 in Sweden.

The average number of full-time employees was as follows.

|                 | 2000<br>of which |        | 1999<br>of which |        | 1998<br>of whi |        |
|-----------------|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|----------------|--------|
|                 | Total            | men    | Total            | men    | Total          | men    |
| Sweden          | 25,383           | 15,776 | 25,414           | 15,817 | 27,540         | 17,594 |
| Denmark         | 1,586            | 954    | 1,273            | 755    | 1,095          | 654    |
| Finland         | 999              | 598    | 662              | 401    | 521            | 322    |
| Norway          | 477              | 252    | 460              | 262    | 413            | 282    |
| Estonia         | 162              | 79     | 209              | 73     | 64             | 27     |
| Latvia          | 207              | 138    | 210              | 124    | 129            | 62     |
| Lithuania       | 172              | 100    | 199              | 100    | 174            | 67     |
| Russia          | 263              | 136    | 172              | 69     | 216            | 81     |
| Belarus         | 80               | 26     | 95               | 30     | 98             | 37     |
| Ukraine         | 76               | 37     | 79               | 36     | 36             | 12     |
| United Kingdom  | 182              | 107    | 134              | 84     | 153            | 95     |
| Ireland         | 33               | 30     | 53               | 50     | 28             | 24     |
| The Netherlands | 8                | 8      | _                | _      | 392            | 211    |
| United States   | 89               | 68     | 20               | 15     | 11             | 8      |
| Brazil          | 10               | 9      | 45               | 36     | 64             | 52     |
| Sri Lanka       | 365              | 301    | 343              | 283    | 290            | 235    |
| Rest of world   | 215              | 167    | 178              | 143    | 96             | 71     |
|                 | 30,307           | 18,786 | 29,546           | 18,278 | 31,320         | 19,834 |

The Swedish operations were conducted virtually throughout the country, and operations overseas in 39, 40 and 32 countries during the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

Salaries and other remuneration, along with social security expenses, were as follows.

|   | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|
| Salaries and other remuneration           | 9,543  | 9,184  | 9,098  |
| Social security expenses                  |        | ,      | •      |
| Employer's social security contributions  | 3,055  | 2,895  | 2,762  |
| Pension expenses                          | 429    | 599    | 761    |
| Contractual pensions for early retirement | 472    | 452    | 1,463  |
|   | 3,956  | 3,946  | 4,986  |
|   | 13,499 | 13,130 | 14,084 |

Pension costs for the category Board of Directors and CEO totaled MSEK 49, MSEK 23 and MSEK 16 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

Salaries and other remuneration were divided between corporate officers and other employees as follows.

|                 | 20  | 000                     | 19  | 99                      | 1998  |                         |  |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|
|                 | Board<br>and CEO<br>(of which<br>bonuses<br>etc.) | Other<br>em-<br>ployees | Board<br>and CEO<br>(of which<br>bonuses<br>etc.) | Other<br>em-<br>ployees | Board<br>and CEO<br>(of which<br>bonuses<br>etc.) | Other<br>em-<br>ployees |  |
| Sweden          | 96 (14)   | 8,048                   | 71 (10)   | 7,949                   | 47 (4)  | 8,018                   |  |
| Denmark         | 15 (1)  | 587                     | 8 (2)   | 533                     | 6 (0)   | 386                     |  |
| Finland         | 5 (0)   | 223                     | 7 (1)   | 174                     | 4 (–)   | 148                     |  |
| Norway          | 4 (0)   | 215                     | 2 (0)   | 176                     | 2 (0)   | 157                     |  |
| Estonia         | 1 (0)   | 4                       | 1 (0)   | 10                      | 0 (0)   | 7                       |  |
| Latvia          | 1 (0)   | 12                      | 1 (0)   | 11                      | 1 (0)   | 13                      |  |
| Lithuania       | 1 (0)   | 22                      | 1 (1)   | 26                      | 2 (–)   | 12                      |  |
| Russia          | 2 (0)   | 8                       | 0 (0)   | 5                       | 0 (0)   | 4                       |  |
| Belarus         | 0 (0)   | 2                       | 0 (0)   | 2                       | 0 (0)   | 1                       |  |
| Ukraine         | 0 (0)   | 0                       | 0 (0)   | 0                       | 0 (0)   | 0                       |  |
| United Kingdom  | 3 (0)   | 76                      | 3 (0)   | 57                      | 2 (1)   | 70                      |  |
| Ireland         | _   | 14                      | _   | 20                      | -   | 11                      |  |
| The Netherlands | _   | -                       | _   | -                       | 4 (1)   | 94                      |  |
| United States   | 5 (1)   | 67                      | 2 (1)   | 17                      | 2 (0)   | 8                       |  |
| Brazil          | _   | 0                       | 0 (–)   | 24                      | 0 (–)   | 16                      |  |
| Sri Lanka       | 2 (–)   | 24                      | 2 (–)   | 23                      | 0 (–)   | 21                      |  |
| Rest of world   | 10 (1)  | 96                      | 3 (2)   | 56                      | 4 (0)   | 58                      |  |
|                 | 145 (17)  | 9,398                   | 101 (17)  | 9,083                   | 74 (7)  | 9,024                   |  |

The subsidiary Telia Finans AB made provisions totaling MSEK 3, MSEK 4 and MSEK 4 for costs of employee profit-sharing for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

### Remuneration to corporate officers

In accordance with the Annual General Meeting's decision on fees to the elected members of the Board, a total of SEK 1,265,285 has been disbursed. The fee to the Chairman of the Board was SEK 500,000 and to individual members SEK 200,000. The fee to trade union representatives was SEK 90,000 and a total of SEK 247,500 was paid to these members.

Marianne Nivert, acting President from 11 October 2000 to 19 February 2001, during the year 2000 received SEK 3,724,427 in salary and other benefits and SEK 531,200 in bonuses attributable to fiscal 1999. The annual salary of the President for the year 2001 totals SEK 4,400,000. In addition to this is a performance-based bonus of no more than 35 percent. If the company cancels her employment contract, Nivert is entitled to severance pay corresponding to monthly salary for 12 months.

Jan-Åke Kark, President until 10 October 2000, during the year 2000 received SEK 4,528,071 in salary and other benefits and SEK 875,000 in bonuses attributable to fiscal 1999.

The President is entitled to a pension according to the ITP plan at the retirement age of 60 as well as a supplementary pension before age 65, so that the aggregate pension from the age of 60 equals 70 percent of the pensionable salary. From the age of 65, pension is paid in accordance with the ITP plan as well as a supplementary pension for the portion of the President's salary that exceeds 20 "basic amounts" (base figure for Swedish social security).

Group executive management and top management of the business areas and subsidiaries receive a performance-based bonus in addition to salary. The bonus is based on the Group's earnings and/or the results in the individual's own field of activity. The bonus may total 20-35 percent of the fixed annual salary.

Sixty senior managers are, in the event that the company cancels their employment contracts, entitled to severance pay corresponding to monthly salary for 12 months. Thirty of these managers are entitled to early retirement pensions. In such cases, the aggregate retirement pension is equal to 70 percent of the pensionable salary before age 65.

### 4 Auditors' Fees

The following remuneration was paid to auditors and accounting firms for audits and other reviews based on applicable legislation and for advice and other assistance resulting from observations in the reviews. Remuneration was also paid for independent advice in the fields of tax law, corporate finance, and management consulting as well as other consulting services.

|                               | 2000 | 1999 |
|-------------------------------|------|------|
| Ernst & Young AB              |      |      |
| Audits                        | 23   | 21   |
| Independent advice            | 44   | 54   |
|                               | 67   | 75   |
| Swedish National Audit Office |      |      |
| Audits                        | 0    | 0    |
|                               | 0    | 0    |
| Other accounting firms        |      |      |
| Audits                        | 1    | 0    |
| Independent advice            | 5    | 8    |
|                               | 6    | 8    |
|                               | 73   | 83   |

The tasks were performed for significant Group units inside and outside Sweden. Audit services were performed by auditors and accounting firms appointed by the Group units. Independent advice was provided by companies closely associated with selected accounting firms.

### Value Added

Value added is a measure of the Telia Group's productive efforts, in other words the increase in value achieved by business activities. Value added consists of the Group's net sales less the cost of purchased goods and services.

Value added is divided among the Group's stakeholders: the employees, creditors, the Swedish state, and the shareholders. The remainder is retained in the Group to cover the cost of wear and tear on machinery, equipment, and installations (depreciation) and to enable further expansion of the business.

The Group also serves as a collector of value-added tax, the indirect tax levied on the value added by the Group. To provide a comprehensive view of the Group's contribution to the state, a measure of value added adjusted for such tax effects is also presented.

|                           |         | 2        | 1999              | 1998          |               |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                           | MSEK    | tal<br>% | kSEK/<br>employee | Total<br>MSEK | Total<br>MSEK |
|                           | ITISEK  | /0       | employee          | ITISEK        | MISER         |
| Net sales                 | 54,064  | 100      | 1,784             | 52,121        | 49,569        |
| Cost of purchased         |         |          |                   |               |               |
| goods and services        | -28,843 |          |                   | -26,775       | -27,153       |
| Other revenues and        |         |          |                   |               |               |
| expenses, net             | 8,703   |          |                   | -674          | 4,472         |
| Total goods and services  | -20,140 | -37      | -665              | -27,449       | -22,681       |
| Value added               | 33,924  | 63       | 1,119             | 24,672        | 26,888        |
| Value-added tax collected | 14,172  |          |                   | 13,749        | 12,263        |
| Value-added tax paid      | -7,758  |          |                   | -6,873        | -6,412        |
| Adjusted value added      | 40,338  |          | 1,331             | 31,548        | 32,739        |

Value added was distributed among the Group's stakeholders as follows.

|                               |        | 2   | 000      | 1999   | 1998   |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|----------|--------|--------|
|                               | To     | tal | kSEK/    | Total  | Total  |
|                               | MSEK   | %   | employee | MSEK   | MSEK   |
| To employees                  |        |     |          |        |        |
| Total salaries and wages      | 9,543  | 28  | 315      | 9,184  | 9,098  |
| Employer's social security    |        |     |          |        |        |
| contributions                 | 3,055  | 9   | 101      | 2,895  | 2,762  |
| Less: capitalized salaries    |        |     |          |        |        |
| and employer's social         |        |     | _        |        |        |
| security contributions        | -99    | -0  | -3       | -282   | -42    |
|                               | 12,499 | 37  | 413      | 11,797 | 11,818 |
| To creditors                  |        |     |          |        |        |
| Interest etc.                 | 911    | 3   | 30       | 541    | 491    |
| To the state                  |        |     |          |        |        |
| Income taxes                  | 1,447  | 4   | 48       | 1,754  | 2,092  |
| To shareholders               |        |     |          |        |        |
| Dividend (for 2000            | 1 501  |     | 40       | 1 470  | 1 400  |
| as proposed by the Board)     | 1,501  | 4   | 49       | 1,470  | 1,400  |
| Retained by the Group         |        |     |          |        |        |
| Depreciation and amortization | 8.222  | 24  | 271      | 7.652  | 7.146  |
| Other                         | 9.344  | 28  | 308      | 1,458  | 3,941  |
| Other                         | .,     |     |          | -      |        |
|                               | 17,566 | 52  | 579      | 9,110  | 11,087 |
| Value added                   | 33,924 | 100 | 1,119    | 24,672 | 26,888 |
| Value-added tax reported      | 6,414  |     |          | 6,876  | 5,851  |
| Adjusted value added          | 40,338 |     | 1,331    | 31,548 | 32,739 |

Dividends to shareholders equaled 4.4 (5.9) percent of value added in 2000 or 12.0 (12.5) percent of the Group's total salaries and employer's social security contributions.

36 U.S. GAAP

### Differences in principles

Telia's Group accounts are prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards (IAS). IAS differ in certain respects from U.S. GAAP.

Swap transactions. Within the portal operations, swap transactions of equal value, but different type, have been completed with outside companies. In accordance with IAS, the transaction is recognized as revenue and expensed at the same amount. In accordance with U.S. GAAP, revenue is recognized only if the value at which the revenue is reported can be determined based on the company's historical cash transactions with buyers that are not closely related to the party with which the swap transaction was executed. Furthermore, such cash

transactions must be executed during the immediately preceding six-month period. As these conditions have not been satisfied, reported income and operating expense are reversed upon application of U.S. GAAP.

Sale and leaseback. In 1998, the Group sold its real estate business to external buyers, while Group companies stayed on as tenants. The profit from the divestiture was recognized as revenue in its entirety, as per IAS, because the rental contracts are considered operating leases and the real estate was sold at market value.

U.S. GAAP has other requirements for reporting earnings and in this case would not allow the immediate recognition of the entire surplus generated by the divestiture. The Telia Group has retained more than an insignificant part but less than the complete use of the real estate properties. If U.S. GAAP were applied, during the period 1998-2012 that portion of the profit that exceeds the present discounted value of future gross rental payments at the time of divestiture would be recognized as revenue in proportion to the gross rental payments.

Besides the leases, which extend 3-15 years depending on the type of real estate, no undertakings or other circumstances exist that entail or are contingent on any future commitment to the real estate properties divested on the part of

SPP funds. Client company funds held by SPP are reported in accordance with IAS, after discounting, in their entirety as revenue and the non-liquid component of the settlement as a long-term or current liability. U.S. GAAP has other requirements for reporting earnings. Upon application of U.S. GAAP, the revenue and balance sheet items that are the non-liquid component are reversed. Instead, they are recognized as liquid settlement takes place.

Financing of associated companies. The Group charges interest expenses to income when they are related to the financing of associated companies. U.S. GAAP requires such interest expenses to be capitalized as part of the acquisition value of the associated company. Upon application of U.S. GAAP, the acquisition value, Group interest expenses, and the share of earnings of each associated company involved are adjusted.

Publicly quoted securities. In accordance with IAS, shares and participations are valued at acquisition value, or at a written down price if a decline in value is regarded as permanent. Upon application of U.S. GAAP, publicly quoted shares and participations as well as bonds and other instruments regarded as available for sale are valued at market prices (marked to market). Changes in value are reported as a separate item under equity and do not affect net income.

Taxes. Deferred tax benefits and liabilities are calculated for all differences between IAS and U.S. GAAP.

### Translation into U.S. GAAP

Application of U.S. GAAP has the following approximate effects on the net income and equity of the Telia Group.

### Net income

| MSEK                                   | 2000   | 1999  | 1998   |
|--|--------|-------|--------|
| Net income as per IAS                  | 10,278 | 4,222 | 5,011  |
| Sale and leaseback                     | 217    | 217   | -1,805 |
| Financing associated companies         | -3     | -3    | 24     |
| SPP funds                              | -387   | _     | -      |
| Deferred tax                           | 48     | -60   | 499    |
| Calculated net income as per U.S. GAAP | 10,153 | 4,376 | 3,729  |

### Equity

| MSEK                               | 2000   | 1999   | 1998)  |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Shareholders' equity as per IAS    | 55,988 | 32,893 | 29,344 |
| Sale and leaseback                 | -1,371 | -1,588 | -1,805 |
| Financing associated companies     | 18     | 21     | 24     |
| SPP funds                          | -387   | _      | _      |
| Publicly quoted securities         | -223   | -75    | -149   |
| Deferred tax                       | 550    | 460    | 541    |
| Calculated equity as per U.S. GAAP | 54,575 | 31,711 | 27,955 |

The adjustments would have changed certain items in the Group income statements and balance sheet. The table shows the summary income statement and balance sheet after the application of U.S. GAAP.

### Income statement as per U.S. GAAP

| MSEK                         | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net sales                    | 54,049 | 52,121 | 49,569 |
| Operating income             | 11,833 | 6,160  | 5,415  |
| Income after financial items | 11,544 | 6,194  | 5,362  |
| Taxes                        | -1,399 | -1,814 | -1,593 |
| Minority shares              | 8      | -4     | -40    |
| Net income                   | 10,153 | 4,376  | 3,729  |
| Earnings per share (SEK)     | 3.46   | 1.53   | 1.31   |

| MSEK                         | 2000    | 1999   | 1998   |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Fixed assets                 | 91,457  | 53,898 | 49,620 |
| Current assets               | 31,220  | 23,117 | 18,080 |
| Total assets                 | 122,677 | 77,015 | 67,700 |
| Equity                       | 54,575  | 31,711 | 27,955 |
| Minority interests           | 320     | 210    | 210    |
| Provisions                   | 11,357  | 9,881  | 7,742  |
| Long-term liabilities        | 21,905  | 9,772  | 6,605  |
| Current liabilities          | 34,520  | 25,441 | 25,188 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 122,677 | 77,015 | 67,700 |

#### Comprehensive income

To provide a comprehensive view, the accounts should in accordance with FASB Statement No. 130 "Reporting Comprehensive Income" take into account the concept of comprehensive income. This concept includes net income for the year and items charged directly to equity.

#### Comprehensive income

| MSEK                                   | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|--|--------|-------|-------|
| Net income as per U.S. GAAP            | 10,153 | 4,376 | 3,729 |
| Translation of foreign operations      | 1,821  | 114   | 56    |
| Unrealized gains/losses on             |        |       |       |
| publicly quoted securities             | -107   | 53    | -37   |
| Transactions with outside parties      | -82    | 613   | -     |
| Share of earnings in                   |        |       |       |
| companies previously outside the Group | 29     | _     | _     |
| New issue expenses                     | -231   | _     | -     |
| Other items                            | 1,430  | 780   | 19    |
| Comprehensive income                   | 11,583 | 5,156 | 3,748 |

#### Recently issued accounting standards

FAS 133. In June 1998, FASB Statement No. 133 "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" was issued. In June 1999, the recommendation was complemented by FAS 137, intended to delay the effective date for FAS 133. FAS 133 requires that all derivative instruments, including those that are a component of other derivatives, be taken up in the balance sheet either as an asset or a liability, valued at the market price. The standard also requires that changes in the actual value of derivative instruments be charged to earnings on an ongoing basis if they are not hedged by specifically defined hedging actions. FAS 133 must be applied for

financial years beginning after 15 June 2000 and may not be applied retroactively.

Application of this FAS 133 is not expected to have a material effect on the Group's earnings and position as per U.S. GAAP.

FIN 43. In June 1999, FASB Interpretation No. 43 "Real Estate Sales, an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 66" was published, which is to be applied to sales after 30 June 1999. Starting in 2000, Telia has conducted operations that fall under FIN 43. According to this interpretation, optical fiber and ducts are regarded as real property ("integral equipment"), which means that registered rights of ownership must be transferred to the lessee for a leasing transaction to be accounted for as a financial lease. If this condition is not satisfied, the transaction is accounted for as an operating lease. The agreements that Telia has entered into do not satisfy this condition and are therefore accounted for as operating leases.

FAS 140. In September 2000, FASB Statement No. 140 "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities – a replacement of FASB Statement No. 125" was issued. The recommendation is to be applied to transfers after 31 March 2001 and, with certain exceptions, may not be applied retroactively. Certain classification rules and requirements on additional information must be applied to financial years ending after 15 December 2000. During 2000, Telia completed transactions reported in the consolidated financial statements in accordance with FAS 125. Application of FAS 140 would not have required any other reporting or additional information.

SAB 101. In December 1999, SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 101 "Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements" was issued. The effective date was deferred to the fourth quarter of 2000 through the additions SAB 101A in March and SAB 101B in June 2000. SAB 101 summarizes the requirements on recognition of revenue in accordance with U.S. GAAP without replacing any previously published standard. SAB 101 establishes that the basic requirements for recognition of revenue are: 1) that a normal written agreement or other clear indication of the sales agreement exists, 2) that the delivery has taken place or the service has been rendered, 3) that the seller's price to the buyer is fixed or previously set, and 4) that payment is reasonably assured. SAB 101 also requires that a non-recurrent fee or one-time fee, paid for services received on an ongoing basis, must be accrued over the term of the agreement. Telia's accounting principles satisfy the requirements of revenue recognition in accordance with SAB 101 for all intents and purposes.

EITF 00-2. In March 2000, Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) of FASB published the standard EITF 00-2 "Accounting for Web Site Development Costs." EITF 00-2 provides guidelines regarding reporting costs for planning, development and maintenance of portals and other websites. During 2000, EITF also discussed a number of issues regarding reporting revenue and costs for Internet-related operations. The accounting principles applied by Telia for portal operations and other Internet-based applications conform with the guidelines of EITF for all intents and purposes.

## 37 Business Area Breakdown

The Group's operations are managed and reported primarily by business area. Consolidation is based on the same principles as the Group as a whole. A number of organizational changes were carried out in 2000, 1999 and 1998. These changes have resulted in some shifting of operations between the business areas. Hence, comparative years have been restated pro forma in order to reflect current Group management and reporting.

The Mobile business area is responsible for mobile services and networks as well as other wireless applications, which are offered to consumers and business customers on the Nordic market and in the Baltic region.

The Carrier & Networks business area is responsible for network wholesaling in the Nordic region and the International Carrier business. Customers include Telia's service providers and other operators and service providers.

The People Solutions and Business Solutions business areas serve as the Group's service providers for fixed and mobile services on their respective retail markets; for

Business Solutions, large and medium-sized companies in the Nordic countries; for People Solutions, households and small companies in Sweden, Denmark, and Finland.

The Enterprises business area is responsible for information services, financial services, customer premises equipment, service, installation and network development, research and development as well as internal administrative services. The operations in the business area are being gradually divested through sales or partial divestiture.

Group-wide, the corporate staff with support units includes Group-wide business and company development. This also includes eliminations of intercompany sales and similar items.

Central control and reporting concepts are underlying EBITDA and operating capital, respectively (see Definitions of Concepts and Ratios). The noted restructuring efforts and extensive intercompany transactions make it impractical to distribute operating capital over assets and liabilities for all years.

#### 2000

|                           |         |          | Under- | Depr.,<br>amort. & | Non-<br>recurring | Share of<br>earnings |           |           | Equity participation |         | Number    |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|--------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|---------|-----------|
|                           | Net     | t sales  | lying  | write-             | items             | in assoc.            | Operating | Operating |                      | Invest- | of        |
| MSEK                      | total   | external | EBITDA | downs              | & pens.           | comp.                | income    | capital   | comp.                | ments   | employees |
| Mobile                    | 14,276  | 12,084   | 3,353  | -1,913             | 20                | 111                  | 1,571     | 32,551    | 2,122                | 25,814  | 2,952     |
| Carrier & Networks        | 25,861  | 5,966    | 7,679  | -4,529             | 278               | -14                  | 3,414     | 28,557    | 29                   | 10,916  | 3,486     |
| Business Solutions        | 15,531  | 11,241   | 1,171  | -436               | 750               | 117                  | 1,602     | 10,024    | 7,812                | 3,063   | 4,586     |
| People Solutions          | 18,337  | 16,852   | 855    | -180               | 527               | 86                   | 1,288     | 1,767     | 352                  | 1,052   | 4,562     |
| Enterprises               | 22,565  | 7,811    | 1,760  | -1,064             | 6,174             | -1,497               | 5,373     | 7,962     | 2,983                | 7,048   | 13,755    |
| InfoMedia                 | 3,550   | 3,077    | 137    | -167               | 6,030             | 201                  | 6,201     | 755       | 288                  | 849     | 2,799     |
| Financial Services        | 1,077   | 492      | 382    | -408               | 10                | _                    | -16       | 67        | -                    | 574     | 481       |
| Systems & Support         | 10,657  | 3,199    | 553    | -167               | 71                | _                    | 457       | 2,044     | 4                    | 429     | 7,203     |
| International             | 739     | 655      | 290    | -111               | 23                | -1,719               | -1,517    | 3,393     | 2,530                | 4,490   | 492       |
| IT & Innovation           | 3,186   | 157      | 247    | -54                | 13                | 19                   | 225       | 286       | 116                  | 283     | 1,996     |
| Support Services & Retail | 3,356   | 231      | 151    | -157               | 27                | 2                    | 23        | 1,417     | 45                   | 423     | 784       |
| Group-wide                | -42,506 | 110      | -1,731 | -100               | 589               | _                    | -1,242    | -5,819    | _                    | -151    | 527       |
| Group                     | 54,064  | 54,064   | 13,087 | -8,222             | 8,338             | -1,197               | 12,006    | 75,042    | 13,298               | 47,742  | 29,868    |

Net sales

10,714

25,889

17,433

19,150

21,767

4,472

1,042

653

1,908

3,500

-42,832

52,121

10,192

total external

8,656

4,328

12,403

17,931

8.778

4,058

3,375

361

541

67

376

25

52,121

| MSEK                      |
|---------------------------|
| Mobile                    |
| Carrier & Networks        |
| Business Solutions        |
| People Solutions          |
| Enterprises               |
| InfoMedia                 |
| Financial Services        |
| Systems & Support         |
| International             |
| IT & Innovation           |
| Support Services & Retail |
| Group-wide                |
| Group                     |

#### 1998 (pro forma)

|                           |         |          | Under- | Depr.,<br>amort. & | Non-               | Share of<br>earnings |           |           | Equity           |         | Number    |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|---------|-----------|
|                           | Net     | sales    | lying  | write-             | recurring<br>items | in assoc.            | Operating | Operating | participation in | Invest- | of        |
| MSEK                      | total   | external | EBITDA | downs              | & pens.            | comp.                | income    | capital   | assoc. comp.     | ments   | employees |
| Mobile                    | 9,767   | 7,574    | 2,539  | -1,046             | -58                | 63                   | 1,498     | 5,524     | 777              | 2,193   | 1,768     |
| Carrier & Networks        | 25,647  | 3,671    | 8,655  | -4,405             | -438               | -3                   | 3,809     | 24,126    | 45               | 3,761   | 2,949     |
| Business Solutions        | 17,388  | 11,805   | 1,009  | -347               | -270               | -588                 | -196      | 7,238     | 4,128            | 2,892   | 4,870     |
| People Solutions          | 19,512  | 17,948   | 1,277  | -156               | -180               | -43                  | 898       | 1,291     | -10              | 261     | 4,314     |
| Enterprises               | 21,752  | 8,546    | 2,397  | -1,143             | 4,811              | -133                 | 5,932     | 4,698     | 464              | 2,582   | 15,284    |
| InfoMedia                 | 4,084   | 3,584    | 844    | -211               | -140               | -25                  | 468       | 416       | 140              | 204     | 3,870     |
| Financial Services        | 1,074   | 306      | 678    | -591               | -5                 | _                    | 82        | 645       | 23               | 780     | 363       |
| Systems & Support         | 9,262   | 3,435    | 249    | -79                | -161               | _                    | 9         | 741       | -                | 115     | 6,749     |
| International             | 561     | 495      | -59    | -68                | 3,299              | -77                  | 3,095     | 242       | 284              | 929     | 726       |
| IT & Innovation           | 1,642   | 72       | 92     | -51                | -61                | -3                   | -23       | 13        | 9                | 57      | 1,842     |
| Support Services & Retail | 5,129   | 654      | 593    | -143               | 1,879              | -28                  | 2,301     | 2,641     | 8                | 497     | 1,734     |
| Group-wide                | -44,497 | 25       | -2,568 | -49                | -2,104             | _                    | -4,721    | -7,956    | _                | 49      | 1,408     |
| Group                     | 49,569  | 49,569   | 13,309 | -7,146             | 1,761              | -704                 | 7,220     | 34,921    | 5,404            | 11,738  | 30,593    |

Depr.,

write-

downs

-1,167

-4,686

-363

-140

-1,200

-272

-490

-67

-86

-67

-218

-96

-7,652

Under- amort. &

lying

3,507

7,872

1.192

1,694

2.501

1,174

465

464

-12

94

316

-2,707

14,059

EBITDA

Share of

earnings

in assoc.

comp.

1,607

-33

-11

-1,347

398

723

-959

0

income

2,458

3,083

2.218

1,170

335

907

-25

303

29

566

-1,445

-3,318

5,946

Nonrecurring

items

-103

-218

-351

-7

16

0

1

70

-515

-1,184

-94

& pens.

### 38 Geographic Segment Breakdown

The Group's operations are managed and reported secondarily by geographic market. Consolidation is based on the same principles as the Group as a whole.

Other Nordic countries are Denmark, Finland, and Norway. The Baltic region is Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, Poland, and northwestern Russia.

Equity

48

8,757

469

145

222

102

2

10,177 12,145

assoc. comp.

Invest-

ments

1,318

4,970

3,066

2.540

251

185

558

1,536

144

81

0

36

Operating Operating participation in

capital

5,333

24,410

10,382

1,579

4,425

646

934

959

187

1.700

-6,969

39,160

Number

1,882

3,232

4,760

4,407

4,158

6,804

1,987

1,558

30,643

612

462

781

15.750

employees

#### 2000

|                        |           | Depr.,               |                          |                     |                   | Equity                        |                  |                        |  |
|------------------------|-----------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--|
| MSEK                   | Net sales | amort. & write-downs | earnings in assoc. comp. | Operating<br>income | Operating capital | participation in assoc. comp. | Invest-<br>ments | Number of<br>employees |  |
| Sweden                 | 46,469    | -6,581               | 219                      | 14,274              | 26,287            | 718                           | 10,578           | 24,905                 |  |
| Other Nordic countries | 5,094     | -1,312               | -9                       | -256                | 30,739            | 32                            | 25,527           | 3,754                  |  |
| Baltic region          | 137       | -19                  | -206                     | -160                | 7,103             | 6,988                         | 2,865            | 173                    |  |
| Rest of Europe         | 1,292     | -107                 | 513                      | -50                 | 4,741             | 1,112                         | 3,602            | 408                    |  |
| Rest of world          | 1,072     | -203                 | -1,714                   | -1,802              | 6,172             | 4,448                         | 5,170            | 628                    |  |
| Group                  | 54.064    | -8.222               | -1.197                   | 12.006              | 75.042            | 13.298                        | 47.742           | 29.868                 |  |

#### 1999

|                        |             | Depr.,      | Share of     |        | Equity  |                  |        |           |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------|---------|------------------|--------|-----------|
| MOTIV                  | N . 1       | amort. &    | earnings in  | ٠. ٠   |         | participation in |        |           |
| MSEK                   | Net sales v | write-downs | assoc. comp. | income | capital | assoc. comp.     | ments  | employees |
| Sweden                 | 46,760      | -6,864      | 365          | 6,957  | 23,569  | 131              | 6,266  | 25,837    |
| Other Nordic countries | 3,665       | -609        | -17          | -1,560 | 3,727   | 58               | 1,133  | 2,755     |
| Baltic region          | 164         | -14         | -180         | -73    | 4,089   | 3,982            | 783    | 677       |
| Rest of Europe         | 874         | -57         | 1,930        | 1,988  | 4,694   | 4,110            | 823    | 559       |
| Rest of world          | 658         | -108        | -1,375       | -1,366 | 3,081   | 1,896            | 3,140  | 815       |
| Group                  | 52.121      | -7.652      | 723          | 5.946  | 39.160  | 10.177           | 12.145 | 30.643    |

#### 1998

| MSEK                   | Net sales | Depr.,<br>amort. &<br>write-downs | Share of earnings in assoc. comp. | Operating income | Operating capital | Equity participation in assoc. comp. | Invest-<br>ments | Number of employees |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Sweden                 | 45,246    | -6,612                            | -76                               | 6,303            | 25,026            | 19                                   | 5,994            | 26,512              |
| Other Nordic countries | 2,713     | -423                              | -17                               | -1,611           | 4,082             | 65                                   | 1,607            | 2,120               |
| Baltic region          | 144       | -14                               | -90                               | -126             | 3,338             | 3,256                                | 2,809            | 700                 |
| Rest of Europe         | 931       | -17                               | -350                              | -447             | 1,839             | 1,787                                | 57               | 512                 |
| Rest of world          | 535       | -80                               | -171                              | 3,101            | 636               | 277                                  | 1,271            | 749                 |
| Group                  | 49,569    | -7,146                            | -704                              | 7,220            | 34,921            | 5,404                                | 11,738           | 30,593              |

## $39\,$ Specification of Shareholdings and Participations

|  | Partici-      |                     |                     |         | Equity partic         |                      |                | value         |
|--|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Associated company, Corporate Registration Number, registered office | pation<br>(%) | Number of<br>shares | Par va<br>local cui | alue in | consolidation<br>2000 | in the Group<br>1999 | in coi<br>2000 | mpany<br>1999 |
|  | (%)           | Silaies             | tocat cui           | rency   | 2000                  | 1999                 | 2000           | 1999          |
| Parent company holdings<br>Swedish companies                         |               |                     |                     |         |                       |                      |                |               |
| •  | 50            | 500                 | SEK                 | 0       | 771                   | 733                  | 730            | 686           |
| Amber Mobile Teleholding AB, 556554-7774, Stockholm                  |               |                     |                     | 5       |                       |                      |                |               |
| Baltic Tele AB, 556454-0085, Stockholm                               | 50            | 50,000              | SEK                 |         | 258                   | 214                  | 98             | 98            |
| Letemell AB, 556203-5252, Stockholm                                  | 50            | 5,000               | SEK                 | 1       | 1                     | 1                    | 1              | •             |
| Marakanda Marknadsplats AB, 556595-2933, Stockholm                   | 50            | 500                 | SEK                 | 0       | 4                     |                      | 25             | -             |
| Slottsbacken Venture Capital KB, 969626-1313, Stockholm              | 50            | -                   | SEK                 | _       | 96                    | 96                   | 86             | 96            |
| Wireless MainGate AB, 556551-9690, Ronneby                           | 39            | 11,288,788          | SEK                 | 0       | 61                    | 21                   | 106            | 32            |
| WirelessCar Sweden AB, 556580-0728, Gothenburg                       | 33            | 8,000               | SEK                 | 1       | 0                     | -                    | 10             | -             |
| N Ackuratess AB (publ), 556595-2941, Stockholm                       | 33            | 160,400             | SEK                 | 16      | 45                    | _                    | 43             | -             |
| Geyser Interactive Learning AB (publ), 556556-9752, Stockholn        |               | 62,375              | SEK                 | 1       | 2                     | _                    | 7              | -             |
| Scandinavia Online AB (publ), 556551-9989, Stockholm                 | 25            | 11,165,621          | SEK                 | 11      | 351                   | 0                    | 604            | 46            |
| SNPAC Swedish Number Portability Administrative                      |               |                     |                     | _       | _                     |                      |                |               |
| Centre AB, 556595-2925, Stockholm                                    | 20            | 400                 | SEK                 | 0       | 0                     | -                    | 1              | -             |
| Other operating and dormant companies                                |               |                     |                     |         | 0                     | 0                    | 0              | (             |
| Companies outside Sweden   |               |                     |                     |         |                       |                      |                |               |
| Tel Investimentos Ltda., 35215031473, São Paulo                      | 55            | 414,876,584         | BRL                 | 415     | 898                   | 63                   | 1,962          | 999           |
| Amber Teleholding A/S, 20758694, Copenhagen                          | 50            | 250                 | DKK                 | 0       | 2,306                 | 2,150                | 2,053          | 2,053         |
| NorSea Com AS, 979696892, Østerås                                    | 50            | 25,000              | NOK                 | 25      | 3                     | 22                   | 26             | 26            |
| Panorama Polska Sp. z o.o., RHB31000, Warsaw                         | 49            | 110,672             | PLN                 | 6       | 150                   | 135                  | 120            | 119           |
| Netia Holdings S.A., RHB23383, Warsaw                                | 41            | 12,824,278          | PLN                 | 77      | 1,873                 | 414                  | 2,191          | 884           |
| Drutt Corp., Wilmington, DE  | 40            | 2,000,000           | USD                 | 0       | 44                    | _                    | 51             | -             |
| First National Holding S.A., B48315, Luxembourg                      | 30            | 2,950               | USD                 | 0       | 758                   | _                    | 700            | -             |
| Bharti Mobile Ltd, 8-17419, Bangalore                                | 26            | 143,000,000         | INR                 | 1,430   | 0                     | 28                   | 280            | 178           |
| Latvijas Mobilais Telefons SIA, 000305093, Riga                      | 25            | 2,695               | USD                 | 0       | 228                   | 141                  | 2              | 2             |
| Infonet Services Corp., 954148675, El Segundo, CA                    | 20            | 94,367,408          | USD                 | 1       | 2,340                 | 1,674                | 2,088          | 2,116         |
| Tess S/A, 35300151046, São Paulo                                     | 17            | 297,480,000         | BRL                 | 297     | 664                   | _                    | 1,586          | _,            |
| ZAO North West GSM, St. Petersburg                                   | 13            | 394,953             |                     | 3,950   | 75                    | _                    | 18             | _             |
| AS Eesti Telekom, 10234957, Tallinn                                  | 12            | 16,142,523          | EEK                 | 161     | 236                   | 195                  | 85             | 85            |
| Netia 1 Sp. z o.o., RHB42778, Warsaw                                 | 11            | 137,236             | PLN                 | 14      | 0                     | -                    | 28             | -             |
| Other operating and dormant companies                                |               | ,                   |                     |         | 0                     | 2,813                | 0              | 2,510         |
|  |               |                     |                     |         |                       |                      | 12,901         | 9 931         |
| Subsidiaries' holdings   |               |                     |                     |         |                       |                      |                |               |
| Swedish companies  |               |                     |                     |         |                       |                      |                |               |
| Nordic Offshore AB, 556580-4589, Uddevalla                           | 50            | 1,000               |                     | 1       | 4                     | _                    | 4              | -             |
| Eniro AB (publ), 556588-0936, Stockholm                              | 49            | 73,600,000          |                     | 74      | 134                   |                      | 660            | -             |
| Polytrust AB, 556257-5802, Sundbyberg                                | 34            | 3,457               |                     | 0       | 7                     | 5                    | 7              | 5             |
| Maila Nordic AB, 556516-4455, Stockholm                              | 25            | 7,364               |                     | 0       | 8                     | _                    | 8              | -             |
| Lokomo Systems AB, 556580-3326, Stockholm                            | 21            | 267,000             |                     | 0       | 4                     | _                    | 4              | _             |
| Other shares and participations                                      |               |                     |                     |         | 0                     | 6                    | 0              | 2             |
| Companies outside Sweden   |               |                     |                     |         |                       |                      |                |               |
| Netpool Norge AS, 981642597, Oslo                                    | 50            | 50                  | NOK                 | 0       | 1                     | _                    | 3              | _             |
| Punwire Paging Services Ltd, Chandigarh                              | 49            | 14,699,780          | INR                 | 147     | 0                     | _                    | 29             |               |
| Eriline Celular S/A, 35300148835, São Paulo                          | 49            | 44,538,000          | BRL                 | 45      | 119                   | _                    | 444            | -             |
| Comsource UnLtd, 237305, Dublin                                      | 40            | 38,842              | EUR                 | 45<br>0 | 605                   | _<br>1,361           | 1,023          | 82            |
|  |               | 30,042              |                     |         |                       |                      |                |               |
| WinSource, 95230384, Dublin  | 40            | 400                 | EUR                 | 0       | 1                     | 1                    | 1              |               |
| Railtelia Oy, 1465341-6, Helsinki                                    | 40            | 400                 | FIM                 | 4       | 27                    | 24                   | 8              |               |
| AUCS Communications Services v.o.f, Hoofddorp                        | 33            |                     | EUR                 | 159     | 41                    |                      | 41             |               |
| MTN Uganda Ltd, Kampala  | 32            | 1,221               | UGX                 | 12      | 66                    | 48                   | 92             | 8             |
| SI.MOBIL d.d, 1196332, Ljubljana                                     | 29            | 8,365,874           | SIT                 | 837     | 5                     | 0                    | 116            | 3             |
| Mobile Telecommunications Ltd (MTC), Windhoek                        | 26            | 6,500,000           | NAD                 | 7       | 16                    | 18                   | 32             | 3.            |
| Operators Clearing House A/S, 18936909, Copenhagen                   | 25            | 250                 | DKK                 | 0       | 1                     | 1                    | 1              |               |
| Chili A/S, 19124045, Copenhagen                                      | 23            | 780                 | DKK                 | 1       | 1                     | 5                    | 11             | 1             |
| Tess S/A, 35300151046, São Paulo                                     | 11            | 198,321,465         | BRL                 | 198     | 762                   | _                    | 1,067          |               |
| Netia Holdings S.A., RHB23383, Warsaw                                | 7             | 2,277,077           | PLN                 | 14      | 332                   | -                    | 706            |               |
| Other operating and dormant companies                                |               |                     |                     |         | 0                     | 8                    | 0              | 37            |

Baltic Tele AB owns an additional 26 percent of the shares in AS Eesti Telekom. Netia Holdings S.A. owns 38 percent of the shares in Netia 1 Sp. z o.o. First National Holding S.A. owns an additional 38 percent of the shares in ZAO North West GSM via a partly owned subsidiary.

Telia AB has waived its rights to a controlling influence in Tel Investimentos Ltda in shareholders' agreements. Tel Investimentos Ltda and Eriline Celular S/A own an additional 37 percent and 7 percent, respectively, of the shares in Tess S/A.

Telia's holding in Eircom plc is owned via Comsource UnLtd. The participations in AB Lietuvos Telekomas and UAB Omnitel are owned via Amber Teleholding A/S and Amber Mobile Teleholding AB, respectively.

The parent company's holdings of other foreign companies for the comparative year were chiefly attributable to Unisource N.V. which was dissolved during 2000. Corresponding assets are reported as per the balance sheet date in the subsidiary Telia Telecommunications International B.V.

# Parent Company Income Statements

| MSEK   |            | 2000    | 1999           | 1998    |
|--|------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Net sales                                    | Note 2     | 23,341  | 25,983         | 28,833  |
| Costs of production                          | Notes 3, 6 | -18,239 | -20,686        | -23,855 |
| Gross income                                 |            | 5,102   | 5,297          | 4,978   |
| Selling, administrative, and R&D expenses    | Notes 3, 6 | -3,425  | -3,895         | -6,569  |
| Other operating revenues and operating costs | Notes 4, 6 | 526     | -598           | -163    |
| Operating income                             |            | 2,203   | 804            | -1,754  |
| Financial revenues and expenses              | Note 7     | 4,132   | 7,558          | 7,355   |
| Income after financial items                 |            | 6,335   | 8,362          | 5,601   |
| Appropriations                               | Note 16    | 109     | -1,628         | -2,448  |
| Income before tax                            |            | 6,444   | 6,734          | 3,153   |
| Taxes  | Note 8     | -1,438  | <b>– 1,552</b> | -863    |
| Net income                                   |            | 5,006   | 5,182          | 2,290   |

# Parent Company Balance Sheets

| MSEK   |         | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| Assets   |         |        |        |        |
| Intangible fixed assets                          | Note 9  | 238    | 648    | 588    |
| Tangible fixed assets                            | Note 10 | 21,022 | 22,397 | 23,527 |
| Financial fixed assets                           | Note 11 | 40,123 | 24,932 | 20,288 |
| Total fixed assets                               |         | 61,383 | 47,977 | 44,403 |
| Inventories etc.                                 | Note 12 | 15     | 18     | 19     |
| Receivables                                      | Note 13 | 29,558 | 25,093 | 22,825 |
| Short-term investments                           | Note 14 | _      | 1,055  | 40     |
| Cash and bank deposits                           |         | 538    | 313    | 26     |
| Total current assets                             |         | 30,111 | 26,479 | 22,910 |
| Total assets                                     |         | 91,494 | 74,456 | 67,313 |
| Equity and liabilities                           |         |        |        |        |
| Restricted equity                                |         |        |        |        |
| Share capital                                    |         | 9,604  | 8,800  | 8,800  |
| Other reserves                                   |         | 13,894 | 1,855  | 1,855  |
| Non-restricted equity                            |         |        |        |        |
| Retained earnings                                |         | 7,955  | 4,566  | 3,666  |
| Net income                                       |         | 5,006  | 5,182  | 2,290  |
| Total equity                                     | Note 15 | 36,459 | 20,393 | 16,611 |
| Untaxed reserves                                 | Note 16 | 17,347 | 17,456 | 15,829 |
| Provisions for pensions and employment contracts | Note 17 | 1,354  | 1,919  | 1,803  |
| Other provisions                                 | Note 18 | 868    | 1,176  | 513    |
| Total provisions                                 |         | 2,222  | 3,095  | 2,316  |
| Interest-bearing liabilities                     |         |        |        |        |
| Long-term loans                                  | Note 19 | 17,574 | 8,841  | 6,365  |
| Current loans                                    | Note 20 | 11,676 | 17,557 | 17,567 |
| Non-interest-bearing liabilities                 |         |        |        |        |
| Long-term liabilities                            | Note 21 | 64     | 155    | 67     |
| Current liabilities                              | Note 22 | 6,152  | 6,948  | 8,558  |
| Total liabilities                                |         | 35,466 | 33,501 | 32,557 |
| Total equity and liabilities                     |         | 91,494 | 74,445 | 67,313 |
| Contingent assets                                | Note 24 | -      | 275    | -      |
| Collateral pledged                               | Note 24 | 5      | 60     | 59     |
| Contingent liabilities                           | Note 24 | 2,540  | 1,884  | 1,287  |

# Parent Company Cash Flow Statements

| MSEK   |         | 2000    | 1999        | 1998    |
|--|---------|---------|-------------|---------|
| Net income   |         | 5,006   | 5,193       | 2,290   |
| Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs            |         | 4,574   | 4,658       | 4,481   |
| Capital gains/losses on sales/discards of fixed assets |         | -682    | -559        | 116     |
| Income/Loss from partnerships                          |         | _       | _           | 3       |
| Pensions and other provisions                          |         | -1,664  | 873         | 715     |
| Financial items  | Note 7  | -158    | -16         | -368    |
| Group contributions and appropriations                 |         | -3,073  | -4,711      | -5,469  |
| Taxes  | Note 8  | -981    | 458         | 412     |
| Cash flow before change in working capital             |         | 3,022   | 5,896       | 2,180   |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in operating receivables     |         | 1,049   | <b>–746</b> | 444     |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in inventories etc.          |         | 3       | 0           | 29      |
| Increase (+)/Decrease (-) in operating liabilities     |         | 43      | -1,648      | 1,698   |
| Change in working capital                              |         | 1,095   | -2,394      | 2,171   |
| Cash flow from operating activities                    |         | 4,117   | 3,502       | 4,351   |
| Intangible fixed assets                                |         | _       | _           | -186    |
| Tangible fixed assets                                  |         | -4,163  | -3,681      | -3,978  |
| Shares and participations                              |         | -15,692 | -4,899      | -4,400  |
| Divestiture of fixed assets etc.                       |         | 2,628   | 1,169       | 301     |
| Loans made and other investments                       |         | -8,846  | -1,599      | -156    |
| Repayment of loans made and other investments          |         | 7       | 18          | 3,417   |
| Compensation from/Provisions to pension funds          |         | 1,000   | 2,055       | -4,055  |
| Net change in interest-bearing current receivables     |         | 0       | -2,105      | -1,798  |
| Cash flow from investing activities                    |         | -25,066 | -9,042      | -10,855 |
| Operating cash flow                                    |         | -20,949 | -5,540      | -6,504  |
| Dividend   |         | -1,470  | -1,400      | -1,210  |
| New share issue  |         | 12,429  | _           | _       |
| Group contributions paid                               |         | 6,339   | 7,916       | 3,383   |
| Loans raised   |         | 13,993  | 2,364       | 4,937   |
| Loans amortized  |         | _       | -1,933      | -6,036  |
| Net change in interest-bearing current liabilities     |         | -11,172 | -105        | 4,792   |
| Cash flow from financing activities                    |         | 20,119  | 6,842       | 5,866   |
| Cash flow for the year                                 |         | -830    | 1,302       | -638    |
| Liquid funds, opening balance                          |         | 1,368   | 66          | 704     |
| Cash flow for the year                                 |         | -830    | 1,302       | -638    |
| Liquid funds, closing balance                          | Note 14 | 538     | 1,368       | 66      |

| Change in net interest-bearing liability                  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   | 1997   | 1996   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Opening balance   | 13,828 | 16,262 | 13,730 | 15,454 | 9,885  |
| Increase (+)/Decrease (-) in long-term loans              | 8,733  | 2,476  | -418   | 2,200  | 1,869  |
| Increase (+)/Decrease (-) in current loans                | -5,881 | -10    | 4,111  | -55    | 7,574  |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in interest-bearing receivables | -9,128 | -3,714 | 1,460  | 259    | 119    |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in short-term investments       | 1,055  | -1,015 | 310    | -340   | 435    |
| Increase (–)/Decrease (+) in cash and bank deposits       | -225   | -287   | 328    | 240    | -263   |
| Change in net borrowings                                  | -5,446 | -2,550 | 5,791  | 2,304  | 9,734  |
| Increase (+)/Decrease (–) in pension provisions           | -565   | 116    | -3,259 | -4,028 | -4,165 |
| Change in net interest-bearing liability                  | -6,011 | -2,434 | 2,532  | -1,724 | 5,569  |
| Closing balance   | 7,817  | 13,828 | 16,262 | 13,730 | 15,454 |
|   |        |        |        |        |        |

# Statement of Changes in Parent Company Equity

| MSEK   | Share<br>capital | Legal<br>reserve | Share<br>premium<br>reserve | Non-<br>restricted<br>equity | Total<br>equity |
|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Closing balance, 31 December 1997                              | 8,800            | 1,855            | _                           | 4,306                        | 14,961          |
| Changes in accounting principles (Note 27)                     | _                | _                | _                           | 570                          | 570             |
| Adjusted closing balance, 31 December 1997                     | 8,800            | 1,855            | _                           | 4,876                        | 15,531          |
| Dividend   | _                | _                | _                           | -1,210                       | -1,210          |
| Net income   | _                | _                | _                           | 2,290                        | 2,290           |
| Closing balance, 31 December 1998                              | 8,800            | 1,855            | _                           | 5,956                        | 16,611          |
| Dividend   | _                | _                | _                           | -1,400                       | -1,400          |
| Net income   | _                | _                | _                           | 5,193                        | 5,193           |
| Closing balance, 31 December 1999                              | 8,800            | 1,855            | _                           | 9,749                        | 20,404          |
| New issue expenses after taxes                                 | _                | _                | -231                        | _                            | -231            |
| Total changes in earnings not reported in the income statement | _                | _                | -231                        | _                            | -231            |
| Dividend   | _                | _                | _                           | -1,470                       | -1,470          |
| Stock dividend   | 324              | _                | _                           | -324                         | _               |
| New share issue  | 480              | _                | 12,270                      | _                            | 12,750          |
| Net income   | _                | _                | _                           | 5,006                        | 5,006           |
| Closing balance, 31 December 2000                              | 9,604            | 1,855            | 12,039                      | 13,140                       | 36,459          |

## Notes to the Parent Company Accounts

### Changes and Innovations

General. The recommendations of the Swedish Financial Accounting Standards Council RR 9 "Income Taxes," RR 10 "Construction Contracts," RR 11 "Revenue," RR 12 "Property, Plant and Equipment," RR 13 "Accounting for Investments in Associates," RR 14 "Financial Reporting of Interest in Joint Ventures," RR 15 "Intangible Assets," RR 16 "Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets," RR 17 "Impairment of Assets," RR 18 "Earnings per Share" and RR 19 "Discounting Operations" have all been applied since 1 January 2000, i.e. prior to their actual effective dates.

RR 17 may not be applied retroactively. The application, with the exception of RR 9, has not entailed any change to the accounting policies that required translating comparative years.

The Swedish Financial Accounting Standards Council's draft recommendation "Presentation of Financial Statements" has been applied.

Capitalization of interest. Interest during installation time (equivalent) is capitalized from 1 January 2000 as per the alternative method described in the Swedish Financial Accounting Standards Council's draft recommendation "Borrowing Costs." The comparative years have not been translated.

## Accounting Standards and Description of Applied Accounting Principles

The accounts for the parent company Telia AB were prepared in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act, other Swedish legislation and the recommendations of the Swedish Financial Accounting Standards Council.

The applied accounting principles are described in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. The descriptions in the following notes are limited to existing discrepancies.

Unless otherwise specified, all amounts are in millions of Swedish kronor (MSEK) and are based on the period 1 January–31 December for income statement items and 31 December for balance sheet items, respectively.

### 2 Net Sales

The following is a breakdown of net sales per product segment.

|                       | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Fixed telephony       | 16,023 | 15,858 | 15,289 |
| Internet              | 562    | 119    | 115    |
| Network capacity      | 2,747  | 7,433  | 7,167  |
| Data communications   | 836    | 238    | 229    |
| Service, installation | _      | _      | 891    |
| Staff for hire        | 109    | 84     | 3,496  |
| Financial services    | 830    | 901    | 782    |
| Other                 | 2,234  | 1,350  | 864    |
|                       | 23,341 | 25,983 | 28,833 |

Invoiced advertising tax was MSEK 1, MSEK 1 and MSEK 1 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

Sales in and exports to markets outside Sweden were distributed among economic regions as follows.

|                | 2000 | 1999  | 1998  |
|----------------|------|-------|-------|
| EU             | 200  | 1,076 | 646   |
| EEA            | 148  | 285   | 136   |
| Rest of Europe | 10   | 183   | 110   |
| NAFTA .        | 9    | 274   | 93    |
| Rest of world  | 0    | 230   | 203   |
|                | 367  | 2,048 | 1,188 |

### 3 Operating Expenses

Costs were distributed among functions as follows.

|                          | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Production               | 18,239 | 20,686 | 23,855 |
| Other functions          |        |        |        |
| Sales                    | 998    | 830    | 1,160  |
| Administration           | 1,852  | 1,989  | 4,322  |
| Research and development | 575    | 1,076  | 1,087  |
|                          | 3,425  | 3,895  | 6,569  |
|                          | 21,664 | 24,581 | 30,424 |

Each functional area also includes depreciation, amortization, and write-downs as specified in Note 6 "Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs." This is also broken down by type of installation.

Operating expenses were distributed among the following types of costs.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Goods purchased                          | 3,893  | 2,627  | 2,699  |
| Network expenses, interconnect traffic,  |        |        |        |
| international settlements                | 6,409  | 6,518  | 6,139  |
| Change in inventories                    | 3      | -      | _      |
|  | 10,305 | 9,145  | 8,838  |
| Salaries and remuneration                | 1,380  | 2,117  | 5,269  |
| Employer's social security contributions | 473    | 700    | 1,773  |
| Pension expenses                         | -596   | -204   | 2,063  |
| Other personnel expenses                 | 270    | 99     | 401    |
|  | 1,527  | 2,712  | 9,506  |
| Rent and leasing fees                    | 919    | 898    | 557    |
| Energy expenses                          | 153    | 189    | 162    |
| Travel expenses                          | 468    | 472    | 259    |
| Consultants' services                    | 914    | 2,183  | 1,975  |
| Marketing expenses                       | 470    | 251    | 617    |
| Bad debt expense                         | 8      | 0      | 58     |
| Information technology                   | 1,255  | 1,902  | 1,577  |
| Other expenses                           | 1,302  | 2,171  | 2,396  |
|  | 5,489  | 8,066  | 7,601  |
| Depreciation, amortization,              |        |        |        |
| and write-downs                          | 4,343  | 4,658  | 4,479  |
|  | 21,664 | 24,581 | 30,424 |

If non-recurring expenses, such as costs of restructuring in the form of provisions for early retirement pensions, severance pay, and the like, correspond to a yield or compensation from the pension fund, these are reported as operating expenses for each functional area.

## 4 Other Operating Revenues and Expenses

|                                     | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Revenues                            |      |      |      |
| Capital gains                       | 0    | 9    | 45   |
| Exchange rate gains                 | 32   | 37   | 41   |
| Commissions                         | 62   | _    | _    |
| Rental income                       | 76   | _    | _    |
| Damages received                    | 30   | _    | _    |
| SPP funds                           | 269  | _    | _    |
| Other revenues                      | 236  | 243  | 77   |
|                                     | 705  | 289  | 163  |
| Expenses                            |      |      |      |
| Capital losses                      | 25   | 0    | 0    |
| Provisions for lossmaking contracts | _    | 613  | _    |
| IPO/integration preparations        | 144  | 226  | _    |
| Exchange rate losses                | 10   | 4    | 5    |
| Other expenses                      | _    | 44   | 321  |
|                                     | 179  | 887  | 326  |
| Net effect on income                | 526  | -598 | -163 |

### **5** Transactions with Group Companies

Commercial terms and market prices apply for the supply of goods and services within the parent company and to/from Group companies.

Net sales before the elimination of internal sales between the parent company's units were MSEK 24,043 for 2000, MSEK 26,767 for 1999 and MSEK 37,812 for 1998. Internal sales totaled MSEK 702, MSEK 784, and MSEK 8,979, respectively.

Sales to Group companies totaled MSEK 20,274, MSEK 22,508 and MSEK 25,584, while purchases from Group companies totaled MSEK 9,745, MSEK 8,809 and MSEK 8,756, respectively.

## 6

### Depreciation and Amortization According to Plan and Write-Downs

Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs on tangible and financial fixed assets for the year were distributed among the following types of assets.

|                               | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Goodwill                      | _     | _     | 1     |
| Other intangible assets       | 96    | 118   | 65    |
| Buildings                     | _     | _     | 4     |
| Land improvements             | 4     | _     | 1     |
| Fixed telephony installations | 4,103 | 4,378 | 4,286 |
| Other machinery and equipment | 140   | 162   | 124   |
|                               | 4,343 | 4,658 | 4,481 |

Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs were distributed among the following functions.

|                          | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Production               | 4,215 | 4,548 | 4,415 |
| Sales                    | 115   | 97    | 48    |
| Administration           | _     | 0     | 3     |
| Research and development | 13    | 13    | 13    |
| Other operating expenses | _     | 0     | 2     |
|                          | 4,343 | 4,658 | 4,481 |

### Financial Revenues and Expenses

|   | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| Income from shares in Group companies     |       |       |       |
| Dividends etc.                            | 1,169 | 921   | 76    |
| Capital gains/losses                      | 391   | 29    | -27   |
| Net Group contributions etc.              | 2,964 | 6,339 | 7,916 |
|   | 4,524 | 7,289 | 7,965 |
| Income from shares                        |       |       |       |
| in associated companies                   |       |       |       |
| Dividends                                 | 161   | 60    | 37    |
| Capital gains/losses                      | 86    | 554   | 1     |
|   | 247   | 614   | 38    |
| Earnings from other financial investments |       |       |       |
| Dividends                                 | 14    | 48    | 5     |
| Capital gains/losses                      | 31    | -4    | -47   |
|   | 45    | 44    | -42   |
| Other financial revenues                  |       |       |       |
| Interest from Group companies             | 952   | 3,449 | 1,226 |
| Other interest income                     | 440   | 113   | 91    |
| Exchange rate gains                       | 15    | 151   | 11    |
|   | 1,407 | 3,713 | 1,328 |
| Other financial expenses                  |       |       |       |
| Interest from Group companies             | 582   | 3,297 | 900   |
| Other interest expenses                   | 1,318 | 738   | 803   |
| Exchange rate losses                      | 122   | 0     | 63    |
| Interest component of the                 |       |       |       |
| year's pension provision                  | 69    | 67    | 168   |
| year s pension provision                  |       |       |       |
| year s pension provision                  | 2,091 | 4,102 | 1,934 |

Refer to the section on Swedish Group units in Note 22 to the Consolidated Accounts "Provisions for Pensions and Employment Contracts" for an explanation of how the interest component of the year's pension provision is calculated. See also Note 16 to the Parent Company Accounts "Untaxed Reserves and Appropriations" on Group contributions.

#### Interest received and interest paid

Interest received and interest paid for each year was as follows.

|                                    | 2000            | 1999            | 1998             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Interest received<br>Interest paid | 2,986<br>-2,897 | 3,478<br>-3,867 | 1,444<br>-2, 199 |
| Net position                       | -89             | -389            | -755             |



#### Tax expense

The tax expense reported was distributed as follows.

|              | 2000  | 1999  | 1998 |
|--------------|-------|-------|------|
| Current tax  | 1,270 | 1,639 | 860  |
| Deferred tax | 168   | -98   | 3    |
|              | 1,438 | 1,541 | 863  |

Current tax expenses for fiscal 2000 attributable to the previous year's earnings and tax booked directly to equity were as follows.

|                                   | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Tax attributable to previous year | 10   | 0    | -1   |
| Tax booked directly to equity     | -90  | _    | _    |

The difference between the nominal rate of taxation and the effective tax rate comprises the following components.

| %  | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--|------|------|------|
| Income tax rate  | 28.0 | 28.0 | 28.0 |
| Adjustment of taxes for previous periods Losses for which deferred tax | 0.2  | -    | -0.0 |
| benefits were not taken into account                                   | -0.5 | -    | -    |
| Non-deductible expenses  | 1.8  | 1.2  | 0.8  |
| Non-taxable revenues   | -7.2 | -6.3 | -1.4 |
| Tax rate as per the income statement                                   | 22.3 | 22.9 | 27.4 |
| Tax booked directly to equity  | -1.4 | -    | -    |
| Effective tax rate   | 20.9 | 22.9 | 27.4 |
| Tax rate, current tax  | 19.7 | 24.3 | 27.3 |

No accumulated non-expiring tax loss carry-forwards exist for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998.

The following is a breakdown of the deferred tax benefit.

|                           | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|
| Shares and participations | 32   | _    | _    |
| Provisions                | 465  | 665  | 567  |
|                           | 497  | 665  | 567  |

The parent company's hidden deferred tax liability in untaxed reserves amounted to MSEK 4,857 in 2000, MSEK 4,888 in 1999 and MSEK 4,432 in 1998. See also Note 16 "Untaxed Reserves and Appropriations."

Taxes paid for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively, totaled MSEK 2,329, MSEK 1,083 and MSEK 451.

### Intangible Fixed Assets

|                           | 20            | 00              | 19            | 99              | 199 | 98    |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----|-------|
|                           | Good-<br>will | Misc.<br>assets | Good-<br>will | Misc.<br>assets |     | Misc. |
| Acquisition value,        |               |                 |               |                 |     |       |
| opening balance           | _             | 835             | 6             | 657             | 6   | 472   |
| Purchases                 | _             | _               | _             | 181             | _   | 205   |
| Sales/discards            | _             | -331            | -6            | _               | _   | -20   |
| Reclassifications         | _             | _               | _             | -3              | -   | -     |
| Accumulated acquisition   |               |                 |               |                 |     |       |
| value, closing balance    | _             | 504             | _             | 835             | 6   | 657   |
| Depreciation,             |               |                 |               |                 |     |       |
| opening balance           | _             | -187            | -6            | -69             | -5  | -5    |
| Sales/discards            | _             | 17              | 6             | _               | _   | -     |
| Amortization for the year | _             | -96             | _             | -118            | -1  | -64   |
| Accumulated amortiza-     |               |                 |               |                 |     |       |
| tion, closing balance     | _             | -266            | _             | -187            | -6  | -69   |
| Residual value according  |               |                 |               |                 |     |       |
| to plan, closing balance  | _             | 238             | _             | 648             | _   | 588   |

Software developed in-house was capitalized in 2000 at MSEK – , in 1999 at MSEK – and in 1998 at MSEK 48. In the three years, amortization was MSEK 94, MSEK 94, and MSEK 47, respectively

Residual value according to plan was distributed as follows.

|                                | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Administrative support systems | 234  | 328  | 434  |
| Licenses, patents, etc.        | 4    | 320  | 154  |
| Total residual value           | 238  | 648  | 588  |

### ( ) Tangible Fixed Assets

#### **Buildings and land**

|                                    | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Acquisition value, opening balance | 36   | 76   | 90   |
| Purchases                          | 38   | 8    | 2    |
| Sales/discards                     | _    | _    | -8   |
| Reclassifications                  | -34  | -48  | -8   |
| Accumulated acquisition value,     |      |      |      |
| closing balance                    | 40   | 36   | 76   |
| Depreciation, opening balance      | -23  | -38  | -44  |
| Sales/discards                     | _    | _    | 8    |
| Reclassifications                  | 4    | 15   | 3    |
| Depreciation for the year          | -4   | _    | -5   |
| Accumulated depreciation,          |      |      |      |
| closing balance                    | -23  | -23  | -38  |
| Residual value according to plan,  |      |      |      |
| closing balance                    | 17   | 13   | 38   |

No interest is included in the acquisition value for years 2000, 1999 or 1998. No real estate properties were assigned tax-assessed values.

#### Plant and machinery

|                                    | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Acquisition value, opening balance | 51,037  | 47,077  | 43,450  |
| Purchases                          | 3,785   | 3,259   | 4,819   |
| Sales/discards                     | -1,569  | -180    | -408    |
| Reclassifications                  | 655     | 881     | -784    |
| Accumulated acquisition value,     |         |         |         |
| closing balance                    | 53,908  | 51,037  | 47,077  |
| Depreciation, opening balance      | -29,221 | -24,557 | -19,830 |
| Purchases                          | -3      | _       | -993    |
| Sales/discards                     | 363     | 268     | 349     |
| Reclassifications                  | -402    | -554    | 203     |
| Depreciation for the year          | -4,103  | -4,378  | -4,286  |
| Accumulated depreciation,          |         |         |         |
| closing balance                    | -33,366 | -29,221 | -24,557 |
| Residual value according to plan,  |         |         |         |
| closing balance                    | 20,542  | 21,816  | 22,520  |

No interest is included in the acquisition value for years 2000, 1999 or 1998. Excess tax depreciation is discussed in Note 16 "Untaxed Reserves and Appropriations."

#### Equipment, tools, and installations

|                                    | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Acquisition value, opening balance | 1,148 | 1,640 | 1,068 |
| Purchases                          | 747   | 637   | 162   |
| Sales/discards                     | -436  | -265  | -382  |
| Reclassifications                  | -598  | -864  | 792   |
| Accumulated acquisition value,     |       |       |       |
| closing balance                    | 861   | 1,148 | 1,640 |
| Depreciation, opening balance      | -580  | -671  | -485  |
| Purchases                          | -405  | -369  | -12   |
| Sales/discards                     | 329   | 82    | 156   |
| Reclassifications                  | 398   | 540   | -206  |
| Depreciation for the year          | -140  | -162  | -124  |
| Accumulated depreciation,          |       |       |       |
| closing balance                    | -398  | -580  | -671  |
| Residual value according to plan,  |       |       |       |
| closing balance                    | 463   | 568   | 969   |

Assets from another Group company were assumed at gross book value.

#### Distribution by class of asset

The total residual value according to plan was distributed as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Buildings and land                     |        |        |        |
| Buildings                              | _      | 8      | 33     |
| Land and land improvements             | 17     | 5      | 5      |
|  | 17     | 13     | 38     |
| Plant and machinery                    |        |        |        |
| Fixed telephony – switching systems    |        |        |        |
| and peripheral equipment               | 6,918  | 6,855  | 6,354  |
| Fixed telephony – transmission systems | 4,307  | 4,112  | 4,229  |
| Fixed telephony – transmission         |        |        |        |
| media and other types of media         | 9,317  | 10,333 | 10,766 |
| Advances on new installations          |        |        |        |
| under construction                     | _      | 516    | 1,171  |
|  | 20,542 | 21,816 | 22,520 |
| Equipment, tools, and installations    | 463    | 568    | 969    |
|  | 21,022 | 22,397 | 23,527 |

## **11** Financial Fixed Assets

#### Participations in associated companies

|                                       | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|---------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Book value, opening balance           | 9,931  | 5,962 | 3,145 |
| Acquisitions                          | 2,203  | 2,109 | 2,811 |
| Participations in former subsidiaries | 43     | 96    | -     |
| Issues of new shares and shareholder  |        |       |       |
| contributions                         | 3,685  | 1,502 | 33    |
| Divestitures                          | -192   | -94   | -27   |
| Reclassifications                     | -2,769 | 356   | -     |
| Book value, closing balance           | 12,901 | 9,931 | 5,962 |

#### Other long-term financial assets

|                             | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Book value, opening balance | 15,001 | 14,326 | 16,859 |
| Purchases                   | 10,179 | 1,888  | 1,634  |
| Sales/discards              | -310   | -852   | -4,164 |
| Write-downs                 | -130   | -7     | _      |
| Reclassifications           | 2,482  | -354   | 0      |
| Book value, closing balance | 27,222 | 15,001 | 14,326 |

#### Distribution by class of asset

The total book value was distributed as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Group and associated companies   |        |        |        |
| Shares in Group companies  | 25,958 | 13,659 | 12,953 |
| Receivable from Group companies,   |        |        |        |
| interest-bearing   | 143    | -      | 3      |
| Participations in associated companies Receivable from associated companies, | 12,901 | 9,931  | 5,962  |
| interest-bearing   | _      | 7      | _      |
| Receivable from associated companies,  |        |        |        |
| non-interest-bearing   | 109    | 209    | 83     |
|  | 39,111 | 23,806 | 19,001 |
| Other holdings of securities   |        |        |        |
| Shares and participations  | 515    | 461    | 709    |
| Other securities   | -      | _      | 7      |
|  | 515    | 461    | 716    |
| Deferred tax benefit   | 497    | 665    | 567    |
| Other long-term receivables Interest-bearing                                 |        |        |        |
| Other  | _      | _      | 4      |
|  | _      | -      | 4      |
|  | 40,123 | 24,932 | 20,288 |

Shareholdings and participations in Group companies are specified in Note 28 "Specification of Shareholdings and Participations." Information about associated companies and other shares and participations is found in Note 39 to the Consolidated Accounts.

## 12 Inventories etc.

After deductions for obsolescence in inventory and stock in trade, the item consists of the following.

|                                    | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Raw materials and essential inputs | 12   | 19   | 14   |
| Finished products                  | _    | 0    | 5    |
| Work in progress                   |      |      |      |
| Expense incurred                   | 3    | 0    | 0    |
| Reserve for obsolescence           |      |      |      |
| and risk of loss                   | 0    | -1   | -    |
|                                    | 3    | -1   | 0    |
| Advances to suppliers              | 0    | -    | -    |
|                                    | 15   | 18   | 19   |

### 13 Receivables

|                                       | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Accounts receivable from customers    |        |        |        |
| Invoiced receivables                  | 892    | 1,152  | 670    |
| Reserve for doubtful receivables      | -77    | -84    | -52    |
|                                       | 815    | 1,068  | 618    |
| Other current receivables             |        |        |        |
| Interest-bearing                      |        |        |        |
| Receivable from Group companies       | 15,236 | 11,340 | 9,231  |
| Receivable from associated companies  | 6,431  | 1,594  | 88     |
| Receivable from others                | 308    | 103    | 73     |
| Non-interest-bearing                  |        |        |        |
| Receivable from Group companies       | 5,665  | 8,935  | 11,463 |
| Receivable from associated companies  | 16     | 207    | 47     |
| Other tax benefits                    | 184    | _      | _      |
| International settlements             | 40     | 79     | 220    |
| Receivable from others                | 233    | 25     | 300    |
|                                       | 28,113 | 22,283 | 21,422 |
| Accrued revenues and prepaid expenses |        |        |        |
| Receivable from Group companies       | 140    | 1,272  | 458    |
| Interconnect and roaming charges      | 258    | 243    | 84     |
| Customer orders completed but         |        |        |        |
| not invoiced                          | _      | 10     | 10     |
| Prepaid rent and leasing fees         | 69     | 11     | 14     |
| Other accrued or prepaid items        | 163    | 206    | 219    |
|                                       | 630    | 1,742  | 785    |
|                                       | 29,558 | 25,093 | 22,825 |

Other interest-bearing accounts receivable from Group companies refer to the balance in the cash pool.

## 14 Short-Term Investments, Liquid Funds

|   | 2000 | 1999  | 1998 |
|---|------|-------|------|
| Investments with maturities over three months Investments with maturities | _    | _     | _    |
| Investments with maturities up to three months                            | _    | 1,055 | 40   |
|   | _    | 1,055 | 40   |

#### Liquid funds were as follows.

|                        | 2000 | 1999  | 1998 |
|------------------------|------|-------|------|
| Investments            | _    | 1,055 | 40   |
| Cash and bank deposits | 538  | 313   | 26   |
| Liquid funds           | 538  | 1,368 | 66   |

### 15 Equity

#### Equity has changed as follows.

| Nu                            | ımber of shares | Par value<br>SEK/share | Equity<br>kSEK |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Share capital, 31 Dec. 1997   | 8,800,000       | 1,000.00               | 8,800,000      |
| Share capital, 31 Dec. 1998   | 8,800,000       | 1,000.00               | 8,800,000      |
| Share capital, 31 Dec. 1999   | 8,800,000       | 1,000.00               | 8,800,000      |
| Stock dividend, 20 May 2000   | · · · · -       | 1,036.80               | 323,840        |
| 324:1 split, 20 May 2000      | 2,842,400,000   | 3.20                   | _              |
| New share issue, 16 June 2000 | 150,000,000     | 3.20                   | 480,000        |
| Share capital, 31 Dec. 2000   | 3,001,200,000   | 3.20                   | 9,603,840      |

All shares have been paid in full and carry equal rights to vote and participate in the assets of the company. No shares are held by the company itself or by its subsidiaries. Nor have stock options or convertible debentures been issued as per the halance sheet date.

The proposed but as yet not determined dividend for 2000 totals MSEK 1,501. This amount has not been reported as a liability.

## 16 Untaxed Reserves and Appropriations

#### Untaxed reserves in the balance sheet were distributed as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Profit equalization reserve            | 3,538  | 2,493  | 943    |
| Accumulated excess depreciation        | 13,809 | 14,963 | 14,883 |
| Provisions for foreign exchange losses | _      | _      | 3      |
|  | 17,347 | 17,456 | 15,829 |

Excess depreciation, applicable to plant and machinery, has been changed as follows.

|                 | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Opening balance | 14,963 | 14,883 | 13,183 |
| Provisions      | _      | 80     | 1,700  |
| Reversals       | -1,154 | _      | _      |
| Closing balance | 13,809 | 14,963 | 14,883 |

#### Appropriations charged to income were comprised as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Profit equalization reserve            | -1,045 | -1,550 | -750   |
| Accumulated excess depreciation        | 1,154  | -80    | -1,700 |
| Provisions for foreign exchange losses | _      | 2      | 2      |
| Net effect on income                   | 109    | -1,628 | -2,448 |

Under certain circumstances, it is possible to transfer profits through group contributions between Swedish companies in a group. Group contributions provided are normally a deductible expense for the contributor and taxable revenue for the recipient. Group contributions, including shareholder contributions, received and paid by the parent company are regarded as dividends and reported as income from shares in Group companies (see Note 7 "Financial Revenues and Expenses").

|   | 2000         | 1999          | 1998         |
|---|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Shareholder contributions rendered<br>Group contributions received, net | -53<br>3,017 | -165<br>6,504 | -49<br>7,965 |
| Net effect on income  | 2,964        | 6,339         | 7,916        |

## 1 7 Provisions for Pensions and Employment Contracts

The pension liability reported contains the following components.

|   | 2000    | 1999    | 1998    |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| FPG/PRI pensions                        | 5,487   | 5,452   | 6,108   |
| Other pension commitments               | 6,689   | 6,865   | 7,345   |
| Taxed reserves for employment contracts | 1,265   | 1,879   | 1,629   |
| Total commitments                       | 13,441  | 14,196  | 15,082  |
| Less pension fund capital               | -12,088 | -12,277 | -13,279 |
| Book value                              | 1,353   | 1,919   | 1,803   |

The pension expense reported (including pension premiums) was as follows.

|                                 | 2000 | 1999   | 1998  |
|---------------------------------|------|--------|-------|
| Contractual pension obligations |      |        |       |
| Current service cost            | 121  | 278    | 559   |
| Pension-related social charges  | _    | 1      | 178   |
|                                 | 121  | 279    | 737   |
| Non-recurring items             |      |        |       |
| Early retirement pensions       | 262  | 237    | 879   |
| Pension-related social charges  | _    | _      | 234   |
| Changed estimates               | -670 | _      | -     |
|                                 | -408 | 237    | 1 113 |
| Interest expense on principal   |      |        |       |
| reported as a financial cost    | 69   | 67     | 168   |
| reported in operating income    | 433  | 475    | 369   |
|                                 | 502  | 542    | 537   |
| Effect on income of change in   |      |        |       |
| fund assets                     | -811 | -1,262 | -324  |
| Net pension expense             | -596 | -204   | 2,063 |

Surplus capital in the assets in the pension fund has changed as follows.

|  | 2000   | 1999   | 1998  |
|--|--------|--------|-------|
| Surplus capital, opening balance                           | 1,968  | 1,537  | _     |
| Change in value during the year Items that affect earnings | -132   | 1,693  | 1,861 |
| change in reported pension liability                       | 189    | 293    | 176   |
| compensation from fund                                     | -1,000 | -1,555 | -500  |
|  | -811   | -1,262 | -324  |
| Surplus capital, closing balance                           | 1,025  | 1,968  | 1,537 |

Secured commitments, surplus capital, provisions made, and compensation received were distributed as follows between Telia's two pension funds (see Note 22 to the Consolidated Accounts for information about the merger of the two funds).

|                                 | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Telia's Pension Fund            |       |       |       |
| Secured commitments (principal) | 8,485 | 8,842 | 9,323 |
| Surplus capital in fund         | 1,020 | 1,758 | 1,537 |
| Provisions to fund              | _     | _     | 355   |
| Compensation from fund          | 1,000 | 1,555 | 500   |
| Telia's Pension Fund 2          |       |       |       |
| Secured commitments (principal) | 3,603 | 3,435 | 4,130 |
| Surplus capital in fund         | 5     | 210   | _     |
| Provisions to fund              | _     | _     | 3,700 |

The nominal value of the parent company's share of client company funds held by SPP was MSEK 287, of which MSEK 61 was settled in cash during 2000. Since the funds may be used during a three-year period, the amount was discounted using an interest factor of 5.5. The discounted amount, MSEK 269, was reported as other revenue and is not included in underlying EBITDA. MSEK 216 is reported as an asset in the balance sheet, divided into current and long-term receivables.

### 18 Other Provisions

|  | 2000  | 1999  | 1998 |
|--|-------|-------|------|
| Book value, opening balance                  | 1,176 | 513   | 575  |
| Provisions for the period                    | 68    | 674   | 19   |
| Operations acquired                          | _     | 60    | _    |
| Utilized provisions                          | -98   | -46   | -48  |
| Operations divested                          | -8    | _     | _    |
| Reversals of provisions                      | -184  | -117  | -159 |
| Timing and interest-rate effects/differences | -86   | _     | 30   |
| Book value, closing balance                  | 868   | 1,176 | 513  |

The book value of the provisions was distributed as follows.

|  | 2000 | 1999  | 1998 |
|--|------|-------|------|
| Payroll taxes on future pension payments | 307  | 456   | 395  |
| Lossmaking contracts                     | 468  | 613   | _    |
| Other provisions                         | 93   | 107   | 118  |
|  | 868  | 1,176 | 513  |

## **19** Long-term Loans

|                            | 2000   | 1999  | 1998  |
|----------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Loans from Group companies | _      | _     | 10    |
| Bank overdraft facilities  | _      | _     | _     |
| Telia FTN/FTO              | 7,012  | 4,126 | 2,366 |
| Telia EMTN, other hedged   |        |       |       |
| foreign currency loans     | 9,987  | 4,390 | 3,664 |
| Other                      | 575    | 325   | 325   |
|                            | 17,574 | 8,841 | 6,365 |

Bank overdraft facilities have a total limit of MSEK 861, MSEK 884 and MSEK 866 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively. For these years, MSEK 4,678, MSEK 3,628 and MSEK 1,042 of the loans fall due more than five years after the balance sheet date. See also Note 30 to the Consolidated Accounts "Financial Instruments."

### Short-term Loans

|                                 | 2000   | 1999   | 1998   |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Loans from Group companies      | _      | 11,191 | 10,676 |
| Loans from associated companies | _      | 24     | 187    |
| ECP                             | 9,131  | 3,397  | 3,715  |
| Telia FTN                       | 1,335  | 1,525  | 1,217  |
| Hedged foreign currency loans   | 1,122  | 1,420  | 1,176  |
| Other bank loans                | 88     | _      | 596    |
|                                 | 11,676 | 17,557 | 17,567 |

See also Note 30 to the Consolidated Accounts "Financial Instruments."

### 2 Long-term Liabilities

|                                | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Liabilities to Group companies | 64   | 48   | 39   |
| Other                          | _    | 107  | 28   |
|                                | 64   | 155  | 67   |

For the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, no loans fall due more than five years after the balance sheet date.

### **77** Current Liabilities

|                                       | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Accounts payable                      | 1,034 | 1,220 | 1,143 |
| Liabilities to Group companies        | 1,353 | 1,150 | 1,811 |
| Liabilities to associated companies   | _     | 0     | 0     |
| Tax liabilities                       | -     | 1,055 | 498   |
| Other liabilities                     |       |       |       |
| Advances, deposits, etc.              | 278   | 150   | 9     |
| Value-added tax, excise taxes         | 49    | 77    | 347   |
| Payable to employees                  | 25    | 75    | 341   |
| Other                                 | 4     | 0     | 35    |
|                                       | 356   | 302   | 732   |
| Accrued expenses and prepaid revenues |       |       |       |
| Liabilities to Group companies        | 1,368 | 1,378 | 1,711 |
| Accrued payroll expenses              | 89    | 169   | 501   |
| Accrued employer's social security    |       |       |       |
| contributions                         | 27    | 69    | 528   |
| Accrued interest                      | 804   | 379   | 309   |
| Interconnect charges                  | 290   | 215   | 226   |
| Other accrued or prepaid items        | 831   | 1,011 | 1,099 |
|                                       | 3,409 | 3,221 | 4,374 |
|                                       | 6,152 | 6,948 | 8,558 |

### Leasing Agreements and Contractual Obligations

The parent company leases primarily premises and computers. Most of the leases are from Group companies. Subletting of premises is also mainly with Group companies. The leases are on commercial terms, with respect to prices and dura-

Future obligations resulting from operating leases that could not be canceled in advance, were in excess of one year, and were in effect on 31 December 2000, amounted to:

|       | Future<br>obligations | Sub-<br>leasing |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 2001  | 750                   | 32              |
| 2002  | 500                   | 19              |
| 2003  | 450                   | 18              |
| 2004  | 464                   | 18              |
| 2005  | 479                   | 18              |
| Later | 2,063                 | 147             |
|       | 4.706                 | 252             |

The total paid rent and leasing fees was MSEK 919, MSEK 898 and MSEK 557 for the years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively. Revenue for subleased objects totaled MSEK 109, MSEK 140 and MSEK 124 for these years.

#### Other contractual obligations

As of the balance sheet date, the parent company also had contractual obligations regarding the acquisition of tangible and financial fixed assets and disbursements of additional consideration for purchase or capital contribution to associated companies.

| Tangible fixed assets | 282 |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Associated companies  | 84  |
| Other                 | 61  |
|                       | 427 |

Obligations with respect to tangible fixed assets refer to the continued expansion of the Swedish fixed telephony network.

## 24 Contingent Assets, Collateral Pledged and Contingent Liabilities

|   | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| Contingent assets                       |       |       |       |
| Company funds held by SPP               | _     | 275   | -     |
|   | _     | 275   | _     |
| Collateral pledged                      |       |       |       |
| For off-balance-sheet instruments:      |       |       |       |
| Blocked funds in bank accounts          | 5     | 34    | 33    |
| For long-term liabilities to            |       |       |       |
| credit institutions:                    |       |       |       |
| Shares in associated companies          | _     | 26    | 26    |
|   | 5     | 60    | 59    |
| Contingent liabilities                  |       |       |       |
| Guarantees and contingent liabilities   |       |       |       |
| granted to subsidiaries                 | 1,294 | 642   | 360   |
| Credit and performance guarantees, etc. | 977   | 971   | 592   |
| FPG/PRI                                 | 105   | 106   | 116   |
| Other contingent liabilities            | 164   | 165   | 219   |
|   | 2,540 | 1,884 | 1,287 |

Most of the credit and performance guarantees concern the associated company Tess S/A (see Note 9 to the Consolidated Accounts "Related Party Transactions").

## 25 Human Resources

The average number of full-time employees was as follows.

|         |       | 2000 1999<br>of which of which |       |       |        |        | 998<br>of which |
|---------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-----------------|
| Country | Total | men                            | Total | men   | Total  | men    |                 |
| Sweden  | 3,148 | 1,987                          | 6,637 | 5,051 | 18,340 | 12,424 |                 |
|         | 3,148 | 1,987                          | 6,637 | 5,051 | 18,340 | 12,424 |                 |

The operations are conducted throughout most of the country. Salaries, other remuneration, and social security expense were as follows.

|  | 2000  | 1999  | 1998  |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Salaries and other remuneration          | 1,380 | 2,117 | 5,269 |
| Social security expenses                 |       |       |       |
| Employer's social security contributions | 473   | 700   | 1,773 |
| Pension expenses                         | -858  | -441  | 950   |
| Early retirement pensions                | 262   | 237   | 1,113 |
|  | -123  | 496   | 3,836 |
|  | 1,257 | 2,613 | 9,105 |

Pension costs for the Board of Directors and CEO and outstanding pension commitments were as follows.

|                                 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Pension expenses                | 25   | 9    | 7    |
| Outstanding pension commitments | 68   | 43   | 37   |

Salaries and other remuneration were divided between corporate officers and other employees as follows.

| Country | Board<br>and CEO<br>(of which,<br>bonuses<br>etc.) |       | Board<br>and CEO<br>(of which,<br>bonuses<br>etc.) |       | Board<br>and CEO<br>(of which,<br>bonuses<br>etc.) |       |
|---------|--|-------|--|-------|--|-------|
| Sweden  | 25 (2)   | 1.355 | 18 (2)   | 2,099 | 15 (1)   | 5.254 |

See also Note 33 to the Consolidated Accounts "Human Resources," the section "Remuneration to corporate officers."

## 26 Auditors' Fees etc.

|                               | 2000 | 1999 |
|-------------------------------|------|------|
| Ernst & Young AB              |      |      |
| Audits                        | 6    | 6    |
| Independent advice            | 36   | 36   |
|                               | 42   | 42   |
| Swedish National Audit Office |      |      |
| Audits                        | 0    | 0    |
|                               | 0    | 0    |
|                               | 42   | 42   |

## 27 Changes to Valuations, Estimates, and Accounting Policies

As described in the section "Changes and Innovations" above, the principles for reporting taxes were changed as per 1 January.

Hence, the net income and equity reported in previous annual reports has been changed as follows.

|                                     | 1999   | 1998   | 1997   |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net income for each year            |        |        |        |
| Reported previously                 | 5,095  | 2,293  | 1,552  |
| New principles                      | 98     | -3     | 570    |
| Adjusted net income                 | 5,193  | 2,290  | 2,122  |
| Equity as of 1 January of each year |        |        |        |
| Reported previously                 | 19,739 | 16,044 | 14,961 |
| New principles                      | 665    | 567    | 570    |
| Adjusted equity                     | 20,404 | 16,611 | 15,531 |

## $28\,$ Specification of Shareholdings and Participations

|  |                   | Number     | Par value in   |       | value |
|--|-------------------|------------|----------------|-------|-------|
| Subsidiary, Corporate Registration Number, registered office   | Participation (%) | of shares  | local currency | 2000  | 1999  |
| Swedish companies  |                   |            |                |       |       |
| Telia Mobile AB, 556025-7932, Nacka                            | 100               | 550,000    | 550            | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Telia Norge Holding AB, 556591-9759, Stockholm                 | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 0     | _     |
| Speedy Tomato AB, 556572-1510, Stockholm                       | 100               | 50,000     | 5              | 25    | -     |
| Telia Global Cast Internetworking AB, 556559-5948, Stockholm   | 100               | 9,000      | 1              | 2     | 1     |
| Thoreb ITMobile AB, 556480-1180, Gothenburg                    | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 9     | 6     |
| Telia International Carrier AB, 556583-2226, Stockholm         | 100               | 1,000,000  | 100            | 120   | _     |
| Skanova Networks AB, 556458-0040, Stockholm                    | 100               | 10,000     | 1              | 3     |       |
| Telia Nättjänster Norden AB, 556459-3076, Stockholm            | 100               | 10,000     | 1              | 125   | 125   |
| Telia Online AB, 556240-6396, Stockholm                        | 100               | 1,150,000  | 115            | 305   | 305   |
| Telia Partner AB (publ), 556458-7011, Stockholm                | 100               | 650,000    | 65             | 205   | 205   |
| Telia Försäljning AB, 556248-6240, Stockholm                   | 100               | 40,000     | 40             | 621   | 621   |
| Telia Light AB, 556228-0445, Stockholm                         | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 5     | 5     |
| Infonet Svenska AB, 556263-3080, Stockholm                     | 100               | 40,000     | 4              | 13    | 13    |
| Telia IT-Service AB, 556329-5566, Nacka                        | 100               | 450,000    | 45             | 145   | 145   |
| Combinator IT AB, 556456-1669, Täby                            | 100               | 2,000      | 0              | 15    | 15    |
| Telia TeleCom AB, 556027-2287, Haninge                         | 100               | 275,000    | 275            | 1,393 | 1,393 |
| Telia Electronic Commerce AB, 556228-8976, Stockholm           | 100               | 27,500     | 28             | 28    | 28    |
| Telia Promotor AB, 556255-1902, Haninge                        | 100               | 11,400     | 1              | 26    | 26    |
| Telia exBN AB, 556455-2304, Stockholm                          | 100               | 250,000    | 25             | 512   | 512   |
| Telia Holdings Éire AB, 556414-5323, Stockholm                 | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 587   | 587   |
| Telia Holding Polen AB, 556588-0977, Stockholm                 | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 0     | -     |
| Telia International AB, 556352-1284, Stockholm                 | 100               | 20,000     | 20             | 453   | 453   |
| Telia Nära AB, 556430-0142, Gothenburg                         | 100               | 3,000,000  | 300            | 1,223 | 1,223 |
| Telia InfoMedia Interactive AB, 556138-5781, Stockholm         | 100               | 250,000    | 25             | 8     | 8     |
| Respons AB, 556476-5294, Stockholm                             | 100               | 75,000     | 75             | 180   | 180   |
| Com Hem AB, 556181-8724, Stockholm                             | 100               | 300,000    | 300            | 307   | -     |
| Telia International Holdings AB, 556572-1486, Stockholm        | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 508   | 0     |
| Direkte Respons Senteret i Sverige AB, 556172-3643, Stockholm  | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 6     | 0     |
| Telia InfoMedia Partner AB, 556429-6688, Stockholm             | 100               | 90,000     | 90             | 182   | 182   |
| Nordisk Betal-TV AB, 556248-8410, Stockholm                    | 100               | 150,000    | 15             | 15    | 15    |
| TeleMedia Group TMG AB, 556429-6704, Stockholm                 | 100               | 100,000    | 100            | 202   | 202   |
| Telia Finans AB, 556203-0576, Stockholm                        | 100               | 122,000    | 122            | 207   | 207   |
| Telia Payment Solutions AB, 556468-4545, Stockholm             | 100               | 20,000     | 0              | 5     | 5     |
| Sergel Kredittjänster AB, 556264-8310, Stockholm               | 100               | 5,000      | 1              | 8     | 8     |
| Telia Försäkring AB, 516401-8490, Stockholm                    | 100               | 1,000,000  | 100            | 100   | 100   |
| Neterna AB, 556583-2242, Stockholm                             | 100               | 100,000    | 10             | 50    | -     |
| Swedia Networks AB, 556555-1073, Stockholm                     | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 190   | 190   |
| Telia System & Service AB, 556283-0702, Stockholm              | 100               | 1,000,000  | 100            | 250   | 250   |
| Multicom Security AB, 556527-2001, Stockholm                   | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 305   | 305   |
| Telia Swedtel AB, 556114-9492, Stockholm                       | 100               | 12,000     | 12             | 28    | 28    |
| Telia Overseas AB, 556528-9138, Stockholm                      | 65                | 24,325,109 | 2,433          | 2,511 | 1,147 |
| Telia Scanswitch AB, 556345-6622, Stockholm                    | 100               | 500        | 1              | 8     | 8     |
| Telia Business Innovation AB, 556559-2473, Nacka               | 100               | 100,000    | 10             | 10    | 10    |
| Telia Research AB, 556235-8738, Stockholm                      | 100               | 20,000     | 20             | 25    | 25    |
| Telia ProSoft AB, 556527-5863, Stockholm                       | 100               | 75,000     | 8              | 48    | 48    |
| Validation AB, 556396-3015, Stockholm                          | 100               | 10,000     | 1              | 23    | 23    |
| Facit Service AB, 556454-5977, Stockholm                       | 100               | 100,000    | 10             | 15    | 15    |
| Telia Handel AB, 556323-0258, Stockholm                        | 100               | 350,000    | 35             | 80    | 80    |
| Unite AB, 556583-2234, Helsingborg                             | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 10    | -     |
| Telia Fastigheter AB, 556368-4801, Stockholm                   | 100               | 5,000      | 1              | 169   | 169   |
| Fastighets AB Larsboda, 556343-6434, Stockholm                 | 100               | 50,000,000 | 500            | 1,415 | 1,415 |
| Fastighets AB Västra Trädgårdsgatan 15, 556025-0002, Stockholm | 100               | 4,000      | 0              | 299   | -     |
| Telia Fordon AB, 556287-3983, Umeå                             | 100               | 81,670     | 8              | 40    | 40    |
| Telia International Management AB, 556595-2917, Stockholm      | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 1     | -     |
| Telia Outsourcing Partner AB, 556468-4388, Stockholm           | 100               | 10,000     | 1              | 6     | 5     |
| Telia Satellite Services AB, 556412-0292, Stockholm            | 100               | 1,000      | 0              | 1     | 1     |
| Tella Satellite Services Ab, 5504 12-0252, Stockholm           | 100               | 1,000      | U              | 0     | 306   |

In all companies, equity participation corresponds to voting rights participation, except for in A/S Telia Multicom where Telia controls 60 percent of the votes. A/S Telia Multicom owns 55 percent of the shares in A/S Telia Multicom Dati. The remaining shares in Telia Service Oy are owned by Telia Viesti Oy. The remaining shares in Telia Product Oy are owned by Telia Service Oy and Telia Viesti Oy.

Telia International Holdings AB owns Telia's holdings in Eniro AB (publ) via a

Dutch subsidiary. Telia Norge Holding AB and Telia NetCom Holding AS own NetCom ASA.

Other operating companies and dormant companies do not control Group assets of significant value. The parent company indirectly controls a number of operating companies and dormant subsidiaries in addition to the companies mentioned above.

# Proposed Appropriation of Earnings

#### The Telia Group

According to the Group balance sheet as of 31 December 2000, non-restricted equity totaled MSEK 12,241 (5,651). Of this, it was calculated that SEK 0 (0) be transferred to restricted equity.

#### Telia AB

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| Total non-restricted equity | 12,960,754,358 |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Net income                  | 5,005,826,475  |
| Retained earnings           | 7,954,927,883  |

The Board proposes that this sum be appropriated as follows:

| Total   | 12,960,754,358 |
|---|----------------|
| To be carried forward to 2001                   | 11,460,154,358 |
| SEK 0.50 per share dividend to the shareholders | 1,500,600,000  |

Filip Cassel

Stockholm, 19 February 2001

Lars-Eric Petersson Chairman

Carl Bennet Ingvar Carlsson Elof Isaksson Anders Igel

Birgitta Johansson-Hedberg Jan-Åke Kark Ronny Käck Berith Westman

> Marianne Nivert President and CEO

Our auditors' report was rendered 20 February 2001

Ernst & Young AB Gunnar Widhagen Authorized Public Accountant Authorized Public Accountant

Torsten Lyth Authorized Public Accountant

## Auditors' Report

To the Annual General Meeting of Telia AB (publ) Corporate Reg. No. 556103-4249

We have audited the annual financial statements, the consolidated financial statements, the accounting records, and the administration of Telia AB (publ) by the Board of Directors and President for fiscal 2000. The Board of Directors and President are responsible for the accounting records and administration. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the annual financial statements, the consolidated financial statements, and the administration based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting policies used and their application by the Board of Directors and President as well as assessing the overall presentation

of information in the annual financial statements and consolidated financial statements. We examined significant decisions, actions taken, and circumstances of the Company in order to be able to determine the liability, if any, of any Board member or the President and whether they have in any other way acted in contravention of the Swedish Companies Act, the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, or the Company's articles of incorporation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion set out below.

The annual financial statements and consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act and thus provide a true and fair view of the earnings and financial position of the Company and the Group in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Sweden.

We recommend that the Annual General Meeting adopt the income statements and balance sheets for the Parent Company and the Group, appropriate the profit of the Parent Company in accordance with the proposal in the administration report, and discharge the President and the Members of the Board of Directors from liability for fiscal 2000.

Stockholm, 20 February 2001

Ernst & Young AB

Gunnar Widhagen

Filip Cassel
Authorized Public Accountant

Torsten Lyth
Authorized Public Accountant

# Six-Year Summary

| The Telia Group: Financial Data and Business Ratios                              | 2000              | 1999            | 1998            | 1997            | 1996            | 1995          |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Income statements (MSEK)   |                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| Net sales  | 54,064            | 52,121          | 49,569          | 45,665          | 42,430          | 38,953        |
| Operating income   | 12,006            | 5,946           | 7,220           | 3,218           | 3,264           | 3,296         |
| Income after financial items   | 11,717            | 5,980           | 7,143           | 3,128           | 3,353           | 3,410         |
| Net income   | 10,278            | 4,222           | 5,011           | 2,222           | 2,337           | 2,484         |
| Underlying EBITDA  | 13,087            | 14,059          | 13,309          | 12,324          | 13,185          | 11,990        |
| Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs                                      | 8,222             | 7,652           | 7,146           | 7,298           | 7,154           | 7,378         |
| EBITDA   | 20,228            | 13,598          | 14,366          | 10,516          | 10,418          | 10,674        |
|  | 20,220            | .5,550          | . 1,500         | .0,5.0          | 10,110          | 10,01         |
| Balance sheets (MSEK)  | 25 100            | 2 146           | 1 0 4 4         | 1 566           | 1 000           | 0.41          |
| Intangible fixed assets Tangible fixed assets                                    | 25,198<br>43,807  | 2,146<br>33,318 | 1,844<br>34,801 | 1,566<br>39,239 | 1,809<br>38,366 | 941<br>37,703 |
| Financial fixed assets   | 22,335            | 18,023          | 12,553          | 8,666           | 7,224           | 5,724         |
| Current assets   | 31,375            | 23,117          | 18,080          | 16,439          | 15,116          | 14,093        |
| Total assets   | 122,715           | 76,604          | 67,278          | 65,910          | 62,515          | 58,461        |
| Equity   | 55,988            | 32,893          | 29,344          | 25,487          | 24,413          | 23,083        |
| Minority capital   | 320               | 210             | 210             | 306             | 218             | 13            |
| Provisions   | 11,351            | 10,488          | 7,735           | 12,262          | 14,146          | 17,122        |
| Interest-bearing liabilities   | 34,042            | 16,057          | 13,553          | 14,813          | 9,837           | 4,513         |
| Non-interest-bearing liabilities   | 21,014            | 16,956          | 16,436          | 13,042          | 13,901          | 13,730        |
| Total equity and liabilities   | 122,715           | 76,604          | 67,278          | 65,910          | 62,515          | 58,461        |
| Capital employed   | 92,374            | 50,936          | 43,440          | 46,329          | 43,420          | 40,357        |
| Operating capital  | 75,042            | 39,160          | 34,921          | 39,192          | 37,013          | 34,161        |
| Net interest-bearing liability   | 20,235            | 7,527           | 6,767           | 14,609          | 13,534          | 12,065        |
| Cash flows (MSEK)  |                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| Cash flow from operating activities  | 10,152            | 10,715          | 10,301          | 8,920           | 9,783           | 11,392        |
| Cash flow from investing activities  | -37,121           | -10,701         | -8,967          | -12,426         | -14,744         | -10,297       |
| Operating cash flow  | -26,969           | 14              | 1,334           | -3,506          | -4,961          | 1,095         |
| Cash flow from financing activities  | 26,818            | 1,005           | -2,301          | 3,896           | 4,784           | -1,144        |
| Cash flow for the year   | -151              | 1,019           | -967            | 390             | -177            | -49           |
| Investments (MSEK)   |                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| Intangible and tangible assets   | 39,473            | 8,036           | 7,886           | 9,687           | 9,044           | 9,246         |
| Shares and participations  | 8,269             | 4,109           | 3,852           | 1,177           | 1,964           | 1,331         |
| Total investments  | 47,742            | 12,145          | 11,738          | 10,864          | 11,008          | 10,577        |
| Business ratios (see "Definitions of Concepts and Ratio                          | ns")              |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| Underlying EBITDA margin (%)   | 24.2              | 27.0            | 26.8            | 27.0            | 31.1            | 30.8          |
| Gross margin (%)   | 37.4              | 26.1            | 29.0            | 23.0            | 24.5            | 27.4          |
| Operating margin (%)   | 22.2              | 11.4            | 14.6            | 7.0             | 7.7             | 8.5           |
| Return on sales (%)  | 25.1              | 13.0            | 15.9            | 8.4             | 9.5             | 10.3          |
| Net profit margin (%)  | 21.7              | 11.5            | 14.4            | 6.8             | 7.9             | 8.7           |
| Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs                                      |                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| as a percentage of net sales   | 15.2              | 14.7            | 14.4            | 16.0            | 16.9            | 18.9          |
| Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs                                      | 0.4               | 10.1            | 10.1            | 11.1            | 12.1            | 142           |
| as a percentage of historical acquisition values Total asset turnover (multiple) | 8.4<br>0.54       | 10.1<br>0.72    | 10.1<br>0.74    | 11.1<br>0.71    | 12.1<br>0.70    | 14.3<br>0.69  |
| Turnover of capital employed (multiple)  | 0.75              | 1.10            | 1.10            | 1.02            | 1.01            | 0.99          |
| Return on assets (%)   | 13.6              | 9.4             | 11.9            | 6.0             | 6.6             | 7.1           |
| Return on capital employed (%)   | 18.9              | 14.4            | 17.6            | 8.6             | 9.6             | 10.2          |
| Return on equity (%)   | 23.9              | 14.2            | 19.2            | 9.3             | 10.3            | 11.8          |
| Current ratio (multiple)   | 0.95              | 0.97            | 0.77            | 0.80            | 0.81            | 0.88          |
| Equity/assets ratio (%)  | 44.4              | 41.0            | 41.5            | 36.8            | 37.2            | 37.8          |
| Debt/equity ratio (multiple)   | 0.37              | 0.24            | 0.24            | 0.60            | 0.58            | 0.55          |
| Interest coverage ratio (multiple)   | 7.3               | 8.5             | 10.4            | 5.3             | 6.1             | 6.7           |
| Self-financing rate (multiple)   | 0.21              | 0.88            | 0.88            | 0.82            | 0.89            | 1.08          |
| Per share data (see "Definitions of Concepts and Ratio                           | s")               |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| Dividend (MSEK), for 2000 as proposed by the Board                               | 1,501             | 1,470           | 1,400           | 1,210           | 1,152           | 1,000         |
| Average number of shares ('000)  | 2,932,757         | 2,851,200       | 2,851,200       | 2,851,200       | 2,851,200       | 2,851,200     |
| Earnings per share (SEK)   | 3.50              | 1.48            | 1.76            | 0.78            | 0.82            | 0.87          |
| Dividend per share (SEK)   | 0.50              | 0.52            | 0.49            | 0.42            | 0.40            | 0.35          |
| Payout ratio (%)   | 14.3              | 34.8            | 27.9            | 54.5            | 49.3            | 40.3          |
| Equity per share (SEK)   | 18.66             | 11.54           | 10.29           | 8.94            | 8.56            | 8.10          |
| Net asset value per share (SEK)  | 20.97             | 18.03           | 10.25           | 8.91            | 8.56            | 8.10          |
| Comparative figures based on U.S. GAAP (MSEK)                                    |                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| Net sales  | 54,049            | 52,121          | 49,569          | 45,665          | 42,430          | 38,953        |
| Net income   | 10,153            | 4,376           | 3,729           | 2,222           | 2,337           | 2,484         |
| Equity   | 54,575<br>122,677 | 31,711          | 27,955          | 25,417          | 24,413          | 23,083        |
| Balance sheet total  | 122,677           | 77,015          | 67,700          | 65,840          | 62,515          | 58,461        |
| Earnings per share (SEK)   | 3.46              | 1.53            | 1.31            | 0.78            | 0.82            | 0.87          |

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## Definitions of Concepts and Ratios

#### Concepts and ratios

EBITDA. Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amorti-

Underlying EBITDA. EBITDA adjusted for share of earnings in associated companies, capital gains and losses (except in venture capital operations and from telecom investments outside the Nordic countries) and the costs of personnel restructuring (including early retirement), common pension obligations, year 2000 compliance, initial public offerings, and preparations for the aborted merger with Telenor.

Adjusted equity. Reported equity less the (proposed) dividend.

Net asset value. Reported equity plus hidden reserves in publicly quoted equities after deductions for deferred taxes based on the current tax rate.

Capital employed. Balance sheet total less non-interest-bearing liabilities and non-interest-bearing provisions reported, and the proposed dividend.

Operating capital. Capital employed excluding financial assets but including participations in associated companies and non-interest-bearing accounts receivable.

Net interest-bearing liability. Interest-bearing liabilities and provisions less interest-bearing assets but including participations in associated companies.

Net borrowings. Interest-bearing liabilities less interest-bearing assets but including participations in associated companies.

Underlying EBITDA margin (underlying gross margin). Underlying EBITDA expressed as a percentage of net sales.

Gross margin (EBITDA margin). Operating income plus depreciation, amortization, and write-downs expressed as a percentage of net sales.

Operating margin (EBIT margin). Operating income expressed as a percentage of net sales.

Return on sales. Operating income plus financial revenues expressed as a percentage of net sales.

Net profit margin. Income after financial items expressed as a percentage of net sales.

Total asset turnover. Net sales divided by the average balance sheet

Turnover of capital employed. Net sales divided by the average capital employed.

Return on assets. Operating income plus financial revenues expressed as a percentage of the average balance sheet total.

Return on capital employed. Operating income plus financial rev-

enues expressed as a percentage of average capital employed. For partial years, the return is calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.

Return on equity. Net income expressed as a percentage of average adjusted equity. For partial years, the return is calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.

Equity/assets ratio. Adjusted equity expressed as a percentage of the balance sheet total.

Debt/equity ratio. Net interest-bearing liabilities divided by adjusted equity.

Interest coverage ratio. Operating income plus financial revenues divided by financial expenses.

Self-financing rate. Cash flow from operating activities divided by gross investments.

Current ratio. Current assets divided by current liabilities.

Net cash flow. Increase (-) or decrease (+) in net interest-bearing liabilities.

Per share data. Earnings per share are based on the weighted average number of shares, while dividend, equity, and net asset value per share are based on the number of shares at the end of the period.

Dividend rate. Dividend per share divided by earnings per share.

ARPU. Average monthly revenue per subscription.

Churn. Number of customers that have left the company expressed as a percentage of the average number of customers.

Labor productivity. Year-on-year percentage change in the ratio of net sales at fixed prices to the average number of full-time employees.

Notation conventions. To conform with Swedish and international standards, this report applies the following notations.

| Prefixes          |         |                  |     |
|-------------------|---------|------------------|-----|
| thousand          | k       |                  |     |
| million           | M       |                  |     |
| billion           | G       |                  |     |
| Currencies        |         |                  |     |
| Swedish krona     | SEK     | Japanese yen     | JPY |
| Belgian franc     | BEF     | Sri Lankan rupee | LKR |
| Brazilian real    | BRL     | Latvian lat      | LTL |
| Swiss franc       | CHF     | Lithuanian lita  | LVL |
| German mark       | DEM     | Namibian dollar  | NAD |
| Danish krone      | DKK     | Dutch guilder    | NLG |
| Estonian kroon    | EEK     | Norwegian krone  | NOK |
| Spanish peseta    | ESP     | Philippine peso  | PHP |
| European euro/ecu | EUR/XEU | Polish zloty     | PLN |
| Finnish mark      | FIM     | Russian ruble    | RUR |
| French franc      | FRF     | Slovenian tolar  | SIT |
| Pound sterling    | GBP     | Thai baht        | THB |
| Hong Kong dollar  | HKD     | Ugandan shilling | UGX |
| Indian rupee      | INR     | U.S. dollar      | USD |
| Italian lire      | ITL     |                  |     |

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