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Hemköp's sales increased by 9.0 percent in August

Hemköp posted a 9.0 percent increase in August sales, including VAT, to SEK 498 m (457).

Accumulated sales in 1999, including VAT, have increased by 6.9 percent to SEK 3,863 m (3,613).

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Hemköp, which is quoted on the A-list of the Stockholm Stock Exchange, is one of Sweden's leading retail food chains, with 97 stores nationwide. Hemköp's concept is based on the cornerstones of quality, the environment and health. Hemköp had earnings of SEK 162 m in 1998, on of slightly more than SEK 4.9 billion, excluding VAT.