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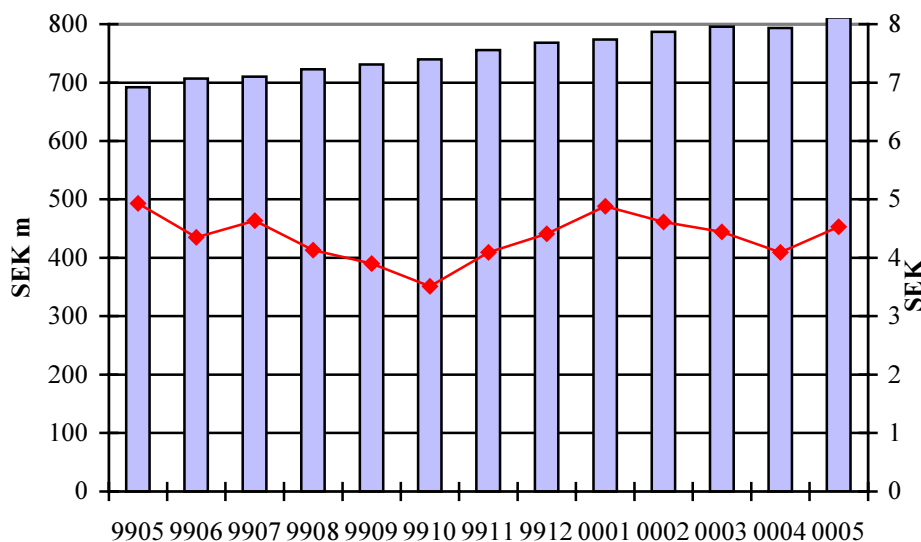
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Report January-May 2000 HL Display AB (publ)

- Sales for January to May increased by 14.1 % to SEK 346.4 m (303.6) compared to corresponding period 1999.
- Profit before tax for the period amounted to SEK 16.5 m (15.5).
- Sales of the month of May increased by 27.8% to SEK 81.9 m (64.1). Profit before tax for the month amounted to SEK 8.0 m (3.4).



Turnover, moving 12 months

Earnings per share (after standard tax), moving 12 months

January to May 2000 in brief

The consolidated sales for the period increased by 14.1 % to SEK 346.4 m (303.6). During May sales amounted to SEK 81.9 m (64.1), an increase of 27.8%. The sales in May were strong on the majority of HL Display's markets. The accumulated sales growth is still not in line with expectations and an initiated action programme is being continued.

The period's profit before tax was SEK 16.5 m (15.5). Profit for the month of May was SEK 8.0 m (3.4). In April the funds that will be reallocated from the insurance company SPP was booked. The funds were fully accounted for in accordance with the notification from SPP on how the funds can be used. This has affected the accumulated group result positively by SEK 4.5 m.

The profit has been negatively affected by SEK 5.4 m due to the fact that the price of the groups largest raw material, PVC, has increased dramatically compared to the corresponding period in 1999.

Net investments in fixed assets amounted to SEK 24.8 m (30.5) during the period.

Key figures for the Group ¹⁾

SEK (000s)	5 months Jan 2000 - May 2000	5 months Jan 1999 - May 1999	Change in per cent	12 months June 1999 - May 2000	12 months June 1998 - May 1999	Full year 1999
Net sales	346 444	303 571	+ 14.1	811 324	692 090	768 451
Operating profit	21 175	19 778	+ 7.1	56 798	54 999	55 401
Profit before tax	16 520	15 528	+ 6.4	48 117	52 664	47 125
Profit margin %	4.8	5.1	-5.9	5.9	7.6	6.1
Equity/asset ratio, %	48.7	51.0	-4.5	48.7	51.0	51.6
Investments, SEK m	24.8	30.5	-18.7	62.2	66.8	67.9
Return on capital, %	-	-	-	13.1	15.8	12.9
Return on shareholders' equity, %	-	-	-	15.6	16.7	15.3
Shareholders' equity per share, SEK	-	-	-	29.02	26.02	28.89
Earnings per share after standard tax, SEK	-	-	-	4.53	4.94	4.41
Earnings per share after full tax, SEK	-	-	-	4.30	4.12	4.20

1) For definitions, see the Annual report

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Managing Director

Reporting dates:

Interim report	6 months 2000	17.07.2000
Monthly report	7 months 2000	16.08.2000
Monthly report	8 months 2000	15.09.2000
Interim report	9 months 2000	17.10.2000
Monthly report	10 months 2000	16.11.2000
Monthly report	11 months 2000	18.12.2000