

Alternative performance measures

In addition to the application of IFRS, Lantmännen has also chosen to follow new guidelines on definitions of alternative performance measures issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA). An APM is a measure that is used to evaluate an entity's financial position but is not defined in any of IASB's issued international reporting standards. The Guidelines require entities to provide an explanation of the basis of calculation of the alternative performance measures used. These principles are aimed at giving external parties better understanding of an entity's financial statements.

Current loan agreements were concluded before the introduction of IFRS 16, and all definition for components included in the calculation of the liquidity reserve are calculated excluding the effects of IFRS 16 – i.e., Liquidity reserve, EBITDA according to bank definition, Net Debt according to bank definition and Net Debt according to bank definition/EBITDA according to bank definition.

Description of financial performance measures (including alternative performance measures)

Key figures	Description	Reason for use
Adjusted income	Adjusted income is income net of items affecting comparability.	An adjustment to exclude items affecting comparability.
Average equity/operating capital	Average capital is computed on the closing balance of each month in the accounting period, i.e. twelve periods for the full year. All average capital ratios are calculated in this way.	Ensures accurate calculation of return on equity and operating capital.
Capital turnover rate	Net sales divided by average operating capital.	Shows the efficiency of the use of operating capital.
Cash flow from operating activities	Net income for the period adjusted for items that are not cash inflows or outflows but accounting costs, such as depreciation and capital gains/losses. Adjustments are also made for financial items and income taxes paid, and changes in inventories, operating receivables and operating liabilities.	Shows cash flow from operations that can be used for investments and acquisitions.
EBITDA according to bank definition	Operating income, excluding income from associates, and excluding depreciation, amortization and impairment. Operating income is also adjusted for acquired and divested companies, and refers to the last 12 months.	To calculate the key ratio Net debt according to bank definition/EBITDA according to bank definition.

Equity ratio	Equity divided by total assets.	Shows the proportion of the assets that are financed by the owners.
Interest coverage ratio	Interest coverage ratio is calculated as income after financial items plus interest expenses divided by interest expenses.	Shows the ability to cover interest expenses.
Investments in non-current assets	Total of the period's investments in property, plant & equipment and intangible assets.	The size of the investments made to maintain existing capacity and to achieve expansion and growth.
Items affecting comparability	The Group's income can be inflated or reduced by certain items that affect comparability. These are one-time items not directly related to the planned future operations and outside the range of MSEK +/-30.	Accounting for items that have been adjusted due to specific events that otherwise affect comparability between different periods. Provides a better understanding of the operating activities.
Liquidity reserve	Cash and cash equivalents and loans granted under the provisions in the existing loan agreements.	Shows the available borrowing capacity based on the current loan agreements.
Net debt	Net debt comprises interest-bearing liabilities, including pension liabilities and accrued interest, less financial assets.	Show the net of interest-bearing assets and interest-bearing liabilities.
Net debt according to bank definition	Net debt according to bank definition is based on net debt, but is calculated as the effect of no financial assets being included, except cash and cash equivalents and certain listed (liquid) shares, and less subordinated debentures.	To calculate the key ratio Net debt according to bank definition/EBITDA according to bank definition.
Net debt according to bank definition/EBITDA according to bank definition	Net debt according to bank definition divided by EBITDA according to bank definition.	Indicates how fast a company can repay its debt (expressed in years)
Net debt/equity ratio	Net debt divided by equity.	Shows financial risk and is therefore used to view the level of debt funding.
Net financial income	Net financial income is finance income less finance costs.	Shows the net result of the company's financial operations.

Operating capital	Operating capital is calculated as non-interest-bearing assets minus non-interest-bearing liabilities. Tax assets and tax liabilities are not included in operating capital's assets and liabilities.	Shows how much capital is used in the operations.
Operating income	Operating income consists of net sales and other operating income less operating expenses.	Shows the result of operating activities.
Operating margin	The operating margin is operating income as a percentage of net sales for the period.	Shows the profitability of the operations.
Return on equity	Return on equity is calculated as annualized net income for the period divided by average equity.	Shows owners the return on their invested capital.
Return on operating capital	Return on operating capital is calculated as annualized operating income for the period divided by average operating capital.	Measures the return on the capital used in the business.