

Clas Ohlson's sales increased in September compared to the previous year

Net sales amounted to 860 MSEK (762), an increase by 13 per cent, of which 8 per cent relates to organic growth*, -4 per cent to currency effects and 9 per cent to sales in Spares Group. Compared with the same month of the preceding year, the store network increased by a net of 15 stores (reduction of 3 stores in the previous year). The total number of stores at the end of the period was 236.

Total net sales for the period May-September 2024 amounted to 4,452 MSEK (3,815), an increase by 17 per cent compared with the corresponding period in the previous year, of which 9 per cent relates to organic growth*, -2 per cent to currency effects and 9 per cent to sales in Spares Group.

^{*}Split between increase in comparable units 3 per cent and change in store network 4 per cent for the month of September. Split for the period May-September 2024, 6 per cent and 3 per cent respectively.

Distribution of sales	Month			Accumulated		
	September	Change		May-September	Change	
MSEK	2024/25	SEK	Organic	2024/25	SEK	Organic
Sweden	380	13%	13%	1,929	11%	11%
Norway	318	-4%	3%	1,719	5%	8%
Finland	96	0%	4%	453	2%	4%
Spares	67	_	_	351	_	_
Total*	860	13%	8%	4,452	17%	9%

^{*}Net sales excluding Spares increased by 4% to 793 MSEK in September and by 7% to 4,101 MSEK for the period May-Sep 2024.

Kristofer Tonström, CEO and President: Organic sales growth in September was 8 per cent, showing that customers continue to appreciate our needs-driven and affordable assortment. The development was good in all prioritised product niches, with Sweden standing out in terms of individual markets with an organic growth of 13 per cent. Total sales in both Norway and Finland were clearly impacted by currency movements, but underlying organic sales were stable, especially considering Norway's tough comparative figures from last year. The retail environment remains challenging and good cost control and efficiency in all parts of the business will continue to be important in order to further develop competitive advantages in assortment, customer meeting and brand.

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