Financial position

Working capital and net assets

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		% of annual-		% of annual-
	Dec. 31.	ized net	Dec. 31.	ized net
SEKm	2011	sales	2010	sales
Inventories	11,957	10.5	11,130	10.2
Trade receivables	19,226	17.0	19,346	17.7
Accounts payable	-18,490	-16.3	-17,283	-15.8
Provisions	-9,776		-10,009	
Prepaid and accrued income and expenses	-6,598		-7,095	
Taxes and other assets and liabilities	-1,499		-1,991	
Working capital	-5,180	-4.6	-5,902	-5.4
Property, plant and equipment	15,613		14,630	
Goodwill	6,008		2,295	
Other non-current assets	8,717		6,706	
Deferred tax assets and				
liabilities	1,853		2,175	
Net assets	27,011	23.8	19,904	18.2
Average net assets	22,091	21.7	19,545	18.4
Return on net assets, %	13.7		27.8	
Return on net assets, excluding items affecting comparability, %	13.5		31.0	

Net assets and working capital

Average net assets for the period amounted to SEK 22,091m (19,545). Net assets as of December 31, 2011, amounted to SEK 27,011m (19,904). Net assets have been impacted by the acquisitions of Olympic Group and CTI with SEK 7,544m.

Adjusted for items affecting comparability, i.e., restructuring provisions, average net assets increased to SEK 23,354m (20,940), corresponding to 23.0% (19.7) of net sales.

Working capital as of December 31, 2011, amounted to SEK -5,180m (-5,902), corresponding to -4.6% (-5.4) of annualized net sales.

The return on net assets was 13.7% (27.8), and 13.5% (31.0), excluding items affecting comparability.

Net borrowings

Net borrowings amounted to SEK 6,367m (-709). The net debt/equity ratio was 0.31 (-0.03). The equity/assets ratio was 30.1% (33.9).

- Equity/assets ratio was 30.1% (33.9).
- Return on equity was 10.4% (20.6).
- Efforts to reduce working capital have contributed to a solid balance sheet.
- Net assets have been impacted by the acquisitions of Olympic Group and CTI with SEK 7,544m.
- Net borrowings amounted to SEK -6,367m (-709).

Electrolux has issued in total SEK 3,500m in bond loans under the EMTN program during 2011.

During 2011, SEK 1,161m of long-term borrowings were amortized. Long-term borrowings as of December 31, 2011, including long-term borrowings with maturities within 12 months, amounted to SEK 11,669m with average maturities of 3.0 years, compared to SEK 9,590m and 3.3 years at the end of 2010. A significant portion of long-term borrowings is raised in the Euro and Swedish bond markets. In 2011, a bilateral loan of SEK 1,000m, maturing 2013, was prolonged to 2017.

During 2012 and 2013, long-term borrowings in the amount of approximately SEK 4,100m will mature. Liquid funds as of December 31, 2011, amounted to SEK 7,839m (12,805), excluding short-term back-up facilities, see page 14.

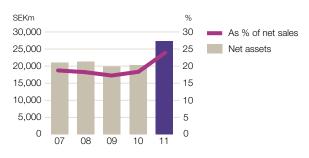
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SEKm	Dec. 31, 2011	Dec. 31, 2010
Borrowings	14,206	12,096
Liquid funds	7,839	12,805
Net borrowings	6,367	-709
Net debt/equity ratio	0.31	-0.03
Equity	20,644	20,613
Equity per share, SEK	72.52	72.41
Return on equity, %	10.4	20.6
Return on equity, excluding		
items affecting comparability, %	10.8	24.4
Equity/assets ratio, %	30.1	33.9

Change in net assets

SEKm	Net assets
January 1, 2011	19,904
Acquisitions of operations	7,544
Divestments of operations	-614
Change in restructuring provisions	-68
Write-down of assets	-137
Changes in exchange rates	-697
Capital expenditure	3,163
Depreciation	-3,173
Other changes in fixed assets and working capital, etc.	1,089
December 31, 2011	27,011

Net assets



Net assets as of December 31, 2011, amounted to SEK 27,011m, corresponding to 23.8% of annualized net sales.