



Interim Report Q4 and full year 2003

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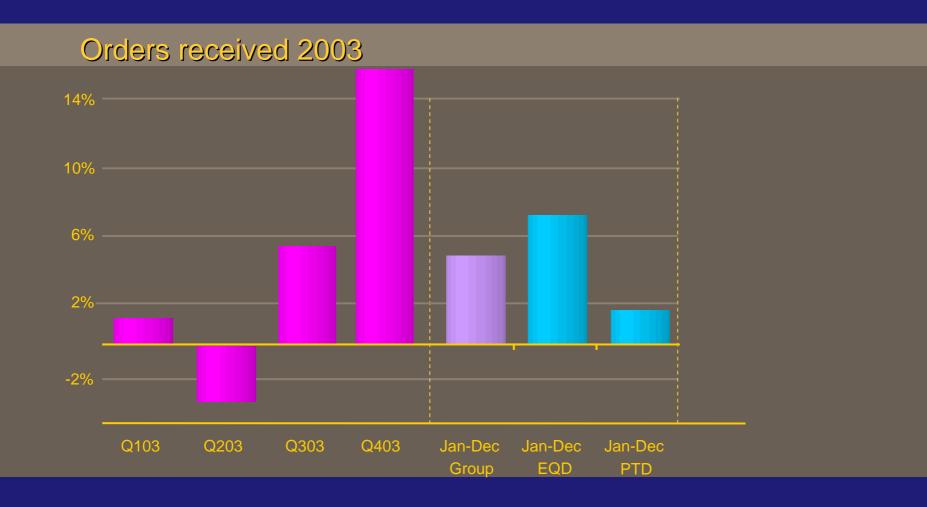
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Q on Q vs. last year (excl FX)



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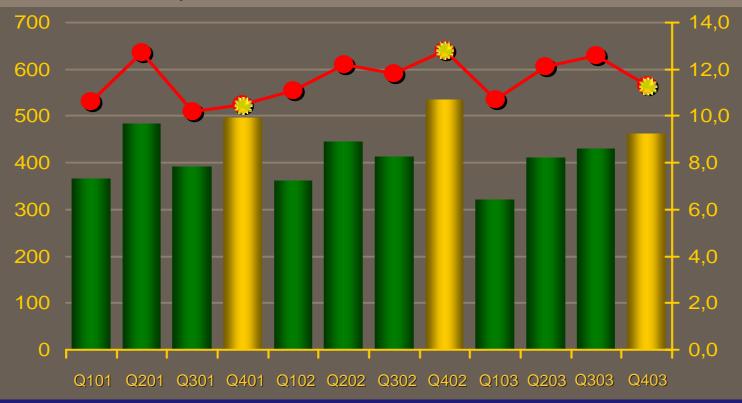
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Adjusted EBITA / margin *

MSEK and in percent of sales



^{*} Adjusted EBITA – "Earnings before interests, taxes, amortization of goodwill and step up values and comparison distortion items."

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Adjusted EBITA

MSEK	Q4	ууу
2002	535	1,755
2003	463	1,627
Deviation	- 72	- 128
FX. translation	29	121
FX. transaction	92	152
Deviation excl FX	+ 49	+ 145

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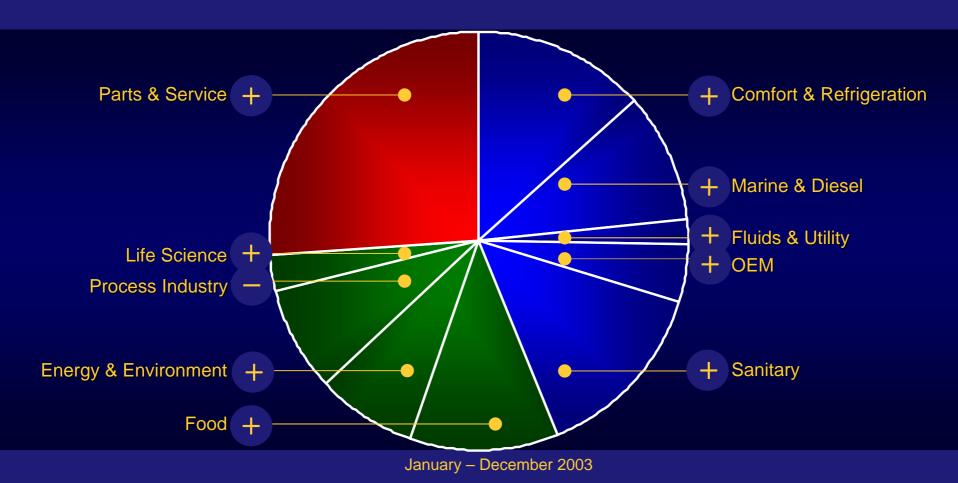
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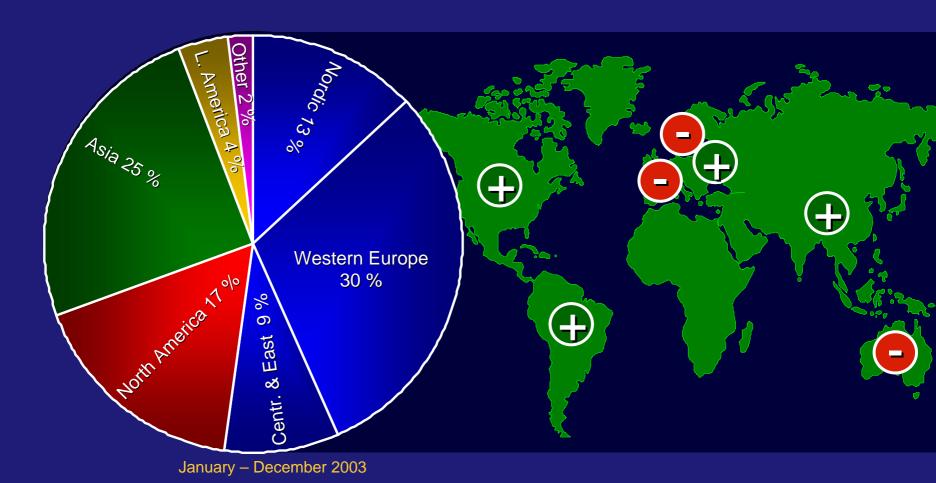
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Orders received by Segment



Orders received by Region



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- Alfa Laval Inc. was as of December 31, 2003 named co-defendant in a total of 123 asbestos-related lawsuits with a total of approximately 19,900 plaintiffs. The lawsuits filed in Mississippi account for approximately 99% of all plaintiffs.
- Developments between September 30 and December 31, 2003:
 - 7 lawsuits have been resolved during the period, which gives a grand total of 70 lawsuits that have been resolved;
 - 9 additional lawsuits with a total of 13 plaintiffs.

• Alfa Laval continues to believe:

- that claims and defense costs against Alfa Laval Inc. will be covered by insurance policies;
- that these lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the company's financial condition or result of operation.

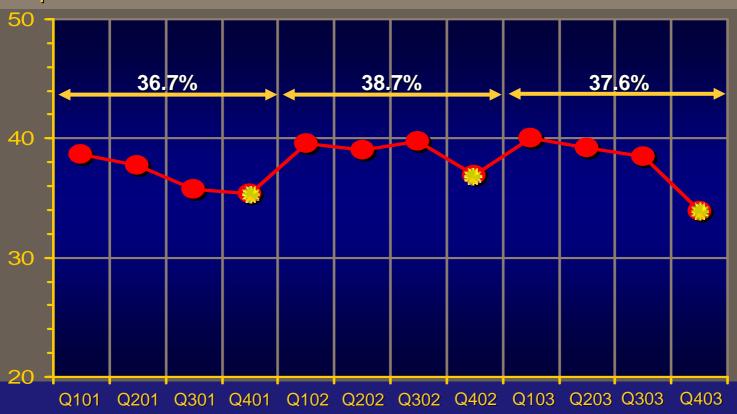
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Consolidated Profit and Loss

MSEK	2003	2002
Net sales	13,909	14,595
Adjusted EBITA	1,627	1,755
Amortization of goodwill and step-up	- 494	- 507
Comparison distortion items	6	- 334
Financial net	- 321	- 543
PBT	817	372
Taxes & minority	- 171	- 252
Net income	646	120

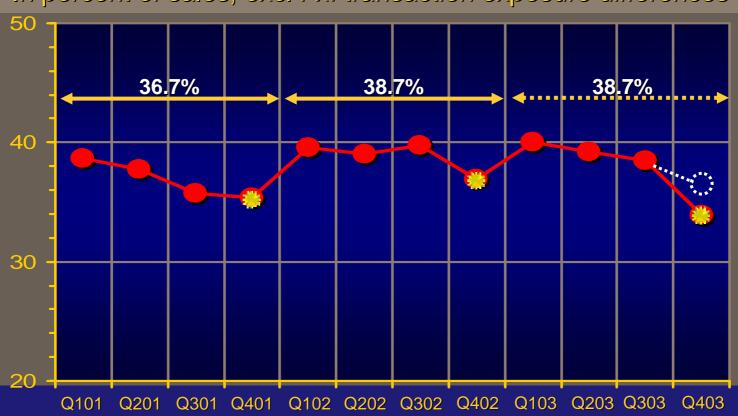
Gross profit margin

In percent of sales

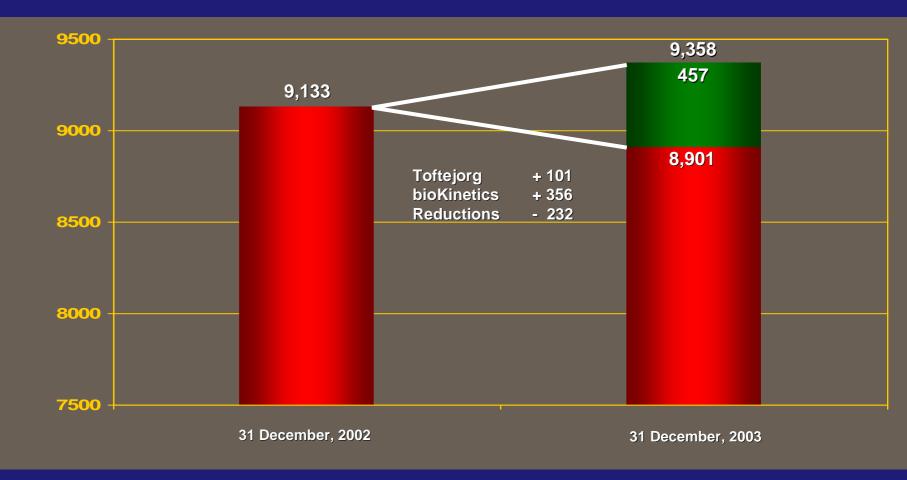


Gross profit margin

In percent of sales, excl Fx. transaction exposure differences



Number of employees



Taxes

	Jan-Dec
MSEK	2003
Profit after financial items, MSEK 817	
- taxes, 33 % average	- 270
Major adjustment items	
- goodwill, MSEK 191	
- loss making countries, MSEK 130	- 144
- equity hedging, MSEK 195 リ	
Sweden*	+ 269
Other items	+ 15
Taxes according to P&L	- 130
- in % of PBT	15.9

^{*}Loss carry-forwards and deferred taxes.

Foreign exchange

Estimated impact from Fx. fluctuations full year 2004 vs. 2003

MSEK	Adjusted EBITA
Translation effect	- 60
Transaction effect	
Total	- 310

Based on market exchange rates as per December 31, 2003

Cash-flow statement

MSEK	2003	2002
Cash flows from		
 operating activities 	1,654	1,924
 investing activities 	- 478	- 548
Financial net paid	- 231	- 973
Dividends	- 223	0
Total	722	403
Pro Forma Free-cash-flow*	1,215	1,015

^{*}Incl. operating activities, capital expenditure, provisions and financial net paid. Excl. IPO-related items in "Financial net paid" 2002.

Earnings per share

	2003	2002
Earnings	5.78	1.41
Earnings excluding goodwill and step-up	9.34	6.17

Based on the current number of shares

Outlook 2003

"Order intake will show a limited increase during the year. Additional savings initiatives will reduce the impact from foreign exchange exposures. Profit before tax will show a major improvement."

Outlook 2004

Alfa Laval is expecting that ...

- ... the recovery during the second half of 2003 will continue during 2004.
- ... the increase of orders received will be strong.
- ... the EBITA-margin, excluding exchange rate variations, will continue to improve.

