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**Summary Financial Report**  
**Full year and fourth quarter 2006**

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## Consolidated statements of operations

(Euros in millions, except per share data)	Note	2006	2005 *	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *
<b>Net sales</b>	3	<b>44,872</b>	<b>43,979</b>	<b>10,375</b>	<b>10,692</b>
Cost of sales	6	(35,541)	(34,873)	(8,205)	(8,454)
Gross profit		9,331	9,106	2,170	2,238
Selling expenses		(6,488)	(6,465)	(1,511)	(1,598)
General and administrative expenses	4,5,6	(1,550)	(1,585)	(460)	(439)
Settlement securities class action	3	-	(803)	-	92
Total operating expenses	6	(8,038)	(8,853)	(1,971)	(1,945)
<b>Operating income</b>	3	<b>1,293</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>293</b>
Interest income		62	88	17	19
Financial expense		(580)	(738)	(140)	(225)
Net financial expense		(518)	(650)	(123)	(206)
Share in income of joint ventures and associates	7	152	118	29	53
<b>Income (loss) before income taxes</b>		<b>927</b>	<b>(279)</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>140</b>
Income taxes	8	(91)	214	79	(23)
<b>Income (loss) from continuing operations</b>		<b>836</b>	<b>(65)</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>117</b>
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	9	79	211	56	(9)
<b>Net income</b>		<b>915</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>108</b>
Attributable to:					
Common shareholders of Ahold		899	120	239	103
Minority interests		16	26	1	5
<b>Net income</b>		<b>915</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>108</b>
Net income per share attributable to common shareholders					
basic		0.58	0.08	0.15	0.07
diluted		0.57	0.08	0.15	0.07
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding (x 1,000)					
basic		1,555,475	1,554,713	1,555,627	1,555,300
diluted		1,653,823	1,554,713	1,562,513	1,555,589
Average USD exchange rate (euro per U.S. dollar)		0.7964	0.8051	0.7747	0.8420

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

## Consolidated statements of recognized income and expense

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005 *
<b>Net income</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>146</b>
Exchange rate differences in foreign interests	(562)	605
Recognition of cumulative translation differences related to divestments	-	24
Gains (losses) on cash flow hedges – net	10	(34)
Step acquisition joint venture Rimi Baltic AB	33	-
Other – net	(1)	-
Income (expense) recognized directly in equity	(520)	595
<b>Total recognized income and expense</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>741</b>
Attributable to:		
Common shareholders	379	715
Minority interests	16	26
<b>Total recognized income and expense</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>741</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

**Consolidated balance sheets**

(Euros in millions)	Note	December 31, 2006	January 1, 2006 *
<b>Assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment		6,925	7,403
Investment property		431	456
Goodwill		2,184	2,263
Other intangible assets		470	536
Investments in joint ventures and associates		799	798
Deferred tax assets		528	672
Other non-current assets		449	434
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>11,786</b>	<b>12,562</b>
Assets held for sale		470	123
Inventories		2,056	2,376
Income taxes receivable		169	159
Receivables		1,938	2,303
Other current assets		179	207
Cash and cash equivalents	13	1,844	2,228
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>6,656</b>	<b>7,396</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>18,442</b>	<b>19,958</b>
End of period USD exchange rate (euro per U.S. dollar)		0.7576	0.8444

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes as disclosed in note 2.

**Consolidated balance sheets – continued**

(Euros in millions)	Note	December 31, 2006	January 1, 2006 *
<b>Group equity and liabilities</b>			
Equity attributable to common shareholders		5,030	4,598
Cumulative preferred financing shares	10	169	-
Minority interests		71	63
<b>Group equity</b>		<b>5,270</b>	<b>4,661</b>
Pensions and other post-employment benefits	11	482	604
Deferred tax liabilities		73	57
Provisions		523	536
Loans		4,170	4,867
Other non-current financial liabilities		1,905	2,146
Other non-current liabilities		198	205
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>7,351</b>	<b>8,415</b>
Liabilities related to assets held for sale		226	16
Provisions	12	287	1,230
Income taxes payable		32	5
Accounts payable		2,955	3,206
Other current financial liabilities		789	1,132
Other current liabilities		1,532	1,293
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>5,821</b>	<b>6,882</b>
<b>Total group equity and liabilities</b>		<b>18,442</b>	<b>19,958</b>
End of period USD exchange rate (euro per U.S. dollar)		0.7576	0.8444

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes as disclosed in note 2.

## Consolidated statements of cash flows

(Euros in millions)	Note	2006	2005 *	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *
Cash generated from operations**	13	1,732	1,986	719	673
Income taxes (paid) received		114	(62)	13	(37)
Operating cash flows from continuing operations		1,846	1,924	732	636
Operating cash flows from discontinued operations		(28)	(60)	9	9
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<b>1,818</b>	<b>1,864</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>645</b>
Purchase of non-current assets		(1,099)	(1,185)	(311)	(308)
Divestments of assets and disposal groups held for sale		227	212	60	20
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired		(176)	(32)	(166)	(1)
Divestment of businesses, net of cash divested		46	989	(5)	4
Acquisition of interests in joint ventures and associates		(2)	(13)	-	(3)
Dividends from joint ventures and associates		42	50	-	-
Interest received		70	84	18	15
Other		20	58	9	24
Investing cash flows from continuing operations		(872)	163	(395)	(249)
Investing cash flows from discontinued operations		82	30	(3)	8
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>		<b>(790)</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>(398)</b>	<b>(241)</b>
Interest paid		(523)	(730)	(136)	(199)
Proceeds from loans		65	193	32	17
Repayments of loans		(282)	(2,919)	(230)	(1,117)
Changes in derivatives		(23)	473	-	112
Change in short-term borrowings		(499)	(105)	(6)	(107)
Other		(72)	(113)	(24)	(25)
Financing cash flows from continuing operations		(1,334)	(3,201)	(364)	(1,319)
Financing cash flows from discontinued operations		57	7	6	(7)
<b>Net cash from financing activities</b>		<b>(1,277)</b>	<b>(3,194)</b>	<b>(358)</b>	<b>(1,326)</b>
<b>Net cash from operating, investing and financing activities</b>	13	<b>(249)</b>	<b>(1,137)</b>	<b>(15)</b>	<b>(922)</b>
Average USD exchange rate (euro per U.S. dollar)		0.7964	0.8051	0.7747	0.8420

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

\*\* Cash generated from operations in 2006 includes a payment related to the securities class action settlement of EUR 536 (net of insurance proceeds of EUR 92).

For a reconciliation between net cash from operating, investing and financing activities and cash and cash equivalents as presented in the balance sheets, see note 13.

## Notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements

(Euros in millions, unless otherwise stated)

### 1 The Company and its operations

The principal activities of Koninklijke Ahold N.V. ("Ahold" or the "Company"), a public limited liability company with its registered seat in Zaandam, the Netherlands and its head office in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, are the operation through subsidiaries and joint ventures of retail trade supermarkets in the United States and Europe and a foodservice business in the United States. In addition, some subsidiaries finance, develop and manage store sites and shopping centers primarily to support retail operations. On November 6, 2006, Ahold announced its intention to divest its remaining foodservice business, U.S. Foodservice.

Ahold's retail business generally experiences a seasonal increase in net sales in the fourth quarter of each year. Net sales figures for Ahold's foodservice business are not significantly impacted by seasonal influences.

The full year 2006 and 2005 information in the condensed consolidated financial statements ("condensed financial statements") as set out on pages 3 to 19 of this summary financial report ("report") is based on Ahold's 2006 financial statements, which have not yet been published. In accordance with article 2:395 of the Netherlands Civil Code, we state that our auditor, Deloitte Accountants B.V., has issued an unqualified opinion on the financial statements prepared. For a better understanding of the Company's financial position and results and of the scope of the audit of Deloitte Accountants B.V., this report should be read in conjunction with the financial statements from which these condensed financial statements have been derived and the auditors' report of Deloitte Accountants B.V. thereon issued on March 21, 2007. We plan to publish the financial statements on March 29, 2007. The general meeting of shareholders has not yet adopted the financial statements.

### 2 Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

These condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". The accounting policies applied in these condensed financial statements are consistent with those applied in Ahold's 2005 consolidated financial statements, except as described below under "changes in accounting policies", and are also consistent with those applied in Ahold's 2006 consolidated financial statements that we plan to publish on March 29, 2007. IFRS differs in certain material respects from generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("US GAAP"). Information on the principal differences between IFRS and US GAAP relevant to Ahold will be included in Ahold's 2006 financial statements.

Ahold's reporting calendar is based on 13 periods of four weeks, with 2006 and 2005 each comprising 52 weeks. The fourth quarters of 2006 and 2005 each comprise 12 weeks.

Euro equivalents of foreign currency amounts stated in the notes to these condensed financial statements are determined using historical rates for settled items and closing rates for items to be settled as of December 31, 2006.

#### Changes in accounting policies

The impact of the changes in accounting policies implemented in the second quarter of 2006 on net income and group equity of the comparative periods presented in these condensed financial statements is as follows:

(Euros in millions)	Note	Net income 2005	Net income Q4 2005	Group equity January 1, 2006
Rent during construction periods	(a)	(11)	(4)	(51)
Financial guarantee contracts	(b)	(2)	(1)	(3)
<b>Total</b>		<b>(13)</b>	<b>(5)</b>	<b>(54)</b>

#### (a) Rent during construction periods

Rental costs associated with operating leases and certain executory costs (such as property taxes, insurance and common area maintenance costs) that are incurred during a construction period are recognized as operating expenses as of 2006 whereas previously these costs were capitalized and subsequently depreciated. This change



in accounting policy, which Ahold has applied prospectively from the earliest date practicable, led to a decrease of group equity of EUR 51 as of January 1, 2006.

**(b) Financial guarantee contracts**

As of 2006, issuers of certain financial guarantee contracts are required under IFRS to include a liability in their balance sheets representing the fair value of the guarantee issued. Previously, these guarantees were off-balance sheet commitments, since it was not considered probable that an outflow of resources would be required to settle these obligations. This change in accounting policy, which Ahold has applied retrospectively, led to a decrease of group equity of EUR 3 as of January 1, 2006.

In the aggregate, these changes in accounting policies had a negative impact of EUR 0.01 on basic and diluted net income per share for the full year 2005 (fourth quarter of 2005: nil). Comparative figures in this summary financial report have been adjusted for these changes in accounting policies.

**Change in classification**

Until the third quarter of 2006, Ahold presented its derivative financial instruments as current or non-current assets or liabilities based on their maturity. In the third quarter of 2006, the Company changed the presentation of derivative financial instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting and presented those as current assets or liabilities, regardless of their maturity. In the fourth quarter of 2006, following the observation of the IFRIC that the classification of derivative financial instruments should be based on maturity of settlement, the change in classification as adopted in the third quarter of 2006 was reversed.

**3 Segment reporting**

Ahold's retail and foodservice operations are presented in nine business segments. In addition, Ahold's Group Support Office is presented separately. As of 2006, Ahold's self-insurance subsidiaries in the United States have been included in Group Support Office, whereas previously they were included in the Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover segment. Prior period segment information presented for comparative purposes has been adjusted accordingly.

In the first three quarters of 2006, U.S. Foodservice was presented as two segments following U.S. Foodservice's new strategy as announced at the end of 2005. On November 6, 2006, Ahold announced its intention to divest U.S. Foodservice in a single transaction and, consequently, U.S. Foodservice is presented as one segment as of the fourth quarter of 2006.

Segment	Significant operations in the segment
<i>Retail</i>	
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	Stop & Shop, Giant-Landover and Peapod
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	Giant-Carlisle and Tops
BI-LO/Bruno's Arena	BI-LO and Bruno's <sup>1</sup>
Albert Heijn Arena	Albert Heijn, Etos, Gall & Gall and Ahold Coffee Company
Central Europe Arena	Czech Republic, Poland <sup>2</sup> and Slovakia
Schuitema	Schuitema (73.2%)
Other retail	South America <sup>1</sup> and the unconsolidated joint ventures and associates ICA (60%), JMR (49%) <sup>2</sup> , Bodegas Williams & Humbert ("W&H") (50%) <sup>1</sup> and Paiz Ahold (50%) <sup>1</sup>
<i>Foodservice</i>	
U.S. Foodservice	U.S. Foodservice
Deli XL	Deli XL <sup>1</sup>
Group Support Office	Corporate staff (the Netherlands, Switzerland and the United States)

1. Divested.
2. Classified as held for sale and discontinued operation.

## Net sales

Net sales per segment are as follows:

	2006	2005	% change	Q4 2006	Q4 2005	% change
<i>(Euros in millions)</i>						
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	13,089	13,161	(0.5%)	2,975	3,229	(7.9%)
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	4,778	4,989	(4.2%)	1,069	1,194	(10.5%)
Albert Heijn Arena	7,136	6,585	8.4%	1,773	1,598	11.0%
Central Europe Arena <sup>1</sup>	1,385	1,244	11.3%	366	369	(0.8%)
Schuitema	3,184	3,128	1.8%	750	743	0.9%
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>29,572</b>	<b>29,107</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>6,933</b>	<b>7,133</b>	<b>(2.8%)</b>
U.S. Foodservice	15,300	14,872	2.9%	3,442	3,559	(3.3%)
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>44,872</b>	<b>43,979</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>10,375</b>	<b>10,692</b>	<b>(3.0%)</b>

1. Effective 2006, the Central Europe Arena changed its reporting calendar from a calendar year to 13 periods of four weeks. Consequently, Q4 2006 contains 12 weeks whereas Q4 2005 contains 13 weeks. Pro forma net sales for Q4 2005 containing 12 weeks are EUR 346.

Net sales of Ahold's unconsolidated joint venture ICA amounted to EUR 7,285 and EUR 7,095 in 2006 and 2005, respectively (fourth quarter of 2006 and 2005: EUR 1,953 and EUR 1,870, respectively). These net sales figures exclude net sales of ICA's foodservice subsidiary ICA Meny, which was divested in the third quarter of 2006.

Net sales of Ahold's U.S. segments in U.S. dollars are as follows:

	2006	2005	% change	Q4 2006	Q4 2005	% change
<i>(U.S. dollars in millions)</i>						
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	16,438	16,346	0.6%	3,840	3,835	0.1%
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	5,999	6,201	(3.3%)	1,380	1,419	(2.7%)
U.S. Foodservice	19,217	18,468	4.1%	4,443	4,226	5.1%
<b>Net sales of U.S. segments in USD</b>	<b>41,654</b>	<b>41,015</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>9,663</b>	<b>9,480</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
<i>Average USD exchange rate</i>	<i>0.7964</i>	<i>0.8051</i>	<i>(1.1%)</i>	<i>0.7747</i>	<i>0.8420</i>	<i>(8.0%)</i>
<b>Net sales of U.S. segments in EUR</b>	<b>33,167</b>	<b>33,022</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>7,486</b>	<b>7,982</b>	<b>(6.2%)</b>

## Operating income

Operating income (loss) per segment is as follows:

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005 *	% change	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *	% change
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	670	686	(2.3%)	126	152	(17.1%)
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	51	72	(29.2%)	(50)	6	n/m
Albert Heijn Arena	411	288	42.7%	100	69	44.9%
Central Europe Arena**	(55)	(20)	(175.0%)	(16)	(13)	(23.1%)
Schuitema	74	95	(22.1%)	7	28	(75.0%)
Total retail	1,151	1,121	2.7%	167	242	(31.0%)
U.S. Foodservice	258	86	200.0%	63	(8)	n/m
Group Support Office	(116)	(954)	87.8%	(31)	59	(152.5%)
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>1,293</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>411.1%</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>(32.1%)</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

\*\* Effective 2006, the Central Europe Arena changed its reporting calendar from a calendar year to 13 periods of four weeks. Consequently, Q4 2006 contains 12 weeks whereas Q4 2005 contains 13 weeks.

### Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena

Full year 2006 operating income includes a gain of USD 21 (EUR 17) on the sale of real estate, primarily two distribution facilities sold in the first quarter of 2006. This was more than offset by restructuring and severance charges of USD 23 (EUR 18) related primarily to the closure of one of these facilities. Furthermore, 2006 operating income was positively affected by a one-time benefit of USD 27 (EUR 23) due to a negotiated plan amendment in other post-employment benefits in the first quarter of 2006. Operating income in 2005 was affected by restructuring and related charges of USD 22 (EUR 18), primarily related to supply chain streamlining and store closures at Giant-Landover in the second quarter of 2005.

### Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena

Operating loss in the fourth quarter of 2006 includes a charge of USD 109 (EUR 84) related to restructuring and other costs of the divestment and closure of the Tops stores in northeast Ohio. Operating income in the fourth quarter of 2005 included impairment losses of USD 25 (EUR 21), which related mainly to the Tops northeast Ohio and eastern New York regions.

Full year 2006 operating income included a charge of USD 118 (EUR 91) as a result of the divestment and closure of the Tops stores in northeast Ohio, mainly related to restructuring and other costs of USD 111 (EUR 86) and impairment losses of USD 7 (EUR 5). Full year 2005 operating income included impairment losses on goodwill of USD 17 (EUR 14) and property, plant and equipment of USD 85 (EUR 70). These were due to a weaker economic environment and strong competition, particularly in the northeast Ohio and eastern New York regions and were partially offset by gains on the sale of property, plant and equipment of USD 13 (EUR 11) resulting from the sale of stores located in eastern New York and the Adirondacks region of New York. In addition, gains on the sale of property, plant and equipment included the sale of 198 convenience stores operating under the banners of Wilson Farms and Sugarcreek in the second quarter of 2005.

### Central Europe Arena

Operating loss in the fourth quarter of 2006 includes impairment losses of EUR 18, primarily related to hypermarkets in the Czech Republic. In addition, full year 2006 operating loss includes impairment losses of EUR 19 resulting from the decision to divest the activities in Slovakia, as announced on November 6, 2006. Operating loss in the fourth quarter of 2005 included a write-off of receivables and inventory of EUR 12.

### U.S. Foodservice

Operating income in the fourth quarter of 2006 includes a gain of USD 8 (EUR 6) resulting from the sale and leaseback of a warehouse. Operating income in the fourth quarter of 2005 was negatively impacted by restructuring and related charges of USD 31 (EUR 26), which included planned workforce reduction and termination of contracts, and asset impairments of USD 21 (EUR 18).

In addition, full year 2006 operating income includes the reversal of an impairment loss of USD 9 (EUR 7) following the sale and partial leaseback of an office building. Furthermore, first quarter 2006 operating income included approximately USD 20 (EUR 17) of annual vendor allowances that were previously principally recognized in the fourth quarter. In addition to the restructuring and related charges in Q4 2005, full year 2005 operating income included a gain on the sale of the Sofco division, partially offset by charges related to facility consolidation and employee severance, resulting in a net gain of USD 15 (EUR 12).

#### Group Support Office

Operating income in the fourth quarter of 2005 included insurance proceeds related to the settlement in the securities class action (EUR 92). Full year 2005 operating income was negatively impacted by the settlement in the securities class action and the VEB proceedings for an amount of EUR 803 (net of insurance proceeds) and positively impacted by a release of a legal provision (EUR 37).

Included in operating income are impairments and gains and losses on the sale of assets. For an overview per segment, see notes 4 and 5 below.

Operating income of Ahold's U.S. segments in U.S. dollars is as follows:

	2006	2005 *	% change	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *	% change
<i>(U.S. dollars in millions)</i>						
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	839	854	(1.8%)	162	180	(10.0%)
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	62	90	(31.1%)	(63)	5	n/m
U.S. Foodservice	325	107	203.7%	81	(9)	n/m
Operating income of U.S. segments in USD	1,226	1,051	16.7%	180	176	2.3%
<i>Average USD exchange rate</i>	<i>0.7964</i>	<i>0.8051</i>	<i>(1.1%)</i>	<i>0.7747</i>	<i>0.8420</i>	<i>(8.0%)</i>
Operating income of U.S. segments in EUR	979	844	16.0%	139	150	(7.3%)

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

#### 4 Impairment of assets<sup>1</sup>

General and administrative expenses include the following impairments and reversals of impairments of non-current assets and disposal groups held for sale:

	2006	2005	Q4 2006	Q4 2005
<i>(Euros in millions)</i>				
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	(5)	(8)	6	(1)
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	(5)	(84)	1	(21)
Albert Heijn Arena	(10)	(6)	(7)	(3)
Central Europe Arena	(37)	(2)	(18)	(2)
Schuitema	(4)	(5)	(2)	6
Total retail	(61)	(105)	(20)	(21)
U.S. Foodservice	7	(18)	-	(18)
Group Support Office	-	(1)	-	-
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(124)</b>	<b>(20)</b>	<b>(39)</b>

1. For a discussion of significant impairments, see note 3.

## 5 Gains and losses on the sale of assets<sup>1</sup>

General and administrative expenses include the following gains and losses on the sale of non-current assets and disposal groups held for sale:

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005	Q4 2006	Q4 2005
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	17	7	(2)	7
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	4	19	(3)	(5)
Albert Heijn Arena	6	4	2	-
Central Europe Arena	5	12	2	(2)
Schuitema	2	-	1	-
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
U.S. Foodservice	11	19	6	-
Group Support Office	-	-	-	-
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>

1. For a discussion of significant gains and losses on the sale of assets, see note 3.

## 6 Expenses by nature

The aggregate of cost of sales and operating expenses can be specified by nature as follows:

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005 *	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *
Cost of product	33,338	32,696	7,713	7,913
Employee benefit expenses	5,689	5,749	1,327	1,404
Other store expenses	2,223	2,085	569	540
Depreciation, amortization and impairments	974	1,048	229	262
Rent expenses	644	619	153	144
Settlement securities class action	-	803	-	(92)
Other expenses	711	726	185	228
<b>Total</b>	<b>43,579</b>	<b>43,726</b>	<b>10,176</b>	<b>10,399</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

## 7 Share in income of joint ventures and associates

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005 *	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *
ICA	149	96	29	31
Other	3	22	-	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>53</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

Ahold's share in 2006 net income of ICA includes a gain on the sale of ICA Meny of EUR 21. In 2005, Ahold's share in the net income of other joint ventures related primarily to the sale of a real estate joint venture in the Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena.

## 8 Income taxes

(Euros in millions)	2006	%	2005 *	%
Income (loss) before income taxes continuing operations	927		(279)	
Income tax benefit (expense) at statutory rate	(274)	29.6%	88	31.5%
<i>Adjustments to arrive at effective income tax rate:</i>				
Rate differential (local statutory rates versus the statutory rate of the Netherlands)	12	(1.3%)	22	7.9%
Deferred tax expense due to changes in tax rates and the imposition of new taxes	(3)	0.3%	(4)	(1.4%)
Deferred tax saving (expense) related to (reversal of) impairment of deferred tax assets	50	(5.4%)	(6)	(2.2%)
Group Support Office costs and financing	45	(4.8%)	114	40.9%
Share-based payments	(1)	0.1%	(5)	(1.8%)
Participation exemption and group relief provisions	45	(4.9%)	31	11.1%
Reserves and discrete items	35	(3.8%)	(26)	(9.3%)
<b>Total income tax benefit (expense)</b>	<b>(91)</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>76.7%</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

## 9 Discontinued operations

Segments	Discontinued operations	2006	2005	Q4 2006	Q4 2005
(Euros in millions)					
BI-LO/Bruno's Arena	BI-LO and Bruno's	-	1	-	(4)
Central Europe Arena	Poland	60	(21)	48	(4)
Other retail	G. Barbosa, Paiz Ahold and JMR	29	52	12	13
Deli XL	Deli XL	-	7	-	-
<b>Operational results</b>		<b>89</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5</b>
BI-LO/Bruno's Arena	BI-LO and Bruno's	1	(4)	(1)	(5)
Other retail	Spain, G. Barbosa and Paiz Ahold	(10)	118	(2)	(9)
Deli XL	Deli XL	(1)	58	(1)	-
<b>Results on divestments</b>		<b>(10)</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>(14)</b>
<b>Income (loss) from discontinued operations</b>		<b>79</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>(9)</b>

On November 6, 2006, Ahold announced its intention to divest U.S. Foodservice, its retail activities in Poland and Slovakia, the remaining Tops operations in New York and Pennsylvania and its 49% stake in JMR. At year-end 2006, Poland and JMR qualified as held for sale and discontinued operations. The other businesses to be divested did not qualify as held for sale at year-end 2006, in the case of U.S. Foodservice because it is more likely than not that the transaction between Ahold and the purchaser of U.S. Foodservice must be submitted for approval to the general meeting of shareholders of Ahold.

On December 4, 2006, Ahold reached an agreement on the divestment of its retail operations in Poland to Carrefour. The transaction is valued at EUR 375 and will consist of a cash consideration and assumed debt. The final purchase price is subject to customary price adjustments. The transaction is expected to close mid-year 2007 and is subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions, including anti-trust approval.

After year-end 2006, Tops qualified as held for sale and discontinued operation as the disposal process of Tops met the criteria that the assets were available for immediate sale and the sale was highly probable.

## 10 Cumulative preferred financing shares

On November 30, 2006, Ahold received an irrevocable conversion notification for 100,802,061 cumulative preferred financing shares with a par value of EUR 169. On January 2, 2007, these preferred financing shares were converted into 22,419,051 common shares, which conversion was effected by (i) conversion of 22,419,051 preferred financing shares into 22,419,051 common shares and (ii) the acquisition for no consideration of 78,383,010 preferred financing shares by Ahold. From the date Ahold received irrevocable notification of the conversion to common shares, the preferred financing shares that have been converted were classified as a separate class of equity.

## 11 Pensions and other post-employment benefits

The components of pension and other post-employment benefits can be summarized as follows:

(Euros in millions)	December 31, 2006	January 1, 2006
Defined benefit obligations	(3,739)	(4,110)
Fair value of plan assets	3,673	3,324
Deficit	(66)	(786)
Unrecognized actuarial (gains) losses and past service cost	(408)	194
Total defined benefit plans	(474)	(592)
Classified as non-current asset	8	12
<b>Pension and other post-employment benefits liability</b>	<b>(482)</b>	<b>(604)</b>

The weighted average discount rate used to calculate the defined benefit obligation at December 31, 2006 was 4.7% for the Dutch plans (January 1, 2006: 4.0%) and 6.0% for the U.S. plans (January 1, 2006: 5.75%). Ahold made contributions to its defined benefit plans of EUR 196 in 2006 (2005: EUR 407, which included additional contributions to the U.S. plans of EUR 236). The return on plan assets in 2006 was 11.4%.

Based on the latest available information (January 1, 2005), Ahold's estimated proportionate share of the total unfunded liability of its multi-employer plans amounts to EUR 614 (2005: EUR 637). These plans are accounted for as defined contribution plans and are not included in Ahold's consolidated balance sheets.

## 12 Provisions

In the first quarter of 2006, a payment of USD 733 was made to a settlement fund, from which the qualifying shares in the securities class action settlement will be paid. This payment represented two thirds of the settlement amount and was funded into escrow on January 11, 2006, following the preliminary approval by the United States District Court for the District of Maryland. The remaining one third, USD 367, was funded into escrow on January 29, 2007 and is included in other current liabilities in the Company's consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2006. In addition, a payment of EUR 8 was made to the Vereniging van Effectenbezitters (the Dutch Shareholders' Association) in the first quarter of 2006, for facilitating the global settlement.

Insurance proceeds of USD 112, which were included in receivables in the Company's consolidated balance sheet as of January 1, 2006, were received in the first quarter of 2006. These proceeds were used for the payment to the settlement fund.

### 13 Cash flow

The following table presents a reconciliation between net income and cash generated from operations:

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005 *	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *
Net income	915	146	240	108
Adjustments for:				
Depreciation, amortization and impairments	974	1,048	228	261
Gain on the sale of assets and disposal groups held for sale	(45)	(61)	(6)	-
Settlement securities class action	-	803	-	(92)
Net financial expense	518	650	123	206
Share in net income of joint ventures and associates	(152)	(118)	(29)	(53)
Income taxes	91	(214)	(79)	23
(Income) loss from discontinued operations	(79)	(211)	(56)	9
Other	21	23	6	2
Operating cash flow before changes in working capital	2,243	2,066	427	464
Changes in working capital:				
Inventories	63	50	43	(12)
Receivables and other current assets	26	43	(59)	(26)
Payables and other current liabilities	50	(35)	327	148
Changes in non-current assets and liabilities	(114)	(138)	(19)	99
Class action settlement, net of insurance proceeds of EUR 92	(536)	-	-	-
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>	<b>1,732</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>673</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

The following table presents the changes in cash and cash equivalent balances for 2006 and 2005.

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005
Cash and cash equivalents of continuing operations as of beginning of year	2,228	3,205
Restricted cash	(23)	(92)
Cash and cash equivalents related to discontinued operations	-	66
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year, including discontinued operations and excluding restricted cash	2,205	3,179
Net cash from operating, investing and financing activities	(249)	(1,137)
Effect of exchange rate differences on cash and cash equivalents	(112)	163
Restricted cash	23	23
Cash and cash equivalents related to discontinued operations	(23)	-
<b>Cash and cash equivalents of continuing operations as of end of year</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>2,228</b>



## 14 Commitments and contingencies

### Legal proceedings

#### ***U.S. Securities Class Action***

On June 17, 2006, the United States District Court for the District of Maryland entered a final order and judgment approving Ahold's agreement with the lead plaintiffs to settle the securities class action entitled "In re Royal Ahold N.V. Securities & ERISA Litigation." The final order and judgment approving the settlement, which was announced on November 28, 2005, are no longer subject to appeal.

#### ***D&O litigation***

Following the 2003 announcement that Ahold would restate its earnings, a number of insurance coverage disputes arose between Ahold and its Director & Officer ("D&O") insurers, some of which led to litigation or arbitration. In 2004 and 2005 Ahold reached settlement with all but three of its excess D&O insurers. In April 2006, Ahold reached settlement with one of the three remaining excess D&O insurers, resulting in Ahold receiving USD 1.5 (EUR 1) of insurance proceeds. Ahold remains in litigation before the District Court of Haarlem, the Netherlands, with the two remaining excess D&O insurers that have denied coverage to Ahold. The combined limits of liability currently in dispute with these two insurers are approximately USD 21 (EUR 16).

#### ***Argentine tax assessment claims***

On April 6, 2006, the Argentine tax authorities ("AFIP") agreed to withdraw both the firm and preliminary tax claim against Disco S.A. for taxes allegedly owed in connection with Disco bond issues in 1998. The withdrawal of these tax claims needed in part to be ratified by the Argentine Tax Court (Tribunal Fiscal de la Nación). On May 31, 2006, the Argentine Tax Court ratified the withdrawal of the firm tax claim. Lifting of the attachments has been completed for all but one piece of real estate. The AFIP has resolved to archive the preliminary tax claim. As a consequence, these tax claims are now resolved. Under the terms of the share purchase agreement with Cencosud on the sale of Disco shares, Ahold was to hold Cencosud and Disco harmless for the outcome of these tax assessment claims.

#### ***D&S c.s. litigation***

On August 22, 2006, the Joint Court of Appeals of the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba upheld the judgment of the Court of First Instance in the Netherlands Antilles of September 5, 2005, in which all claims filed by Distribucion y Servicio D&S S.A. and Servicios Profesionales y de Comercializacion S.A. (together, "D&S c.s.") against Disco Ahold International Holdings N.V. were dismissed. D&S c.s. sought payment of approximately USD 47 (EUR 36) plus interest. Since D&S has not appealed with the Dutch Supreme Court within the set term, this judgment is now firm.

On April 26, 2005, D&S initiated legal proceedings in relation to the aforementioned claim against Ahold before the District Court of Haarlem in the Netherlands, seeking a similar amount in damages. Currently, a judgment is expected in 2007. Ahold's assessment of this claim filed in Haarlem is not different from the assessment in the Netherlands Antilles proceedings, which assessment resulted in the release of a provision. D&S c.s. has taken initial steps to start arbitration proceedings against Disco in Argentina, but has to date not substantiated its claim. An arbitration panel was not appointed either. Disco believes it has proper defenses in these proceedings. As part of the sale of Disco to Cencosud in 2004, Ahold has indemnified Cencosud and Disco against this claim from D&S c.s.

#### ***Waterbury litigation***

In October 2006, two customers of U.S. Foodservice filed a putative class action against U.S. Foodservice. The complaint, which was amended to add a third plaintiff, alleges causes of action based on certain pricing practices of U.S. Foodservice with respect to "cost plus" agreements between U.S. Foodservice and some of its customers. U.S. Foodservice filed a motion to dismiss the action on February 2, 2007. U.S. Foodservice believes it has meritorious defenses to the claims set forth in the complaint and intends to defend vigorously against the lawsuit. U.S. Foodservice cannot at this time provide a reasonable estimate of any potential liability.

A complete overview of commitments and contingencies as of December 31, 2006 is included in Ahold's 2006 financial statements, which we plan to publish on March 29, 2007.

## 15 Subsequent events

### **Conversion cumulative preferred financing shares**

On January 2, 2007, 100,802,061 cumulative preferred financing shares with a par value of EUR 169 were converted into 22,419,051 common shares, which conversion was effected by (i) conversion of 22,419,051 cumulative preferred financing shares into 22,419,051 common shares and (ii) the acquisition for no consideration of 78,383,010 cumulative preferred financing shares by Ahold.

### **ICA tax audit**

ICA's finance company is being audited by the Swedish tax authorities. ICA and the Swedish tax authorities recently began the correspondence.

### **Share buyback program**

In the first quarter of 2007, Ahold decided to increase the amount it will return to shareholders from EUR 2 billion (as announced on November 6, 2006) to EUR 3 billion, subject to the divestment of U.S. Foodservice. This will be executed through a share buyback program.

### Identical<sup>1</sup> / comparable<sup>2</sup> sales growth (% year over year)

	2006 identical	2006 comparable	Q4 2006 identical	Q4 2006 comparable
Stop & Shop	(1.3%)	(0.8%)	(2.0%)	(1.5%)
Giant-Landover	(1.6%)	(1.2%)	(2.1%)	(1.8%)
Giant-Carlisle	3.9%	6.0%	3.1%	4.5%
Tops	(5.5%)	(4.8%)	(2.9%)	(2.9%)
Albert Heijn	6.7%		9.0%	
Central Europe	(5.5%)		(2.2%)	
Schuitema	1.5%		0.5%	

1. Net sales from exactly the same stores in local currency.
2. Identical sales plus net sales from replacement stores in local currency.

### Operating margin<sup>1</sup>

Operating margin is defined as operating income as a percentage of net sales.

	2006	2005	Q4 2006	Q4 2005
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	5.1%	5.2%	4.2%	4.7%
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	1.0%	1.5%	(4.6%)	0.4%
Albert Heijn Arena	5.8%	4.4%	5.6%	4.3%
Central Europe Arena	(4.0%)	(1.6%)	(4.4%)	(3.5%)
Schuitema	2.3%	3.0%	0.9%	3.8%
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>
U.S. Foodservice	1.7%	0.6%	1.8%	(0.2%)

1. For a discussion of operating income, see note 3 to the condensed financial statements included in this report.

### Store portfolio<sup>1</sup>

	Q4 2006 openings	Q4 2006 closings	End of 2006
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	5	(8)	575
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	17	(46)	220
Albert Heijn Arena <sup>2</sup>	55	(20)	1,711
Central Europe Arena	12	(10)	516
Schuitema	4	(4)	458
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>(88)</b>	<b>3,480</b>

1. Including franchise stores and associated stores.
2. Number of stores at the end of the quarter includes 973 specialty stores (Etos and Gall & Gall)

## EBITDA

EBITDA is defined as net income before net financial expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA does not exclude impairments. Impairments per segment are disclosed in note 4 to the condensed financial statements included in this report.

(Euros in millions)	2006	2005 *	% change	Q4 2006	Q4 2005 *	% change
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	1,088	1,120	(2.9%)	218	260	(16.2%)
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	173	197	(12.2%)	(21)	35	(160.0%)
Albert Heijn Arena	547	426	28.4%	132	102	29.4%
Central Europe Arena	3	31	(90.3%)	(2)	(1)	(100.0%)
Schuitema	130	148	(12.2%)	21	41	(48.8%)
Total retail	1,941	1,922	1.0%	348	437	(20.4%)
U.S. Foodservice	386	199	94.0%	91	19	378.9%
Group Support Office	(114)	(944)	87.9%	(31)	60	(151.7%)
Share in income of joint ventures and associates	152	118	28.8%	29	53	(45.3%)
Income from discontinued operations	79	211	(62.6%)	56	(9)	n/m
<b>Total EBITDA</b>	<b>2,444</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>62.3%</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>(12.0%)</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

## Net debt

(Euros in millions)	December 31, 2006	October 8, 2006	% change Q4 2006	January 1, 2006
Loans	4,170	4,636	(10.1%)	4,867
Finance lease liabilities	1,218	1,268	(3.9%)	1,298
Cumulative preferred financing shares	497	666	(25.4%)	666
Non-current portion of long-term debt	5,885	6,570	(10.4%)	6,831
Loans, short-term borrowings and finance lease liabilities – current portion	595	496	20.0%	917
Gross debt	6,480	7,066	(8.3%)	7,748
Less: cash and cash equivalents <sup>1, 2</sup>	1,844	1,932	(4.6%)	2,228
<b>Net debt</b>	<b>4,636</b>	<b>5,134</b>	<b>(9.7%)</b>	<b>5,520</b>

1. Until 2006, cash on hand was excluded from cash and cash equivalents in the calculation of net debt. As of the first quarter of 2006 total cash and cash equivalents is deducted from gross debt to arrive at net debt. Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand of EUR 361 and EUR 302 as of December 31, 2006 and October 8, 2006, respectively.

2. Book overdrafts, representing the excess of total issued checks over available cash balances within the Group cash concentration structure, are classified in accounts payable and do not form part of net debt. Net cash book overdrafts amounted to EUR 451 and EUR 382 as of December 31, 2006 and October 8, 2006, respectively.

### Use of non-GAAP financial measures

The reconciliation from EBITDA to net income for Ahold consolidated and to operating income per segment is as follows for 2006 and 2005, respectively:

(Euros in millions)	EBITDA 2006	Depre- ciation and amorti- zation	Operating income	Net financial expense	Income taxes	Net income 2006
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	1,088	(418)	670			
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	173	(122)	51			
Albert Heijn Arena	547	(136)	411			
Central Europe Arena	3	(58)	(55)			
Schuitema	130	(56)	74			
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>1,941</b>	<b>(790)</b>	<b>1,151</b>			
U.S. Foodservice	386	(128)	258			
Group Support Office	(114)	(2)	(116)			
	2,213	(920)	1,293	(518)	(91)	684
Share in income of joint ventures and associates	152					152
Income from discontinued operations	79					79
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>2,444</b>	<b>(920)</b>		<b>(518)</b>	<b>(91)</b>	<b>915</b>

(Euros in millions)	EBITDA 2005 *	Depre- ciation and amorti- zation	Operating income *	Net financial expense	Income taxes *	Net income 2005 *
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	1,120	(434)	686			
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	197	(125)	72			
Albert Heijn Arena	426	(138)	288			
Central Europe Arena	31	(51)	(20)			
Schuitema	148	(53)	95			
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>1,922</b>	<b>(801)</b>	<b>1,121</b>			
U.S. Foodservice	199	(113)	86			
Group Support Office	(944)	(10)	(954)			
	1,177	(924)	253	(650)	214	(183)
Share in income of joint ventures and associates	118					118
Income from discontinued operations	211					211
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>(924)</b>		<b>(650)</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>146</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

Other financial and operating information

The reconciliation from EBITDA to net income for Ahold consolidated and to operating income per segment is as follows for the fourth quarter of 2006 and 2005, respectively:

	EBITDA Q4 2006	Depre- ciation and amorti- zation	Operating income	Net financial expense	Income taxes	Net income Q4 2006
<i>(Euros in millions)</i>						
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	218	(92)	126			
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	(21)	(29)	(50)			
Albert Heijn Arena	132	(32)	100			
Central Europe Arena	(2)	(14)	(16)			
Schuitema	21	(14)	7			
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>(181)</b>	<b>167</b>			
U.S. Foodservice	91	(28)	63			
Group Support Office	(31)	-	(31)			
	408	(209)	199	(123)	79	155
Share in income of joint ventures and associates	29					29
Income from discontinued operations	56					56
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>(209)</b>		<b>(123)</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>240</b>

	EBITDA Q4 2005*	Depre- ciation and amorti- zation	Operating income *	Net financial expense	Income taxes *	Net income Q4 2005 *
<i>(Euros in millions)</i>						
Stop & Shop/Giant-Landover Arena	260	(108)	152			
Giant-Carlisle/Tops Arena	35	(29)	6			
Albert Heijn Arena	102	(33)	69			
Central Europe Arena	(1)	(12)	(13)			
Schuitema	41	(13)	28			
<b>Total retail</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>(195)</b>	<b>242</b>			
U.S. Foodservice	19	(27)	(8)			
Group Support Office	60	(1)	59			
	516	(223)	293	(206)	(23)	64
Share in income of joint ventures and associates	53					53
Income from discontinued operations	(9)					(9)
<b>Ahold Group</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>(223)</b>		<b>(206)</b>	<b>(23)</b>	<b>108</b>

\* Comparative figures reflect the changes in accounting policies as disclosed in note 2.

This summary financial report includes the following non-GAAP financial measures:

1. **Identical sales.**  
Identical sales are net sales from exactly the same stores in local currency for the comparable period. Management believes that by excluding the impact of newly opened stores and currency fluctuations, this measure provides a meaningful insight for investors into the operating performance of Ahold's retail segments.
2. **Comparable sales.**  
Comparable sales are identical sales plus net sales from replacement stores in local currency for the comparable period. Management believes that comparable sales is a useful measure for investors. It is management's view that by excluding the impact of newly opened stores (except for replacement stores) and currency fluctuations, this measure provides useful additional information for investors on the operating performance of Ahold's U.S. retail segments.
3. **EBITDA.**  
EBITDA is net income before net financial expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. Management believes that EBITDA is a useful performance measure for investors. EBITDA is commonly used by investors to analyze profitability between companies and industries by eliminating the effects of financing (i.e., net financial expense) and capital investments (i.e., depreciation and amortization).
4. **Net debt.**  
Net debt is the difference between (i) the sum of long-term debt and short-term debt (i.e., gross debt) and (ii) cash and cash equivalents. Management believes that net debt is a useful measure for investors. In management's view, because cash and cash equivalents can be used, among other things, to repay indebtedness, netting this against gross debt is a useful measure of Ahold's leverage. Net debt may include certain cash items that are not readily available for repaying debt.

Management believes that these non-GAAP financial measures allow for a better understanding of Ahold's operating and financial performance. These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, but not as substitutes for, the most directly comparable IFRS measures.

## Forward-looking statements notice

Certain statements in this summary financial report are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. federal securities laws. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements as to the general increase in food retail net sales in the fourth quarter of each year, statements as to plans to divest U.S. Foodservice, Tops Markets, activities in Poland and Slovakia and the Company's shareholding in JMR, statements as to the expected terms of the divestment of the activities in Poland, plans to increase the amount to be returned to shareholders and plans to publish Ahold's 2006 financial statements and the expected contents thereof. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Many of these risks and uncertainties relate to factors that are beyond Ahold's ability to control or estimate precisely, such as Ahold's ability to complete planned divestments on terms acceptable to Ahold, the actions of Ahold's shareholders, joint venture partners, vendors, unions, contractors, competitors and other third parties, Ahold's liquidity needs exceeding expected levels, the effect of general economic or political conditions, fluctuations in exchange rates or interest rates, increases or changes in competition, Ahold's ability to implement and complete successfully its plans and strategies and to meet its targets, including its ability to reduce costs or realize cost savings, the benefits from Ahold's plans and strategies being less than those anticipated, the costs or other results of pending or future investigations or legal proceedings, as well as Ahold's ability to defend itself in connection with such investigations or proceedings, actions of courts, law enforcement agencies, government agencies and other third parties and other factors discussed in Ahold's public filings. Many of these and other risk factors are detailed in Ahold's publicly filed reports. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this summary financial report. Ahold does not undertake any obligation to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this summary financial report, except as may be required by applicable securities laws. Outside the Netherlands, Koninklijke Ahold N.V., being its registered name, presents itself under the name of "Royal Ahold" or simply "Ahold."