

Lerøy Seafood Group

Preliminary report 2003

February 26th

Ole-Eirik Lerøy
CEO

Helge Singelstad
CFO



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Internal considerations 4th Quarter 2003

Main figures for 2003 compared to 2002

All figures in mill NOK

	2003	2002	Endring
• Turnover *)	2.915	2.556	14,1%
• Operating profit	84	55	52,7%
• Affiliated companies	-21	-13	-60,8%
• Pre-tax profit	55	40	37,5%

*) Mainly organic growth, Lerøy Midnor will be consolidated from 01.01.04



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Internal considerations 4th Quarter 2003

- **Financially Solid**
 - Share issue 4th December 2003, NOK 86,4 mill (2.700.000 shares)
 - Well positioned for future organic and strategic growth
 - Proposed dividend for 2003 NOK 0,60 per share
- **Appr. 2.700 shareholders per February 2004**
 - Increasing number of shareholders
 - Considerably improved liquidity
- **Consolidated**
 - Satisfactory operations in most areas in year 2003
 - Still focus on operations and synergies
 - Lerøy Midnor AS well integrated
- **Affiliated companies**
 - Poor results, improved but still difficult market situation



External considerations 4th Quarter 2003

- **Weak salmon and trout prices**

- Prices increased in Q4
- Prices in Q4 03 lower than comparable figures in Q4 02 and still at an low level
- Higher prices needed
- Prices so far in Q1 04 higher than comparable prices in Q1 03, but uncertainty in price development

- **Weakened financial and operational performances throughout the industry**

- Enhances restructuring
- Consolidation
- Increased market orientation

- **Still difficult market situation in both pelagic and white fish sectors**

- **Currencies**

- Future will bring great volatility

- **Political issues / trade barriers**

- Uncertainty regarding regulation of future market access for non-EU producers
- Salmon-trout case



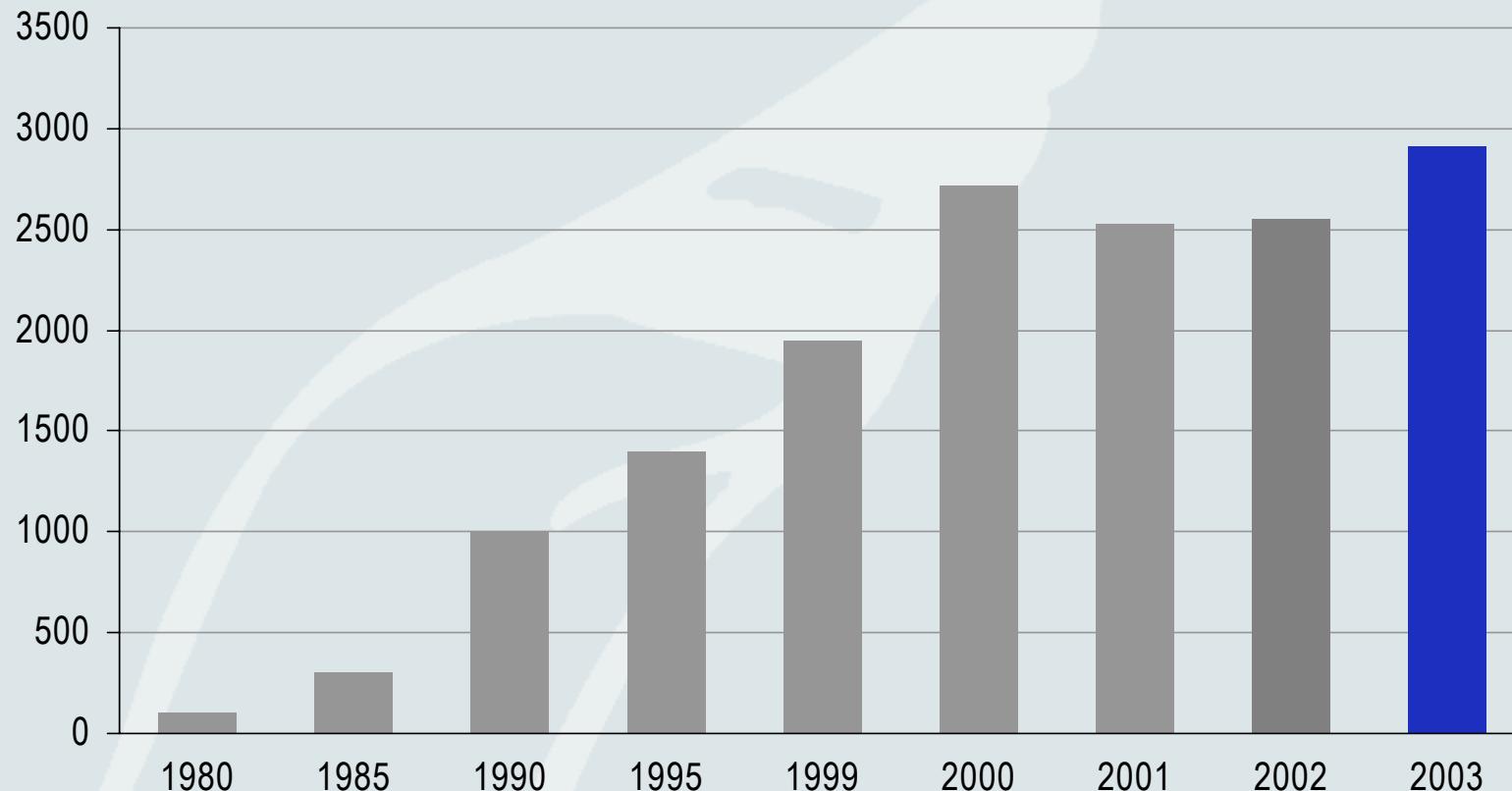
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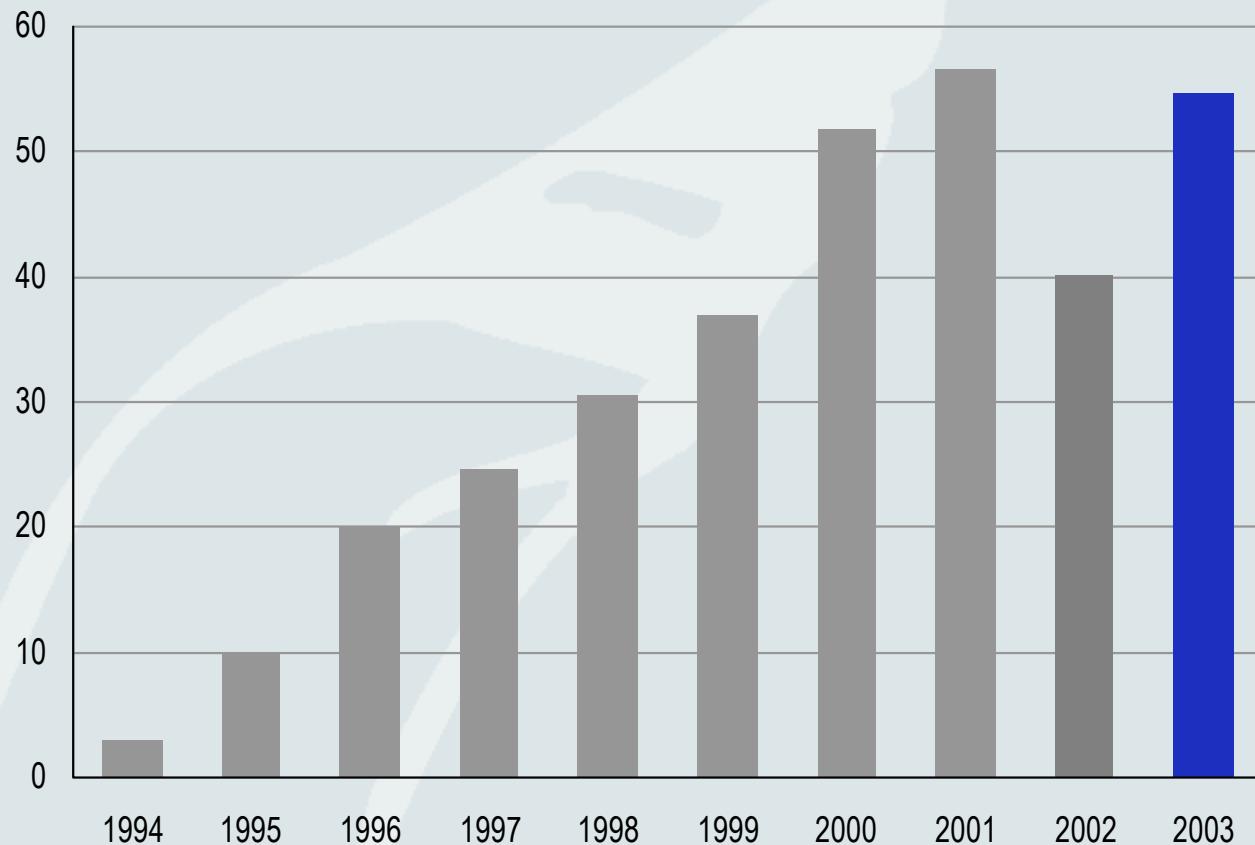
Yearly turnover LSG

mill. NOK



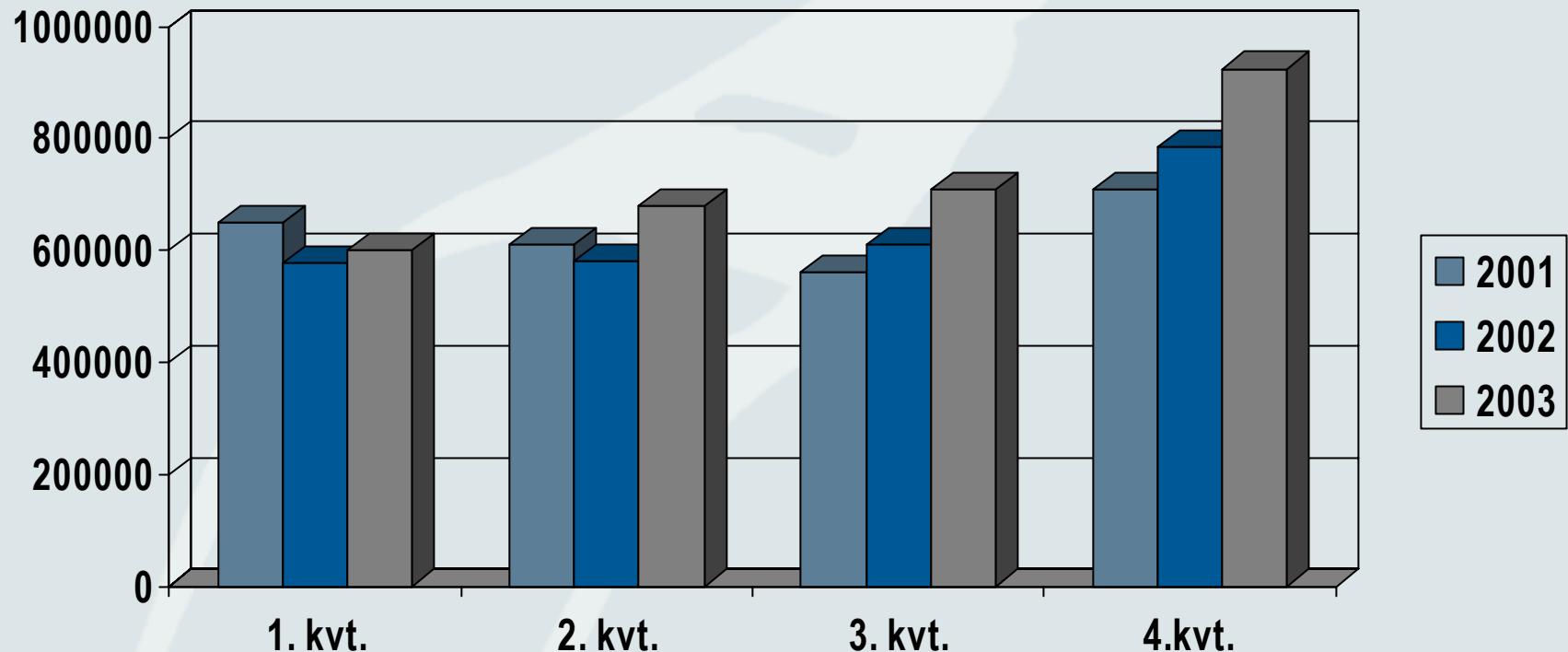
Pre-tax earnings LSG

mill. NOK



Quarterly turnover LSG

mill. NOK



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Resultatregnskap / Income Statement Q4-03

Alle tall i NOK 1.000 / All figures in NOK 1,000

	Q4 - 2003	Q4 - 2002	2003	2002
Salgsinntekter / Operating revenues	924 630	783 895	2 914 873	2 555 606
Vareforbruk / Cost of goods sold	829 654	712 001	2 614 210	2 326 928
Lønn og andre personalkostnader / Salaries and other personnel expenses	44 092	27 115	116 472	91 979
Andre driftskostnader / Other operating expenses	21 062	19 760	85 674	70 447
Ordinære avskrivninger / Ordinary depreciation and amortization	3 633	3 661	14 150	11 207
Driftsresultat / Operating profit	26 189	21 358	84 367	55 045
Inntekt tilknyttet selskap / Income from affiliated companies	128	-6 019	-20 511	-12 753
Netto finansposter / Net financial items	176	1 541	-9 196	-2 108
Resultat før skattekostnad / Profit before tax	26 493	16 880	54 659	40 184
Beregne skatter / Estimated taxation	-6 418	-3 704	-20 577	-10 663
Periodens resultat / Profit for the period	20 075	13 176	34 083	29 521

Balanse / Balance Sheet Q4-03

Alle tall i NOK 1.000 / All figures in NOK 1,000

	31.12.03	31.12.02
Immaterielle eiendeler / Intangible assets	272 457	23 700
Varige driftsmidler / Tangible fixed assets	183 417	66 714
Finansielle anleggsmidler / Financial fixed assets	275 063	294 951
Sum anleggsmidler / Total fixed assets	730 937	385 365
Varer / Inventories	274 823	69 068
Fordringer / Receivables	505 917	384 338
Betalingsmidler / Cash and equivalents ¹⁾	292 749	359 484
Sum omløpsmidler / Total current assets	1 073 489	812 889
Sum eiendeler / Total assets	1 804 426	1 198 254

1) Tall som inngår i beregningen av netto rentebærende gjeld /
 Figures used in calculation of net interest bearing debt



Balanse / Balance Sheet Q4-03

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Alle tall i NOK 1.000 / All figures in NOK 1,000

	31.12.03	31.12.02
Innskutt egenkapital / Equity contributions	656 043	505 342
Oppført egenkapital / Earned equity	127 781	113 130
Minoritetsinteresser / Minority interests	10 325	22 604
Sum egenkapital / Total equity	794 149	641 076
Avsetning for forpliktelser / Accrued liabilities	8 647	4 709
Langsiktig gjeld / Long-term liabilities 1)	412 195	182 432
Kortsiktige kreditter / Short-term loans 1)	242 898	80 549
Annen kortsiktig gjeld / Other short-term liabilities	346 537	289 489
Sum gjeld / Total liabilities	1 010 277	557 179
Sum egenkapital og gjeld / Total equity and liabilities	1 804 426	1 198 254

1) Tall som inngår i beregningen av netto rentebærende gjeld /
Figures used in calculation of net interest bearing debt

Key figures – Lerøy Seafood Group Q4-03

Nøkkeltall / Key figures

Resultatmargin / Profit margin

	Q4 - 2003	Q4 - 2002	2 003	2 002
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Resultatmargin / Profit margin	2,87 %	2,15 %	1,88 %	1,57 %
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Driftsmargin / Operating margin

Driftsmargin / Operating margin	2,83 %	2,72 %	2,89 %	2,15 %
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Resultat per aksje / Earnings per share

Resultat per aksje / Earnings per share	0,66	0,45	1,15	1,13
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Utvannet resultat per aksje / Diluted earnings per share

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Key figures – Lerøy Seafood Group Q4-03

Nøkkeltall / Key figures

Avkastning på sysselsatt kapital / ROCE
Egenkapitalandel / Equity ratio
Netto renteb. gjeld / Net int. bearing debt

Q4 - 2003	Q4 - 2002	2 003	2 002
18,72 %	11,84 %	9,60 % 44,01 % -362 344	8,75 % 53,50 % -

Forløpige tall er ikke revidert / Preliminary figures have not been audited



Lerøy Seafood Group consolidated 2003

- Lerøy Seafood Group's total equity is 794,1 mill NOK
- Subsidiaries share of group equity is 448,6 mill NOK
- Operating profit for YTD 2003 is 84,4 mill NOK

Affiliated companies

Balance at	31.12.03	31.12.02
Norskott Havbruk AS (50%)	155,1 mill	153,0 mill
Hydrotech Gruppen AS (39%)	91,1 mill	104,0 mill
Egersund Fisk AS (27%)	22,6 mill	22,0 mill
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Total	268,8 mill	279,0 mill
Lerøy Seafood Group's total equity	794,1 mill	641,1 mill



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Lerøy Seafood Group

- **Norway's largest seafood exporter**
 - 9,1 % market share of Norwegian Seafood total exports (by value)
 - 14,6 % of Norwegian salmon export in 2003
 - Major shareholder in fish farming operations
 - Lerøy Midnor AS (100%) (Nye Midnor AS)
 - Scottish Sea Farms (50%), 2nd largest Scottish salmon producer
 - Hydrotech-Gruppen AS (39%)
 - Japan single largest market, EU most important region overall

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Lerøy Seafood Group

• Global distribution network

- Global distribution from Head Office in Bergen
- Local distribution and processing in Sweden
- Local representative offices in some key markets (France, Spain, Italy, Japan, China, USA)

Lerøy Seafood Group

- Steady growth in operating profit and strong balance sheet
 - Stable earnings despite turbulence in the sea food industry
 - Growth potential within recently acquired businesses
 - Satisfactory liquidity / credit facilities
- Professional and highly educated employees
- Partnerships / Network of alliances

Shareholders 19.02.04

Shareholder	No. of shares	Ownership share
Ole-Eirik Lerøy	4 685 000	13,60 %
Ferd Private Equity	3 281 307	9,53 %
Sparebanken Midt-Norge	1 768 010	5,13 %
Skagen Vekst	1 700 000	4,94 %
Tine Pensjonskasse	1 317 300	3,82 %
Knut Hallvard Lerøy	1 253 210	3,64 %
Hallvard Lerøy Jr.	1 190 900	3,46 %
DnB ASA, Egenkapital Invester	1 055 218	3,06 %
Deutsche Bank AG London	1 015 200	2,95 %
Lime AS**	610 573	1,77 %
George Harald Lerøy	475 000	1,38 %
Gambak C/O	450 000	1,31 %
Pareto C/O	450 000	1,31 %
KOS Bergen AS	406 640	1,18 %
Inma AS**	400 000	1,16 %
SalMar AS	386 826	1,12 %
Sparebanken Rogaland	386 722	1,12 %
Gjensidige Nor	381 473	1,11 %
Firstnordic Norge VE	380 500	1,10 %
Sunnhordland Fjordbruk AS	341 600	0,99 %
Total 20 largest share owners	21 935 479	63,69 %
Others	12 505 288	36,31 %
Total shares	34 440 767	100,00 %

**controlled by CEO Ole-Eirik Lerøy

The company has a total of appr. 2.700 sharholders.



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Lerøy Seafood Group ASA

Sales & Distribution

Lerøy Sverige AB
80%

Hallvard Lerøy AS
100%

Nordvik SA
80%

Sales and distribution in Sweden

Strong position towards catering and supermarkets

Sales and distribution ww

Local representation: USA, France, Spain, Italy, UK, Japan, China

Sales and distribution in France

Strong position towards Hyper- and supermarkets

Production

Lerøy Smøgen Seafood AB
100%

Lerøy Midnor AS
100%

Sigerfjord Aqua AS
90,55%

Cold and hot smoked seafood products, salads and shellfish in brine.

Production of Salmon, Salmon trout, Smolt

Slaughtery and processing

Production of Arctic char

Affiliated

Farming/other

Norskott Havbruk AS 50%

Hydrotech Gruppen AS 39%

Egersund * Fisk AS 27%

Hjaltland 11%

* Pelagic related activities



Lerøy Seafood Group

PELAGIC

WHITEFISH

FARMED FISH

HALLVARD LERØY AS

SALES - MARKETING

DISTRIB. FRANCE
Nordvik

DISTRIBUTION UK
SSF / LERØY

DIRECT
EXPORT

DISTRIBUTION
NORWAY

DISTRIBUTION
Lerøy Sweden

PROCESSING
Lerøy Sweden

FARMING /
PROCESSING
NORWAY

Lerøy
France

Lerøy
Italy

Lerøy
Spain

Lerøy
China

Lerøy
Japan

Lerøy
US

Lerøy Seafood Group - Global organization



Lerøy Midnor AS



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Structure Nye Midnor AS Production



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Description of Lerøy Midnor AS Production

Smolt:

- 5 licenses
- 6 mill. smolt per year
(salmon/trout)

Farming:

- 26 licenses (salmon/trout)
- All production is located along the coast of Møre and Romsdal and Midt-Norge
- 2004E: 16.000 gwt salmon
3.000 gwt salmon trout

Slaughtery:

- Capacity of 65 tonnes per shift
- 47% ownership in Uthaug lakseslakteri AS

Processing:

- Capacity of ca. 3.500 t per year
- Production of skin and bone free portions and fillets

Organisation:

- Competent and committed





Lerøy Midnor AS

Results and balance

NOK

Revenues

YTD 2003 *)

216,7

EBITDA

5,9

EBIT

-17,3

Pre tax

-41,4 **)

Balance sheet

Licences / Goodwill /def. Tax

31.12.2003 *)**

62,4

Fixed assets

111,0

Inventories

228,7

Other current assets

117,2

Total assets

519,3

Equity

28,2

Debt

491,1

Total equity and debt

519,3

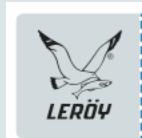
* Company established July 11. 03

**) Will be consolidated in group P&L from 01.01.04

***) Consolidated in group balance from 31.12.03

Lerøy Seafood Group Consolidated Key figures

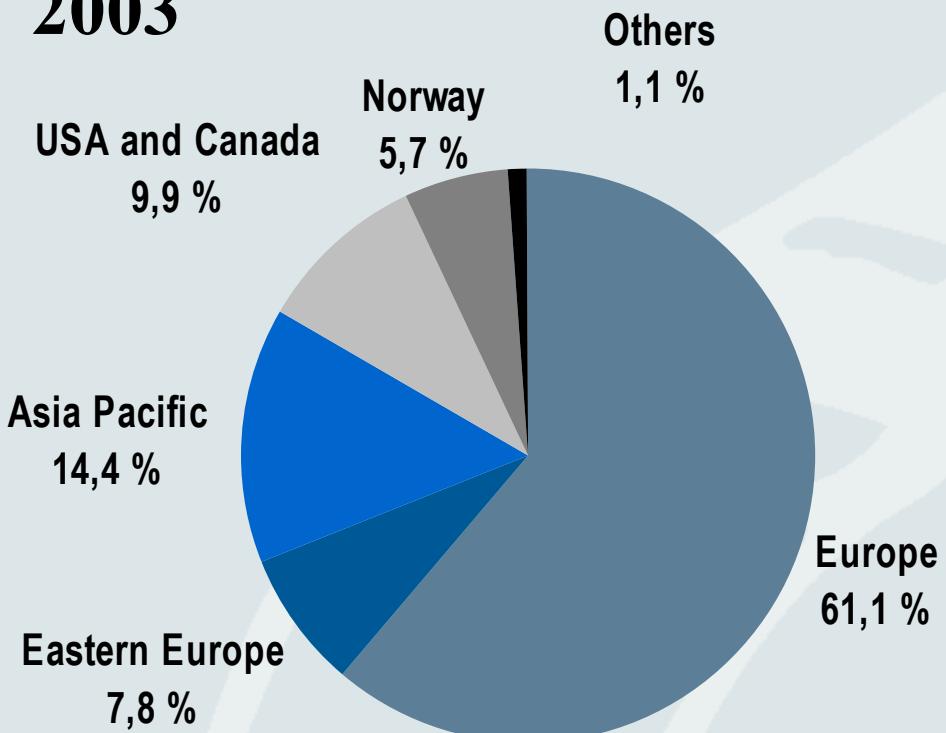
- Total equity (44,01 %) 794,1 mill
- Net interest bearing debt 362,3 mill
- Total intangible assets 272,5 mill
 - Licences fish farming Norway 195,0 mill
 - Goodwill 77,5 mill
- Total LSG-shares 34.440.767 shares



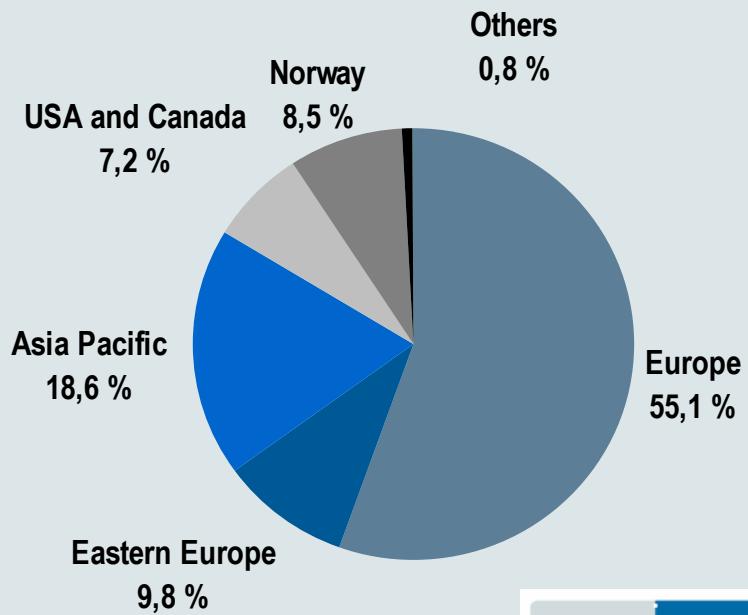
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Lerøy Seafood Group - Sales per market

2003

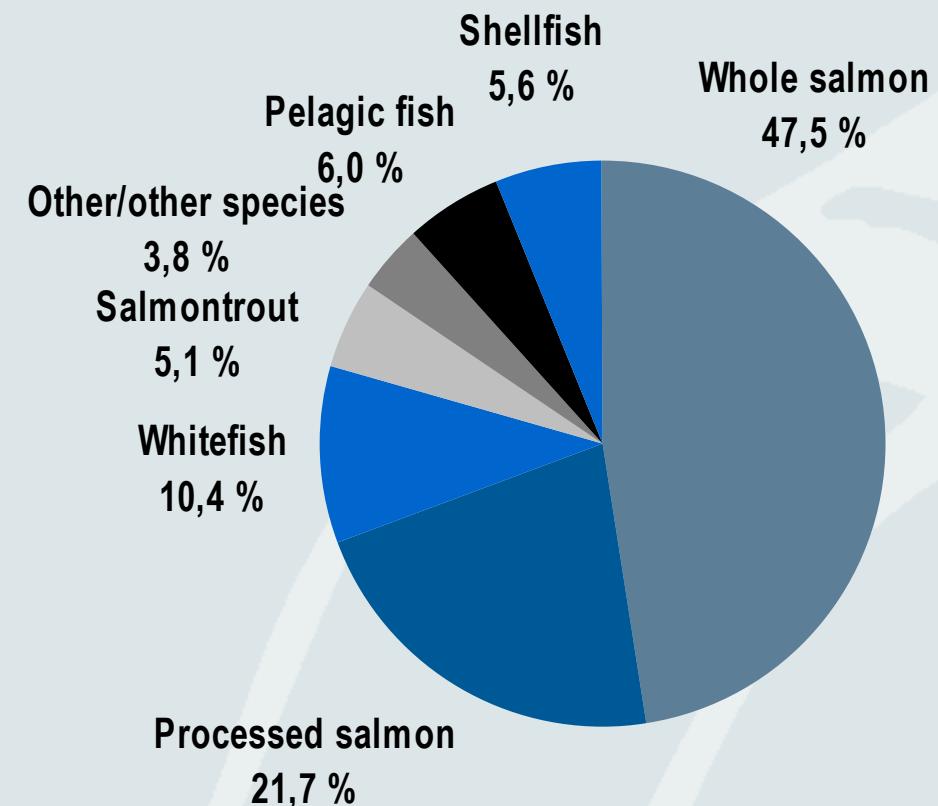


2002

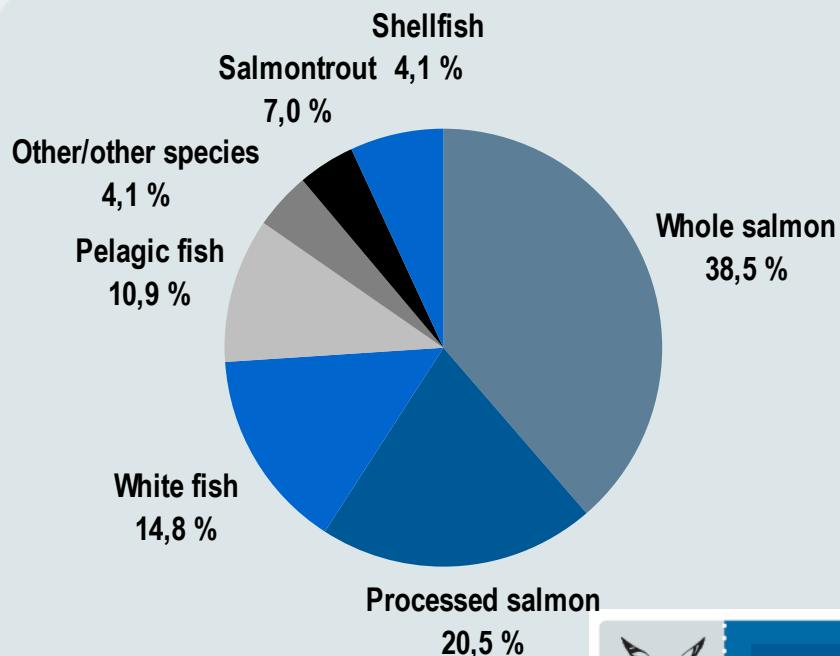


Lerøy Seafood Group - Sales per product

2003



2002



Norskott Havbruk (Scottish Sea Farms Ltd.)

- Production capacity: 25.000 – 30.000 gwt
- Volume harvested in 2003: 24.000 gwt
- Est. harvest volume 2004: 21.000 – 23.000 gwt
- Additional processing and sales: 5 - 10.000 gwt
- 2 processing plants

Norskott Havbruk (Scottish Sea Farms Ltd.)

- SQS
- Label Rouge
- ISO 9002
- ISO 14 001
- Investor in people
- VIBES of Scotland

Norskott Havbruk

NOKm	Q4 - 2003	Q4 - 2002	31.12.2003	31.12.2002
Revenues	227,4	152,8	708,3	562,8
EBITDA	25,0	2,1	57,8	37,2
EBIT	17,6	3,3	28,2	7,9
Pre tax	10,7	-4,2	2,1	-20,9
Volumes (gwtt)			24,0	19
Balance sheet			31.12.2003**)	31.12.2002*)
Licences, Goodwill			375,9	381,7
Fixed assets			90,8	91,0
Inventories			323,5	333,6
Other current assets			112,6	94,4
Cash			7,9	1,0
Total assets			910,7	901,7
Equity			315,5	315,0
Interest bearing debt			472,7	457,4
Non interest bearing debt			122,5	129,3
Total equity and debt			910,7	901,7

*) NOK/GBP = 11,62

**) NOK/GBP = 11,89

Hydrotech Gruppen AS (39%)

- **Ownership**
 - 39% owned by Lerøy Seafood Group ASA
 - 57.3% owned by L & K Karlsen Holding AS
 - 3.7% owned by others
- **Wholly integrated fish farms in Norway**
 - 17 wholly owned licenses
- **Estimated sales 2004:**
 - Salmon and trout estimated : 12 gwtt (14 gwtt)
- **Smolt production:** appr. 5 mill
- **Wellboat shipping co.**
- **Slaughter**
- **Processing plant**



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Hydrotech Gruppen

NOK	Q4 - 2003	Q4 - 2002	31.12.2003	31.12.2002*
Revenues	124,4	48,3	381,6	349,0
EBITDA	-6,2	2,6	-11,1	25,7
EBIT	-14,1	0,6	-33,0	6,5
Pre tax	-16,7	-7,8	-50,6	3,7

Balance sheet	31.12.2003	31.12.2002
Licences / Goodwill	139,9	141,2
Fixed assets	164,3	175,4
Inventories	142,2	217,7
Other current assets	18,8	52,4
Total assets	465,2	586,7
Equity (incl. new issue)	121,2	131,8
Debt	344	454,9
Total equity and debt	465,2	586,7
Net interest bearing debt	270,9	363,7

* Including gain on sale of assets appr. 25 mill

Egersund Fisk AS (27%)

- Shareholder structure

• Lerøy	27%
• SalMar	27%
• Egersund Fiskeriinvestering	9%
• Others	37%
(less than 4% each)	

- Pelagic activity

- Fish oil, fish meal
- Pelagic fish for consumption
- Ownership in vessels for wild catch
- Production of ice

- Part ownership acquired in 2001

- | Egersund Fisk 100% | 2003 | 2002 |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| • Turnover | 312,5 | 364,6 |
| • EBIT | 9,4 | 10,9 |
| • Pre tax profits | 1,8 | 4,5 |



Egersund Fisk 100%	2003	2002
• Turnover	312,5	364,6
• EBIT	9,4	10,9
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Fresh Atlantic Salmon Norway (4-5 kgs) – price development 1997 - YTD (FHL/NSL)

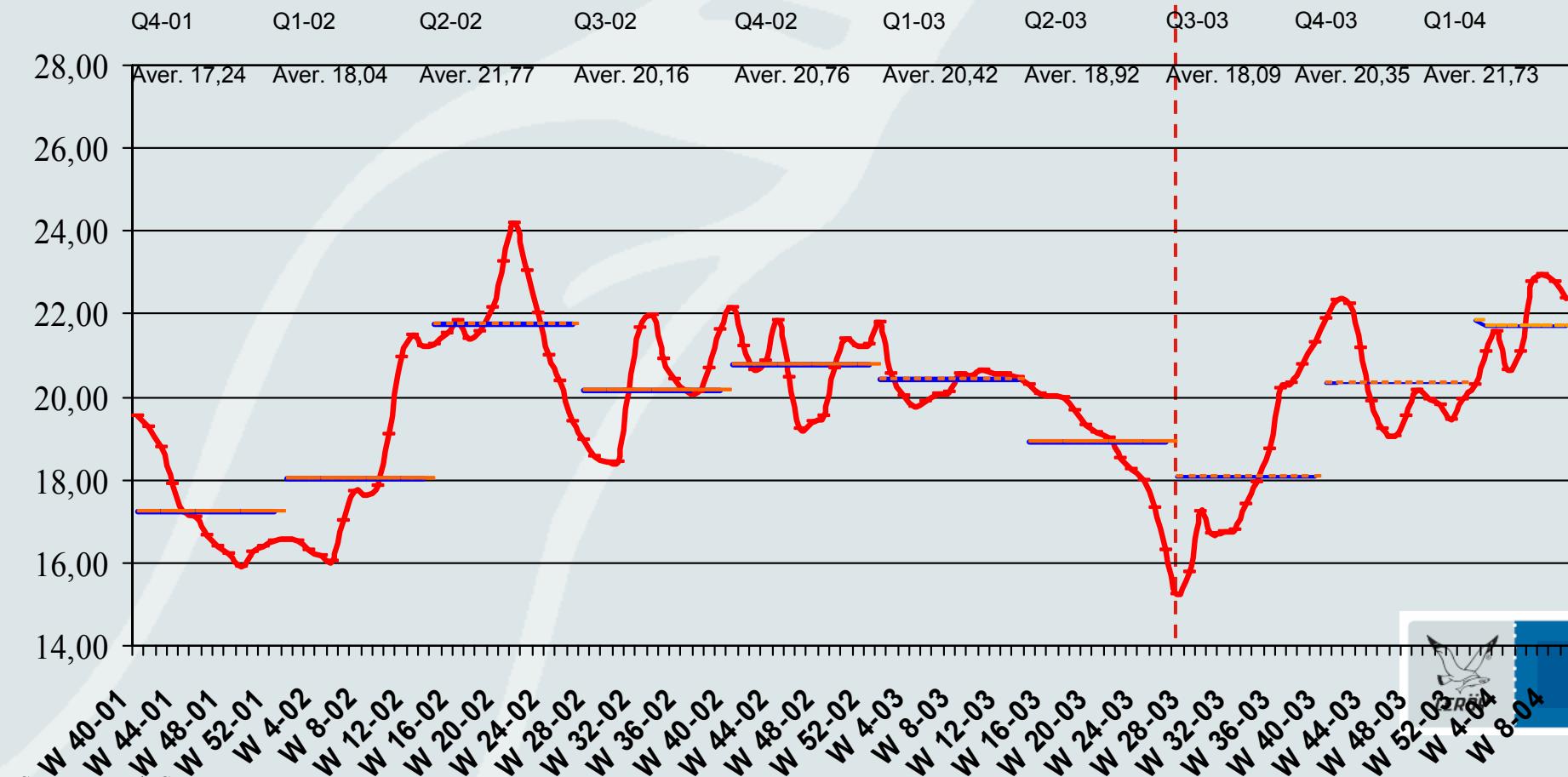


Salmon export from Norway as of week 9-04.

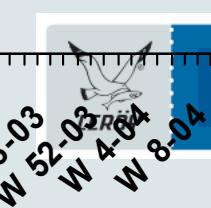
Fresh atlantic salmon, cross-section, FCA Oslo.

w. 27-03

NOK / kg
Oslo



Source: FHL/NSL



Atlantic salmon – supply side

SUPPLY		Change		Change		
			2003	02-03	2004 E	03-04E
Norway	508 600	14,3 %	501 000	-1 %		
Chile	280 800	4,7 %	340 900	21 %		
UK	160 300	14,4 %	137 200	-14 %		
Canada	92 000	-17,9 %	86 000	-7 %		
Faroe Islands	47 000	11,6 %	31 500	-33 %		
Ireland	18 400	-17,5 %	17 600	-4 %		
USA	18 200	37,9 %	13 300	-27 %		
Australia	14 000	7,7 %	15 200	9 %		
Iceland	4 200	20,0 %	4 700	12 %		
Others	1 800	-10,0 %	2 400	33 %		
In total	1 145 300	7,9 %	1 149 800	0,4 %		

Figures per 24.02.04

Source: Kontali



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Atlantic salmon – demand side

DEMAND	2003	Change 02-03	Change	
			2004 E	03-04E
EU	537 400	8,5 %	587 000	9 %
USA	312 700	6,1 %	331 500	6 %
Japan	50 200	-23,1 %	50 600	1 %
Others	236 300	10,5 %	257 400	9 %
In total	1 136 600	6,3 %	1 226 500	8 %

Figures per 24.02.04

Source: Kontali



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Drivers year 2003

- Norway – EU (+ 46.696 mt) + 17,0 %
- Norway – Eastern Europe (14.184 mt) + 78,9 %
- Norway - Japan (- 5.066 mt) - 15,0 %
- Norway - Feed sales (768 100 mt) + 5,0 %



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Thank you !



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