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## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

|  |  | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { \% } \\ \text { change } \end{array}$ | Year to 31 August 2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consolidated statement of comprehensive income |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover* | R'000 | 7657499 | 7166768 | 6.8\% | 14135948 |
| Gross profit* | R'000 | 1783575 | 1681326 | 6.1\% | 3256775 |
| Total income* | R'000 | 2144775 | 2005592 | 6.9\% | 3945710 |
| Headline earnings | R'000 | 332942 | 322669 | 3.2\% | 655432 |
| Net interest charge | R'000 | $(25$ 108) | (17 213) | 45.9\% | (33 626) |
| Consolidated statement of financial position |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equity | R'000 | 1082755 | 1015933 | 6.6\% | 965187 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | R'000 | 545603 | 184874 | 195.1\% | 375236 |
| Total assets | R'000 | 4630527 | 4003530 | 15.7\% | 4254783 |
| Consolidated statement of cash flows |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net cash effects of operating activities | R'000 | (11 191) | 197214 | (105.7\%) | 381564 |
| Capital expenditure | R'000 | 99672 | 119495 | (16.6\%) | 225926 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | R'000 | 87354 | 76789 | 13.8\% | 158285 |
| Performance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover growth* | \% | 6.8 | 8.9 |  | 6.2 |
| Comparable stores turnover growth | \% | 4.8 | 10.8 |  | 6.9 |
| Gross profit growth* | \% | 6.1 | 14.2 |  | 10.9 |
| Gross profit margin* | \% | 23.3 | 23.5 |  | 23.0 |
| Total income growth* | \% | 6.9 | 13.8 |  | 10.7 |
| Total income margin* | \% | 28.0 | 28.0 |  | 27.9 |
| Operating margin | \% | 6.4 | 6.5 |  | 6.6 |
| Inventory days |  | 66 | 59 |  | 60.0 |
| Current ratio | :1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |  | 0.9 |
| Return on total assets | \% | 14.0 | 14.8 |  | 15.7 |
| Return on shareholders' interest | \% | 60.7 | 55.8 |  | 62.3 |
| Shareholders' interest to total assets | \% | 23.4 | 25.4 |  | 22.7 |
| Interest-bearing debt to shareholders' interest at period-end | \% | 50.4 | 18.2 |  | 38.9 |
| Interest-bearing debt, including cash, to shareholders' | \% | 423 | 14.2 |  | 37.1 |
| Number of permanent employees |  | 8079 | 8218 | (1.7\%) | 8309 |
| Number of stores |  | 594 | 575 | 3.3\% | 590 |
| Weighted retail trading area | $\mathrm{m}^{2}$ | 232741 | 220803 | 5.4\% | 224000 |
| Share statistics |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of ordinary shares in issue (gross) | '000 | 276123 | 268303 | 2.9\% | 270652 |
| Number of ordinary shares in issue (net of treasury shares) | '000 | 253259 | 260518 | (2.8\%) | 252959 |
| Weighted average number of shares in issue (net of treasury shares) | '000 | 253063 | 263522 | (4.0\%) | 262118 |
| Weighted average diluted number of shares in issue (net of |  |  |  |  |  |
| Headline earnings per share - basic | cents | 131.6 | 122.4 | 7.5\% | 250.1 |
| - diluted | cents | 131.5 | 122.2 | 7.6\% | 249.7 |
| Distribution per share - interim | cents | 44.1 | 37.0 | 19.2\% | 37.0 |
| - final | cents | - | - |  | 88.0 |
| Distribution cover | times | 3.0 | 3.3 |  | 2.0 |
| Share price - closing | cents | 4390 | 3850 | 14.0\% | 4170 |
| - high | cents | 4800 | 4706 |  | 4706 |
| - low | cents | 3659 | 3625 |  | 3500 |
| Net asset value per share | cents | 428 | 390 | 9.7\% | 382 |
| Net tangible asset value per share | cents | 268 | 232 | 15.5\% | 221 |
| Market capitalisation (gross) | R'000 | 12121800 | 10329666 | 17.3\% | 11286188 |
| Market capitalisation (net of treasury shares) | R'000 | 11118070 | 10029943 | 10.8\% | 10548390 |
| Price earnings ratio | times | 17.9 | 16.9 |  | 16.7 |
| Volume of ordinary shares traded | '000 | 208746 | 253828 |  | 466251 |
| Percentage of ordinary shares traded | \% | 82.5 | 96.3 |  | 177.9 |
| Free float | \% | 91.5 | 96.8 |  | 93.2 |
| Shareholders' return | cents | 264 | 137 |  | 545 |
| Increase in share price | cents | 220 | 100 |  | 420 |
| Distribution per share | cents | 44 | 37 |  | 125 |
| Other information |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inflation rate |  |  |  |  |  |
| CPI | \% | 6.1 | 3.7 |  | 5.3 |
| Internal selling price inflation | \% | (0.2) | 2.1 |  | 1.6 |
| Interest rates |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prime overdraft rate - closing | \% | 9.0 | 9.0 |  | 9.0 |
| - average | \% | 9.0 | 9.2 |  | 9.1 |
| FTSE/JSE Africa share indices |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Share Index |  | 34296 | 32272 | 6.3\% | 31006 |
| General Retailers Index |  | 52486 | 38743 | 35.5\% | 45547 |
| Food and Drug Retailers Index |  | 70954 | 55063 | 28.9\% | 58993 |
| Exchange rate |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rand/US dollar - closing | R/US\$ | 7.47 | 6.96 | 7.3\% | 7.07 |
| - average | R/US\$ | 7.92 | 6.96 | 13.8\% | 6.91 |

## COMMENTARY

## Distribution cover reduced to . 8 times



## Trading environment

The six month period to 29 February 2012 was characterised by tough trading conditions.
The retail trading environment has been highly competitive, with increased promotional activity to attract value conscious consumers. Low or negative selling price inflation has also led to a slowdown in the growth of the health and beauty market.
In this challenging climate the group has nevertheless increased its volumes and share of the total health and beauty market, thereby maintaining its competitive advantage.

## Financial performance

Group turnover increased by $6.8 \%$ to R7.7 billion, with selling price deflation of $0.2 \%$ for the period. Retail turnover grew by $8.3 \%$ with price inflation of $0.1 \%$, while UPD increased turnover by $5.0 \%$ as price deflation averaged $0.5 \%$. In this low inflationary environment all the group's businesses showed real growth in sales.
Total income, comprising gross profit and other income, increased by $6.9 \%$ and the total income margin at $28 \%$ was consistent with the comparable period.
The group has focused on cost management and operating expense growth was well contained at $7.3 \%$. Retail costs increased by $7.4 \%$ (comparable costs up 2.7\%) despite the opening of 30 new Clicks stores and 29 dispensaries in the past 12 months. UPD's cost growth of $10.2 \%$ includes further investment in distribution capacity, while comparable costs grew by 5.0\%.
Operating profit increased by $5.8 \%$ for the period and the group's operating margin declined slightly from $6.5 \%$ to $6.4 \%$.
Headline earnings increased by $3.2 \%$ to R333 million. Diluted headline earnings per share benefited from the group's share buy-back programme and grew by $7.6 \%$ to 131.5 cents.

The interim dividend was increased by $19.2 \%$ to 44.1 cents per share. As previously advised to shareholders, the board has reduced the distribution cover from 2.0 times to 1.8 times for the 2012 financial year, in line with the commitment to return surplus cash to shareholders.
Inventory days in stock moved from 59 to 66 days. Inventory levels were $20.4 \%$ higher at the end of the period as Clicks and UPD bought additional stock ahead of supplier price increases. Stock levels are expected to normalise by year-end.
The group remains strongly cash generative with cash inflow from operations totalling R214 million.
Return on shareholders' equity (ROE) increased to $60.7 \%$ from 55.8\% in 2011.

## Trading performance

The Clicks chain grew turnover by $9.6 \%$ and benefited from new store openings during the period. Comparable store sales increased by $5.5 \%$. The store base increased to 412 following the addition of 12 new stores in the past six months, while the pharmacy footprint was expanded by 12 to 295. Clicks increased its retail pharmacy market share to 16.1\% (2011: $14.5 \%$ ). The operating margin came under pressure from an aggressive promotional programme and changed sales mix, with operating profit increasing by $5.7 \%$.
Musica performed well in a declining market and was impacted by industry deflation and continued store closures. The brand increased market share in CDs, DVDs and gaming and grew operating profit by $11.7 \%$. The Body Shop posted a strong performance for the first half, with turnover increasing by $14.5 \%$ and operating profit by $18.4 \%$.
UPD grew wholesale turnover by $5.0 \%$ and increased its share of the private pharmaceutical market to $23.2 \%$ (2011: 22.9\%). Four new distribution agency contracts were taken on during the period. Operating profit increased by 3.3\%.


## Prospects

The health and beauty markets are expected to remain highly competitive. Selling price inflation is anticipated to be less than $2 \%$ for the full year.
In these market conditions, the group's focus will be on driving volume growth and containing costs. Management is committed to maintaining the investment in the longer term growth of the business, with capital expenditure of R183 million committed for the second half of the year.

The group remains well positioned in the medium-term through the market leadership and growth potential of both Clicks and UPD.

## Full-year earnings forecast

The group currently anticipates that diluted headline earnings per share for the year to 31 August 2012 will increase by between 6\% and 11\% over the previous financial year.

This forecast is based on the following assumptions: The health and beauty markets will remain highly competitive; selling price inflation will be below $2 \%$ for the financial year; further organic growth will be generated from store expansion, the opening of additional pharmacies and the benefit of distribution agency contracts; and there will be no marked changes in trading conditions, the regulatory environment and in the macro-economy that will impact on consumer spending.
Shareholders are advised that this forecast has not been reviewed or reported on by the group's independent auditor.

## Interim dividend

The board of directors has approved and declared a gross interim ordinary dividend of 44.1 cents per share (2011: 37.0 cents per share). The source of the dividend will be from distributable reserves and paid in cash.

## Additional information

In determining the Dividends Tax ("DT") to withhold in terms of the Income Tax Act, Secondary Tax on Companies ("STC") Credits amounting to 44.1 cents per share, utilised by the company should be taken into account. Shareholders will therefore receive a dividend of 44.1 cents net of DT. The company has 276123498 ordinary shares in issue and its income tax reference number is 9061/745/71/8.
Shareholders are advised of the following salient dates in respect of the interim dividend:

|  | 2012 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Last day to trade "cum" the dividend | Friday, 22 June |
| Shares trade "ex" the dividend | Monday, 25 June |
| Record date | Friday, 29 June |
| Payment to shareholders | Monday, 2 July |

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between Monday, 25 June 2012 and Friday, 29 June 2012, both days inclusive.
The directors of the company have determined that dividend cheques amounting to R50.00 or less due to any ordinary shareholder will not be paid unless a written request to the contrary is delivered to the transfer secretaries, Computershare Investor Services (Proprietary) Limited, by no later than close of business on Friday, 22 June 2012, being the day the shares trade "cum" the dividend. Unpaid dividend cheques will be aggregated with other such amounts and donated to a charity to be nominated by the directors.
By order of the board
David Janks
Company secretary
26 April 2012

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| R'000 | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 (restated) ${ }^{\pi}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \% \\ \text { change } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Year to } \\ 31 \text { August } \\ 2011 \\ \text { (restated) } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | 8022039 | 7495901 |  | 14833118 |
| Turnover | 7657499 | 7166768 | 6.8\% | 14135948 |
| Cost of merchandise sold | (5873 924) | (5 485 442) | 7.1\% | (10879 173) |
| Gross profit | 1783575 | 1681326 | 6.1\% | 3256775 |
| Other income | 361200 | 324266 | 11.4\% | 688935 |
| Total income | 2144775 | 2005592 | 6.9\% | 3945710 |
| Expenses | (1655 839) | (1543 291) | 7.3\% | (3008 120) |
| Depreciation and amortisation | (83 309) | (72 401) | 15.1\% | (149 714) |
| Occupancy costs | (229 697) | $(208434)$ | 10.2\% | $(422$ 596) |
| Employment costs | (817 255) | (768 469) | 6.3\% | (1496 491) |
| Other costs | (525 578) | (493 987) | 6.4\% | (939 319) |
| Operating profit | 488936 | 462301 | 5.8\% | 937590 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | (2579) | (2509) |  | (6250) |
| Profit before financing costs | 486357 | 459792 | 5.8\% | 931340 |
| Net financing costs | (25 108) | (17 213) | 45.9\% | $(33626)$ |
| Financial income | 3340 | 4867 | (31.4\%) | 8235 |
| Financial expense | (28448) | (22 080) | 28.8\% | $(41861)$ |
| Profit before taxation | 461249 | 442579 | 4.2\% | 897714 |
| Income tax expense | (130 078) | (121 690) | 6.9\% | (246 749) |
| Profit for the period | 331171 | 320889 | 3.2\% | 650965 |
| Other comprehensive (loss)/income: |  |  |  |  |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign subsidiaries | (93) | 66 |  | (220) |
| Cash flow hedges | (3003) | - |  | 2105 |
| Change in fair value of effective portion | $(4171)$ | - |  | 2924 |
| Deferred tax on movement of effective portion | 1168 | - |  | (819) |
| Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period, net of tax | (3096) | 66 |  | 1885 |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | 328075 | 320955 |  | 652850 |
| Profit attributable to: |  |  |  |  |
| Equity holders of the parent | 331085 | 320863 |  | 650932 |
| Non-controlling interest | 86 | 26 |  | 33 |
|  | 331171 | 320889 |  | 650965 |
| Total comprehensive income attributable to: |  |  |  |  |
| Equity holders of the parent | 327989 | 320929 |  | 652817 |
| Non-controlling interest | 86 | 26 |  | 33 |
|  | 328075 | 320955 |  | 652850 |
| Reconciliation of headline earnings |  |  |  |  |
| Total profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the parent Adjusted for: | 331085 | 320863 |  | 650932 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 1857 | 1806 |  | 4500 |
| Headline earnings | 332942 | 322669 | 3.2\% | 655432 |
| Headline earnings per share (cents) |  |  |  |  |
| - basic | 131.6 | 122.4 | 7.5\% | 250.1 |
| - diluted | 131.5 | 122.2 | 7.6\% | 249.7 |
| Earnings per share (cents) |  |  |  |  |
| - basic | 130.8 | 121.8 | 7.4\% | 248.3 |
| - diluted | 130.8 | 121.6 | 7.6\% | 248.0 |
| Weighted average number of shares in issue (net of treasury shares) | 253063 | 263522 | (4.0\%) | 262118 |
| Weighted average diluted number of shares in issue (net of treasury shares) | 253191 | 263945 | (4.1\%) | 262515 |

* Refer to the business unit segmental analysis note.


## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

| R'000 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 29 \text { February } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | As at 28 February 2011 | As at 31 August 2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |
| Non-current assets | 1413884 | 1378980 | 1414484 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 959216 | 924052 | 949906 |
| Intangible assets | 301510 | 307032 | 301579 |
| Goodwill | 103510 | 103510 | 103510 |
| Deferred tax assets | 43870 | 28201 | 53756 |
| Loans receivable | 5778 | 16185 | 5733 |
| Current assets | 3216643 | 2624550 | 2840299 |
| Inventories | 2060097 | 1710711 | 1802557 |
| Trade and other receivables | 1053883 | 848621 | 998944 |
| Loans receivable | 9181 | 15745 | 17901 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 88401 | 40324 | 17790 |
| Derivative financial assets | 5081 | 9149 | 3107 |
| Total assets | 4630527 | 4003530 | 4254783 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES |  |  |  |
| Equity | 1082755 | 1015933 | 965187 |
| Share capital | 3054 | 2975 | 2999 |
| Share option reserve | 54079 | 26882 | 40943 |
| Cashflow hedge reserve | (898) | - | 2105 |
| Treasury shares | (925 673) | (306 845) | (703 070) |
| Non-distributable reserves | (1927) | (1 548) | (1 834) |
| Distributable reserve | 1953319 | 1293761 | 1623329 |
| Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent | 1081954 | 1015225 | 964472 |
| Non-controlling interest | 801 | 708 | 715 |
| Non-current liabilities | 254031 | 254043 | 264829 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | - | 10046 | 19 |
| Employee benefits | 83675 | 80172 | 92473 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 38254 | 42047 | 46695 |
| Operating lease liability | 132102 | 121778 | 125642 |
| Current liabilities | 3293741 | 2733554 | 3024767 |
| Trade and other payables | 2567899 | 2353250 | 2431756 |
| Employee benefits | 124637 | 155678 | 164669 |
| Provisions | 2167 | 5375 | 5217 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | 545603 | 174828 | 375217 |
| Income tax payable | 47718 | 38583 | 44489 |
| Derivative financial liabilities | 5717 | 5840 | 3419 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 4630527 | 4003530 | 4254783 |

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

| R'000 | Number of shares '000 | Share capital | Share premium |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance at 1 September 2010 | 266283 | 2841 | - |
| Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity |  |  |  |
| Contributions by and distributions to owners |  |  |  |
| Additional shares issued | 4640 | 46 | 199547 |
| Employee share ownership plan shares issued | 29153 | 291 | - |
| Distributions to shareholders | - | - | (199 547) |
| Share-based payment reserve movement | - | - | - |
| Treasury shares cancelled | - | (203) | - |
| Net cost of own shares purchased | (39 558) | - | - |
| Treasury shares purchased | (39 816) | - | - |
| Disposal of treasury shares | 258 | - | - |
| Total transactions with owners | (5765) | 134 | - |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | - | - | - |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign subsidiaries | - | - | - |
| Balance at 28 February 2011 | 260518 | 2975 | - |
| Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity |  |  |  |
| Contributions by and distributions to owners |  |  |  |
| Additional shares issued | 2348 | 24 | 100110 |
| Distributions to shareholders | - | - | (100 110) |
| Share-based payment reserve movement | - | - | - |
| Net cost of own shares purchased | (9 907) | - | - |
| Treasury shares purchased | (9990) | - | - |
| Disposal of treasury shares | 83 | - | - |
| Total transactions with owners | (7559) | 24 | - |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | - | - | - |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - |
| Cash flow hedge reserve | - | - | - |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign subsidiaries | - | - | - |
| Balance at 31 August 2011 | 252959 | 2999 | - |
| Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity |  |  |  |
| Contributions by and distributions to owners |  |  |  |
| Additional shares issued | - | 55 | 246486 |
| Distributions to shareholders | - | - | (246 486) |
| Share-based payment reserve movement | - | - | - |
| Net cost of own shares purchased | 300 | - | - |
| Treasury shares purchased | - | - | - |
| Disposal of treasury shares | 300 | - | - |
| Total transactions with owners | 300 | 55 | - |
| Total comprehensive income for the period | - | - | - |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - |
| Cash flow hedge reserve | - | - | - |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign subsidiaries | - | - | - |
| Balance at 29 February 2012 | 253259 | 3054 | - |


|  | Treasury shares | Nondistributable reserve | Cash flow hedge reserve | Distributable reserve | Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent | Noncontrolling interest | Total equity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 24600 | (510 850) | (1 614) | - | 1625669 | 1140646 | 682 | 1141328 |
| - | (199 593) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| - | (291) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| - | 481 | - | - | (46) | (199 112) | - | (199 112) |
| 2282 | - | - | - | - | 2282 | - | 2282 |
| - | 651652 | - | - | (651 449) | - | - | - |
| - | (248 244) | - | - | (1276) | (249 520) | - | (249 520) |
| - | (251 483) | - | - | - | (251 483) | - | (251 483) |
| - | 3239 | - | - | (1 276) | 1963 | - | 1963 |
| 2282 | 204005 | - | - | (652 771) | (446 350) | - | (446 350) |
| - | - | 66 | - | 320863 | 320929 | 26 | 320955 |
| - | - | - | - | 320863 | 320863 | 26 | 320889 |
| - | - | 66 | - | - | 66 | - | 66 |
| 26882 | (306 845) | (1548) | - | 1293761 | 1015225 | 708 | 1015933 |
| - | $(100$ 134) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| - | 3739 | - | - | (24) | (96 395) | - | (96 395) |
| 14061 | - | - | - | - | 14061 | - | 14061 |
| - | (299 830) | - | - | (477) | (300 307) | - | (300 307) |
| - | (300 923) | - | - | - | (300 923) | - | (300 923) |
| - | 1093 | - | - | (477) | 616 | - | 616 |
| 14061 | (396 225) | - | - | (501) | (382 641) | - | (382 641) |
| - | - | (286) | 2105 | 330069 | 331888 | 7 | 331895 |
| - | - | - | - | 330069 | 330069 | 7 | 330076 |
| - | - | - | 2105 | - | 2105 | - | 2105 |
| - | - | (286) | - | - | (286) | - | (286) |
| 40943 | (703 070) | (1 834) | 2105 | 1623329 | 964472 | 715 | 965187 |
| - | (246 541) | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| - | 20218 | - | - | 652 | (225 616) | - | (225 616) |
| 13136 | - | - | - | - | 13136 | - | 13136 |
| - | 3720 | - | - | (1747) | 1973 | - | 1973 |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| - | 3720 | - | - | (1747) | 1973 | - | 1973 |
| 13136 | (222 603) | - | - | (1 095) | (210507) | - | (210 507) |
| - | - | (93) | $(3003)$ | 331085 | 327989 | 86 | 328075 |
| - | - | - | - | 331085 | 331085 | 86 | 331171 |
| - | - | - | $(3003)$ | - | $(3003)$ | - | (3003) |
| - | - | (93) | - | - | (93) | - | (93) |
| 54079 | (925 673) | (1927) | (898) | 1953319 | 1081954 | 801 | 1082755 |

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

| R'000 | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Year to } \\ 31 \text { August } \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash effects of operating activities |  |  |  |
| Operating profit before working capital changes (refer note 1) | 591237 | 503774 | 1075227 |
| Working capital changes (refer note 2) | (235 462) | 35495 | (105055) |
| Cash generated by operations | 355775 | 539269 | 970172 |
| Interest received | 3298 | 4829 | 8156 |
| Interest paid | $(20605)$ | (15 862) | (29 269) |
| Taxation paid | (124 043) | (131 910) | (271 988) |
| Cash inflow from operating activities before distributions | 214425 | 396326 | 677071 |
| Distributions paid to shareholders | (225 616) | (199 112) | (295 507) |
| Net cash effects of operating activities | $(11$ 191) | 197214 | 381564 |
| Cash effects of investing activities |  |  |  |
| Investment in property, plant and equipment and intangibles to maintain operations | (45 047) | (34 260) | (70 160) |
| Investment in property, plant and equipment and intangibles to expand operations | (54 625) | (75010) | (145 541) |
| Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired | - | (10 225) | (10 225) |
| Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment | 498 | 619 | 1572 |
| Decrease in loans receivable | 8717 | 6664 | 15001 |
| Net cash effects of investing activities | (90 457) | (112 212) | (209 353) |
| Cash effects of financing activities |  |  |  |
| Purchase of treasury shares | - | (251 483) | (552 406) |
| Proceeds from disposal of treasury shares | 1973 | 1963 | 2579 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings raised | 170286 | 52790 | 243354 |
| Net cash effects of financing activities | 172259 | (196 730) | (306 473) |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 70611 | (111 728) | (134 262) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period | 17790 | 152052 | 152052 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period | 88401 | 40324 | 17790 |

## NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

| R'000 | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 | Year to 31 August 2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash flow information |  |  |  |
| 1 Profit before working capital changes |  |  |  |
| Profit before tax | 461249 | 442579 | 897714 |
| Adjustment for: |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 87354 | 76789 | 158285 |
| Reversal of previous unrealised foreign exchange differences | (3 237) | (7 745) | (7745) |
| Unrealised foreign exchange (gain)/loss | (1 412) | 4878 | 3237 |
| Operating lease accrual | 6460 | 6467 | 10331 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 2579 | 2509 | 6250 |
| Fair value adjustment - derivatives | - | (41 198) | (41 797) |
| Equity-settled share option costs | 13136 | 2282 | 15326 |
| Net financing cost | 25108 | 17213 | 33626 |
|  | 591237 | 503774 | 1075227 |
| 2 Working capital changes |  |  |  |
| Increase in inventories | (257540) | (139 463) | (231 309) |
| (Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables | (55 229) | 20136 | (130 302) |
| Disposal of derivative financial instruments | - | 151284 | 161032 |
| Increase in trade and other payables | 136950 | 73865 | 152256 |
| Decrease in employee benefits | (56 593) | (69 458) | (55 705) |
| Decrease in provisions | (3 050) | (869) | (1 027) |
|  | (235 462) | 35495 | (105 055) |

## OPERATIONAL SEGMENTAL STATEMENT OF INCOME

|  | Retail |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R'000 | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 (restated)* | change |
| Segment revenue | 6152068 | 5662889 |  |
| Turnover | 5954055 | 5498405 | 8.3\% |
| Cost of merchandise sold | (4 224 362) | (3 865 422) | 9.3\% |
| Gross profit | 1729693 | 1632983 | 5.9\% |
| Other income | 198013 | 164484 | 20.4\% |
| Total income | 1927706 | 1797467 | 7.2\% |
| Segment expenses | (1512 575) | (1408 030) | 7.4\% |
| Depreciation and amortisation | (76 022) | (65 679) | 15.7\% |
| Occupancy costs | (229 380) | (207 445) | 10.6\% |
| Employment costs | (753 475) | (701 566) | 7.4\% |
| Other operating costs | (453 698) | (433 340) | 4.7\% |
| Operating profit | 415131 | 389437 | 6.6\% |
| (Loss)/profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment | (2707) | (2 601) |  |
| Segment result | 412424 | 386836 | 6.6\% |

* Refer to business unit segmental analysis note


## ANALYSIS OF SHAREHOLDERS

Fund managers or shareholders managing 3\% or more of the issued share capital:

|  | Feb 2012 <br> Percentage <br> of shares | Feb 2011 <br> Percentage <br> of shares |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Major fund managers | $\mathbf{1 0 . 9 \%}$ | $16.6 \%$ |
| Public Investment Corporation (SA) | $\mathbf{8 . 0 \%}$ | $4.5 \%$ |
| Baillie Gifford (UK) | $5.7 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |
| Coronation Fund Managers (SA) | $3.8 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ |
| Morgan Stanley Investment | $3.5 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ |
| Management (UK) |  |  |
| Oasis Asset Management (SA) |  |  |


| Geographic distribution of | Feb 2012 <br> Percentage <br> of shares | Feb 2011 <br> Percentage <br> of shares |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| South Africa and Africa | $\mathbf{4 4 . 7 \%}$ | $44.8 \%$ |
| Offshore holdings | $55.3 \%$ | $55.2 \%$ | | USA and Canada | $29.0 \%$ | $32.4 \%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| United Kingdom, Ireland <br> and Channel Islands | $\mathbf{1 1 . 6 \%}$ | $10.1 \%$ |
| Europe | $6.9 \%$ | $7.8 \%$ |
| Other countries | $\mathbf{7 . 8 \%}$ | $4.9 \%$ |


| Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 (restated)* | change | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 (restated)* | Six months to 29 February 2012 | Six months to 28 February 2011 (restated) ${ }^{\text {² }}$ | change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3051041 | 2904179 |  | (1 184 410) | (1076 034) | 8018699 | 7491034 |  |
| 2866016 | 2729818 | 5.0\% | (1 162 572) | (1061 455) | 7657499 | 7166768 | 6.8\% |
| (2 811 308) | (2682 076) | 4.8\% | 1161746 | 1062056 | (5 873 924) | (5485 442) | 7.1\% |
| 54708 | 47742 | 14.6\% | (826) | 601 | 1783575 | 1681326 | 6.1\% |
| 185025 | 174361 | 6.1\% | $(21838)$ | (14 579) | 361200 | 324266 | 11.4\% |
| 239733 | 222103 | 7.9\% | $(22664)$ | (13 978) | 2144775 | 2005592 | 6.9\% |
| $(165$ 102) | (149 840) | 10.2\% | 21838 | 14579 | (1655 839) | (1543 291) | 7.3\% |
| (7 287) | (6722) | 8.4\% | - | - | $(83$ 309) | (72 401) | 15.1\% |
| (880) | (1528) | (42.4\%) | 563 | 539 | (229 697) | $(208434)$ | 10.2\% |
| (63 780) | (66 903) | (4.7\%) | - | - | (817 255) | (768 469) | 6.3\% |
| (93 155) | (74 687) | 24.7\% | 21275 | 14040 | (525 578) | (493 987) | 6.4\% |
| 74631 | 72263 | 3.3\% | (826) | 601 | 488936 | 462301 | 5.8\% |
| 128 | 92 |  | - | - | (2 579) | (2509) |  |
| 74759 | 72355 | 3.3\% | (826) | 601 | 486357 | 459792 | 5.8\% |

## OPERATIONAL SEGMENTAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Retail

| R'000 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 29 \text { February } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 28 \text { February } \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SEGMENT ASSETS |  |  |
| Segment non-current assets | 1181119 | 1141078 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 813114 | 773293 |
| Intangible assets | 298491 | 304868 |
| Goodwill | 18855 | 18855 |
| Deferred tax assets | 43545 | 27877 |
| Intragroup loans | 1336 | - |
| Loans receivable | 5778 | 16185 |
| Segment current assets | 2213031 | 1906759 |
| Inventories | 1534622 | 1289821 |
| Trade and other receivables | 197886 | 179529 |
| Intragroup loans | 390452 | 390452 |
| Loans receivable | 9181 | 15745 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 75809 | 22063 |
| Derivative financial assets | 5081 | 9149 |
| Total segment assets | 3394150 | 3047837 |
| SEGMENT EQUITY AND LIABILITIES |  |  |
| Segment equity | 715867 | 784365 |
| Share capital | 3054 | 2975 |
| Share option reserve | 53493 | 26730 |
| Cash flow hedge reserve | (898) | - |
| Treasury shares | (925 673) | (306 845) |
| Non-distributable reserve | (490) | (391) |
| Distributable reserve | 1586381 | 1061896 |
| Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent | 715867 | 784365 |
| Non-controlling interest | - | - |
| Segment non-current liabilities | 485373 | 525867 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | - | 10000 |
| Intragroup loans | 236716 | 279114 |
| Employee benefits | 78301 | 72928 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 38254 | 42047 |
| Operating lease liability | 132102 | 121778 |
| Segment current liabilities | 2192910 | 1737605 |
| Trade and other payables | 1474307 | 1371973 |
| Intragroup loans | - | - |
| Employee benefits | 117699 | 141077 |
| Provisions | 2167 | 5375 |
| Interest-bearing borrowings | 545603 | 174775 |
| Income tax payable | 47417 | 38565 |
| Derivative financial liabilities | 5717 | 5840 |
| Total segment equity and liabilities | 3394150 | 3047837 |


| UPD |  | Intragroup elimination |  | Group |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| As at 29 February 2012 | As at 28 February 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 29 \text { February } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 28 \text { February } \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 29 \text { February } \\ 2012 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | As at 28 February 2011 |
| 470817 | 517016 | $(238052)$ | (279 114) | 1413884 | 1378980 |
| 146102 | 150759 | - | - | 959216 | 924052 |
| 3019 | 2164 | - | - | 301510 | 307032 |
| 84655 | 84655 | - | - | 103510 | 103510 |
| 325 | 324 | - | - | 43870 | 28201 |
| 236716 | 279114 | (238 052) | (279 114) | - | - |
| - | - | - | - | 5778 | 16185 |
| 1652546 | 1370366 | (648 934) | (652 575) | 3216643 | 2624550 |
| 537202 | 435143 | (11 727) | (14 253) | 2060097 | 1710711 |
| 1102752 | 916962 | $(246755)$ | (247 870) | 1053883 | 848621 |
| - | - | (390 452) | (390 452) | - | - |
| - | - | - | - | 9181 | 15745 |
| 12592 | 18261 | - | - | 88401 | 40324 |
| - | - | - | - | 5081 | 9149 |
| 2123363 | 1887382 | (886 986) | (931 689) | 4630527 | 4003530 |
| 378615 | 245821 | (11 727) | (14 253) | 1082755 | 1015933 |
| - | - | - | - | 3054 | 2975 |
| 586 | 152 | - | - | 54079 | 26882 |
| - | - | - | - | (898) | - |
| - | - | - | - | (925 673) | (306 845) |
| (1 437) | (1 157) | - | - | (1927) | (1548) |
| 378665 | 246118 | (11 727) | (14 253) | 1953319 | 1293761 |
| 377814 | 245113 | (11 727) | (14 253) | 1081954 | 1015225 |
| 801 | 708 | - | - | 801 | 708 |
| 6710 | 7290 | (238 052) | (279 114) | 254031 | 254043 |
| - | 46 | - | - | - | 10046 |
| 1336 | - | (238 052) | (279 114) | - | - |
| 5374 | 7244 | - | - | 83675 | 80172 |
| - | - | - | - | 38254 | 42047 |
| - | - | - | - | 132102 | 121778 |
| 1738038 | 1634271 | (637 207) | (638 322) | 3293741 | 2733554 |
| 1340347 | 1229147 | (246 755) | (247 870) | 2567899 | 2353250 |
| 390452 | 390452 | (390 452) | (390 452) | - | - |
| 6938 | 14601 | - | - | 124637 | 155678 |
| - | - | - | - | 2167 | 5375 |
| - | 53 | - | - | 545603 | 174828 |
| 301 | 18 | - | - | 47718 | 38583 |
| - | - | - | - | 5717 | 5840 |
| 2123363 | 1887382 | (886 986) | (931 689) | 4630527 | 4003530 |

## BUSINESS UNIT SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

for the six months to 29 February 2012


* The statement of comprehensive income as at 28 February 2011 and 31 August 2011 have been restated for the reclassification of income and expenses between turnover, cost of sales, other income and other operating expenses. This has resulted in an increase in cost of sales in Clicks of R13.4 million (28 February 2011) and R49.9 million (31 August 2011) with a corresponding increase in other income. Within UPD turnover has increased by R29.2 million (28 February 2011) and R82.9 million (31 August 2011) with a corresponding increase in other operating expenses. The inter-segmental elimination increased by R13.4 million (28 February 2011) and R49.9 million (31 August 2011) relating to turnover and cost of sales with a corresponding increase in the elimination relating to other income and other operating expenses of a similar amount. There has been no impact on profit, statement of financial position, statement of changes in equity or statement of cash flows.

| Group Services |  | Total retail operations |  | UPD |  | Intragroup elimination |  | Total operations |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{r} 29 \text { Feb } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 28 \text { Feb } \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29 \text { Feb } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 28 \text { Feb } \\ 2011^{*} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29 \text { Feb } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 28 \text { Feb } \\ 2011^{*} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29 \text { Feb } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 28 \text { Feb } \\ 2011^{*} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29 \text { Feb } \\ 2012 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 28 \text { Feb } \\ 2011^{*} \end{gathered}$ |
| 187696 | 196572 | 813114 | 773293 | 146102 | 150759 | - | - | 959216 | 924052 |
| 8519 | 12258 | 298491 | 304868 | 3019 | 2164 | - | - | 301510 | 307032 |
| - | - | 18855 | 18855 | 84655 | 84655 | - | - | 103510 | 103510 |
| - | - | 1534622 | 1289821 | 537202 | 435143 | (11727) | (14 253) | 2060097 | 1710711 |
| 5748 | 15206 | 197886 | 179529 | 1102752 | 916962 | (246 755) | (247 870) | 1053883 | 848621 |
| 69516 | 18041 | 75809 | 22063 | 12592 | 18261 | - | - | 88401 | 40324 |
| 450790 | 456305 | 455373 | 459408 | 237041 | 279438 | (628 504) | (669 566) | 63910 | 69280 |
| 722269 | 698382 | 3394150 | 3047837 | 2123363 | 1887382 | (886 986) | (931 689) | 4630527 | 4003530 |
| 67851 | 67739 | 78301 | 72928 | 5374 | 7244 | - | - | 83675 | 80172 |
| - | - | 132102 | 121778 | - | - | - | - | 132102 | 121778 |
| 155847 | 216743 | 1474307 | 1371973 | 1340347 | 1229147 | (246 755) | (247 870) | 2567899 | 2353250 |
| 33958 | 50862 | 117699 | 141077 | 6938 | 14601 | - | - | 124637 | 155678 |
| 863999 | 549421 | 875874 | 555716 | 392089 | 390569 | (628 504) | (669 566) | 639459 | 276719 |
| 1121655 | 884765 | 2678283 | 2263472 | 1744748 | 1641561 | (875 259) | (917 436) | 3547772 | 2987597 |
| (399 386) | (186 383) | 715867 | 784365 | 378615 | 245821 | (11 727) | (14 253) | 1082755 | 1015933 |
| - | - | 5954055 | 5498405 | 2866016 | 2729818 | (1162 572) | (1061 455) | 7657499 | 7166768 |
| - | - | 1729693 | 1632983 | 54708 | 47742 | (826) | 601 | 1783575 | 1681326 |
| - | - | 198013 | 164484 | 185025 | 174361 | $(21838)$ | (14 579) | 361200 | 324266 |
| - | - | 1927706 | 1797467 | 239733 | 222103 | $(22664)$ | (13 978) | 2144775 | 2005592 |
| - | - | (1512 575) | (1408 030) | (165 102) | (149 840) | 21838 | 14579 | (1655 839) | (1543 291) |
| - | - | 415131 | 389437 | 74631 | 72263 | (826) | 601 | 488936 | 462301 |
| - | - | 8.3 | 13.5 | 5.0 | 7.3 | 9.5 | 31.3 | 6.8 | 8.9 |
| - | - | 0.1 | 0.9 | (0.5) | 4.4 | - | - | (0.2) | 2.1 |
| - | - | 4.8 | 10.8 | - | - | - | - | 4.8 | 10.8 |
| - | - | 29.1 | 29.7 | 1.9 | 1.7 | - | - | 23.3 | 23.5 |
| - | - | 32.4 | 32.7 | 8.4 | 8.1 | - | - | 28.0 | 28.0 |
| - | - | 25.4 | 25.6 | 5.8 | 5.5 | - | - | 21.6 | 21.5 |
| - | - | 7.4 | 13.9 | 10.2 | 1.4 | - | - | 7.3 | 13.0 |
| - | - | 6.6 | 19.0 | 3.3 | 1.2 | - | - | 5.8 | 16.5 |
| - | - | 7.0 | 7.1 | 2.6 | 2.6 | - | - | 6.4 | 6.5 |
| - | - | 71 | 65 | 35 | 30 | - | - | 66 | 59 |
| - | - | 9 | 13 | 63 | 56 | - | - | 48 | 42 |
| - | - | 47 | 45 | 75 | 73 | - | - | 63 | 60 |
| - | - | 594 | 575 | - | - | - | - | 594 | 575 |
| - | - | 590 | 561 | - | - | - | - | 590 | 561 |
| - | - | 15 | 19 | - | - | - | - | 15 | 19 |
| - | - | (11) | (5) | - | - | - | - | (11) | (5) |
| - | - | 295 | 266 | - | - | - | - | 295 | 266 |
| - | - | 283 | 251 | - | - | - | - | 283 | 251 |
| - | - | 13 | 20 | - | - | - | - | 13 | 20 |
| - | - | (1) | (5) | - | - | - | - | (1) | (5) |
| - | - | 299798 | 286288 | - | - | - | - | 299798 | 286288 |
| - | - | 232741 | 220803 | - | - | - | - | 232741 | 220803 |
| - | - | 46590 | 45356 | - | - | - | - | 46590 | 45356 |
| 383 | 376 | 7694 | 7798 | 385 | 420 | - | - | 8079 | 8218 |

## DEFINITIONS

## Capital expenditure

Maintenance capital expenditure
Capital expenditure incurred in replacing existing capital expenditure or capital expenditure with a return below the group's required return.

## Growth capital expenditure

Capital expenditure that is not maintenance capital expenditure.

## Cash flow

## Financing activities

Activities that result in changes to the capital and funding structure of the group.

## Investing activities

Activities relating to the acquisition, holding and disposal of capital assets and longterm investments.

## Operating activities

Activities that are not financing or investing activities that arise from the operations conducted by the group.

## Comparable stores' turnover growth

Sales growth expressed as a percentage of growth for stores that have been operating for the full period during the current and previous financial periods.

## Current ratio

Current assets at period-end divided by current liabilities at period-end.

## Distribution cover

Undiluted headline earnings per share for the period divided by the distribution per share for the period.

## Distribution per share

Distribution per share is the actual interim cash dividend and/or capital distribution paid and the final cash dividend and/or capital distribution declared, expressed as cents per share.

## Earnings per share

Earnings per share
Profit for the period divided by the weighted average number of shares in issue for the period.

## Diluted earnings per share

Profit for the period divided by the weighted average diluted number of shares in issue for the period.

## Headline earnings per share

Headline earnings divided by the weighted average number of shares in issue for the period.

## Diluted headline earnings per share

Headline earnings divided by the per share weighted average diluted number of shares in issue for the period.

## Free float

The number of ordinary shares that are freely tradable on the JSE Limited, excluding treasury shares and shares held by directors and employee share schemes.

## Gross profit margin

Gross profit expressed as a percentage of turnover.

## Headline earnings

Profit for the period adjusted for the aftertax effect of goodwill impairment
and certain other capital items.

## IFRS

International Financial Reporting Standards, as adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC") of the IASB.

Clicks Group's consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Interest-bearing debt, including cash, to shareholders' interest at period-end Interest-bearing debt (including bank overdraft), net of cash balances, at the end of the period divided by shareholders' interest at the end of the period.

## Inventory days

Closing inventory at period-end divided by the cost of merchandise sold during the period, multiplied by 365 days.

## Issued shares

Ordinary shares and unlisted "A" shares having a par value of one cent each in the authorised share capital of Clicks Group Limited.

## Market capitalisation

The closing market price per share at period-end multiplied by the number of ordinary shares in issue at period-end.

## Net asset value per share

Net assets at period-end divided by the number of ordinary shares in issue at period-end (net of treasury shares).

## Net tangible asset value per share

Net assets at period-end, less intangible assets (such as goodwill and trademarks), divided by the number of ordinary shares in issue at period-end (net of treasury shares).

## Operating profit

Operating profit before financing costs, as reported in the group consolidated statement of comprehensive income, adjusted to exclude goodwill impairment, impairment of property, plant and equipment, profit on disposal of businesses and profit/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment.

## Operating profit margin

Operating profit expressed as a percentage of turnover.

## Percentage of ordinary shares traded

The number of ordinary shares traded on the JSE Limited during the period as a percentage of the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue.

## Price earnings ratio

The closing market price per share at period-end divided by diluted headline earnings per share for the period.

Return on shareholders' interest (ROE)
Headline earnings expressed as a percentage of the average shareholders' interest for the period.

Return on total assets (ROA)
Headline earnings expressed as a percentage of the average total assets for the period.

## Segmental reporting

Operational segment
A distinguishable type of operation within the group.

## Business unit segment

A distinguishable trading brand or component of the group.

## Selling price inflation

The change in the weighted average selling price of a sample of products for the period relative to the previous period expressed as a percentage of the weighted average selling price of the same sample of products for the previous period. Only products sold in both the current and previous periods are included in the sample.

## Shareholders' interest

Share capital and share premium (reduced by the cost of treasury shares) and other reserves comprising equity.

## Shareholders' interest to total assets

The shareholders' interest divided by the total assets at the period-end.

## Total income

Gross profit plus other income.

## Total income margin

Total income expressed as a percentage of turnover.

## Trade creditor days

Closing trade creditors at period-end (adjusted to exclude VAT), divided by the cost of merchandise sold during the period, multiplied by 365 days.

## Trade debtor days

Closing trade debtors at period-end (adjusted to exclude VAT), divided by sales for the period, multiplied by 365 days.

## Treasury shares

Issued shares in Clicks Group Limited held by a group company in terms of an approved share repurchase programme the New Clicks Holdings Share Trust or the Clicks Group Employee Share Ownership Trust.

## Weighted average number of shares

The number of ordinary shares in issue, increased by shares issued during the period and reduced by treasury shares purchased or shares cancelled during the period, weighted on a time basis for the period during which they have participated in the income of the group.

## Weighted average diluted number of

 sharesThe weighted average number of shares adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential shares.

## PRESENTATION



## PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Review of the period David Kneale
- Financial results Michael Fleming
- Trading performance Mike Harvey and David Kneale
- Outlook David Kneale
- Questions


## PRESENTATION



## REVIEW OF THE PERIOD

- Tough trading in a competitive environment
- Market slowdown due to lack of selling price inflation
- Pressure on margins
- Good cost management
- Benefit from capital management in prior year
- Real volume growth
- Health and beauty market share increased



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Group turnover up 6.8\%
- Selling price deflation of $\mathbf{0 . 2 \%}$
- Retail turnover up 8.3\%
- UPD turnover up 5.0\%
- Operating margin down from $6.5 \%$ to $6.4 \%$
- Diluted headline EPS up 7.6\% to 131.5 cps
- Interim dividend of 44.1 cps , up $19.2 \%$
- ROE increases from 55.8\% to 60.7\%


## PRESENTATION

## TURNOVER

| R'm | Feb <br> 2012 | Feb <br> 2011 | \% <br> change | \% same <br> store <br> growth | inflation |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Clicks | 5382 | 4912 | 9.6 | 5.5 | 0.5 |
| Musica | 505 | 527 | $(4.2)$ | $(3.3)$ | $(4.5)$ |
| The Body Shop | 67 | 59 | 14.5 | 14.2 | $(0.7)$ |
| Total retail | 5954 | 5498 | 8.3 | 4.8 | $\mathbf{0 . 1}$ |
| UPD | 2866 | 2730 | 5.0 |  | $(0.5)$ |
| Intragroup turnover | $163)$ | $(1061)$ | 9.5 |  |  |
| Total group | 7657 | 7167 | $\mathbf{6 . 8}$ |  | $\mathbf{( 0 . 2 )}$ |

* Impact of low inflation
- Benefit from new stores in Clicks
- Real growth in all businesses


## TOTAL INCOME

|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Feb } \\ 2011 \\ \text { R'm } \end{array}$ | \% change |  | Feb 2011 \% margin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Feb } \\ 2012 \\ \text { R'm }^{\prime} \end{array}$ |  |  | Feb 2012 \% margin |  |
| Clicks | 1699 | 1567 | 8.5 | 31.6 | 31.9 |
| Musica | 184 | 190 | (3.0) | 36.5 | 36.0 |
| The Body Shop | 44 | 41 | 7.9 | 65.5 | 69.5 |
| Total retail | 1927 | 1798 | 7.2 | 32.4 | 32.7 |
| UPD | 240 | 222 | 7.9 | 8.4 | 8.1 |
| Intragroup | (22) | (14) |  |  |  |
| Total group | 2145 | 2006 | 6.9 | 28.0 | 28.0 |

- Strong promotional campaigns and adverse mix impact in Clicks
- Renegotiated supplier terms in Musica
- Benefit from distribution agency business in UPD


## OPERATING EXPENDITURE - RETAIL

| R'm | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 | \% change |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 76 | 66 | 15.7 |
| Occupancy costs | 229 | 207 | 10.6 |
| Employment costs | 754 | 702 | 7.4 |
| Other operating costs | 454 | 433 | 4.7 |
| Total retail costs | 1513 | 1408 | 7.4 |

- 30 new Clicks stores and 29 additional dispensaries since February 2011
- IFRS 2 charge of R12m for ESOP scheme (2011: R2m)
* Pharmacy professional costs up $8.4 \%$ in same stores
- Comparable costs up only $2.7 \%$


## OPERATING EXPENDITURE - UPD

| R'm | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 | \% change |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 7 | 7 | 8.4 |
| Occupancy costs | 1 | 2 | $(42.4)$ |
| Employment costs | 64 | 67 | $(4.7)$ |
| Other operating costs | 93 | 74 | 24.7 |
| Total UPD costs | 165 | 150 | 10.2 |

* Other operating costs include investment of R4.5m in distribution capabilities
- Additional variable distribution costs of R3.2m
- Comparable costs up 5\%


## PRESENTATION

## OPERATING PROFIT

|  | Feb 2012 <br> R'm | Feb <br> 2011 <br> R'm | \% <br> change | Feb 2012 <br> \% margin | Feb 2011 <br> \% margin |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Clicks | 363 | 343 | 5.7 | 6.7 | 7.0 |
| Musica | 37 | 33 | 11.7 | 7.3 | 6.3 |
| The Body Shop | 15 | 13 | 18.4 | 22.8 | 22.1 |
| Total retail | 415 | 389 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 7.1 |
| UPD | 75 | 72 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| Intragroup | $(1)$ | 1 |  |  |  |
| Total group | 489 | 462 | 5.8 | 6.4 | 6.5 |

## INVENTORY

|  | Days in stock* |  | Inventory (R'm) |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Feb | Feb | Feb | Feb | \% change |
|  | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 |  |
| Clicks | 68 | 61 | 1353 | 1085 | 24.7 |
| Musica | 97 | 105 | 165 | 190 | $(13.0)$ |
| The Body Shop | 134 | 157 | 17 | 15 | 9.5 |
| Total retail | 71 | 65 | 1535 | 1290 | 19.0 |
| UPD | 35 | 30 | 537 | 435 | 23.5 |
| Intragroup inventory |  |  | $(12)$ | $(14)$ | $(17.7)$ |
| Total group | 66 | 59 | 2060 | $\mathbf{1 7 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 . 4}$ |

- Stock bought in ahead of price increases on selected lines
- At cost price


## CASH GENERATION

| R'm | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Profit before tax | 461 | 443 |
| Non-cash adjustments | 130 | 61 |
| Operating profit before working capital <br> changes | 591 | 504 |
| Working capital changes, excl derivative | (236) | (116) |
| Disposal of derivative hedge | - | 151 |
| Net interest and tax paid | (141) | (143) |
| Cash inflow from operations | 214 | 396 |
| The group continues to be strongly cash generative |  |  |

## CASH UTILISATION

| R'm | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Cash inflow from operations | 214 | 396 |
| Capital expenditure | $(99)$ | $(119)$ |
| Distributions paid | $(225)$ | $(199)$ |
| Share buy-backs | - | $(251)$ |
| Other investing activities | 9 | 7 |
| Other financing activities | 172 | 54 |
| Net cash generated/(utilised) | 71 | $(112)$ |

- R282m capex planned for FY2012


## PRESENTATION

## PLANS FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS

- Prudent cost and cash management
- Capex of R183m in second half
- R95m stores
- R41m IT systems
- R37m UPD
- R10m other
- Dividend cover reduced to
1.8 times





## OVERVIEW

- Pressure on top line growth
- No selling price inflation
- Highly competitive market
- Increased promotional activity to drive volume and traffic
- Slower sales growth in higher margin categories
- Tighter cost management
- New stores performing ahead of expectations



## PRESENTATION

| SALES PERFORMANCE |  | \%IC L I C K S 3 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| R'm | \% change | \% contribution |
| Health |  |  |
| Scheduled medicines | 11.1 | 25.6 |
| Front shop health | 14.5 | 27.9 |
| Beauty | 7.1 | 24.4 |
| General merchandise | 4.9 | 22.1 |
| Total turnover | 9.6 | 100.0 |

## HEALTH

- Clicks dispensary sales $+11.4 \%$ (value) and $+12.3 \%$ (volume)
- Switch to generics
- Medical aid benefit changes and greater self-medication
- Good growth in other key categories
- Baby +29.9\%
- Vitamins and supplements $+11.8 \%$
- Increased market share
\%
Retail pharmacy*
Front shop health**
Feb 2012


Per IMS * Per AC Nielsen (restated)

## BEAUTY

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- Insufficient premium ranges
= Colour cosmetics +8.3\%
- Fragrance +7.6\%
- New launches and aggressive promotions
= Skincare +9.7\%
- Haircare +6.3\%
- Mixed market share performance

| \% | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Colour cosmetics $^{* *}$ | 28.1 | 29.2 |
| Skincare*** $^{\text {Haircare*** }}$ | 33.7 | 33.8 |

** Per RLC $\quad{ }^{* * *}$ Per AC Nielsen (restated)

## GENERAL MERCHANDISE

- Lack of newness in homeware
- Homeware -4.7\%
- Good performance in other key categories
- Confectionery $+9.6 \%$
- Electrical and hi-tech $+9.1 \%$

- Stable market share

| \% | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Small household appliances**** | 19.2 | 19.2 |

## PRESENTATION

## STORE AND PHARMACY PRESENCE

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- 412 stores at February 2012
- Opened net 12 stores in first half
- Faster sales growth in convenience and regular formats
- Significant centre upgrades impacting destination format
- 295 dispensaries at February 2012
* Net 12 dispensaries opened in past six months
- Addressing pharmacist availability
- 96 bursaries to pharmacy students
- Increased pharmacy assistant learners from 160 to 241



## CUSTOMERS AND BRAND

- ClubCard membership now 3.6 m
- Net growth of 320000 members since February 2011
- 76.9\% of sales (2011: 76.5\%)
- New affinity partners
- 2.8 m cardholders on pharmacy database
- 95000 members of Baby Club
- Private label down from $19.9 \%$ to $19.2 \%$ of sales
- Front shop down from $25.9 \%$ to $24.7 \%$



## PLANS FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS

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- Trading conditions expected to remain challenging
- Aggressive promotional programme planned
: Selling price inflation to average around $2 \%$ in H2
- Good pipeline of store openings
- 20-30 new stores for the year
- 30-40 new dispensaries in FY2012
- Improving our core offer
- Innovation in front shop
- Drive volume in pharmacy
* Increasing loyalty and spend through ClubCard




## PRESENTATION

## PERFORMANCE

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- Market share increased from 22.9\% to 23.2\%*
- Scheduled medicines up 5.1\%
- Originators $+0.3 \%$
- Generics +13.3\%
- Front shop sales up 4.2\%
- Better range targeted at independent pharmacy
- Product availability maintained at $92 \%$
- Successful take on of four distribution agency contracts
- MAT per IM5 (restated)


## TURNOVER



|  | \% change | \% contribution |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Clicks | 9.4 | 40.5 |
| Hospitals | 5.8 | 28.0 |
| Link pharmacy | $(7.4)$ | 15.7 |
| Other independent pharmacy | 4.0 | 9.9 |
| Other | $\mathbf{1 1 . 0}$ | 5.9 |
| Total turnover | $\mathbf{5 . 0}$ | 100.0 |

## PLANS FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS

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- SEP increase of up to $2.14 \%$ to benefit H2
- Drive turnover growth
- Preferred supply partner for Aspen from February 2012
- Settle in new distribution agency contracts
- Expect R1.5bn notional turnover in FY2012
- Pfizer contract commences July 2012
- Investment to increase distribution capacity and improve wholesaling efficiency
- R17m in H2 and R28m in FY2013



## PRESENTATION

PERFORMANCE AND OUTLOOK

|  |  | Market share* $^{2}$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% change | \% contribution | Feb 2012 | Feb 2011 |
| CDs | $(5.0)$ | 47.3 | 44.7 | 41.6 |
| DVDs | $(13.3)$ | 25.9 | 28.6 | 28.2 |
| Gaming | $(6.2)$ | 17.7 | 10.3 | 9.8 |
| Technology | 30.2 | 9.1 |  |  |

- Continued decline in traditional formats, partially offset by market share gains
- Net closure of 8 stores in the period
- Technology category to be extended to a further 24 stores
- Cost management will continue to improve efficiencies
- Further 8 store closures planned in H 2
- Per Aquidneck/Cris


## PERFORMANCE AND OUTLOOK

THE BODY SHOP.

- Strong first half performance
- Good gifting range
- Better availability
- Strong promotions
- 117000 "Love Your Body" cardholders
- Relaunch of The Body Shop brand internationally in May 2012
- New store look
- New products
" New brand expression "Beauty with Heart"




## OUTLOOK

- Middle income consumers under the most pressure
- Health and beauty market will remain promotionally driven
- Anticipate minimal real growth in private pharmacy market
- Selling price inflation expected to be under $2 \%$ for the year
- Focus is on maintaining competitive position
- Volume growth
- Cost containment
- Maintaining investment for longer term growth
- Expect 6 - 11\% growth in diluted HEPS for FY2012


## PRESENTATION

## MEDIUM-TERM POSITIONING

- Clicks is the market leading health and beauty retail brand, with scope to grow its footprint and market share
- UPD is the leading pharmaceutical wholesaler and is well positioned to grow its distribution agency business
- Strong cash generation ability
- Confident of achieving medium-term financial targets

| $2012-2014$ targets |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| ROE (\%) | $55-65$ |
| ROA (\%) | $14-18$ |
| Inventory days | $55-60$ |
| Group operating margin (\%) | $6.0-7.0$ |



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