
TICAN FRESH MEAT A/S

Strandvejen 6, DK-7700 Thisted

Annual Report for 2023

CVR No. 26 78 65 76

The Annual Report was
presented and adopted
at the Annual General
Meeting of the
company
on 3/6 2024

Jens Røjkjær Lyhne
Chairman of the
general meeting



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Management's statement

The Executive Board and Board of Directors have today considered and adopted the Annual Report of TIKAN FRESH MEAT A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023.

The Annual Report is prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion the Financial Statements and the Consolidated Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position at 31 December 2023 of the Company and the Group and of the results of the Company and Group operations and of consolidated cash flows for 2023.

In our opinion, Management's Review includes a true and fair account of the matters addressed in the Review.

We recommend that the Annual Report be adopted at the Annual General Meeting.

Thisted, 3 June 2024

Executive Board

Steen Ingemann Sønnichsen

Jens Røjkjær Lyhne

Board of Directors

Carl Ernst Bürger
Chairman

Jacqueline Nowack

Steen Ingemann Sønnichsen

Independent Auditor's report

To the shareholder of TICAN FRESH MEAT A/S

Opinion

In our opinion, the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Parent Company Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and the Parent Company at 31 December 2023 and of the results of the Group's and the Parent Company's operations and of consolidated cash flows for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

We have audited the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Parent Company Financial Statements of TICAN FRESH MEAT A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2023, which comprise income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies, for both the Group and the Parent Company, as well as consolidated statement of cash flows ("the Financial Statements").

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark. Our responsibilities under those standards and requirements are further described in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and the additional ethical requirements applicable in Denmark, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Statement on Management's Review

Management is responsible for Management's Review.

Our opinion on the Financial Statements does not cover Management's Review, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Statements, our responsibility is to read Management's Review and, in doing so, consider whether Management's Review is materially inconsistent with the Financial Statements or our knowledge obtained during the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Moreover, it is our responsibility to consider whether Management's Review provides the information required under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Based on the work we have performed, in our view, Management's Review is in accordance with the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Parent Company Financial Statements and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Danish Financial Statements Act. We did not identify any material misstatement in Management's Review.

Management's responsibilities for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of consolidated financial statements and parent company financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act, and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Financial Statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Group's and the Parent Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements unless Management either intends to liquidate the Group or the Parent Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Independent Auditor's report

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Financial Statements.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's and the Parent Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Management.

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- Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's and the Parent Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the Financial Statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group and the Parent Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and contents of the Financial Statements, including the disclosures, and whether the Financial Statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that gives a true and fair view.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Holstebro, 3 June 2024

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Company information

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Board of Directors	Carl Ernst Bürger, chairman Jacqueline Nowack Steen Ingemann Sønnichsen
Executive Board	Steen Ingemann Sønnichsen Jens Røjkjær Lyhne
Auditors	PricewaterhouseCoopers Statsautoriseret Revisionspartnerselskab Hjalttesvej 16 DK-7500 Holstebro

Group Chart

Company	Residence	Ownership
TICAN FRESH MEAT A/S	Denmark	
Tican (UK) Holdings Ltd.	UK	100
Tican UK Ltd.	UK	100
Tican Chilled Ltd.	UK	100
Tican Process Holdings Ltd.	UK	100
Direct Table Foods Ltd.	UK	100
Pro-Pak Foods Ltd.	UK	100
Tican-Rose G.m.b.H.	Germany	100
Moesgaard Meat 2012 A/S	Denmark	60
HP Production ApS	Denmark	60
Ejendomsselskabet Moesgaard Meat ApS	Denmark	60

Financial Highlights

Seen over a 5-year period, the development of the Group is described by the following financial highlights:

	Group				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Key figures					
Profit/loss					
Revenue	7,398,093	8,627,433	8,296,520	8,898,250	7,825,539
Gross profit	719,880	847,742	631,518	673,565	742,926
Profit/loss of financial income and expenses	-60,900	-33,234	-17,571	-18,416	-4,310
Net profit/loss for the year	79,762	30,245	-257,532	-35,402	208,094
Balance sheet					
Balance sheet total	2,771,900	3,281,261	2,868,577	2,775,507	2,732,622
Investment in property, plant and equipment	40,080	229,931	76,846	-186,614	-56,825
Equity	592,693	506,188	510,637	717,469	789,352
Number of employees	1,922	2,160	2,235	2,160	2,102
Ratios					
Gross margin	9.7%	9.8%	7.6%	7.6%	9.5%
Profit margin	1.8%	0.8%	-2.8%	0.1%	1.8%
Return on assets	4.9%	2.1%	-8.1%	0.3%	5.3%
Solvency ratio	21.4%	15.4%	17.8%	25.9%	28.9%
Return on equity	14.5%	5.9%	-41.9%	-4.7%	31.1%

Management's review

Management commentary

The annual report Year 2023 of Tican Fresh Meat A/S (Tican) is defined and calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Danish Financial Statements Act governing reporting class C enterprises (large).

The accounting policies applied to these consolidated financial statements and parent financial statements are consistent with those applied last year.

Primary activities

The Company's activities consist primarily in running slaughtering business and other production activities as well as food trading, financing, shareholding, investments, and subordinate capital contributions in other companies.

Development in activities and finances

The Company's income statement for 2023 shows a profit of DKK 79,762k, and the consolidated balance sheet at 31 December 2023 shows equity of DKK 592,693k.

During the year, Tican has focused its efforts on increasing productivity and maintaining its ability to provide safe quality products at competitive prices. During the year, investments were made in both optimization and maintenance of production.

In the UK market, the group companies have had a poor year. In a competitive market, however, Tican Chilled Ltd. succeeded in maintaining its position as a leading provider of various types of meat to independent butchers and catering enterprises. Whereas the group's food processing companies in the UK, Direct Table Foods Ltd. and Pro-Pak Foods Ltd., realized unsatisfactory results for 2023.

Brexit is not expected to have any material impact on group operations in the long term.

In the past financial year, Tican Rose GmbH has continued the good development from previous years.

This year and follow-up on last year in relation to expected developments

Revenue in 2023 amounted to DKK 7,398,093k against DKK 8,627,433k in 2022, equaling a decrease of 14,2 percent. The decrease in revenue can be attributed to fewer slaughtered kilos. Quotation for slaughter pigs were on average approx. 10,8 percent higher than 2022.

The conditions for carrying on pig farming activities have been very difficult for a number of years and have presented significant challenges for the farmers. The average settlement price has continuously increased in 2023. The increased export of piglets to especially Poland and Germany have, despite the fact of higher settlement prices, lead to a total production of slaughter pigs in Denmark 2023 of 14,5 million, and thus, approx. 3.3 million pigs lower than last year. For the coming year, a slight decrease in the number of slaughtering's in Denmark is still expected, and also for Tican.

The year result in the group after taxes are DKK 79,762k and considered as satisfactory, taking into account the continuously quotation price Tican has settled.

Management's review

Capital resources

The Company's equity amounts to DKK 592,693k and the capital resources are improved, as a result of the positive profit in the financial year.

Special risks – operating risks and financial risks

Operating risks

As a global food company, Tican is exposed to a number of industry-related risks, such as e.g. food safety, public regulation and financial risks.

Food safety

Throughout the world, consumers can rely on quality when purchasing meat from Tican. Quality and food safety throughout the value chain are an important part of the Company's strategy. Tican's own control supplements the external control and is based on the HACCP principles, and all employees attend sanitation and food safety courses.

The production entity in Thisted, Denmark has the highest level of GRMS (Global Red Meat Standard) certification. Likewise, the entity in Broerup, Thisted has been certified under GRMS. Moreover, the entity in Thisted, Pro-Pak Foods and Direct Table Foods, has been certified for organic production.

To live up to the ever-increasing demands from customers and authorities, Tican continuously evaluates and develops quality and food safety systems and initiatives. The high status achieved by Tican over the years is a crucial assumption for keeping all markets open to Tican products and for ensuring Tican's strong position in the market as a brand with high consumer confidence.

Market risks

Public regulation

Tican is primarily affected by public regulation of food safety and protection of the environment.

Changes may affect the business of Tican substantially, including access to raw materials, therefore, political initiatives and developments are monitored closely.

Utilization of production capacity

On a current basis, Tican considers and assesses initiatives to ensure that the production is as efficient as possible. Besides high-capacity utilization, investments in further automation of production facilities and processes are made on a current basis.

As a result of the high degree of automation, Tican is vulnerable to long periods of breakdown of production facilities and IT systems. A number of measures have been taken to reduce the consequences in this respect.

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Foreign exchange risks

As an export company, Tican is exposed to a translation risk with respect to DKK as results, cash flows and equity are affected by exchange- and interest rate developments with respect to a number of foreign currencies.

The Company's policy is to hedge commercial foreign exchange risks primarily through forward contracts relating to expected export income in foreign currencies. Hedging of commercial foreign exchange risks is carried out by the group treasury function.

Interest rate risks

The interest-bearing debt amounts to DKK 1,283 million at 31 December 2023. A change in the interest rate of 1 percent will affect the results for the year by DKK 12,8 million. No interest rate positions have been taken to hedge interest rate risks.

Price and credit risks

Credit risks are related to trade receivables. Tican's policy is to take out credit insurance for customers wanting to trade on credit terms. In recent years, the Company has not incurred any material bad debts.

Cash flow risks

Tican has access to credit facilities to ensure financial flexibility through the cash management within the group, and it is ensured that sufficient unutilized overdraft facilities are available to ensure uninterrupted operations for the company.

Uncertainty relating to recognition and measurement

No uncertainties have been identified in relation to recognition and measurement in the annual report.

Unusual circumstances

The group's assets, liabilities and financial position at 31 December 2023 and its results of operations and cash flows for 2023 have not been affected by any unusual circumstances.

Strategy and targets

Targets and expectation in the next year

During the year, targeted efforts were directed at lowering the level of cost and increasing productivity.

The Company expects a modest profit of DKK 0-15 million before income from investments in subsidiaries for the financial year 2024 on the assumption of an expected market premium added to quoted price at the level of past years' average. The Company is fully financed by the parent company, which has also been agreed for the coming year.

The group's expectations for the future continue to be negatively affected as a result of the war in Ukraine and development in Danish Agriculture. However, it is too early to say how big these consequences will be for the group's expectations. So far, it has been possible to maintain a reasonably normal production at the group's Danish and foreign production sites.

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Basis of the revenue

Knowledge resources

The Company is built on many years of market knowledge and product experience. This knowledge is incorporated in the Company's systems and procedures, and the employees are trained to carry out special tasks, which serve as the basis for the Company's activities.

Research and development

No research activities are performed apart from normal adjustment of the products to client needs.

Statutory report on corporate social responsibility, acc. The Danish Financial Statements Act § 99 a

Business model

Tican is an international food company producing and selling fresh and frozen pork to private industrial customers. We specialize in pig slaughtering, cutting, and deboning and focus on providing a dynamic and flexible service to farmers as well as customers.

Export to some of the most quality-conscious markets in the world guarantees a constant focus on quality and food safety.

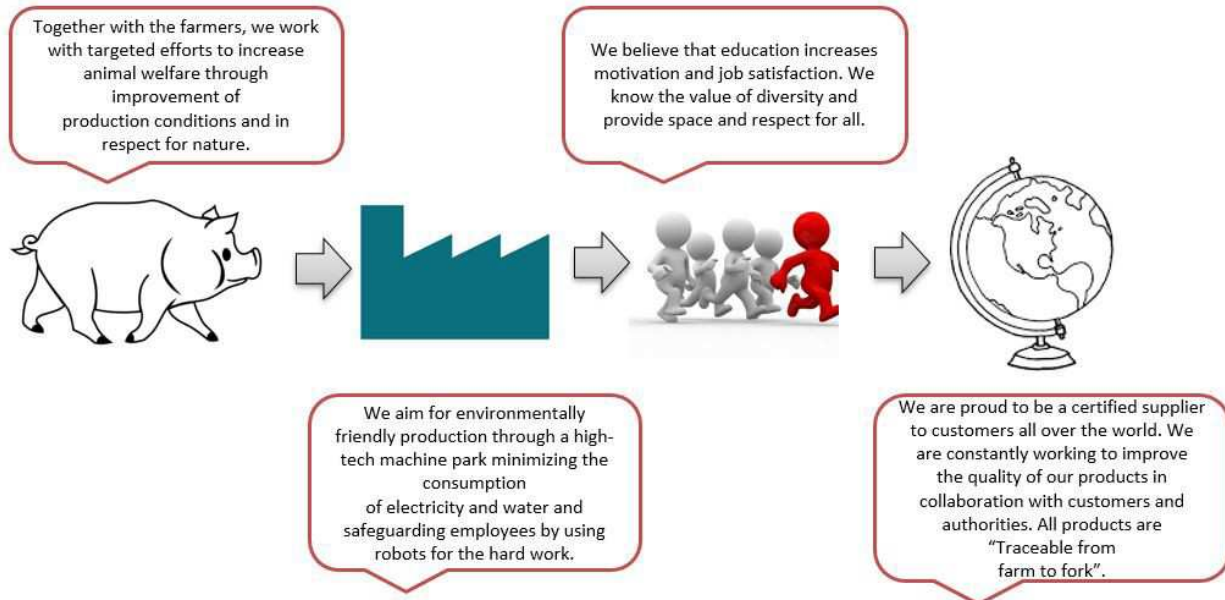
We offer a wide range of pork products to customers in several countries. We take pride in delivering meat that lives up to our customers' expectations all over the world.

In addition to many standard cuts, we offer individual cuts customized to customer wishes and needs no matter the market.

With the variety of standard cuts, our existing range will almost always meet our customers' demand. If not, we are ready to tailor the products to our customers' exact specifications. We deliver fresh, frozen and vacuum-packed pork.

Tican receive only quality pigs from pig farmers throughout Denmark.

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CSR policy and Code of Conduct

Tican continuously reinforces its focus on CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) based on the philosophy that investments in responsibility for people, the environment and society are closely linked with good business results.

The CSR policy and the Code of Conduct of Tican have been implemented through attitudes and policies as a basis for our general views and rules of conduct relating to our social responsibility and our approach to trading and working relationships.

This is intended to contribute to clarifying the Company's attitudes and form the basis of the all-pervasive corporate culture for which we want our Company to be known. A culture that respects the individual, the organization as a whole as well as the community to which we belong.

Tican is a company with deep roots and traditions, known for its long-term visions, ethics and sustainable development. However, it is also a company that knows how to shift its focus as reality changes. Customer demand is important to our standpoint on various issues. We want to be known for high morals and ethics in our business policy.

In relations within the Company and in the contact with employees, the day-to-day and long-term work must be characterized by ethical and moral conduct based on legislation, a social code and humane interrelationships.

When developing and changing our work structure, we use customer needs as our benchmark combined with a clear ambition of showing integrity with respect to our working environment, which must be good and distinguished by conscious investments in equality, diversity and health.

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In 2023, Tican was certified under BRC and GRMS, and the certificates can be found on Tican's website. Moreover, there is an ongoing audit of Tican from customers for compliance with ethics, legislation, etc. Tican's policies etc. are checked by an external party. These comprise, for example, the following areas:

Employees

We believe in a strong connection between satisfied employees, satisfied customers and a good financial profit.

Tican's most important resource is its employees. It is therefore important that Tican actively address the prevention and solution of any challenges with well-being, satisfaction, and experience in the work environment. We therefore perform the following activities: develop work methods, tools and instruments used to set targets and measure performance in order to attract, develop and motivate skilled and dedicated employees.

Each individual employee contributes to our overall results through his or her performance and skills. Tican considers our employees' fundamental need for development, good health, commitment, awareness and appreciation an assumption of a high performance.

Tican must provide the opportunity for an exciting and challenging work life, and, in connection with recruiting, career development and executive development, our entities must act and be perceived as one unit.

Responsibility and authority must be delegated taking into account the individual employee's wishes and capabilities. This also means that we encourage freedom with responsibility, which also implies that it is acceptable to make mistakes.

Tican has a whistleblower scheme to ensure that employees have a confidential channel for reporting of violations or potential violations.

Code of Conduct

Commerce and working relationships

We want to be known for high morals and ethics when trading and cooperating with customers, employees, authorities, and any other parties.

Our conduct in all situations, no matter the country or market, is characterized by respect for customers, business partners and local communities.

Bribery, fraud, and corruption

All types of corruption, bribery, fraud, and money laundering are strictly prohibited. We reject all unfair and re-strictive trading practices. No employee of the Company is allowed to accept personal gifts, services, trips, entertainment offers or similar benefits of significant value from suppliers or other business partners.

It is strictly forbidden to grant, offer or promise any benefit, whether directly or indirectly, to any public officer with a view to wrongfully influencing the exercise of public authority in connection with purchases, tendering or any other type of business or business transaction that may result in an undue gain.

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We are aware of conflicts of interests, and our employees should always safeguard the Company's interests over their personal interests. We encourage everyone to act with common sense.

Tican's risks within corruption are relatively low as we mainly operate in Denmark in relation to our suppliers. However, Tican recognizes that there may be corruptions risks abroad related to our customers. We focus on our internal procedures and control measures, and we are striving continuously to adapt these to our day-to-day work, and in response to external impacts. During the year 2023 we did identify any instances in the nature of bribery, fraud or corruption, and we will continue to focus on this in the year ahead.

Personal data processing

Employees must treat and store all personal data processed by them in a legitimate way and in compliance with applicable legislation, rules and requirements. The Company takes all measures necessary to protect our information systems against threats and to reduce the risks associated with personal data processing.

Equal opportunity and diversity

Equality between genders and between people of different ages, nationalities and religions contributes towards a greater holistic view based on a variety of life experience. We are working to achieve an equal gender representation at all levels of Tican. To us, equality implies that women and men must have the same rights, obligations, opportunities and equal pay for the same work, no matter their nationality and religion.

Human rights

The Company supports and respects internationally declared human rights. We are actively working to ensure that all our employees are treated fairly, equally, and respectfully. We do not employ anyone below the age of 14, and the risk is considered low as the age of all employees is verified through their civil registration number. This is checked every month. In 2023, we did not have any employees below the age of 14.

Freedom of association

The company respects the employees' right to form, or become a member of, trade unions and provides the opportunity to enter into collective negotiations.

Working conditions

Working hours are in compliance with national legislation and agreements. Regular overtime is not allowed. Wages, services, and overtime are in compliance with national legislation and agreements. Any wage reduction as a disciplinary measure is prohibited.

Health, safety, environment

The Company complies with the minimum standards according to local working environment legislation and rules.

In 2023 we have continued our focus on developing our employees' skills to provide them with the best possible basis for mastering their day-to-day tasks and reducing the risk of work-related accidents. We have

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therefore focused strongly on training our employees in safety and evacuation procedures, workplace user instructions and workplace assessments.

The group's strong focus on safety has been maintained throughout the financial year, and this has resulted in the number of occupational accidents falling compared to 2022. However, the number of occupational accidents is still too high, and the aim remains to reduce the number of occupational accidents through a targeted effort on security.

Health and safety

We are continuously improving the working environment through, eg, unrelenting focus on technological development in order to promote good health and to prevent accidents and work-related injuries resulting from the work performed.

Labor

No form of forced labor or labor as a penal sanction is accepted. No employee can be forced to transfer valuables or identity documents to his or her employer. No child labor is accepted.

Discrimination and suppression

It is our ambition to promote diversity and to focus on employee involvement and competence development. We do not accept differential treatment of any kind nor threats, suppression or harassment of any kind among our employees or among our suppliers.

Human capital

The Company encourages human capital development by creating job opportunities and offering employees educational opportunities. No employees under the age of 14 are hired, and everyone who is hired has their age verified through their civil registration number. This is checked every month. In 2023, no employees under the age of 14 will be employed. For 2024, no changes are expected in the way we handle this.

Mental bullying

Mental bullying is unacceptable harassment, and any employee is responsible for ensuring that there is no practice of mental bullying at our workplace. Management must intervene against mental bullying, i.e. practical jokes and similar malicious behavior, persecution, self-promotion, envy and gossip.

Mental bullying has a destructive influence on a good working environment and a good performance.

Environment

Tican's most important environmental risks are CO2 emission, energy consumption and the noise level of our transport. Within these areas, there have been different initiatives in 2023. Work has continued to reduce CO2 and energy, this has also resulted in a minor emission in 2023 but measured in relation to the total consumption at the locations, it has had a limited effect, measured on the total emission in 2023. The work is an ongoing process and will also continue in 2024

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Energy reducing actions

Tican continuously focuses on reducing consumption. In connection with all conversions, every possible energy optimization is considered, which has also happened, among other things in connection with optimizations of current buildings in both Thisted and Brørup. A future strategy has been launched around data collection on the individual production lines, hot water systems, ventilation systems and cooling systems, which will support the development and improvement of energy efficiency.

Sustainability

Tican is part of the Tönnies Group in Germany, and together we are working towards the year 2030 to be able to reduce the impact on the environment and climate. We therefore aim to reduce CO emissions by 50 percent compared to 2010, reduce water consumption, and together with the packaging industry to be able to use 100 percent recyclable packaging material. Tican is also part of the collaboration on the use of sustainable and deforestation-free soy for feed. In relation to transport, there will be ongoing changes to fleets that are more fuel efficient up to 40 percent less consumption. Tican is also a member of Danish Agriculture and Food Council and is therefore involved in the process of being climate neutral by 2050. <https://lf.dk/-/media/lf/tal-og-analyser/fakta-om-foedevareklyngen/2021/fakta-om-foedevareklyngen-2021.pdf>.

With our current composition and expectations for the future and the planned operation, Tican believes that the current business model with related guidelines handles the above matters.

Statutory report on the underrepresented gender, cf. Section 99 b of the Financial Statements Act

The target ratio of 20 percent board members of the underrepresented gender among those charged with governance has been achieved as one of the three members of the Board of Directors is female. The target ratio for female executives has likewise been met and is unchanged at 25 percent. There is an equal split between genders in top management. Tican will continue its work to increase the ratio of the underrepresented gender at management level, in order to maintain the target of at least 30 percent female managers during the next three years and hopefully to rise.

Top management

2023

Total number of members	3
Under-represented gender in percent	33

Additional management levels

Total number of members	11
Under-represented gender in percent	28
Target figure in percent	30
Year re. compliance of target figure	2025

As part of the Company's work to increase the diversity of employees, the ambition is also to increase the share of the underrepresented gender, at both employee, management and board levels.

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In job advertisements, we encourage candidates of both genders to apply. We continuously focus on leadership potential among employees and offer employees who are interested in managerial development a targeted management programme customized to the individual, including continuous and daily mentoring. During the year, we succeeded in hiring more female employees, but unfortunately we had no vacant executive positions. In 2023, we have finally completed the first phase of our internal management development, which has been delayed due to Covid-19 restrictions etc.

Statutory report on data ethics policy, cf. Section 99 b of the Financial Statements Act

The Company has no formal written policies for data ethics. However, when determining the Company's business strategies and when performing the Company's activities, Management takes generally accepted principles and sound business ethics into account to a wide extent and ensures that applicable law is always observed. According to Management, there is no need for a data ethics policy at present as data processing is minimal, but Management will reassess the need on an ongoing basis.

Events after the balance sheet date

Apart from the ongoing war in Ukraine and the violence in the Middle East, as described above and earlier, no events have occurred after the balance sheet date, that have a significant impact on the evaluation of the annual report.

Income statement 1 January - 31 December

	Note	Group		Parent company	
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Revenue	1	7,398,093	8,627,433	4,722,989	6,087,493
Production expenses	2	-6,678,213	-7,779,691	-4,236,017	-5,455,815
Gross profit		719,880	847,742	486,972	631,678
Distribution expenses	2	-415,336	-620,131	-288,260	-460,042
Administrative expenses	2	-174,308	-176,030	-97,778	-102,456
Operating profit/loss		130,236	51,581	100,934	69,180
Other operating income		8,902	19,733	4,592	7,164
Other operating expenses		-3,707	-2,455	0	0
Profit/loss before financial income and expenses		135,431	68,859	105,526	76,344
Income from investments in subsidiaries	3	1,171	0	24,398	-23,704
Financial income	4	14,520	9,227	7,816	9,596
Financial expenses	5	-76,591	-42,461	-75,001	-38,245
Profit/loss before tax		74,531	35,625	62,739	23,991
Tax on profit/loss for the year	6	5,231	-5,380	9,529	0
Net profit/loss for the year	7	79,762	30,245	72,268	23,991

Balance sheet 31 December

Assets

	Note	Group		Parent company	
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Completed development projects		13,259	5,725	13,260	5,726
Goodwill		55,195	69,657	0	0
Intangible assets	8	68,454	75,382	13,260	5,726
Land and buildings		383,071	403,777	210,528	224,254
Plant and machinery		378,250	434,168	266,145	309,230
Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment		9,421	11,149	561	157
Leasehold improvements		1,916	2,223	0	0
Property, plant and equipment in progress		37,672	44,261	10,293	22,481
Property, plant and equipment	9	810,330	895,578	487,527	556,122
Investments in subsidiaries	10	0	0	746,889	701,908
Other investments	11	9,646	9,646	9,646	9,646
Fixed asset investments		9,646	9,646	756,535	711,554
Fixed assets		888,430	980,606	1,257,322	1,273,402
Inventories	12	383,503	397,499	261,698	259,300
Trade receivables		818,605	1,097,705	409,942	683,401
Receivables from group enterprises		51,420	41,138	205,087	176,459
Receivables from associates		7,878	0	0	0
Other receivables	17	228,747	360,230	103,389	190,262
Corporation tax		6,845	1,870	5,809	1,573
Prepayments	13	12,838	33,084	2,075	2,632
Receivables		1,126,333	1,534,027	726,302	1,054,327
Cash at bank and in hand		373,634	369,129	96,780	175,217
Current assets		1,883,470	2,300,655	1,084,780	1,488,844
Assets		2,771,900	3,281,261	2,342,102	2,762,246

Balance sheet 31 December

Liabilities and equity

	Note	Group		Parent company	
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Share capital		234,164	234,164	234,164	234,164
Reserve for net revaluation under the equity method		0	0	518,426	282,766
Reserve for development costs		10,342	4,466	10,342	4,466
Reserve for hedging transactions		0	-3,651	0	-3,651
Reserve for exchange rate conversion		-10,482	-24,731	0	0
Retained earnings		337,355	274,614	-191,553	-32,883
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Parent Company		571,379	484,862	571,379	484,862
Minority interests		21,314	21,326	0	0
Equity		592,693	506,188	571,379	484,862
Provision for deferred tax	14	21,255	20,655	0	0
Other provisions	15	54,021	82,857	51,593	80,483
Provisions		75,276	103,512	51,593	80,483
Payables to group enterprises		1,282,702	0	1,282,702	0
Other payables		53,658	51,757	53,658	51,757
Long-term debt	16	1,336,360	51,757	1,336,360	51,757
Lease obligations		493	136	493	136
Trade payables		580,194	617,681	301,090	306,427
Payables to group enterprises	16	48,742	1,820,326	15,659	1,775,982
Corporation tax		3,532	3,419	0	0
Other payables	16,17	133,148	176,726	65,528	62,599
Deferred income	18	1,462	1,516	0	0
Short-term debt		767,571	2,619,804	382,770	2,145,144
Debt		2,103,931	2,671,561	1,719,130	2,196,901
Liabilities and equity		2,771,900	3,281,261	2,342,102	2,762,246

Balance sheet 31 December

Liabilities and equity

	Note	Group		Parent company	
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Contingent assets, liabilities and other financial obligations	21				
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Statement of changes in equity

Group

	Share capital	Reserve for development costs	Reserve for hedging transactions	Reserve for exchange rate conversion	Retained earnings	Equity excl. minority interests	Minority interests	Total
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Equity at 1 January	234,164	4,466	-3,651	-24,731	274,614	484,862	21,326	506,188
Exchange adjustments	0	0	0	14,249	0	14,249	0	14,249
Disposals minority interests	0	0	0	0	0	0	-7,506	-7,506
Other equity movements	0	0	3,651	0	-3,651	0	0	0
Development costs for the year	0	8,386	0	0	-8,386	0	0	0
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment for the year	0	-2,510	0	0	2,510	0	0	0
Net profit/loss for the year	0	0	0	0	72,268	72,268	7,494	79,762
Equity at 31 December	234,164	10,342	0	-10,482	337,355	571,379	21,314	592,693

Statement of changes in equity

Parent company

	Share capital	Reserve for net revaluation under the equity method	Reserve for development costs	Reserve for hedging transactions	Retained earnings	Total
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Equity at 1 January	234,164	282,766	4,466	-3,651	-32,883	484,862
Exchange adjustments relating to foreign entities	0	14,249	0	0	0	14,249
Other equity movements	0	0	0	3,651	-3,651	0
Development costs for the year	0	0	8,386	0	-8,386	0
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment for the year	0	0	-2,510	0	2,510	0
Net profit/loss for the year	0	221,411	0	0	-149,143	72,268
Equity at 31 December	234,164	518,426	10,342	0	-191,553	571,379

Cash flow statement 1 January - 31 December

	Note	Group	
		2023	2022
		TDKK	TDKK
Result of the year		79,762	30,245
Adjustments	19	198,989	148,376
Change in working capital	20	317,232	-167,133
Cash flow from operations before financial items		595,983	11,488
Financial income		13,998	9,227
Financial expenses		-76,591	-42,461
Cash flows from ordinary activities		533,390	-21,746
Corporation tax paid		969	-7,188
Cash flows from operating activities		534,359	-28,934
Purchase of intangible assets		-10,853	-6,828
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-29,959	-127,537
Sale of property, plant and equipment		5,088	0
Business acquisition		0	-54,872
Cash flows from investing activities		-35,724	-189,237
Repayment of loans from credit institutions		0	1,359
Reduction of lease obligations		-299	-281
Repayment of payables to group enterprises		-488,882	0
Repayment of other long-term debt		1,901	1,410
Lease obligations incurred		656	0
Raising of payables to group enterprises		0	314,962
Other equity entries		-7,506	0
Cash flows from financing activities		-494,130	317,450
Change in cash and cash equivalents		4,505	99,279
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		369,129	269,850
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December		373,634	369,129
Cash and cash equivalents are specified as follows:			
Cash at bank and in hand		373,634	369,129
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December		373,634	369,129

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	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
3. Income from investments in subsidiaries				
Share of profits	0	0	31,923	-18,661
Amortisation of goodwill	1,171	0	-7,525	-5,043
	1,171	0	24,398	-23,704

	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
4. Financial income				
Income from securities, which are fixed assets	0	3,664	0	3,664
Interest received from group enterprises	444	196	4,159	4,230
Other financial income	13,205	5,367	3,657	1,702
Exchange adjustments	871	0	0	0
	14,520	9,227	7,816	9,596

	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
5. Financial expenses				
Interest paid to group enterprises	71,445	34,665	70,324	33,732
Other financial expenses	4,352	4,487	4,014	3,669
Exchange adjustments, expenses	794	844	663	844
Exchange loss	0	2,465	0	0
	76,591	42,461	75,001	38,245

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	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
6. Income tax expense				
Current tax for the year	-1,714	4,554	-5,412	0
Deferred tax for the year	600	826	0	0
Adjustment of tax concerning previous years	-4,117	0	-4,117	0
	-5,231	5,380	-9,529	0

	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
7. Profit allocation				
Reserve for net revaluation under the equity method	0	0	221,411	-20,191
Minority interests' share of net profit/loss of subsidiaries	7,494	6,254	0	0
Retained earnings	72,268	23,991	-149,143	44,182
	79,762	30,245	72,268	23,991

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8. Intangible fixed assets

	Group		Parent company
	Completed development projects	Goodwill	Completed development projects
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Cost at 1 January	36,146	260,353	16,244
Exchange adjustment	454	4,947	0
Additions for the year	303	101	303
Transfers for the year	10,449	0	10,449
Cost at 31 December	<u>47,352</u>	<u>265,401</u>	<u>26,996</u>
Impairment losses and amortisation at 1 January	30,421	190,696	10,518
Exchange adjustment	454	4,248	0
Amortisation for the year	3,218	15,262	3,218
Impairment losses and amortisation at 31 December	<u>34,093</u>	<u>210,206</u>	<u>13,736</u>
Carrying amount at 31 December	<u>13,259</u>	<u>55,195</u>	<u>13,260</u>

Development projects relate to it-projects improving the company's infrastructure. The projects are progressing according to plan through the use of the resources allocated to the development.

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9. Property, plant and equipment Group

	Land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	Leasehold improvements	Property, plant and equipment in progress
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Cost at 1 January	847,666	1,595,472	172,365	3,414	67,878
Exchange adjustment	7,122	8,568	850	0	497
Additions for the year	837	11,008	3,926	103	24,204
Disposals for the year	-199	-6,825	-1,873	0	-10,238
Transfers for the year	663	7,960	0	0	-21,052
Cost at 31 December	<u>856,089</u>	<u>1,616,183</u>	<u>175,268</u>	<u>3,517</u>	<u>61,289</u>
Impairment losses and depreciation at 1 January	443,889	1,161,304	161,218	1,191	23,617
Exchange adjustment	3,119	5,884	606	0	0
Depreciation for the year	26,024	71,628	4,956	410	0
Reversal of impairment and depreciation of sold assets	-14	-883	-933	0	0
Impairment losses and depreciation at 31 December	<u>473,018</u>	<u>1,237,933</u>	<u>165,847</u>	<u>1,601</u>	<u>23,617</u>
Carrying amount at 31 December	<u>383,071</u>	<u>378,250</u>	<u>9,421</u>	<u>1,916</u>	<u>37,672</u>

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Parent company

	Land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	Property, plant and equipment in progress
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Cost at 1 January	526,079	1,193,937	125,083	46,097
Additions for the year	0	375	656	7,042
Disposals for the year	0	0	-145	-158
Transfers for the year	663	7,960	0	-19,071
Cost at 31 December	<u>526,742</u>	<u>1,202,272</u>	<u>125,594</u>	<u>33,910</u>
Impairment losses and depreciation at 1 January	301,825	884,707	124,927	23,617
Depreciation for the year	14,389	51,420	132	0
Reversal of impairment and depreciation of sold assets	0	0	-26	0
Impairment losses and depreciation at 31 December	<u>316,214</u>	<u>936,127</u>	<u>125,033</u>	<u>23,617</u>
Carrying amount at 31 December	<u>210,528</u>	<u>266,145</u>	<u>561</u>	<u>10,293</u>

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	Parent company	
	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK
10. Investments in subsidiaries		
Cost at 1 January	222,127	168,107
Additions for the year	6,337	11,862
Transfers for the year	0	42,158
Cost at 31 December	<u>228,464</u>	<u>222,127</u>
Value adjustments at 1 January	479,781	541,198
Exchange adjustment	14,248	-37,713
Net profit/loss for the year	31,921	-18,661
Amortisation of goodwill	-7,525	-5,043
Value adjustments at 31 December	<u>518,425</u>	<u>479,781</u>
Carrying amount at 31 December	<u>746,889</u>	<u>701,908</u>

Investments in subsidiaries are specified as follows:

Name	Place of registered office	Ownership
Tican (UK) Holdings Ltd.	UK	100%
Tican UK Ltd.	UK	100%
Tican Chilled Ltd.	UK	100%
Tican Process Holdings Ltd.	UK	100%
Direct Table Foods Ltd.	UK	100%
Pro-Pak Foods Ltd.	UK	100%
Tican-Rose G.m.b.H.	Germany	100%
Moesgaard Meat 2012 A/S	Denmark	60%
HP Production ApS	Denmark	60%
Ejendomsselskabet Moesgaard Meat ApS	Denmark	60%

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11. Other fixed asset investments

	<u>Group</u>	<u>Parent company</u>
	Other investments	Other investments
	TDKK	TDKK
Cost at 1 January	9,646	9,646
Cost at 31 December	9,646	9,646
Carrying amount at 31 December	9,646	9,646

12. Inventories

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent company</u>	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Raw materials and consumables	68,464	87,912	8,132	6,534
Work in progress	25,081	32,095	12,784	17,403
Finished goods and goods for resale	289,958	275,852	240,782	235,363
Prepayments for goods	0	1,640	0	0
	383,503	397,499	261,698	259,300

13. Prepayments

Prepayments consists of prepaid expenses.

14. Provision for deferred tax

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent company</u>	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
Deferred tax liabilities at 1 January	20,655	19,829	0	0
Amounts recognised in the income statement for the year	600	826	0	0
Deferred tax liabilities at 31 December	21,255	20,655	0	0

Deferred tax relates to intangible assets, property, plant and equipment, inventories and other provisions. The group and parent company has an unutilized deferred tax asset (tax losses carrying forward) with an value of DKK 99.5 million .

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	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
15. Other provisions				
Other provisions consists of provisions for customer complaints.				
Other provisions	54,021	82,857	51,593	80,483
	54,021	82,857	51,593	80,483
The provisions are expected to mature as follows:				
Within 1 year	0	82,857	0	80,483
After 5 years	54,021	0	51,593	0
	54,021	82,857	51,593	80,483

	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
16. Long-term debt				

Payments due within 1 year are recognised in short-term debt. Other debt is recognised in long-term debt.

The debt falls due for payment as specified below:

Payables to group enterprises				
After 5 years	0	0	0	0
Between 1 and 5 years	1,282,702	0	1,282,702	0
Long-term part	1,282,702	0	1,282,702	0
Other short-term debt to group enterprises	48,742	1,820,326	15,659	1,775,982
	1,331,444	1,820,326	1,298,361	1,775,982

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	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
16. Long-term debt				
Other payables				
After 5 years	0	0	0	0
Between 1 and 5 years	53,658	51,757	53,658	51,757
Long-term part	53,658	51,757	53,658	51,757
Other short-term payables	133,148	176,726	65,528	62,599
	186,806	228,483	119,186	114,356

	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
17. Derivative financial instruments				

Derivative financial instruments contracts in the form of forward exchange contracts have been concluded. At the balance sheet date, the fair value of derivative financial instruments amounts to DKK 5.022k.

The accounts in foreign currencies and related hedging transactions as per 31. december 2023 can be summarised, net:

AUD, maturity 0-12 months	55,029	52,582	55,029	52,582
GBP, maturity 0-12 months	645,439	636,766	2,006	23,021
JPY, maturity 0-12 months	-5,135	-1,943	-5,135	-1,943
USD, maturity 0-12 months	124,672	-16,593	124,672	-16,593
PLN, maturity 0-12 months	3,253	0	3,253	0
Total	823,259	670,812	179,826	57,068

18. Deferred income

Deferred income consists of payments received in respect of income in subsequent years.

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19. Cash flow statement - Adjustments

	Group	
	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK
Financial income	-14,520	-9,227
Financial expenses	76,591	42,461
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses, including losses and gains on sales	121,172	113,475
Income from investments in subsidiaries	-1,171	0
Tax on profit/loss for the year	-5,231	5,380
Exchange adjustments	20,977	-3,713
Other adjustments	1,171	0
	198,989	148,376

20. Cash flow statement - Change in working capital

	Group	
	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK
Change in inventories	13,996	109,118
Change in receivables	413,191	-388,800
Change in other provisions	-28,836	74,853
Change in trade payables, etc	-81,119	37,696
	317,232	-167,133

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	Group		Parent company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK
21. Contingent assets, liabilities and other financial obligations				
Charges and security				
The following assets have been placed as security with bankers:				
Deed of indemnity (business mortgage) of a total of TDKK 8,600, which provides a mortgage on goodwill, stocks of raw materials, semi-finished products and finished goods, operating inventory and operating equipment, fuels and other auxiliary substances, motor vehicles that are not or have previously been registered, simple claims arising from the sale of goods and services for a total accounting value of TDKK	14,858	19,908	0	0
The following assets have been placed as security for lease obligations:				
Rental and lease obligations				
Lease obligations under operating leases. Total future lease payments:				
Within 1 year	13,495	10,949	9,202	8,332
Between 1 and 5 years	14,679	8,815	3,426	3,037
After 5 years	337	54	0	54
	28,511	19,818	12,628	11,423
Guarantee obligations				
A guarantee has been provided for Moesgaard Meat 2012 A/S's balance with Vestjysk Bank. The guarantee is maximized to	500	500	0	0

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Group		Parent company	
2023	2022	2023	2022
TDKK	TDKK	TDKK	TDKK

21. Contingent assets, liabilities and other financial obligations

Other contingent liabilities

The Danish group companies are jointly and severally liable for tax on the jointly taxed incomes etc of the Group. The total amount of corporation tax payable by the Group amounts to DKK 3,532,480. Moreover, the Danish group companies are jointly and severally liable for Danish withholding taxes by way of dividend tax, tax on royalty payments and tax on unearned income. Any subsequent adjustments of corporation taxes and withholding taxes may increase the Group's liability.

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22. Related parties and disclosure of consolidated financial statements

	<u>Basis</u>
Controlling interest	
Tönnies International Holding G.m.b.H	Parent company
Other related parties	
Steen Ingemann Sønnichsen	Chief executive officer
Jens Røjkjær Lyhne	Chief financial officer
Carl Ernst Bürge	Board of Directors
Steen Ingemann Sønnichsen	Board of Directors
Jacqueline Nowack	Board of Directors
Subsidiaries as specified in note 11	

Transactions

The Company has chosen only to disclose transactions which have not been made on an arm's length basis in accordance with section 98(c)(7) of the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Consolidated Financial Statements

The Company is included in the Group Annual Report of the Parent Company of the largest and smallest group:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of registered office</u>
Tönnies International Holding G.m.b.H	Germany <i>HRB 8739, district court Gütersloh In der Mark 2 33378 Rheda-Wiedenbrück</i>

The Group Annual Report of Tönnies International Holding G.m.b.H may be obtained at the following address:

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	Group	
	2023	2022
	TDKK	TDKK
23. Fee to auditors appointed at the general meeting		
PricewaterhouseCoopers		
Audit fee	836	820
Tax advisory services	136	383
Non-audit services	169	0
	1,141	1,203
MHA		
Audit fee	517	0
Tax advisory services	359	0
	876	0
Rödl & Partner Limited		
Audit fee	261	912
Tax advisory services	68	435
	329	1,347

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24. Accounting policies

The Annual Report of TIKAN FRESH MEAT A/S for 2023 has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Danish Financial Statements Act applying to large enterprises of reporting class C.

The accounting policies applied remain unchanged from last year.

The Consolidated Financial Statements and the Parent Company Financial Statements for 2023 are presented in TDKK.

Recognition and measurement

Revenues are recognised in the income statement as earned. Furthermore, value adjustments of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value or amortised cost are recognised. Moreover, all expenses incurred to achieve the earnings for the year are recognised in the income statement, including depreciation, amortisation, impairment losses and provisions as well as reversals due to changed accounting estimates of amounts that have previously been recognised in the income statement.

Assets are recognised in the balance sheet when it is probable that future economic benefits attributable to the asset will flow to the Company, and the value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Liabilities are recognised in the balance sheet when it is probable that future economic benefits will flow out of the Company, and the value of the liability can be measured reliably.

Assets and liabilities are initially measured at cost. Subsequently, assets and liabilities are measured as described for each item below.

Basis of consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements comprise the Parent Company, TIKAN FRESH MEAT A/S, and subsidiaries in which the Parent Company directly or indirectly holds more than 50% of the votes or in which the Parent Company, through share ownership or otherwise, exercises control. Enterprises in which the Group holds between 20% and 50% of the votes and exercises significant influence but not control are classified as associates.

On consolidation, items of a uniform nature are combined. Elimination is made of intercompany income and expenses, shareholdings, dividends and accounts as well as of realised and unrealised profits and losses on transactions between the consolidated enterprises.

The Parent Company's investments in the consolidated subsidiaries are set off against the Parent Company's share of the net asset value of subsidiaries stated at the time of consolidation.

Business combinations

Business acquisitions carried through on or after 1 July 2018

Acquisitions of subsidiaries are accounted for using the purchase method under which the identifiable assets and liabilities of the entity acquired are measured at fair value at the time of acquisition. Acquired contingent liabilities are recognised at fair value in the Consolidated Financial Statements to the extent that the value can be measured reliably.

The time of acquisition is the time when the Group obtains control of the entity acquired.

The cost of the entity acquired is the fair value of the consideration agreed, including consideration contingent on future events. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of subsidiaries are recognised in the income statement as incurred.

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Positive differences between the cost of the entity acquired and identifiable assets and liabilities are recognised as goodwill in intangible assets in the balance sheet and are amortised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Where the differences are negative, they are recognised immediately in the income statement.

Where the purchase price allocation is not final, positive and negative differences from acquired subsidiaries due to changes to the recognition and measurement of identifiable net assets may be adjusted for up to 12 months after the time of acquisition. These adjustments are also reflected in the value of goodwill or negative goodwill, including in amortisation already made.

Where cost includes contingent consideration, this is measured at fair value at the time of acquisition. Contingent consideration is subsequently measured at fair value. Any value adjustments are recognised in the income statement.

In respect of step acquisitions, any previously held investments in the entity acquired are remeasured at fair value at the time of acquisition. The difference between the carrying amount of the investment previously held and the fair value is recognised in the income statement.

Business acquisitions carried through before 1 July 2018

Subject to some exemptions, acquisitions carried through before 1 July 2018 are accounted for under the same accounting policies as those applying to business combinations carried through on or after 1 July 2018. The most material exemptions are:

- Identifiable assets and liabilities of the entity acquired are recognised only if they are probable.
- Identifiable contingent liabilities of the entity acquired are not recognised in the consolidated balance sheet.
- Where the purchase price allocation is not final, positive and negative differences due to changes to the recognition and measurement of the acquired net assets may be adjusted until the end of the financial year following the year of acquisition. These adjustments are also reflected in the value of goodwill or negative goodwill, including in amortisation already made.
- Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of subsidiaries are included as part of cost.
- After the initial recognition, adjustment of contingent consideration is recognised directly with its counter entry in initial purchase price, thus correcting the value of goodwill or negative goodwill.
- In respect of step acquisitions, the carrying amount of the existing investments is recognised in cost.

Pooling of interests

Intragroup business combinations are accounted for under the pooling-of-interests method. Under this method, the two enterprises are combined at carrying amounts, and no differences are identified. Any consideration which exceeds the carrying amount of the acquired enterprise is recognised directly in equity. The pooling-of-interests method is applied as if the two enterprises had always been combined by restating comparative figures.

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Minority interests

Minority interests form part of the Group's total equity. Upon distribution of net profit, net profit is broken down on the share attributable to minority interests and the share attributable to the shareholders of the Parent Company. Minority interests are recognised on the basis of a remeasurement of acquired assets and liabilities to fair value at the time of acquisition of subsidiaries.

Business acquisitions carried through before 1 July 2018

Minority interests are recognised at the carrying amounts of the acquired assets and liabilities at the time of acquisition of subsidiaries.

Business acquisitions carried through on or after 1 July 2018

Minority interests are initially measured at their proportionate share of the fair value of the acquired entity's identifiable net assets. In this way, only goodwill related to the Parent Company's share of the entity acquired is recognised.

On subsequent changes to minority interests where the Group retains control of the subsidiary, the consideration is recognised directly in equity.

Leases

Leases in terms of which the Group assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership (finance leases) are recognised in the balance sheet at the lower of the fair value of the leased asset and the net present value of the lease payments computed by applying the interest rate implicit in the lease or an alternative borrowing rate as the discount rate. Assets acquired under finance leases are depreciated and written down for impairment under the same policy as determined for the other fixed assets of the Group.

The remaining lease obligation is capitalised and recognised in the balance sheet under debt, and the interest element on the lease payments is charged over the lease term to the income statement.

All other leases are considered operating leases. Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Translation policies

Danish kroner is used as the presentation currency. All other currencies are regarded as foreign currencies.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the dates of transaction. Exchange differences arising due to differences between the transaction date rates and the rates at the dates of payment are recognised in financial income and expenses in the income statement. Where foreign exchange transactions are considered hedging of future cash flows, the value adjustments are recognised directly in equity.

Receivables, payables and other monetary items in foreign currencies that have not been settled at the balance sheet date are translated at the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. Any differences between the exchange rates at the balance sheet date and the transaction date rates are recognised in financial income and expenses in the income statement; however, see the section on hedge accounting.

Income statements of foreign subsidiaries and associates that are separate legal entities are translated at transaction date rates or approximated average exchange rates. Balance sheet items are translated at the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. Exchange adjustments arising on the translation of the opening equity and exchange adjustments arising from the translation of the income statements at the exchange rates at the balance sheet date are recognised directly in equity.

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Income statements of enterprises that are integrated entities are translated at transaction date rates or approximated average exchange rates; however, items derived from non-monetary balance sheet items are translated at the transaction date rates of the underlying assets or liabilities. Monetary balance sheet items are translated at the exchange rates at the balance sheet date, whereas non-monetary items are translated at transaction date rates. Exchange adjustments arising on the translation are recognised in financial income and expenses in the income statement.

Derivative financial instruments

Derivative financial instruments are initially recognised in the balance sheet at cost and are subsequently remeasured at their fair values. Positive and negative fair values of derivative financial instruments are classified as "Other receivables" and "Other payables", respectively.

Changes in the fair values of derivative financial instruments are recognised in the income statement unless the derivative financial instrument is designated and qualify as hedge accounting.

Segment information on revenue

Information on business segments and geographical segments is based on the Group's risks and returns and its internal financial reporting system. Business segments are regarded as the primary segments.

Income statement

Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods for resale and finished goods is recognised in the income statement when the sale is considered effected based on the following criteria:

- delivery has been made before year end;
- a binding sales agreement has been made;
- the sales price has been determined; and
- payment has been received or may with reasonable certainty be expected to be received.

Revenue is measured at the consideration received and is recognised exclusive of VAT and net of discounts relating to sales.

Production expenses

Production expenses comprise costs incurred to achieve revenue for the year. Cost comprises raw materials, consumables, direct labour costs and indirect production costs such as maintenance and depreciation, etc, as well as operation, administration and management of factories.

Production expenses also include amortisation of goodwill to the extent that goodwill relates to production activities.

Distribution expenses

Distribution expenses comprise costs in the form of salaries to sales and distribution staff, advertising and marketing expenses as well as operation of motor vehicles, depreciation, etc.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses comprise expenses for Management, administrative staff, office expenses, depreciation, etc. Amortisation of goodwill is also included to the extent that goodwill relates to administrative activities.

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Other operating income and expenses

Other operating income and other operating expenses comprise items of a secondary nature to the main activities of the Group, including gains and losses on the sale of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment.

Income from investments in subsidiaries

The item "Income from investments in subsidiaries" in the income statement includes the proportionate share of the profit for the year.

Financial income and expenses

Financial income and expenses comprise interest, financial expenses in respect of finance leases, realised and unrealised exchange adjustments, price adjustment of securities, amortisation of mortgage loans as well as extra payments and repayment under the on-account taxation scheme.

Tax on profit/loss for the year

Tax for the year consists of current tax for the year and deferred tax for the year. The tax attributable to the profit for year is recognised in the income statement, whereas the tax attributable to equity transactions is recognised directly in equity.

Any changes in deferred tax due to changes to tax rates are recognised in the income statement.

The Company is jointly taxed with tilknyttede danske selskaber. The tax effect of the joint taxation with the subsidiaries is allocated to Danish enterprises showing profits or losses in proportion to their taxable incomes (full allocation with credit for tax losses).

Balance sheet

Intangible fixed assets

Goodwill

Goodwill is amortised on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of 7 years, determined on the basis of Management's experience with the individual business areas.

Development projects

Costs of development projects comprise salaries, amortisation and other expenses directly or indirectly attributable to the Company's development activities.

Development projects that are clearly defined and identifiable and in respect of which technical feasibility, sufficient resources and a potential future market or development opportunity in the enterprise can be demonstrated, and where it is the intention to manufacture, market or use the project, are recognised as intangible assets. This applies if sufficient certainty exists that the value in use of future earnings can cover cost of sales, distribution and administrative expenses involved as well as the development costs.

Development projects that do not meet the criteria for recognition in the balance sheet are recognised as expenses in the income statement as incurred.

Capitalised development costs are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses or at a lower recoverable amount. An amount corresponding to the recognised development costs is allocated to the equity item 'Reserve for development costs'. The reserve comprises only development costs recognised in financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2016. The reserve is reduced by amortisation of and impairment losses on the development projects on a continuing basis.

As of the date of completion, capitalised development costs are amortised on a straight-line basis over the period of the expected economic benefit from the development work. The amortisation period is 5 year.

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Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and less any accumulated impairment losses.

Cost comprises the cost of acquisition and expenses directly related to the acquisition up until the time when the asset is ready for use. In the case of assets of own construction, cost comprises direct and indirect expenses for labour, materials, components and sub-suppliers.

Depreciation based on cost reduced by any residual value is calculated on a straight-line basis over the expected useful lives of the assets, which are:

Production buildings	20-25 years
Plant and machinery	5-10 years
Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	3-5 years
Leasehold improvements	5-20 years

The fixed assets' residual values are determined at nil.

Depreciation period and residual value are reassessed annually.

Impairment of fixed assets

The carrying amounts of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment and investments are reviewed on an annual basis to determine whether there is any indication of impairment other than that expressed by amortisation and depreciation.

The recoverable amount of the asset is calculated as the higher of net selling price and value in use. Where a recoverable amount cannot be determined for the individual asset, the assets are assessed in the smallest group of assets for which a reliable recoverable amount can be determined based on a total assessment.

Goodwill, head office buildings and other assets for which a separate value in use cannot be determined as the asset does not on an individual basis generate future cash flows are reviewed for impairment together with the group of assets to which they are attributable.

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are recognised and measured under the equity method.

The item "Investments in subsidiaries" in the balance sheet include the proportionate ownership share of the net asset value of the enterprises calculated on the basis of the fair values of identifiable net assets at the time of acquisition with deduction or addition of unrealised intercompany profits or losses and with addition of the remaining value of any increases in value and goodwill calculated at the time of acquisition of the enterprises.

The total net revaluation of investments in subsidiaries is transferred upon distribution of profit to "Reserve for net revaluation under the equity method" under equity. The reserve is reduced by dividend distributed to the Parent Company and adjusted for other equity movements in the subsidiaries.

Subsidiaries with a negative net asset value are recognised at DKK 0. Any legal or constructive obligation of the Parent Company to cover the negative balance of the enterprise is recognised in provisions.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, which consist of listed bonds and shares, are measured at their fair values at the balance sheet date. Fair value is determined on the basis of the latest quoted market price.

Investments which are not traded in an active market are measured at the lower of cost and recoverable amount.

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Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost under the FIFO method and net realisable value.

The net realisable value of inventories is calculated at the amount expected to be generated by sale of the inventories in the process of normal operations with deduction of selling expenses and costs of completion. The net realisable value is determined allowing for marketability, obsolescence and development in expected selling price.

The cost of goods for resale, raw materials and consumables equals landed cost.

The cost of finished goods and work in progress comprises the cost of raw materials, consumables and direct labour.

Receivables

Receivables are measured in the balance sheet at the lower of amortised cost and net realisable value, which corresponds to nominal value less provisions for bad debts.

Prepayments

Prepayments comprise prepaid expenses concerning rent, insurance premiums, subscriptions and interest.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when - in consequence of an event occurred before or on the balance sheet date - the Group has a legal or constructive obligation and it is probable that economic benefits must be given up to settle the obligation.

Other provisions include warranty obligations in respect of repair work within the warranty period of 1-5 years. Provisions are measured and recognised based on experience with guarantee work.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all temporary differences between the carrying amount and the tax base of assets and liabilities. However, deferred tax is not recognised in respect of temporary differences concerning goodwill not deductible for tax purposes and other items - apart from business acquisitions - where temporary differences have arisen at the time of acquisition without affecting the profit for the year or the taxable income.

Deferred tax is measured on the basis of the tax rules and tax rates that will be effective under the legislation at the balance sheet date when the deferred tax is expected to crystallise as current tax. In cases where the computation of the tax base may be made according to alternative tax rules, deferred tax is measured on the basis of the intended use of the asset and settlement of the liability, respectively.

Deferred tax assets, including the tax base of tax loss carry-forwards, are measured at the value at which the asset is expected to be realised, either by elimination in tax on future earnings or by set-off against deferred tax liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset within the same legal tax entity.

Current tax receivables and liabilities

Current tax receivables and liabilities are recognised in the balance sheet at the amount calculated on the basis of the expected taxable income for the year adjusted for tax on taxable incomes for prior years. Tax receivables and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right of set-off and an intention to settle on a net basis or simultaneously.

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Financial liabilities

Loans, such as loans from credit institutions, are recognised initially at the proceeds received net of transaction expenses incurred. Subsequently, the loans are measured at amortised cost; the difference between the proceeds and the nominal value is recognised as an interest expense in the income statement over the loan period.

Mortgage loans are measured at amortised cost, which for cash loans corresponds to the remaining loan. Amortised cost of debenture loans corresponds to the remaining loan calculated as the underlying cash value of the loan at the date of raising the loan adjusted for depreciation of the price adjustment of the loan made over the term of the loan at the date of raising the loan.

Other debts are measured at amortised cost, substantially corresponding to nominal value.

Deferred income

Deferred income comprises payments received in respect of income in subsequent years.

Cash Flow Statement

The cash flow statement shows the Group's cash flows for the year broken down by operating, investing and financing activities, changes for the year in cash and cash equivalents as well as the Group's cash and cash equivalents at the beginning and end of the year.

Cash flows from operating activities

Cash flows from operating activities are calculated as the net profit/loss for the year adjusted for changes in working capital and non-cash operating items such as depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses, and provisions. Working capital comprises current assets less short-term debt excluding items included in cash and cash equivalents.

Cash flows from investing activities

Cash flows from investing activities comprise cash flows from acquisitions and disposals of intangible assets, property, plant and equipment as well as fixed asset investments.

Cash flows from financing activities

Cash flows from financing activities comprise cash flows from the raising and repayment of long-term debt as well as payments to and from shareholders.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise .

The cash flow statement cannot be immediately derived from the published financial records.

Financial Highlights

Explanation of financial ratios

Gross margin	$\text{Gross profit} \times 100 / \text{Revenue}$
Profit margin	$\text{Profit/loss of ordinary primary operations} \times 100 / \text{Revenue}$
Return on assets	$\text{Profit/loss of ordinary primary operations} \times 100 / \text{Total assets at year end}$
Solvency ratio	$\text{Equity at year end} \times 100 / \text{Total assets at year end}$
Return on equity	$\text{Net profit for the year} \times 100 / \text{Average equity}$