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Second quarter result 2020

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Second quarter highlights and main developments

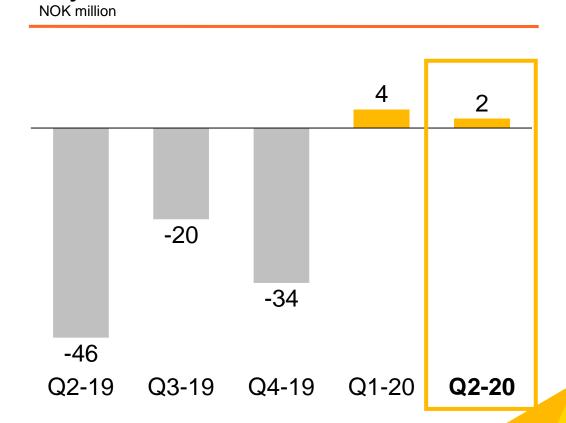
- Secured NOK 550 million in deferred payments to Norwegian state
- Market-15 regulation of Norwegian telecom market in effect from 1 June, negotiations ongoing with the other operators on future roaming agreements
- 598k smartphone subscriptions at end of Q2, up 15k in Q2 in a market which is down due to Covid-19
- Smartphone service revenues grew by 19% to NOK 379 million
- Adjusted EBITDA of NOK 2 million, second positive quarter in a row
- 232 new smartphone sites on air in Q2, continued increase in on-net data and voice
- Divestment of Danish operation, in line with the strategic focus on Norway



Break-even adj. EBITDA in Q2 2020



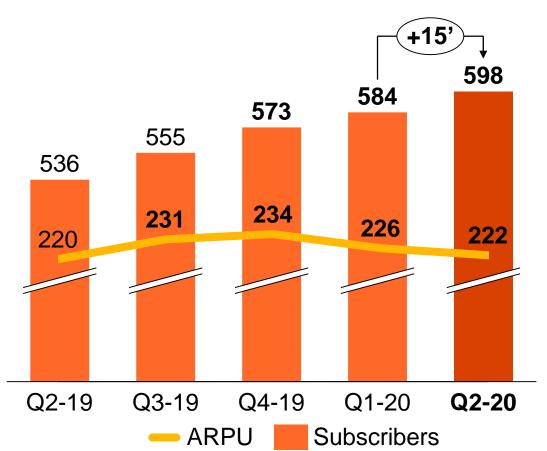
Adjusted EBITDA



Growth in smartphone subscribers leading to 18% increase in smartphone service revenues

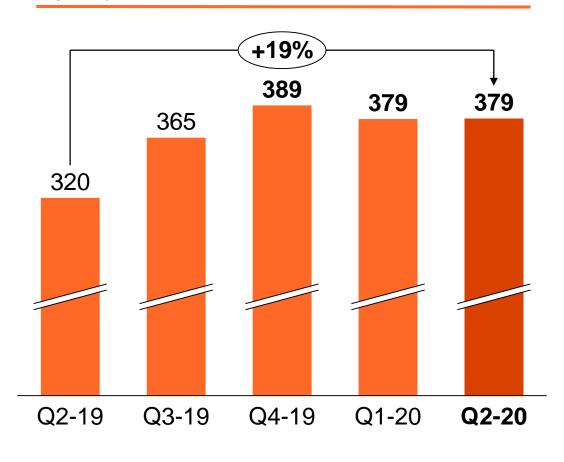
Smartphone subscribers & ARPU

1.000 subscribers / ARPU in NOK



Smartphone service revenues

NOK million





Slow start to the quarter but activity picked up towards the end of the quarter

- Start of Q2 with lower than normal activity due to Covid-19 restrictions
- Higher than normal churn in April due to price increase on 1GB price plan
- Churn and sales picked up towards the end of the quarter
- Ice «win rate» in the market (share of net porting¹) was above 20% in Q2

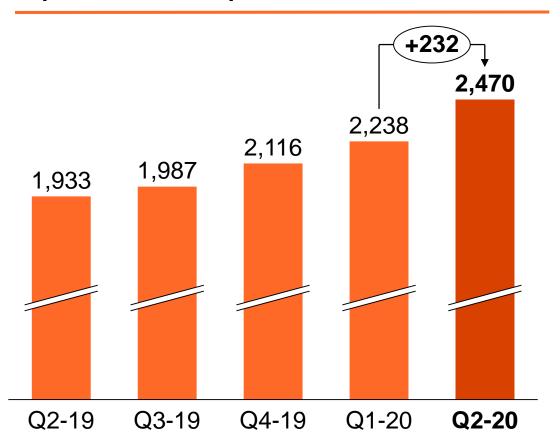


«New» 8GB subscription is the bestseller since launch in May

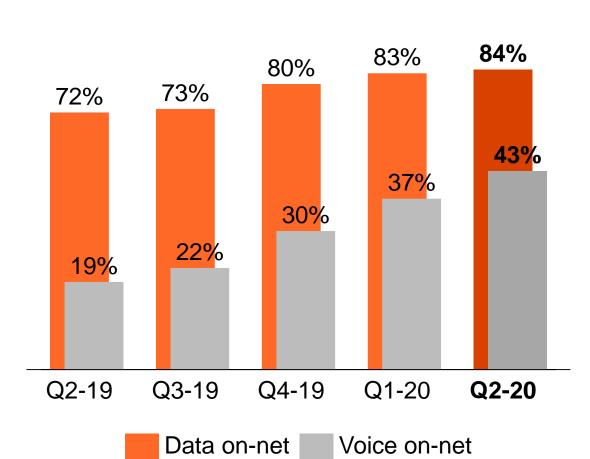


We continue to build base stations – giving us higher on-net share and lowering our roaming costs

Operational smartphone sites



Average on-net data and voice share





iPhone agreement with positive effects

Increased on-net voice and data

 On-net voice on iPhone now higher than Android, with continued upside going forward

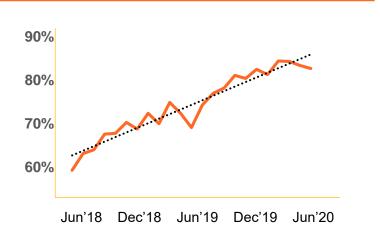
Increased sale of iPhone

- 56% of sales in Q2'20 vs 35% in Q2 last year
- iPhone share of total user base has increased to 45%, up from 41% a year ago

Good underlying development in on-net usage

- Lifting of travel ban in May boosted domestic travel to areas outside ice+ coverage, reducing the average onnet share
- Peak days at 88% on-net data

Monthly on-net data last 2 years



Continued government support for a third network in Norway

Deferred payments

- The Ministry of Local Government and Modernisation has made the final decision to grant Ice deferred payment of license payments and license fees
 - NOK 303 million due in November 2021
 - License fees due in January 2021 and 2022
 - All payments above deferred until 2025
 - Liquidity effect of NOK ~550 million in total

Market-15 regulation

The Norwegian telecom market will continue to be highly regulated, as one of the least competitive markets in

Europe Regulation in effect from 1 June 2020 Lower roaming prices for Ice Stricter regulation on site sharing

Vedtak om utpeking av tilbyder med sterk markedsstilling og pålegg om særskilte forpliktelser i markedet for tilgang til og samtaleoriginering i offentlige mobilkommunikasjonsnett Sak 1804194 14. mai 2020

Regulatory focus on telecom

Both Norwegian Competition Authority and EFTA Surveillance Agency (ESA) with high focus on fair competition in Norwegian telecom





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Ice Group ASA: Deferment of spectrum payments

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Following a dialogue with the Norwegian state about payment of future spectrum fees, The Norwegian Ministry of Local Government and Modernisation is proposing to grant Ice Group ASA deferment of planned spectrum payments:

- . The payment of NOK 303 million from last year's spectrum auction of 700 MHz and 2.100 MHz may be deferred from 1 November 2021 until 1
- . The spectrum charges due to be paid 1 February 2021 and 1 February 2022, may be deferred until 1 February 2025.

In total, this is estimated to result in a positive liquidity effect in the region of NOK 550 million for loe Group

A notification of the proposed deferments has been sent to the EFTA Surveillance Authority (ESA) for approval in accordance with the EEA agreement. If ESA approves the measure, it may be subject to certain conditions and obligations

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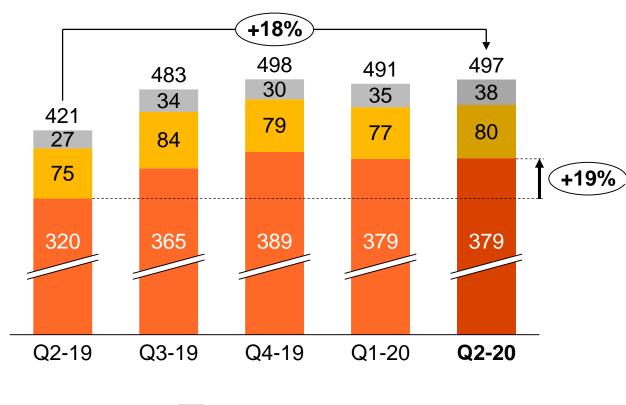
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Finance

Positive adj. EBITDA again in Q2 2020

Operating revenues

NOK million



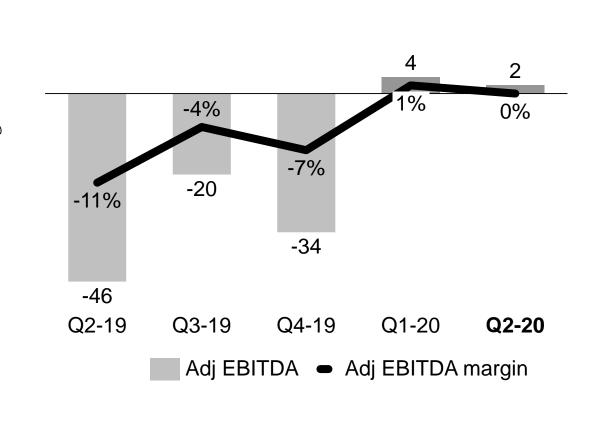
Other revenues

MBB service revenues

Smartphone service revenues

Adj EBITDA and adj EBITDA margin

NOK million / %

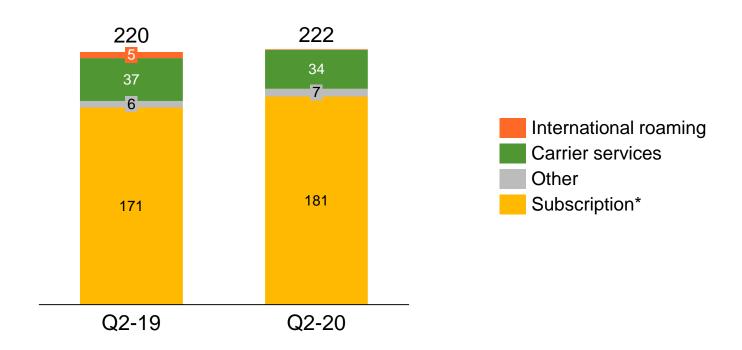




Positive underlying ARPU development

Smartphone ARPU detailed

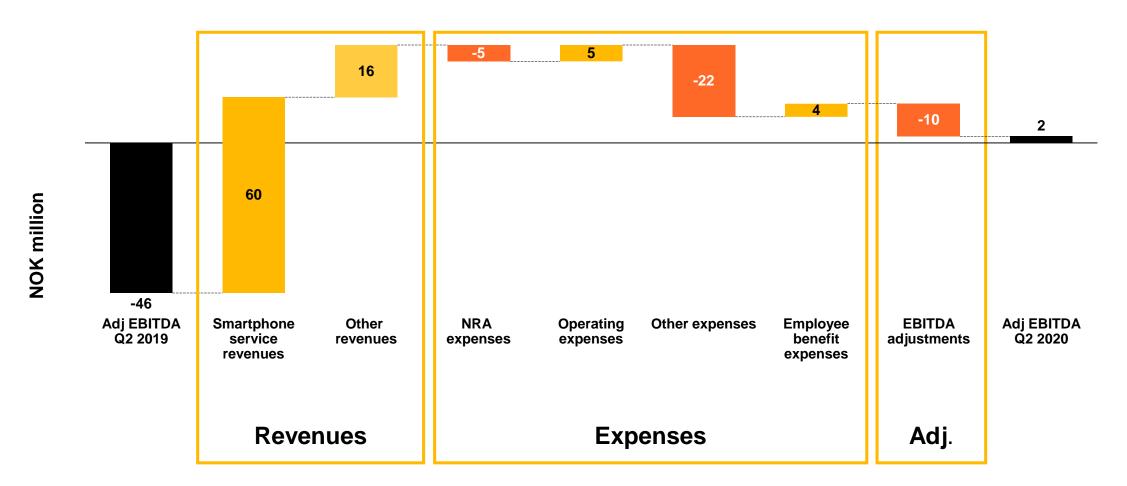
Average monthly revenue per subscription (NOK)



- Slight increase in APRU despite loss of international roaming due to Covid-19 travel restrictions
- +10 NOK increase in Subscription revenues
- Carrier services has regulated prices and zero margin
- Working on value added products to increase ARPU
- New product portfolio very attractive on higher price plans

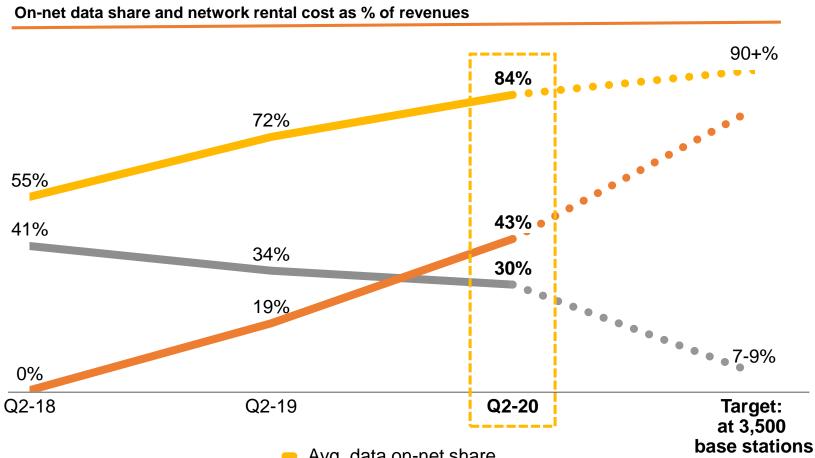


Adj. EBITDA development – Q2 2019 vs Q2 2020





The increasing on-net share driving the decline in NRA cost share despite growth in data consumption



- Network build-out enabling shift from variable to fixed cost base
- Continuously decreasing network rent cost as on-net share increases
- Additional positive effect on NRA cost from new regulation (Market-15)

- Avg. data on-net share
- NRA cost / smartphone service revenues
- Avg. voice on-net share



Income statement

mnok	Q2 2020	Q2 2019
Service revenue	460	394
Other operating revenue	38	27
Total operating revenue	497	421
National roaming expenses	-114	-109
Operating expenses, excl. NRA	-125	-130
Other expenses	-220	-198
Employee benefit expenses	-46	-50
EBITDA	-8	-66
Depreciation and amortisation	-128	-116
Operating result (EBIT)	-136	-182
Net financial income/expenses	-44	-115
Profit/loss before tax	-180	-298
Income taxes	-0	1
Net result for the period	-181	-297
Adjusted EBITDA	2	-46
Earnings per share (NOK)		
- Basic from continuing operations	-0.89	-1.48

Danish business divested in Q2, included in figures until 30 April 2020.

The net financial items for the second quarter holds a NOK 96 million non-cash positive currency effect from borrowings in USD and SEK. Interest expense for Q2 amounted to NOK 93 million while NOK 61 million were paid interest in the period. Financial expenses related to IFRS 16 amounted to NOK 40 million for the period.



Cash flow

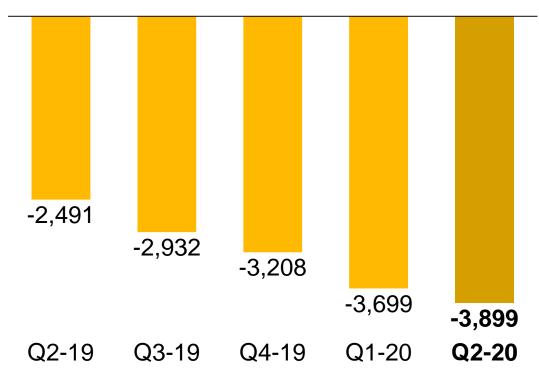
mnok	Q2 2020	Q2 2019	
Result before tax	-180	-298	
Payments related to lease interest	40	26	
Paid interest expense	61	10	
Depreciation & amortization of non-current assets	95	93	
Depreciation & amortization of right-of-use assets	33	24	
Depreciation & amortization of costs to obtain/fulfil contracts	76	51	
Net interest expense	31	74	Mainly currency effects on
Adjustments for other non-cash items	-77	10	SEK/USD loans
Cash flows before changes in working capital	79	-11	
Cash flows from changes in working capital	-79	136	Mainly investments in netw
Cash flows from operating activities	0	126	build-out and core modernization
Cash flows from investing activities	-159	-307	
Cash flows from financing activities	-178	-150	Last to MOK 57 william to
Cash flows for the period	-337	-331	Includes NOK 57 million in repayment of Telia sellers of
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the perod	958	1,496	
Exchange rate differences in cash and cash equivalents	-3	-1	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	618	1,164	

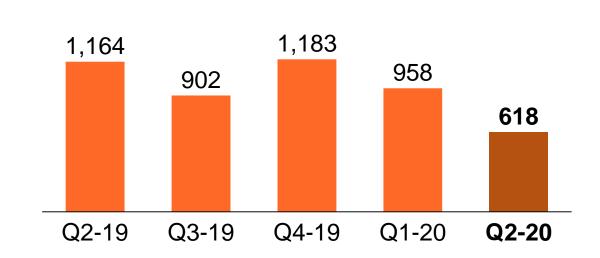


Liquidity level sufficient to fund network build-out and growth in Norway for the coming period

Net interest bearing debt (NOK million)

Cash and cash equivalents (NOK million)

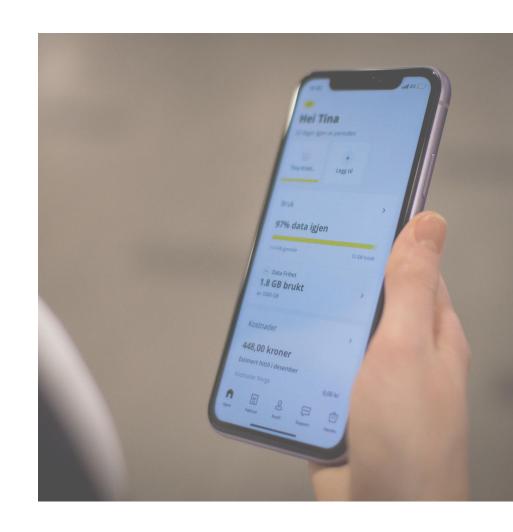




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Update on refinancing process

- Secured NOK 550 million in deferred spectrum payment to Norwegian state, significantly reducing the funding need
- Financing process has been re-initiated during Q2 and is ongoing with advanced talks
- Multiple sources and debt structures have been evaluated
- Management is positive that additional financing may be accessible in the coming period
- Secured bond refinancing process to be initiated late 2020 (maturity Oct 2021)





Guidance & outlook

Smartphone network build-out:

2020: ~1,000 new smartphone base stations

restated

CAPEX:

2020: NOK ~750 million

restated

National Roaming Cost (NRA):

2020: NOK ~450 million

updated

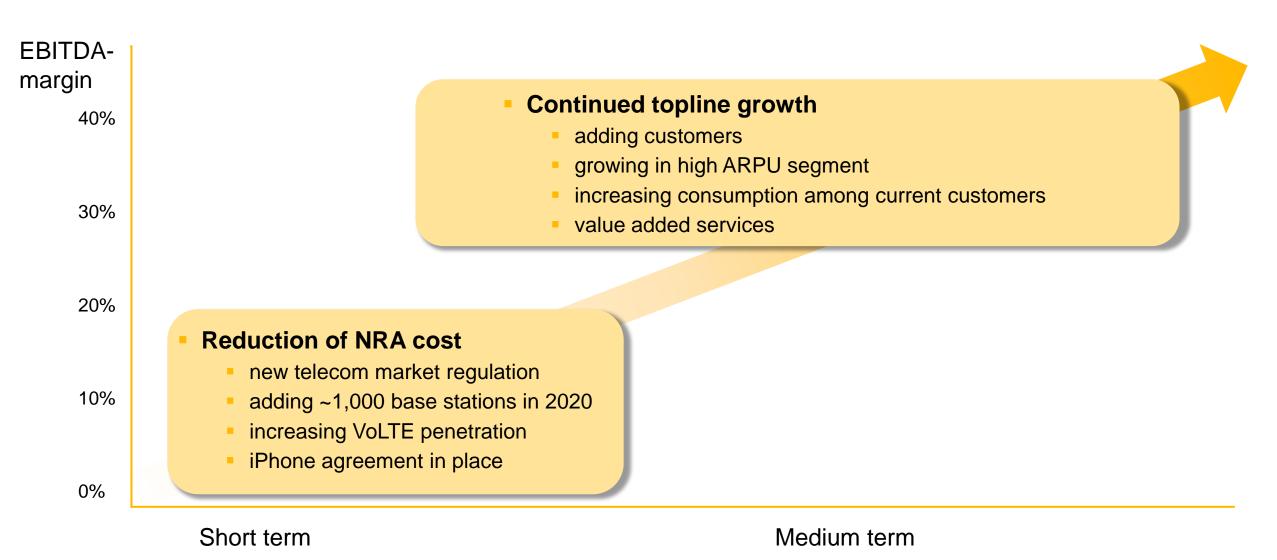
EBITDA:

2020: Expect to have **positive** annual adj. EBITDA in 2020

updated

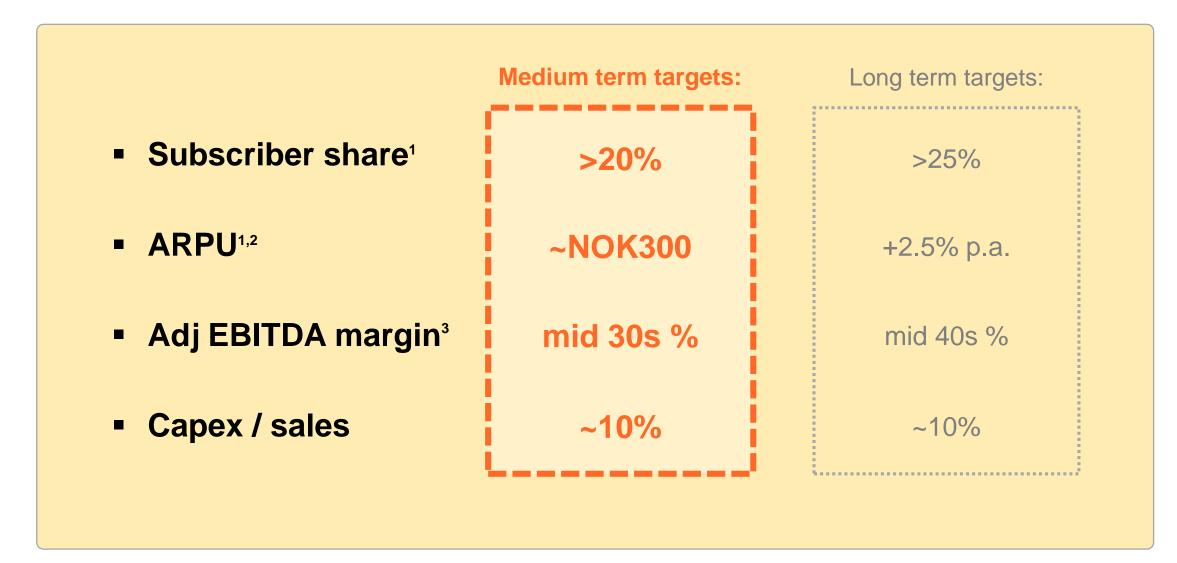


Key drivers behind profitability improvements



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Our path to medium-term and long-term value creation





Target for smartphone subscriptions in Norway

²⁾ Average Revenue Per User

Adjusted FRITDA

Summary

Second quarter highlights and main developments

Secured NOK 550 million in deferred payments

Continued
positive
operational
development,
despite Covid19 impact

Positive adj.
EBITDA for the second quarter in a row

Appendix

Income statement*

mnok	Q2 2020	Q2 2019	H1 2020	H1 2019	FY 2019
Service revenue	460	394	915	769	1,687
Other operating revenue	38	27	73	109	173
Total operating revenue	497	421	988	879	1,859
National roaming expenses	-114	-109	-225	-206	-440
Operating expenses, excl. NRA	-125	-130	-261	-257	-574
Other expenses	-220	-198	-405	-417	-793
Employee benefit expenses	-46	-50	-108	-110	-238
EBITDA	-8	-66	-10	-112	-186
Depreciation and amortisation	-128	-116	-243	-218	-468
Operating result (EBIT)	-136	-182	-253	-330	-655
Net financial income/expenses	-44	-115	-346	-244	-488
Profit/loss before tax	-180	-298	-600	-574	-1,142
Income taxes	-0	1	-1	1	10
Net result for the period	-181	-297	-600	-573	-1,133
Adjusted EBITDA	2	-46	6	-111	-165
Earnings per share (NOK)					
- Basic from continuing operations	-0.89	-1.48	-2.98	-2.84	-5.62

*Numbers from the divested Swedish operation are included in the 2019 figures (divested Q1 2019)

Ice Group defines Adjusted EBITDA as operating profit after adjustment of operating expenses for depreciation, amortisation, impairment network upgrades, share based compensation expense, non-recurring and other non-operational items. Any effects from business combinations are not included. For details, see the section on Alternative Performance Measures and definitions.



Cash flow*

mnok	Q2	Q2	H1	H1	FY
HIIIOK	2020	2019	2020	2019	2019
Result before tax	-180	-298	-600	-574	-1,142
Payments related to lease interest	40	26	77	58	113
Paid interest expense	61	10	121	62	142
Depreciation & amortization of non-current assets	95	93	182	171	370
Depreciation & amortization of right-of-use assets	33	24	62	48	98
Depreciation & amortization of costs to obtain/fulfil contracts	76	51	131	101	206
Net interest expense	31	74	67	99	183
Adjustments for other non-cash items	-77	10	84	26	56
Cash flows before changes in working capital	79	-11	123	-10	27
Cash flows from changes in working capital	-79	136	-78	-61	-314
Cash flows from operating activities	0	126	45	-71	-287
Cash flows from investing activities	-159	-307	-306	-268	-461
Cash flows from financing activities	-178	-150	-310	1,229	1,656
Cash flows for the period	-337	-331	-571	890	907
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the peroid	958	1,496	958	1,496	902
Exchange rate differences in cash and cash equivalents	-3	-1	-3	-1	1
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	618	1,164	618	1,164	1,183



Balance sheet*

mnok	30.06.2020	30.06.2019	31.12.2019
ASSETS			
Intangible assets	2,005	1,700	2,070
Tangible assets	3,037	2,249	2,383
Other non-current assets	374	331	382
Total non-current assets	5,416	4,280	4,835
Inventory	10	6	9
Trade receivables	131	130	143
Other receivables	35	21	18
Prepaid expenses and accued income	56	32	27
Cash and cash eqvivalents	618	1,164	1,183
Total current assets	851	1,353	1,381
TOTAL ASSETS	6,267	5,633	6,216

mnok	30.06.2020	30.06.2019	31.12.2019
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Total Equity	-1,575	-314	-889
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Borrowings	4,466	3,604	4,331
Non-current leases	1,992	1,219	1,618
Deferred tax liabilities	1	8	0
Other non-current liabilities	304	303	303
Total non-current liabilities	6,763	5,135	6,252
Trade payables	280	232	164
Current leases	75	62	112
Other current liabilities	24	20	21
Accrued expenses and deferred income	700	498	555
Total current liabilities	1,079	812	852
Total liabilities	7,842	5,947	7,104
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	6,267	5,633	6,216

Key KPIs

	Q2 2019	Q3 2019	Q4 2019	Q1 2020	Q2 2020
No. of active subscriptions (in thousands)	622	641	659	668	683
- Smartphone	536	555	573	584	598
- consumer	498	517	535	545	558
- business	38	38	38	39	40
- MBB Norway (excl. M2M/IoT)	85	86	86	85	84
Smartphone ARPU	220	231	234	226	222
Number of Smartphone base stations in service EoP	1,933	1,987	2,116	2,238	2,470
Smartphone avg. Data on-net share %	72 %	73 %	80 %	83 %	84 %
Voice on-net share %	19 %	22 %	30 %	37 %	43 %
Smartphone churn, annualized %	24 %	33 %	26 %	27 %	24 %



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