# Update Call Q3/9M 2024/25

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# **Key financials: Stable sales and strong gross margin**

### Sales

€4,950.8m

*Total sales:* +0.5% *LFL (DIY):* +1.1%

## **Gross Profit / margin**

**€1,713.1m 34.6%** +4.3% +1.3pp

## Adj. EBIT / margin

**€300.0m 6.1%** +11.4% 5.5%

### **EPS**

**€11.84** *€9.59* 

#### **CAPEX**

**€107.2m** -28.2%

## **Free Cash Flow**

**€149.8m (+>100%)** *€ 55.9m* 

## Net leverage

2.3x (Net debt / EBITDA)

## **Equity ratio**

**46.8%** *Feb. 2024: 43.5%* 



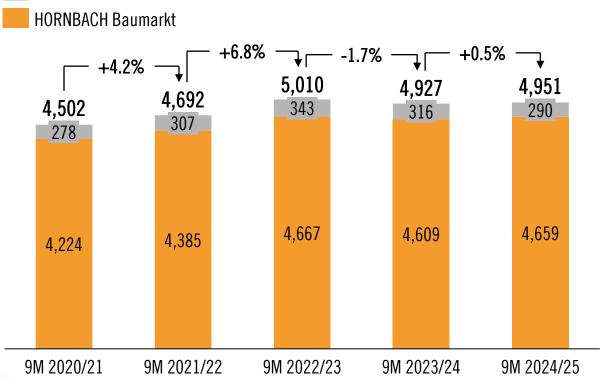


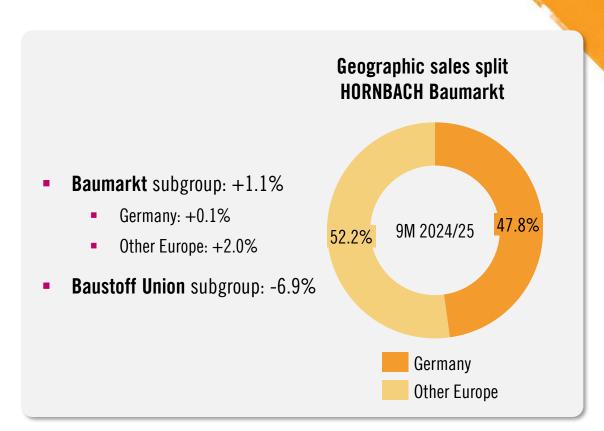
#### **Consolidated net sales in € million**

# Net sales slightly up on the back of positive organic development across Europe

**9M** net sales (Mar 1 - Nov 30)

HORNBACH Baustoff Union





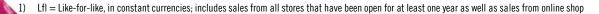


## 9M 2024/25 like-for-like sales with positive development in majority of countries

- Demand benefitted from better **weather conditions** in most countries across Europe during Q1, having a **positive impact on** garden & plant sales
- Unfavorable weather conditions from May to August lead to mixed Q2 results
- **Q3 benefitted from a warm fall** as well as growth in Other Europe
- Group-wide equal number of business days as in prior-year period

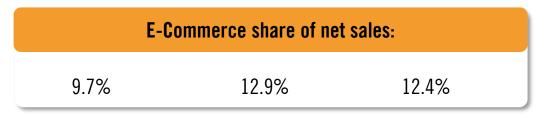
Like-for-like sales growth<sup>1)</sup> per quarter and 9M in %

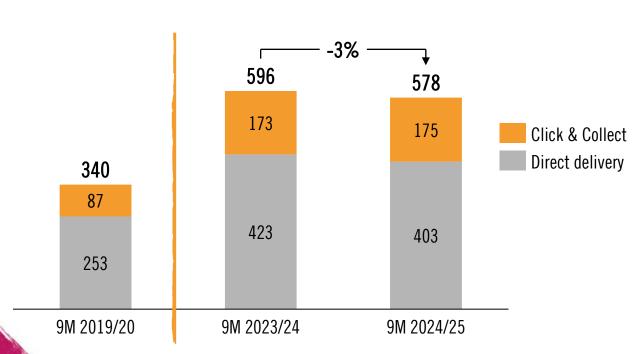
	Q1 2023/24	Q2 2023/24	Q3 2023/24	9M 2023/24	Q1 2024/25	Q2 2024/25	Q3 2024/25	9M 2024/25
Total	(3.2)	1.0	(4.3)	(2.2)	2.5	(1.2)	2.0	1.1
Germany	(5.7)	0.3	(5.0)	(3.5)	2.9	(2.2)	0.2	0.4
Other Europe	(0.8)	1.6	(3.6)	(0.9)	2.1	(0.3)	3.7	1.8
Austria	(6.6)	(3.5)	(9.0)	(6.3)	3.0	(3.4)	0.6	0.1
Czechia	(3.2)	(1.2)	(5.6)	(3.3)	3.4	2.3	5.2	3.2
Luxembourg	0.6	7.7	(1.0)	2.4	(2.3)	(4.4)	0.1	(2.3)
Netherlands	7.7	7.5	(0.3)	5.1	1.8	1.9	7.6	3.6
Romania	(2.2)	(0.9)	(3.5)	(2.2)	3.9	1.7	3.5	3.1
Slovakia	(0.4)	1.3	(5.2)	(1.3)	2.7	(0.1)	3.3	1.9
Sweden	(7.1)	(0.7)	0.5	(2.8)	3.9	0.3	2.6	2.2
Switzerland	(2.3)	1.6	(3.9)	(1.5)	(0.7)	(3.4)	(8.0)	(1.6)





# E-commerce with slight growth in Q3 – sales share stabilizing





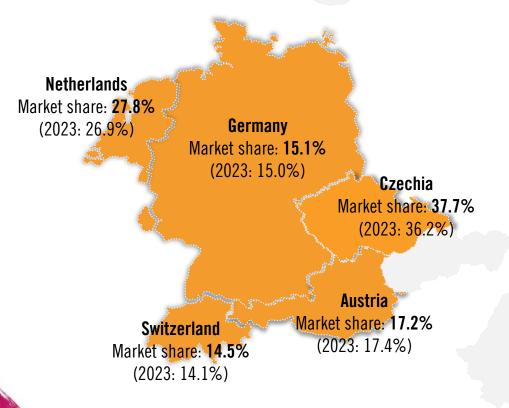
- **E-commerce share of HORNBACH Baumarkt** sales (incl. Click & Collect) of 12.4% in 9M 2024/25, comparable to H1 figure
- Slight e-commerce growth in Q3 2024/25, driven by uptick in Click & Collect and Direct Delivery
- Click & Collect with overall positive development in 9M 2024/25



# **HORNBACH Baumarkt – positive market share development**

#### Market share 2024 in key countries

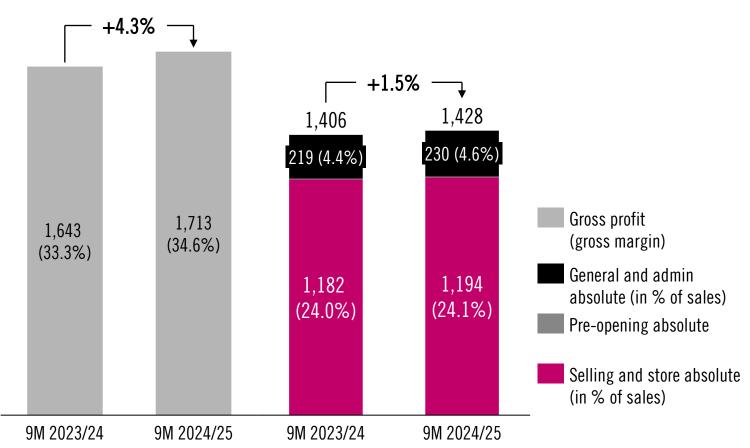
Market share of HORNBACH Baumarkt January – October 2024 in % (GfK)



- HORNBACH has a clear focus on growing its market share (GfK) in a highly competitive environment
- Market share in the Netherlands grew by +0.9 ppt driven by successful expansion and increasing same store sales
- Czechia +1.5 ppt compared to 2023
- Switzerland increased market share by 0.4% driven by shifts in competitive landscape
- High level market share in **Germany** slightly increased to 15.1%

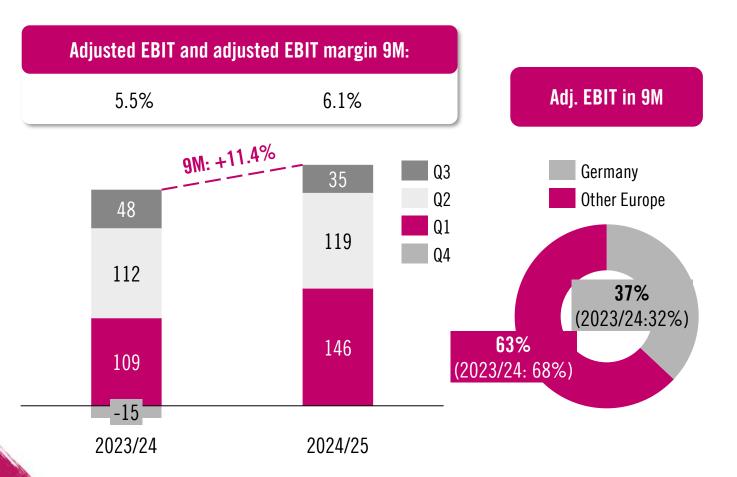


# **Gross margin significantly improved – cost structure stable despite higher wages**



- Gross margin improved significantly to 34.6% reflecting normalized core commodity prices and healthier product mix – gross profit up by 4.3%
- Selling and store expenses in % of sales largely stable — prior year affected by adjustments mainly triggered by ECB interest rate changes
- General and administration expenses in % of sales slightly up, mainly driven by necessary wage increases

# **Adjusted EBIT substantially increased by 11.4%**



- Group adjusted EBIT significantly increased due to improved gross profit (+4.3%) combined with conscious investments into future growth
- Prior year adjustments were mainly driven by ECB interest rate changes

Reconciliation (in €m)	9M 2023/24	9M 2024/25	
EBIT	251.5	301.0	
Non-operating effects	+17.9	-1.0	
Adjusted EBIT	269.4	300.0	



<sup>1)</sup> Adjusted to exclude non-operating earnings items, e.g. impairment losses on assets, income from disposals of properties, income from write-ups of assets impaired in previous years

#### **Cash flow in € million**

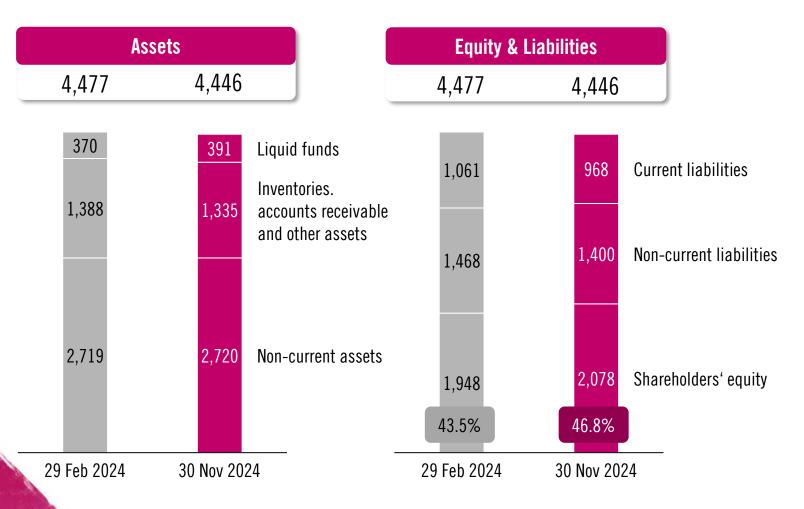
# Strong cash flow from operating activities reflects good business momentum

	9M 2023/24	9M 2024/25
Cash flow from operating activities	236.9	284.4
of which: change in working capital	(98.3)	(83.9)
Cash flow from investing activities	(170.4)	(94.7)
of which: gross CAPEX	(149.2)	(107.2)
Cash flow from financing activities	(171.7)	(169.9)
Cash-effective change in cash and cash equivalents	(105.3)	19.8
Free cash flow (after net CAPEX and dividend)	55.9	149.8

- Cash flow from operating activities
   increased by better net result and working
   capital management
- CAPEX split 9M 2024/25:
  - Land and new stores (50%)
  - Store conversions and equipment (36%)
  - Software (14%)
- Substantial CAPEX to come in Q4, as previously communicated
- Free cash flow of €149.8m (9M 23/24: €55.9m) reflects strong 9M operations



## **Strong balance sheet structure**



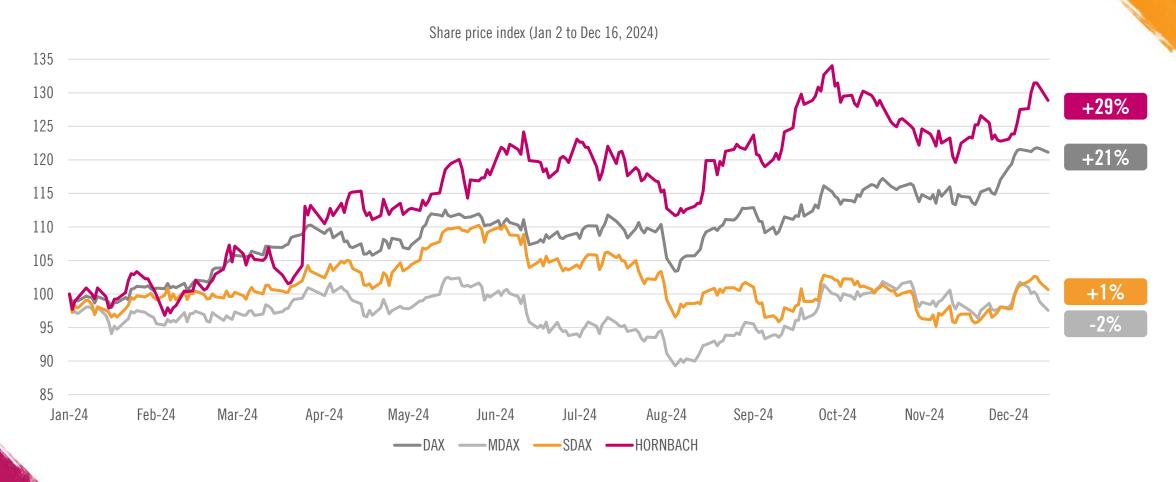
- Slightly reduced inventories reflect seasonality
- Net financial debt slightly below February 2024 level
- Continuous strong equity ratio of 46.8%

Credit Rating	Nov 2024	Feb 2024	
Net debt / EBITDA	2.3x	2.5x	
S&P Rating	BB+; outlook stable	BB+; outlook negative	



## Share price development

# Strong performance of the HORNBACH share compared to German indices





# Pursuing long-term opportunities while navigating current challenges



- Sustain price leadership and remain a reliable partner to our customers
- Continue to invest in our ICR strategy and the digitalization of our business to maintain strong market positions
- Further improve efficiency by actively managing costs and inventory
- Advance our ESG priorities and objectives within our own operations, supply chain and product offering
- Maintain a strong balance sheet and attractive dividend

We are confident in our business model and ability to grow market shares as we remain well positioned to navigate the complex macroeconomic environment and have the financial strength to continue to invest strategically.



## **Guidance and store openings**

# Earnings guidance for FY 2024/25 unchanged

Net sales 2024/25

Net sales 2023/24

Adjusted EBIT 2024/25

Adjusted EBIT 2023/24

Additional item:

CAPEX 2024/25

CAPEX 2023/24

At the level of 2023/24\*

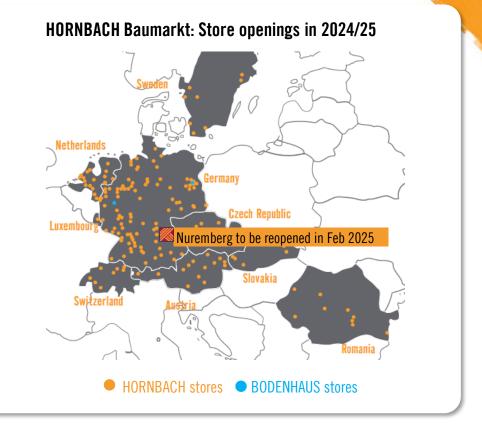
€ 6,161m

At or slightly above the level of 2023/24

*€ 254.2m* 

€ 160m – € 180m

€ 192.6m



Guidance nomenclature: Sales "At previous year's level" = -1% to +1% | "Slight" = +/- 2% to +/- 5% | "Significant" = > +/- 12%. Future developments are subject to considerable uncertainty. Please see disclaimer at the beginning of the presentation regarding forward-looking statements.

\* Previously expected slightly above the level of 2023/24





# Upcoming events & IR contact

# **Financial Calendar**

January 9, 2025 ODDO BHF Forum, Lyon

January 13, 2025 Commerzbank and ODDO BHF — German Investment Seminar, New York

January 22, 2025 Kepler Cheuvreux/ UniCredit - 24th German Corporate Conference, Frankfurt/Main

February 5, 2025 Montega Hamburg Investor Day, Hamburg

March 12, 2025 J.P. Morgan - European Opportunities Forum, London

March 25, 2025 Trading Statement FY 2024/25 as of February 28, 2025

April 1, 2025 Metzler Small Cap Days, Frankfurt/Main

April 2, 2025 MKK - Münchner Kapitalmarkt Konferenz, Munich

Annual Report FY 2024/25 as of February 28, 2025 / Analyst Conference

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