

## Press release

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## Sales development in February and first quarter 2017

## February 2017

The H&M group's sales including VAT increased by 3 percent in local currencies adjusted for negative calendar effects in the month of February 2017 compared to the same month last year. The negative calendar effect amounted to approximately 4 percentage points since February 2017 had one day less than February 2016, which was a leap year.

## First quarter 2017

In the first quarter of 2017, i.e. during the period 1 December 2016 to 28 February 2017, the H&M group's sales including VAT amounted to SEK 54,369 m (50,624), an increase of 7 percent. Sales excluding VAT amounted to SEK 46,985 m (43,691), an increase of 8 percent. In local currencies, sales including VAT increased by 4 percent.

Sales development\* per month in percent in <u>local</u> currencies:

	Financial year			
	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017
December	10	15	10	6
January	15	14	7	8
February	11	15	10	-1
March	13	10	2	
April	17	10	5	
May	19	10	9	
June	12	14	8	
July	17	16	10	
August	19	1	7	
September	8	11	1	
October	14	12	10	
November	10	4	9	
Full year	14	11	7	

<sup>\*</sup>not adjusted for calendar effects

The total number of stores in the group amounted to 4,393 on 28 February 2017 compared to 3,970 on 29 February 2016.

The Three-Month Report, covering the period 1 December 2016 – 28 February 2017, will be published at 08.00 (CET) on 30 March 2017. Percentage sales development for the month of March will be published in a press release at 08.00 (CET) on 18 April 2017.

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