

first quarter results 2009

very difficult quarter; strong cost and debt management whilst maintaining commercial strength

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structure of results presentation

- Q1 2009 includes the acquisition of Vedior
 - consolidation as per 16 May, 2008
- from revenue up until EBITA: focus on the pro forma figures
 - best reflection of underlying operational performance
 - adjusted for integration charges and one-offs
 - with Vedior included for a full quarter, pro forma & actual revenue etc. are equal in Q1 2009, but we compare versus Q1 2008 where we were not yet a combined company
- below EBITA: focus on actual results, balance sheet and cash flow statement
 - to reflect the impact of the transaction
- we now report our Chinese payrolling business on a net basis (fee only) rather than on a gross basis. 2008 pro forma figures have been adjusted



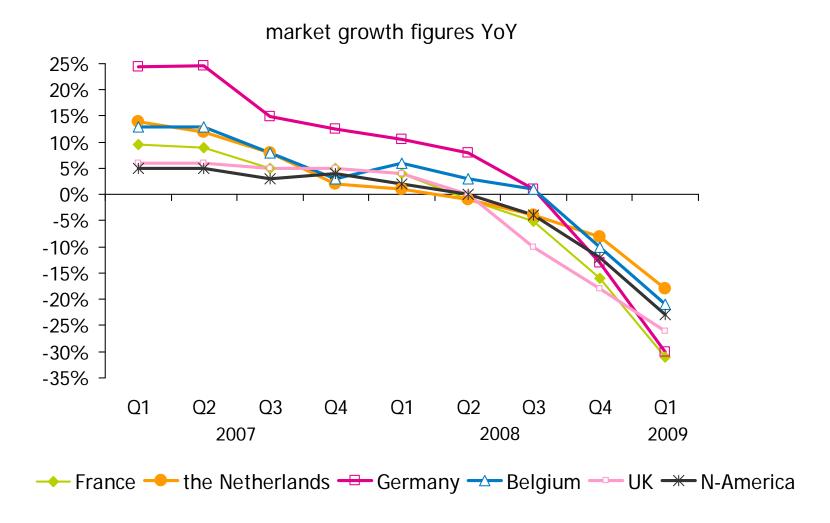


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performance

market development





Q1 2009: difficult market circumstances

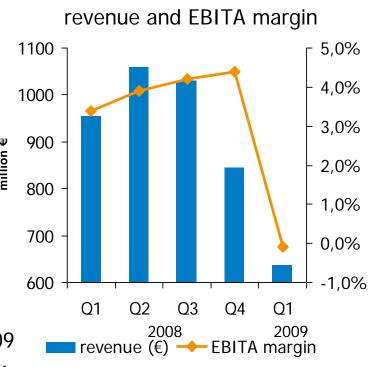
- current turmoil unfortunately negatively affecting all stakeholders
- quick drop in revenue across all major regions and across all segments
 - revenue declined 28% YoY to € 3,056 million; trend deteriorating through the quarter
 - most difficult quarter in last downturn was Q1 2002 with 13% revenue decline YoY
- fast realization synergies and accelerated cost reductions
 - operating expenses € 565 million, 19% lower than in Q1 2008
- speed of revenue decline causes time lag in cost adjustments
 - sometimes legal barriers in timing and implementation cost savings
- EBITA* reached € 49.2 million vs. € 180.3 million in Q1 2008
 - underlying EBITA margin down to 1.6% vs. 4.3% in Q1 2008
 - Q1 normally slowest quarter of the year due to seasonal effects
- solid cash generation; net debt down to € 1,446 vs. € 1,641 in Q4 2008
 - net debt/EBITDA ratio flat vs. Q4 2008 at 1.8

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France: urgent need for approval social plan

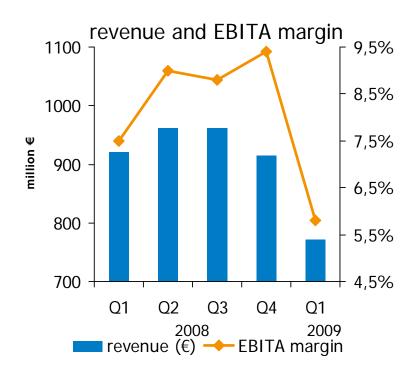
- organic revenue -/-33% in Q1 2009 (vs. -/-19% in Q4 2008)
 - automotive most severely hit
- pricing rational
- successful integration
- EBITA margin -/-0.1% versus 3.4% LY
 - professionals holding up best
 - permanent placement down 26% YoY
- discussions on social plan ongoing
 - time lag in cost adjustments
 - related savings expected to kick in as of Q3 2009
- some positive impact on DSO from 60-day payment law





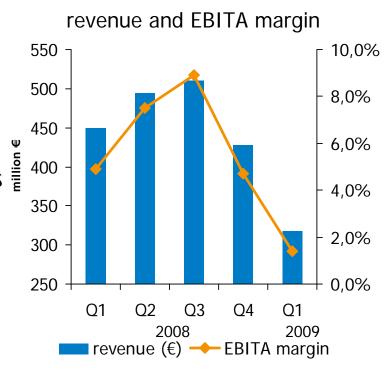
the Netherlands: market holding up relatively well, further cost reduction planned

- organic revenue -/-16% in Q1 2009 (vs. -/-8% in Q4 2008)
 - trend deteriorating through the quarter
 - Randstad NL at market, Tempo-Team above
- some gross margin pressure
 - especially at inhouse
- firm action in controlling idle time
 - Yacht: € 9 million charge to gross profit for accelerated termination of contracts interim professionals
- further cost reduction planned
 - so far 316 outlets and approximately 1,100 FTEs less vs. LY
- EBITA margin 5.8% versus 7.5% LY
 - merger synergies stimulate margin
 - EBITA margin adjusted for Yacht is 7%



Germany: strong market contraction in industry based economy

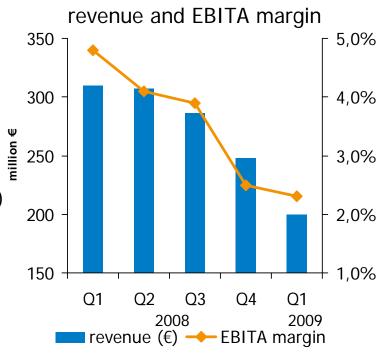
- organic revenue down 30% in Q1 2009 (vs. -/-14% in Q4 2008)
 - no signs of improvement
- idle time increased somewhat YoY
 - is at a well manageable level
- aligning costs and integrating functions
 - ongoing FTE reduction
 - short-work law offers some relief
- EBITA margin 1.4% from 4.9% LY
 - impacted by timing effect
- Yacht-Teccon; portfolio effectively streamlined in past quarters





UK: education and healthcare support overall performance

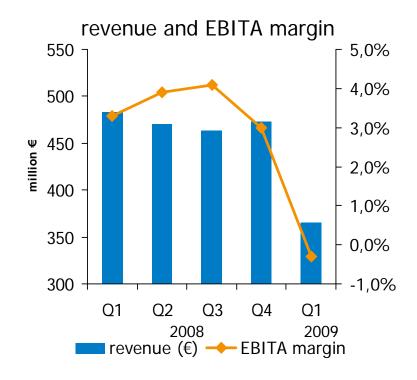
- organic revenue -/-23% in Q1 2009 (vs. -/-16% in Q4 2008)
 - weakening through quarter
 - staffing/inhouse segment weakest
- cost measures gained speed
- EBITA margin 2.3% from 4.8% LY
 - strong reduction of perm fees (-/-44% organic)
- new savings initiated at end of quarter especially in professionals





North America: focus on quick response to continued market decline

- organic revenue -/-32% in Q1 2009
 (vs. -/-18% in Q4 2008)
 - US staffing & inhouse; rate of decline stable through quarter at approx. -/-40%
 - US professionals and Canada worsening through the quarter
- price pressure increasing
- EBITA margin -/-0.3% vs. 3.3% LY
 - US staffing/ inhouse loss-making
 - permanent placement fees down 55%
 - outplacement is growing



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financial results & outlook

Q1 2009: financial highlights

- organic revenue decline of 27% YoY
 - disposals had an impact of -/-0.7%
- gross margin impacted most by decline perm fees (-/-44% YoY)
 - firm action on idle time management
- underlying operating expenses adjusted downwards by 19% YoY
 - 15% organic decline in outlets YoY and 14% less corporate employees YoY
- EBITA* at €49 million vs. €180 million LY
- effective tax rate 17% due to realization of tax synergies & mix effects
- DSO (moving average) stable vs. last year at 59 days
 - pressure from clients mitigated by focus on internal processes
 - positive mix effect and positive impact from regulation changes in France
- potential working capital improvement as of Q3 2009 of approx. € 80 million related to Dutch fiscal measure
 - VAT payments due on a quarterly rather than a monthly basis

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market share development Q1 2009

| | Q1 market growth* | Randstad Group | variance |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|----------|
| France | -/- 31% | -/- 33% | -/- 2% |
| the Netherlands | -/- 18% | -/- 16% | 2% |
| Germany | -/- 30% | <i>-/- 30%</i> | 0% |
| Belgium | -/- 21% | -/- <i>25%</i> | -/- 4% |
| UK | -/- 26% | <i>-/- 23%</i> | 3% |
| Italy | -/- 36% | -/- 41% | -/- 5% |
| Spain | <i>-/- 50%</i> | -/- 45% | 5% |
| United States** | -/- 23% | -/- 32% | -/- 9% |

 below market in France, Belgium and US due to higher than average exposure to the industrial segment which is hit the hardest in these countries

^{**} broadened definition of market in line with larger proportion professionals in Randstad revenue mix (staffing & profs)



^{*} not all market growth data are final, as not all official figures have been published yet for some markets, like UK, no market data available so estimates also partly based on competitor analysis

income statement Q1 2009

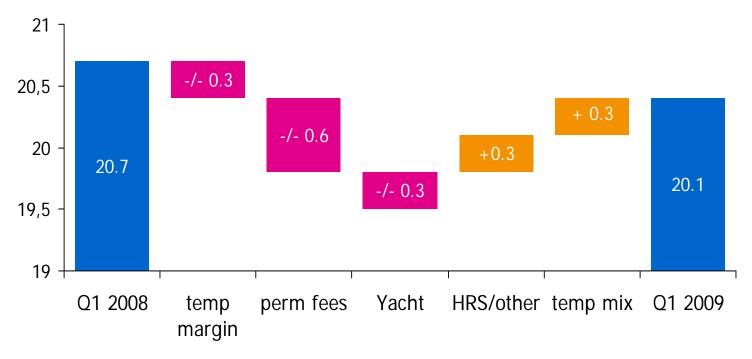
| € million | Q1 2009 | Q1 2008 | % change | % organic |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|
| revenue | 3,056 | 4,221 | -/-28% | -/- 27% |
| gross profit | 614 | 874 | -/-30% | -/- 29% |
| gross margin | 20.1% | 20.7% | | |
| operating expenses* | 565 | 694 | -/-19% | -/-18% |
| opex as % of revenue | 18.5% | 16.4% | | |
| EBITA** | 49 | 180 | -/-73% | -/-72% |
| EBITA margin | 1.6% | 4.3% | | |
| | | | | |
| income before taxes | -/- 64 | 101 | | |
| tax | 11 | -/-26 | | |
| effective tax rate | 17% | 26% | | |
| net income | -/-53 | 75 | | |
| adjusted net income | 9 | 76 | | |
| (attr. to ordinary shareholders) | | | | |
| diluted EPS** | 0.05 | 0.65 | -/- 92% | |

^{*} before impairment, integration costs and one-offs

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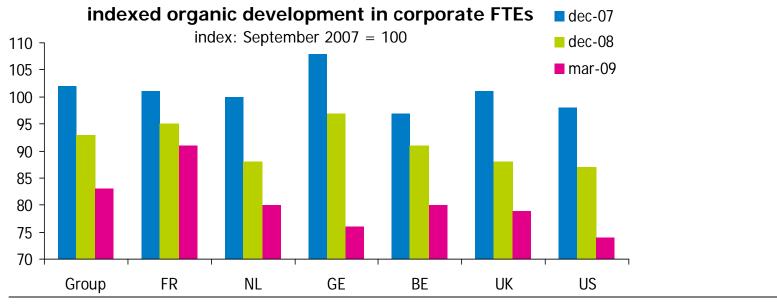
gross margin development Q1 2009



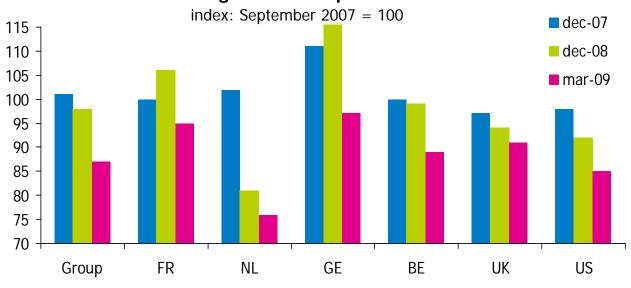
- perm fees declined 44% organically (YoY)
 - perm fees are 9.6% of gross profit vs. 12.7% LY
- accelerated termination of contracts from interim professionals at Yacht NL
- reporting change Chinese payrolling business, based on a net fee only rather than a gross basis
- relative strong performance HR services via outplacement and outsourcing



development* in corp. employees & outlets



indexed organic development in outlets







restructuring

| charges (€* million) | Q4 2008 | Q1 2009 | Q2 2009 expected |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
| France | - | 25.4 | - |
| the Netherlands | 12.3 | 15.6 | - |
| Germany | 6.4 | 1.0 | - |
| Belgium | 3.6 | | - |
| Italy | | 5.0 | - |
| Spain | 1.7 | 3.5 | - |
| Japan | 3.5 | | - |
| United States | 3.5 | 2.7 | - |
| Australia | | 0.5 | |
| total | 31.0 | 53.7 | limited |

| savings | Q4 2008 | Q1 2009 | Q2 2009 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| (€* million) | | | expected |
| total (per quarter) | - | 7 | 11 |

• earn-back on restructuring charges is 12 months

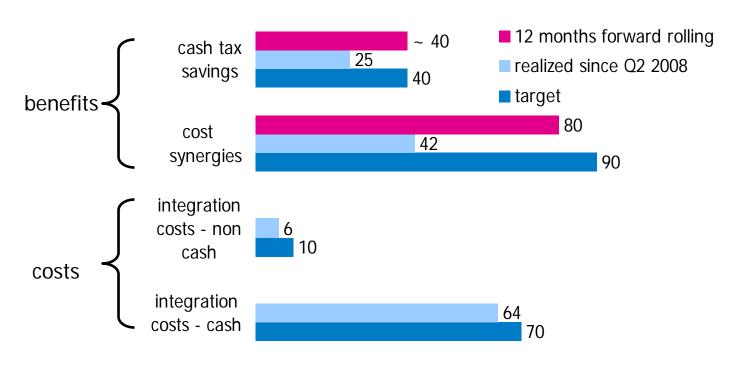
consolidated cash flow statement

| € million | Q1 2009 | Q1 2008 |
|--|---------|---------|
| cash flow from operations before OWC | 32 | 107 |
| release / (usage) of OWC | 204 | 20 |
| additions of PPE | -/-6 | -/-8 |
| additions of software | -/-7 | -/-9 |
| financial receivables | 2 | 0 |
| disposals of PPE | 2 | 1 |
| free cash flow | 228 | 111 |
| € million | Q1 2009 | |
| free cash flow | 228 | |
| (acquisition)/ disposals subsidiaries | -/-4 | |
| interest | -/-15 | |
| translation result on borrowings / other | -/-13 | |
| net debt movement Q4 2008 -> Q1 2009 | 195 | |

note: cash flow statement Q1 2008 is Randstad standalone

tracking synergies / integration costs

synergies and integration costs (€ million)

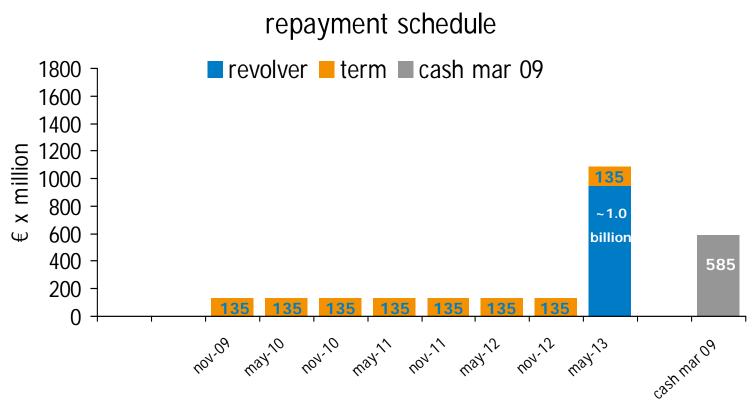




progress on re-branding general staffing

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| | Australian brands | | |
| | • Team4U + other Indian brands | | |
| as a result of the and Tempo-Tea | ne above, at least 75% of the total G am brands | Group is trading under the Randstad | |

debt facilities & repayment schedule



• no refinancing before 2013



outlook

- organic revenue per working day -/-31% in March 2009
- markets remain challenging
- pricing mostly rational, perm fees declining
- reducing costs at full speed
 - expect operating expenses to be around €540 million in Q2 2009
- no significant restructuring charges expected for Q2 2009
- fast realization of synergies, enlarged footprint, enlarged presence in professionals segment, higher network density help to manage through the cycle
 - € 90 million of annual run rate pre-tax synergies to be reached already in Q2 2009
- net debt end Q2 estimated to be slightly above end Q1 2009
 - due to payment of holiday allowances

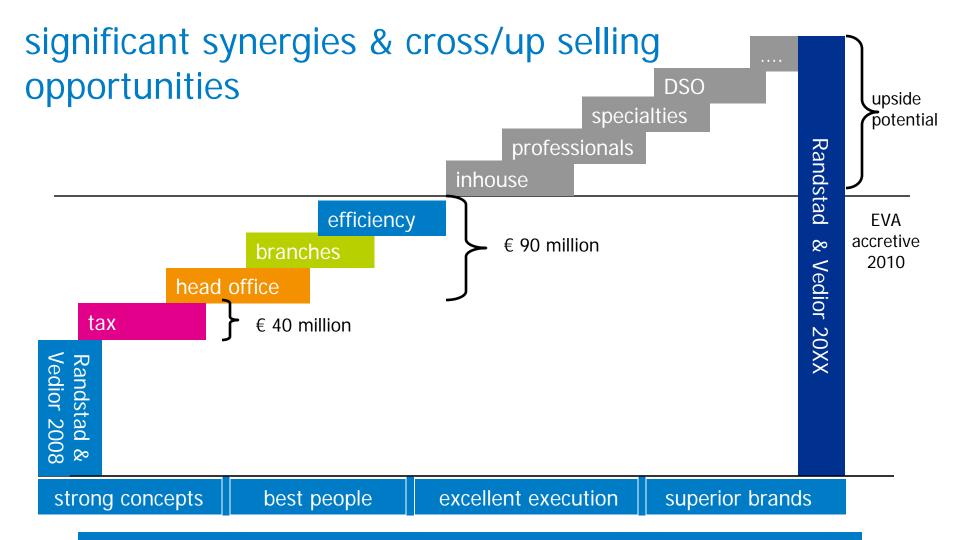


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- market share and high density important to manage through the cycle
 - profitability in the Netherlands and Belgium holding up relatively well
 - France dependent on acceptance of social plan
 - confirmation of the drivers behind Vedior acquisition
- integration process well on track
- solid cash flow generation
 - release of working capital in a downturn (on average €50-70 million for every 10% decline in revenue)
- net debt improved
- all ingredients available to emerge strong from the current trough





- € 90 million of annual cost savings of which 75% implemented (run rate) in first 18 months
- € 40 million of annual tax savings
- additional synergies related to sharing of best practices and up-selling of proven concepts
- targeting leverage ratio (net debt/EBITDA) at or below 2.0 within 12 months after closing
- · EVA target assumes low single digit revenue growth

geographic performance Q1 2009

| € million | Q1 2009 | Q1 2008 | organic growth |
|--------------------|---------|---------|----------------|
| revenue: | | | |
| France | 636 | 954 | -/-33% |
| the Netherlands | 771 | 921 | -/-16% |
| Germany | 318 | 450 | -/-30% |
| Belgium/Luxembourg | 286 | 382 | -/-25% |
| United Kingdom | 200 | 310 | -/-23% |
| Iberia | 180 | 300 | -/-35% |
| North America | 365 | 483 | -/-32% |
| | | | |
| EBITA margin: | | | |
| France | -/-0.1% | 3.4% | |
| the Netherlands | 5.8% | 7.5% | |
| Germany | 1.4% | 4.9% | |
| Belgium/Luxembourg | 3.3% | 5.5% | |
| United Kingdom | 2.3% | 4.8% | |
| Iberia | 0.3% | 3.4% | |
| North America | -/-0.3% | 3.3% | |

segment performance Q1 2009

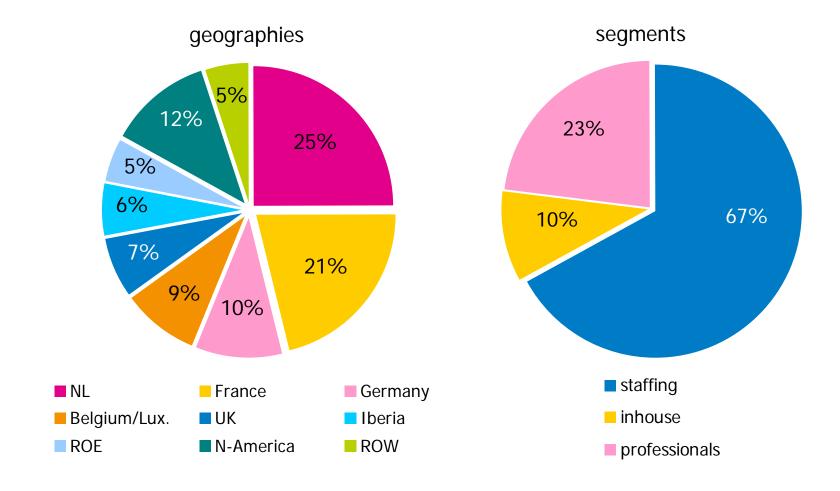
| € million | Q1 2009 | Q1 2008 | organic growth |
|------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|
| revenue: | | | |
| staffing | 2,071 | 2,920 | -/-29% |
| inhouse services | 294 | 458 | -/-36% |
| professionals | 692 | 844 | -/-14% |

consolidated balance sheet

| € million | March 31, 2009 | March 31, 2008 |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| property, plant & equipment | 180 | 130 |
| intangible assets | 3,306 | 432 |
| deferred tax assets | 474 | 269 |
| other assets | 3,145 | 2,442 |
| | | |
| group equity | 2,405 | 1,247 |
| non-current liabilities | 2,466 | 705 |
| current liabilities | 2,234 | 1,321 |
| | | |
| balance sheet total | 7,105 | 3,273 |
| | | |
| DSO | 59 | 59 |
| net debt position | 1,446 | 41 |

note: balance sheet March 31, 2008 is Randstad standalone

revenue split Q1 2009





outlets¹ by country

| end of period | March 31, 2008 | March 31, 2007 |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| France | 1,060 | 1,127 |
| the Netherlands | 830 | 1,146 |
| Germany | 493 | 572 |
| Belgium/Lux | 342 | 393 |
| United Kingdom | 368 | 403 |
| Iberia | 282 | 410 |
| Other Europe | 366 | 463 |
| North America | 563 | 664 |
| Rest of world | 368 | 366 |
| total | 4,672 | 5,544 |



¹⁾ branches and inhouse locations

staffing employees by country

| averages Q1 | Q1 2009 | Q1 2008 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| France | 73,400 | 116,300 |
| the Netherlands | 96,400 | 121,500 |
| Germany | 34,800 | 54,000 |
| Belgium/Lux. | 38,200 | 45,400 |
| United Kingdom | 21,200 | 28,700 |
| Iberia | 44,000 | 69,900 |
| Other Europe | 27,300 | 40,500 |
| North America | 40,800 | 60,900 |
| Rest of world | 76,000 | 76,200 |
| total | 452,100 | 613,400 |



corporate employees by country

| average | Q1 2009 | Q1 2008 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| France | 4,570 | 5,000 |
| the Netherlands | 6,780 | 7,880 |
| Germany | 2,710 | 3,340 |
| Belgium/Lux. | 2,140 | 2,500 |
| United Kingdom | 2,710 | 3,130 |
| Iberia | 1,690 | 2,500 |
| Other Europe | 1,910 | 2,240 |
| North America | 3,530 | 4,300 |
| Rest of world | 4,340 | 4,580 |
| Holding | 160 | 270 |
| total | 30,540 | 35,740 |



2000-2003 downturn statistics

| revenue variance (%) | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | total 00-03 | comments |
|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| NL | -3 | -5 | -7 | -4 | -19 | gradual decline |
| Yacht | | -5 | -14 | -8 | -27 | more pronounced |
| Belgium | | -3 | -2 | | -5 | little decline |
| Germany | | | -15 | | -15 | one big drop |
| North America | | -16 | -2 | -2 | -20 | pronounced decline |
| Total Group | | -6 | -6 | -3 | -15 | gradual decline |
| gross margin variance (bps.) | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | total 00-03 | |
| NL | 210 | 60 | -10 | -260 | 0 | GM initially rising |
| Yacht | | 290 | -430 | 70 | -70 | 1) rise 2) idle time problem |
| Belgium | | 40 | -80 | | -40 | limited impact |
| Germany | | -300 | -120 | | -420 | idle time problem |
| Total Group | | -100 | -110 | -120 | -330 | larger decline than necessary |
| cost reduction (%) | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | total 00-03 | |
| Total Group | | | -11 | -11 | -22 | we started late |



Randstad revenue growth: industry development

revenue development within the largest industries of Randstad's operating companies

| revenue growth (YTD) | better than average | worse than average |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| France | construction, food | metal, chemical |
| Randstad NL | government, finance, transport | retail, metal |
| Germany | finance | retail, metal, chemical |
| Randstad Belgium | food, retail | metal, chemical |
| UK staffing | government, food | retail, metal, transport |
| Spain | food, retail, finance | fabrics, metal |
| US staffing | - | finance,transport, manufacturing |