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Q2 2025 Business and Financial Performance

September 02, 2025

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Our Q2 2025 results will be presented on Tuesday, **September 2, 2025**. This presentation is made available on the Company's website at: www.cognor.eu.

1.

The **press conference** will be organized at the Westin Hotel, #21 Jana Pawła II, Warsaw, Poland **at 10:00 CET**, in Polish language.

The **conference for investors** will follow at the same venue **at 11:30 CET**, also in Polish language.

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2.

The **videoconference call for investors** will be held at **16:00 CET** (15:00 LND, 10:00 NY, 07:00 LA) in English language. Participants who wish to join the conference call are kindly asked to use the following MS Teams link:

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Key Macro Trends

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Increased geopolitical risk
and military spending



Deglobalization
and onshoring



Protectionism
and reindustrialization of the EU



Supply chain shortening



**Underinvestment in
energy sector;**
the end of commodity abundance as
well as cheap energy



**CO2 emission costs
increase;** the end of BOF/BF
steelmaking in the EU



Green deal
and sustainable economy



**Inflation, sovereign debt
crisis**
and the end of cheap money decade



Growing interest
in fundamentally healthy and dividend
paying value stocks at the expense of
growth stocks

Cognor – Modern EU Steelmaker

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30 years

of industry experience
track record of resilience through
numerous macro and industry
cycles; crisis in the Polish steel
industry in the 90s; hostile EU
policy and VAT evasion practices
in Poland in the 10s

Exposure on mid European market:

PL, DE, CZ, SK, HU, RO, LT, LV, ES

Strong presence on Polish scrap market

vertical integration stabilizing raw
material supplies; own graphite
electrode production plant

Energy efficient and environmentally friendly

steel melting method in electric
arc furnace (EAF)

Modern and efficient production assets

- new EAF in Gliwice
- entire rolling line modernization
plus spooler line in Cracow
- state of the art greenfield project -
LSM in Siemianowice Śląskie
- selective assets upgrade in
Stalowa Wola in earlier years

Product elasticity;

no sectorial dependence,
diversification of clients

Q2 2025 Highlights

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Rising GPD growth YoY
3.4 % Poland and 1.5% EU

**Agreement on conditional
acceptance of financial
covenant breaches**

**Billet and finished product
prices rising QoQ**
while YoY picture mixed

**Spreads for billets improved
and for finished products
worsened YoY**
hile the QoQ situation was similar

Rebar volumes fair
but prices still very weak; auto
sector is stable at a low level

**Rising crude steel capacity
utilization**
55,3% in Q2 2024; 59,4% in Q3 2024,
66,1% in Q4 2024, up to 74.0% in Q1
2025 and 71,1% w Q2 2025 due to
Cracow mill increasing capacity
utilization from 29,9% in Q2 2024; 46,6%
in Q3 2024; 73,5% in Q4 2024; 65,7% in
Q1 2025 to 79,2% in Q2 2025

**Finalization of works in
Siemianowice Śląskie;**
completion of construction and
technology assembly of the new 450kT
light sections mill (LSM)

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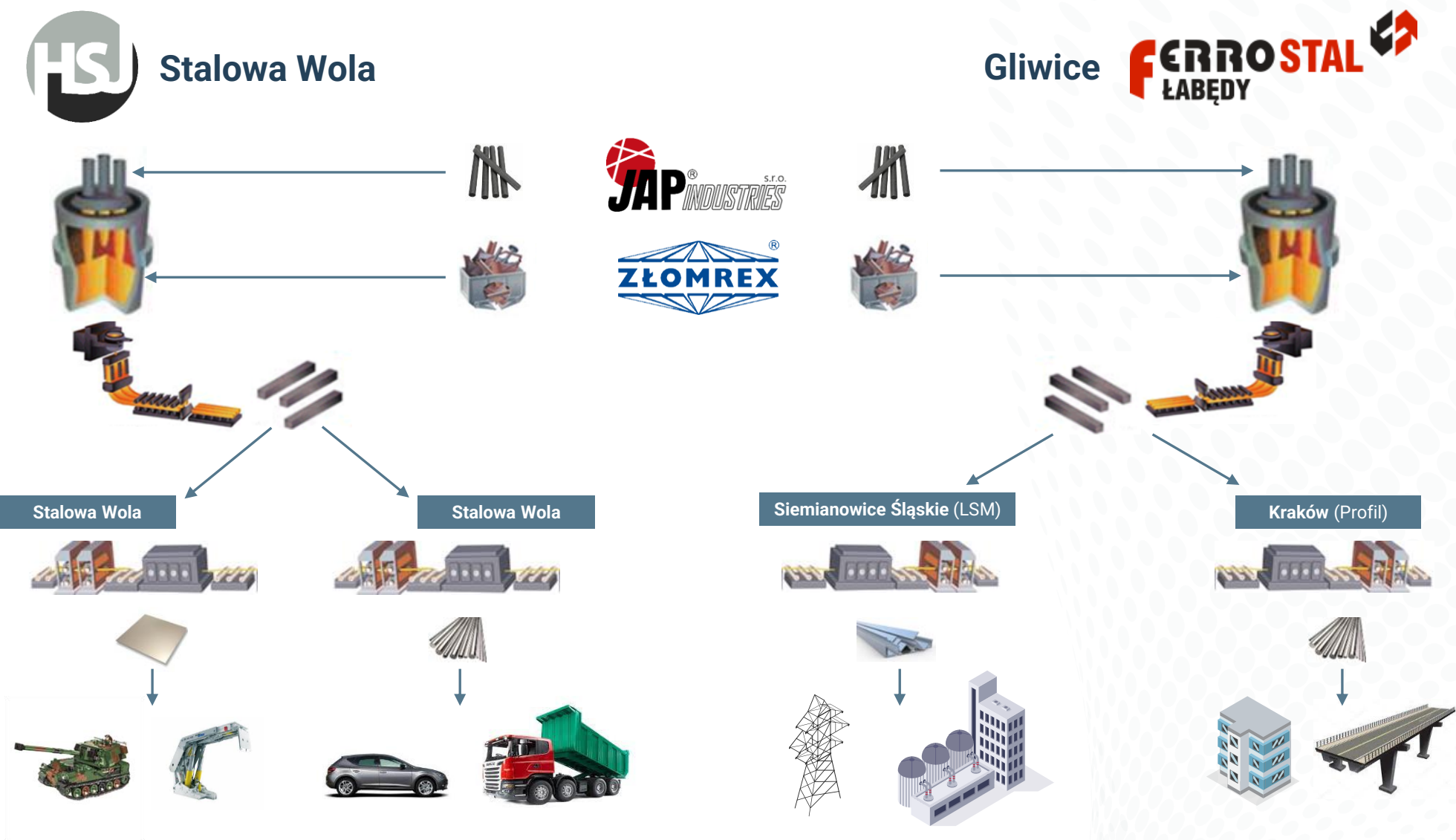
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Vertically Integrated Business Model

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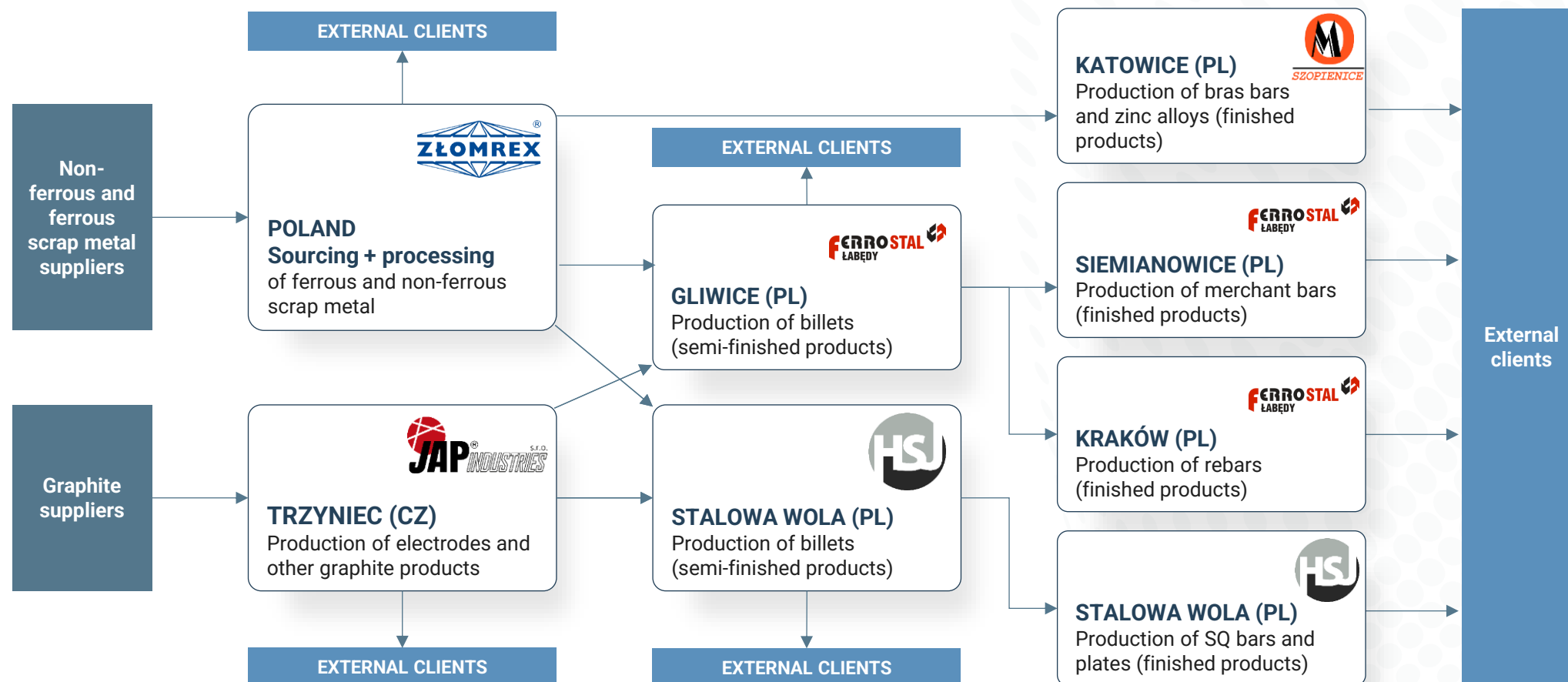
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Cognor is vertically integrated which allows to control the production process starting from scrap metal sourced through our own scrap collecting sites network, production of electrodes, through melting of scrap metal, refining it in order to get the desired chemical composition of steel, then casting steel into a form of billets (semi-finished products) to finally arrive at the stage of billets being rolled into finished products, mostly bars (long products). This provides much greater security in terms of feedstock availability and allows to achieve the whole margin along the value chain

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Steel Production Facilities

Melting shops & rolling mills



HSJ Melting shop & rolling mills		Location	Product portfolio	Production capacities	Technology	Employment
		Stalowa Wola	Billets, Bars, Plates	- Billets: 300k tonnes - Bars: 178k tonnes - Special plates: 10k tonnes	1 EAF, 1 LF, 1CCM & 1 VD 1 furnace + 1 long products rolling line 1 plates heat treatment line	ca 750 people
Ferrostal Melting shop		Location	Product portfolio	Production capacities	Technology	Employment
		Gliwice	Billets	Billets: 530k tonnes	1 EAF, 1 LF & 1CCM	ca 350 people
Ferrostal rolling mill		Location	Product portfolio	Production capacities	Technology	Employment
		Kraków	Rebars, coiled rebar, merchant bars	Bars: 400k tonnes	1 furnace 1 long product line	ca 200 people
Ferrostal Rolling mill		Location	Product portfolio	Production capacities	Technology	Employment
		Siemianowice Śląskie	Light sections and merchant bars	Bars: 400k tonnes	1 furnace 1 long product line	ca 150 people

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1990

Przemysław Sztuczkowski starts up Złomrex which trades in non-ferrous scrap metals

Privatisation of the state owned enterprise

1991

IPO of Centrostal on the Warsaw Stock Exchange

1997

2000

Acquisition of ZW-WB, a rolling mill in Zawiercie



2004

Acquisition of 82,6% of Ferrostal, a melting shop in Gliwice



2005

Acquisition of 100% of HSJ, a melting shop and rolling mills in Stalowa Wola



Złomrex acquires 64,4% of shares of Centrostal



Acquisition of numerous distribution assets in Poland and abroad

2006

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2007



Centrostal changes its name into Cognor, integration of distribution assets

2013

Acquisition of 95% of Profil, a rolling mill in Kraków

2023



JAP acquisition

Złomrex acquires 64,4% of shares of Centrostal



Acquisition of numerous distribution assets in Poland and abroad

2006

Cognor sells all distribution assets and acquires Zlomrex, its mother company. It becomes the controlling entity of the whole Group which concentrates on steel production

2011

Simplification of group structure and change of name into Cognor Holding

2016

Group Overview - Group Structure & Shareholders

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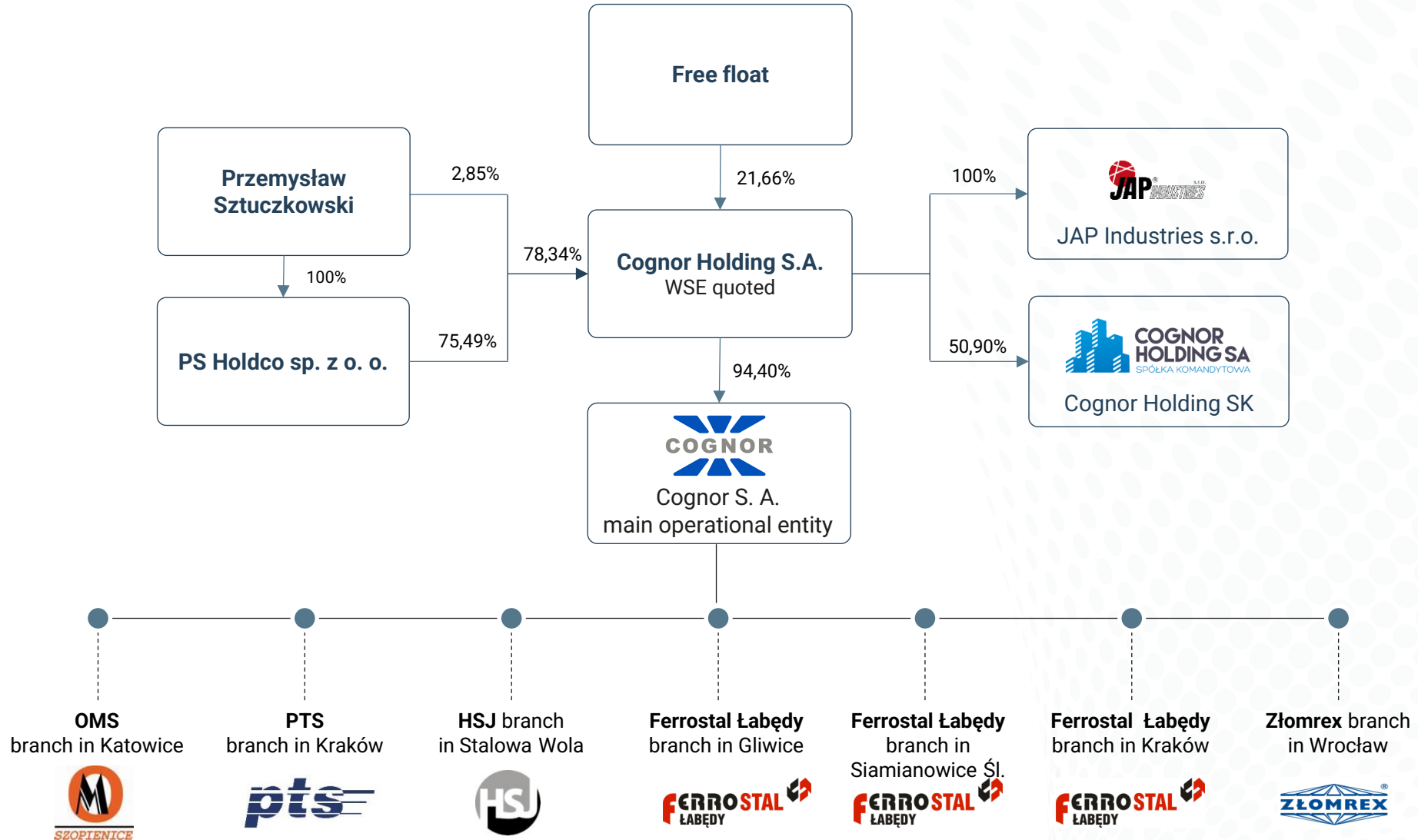
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Segments Performance

Quantities per business segments

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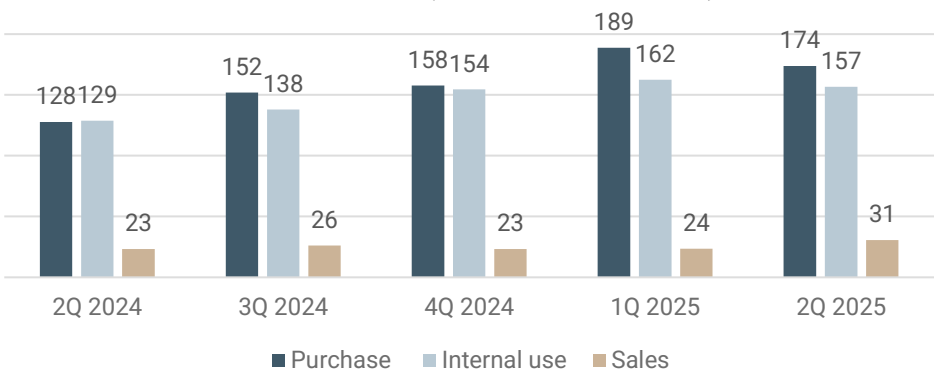
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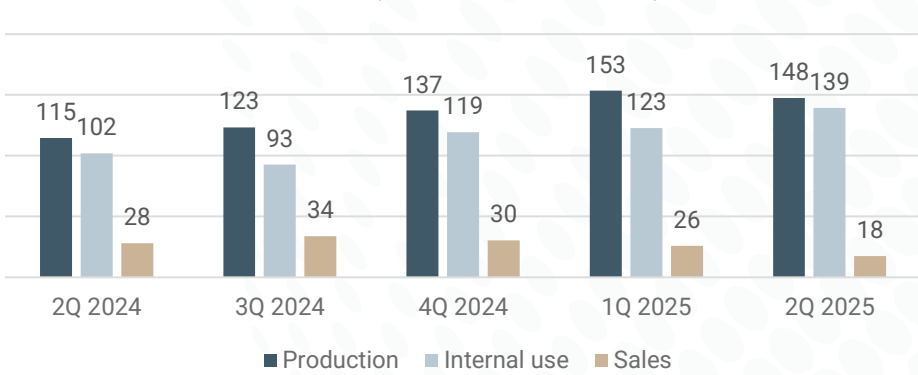
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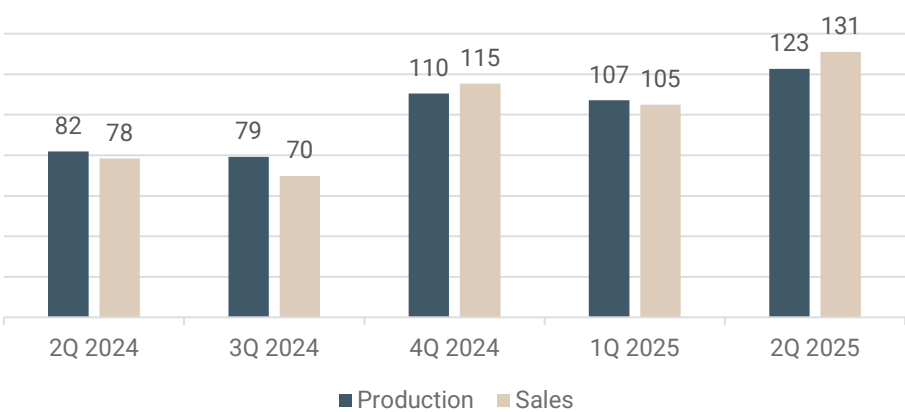
Scrap metal (thousand tonnes)



Billets (thousand tonnes)



Finished products (thousand tonnes)



Q2 2025 Circular Economy & Sustainable Steelmaking

173 775

tonnes of scrap metal sourced



156 773

tonnes of scrap metal used internally

147 508

tonnes of semi-finished products (billets) production

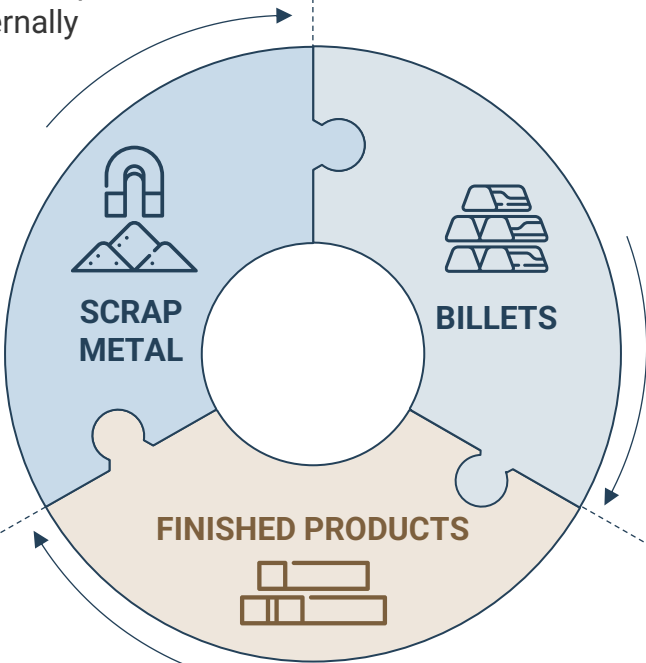
139 422

tonnes of billets processed internally



30 554

tonnes of scrap metal sold to external customers



17 567

tonnes of billets sold to external customers



122 616

tonnes of finished products production

131 082

tonnes of finished products sold to external customers

EU Market Protection Tools

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Anti Dumping

Since 2016 the EU has been determined on market protection. The anti dumping measures are numerous and financially severe.



Safeguard

A quota tool introduced in 2018 to last through mid 2026. Aimed to limit tax free imports.

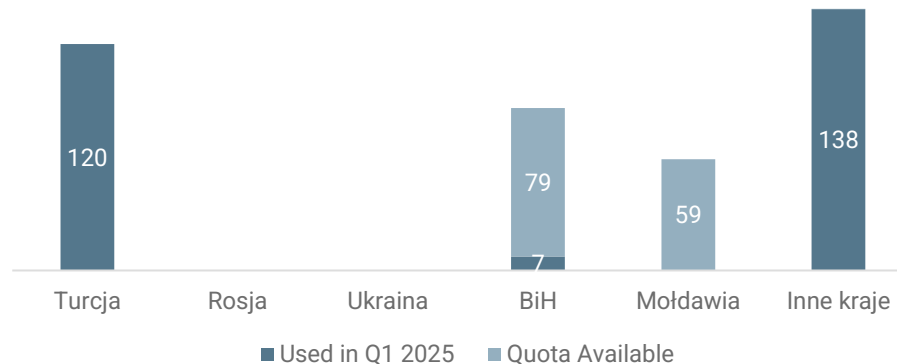


Carbon Tax

Aimed at preventing carbon leakage. It started in 01.10.2023 and be fully effective from 01.01.2026. It will impose entry fees on steel importers equal to the level of CO2 emission costs which are born by the producers in the EU.

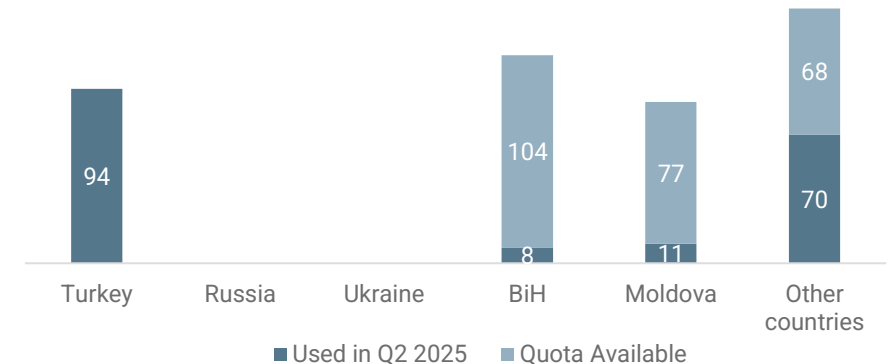
Rebars Q1 2025

(millions tonnes)



Rebars Q2 2025

(millions tonnes)



Russia - imports suspended; Ukraine – limits lifted

Market - EAF vs BOF technology

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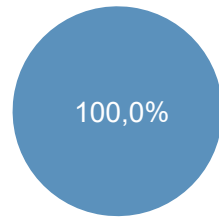
Feedstock
applied to
produce
1000 kg of
crude steel

Commentary

Pros

Cons

Electric Arc Furnace (EAF)



Scrap metal (1.150 kg)

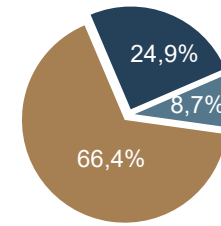


- Approximately 1/3 of global steel production
- Scrap metal is melted by a heat generated by an electric arch

- Flexible, can be switched on and off
- Lower CAPEX & maintenance
- Lower environmental impact

- High cost sensitivity to scrap and electricity

Basic Oxygen Furnace (BOF)



Iron ore (1.600 kg)

Coking coal (600 kg)

Scrap metal (210 kg)

- Approximately 2/3 of global steel production
- Reduction of iron oxides (iron ore) by burning coke (produced from coking coal) generates huge CO2 emissions
- Scrap metal input is low and technologically reduced to max 30% of overall feedstock material

- Lower electric power consumption
- Easier to obtain high steel purity

- High cost sensitivity to iron ore and coking coal
- Economical at large scale only; low flexibility
- 4x higher CO2 emission (incl. power plant gen.)

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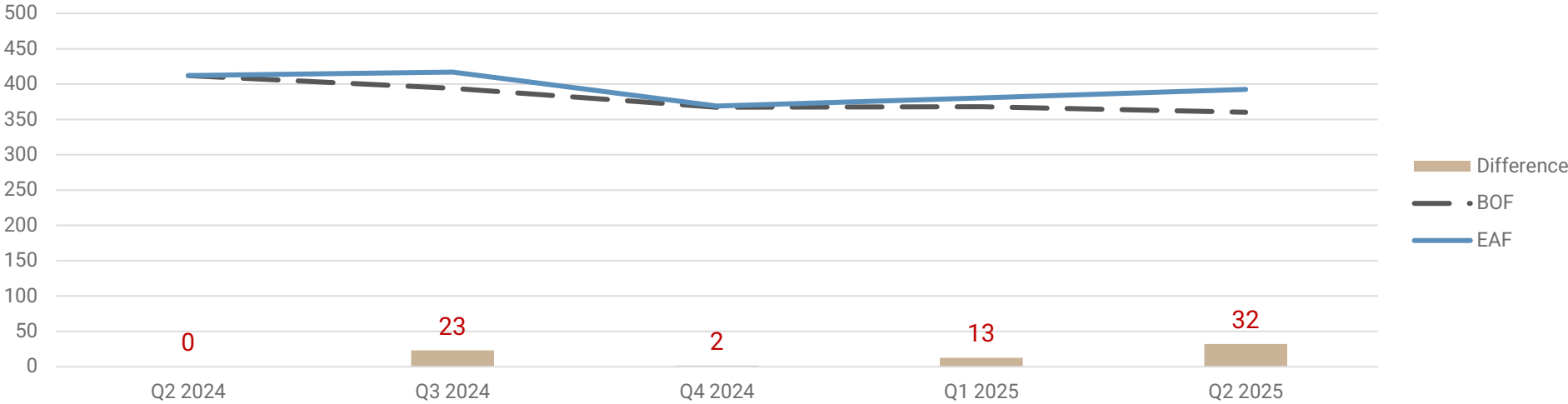
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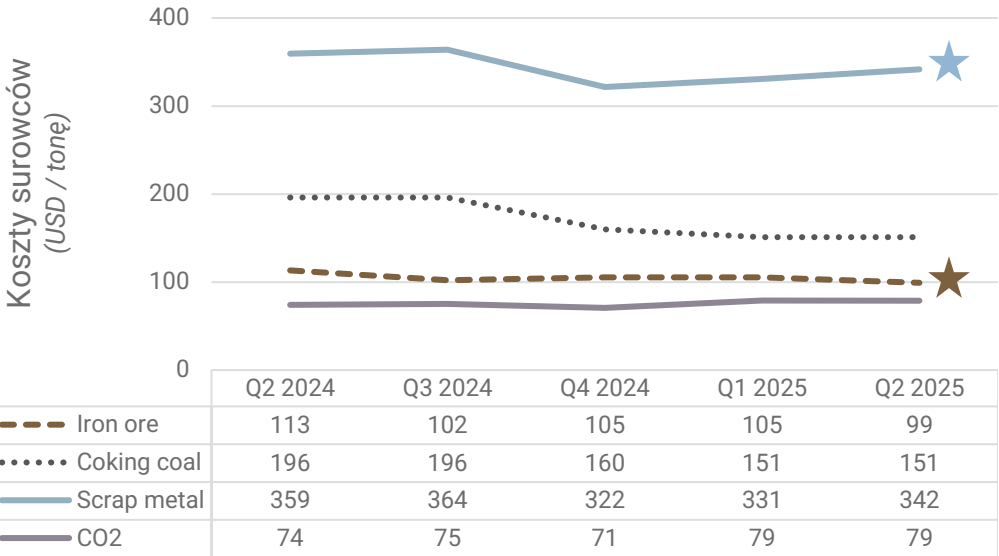
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BOF / EAF Feedstock Cost (USD / tonne)



Feedstock Cost Model	BOF	EAF
tonne / tonne of crude steel		
scrap metal	0.21	1.12
coking coal	0.60	
iron ore	1.60	
CO2 emission rights	0.50	0.13

source: IMF - iron ore,
EIA – coking coal
Cognor – scrap metal,
PSE – CO2 emission rights
(25% due to approx.75% allowances available for free)



World and the Poland

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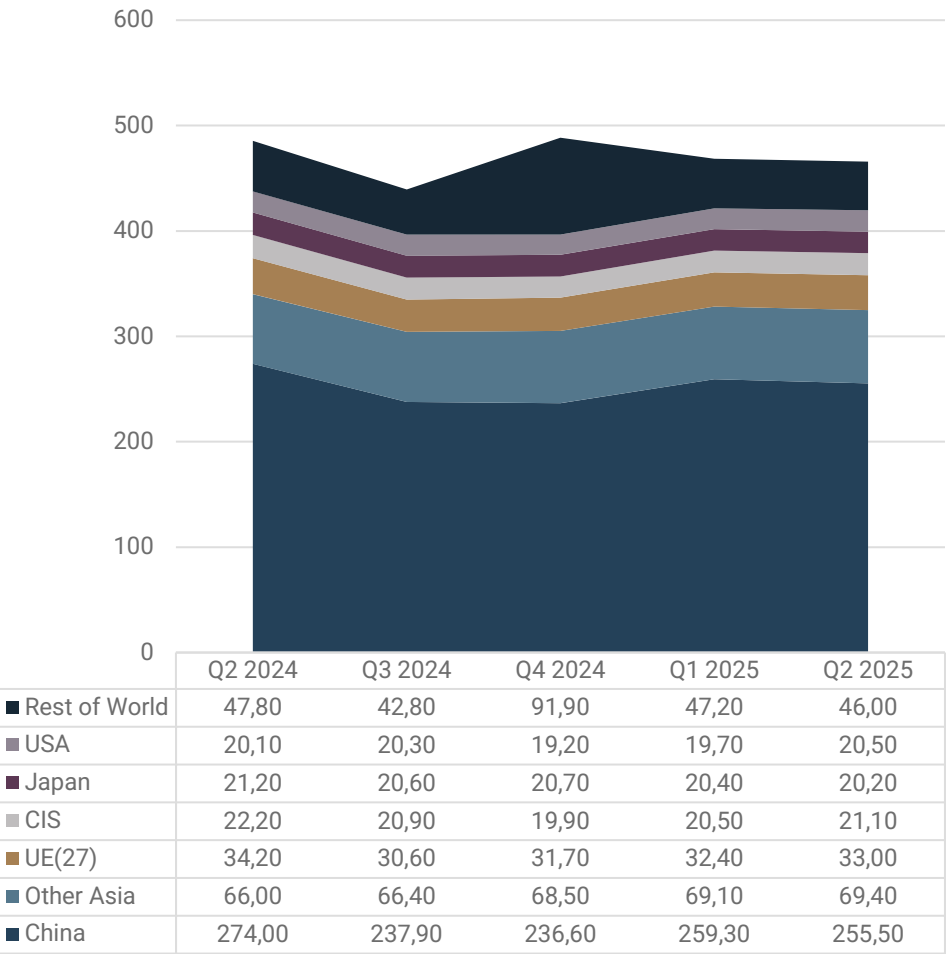
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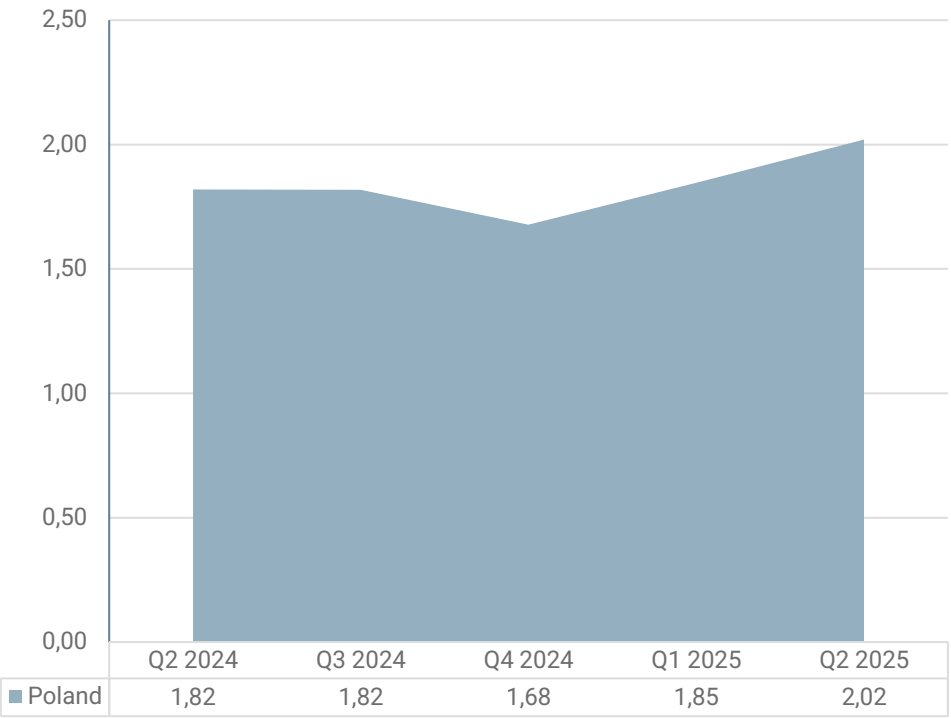
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steel output (million tonnes)



steel output (million tonnes)



Billets and Finished Products

Cognor's Share and Position in 2024

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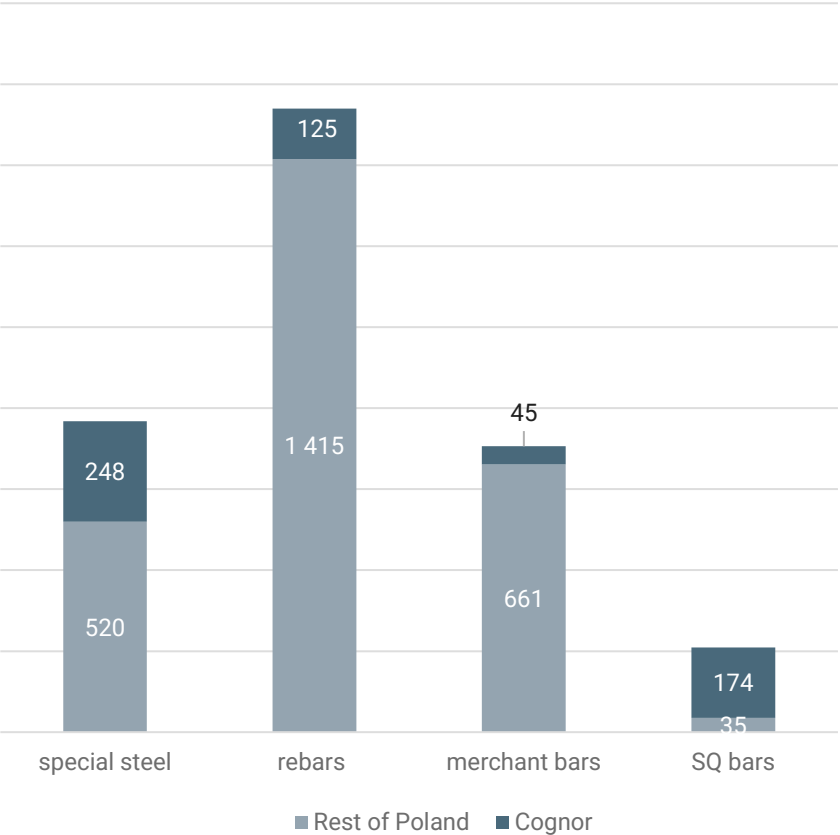
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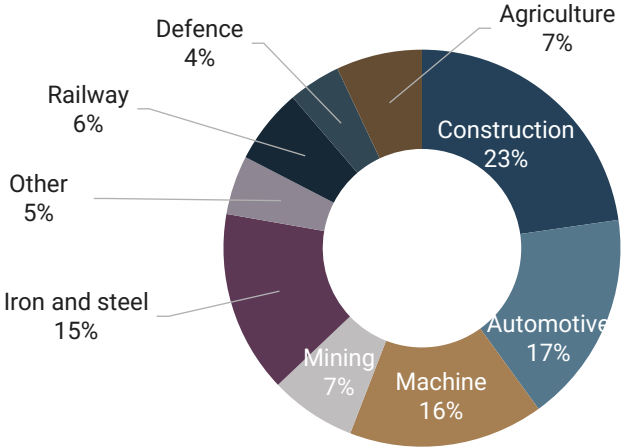
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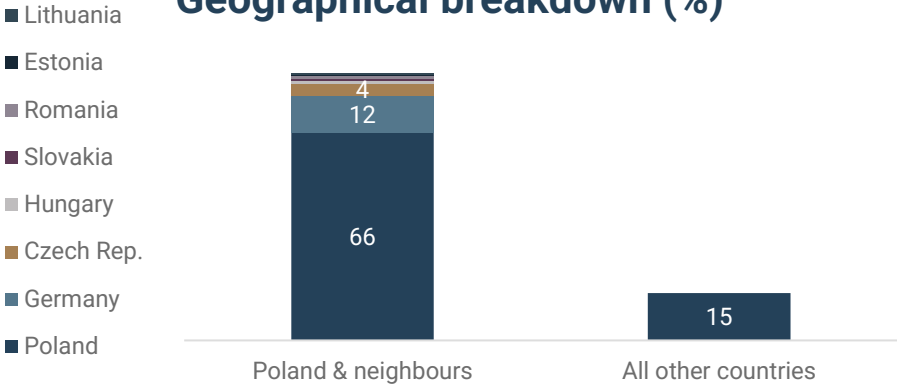
Producer market share
(thousands of tonnes)



Revenue split by business segments



Geographical breakdown (%)



Prices and conversion premiums (PLN / tonne)

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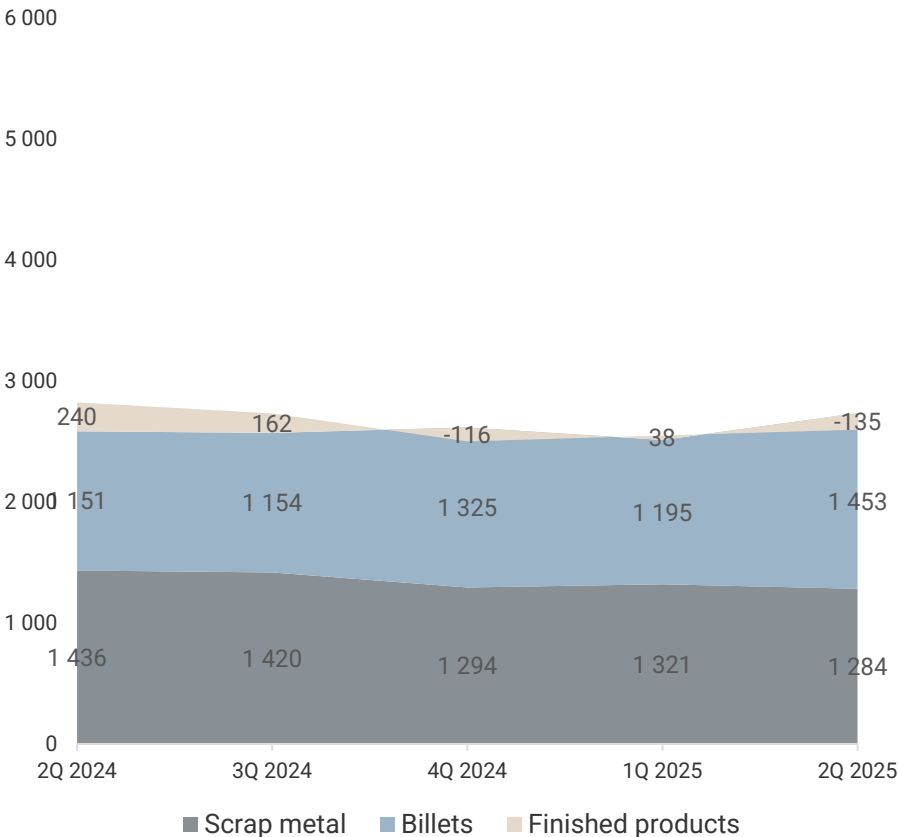
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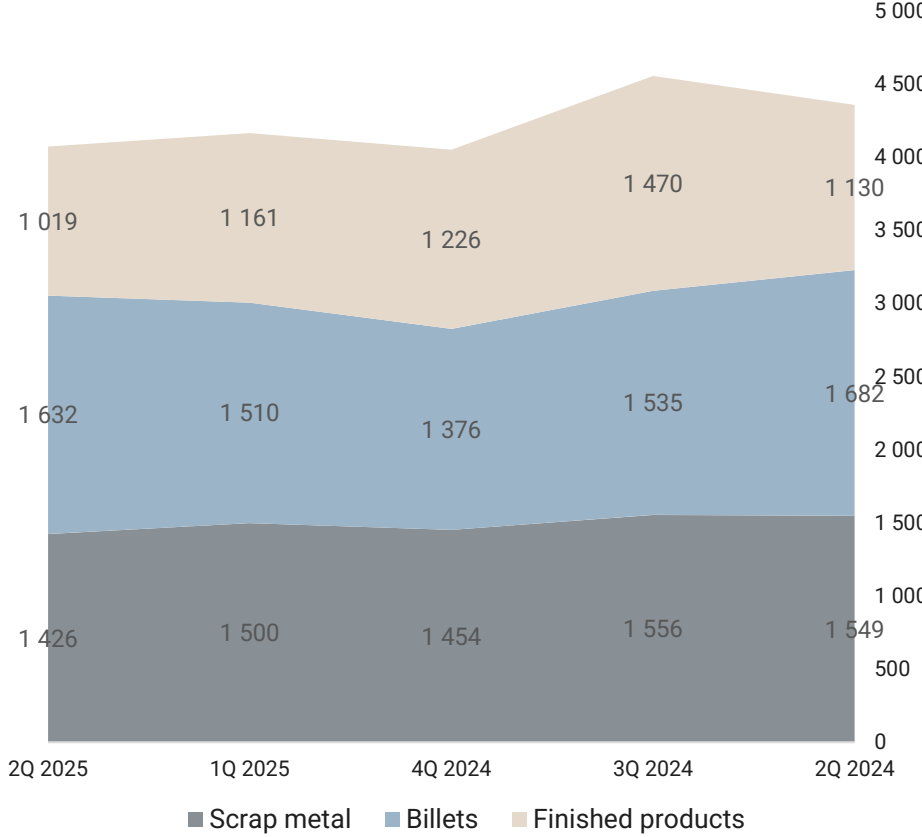
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Ferrostal



HSJ



Q2 2025 P&L Waterfall *(PLN thousand)*

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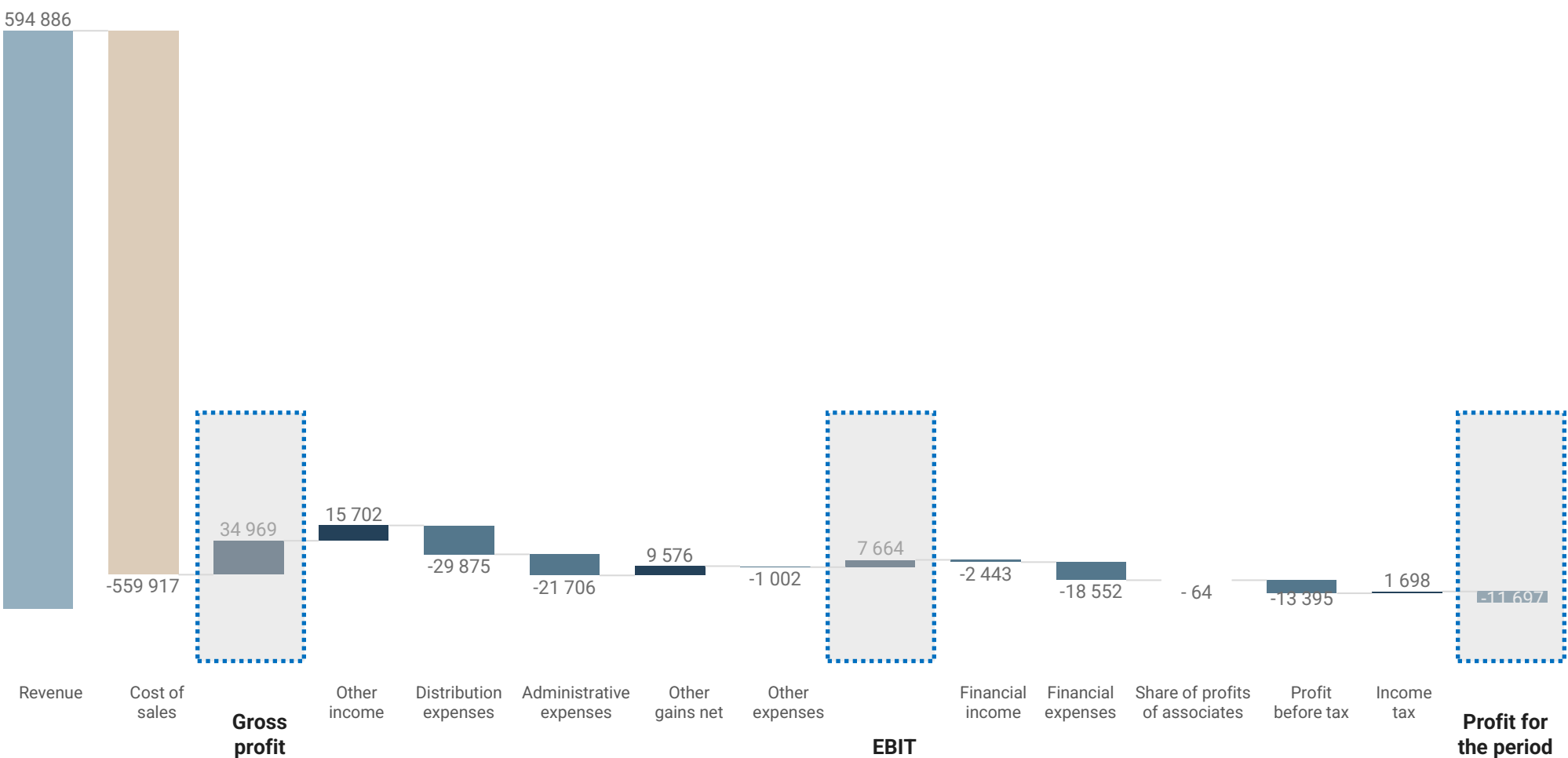
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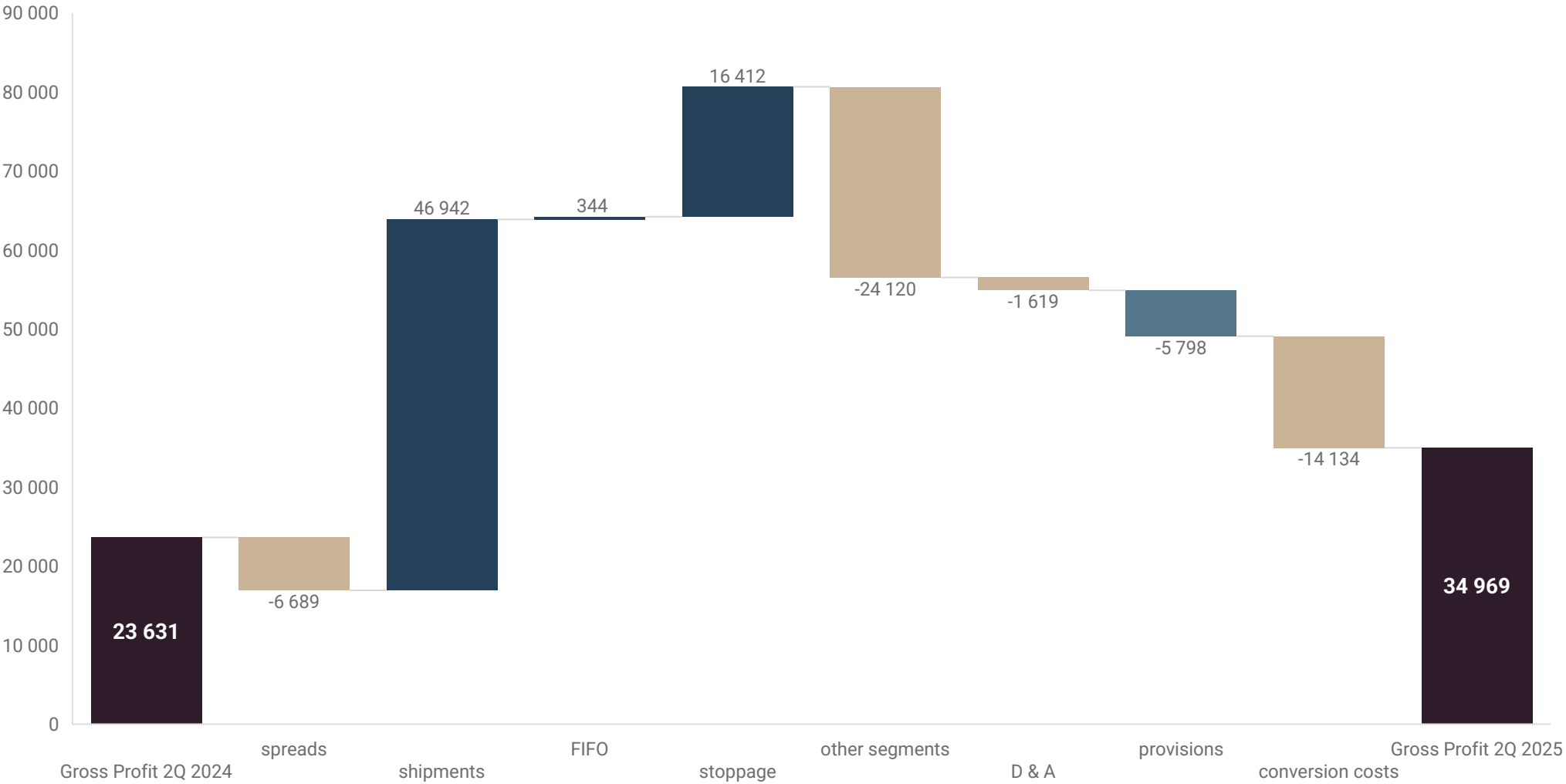
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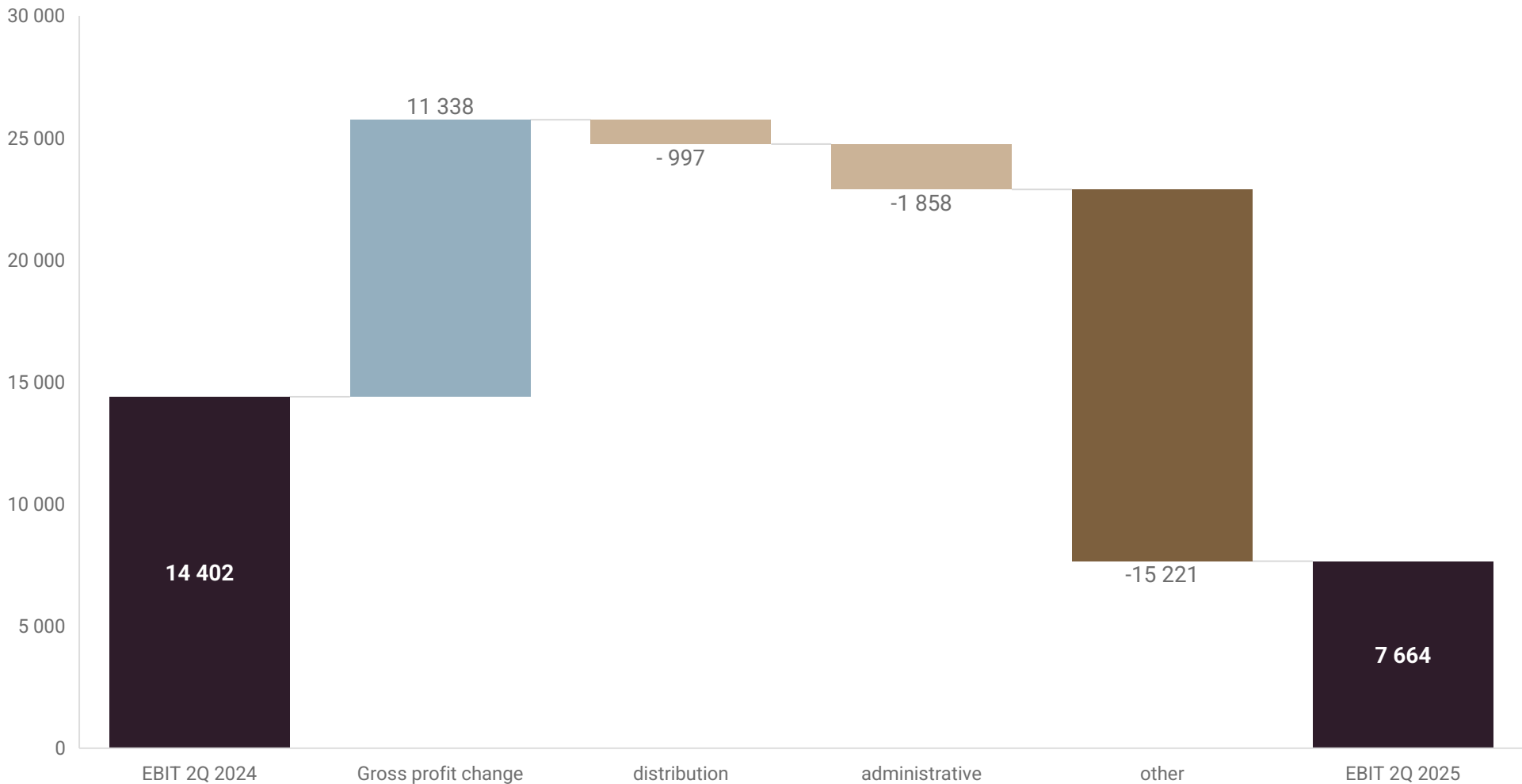




Gross Profit Bridge *(PLN thousand)*



EBIT Bridge *(PLN thousand)*



EBIT Generation Breakdown *(PLN thousand)*

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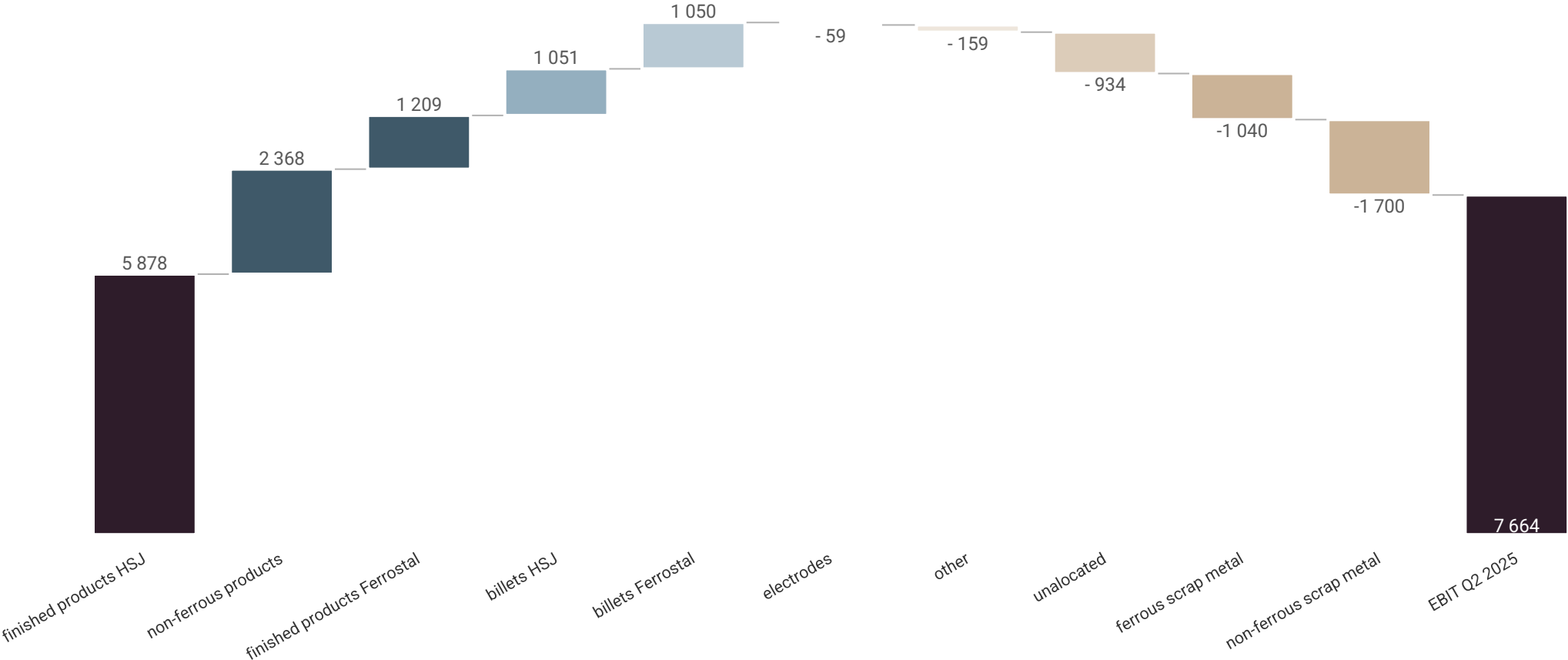
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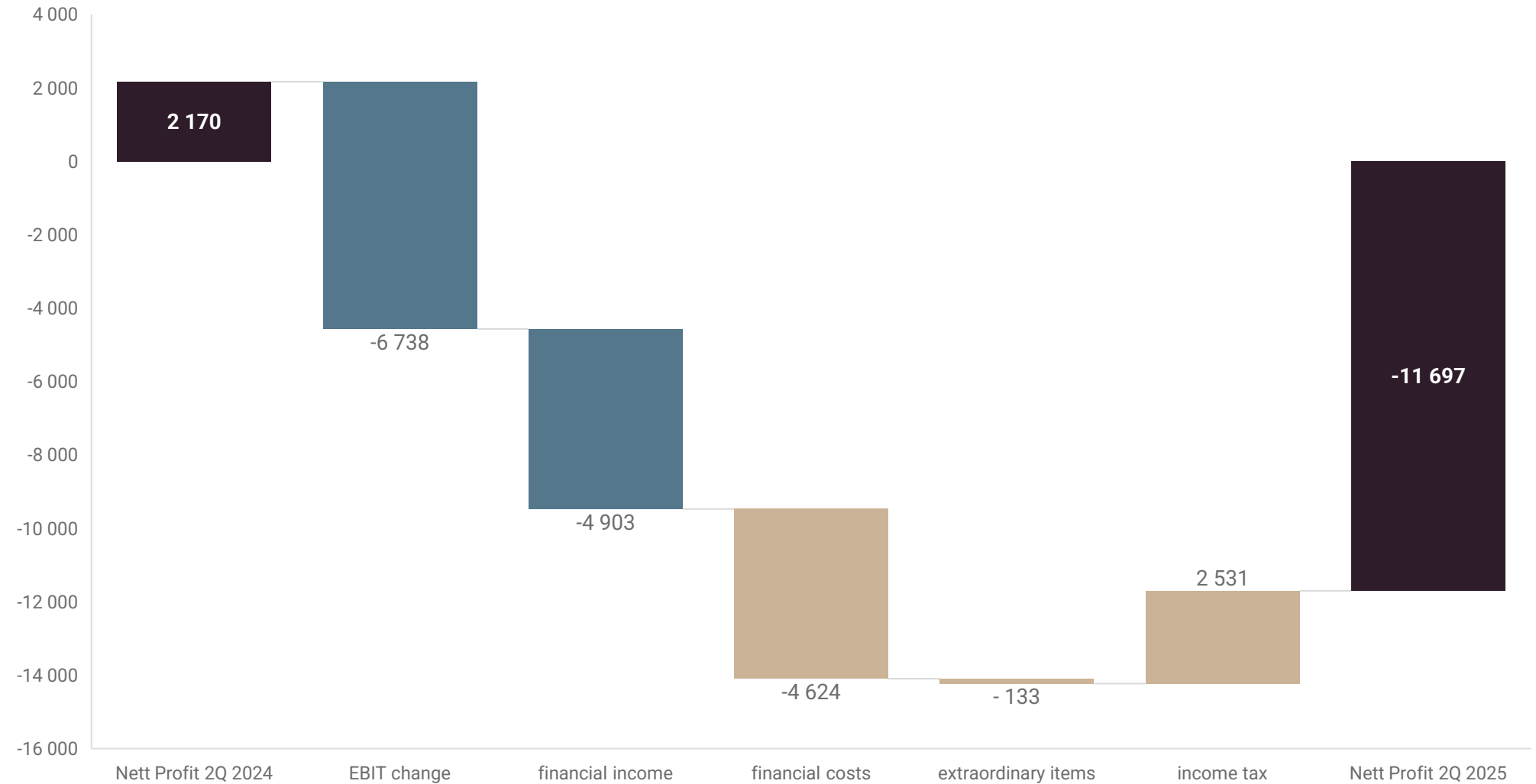
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Net Profit Bridge *(PLN thousand)*



Balance Sheet *(PLN thousands)*

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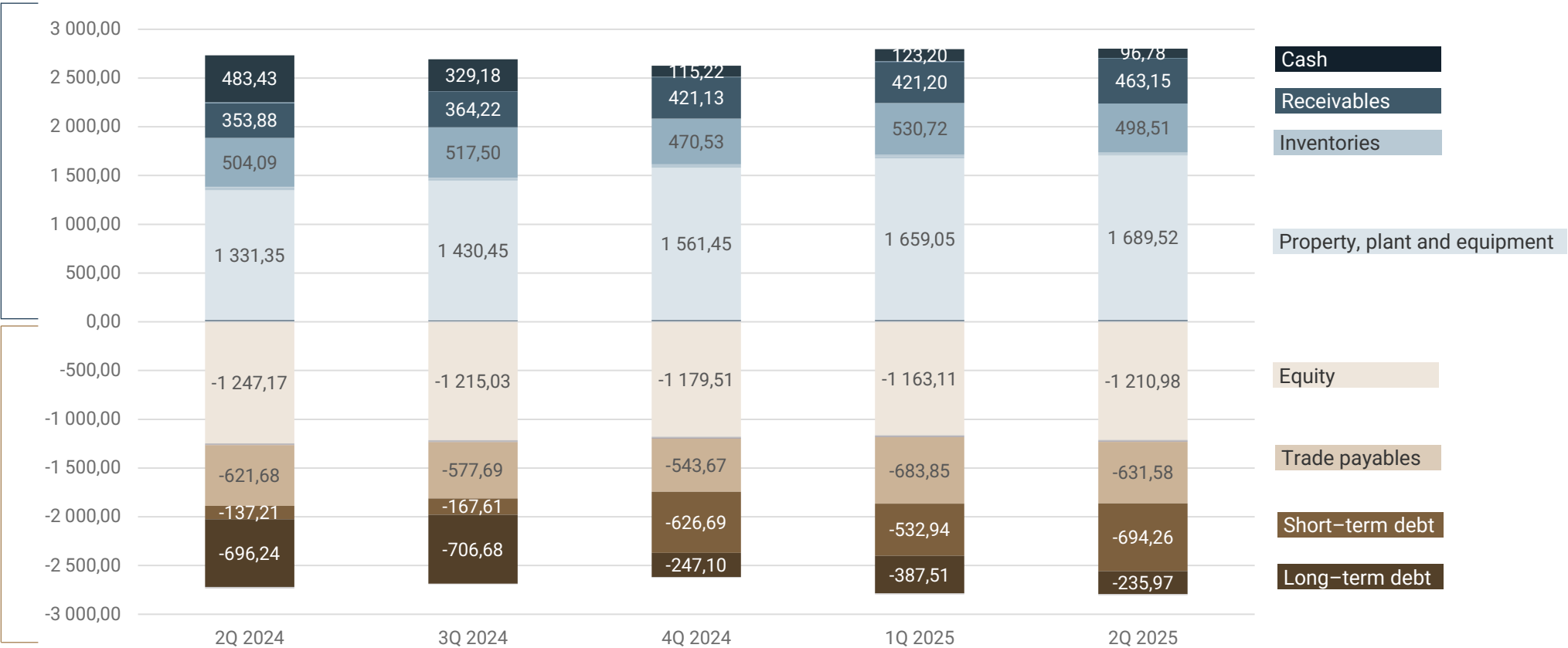
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Working Capital *(PLN thousands)*

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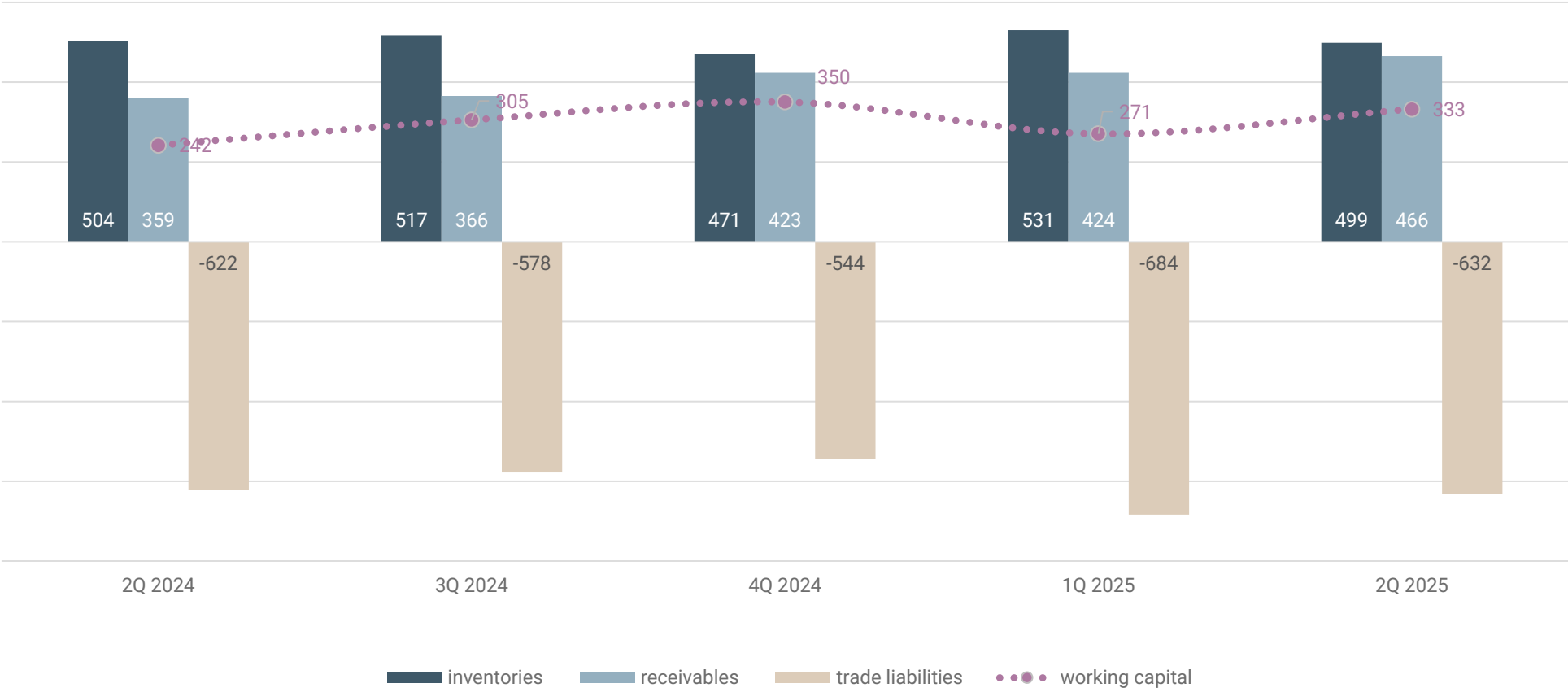
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Cash Flows *(PLN thousands)*

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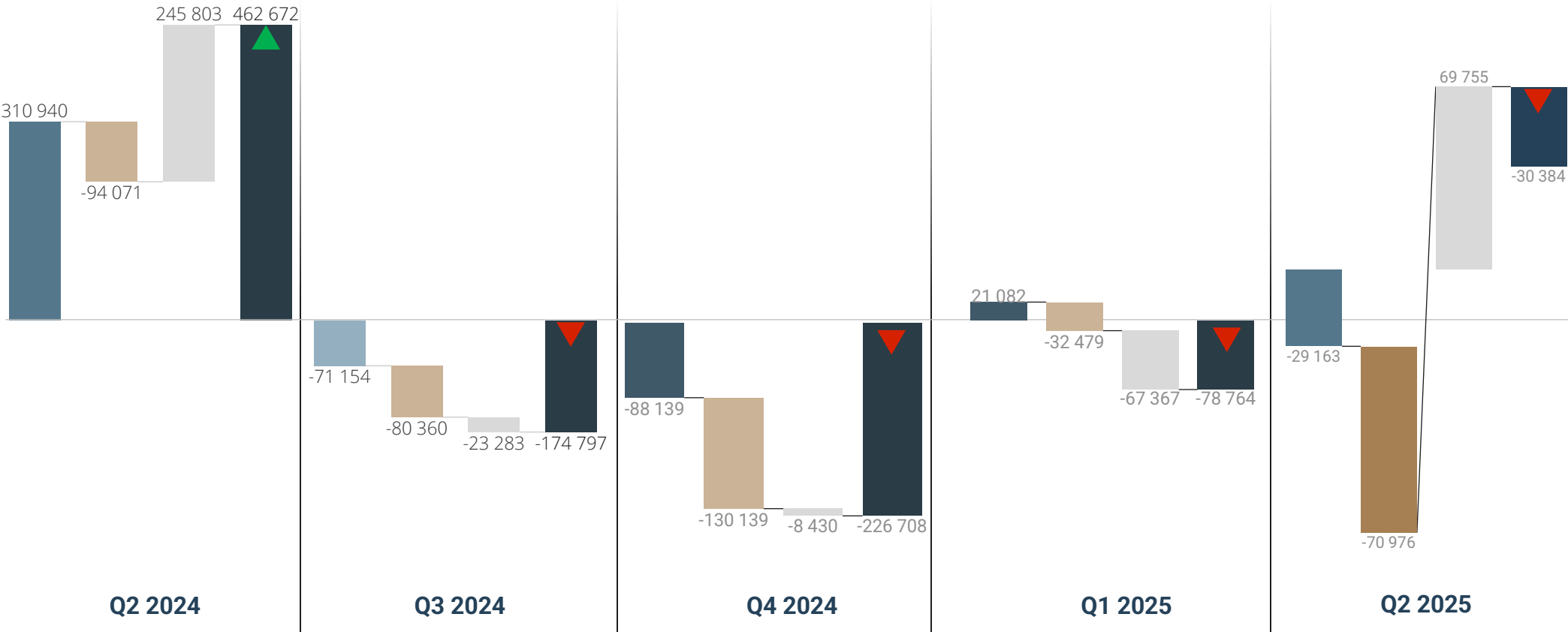
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Operational CAPEX Financial Cash balance Increase Decrease



Net Debt *(PLN thousand)* & Leverage

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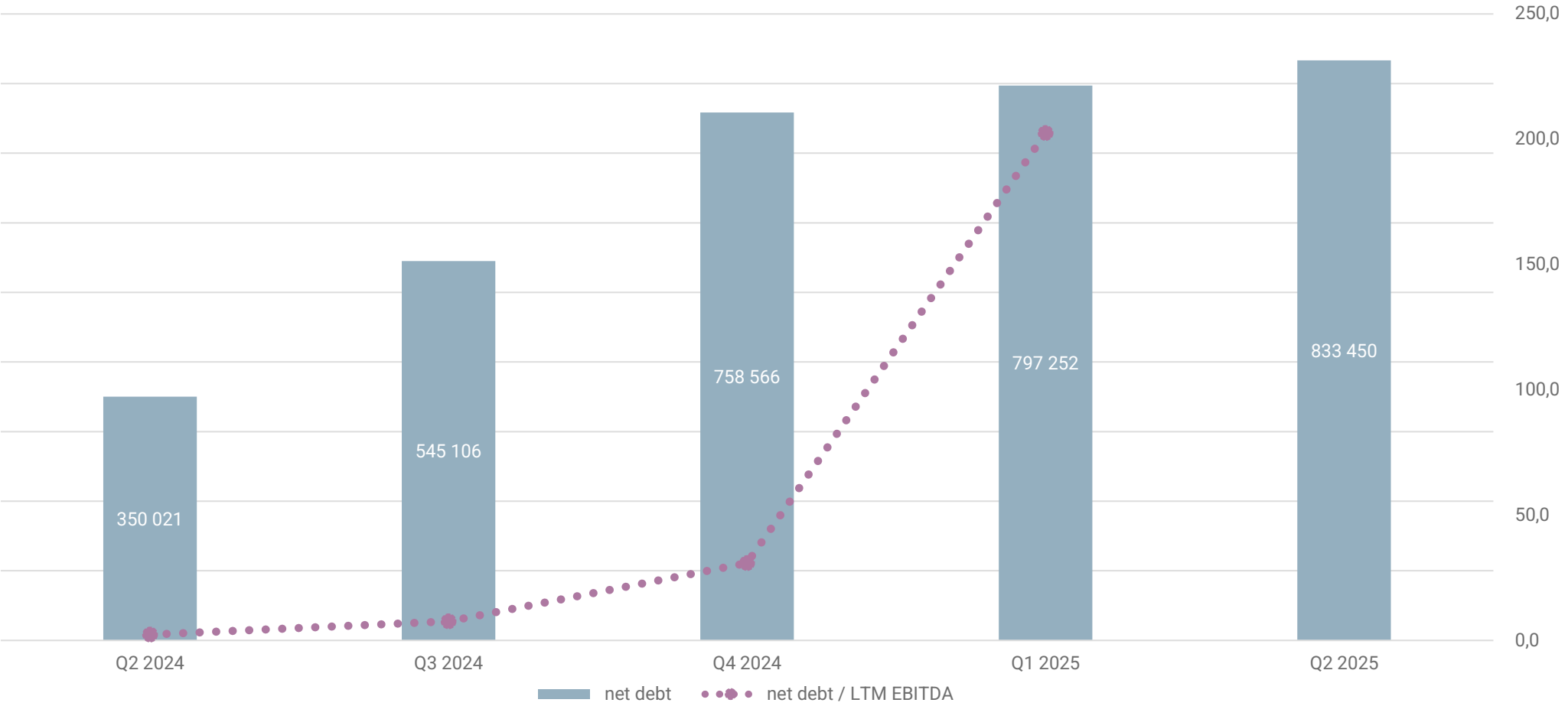
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Cognor in new scale *(thousand tonnes)*

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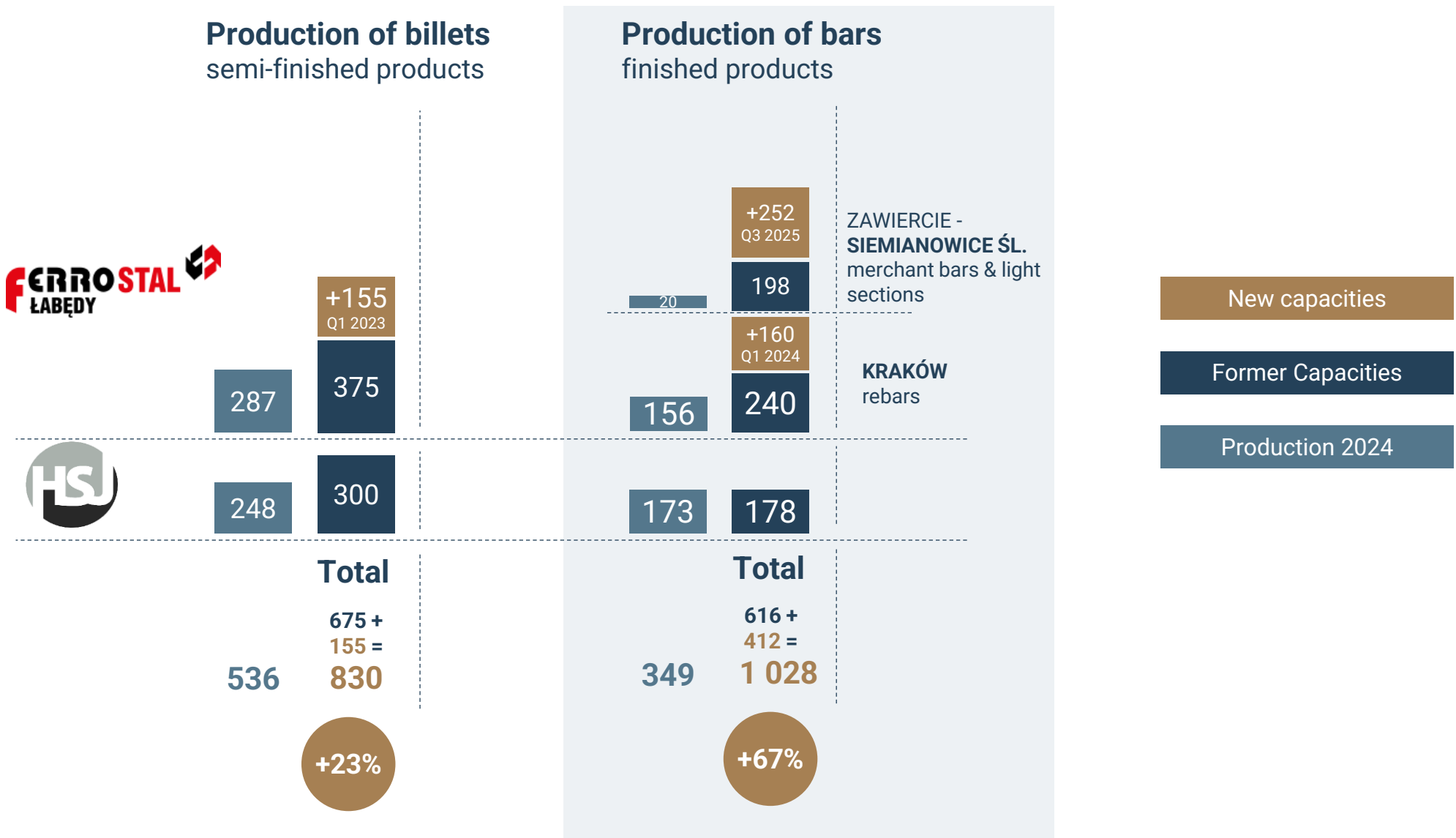
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Capex- Costs, Financing and Effects

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Gliwice

- replacement of EAF and ancillary items (Q1 2023)

Cost: approximately PLN 80m

Financing: equity

Effects: increase of crude steel capacities by at least 155 thousand tonnes of billets per annum

Kraków

- entire mill modernization (Q1 2024)
- additional spooling line (Q2 2025)

Cost: approximately PLN 330m, of which remaining approximately PLN 20m of expenditures between Q3 2025 and Q1 2026

Financing: equity + PLN 100m convertible notes + 120m bonds

Effects: (i) debottlenecking of 200 thousand tonnes of capacity, (ii) savings of variable costs and emissions inter alia by way of natural gas consumption reduction, (iii) savings of fixed costs by lower labor requirements; (iv) introduction of new product type – rebar coils and (v) improvement of quality

Siemianowice Śląskie

- most modern LSM mill in Europe (Q3 2025; commissioning is underway)

Cost: approximately PLN 840m, of which remaining approximately 150 million of expenditures in Q3 2025 – Q1 2026.

Financing: equity + a 10-year fixed rate bank loan:
- 1st part of PLN 240.0m and EUR 30.5m **all disbursed**
- 2nd part of PLN 140.0m **all available** till the end of 2026

Effects: 450 thousand tonnes of new capacities to replace 198 thousand in Zawiercie of which just ca 80 thousand was capable of being utilized due to uncompetitive product mix and high manufacturing cost. A profound reduction of fixed and variable production costs and ultimate product and service quality

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Macro trends

(slide 4) unchanged

Expected boost

in infrastructure spending
from the National Recovery
Plan (NRP)

Siemianowice LSM mill

furnace ignition and hot tests from
mid-September 2025

Market

increasing pressure from
Ukraine in the rebar segment
and stabilization in the
automotive sector

Prices of scrap metal, steel billets and finished products

expected slight decline

Rising capacity utilization

driven by the Kraków rolling mill's
output levels

Dividends and Share Quoting

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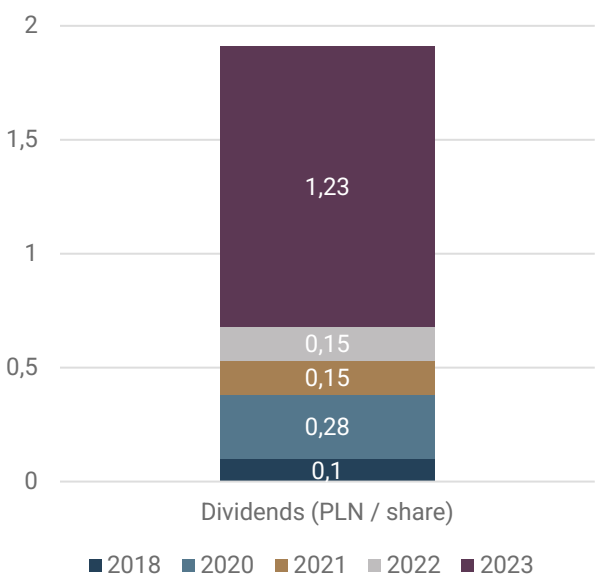
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Dividend policy 25% of consolidated net profit

Q2 2025	
LTM Net profit (000 PLN)	-11 697
Equity (000 PLN)	1 210 983
Number of shares	171 420 663
28.08.2025	
Share price (PLN)	6,7
P / E	loss
P / BV	0,94



Trading of Cognor shares on Warsaw Stock Exchange



P&L *(PLN thousand)*

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	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025
'000 PLN					
Sales revenue	550 864	498 359	557 966	543 318	594 886
Cost of sales	-527 233	-490 580	-566 546	-519 248	-559 917
Gross profit	23 631	1 679	-8 580	24 070	34 969
Other income	38 778	22 821	20 412	15 995	15 702
Distribution expenses	-28 878	-25 943	-29 215	-28 562	-29 875
Administrative expenses	-18 848	-18 299	-16 954	-18 336	-21 706
Other gains/(losses) – net	1 539	1 245	946	-275	9 576
Other expenses	-829	-1 341	-1 840	-824	-1 002
EBIT	14 402	-19 838	-35 231	-7 932	7 664
Financial income	2 460	-2 240	4 978	5 103	-2 443
Financial expenses	-13 928	-14 328	-14 125	-14 709	-18 552
Net financing costs	-11 468	-16 568	-9 147	-9 606	-20 995
Share of profits of associates	69	-32	35	190	-64
Excess in fair value of acquired assets over cost	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	3 003	-36 438	-44 343	-17 348	-13 395
Income tax expense	-833	6 012	8 884	2 538	1 698
Profit/loss from discontinued operations	0	0	0		
Profit for the period	2 170	-30 426	-35 459	-14 810	-11 697
Depreciation and amortization	-12 203	-12 824	-13 568	-13 942	-13 822
EBITDA	26 605	-7 014	-21 663	6 010	21 486

Revenues rise by **44m & 8%**
 - Delivery volumes up by 50k t
 - decrease of prices

Gross profit down by **11m & 48%**
 - higher shipments: 47m
 - lower stoppage cost 16m
 - other segments result: -24m
 - higher conversion costs: -14m

EBIT down by **7m & 47%**
 - gross profit change : 11m
 - lower other gains & losses balance: -15m
 - higher administration costs: 2m
 - higher distribution costs: 1m

Net profit down by **14m & 639%**
 - income tax change: 3m
 - EBIT change: -7m
 - financial income change: -5m
 - financial costs change: -5m

Adjusted net result **-10m** (v. 8m in Q2 2024)

EBITDA down by **5m & 19%**
 Adjusted EBITDA **17m** (v. 35m in Q2 2024)

Assets *(PLN thousand)*

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ASSETS	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025
'000 PLN					
A. TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	1 383 322	1 477 744	1 614 419	1 713 535	1 739 642
I. Intangible assets	17 194	16 653	17 656	17 375	17 170
II. Property, plant and equipment	1 331 353	1 430 453	1 561 453	1 659 045	1 689 516
III. Other receivables	8 308	8 577	660	705	659
IV. Investment property and other investments	1 216	1 134	1 119	1 308	1 244
V. Financial instruments assets	22 415	17 357	17 140	16 020	10 345
VI. Prepaid perpetual usufruct of land	0	0	0	0	0
VII. Deferred tax assets	2 836	3 570	16 391	19 082	20 708
B. TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1 350 306	1 214 770	1 012 020	1 082 404	1 062 638
I. Inventories	504 089	517 495	470 531	530 716	498 512
II. Receivables	359 415	365 614	423 407	423 821	465 620
1. Trade and other receivables	353 877	364 217	421 133	421 201	463 149
2. Current income tax receivable	5 520	1 382	2 261	2 594	2 452
3. Other investments	18	15	13	26	19
III. Financial instruments assets	3 375	2 479	2 860	2 673	1 726
IV. Cash and cash equivalents	483 427	329 182	115 222	123 196	96 780
V. Prepayments	0	0	0	1 998	0
VI. Assets classified as held for sale	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2 733 628	2 692 514	2 626 439	2 795 939	2 802 280

Fixed assets up by **358m & 27%**

- CAPEX: 405m

- D&A: -54m

- asset dispositions: -2m

- financial instruments valuation: -12m

Current assets down by **288m & 21%**

- cash down by 387m

- inventories down by 6m

- receivables up by 106m

trade receivables sold: 166m

(in Q2 2024: 255m)

Equity and Liabilities *(PLN thousand)*

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EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025
'000 PLN					
A. EQUITY	1 247 170	1 215 031	1 179 510	1 163 112	1 210 983
I. Issued share capital	257 131	257 131	257 131	257 131	257 131
II. Reserves and retained earnings	910 441	880 177	846 790	831 220	879 544
III. Minority interest	79 598	77 723	75 589	74 761	74 308
B. LIABILITIES	1 486 458	1 477 483	1 446 929	1 632 827	1 591 297
I. Non-current liabilities	722 430	726 814	270 403	410 894	259 838
1. Employee benefits obligation	13 456	13 604	13 897	14 180	14 389
2. Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	696 239	706 679	247 102	387 508	235 970
3. Other	12 735	6 531	9 404	9 206	9 479
II. Current liabilities	764 028	750 669	1 176 526	1 221 933	1 331 459
1. Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	137 209	146 619	596 685	415 814	573 748
2. Bank overdraft	0	20 990	30 001	117 126	120 512
3. Trade and other payables	621 677	577 694	543 665	683 852	631 583
4. Deferred government grants	1 481	1 450	1 313	1 138	1 202
5. Liability under financial instruments	0		0	0	0
6. Employee benefits obligation	2 361	2 616	2 773	2 703	3 114
7. Current income tax payable	0	0	789	0	0
8. Provisions for payables	1 300	1 300	1 300	1 300	1 300
III. Liabilities of disposal group	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2 733 628	2 692 514	2 626 439	2 795 939	2 802 280

Equity down by PLN
- LTM net result: 92m

36m & 3%

Liabilities up by PLN
- long-term debt down by: 463m
- trade payables: up by: 10m
- short-term debt up by: 567m

105m & 7%

Cash Flows *(PLN thousand)* & Metrics

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CASH FLOW	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025
'000 PLN					
A. OPERATING ACTIVITIES	310 940	-71 154	-88 139	21 082	-29 163
B. INVESTING ACTIVITIES	-94 071	-80 360	-130 139	-32 479	-70 976
C. FINANCING ACTIVITIES	245 803	-23 283	-8 430	-67 367	69 755
Net increase in cash	462 672	- 174 797	-226 708	-78 764	-30 384

MAIN METRICS	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025
Liquidity ratio	1.77	1.62	0.86	0.89	0.80
Quick ratio	1.11	0.93	0.46	0.45	0.42
Inventories turnover days	86	94	76	92	80
Receivables turnover days	58	66	67	70	70
EBITDA margin	4.8%	-1.4%	1.1%	1.1%	3,6%
Net profit margin	0.4%	-6.1%	-2.5%	-2.7%	-2.0%
Equity '000 PLN	1 247 170	1 215 031	1 179 510	1 163 112	1 210 983
Net debt '000 PLN	350 400	545 106	758 566	797 252	833 450
Net debt / LTM EBITDA	2.3	7.6	30.9	202.5	n/d

A

- working capital outflow: 148m

B

- disposals inflow: 3m

- CAPEX outflow: -308m

C

- inflow IRS: 9m

- debt incurrence: 138m

- debt repayment: 133m

- interest service: 44m

liquidity worsened due to temporary reclassification of long-term debt

inventory ratio improved by 6 days but weak

receivable ratio worsened by 5 days and acceptable

The profitability ratio fell to a negative value. Due to negative LTM EBITDA, the leverage ratio cannot be calculated



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