

Jungfraubahn Holding AG SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT 2020



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THE KEY FIGURES

An overview of the key figures for Jungfrau Railway Group (as of 30 June 2020)

57.5 M Operating income (in CHF) **35.0** M Transportation revenues (in CHF) 5.9 M EBIDTA (in CHF)

-11.5 M Period result (in CHF) -1.94 Result per share (in CHF)



JUNGFRAUBAHN HOLDING AG

Jungfraubahn Holding AG consists of eleven subsidiaries and is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange. As its main activity, the Group operates excursion railways and winter sport facilities in the Jungfrau region. The customer is offered an adventure in the mountains and on the train. The Jungfrau Railway Group has three defined business segments: Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe, Winter Sports and Experience Mountains. It has formed a strategic alliance with Berner Oberland-Bahnen AG in order to exploit synergies.

LETTER TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

DEAR SHAREHOLDERS

The Jungfrau Railway Group experienced a difficult first half of 2020. Covid-19 and the associated economic consequences were reflected in the business results. In the first half of the year, 100,600 visitors travelled to the Jungfraujoch. That is 78.6% less than during the same period in the previous year. The official order to end the winter season early and the closure of the tourist railways for almost three months led to the first half-year loss in the history of Jungfraubahn Holding AG. The loss amounted to CHF 11.5 million (2019: profit of CHF 23.9 million). Despite the severe effects of the coronavirus pandemic, the Jungfrau Railway Group was able to generate a positive EBITDA of CHF 5.9 million. As things stand, the company assumes that, despite a loss, it can expect a positive EBITDA for 2020 as a whole.

In terms of liquidity and equity, the company is solidly positioned. The financing of operations as well as the completion of the V-cableway project. The V-cableway is a once-in-a-century project and will enable the Jungfrau Railway Group to put a new must-see tourist destination on the map from December 2020.

VISITOR FREQUENCIES 1.1–30.6.	2020	2019	Change in %
Jungfraujoch (arr.)	100,600	470,900	-78.6 %
Skier visits Jungfrau Ski Region	744,700	904,200	-17.6 %
NET TRANSPORT REVENUES	in TCHF	in TCHF	in %
Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe	13,723	50,595	-72.9 %
Experience Mountains	3,527	9,325	-62.2 %
Winter Sports	17,785	19,068	-6.7 %
Total transport revenue	35,035	78,988	-55.6 %

After the best January in the history of Jungfrau Railway, transport to the Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe began declining in mid-February due to the spread of the coronavirus. Starting on 14 March 2020, Jungfrau Railway, like all of the company's tourist railways, was forced to close down. The Group's business and the entire intercontinental tourism sector completely disappeared from mid-March onwards. The Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe was closed for a long period for the first time since World War I – for 83 days.

Despite the fact that the company implemented initial cost-cutting measures as early as February, it was not possible to avert a loss in the first half of the year. Operating costs were reduced and short-time working was applied for a large portion of the workforce. These measures were and remain essential for securing jobs in the region and getting operations back on track.

With the exception of the two main projects – the V-cableway and the publicly financed renovation of the Lauterbrunnen-Mürren Rail- and Cableway – many investments were postponed. CHF 52 million was invested in the first half of the year. Despite the lockdown and high investment activity, interest-bearing debt amounted to only CHF 10 million as of 30 June 2020.

SHORT-TERM PLANNING - FLUCTUATING DEMAND

The tourist infrastructure was reopened on 6 June 2020. With a three-month interruption, a total of 100,600 guests travelled to the Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe in the first half of the year. This represents a decrease of 78.6%. For the Experience Mountains, the Jungfrau Railway Group posted net transport revenue of CHF 3.5 million, a 62.2% drop. In general, strongly fluctuating visitor numbers, depending on the weather, have posed a particular challenge since reopening. For this reason, the Jungfrau Railway Group is employing short-term planning both in the deployment of rolling stock and in personnel terms.

After a stormy start to the 2019/2020 winter sports season, more skier visits were seen over the holidays and in January 2020 than in the 2018/2019 season. For the reporting period from 1 January 2020 to the premature end of the season on 14 March 2020, the Jungfrau Ski Region – in which the Jungfrau Railway Group has a revenue share of over 60% – registered 744,700 skier visits, representing a decrease of 17.6% compared to the previous year. The Jungfrau Railway Group generated net transport revenue of CHF 17.8 million (-6.7%) from its winter sports business.



V-CABLEWAY MAJOR LONG-TERM PROJECT – MÜRREN RAIL- AND CABLEWAY RENOVATION

The winter months were challenging in regard to the main strategic project – the V-cableway. Storms caused 22 days of downtime on the construction site between October and December 2019 alone. Thanks to the dedication that all of the workers demonstrated on the construction site, it was possible to make up for the backlog. Despite the closure of the tourist railways due to Covid-19, construction sites were able to remain open during the first half of 2020 under observance of hygiene and social distancing regulations. One milestone was the cable pull for the Eiger Express, which was performed over the course of around 15 weeks from the end of April to mid-August.

The complete renovation of the Grütschalp-Mürren adhesion railway also continued without interruption. Following the construction of the new cableway in 2006, the railway line, stations and rolling stock between Grütschalp and Mürren are now being renovated. With these measures, the Lauterbrunnen – Mürren Rail- and Cableway (BLM) will implement the public transport-related provisions stated in the Law on Equal Treatment for People with Disabilities by 2023. Investments in the renovation of the BLM and its follow-up costs are guaranteed by the Canton of Berne.

OUTLOOK

Since the reopening of the tourist railways, there are positive effects to be seen from the various promotions carried out in Switzerland with TV ads and advertisements. In July and August alone, 153,000 people travelled to the Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe. The majority of the guests were Swiss. The multi-day and multi-month passes that were offered also proved to be very popular.

The Jungfrau Railways' Experience Mountains also saw many local guests, and with the opening of borders within Europe, visitors from neighbouring European countries also began coming

again. However, as the figures for the first half of the year show, this is not enough to compensate for the absence of international customers. In order to be ready for the upturn and to ensure that there is a mutual exchange of information on new developments, we continue to maintain regular contact with the main markets in Asia.

Realisation of the once-in-a-generation V-cableway project is in full swing. Work is on track at all of the construction sites. As a result, it will be possible to open the Eiger Express 3S cableway and the entire terminal in Grindelwald Grund one week earlier, on 5 December 2020. With these developments, the Jungfrau Railway Group is giving the Jungfrau region, the Canton of Berne and Switzerland as a whole a positive boost in these challenging times. This will make winter sports in the Jungfrau Ski Region even more attractive with enhanced public transport infrastructure and a time reduction of 47 minutes for transport from Interlaken Ost to the Jungfraujoch - Top of Europe.

The continuing spread of Covid-19 (coronavirus) continues to have a negative impact on the business performance of Jungfraubahn Holding AG. At present, it is not possible to assess the financial consequences of the pandemic. As things stand, the company assumes that, despite a loss, it can expect a positive EBITDA for 2020 as a whole.

CHANGES IN THE JBH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In addition, the Board of Directors of Jungfraubahn Holding AG reached the following resolutions as part of the ongoing further development: The Board of Directors has decided to gradually reintroduce the 12-year term limitation as planned. It was suspended during the planning and realisation of the V-cableway. For this reason, the most senior member of the Board of Directors, the current Vice Chairman Ueli Winzenried, will step down at the forthcoming General Meeting (GM) on 17 May 2021 and will not be replaced, as the number of Board members will once again be six. Heinz Karrer is intended to take over the office of Vice Chairman. At the 2022 GM, the current Chairman, Thomas Bieger, will step down and Heinz Karrer is suggested to the GM as president.

Prof. Dr. Thomas Bieger Chairman of the Board of Directors

Urs Kessler, CEO Chairman of the Executive Board

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

At 30 June

ASSETS						
CHF (thousands)	30.06.2020	in %	31.12.2019	in %	30.06.2019	in %
Current assets						
Liquid funds	21,294		57,432		42,021	
Receivables from deliveries and services	4,958		13,953		19,565	
Other current receivables	2,244		12,331		23,774	
Inventories souvenir shops and catering	3,050		2,704		2,052	
Accrued income	13,441	••••••	9,349		9,620	•••••
Total current assets	44,987	5.9%	95,769	12.5%	97,032	13.6%
Fixed assets						
Financial assets	7,130	••••••	7,130	••••••	6,297	•••••
Tangible assets	692,866		655,663		600,525	
Intangible assets	11,194		10,275		9,128	
Total fixed assets	711,190	94.1%	673,068	87.5%	615,950	86.4%
Total Assets	756,177	100.0%	768,837	100.0%	712,982	100.0%

LIABILITIES

Outside capital						
Liabilities from deliveries and services	27,007		38,238		29,469	•••••
Current financial liabilities	10,740	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	740		740	•••••
Other current liabilities	5,119		4,805		1,983	
Current provisions	2,465		2,266		3,341	
Deferred income	16,073		23,981		20,895	
Total current borrowed capital	61,404	8.1 %	70,030	9.1 %	56,428	7.9%
Non-current financial liabilities	57,792		50,339		40,744	
Other non-current liabilities	433		436		0	
Non-current provisions	40,723		40,723		41,167	
Total non-current borrowed capital	98,948	13.1%	91,498	11.9%	81,911	11.5%
Total borrowed capital	160,352	21.2%	161,528	21.0%	138,339	19.4%
Equity						
Share capital	8,753		8,753		8,753	
Capital reserves	-979		-980		-1,433	
Treasury shares	-140		-144		-3,065	
Retained earnings	583,898		595,209		566,049	
Equity shareholders of Jungfraubahn Holding AG	591,532		602,838		570,304	
Minority interests	4,293		4,471		4,339	
Total equity	595,825	78.8%	607,309	79.0%	574,643	80.6%
Total liabilities	756,177	100.0%	768,837	100.0%	712,982	100.0%

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

1 January to 30 June

CHF (thousands)	2020	2019
Operating income		
Transportation revenues	35,035	78,988
Compensation	4,022	5,158
Sale of energy	3,841	4,167
Souvenir shops	912	4,036
Catering and accommodation	3,151	2,512
Service income	4,587	3,945
Rental income	4,001	4,229
Other income	1,928	3,697
Total operating income	57,477	106,732
Operating expenses		
Cost of goods	-1,507	-2,616
Purchase of energy	-1,032	-1,199
Personnel expenses	-29,266	-32,127
Other operating expenses	-19,738	-23,388
Total operating expenses	-51,543	-59,330
EBITDA	5,934	47,402
Depreciation and amortisation		
Depreciation of tangible assets	-15,551	-15,530
Amortisation of intangible assets	-1,106	-1,055
Total depreciation and amortisation	-16,657	-16,585
EBIT	-10,723	30,817
Financial result		
Financial expenses	-488	-139
Financial income	123	151
Total financial result	-365	12
Result before tax	-11,088	30,829
Income taxes	-368	-6,891
Period result	-11,456	23,938
Shareholders of Jungfraubahn Holding AG	-11,311	23,816
Minority interests	-145	122
Result per share		
Shares issued	5,835,000	5,835,000
Average balance of time-weighted treasury shares	-1,063	-21,110
Average number of time-weighted outstanding shares	5,833,937	5,813,890
Undiluted and diluted result per share (CHF)	-1.94	4.10

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

1 January to 30 June

CHF (thousands)	2020	2019
Period result	-11,456	23,938
Depreciation of tangible assets	15,551	15,530
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,106	1,055
Change of provisions	199	1,227
Other non-cash items	13	-5
Cash flow before change in net current assets	5,413	41,745
Decrease/increase in receivables	14,990	-10,034
Increase in inventories	-346	-268
Decrease in liabilities	-21,463	-11,907
Cash flow from operating activities	-1,406	19,536
Investments in financial assets	-20	0
Investments in tangible assets	-50,117	-44,073
Investments in intangible assets	-2,025	-1,360
Divestment of tangible assets	0	5
Cash flow from investing activities	-52,162	-45,428
Free cash flow	-53,568	-25,892
Increase in financial liabilities	17,761	54
Repayment of financial liabilities	-308	-581
Purchase of minority shares	0	-1
Trade of treasury shares	0	-2,637
Profit distribution to minority interests	-23	-39
Profit distribution to Jungfraubahn Holding AG	0	-16,273
Cash flow from financing activities	17,430	-19,477
Change in liquid assets	-36,138	-45,369
Liquid funds 1 January	57,432	87,390
Liquid funds 30 June	21,294	42,021
Change in liquid assets	-36,138	-45,369

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY At 30 June

CHF (thousands)	Share capital	Capital reserves	Treasury shares	Retained earnings	Equity share- holders of Jungfraubahn Holding AG	Minority interests	Total equity
Equity at 31.12.2018	8,753	-1,425	-440	558,506	565,394	4,266	569,660
Purchase of treasury shares		-7	-2,630		-2,637		-2,637
Sale of treasury shares		-1	5	••••••	4		4
Period result		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		23,816	23,816	122	23,938
Dividends				-16,273	-16,273	-39	-16,312
Purchase of subsidiary shares	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		••••••	0	-10	-10
Equity at 30.06.2019	8,753	-1,433	-3,065	566,049	570,304	4,339	574,643
Equity at 31.12.2019	8,753	-980	-144	595,209	602,838	4,471	607,309
Sale of treasury shares		1	4		5		5
Period result				-11,311	-11,311	-145	-11,456
Dividends					0	-23	-23
Purchase of subsidiary shares					0	-10	-10
Equity at 30.06.2020	8,753	-979	-140	583,898	591,532	4,293	595,825

NOTES TO THE INTERIM REPORT

GENERAL INFORMATION

The semi-annual report comprises the unaudited consolidated semi-annual financial statement of Jungfraubahn Holding AG and its subsidiaries. The interim financial statement was prepared in accordance with Swiss GAAP FER 31, which permits the use of abbreviations in presentation and disclosure. The accounting policies applied are consistent with the consolidated accounting policies defined in the 2019 Annual Report.

SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION

There were no material changes in the scope of consolidation during the reporting period.

SEGMENT INFORMATIONEN				
CHF (thousands)	2020	2019	Change	in %
Segment sales				
Net sales Jungfraujoch - Top of Europe	24,682	64,544	-39,862	-61.8 %
Net sales Experience Mountains	5,118	12,559	-7,441	-59.2 %
Net sales Winter Sports	20,489	21,871	-1,382	-6.3 %
Net sales other segments ¹	19,735	23,080	-3,345	-14.5 %
Elimination group-internal sales	-12,547	-15,322	2,775	-18.1 %
Total operating income according to profit and loss account	57,477	106,732	-49,255	-46.1 %
Segment results EBITDA				
EBITDA Jungfraujoch – Top of Europe	-4,593	30,229	-34,822	-115.2 %
EBITDA Experience Mountains	-141	6,646	-6,787	-102.1 %
EEBITDA Winter Sports	6,419	5,699	720	12.6 %
EBITDA other segments ¹	4,217	4,821	-604	-12.5 %
Group eliminations	32	7	25	357.1%
Total EBITDA according to the income statement	5,934	47,402	-41,468	-87.5%

¹ Other segments include, in particular, the Jungfraubahn power station, Jungfraubahnen Management AG and the Lauterbrunnen car park

NOTES ON SEASONALITY

Since the Jungfrau Railway Group markets a wide range of services, its business activities are not significantly affected by seasonal influences.

EFFECTS OF COVID-19

The continuing spread of Covid-19 (coronavirus) is having a negative impact on the business performance of Jungfraubahn Holding AG. At present, it is not possible to assess the financial consequences of the pandemic. As things stand, the company assumes that, despite a loss, it can expect a positive EBITDA for 2020 as a whole. The Board of Directors and Executive Board of Jung-fraubahn Holding AG are monitoring events and will take the necessary measures on an ongoing basis. Among other things, the valuation of assets was reviewed. It was concluded that there was no cause to record impairment losses. Apart from the possible, serious effects of a recession, the ability of Jungfraubahn Holding AG to continue as a going concern is not, from the current point of view, considered to be endangered.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE OF THE INTERIM REPORT

Before the present semi-annual financial statement was approved by the Jungfraubahn Holding AG Board of Directors on 1 September 2020, no events have become known which would result in an adjustment of the book values of the Group's assets and liabilities or which would have to be disclosed.

INVESTOR RELATIONS - IMPORTANT DATES

5 JANUARY 2021Announcement of frequencies for the 2020 business year8 APRIL 2021Announcement of the annual result17 MAY 2021Jungfraubahn Holding AG General Meeting

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