



Press Release

Results from the first semester of the year 2021

EROSKI RAISES OPERATING PROFIT TO 105.9 MILLION

- The group has closed the first half of the year with a positive result of 42 million Euros
- The operating profit in the first semester has improved by 63% as compared to pre-pandemic levels
- The sales of the food domain of the group have grown by 2.4% as compared to the same period in 2019 (pre-COVID)
- The sales of the parent cooperative, EROSKI S.Coop., have increased by 5.4% as compared to 2019

Elorrio, 1 October 2021.- The [EROSKI](#) group has closed the accounts for the first semester of the current year, as on 31 July 2021, with a positive result of 42 million Euros, as compared to the 48 million of the first part of the year 2020, which was particularly marked by the COVID-19.

Altogether, the group reached a business turnover of 2,248 million Euros during the first half of the year, the same as the total sales of the year 2019, in spite of the decrease in the activity of the travel and petrol station businesses. Noteworthy is the evolution of the food domain –without petrol stations– which, with a turnover of 2,113 million Euros, shows a 2.4% improvement as compared to the same period in 2019.

The current operating profit, which indicates the evolution of the business, amounted to 105.9 million Euros in the first semester. It represents a 63% improvement as compared to pre-pandemic levels.

“The evolution of sales in the first semester reflects the effect that the pandemic has had in increasing food consumption at home, although this effect is showing a downward trend. The results reflect this situation and, although they certainly stand below those of the same period in 2020, they are considerably higher than those of the year 2019, due to the measures that have been adopted in these two years, which have led to a more efficient network and more attractive stores”, EROSKI's Chair, Agustín Markaide, has explained.

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During the first part of the year, the EROSKI group invested 48.8 million Euros, mainly on remodelling 91 supermarkets and opening 32 new stores, 5 supermarkets of their own and 27 franchised stores. Moreover, the opening of the first fresh produce platform in Júndiz (Vitoria-Gasteiz) was an important operational milestone in this first semester of 2021, as it brings the redesigning of the fresh produce platform map in the Northern area to an end.

Likewise, the group repaid 75 million Euros from the financial debt during the first six months of the year; in addition to the loans repaid after the half-yearly closing following the incorporation of the new investment partners for the Supratuc partnership last September.

EROSKI S. COOP. raises its business turnover

With regard to the parent cooperative EROSKI S. COOP., they closed the first semester of the year with a profit of 22.1 million Euros. The total sales reached 908 million Euros, which represents a 5.4% increase as compared to the first semester of the year 2019.

EROSKI Group

EROSKI is the first distribution group of the cooperative type in Spain and one of the leaders in the Spanish northern market (Galicia, Basque Country, Navarre, Catalonia and the Balearic Islands). Its commercial network comprises 1,624 stores, including supermarkets, hypermarkets and cash&carry; as well as petrol stations, optical shops, travel agencies, sports shops and its online supermarket. It also has more than 6 million customer members and more than 33,000 cooperative members, workers and franchisees.

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