

Five year retail statistical summary

	Year ended 29 March 1997	Year ended 28 March 1998	Year ended 3 April 1999	Year ended 1 April 2000	Year ended 31 March 2001
Store numbers					
Safeway – 20,000 sq. ft. sales area and over	247	253	256	260	261
– 10,000 – 19,999 sq. ft. sales area	124	130	139	142	138
– under 10,000 sq. ft. sales area	29	68	68	68	66
	400	451	463	470	465
Safeway (Ireland)	–	15	13	12	12
Presto	90	20	–	–	–
	490	486	476	482	477
Sales area ('000 sq. ft.)					
Safeway	8,960	9,554	9,775	9,928	9,890
Net % increase/(decrease) on previous year	6.5%	6.6%	2.3%	1.6%	(0.4%)
Safeway (Ireland)	–	415	340	305	305
Presto	679	103	–	–	–
	9,639	10,072	10,115	10,233	10,195
New store openings					
Safeway	17	15	14	12	–
Safeway (Ireland)	–	15	3	–	–
New sales area ('000 sq. ft.) (excluding extensions)					
Safeway	447	386	300	269	–
Safeway (Ireland)	–	415	83	–	–
Average store sales area ('000 sq. ft.)					
Safeway	22.4	21.2	21.1	21.1	21.3
Safeway (Ireland)	–	27.7	26.2	25.4	25.4
Presto	7.5	5.2	–	–	–
Sales per sq. ft. per week (£)					
Safeway	14.82	14.98	15.18	15.66	16.52

The year ended 3 April 1999 comprised 53 weeks.

Based on weighted average sales area and sales including VAT (including petrol). The statistics for the years ended 28 March 1998 and 1 April 2000 are affected by there being no Easter during the year compared with two Easters in the years ended 29 March 1997 and 3 April 1999.