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# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 6-K

### REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16

### **UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of August 2, 2007

Commission File Number 001-15244

# **CREDIT SUISSE GROUP**

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive office)

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**Media Release** 

### Credit Suisse Group reports net income of CHF 3.2 billion

for the second quarter of 2007

Current share buyback program of CHF 8 billion expected to be completed during 2008, ahead of plan.

In the second quarter of 2007, diluted earnings per share improved to CHF 2.82 from CHF 1.86 in the same period a year earlier, and the return on equity was 29.7% compared to 21.6%.

For the first half of 2007, net income was CHF 5.9 billion. Diluted earnings per share improved to CHF 5.24 from CHF 4.07 in the same period a year earlier, and the return on equity was 27.4% compared to 23.1%.

Net new assets in the second quarter of 2007 were CHF 13.3 billion in Wealth Management and CHF 20.4 billion in Asset Management.

Financial Highlights					
(in CHF million, except where indicated)	2Q07	1Q07	2Q06	% change	% change
				vs 1Q07	vs 2Q06
Income from continuing operations	3,189	2,729	1,872	17	70

Net income	3,189	2,729	2,158	17	48
Diluted earnings per share					
from continuing operations (CHF)	2.82	2.42	1.61	17	75
Diluted earnings per share (CHF)	2.82	2.42	1.86	17	52
Return on equity	29.7%	25.2%	21.6%	-	-
BIS tier 1 ratio (end of period)	13.0%	13.2%	10.6%	-	-
Core results <sup>1</sup>					
Net revenues	11,703	10,669	8,047	10	45
Provision for credit losses	(20)	53	10	-	-
Total operating expenses	7,637	7,040	5,587	8	37
Income from continuing operations					
before taxes	4,086	3,576	2,450	14	67
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<sup>1</sup> Core results include the results of the three segments and the Corporate Center, excluding revenues and expenses in respect of minority interests without significant economic interest.

Zurich, August 2, 2007 Credit Suisse Group today announced net income of CHF 3,189 million for the second quarter of 2007. Income from continuing operations increased 70% from the same period a year earlier. Diluted earnings per share were CHF 2.82, up from CHF 1.86 in the same period a year earlier.

Commenting on the quarter, Brady W. Dougan, Chief Executive Officer of Credit Suisse Group, said:

The record operating results for the second quarter continue to build on the strong earnings momentum we have established over the past year. Revenues rose from both the previous quarter and a year earlier

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and benefited from our client-focused business model. Our focus on efficiency led to improved operating leverage, even as we continue to invest in the growth of our business.

He added: I am particularly pleased with our performance given the fact that we had more challenging conditions in some markets, which we expect to continue. However, I am very optimistic about the long-term growth prospects for Credit Suisse, and I believe that our client-focused, integrated business model and disciplined risk-taking will enable us to deliver superior value to shareholders through market cycles.

#### Segment Results

(in CHF million	)	2Q07	1Q07	2Q06	% change vs 1Q07	% change vs 2Q06
Investment	Net revenues	7,538	6'582	4'436	15	70
Banking	Provision for credit losses	9	61	16	(85)	(44)
-	Total operating expenses	5,027	4'531	3'133	11	60
	Income from continuing					
	operations before taxes	2,502	1,990	1,287	26	94
Private	Net revenues	3,353	3,366	2,913	0	15
Banking	Provision for credit losses	(29)	(7)	(5)	-	-
	Total operating expenses	2,001	1,934	1,795	3	11
	Income from continuing					
	operations before taxes	1,381	1,439	1'123	(4)	23
Asset	Net revenues	853	776	675	10	26
Management	Provision for credit losses	0	0	(1)	-	100
	Total operating expenses	554	519	649	7	(15)
	Income from continuing operations					
	before taxes	299	257	27	16	-

#### **Investment Banking**

The Investment Banking segment reported record income from continuing operations before taxes of CHF 2,502 million for the second quarter of 2007, up 94% compared to the second quarter of 2006. Net revenues increased 70% to record levels, with substantial increases in all major business areas. Provisions for credit losses decreased compared to the second quarter of 2006. Total operating expenses increased 60%. Excluding the impact in the second quarter of 2006 of credits from insurance settlements for litigation and related costs, total operating expenses, reflecting higher revenues, and higher other operating expenses. Investment Banking continued to reduce its non-compensation costs. General and administrative expenses were down 14% in the second quarter of 2007 compared to the second quarter of 2006, excluding the impact of the credits from insurance settlements. This decline reflected a lower fixed cost run-rate despite increased business activity. The compensation/revenue ratio was 51.5% in the second quarter of 2007 compared to 53.5% in the second quarter of 2006. The pre-tax income margin rose to 33.2% in the quarter from 29.0% in the second quarter of 2006.

#### **Private Banking**

The Private Banking segment, which is comprised of the Wealth Management and Corporate & Retail Banking businesses, reported income from continuing operations before taxes of CHF 1,381 million for the second quarter of 2007, up 23% compared to the second quarter of 2006.

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The *Wealth Management* business reported record income from continuing operations before taxes of CHF 1,001 million for the second quarter of 2007, up 28% compared to the second quarter of 2006. Net revenues rose 17%, driven by strong improvements in recurring revenues, mainly due to higher asset-based commissions and fees, particularly from managed assets, as well as an increase in transaction-based revenues. The 10% increase in total operating expenses during the quarter was primarily attributable to higher compensation and benefits related to the ongoing strategic investment in the global franchise and higher performance-related compensation in line with improved results. The pre-tax income margin was 42.0% in the second quarter of 2007, compared to 38.3% in the second quarter of 2006.

The *Corporate & Retail Banking* business reported a 10% rise in income from continuing operations before taxes to CHF 380 million for the second quarter of 2007 compared to the second quarter of 2006. Net revenues rose 10%. The 14% increase in total operating expenses compared to the second quarter of 2006 reflected an increase in compensation and benefits as well as higher other operating expenses. Provisions for credit losses reflected net releases of CHF 28 million, mainly due to the resolution of a single exposure. The pre-tax income margin was 39.2% in the second quarter of 2007, compared to 39.1% in the second quarter of 2006.

#### Asset Management

The Asset Management segment reported income from continuing operations before taxes of CHF 299 million for the second quarter of 2007, an increase of CHF 272 million compared to the second quarter of 2006. Net revenues increased 26% compared to the second quarter of 2006, driven by asset management and administrative revenues as well as by increased private equity and other investment-related gains. Total operating expenses were down 15% from the second quarter of 2006. The second quarter of 2006 included costs of CHF 152 million associated with the realignment of the Asset Management business, particularly in the US. The pre-tax income margin was 35.1% in the second quarter of 2007. As of June 30, 2007, assets under management totaled CHF 749.6 billion, an increase of 5.8% from March 31, 2007.

#### Net New Assets

The Wealth Management business generated net new assets of CHF 13.3 billion in the second quarter of 2007, representing an annualized quarterly growth rate of 6.5%. This was driven by particularly strong inflows from Europe and the Americas. The Asset Management business reported strong net new assets of CHF 20.4 billion in the second quarter of 2007, mainly reflecting inflows from money market assets, alternative investments and balanced assets. Credit Suisse s total assets under management were CHF 1,629.0 billion as of June 30, 2007, an increase of 5.0% from March 31, 2007.

#### First-half 2007 results

Credit Suisse Group posted net income of CHF 5,918 million in the first half of 2007. Income from continuing operations increased 40% from the same period a year earlier. Diluted earnings per share improved to CHF 5.24 in the first half of 2007 from CHF 4.07 in the same period of 2006, and the return on equity amounted to 27.4% in the first half of 2007, up from 23.1% in the first half of 2006.

#### Acceleration of current share buyback program

As part of its current share buyback program of up to CHF 8 billion, which was launched on May 9, 2007, Credit Suisse Group bought back CHF 2.5 billion by the end of July. It plans to repurchase a further CHF

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2.5 billion by the end of 2007 and expects to complete the program during 2008, well ahead of the 2010 target.

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#### Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking and Non-GAAP Information

This press release contains statements that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In addition, in the future we, and others on our behalf, may make statements that constitute forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements may include, without limitation, statements relating to the following:

Our plans, objectives or goals;

Our future economic performance or prospects;

The potential effect on our future performance of certain contingencies; and

Assumptions underlying any such statements.

Words such as believes, anticipates, expects, intends and plans and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. We do not intend to update these forward-looking statements except as may be required by applicable securities laws.

By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and risks exist that predictions, forecasts, projections and other outcomes described or implied in forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution you that a number of important factors could cause results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements. These factors include:

The ability to maintain sufficient liquidity and access capital markets;

Market and interest rate fluctuations;

The strength of the global economy in general and the strength of the economies of the countries in which we conduct our

operations in particular;

The ability of counterparties to meet their obligations to us;

The effects of, and changes in, fiscal, monetary, trade and tax policies, and currency fluctuations;

Political and social developments, including war, civil unrest or terrorist activity;

The possibility of foreign exchange controls, expropriation, nationalization or confiscation of assets in countries in which we conduct our operations;

Operational factors such as systems failure, human error, or the failure to implement procedures properly;

Actions taken by regulators with respect to our business and practices in one or more of the countries in which we conduct our operations;

The effects of changes in laws, regulations or accounting policies or practices;

Competition in geographic and business areas in which we conduct our operations;

The ability to retain and recruit qualified personnel;

The ability to maintain our reputation and promote our brand;

The ability to increase market share and control expenses;

Technological changes;

The timely development and acceptance of our new products and services and the perceived overall value of these products and services by users;

Acquisitions, including the ability to integrate acquired businesses successfully, and divestitures, including the ability to sell non-core assets;

The adverse resolution of litigation and other contingencies; and

Our success at managing the risks involved in the foregoing.

We caution you that the foregoing list of important factors is not exclusive. When evaluating forward-looking statements, you should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other uncertainties and events, as well as the information set forth in our Form 20-F Item 3 - Key Information - Risk factors.

This press release contains non-GAAP financial information. Information needed to reconcile such non-GAAP financial information to the most directly comparable measures under GAAP can be found in Credit Suisse Group s Financial Review 2Q07 and Credit Suisse Group s Financial Statements 2Q07.

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Presentation of Credit Suisse Group s Second-Quarter 2007 Results

#### **Analyst and Media Conference**

§ Thursday, August 2, 2007
10:00 CEST / 09:00 BST / 04:00 EST

Credit Suisse Auditorium Uetlihof, Zurich

§ Simultaneous interpreting: German English, English German

#### § Speakers

Brady W. Dougan, Chief Executive Officer of Credit Suisse Group

Renato Fassbind, Chief Financial Officer of Credit Suisse Group

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Zurich

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We do not intend to update these forward-looking statements except as may be required by applicable laws.

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Building on strong momentum

vs. 1Q07

vs. 2Q06

2Q07

Change in %

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Net revenues

11,703

45%

10%

Total operating expenses

7,637

37%

8%

Income from continuing operations before taxes

4,086

67%

14%

# Net income

3,189

48%

17%

Diluted earnings per share in CHF

2.82

52%

17%

Cost/income ratio

65.3%

69.4%