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**Barclays PLC and**

**Barclays Bank PLC**

**(Names of Registrants)**

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This Report is a joint Report on Form 6-K filed by Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC. All of the issued ordinary share capital of Barclays Bank PLC is owned by Barclays PLC.

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<b><u>Exhibit</u></b>	<b><u>Item</u></b>
Exhibit 99.1	Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. s joint press release, dated April 23, 2007
Exhibit 99.2	Barclays PLC unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements for the year ended and as at December 31, 2006 and notes thereto
Exhibit 99.3*	ABN AMRO Holding N.V. audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended and as at December 31, 2006 and notes thereto
Exhibit 99.4	Consent of Ernst & Young Accountants, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
Exhibit 99.5*	ABN AMRO Holding N.V. s press release containing summary of first quarter 2007 results, dated April 16, 2007

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\* Explanatory note to Exhibits 99.3 and 99.5:

The financial statements of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. in Exhibits 99.3 and 99.5 should be considered in the light of all of the disclosures in the Annual Report on Form 20-F of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for the year ended December 31, 2006, including the disclosure under Item 4A, Unresolved Staff Comments at page 46 wherein ABN AMRO Holding N.V. states as follows:

Our reconciliation between IFRS and US GAAP, as set out in Note 50 to our consolidated financial statements, includes a reconciling item with respect to allowances for loan losses. This item lowers shareholders' equity under US GAAP by EUR 540 million (net of tax EUR 346 million) for 2006 and by EUR 538 million (net of tax EUR 344 million) for 2005. The impact on net profit is a lower US GAAP income of EUR 58 million (net of tax EUR 37 million) in 2006 and a higher US GAAP net profit of EUR 99 million (net of tax EUR 65 million) in 2005.

We are currently in discussions with the SEC accounting staff with respect to an unresolved SEC comment. The SEC is inquiring as to the nature of the difference in the application of US GAAP and IFRS with respect to determining loan loss allowances given the similarity of the underlying accounting principles.

This is explained in more detail in Note 50. We understand that as required by US law, the SEC is consulting with both the OCC, the credit supervisor of our subsidiaries in the US, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve. We also understand that the SEC is or will be consulting with European regulatory bodies such as the Authority for Financial Markets ( AFM ) and the Dutch Central Bank, as part of the IFRS convergence process.

Exhibit 99.1

Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. s joint press release, dated April 23, 2007

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23 April 2007

**For immediate release**

**ABN AMRO AND BARCLAYS ANNOUNCE AGREEMENT ON TERMS OF MERGER**

The Managing Board and Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ( ABN AMRO ) and the Board of Directors of Barclays PLC ( Barclays ) jointly announce that agreement has been reached on the combination of ABN AMRO and Barclays. Each of the Boards has unanimously resolved to recommend the transaction to its respective shareholders. The holding company of the combined group will be called Barclays PLC.

The proposed merger of ABN AMRO and Barclays will create a strong and competitive combination for its clients with superior products and extensive distribution. The merged group is expected to generate significant and sustained future incremental earnings growth for shareholders.

The combination of ABN AMRO and Barclays will benefit from a diversified customer base and geographic mix. The proposed merger will create:

A leading force in global retail and commercial banking, with world class products:

47 million customers, approximately 90 per cent. of whom are in seven key markets

One of the world's leading transaction banking platforms offering world class payment and trade finance solutions

A top five card issuer outside the US with approximately 27m cards.

A premier global investment bank that is a leader in risk management and financing with an enhanced product offering across a broader geographical footprint

The world's largest institutional asset manager, with enhanced retail distribution capabilities and complementary products ensuring delivery of world class products and services to a wider customer base

The world's eighth largest wealth manager, with a leading European onshore franchise and highly attractive positions in growth markets

## Merger Highlights

The proposed merger will be implemented through an exchange offer pursuant to which ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders will receive 3.225 ordinary shares in Barclays ( New Barclays Shares ) for each existing ABN AMRO ordinary share (the Offer ). Under the terms of the Offer, Barclays existing ordinary shareholders will own approximately 52 per cent. and ABN AMRO existing ordinary shareholders will own approximately 48 per cent. of the combined group

Based on the share price of Barclays ordinary shares on 20 April 2007, the Offer values each ABN AMRO ordinary share at 36.25 taking into account that ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders will be entitled to receive the declared 0.60 2006 final dividend. In addition, depending on the timetable to completion, ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders will also benefit from Barclays 2007 final dividend, which has a greater final dividend to total dividend weighting than ABN AMRO. The implied value of the Offer represents a premium for ABN AMRO shareholders of approximately:

33 per cent. to the share price of ABN AMRO ordinary shares on 16 March 2007, the last trading day prior to the announcement that ABN AMRO and Barclays were in talks

49 per cent. over the average share price of ABN AMRO ordinary shares in the 6 months up to and including to 16 March 2007

The combined group will have a UK corporate governance structure with a unitary Board. Arthur Martinez will be the Chairman, John Varley will be the Chief Executive Officer, and Bob Diamond will be President. The new board will initially consist of 10 members from Barclays and 9 members from ABN AMRO

Barclays will be the holding company for the combined group. The UK Financial Services Authority ( FSA ) and De Nederlandsche Bank ( DNB ) have agreed that the FSA will be the lead supervisor of the combined group

The head office of the combined group will be located in Amsterdam

ABN AMRO and Barclays estimate that the combination will result in annual pre-tax synergies of approximately 3.5bn by 2010, approximately 80 per cent. of which is expected to result from cost synergies and the remainder from revenue benefits. Capturing the expected synergies will assist the management of the combined group in achieving top quartile cost:income ratios across all businesses by 2010

Bank of America Corp has today agreed to acquire LaSalle Bank Corporation ( LaSalle ) for US\$21 billion and is expected to complete this acquisition before completion of the Offer. The completion of the sale of LaSalle is a condition of the Offer. Taking into account the excess capital released by the sale of LaSalle approximately 12 billion is expected to be distributed to the shareholders of the combined group in a tax efficient form primarily through buy backs after completion of the Offer. The full value of the sale of LaSalle on these terms is reflected in the exchange ratio of the proposed merger. The combined group will continue to be a leading franchise in investment banking and investment management in the US. The combined group will continue to explore opportunities to develop its existing US businesses

It is expected that the proposed merger will lead to significant accretion in ABN AMRO's 2008 cash earnings per share for accepting ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders and is expected to be 5 per cent. accretive to Barclays cash earnings per share in 2010. The Board of Barclays expects that the return on investment will be approximately 13 per cent. in 2010.

The proposed merger is expected to complete during the fourth quarter of 2007

### Current Trading

On 16 April 2007, ABN AMRO issued a trading statement announcing a strong improvement in the operating result, leading to a 30 per cent. increase in earnings per share from continuing operations compared to the first quarter of 2006.

Barclays profit before tax for the first quarter of 2007 was 15 per cent. ahead of the first quarter of 2006. Excluding gains from the sale and leaseback of property, profit before tax grew 10 per cent. Performance was particularly strong at Barclays Capital which had its best quarter ever. Barclays expects to announce its customary trading update on 24 May 2007.

Rijkman Groenink, the Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO, said:

This proposed merger fits well with our strategic objective to provide significant and sustained value for our shareholders. We believe that merging with Barclays will unite our significant complementary strengths and create long-term value for our shareholders. I am excited about the opportunities this merger brings and look forward to the next phase of ABN AMRO's future.

John Varley, the CEO of Barclays, said:

This proposed merger represents a unique opportunity to create a new competitive force in financial services, which will deliver benefits for our customers and clients and generate sustained growth and additional value for our owners. The proposed merger will significantly enhance stand-alone product development capabilities and distribution. Our combined geographic reach will ensure exposure to both developed and high growth developing economies.

The Managing Board and Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO consider that the Offer is in the best interests of ABN AMRO and all of its shareholders and have each unanimously resolved to recommend the Offer for acceptance by the shareholders of ABN AMRO.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (Corporate Finance), Lehman Brothers Europe Limited, Morgan Stanley & Co. Limited, N M Rothschild & Sons Limited and UBS Limited are acting as financial advisers to the Managing Board of ABN AMRO. Morgan Stanley & Co Limited and UBS Limited have each provided a fairness opinion to the Managing Board of ABN AMRO. Goldman Sachs International has provided a fairness opinion to the Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO.

The Board of Barclays, which has received financial advice from Barclays Capital, Citi, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, JPMorgan Cazenove and Lazard (collectively, the Barclays Advisers ) considers that the terms of the Offer are fair and reasonable. In providing their advice to the Board, the Barclays Advisers have relied upon the Board's commercial assessment of the Offer.

The Board of Barclays also considers the resolutions to be proposed in connection with the Offer to be in the best interests of Barclays and Barclays shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Board has resolved unanimously to recommend that Barclays shareholders vote in favour of such resolutions.

## 1. Compelling Strategic Rationale

The proposed combination of ABN AMRO and Barclays will create one of the world's leading universal banks. Both ABN AMRO and Barclays operate in a sector which is still fragmented in comparison to other global industries. Universal banking is the model best equipped for success in an industry where customer needs are converging and where demand-led growth will be significant across the globe. Harmonisation of customer needs is already well advanced in investment banking and investment management and is increasingly apparent in retail and commercial banking.

The proposed merger brings together two sets of high quality product capabilities and brands, which are well placed to create growth for shareholders from the relationship extension opportunities that exist in a combined base of 46 million personal and 1.4 million commercial customers.

The combined group will have a simple and transparent management structure. The management team will be clearly accountable for delivering sustained incremental earnings growth and value for shareholders by leading strong performance from the underlying businesses and by capturing the substantial synergies made available by the merger.

There will be two principal business groupings within the combined group, Global Retail and Commercial Banking ( GRCB ) and Investment Banking and Investment Management ( IBIM ). GRCB will be led by Frits Seegers, currently CEO of GRCB in Barclays. IBIM will be led by Bob Diamond, Barclays Group President.

### Global Retail and Commercial Banking

ABN AMRO and Barclays bring together two sets of highly complementary geographies. Approximately 90 per cent. of the combined group's branches will be in seven countries. In Europe the combination will have leading franchises in the UK and the Netherlands and attractive positions in the Italian, Spanish and Portuguese markets. Additionally, the combination will have significant exposure to the high growth developing economies of Brazil and South Africa offering substantial revenue and profit growth opportunities. The combined group will also leverage on ABN AMRO's fast growing Asian business.

Customers will benefit from the enhanced product capabilities of the combined group drawing on, for example, ABN AMRO's global cash and payments infrastructure and Barclays expertise in credit cards.



ABN AMRO and Barclays are both recognised leaders in commercial banking. They both have substantial market positions in the mid-market segment. The merger will accelerate Barclays ambition to develop its business banking activities globally. The franchise will be further strengthened by the linkage between a strong investment banking product range and the track record of both ABN AMRO and Barclays in selling investment banking products to mid-market clients across the combined group's broad geographic footprint.

There is significant opportunity for increased cost efficiency through the optimisation of the operating infrastructure and processes.

### Investment Banking

The combination of ABN AMRO and Barclays will support the ambition to be the premier global investment bank in risk management and financing through enhanced product expertise and broader geographic exposure. Barclays existing product capabilities will be considerably enhanced, particularly in commodities, FX, equities, M&A, corporate broking, structured credit and private equity and its geographic and client reach will also be extended significantly into Asia, Latin America and Continental Europe. The combined investment bank will operate on the Barclays Capital scaleable platform and will target an alignment to a top quartile cost:income ratio by 2010.

### Wealth Management

The combination of ABN AMRO and Barclays will create the world's eighth largest wealth manager, with a leading European onshore franchise with leading positions in the Netherlands and UK, a strong European franchise across Germany, Belgium, France and Spain and attractive growing positions in Asia and Brazil. The product development capabilities of the combined asset management business together with an extensive distribution network will allow the merged business to benefit from favourable demographic trends and increasing demand-led client volumes.

### Asset Management

The combined group will be the world's largest institutional asset manager. Barclays Global Investors' world leading index-based, exchange traded fund and quantitative active capabilities will be complemented by ABN AMRO's active fundamental based capabilities. There are expanded opportunities for retail distribution of the current product set including BGI's rapidly growing iShares exchange traded funds.

## 2. Significant Cost Synergies and Revenue Benefits

Potential synergies arising from the combination have been assessed by a joint team from ABN AMRO and Barclays through a detailed bottom up approach involving business leaders from both banks. Capturing the expected synergies will assist the management of the combined group in achieving top quartile cost:income ratios across all businesses by 2010.

Below is a summary of the estimated pre-tax annual cost synergies and revenue benefits that are expected to be realised in the three calendar years commencing 2008.

<b>m pre tax annual</b>	<b>2008e</b>	<b>2009e</b>	<b>2010e</b>
Cost	870	2,080	2,800
Revenue	(470)		700
Total	400	2,080	3,500

The estimated 2010 annual pre-tax cost synergies are equivalent to approximately 9 per cent. of 2006 combined group costs excluding LaSalle and revenue benefits are equivalent to approximately 1 per cent. of combined group revenues excluding La Salle. Of the estimated cost synergies of 2,800m, approximately 57 per cent. relate to headcount rationalisation; 29 per cent. are derived from a reduction in IT and telecoms hardware, software and development spend; and the remaining 14 per cent. is derived from a number of sources including property and discretionary spend.

### Global Retail and Commercial Banking

It is estimated that the pre-tax annual cost synergies in retail and commercial banking will be 1,650m in 2010, representing approximately 10 per cent. of the combined retail and commercial cost base excluding LaSalle. The cost synergies are expected to result from the consolidation of the retail and commercial banking activities into a universal banking model including:

- best practice off-shoring, improved procurement and real estate rationalisation
- the consolidation of data centres and supporting IT networks
- the use of ABN AMRO's trade and payments back office operations in the Barclays network and integration of card operations under Barclaycard
- the reduction of overlaps in management structures and the retail and commercial operations in the eight overlapping countries.

Revenue benefits are estimated to amount to at least 150m pre-tax in 2010, which is equivalent to 0.5 per cent. of combined revenues. These are expected to be primarily derived from extending ABN AMRO's broader cash management product offering, increasing ABN AMRO's revenue per credit card towards Barclays comparable levels and realising the network benefits of the increased global market presence.

### Investment Banking

The estimated annual pre-tax cost synergies in investment banking in 2010 are expected to amount to approximately 850m. Pre-tax cost synergies are equivalent to 8 per cent. of combined costs. The cost synergies are expected to be derived from the integration of the two banks operations onto one operating platform and subsequent reduction of back office staff and non-staff cost.

It is estimated that revenue benefits, net of assumed revenue attrition, in investment banking in 2010 will be 500m pre-tax, equivalent to 3 per cent. of combined revenues. These benefits are expected to be derived from offering a stronger and broader product set to the combined client base and building on the productivity gains within ABN AMRO's investment banking operations. It is expected that, in addition to the revenue benefits, the combined business will continue to be able to deliver attractive organic growth consistent with Barclays Capital's existing prospects.

## Other Synergies

It is estimated that further cost synergies of 200m will arise from the rationalisation of the two head offices and approximately 100m will arise from the reduction of overlap in wealth and asset management.

Further revenue benefits of approximately 50m are estimated to arise primarily in the wealth and asset management businesses as a result of the enhanced distribution capabilities of the combined group.

## Integration Costs

The total pre-tax integration cost of realising the synergy benefits is estimated to be 3,600m of which approximately 2,160m is expected to be incurred in 2008, approximately 1,080m is expected to be incurred in 2009 and approximately 360m is expected to be incurred in 2010. Employee rights will be safeguarded under applicable law and any redundancies will be subject to the applicable process of employee consultation.

## Overview of Headcount Rationalisation

ABN AMRO and Barclays have identified the possibility of rationalising the number of staff of the combined group through a combination of natural attrition, offshoring and outsourcing as well as redundancies. The rationalisation of headcount is expected to be implemented over 3 years following completion of the Offer.

The reduction in staff is a necessary part of the envisaged synergies from the combination of the two banks. Part of the expected staff reduction will be through establishing shared services and offshoring those positions to low cost locations, such as India where new staff will be recruited at ABN AMRO's existing ACES operations.

It is expected that the combination of Barclays and ABN AMRO will result in a net reduction in staff of approximately 12,800. In addition, it is expected that approximately 10,800 full-time equivalent positions will be offshored to low-cost locations. This will impact a gross total of approximately 23,600 full-time equivalent positions of the combined work force of approximately 217,000. (Barclays has c.123,000 employees, ABN AMRO c.94,000 excluding LaSalle.)

ABN AMRO and Barclays are aware of the fact that these measures can have difficult consequences for a number of staff. When it comes to matters affecting our staff, both ABN AMRO and Barclays have a good reputation and are committed to that reputation. ABN AMRO and Barclays will inform and consult with the appropriate employee representative bodies in the relevant countries and will seek all necessary regulatory consents before taking decisions in relation to these anticipated effects of the merger. ABN AMRO and Barclays will honour all agreements with their respective unions.

### 3. Board Composition

The combined group will have a UK corporate governance structure with a unitary Board. Arthur Martinez will be the Chairman, John Varley will be the CEO and Bob Diamond will be the President. Marcus Agius will become Deputy Chairman of the combined group and will remain Chairman of Barclays Bank plc. It is intended that he will succeed Arthur Martinez as Chairman of the combined group when Arthur Martinez retires. In addition to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, there will be 12 non-executive directors, with 5 initially nominated by Barclays and 7 initially nominated by ABN AMRO. Rijkman Groenink, the current Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO will be one of the non-executive directors appointed by ABN AMRO. In addition to the CEO and President, the new Board will include Frits Seegers, Huibert Boumeester, and Chris Lucas as executive directors.

### 4. Management and Operating Model

The head office of the combined group will be located in Amsterdam. Management of the combined group will be the responsibility of a Group Executive Committee, which will be chaired by the Group CEO and will consist of:

- John Varley, Group Chief Executive
- Bob Diamond, Group President and CEO of IBIM
- Frits Seegers, CEO of GRCB
- Piero Overmars, CEO of Continental Europe and Asia, GRCB
- Ron Teerlink, Chief Operating Officer of GRCB
- Paul Idzik, Group Chief Operating Officer
- Chris Lucas, Group Finance Director
- Huibert Boumeester, Group Chief Administrative Officer

Wilco Jiskoot will become a Vice Chairman of Barclays Capital with senior responsibility for client relationships.

Investment Banking and Investment Management will be headquartered in London and will comprise:

- Barclays Capital which will incorporate Barclays Capital and ABN AMRO Global Markets and Global Clients and ABN AMRO Private Equity businesses

- Barclays Global Investors and ABN AMRO Asset Management

- Wealth Management which will incorporate Barclays Wealth and ABN AMRO Private Clients

Global Retail and Commercial Banking will be headquartered in Amsterdam and will incorporate the retail & commercial banking operations of the combined group, including:

- Barclays UK Retail Banking and UK Business Banking, International Retail and Commercial Banking and Barclaycard Operations

- ABN AMRO's Transaction Banking, BU Netherlands, BU Europe (ex Global Markets), Antonveneta, BU Latin America and BU Asia

### 5. Regulation and Tax

The FSA and DNB have agreed that the FSA will be lead supervisor of the combined group and that the DNB and FSA will be the consolidated supervisors of the ABN AMRO and Barclays groups respectively. The FSA and DNB will agree the detail of how the close working relationship between them will work to achieve effective supervision of the combined group.

Barclays, which will be the holding company for the combined group, will remain UK incorporated, and is expected to remain UK tax resident.

## 6. Capital Management and Dividend Policy

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and Barclays Bank PLC will seek to maintain their strong credit ratings. The combined group will take a disciplined approach to capital optimisation and will target an Equity Tier 1 ratio of 5.75 per cent. and a Tier 1 ratio of 7.75 per cent., which broadly approximate to the current pro forma ratios for the combined group. It has been assumed, for the purpose of estimating financial effects, that excess equity over and above the target Equity Tier 1 ratio after accounting for dividends and organic growth in risk weighted assets would be returned to shareholders by way of share buybacks.

It is expected that the combined group will maintain Barclays and ABN AMRO's progressive dividend policy and that dividends per share will grow approximately in line with earnings per share over the longer term. With the combined group's annual dividend approximately twice covered by cash earnings, the management of the combined group believe that balance between income distribution to shareholders and earnings retention to fund growth is appropriate. It is also expected that the combined group will continue Barclays practice of weighting the annual dividend towards the final dividend to maintain flexibility. It is not expected that the dividends per share in 2008 will be materially different to the dividend Barclays would have expected to distribute to shareholders had the merger not occurred. The combined group will present financial statements in Euro and shareholders will be able to receive dividends in either Sterling or Euro.

## 7. Terms of the Offer

The Offer values each ABN AMRO ordinary share at 36.25 based on the share price of Barclays ordinary shares on 20 April 2007 taking into account that ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders will be entitled to receive the declared 0.60 2006 final dividend. In addition, depending on the timetable to completion, ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders will also benefit from Barclays 2007 final dividend, which has a greater final dividend to total dividend weighting than ABN AMRO.

Subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain pre-Offer conditions, Barclays will make the Offer to ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders pursuant to which they will receive:

3.225 New Barclays Shares for every 1 ABN AMRO ordinary share

0.80625 New Barclays ADSs for every 1 ABN AMRO ADS

The total consideration equates to €67 billion and the implied value per ABN AMRO ordinary share represents a price to 2006 reported earnings multiple of 14.2 times and a price to 2006 book multiple of 2.8 times. The Offer represents a premium for ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders of approximately:

33 per cent. to the share price of ABN AMRO ordinary shares on 16 March 2007, the last trading day prior to the announcement that ABN AMRO and Barclays were in talks

49 per cent. over the average share price of ABN AMRO ordinary shares in the 6 months up to and including to 16 March 2007

Under the terms of the Offer, existing ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders will own approximately 48 per cent. of the issued ordinary share capital of the combined group and existing Barclays ordinary shareholders would own approximately 52 per cent. of the issued ordinary share capital of the combined group, assuming all of the ABN AMRO ordinary shares and ADSs currently in issue are tendered under the Offer.

It is expected the proposed merger will lead to significant accretion in ABN AMRO's cash earnings per share for accepting ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders on completion of the Offer. For accepting ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders, dividend income from their ownership of New Barclays Shares would have been 28 per cent. higher than the dividend income from their ABN AMRO ordinary shares on the basis of ABN AMRO and Barclays 2006 dividends. It is expected that the proposed merger will be 5 per cent. accretive to Barclays cash earnings per share in 2010. The directors of Barclays expect that the return on investment will be approximately 13 per cent. in 2010.

Barclays intends to put forward a proposal for all the depository receipts which represent the ABN AMRO convertible financing preference shares consistent with the terms of the prospectus dated 31 August 2004 relating to the ABN AMRO convertible financing preference shares. A cash offer will be made for the issued and outstanding formerly convertible preference shares of €27.65, the closing price on 20 April 2007. The aggregate consideration payable for the formerly convertible preference shares will be in the region of €1.2 million.

The members of ABN AMRO's Managing Board and Supervisory Board have each agreed to undertake to tender all ABN AMRO ordinary shares held by them under the Offer, such undertakings being revocable jointly with their recommendations.

It is intended that holders of options and awards under ABN AMRO share schemes will be offered the ability to exercise their options or awards or, where practicable, the opportunity to roll their awards over into shares of the combined group subject to certain terms.

## 8. The New Barclays Shares

Application will be made to the UKLA and the London Stock Exchange (LSE) for the New Barclays Shares to be admitted to the Official List and to trading on the LSE. Barclays will also apply for a secondary listing on Euronext Amsterdam N.V.'s Eurolist by Euronext.

ABN AMRO and Barclays have received confirmation from the FTSE and Euronext that, following the Offer, the ordinary shares of the combined group are expected to qualify for inclusion with a full weighting in the UK Series of the FTSE indices including the FTSE 100 Index and in the AEX-Index (subject to the 15 per cent. maximum weighting).

It is expected that listing on the LSE will become effective and dealings, for normal settlement, will begin shortly following the date on which Barclays announces that all conditions to the Offer have been satisfied or waived. Listing on Euronext Amsterdam will become effective and dealings, for settlement through Euroclear Netherlands, will begin on or around the same date.

It is expected that applications will be made to list the New Barclays Shares and the new Barclays ADSs which represent such New Barclays Shares, on the New York Stock Exchange and also to list the New Barclays Shares on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Further details on settlement, listing and dealing will be included in the Offer documentation.

The New Barclays Shares will be issued credited as fully paid and will rank pari passu in all respects with existing Barclays ordinary shares and will be entitled to all dividends and other distributions declared or paid by Barclays by reference to a record date on or after completion of the Offer but not otherwise. Barclays pays dividends semi-annually. It is expected that the record date for the interim dividend declared by Barclays in respect of 2007 will be before completion of the Offer. ABN AMRO shareholders are expected to be entitled to receive and retain the ABN AMRO interim dividend in respect of 2007 (expected to be paid on 27 August 2007).

Further details of the rights attaching to the New Barclays Shares and a description of any material differences between the rights attaching to those shares and the ABN AMRO ordinary shares will be set out in the Offer documentation.

## 9. Sale of LaSalle

Separate to this announcement, ABN AMRO today also announced the sale of LaSalle to Bank of America for US\$21 billion in cash. ABN AMRO will retain its North American capital markets activities within its Global Markets unit and Global Clients divisions as well as its US Asset Management business. The sale of LaSalle is expected to be completed in Q4 2007 and is subject to regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions. The agreement with Bank of America permits ABN AMRO to execute a similar agreement for a higher offer for the business for a period of 14 calendar days from 22 April 2007, permits Bank of America to match any higher offer and provides for a termination fee of US\$200 million payable to Bank of America if the agreement is terminated under certain limited circumstances. The purchase price is subject to certain adjustments linked to the financial performance of LaSalle before the closing of the sale to Bank of America.

The consummation of the sale of LaSalle is an offer condition to the proposed merger. Taking into account the excess capital released by the sale of LaSalle approximately 12 billion is expected to be distributed to the shareholders in a tax efficient form, primarily through buy backs, after completion of the merger.

As at 31 December 2006, LaSalle had more than US\$113 billion in tangible assets and a tangible book value of US\$9.7 billion, adjusted for businesses retained and the previously announced sale of the mortgage operations unit and presented on a US GAAP basis. For the year ended 31 December 2006, LaSalle, presented on the same basis, had net income of US\$1,035 million. On the basis of the above, the purchase price of US\$21 billion represents a 2006 price to earnings multiple of 20.3 and a 2006 price to tangible book value multiple of 2.2.

## 10. The Merger Protocol

The expectation that ABN AMRO and Barclays would reach an agreement on the intended Offer was realised after meetings of the Barclays Board in London and the ABN AMRO Managing Board and Supervisory Board in Amsterdam. Following those meetings, ABN AMRO and Barclays entered into a merger protocol (the Merger Protocol).

The commencement of the Offer is subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain pre-Offer conditions customary for transactions of this type and certain other pre-Offer conditions including those summarised in Appendix III. When made, the Offer will be subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain Offer conditions customary for transactions of this type and certain other Offer conditions including those summarised in Appendix III.

The terms of the Merger Protocol restrict ABN AMRO from initiating or encouraging discussions or providing confidential information in relation to any proposal which may form an alternative to the Offer. However, ABN AMRO's Boards may withdraw their recommendation of the Offer if its Boards, acting in good faith and observing their fiduciary duties to best serve the interests of ABN AMRO and all its stakeholders, determine an alternative offer to be more beneficial than the Offer. ABN AMRO's Boards will not recommend a competing offer unless Barclays has first had the opportunity to make a revised proposal for ABN AMRO.

If the Merger Protocol is terminated as a result of material breach or withdrawal of recommendation then the other party must pay a break fee of 200m. Until such termination no other break fees can be agreed with third parties.

The exchange ratio of the Offer will be adjusted to reflect certain capital raisings or capital returns by either party prior to completion of the Offer. Any reduction in the price paid for La Salle below \$21 billion will be treated as a capital return by ABN AMRO and the exchange ratio will be adjusted accordingly.

## 11. Process and Indicative Timetable

ABN AMRO and Barclays will seek to obtain all necessary regulatory and competition approvals and clearances and will complete all requisite employee consultation and information processes as soon as reasonably possible with a view to receiving the required regulatory, competition and other consents or approvals for the Offer.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the pre-Offer conditions have been satisfied or waived, the transaction documentation will be posted to shareholders, including Offer documentation to ABN AMRO shareholders and a circular to Barclays shareholders seeking approval for the transaction.



If the Offer is declared unconditional, it is intended that ABN AMRO's listings of ordinary shares and formerly convertible preference shares on Euronext Amsterdam N.V. will be terminated as soon as possible. Furthermore, subject to the necessary thresholds being reached, Barclays expects to initiate the squeeze out procedures permitted by law in order to acquire all ABN AMRO shares held by minority shareholders or take such other steps to terminate the listing and/or acquire shares not otherwise acquired by it, including effecting a legal merger if appropriate.

*Indicative timetable*

July 2007	Publication of Offer documentation, Prospectus and Barclays circular to shareholders
August 2007	Extraordinary General Meeting of Barclays shareholders to approve the Offer
August 2007	Extraordinary General Meeting of ABN AMRO shareholders to consider the Offer
Fourth Quarter 2007	Settlement of the Offer

The indicative time table is included for illustrative purposes only and may be subject to change. The timeframe between this announcement and the publication of the Offer documentation is primarily driven by anticipated regulatory requirements.

## 12. Advisors

Barclays Capital, Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, JPMorgan Cazenove Limited and Lazard & Co., Limited are acting as financial advisers for Barclays. Clifford Chance LLP and Sullivan and Cromwell LLP are acting as legal advisers to Barclays.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (Corporate Finance), Lehman Brothers Europe Limited, Morgan Stanley & Co. Limited, N M Rothschild & Sons Limited and UBS Limited are acting as financial advisers for ABN AMRO. Goldman Sachs International is acting as exclusive financial adviser to the Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO. Nauta Dutilh N.V., Allen & Overy LLP and Davis Polk & Wardwell are acting as legal advisers to ABN AMRO.

**Investor, Analyst and Press Information**

**Barclays and ABN Amro Presentation to Analysts and Investors**

Barclays and ABN AMRO today announced their agreement on a merger.

A meeting for analysts and institutional investors will be hosted by John Varley, Barclays Group Chief Executive, Rijkman Groenink, Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO and Chris Lucas, Barclays Group Finance Director. The details of the meeting are as follows:

**Venue:** 1 Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, London E14 5HP. The nearest station is Canary Wharf, Docklands Light Railway and Jubilee Line

**Date & Time:** 23 April 2.00pm – 3.30pm (BST) (3.00pm – 4.30pm (CET)) for a prompt start. Registration will commence at 1.30pm (BST) and coffee will be served.

**Please note as seating is limited, it may be necessary to restrict the number of attendees from each institution.**

Slide presentation packs will be available at [www.investorrelations.barclays.com](http://www.investorrelations.barclays.com) and at [www.investor.abnamro.com](http://www.investor.abnamro.com) shortly.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you can listen through any of the following options:

a live **webcast** of the event is available at [www.investorrelations.barclays.com](http://www.investorrelations.barclays.com) and at [www.investor.abnamro.com](http://www.investor.abnamro.com)

a **live conference call** by dialling **0845 359 0170 (UK), 0800 022 9132 (NL)**

or **+44 (0)20 3003 2648 (all other locations)** and quoting Barclays Update .

The webcast and live conference call provide an opportunity to listen remotely (listen only mode) to the live presentation and join in the Q&A session. A **replay of the conference call** will be available by dialling **020 8196 1998 (UK), 0207 084 179 (NDL)** and **+44 (0) 20 8196 1998 (all other locations)** and entering the access code: **815886#**.

**Barclays and ABN Amro Press Conferences**

Barclays and ABN AMRO today will hold press conferences for members of the media in Amsterdam and London.

The press conferences which will be hosted by Rijkman Groenink, Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO and John Varley, Barclays Group Chief Executive. The details of the press conferences are as follows:

Amsterdam press conference:

**Venue:** Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1000 EA Amsterdam. The nearest railway and metro station is Amsterdam Zuid-WTC.

**Time:** 0900 (CET) (0800 BST)

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London press conference:

Venue: 1 Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, London E14 5HP. The nearest station is Canary Wharf, Docklands Light Railway and Jubilee Line

Time: 1215 BST (1315 CET).

The press conferences can also be accessed through any of the following options:

a live webcast of the event is available at [www.abnamro.com](http://www.abnamro.com) (Amsterdam Press Conference) and [www.newsroom.barclays.com](http://www.newsroom.barclays.com) (UK press conference)

a live conference call by dialling 0845 301 4070 (UK), 0800 024 9997 (NL) or +44 (0)20 3003 2648 (all other locations) and quoting Barclays and ABN AMRO Press Conference Amsterdam or Barclays and ABN AMRO Press Conference London as appropriate.

There will be a separate conference call for Newswires:

Time: 0800 (CET) (0700 BST)

The dial in details are as follows and those participating will need to ask for the **Barclays and ABN AMRO Newswires call**

From the UK:	0845 359 0170
From the Netherlands:	0800 022 9132
From all other countries:	+44 20 3003 2648

The conference calls will be recorded and available for 4 weeks. Replay access details are shown below:

From the UK:	020 8196 1998
From the Netherlands:	0207 084 179
From all other countries:	+44 20 8196 1998

Newswires conference call replay PIN number:	509497#
Netherlands Press Conference replay PIN number:	101629#
UK Press Conference replay PIN number:	515286#

A video interview with John Varley, Group Chief Executive of Barclays, can be viewed on Barclays website [www.barclays.com](http://www.barclays.com) where it is also available in audio and transcript.

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This announcement is a public announcement as defined in section 9b paragraph 2 subsection a and d of the Dutch Securities Markets Supervision Decree (*Besluit toezicht effectenverkeer 1995*).

**About ABN AMRO**

ABN AMRO is a prominent international bank with a clear focus on consumer and commercial clients in our local markets and focus globally on select multinational corporations and financial institutions, as well as private clients. ABN AMRO ranks eighth in Europe and 13th in the world based on total assets, with more than 4,500 branches in 53 countries, a staff of more than 105,000 full-time equivalents and total assets of EUR 987 billion (as at 31 December 2006). Pro forma 2006 attributable profits excluding LaSalle were 3,636m. Pro forma total assets excluding LaSalle were 901bn (as at 31 December 2006). Further information about ABN AMRO can be found on our website [www.abnamro.com](http://www.abnamro.com).

**About Barclays**

Barclays is a major global financial services provider engaged in retail and commercial banking, credit cards, investment banking, wealth management and investment management services with an extensive international presence in Europe, the USA, Africa and Asia. It is one of the largest financial services companies in the world by market capitalisation. With over 300 years of history and expertise in banking, Barclays operates in over 50 countries and employs 123,000 people. Barclays moves, lends, invests and protects money for over 27 million customers and clients worldwide. For further information about Barclays, please visit our website [www.barclays.com](http://www.barclays.com).

## Other information

### Future SEC Filings and this Filing: Important Information

In connection with the proposed business combination transaction between ABN AMRO and Barclays, Barclays expects it will file with the SEC a Registration Statement on Form F-4, which will constitute a prospectus, as well as a Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO and other relevant materials. In addition, ABN AMRO expects that it will file with the SEC a Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 and other relevant materials. Such documents, however, are not currently available.

INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ ANY DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL TRANSACTION IF AND WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Investors will be able to obtain a free copy of such filings without charge, at the SEC's website (<http://www.sec.gov>) once such documents are filed with the SEC. Copies of such documents may also be obtained from ABN AMRO and Barclays without charge, once they are filed with the SEC.

This document shall not constitute an offer to buy or sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy or sell any securities in such a proposed transaction, nor shall there be any sale of such securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. No offering of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

### Forward Looking Statements

This document contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the US Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to certain of ABN AMRO's and Barclays plans and their current goals and expectations relating to their future financial condition and performance and which involve a number of risks and uncertainties. ABN AMRO and Barclays caution readers that no forward-looking statement is a guarantee of future performance and that actual results could differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate only to historical or current facts. Forward-looking statements sometimes use words such as "aim", "anticipate", "target", "expect", "estimate", "intend", "plan", "goal", "believe", or other words of similar meaning. Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the consummation of the business combination between ABN AMRO and Barclays within the expected timeframe and on the expected terms (if at all), the benefits of the business combination transaction involving ABN AMRO and Barclays, including the achievement of synergy targets, ABN AMRO's and Barclays future financial position, income growth, impairment charges, business strategy, projected costs and estimates of capital expenditure and revenue benefits, projected levels of growth in the banking and financial markets, the combined group's future financial and operating results, future financial position, projected costs and estimates of capital expenditures, and plans and objectives for future operations of ABN AMRO, Barclays and the combined group and other statements that are not historical fact. Additional risks and factors are identified in ABN AMRO and Barclays filings with the SEC including ABN AMRO and Barclays Annual Reports on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006, which are available on ABN AMRO's website at [www.abnamro.com](http://www.abnamro.com) and Barclays website at [www.barclays.com](http://www.barclays.com) respectively, and on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Any forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of ABN AMRO and Barclays speak only as of the date they are made. ABN AMRO and Barclays do not undertake to update forward-looking statements to reflect any changes in expectations with regard thereto or any changes in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based. The reader should, however, consult any additional disclosures that ABN AMRO and Barclays have made or may make in documents they have filed or may file with the SEC.

Nothing in this announcement is intended, or is to be construed, as a profit forecast or to be interpreted to mean that earnings per ABN AMRO or Barclays share for the current or future financial years, or those of the combined group, will necessarily match or exceed the historical published earnings per ABN AMRO or Barclays share.

This document shall not constitute an offer to buy or sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy or sell any securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

The availability of the Offer to persons not resident in the United States, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom may be affected by the laws of the relevant jurisdictions (the Restricted Jurisdictions). Such persons should inform themselves about and observe any applicable requirements.

The Offer will not be made, directly or indirectly, in any Restricted Jurisdiction unless by means of lawful prior registration or qualification under the applicable laws of the Restricted Jurisdiction, or under an exemption from such requirements. Accordingly, copies of this announcement are not being, and must not be, mailed or otherwise distributed or sent in, into or from such Restricted Jurisdiction. Persons receiving this announcement (including, without limitation, custodians, nominees and trustees) must not distribute, mail or send it in, into or from any Restricted Jurisdiction, and so doing may render any purported acceptance of the Offer invalid.

The New Barclays Shares to be issued pursuant to the Offer have not been, and will not be, admitted to trading on any stock exchange other than the London Stock Exchange, Euronext Amsterdam, the New York Stock Exchange and the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Barclays Capital, which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting as joint financial adviser to Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC and is acting for no-one else in connection with the Offer, and will not be responsible to anyone other than Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC for providing the protections afforded to customers of Barclays Capital nor for providing advice to any other person in relation to the Offer.

Citigroup Global Markets Limited ( Citigroup ), which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting as joint financial adviser to Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC and is acting for no-one else in connection with the Offer, and will not be responsible to anyone other than Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC for providing the protections afforded to customers of Citigroup nor for providing advice to any other person in relation to the Offer.

Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited ( Credit Suisse ), which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting as joint financial adviser, joint sponsor and joint corporate broker to Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC and is acting for no-one else in connection with the Offer, and will not be responsible to anyone other than Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC for providing the protections afforded to customers of Credit Suisse nor for providing advice to any other person in relation to the Offer.

Deutsche Bank AG ( Deutsche Bank ), which is authorised under German Banking Law (competent authority: BaFin – Federal Financial Supervising Authority) and with respect to UK commodity derivatives business by the Financial Services Authority; regulated by the Financial Services Authority for the conduct of UK business. Deutsche Bank is acting as joint financial adviser to Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC and is acting for no-one else in connection with the Offer, and will not be responsible to anyone other than Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC for providing the protections afforded to customers of Deutsche Bank nor for providing advice to any other person in relation to the Offer.

JPMorgan Cazenove Limited ( JPMorgan Cazenove ), which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting as joint financial adviser, joint sponsor and joint corporate broker to Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC and is acting for no-one else in connection with the Offer, and will not be responsible to anyone other than Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC for providing the protections afforded to customers of JPMorgan Cazenove nor for providing advice to any other person in relation to the Offer.

Lazard & Co., Limited, which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting as joint financial adviser to Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC and is acting for no-one else in connection with the Offer, and will not be responsible to anyone other than Barclays Bank PLC and Barclays PLC for providing the protections afforded to customers of Lazard nor for providing advice to any other person in relation to the Offer.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (Corporate Finance) is acting as financial adviser exclusively to ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and to no one else in connection with the Offer and will not regard any other person as a client in relation to the Offer and will not be responsible to anyone other than ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for providing the protections afforded to the clients of ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (Corporate Finance) nor for providing advice in relation to the Offer.

Lehman Brothers Europe Limited, which is regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting exclusively for ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and no-one else in connection with the Offer and will not be responsible to anyone other than ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for providing the protections afforded to clients of Lehman Brothers Europe Limited nor for providing advice in relation to the Offer.

Morgan Stanley & Co. Limited is acting exclusively for ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and for no one else in connection with the Offer and will not be responsible to anyone other than ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for providing the protections afforded to clients of Morgan Stanley & Co. Limited nor for providing advice in relation to the Offer.

N M Rothschild & Sons Limited is acting as financial adviser exclusively to ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and to no one else in connection with the Offer and will not regard any other person as a client in relation to the Offer and will not be responsible to anyone other than ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for providing the protections afforded to the clients of N M Rothschild & Sons Limited nor for providing advice in relation to the Offer.

UBS Limited is acting as financial adviser exclusively to ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and to no one else in connection with the Offer and will not regard any other person as a client in relation to the Offer and will not be responsible to anyone other than ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for providing the protections afforded to the clients of UBS Limited nor for providing advice in relation to the Offer.

Goldman Sachs International, which is authorised and regulated in the United Kingdom by the Financial Services Authority, is acting as financial adviser exclusively to the Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and to no one else in connection with the proposed merger and will not be responsible to anyone other than the Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for providing the protections afforded to the clients of Goldman Sachs International nor for providing advice in relation to the Offer.

This announcement is published in the Dutch and English language. The English version of the announcement is the only authentic text and shall prevail over the Dutch text in the event of any contradictions between the two versions.

**APPENDIX I**

**Pro Forma Financial Information to be filed with the SEC**

In addition, in order to satisfy its disclosure obligations under US securities laws Barclays expects to file today with the SEC a Current Report on Form 6-K which contains, among other things, certain pro forma financial information for Barclays relating to the proposed combination with ABN AMRO. ABN AMRO is also preparing to file with the SEC a Current Report on Form 6-K which contains certain pro forma financial information for ABN AMRO prepared in connection with the proposed sale of LaSalle to Bank of America. Both the Barclays and ABN AMRO Current Reports on Form 6-K will be available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

The pro forma financial information to be filed with the SEC reflects certain assumptions about the proposed combination and includes appropriate adjustments to account for the events directly associated with the proposed combination, but does not include any potential revenue and cost synergies. If the proposed combination does occur, the pro forma financial adjustments, may be subject to material changes, including as a result of a final determination of the fair value of the consideration to be provided and the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed.



**APPENDIX II**

**Sources and Bases of Information**

Save as otherwise stated, the following constitute the bases and sources of certain information referred to in this announcement:

1. The values placed on the entire issued ordinary share capital of ABN AMRO by the Offer and the proportion of the combined group which will be owned by ABN AMRO ordinary shareholders and Barclays ordinary shareholders are based on 1,852,448,094 ABN AMRO ordinary shares (as at 18 April 2007) and 6,542,555,046 Barclays ordinary shares in issue as at 20 April 2007.
2. The reference to significant and sustained future incremental earnings growth for shareholders of the combined group is not intended, nor should it be construed, as a profit forecast or be interpreted to mean that earnings per ABN AMRO or Barclays share for the current or future financial years, or those of the combined group, will necessarily match or exceed the historical published earnings per ABN AMRO or Barclays share.
3. References to the combined group's cash earnings are references to profit after tax and minority interests excluding the amortisation of the combined group's identifiable intangible assets and integration costs incurred in connection with the merger.
4. The available analysts' median forecast of ABN AMRO's earnings for 2010 is 5394m. This has been adjusted to remove the proportion of earnings relating to the LaSalle business being disposed (the LaSalle business represents substantially all the profits of Business Unit North America (BUNA)). This proportion has been assumed to be 21.7% based on the average contribution forecast by analysts of 1052m to be made by BUNA to ABN AMRO's consensus forecast earnings of 4853m in 2009 (being the last year for which analysts split out the contribution of BUNA). This has then been used to calculate the expected return on investment for 2010. The calculation also takes into account interest income on retained capital, the potential cost synergies and revenue benefits arising from the merger, the associated restructuring cost and the consideration paid, less approximately 12bn distributed to shareholders taking into account the excess capital released by the sale of LaSalle. Neither the reference to ABN AMRO's earnings for 2010 nor the return on investment statement are intended, nor should they be construed, as a profit forecast or be interpreted to mean that earnings per ABN AMRO or Barclays share for the current or future financial years, or those of the combined group, will necessarily match or exceed the historical published earnings per ABN AMRO or Barclays share.
5. The total consideration of 67,151m is based on the closing price of Barclays ordinary shares on 20 April 2007.
6. The implied price to earnings multiple has been calculated using 2006 profit attributable to ABN AMRO shareholders of 4,715 million.
7. The implied price to book multiple has been calculated using equity attributable to ABN AMRO shareholders as at 31 December 2006 of 23,597 million.
8. All share prices quoted for ABN AMRO and Barclays shares are closing prices, derived from Reuters.
9. The exchange rate used in this announcement is 1.4739 : £1.00 as published in the Financial Times on 21 April 2007
10. The financial information relating to Barclays has been extracted from its consolidated audited annual accounts for the years to which such information relates and the interim unaudited financial statements for the relevant periods as published by Barclays, all of which are prepared in accordance with IFRS.

11. The financial information relating to ABN AMRO has been extracted from its consolidated audited annual accounts for the years to which such information relates and the interim and quarterly unaudited financial statements for the relevant periods as published by ABN AMRO for the relevant periods, all of which are prepared in accordance with IFRS.

**APPENDIX III**

**Pre-offer Conditions**

No material adverse change in respect of Barclays or ABN AMRO.

No third party has indicated an intention to take any frustrating action.

All necessary notifications, filings and applications in connection with the Offer have been made and all authorisations required to make the Offer have been obtained.

The authorisations required to complete the agreement with Bank of America to acquire LaSalle or a sale and purchase agreement with another party with respect to the acquisition of LaSalle have been obtained.

Barclays and ABN AMRO have received notification from each of the DNB and the FSA confirming that the FSA will be lead supervisor of the combined group and the DNB and the FSA will be the consolidated supervisors of the ABN AMRO and Barclays Groups respectively.

60 calendar days have passed following the date that Barclays application under Section 3 of the United States Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, if required, has been accepted for processing.

Clearances and confirmations from the relevant tax authorities in The Netherlands and the United Kingdom that Barclays will remain UK tax resident have been obtained.

All requisite employee consultations and information procedures with employee representative bodies of Barclays and ABN AMRO have been completed.

All requisite corporate action has been taken in connection with the appointment of certain individuals to the managing board and supervisory board of ABN AMRO Bank N.V., subject to and with effect as of the time the Offer is declared unconditional.

Neither party becoming subject to any materially burdensome regulatory condition.

There is no indication that the New Barclays Shares will not be admitted to the Official List of the UKLA, admitted to trading on the main market for listed securities of the LSE, authorised for listing on the LSE, Euronext Amsterdam and the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the New Barclays Shares, and Barclays ADSs representing such shares or a portion thereof have been approved for listing on the NYSE.

There has been no event, circumstance or series of linked events or circumstances that was not fairly disclosed in the annual reports and the annual accounts for 2006 of ABN AMRO and Barclays respectively or otherwise disclosed and that can reasonably be expected to have a negative impact on the consolidated operating income in 2006 of ABN AMRO or Barclays of 5 per cent. or more.

The Merger Protocol has not been terminated.

**Offer Conditions**

At least 80 per cent. of the issued ordinary shares of ABN AMRO have been tendered under the Offer or are otherwise held by Barclays.

No material adverse change in respect of Barclays or ABN AMRO.

No third party has indicated an intention to take any frustrating action.

All necessary filings, notifications, and applications in connection with the Offer have been made and all authorisations and consents have been obtained and relevant waiting periods have expired.

The agreement with Bank of America to acquire LaSalle has completed in accordance with its terms or a sale and purchase agreement with another party with respect to sale of LaSalle has completed in accordance with its terms.

The competent regulatory authorities in the Netherlands have given their declaration of no objection and the FSA has notified its approval of each person who will acquire control over any United Kingdom authorised person which is a member of the combined group or the relevant waiting period has expired.

Barclays and ABN AMRO have received confirmation from the DNB that it has no objection to the parties proposal for the composition of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and the FSA has approved the appointment of certain nominated individuals to the board of directors of Barclays Bank PLC following consummation of the Offer.

The European Commission has declared the Offer compatible with the common market or has granted its approval to the Offer and the applicable waiting period under the HSR Act in relation to the Offer has expired or been terminated.

Neither Barclays nor ABN AMRO has received any notification from the DNB or the FSA that there is likely to be a change in the supervisory, reporting or regulatory capital arrangements that will apply to the combined group.

The tax clearances from the relevant UK and Dutch tax authorities have not been withdrawn or amended.

Confirmation has been given that the New Barclays Shares will be admitted to the Official List of the UKLA, admitted to trading on the main market for listed securities on the Official List of the LSE, authorised for listing on Euronext Amsterdam and the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the New Barclays Shares and the Barclays ADS representing such shares or a portion thereof have been approved for listing on the NYSE.

The general meetings of shareholders of ABN AMRO and Barclays have passed all agreed or required resolutions.

There has been no event, circumstance or series of linked events or circumstances that was not fairly disclosed in the annual reports and the annual accounts for 2006 of ABN AMRO and Barclays respectively or otherwise disclosed and that can reasonably be expected to have a negative impact on the consolidated operating income in 2006 of ABN AMRO or Barclays of 5 per cent. or more.

The Merger Protocol has not been terminated.

Exhibit 99.2

Barclays PLC unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements for the year ended and as at December 31, 2006 and notes thereto

**Barclays PLC**

**Unaudited Pro Forma Combined**

**Condensed Financial Information**

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## Future SEC Filings and this Filing: Important Information

In connection with the proposed transaction between Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. described herein, Barclays expects it will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) a Registration Statement on Form F-4, which will constitute a prospectus, as well as a Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO and other relevant materials. In addition, ABN AMRO expects that it will file with the SEC a Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 and other relevant materials. Such documents, however, are not currently available. INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ ANY DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL TRANSACTION IF AND WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors will be able to obtain a free copy of such filings without charge, at the SEC's website (<http://www.sec.gov>) once such documents are filed with the SEC. Copies of such documents may also be obtained from Barclays and ABN AMRO, without charge, once they are filed with the SEC. This filing shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy or sell any securities in such a proposed transaction, nor shall there be any sale of any such securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. This Current Report on Form 6-K is being filed in connection with the disclosure requirements applicable to Barclays Bank PLC's shelf registration. No offering of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

## Pro Forma Financial Information

As described in more detail herein, this document contains unaudited pro forma financial information as at, and for the year ended, 31st December 2006, which is based on the historical financial statements of Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. after giving effect to the proposed transaction between Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The pro forma financial information has been prepared on the basis of estimates and assumptions which are preliminary and from information which is publicly available only. The pro forma financial information does not represent what the Barclays PLC consolidated financial position or income statement would actually have been if the proposed transaction had in fact occurred on the dates indicated or predict the Barclays PLC financial position or income statement as of any future date or for any future period. Consequently, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the pro forma financial information. Furthermore, there can be no certainty that the proposed transaction will be completed in the manner described herein, if at all.

## Forward-looking statements

This document contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of section 21E of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and section 27A of the US Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to certain of Barclays' and ABN AMRO's plans and their current goals and expectations relating to their future financial condition and performance and which involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Barclays cautions readers that no forward-looking statement is a guarantee of future performance and that actual results could differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate only to historical or current facts. Forward-looking statements sometimes use words such as aim, anticipate, target, expect, estimate, intend, plan, goal, believe, or other similar meaning. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements regarding the consummation of the business combination between ABN AMRO and Barclays within the expected timeframe and on the expected terms (if at all), the benefits of the business combination transaction involving ABN AMRO and Barclays, including the achievement of synergy targets, ABN AMRO's and Barclays' future financial position, income growth, impairment charges, business strategy, projected costs and estimates of capital expenditure and revenue benefits, projected levels of growth in the banking and financial markets, the combined group's future financial and operating results, future financial position, projected costs and estimates of capital expenditures, and plans and objectives for future operations of ABN AMRO, Barclays and the combined group and other statements that are not historical facts. Additional risks and factors are identified in ABN AMRO and Barclays filings with the SEC including ABN AMRO and Barclays Annual Reports on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended 31st December 2006, which are available on ABN AMRO's website at [www.abnamro.com](http://www.abnamro.com) and Barclays website at [www.barclays.com](http://www.barclays.com) respectively, and on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Any forward-looking statements made herein speak only as of the date they are made. Barclays does not undertake to update forward-looking statements to reflect any changes in expectations with regard thereto or any changes in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based. The reader should, however, consult any additional disclosures that Barclays or ABN AMRO have made or may make in documents they have filed or may file with the SEC.

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## Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Condensed Financial Information

### Introduction

Barclays PLC has a wide public shareholder base and its ordinary shares are listed on the London Stock Exchange, the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange (in the form of American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts). Barclays PLC is the holding company of Barclays Bank PLC and is the beneficial owner of all the ordinary shares of Barclays Bank PLC. Barclays Bank PLC conducts banking activities, is the holding company for all other subsidiaries in the Barclays Group and issues debt securities and preference shares.

Barclays Bank PLC has a shelf registration in the US pursuant to which it may issue debt and equity securities to US investors. In order to use this shelf registration on a continuous basis, Barclays Bank PLC is subject to the ongoing disclosure requirements of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

On 19th March 2007, Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. announced that they were in exclusive preliminary discussions with regard to a potential combination of the two organisations.

On 22nd April 2007, the Board of Directors of Barclays PLC unanimously resolved to make an exchange offer for 100% of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ordinary shares, with consideration in the form of Barclays PLC ordinary shares, with 3.225 of Barclays PLC ordinary shares to be exchanged for each ordinary share in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. A condition of this offer is that ABN AMRO Holding N.V. will complete a sale of LaSalle Bank Corporation (LaSalle) (excluding its North American capital markets activities within its Global Markets unit and Global Clients division as well as its US Asset Management business) to Bank of America Corporation for \$21 billion.

Under Rule 3-05 and Article 11 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the SEC, the completion of the exchange offer in respect of such a combination would be deemed to be significant in nature for Barclays and the regulation requires certain information to be filed with the SEC at the time such a combination becomes probable. Barclays Bank PLC is amending its shelf registration to include:

Historical financial statements of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. through the incorporation by reference of the audited financial statements of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. from its Annual Report on Form 20-F filed on 2nd April 2007; and

Unaudited combined condensed pro forma financial information of Barclays PLC to give effect to the proposed combination.

Investors should note that the combination having become probable for the purposes of Regulation S-X does not indicate that the combination is certain to occur.

The following unaudited pro forma combined condensed balance sheet as at, and unaudited pro forma combined condensed income statement for the year ended, 31st December 2006 and the notes thereto (together, the pro forma financial information) are based on the historical financial statements of Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. after giving effect to the proposed combination using the purchase method of accounting by applying the estimates, assumptions and adjustments described in the accompanying notes to the pro forma financial information.

The historical financial statements of both Barclays PLC and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for 2006 have been prepared in accordance with IFRS and reconciled to US GAAP.

For the purposes of the preparation of the pro forma financial information:

The consolidated balance sheet of Barclays PLC at 31st December 2006 has been combined with the consolidated balance sheet of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. at 31st December 2006, both of which are prepared in accordance with IFRS and reconciled to US GAAP, as if the proposed combination giving effect to the partial sale of LaSalle had occurred on 31st December 2006;

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The consolidated income statement of Barclays PLC for the year ended 31st December 2006 has been combined with the consolidated income statement of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for the year ended 31st December 2006, both of which are prepared in accordance with IFRS and reconciled to US GAAP, as if the proposed combination had occurred on 1st January 2006 giving effect to the partial sale of LaSalle; and

The presentation currency of the combined group is Sterling as this is consistent with the presentation currency of Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC combined Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC. The presentation currency of the combined group will be Euro should the proposed combination occur.

The pro forma financial information includes appropriate adjustments to account for the events directly associated with the proposed combination. Any potential synergy benefits are not included within the pro forma financial information. Only costs which are expected to be directly incurred as part of the proposed combination have been included within the pro forma financial information.

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The pro forma adjustments directly relating to the proposed combination are based on effecting the pre acquisition disposal of LaSalle, an estimate of the fair value of the consideration to be provided, and preliminary assessments of the fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed and available information and assumptions. If the proposed combination did occur, a final determination of these fair values will be based on Barclays PLC management's estimates of the fair values of the remaining assets and liabilities and an assessment of the fair values of the intangible assets as at the actual date of the combination. The final determination of these fair values will result in potentially material changes to the pro forma adjustments and the pro forma financial information included herein.

The actual purchase price allocation will also be subject to change as a result of finalisation of asset and liability valuations. These final valuations will be based on the actual net tangible and intangible assets that existed as of the closing dates of the proposed combination. The effect of the final fair valuation of assets and liabilities and the determination of the final consideration may cause material differences to the following pro forma financial information.

The final consideration will be determined based on the exchange rate of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. shares to Barclays PLC shares and the fair value of Barclays PLC shares at the date at which the offer is declared unconditional. As such, any changes in the fair value of the shares prior to that date may also cause material differences to the pro forma financial information. In addition, any changes in the foreign exchange rate prior to the date at which the offer is declared unconditional, may cause material differences.

The pro forma financial information and accompanying notes should be read in conjunction with the historical financial statements and the related notes thereto of Barclays PLC for the year ended 31st December 2006. This data should also be read in conjunction with ABN AMRO Holding N.V. financial statements and related notes thereto, for the year ended 31st December 2006 which are incorporated herein by reference to ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007 and the condensed consolidated financial statements of LaSalle Bank Corporation for the year ended 31st December 2005. The pro forma financial information is presented for information purposes only and does not represent what the results of operations would actually have been if the combination had occurred on the dates indicated nor does it project the results of operations for any future period.

**Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Condensed Financial Information****Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Condensed Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2006****IFRS basis**

	Barclays PLC £m	ABN AMRO Holding N.V. <sup>(1)</sup> £m	Pre Acquisition Disposal <sup>(2)</sup> £m	Other Adjustments <sup>(3)</sup> £m	Notes to adjustments £m	Pro forma combined £m
<b>Assets</b>						
Cash and other short-term funds	9,753	8,266	8,702	562	(a)	27,283
Trading and financial assets designated at fair value	292,464	72,767	(3,840)	-		361,391
Derivative financial instruments	138,353	72,851		-		211,204
Loans and advances to banks	30,926	19,362		-		50,288
Loans and advances to customers	282,300	234,590	(30,219)	2,260	(b)	488,931
Available for sale investments	51,703	80,150	(14,220)	-		117,633
Reverse repurchase agreements and cash collateral on securities borrowed	174,090	134,017		-		308,107
Property, plant and equipment	2,492	4,208		-		6,700
Other assets	14,706	36,248	(6,210)	25,237	(c)	69,981
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>996,787</b>	<b>662,459</b>	<b>(45,787)</b>	<b>28,059</b>		<b>1,641,518</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Deposits and items in the course of collection due to banks	81,783	67,266	(10,917)	(5)	(b)	138,127
Customer accounts	256,754	204,399	(29,501)	(54)	(b)	431,598
Trading and financial liabilities designated at fair value	125,861	32,484		-		158,345
Liabilities to customers under investment contracts	84,637	3,666		-		88,303
Derivative financial instruments	140,697	69,442		-		210,139
Debt securities in issue	111,137	133,897	(884)	(654)	(b)	243,496
Repurchase agreements and cash collateral on securities lent	136,956	97,711	(5,275)	-		229,392
Insurance contract liabilities, including unit linked liabilities	3,878	2,738		-		6,616
Subordinated liabilities	13,786	12,895	(1,349)	101	(d)	25,433
Other liabilities	13,908	20,582	(2,877)	3,427	(e)	35,040
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>969,397</b>	<b>645,080</b>	<b>(50,803)</b>	<b>2,815</b>		<b>1,566,489</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>27,390</b>	<b>17,379</b>	<b>5,016</b>	<b>25,244</b>		<b>75,029</b>

**Shareholders equity**

Shareholders equity excluding minority interests	19,799	15,837	5,016	25,244	65,896
Minority interests	7,591	1,542		-	9,133
<b>Total shareholders equity</b>	<b>27,390</b>	<b>17,379</b>	<b>5,016</b>	<b>25,244</b>	<b>75,029</b>

- (1) The financial information of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. in this unaudited combined condensed balance sheet reflects the IFRS financial information for continuing operations presented in the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2006 published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. within the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007. Such information does not reflect any comments that the management of Barclays PLC might make had they performed a detailed review. ABN AMRO Holding N.V. financial statements have been reformatted to be consistent with Barclays PLC line item presentation.
- (2) See Note 2 to the pro forma financial information.
- (3) See Note 3 to the pro forma financial information.

**Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Condensed Financial Information**
**Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Condensed Income Statement for the year ended 31st December 2006**
**IFRS basis**

	Barclays PLC £m	ABN AMRO Holding N.V. <sup>(1)</sup> £m	Pre Acquisition Disposal <sup>(2)</sup> £m	Other Adjustments <sup>(3)</sup> £m	Notes to adjustments £m	Pro forma combined £m
<b>Continuing operations</b>						
Net interest income	9,143	6,681	(1,569)	(1,145)	(f)	13,110
Net fee and commission income	7,177	4,124		-		11,301
Principal transactions	4,576	3,279		-		7,855
Net premiums from insurance contracts	1,060	1,076		-		2,136
Other income	214	4,484	(807)	-		3,891
<b>Total income</b>	<b>22,170</b>	<b>19,644</b>	<b>(2,376)</b>	<b>(1,145)</b>		<b>38,293</b>
Net claims and benefits incurred on insurance contracts	(575)	(1,005)		-		(1,580)
<b>Total income net of insurance claims</b>	<b>21,595</b>	<b>18,639</b>	<b>(2,376)</b>	<b>(1,145)</b>		<b>36,713</b>
Impairment charges	(2,154)	(1,262)	(50)	-		(3,466)
<b>Net income</b>	<b>19,441</b>	<b>17,377</b>	<b>(2,426)</b>	<b>(1,145)</b>		<b>33,247</b>
Operating expenses	(12,674)	(14,090)	1,556	(1,450)	(g)	(26,658)
Share of post-tax results of associates and joint ventures	46	165		-		211
Profit on disposal of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	323	-		-		323
<b>Profit before tax</b>	<b>7,136</b>	<b>3,452</b>	<b>(870)</b>	<b>(2,595)</b>		<b>7,123</b>
Tax	(1,941)	(614)	313	703	(h)	(1,539)
<b>Profit after tax</b>	<b>5,195</b>	<b>2,838</b>	<b>(557)</b>	<b>(1,892)</b>		<b>5,584</b>
Profit attributable to minority interests	624	44		-		668
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent	4,571	2,794	(557)	(1,892)		4,916
	<b>5,195</b>	<b>2,838</b>	<b>(557)</b>	<b>(1,892)</b>		<b>5,584</b>
<b>Earnings per share data (pence)</b>						
-Basic	71.9	148.3				39.3
-Diluted	69.8	147.6				38.6
<b>Number of shares (million)</b>						
Weighted average ordinary shares	6,357	1,883				12,507
Weighted average dilutive shares	6,507	1,896				12,657

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- (1) The financial information of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. in this unaudited combined condensed income statement reflects the IFRS financial information for continuing operations presented in the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2006 published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. within the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007. Such information does not reflect any comments that the management of Barclays PLC might make had they performed a detailed review. ABN AMRO Holding N.V. financial statements have been reformatted to be consistent with Barclays PLC line item presentation.
- (2) See Note 2 to the pro forma financial information.
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**Notes to Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Information**

**1. Description of proposed combination and estimated pro forma purchase price**

The pro forma financial information has been prepared on the basis of preliminary estimates and assumptions. The key assumptions used to prepare the pro forma financial information (excluding those in relation to LaSalle which are disclosed in note 2) are:

Only publicly available information has been used in the preparation of the pro forma financial information

Potential cost synergy, revenue benefits and associated restructuring costs are not included within the pro forma financial information

Only costs which are expected to be directly incurred as part of the proposed combination have been included within the pro forma financial information

The presentation currency of the combined group is Sterling as this is consistent with the presentation currency of Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC combined Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the SEC. The presentation currency of the combined group will be Euro should the proposed combination occur

On 22nd April 2007, the Board of Directors of Barclays PLC unanimously resolved to make an exchange offer for 100% of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ordinary shares. Payment would be in Barclays PLC ordinary shares with 3.225 of Barclays PLC ordinary shares to be exchanged for each ordinary share in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Therefore, the estimated purchase price of the proposed combination for pro forma purposes will be based on the issue of 6,150 million Barclays PLC ordinary shares

The pro forma financial information reflects the purchase price of the proposed combination to be £46,227m consisting of Barclays PLC ordinary shares and direct transaction costs

The ABN AMRO Holding N.V. income statement has been translated at a 2006 average exchange rate of 1.47 ( : £) and the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. balance sheet has been translated at the 31st December 2006 closing exchange rate of 1.49 ( : £) in line with the exchange rates used in the published financial statements of Barclays PLC for the year ended 31 December 2006

Fair value adjustments of financial assets and liabilities have been made in line with publicly available information and are amortised on a straight line basis over the appropriate maturity

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. employee share options will be exercised as part of the combination at a weighted average strike price of 19.35 per share

The fair value of property, plant & equipment and other non-financial instruments are not materially different to the balance sheet carrying values disclosed in the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F

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Calculation of goodwill is based on the closing price of Barclays PLC ordinary shares of £7.50 as listed on the London Stock Exchange Daily Official List on 20 April 2007

The split of goodwill and intangible assets arising from the proposed combination has been based on a ratio of 70 : 30 in line with historical combinations within the financial services industry

Intangible assets have been amortised on a straight line basis over the estimated useful economic life of 5 years

Different tax rates have been applied to individual adjustments by reference to the nature of the adjustment

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**Notes to Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Information**
**1. Description of proposed combination and estimated pro forma purchase price (continued)**  
***Estimated pro forma allocation of purchase price of the proposed combination***

For the purposes of this pro forma the proposed combination has been accounted for using the purchase method of accounting in accordance with IFRS. An estimated allocation of the purchase price to reflect the estimated fair values of certain ABN AMRO Holding N.V. assets and liabilities has been reflected in the unaudited pro forma financial information. Based on the initial estimates, and subject to changes which may be material upon completion of a final valuation, the preliminary allocation of the estimated pro forma purchase price is as follows:

	<b>£m</b>
Cash and other short-term funds	17,660
Trading and financial assets designated at fair value	68,927
Derivative financial instruments	72,851
Loans and advances to banks	19,362
Loans and advances to customers	206,631
Available for sale investments	65,930
Reverse repurchase agreements and cash collateral on securities borrowed	134,017
Property, plant and equipment	4,208
Other assets (including intangible assets)	33,945
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>623,531</b>
Deposits and items in the course of collection due to banks	56,344
Customer accounts	174,844
Trading and financial liabilities designated at fair value	32,484
Liabilities to customers under investment contracts	3,666
Derivative financial instruments	69,442
Debt securities in issue	132,359
Repurchase agreements and cash collateral on securities lent	92,436
Insurance contract liabilities, including unit linked liabilities	2,738
Subordinated liabilities	11,647
Other liabilities	21,132
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>597,092</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>26,439</b>
Estimated purchase consideration	46,227
Less: Estimated fair value of net assets	26,439
Minority interests of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. group not acquired	(1,542)
Estimated fair value of net assets excluding minority interests	(24,897)
<b>Goodwill</b>	<b>21,330</b>

If the proposed combination occurs, Barclays PLC will perform a valuation after the closing date to determine the actual values assigned to all acquired assets and liabilities associated with the proposed combination. Identified intangible assets, upon completion of the final valuation, will be amortised over their estimated useful economic lives.

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## Notes to Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Information

### 2. Preacquisition disposal

The potential transaction is subject to an offer condition that prior to completion of the exchange offer, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. will dispose of certain operations of LaSalle to Bank of America Corporation for \$21 billion. The terms of this offer condition will require ABN AMRO Holding N.V. to dispose of all LaSalle operations excluding capital markets activities within its Global Markets unit and Global Clients division as well as its US Asset Management business. The key assumptions which have been used to prepare the pro forma financial information in relation to the disposal of LaSalle are:

In the absence of 2006 financial statements, the condensed consolidated financial statements of LaSalle for the year ended 31st December 2005 under US GAAP (as disclosed on the LaSalle website) have been used to determine the income statement and balance sheet of LaSalle. The differences between the 2006 and 2005 financial statements have been assumed to be immaterial for the potential combined group

The elements of LaSalle which will not be disposed of are assumed to be immaterial to the combined group and for the purposes of this pro forma financial information, it is assumed that the entire operations of LaSalle will be disposed of

Any differences between US GAAP and IFRS for the balance sheet and income statement are assumed to be immaterial for the potential combined group

Intercompany transactions between ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and LaSalle are assumed to be immaterial in the context of the combined group

A closing exchange rate of 1.96 (US\$:£) has been used to convert the LaSalle balance sheet and an average exchange rate of 1.84 (US\$:£) has been used to convert the LaSalle income statement for presentational purposes within the pro forma financial statements in line with the exchange rates used in the published financial statements of Barclays PLC for the year ended 31st December 2006

### 3. Other adjustments

The other adjustments included in the pro forma financial information have been prepared as if the proposed combination was completed at 31st December 2006 for balance sheet purposes and at 1st January 2006 for income statement purposes.

#### Adjustments to the balance sheet reflect:

- (a) Cash outflows in respect of stamp duty and transaction costs and cash inflows in relation to the exercise of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. employee share options
- (b) Adjustments required to fair value ABN AMRO Holding N.V. financial assets and liabilities. These adjustments are disclosed in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007
- (c) Removal of remaining existing goodwill, intangible assets and related deferred tax assets in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. (£5,341m) as disclosed in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007. The recognition of estimated purchased goodwill and intangible assets of £30,469m arising from the proposed

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combination and the deferred tax asset (£109m) in relation to the recognition of the post retirement employee benefit liabilities at the balance sheet date (see adjustment (e) below)

- (d) Adjustment required to fair value ABN AMRO Holding N.V. subordinated liabilities at the balance sheet date. This adjustment is disclosed in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007
  
- (e) The present value of the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. net post retirement employee benefits obligations, and the deferred tax liability associated with the recognition of intangible assets and fair value adjustments to financial assets and liabilities. The net post retirement employee benefits obligation adjustment is disclosed in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007

## Notes to Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Information

### Adjustments to the income statement reflect:

- (f) Amortisation of the fair value adjustment applied to the assets and liabilities of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.
- (g) Amortisation of the estimated purchased intangible assets recognised as a result of the proposed combination
- (h) Current and deferred tax charges and credits relating to the adjustments above at the tax rates appropriate to the nature of such adjustments

#### 4. Post-combination effects on income statement

The fair value adjustments applied to the identified assets and liabilities of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and the purchased intangible assets recognised as part of the proposed combination (as detailed in Note 3) will be amortised on a straight line basis over the appropriate maturity (between 1 and 5 years). The pre-tax impact on the income statement for the years ending 31st December 2006 to 31st December 2010 is as follows:

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Amortisation of fair value adjustments on financial assets and liabilities	(1,145)	(432)	(432)	(432)	(431)
Amortisation of purchased intangible assets recognised as a result of the combination	(1,828)	(1,828)	(1,828)	(1,828)	(1,827)
<b>Total amortisation relating to the proposed combination</b>	<b>(2,973)</b>	<b>(2,260)</b>	<b>(2,260)</b>	<b>(2,260)</b>	<b>(2,258)</b>

## Notes to Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Information

### 5. Unaudited comparative historical and pro forma earnings per share data

Earnings used for the basic pro forma combined earnings per share calculation is the pro forma profit attributable to the equity holders of the parent for the year ended 31st December 2006.

The weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year ended 31st December 2006 for the combined entity is based on the estimated equivalent weighted average number of ordinary shares for Barclays PLC following the proposed combination. For illustrative purposes, earnings per share are calculated as if the exchange of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. shares for Barclays PLC equivalent shares had occurred at 1st January 2006. Under the terms of the proposed combination, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. shares are expected to be exchanged at an estimated ratio of 3.225:1, increasing the weighted average by 6,150 million shares.

#### Calculated on an IFRS basis

	<b>£m</b>
Profit attributable to equity holders of parent	<b>4,916</b>
Dilutive impact of convertible options	(30)
<b>Profit attributable to equity holders of parent including dilutive impact of convertible options</b>	<b>4,886</b>
	<b>2006</b>
	<b>Million</b>
Basic weighted average number of shares in issue	<b>6,357</b>
Share issuance under proposed combination	6,150
<b>Basic weighted average number of shares in issue following the proposed combination</b>	<b>12,507</b>
Number of potential ordinary shares	150
<b>Diluted weighted average number of shares</b>	<b>12,657</b>

#### Calculated on a US GAAP basis

	<b>£m</b>
Profit attributable to equity holders of parent	<b>5,057</b>
Dilutive impact of convertible options	(21)
<b>Profit attributable to equity holders of parent including dilutive impact of convertible options</b>	<b>5,036</b>
	<b>2006</b>
	<b>Million</b>
Basic weighted average number of shares in issue	<b>6,357</b>
Share issuance under proposed combination	6,150
<b>Basic weighted average number of shares in issue following the proposed combination</b>	<b>12,507</b>
Number of potential ordinary shares	106
<b>Diluted weighted average number of shares</b>	<b>12,613</b>

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**Notes to Pro forma Combined Condensed Financial Information**
**6. Reconciliation to US GAAP**

A reconciliation of the unaudited pro forma profit attributed to equity holders of the parent under IFRS to the unaudited pro forma net income attributed to the parent company under US GAAP for the year ended 31st December 2006 and shareholders' equity excluding minority interests under IFRS to shareholders' equity excluding minority interests under US GAAP as at 31st December 2006 is set out below. For additional information on these adjustments, refer to note 60 in the Barclays PLC Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended 31st December 2006 and ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Annual Report on Form 20-F filed by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 2nd April 2007.

	<b>2006</b>
	<b>£m</b>
<b>Total pro forma profit attributed to equity holders of the parent under IFRS</b>	<b>4,916</b>
<b>US adjustments:</b>	
Goodwill	(8)
Intangible assets	(127)
Pensions	(267)
Post-retirement benefits	(17)
Leasing	(342)
Other compensation arrangements	66
Insurance	(96)
Revaluation of property	85
Hedging	655
Financial instruments	(71)
Foreign exchange on available for sale securities	320
Fee and cost recognition	31
Consolidation	(33)
Securitisation	(48)
Guarantees	(9)
Classification of debt and equity	58
Loans held for sale	(11)
Non-financial instruments	1
Disposal of foreign subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures	(34)
Restructuring provisions	(109)
Other	43
Tax effect of the above items	54
<b>Total pro forma net income attributed to the parent company under US GAAP</b>	<b>5,057</b>
<b>Pro forma combined basic earnings per share</b>	<b>40.4</b>
<b>Pro forma combined diluted earnings per share</b>	<b>39.9</b>

	<b>2006</b>
	<b>£m</b>
<b>Total pro forma shareholders' equity excluding minority interests under IFRS</b>	<b>65,896</b>
<b>US adjustments:</b>	
Goodwill	533
Intangible assets	(694)
Pensions	324
Post-retirement benefits	(32)
Leasing	(342)
Compensation arrangements	176
Life Assurance	(33)
Revaluation of property	(136)



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Hedging	295
Financial instruments	(91)
Fee and cost recognition	62
Consolidation	9
Securitisation	307
Guarantees	(3)
Classification of debt and equity	179
Loans held for sale	(11)
Non-financial instruments	(3)
Tax effect of the above items	(307)
<b>Total pro forma shareholders equity excluding minority interests under US GAAP</b>	<b>66,129</b>

Exhibit 99.3

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended and as at December 31, 2006 and notes thereto

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Supervisory Board and the Managing Board of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries as of 31 December 2006 and 2005, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended 31 December 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States of America). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries as at 31 December 2006 and 2005, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended 31 December 2006, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Information relating to the nature and effect of such differences is presented in note 50 to the consolidated financial statements.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States of America), the effectiveness of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.'s internal control over financial reporting as of 31 December 2006, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated 2 April 2007 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2 April 2007

/s/ Ernst & Young Accountants

**Ernst & Young Accountants**

## Accounting policies

### Corporate Information

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is the ultimate parent company of the ABN AMRO consolidated group of companies (referred to as the Group or ABN AMRO). The Group provides a broad range of financial services on a worldwide basis, including consumer, commercial and investment banking. At 1 January 2006, the Group changed its organisational structure, to align the organisation with the Group's mid-market strategy, and to open up its network offering and product suite to all its clients. The change to the organisational structure and the principal activities of the Group are described in more detail in note 1, Segment reporting.

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is a public limited liability company, incorporated under Dutch law on 30 May 1990, whose registered office is Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The Group is listed on the Stock Exchanges of Amsterdam and New York. As ordinary shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) in the form of American Depositary Receipts, ABN AMRO also publishes an annual report on Form 20-F that conforms to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) applicable to foreign registrants. The annual report on Form 20-F includes a reconciliation of equity and profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company to the comparable amounts using accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (US GAAP).

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2006 incorporate figures of the parent, its controlled entities and interests in associates. The financial statements were signed and authorised for issue by the Supervisory Board and Managing Board on 14 March 2007 with the exception of Note 50. This Note was signed and authorised for issue by the Chairman of the Managing Board and the Chief Financial Officer, as part of this Annual Report on Form 20-F, on 2 April 2007. The articles of association of ABN AMRO do not give shareholders or others the power to amend the financial statements after issuance. However, the right to request an amendment of the financial statements is embedded in the Dutch Civil Code. Interested parties have the right to ask the Enterprise Chamber of the Amsterdam Court of Appeal for a revision of the financial statements.

### Basis of preparation

ABN AMRO Group applies International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The consolidated financial statements are prepared on a mixed model valuation basis as follows:

Fair value is used for: derivative financial instruments, financial assets and liabilities held for trading or designated as measured at fair value through income, and available-for-sale financial assets

Other financial assets (including Loans and Receivables) and liabilities are valued at amortised cost

The carrying value of assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost included in a fair value hedge relationship is adjusted with respect to fair value changes resulting from the hedged risk

Non-financial assets and liabilities are generally stated at historical cost.

The Group adopted IFRS on 1 January 2004. For all periods up to and including the year ended 31 December 2004, the Group prepared consolidated financial statements in accordance with Generally Accepted Principles in the Netherlands (Dutch GAAP). The effect of the transition to IFRS, and the elections and exemptions which were used as part of the transition process, are disclosed in note 47, First-time adoption of IFRS.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in euros, which is the presentation currency of the Group, rounded to the nearest million (unless otherwise noted).

Certain amounts in the prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

### Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU). The Group does not utilise the portfolio hedging carve out permitted by the EU. Accordingly, the accounting policies applied by the Group comply fully with IFRS.

## Critical accounting policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make difficult, complex or subjective judgements and estimates, at times, regarding matters that are inherently uncertain. These judgements and estimates affect reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those judgements and estimates. The most significant areas requiring management to make judgements and estimates that affect reported amounts and disclosures are as follows:

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#### Allowance for loan losses

Allowances for loan losses are made to reserve for estimated losses in outstanding loans for which there is any doubt about the borrower's capacity to repay the principal and/or the interest. The allowance for loan losses is intended to adjust the value of the Group's loan assets for probable credit losses as of the balance sheet date. Allowances are determined through a combination of specific reviews, statistical modeling and estimates. Certain aspects require judgements, such as the identification of loans that are deteriorating, the determination of the probability of default, the expected loss, the value of collateral and current economic conditions. Though we consider the allowances for loan losses to be adequate, the use of different estimates and assumptions could produce different allowances for loan losses, and amendments to allowances may be required in the future, as a consequence of changes in the value of collateral, the amounts of cash to be received or other economic events. For a further discussion on our allowance for loan losses, see note 19 to our consolidated financial statements.

#### Fair value of financial instruments

For financial instruments that are actively traded and have quoted market prices or parameters readily available, there is little to no subjectivity to determine fair value. When observable market prices and parameters do not exist, management judgement is necessary to estimate fair value.

Where no active market exists, or quoted prices are unobtainable, the fair value is estimated using a variety of valuation techniques, including discounted cash flow and other pricing models. Input to pricing models are generally taken from reliable external data sources. The models used are validated prior to use by staff independent to the initial selection or creation of the model. The degree of management judgement involved in determining the fair value of a financial instrument is dependent upon the availability of quoted market prices or observable market parameters. Other factors that could affect estimates are incorrect model assumptions, market dislocations and unexpected correlation. We believe our estimates of fair value are adequate. However, the use of different models or assumptions could result in changes in our reported results. For a further discussion on the use of fair values and the impact of applying reasonable possible alternative assumptions as inputs, see note 38 to our consolidated financial statements.

#### Assessment of risk and rewards

When considering the recognition and derecognition of assets or liabilities, and the consolidation and deconsolidation of subsidiaries, the Group is required to use judgment in assessing risk and rewards. Although management uses its best knowledge of current events and actions in making assessments of risk and rewards, actual risks and rewards may ultimately differ.

#### Pension and post-retirement benefits

Significant pension and post-retirement benefit costs and credits are based on actuarial calculations. Inherent within these calculations are assumptions including: discount rates, salary increases and the expected return on plan assets. Changes in pension and post-retirement costs may occur in the future as a consequence of changes in interest rates, the return on assets or other factors. For a further discussion on the underlying assumptions, see note 28 to our consolidated financial statements.

#### Goodwill and intangible assets

Goodwill is not amortised but is subject to an annual test for impairment or more frequently if events or circumstances, such as adverse changes in the business climate, indicate that there may be justification for conducting an interim test. The initial recognition and measurement of goodwill and other intangibles, and subsequent impairment analysis, requires management to make subjective judgements concerning estimates of how the acquired asset will perform in the future using a discounted cash flow analysis. Additionally, estimated cash flows may extend beyond ten years and, by their nature, are difficult to determine over an extended timeframe. Events and factors that may significantly affect the estimates include, among others, competitive forces, customer behaviours and attrition, changes in revenue growth trends, cost structures and technology, and changes in discount rates and specific industry or market sector conditions. Other intangibles are systematically amortised over their estimated useful lives, and are subject to impairment if events or circumstances indicate a possible inability to realise their carrying amount.

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared annually for the Group for the year ended 31 December and include the parent company and its controlled subsidiaries as well as joint ventures on a proportionate share basis. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting year using consistent accounting policies.

#### Subsidiaries

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Subsidiaries are those enterprises controlled by the Group. Control is deemed to exist when the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an enterprise so as to obtain benefits from its activities. The existence

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and effect of potential voting rights that are presently exercisable or convertible are taken into account when assessing whether control exists. The Group sponsors the formation of entities, including certain special purpose entities, which may or may not be directly owned, for the purpose of asset securitisation transactions and other narrow and well-defined objectives. Particularly in the case of securitisations these entities may acquire assets from other Group companies. Some of these entities hold assets that are not available to meet the claims of creditors of the Group or any of its subsidiaries. Such entities are consolidated in the Group's financial statements when the substance of the relationship between the Group and the entity indicates that control is held by the Group.

The financial statements of subsidiaries and special purpose entities are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

Equity attributable to minority interests is shown separately in the consolidated balance sheet as part of total equity and current period profit or loss attributable to minority interests are presented as an attribution of profit for the year.

## Business combinations

IFRS 3 Business combinations was adopted for all business combinations that took place after 1 January 2004. Goodwill on acquisitions prior to this date was charged against equity. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given up, shares issued or liabilities undertaken at the date of acquisition, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the fair value of the identifiable net assets (including certain contingent liabilities) acquired is recorded as goodwill.

In a step acquisition, where control is obtained in stages, all assets and liabilities of the acquired subsidiary, excluding goodwill, are adjusted to their fair values at the date of the latest share acquisition transaction. Fair value adjustments relating to existing holdings are recorded directly in equity.

As a consequence of measuring all the acquired assets and liabilities at fair value, minority interests are calculated by reference to these fair values.

## Investments in associates

Associates are those enterprises in which the Group has significant influence (this is generally demonstrated when the Group holds between 20% and 50% of the voting rights), but not control, over the operating and financial policies.

If significant influence is held in a Private Equity portfolio the investment is designated to be held at fair value with changes through income, consistent with the management basis for such investments.

Other investments in which significant influence is held, including the Group's strategic investments, are accounted for using the Net equity method and presented as Equity accounted investments. Under this method the investment is initially recorded at cost and subsequently increased (or decreased) for post acquisition net income (or loss), other movements impacting the equity of the investee and any adjustments required for impairment. When the Group's share of losses exceeds the carrying amount of the investment, the carrying amount is reduced to zero, including any other unsecured receivables, and recognition of further losses is discontinued except to the extent that the Group has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the investee.

## Jointly controlled entities

Jointly controlled entities are those enterprises over whose activities the Group has joint control, established by contractual agreement. The consolidated financial statements include the Group's proportionate share of these enterprises' assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses on a line-by-line basis, from the date on which joint control commences until the date on which joint control ceases.

## Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations

Non-current assets and/or businesses are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount is to be recovered principally through a sale transaction planned to occur within 12 months, rather than through continuing use. Held for sale assets are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Assets and liabilities of a business held for sale are separately presented.

The results of discontinued operations (an operation that represents a separate major line of business or a geographical area of operation) are presented in the income statement as a single amount comprising the net profit and/or net loss of the discontinued operation and the after tax gain or loss realised on disposal. Comparative income statement data is re-presented if in the current period an activity qualifies as discontinuing



and qualifies for separate presentation.

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#### Private equity

Investments of a private equity nature controlled by the Group are consolidated. All other investments of a private equity nature are designated at fair value through income.

#### Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any related unrealised gains, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with associates and jointly controlled entities are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the enterprise. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment in the asset transferred.

### Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Currency translation differences

The financial performance of the Group's foreign operations (conducted through branches, subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures) is reported using the currency (functional currency) that best reflects the economic substance of the underlying events and circumstances relevant to that entity.

Transactions in a currency that differs from the functional currency of the transacting entity are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate at transaction date. Accruals and deferrals are translated using the foreign exchange rate on the last day of the month to which the results relate. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities accounted for at cost, if denominated in foreign currency, are translated at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the date of initial recognition.

Currency translation differences on all monetary financial assets and liabilities are included in foreign exchange gains and losses in income. Translation differences on non-monetary items (such as equities) held at fair value through income are also reported through income and, for those classified as available-for-sale, directly in equity within Net unrealised gains and losses on available-for-sale assets.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and purchase accounting adjustments, are translated to the Group's presentation currency, the euro, at the foreign exchange rates prevailing at the balance sheet date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated to the euro at the rates prevailing at the end of the month. Currency translation differences arising on these translations are recognised directly in equity (currency translation account). Exchange differences recorded in equity, arising after transition to IFRS on 1 January 2004, are included in the income statement on disposal or partial disposal of the operation.

#### Fiduciary activities

The Group commonly acts as trustee and in other fiduciary capacities that entail either the holding or placing of assets on behalf of individuals, trusts or other institutions. These assets are not assets of the Group and are therefore not included in these financial statements.

### Income statement

#### Interest income and expenses

Interest income and expense is recognised in the income statement using the effective interest rate method. The application of this method includes the amortisation of any discount or premium or other differences, including transaction costs and qualifying fees and commissions, between the initial carrying amount of an interest-bearing instrument and its amount at maturity calculated on an effective interest rate basis. This item also includes interest income and expense in relation to trading balances.

#### Fee and commission income

Fees and commissions are recognised as follows:

Fees and commissions generated as an integral part of negotiating and arranging a funding transaction with customers, such as the issuance of loans are included in the calculation of the effective interest rate and are included in interest income and expense

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Fees and commissions generated for transactions or discrete acts are recognised when the transaction or act is completed

Fees and commissions dependent on the outcome of a particular event or contingent upon performance are recognised when the relevant criteria have been met

Service fees are typically recognised on a straight-line basis over the service contract period; portfolio and other management advisory and service fees are recognised based on the applicable service contracts

Asset management fees related to investment funds are also recognised over the period the service is provided. This principle is

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also applied to the recognition of income from wealth management, financial planning and custody services that are provided over an extended period.

#### Net trading income

Net trading income includes gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value and disposal of financial assets and liabilities held for trading and includes dividends received from trading instruments. Interest income or expenses on trading assets or liabilities are included within interest income or expense.

#### Results from financial transactions

Results from financial transactions include gains and losses on the sale of non-trading financial assets and liabilities, ineffectiveness of certain hedging programmes, the change in fair value of derivatives used to hedge credit risks that are not included in hedge accounting relationships, fair value changes relating to assets and liabilities designated at fair value through income and changes in the value of any related derivatives. Dividend income from non-trading equity investments is recognised when entitlement is established.

#### Other operating income

Development property income is first recognised when the outcome of a construction contract can be estimated reliably after which contract income and expenses are recognised in the income statement in proportion to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion is assessed by reference to the phases of work performed. An expected loss on a contract is recognised immediately in the income statement.

Rental income from investment property is recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives granted are recognised as an integral part of the total rental income.

Income from insurance activities is presented net of direct costs and provisions required for the insured risk.

#### Earnings per share

Earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company from continuing and discontinuing operations by the average number of shares in issuance during the year. Fully diluted earnings per share is calculated taking into account all dilutive instruments, including options and employee share plans, in issuance at the balance sheet date.

#### Segment reporting

Business segments are the primary reporting segments and are grouped by the nature of risks and rewards assessed by reference to product and service characteristics. Geographical segments are grouped based on a combination of proximity, relationships between operations and economic and currency similarities. Geographical data is presented according to the location of the transacting Group entity.

## Financial assets and liabilities

#### Measurement classifications

The Group classifies its financial assets and liabilities into the following measurement ( valuation ) categories:

*Financial instruments held for trading* are those that the Group holds primarily for the purpose of short-term profit-taking. These include shares, interest earning securities, and liabilities from short sales of financial instruments.

*Derivatives* are financial instruments that require little or no initial net investment, with future settlements dependent on a reference benchmark index, rate or price (such as interest rates or equity prices). Changes in expected future cash flows in response to changes in the underlying benchmark determine the fair value of derivatives. All derivatives are recorded in the balance sheet at fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivative instruments are recorded in income, except when designated in cash flow or net investment hedge relationship (see hedging below).

*Loans and receivables* are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted on an active market. They generally arise when the Group provides money or services directly to a customer with no intention of trading or selling the loan.

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*Held-to-maturity assets* are non-derivative financial assets quoted on an active market with fixed or determinable payments (i.e. debt instruments) and a fixed maturity that the Group has the intention and ability to hold to maturity.

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*Designated at fair value through income* are financial assets and financial liabilities that the Group upon initial recognition (or on transition to IFRS on 1 January 2004) designates to be measured at fair value with changes reported in income. Such a designation is done if:

The instrument includes an embedded derivative that would otherwise require separation. This applies to certain structured notes issued with hybrid features. Fair value measurement also helps to achieve offset against changes in the value of derivatives and other fair value positions used to economically hedge these notes.

The designation eliminates or significantly reduce a measurement inconsistency that would otherwise arise. In this regard unit-linked investments held for the account and risk of policyholders and the related obligation to policyholders are designated at fair value with changes through income.

It relates to a portfolio of financial assets and/or liabilities that are managed and evaluated on a fair value basis. This is applied to equity investments of a private equity nature and mortgages that are originated held for sale by our business in North America.

*Available-for-sale assets* include interest earning assets that have either been designated as available for sale or do not fit into one of the categories described above. Equity investments held without significant influence, which are not held for trading or elected to fair value through income are classified as available-for-sale.

*Non-trading financial liabilities* that are not designated at fair value through income are measured at amortised cost.

#### Recognition and derecognition

Traded instruments are recognised on trade date, defined as the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the underlying instrument. Where settlement terms are non-standard the commitment is accounted for as a derivative between trade and settlement date. Loans and receivables are recognised when they are acquired or funded by the Group and derecognised when settled. Issued debt is recognised when issued and deposits are recognised when the cash is deposited with the Group. Other financial assets and liabilities, including derivatives, are recognised in the balance sheet when the Group becomes party to the contractual provisions of the asset or liability.

Financial assets are generally derecognised when the Group loses control or the ability to obtain benefits over the contractual rights that comprise that asset. This occurs when the rights are realised, expire or are fully transferred. If a servicing function is retained, which is profitable, a servicing asset is recognised. A financial liability is derecognised when the obligations specified in the contract are discharged, are cancelled or expire.

Financial instruments continue to be recognised in the balance sheet, and a liability recognised for the proceeds of any related funding transaction, unless a fully proportional share of all or specifically identified cash flows are transferable to the lender without material delay and the lenders claim is limited to those cash flows, in which case that proportion of the asset is derecognised, or substantially all the risks and returns and control associated with the financial instruments have been transferred in which case the assets are derecognised in full.

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when settled or if the Group repurchases its own debt. The difference between the former carrying amount and the consideration paid is included in results on financial transactions in income. Any subsequent resale is treated as a new issuance.

The Group securitises various consumer and commercial financial assets. This process generally necessitates a sale of these assets to a special purpose entity (SPE), which in turn issues securities to investors. The Group's interests in securitised assets may be retained in the form of senior or subordinated tranches, issued guarantees, interest-only strips or other residual interests, together referred to as retained interest. In many cases these retained interests are significant, such that the SPE is consolidated, and the securitised assets continue to be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet.

#### Measurement

All trading instruments and financial assets and liabilities designated at fair value are measured at fair value, with transaction costs related to the purchase as well as fair value changes taken to income directly.

All derivatives are recorded in the balance sheet at fair value with changes recorded through income unless the derivative qualifies for cash flow hedging accounting.

Available-for-sale assets are held at fair value with unrealised gains and losses recognised directly in equity, net of applicable taxes. Premiums, discounts and qualifying transaction costs of interest earning available-for-sale assets are amortised to income on an effective interest rate basis.

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When available-for-sale assets are sold, collected or impaired the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to results from financial transactions in income.

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All other financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at cost including directly attributable incremental transaction costs. They are subsequently valued at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Through use of the effective interest rate method, premiums and discounts, including qualifying transaction costs, included in the carrying amount of the related instrument are amortised over the period to maturity or expected prepayment on the basis of the instrument's original effective interest rate.

When available, fair values are obtained from quoted market prices in liquid markets. Where no active market exists, or quoted prices are unobtainable, the fair value is estimated using a variety of valuation techniques - including discounted cash flow and other pricing models. Inputs to pricing models are generally market-based when available and taken from reliable external data sources. The models used are validated prior to the use for financial reporting by staff independent of the initial selection or creation of the model. Where inputs cannot be reliably sourced from external providers, the initial recognition value of a financial asset or liability is taken to be the settled value at trade inception. The initial change in fair value indicated by the valuation technique is then released to income at appropriate points over the life of the instrument (typically taking account of the ability to obtain reliable external data, the passage of time and the use of offsetting transactions). Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate applied is a market-related rate at the balance sheet date for an instrument with similar terms and conditions. Fair values include appropriate adjustments to reflect the credit quality of the instrument.

#### Professional securities transactions

*Securities borrowing and securities lending transactions* are generally entered into on a collateralised basis, with securities usually advanced or received as collateral. The transfer of the securities themselves is not reflected on the balance sheet unless the risks and rewards of ownership are also transferred. If cash is advanced or received, securities borrowing and lending activities are recorded at the amount of cash advanced (included in loans and receivables) or received (due to banks or customers). The market value of the securities borrowed and lent is monitored on a daily basis, and the collateral levels are adjusted in accordance with the underlying transactions. Fees and interest received or paid are recognised on an effective interest basis and recorded as interest income or interest expense.

*Sale and repurchase transactions* involve purchases (sales) of investments with agreements to resell (repurchase) substantially identical investments at a certain date in the future at a fixed price. Investments purchased subject to commitments to resell them at future dates are not recognised. The amounts paid are recognised in loans and receivables to either banks or customers. The receivables are shown as collateralised by the underlying security. Investments sold under repurchase agreements continue to be recognised in the balance sheet. The proceeds from the sale of the investments are reported as liabilities to either banks or customers. The difference between the sale and repurchase price is recognised over the period of the transaction and recorded as interest income or interest expense.

#### Netting and collateral

The Group enters into master netting arrangements with counterparties wherever possible, and when appropriate, obtains collateral. If the Group has the right on the grounds of either legal or contractual provisions and the intention to settle financial assets and liabilities net or simultaneously, these are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet. Due to differences in the timing of actual cash flows, derivatives with positive and negative fair values are generally not netted, even if they are held with the same counterparty.

#### Hedge accounting

The Group uses derivative instruments to manage exposures to interest rate, foreign currency and credit risks, including exposures arising from forecast transactions. The Group applies fair value, cash flow or net investment hedging to qualifying transactions that are documented as such at inception.

The hedged item can be an asset, liability, highly probable forecasted transaction or net investment in a foreign operation that (a) exposes the entity to risk of changes in fair value or future cash flows and (b) is designated as being hedged. The risk being hedged (the hedged risk) is typically changes in interest rates or foreign currency rates. The Group also enters into credit risk derivatives (sometimes referred to as credit default swaps) for managing portfolio credit risk. However these are generally not included in hedge accounting relationships.

Both at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group formally assesses whether the derivatives used in its hedging transactions have been highly effective in offsetting changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item, by assessing and measuring whether changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item are offset by the changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedging instrument, within the range of 80% to 125%.

Hedge ineffectiveness represents the amount by which the changes in the fair value of the derivative differ from changes in the fair





value of the hedged item in a fair value hedge, or the amount by which the changes in the fair value of the derivative are in excess of the fair value change of the expected cash flow in a cash flow hedge. Hedge ineffectiveness and gains and losses on components of a derivative that are excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness are recorded directly in income.

The Group discontinues hedge accounting when the hedge relationship has ceased to be effective or is no longer expected to be effective, or when the derivative or hedged item is sold or otherwise terminated.

#### Fair value hedges

Where a derivative financial instrument hedges the exposure to changes in the fair value of recognised or committed assets or liabilities, the hedged item is adjusted in relation to the risk being hedged. Gains or losses on remeasurement of both the hedging instrument and the hedged item are recognised in the income statement, typically within results from financial transactions. For hedges of mortgage service rights any hedging ineffectiveness is recorded in other income.

When a fair value hedge of interest rate risk is terminated, any fair value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged asset or liability is amortised to income over the original designated hedging period or taken directly to income if the hedged item is sold, settled or impaired.

#### Cash flow hedges

When a derivative financial instrument hedges the exposure to variability in the cash flows from recognised assets, liabilities or anticipated transactions, the effective part of any gain or loss on remeasurement of the hedging instrument is recognised directly in equity. When a cash flow hedging instrument or hedge relationship is terminated but the hedged transaction is still expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity remains in equity.

The cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to the income statement at the time when the hedged transaction affects net profit or loss and included in the same line item as the hedged transaction. In the exceptional case that the hedged transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is recognised in the income statement immediately.

#### Hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation

The Group uses foreign currency derivatives and currency borrowings to hedge various net investments in foreign operations. For such hedges, currency translation differences arising on translation of the currency of these instruments to euro are recognised directly in the currency translation account in equity, insofar as they are effective.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a portfolio of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or portfolio of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are recognised if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset and prior to the balance sheet date ( a loss event ) and that event adversely impacts estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the portfolio.

#### Loans and receivables

An indication that a loan may be impaired is obtained through the Group's credit review processes, which include monitoring customer payments and regular loan reviews at least every 6 or 12 months depending on the obligors' creditworthiness.

The Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists for loans (including any related facilities and guarantees) that are individually significant, and individually or collectively for loans that are not individually significant. If the Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed loan, it includes the asset in a portfolio of loans with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Loans that are evaluated individually for impairment are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

Indications that there is a measurable decrease in estimated future cash flows from a portfolio of loans, although the decrease cannot yet be identified with the individual loans in the portfolio, include adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers in the portfolio and national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults in the portfolio.

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The amount of impairment loss is measured as the difference between the loan's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the loan's original effective interest rate. The amount of the loss is recognised using an allowance account and the amount of the loss is included in the income statement line loan impairment and other credit risk provisions.

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The calculation of the present value of the estimated future cash flows of a collateralised financial asset reflects the cash flows that are likely to result from foreclosure less costs for obtaining and selling the collateral.

Future cash flows of a group of loans that are collectively evaluated for impairment are estimated on the basis of the contractual cash flows of the loans in the portfolio and historical loss experience for loans with credit risk characteristics similar to those in the Group. Historical loss experience is adjusted on the basis of current observable data to reflect the effects of current conditions that did not affect the historical data and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical data that do not currently exist.

The methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows are reviewed regularly to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience. The impact of changes in estimates and recoveries is recorded in the income statement line loan impairment and other credit risk provisions.

Following impairment, interest income is recognised using the original effective rate of interest. When a loan is deemed no longer collectible, it is written off against the related allowance for loan impairment. Such loans are written off after all the necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to the income statement line loan impairment and other credit risk provisions. Assets acquired in exchange for loans to achieve an orderly realisation are reflected in the balance sheet as a disposal of the loan and an acquisition of a new asset, initially booked at fair value.

#### Other financial assets

In the case of equity instruments classified as available-for-sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is also considered in determining whether impairment exists. Where such evidence exists, the cumulative net loss that has been previously recognised directly in equity is removed from equity and recognised in the income statement within results on financial transactions.

Held to maturity and available-for-sale debt investments are assessed and any impairment is measured on an individual basis, consistent with the methodology applied to loans and receivables.

## Property and equipment

#### Own use assets

Property and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any amount for impairment. If an item of property and equipment is comprised of several major components with different useful lives, each component is accounted for separately. Additions and subsequent expenditures (including accrued interest) are capitalised only to the extent that they enhance the future economic benefits expected to be derived from the asset. Expenditure incurred to replace a component of an asset is separately capitalised and the replaced component is written off. Other subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefit of the item of property and equipment. All other expenditure, including maintenance, is recognised in the income statement as incurred. When an item of property and equipment is retired or disposed, the difference between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds net of costs is recognised in other operating income.

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of items of property and equipment, and major components that are accounted for separately. The Group generally uses the following estimated useful lives:

Land	not depreciated
Buildings	25 to 50 years
Equipment	5 to 12 years
Computer installations	2 to 5 years.

Software, presented as an intangible asset, is amortised over 3-7 years.

Depreciation rates and residual values are reviewed at least annually to take into account any change in circumstances. Capitalised leasehold improvements are depreciated in a manner that takes into account the term and renewal conditions of the related lease.

#### Development property

The majority of the Group's development and construction activities are undertaken for immediate sale or as part of a pre-agreed



contractual arrangement. Property developed under a pre-agreed contractual arrangement is stated at cost plus profit recognisable to date less a provision for any foreseeable losses and less progress billings. Cost includes all expenditure (including accrued interest) related directly to specific projects and an allocation of fixed and variable overheads incurred in the Group's contract activities based on normal operating capacity. The specific components of development property are accounted for as follows.

Building and development sites are carried at cost including allocated interest and additional expenses for purchasing the site and making them ready for development. No interest is allocated to land which has not been zoned for a particular purpose, if there is no certainty that the land will be built on. Any provision deemed necessary for expected losses on sale is deducted from the carrying value of the site.

Work in progress relates to commercial property projects, as well as to unsold residential property under construction or preparation. Work in progress is carried at the costs incurred plus allocated interest and net of any provisions as required. Progress instalments invoiced to buyers and principals are deducted from work in progress. The profit and loss is recognised in accordance with the percentage of completion method. Until sold, commercial and residential developments are carried at cost of production net of any required provisions. If a decision is taken to retain an unsold property it is classified as investment property.

#### Investment property

Investment property is carried at fair value based on current market prices for similar properties in the same location and condition. Any gain or loss arising from a change in fair value is recognised in profit and loss. Rental income from investment property is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease, with lease incentives granted recognised as an integral part of the rental income.

#### Leasing

As *lessee*: most of the leases that the Group has entered into are classified as operating leases (including property rental). The total payments made under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised in the income statement as an integral part of the total lease expense. When it is anticipated that an operating lease will be terminated or vacated before the lease period has expired, the lesser of any penalty payments required and the remaining payments due once vacated (less sub-leasing income) is recognised as an expense.

As *lessor*: assets subject to operational leases are included in property and equipment. The asset is depreciated on a straight-line basis over its useful life to its estimated residual value. Leases where the Group transfers substantially all the risks and rewards resulting from ownership of an asset to the lessee are classified as finance leases. A receivable at an amount equal to the present value of the lease payments, using the implicit interest rate, including any guaranteed residual value, is recognised. Finance lease receivables are included in loans and receivables to customers.

#### Intangible assets

##### Goodwill

Goodwill is capitalised and represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the acquired entity's net identifiable assets at the date of acquisition. For the purpose of calculating goodwill, the fair values of acquired assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities are determined by reference to market values or by discounting expected future cash flows to present value. Any change in the assessed fair value of acquired assets and liabilities at the time of acquisition identified within one year following the acquisition are corrected against goodwill. Any revisions identified after one year are recorded in income.

Goodwill on the acquisition of equity accounted investments is included in the carrying amount of the investment.

Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity, including equity accounted investments, are determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying amount of the entity including related goodwill and any currency translation differences recorded in equity.

##### Software

Costs that are directly associated with identifiable and software products that are controlled by the Group, and likely to generate future economic benefits exceeding these costs, are recognised as intangible assets. Direct costs include staff costs of the software development team. Expenditure that enhances or extends the performance of computer software beyond its original specification is recognised as a capital improvement and added to the original cost of the software. Software is amortised over 3-7 years.



Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

#### Mortgage servicing rights

Mortgage servicing rights (MSRs) represent the right to a stream of fee-based cash flows and an obligation to perform specified mortgage servicing activities. MSRs are initially recorded at fair value and amortised over the estimated future net servicing income stream of the underlying mortgages. The duration of the income stream relating to these servicing rights is dependent on the pre-payment behaviour of the customer, which is influenced by a number of factors including interest rate expectations. MSR assets are subject to hedging under a fair value hedge programme designed to limit the Group's exposure to changes in the fair value of the MSR. The change in the fair value of the hedged MSRs and the change in the fair value of the hedging derivatives are included as part of mortgage banking income within other operating income.

#### Other intangible assets

Other intangible assets that are acquired by the Group are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and any adjustment for impairment losses. Other intangible assets are comprised of separately identifiable items arising from acquisition of subsidiaries, such as customer relationships, and certain purchased trademarks and similar items. Amortisation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the intangible asset.

#### Impairment of property and equipment and intangible assets

Property and equipment and intangibles are assessed at each balance sheet date or more frequently, to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the assets are subject to an impairment review. Regardless of any indications of potential impairment, the carrying amount of goodwill is subject to a detailed impairment review at least annually.

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset that generates largely independent cash flows or the cash-generating unit to which it belongs exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of its net selling price and value in use. To calculate value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market rates and the risks specific to the asset. When conducting impairment reviews, particularly for goodwill, cash-generating units are the lowest level at which management monitors the return on investment on assets.

Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement as a component of depreciation and amortisation expense. An impairment loss with respect to goodwill is not reversible. Other impairment losses are reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined if no impairment loss had previously been recognised.

#### Pension and other post-retirement benefits

For employees in the Netherlands and the majority of staff employed outside the Netherlands, pension or other retirement plans have been established in accordance with the regulations and practices of the countries in question. Separate pension funds or third parties administer most of these plans. The plans include both defined contribution plans and defined benefit plans.

##### Defined contribution plans

In the case of defined contribution plans, contributions are charged directly to the income statement in the year to which they relate.

##### Defined benefit plans

The net obligations under defined benefit plans are regarded as the Group's own commitments regardless of whether these are administered by a pension fund or in some other manner. The net obligation of each plan is determined as the difference between the benefit obligations and the plan assets. Defined benefit plan pension commitments are calculated in accordance with the projected unit credit method of actuarial cost allocation. Under this method, the present value of pension commitments is determined on the basis of the number of active years of service up to the balance sheet date and the estimated employee salary at the time of the expected retirement date, and is discounted using the market rate of interest on high-quality corporate bonds. The plan assets are measured at fair value.

Pension costs for the year are established at the beginning of the year based on the expected service and interest costs and the expected return on the plan assets, plus the impact of any current period curtailments or plan changes. Differences between the expected and the actual return on plan assets, as well as actuarial gains and losses, are only recognised as income or expense when the net cumulative unrecognised actuarial gains



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and losses at the end of the previous reporting year exceed 10% of the greater of the commitments under the plan and the fair value of the related plan assets. The part that exceeds 10% is recognised in income over the

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expected remaining years of service of the employees participating in the plans. Differences between the pension costs determined in this way and the contributions payable are accounted for as provisions or prepayments. Commitments relating to early retirement of employees are treated as pension commitments.

When the benefits of a plan are improved, the portion of the increased benefit relating to past service by employees is recognised as an expense in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the average period until the benefits become vested. To the extent that the benefits vest immediately, the past service cost is recognised immediately in the income statement.

#### Other post-retirement benefits

The Group's net obligation with respect to long-term service benefits and post-retirement healthcare is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. It is then discounted to its present value and the fair value of any related assets is deducted.

#### Share-based payments to employees

The Group engages in equity and cash settled share-based payment transactions in respect of services received from certain of its employees. The cost of the services received is measured by reference to the fair value of the shares or share options granted on the date of the grant. The cost related to the shares or share options granted is recognised in the income statement over the period that the services of the employees are received, which is the vesting period, with a corresponding credit in equity for equity settled schemes and a credit in liabilities for cash settled schemes.

The fair value of the options granted is determined using option pricing models, which take into account the exercise price of the option, the current share price, the risk free interest rate, the volatility of the ABN AMRO share price over the life of the option and the terms and conditions of the grant. Non-market vesting conditions are taken into account by adjusting the number of shares or share options included in the measurement of the cost of employee services, so that ultimately the amount cumulatively recognised in the income statement shall reflect the number of shares or share options that eventually vest. Where vesting conditions are related to market conditions, these are fully reflected in the fair value initially determined at grant date and as a result, the charges for the services received are recognised regardless of whether or not the market related vesting condition is met, provided that the non-market vesting conditions are met.

#### Provisions

A provision is recognised in the balance sheet when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made. If the effect of time value is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market rates and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

A provision for restructuring is recognised when an obligation exists. An obligation exists when the Group has approved a detailed plan and has raised a valid expectation in those affected by the plan by starting to implement the plan or by announcing its main features. Future operating costs are not provided for.

Provisions for insurance risks are determined by actuarial methods, which include the use of statistics, interest rate data and settlement costs expectations.

#### Other liabilities

Obligations to policyholders, whose return is dependent on the return of unit linked investments recognised in the balance sheet, are measured at fair value with changes through income.

#### Income taxes - current and deferred

Income tax payable on profits, based on the applicable tax law in each jurisdiction, is recognised as an expense in the period in which profits arise. The future tax benefit of income tax losses available for carry forward is recognised as an asset when it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which these losses can be utilised.

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Deferred tax is recognised for qualifying temporary differences. Temporary differences represent the difference between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The most significant temporary differences arise from the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities including derivative contracts, allowances

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for loan impairment, provisions for pensions and business combinations. The following differences are not provided for: capitalised goodwill not deductible for tax purposes, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries and associates, to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future and the timing of such reversals is controlled by the Group. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date. A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised.

Deferred and current tax assets and liabilities are only offset when they arise in the same tax reporting group and where there is both the legal right and the intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and liability simultaneously.

## Issued debt and equity securities

Issued debt securities are recorded on an amortised cost basis using the effective interest rate method, unless they are of a hybrid/structured nature and designated to be held at fair value through income.

Issued financial instruments or their components are classified as liabilities where the substance of the contractual arrangement results in the Group having a present obligation to either deliver cash or another financial asset or to satisfy the obligation other than by the exchange of a fixed number of equity shares. Preference shares that carry a non-discretionary coupon or are redeemable on a specific date or at the option of the holder are classified as liabilities. The dividends and fees on preference shares classified as a liability are recognised as interest expense.

Issued financial instruments, or their components, are classified as equity when they do not qualify as a liability and represent a residual interest in the assets of the Group. Preference share capital is classified as equity if it is non-redeemable and any dividends are discretionary. The components of issued financial instruments that contain both liability and equity elements are accounted for separately with the equity component being assigned the residual amount after deducting from the instrument's initial value the fair value of the liability component.

Dividends on ordinary shares and preference shares classified as equity are recognised as a distribution of equity in the period in which they are approved by shareholders.

## Share capital

Incremental external costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are deducted from equity net of any related income taxes.

When share capital recognised as equity is repurchased, the amount of the consideration paid, including incremental directly attributable costs net of income taxes, is recognised as a change in equity. Repurchased shares are classified as treasury shares and presented as a deduction from total equity. Where such shares are subsequently sold or reissued, any consideration received is added to shareholders' equity.

## Other equity components

### Currency translation account

The currency translation account is comprised of all currency differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations net of the translation impact on liabilities or foreign exchange derivatives held to hedge the Group's net investment. These currency differences are included in income on disposal or partial disposal of the operation.

### Cash flow hedging reserve

The cash flow hedging reserve is comprised of the effective portion of the cumulative change in the fair value of cash flow hedging derivatives, net of taxes, where the hedged transaction has not yet occurred.

### Net unrealised gains and losses on available-for-sale assets

In this component, gains and losses arising from a change in the fair value of available-for-sale assets are recognised, net of taxes. When the relevant assets are sold, impaired or otherwise disposed of, the related cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to the income statement.

Collectively, the cash flow hedging reserve and the available-for-sale reserve are sometimes referred to as special components of equity.



## Cash flow statement

Cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the cash flow statement include cash in hand, deposits available on demand with central banks and net credit balances on current accounts with other banks.

The cash flow statement, based on the indirect method of calculation, gives details of the source of cash and cash equivalents which became available during the year and the application of these cash and cash equivalents over the course of the year. The cash flows are analysed into cash flows from operations, including banking activities, investment activities and financing activities. Movements in loans and receivables and inter-bank deposits are included in the cash flow from operating activities. Investment activities are comprised of acquisitions, sales and redemptions in respect of financial investments, as well as investments in and sales of subsidiaries and associates, property and equipment. The issuing of shares and the borrowing and repayment of long-term funds are treated as financing activities. Movements due to currency translation differences as well as the effects of the consolidation of acquisitions, where of material significance, are eliminated from the cash flow figures.

## Future changes in accounting policies

### IFRS standards not yet effective

IFRS 7 was issued in August 2005 and is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007. It requires entities to provide additional disclosures on financial instruments within their financial statements but does not change the recognition and measurement rules of these financial instruments.

IFRS 8 was issued in November 2006 and is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. The standard replaces IAS 14 Segment Reporting in setting out requirements for disclosure of information about an entity's operating segments and also about the entity's products and services, the geographical areas in which it operates, and its major customers. The Group plans to adopt IFRS 8 in 2007.

### IFRIC Interpretations not yet effective

IFRIC interpretation 8 Scope of IFRS 2 was issued in January 2006 and is required to be applied for financial years beginning on or after 1 May 2006. It requires IFRS 2 Share-based Payment to be applied to any arrangements where equity instruments are issued for consideration which appears to be less than fair value. As equity instruments are only issued to employees in accordance with the employee share scheme, the interpretation has no impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC interpretation 9 Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives was issued in March 2006 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 June 2006. This interpretation establishes that the date to assess the existence of an embedded derivative is the date an entity first becomes a party to the contract with reassessment only if there is a change to the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows. This interpretation is consistent with our accounting policies and thus will have no impact on the Group's financial statements when implemented in 2007.

IFRIC interpretation 10 Interim Financial Reporting & Impairment was issued in July 2006 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 November 2006. It states that an entity shall not reverse an impairment loss recognised in a previous interim period in respect of goodwill or an investment in either an equity instrument or a financial asset carried at cost. The adoption of this interpretation will have no impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC interpretation 11 Group & Treasury Share Transactions was issued in November 2006 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 March 2007. The interpretation provides further guidance on the implementation of IFRS 2 Share-based Payment. The Group is still evaluating the effect of this interpretation for implementation in 2008.

## Consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 December

	2006	2005	2004
	(in millions of euros)		
Interest income	37,698	29,645	24,528
Interest expense	27,123	20,860	16,003
<b>Net interest income</b> <sup>3</sup>	<b>10,575</b>	<b>8,785</b>	<b>8,525</b>
Fee and commission income	7,127	5,572	5,185
Fee and commission expense	1,065	881	700
<b>Net fee and commission income</b> <sup>4</sup>	<b>6,062</b>	<b>4,691</b>	<b>4,485</b>
Net trading income <sup>5</sup>	2,979	2,621	1,309
Results from financial transactions <sup>6</sup>	1,087	1,281	905
Share of result in equity accounted investments <sup>20</sup>	243	263	206
Other operating income <sup>7</sup>	1,382	1,056	745
Income of consolidated private equity holdings <sup>41</sup>	5,313	3,637	2,616
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>27,641</b>	<b>22,334</b>	<b>18,791</b>
Personnel expenses <sup>8</sup>	8,641	7,225	7,550
General and administrative expenses <sup>9</sup>	7,057	5,553	4,747
Depreciation and amortisation <sup>10</sup>	1,331	1,004	1,218
Goods and materials of consolidated private equity holdings <sup>41</sup>	3,684	2,519	1,665
<b>Operating expenses</b>	<b>20,713</b>	<b>16,301</b>	<b>15,180</b>
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions <sup>19</sup>	1,855	635	607
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>22,568</b>	<b>16,936</b>	<b>15,787</b>
<b>Operating profit before tax</b>	<b>5,073</b>	<b>5,398</b>	<b>3,004</b>
Income tax expense <sup>12</sup>	902	1,142	715
<b>Profit from continuing operations</b>	<b>4,171</b>	<b>4,256</b>	<b>2,289</b>
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax <sup>45</sup>	609	187	1,651
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>4,780</b>	<b>4,443</b>	<b>3,940</b>
<b>Attributable to:</b>			
Shareholders of the parent company	4,715	4,382	3,865
Minority interests	65	61	75

**Earnings per share attributable to the shareholders of the parent company**  
*(in euros)*<sup>13</sup>

<i>From continuing operations</i>			
Basic	2.18	2.33	1.34
Diluted	2.17	2.32	1.34
<i>From continuing and discontinued operations</i>			
Basic	2.50	2.43	2.33
Diluted	2.49	2.42	2.33

*Numbers stated against items refer to the notes. The notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.*



## Consolidated balance sheet at 31 December

	2006	2005
	(in millions of euros)	
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and balances at central banks <sup>14</sup>	12,317	16,657
Financial assets held for trading <sup>15</sup>	205,736	202,055
Financial investments <sup>16</sup>	125,381	123,774
Loans and receivables – banks <sup>17</sup>	134,819	108,635
Loans and receivables – customers <sup>18</sup>	443,255	380,248
Equity accounted investments <sup>20</sup>	1,527	2,993
Property and equipment <sup>21</sup>	6,270	8,110
Goodwill and other intangible assets <sup>22</sup>	9,407	5,168
Assets of businesses held for sale <sup>45</sup>	11,850	
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	9,290	7,614
Other assets <sup>23</sup>	27,212	25,550
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>987,064</b>	<b>880,804</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Financial liabilities held for trading <sup>15</sup>	145,364	148,588
Due to banks <sup>24</sup>	187,989	167,821
Due to customers <sup>25</sup>	362,383	317,083
Issued debt securities <sup>26</sup>	202,046	170,619
Provisions <sup>27</sup>	7,850	6,411
Liabilities of businesses held for sale <sup>45</sup>	3,707	
Accrued expenses and deferred income	10,640	8,335
Other liabilities <sup>29</sup>	21,977	18,723
<b>Total liabilities (excluding subordinated liabilities)</b>	<b>941,956</b>	<b>837,580</b>
Subordinated liabilities <sup>31</sup>	19,213	19,072
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>961,169</b>	<b>856,652</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Share capital <sup>32</sup>	1,085	1,069
Share premium	5,245	5,269
Treasury shares	(1,829)	(600)
Retained earnings	18,599	15,237
Net gains/(losses) not recognized in the income statement	497	1,246
<b>Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company</b>	<b>23,597</b>	<b>22,221</b>
<b>Equity attributable to minority interests</b>	<b>2,298</b>	<b>1,931</b>

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<b>Total equity</b>	25,895	24,152
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>	987,064	880,804
Credit related contingent liabilities <sup>35</sup>	51,279	46,021
Committed credit facilities <sup>35</sup>	145,418	141,010

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**Consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December**

	2006	2005	2004
(in millions of euros)			
<b>Share capital</b>			
Balance at 1 January	1,069	954	919
Issuance of shares		82	
Exercised options and warrants	16		2
Dividends paid in shares		33	33
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>954</b>
<b>Share premium</b>			
Balance at 1 January	5,269	2,604	2,549
Issuance of shares		2,611	
Exercised options and conversion rights			48
Share-based payments	111	87	40
Dividends paid in shares	(135)	(33)	(33)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>5,245</b>	<b>5,269</b>	<b>2,604</b>
<b>Treasury shares</b>			
Balance at 1 January	(600)	(632)	(119)
Share buy back	(2,204)	32	(513)
Utilised for dividends paid in shares	832		
Utilised for exercise of options and performance share plans	143		
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>(1,829)</b>	<b>(600)</b>	<b>(632)</b>
<b>Retained earnings *</b>			
Balance at 1 January	15,237	11,580	8,469
Profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	4,715	4,382	3,865
Cash dividends paid to shareholders of the parent company	(807)	(659)	(694)
Dividends paid in shares to shareholders of the parent company	(656)		
Other	110	(66)	(60)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>18,599</b>	<b>15,237</b>	<b>11,580</b>
<b>Equity settled own share derivatives</b>			
Balance at 1 January			(106)
Issuances and settlements			106
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>			
<b>Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement</b>			

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Currency translation account			
Balance at 1 January	842	(238)	
Transfer to income statement relating to disposals	(7)	(20)	2
Currency translation differences	(427)	1,100	(240)
<b>Subtotal Balance at 31 December</b>	408	842	(238)
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets			
Balance at 1 January	1,199	830	572
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(233)	717	509
Net losses/(gains) reclassified to the income statement	(602)	(348)	(251)
<b>Subtotal Balance at 31 December</b>	364	1,199	830

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<b>Cash flow hedging reserve</b>			
Balance at 1 January	(795)	(283)	(165)
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on cash flow hedges	735	(386)	106
Net losses/(gains) reclassified to the income statement	(215)	(126)	(224)
<b>Subtotal Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>(275)</b>	<b>(795)</b>	<b>(283)</b>
<b>Net gains/(losses) not recognized in the income statement at 31 December</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>1,246</b>	<b>309</b>
<b>Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company at 31 December</b>	<b>23,597</b>	<b>22,221</b>	<b>14,815</b>
<b>Minority interest</b>			
Balance at 1 January	1,931	1,737	1,301
Additions	208	202	367
Reductions		(49)	
Acquisitions/disposals	203	(136)	(30)
Profit attributable to minority interests	65	61	75
Currency translation differences	(46)	133	33
Other movements	(63)	(17)	(9)
<b>Equity attributable to minority interests at 31 December</b>	<b>2,298</b>	<b>1,931</b>	<b>1,737</b>
<b>Total equity at 31 December</b>	<b>25,895</b>	<b>24,152</b>	<b>16,552</b>

\* The proposed final dividend of EUR 0.60 per share for 2006 is not reflected in the movement table above and will be recorded in 2007 at the time of distribution.

The notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements

### Consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December

	2006	2005	2004
	(in millions of euros)		
Profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	4,715	4,382	3,865
Gains/(losses) not recognised in income:			
Currency translation differences	(427)	1,100	(240)
Available-for-sale assets	(233)	717	509
Cash flow hedges	735	(386)	106
	75	1,431	375
Net unrealised (gains)/losses reclassified to income:			
Currency translation differences relating to disposed subsidiaries	(7)	(20)	2
Available-for-sale assets	(602)	(348)	(251)
From cash flow hedging reserve	(215)	(126)	(224)
	(824)	(494)	(473)
<b>Comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>3,966</b>	<b>5,319</b>	<b>3,767</b>

The statement of comprehensive income for the year presents all movements in equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company other than changes in issued share capital, distributions to shareholders and share buy backs.



**Consolidated cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December**

	2006	2005	2004
	(in millions of euros)		
<b>Operating activities</b>			
Profit for the year	4,780	4,443	3,940
<i>Less: Profit from discontinued operations</i>	609	187	1,651
Profit from continuing operations	4,171	4,256	2,289
<i>Adjustments for significant non-cash items included in income</i>			
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	1,331	1,004	1,218
Loan impairment losses	2,108	871	777
Share of result in equity accounted investments	(243)	(263)	(206)
<i>Movements in operating assets and liabilities</i>			
Movements in operating assets <sup>36</sup>	(77,392)	(105,368)	(119,343)
Movements in operating liabilities <sup>36</sup>	64,981	80,461	98,722
<i>Other adjustments</i>			
Dividends received from equity accounted investments	72	63	59
<b>Cash flows from operating activities from continuing operations</b>	(4,972)	(18,976)	(16,484)
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities from discontinued operations</b>	314	200	437
<b>Investing activities</b>			
Acquisition of investments	(180,228)	(142,423)	(78,760)
Sales and redemption of investments	172,454	129,811	76,338
Acquisition of property and equipment	(1,138)	(2,028)	(1,966)
Sales of property and equipment	255	1,063	1,131
Acquisition of intangibles (excluding goodwill and MSRs)	(800)	(431)	(335)
Sales of intangibles (excluding goodwill and MSRs)	12	9	50
Acquisition of subsidiaries and equity accounted investments	(7,449)	(1,702)	(276)
Disposal of subsidiaries and equity accounted investments	258	530	153
<b>Cash flows from investing activities from continuing operations</b>	(16,636)	(15,171)	(3,665)
<b>Net cash flows from investing activities from discontinued operations</b>	1,574	(14)	2,513
<b>Financing activities</b>			
Issuance of subordinated liabilities	4,062	2,975	2,203
Repayment of subordinated liabilities	(4,430)	(1,664)	(2,690)
Issuance of other long-term funding	35,588	35,483	21,863
Repayment of other long-term funding	(14,343)	(6,453)	(6,180)
Proceeds from the issue of shares	-	2,491	-
Net (decrease)/increase in treasury shares	(2,061)	32	(513)
Other	276	92	334
Dividends paid	(807)	(659)	(694)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities from continuing operations</b>	18,285	32,297	14,323
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities from discontinued operations</b>	-	(1,185)	2,422

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<b>Movement in cash and cash equivalents</b>	(1,435)	(2,849)	(454)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	6,043	8,603	9,016
Currency translation differences	264	289	41
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b> <sup>36</sup>	4,872	6,043	8,603

*Numbers stated against items refer to the notes. The notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.*



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## Notes to the consolidated financial statements

*(unless otherwise stated, all amounts are in millions of euros)*

### 1 Segment reporting

Segment information is presented in respect of the Group's business. The primary format, business segments, is consistent with the Group's management and internal reporting structure applicable in the financial year.

Measurement of segment assets, liabilities, income and results is based on the Group's accounting policies. Segment assets, liabilities, income and results include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Transactions between segments are conducted at arm's length.

#### Business segments

Below the business segments are detailed. In the Business review chapter of the Annual Report more detailed descriptions of the activities of these segments have been included.

#### Netherlands

BU Netherlands serves a diverse client base that comprises consumer and commercial clients. BU Netherlands offers a broad range of investment, commercial and retail banking products and services via its multi-channel service model consisting of a network of branches, internet banking facilities, a customer contact center and ATMs throughout the Netherlands. BU Netherlands focuses increasingly on mass affluent customers and commercial mid-market clients. BU Netherlands also comprises the ABN AMRO Mortgage Group including the former Bouwfonds mortgage activities. The non-mortgage activities of Bouwfonds were sold during the year.

#### Europe (including Antonveneta)

BU Europe provides its consumer and commercial clients with a range of financial products and services. Its regional strategies and operations are closely aligned with those of ABN AMRO's global BUs.

BU Europe combines activities in 27 countries: 23 countries in Europe (excluding the Netherlands) along with Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Egypt and South Africa.

ABN AMRO acquired a majority stake in Antonveneta in January 2006 and launched a tender offer for the remaining shares on 27 February 2006. It acquired 100% of the bank in July 2006 after it exercised its right to purchase the shares it did not yet own following its tender offer.

Antonveneta is rooted in north-eastern Italy, and focuses on consumer and commercial mid-market clients.

#### North America

The core of BU North America is LaSalle Bank, headquartered in Chicago, Illinois. BU North America serves a large number of clients, including small businesses, mid-market companies, larger corporates, institutions, non-profit entities and municipalities in the US and Canada. BU North America offers a broad range of investment, commercial and retail banking products and services through a network of branches and ATMs in Illinois, Michigan and Indiana. BU North America focuses increasingly on mass affluent customers and commercial mid-market clients. While based in the US Midwest, BU North America reaches further through an expanding network of regional commercial banking offices across the US.

#### Latin America

BU Latin America has a presence in nine Latin American countries: Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Uruguay and Venezuela, with the presence of Banco Real representing the majority of the operations. In Brazil, Banco Real is a retail and commercial bank, offering full retail, corporate and investment banking products and services. It operates as a universal bank offering financial services through an extensive network of branches, points-of-sale and ATMs. BU Latin America also has a strong presence in the Brazilian consumer finance business through its Aymor é franchise, focused on vehicle and other consumer goods financing.

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### Asia

ABN AMRO has been operating for well over 100 years in several Asian countries including Indonesia, China, Singapore and Japan. BU Asia now covers 16 countries and territories and is extending its branches and offices network. BU Asia's client base includes commercial clients as well as consumer and private banking clients.

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#### Global Clients

BU Global Clients serves a range of major corporate and institutional clients that demand sophisticated financial solutions customised to their specific needs.

BU Global Clients is organised around six hubs (Amsterdam, London, New York, Hong Kong, S ã o Paulo and Sydney). The financial results of BU Global Clients also reflect the contribution of ABN AMRO Mellon, a joint venture with the Mellon Financial Corporation that provides global custody and value added services to institutional investors worldwide.

#### Private Clients

BU Private Clients offers private banking services to wealthy individuals and institutions with EUR 1 million or more in net investable assets. In the past few years, BU Private Clients built up an onshore private banking network in continental Europe through organic growth in the Netherlands and France, and through the acquisition of Delbr ü ck Bethmann Maffei in Germany and Bank Corluy in Belgium.

#### Asset Management

BU Asset Management is ABN AMRO s global asset management business. BU Asset Management operates in 26 countries worldwide, offering investment products in all major regions and asset classes. Its products are distributed directly to institutional clients such as central banks, pension funds, insurance companies and leading charities. Funds for private investors are distributed through ABN AMRO s consumer and private banking arms, as well as via third-party distributors such as insurance companies and other banks. The institutional client business represents just over half of the assets managed by BU Asset Management. Consumer and third-party clients account for a further 30%, and the remainder is in discretionary portfolios managed for BU Private Clients.

#### Private Equity

The business model of ABN AMRO s Private Equity unit - branded as ABN AMRO Capital - involves providing capital and expertise to non-listed companies in a variety of sectors. By obtaining, in most cases, a majority stake, Private Equity gains the ability to influence the company s growth strategy and increase its profitability. It then aims to sell its shareholding at a profit after a number of years. Private Equity specialises in European mid-market buyouts, but also manages a portfolio of investments in Australian buyouts, non-controlling and controlling shareholdings in small to medium sized Dutch companies ( participaties ), and dedicated media and telecom sector investments. It operates from seven offices across Europe and Australia.

#### Group Functions, including Group Services

Group Functions provides guidance on ABN AMRO s corporate strategy and supports the implementation of the strategy in accordance with our Managing for Value methodology, Corporate Values and Business Principles. By aligning and uniting functions across ABN AMRO s BUs and geographical territories, Group Functions also facilitates Group-wide sharing of best practices, innovation and positioning to public authorities, and binds the bank together in both an operational and cultural sense.

Group Functions includes Group Asset and Liability Management, which manages an investment and derivatives portfolio in order to manage the liquidity and interest rate risks of the Group. Group Functions also holds the Group s strategic investments, proprietary trading portfolio and records any related profits or losses.

**Business segment information for the year ended 31 December 2006**

	Netherlands	Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia	Global Clients	Private Clients	Asset Management	Private Equity	Group Functions	Total
Net interest income - external	2,574	3,414	2,224	2,970	240	1,355	(959)	9	(160)	(1,092)	10,575
Net interest income - other segments	504	(2,098)	124	(65)	271	(800)	1,503	(24)	(139)	724	-
Net fee and commission income - external	711	1,011	653	449	496	1,256	671	704	18	93	6,062
Net fee and commission income - other segment	40	(228)	44	35	97	(10)	29	13	(6)	(14)	-
Net trading income	486	1,032	229	209	310	563	64	(4)	13	77	2,979
Result from financial transactions	28	169	155	34	12	41	4	40	422	182	1,087
Share of result in equity accounted investments	51	1	4	55	62	-	2	1	-	67	243
Other operating income	246	111	313	51	31	3	75	89	2	461	1,382
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,313	-	5,313
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>4,640</b>	<b>3,412</b>	<b>3,746</b>	<b>3,738</b>	<b>1,519</b>	<b>2,408</b>	<b>1,389</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>5,463</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>27,641</b>
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>3,118</b>	<b>2,743</b>	<b>2,457</b>	<b>2,219</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>2,144</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>5,031</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>20,713</b>
Loan impairment and credit risk provision	359	397	38	722	218	(27)	40	-	26	82	1,855
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>3,477</b>	<b>3,140</b>	<b>2,495</b>	<b>2,941</b>	<b>1,307</b>	<b>2,117</b>	<b>996</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>5,057</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>22,568</b>
<b>Operating profit/loss before taxes</b>	<b>1,163</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>(12)</b>	<b>5,073</b>
Income tax expense	319	229	167	149	101	(13)	121	65	(3)	(233)	902
<b>Profit from continuing operations</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>4,171</b>
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	505	-	104	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	609
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>1,349</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1,188</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>4,780</b>
<b>Other information at 31 December 2006</b>											
Total assets	169,862	390,326	163,276	36,169	60,187	69,443	20,510	1,402	7,706	68,183	987,064
Of which equity accounted investments	189	14	-	39	369	-	6	10	23	877	1,527
Total liabilities	168,755	385,016	156,100	31,415	58,307	61,314	19,012	1,044	6,560	73,646	961,169
Capital expenditure	373	130	181	142	85	1	39	17	451	204	1,623

**Business segment information for the year ended 31 December 2005**

	Netherlands	Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia	Global Clients	Private Clients	Asset Management	Private Equity	Group Functions	Total
Net interest income - external	758	2,163	2,291	2,225	323	1,549	(690)	(11)	(93)	270	8,785
Net interest income - other segments	2,570	(2,411)	(80)	(15)	241	(903)	1,219	17	(107)	(531)	-
Net fee and commission income - external	604	450	730	377	378	831	583	590	26	122	4,691
Net fee and commission income - other segments	106	(149)	4	2	43	-	29	6	(9)	(32)	-
Net trading income	392	957	269	57	131	711	44	14	(13)	59	2,621
Result from financial transactions	2	25	79	11	4	121	11	55	353	620	1,281
Share of result in equity accounted investments	13	3	4	37	73	-	1	18	-	114	263
Other operating income	184	72	224	369	44	13	100	23	1	26	1,056
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	-	-	-	128	-	-	3,509	-	3,637
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>4,629</b>	<b>1,110</b>	<b>3,521</b>	<b>3,063</b>	<b>1,237</b>	<b>2,450</b>	<b>1,297</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>3,667</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>22,334</b>
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>3,282</b>	<b>1,208</b>	<b>2,299</b>	<b>1,848</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>1,869</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>3,391</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>16,301</b>
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	285	(35)	(86)	348	27	(50)	16	-	34	96	635
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>3,567</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>2,213</b>	<b>2,196</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>1,819</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>3,425</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>16,936</b>
<b>Operating profit/loss before taxes</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>(63)</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>5,398</b>
Income tax expense	323	40	273	265	90	78	87	40	(21)	(33)	1,142
<b>Profit/loss from continuing operations</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>(103)</b>	<b>1,035</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>4,256</b>
Profit/loss from discontinued operations net of tax	136	-	51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	187
<b>Profit/loss for the year</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>(103)</b>	<b>1,086</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>4,443</b>
<b>Other information at 31 December 2005</b>											
Total assets	176,874	304,818	148,392	27,903	57,280	54,585	19,111	1,199	7,293	83,349	880,804
Of which equity accounted investments	163	27	-	40	371	-	5	13	7	2,367	2,993
Total liabilities	175,851	300,386	142,426	23,812	55,746	53,267	17,642	1,051	6,268	80,203	856,652
Capital expenditure	286	91	301	145	70	25	26	41	190	91	1,266

**Business segment information for the year ended 31 December 2004**

	Netherlands	Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia	Global Clients	Private Clients	Asset Management	Private Equity	Group Functions	Total
Net interest income - external	1,234	1,391	2,681	1,688	334	1,423	(429)	(12)	(80)	295	8,525
Net interest income - other segments	1,857	(1,180)	(349)	(152)	87	(855)	888	17	(33)	(280)	-
Net fee and commission income - external	628	458	632	340	394	860	537	531	8	97	4,485
Net fee and commission income - other segments	40	(46)	(13)	4	(11)	-	23	4	-	(1)	-
Net trading income	213	179	182	(6)	120	519	53	9	3	37	1,309
Result from financial transactions	19	(118)	(196)	(4)	(3)	133	1	10	579	484	905
Result in equity accounted investments	32	-	2	9	127	-	14	2	-	20	206
Other operating income	204	(6)	288	152	22	8	59	34	(25)	9	745
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,616	-	2,616
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>4,227</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>3,227</b>	<b>2,031</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>2,088</b>	<b>1,146</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>3,068</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>18,791</b>
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>3,525</b>	<b>1,293</b>	<b>2,164</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>1,782</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>2,614</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>15,180</b>
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	177	(60)	161	230	3	49	7	-	16	24	607
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>3,702</b>	<b>1,233</b>	<b>2,325</b>	<b>1,616</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>2,630</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>15,787</b>
<b>Operating profit/loss before taxes</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>(555)</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>3,004</b>
Income tax expense	159	(131)	161	174	83	68	78	46	33	44	715
<b>Profit/loss from continuing operations</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>(424)</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>2,289</b>
Profit/loss from discontinued operations net of tax	146	-	58	-	240	-	-	-	-	1,207	1,651
<b>Profit/loss for the year</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>(424)</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>1,407</b>	<b>3,940</b>
<b>Other information at 31 December 2004</b>											
Total assets	174,102	236,558	129,834	18,371	46,943	32,137	16,416	954	4,136	68,003	727,454
Of which equity accounted investments	140	19	-	22	253	-	5	12	5	972	1,428
Total liabilities	202,650	196,839	123,702	15,703	41,164	35,899	45,307	1,113	2,843	45,682	710,902
Capital expenditure	367	57	380	112	50	26	48	6	83	23	1,152

Geographical segments

The geographical analysis presented below is based on the location of the Group entity in which the transactions are recorded.

	2006			2005			2004		
	Operating income	Total assets	Capital expenditure	Operating income	Total assets	Capital expenditure	Operating income	Total assets	Capital expenditure
The Netherlands	11,440	289,984	899	9,255	285,073	577	8,497	267,222	473
Europe	6,040	419,691	179	4,672	332,922	153	2,324	254,562	122
North America	4,041	168,533	315	3,911	167,128	314	4,467	133,592	391
Latin America	3,961	36,976	141	3,271	28,420	145	2,305	18,274	113
Asia Pacific	2,159	71,880	89	1,225	67,261	77	1,198	53,804	53
<b>Total</b>	27,641	987,064	1,623	22,334	880,804	1,266	18,791	727,454	1,152

## 2 Acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries

Major acquisitions in 2006, 2005 and 2004

The following major acquisitions were made in 2006, 2005 and 2004 and were accounted for using the purchase method:

Acquired companies	% acquired	Consideration	Total assets	Acquisition Date
<b>2006</b>				
Antonveneta	100	7,499	49,367	various
Private equity acquisitions	51-100	105	1,295	various
<b>2005</b>				
Bank Corluy	100	50	121	April 2005
Private equity acquisitions	51-100	43	2,174	various
<b>2004</b>				
Bethmann Maffei	100	110	812	January 2004
Private equity acquisitions	51-100	112	963	various

Antonveneta

On 2 January 2006 the Group acquired a controlling interest in Banca Antoniana Popolare Veneta (Antonveneta) in order to increase its mid-market footprint, and accelerate the existing partnership that gives access to the large Italian banking market and the customer base of Antonveneta.

During 2005 the Group had already increased its interest in Antonveneta from 12.7% to 29.9%. The purchase of 79.9 million shares of Antonveneta from Banca Popolare Italiana on 2 January 2006 resulted in the Group acquiring a controlling 55.8% share. Following purchases of shares in the open market, a public offering and the exercise of the Group's right under Italian law to acquire minority share holdings, ABN AMRO now owns 100% of the outstanding share capital of Antonveneta.

The Group paid EUR 26.50 per share for Antonveneta, representing a total consideration of EUR 7,499 million. Total goodwill arising from the acquisition amounted to EUR 4,399 million, reflecting final adjustments to the purchase price and an adjustment to the fair value of the purchased loan portfolio over and above the provisional goodwill amount calculated at EUR 4,273 million as at 2 January 2006. For further details on the purchase price adjustments and goodwill calculation please refer to note 22. In addition, the Group has recognised newly identifiable intangible assets amounting to EUR 1,194 million. For further details on intangible assets please refer to note 22.



The impact of consolidating Antonveneta in the figures of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. as at 31 December 2006 can be summarised as follows:

#### Income statement

	<b>Year ended 31 December 2006</b>
Operating income	2,071
Operating expenses	1,310
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	382
<b>Operating profit before tax</b>	<b>379</b>
Income tax expense	187
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>192</b>

#### Balance sheet

	<b>31 December 2006</b>
Loans and receivables - banks	4,640
Loans and receivables - customers	38,070
Sundry assets	8,775
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>51,485</b>
Due to banks	11,777
Due to customers	19,742
Issued debt securities	9,803
Sundry liabilities	6,623
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>47,945</b>

#### BU Asset Management

In February 2006, BU Asset Management acquired International Asset Management, a fund of hedge funds manager. The integration of this acquisition was completed in May 2006. In June 2006, BU Asset Management increased its share in its Beijing joint venture to 49% and changed local partner from XiangCai Securities to Northern Trust, a member of Tianjin TEDA holdings.

#### VermogensGroep

In October 2006, the Group acquired a majority share in VermogensGroep to expand its Private Clients business in the Netherlands.

#### Banco ABN AMRO Real

On 20 September 2006, ABN AMRO exercised its right to call Banca Intesa's remaining 3.86% holding in Banco ABN AMRO Real. The total consideration for the acquisition of the shares amounted to EUR 233 million. After the exercise of the rights ABN AMRO owns 97.5% of the shares in Banco ABN AMRO Real.

#### Capitalia

On 18 October 2006 the Group purchased 24.6 million shares, representing a stake of 0.95%, in Capitalia from Pirelli S.p.A. After this purchase the Group has a stake of 8.60% in Capitalia. The consideration paid for the shares amounted to EUR 165 million.



#### Private Equity

Major new buy-out investments in 2006 were:

- U-pol (United Kingdom, automotive manufacturing)
- OFIC (France, isolation materials)
- Lucas Bols (Netherlands, branded liqueurs and spirits)
- Nextira One (France, integrated enterprise network solutions)
- Volution (United Kingdom, construction)
- Douglas Hanson (United States, manufacturing, add-on to Loparex, Sweden)
- Amitco (United Kingdom, manufacturing)
- Saunatec (Finland, manufacturing).

#### Disposals 2006

##### Asset Management

In April 2006 BU Asset Management disposed of its US mutual fund business to Highbury Financial Inc. The sale involved 19 mutual funds accounting for USD 6 billion assets under management. The net profit on the sale amounted to EUR 17 million. In July 2006, BU Asset Management sold its onshore Taiwanese asset management business to ING Group. The profit on the sale amounted to EUR 38 million, included in other operating income.

##### Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt

In May 2006, ABN AMRO completed the sale of its 40% participation in Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt of Hungary, as announced in December 2005, for a consideration of EUR 510 million to KBC Bank. The profit recognised on the sale included in other operating income is EUR 208 million.

##### Global Futures business

On 30 September 2006 ABN AMRO sold the Global Futures business for an amount of EUR 305 million (USD 386 million). The net profit on the sale amounted to EUR 190 million (EUR 229 million gross). During 2006 the Global Futures business contributed EUR 163 million of operating income and a net loss of EUR 24 million.

##### Private Clients

In May 2006, BU Private Clients sold its business in Denmark and in December 2006 it disposed of its business in Monaco, to focus on growth in other private banking markets and further enhance the efficiency of its global structure.

##### Bouwfonds non-mortgage

On 1 December 2006 the Group disposed of the property development and management activities of its Bouwfonds subsidiary. The Bouwfonds Property Development, Bouwfonds Asset Management, Bouwfonds Fondsenbeheer, Rijnlandse Bank and Bouwfonds Holding were sold to Rabobank for a cash consideration of EUR 852 million and the Bouwfonds Property Finance activities were sold to SNS Bank for a cash consideration of EUR 825 million. The total net gain on the sale of Bouwfonds amounted to EUR 338 million.

The operating result and disposal gain of the Bouwfonds businesses sold have been reported as discontinued operations in the income statement.

#### Private Equity

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In 2006 major divestments were:

Holland Railconsult (Netherlands, railway engineering)

Kreatel Communications (Sweden, telecommunications)

Sogetrel (France, telecommunications)

Radio Holland Group (Netherlands, maritime navigation and communication systems)

RTD (Netherlands, industrial non-destructive testing services)

Jessops (United Kingdom, retail)

Dennis Eagle (United Kingdom, industrial).

Acquisitions 2005

Bank Corluy

In April 2005 the acquisition of the Belgian private bank Bank Corluy was completed. The purchase price amounted to EUR 50 million. Total Assets under Management of this entity were over EUR 1.5 billion. The net asset value acquired amounted to EUR 20 million, resulting in capitalised goodwill of EUR 30 million.

#### Bouwfonds

In April 2005, we exercised our right to acquire the cumulative preference shares of Bouwfonds in order to obtain full legal control, in addition to the 100% economic interest we acquired in 2000.

#### Artemis

In December 2005, we increased our shareholding in the UK based asset management company Artemis from 58% to 71%. The consideration paid for this increase amounted to EUR 107 million.

#### Private Equity

Major new buy-out investments in 2005 were:

FlexLink (Sweden, engineering)

Strix (UK, engineering)

Fortex (Netherlands, support services)

Loparex (Finland, industrial products)

Everod (Australia, medical services)

Belim (France, consumer products)

IMCD (Netherlands, chemicals), Nueva Terrain (Spain, construction)

Roompot (Netherlands, leisure)

Scotts and McColls (Australia, transportation)

Bonna Sabla (France, industrial products & services)

Bianchi Vending (Italy, business products & supplies).

#### Disposals 2005

##### ABN AMRO Trust Holding

In June 2005, the sale of ABN AMRO Trust Holding to Equity Trust was completed. The Trust and Management Services performed in Asia, Europe and the Caribbean were transferred to Equity Trust. The profit on the sale amounted to EUR 17 million.

##### Nachenius Tjeenk & Co.

In July 2005, the sale of Nachenius Tjeenk to BNP Paribas was completed. The net profit on sale amounted to EUR 38 million.

##### Real Seguros S.A.

In July 2005, ABN AMRO and Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. (TMNF), an integral subsidiary of Millea Holdings, Inc. announced that TMNF would purchase from ABN AMRO 100% of Real Seguros S.A., and establish a 50/50 joint venture in Real Vida e Previdência S.A. As part of the agreement, ABN AMRO agreed to distribute on an exclusive basis through its retail network in Brazil, insurance and pension products. The net profit on the sale amounted to EUR 196 million.

#### Private Equity

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In 2005 major divestments were:

Handicare (Norway, medical equipment)

MobilTel (Bulgaria, communications)

AUSDOC (Australia, support services)

Puzzler Media (UK, media).

Dilution of investment 2005

Capitalia

In December 2005, Capitalia issued additional shares. Because we did not participate in this offering, our shareholding reflects a dilutive effect and decreased from 9% to 8%.

Acquisitions 2004

Bethmann Maffei

In January 2004, we acquired Bethmann Maffei, a private bank in Germany for EUR 110 million. We then merged it with Delbrück & Co to form Delbrück Bethmann Maffei. With more than EUR 10 billion in Assets under Management, Delbrück Bethmann Maffei is one of the top five private banks in Germany.

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Sparebank 1 Aktiv Forvaltning

In February 2004, we acquired the asset management activities of Sparebank 1 Aktiv Forvaltning of Norway.

Disposals 2004

Bank Austria

In February 2004, we sold our stake in Bank Austria for a net profit of EUR 115 million.

US Professional Brokerage

In April 2004, we sold our US Professional Brokerage unit to Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.

Bank of Asia

In July 2004, we sold our controlling 80.77% interest in Bank of Asia in Thailand to the United Overseas Bank for a total cash consideration of THB 22,019 million or EUR 442 million as per 27 July 2004. The operating result and disposal gain of EUR 224 million have been reported as discontinued operations in the profit and loss account.

LeasePlan Corporation

In November 2004, we sold LeasePlan Corporation of the Netherlands for a net profit of EUR 844 million (under Dutch GAAP) to a consortium of investors led by Volkswagen Group. The operating result and disposal gain have been reported as discontinued operations in the profit and loss account.

Executive Relocation Corporation

In November 2004, we sold our US employee relocation management and consulting firm, Executive Relocation Corporation, to SIRVA Inc. of the United States for USD 100 million.

US defined contribution pensions administration business

On 31 December 2004, Business Unit Asset Management sold its US defined contribution pensions (401(k)) administration business to Principal Financial Group of the United States.

3 Net interest income

	2006	2005	2004
<b>Interest income from:</b>			
Cash and balances at central banks	459	348	218
Financial assets held for trading	2,101	1,559	1,389
Financial investments	5,433	5,191	4,186
Loans and receivables - banks	4,001	2,660	2,078
Loans and receivables - customers	25,704	19,887	16,657
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>37,698</b>	<b>29,645</b>	<b>24,528</b>
<b>Interest expense from:</b>			

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Financial liabilities held for trading	1,289	1,054	976
Due to banks	5,449	5,037	3,941
Due to customers	12,208	9,616	7,254
Issued debt securities	7,140	4,160	2,744
Subordinated liabilities	1,037	993	1,088
Subtotal	27,123	20,860	16,003
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,575</b>	<b>8,785</b>	<b>8,525</b>

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## 4 Net fee and commission income

	2006	2005	2004
<b>Fee and commission income</b>			
Securities brokerage fees	1,785	1,560	1,548
Payment and transaction services fees	2,123	1,530	1,401
Asset management and trust fees	1,562	1,153	1,041
Fees generated on financing arrangements	248	180	158
Advisory fees	500	336	311
Insurance related commissions	168	168	130
Guarantee fees	223	218	160
Other fees and commissions	518	427	436
Subtotal	7,127	5,572	5,185
<b>Fee and commission expense</b>			
Securities brokerage expense	330	321	281
Payment and transaction services expense	287	165	125
Asset management and trust expense	151	127	126
Other fee and commission expense	297	268	168
Subtotal	1,065	881	700
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,062</b>	<b>4,691</b>	<b>4,485</b>

## 5 Net trading income

	2006	2005	2004
Securities	61	978	179
Foreign exchange transactions	789	662	687
Derivatives	2,199	933	380
Other	(70)	48	63
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,979</b>	<b>2,621</b>	<b>1,309</b>

Interest income and expense on trading positions are included in interest income and expense.

## 6 Results from financial transactions

	2006	2005	2004
Net gain from the disposal of available-for-sale debt securities	634	431	179
Net gain from the sale of available-for-sale equity investments	158	55	154
Dividend on available-for-sale equity investments	71	54	48
Net gain on other equity investments	491	514	694
Hedging ineffectiveness	58	39	(112)
Fair value change of credit default swaps	(280)	(51)	(12)
Other	(45)	239	(46)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>1,281</b>	<b>905</b>

The net gain on other equity investments includes gains and losses arising on investments held at fair value and the result on the sale of consolidated holdings of a private equity nature.

The Group enters into credit default swaps for managing portfolio credit risk. However, these are generally not included in hedge accounting relationships due to difficulties in demonstrating that the relationship will be highly effective. Accordingly any fair value changes are recorded

directly in income, while the gains and losses on the credit positions hedged are accrued in interest income and expense and as impairment and other credit related provisions if any.

## 7 Other operating income

	2006	2005	2004
Insurance activities	103	150	177
Leasing activities	61	60	63
Disposal of operating activities and equity accounted investments	553	347	187
Other	665	499	318
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,382</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>745</b>

Income from insurance activities can be analysed as follows:

	2006	2005	2004
Premium income	1,273	1,182	1,243
Investment income	308	406	300
Provision for insured risk	(1,478)	(1,438)	(1,366)
<b>Total</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>177</b>

The 2006 result on disposal of operating activities (not qualifying as discontinued operations) and equity accounted investments includes the profit recognised on the following sales: Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt to KBC Bank of EUR 208 million, the Global Futures business to UBS of EUR 229 million, Asset Management Taiwan to ING Group of EUR 38 million and Asset Management Mutual Funds USA to Highbury Financial Inc. of EUR 17 million.

In 2006 an amount of EUR 110 million has been recognised in relation to the settlement of a claim regarding a former subsidiary of our US operations in the line Other.

## 8 Personnel expenses

	2006	2005	2004
Salaries (including bonuses and allowances)	6,469	5,686	5,413
Social security expenses	873	710	592
Pension and post-retirement healthcare costs	404	11	373
Share-based payment expenses	78	61	4
Temporary staff costs	309	228	196
Termination payments	144	174	191
Restructuring related costs <sup>11</sup>	153	42	502
Other employee costs	211	313	279
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,641</b>	<b>7,225</b>	<b>7,550</b>

**Average number of employees (fte):**

Banking activities Netherlands	26,260	26,960	27,819
Banking activities foreign countries	79,173	66,054	65,957
Consolidated private equity holdings <sup>40</sup>	29,945	22,201	17,938
<b>Total</b>	<b>135,378</b>	<b>115,215</b>	<b>111,714</b>

The 2006 increase in Salaries is mainly due to the consolidation of Antonveneta and increased bonus expenses in relation to our BU Global Markets activities.



## 9 General and administrative expenses

	2006	2005	2004
Professional fees	1,376	1,055	763
Information technology expenses	1,311	909	800
Property costs	918	751	725
Staff related expenses (including training)	204	179	149
Travel and transport	350	296	258
Stationary and printing expense	112	114	111
Communication and information	603	461	455
Commercial expenses	656	547	410
Expenses of consolidated private equity holdings	466	352	284
Restructuring related costs <sup>11</sup>	(27)	(9)	179
Sundry expenses	1,088	898	613
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,057</b>	<b>5,553</b>	<b>4,747</b>

## 10 Depreciation and amortisation

	2006	2005	2004
Property depreciation	207	145	153
Equipment depreciation	551	538	512
Software amortisation	385	272	274
Amortisation of other intangible assets	170	16	2
Impairment losses on goodwill of private equity investments	1	19	124
Impairment losses on property and equipment	1	9	38
Impairment of property and equipment from restructuring <sup>11</sup>	16	4	109
Impairment of software	-	1	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,331</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>1,218</b>

This item includes EUR 212 million (2005: EUR 133 million and 2004: EUR 151 million) of depreciation, amortisation and impairments charged by consolidated private equity holdings (see note 41). Amortisation of other intangible assets in 2006 mainly relate to Antonveneta (see note 22).

## 11 Restructuring costs

The following table summarises the Group's restructuring costs as included in the relevant cost categories.

	2006	2005	2004
Personnel related costs	153	42	502
Other administrative expenses	(27)	(9)	179
Impairment of property and equipment	16	4	109
<b>Total</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>790</b>

## Restructuring charges and releases in income statements

Restructuring charges of EUR 137 million have been accounted for in relation to the services and IT alignment initiatives. Also restructuring costs of EUR 123 million have been recognised in respect of the efficiency improvement initiatives in Group Functions, North America and Global Markets activities, as included in our regional BUs:

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The Group has identified opportunities to improve productivity and efficiency whilst maintaining an effective control framework at all times. This affects mainly the head office and predominantly Group Risk Management and corporate IT projects through acceleration of the implementation of the IT operating model for Group Functions. The restructuring provision accounted for in relation to this amounts to EUR 47 million.

In order to bring the efficiency ratio in line with peers a process of continuous efficiency improvement has started in BU North America. The first step was the announcement at the end of 2006 to reduce BU North America's workforce. A provision expense of EUR 41 million has been recorded in respect of this.

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Global Markets, as reflected in the regions, announced further initiatives to improve the efficiency ratio. A provision of EUR 85 million, including EUR 25 million in the Services initiative and EUR 25 million in the Europe IT provision, has been recorded to support the initiative.

The Services Operations organisation is responsible for the Group's internal services such as transaction processing, clearing and settlement. The Services Operations initiative brings together a portfolio of projects, covering the whole scope of the global banking operations and improving the efficiency of the internal processes. The initiative is being implemented over a three-year timeframe (2006-2008). The initiative will mainly impact operations in the Netherlands, United States, Brazil and United Kingdom. The total amount provided is EUR 108 million, of which EUR 25 million relating to Global Markets, as reflected in the regions.

ABN AMRO will further align all IT areas within the bank to the global Services IT model previously established. All sourcing is brought under a single governance structure, supported by a multi-vendor operating model. In Europe, the IT alignment primarily has consequences for the IT-related activities in the UK. This happens through consolidation of infrastructure estate and further off shoring of application development. It will also lead to a significant reduction in contractors and consultants. Total amount provided is EUR 29 million, of which EUR 25 million to Global Markets, as reflected in the regions.

A review performed on various restructuring provisions established in prior years has led to a release of EUR 118 million. This review assessed the status of existing restructuring initiatives, contemplated the impact of new plans and identified releases including those arising from higher levels of voluntary leavers due to stronger than expected employment markets.

## 12 Income tax expense

### Recognised in the income statement

	2006	2005	2004
<b>Current tax expense</b>			
Current year	944	1,106	1,186
Under/(over) provided in prior years	(96)	(87)	(30)
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>848</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>1,156</b>
<b>Deferred tax expense</b>			
Origination and reversal of timing differences	322	257	(373)
Reduction in tax rate	(141)	(35)	(13)
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>(386)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>770</b>
<b>Continuing operations</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>715</b>
Discontinued operations	138	99	55
Taxation on disposal	(11)	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>770</b>

The Group made net cash income tax payments of EUR 1.2 billion in 2006 (2005: EUR 1.1 billion).

Reconciliation of the total tax charge

The effective tax rate on the Group's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the basic tax rate of the Netherlands. The difference can be explained as follows:

	2006	2005	2004
	(in percentages points)		
Dutch tax rate	29.6	31.5	34.5
Effect of tax rate in foreign countries	(2.1)	(5.0)	(4.2)
Effect of previously unrecognised tax losses utilised	-	(0.8)	-
Effect of tax-exempt income in the Netherlands	(7.2)	(1.2)	(3.7)
Other	(2.6)	(2.7)	(3.0)
<b>Effective tax rate on operating profit</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>23.6</b>

	2006	2005	2004
	(benefits)/charges		
Relating to currency translation	114	(198)	51
Relating to cash flow hedges	(223)	(235)	(54)
Relating to available-for-sale assets	190	169	118
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>(264)</b>	<b>115</b>

### 13 Earnings per share

The calculations for basic and diluted earnings per share are presented in the following table.

	2006	2005	2004
Profit for the year attributable to shareholders of the parent company	4,715	4,382	3,865
Profit from continuing operations attributable to shareholders of the parent company	4,106	4,195	2,214
Profit from discontinued operations attributable to shareholders of the parent company	609	187	1,651
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding (in millions)	1,882.5	1,804.1	1,657.6
Dilutive effect of staff options (in millions)	7.5	4.3	3.1
Conditional share awards (in millions)	5.5	1.3	1.0
Diluted number of ordinary shares (in millions)	1,895.5	1,809.7	1,661.7
<b>Earnings per share from Continuing operations</b>			
Basic earnings per ordinary share (in euros)	2.18	2.33	1.34
Fully diluted earnings per ordinary share (in euros)	2.17	2.32	1.34



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***Earnings per share from Continuing and discontinued operations***

Basic earnings per ordinary share (in euros)	2.50	2.43	2.33
Fully diluted earnings per ordinary share (in euros)	2.49	2.42	2.33
Number of ordinary shares outstanding as at 31 December (in millions)	1,853.8	1,877.9	1,669.2
Net asset value per ordinary share (in euros)	12.73	11.83	8.88
Number of preference shares outstanding as at 31 December (in millions)	1,369.8	1,369.8	1,369.8
Return on average shareholders' equity (in %)	20.7	23.5	29.7

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## 14 Cash and balances at central banks

This item includes cash on hand and deposits with central banks in countries in which the bank has a presence.

	2006	2005
Cash on hand	1,887	1,590
Balances at central bank	10,430	15,067
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,317</b>	<b>16,657</b>

## 15 Financial assets and liabilities held for trading

	2006	2005
<b>Financial assets held for trading</b>		
Interest-earning securities:		
Dutch government	976	2,520
US treasury and US government agencies	1,115	7,843
Other OECD governments	29,529	37,855
Other interest-earning securities	28,670	13,789
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>60,290</b>	<b>62,007</b>
Equity instruments	40,112	34,676
Derivative financial instruments	105,334	105,372
<b>Total</b>	<b>205,736</b>	<b>202,055</b>
<b>Financial liabilities held for trading</b>		
Short positions in financial assets	45,861	52,060
Derivative financial instruments	99,503	96,528
<b>Total</b>	<b>145,364</b>	<b>148,588</b>

Gains and losses on derivative financial instruments and changes in fair value of other trading instruments are recognised in net trading income. Interest income and expense from debt and other fixed-income instruments that are held for trading are recognised in net interest income.

## Trading portfolio derivative financial instruments

		2006			2005		
		Notional amounts	Fair values		Notional amounts	Fair values	
			Assets	Liabilities		Assets	Liabilities
<b>Interest rate derivatives</b>							
OTC	Swaps	5,788,088	57,947	55,768	4,846,112	70,644	64,527
	Forwards	342,962	73	69	220,612	80	73
	Options (purchased)	280,482	4,679	-	243,296	6,072	-
	Options (sold)	334,774	-	4,685	266,718	-	6,321
Exchange	Futures	277,120	64	41	209,197	1	2
	Options (purchased)	19	-	-	292	3	-
	Options (sold)	-	-	-	293	-	1
	Subtotal	7,023,445	62,763	60,563	5,786,520	76,800	70,924
<b>Currency derivatives</b>							
OTC	Swaps	648,243	14,694	11,582	518,012	12,356	10,431
	Forwards	637,773	7,460	6,723	507,385	5,004	5,661
	Options (purchased)	62,697	2,183	-	63,835	1,524	-
	Options (sold)	62,168	-	2,291	66,174	-	1,313
Exchange	Futures	8,462	18	12	2,855	5	8
	Options	2,752	15	9	7,243	71	70
	Subtotal	1,422,095	24,370	20,617	1,165,504	18,960	17,483
<b>Other</b>							
OTC	Equity, commodity and other	1,540,334	11,271	10,340	511,791	4,747	4,589
	Equity options (purchased )	29,467	4,579	-	24,116	3,507	-
	Equity options (sold)	27,630	-	5,495	26,987	-	2,472
Exchange	Equity, commodity and other	12,439	338	27	12,389	288	23
	Equity options (purchased)	20,571	2,013	-	14,848	1,070	-
	Equity options (sold)	22,916	-	2,461	15,794	-	1,037
	Subtotal	1,653,357	18,201	18,323	605,925	9,612	8,121
<b>Total</b>		10,098,897	105,334	99,503	7,557,949	105,372	96,528

For an analysis of the market and liquidity risks involved, please refer to note 39.



## 16 Financial investments

	2006	2005
<b>Interest-earning securities - available-for-sale</b>		
Dutch government	2,537	2,781
US treasury and US government	4,800	6,618
Other OECD governments	38,437	51,760
Mortgage-backed securities	14,655	12,100
Other interest-earning securities	57,129	39,918
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>117,558</b>	<b>113,177</b>
<b>Interest-earning securities - held-to-maturity</b>		
Dutch government	1,285	2,136
US treasury and US government	14	22
Other OECD governments	2,001	3,660
Mortgage-backed securities	26	36
Other interest-earning securities	403	718
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>3,729</b>	<b>6,572</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>121,287</b>	<b>119,749</b>
<b>Equity investments</b>		
Available-for-sale	1,866	2,337
Designated at fair value through income	2,228	1,688
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>4,094</b>	<b>4,025</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>125,381</b>	<b>123,774</b>

Other interest-earning securities include investments in covered bonds. Income from debt and other fixed-income instruments is recognised using the effective interest method in interest income. Dividend income from other equity instruments is recognised in results from financial transactions.

## 17 Loans and receivables - banks

This item is comprised of amounts due from or deposited with banking institutions.

	2006	2005
Current accounts	9,473	5,479
Time deposits placed	15,396	11,613
Professional securities transactions <sup>33</sup>	105,969	87,281
Loans to banks	3,986	4,279

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Subtotal	134,824	108,652
Allowances for impairment <sup>19</sup>	(5)	(17)
<b>Total</b>	<b>134,819</b>	<b>108,635</b>

The movements during the year are mainly due to an increase in professional securities transactions in the UK.

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## 18 Loans and receivables - customers

This item is comprised of amounts receivable, mainly regarding loans and mortgages balances with non-bank customers.

	2006	2005
Public sector	11,567	7,461
Commercial	180,262	152,411
Consumer	135,484	122,708
Professional securities transactions <sup>33</sup>	93,716	74,724
Multi-seller conduits	25,872	25,931
Subtotal	446,901	383,235
Allowances for impairment <sup>19</sup>	(3,646)	(2,987)
<b>Total</b>	<b>443,255</b>	<b>380,248</b>

The increase year-on-year reflects the consolidation of Antonveneta, impact EUR 38 billion, and growth in the loan portfolio of BU Asia and BU Latin America.

The amount advanced held by multi-seller conduits is typically collateralised by a pool of customer receivables in excess of the amount advanced, such that credit risk is very low (see note 39). These conduits issue commercial paper as specified in note 26.

The risk management disclosures section on credit risk (see note 39) contains information about the concentration of credit risk by business sector and geographical location, as well as a breakdown of the amounts by type of collateral.

## 19 Loan impairment charges and allowances

	2006	2005
Balance at 1 January	3,004	3,177
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions:		
New impairment allowances	2,563	1,409
Reversal of impairment allowances no longer required	(455)	(544)
Recoveries of amounts previously written off	(253)	(236)
Other credit related charges	-	6
Total loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	1,855	635
Amount recorded in interest income from unwinding of discounting	(62)	(32)
Currency translation differences	(56)	208
Amounts written off (net)	(1,136)	(1,070)
Disposals of businesses and discontinued operations	(70)	13
Reserve for unearned interest accrued on impaired loans	116	73
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>3,651</b>	<b>3,004</b>

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All loans are assessed for potential impairment either individually and/or on a portfolio basis. The allowance for impairment is apportioned as follows:

	2006	2005
Commercial loans	2,344	2,146
Consumer loans	1,302	841
Loans to banks	5	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,651</b>	<b>3,004</b>

Loan provisioning-commercial loans

The Group reviews the status of credit facilities issued to commercial clients at least every 6 or 12 months. Additionally, credit



officers continually monitor the quality of the credit, the client and the adherence to contractual conditions. Should the quality of a loan or the borrower's financial position deteriorate to the extent that doubts arise over the borrower's ability to meet their contractual obligations, management of the relationship is transferred to the Financial Restructuring and Recovery function.

After making an assessment, Financial Restructuring and Recovery determines the amount, if any, of the specific allowances that should be made, after taking into account the value of collateral. We partly or fully release specific allowances when the debt is repaid or expected future cash flows improve due to positive changes in economic or financial circumstances.

#### Loan provisioning-consumer loan products

The bank offers a wide range of consumer loan products and programmes such as personal loans, home mortgages, credit cards and home improvement loans. Provisioning for these products is carried out on a portfolio basis, with a specific provision for each product being determined by the portfolio's size and loss experience.

Our consumer loan portfolio policy states that, in general, when interest or principal on a consumer loan is 90 days or more past due, such loans are classified as non-performing and as a result the loans are considered impaired.

Provisions for a given portfolio may be released where there is improvement in the quality of the portfolio. For consumer loans, our write-off rules are time-based and vary by type of product. For example, unsecured facilities, such as credit cards and personal loans, are generally written off at 180 days past due and cash-backed and debt and/or equity-backed facilities are generally written off at 90 days past due.

#### Allowance for incurred but not identified losses

In addition to impairment allowances calculated on a specific or portfolio basis, the Group also maintains an allowance to cover undetected impairments existing within loans due to delays in obtaining information that would indicate that losses exist at the balance sheet date.

## 20 Equity accounted investments

	2006	2005
Banking institutions	1,436	2,885
Other investments	91	108
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>2,993</b>
Balance at 1 January	2,993	1,428
Movements:		
Purchases	194	1,554
Sales/reclassifications	(1,833)	(265)
Share in results of equity accounted investments	243	263
Dividends received from equity accounted investments	(72)	(63)
Currency translation differences	(43)	31
Other	45	45
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>2,993</b>

In this balance an 8.6% interest in Capitalia is included. ABN AMRO equity accounts for this interest because ABN AMRO is the largest party of a shareholder pact and has representation in the Supervisory Board.

Reclassifications mainly relate to Antonveneta, which became a consolidated operating entity as of 2 January 2006.

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Purchases in 2005 include our increased stake in Antonveneta. During 2005 our investment in Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt. was reclassified to available-for-sale assets upon the loss of significant influence, prior to being sold in 2006.

Included in the Group's cash flow hedging and available-for-sale reserve is EUR 53 million (2005: EUR 95 million) of unrealised gains relating to equity accounted investments.

Investments with a book value of EUR 875 million (2005: EUR 2,345 million) that are traded on a recognised stock exchange had a combined market value of EUR 1,601 million (2005: EUR 3,399 million).

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Amounts receivable from and payable to equity accounted investments included in the various balance sheet items totalled:

	2006	2005
Loans and receivables - banks	11	1,151
Loans and receivables - customers	212	495
Due to banks	61	138
Due to customers	258	246

The principal equity accounted investments of the Group on an aggregated basis (not adjusted for the Group's proportionate interest) have the following balance sheet and income statement totals:

	2006	2005
Total assets	155,000	192,927
Total liabilities	134,741	180,577
Total operating income	7,432	8,887
Profit before tax	2,355	1,524

## 21 Property and equipment

The book value of property and equipment in 2006 and 2005 changed as follows:

	Property Used in operations	Other	Equipment	Total
Balance at 1 January 2006	3,340	2,979	1,791	8,110
Movements:				
Business combinations	1,010	98	215	1,323
Divestment of businesses	(269)	(2,846)	(171)	(3,286)
Additions	450	783	688	1,921
Disposals	(108)	(767)	(148)	(1,023)
Impairment losses	(17)	-	-	(17)
Depreciation	(203)	(4)	(551)	(758)
Currency translation differences	(93)	(7)	(43)	(143)
Other	153	11	(21)	143
<b>Balance at 31 December 2006</b>	<b>4,263</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>6,270</b>
Representing:				
Cost	5,881	276	4,448	10,605
Cumulative impairment	(44)	(17)	(4)	(65)
Cumulative depreciation	(1,574)	(12)	(2,684)	(4,270)

	Property			Total
	Used in operations	Other	Equipment	
Balance at 1 January 2005	2,994	2,677	1,502	7,173
Movements:				
Business combinations	308	24	508	840
Divestment of businesses	(36)	(182)	(186)	(404)
Additions	379	763	453	1,595
Disposals	(294)	(722)	(45)	(1,061)
Impairment losses	(13)	(11)	(1)	(25)
Depreciation	(145)		(538)	(683)
Discontinued operations	(2)	391	2	391
Currency translation differences	149	39	96	284
<b>Balance at 31 December 2005</b>	<b>3,340</b>	<b>2,979</b>	<b>1,791</b>	<b>8,110</b>

## Representing:

Cost	4,802	3,091	3,801	11,694
Cumulative impairment	(48)	(103)	(2)	(153)
Cumulative depreciation	(1,414)	(9)	(2,008)	(3,431)

Divestment of businesses in 2006 mainly relates to development property of Bouwfonds.

## As lessee

The Group leases equipment under a number of finance lease agreements. At 31 December 2006 the net carrying amount of leased equipment included in property and equipment was EUR 8 million (2005: EUR 23 million).

## As lessor

The Group also leases out various assets, included in Other, under operating leases. Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are as follows:

	2006	2005
Less than one year	56	27
Between one and five years	140	100
More than five years	49	30
	245	157

During the year ended 31 December 2006, EUR 59 million (2005: EUR 60 million) was recognised as rental income in the income statement and EUR 48 million (2005: EUR 51 million) in respect of directly related expenses.

## 22 Goodwill and other intangible assets

	2006	2005
Goodwill	4,714	198
Private equity goodwill	2,436	2,128
Software	959	758
Other intangibles	1,298	99
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>9,407</b>	<b>3,183</b>
Mortgage servicing rights	-	1,985
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,407</b>	<b>5,168</b>

The book value of goodwill and other intangibles, excluding mortgage servicing rights, changed as follows:

	Private equity		Other		Total
	Goodwill	goodwill	Software	intangibles	
Balance at 1 January 2006	198	2,128	758	99	3,183
Movements:					
Business combinations	4,399	270	133	1,095	5,897
Divestments of businesses		(171)	(1)	(35)	(207)
Other additions	115	297	485	315	1,212
Disposals		(87)	(6)	(6)	(99)
Impairment losses		(1)			(1)
Amortisation			(385)	(170)	(555)
Currency translation differences	2		(36)	(1)	(35)
Other			11	1	12
<b>Balance at 31 December 2006</b>	<b>4,714</b>	<b>2,436</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>1,298</b>	<b>9,407</b>

Representing:

Cost	4,716	2,580	2,133	1,486	10,915
Cumulative impairment	(2)	(144)	(3)		(149)
Cumulative amortisation			(1,171)	(188)	(1,359)

	Private equity		Other		Total
	Goodwill	goodwill	Software	Intangibles	
Balance at 1 January 2005	67	877	602	93	1,639
Movements:					
Business combinations	35	1,281	5	51	1,372
Divestments of businesses	(2)	(91)	(14)	(70)	(177)
Other additions	97	80	425	42	644
Disposals			(9)		(9)
Impairments		(19)	(1)		(20)
Amortisation			(272)	(16)	(288)
Discontinued operations			(7)	(2)	(9)
Currency translation differences	1		29	1	31
<b>Balance at 31 December 2005</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>2,128</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>3,183</b>

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Representing:

Cost	200	2,271	1,572	120	4,163
Cumulative impairment	(2)	(143)	(15)		(160)
Cumulative amortisation			(799)	(21)	(820)

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Business combinations

On 2 January 2006 the Group acquired Antonveneta, refer to note 2 for further details. The fair values of the identifiable assets and liabilities of Antonveneta as at 2 January 2006, and the goodwill arising on acquisition are as follows:

	<b>Recognised on acquisition by the group</b>	<b>Carrying value Antonveneta</b>
Intangible assets	1,233	848
Property and equipment	752	751
Financial assets	43,058	41,936
Deferred tax assets	958	736
All other assets	3,366	3,461
<b>Total identifiable assets</b>	<b>49,367</b>	<b>47,732</b>
Deferred tax liabilities	654	147
All other liabilities	45,463	44,487
<b>Total identifiable liabilities</b>	<b>46,117</b>	<b>44,634</b>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>3,250</b>	<b>3,098</b>
Purchase price (100%)	7,499	
Net assets	(3,250)	
Fair value adjustment of pre-existing 12.7% investment included in shareholders' equity	150	
<b>Goodwill arising on acquisition of 100% outstanding shares</b>	<b>4,399</b>	

Impairment testing of goodwill

Goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to individual cash-generating units within the business. The EUR 4,399 million of goodwill allocated to the Antonveneta cash-generating unit is the only significant individual carrying amount. The remaining goodwill is allocated across multiple cash-generating units whose recoverable amounts are assessed independently of one another.

The recoverable amount of Antonveneta has been determined based on a value in use basis, calculated using a discounted dividend model, which applies a dividend payout ratio to the cash flow of the business. Cash flows for an initial five-year period are based on financial forecasts used in target setting by management, in this case a two-year detailed forecast with subsequent three-year extrapolation. Beyond the initial five-year period a maximum dividend payout ratio, subject to the special features of the banking business and its regulatory environment has been applied to cash flows estimated with reference to the following key assumptions:

Expected long term return on equity 18.0%

Expected growth rate 1.5%

Management has benchmarked these key assumptions against market forecasts and expectations. The dividend model is based on post-tax cash flows. Therefore these cash flows have been discounted using a post-tax discount rate of 8.5%, reflecting the risk-free interest rate with an appropriate market risk premium for the business.

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Management believes that it may be reasonably possible that changes in the key assumptions would cause the carrying amount of the Antonveneta cash-generating unit to exceed its recoverable amount. The calculated recoverable amount of Antonveneta currently exceeds its carrying amount by EUR 126 million. The recoverable amount of Antonveneta would be equal to its carrying amount if the actual value of each key assumption, assuming the other assumptions were constant, was as follows:

Actual growth rate	fell to	1.3%
Actual return on equity	fell to	17.7%, or
Discount rate	increased to	8.6%.

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Other Intangibles

As a result of the acquisition of Antonveneta, the Group has recognised newly identifiable intangible assets as follows:

Core deposit intangible assets	400
Core overdraft intangible assets	224
Other customer relationship intangible assets	325
Other intangible assets	245
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,194</b>

The amortisation period for all newly identifiable intangible assets is on average approximately 8 years. The Group estimates that the total amortisation expense (pre-tax) related to the newly identifiable intangible assets amounts to EUR 174 million in each of the next two years up to and including 2008, and to EUR 142 million for 2009 and to EUR 135 million for each of the three years thereafter up to and including 2012.

23 Other assets

	2006	2005
Deferred tax assets <sup>30</sup>	3,479	2,682
Current tax assets	1,189	337
Derivatives assets used for hedging <sup>37</sup>	3,214	3,213
Mortgages originated for-sale	331	4,311
Unit-linked investments held for policyholder accounts	5,462	3,624
Pension assets <sup>28</sup>	145	119
Other assets of consolidated private equity holdings, including inventories	1,733	1,531
Sundry assets and other receivables	11,659	9,733
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,212</b>	<b>25,550</b>

Mortgages originated-for-sale and unit-linked investments held for policyholders are designated at fair value with changes through income. Mortgages originated-for-sale are originated by our mortgage banking business in North America. In the prior year, the volume of originated-for-sale loans was significantly higher due to the inclusion of those loans originated by ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., which is now classified as held for sale.

Sundry assets include insurance related deposits and other short-term receivables.

24 Due to banks

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This item is comprised of amounts due to banking institutions, including central banks and multilateral development banks.

	2006	2005
Professional securities transactions <sup>33</sup>	87,762	71,231
Current accounts	20,273	23,573
Time deposits	70,127	63,836
Advances from Federal Home Loan banks	7,293	7,239
Other	2,534	1,942
<b>Total</b>	<b>187,989</b>	<b>167,821</b>

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## 25 Due to customers

This item comprises amounts due to non-banking customers.

	2006	2005
Consumer current accounts	35,358	21,502
Commercial current accounts	75,689	67,133
Consumer savings accounts	89,893	84,166
Commercial deposit accounts	96,577	87,099
Professional securities transactions <sup>33</sup>	57,828	48,982
Other	7,038	8,201
<b>Total</b>	<b>362,383</b>	<b>317,083</b>

## 26 Issued debt securities

	2006		2005	
	Effective rate %		Effective rate %	
Bonds and notes issued	4.1	117,122	3.2	90,050
Certificates of deposit and commercial paper	4.8	56,375	2.9	51,873
Cash notes, savings certificates and bank certificates	5.6	2,269	4.2	2,657
Subtotal		175,766		144,580
Commercial paper issued by multi-seller conduits	5.0	26,280	3.4	26,039
<b>Total</b>		<b>202,046</b>		<b>170,619</b>

Bonds are issued in the capital markets with a focus on the euro market and are denominated mostly in euro and US dollars. The commercial paper programmes are issued globally with the majority issued in the United States and Europe. The other debt securities are instruments used in markets in which ABN AMRO is active and are usually denominated in local currencies. Of the total amount, EUR 75.3 billion (2005: EUR 60.6 billion) are variable interest bearing securities. EUR 20.1 billion (2005: EUR 16.5 billion) of issued debt of a fixed rate nature has been designated in fair value hedge relationships.

Issued debt securities in (currency):

	2006	2005
EUR	95,452	77,660
USD	84,308	75,243
Other	22,286	17,716
<b>Total</b>	<b>202,046</b>	<b>170,619</b>

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Included in the balance above are various structured liabilities that have been designated at fair value through income due to the inclusion of embedded derivative features. These liabilities had a fair value at 31 December 2006 of EUR 2,540 million (2005: EUR 2,815 million) and an amortised cost value of EUR 2,661 million (2005: EUR 2,882 million).

### Maturity Analysis

	2006	2005
Within one year	103,531	102,368
After one and within two years	18,231	11,770
After two and within three years	19,380	7,175
After three and within four years	13,402	7,521
After four and within five years	7,903	8,082
After five years	39,599	33,703
<b>Total</b>	<b>202,046</b>	<b>170,619</b>

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## 27 Provisions

	2006	2005
Provision for pension commitments <sup>28</sup>	649	942
Provision for contributions to post-retirement healthcare <sup>28</sup>	111	101
Other staff provision	672	459
Insurance fund liabilities	4,080	3,169
Restructuring provision	415	501
Other provisions	1,923	1,239
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,850</b>	<b>6,411</b>

The other staff provisions relate in particular to occupational disability and other benefits, except early retirement benefits, payable to non-active employees. Provisions created for staff benefit schemes due to restructuring are accounted for as restructuring provision. Insurance fund liabilities include the actuarial reserves and the premium and claims reserves of the Group's insurance companies.

	Other staff		
	provisions	Restructuring	Other provisions
Balance at 1 January 2006	459	501	1,239
Movements:			
Additions from income statement	74	126	430
Expenses charged to provisions	(203)	(178)	(512)
Acquisitions/disposals	89	(40)	416
Currency translation differences	(15)	(8)	(26)
Other	268	14	376
<b>Balance at 31 December 2006</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>1,923</b>

	Other staff		
	provisions	Restructuring	Other provisions
Balance at 1 January 2005	448	752	880
Movements:			
Additions from income statement	316	33	513
Expenses charged to provisions	(320)	(298)	(289)
Acquisitions/disposals			28
Currency translation differences	15	14	107
<b>Balance at 31 December 2005</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>1,239</b>

Insurance fund liabilities movements are as follows:

	2006	2005
Balance at 1 January	3,169	3,111
Premium carried from income statement	370	294
Claims paid	(210)	(14)

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Interest	21	34
Acquisitions/disposals	825	(637)
Changes in estimates and other movements	(78)	97
Currency translation differences	(17)	284
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>4,080</b>	<b>3,169</b>

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## 28 Pension and other post-retirement employee benefits

Pension costs and contributions for post-retirement healthcare borne by the Group are included in personnel expenses and are shown in the following table:

	Pension		Healthcare	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Service cost	374	320	5	24
Interest cost	529	510	10	39
Expected return on plan assets	(632)	(585)	(5)	(5)
Net amortisation of net actuarial (gain)/loss	27	1	(1)	9
Net amortisation of prior-service cost	(72)	1		
(Gain)/loss on curtailment or settlements	1	(11)		(453)
<b>Defined benefit plans</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>(386)</b>
Defined contribution plans	168	161		
<b>Total costs</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>(386)</b>

## Liability for defined benefit obligations

The Group makes contributions to 44 (2005: 58) defined benefit plans that provide pension benefits for employees upon retirement. The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

	Pension		Healthcare	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Present value of funded obligations	12,167	12,316	81	88
Present value of unfunded obligations	134	87	58	51
Less: Fair value of plan assets	11,149	10,212	60	63
Present value of net obligations	1,152	2,191	79	76
Unrecognised prior year service cost	(7)	(10)		
Unrecognised actuarial (losses)/gains	(683)	(1,400)	32	25
Unrecognised assets	42	42		
<b>Net recognised liability for defined benefit obligations</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>101</b>

Included in the net recognised liability for pension is a pension asset of EUR 145 million (2005: EUR 119 million).

Movements in the net liability / asset recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

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	Pension		Healthcare	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Net liability at 1 January	823	1,144	101	524
Acquisition/disposals	30	(1)		
Contributions paid	(582)	(572)	(6)	(56)
Expense recognised in the income statement	227	236	9	(386)
Currency translation differences	6	16	7	19
<b>Net liability at 31 December</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>101</b>

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Explanation of the assets and liabilities

The following tables summarise the changes in benefit obligations and plan assets of the main pension plans and other employee benefit plans.

Movements in projected benefit obligations:

	Pension		Healthcare	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Balance at 1 January	12,403	10,715	139	760
Service cost	374	320	5	24
Interest cost	529	510	10	39
Employee contributions/refunds	5	15		
Actuarial (gain)/loss	(518)	925	(3)	45
Benefits paid	(333)	(312)	(9)	(50)
Acquisitions/disposals	30	(1)		
Plan amendments	(87)	2		
Settlement/curtailment	(2)	(25)		(707)
Currency translation differences	(100)	212	(10)	28
Other		42	7	
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>12,301</b>	<b>12,403</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>139</b>

Movements in fair value of plan assets:

	Pension		Healthcare	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Balance at 1 January	10,212	8,754	63	46
Actual return on plan assets	782	984	7	2
Employee contributions/refunds	5	15		
Employer's contribution	571	572		9
Benefits paid	(322)	(298)	(3)	(3)
Currency translation differences	(100)	195	(7)	9
Recognised settlement/curtailment		(10)		
Other	1			
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>11,149</b>	<b>10,212</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>63</b>

The weighted averages of the main actuarial assumptions used to determine the value of the provisions for pension obligations and contributions to health insurance as at 31 December were as follows:

	2006	2005
<b>Pensions</b>		
Discount rate	4.6%	4.3%
Expected increment in salaries	2.8%	2.4%
Expected return on investments	6.0%	6.2%

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**Healthcare**

Discount rate	8.2%	7.8%
Average rise in the costs of healthcare	9.0%	9.5%

The expected return on investments regarding pension obligations is weighted on the basis of the fair value of these investments. The average rise in cost of healthcare is weighted on the basis of the healthcare cost of 2006. All other assumptions are weighted on the basis of the defined benefit plan obligations.

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For the pension plans, the target and actual allocation of the plan assets are as follows:

**Allocation of plan assets**

Plan asset category	Target allocation	Actual allocation	Actual allocation
	2006	2006	2005
Equity securities	53.2%	53.2%	52.8%
Issued debt securities	46.1%	45.6%	45.3%
Real estate	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%
Other	0.4%	1.0%	1.8%
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Plan assets for 2006 and 2005 do not include investments in ordinary shares, debt issued or property occupied by the Group.

**Forecast of pension benefits payments**

2007	338
2008	357
2009	386
2010	417
2011	447
Years after 2011	2,663

The Group's expected contribution to be paid to defined pension schemes in 2007 is EUR 407 million (2006: EUR 598 million).

A one percentage point change in the assumed rate of increase in healthcare costs would have the following effects:

	Increase	Decrease
<b>2006</b>		
Effect on the aggregate current service cost and interest cost	2	(1)
Effect on the defined benefit obligation	9	(7)
<b>2005</b>		
Effect on the aggregate current service cost and interest cost	1	(1)
Effect on the defined benefit obligation	11	(9)

Amounts for current and previous periods, under which the Group reported under IFRS, are as follows:

	2006	2005	2004
<b>Pension</b>			
Defined benefit obligation	(12,301)	(12,403)	(10,715)
Plan assets	11,149	10,212	8,754
(Deficit) / surplus	(1,152)	(2,191)	(1,961)
Experience adjustments on plan liabilities	518	(925)	(962)
Experience adjustments on plan assets	150	399	63
<b>Healthcare</b>			
Defined benefit obligation	(139)	(139)	(760)

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Plan assets	60	63	46
(Deficit) / surplus	(79)	(76)	(714)
Experience adjustments on plan liabilities	3	(45)	(192)
Experience adjustments on plan assets	2	(3)	2

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## 29 Other liabilities

	2006	2005
Deferred tax liabilities <sup>30</sup>	2,463	2,471
Current tax liabilities	2,026	1,032
Derivatives liabilities used for hedging <sup>37</sup>	3,965	4,712
Liability to unit-linked policyholders	5,462	3,624
Other liabilities of consolidated private equity holdings	1,053	768
Sundry liabilities and other payables	7,008	6,116
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,977</b>	<b>18,723</b>

## 30 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

## Recognised deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following items:

	Assets		Liabilities		Net	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
Property and equipment	9	44	160	155	(151)	(111)
Intangible assets including goodwill	613	341	457		156	341
Derivatives	68	52	128	330	(60)	(278)
Investment securities	170	127	170	146	-	(19)
Employee benefits	288	471	-	12	288	459
Servicing rights	1		521	613	(520)	(613)
Allowances for loan losses	978	650		42	978	608
Leasing			399	469	(399)	(469)
Tax credits	13	77	-		13	77
Other	389	309	61	193	328	116
Tax value of carry-forward losses recognised	950	611	567	511	383	100
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,479</b>	<b>2,682</b>	<b>2,463</b>	<b>2,471</b>	<b>1,016</b>	<b>211</b>

## Unrecognised deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets that have not been recognised in respect of carry-forward losses amount to EUR 898 million (2005: EUR 252 million). Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these items because it is not probable that future taxable profit will be available where the Group can utilise the benefits from them.

## Expiration of carry-forward losses

At 31 December 2006 carry-forward losses expire as follows:

2007	19
2008	116
2009	27
2010	50
2011	69
Years after 2011	2,455

<b>Total</b>	2,736
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Tax exposure to distributable reserves

ABN AMRO considers approximately EUR 1.4 billion (2005: EUR 2.1 billion) in distributable invested equity of foreign operations to be permanently invested. If retained earnings were to be distributed, no foreign income taxes would have to be paid. The estimated impact of foreign withholding tax is EUR 6 million (2005: EUR 9 million).

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### 31 Subordinated liabilities

Issued liabilities qualify as subordinated debt if claims by the holders are subordinated to all other current and future liabilities of, respectively, ABN AMRO Holding N.V, ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and other Group companies. These liabilities qualify as capital, taking into account remaining maturities, for the purpose of determining the consolidated capital adequacy ratio for the Dutch central bank.

The maturity profile of subordinated liabilities is as follows:

	2006	2005
Within one year	1,384	1,156
After one and within two years	726	1,452
After two and within three years	2,165	704
After three and within four years	811	1,550
After four and within five years	21	1,395
After five years	14,106	12,815
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,213</b>	<b>19,072</b>

The average interest rate on subordinated liabilities was 5.2% (2005: 5.4%). Subordinated liabilities as at 31 December 2006 denominated in euros amounted to EUR 10,259 million (2005: EUR 9,240 million) and in US dollars an amount of EUR 7,332 million (2005: EUR 9,745 million). EUR 8,522 million (2005: EUR 5,703 million) is of a variable interest rate nature.

The following table analyses the subordinated liabilities by issuer:

	2006	2005
ABN AMRO Holding N.V. preference financing shares	768	768
ABN AMRO Bank N.V.	13,101	13,051
Other Group companies	5,344	5,253
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,213</b>	<b>19,072</b>

Total subordinated liabilities include EUR 6,122 million (2005: EUR 5,261 million) which qualify as tier 1 capital for capital adequacy purposes.

#### Preference financing shares

At 31 December 2006, 2005 and 2004, there were 1,369,815,864 (EUR 767,096,884) preference financing shares convertible into ordinary shares ( preference shares ) in issue. Each share has a nominal value of EUR 0.56. The holders of these shares will receive a dividend of EUR 0.02604 per share, representing 4.65% of the face value. As of 1 January 2011, and every ten years thereafter, the dividend percentage on the preference shares will be adjusted in line with the arithmetical average of the ten-year euro-denominated interest rate swap as published by Reuters on the dividend calculation dates thereof, plus an increment to be set by the Managing Board with the approval of the Supervisory Board, of no less than 25 basis points and no more than one hundred basis points, depending on the market situation at that time.

#### (Formerly convertible) preference shares

Only 44,988 (EUR 100.8 million par value) preference shares that were formerly convertible into ordinary shares ( convertible shares ) remain outstanding. The holders of these shares will receive a dividend of EUR 0.95 per share, representing 3.32% of the amount paid on each share as of 1 January 2004. As of 1 January 2014, and every ten years thereafter, the dividend on the convertible preference shares will be adjusted in the manner described in the Articles of Association.





## 32 Share capital

The table below provides a breakdown of our issued share capital, issued and fully paid ordinary shares, treasury shares, preference financing shares and (formerly convertible) preference shares.

	Nominal value	Millions of Euro
<b>Issued share capital</b>		
<i>Authorised</i>		
4,000,000,400 ordinary shares	of EUR 0.56	2,240
4,000,000,000 convertible financing preference shares	of EUR 0.56	2,240
100,000,000 convertible preference shares	of EUR 2.24	224

	Number	Millions of Euro
<b>Ordinary shares</b>		
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2006	1,909,738,427	1,069
Exercised options and warrants	27,109,089	16
<b>Balance at 31 December 2006</b>	<b>1,936,847,516</b>	<b>1,085</b>
At 1 January 2005	1,702,888,861	954
New issue	145,278,482	82
Dividends paid in shares	61,571,084	33
<b>Balance at 31 December 2005</b>	<b>1,909,738,427</b>	<b>1,069</b>
At 1 January 2004	1,643,220,517	919
Exercised options and warrants	3,159,695	2
Dividends paid in shares	56,508,649	33
<b>Balance at 31 December 2004</b>	<b>1,702,888,861</b>	<b>954</b>

There are no issued ordinary shares that have not been fully paid.

	Number	Millions of Euro
<b>Treasury shares</b>		
At 1 January 2006	31,818,402	600
Used for options exercised and performance share plans	(8,454,965)	(143)
Share buy back	95,899,360	2,204
Dividends paid in shares	(36,202,072)	(832)

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<b>Balance at 31 December 2006</b>	83,060,725	1,829
At 1 January 2005	33,686,644	632
Used for options exercised	(1,868,242)	(32)
<b>Balance at 31 December 2005</b>	31,818,402	600
At 1 January 2004	5,337,689	119
Share buy back	28,348,955	513
<b>Balance at 31 December 2004</b>	33,686,644	632

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### 33 Professional securities transactions

Professional security transactions include balances relating to reverse repurchase activities, cash collateral on securities borrowed and security settlement accounts. The Group minimises credit risk associated with these activities by monitoring counterparty credit exposure and collateral values on a daily basis and requiring additional collateral to be deposited with or returned to the Group when deemed necessary.

	2006		2005	
	Banks	Customers	Banks	Customers
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash advanced under securities borrowing	1,268	47,422	662	29,811
Reverse repurchase agreements	101,593	35,365	83,260	29,548
Unsettled securities transactions	3,108	10,929	3,359	15,365
<b>Total</b>	<b>105,969</b>	<b>93,716</b>	<b>87,281</b>	<b>74,724</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Cash received under securities lending	1,289	7,203	1,715	7,616
Repurchase agreements	83,687	42,848	65,891	26,982
Unsettled securities transactions	2,786	7,777	3,625	14,384
<b>Total</b>	<b>87,762</b>	<b>57,828</b>	<b>71,231</b>	<b>48,982</b>

Under reverse repurchase, securities borrowing, and other collateralised arrangements, the Group obtains securities on terms which permit it to repledge or resell the securities to others.

	2006	2005
Securities received under reverse repurchase and/or securities borrowing arrangements which can be repledged or resold	40,149	66,676
Of the above amount, the amount that has either been repledged or otherwise transferred to others in connection with the Group's financing activities or to satisfy its commitments under short sale transactions	35,700	27,329

### 34 Securitisations and assets pledged as security

Details of the carrying amounts of assets pledged as collateral are as follows:

	2006	2005
Cash and balances at central banks	10,430	10,737
Financial investments	2,780	12,074
Loans and receivables - customers	7,302	32,656
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,512</b>	<b>55,467</b>

These assets have been pledged in respect of the following liabilities and contingent liabilities:

	2006	2005
Due to banks	9,355	17,782
Due to customers	741	4,266

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Issued debt securities	3	21,440
<b>Total</b>	10,099	43,488

The decrease in assets pledged as collateral and liabilities for which they have been pledged, is mainly the result of Bouwfonds non-mortgage business.

## Securitisation

As part of the Group's funding and credit risk mitigation activities, the cash flows of selected financial assets are transferred to third parties. Substantially all financial assets included in these transactions are mortgage or other loan portfolios. The extent of the Group's continuing involvement in these financial assets varies by transaction.

The Group participates in sales transactions where cash flows relating to various financial assets are transferred to a consolidated special purpose entity (SPE). When in these transactions neither substantially all risks and rewards nor control over the financial assets has been transferred, the entire asset continues to be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet. In the case of sales transactions involving a consolidated SPE, the retained risks and rewards are usually interest related spread and/or an exposure on first credit losses. The carrying amounts of the assets and associated liabilities approximated EUR 5,554 million, EUR 6,290 million and EUR 7,786 million at 31 December 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

## Synthetic transactions

In addition the Group has synthetic securitisations for an amount of EUR 83,588 million (2005: EUR 59,255 million). Through a synthetic securitisation the Group is able to buy protection without actual transference of any assets to an SPE. In general, the Group as the owner of the assets, buys protection to transfer the credit risk of a portfolio of assets to another entity that sells the protection. Although the credit risk of the portfolio is transferred, actual ownership of the portfolio of assets remains with the Group.

## Continuing involvement

Additionally the Group participates in various mortgage related transactions in the Netherlands that have been conducted without the involvement of an SPE. In these transactions, the derecognition criteria are not fully met and the entire asset continues to be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet. The Group also retains exposure to certain interest rate risks. The carrying amounts of these mortgage assets and associated liabilities approximate EUR 272 million, EUR 772 million and EUR 850 million at 31 December 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

The Group has not participated in any transaction where partial derecognition of specified portions of an entire financial asset have occurred.

## Credit default swaps

In addition to the transactions mentioned above, the Group also uses credit default swaps to reduce credit risk for parts of the loan portfolio by selling these risks directly to the capital markets. At 31 December 2006 the Group has bought credit protection for an amount of EUR 56,801 million (2005: EUR 30,352 million).

## Derecognition

Though the Group has sold a part of its loan portfolio in North America, it still holds legal title to some of these loans. In most cases these loans are also serviced by the Group. The Group also services loans originated by other institutions. The following table states the total outstandings at 31 December 2006.

## Transaction type

	2006	2005
Legal title to loans sold	86	136
Loans services for third parties	159,377	160,654

## 35 Commitments and contingent liabilities

### Credit facilities

At any time the Group has outstanding commitments to extend credit. These commitments take the form of approved loans, overdraft facilities and credit card limits. Outstanding loan commitments have a commitment period that does not extend beyond the normal underwriting and

settlement period of one to three months.

#### Guarantees

The Group provides financial guarantees and letters of credit to guarantee the performance of customers to third parties. These transactions have fixed limits and generally extend for a period of up to five years. Expirations are not concentrated in any particular period. The Group also provides guarantees by acting as a settlement agent in securities borrowing and lending transactions.

The contractual amounts of commitments and contingent liabilities are set out by category in the following table. The amounts stated in the table for commitments assume that amounts are fully advanced. The amounts reflected in the table for guarantees and letters of credit represent the maximum accounting loss that would be recognised at the balance sheet date if the relevant contract parties completely failed to perform as contracted.

Many of the contingent liabilities and commitments will expire without being advanced in whole or in part. This means that the amounts stated do not represent expected future cash flows. Additionally, guarantees and letters of credit are supported by varying levels of collateral.

Aside from the items stated above, non-quantified guarantees have been given for the ABN AMRO's securities custody operations, for inter-bank bodies and institutions and for participating interests. Collective guarantee schemes are applicable to Group companies in various countries. Furthermore, statements of liability have been issued for a number of Group companies.

Our commitments at 31 December are summarised below.

(in millions of EUR)	Payments Due by Period				
	Total	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 3 Years	3 - 5 Years	After 5 Years
<b>2006</b>					
Committed facilities	145,418	93,365	19,129	21,458	11,466
Commitments with respect to:					
Guarantees granted	46,026	27,506	8,432	3,448	6,640
Irrevocable letters of credit	5,241	4,823	301	78	39
Recourse risks arising from discounted bills	12	12	-	-	-
<b>2005</b>					
Committed facilities	141,010	82,165	17,801	24,269	16,775
Commitments with respect to:					
Guarantees granted	41,536	22,699	6,361	3,656	8,820
Irrevocable letters of credit	4,467	4,097	135	214	21
Recourse risks arising from discounted bills	18	18	-	-	-
Leases as lessee					

Operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

	2006	2005
Less than one year	367	255
Between one and five years	693	614
More than five years	632	912
	1,692	1,781

During 2006, EUR 403 million (2005: EUR 303 million) of operating lease expense and EUR 30 million (2005: EUR 48 million) of sub-lease income was recognised in income statement.

**Contractual and contingent obligations**

Contractual Obligations  (in millions of EUR)	Payments Due by Period				
	Total	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 3 Years	3 - 5 Years	After 5 Years
<b>2006</b>					
Issued debt securities(1)	202,046	103,531	37,611	21,305	39,599
Subordinated liabilities(1)	19,213	1,384	2,891	832	14,106
Purchase obligations	254	254	-	-	-
Other obligations	695,736	647,484	15,239	8,051	24,962
<b>2005</b>					
Issued debt securities(1)	170,619	102,368	17,300	17,248	33,703
Subordinated liabilities(1)	19,072	1,156	2,156	2,944	12,816
Purchase obligations	243	243	-	-	-
Other obligations	633,492	583,119	15,820	7,010	27,543

(1) Contractual obligations for finance lease agreements totaled EUR 5 million as of 31 December 2006 (2005: EUR 15 million), with EUR 1 million payable after one year (2005: EUR 5 million).

At 31 December 2006, other obligations consisted of deposits and other client accounts (EUR 272,490 million, 2005: EUR 232,917), banks (EUR 187,989 million, 2005: EUR 167,821 million), savings accounts (EUR 89,893 million, 2005: EUR 84,166 million) and financial liabilities held for trading (EUR 145,364 million, 2005: EUR 148,588 million). For further information see note 39 to our consolidated financial statements.

For an analysis of the maturities of our liabilities at 31 December, see note 39 (liquidity gap).

**Other contingencies**

Legal proceedings have been initiated against the Group in a number of jurisdictions, but on the basis of information currently available, and having taken legal counsel with legal advisors, the Group is of the opinion that the outcome of these proceedings net of any related insurance claims is unlikely to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position and the consolidated profit of the Group.



## 36 Cash flow statement

The following table analyses the determination of cash and cash equivalents:

	2006	2005	2004
Cash and balances at central banks	12,317	16,657	17,896
Loans and receivables - banks	9,464	5,455	3,954
Due to banks	(16,909)	(16,069)	(13,247)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>4,872</b>	<b>6,043</b>	<b>8,603</b>

The following table analyses movements resulting from acquisitions and disposals:

	2006	2005	2004
Cash and cash equivalents in acquired/disposed of subsidiaries	(6,827)	309	(157)
Net amounts paid/received in cash and cash equivalents on acquisitions/disposals of subsidiaries	(209)	57	(16)
	(7,036)	366	(173)

**Net movement in assets and liabilities:**

Financial assets held for trading	378	(131)	
Financial investments	1	(112)	
Loans and receivables - banks	491	(866)	
Loans and receivables - customers	16,672	186	(4)
Property and equipment	(2,174)	396	108
Other assets	6,523	1,109	366
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>21,981</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>470</b>

Due to banks	(6,632)	1,514	281
Due to customers	9,659	(812)	108
Issued debt securities	8,655		21
Accruals and deferred income	(621)	57	56
Subordinated liabilities	1,842	45	56
Other liabilities	9,555	(192)	(96)
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>22,458</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>426</b>

**Cash flows from operating activities include:**

Interest received	36,036	29,388	25,154
Interest paid	26,311	21,456	16,659
Dividends received	164	158	170
Income taxes paid	1,286	1,056	511

The following table analyses movements in operating assets and liabilities:

	2006	2005	2004
<b>Movement in operating assets:</b>			
Financial assets held for trading.	(2,567)	(28,235)	(47,100)
Loans and receivables	(77,182)	(60,516)	(73,145)
Net increase / (decrease) in accrued income and prepaid expenses	(2,231)	(1,586)	(121)
Net increase / (decrease) in other assets	4,588	(15,031)	1,023
<b>Total movement in operating assets</b>	<b>(77,392)</b>	<b>(105,368)</b>	<b>(119,343)</b>
<b>Movement in operating liabilities:</b>			
Financial liabilities held for trading.	(4,907)	15,001	35,465
Due to banks	19,930	21,630	38,734
Due to customers	44,365	18,056	82
Issued debt securities maturing within 1 year	13,048	20,760	21,436
Provisions	(75)	(567)	380
Net increase / (decrease) in accrued expenses and deferred income	3,129	(126)	202
Net increase / (decrease) in other liabilities	(10,509)	5,707	2,423
<b>Total movement in operating liabilities</b>	<b>64,981</b>	<b>80,461</b>	<b>98,722</b>

### 37 Hedge accounting

The Group enters into various derivative instrument transactions to hedge risks on assets, liabilities, net investments and forecasted cash flows. The accounting treatment of the hedged item and the hedging derivative is dependent on whether the hedge relationship qualifies for hedge accounting. Qualifying hedges may be designated as either fair value or cash flow hedges.

#### Hedges not qualifying for hedge accounting

The fair value changes of derivative transactions used to hedge against economic risk exposures that do not qualify for hedge accounting, or for which it is not cost beneficial to apply hedge accounting, are recognised directly through income.

#### Derivatives designated and accounted for as hedging instruments

##### Fair value hedges

The Group's fair value hedges principally consist of interest rate swaps, interest rate options and cross currency interest rate swaps that are used to protect against changes in the fair value of fixed-rate assets, notably available-for-sale securities, and liabilities due to changes in market interest rates.

For qualifying fair value hedges, all changes in the fair value of the derivative and in the fair value of the hedged item for the risk being hedged are recognised in the income statement.

##### Cash flow hedges

For qualifying cash flow hedges, the effective portion of the change in the fair value of the hedge instrument is recorded in the cash flow hedge reserve and recognised in the income when the hedged item occurs. The ineffective portions of designated cash flow hedges are recorded in income immediately. If the hedge relationship is terminated, then the change in fair value of the derivative recorded in the hedge reserve is recognised when the cash flows that were hedged occur, consistent with the original hedge strategy. Gains and losses on derivatives reclassified from the cash flow hedge reserve to income are included in net interest income. The Group's main cash flow hedge programmes are operated by Group Asset and Liability Management and BU North America.

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Cash flow hedge accounting for Group Asset and Liability Management

Cash flow hedge accounting operated by Group Asset and Liability Management relates to portfolio cash flow hedge accounting for the hedging activities of the Group's non-trading financial assets and liabilities.

The Group Asset and Liability Committee is the governing body for the risk management of the Group's banking portfolio and determines the interest rate risk level, sets risk measurement and modelling including applicable assumptions, sets limits, and is responsible for the asset and liability management policy.

ABN AMRO manages its exposure to interest rate risk per currency in the non-trading portfolios on a Group wide basis. In order to

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manage the sensitivity of the interest income per currency, the Group projects future interest income under different growth and interest rate scenarios. Systems are available to accumulate the relevant critical information throughout the Group about the existing financial assets, financial liabilities and forward commitments, including loan commitments. For the major currencies these positions are placed into a projected balance sheet available for asset liability management activities. The primary interest sensitive positions in the balance sheet stemming from the non-trading book are: loans and receivables, liabilities due to banks and customers, and issued debt securities.

The information gathered in the Group Asset and Liability Management systems relates to the contractual terms and conditions, such as nominal amounts, currency, duration, interest basis, effective interest rate and interest re-pricing date. In addition other information such as estimates of prepayments, growth rate and interest scenarios is used in the interest sensitivity models of Group Asset and Liability Management. These assumptions are determined following agreed upon principles based amongst others on statistical market and client data and an economic outlook. Projected assets and liabilities are superimposed on the run-off of the currently existing positions. This information is used to create projected balance sheets that form the basis for measuring interest rate sensitivity. The new assets and liabilities and the future re-pricing of existing assets and liabilities are mapped to specific interest rate indices at the yield curve (i.e. one month, two months, three months, six months, one year, etc). In this way a new asset or liability that is for example based on a three months rate, is mapped to a specific three month rate index. For each projected month into the future, the assets and liabilities are grouped per interest rate-index and currency. The balance sheet projection that is embedded in the Group's interest rate risk management, not only allows the Group to estimate future interest income and perform scenario analysis, but also provides the opportunity to define the projected transactions that are eligible as hedged items in a cash flow hedge. The hedged positions are the monthly asset and liability clusters per currency and per interest rate index. These clusters are homogeneous in respect of the interest rate risk that is being hedged, because they are designed to:

- (a) Share the interest rate risk exposure that is being hedged, and
- (b) Be sensitive to interest rate changes proportional to the overall sensitivity to interest rate changes in the cluster.

ABN AMRO uses derivatives, mainly interest rate swaps, to offset identified exposures to interest rate risk in the projected balance sheet. For asset liability management purposes, assets and liabilities in a similar interest rate index cluster in a particular month are first considered as a natural off-set for economic hedging. A swap transaction may be entered into to risk manage the remaining interest income sensitivity. The notional amount of a pay- or receive-floating swap is designated to hedge the re-pricing cash flow exposure of a designated portion of current and forecasted assets and current and forecasted liabilities, respectively in the clusters described above. The swap transaction is designated for hedge accounting purposes as a hedge of a gross position of being a cluster of projected assets or a cluster of projected liabilities. As a result, the swap will only hedge an identified portion of a cluster of projected assets or projected liabilities. Also the swap will only hedge the applicable floating swap rate portion of the interest re-pricing and re-investment risk of the cluster.

The longer the term of the hedge, the larger the excess of available cash flows from projected assets or liabilities in the clusters has to be, given that the cash flow projections further in the future are inherently less certain. The availability of an excess of cash flows in the clusters and the increase of excess over time is evaluated on a monthly basis.

Furthermore back testing is performed on the sensitivity model for interest risk management purposes. This back testing also supports cash flow hedge accounting. The back testing relates to the interest sensitivity models applied and the assumptions used in the information gathering process for the balance sheet projection. Historical data are used to review the assumptions applied.

#### Cash flow hedge accounting in North America

Cash flow hedge accounting is utilised in the North American operations to mitigate the variability of cash flows of certain interest-earning assets or certain interest-bearing liabilities caused by interest rate changes. Utilising interest rate swaps, the Group lengthens the duration (thus mitigating the interest rate variability) of forecasted cash flows attributable both to certain floating rate commercial loans and to the re-pricing of fixed rate, short term, wholesale liabilities. In all cases, the individual hedged forecasted cash flows are grouped with other items that share the same interest rate risk exposure, by reference to the rate index and frequency of re-pricing. In addition, the hedged forecasted cash flow may not be based on commercial loans with contractual terms that include an embedded interest rate cap or floor nor on floating rate loans considered at risk for potential default during the hedge period (typically hedging designations are reviewed and adjusted, as required, monthly) as identified by the Group's internal credit rating system.

#### Hedges of net investments in foreign operations

As explained in note 39, the Group limits its exposure to investments in foreign operations by hedging its net investment in its foreign operations with forward foreign exchange contracts in the currency of the foreign operations or a closely correlated currency to mitigate foreign exchange risk.

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For qualifying net investment hedges, changes in the fair value of the derivative are recorded in the currency translation account differences reserve within equity.

### Overview of the fair value of hedging derivatives

	2006		2005	
	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
<b>Qualifying for hedge accounting</b>				
<b>Fair value hedges</b>				
<i>Interest</i>				
Swaps	2,315	2,280	2,228	2,198
Options and futures	30	235		940
<i>Foreign currency</i>				
Swaps	339	399	464	289
Forwards	132	380	2	2
<b>Cash flow hedges</b>				
<i>Interest</i>				
Swaps	369	584	452	1,283
<i>Foreign currency</i>				
Swaps	3	7	63	
Forwards	26	80	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,214</b>	<b>3,965</b>	<b>3,213</b>	<b>4,712</b>

	2006	2005
<b>Notional amounts</b>		
Interest rate risk	234,643	224,871
Foreign currency risk	21,797	142,222

## 38 Fair value information

### Determination of fair values

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arms length transaction. Market prices or market rates are used to determine fair value where an active market exists (such as a recognised stock exchange), as it is the best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument.

Market prices are not, however, available for all financial assets and liabilities held and issued by the Group. Where no active market price or rate is available, fair values are estimated using present value or other valuation techniques using inputs based on market conditions existing at the balance sheet dates.

Valuation techniques are generally applied to OTC derivatives, unlisted trading portfolio assets and liabilities, and unlisted financial investments (including private equity investments). The most frequently applied pricing models and valuation techniques include forward pricing and swap models using present value calculations, option models such as the Black and Scholes model, and credit models such as default rate models or credit spread models.

The values derived from applying these techniques can be significantly affected by the choice of valuation model used and the underlying assumptions made concerning factors such as the amounts and timing of future cash flows, discount rates, volatility, and credit risk.

The following methods and significant assumptions have been applied in determining the fair values of financial instruments carried at fair value:

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- (i) Assets and liabilities held for trading are measured at fair value by reference to quoted market prices when available. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated on the basis of pricing models, or other recognised valuation techniques.
- (ii) Financial investments classified as available for sale (interest-earning securities and equities) are measured at fair value by

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reference to quoted market prices when available. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated on the basis of pricing models or other recognised valuation techniques.

(iii) In general private equity investments fair values cannot be obtained directly from quoted market prices, or by using valuation techniques supported by observable market prices or rates. The fair value is estimated indirectly using valuation techniques or models for which the inputs are reasonable assumptions, based on market conditions. Valuation techniques applied are in accordance with EVCA (European Private Equity and Venture Capitalist Association) guidelines.

The following table presents the valuation methods used to determine fair values of financial instruments carried at fair value:

	Quoted market price	Valuation Techniques 2006		Total
		Market observable	Non-market observable	
<b>Financial assets</b>				
Financial assets held for trading	100,032	104,233	1,471	205,736
Available-for-sale interest earning securities	100,450	7,912	9,196	117,558
Available-for-sale equities	1,313	340	213	1,866
Equities designated at fair value through income	534	951	743	2,228
Other assets - derivatives held for hedging	476	2,738	-	3,214
Other assets - unit-linked investments	5,252	210	-	5,462
Other assets - mortgages originated-for-sale	-	331	-	331
<b>Total assets at fair value</b>	<b>208,057</b>	<b>116,715</b>	<b>11,623</b>	<b>336,395</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>				
Financial liabilities held for trading	46,990	92,029	6,345	145,364
Issued debt	-	2,540	-	2,540
Other liabilities - unit-linked liability	5,252	210	-	5,462
Other liabilities - derivatives held for hedging	880	3,083	2	3,965
<b>Total liabilities at fair value</b>	<b>53,122</b>	<b>97,862</b>	<b>6,347</b>	<b>157,331</b>

	Quoted market price	Valuation Techniques 2005		Total
		Market observable	Non-market observable	
<b>Financial assets</b>				
Financial assets held for trading	97,026	103,683	1,346	202,055
Available-for-sale interest earning securities	113,177			113,177
Available-for-sale equities	1,016	391	930	2,337
Equities designated at fair value through income	445		1,243	1,688
Other assets - derivatives held for hedging		3,213		3,213
Other assets - unit-linked investments	3,624			3,624
Other assets - mortgages originated-for-sale		4,311		4,311
<b>Total assets at fair value</b>	<b>215,288</b>	<b>111,598</b>	<b>3,519</b>	<b>330,405</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>				
Financial liabilities held for trading	52,410	95,570	608	148,588



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Issued debt		2,815		2,815
Other liabilities - unit-linked liability	3,624			3,624
Other liabilities - derivatives held for hedging		4,712		4,712
<b>Total liabilities at fair value</b>	<b>56,034</b>	<b>103,097</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>159,739</b>

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Sensitivity of fair values

Included in the fair value of financial instruments carried at fair value on the balance sheet are those estimated in full or in part using valuation techniques based on assumptions that are not supported by observable market prices or rates. The models used in these situations undergo an internal validation process before they are certified for use. Any related model valuation uncertainty is quantified, and deducted from the fair values produced by the models. Management believes the resulting estimated fair values recorded in the balance sheet and the changes in fair values recorded in the income statement are reasonable, and are the most appropriate values at the balance sheet date.

The potential effect of using reasonably possible alternative assumptions as inputs to valuation models, relying on non market-observable inputs, has been estimated as a reduction of approximately EUR 157 million (2005: EUR 150 million) using less favourable assumptions, and an increase of approximately EUR 157 million (2005: EUR 175 million) using more favourable assumptions.

The total amount of the change in fair value estimated using a valuation technique that was recognised in the profit and loss account for the year 2006 amounts to EUR 1,516 million (2005: EUR 1,354 million).

Assets and liabilities elected at fair value

The Group has elected to fair value non-controlling private equity investments, mortgages originated-for-sale and certain structured notes. The changes in fair value recognised in income on these assets and liabilities was a loss of EUR 141 million (2005: gain of EUR 401 million).

Financial assets and liabilities not carried at fair value

The following methods and significant assumptions have been applied in determining the fair values of financial instruments carried at cost:

- (i) The fair value of assets maturing within 12 months is assumed to approximate their carrying amount
- (ii) The fair value of demand deposits and savings accounts (included in due to customers) with no specific maturity is assumed to be the amount payable on demand at the balance sheet date
- (iii) The fair value of variable rate financial instruments is assumed to be approximated by their carrying amounts and, in the case of loans, does not, therefore, reflect changes in their credit quality, as the impact of credit risk is recognised separately by deducting the allowances for credit losses from both carrying amounts and fair values
- (iv) The fair value of fixed-rate loans and mortgages carried at amortised cost is estimated by comparing market interest rates when the loans were granted with current market rates offered on similar loans. Changes in the credit quality of loans within the portfolio are not taken into account in determining gross fair values, as the impact of credit risk is recognised separately by deducting the amounts of the allowances for credit losses from both carrying amounts and fair values.

The following table compares the carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities measured at cost to estimated fair values:

	Carrying amount	2006			2005		
		Fair Value	Difference	Carrying amount	Fair Value	Difference	
<b>Financial assets</b>							
Interest earning securities held-to-maturity	3,729	3,763	34	6,572	6,717	145	
Loans and receivables banks	134,819	134,819	-	108,635	109,248	613	
Loans and receivables customer	443,255	446,589	3,334	380,248	383,547	3,299	
<b>Total</b>	<b>581,803</b>	<b>585,171</b>	<b>3,368</b>	<b>495,455</b>	<b>499,512</b>	<b>4,057</b>	
<b>Financial liabilities</b>							
Due to banks	187,989	187,982	(7)	167,821	168,469	(648)	
Due to customers	362,383	362,303	(80)	317,083	317,714	(631)	

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Issued debt securities	199,506	198,531	(975)	167,804	170,271	(2,467)
Subordinated liabilities	19,213	19,364	151	19,072	19,551	(479)
<b>Total</b>	<b>769,091</b>	<b>768,180</b>	<b>(911)</b>	<b>671,780</b>	<b>676,005</b>	<b>(4,225)</b>

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### 39 Financial risk management and use of derivatives

This section provides details of the Group's financial risk management objectives and policies and describes the methods used by management to control risk. In addition this note includes a discussion of the extent to which financial instruments are used, the associated risks and the business purpose served. This note should be read in conjunction with the section Risk and the Capital Framework included in Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk.

#### Financial risk management and control

##### Risks of financial instruments

The most important types of risk associated with financial instruments to which the Group is exposed are:

Credit risk and country event risk

Interest rate risk (banking book positions)

Market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk, equity price risk and commodity risk of the trading book)

Currency risk (banking book positions)

Liquidity risk.

Below is a discussion of the various risks the Group is exposed to as a result of its activities and the approach taken to manage those risks.

#### Credit risk

##### *Measurement and control*

The Group is subject to credit risk through its lending, trading, hedging and investing activities as well as in cases where it acts as an intermediary on behalf of customers or other third parties or issues guarantees.

The Group's senior management is responsible for establishing the credit policies and the mechanisms, organisation and procedures required to analyse, manage and control credit risk. In this respect, counterparty limits are set and an internal system of credit ratings is applied.

The Group's primary exposure to credit risk arises through its loans, credit facilities and guarantees issued. The Group is also exposed to credit risk on various other financial assets, including financial investments (interest earning securities), loans and receivables from banks, financial assets held for trading (interest earning securities and derivatives) and derivatives used for hedging.

The risk that counterparties might default on their obligations is monitored on an ongoing basis. For each transaction the Group evaluates whether collateral or a master netting agreement is required to mitigate the credit risk.

##### *Maximum credit exposure*

In the table below we have detailed the maximum credit exposure:

	2006	2005
Derivative assets held for trading	105,334	105,372
Financial investments - interest-earning securities	121,287	119,749
Loans and receivables - banks	28,855	21,371
Loans and receivables - customers	327,313	282,580
Professional securities transactions	199,685	162,005
Multi-seller conduits	25,872	25,931
Committed credit facilities	145,418	141,010
Credit related contingent liabilities	51,279	46,021

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<b>Total</b>	1,005,043	904,039
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The credit risk exposure on derivative assets held for trading is measured as the current positive replacement value. For interest-earning securities the amortised cost is included to reflect to credit risk exposure. The credit risk on professional security transactions is limited as a result of the nature of these transactions. The loans and receivables due from multi-seller conduits bear limited credit risk as these are fully collateralised.

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*Credit risk concentrations*

Concentrations of credit risk (whether on- or off-balance sheet) that arise from financial instruments exist for groups of counterparties when they have similar economic characteristics that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be affected in a similar way by changes in economic or other conditions. As part of managing risk concentrations, country risk in emerging markets and sector risk are managed on a portfolio basis. Refer to the following tables for details of the credit risk concentrations on the customer portfolio.

Credit risk concentrations from loans and receivables - customers:

	2006		2005	
		% (1)		% (1)
<b>Netherlands</b>				
Public sector	3,286	29	2,300	31
Commercial	55,951	31	56,182	37
Consumer	97,600	72	94,603	77
<b>Total</b>	<b>156,837</b>		<b>153,085</b>	
<b>Europe (excluding Netherlands)</b>				
Public sector	1,527	13	1,454	19
Commercial	57,425	32	30,882	20
Consumer	12,529	9	1,539	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>71,481</b>		<b>33,875</b>	
<b>North America</b>				
Public sector	677	6	735	10
Commercial	42,179	23	44,693	29
Consumer	13,017	10	15,218	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>55,873</b>		<b>60,646</b>	
<b>Latin America</b>				
Public sector	507	4	596	8
Commercial	10,095	6	8,024	5
Consumer	8,320	6	7,270	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,922</b>		<b>15,890</b>	
<b>Asia Pacific</b>				
Public sector	5,570	48	2,376	32
Commercial	14,612	8	12,630	9
Consumer	4,018	3	4,078	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,200</b>		<b>19,084</b>	

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Public sector	11,567	7,461
Commercial	180,262	152,411
Consumer	135,484	122,708
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>327,313</b>	<b>282,580</b>
Professional securities transactions	93,716	74,724
Multi-seller conduits	25,872	25,931
<b>Total loans and receivables - customers</b>	<b>446,901</b>	<b>383,235</b>

(1) Calculated as a percentage of Group totals for public, commercial and consumer sectors respectively.

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Credit risk concentrations from credit facilities and guarantees issued:

	2006	%	2005	%
		(1)		(1)
<b>Netherlands</b>				
Credit related contingent liabilities	3,445	7	4,194	9
Committed credit facilities	14,487	10	17,881	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,932</b>		<b>22,075</b>	
<b>Europe (excluding Netherlands)</b>				
Credit related contingent liabilities	24,839	48	20,222	44
Committed credit facilities	38,512	26	28,400	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>63,351</b>		<b>48,622</b>	
<b>North America</b>				
Credit related contingent liabilities	15,662	31	15,830	34
Committed credit facilities	72,580	50	78,660	55
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,242</b>		<b>94,490</b>	
<b>Latin America</b>				
Credit related contingent liabilities	1,877	4	1,364	3
Committed credit facilities	6,682	5	5,214	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,559</b>		<b>6,578</b>	
<b>Asia Pacific</b>				
Credit related contingent liabilities	5,456	10	4,411	10
Committed credit facilities	13,157	9	10,855	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,613</b>		<b>15,266</b>	
<b>Group</b>				
Credit related contingent liabilities	51,279		46,021	
Committed credit facilities	145,418		141,010	
<b>Total</b>	<b>196,697</b>		<b>187,031</b>	

(1) Calculated as a percentage of Group totals for credit related contingent liabilities and committed credit facilities respectively.

Total commercial loans and receivables by industry are presented in the table below:



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	2006		2005	
		%		%
Basic materials	15,126	8	8,263	5
Real estate	23,712	13	26,301	17
Industrials	39,666	22	22,757	15
Energy	5,424	3	7,391	5
Financial services	21,407	12	22,555	15
TMT (media and communications)	10,092	6	10,575	7
Consumer cyclical	43,775	24	36,673	24
Consumer non-cyclical	16,204	9	12,291	8
Health	4,856	3	5,605	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>180,262</b>		<b>152,411</b>	

The amounts stated in the tables represent the maximum accounting loss that would be recognised at the balance sheet date if counterparties failed completely to perform as contracted and any collateral or security proved to be of no value. So the amounts significantly exceed expected losses in the event of counterparty default.

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For a breakdown of counterparties for interest-earning securities in the available-for-sale and held-to-maturity portfolio, please refer to note 16. The Group has no significant exposure in loans and receivables customers to any individual customer or counterparty, according to the requirements of the Dutch Central Bank.

#### *Collateral*

The Group's policy is to obtain collateral if and when required prior to the disbursement of approved loans. Guarantees and letters of credit are also subject to strict credit assessments before being provided. The transactions specify monetary limits to the Group's obligations. The extent of collateral held for guarantees and letters of credit is on average 25% (2005: 20%).

The following table details loans and receivables from commercial and consumer clients by type of collateral obtained.

	2006	2005
<b>Commercial customers</b>		
Public authority guarantees	5,417	4,404
Mortgages	18,490	28,441
Securities	2,039	3,487
Bank guarantees	2,954	3,121
Other types of collateral	31,206	50,439
Unsecured	120,156	62,519
<b>Total</b>	180,262	152,411
<b>Consumer customers</b>		
Public authority guarantees	159	3
Mortgages	103,272	93,826
Securities	872	2,074
Bank guarantees	31	856
Other types of collateral	12,062	7,077
Unsecured	19,088	18,872
<b>Total</b>	135,484	122,708

Interest rate risk (banking book)

#### *Measurement and control*

Several measures are used to monitor and limit banking book interest rate risk. The methods employed include earnings simulation, duration and present value per base point limits. Limits are set on the earnings and market value sensitivity. Model-based scenario analysis is used to monitor the interest rate risk positions denominated in euros, Brazilian reals and US dollars to the extent that these positions are held in Europe, Brazil and the US, which relates to some 85% to 90% (2005: 85% to 90%) of the total exposure of the Group. Interest rate risk positions in other currencies and other countries are controlled by present value per base point limits and/or market value limits, as these positions are typically less complex.

Net interest income is the sum of interest received less interest paid on large volumes of contracts and transactions, and numerous different products. Simulation models and estimation techniques are used to forecast the net interest income and to assess its sensitivity to movements in the shape and level of the yield curve. Assumptions about client behaviour play an important role in these calculations. This is particularly relevant for loans such as mortgages where the client has the option to repay before the scheduled maturity. On the liability side, the repricing characteristics of savings and deposits are based on estimates using historical data, since the rates attached to these products are not coupled to a specified market rate or maturity date. The bank uses a statistical approach for forecasting and sensitivity analyses because it is the method best suited to these products. Details are used to carry out our hedging strategy. Please refer to note 37 for more information on hedge accounting.

#### *Interest rate sensitivity disclosure banking book positions*

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For assessing interest rate risk in the banking books, Group Asset and Liability Management provides a set of measures - the Earnings-at-Risk and Market Value Risk for the EUR, USD and BRL currencies - and reports these to the Group Asset and Liability Committee. This set covers 85% to 90% (2005: 85% to 90%) of our net interest revenue in the banking book. The interest rate sensitivity of our trading books is measured under market risk.

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The Earnings-at-Risk table shows the cumulative sensitivity of net interest income over a time horizon of 6, 12, and 24 months, and under a number of predefined scenarios. Sensitivity is defined as the percentage change in the interest income relative to a base case scenario. The base case scenario assumes continuation of the present yield curve environment. The rates rise and rates fall scenarios assume a gradual parallel shift of the yield curve during 12 months, after which the curve remains unchanged. In order to reflect the differences in yield curve across markets, the scenarios are currency-dependent.

Due to the low interest environment the EUR rates fall scenario is 150 bp (2005: 100 bp), whereas the rates rise scenario is 200 bp for both years presented. The change in scenario, we applied from the first quarter 2006, reflects the higher EUR yield curve and the subsequent increased downward potential. For USD, the scenarios reflect a gradual change of 200 bp upwards and 200 bp downwards for both years. For BRL, the rates rise scenario is 1,100 bp and the Rates Fall is 800 bp for both years presented.

In all cases, the volume scenario assumes new business volume in line with the business forecast during the first year, and a constant balance sheet thereafter.

The following table shows the cumulative % change in income over the relevant time horizon:

#### Earnings-at-Risk

	Horizon	December 2006			December 2005		
		EUR	USD	BRL	EUR	USD	BRL
Rates Rise	six months	(1.7%)	(0.2%)	(1.2%)	(2.4%)	(2.1%)	(4.2%)
	one year	(2.6%)	2.6%	(2.2%)	(2.9%)	(1.6%)	(2.8%)
	two years	(1.6%)	4.2%	1.8%	0.7%	0.3%	3.1%
Rates Fall	six months	1.2%	(6.9%)	1.3%	1.1%	(2.2%)	2.6%
	one year	1.6%	(4.5%)	2.3%	1.3%	(1.1%)	1.3%
	two years	(1.5%)	(3.7%)	(0.7%)	(1.1%)	(8.8%)	(3.1%)

The Earnings-at-Risk table below gives the 2006 cumulative change in income over the relevant time horizon as absolute numbers using exchange rates at 31 December 2006.

#### Earnings-at-Risk

	Horizon	December 2006			December 2005		
		EUR	USD (in millions of euros)	BRL	EUR	USD (in millions of euros)	BRL
Rates Rise	six months	(31)	(2)	(19)	(30)	(19)	(55)
	one year	(97)	44	(71)	(75)	(30)	(77)
	two years	(123)	150	123	35	12	179
Rates Fall	six months	23	(58)	20	15	(20)	35
	one year	59	(76)	74	33	(21)	36
	two years	(115)	(131)	(46)	(58)	(343)	(180)

The Market Value Risk table below shows the sensitivity of the market value of equity to changes in interest rates for the EUR, USD and BRL currencies. Market value of equity is defined as the calculated discounted value of assets, minus calculated discounted value of liabilities, plus market value of derivatives and other interest sensitive items in the banking book. Sensitivity is measured as the percentage value change due to an overnight shock.

In 2006 all market value shocks have been reviewed and now reflect an overnight shock. The size of the shock is based on observed changes of the curve in a month and a 99% confidence level. End of 2005 the shocks were based on yearly changes. For EUR the 2006 shock was 50 bp (2005: downward shock 100 bp, upward shock 200 bp). For USD, the 2006 shock was 50 bp (2005: 200 bp). For BRL the 2006 downward shock was 230 bp (2005: 800 bp) and the 2006 upward shock was 320 bp (2005: 1,100 bp).



**Market Value Risk (2006 scenarios)**

	December 2006		
	EUR	USD	BRL
Rates Rise	(1.8%)	(1.7%)	(4.9%)
Rates Fall	1.4%	0.3%	3.8%

**Market Value Risk (2005 scenarios)**

	December 2006			December 2005		
	EUR	USD	BRL	EUR	USD	BRL
Rates Rise	(8.3%)	(11.4%)	(15.0%)	(2.7%)	(4.1%)	(11.3%)
Rates Fall	2.6%	(9.1%)	14.8%	0.7%	(13.4%)	4.7%
Market risk						

*Exposures*

All trading portfolios are subject to market risk. Several major sources of market risk are: interest rate, foreign exchange, equity price, commodity price, credit spread, volatility risks and correlation risks. We define market risk as the risk that changes in financial market prices will decrease the value of our trading portfolios. The instruments in our trading portfolios are recognised at fair value, and all changes in market conditions directly affect net trading income.

*Measurement and control*

The Group applies a Value-at-Risk (VaR) methodology to estimate the market risk of trading portfolios and the maximum losses expected, based upon a number of assumptions for various changes in market conditions. The Group uses VaR as its primary tool for the day-to-day monitoring of market risks. Group Asset and Liability Committee sets limits on the maximum levels of the VaR on high aggregate levels. The risk committees can set VaR limits on various lower aggregate levels.

Other non-statistical control measures used in the market risk management process include historical and stress scenarios and limits on net open positions, interest rate sensitivity per basis point, spread sensitivities, option parameters, position concentrations and position ageing.

*Value-at-Risk*

VaR is a methodology for assessing market risk exposure in a single number. VaR is a statistical measure that estimates potential losses, and is defined as the predicted worst-case loss that might be caused by changes in risk factors under normal circumstances, over a specified period of time and at a specific level of statistical confidence. The Group uses a proprietary VaR model that has been approved by the Dutch Central Bank.

The VaR methodology adopted by the bank for its VaR calculation is Historical Simulation, using approximately 1.5 years of weighted historical data (using the decay method). The VaR is calculated at a 99% confidence level for a one-day holding period, using absolute changes in historical rates and prices for interest rate related, and all implied volatility risk factors and relative changes in historical rates and prices for other risk factors. The positions captured by our VaR calculations include derivative and cash positions that are reported as assets and liabilities held for trading. The VaR is reported on a daily basis per trading portfolio, per product line and for the Group as a whole. It is reported daily to the senior management of the BUs, Group Risk Management and the responsible members of the Managing Board.

From 1 January 2006 we have implemented a revised VaR methodology to measure our market risk. We made the following enhancements to our 2005 model:

For interest rate related, and all implied volatility related risk factor we moved to absolute historical changes as the model input instead of relative historical changes

Using an approximately 1.5 year historical period instead of a 4 year period

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Introduction of a weighting factor for the historical data.

Observations and back testing of our previous model (which involves determining the number of days on which the losses were bigger than the estimated VaR of those days) learned that in particular circumstances the results from our previous model were no longer reflecting the best estimate of our market risk. Adoption of a shorter historical period and the introduction of a weighting factor for the historical data resulted in recent market movements to have a greater impact on future risk estimations and so made to the model more responsive to the current market conditions. The enhancements to the model have led to improved risk estimation. As a result of the implementation of the new model in combination with benign markets over a significant period, our VaR number decreased significantly. We are of the opinion that the current model better reflects the actual market risk we are exposed to at every single point in time.

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The table below provides the 2006 VaR numbers according to our new methodology and for 2006 and 2005 also according to the old methodology.

**Value-at-Risk (VaR) per risk category (99% confidence level, one-day holding period) per our 2006 methodology**

**For the year ended 31 December 2006**

(in millions of euros)	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end
Interest rate risk	10.5	34.6	18.7	12.9
Equity price risk	11.4	35.3	23.3	15.2
Foreign exchange risk	1.8	10.8	4.7	3.2
Commodity price risk	1.6	13.6	3.4	1.7
Diversification effect	-	-	-	(13.6)
Aggregate VaR(1)	19.4	49.8	31.8	19.4

(1) The maximum (and minimum) for each category occurred on different days and therefore have no direct relation to the maximum (and minimum) of the aggregate Value-at-Risk. The aggregate Value-at-Risk includes the diversification effect of imperfect or negative correlations between certain risk types. Therefore the aggregate Value-at-Risk can be lower than the sum of the individual risk types on the same day (e.g. year-end)

**Value-at-Risk (VaR) per risk category (99% confidence level, one-day holding period) per our 2005 methodology**

**For the year ended 31 December 2006**

**For the year ended 31 December 2005**

(in millions of euros)	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end
Interest rate risk	18.4	63.7	30.4	20.8	17.7	68.3	30.4	23.3
Equity price risk	11.6	72.6	31.1	17.3	13.0	70.6	36.8	36.2
Foreign exchange risk	2.3	12.3	5.2	4.2	1.2	15.7	4.2	3.0
Commodity price risk	1.6	12.7	3.0	1.9	0.7	5.9	2.0	2.1
Diversification effect	-	-	-	(17.1)	-	-	-	(20.9)
Aggregate VaR(1)	27.1	84.1	46.8	27.1	25.3	80.2	50.0	43.7

(1) The maximum (and minimum) for each category occurred on different days and therefore have no direct relation to the maximum (and minimum) of the aggregate Value-at-Risk. The aggregate Value-at-Risk includes the diversification effect of imperfect or negative correlations between certain risk types. Therefore the aggregate Value-at-Risk can be lower than the sum of the individual risk types on the same day (e.g. year-end)

At a 99% confidence level, the statistical expectation is that on one out of every 100 trading days a loss exceeding the VaR for such a day occurs. The back testing is performed both on the actual profit and loss and on a hypothetical profit and loss, which measures a result net of commissions, origination fees and intra-day trading. The results of this back testing on the actual and the hypothetical results are reported to the Dutch Central Bank on a quarterly basis. Back testing is an essential instrument for the ex-post validation of our internal VaR model.

*Stress testing*

Although the VaR represents a good estimate of potential losses under normal market circumstances, it fails to capture one-off events. The limitations of the VaR model mean that we must supplement it with other statistical tests. These include a series of stress tests scenarios and sensitivity stress tests that shed light on the hypothetical behaviour of our portfolio and the impact on our financial results under extreme market movements. Sensitivity stress tests and stress test scenarios have been developed internally to reflect specific characteristics of the Group's portfolios and are performed on a daily basis for each trading portfolio and at several aggregation levels. These apply parallel increase and decreases in a number of risk elements or in one risk element, upon actual historical scenarios (non-parallel moves in a number of risk elements) or upon plausible future shocks.

Currency risk (banking book positions)



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The Group's operating entities are required to manage any currency exposure arising on local transactions with funding in the same currency or to transfer the currency risk to the Group. Accordingly the Group is able to manage currency risk through its net investments in its non-euro operations.

We apply various hedging strategies to our net investments in our non-euro operations, in order to manage and minimise any adverse effects from translating the relevant foreign currency into euro.

#### *Capital ratio hedge*

To protect our capital ratios (core tier 1, tier 1 and total capital as a portion of risk-weighted assets) against adverse effects of the US dollar, our main foreign currency, the USD-sensitive part of our capital base has to be equal to the USD-sensitive part of our risk-weighted assets. On this basis, there will be no material impact on our capital ratios, as the ratios are hedged against changes in the EUR/USD exchange rate.

#### *Capital hedge*

The capital ratio hedge strategy implies that a part of our capital has to be USD-sensitive to neutralise the USD sensitivity of our risk-weighted assets. Hence a part of our equity is also exposed to EUR/USD fluctuations.

Our investments in foreign operations in currencies other than the USD are hedged on a selective basis. We consider the use of hedging in cases where the expected currency loss is larger than the interest rate differential between the two currencies that represents the cost of the hedge.

At December 2006, 29% (2005: 56%) of our net investment in foreign operations was hedged leaving approximately EUR 9.4 billion (2005: EUR 5 billion) unhedged including USD 2.6 billion and BRL 4.6 billion (2005: USD 1 billion and BRL 2 billion) where USD and BRL are both stated in EUR amounts. The table shows the sensitivity of our capital to, respectively, a 10% appreciation and 10% depreciation in the euro against all foreign currencies.

	2006	2005
	(in millions of euros)	
Euro appreciates 10%	(944)	(559)
Euro depreciates 10%	944	559
Liquidity risk		

#### *Measurement and control*

Liquidity risk arises in any bank's general funding of its activities. For example, a bank may be unable to fund its portfolio of assets at appropriate maturities and rates, or may find itself unable to liquidate a position in a timely manner at a reasonable price. The Group holds capital to absorb unexpected losses, and manages liquidity to ensure that sufficient funds are available to meet not only the known cash funding requirements, but also any unanticipated ones that may arise. At all times, the Group maintains what we believe to be adequate levels of liquidity on a Group-wide basis to meet deposit withdrawals, repay borrowings and fund new loans, even under stressed conditions.

We manage liquidity on a daily basis in all the countries in which we operate. Each national market is unique in terms of the scope and depth of its financial markets, competitive environment, products and customer profile. Therefore local line management is responsible for managing our local liquidity requirements under the supervision of Group Asset and Liability Management on behalf of the Group Asset and Liability Committee.

On a day-to-day basis our liquidity management depends on, among other things, the effective functioning of local and international financial markets. As this is not always the case, we have Group-wide contingency funding plans. These plans are put into effect in the event of a dramatic change in our normal business activities or in the stability of the local or international financial markets. The Group Strategic Funding Committee has full authority to manage such a crisis. As part of this liquidity management contingency planning, we continually assess potential trends, demands, commitments, events and uncertainties that could reasonably result in increases or decreases in our liquidity. More specifically, we consider the impact of these potential changes on our sources of short-term funding and long-term liquidity planning.

As we have entered into committed credit facilities, our liquidity management process also involves assessing the potential effect of the contingencies inherent in these types of transactions on our normal sources of liquidity and finance.

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*Liquidity gap*

The following table provides an analysis that categorises the balance sheet of the Group into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining contractual periods to repayment.

Maturity for the year ended 31 December 2006:

	On demand	< 1 year	≥ 1 year - < 5 years	≥ 5 years	Total
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and balances at central banks	12,317	-	-	-	12,317
Financial assets held for trading (1)	205,736	-	-	-	205,736
Financial investments	-	29,999	33,097	62,285	125,381
Loans and receivables - banks	9,473	90,637	18,595	16,114	134,819
Leans and receivables - customers	17,202	202,880	61,100	162,073	443,255
Other assets (1)	3,212	26,560	-	35,784	65,556
<b>Total</b>	<b>247,940</b>	<b>350,076</b>	<b>112,792</b>	<b>276,256</b>	<b>987,064</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Financial liabilities held for trading(1)	145,364	-	-	-	145,364
Due to banks	20,273	148,157	6,911	12,648	187,989
Due to customers	111,250	222,440	16,379	12,314	362,383
Issued debt securities	-	103,531	58,916	39,599	202,046
Subordinated liabilities	-	1,384	3,723	14,106	19,213
Other liabilities (1)	3,965	18,836	-	21,373	44,174
<b>Total</b>	<b>280,852</b>	<b>494,348</b>	<b>85,929</b>	<b>100,040</b>	<b>961,169</b>
Net liquidity gap	(32,912)	(144,272)	26,863	176,216	25,895

(1) *Financial assets and liabilities held for trading and hedging derivatives are shown as on demand which management believes most accurately reflects the short-term nature of the trading and derivative activities.*

Maturity for the year ended 31 December 2005:

	On demand	< 1 year	≥ 1 year - < 5 years	≥ 5 years	Total
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and balances at central banks	16,657	-	-	-	16,657
Financial assets held for trading (1)	202,055	-	-	-	202,055
Financial Investments	12,366	12,047	35,425	63,936	123,774
Loans and receivables - banks	7,251	80,091	5,922	15,371	108,635
Leans and receivables - customers	24,101	171,824	84,497	99,826	380,248
Other assets (1)	3,213	21,268	4,341	20,613	49,435
<b>Total</b>	<b>265,643</b>	<b>285,230</b>	<b>130,185</b>	<b>199,746</b>	<b>880,804</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Financial liabilities held for trading (1)	148,588	-	-	-	148,588
Due to banks	30,905	117,150	8,349	11,417	167,821
Due to customers	147,846	138,630	14,481	16,126	317,083

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Issued debt securities	1,495	100,873	34,548	33,703	170,619
Subordinated liabilities	-	1,156	5,101	12,815	19,072
Other liabilities (1)	4,712	15,335	2,771	10,651	33,469
<b>Total</b>	333,546	373,144	65,250	84,712	856,652
Net liquidity gap	(67,903)	(87,914)	64,935	115,034	24,152

(1) *Financial assets and liabilities held for trading and hedging derivatives are shown as on demand which management believes most accurately reflects the short-term nature of the trading and derivative activities.*

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## Use of derivatives

### Derivative instruments

The Group uses derivative instruments (a) to provide risk management solutions to its clients, (b) to manage the Group's own exposure to various risks (including interest, currency and credit risks) and (c) for proprietary trading purposes.

A derivative is a financial instrument that is settled at a future date and requires little or no initial net investment, and whose value varies in response to changes in the price of another financial instrument, an index or some other variable.

The majority of derivative contracts are arranged as to amount (notional), tenor and price directly with the counterparty (over-the-counter). The remainder are standardised in terms of their amounts and settlement dates and are bought and sold in organised markets (exchange traded).

The notional, or contractual, amount of a derivative represents the reference quantity of the underlying financial instrument on which the derivative contract is based. The value of the derivative contract is typically determined by applying a calculated price to this notional amount, and is the basis upon which changes in the value of the contract are measured. The notional amount provides an indication of the underlying volume of business transacted by the Group but does not provide any measure of risk, and is not included on the balance sheet.

Positive and negative fair values on different transactions are only netted if the transactions are with the same counterparty and the cash flows will be settled on a net basis, and the Group has the legal right to offset separate transactions with that counterparty.

### Types of derivative instruments

The most common types of derivatives used are as follows:

*Forwards* are binding contracts to buy or sell financial instruments, most typically currency, on a future date at a specified price. Forward contracts are tailor-made agreements that are transacted between counterparties in the over-the-counter (OTC) market.

*Futures* are exchange traded agreements to buy or sell a standard quantity of specified grade or type of financial instrument, currency or commodity at a specified future date.

*Commodity derivatives* are contracts to buy or sell a non-financial item. They can be either exchange traded or OTC.

*Swaps* are agreements between two parties to exchange cash flows on a specified notional amount for a predetermined period. Most swaps are traded OTC. The major types of swap transactions undertaken by the Group are as follows:

Interest rate swap contracts - typically the contractual exchange of fixed and floating rate interest payments in a single currency, based on a notional amount and a reference interest rate, most commonly LIBOR.

Cross currency swaps - the exchange of interest payments based on two different currency principal balances and reference interest rates, and usually the exchange of principal amounts at the start and end of the contract.

Credit default swaps (CDSs) - bilateral agreements under which one party (protection buyer) makes one or more payments to the other party (protection seller) in exchange for an undertaking by the seller to make a payment to the buyer following a specified credit event. Credit default swaps may be on a single name (counterparty) or on a multiple (or basket) of names (counterparties). Settlement following a credit event may be a net cash amount, or cash in return for physical delivery of one or more obligations of the credit entity and is made regardless of whether the protection buyer has actually suffered a loss.

Total rate of return swaps give the total return receiver exposure to all of the cash flows and economic benefits and risks of an underlying asset, without having to own the asset, in exchange for a series of payments, often based on a reference interest rate, such as LIBOR. The total return payer has an equal and opposite position. A specific type of total return swap is an equity swap.

*Options* are contractual agreements under which, typically, the seller (writer) grants the purchaser the right, but not the obligation, either to buy (call option) or to sell (put option) by or at a set date, a specified quantity of a financial instrument or commodity at a predetermined price. The

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purchaser pays a premium to the seller for this right. Options may be traded OTC or on a regulated exchange, and may be traded in the form of a security (warrant).

Derivatives transacted for trading purposes

Most of the Group's derivative transactions relate to sales and trading activities. Sales activities include the structuring and marketing of derivative products to customers to enable them to take, transfer, modify or reduce current or expected risks.

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Trading activities are entered into principally for the purpose of generating profits from short term fluctuations in price or margin, and include market-making, positioning and arbitrage activities:

Market making involves quoting bid and offer prices to other market participants with the intention of generating income based on spread and volume

Positioning means managing market risk positions with the expectation of profiting from favourable movements in prices, rates or indices

Arbitrage activities involve identifying and profiting from price differentials between markets and products.

Derivatives transacted for hedging purposes

The Group enters into derivative transactions for the purposes of hedging assets, liabilities, forecast transactions, cash flows and credit exposures. The accounting treatment of hedge transactions varies according to the nature of the instrument hedged and whether the hedge qualifies for accounting purposes (see accounting policies).

The Group also enters into derivative transactions which provide economic hedges for credit risk exposures but do not meet the requirements for hedge accounting treatment; for example, the Group uses CDSs as economic hedges for credit risk exposures in the loan and traded product portfolios, but cannot always apply hedge accounting to such positions.

Risks of derivative instruments

Derivative instruments are transacted in many trading portfolios, which generally include several types of instruments, not just derivatives. The market risk of derivatives is managed and controlled as an integral part of the market risk of these portfolios. The Group's approach to market risk is described in the market risk section of this note.

Derivative instruments are transacted with many different counterparties. The credit risk of derivatives is managed and controlled in the context of the Group's overall credit exposure to each counterparty. The Group's approach to credit risk is described in the financial risk section of this footnote. It should be noted that although the values shown on the balance sheet can be an important component of the Group's credit exposure, the positive fair values for any one counterparty are rarely an adequate reflection of the Group's credit exposure on its derivatives business with that counterparty. This is because, on the one hand, fair values can increase over time (potential future exposure), while on the other hand, exposure may be mitigated by entering into master netting agreements and bilateral collateral arrangements with counterparties.

#### 40 Capital adequacy

To monitor the adequacy of capital the Group uses ratios established by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS). These ratios measure capital adequacy (minimum 8% as required by the BIS) by comparing the Group's eligible capital with its balance sheet assets, off-balance sheet commitments and market and other risk positions at weighted amounts to reflect their relative risk. The market risk approach covers the general market risk and the risk of open positions in currencies and debt and equity securities. Assets are weighted according to broad categories of notional risk, being assigned a risk weighting according to the amount of capital deemed to be necessary to support them. Four categories of risk weights (0%, 20%, 50%, 100%) are applied; for example cash and money market instruments have a zero risk weighting which means that no capital is required to support the holding of these assets. Property and equipment carries a 100% risk weighting, meaning that it must be supported by capital equal to 8% of the carrying amount. Off-balance-sheet credit related commitments and derivative instruments are taken into account by applying different categories of conversion factors, which are designed to convert these items into balance sheet equivalents. The resulting equivalent amounts are then weighted for risk using the same percentages as for non-derivative assets.

Tier 1 capital consists of shareholders' equity and qualifying subordinated liabilities less goodwill and some intangible assets. Tier 2 capital represents additional qualifying subordinated liabilities, taking into account the remaining maturities.

Core tier 1 capital is tier 1 capital excluding preference shares.





The Group's capital adequacy level was as follows:

	Balance sheet /		Risk weighted amount, including effect of	
	unweighted amount		contractual netting	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
<b>Balance sheet assets (net of provisions):</b>				
Cash and balances at central banks	12,317	16,657	296	432
Financial assets held for trading	205,736	202,055	-	-
Financial investments	125,381	123,774	14,142	11,620
Loans and receivables - banks	134,819	108,635	7,215	4,992
Loans and receivables - customers	443,255	380,248	162,315	152,044
Equity accounted investments	1,527	2,993	943	727
Property and equipment	6,270	8,110	4,419	6,638
Goodwill and other intangibles	9,407	5,168	2,801	4,437
Assets of business held for sale	11,850	-	6,433	-
Prepayment and accrued income	9,290	7,614	3,794	2,952
Other assets	27,212	25,550	6,776	8,893
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>987,064</b>	<b>880,804</b>	<b>209,134</b>	<b>192,735</b>
<b>Off- balance sheet positions and derivatives:</b>				
Credit-related commitments and contingencies	196,697	187,031	53,336	48,621
Credit equivalent of derivatives			13,960	10,815
Insurance companies and other			193	275
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>67,489</b>	<b>59,711</b>
<b>Total credit risks</b>			<b>276,623</b>	<b>252,446</b>
Market risk requirements			4,081	5,408
<b>Total risk-weighted assets</b>			<b>280,704</b>	<b>257,854</b>

The following table analyses actual capital and the minimum standard needed in order to comply with supervisory requirements.

	2006		2005	
	Required	Actual	Required	Actual
Total capital	22,457	31,275	20,628	33,874
Total capital ratio	8.0%	11.14%	8.0%	13.14%
Tier 1 capital	11,228	23,720	10,314	27,382
Tier 1 capital ratio	4.0%	8.45%	4.0%	10.62%
Core tier 1	-	17,336	-	21,828
Core tier 1 ratio	-	6.18%	-	8.47%

In determining the capital adequacy requirement, both existing and future credit risk is taken into account. To this end the current potential loss on derivatives, which is the fair value based on market conditions at balance sheet date, is increased by a percentage of the relevant notional amounts, depending on the nature and remaining term of the contract. This method takes into account the possible adverse development of the fair value during the remaining term of the contract. The following analysis shows the resulting credit equivalent, both unweighted and weighted for counterparty risk (mainly banks). The figures allow for the impact of netting transactions and other collateral.

#### Credit equivalent of derivative contracts

	2006	2005
Interest rate contracts	76.1	84.8
Currency contracts	35.0	28.2
Other contracts	70.9	32.2
	182.0	145.2
Effect of contractual netting	126.7	97.4
Unweighted credit equivalent	55.3	47.8
<b>Weighted credit equivalent</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>10.8</b>

#### 41 Private equity investments

Private equity investments are either consolidated or held at fair value.

##### Consolidated private equity holdings

Investments of a private equity nature that are controlled by the Group are consolidated. Such holdings represent a wide range of non-banking activities. Personnel and other costs relating to production and manufacturing activities are presented within material expenses. The impact of consolidating on the income statement these investments is set out in the following table.

	2006	2005	2004
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	5,313	3,637	2,616
Other income included in operating income	(340)	(242)	(96)
<b>Total operating income of consolidated private equity holdings</b>	<b>4,973</b>	<b>3,395</b>	<b>2,520</b>

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Goods and material expenses of consolidated private equity holdings	3,684	2,519	1,665
Included in personnel expenses	577	362	399
Included in administrative costs	466	352	284
Included in depreciation and amortisation	212	133	151
Total operating expenses	4,939	3,366	2,499
Operating profit before tax of consolidated private equity holdings	34	29	21

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Goods and material expenses includes personnel costs relating to manufacturing and production activities.

The assets and liabilities of these consolidated holdings are included in the Group balance sheet. Given the non-banking nature of the underlying activities, the main lines impacted are goodwill, property and equipment, other assets and issued debt securities. The total assets of these consolidated entities at 31 December 2006 were EUR 4,537 million (2005: EUR 3,477 million), excluding goodwill.

#### Unconsolidated private equity investments

The private equity investments over which the Group does not have control are accounted for at fair value with change through income. Although control is not with the Group, in many cases the Group has significant influence, usually evidenced by an equity stake of between 20% and 50%. Significant influence is held in approximately 88 (2005: 100) investments with a fair value of EUR 387 million at 31 December 2006 (2005: EUR 603 million), operating in various sectors including information technology, life sciences, media and telecommunications.

## 42 Joint ventures

The Group's activities conducted through joint ventures include insurance, trust and property development activities. See note 49 for further details. The consolidated financial statements of the joint ventures include the following assets and liabilities, income and expenses, which represent the Group's proportionate share:

	2006	2005
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and balances at central banks	12	11
Financial investments	3,355	2,748
Loans and receivables - banks and customers	1,722	925
Equity accounted investments	-	6
Property and equipment	4	1,011
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	84	58
Other assets	4,080	2,161
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,257</b>	<b>6,920</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Financial liabilities held for trading	6	871
Due to customers	1,128	896
Issued debt securities	22	7
Accrued expenses and deferred income	35	23
Other liabilities	7,827	4,994
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,018</b>	<b>6,791</b>
Total operating income	102	150
Operating expenses	51	71
Operating profit	51	79
Income tax expense	16	21
<b>Net profit</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>58</b>

#### 43 Remuneration of Managing Board and Supervisory Board

##### Remuneration Managing Board

The current compensation policy for the Managing Board was introduced in 2001 and changed in the years 2005 and 2006. The main objective is to ensure that ABN AMRO is able to recruit both internally and externally and retain expert and experienced Managing Board members. To achieve this, the Managing Board remuneration has several elements that, as a package, make it comparable with the remuneration offered by relevant peers in the market. Peers are defined as other major Dutch companies and other European-parented banks.

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The compensation package for the Managing Board has the following elements:

Base salary

Performance bonus

Long-term incentives - Performance Share Plan and Share Investment & Matching Plan.

In addition there are a number of other benefits.

Base salary

A common base salary applies to all Managing Board members except the Chairman, to whom a 40% differential applies. In addition to the base salary, the non-Dutch Board member receives a market competitive allowance. Salaries are reviewed annually with adjustments taking effect from 1 January. In 2006 Managing Board base salaries were adjusted upwards by 1.5% to compensate for the effects of inflation. The gross annual base salary for the Managing Board members was adjusted from EUR 650,000 to EUR 659,750 and from EUR 910,000 to EUR 923,650 for the Chairman.

Performance bonus

The annual performance bonus for Managing Board members is based upon ABN AMRO's quantitative and qualitative performance objectives at both the corporate and BU level. The objectives are set annually by the Nomination & Compensation Committee and endorsed by the Supervisory Board. With effect from 2006 all individual Managing Board members' performance is assessed wholly against Group performance objectives. Previous links to the various Business Unit targets were abandoned.

In 2006 objectives such as economic profit, efficiency ratio and operating result were used to measure quantitative corporate performance. All three of these objectives are aimed at growth and profitability and carried an equal weighting of one-third. In addition, qualitative objectives are set such as Compliance and Leadership/Employee Engagement. Specific annual performance targets are not disclosed as they are considered competitively sensitive.

If the quantitative performance objectives are fully met, the 2006 bonus will be 150% of base salary with an upper limit of 200% for performance well above target. The Nomination & Compensation Committee may, on the basis of their assessment of a Managing Board member's individual performance against qualitative performance objectives, adjust the bonus outcome upwards or downwards within a range of plus or minus 20% of base salary.

The 2006 performance bonuses for Managing Board members have been set at the newly agreed 2006 bonus levels. The Committee assessed the 2006 performance against the set and realised quantitative objectives.

The bonuses with respect to the 2006 performance year for all Managing Board members, including the Chairman of the Managing Board, are set at 125% of the 2006 annual base salary. The assessment of the qualitative objectives did not give the Nomination & Compensation Committee reason to use its discretion to differentiate in the individual bonus results. Bonuses for the Managing Board members who left the bank in 2006 were also set at 125% of the salary earned while they were in active service in 2006.

ABN AMRO Share Investment & Matching Plan

In 2004 shareholders' approval was obtained to encourage executive share ownership. Under this plan, the Board members may defer a maximum of 25% of their annual salary into ABN AMRO Holding N.V. shares (investment shares). This amount must be funded from the net bonus outcome of the relevant performance year. If the net bonus outcome is insufficient to fund the full investment amount the participation will be withdrawn.

At the end of a three-year vesting period the investment shares will be matched by the bank on the basis of one ABN AMRO share (matching share) for each investment share, provided that the Managing Board member remains employed within the ABN AMRO Group during the vesting period. The investment shares, together with the built-up dividends, will be released three years after deferral. The matching shares must be held for at least five years from vesting, with the possibility of selling some of the shares to settle the tax obligation.

In 2006 with respect to the 2005 bonus all Managing Board members have participated in this plan. Of the six Managing Board members who were already a Board member in 2005, five participated for the maximum amount of 25% of base salary and one Managing Board member for

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12.5% of base salary. The three newly appointed Managing Board members each participated for a fixed investment amount of EUR 100,000 that was applicable for them as being a SEVP in 2005. The total amount that was used to purchase Investment Shares was EUR 1,258,596 for all nine Managing Board members. With respect to the bonus for 2006 six of the current seven Managing Board members participated for 25% of annual salary and one member chose to invest an amount of EUR 75,000.

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#### Share options

Share options have been an integral part of ABN AMRO top executives' compensation for several years.

As of 2005 share options no longer form part of the long-term reward package for the Managing Board or for the Top Executive Group as a whole. The options granted in the years up to and including 2004 will remain in place. In 2006 no options expired. The options granted in 2003 vested on 24 February 2006 and will remain exercisable during the remainder of the ten-year option period, which runs up to and including 23 February 2013. The options granted in 2004 have vested on 13 February 2007, because the set return on equity performance condition for this award was met by the end of the three year performance period in 2006. The options will remain exercisable up to and including 12 February 2014.

The Managing Board announced to the Nomination & Compensation Committee on 30 January 2006 their collective decision to limit the exercise of their options going forward exclusively to the first day of the first open period after vesting and/or expiration periods, or to earlier equivalent contractual dates in line with the plan rules, such as the date of retirement. For the 2004 options this means that the first possible date to exercise will be the first day of the second open period in 2007. Although this limits the theoretical value of the options, the Managing Board believes the increase in transparency to the market outweighs this theoretical disadvantage.

#### Performance Share Plan

The Performance Share Plan was introduced in 2001 and forms an important though stretching part of the Managing Board's reward package. SEVPs are also eligible for a yearly grant under this plan.

In 2006 Managing Board members received a conditional award of 60,000 shares and the Chairman 84,000 shares. The Performance Share Plan grant in 2006 was based half on the relative total return to shareholders (TRS) performance and half on the average return on equity (ROE) achieved by the bank over the four-year performance period, defined as the year of grant and three subsequent years.

The vesting schedule for the TRS-linked award is the same as in previous years. The full award will be paid if the TRS generated by the bank in the fourth year of the performance period is fifth out of 21 relative to the peer group. There will be a sliding scale ranging from no award if the bank is lower than tenth to 150% of the conditional award if the bank has progressed to the very top of the TRS rankings.

The ROE linked part of the award was introduced in 2005. The pay-out of this part of the award will be linked to the average ROE target for the performance period using a sliding scale, with a threshold at 25% and a maximum award of 100%.

Another condition is that the recipient must still be in service with the Group at the end of the performance period. The four-year performance cycle for the conditional shares as awarded in 2003 came to a close at the end of 2006, and ABN AMRO's position in the peer group was position 16, meaning that the performance share award has not vested.

#### Pension

The Managing Board's pensionable salary is 100% of annual base salary. Until 31 December 2005 the normal retirement age of the Managing Board members was 62. Since 1 January 2006 the plan has been changed in such a way that the normal retirement age is 65, based on average income (2.15% per year). It is possible to retire earlier. The ABN AMRO Pension Fund manages the pension plan.

#### Specific benefits

The Managing Board's compensation package also includes:

- The use of a company lease car with driver

- Reimbursement of the cost of adequate security measures for their main private residence

- A 24-hour personal accident insurance policy with a fixed covered amount of EUR 1.8 million for members and EUR 2.5 million for the Chairman

- Contributions towards private health insurance, according to the policies applicable to all other ABN AMRO employees in the Netherlands



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Preferential rates on bank products such as mortgages and loans, according to the same policies that apply to all other ABN AMRO staff in the Netherlands.

The following table summarises total reward, ABN AMRO options and shares, and outstanding loans of the members of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board.

	Managing Board		Supervisory Board	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
	(in thousands of euros)			
Payments (1)	9,247	4,639	1,041	787
Profit-sharing and bonus payments	6,999	4,787	-	-
Share-based payments	6,882	6,063	-	-
Pension benefits	1,683	1,324	-	-
Loans (outstanding)	11,667	11,518	257	2,100
	(number of shares, share awards, options)			
ABN AMRO share awards (conditional, granted)	610,299	429,058	-	-
ABN AMRO staff options (outstanding)	1,955,857	2,380,835	-	-
ABN AMRO share awards (outstanding)	1,161,322	1,196,835	-	-
ABN AMRO shares/ ADRs (owned)	341,354	124,004	27,567	34,847

(1) Included in this balance is a termination payment to Mr C.H.A. Collee of EUR 3 million in 2006.

The following table summarises the salaries, other rewards and bonuses of individual Managing Board members.

	2006				2005					
	Base	Other	Share-	Pension	Base	Other	Share-	Pension		
	Salary	payments (1)	based Bonus (2)	payments (2)	Salary	payments (1)	based Bonus (2)	payments (2)		
				costs (3)				costs (3)		
	(in thousands of euros)									
R.W.J. Groenink	924	-	1,155	1,290	286	910	4	1,047	1,331	263
W.G. Jiskoot	660	-	825	922	205	650	2	748	951	185
T. de Swaan (4)	220	-	275	877	75	650	2	748	951	206
J.Ch.L. Kuiper	660	-	825	922	284	650	4	748	951	264
C.H.A. Collee (5)	660	3,000	619	938	184	650	3	748	951	168
H.Y. Scott-Barrett	660	483	825	880	189	650	464	748	928	238

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H. G. Boumeester	660	-	825	331	203
P. S. Overmars	660	-	825	361	128
R. Teerlink	660	-	825	361	129

(1) *Other payments are comprised of contributions towards private health insurance and foreigner allowance as well as a termination payment. Mr H.Y. Scott-Barrett received a foreigner allowance of EUR 471 thousand and a tax allowance of EUR 12 thousand. In 2005 the allowance amounted to EUR 464 thousand. Mr C.H.A. Collee received EUR 3 million termination payment.*

(2) *Share-based payments are calculated in accordance with IFRS 2 by recognising the fair value of the shares or options at grant date over the vesting period.*

(3) *Pension costs exclusively comprise pension service cost computed on the basis of IAS 19.*

(4) *Mr T. de Swaan retired on 1 May 2006.*

(5) *Mr C.H.A. Collee stepped down on 31 December 2006.*

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The following tables reflect movements in the option holdings of the Managing Board as a whole and of individual Board members. The conditions governing the granting of options are included in note 44.

	2006		2005	
	Options held by Managing Board	Average exercise price (in euros)	Options held by Managing Board	Average exercise price (in euros)
<b>Movements:</b>				
Balance at 1 January	2,380,835	18.83	2,382,251	18.84
Options exercised/cancelled	252,500	14.45	1,416	22.23
Other	172,478	21.34	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>1,955,857</b>	<b>19.18</b>	<b>2,380,835</b>	<b>18.83</b>

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	Balance at 1 January	Exercise price (in euros)	Exercised/ cancelled	Entered / (Left)	Balance at 31 December	Weighted average share price at exercise	Year of expiration date
<b>R.W.J. Groenink</b>							
Executive 2000	60,000	21.30	-	-	60,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	55,000	23.14	-	-	55,000	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	112,000	19.53	-	-	112,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	133,000	14.45	-	-	133,000	-	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	126,000	18.86	-	-	126,000	-	2014
AOR 2001	271	22.34	-	-	271	-	2008
AOR 2002	296	20.42	-	-	296	-	2009
	486,567		-	-	486,567		

<b>W.G. Jiskoot</b>							
Executive 2000	60,000	21.30	-	-	60,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	55,000	23.14	-	-	55,000	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	80,000	19.53	-	-	80,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	95,000	14.45	(95,000)	-	-	21.55	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	90,000	18.86	-	-	90,000	-	2014
AOR 2001	271	22.34	-	-	271	-	2008
AOR 2002	296	20.42	-	-	296	-	2009
	380,567		(95,000)	-	285,567		

<b>T. de Swaan (5)</b>							
Executive 2000	60,000	21.30	-	(60,000)	-	-	2007
Executive 2001	55,000	23.14	-	(55,000)	-	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	80,000	19.53	-	(80,000)	-	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	95,000	14.45	-	(95,000)	-	-	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	90,000	18.86	-	(90,000)	-	-	2014
AOR 2001	271	22.34	-	(271)	-	-	2008
AOR 2002	296	20.42	-	(296)	-	-	2009
	380,567		-	(380,567)	-		

<b>J.Ch.L. Kuiper</b>							
Executive 2000	60,000	21.30	-	-	60,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	55,000	23.14	-	-	55,000	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	80,000	19.53	-	-	80,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	95,000	14.45	(95,000)	-	-	21.55	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	90,000	18.86	-	-	90,000	-	2014
AOR 2001	271	22.34	-	-	271	-	2008
AOR 2002	296	20.42	-	-	296	-	2009
	380,567		(95,000)	-	285,567		

<b>C.H.A. Collee (6)</b>							
Executive 2000	56,000	21.30	-	(56,000)	-	-	2007
Executive 2001	55,000	23.14	-	(55,000)	-	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	80,000	19.53	-	(80,000)	-	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	95,000	14.45	(35,000)	(60,000)	-	21.55	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	90,000	18.86	-	(90,000)	-	-	2014

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AOR 2001	271	22.34	-	(271)	-	-	2008
AOR 2002	296	20.42	-	(296)	-	-	2009
	376,567		(35,000)	(341,567)	-		

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	Balance at 1 January	Exercise price (in euros)	Exercised/ cancelled	Entered / (Left)	Balance at 31 December	Weighted average share price at exercise	Year of expiration date
<b>H.Y. Scott-Barrett</b>							
Executive 2000	56,000	21.30	-	-	56,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	55,000	23.14	-	-	55,000	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	80,000	19.53	-	-	80,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	95,000	14.45	-	-	95,000	-	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	90,000	18.86	-	-	90,000	-	2014
	376,000		-	-	376,000		

<b>H.G. Boumeester</b>							
Executive 2000	-	21.30	-	20,000	20,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	-	23.14	-	16,875	16,875	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	-	19.53	-	25,000	25,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	-	14.45	(27,500)	27,500	-	21.55	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	-	18.86	-	52,500	52,500	-	2014
	-		(27,500)	141,875	114,375		

<b>P.S. Overmars</b>							
Executive 2000	-	21.30	-	25,000	25,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	-	23.14	-	16,875	16,875	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	-	19.53	-	50,000	50,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	-	14.45	-	55,000	55,000	-	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	-	18.86	-	52,500	52,500	-	2014
	-		-	199,375	199,375		

<b>R. Teerlink</b>							
Executive 2000	-	21.30	-	15,000	15,000	-	2007
Executive 2001	-	23.14	-	16,406	16,406	-	2008
Executive 2002 (1) (2)	-	19.53	-	50,000	50,000	-	2012
Executive 2003 (1) (3)	-	14.45	-	74,500	74,500	-	2013
Executive 2004 (1) (4)	-	18.86	-	52,500	52,500	-	2014
	-		-	208,406	208,406		

(1) *Conditionally granted.*

(2) *Vested on 25 February 2005.*

(3) *Vested on 24 February 2006.*

(4) *Vested on 13 February 2007.*

(5) *Mr T. de Swaan retired on 1 May 2006.*

(6) *Mr C.H.A. Collee stepped down on 31 December 2006.*

The following table shows movements in shares conditionally awarded under the Performance Share Plan. For the years to 2005 the conditional award was based 100% on the bank's ranking in the peer group (TRS ranking). For the year 2005 and 2006, 50% of the award is on the TRS ranking and 50% on the average ROE target for the reference period. The number of shares conditionally awarded on the TRS ranking in the



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table below assumes a ranking of fifth in the peer group, in line with our ambition. The number of shares conditionally awarded on the ROE target assumes that we will achieve an average ROE above 20% per annum, our target for the performance cycle 2005-2008 and 2006-2009.

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								Balance at
								31
	Type of condition	Reference period	Balance at 1 January	Granted	Entered	Left	Expired/ forfeited	December
R.W.J. Groenink	TRS	2003-2006	98,000	-	-	-	(98,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	70,000	-	-	-	-	70,000
	TRS	2005-2008	42,000	-	-	-	-	42,000
	ROE	2005-2008	42,000	-	-	-	-	42,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	42,000	-	-	-	42,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	42,000	-	-	-	42,000
W.G. Jiskoot	TRS	2003-2006	70,000	-	-	-	(70,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000
	TRS	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
T. de Swaan (1)	TRS	2003-2006	70,000	-	-	-	(70,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	50,000	-	-	(37,500)	(12,500)	-
	TRS	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)	-
	ROE	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)	-
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	(7,500)	(22,500)	-
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	(7,500)	(22,500)	-
J.Ch.L. Kuiper	TRS	2003-2006	70,000	-	-	-	(70,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000
	TRS	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
C.H.A. Collee (2)	TRS	2003-2006	70,000	-	-	-	(70,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	50,000	-	-	(37,500)	(12,500)	-
	TRS	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)	-
	ROE	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)	-
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	(7,500)	(22,500)	-
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	(7,500)	(22,500)	-
H.Y. Scott-Barrett	TRS	2003-2006	70,000	-	-	-	(70,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000
	TRS	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2005-2008	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
H.G. Boumeester	TRS	2004-2007	-	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
	TRS	2005-2008	-	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
	ROE	2005-2008	-	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
P.S. Overmars	TRS	2003-2006	-	-	20,000	-	(20,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	-	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
	TRS	2005-2008	-	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
	ROE	2005-2008	-	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000

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R. Teerlink	TRS	2003-2006	-	-	20,000	-	(20,000)	-
	TRS	2004-2007	-	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
	TRS	2005-2008	-	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
	ROE	2005-2008	-	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
	TRS	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
	ROE	2006-2009	-	30,000	-	-	-	30,000

(1) *Mr T. de Swaan retired on 1 May 2006.*

(2) *Mr C.H.A. Collee stepped down on 31 December 2006.*

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The following table reflects the number of matched shares the Managing Board will receive under the ABN AMRO Share Investment & Matching Plan at the end of the vesting period, provided the member of the Managing Board remains employed within ABN AMRO during the vesting period.

	Balance						Vesting period
	at 31						
	Balance at 1 January	Granted	Entered	Left	Expired/ cancelled	December	
R.W.J. Groenink	10,692	9,530	-	-	-	20,222	2005-2008
W.G. Jiskoot	7,637	6,807	-	-	-	14,444	2005-2008
T. de Swaan (1)	7,637	378	-	(3,348)	(4,667)	-	2006-2007
J.Ch.L. Kuiper	7,637	6,807	-	-	-	14,444	2005-2008
C.H.A. Collee (2)	7,637	6,807	-	(6,557)	(7,887)	-	2005-2008
H.Y. Scott-Barrett	3,818	3,403	-	-	-	7,221	2005-2008
H. G. Boumeester	-	4,189	4,808	-	-	8,997	2005-2008
P. S. Overmars	-	4,189	4,808	-	-	8,997	2005-2008
R. Teerlink	-	4,189	4,808	-	-	8,997	2005-2008

(1) Mr T. de Swaan retired on 1 May 2006.

(2) Mr C.H.A. Collee stepped down on 31 December 2006.

#### ABN AMRO ordinary shares held by Managing Board members at 31 December 1

	2006	2005
R.W.J. Groenink	77,012	30,574
W.G. Jiskoot	62,377	28,827
T. de Swaan (2)	-	15,259
J.Ch.L. Kuiper	65,315	16,442
C.H.A. Collee (3)	-	8,778
H.Y. Scott-Barrett	51,577	24,124
H. G. Boumeester	47,465	-
P. S. Overmars	16,842	-
R. Teerlink	20,766	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>341,354</b>	<b>124,004</b>

(1) No preference financing shares were held by any Managing Board member.

(2) Mr T. de Swaan retired on 1 May 2006.

(3) Mr C.H.A. Collee stepped down on 31 December 2006.

#### Loans from ABN AMRO to Managing Board members

2006		2005	
Outstanding on 31 Dec.	Interest Rates	Outstanding on 31 Dec.	Interest rates

(in thousands of euros)

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R.W.J. Groenink	4,800	3.46	5,136	3.58
W.G. Jiskoot	1,674	3.60	1,674	3.94
T. de Swaan (2)	-	-	1,407	2.75(1)
J.Ch.L. Kuiper	655	3.83	681	3.72
C.H.A. Collee (3)	-	-	2,620	3.27
H. G. Boumeester	2,649	4.64		
P. S. Overmars	1,163	4.00		
R. Teerlink	726	4.50		

(1) Variable rate.

(2) Mr T. de Swaan retired on 1 May 2006

(3) *Mr C.H.A. Collee stepped down on 31 December 2006*

The decrease in outstandings between 31 December 2005 and 31 December 2006 is caused by repayments.

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The following table provides information on the remuneration of individual members of the Supervisory Board. As of 1 May 2006 the remuneration was adjusted. The members of the Supervisory Board receive an equal remuneration of EUR 60,000 per annum. For the Vice Chairman this remuneration is EUR 70,000 and for the Chairman EUR 85,000 per annum. For the membership of the Audit Committee an additional allowance of EUR 15,000 for the members is applied on an annual basis. The annual allowance for the members of the Nomination & Compensation Committee and the Compliance Oversight Committee is EUR 10,000. The annual allowance for the Chairman of the Audit Committee is EUR 20,000 and for the Chairmen of the two other Committees EUR 15,000 per annum. The general expenses allowances were abolished and actual business expenses incurred can be declared and are eligible for reimbursement. Supervisory Board members that are not resident in the Netherlands are entitled to general allowances for each Supervisory Board meeting that they attend, namely EUR 7,500 for members who live outside Europe and EUR 5,000 for members who live in Europe. This allowance applies to meetings of both the Supervisory Board and the various committees and is paid only once when meetings are being held on the same day or on consecutive days and is only paid when the members physically attend the meetings.

All amounts are based on a full year, but the actual payment depends on the period of membership during the year. Members of the Supervisory Board are not entitled to emoluments in the form of ABN AMRO shares or options on ABN AMRO shares.

### Remuneration of the Supervisory Board

	2006	2005
	(in thousands of euros)	
A.C. Martinez (1)	113	56
A.A. Olijslager	73	45
Mrs. L.S. Groenman	53	40
D.R.J. Baron de Rothschild (1)	53	40
Mrs. T.A. Maas-de-Brouwer	75	48
M.V. Pratini de Moraes (1)	66	45
P. Scaroni (1)	53	40
Lord Sharman of Redlynch (1)	69	48
R. van den Bergh (1)	60	27
A. Ruys	60	27
G.J. Kramer	40	-
H.G. Randa	40	-
A.A. Loudon (2)	21	63
A. Burgmans (2)	22	48
W. Dik (3)	-	16
M.C. van Veen (3)	-	20

(1) *Excluding an attendance fee.*

(2) *Messrs A.A. Loudon and A. Burgmans resigned on 27 April 2006.*

(3) *Messrs W. Dik and M.C. van Veen resigned on 29 April 2005.*

### ABN AMRO ordinary shares held by Supervisory Board members 1

	2006	2005
A.C. Martinez (2)	3,000	3,000
A.A. Olijslager	3,221	3,221
M.V. Pratini de Moraes (2)	5,384	5,384
R.F. van den Bergh	13,112	8,167
A. Ruys	2,850	-
A.A. Loudon (3)	-	5,421
A. Burgmans (3)	-	9,654

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<b>Total</b>	27,567	34,847
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- (1) *No financing preference shares were held by any Supervisory Board member.*
- (2) *ADRs.*
- (3) *Messrs A.A. Loudon and A. Burgmans resigned on 27 April 2006.*

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#### Loans from ABN AMRO to Supervisory Board members

The outstanding loans at 31 December 2006 amounts to EUR 0.3 million with an interest rate of 3.83% (2005: EUR 2.1 million - 3.00%) and relates to Mrs L.S. Groenman (2005: related to Mr A. Burgmans).

#### Senior Executive Vice Presidents (SEVPs) Compensation 2006

The reward package for ABN AMRO's SEVPs, the second level of Top Executives, was also introduced in 2001 and as with the Managing Board was primarily aimed at maximising total returns to our shareholders.

The compensation for ABN AMRO SEVPs consists of the following core elements:

*Base salary.* The base salaries are benchmarked against the relevant local markets. The current median base salary is EUR 402,000 (2005: EUR 396,000)

*Performance bonus.* The annual performance bonus is linked to the respective markets within the various countries where we operate. The median bonus amount paid with respect to the 2006 performance year was EUR 1.3 million (2005: EUR 1 million). Bonuses for individual SEVPs vary widely, again reflecting market and location. No absolute maximum level of bonus has been defined for SEVPs

*Long-term incentives such as the Performance Share Plan and the Share Investment & Matching Plan.* Long-term incentives are set at a lower level than the applicable yearly grants to Managing Board members. SEVPs received an award under the Top Executive Performance Share Plan and are eligible to participate on a voluntary basis in the Share Investment & Matching Plan. All SEVPs receive identical grants.

In addition, a number of benefits apply in relation to the respective markets and countries of residence.

The total compensation for SEVPs in 2006 amounts to EUR 47 million (2005: EUR 51 million).

#### 44 Share-based payment plans

ABN AMRO grants long-term share-based incentive awards to members of the Managing Board, other top executives and key staff under a number of plans.

The current plans for the Managing Board (Performance Share Plan and Share Investment & Matching Plan) are described in note 43. At a lower level, the Performance Share Plan is also applicable to the second tier of top executives, the SEVPs. Both the SEVPs and the third level of top executives, the EVPs and MDs, may defer a part of their bonus to the Share Investment & Matching Plan. Furthermore, there is a Restricted Share Plan for the EVPs /MDs with performance conditions linked to the average return on equity in line with the Performance Share Plan of the Managing Board. All these plans are equity-settled.

There is also a cash-settled Performance Share Plan for the EVPs/MDs for the performance cycle 2005-2008.

With effect from 2006 share options are no longer granted to key staff. The options are replaced by restricted shares in line with the changes for the top executives in 2005.

Share-based compensation expense totalled EUR 78 million in 2006 (EUR 61 million in 2005 and EUR 4 million in 2004). The total carrying amount of liabilities arising from cash-settled share-based payments transactions amounted to EUR 10 million at 31 December 2006 (2005: EUR 22 million).

#### Option plans

The fair value of options granted is determined using a Lattice option pricing model. The following table shows the assumptions on which the calculation of the fair value of these options was based. The expected volatility was based on historical volatility.

For the calculation of the fair value of the options granted to the Top Executives in 2004, the same assumptions were used. The expense recorded in 2006 regarding all options plans amounted to EUR 28 million (2005: EUR 43 million).



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	2005	2004
Grant date	16 February 2005	13 February 2004
Expiration date	16 February 2015	13 February 2014
Exercise price (in euros)	21.24	18.86
Share price on grant date (in euros)	21.24	18.86
Volatility	34%	35%
Expected dividend yield	5.2%	4.7%
Interest rate	3.7%	4.3%
Fair value at grant date (in euros)	4.24	3.98

The following table shows the movements of options outstanding.

	2006		2005	
	Number of options (in thousands)	Average exercise price (in euros)	Number of options (in thousands)	Average exercise price (in euros)
Balance at 1 January	62,269	19.06	63,050	18.94
Movements:				
Other options granted	-	-	7,939	21.24
Options forfeited	(1,225)	19.04	(2,780)	18.29
Options exercised	(7,791)	17.11	(1,868)	18.05
Options expired	-	-	(4,072)	22.43
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>53,253</b>	<b>19.35</b>	<b>62,269</b>	<b>19.06</b>
Of which exercisable	32,757	19.15	26,873	20.96
Of which exercisable and in the money	32,601	19.14	17,413	20.01
Of which hedged	19,177	18.59	26,968	18.14

	2004	
	Number of options (in thousands)	Average exercise price (in euros)
Balance at 1 January	59,149	19.30
Movements:		
Options granted to Managing Board members	576	18.86
Options granted to other Top Executives	6,175	18.86
Other options granted	8,254	18.76
Options forfeited	(760)	18.03
Options exercised	(3,160)	18.10
Options expired	(7,184)	22.04
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>63,050</b>	<b>18.94</b>

Of which exercisable	19,599	21.96
Of which exercisable and in the money	1,551	17.95
Of which hedged	28,837	18.06

In 2006 and 2005, the price of options exercised ranged from EUR 23.14 to EUR 14.45, compared to an average share price of EUR 22.81 in 2006 and EUR 20.11 in 2005. If all exercisable rights were to be exercised, shareholders' equity would increase by an amount of EUR 627 million (2005: EUR 563 million). Deliveries on options exercised in 2006 were made from share repurchases on the date of grant (7,791,365 shares; 2005: 1,868,242 shares) and from new shares issued on the exercise date (no shares; 2005: no shares).



The following tables further detail the options outstanding at 31 December 2006:

Year of expiration	Outstanding (in thousands)	Average exercise price (in euros)	High/low exercise price (in euros)
2007	3,776	21.30	21.30
2008	8,764	22.73	23.14-22.34
2009	3,827	20.42	20.42
2010	807	15.06	15.06
2011	495	17.12	17.12
2012	6,855	19.17	19.53-17.46
2013	8,727	14.45	14.65-14.45
2014	12,749	18.86	19.06-18.86
2015	7,253	21.24	21.24
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,253</b>	<b>19.35</b>	<b>23.14-14.45</b>

Range of exercise price (in euros)	Options outstanding			Options exercisable	
	Outstanding (in thousands)	Weighted- average exercise price (in euros)	Weighted- average remaining contractual life (in years)	Exercisable (in thousands)	Weighted- average exercise price (in euros)
14.45-17.50	11,232	14.93	5.82	10,737	14.83
17.51-20.00	18,402	19.07	6.52	5,653	19.53
20.01-22.50	19,224	21.35	3.91	11,972	21.41
> 22.51	4,395	23.07	1.14	4,395	23.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,253</b>	<b>19.35</b>	<b>4.99</b>	<b>32,757</b>	<b>19.15</b>

#### Share plans

For the calculation of the expense for the share plans, various models were used. The total expense in 2006 amounted to EUR 50 million (2005: EUR 19 million). The following table presents a summary of all shares conditionally granted to the Top Executives of ABN AMRO. For the number of shares granted on the TRS-ranking under the Performance Share Plan, a ranking of fifth in the peer group has been assumed.

(in thousands)	2006	2005	2004
Balance at 1 January	5,637	3,688	4,741
Granted	6,212	2,892	1,797
Forfeited	(1,633)	(283)	(2,850)
Vested	(1,037)	(660)	
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>9,179</b>	<b>5,637</b>	<b>3,688</b>

45 Discontinued operations and assets and liabilities held for sale

On 1 December 2006, the Group disposed of the property development and management activities of its Bouwfonds subsidiary. The Bouwfonds Property Development, Bouwfonds Asset Management, Bouwfonds Fondsenbeheer, Rijnlandse Bank and Bouwfonds Holding were sold to Rabobank for a cash consideration of EUR 852 million and the Bouwfonds Property Finance activities were sold to SNS Bank for a cash consideration of EUR 825 million. The total net gain on the sale of Bouwfonds amounted to EUR 338 million.

During 2006, the Group actively began to market the assets of the national residential mortgage line of business (ABN AMRO

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Mortgage Group, Inc.), a subsidiary of ABN AMRO LaSalle Bank Midwest. The sale transaction closed on 28 February 2007.

The results of these transactions have been presented as discontinued operations with the comparative figures for 2005 and 2004 re-presented. In addition, the assets and liabilities of the ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. have been reported as assets of businesses held for sale and liabilities of businesses held for sale in the consolidated balance sheet.

Income statement of discontinued operations:

	2006	2005	2004
Operating income	934	881	844
Operating expenses	525	595	585
Operating profit before tax	409	286	259
Gain on disposal	327	-	-
Profit before tax	736	286	259
Tax on operating profit	138	99	55
Tax arising on disposal	(11)	-	-
Profit from discontinued operations classified in current period	609	187	204
classified in prior period	-	-	1,447
<b>Profit from discontinued operations net of tax</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>1,651</b>

The table below provides a further breakdown of the operating result and gain on disposal of discontinued operations in 2006 by major lines of business. In our segment disclosure note the Bouwfonds results are included in the segment BU Netherlands and ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. in the BU North America.

	2006	2005	2004
<b><i>Bouwfonds non-mortgage business</i></b>			
Operating income	534	505	406
Operating expenses	273	287	208
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	19	13	9
Operating profit	242	205	189
Gain recognised on disposal	327	-	-
Profit from discontinued operations before tax	569	205	189
Income tax expense on operating profit	75	69	43
Income tax expense on gain on disposal	(11)	-	-
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	505	136	146
<b><i>ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc.</i></b>			
Operating income	400	376	438
Operating expenses	233	295	368
Operating profit before tax	167	81	70
Income tax expense on operating profit	63	30	12
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	104	51	58

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Earnings per share attributable to the shareholders of the parent company for discontinued operations

	2006	2005	2004
(in euros)			
Basic, from discontinued operation	0.32	0.10	0.99
Diluted, from discontinued operation	0.32	0.10	0.99

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The major classes of assets and liabilities classified as held for sale as at 31 December are as follows:

	<b>2006</b>
<i>Assets</i>	
Cash and balances with central banks	14
Financial assets held for trading	104
Financial investments	132
Loans and receivables - banks	53
Loans and receivables - customers	4,532
Property and equipment	1,012
Goodwill and other intangible assets	2,449
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	62
<b>Other assets</b>	<b>3,492</b>
<b>Assets of businesses held for sale</b>	<b>11,850</b>
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Due to banks	973
Due to customers	2,397
Provisions	22
Accrued expenses and deferred income	71
Other liabilities	244
<b>Liabilities of businesses held for sale</b>	<b>3,707</b>
<b>Net assets directly associated with disposal businesses</b>	<b>8,143</b>

These balances mainly consist of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.

#### 46 Related parties

The Group has a related party relationship with associates (see notes 20 and 41), joint ventures (see note 42), pension funds (see note 28) and key management (see note 43).

The Group enters into a number of banking transactions with related parties in the normal course of business. These include loans, deposits and foreign currency transactions. These transactions were carried out on commercial terms and at market rates except for employees, which are offered preferential terms for certain banking products. No allowances for loan losses have been recognised in respect of loans to related parties in 2006 and 2005.



## 47 First-time adoption of IFRS

The impact of transition from Dutch GAAP to IFRS can be summarised as follows:

**Reconciliation of shareholders equity under Dutch GAAP to IFRS**

	1 January	31 December
	2004	2004
<b>Shareholders equity under Dutch GAAP</b>	13,047	14,972
Release of fund for general banking risks <sup>I</sup>	1,143	1,149
Reclassification of preference shares to subordinated liabilities <sup>II</sup>	(813)	(767)
Reversal of property revaluation <sup>III</sup>	(130)	(87)
Reclassification regarding Banco ABN AMRO Real to subordinated liabilities <sup>IV</sup>	(231)	(231)
<b>Transition impacts</b>		
Release of interest equalisation reserve relating to the investment portfolio <sup>V</sup>	1,563	
Derivatives and hedging <sup>VI</sup>	(560)	
Fair value adjustments <sup>VII</sup>	(160)	
Private Equity (consolidation and fair valuation) <sup>VIII</sup>	56	
Loan impairment provisioning <sup>IX</sup>	(405)	
Property development <sup>X</sup>	(108)	
Differences at LeasePlan Corporation <sup>XI</sup>	(148)	
Equity accounted investments <sup>XII</sup>	(100)	
Employee benefit obligations <sup>XIII</sup>	(1,475)	
Other <sup>XIV</sup>	(355)	
<b>Total transition impact before taxation</b>	<b>(1,692)</b>	
Taxation impact	(577)	
<b>Total transition items (net of taxation)</b>	<b>(1,115)</b>	<b>(1,115)</b>
Difference in 2004 profit		(244)
<b>Impact of gains and losses not recognized in income statement</b>		
Available-for-sale reserve <sup>XV</sup>	489	818
Cash flow hedging reserve <sup>XVI</sup>	(165)	(283)
Dutch GAAP pension booking to equity not applicable under IFRS <sup>XVII</sup>		479
Difference in currency translation account movement <sup>XVIII</sup>		(40)
<b>Other differences affecting IFRS and Dutch GAAP equity</b>		
Equity settled derivatives on own shares <sup>XIX</sup>	(106)	16
Goodwill capitalisation under IFRS <sup>XX</sup>		46
Other <sup>XXI</sup>		102
<b>Total impact</b>	<b>(928)</b>	<b>(157)</b>
<b>Total shareholders equity under IFRS</b>	<b>12,119</b>	<b>14,815</b>

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### I Release of fund for general banking risks

The fund for general banking risks is considered to be a general reserve and is not permitted under IFRS. The fund balance as at 1 January 2004 was transferred to shareholders' equity.

### II Reclassification of preference shares to subordinated liabilities

IFRS requires the reclassification from equity to debt of preference shares (and other instruments, if applicable) if ABN AMRO, the issuer, does not have full discretion regarding payment of dividends and the repayment of the underlying notional.

### III Reversal of property revaluation

Under Dutch GAAP, bank premises, including land, were stated at replacement cost and fully depreciated on a straight-line basis

over their useful lives with a maximum of 50 years. Value adjustments, net of tax, were credited or charged to a separate component of shareholders' equity called the revaluation reserve. Under IFRS property is stated at historical cost, less any adjustments for impairment, and depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives.

#### IV Reclassification regarding Banco ABN AMRO Real to subordinated liabilities

As part of the acquisition of Banco Sudameris Brasil S.A. a contingent payable that qualified as minority interest under Dutch GAAP was determined to be a liability under IFRS and measured at fair value.

#### V Release of interest equalisation reserve relating to the investment portfolio

Under Dutch GAAP, bonds and similar debt securities included in the investment portfolios (other than securities on which a large part or all of the interest is settled on redemption) were stated at redemption value less any diminution in value deemed necessary. Net capital gains realised prior to maturity date in connection with replacement operations were recognised as deferred interest income in the interest equalisation reserve and amortised to income over the duration of the investment portfolio.

Under IFRS all bonds and similar debt securities included in the investment portfolio are either classified as held to maturity or available for sale. Unlike under Dutch GAAP realised gains and losses on available for sale securities are recognised directly in income on disposal.

#### VI Derivatives and hedging

Under Dutch GAAP, derivatives that were used to manage either the overall structural interest rate exposure of the Group or designated to manage the interest exposure within specific assets and liabilities were accounted for on an accrual basis. Therefore, changes in the fair value of the derivatives were not recorded. Under IFRS, all derivatives are recognised as either assets or liabilities and measured at fair value. If the derivative is a hedge and the hedge accounting requirements are met, changes in fair value of a designated derivative that is highly effective as a fair value hedge, together with the change in fair value of the corresponding asset, liability or firm commitment attributable to the hedged risk, are included directly in earnings. Changes in fair value of a designated derivative that is highly effective as a cash flow hedge are included in equity and reclassified into earnings in the same period during which the hedged forecasted cash flow affects earnings. Any ineffectiveness is reflected directly in earnings.

#### VII Fair value adjustments

Under Dutch GAAP, except for trading positions all financial instruments were carried at cost including non-trading derivatives (see above) and features embedded in non-derivative assets and liabilities that under IFRS are to be recognised as a derivative. Transition to IFRS included valuing a number of non-trading and embedded derivatives and assets and liabilities designated to be measured at fair value under IFRS to a fair value basis. This caption also includes the application of the IFRS fair value measurement guidance.

#### VIII Private equity (consolidation and fair valuation)

Under Dutch GAAP, private equity investments were held at cost (less impairment where required). Under IFRS, private equity investments that are not controlled are accounted for at fair value with changes reported through income. Private equity investments that are controlled are consolidated.

#### IX Loan impairment provisioning

Under Dutch GAAP, specific provisions against individually significant and not individually significant (portfolio basis) non-performing loans are determined by estimating the future cash flows on an undiscounted basis. Under IFRS, specific loan loss provisions are determined by reference to estimated future cash flows on a discounted basis. This constitutes the predominant part of the determined transition amount.

#### X Property development

This represented the impact of applying the percentage of completion method to our housing development business at our subsidiary Bouwfonds.

#### XI Differences at LeasePlan Corporation

Under Dutch GAAP, the majority of the Group's Leasing business was accounted for as a financing arrangement.

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Under IFRS, a major part of the Group's leasing business was assessed to be conducted through operating leases. Operating lease accounting under IFRS requires the leased asset to be included within Property and Equipment and to be depreciated, with income booked as a form of rental.

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XII Equity accounted investments

This adjustment of EUR 100 million represents the estimated amount resulting from the adoption of IFRS at the key associates (Antonveneta and Capitalia) who at 1 January 2004 had not completed their IFRS conversion project. The actual impact was EUR 130 million. This difference was recorded in 2005 income.

XIII Employee benefit obligations

Under Dutch GAAP, we applied SFAS 87: Employers Accounting for Pensions. Under IFRS, the Group implemented IAS 19 Employee Benefits. As permitted under IFRS 1 First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards, the Group have elected to recognise all cumulative actuarial gains and losses as at 1 January 2004 against shareholders' equity.

XIV Other

The main item included in other transition items relates to loan fees and amounts to EUR 150 million at 1 January 2004. Under IFRS additional non-reimbursable loan fees are deferred over the lifetime of the related facility.

XV Available-for-sale reserve

This represents the impact of fair valuing available for sale debt and equity securities.

XVI Cash flow hedging reserve

This represents the fair value at transition of all derivatives designated in cash flow hedging programmes.

XVII Dutch GAAP pension booking to equity not applicable under IFRS

Under Dutch GAAP, the Group recorded a minimum pension liability as required under SFAS 87, while under IFRS no such requirement exists.

XVIII Difference in currency translation account movement

The currency translation account was reset to zero at 1 January 2004 (the transition date). The difference in currency translation account movements during 2004 relates to differences in the carrying amount of our subsidiaries and associates under IFRS that do not have the euro as their functional currency.

XIX Equity settled derivatives on own shares

This difference is related to written options on own shares, that could be settled in own shares. Under IFRS the notional amounts of the shares are separately reported within equity with an offset reported in other liabilities.

XX Goodwill capitalisation under IFRS

During 2004, goodwill on new acquisitions was capitalised under IFRS but not under Dutch GAAP. The Group applied the business combination exemption as permitted under IFRS 1 thus there was no transition impact for this item.

XXI Other

This includes reversing the impact of dividends on preference shares that were charged through equity under Dutch GAAP in 2004 and through income under IFRS as well as costs incurred on issuances classified as debt under IFRS and equity under Dutch GAAP.

**Reconciliation of 2004 net profit under Dutch GAAP to IFRS**

2004

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Net profit under Dutch GAAP	4,109
Dividends accrued on preference shares	(43)
<b>Net profit available to shareholders under Dutch GAAP</b>	<b>4,066</b>
<b>Reconciling items:</b>	
Interest equalisation reserve amortisation relating to investment portfolio	(454)
Available-for-sale realizations and other (including hedging)	(19)
Mortgage banking activities <sup>XXII</sup>	(161)
Fair value adjustments	(230)
Derivatives	11
Private Equity	129
Employee benefit obligations <sup>XXIII</sup>	89
Employee stock options	(21)
Differences in gain on sale of LeasePlan Corporation and Bank of Asia	224
Redemption costs relating to preference shares classified as interest cost under IFRS <sup>XXIV</sup>	(42)
Loan impairment provisioning	29
Other	(39)
Total impact before taxation	(484)
Tax effect	283
Net profit impact	(201)
<b>Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent company under IFRS</b>	<b>3,865</b>

#### XXII Mortgage banking activities

Under Dutch GAAP, all mortgage servicing rights were carried at the lower of initial carrying value, adjusted for amortisation, or fair value. Mortgage servicing rights were amortised in proportion to, and over the period of, net estimated servicing income. The carrying amount or book basis of servicing rights includes the unamortised cost of servicing rights, deferred realised gains and losses on derivative hedges and valuation reserves.

Under IFRS the basis for determining the fair value of mortgage servicing rights is consistent with Dutch GAAP. However, under IFRS, the carrying amount of servicing rights does not include deferred gains and losses on derivative hedges realised subsequent to 1 January 2004. Under IFRS, the components of the carrying amount of servicing rights include their unamortised cost and the basis adjustment arising from fair value hedge relationships.

#### XXIII Employee benefit obligations

Under Dutch GAAP, equity settled share options schemes were recorded based on the intrinsic values at grant date, which in all cases was zero. Under IFRS, equity settled share options and other share schemes are initially assessed at fair value at grant date and charged to income over the vesting period.

#### XXIV Redemption costs relating to preference shares classified as interest cost under IFRS

The dividends paid on preference shares were recorded as distributions to equity holders under Dutch GAAP. These dividend payments are presented as interest expense under IFRS, consistent with the presentation of these preference shares as liabilities.

### 48 Subsequent events

ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.

On 22 January 2007 ABN AMRO announced that it has reached an agreement to sell ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., its US-based residential mortgage broker origination platform and servicing business, which includes ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, InterFirst and Mortgage.com, to Citigroup. Citigroup will purchase approximately EUR 7.8 billion in net assets, of which approximately EUR 2.1 billion is ABN AMRO Mortgage Group's mortgage servicing rights associated with its EUR 170 billion mortgage servicing portfolio. The sale transaction closed on 28 February 2007.

### 49 Major subsidiaries and participating interests

*(Unless otherwise stated, the bank's interest is 100% or almost 100%, on 14 March 2007. Those major subsidiaries and participating interests that are not 100% consolidated but are accounted for under the equity method (a) or proportionally consolidated (b) are indicated separately).*

ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Amsterdam

Netherlands

AAGUS Financial Services Group N.V., Amersfoort (67%)

AA Interfinance B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Arbo Services B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Netherlands) B.V., Amsterdam





ABN AMRO Effecten Compagnie B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Hypotheken Groep B.V., Amersfoort

ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities Services B.V., Amsterdam (50%) (b)

ABN AMRO Participaties B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Projectontwikkeling B.V., Amersfoort

ABN AMRO Ventures B.V., Amsterdam

Altajo B.V., Amsterdam (50%) (b)

Amstel Lease Maatschappij N.V., Utrecht

Delta Lloyd ABN AMRO Verzekeringen Holding B.V., Zwolle (49%) (a)

Hollandsche Bank-Unie N.V., Rotterdam

IFN Group B.V., Rotterdam

Solveon Incasso B.V., Utrecht

Stater N.V., Hoevelaken

Outside the Netherlands

Europe

ABN AMRO Asset Management Holdings Ltd., London

ABN AMRO Asset Management Ltd., London

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Deutschland) GmbH, Frankfurt am Main

ABN AMRO Asset Management Fondsmæglerselskab AS, Copenhagen

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Schweiz) A.G., Zurich

ABN AMRO Bank (Deutschland) AG, Frankfurt am Main

ABN AMRO Bank (Luxembourg) S.A., Luxembourg

ABN AMRO Bank (Polska) S.A., Warsaw

ABN AMRO Bank (Romania) S.A., Bucharest

ABN AMRO Bank (Schweiz) A.G., Zurich

ABN AMRO Bank ZAO, Moscow

ABN AMRO Capital Ltd., London

ABN AMRO Corporate Finance Ltd., London

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ABN AMRO F ö rvaltning ASA, Oslo

ABN AMRO France S.A., Paris

Banque Neuflyze OBC, Paris

ABN AMRO Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd., Dublin

ABN AMRO Infrastructure Capital Management Limited, London

ABN AMRO International Financial Services Company, Dublin

ABN AMRO Investment Funds S.A., Luxembourg

ABN AMRO Kapitalf ö rvaltning AB, Helsinki

Alfred Berg Holding AB, Stockholm

Alfred Berg Asset Management AB, Stockholm

Antonveneta ABN AMRO Societ à di Gestione del Risparmio SpA, Milan

(45% ABN AMRO Bank N.V.; 55% Banca Antonveneta Group) (a)

Artemis Investment Management Ltd., Edinburgh (69%)

Aspis International Mutual Funds Management S.A., Athens (45%) (a)

Banca Antonveneta SpA, Padova

Capitalia SpA, Roma (8.6%) (a)

CM Capital Markets Holding S.A., Madrid (45%) (a)

Delbr ü ck Bethmann Maffei AG, Frankfurt am Main

Hoare Govett Ltd., London

North America

ABN AMRO Asset Management Canada Ltd, Toronto

ABN AMRO Capital Markets Canada Ltd., Toronto

ABN AMRO Bank (Mexico) S.A., Mexico City

ABN AMRO North America Holding Company, Chicago (holding company, voting right 100%, equity participation 92%)

LaSalle Bank Corporation, Chicago

LaSalle Bank N.A., Chicago

LaSalle Financial Services, Inc., Chicago



LaSalle National Leasing Corporation, Chicago

LaSalle Business Credit, LLC., Chicago

LaSalle Bank Midwest N.A., Troy

ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Chicago

ABN AMRO Advisory, Inc., Chicago (81%)

ABN AMRO Capital (USA) Inc., Chicago

ABN AMRO Incorporated, Chicago

ABN AMRO Rothschild LLC, New York (50%) (b)

ABN AMRO Asset Management Holdings, Inc., Chicago

ABN AMRO Asset Management Inc., Chicago

ABN AMRO Investment Fund Services, Inc, Chicago

Montag & Caldwell, Inc., Atlanta

Middle East

Saudi Hollandi Bank, Riyadh (40%) (a)

Rest of Asia

ABN AMRO Asia Ltd., Hong Kong

ABN AMRO Asia Corporate Finance Ltd., Hong Kong

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Asia) Ltd., Hong Kong

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Japan) Ltd., Tokyo

ABN AMRO Asset Management (India) Ltd., Mumbai (75%)

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Singapore) Ltd., Singapore

ABN AMRO Bank Berhad, Kuala Lumpur

ABN AMRO Bank (Kazakhstan) Ltd., Almaty (80%)

ABN AMRO Bank N.B., Uzbekistan A.O., Tashkent (58%)

ABN AMRO Bank (Philippines) Inc., Manila

ABN AMRO Central Enterprise Services Private Ltd., Mumbai

ABN AMRO Securities (India) Private Ltd., Mumbai (75%)

ABN AMRO Securities Investment Consultant Co. Ltd., Taipei

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ABN AMRO Securities (Japan) Ltd., Tokyo

PT ABN AMRO Finance Indonesia, Jakarta (70%)

PT ABN AMRO Manajemen Investasi Indonesia, Jakarta (96%)

Australia

ABN AMRO Asset Management (Australia) Ltd., Sydney

ABN AMRO Australia Ltd., Sydney

ABN AMRO Asset Securitisation Australia Pty Ltd., Sydney

ABN AMRO Corporate Finance Australia Ltd., Sydney

ABN AMRO Equities Australia Ltd., Sydney

ABN AMRO Capital Management (Australia) Pty Limited, Sydney

ABN AMRO Equities Capital Markets Australia Ltd., Sydney

ABN AMRO Investments Australia Ltd., Sydney

ABNED Nominees Pty Ltd., Sydney

New Zealand

ABN AMRO Equity Derivatives New Zealand Limited, Auckland

ABN AMRO New Zealand Ltd., Auckland

ABN AMRO Securities NZ Ltd., Auckland

Latin America

ABN AMRO Asset Management DVTM S.A., Sao Paulo

ABN AMRO Bank (Chile) S.A., Santiago de Chile

ABN AMRO Bank (Colombia) S.A., Bogota

ABN AMRO Brasil Participa ções Financeiras S.A., Sao Paulo

ABN AMRO Brasil Dois Participa ções S.A., S ã o Paulo

Banco ABN AMRO Real S.A., Sao Paulo (96.65%)

Banco de Pernambuco S.A., BANDERE, Recife

Banco Sudameris Brasil S.A., Sao Paulo (94.58%)

Real Tokio Marine Vida e Previd ê ncia S.A., (50%) (b)

ABN AMRO (Chile) Seguros Generales S.A., Santiago de Chile

ABN AMRO (Chile) Seguros de Vida S.A., Santiago de Chile

Real Paraguaya de Seguros S.A., Asuncion

Real Uruguay de Seguros S.A., Montevideo

The list of participating interests under which statements of liability have been issued has been filed at the Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce.

**50 Shareholders Equity and Net Profit under US GAAP**

The consolidated financial statements of ABN AMRO are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) which vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP).

The significant differences between IFRS and US GAAP that are applicable to the Group are as follows:

<b>IFRS</b>	<b>US GAAP</b>
<i>Goodwill and business combinations</i>	
On transition to IFRS at 1 January 2004, the Group elected not to reinstate goodwill which had previously been written off to shareholders equity as a balance sheet asset.	The US GAAP balance sheet includes goodwill recognised prior to 1 January 2004.
In a step acquisition, the existing ownership interest in an entity must be revalued to the new valuation basis established at the time of acquisition. The increase in value is recorded directly in equity as a revaluation reserve.	In a step acquisition, the existing ownership interest remains at its original valuation.
Gains and losses on the disposal of foreign operations exclude the effect of cumulative currency translation differences arising prior to 1 January 2004 as they were set to zero on the transition to IFRS.	Gains and losses on the disposal of foreign operations include cumulative currency translation differences prior to January 2004.
<i>Allowances for loan losses</i>	
The principles for determining loan loss allowances under IFRS rely on an incurred loss model.	US GAAP principles are consistent with IFRS, however differences in application exist. See note (b) for details.
<i>Financial investment</i>	
Debt securities included in the Group's investment portfolio that are traded on an active market are typically classified as Available-for-Sale (AFS) assets.	Non-marketable investments classified as AFS and recorded at fair value under IFRS are recorded at cost under US GAAP.
IFRS standards exclude changes in fair value attributable to movements in the risk-free interest rate, in and of itself, as evidence of a potential impairment.	US GAAP standards include changes in fair value attributable to movements in the risk-free interest rate, in and of itself, as evidence of a potential impairment.
Under IFRS an impairment recognised does not establish a new cost basis for the underlying debt or equity security. Impairment of debt securities may be reversed through income if there is a subsequent increase in fair value that can be objectively related to a new event.	Under US GAAP recognised impairment establishes a new cost basis for the underlying debt or equity security. Under US GAAP an impairment loss cannot be reversed through income.
Changes in the fair value of AFS debt securities arising from changes in foreign exchange rates are recorded in income as exchange differences. Such differences are typically offset by exchange difference on matched currency funding.	Under US GAAP changes in the fair value of AFS debt securities arising from changes in foreign exchange rates are recorded in shareholders' equity and transferred to income on disposal of the security.

**IFRS**

On the transition to IFRS, certain debt securities were designated as Held-to-Maturity (HTM) assets.

*Private equity*

Under IFRS, all investments where the Group has control are consolidated in the Group's financial statements.

For all investments where the Group has a financial interest that is not controlling, the Group has elected to designate these investments as fair value through income with changes in fair value from period to period being recorded in income.

*Pensions and other post-retirement benefits*

Defined benefit pension schemes and other post-retirement benefits are actuarially assessed each year. The difference between the fair value of the plan assets and the present value of the obligation at the balance sheet date, adjusted for any unrecognised actuarial gains and losses and past service costs recognised on the balance sheet date as an asset or liability.

Pension and other post-retirement benefit assets and liabilities were recognised in full on transition to IFRS.

*Share based payment plans*

Under IFRS, share based options and other share based payment schemes are recognised over the vesting period, at fair value calculated at grant date, in income and equity.

*Restructuring provisions*

Under IFRS, costs associated with onerous operating lease payments are recognised when the decision to terminate the lease is made.

Under IFRS, provisions are made for any direct restructuring costs that management is committed to, has a detailed formal plan, and has raised a valid

**US GAAP**

Investments designated as HTM under IFRS were transferred for US GAAP purposes from the AFS portfolio at fair value to the HTM portfolio on 1 January 2004. The unrealised gains and losses recorded in equity as of 1 January 2004 are amortised to income over the remaining contractual life of the securities using the effective yield method.

Under US GAAP no private equity investments are consolidated.

Under US GAAP the Group accounts for its private equity investments held by private equity subsidiaries in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Auditing and Accounting Guide, Audits of Investment Companies. Consequently, such investments are recorded at their fair value with changes in fair value from period to period recognised in income.

The adoption of SFAS 158 Employers Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans in 2006 replaces the requirement to record an additional minimum liability. SFAS 158 requires the full recognition of the funded status of the Group's defined benefit pension plan as an asset or liability in the year-end balance sheet.

Under US GAAP differences arise as compared to IFRS from the different dates of adoption used for calculations.

Under US GAAP, share based options granted prior to 1 January 2006 were recorded based on intrinsic values. New awards and awards modified, repurchased or cancelled after that date are recorded based on initial fair values similar to IFRS. Difference also can occur in the timing of recognition for the tax impact of share based payment schemes.

Under US GAAP, costs associated with onerous operating lease contracts are recognised once there are no economic benefits received by the lessee, which is typically the date on which the leased property is vacated.

Under US GAAP, even when management has committed itself to a detailed exit plan, it does not follow automatically that the costs of that exit plan may



IFRS	US GAAP
expectation of carrying out that plan in those affected and other parties such as customers and suppliers.	be provided for. For example, one-time employee termination costs are recognised rateably over any required employee service period if the termination period is longer than the minimum retention period.
<i>Derivatives used for hedging</i>	
Where derivative instruments have been entered into and designated in hedging relationships in accordance with the provisions of IFRS, hedge accounting has been applied from the date of designation.	Prior to 1 January 2005, derivatives designated for hedge accounting under US GAAP were limited to those undertaken by the Group in North America and those used by the Group to hedge net investments in non-Euro operations.
The Group applied the IFRS 1 hedge accounting transition provisions at 1 January 2004.	Since 1 January 2005, the designation of hedges for US GAAP reporting has been extended to include those hedge relationships that qualify under US GAAP and can be accounted for the same as under IFRS.
<i>Mortgage servicing rights</i>	
Mortgage servicing rights hedged under a fair value hedging relationship are adjusted for changes in fair value, with changes in fair value for the hedged portion, from period to period, recognised directly in income.	Under US GAAP, hedge accounting was applied from 1 January 2001 whereas from 1 January 2004 under IFRS. This difference affects the reporting of the Group's mortgage banking activities in the US sold at the beginning of 2007.
<i>Fair value differences</i>	
Under IFRS, the Group has elected to apply the fair value through income option to certain non-controlling equity investments, mortgages originated and held for sale, unit-linked investments held for the account of insurance policy holders and certain structured liabilities.	US GAAP does not permit the fair value through income designation. Consequently, those assets and liabilities designated at fair value through income under IFRS are accounted for under the appropriate US GAAP guidance applicable to each individual asset or liability.
<i>Preference shares</i>	
Under IFRS, preference shares issued by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. are classified as debt due to the non discretionary nature of the preference dividend payment. Preference dividends are recorded as interest payments in the consolidated financial statements.	Under US GAAP, preference shares are classified as equity as they are legally equity instruments and are not mandatorily redeemable by either the issuer or the holder.
<i>Loan Origination Costs</i>	
Under IFRS, certain direct costs of origination, typically internal costs, are not considered to be incremental to the origination of a financial instrument. These costs are not deferred and amortised to income over the life of the loan as an adjustment to the effective yield and instead are recognised directly in expense.	US GAAP requires that loan origination fees and direct costs of origination, whether internal or external, be deferred and amortised to income over the life of the loan as an adjustment to interest income as part of the effective yield on the loan.
<i>Sales and lease back</i>	
Under IFRS, gains arising from a sale and operating leaseback transaction are recognised immediately in income when the transaction has been entered into at fair value.	Under US GAAP, gains arising from a sale and operating leaseback transaction are generally deferred and amortised over the future period of the operating lease.

IFRS	US GAAP
<i>Consolidation of Special Purpose Entities</i>	
SIC-12 applies to activities regardless of whether they are conducted by a legal entity. Under SIC-12, an SPE is consolidated by the entity that is deemed to control it. Indicators of control include the SPE conducting activities on behalf of the Group or the Group holding the majority of the risks and rewards of the SPE. The concept of economic benefit or risk is a major part of the analysis.	FIN 46(R) only applies to legal structures. FIN 46(R) is a consolidation model that requires consolidation assessments to be made where a company has a controlling financial interest via means other than through voting stock. FIN 46(R) requires consolidation when a party is exposed to the majority of an entity's expected losses or the majority of the residual returns. The guidance in FIN 46(R) is more detailed than SIC-12 and may result in different consolidation outcomes than those identified in SIC-12.
<i>Jointly controlled entities</i>	
The consolidated financial statements include the Group's proportionate share of jointly controlled entities assets, liabilities, income and expense on a line-by-line basis.	Under US GAAP, jointly controlled entities are recorded using the equity method of accounting.
<b>Applicable recent developments in US GAAP</b>	
<i>Adopted pronouncements</i>	
<i>SFAS 123-R: Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation</i>	
On 16 December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS 123 (revised), <i>Share-Based Payment</i> (SFAS 123 (R)).	
SFAS 123 (R) requires that entities recognise at grant date employee stock options and other forms of stock-based compensation based on the fair value of the options.	
The statement is applied by the Group in 2006 and applied to new awards and to awards modified, repurchased, or cancelled after 1 January 2006. The impact from adoption is included in the reconciliation.	
<i>SFAS 154: Accounting Changes and Error Corrections</i>	
On 1 June 2005, the Financial FASB issued SFAS 154, <i>Accounting Changes and Error Corrections</i> (SFAS 154), a replacement of APB No. 20, <i>Accounting Changes</i> and SFAS 3, <i>Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements</i> . SFAS 154 applies to all voluntary changes in accounting principle and changes the requirements for accounting for and reporting of a change in accounting principle. SFAS 154 also applies to changes required by an accounting pronouncement in the unusual instance that the pronouncement does not include specific transition provisions. When a pronouncement includes specific transition provisions, those provisions should be followed.	
The statement is effective in 2006. It has not been applicable to the Group in this period.	
<i>SFAS 158: Employers Accounting for Defined benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans - An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132 (R)</i>	
On 29 September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 158, <i>Employers Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans - An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132 (R)</i> (SFAS 158).	

SFAS 158 requires the Group to:

- a) Recognise the over- or under-funded status of defined benefit postretirement plans and other postretirement benefit plans in the balance sheet;
- b) Recognise actuarial gains and losses; prior service costs and credits; and transition assets as a component of other comprehensive income, net of tax; and
- c) Measure plan assets and obligations as at the Group's year end.

The recognition and disclosure requirements are effective for 31 December 2006. The impact of adoption is included within the US GAAP reconciliation and described in (d) Pensions and post retirement benefits.

***Pronouncements to be adopted in 2007***

*SFAS 155: Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments*

On 16 February 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 155, Accounting for Certain Hybrid Instruments (SFAS 155).

SFAS 155 permits entities to elect to measure at fair value through earnings any hybrid financial instrument that contains an embedded derivative that would otherwise require bifurcation. This fair value election is made on an instrument-by-instrument basis and is irrevocable. It is available for all qualifying hybrid instruments that exist as of the date of adoption, 1 January 2007, as well as new instruments issued or acquired after the date of adoption.

This standard will help to reduce the Group reconciling item Other Fair Value Differences. Adoption of SFAS 155 on 1 January 2007 will have a positive impact on shareholder's equity of EUR 56 million net of tax.

*FIN 48: Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*

On 13 July 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48).

This statement was issued to provide additional guidance and clarification on accounting for uncertainty in income tax positions. The interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions, as well as increased disclosure requirements with regards to uncertain tax positions. The cumulative effect of adopting FIN 48 is recognised as an adjustment to opening retained earnings in the year of adoption. The Group is currently finalising its evaluation of the impact of adopting FIN 48 in 2007.

***Other pronouncements***

*SFAS 156: Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets*

On 17 March 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 156, Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets - an Amendment of FASB Statement 140 (SFAS 156).

The standard provides companies accounting guidelines for all separately recognised servicing assets and servicing liabilities and requires entities to initially recognise servicing rights at fair value and to subsequent measure at amortised cost or fair value.

At the beginning of 2007 ABN AMRO sold ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., its US-based Residential Mortgage Broker Origination platform and servicing business. Accordingly, this statement is not expected to have a material impact on the Group's US GAAP financial statements.

*SFAS 157: Fair Value Measurements*

On 15 September 2006, the FASB released SFAS 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157). The Statement is applicable to the Group in 2008.

The standard provides companies enhanced guidance on using fair value to measure financial assets and liabilities and applies whenever other statements require (or permit) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value. The FASB states that SFAS 157 does not expand the use of fair value in any new circumstances.

SFAS 157 introduces a new definition of fair value: Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

SFAS 157 will change current practice by requiring certain methods to be used to measure fair value and establishes a three level hierarchy for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Data requirements for measuring and disclosing fair values are expected to be extensive, therefore, inventory of items carried at fair value and related data requirements will be assessed during 2007 and will be aligned with the adoption of SFAS 159.

**SFAS 159: The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities**

On 15 February 2007, the FASB released SFAS 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities* (SFAS 159). The Statement is applicable to the Group in 2008.

The standard provides companies an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value on an instrument-by-instrument basis (the fair value option). SFAS 159 was developed to improve financial reporting by reducing the volatility pertaining to the measurement of assets and liabilities without having to apply complex hedge accounting guidance.

The guidance provided by SFAS 159 further aligns the guidance provided by the fair value option allowed under IAS 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*.

**Reconciliation to US GAAP**

The following table summarizes the significant adjustments to ABN AMRO's equity and net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company under IFRS that would result from the application of US GAAP.

Reconciliation to US GAAP	Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent				
	as at		Net profit for the year ended		
	31	31	31	31	31
	December	December	December	December	December
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2004
	(in millions of EUR, except per share data)				
<b>Amounts determined in accordance with IFRS</b>	23,597	22,221	4,715	4,382	3,865
<i>US GAAP Adjustments:</i>					
Goodwill and business combinations (a)	4,446	5,803	(855)	(173)	(932)
Allowance for loan losses (b)	(540)	(538)	(58)	99	798
Financial investments (c)	104	(92)	14	(662)	(500)
Private equity investments	175	63	90	69	133
Pensions (d)	(658)	77	(237)	(339)	(89)
Share based payments (e)	-	-	-	(73)	29
Restructuring provisions (f)	60	223	(160)	(219)	307
Derivatives used for hedging (g)	250	362	1,129	(930)	(559)
Mortgage banking activities (h)	162	232	(54)	1	(139)
Other fair value difference	(119)	155	(274)	96	(252)
Preference shares (i)	768	768	36	36	87
Other equity and income differences (j)	40	33	63	(34)	(161)
Taxes	(205)	(813)	52	617	237
Total adjustments	4,483	6,273	(254)	(1,512)	(1,041)
<b>Amount in accordance with US GAAP</b>	28,080	28,494	4,461	2,870	2,824
Shareholders' equity per ordinary share under US GAAP	14.73	14.76			
Net profit under US GAAP			4,461	2,870	2,824
from continuing operations			4,147	2,682	1,850
from discontinued operations			314	188	974
Basic earnings per share under US GAAP			2.35	1.57	1.68
from continuing operations			2.18	1.47	1.09
from discontinued operations			0.17	0.10	0.59
Diluted earnings per share under US GAAP			2.34	1.56	1.67
from continuing operations			2.17	1.46	1.08
from discontinued operations			0.17	0.10	0.59

**Notes to the Adjustments to the Reconciliation to US GAAP**

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### *(a) Goodwill and business combinations*

In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 141, Business Combinations and SFAS 142, Goodwill and Intangible Assets, goodwill is capitalised and allocated to reporting units. Goodwill is allocated to operating segment components for impairment testing purposes, and tested at least annually.

Finite life intangible assets are amortised over their useful lives.

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Due to changes in our business operational model, segmentation and disposals the Group has recognised in 2006 a reduction in goodwill including an adjustment to gain on disposals of Bouwfonds, the largest property developer in the Netherlands (EUR 260 million) and various Asset Management balances (EUR 300 million) related to disposals of businesses or customers and loss of clients resulting in impairment.

The main addition in 2006 relates to the acquisition of Antonveneta.

As a result of implementing the Group's new organisational structure, the carrying value of goodwill and purchased intangibles for US GAAP purposes has been allocated as follows:

	At 31					At 31
	December		Disposals and		Foreign	December
	2004	Additions	impairment	Amortisation	exchange	2005
Netherlands	490	-	-	-	-	490
Europe	291	-	-	-	1	292
North America	2,626	-	-	(42)	375	2,959
Latin America	1,082	18	(42)	-	317	1,375
Asia	66	-	-	-	7	73
Private Clients	171	30	(5)	-	5	201
Asset Management	425	101	-	(2)	32	556
Group Functions/ Group Services	49	-	-	-	6	55
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>(47)</b>	<b>(44)</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>6,001</b>

	At 31					At 31
	December		Disposals and		Foreign	December
	2005	Additions	impairment	Amortization	exchange	2006
Netherlands	490	10	(260)	-	-	240
Europe	292	5,395	(9)	(174)	(1)	5,503
North America	2,959	-	(119)	(27)	(306)	2,507
Latin America	1,375	(83)	-	-	(31)	1,261
Asia	73	-	(1)	-	(6)	66
Private Clients	201	21	-	-	(5)	217
Asset Management	556	84	(300)	-	(19)	321
Group Functions/ Group Services	55	-	(41)	-	-	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,001</b>	<b>5,427</b>	<b>(730)</b>	<b>(201)</b>	<b>(368)</b>	<b>10,129</b>

BU Global Clients has no allocated goodwill.

Private Equity holds investments of a private equity nature measured at fair value under US GAAP, accordingly, the group does not recognise goodwill in respect of these investments.

*(b) Allowance for loan loss*

The principles of IFRS and US GAAP are essentially similar with respect to the accounting for loan losses and the calculation of the incurred but not identified ( IBNI ) component of the allowance for loan losses. Notwithstanding the comparability of the underlying concepts, some differences exist between the application under US GAAP by the Group's US subsidiaries and the application by operations in other countries. Differences in application result from factors such as legal differences, the scope and authority of banking supervisory regulators, available guidance and interpretations and peer-group practices and norms.

The Group applies the following process for the determination of loan loss allowances under IFRS. The Group's risk management framework focuses on the identification of when credits are impaired. This timely identification is achieved in various ways, ranging from frequent comprehensive reviews of credits above certain thresholds through to days-over-due monitoring for smaller balances. For this purpose the credit portfolios are allocated into two primary components: retail and non-retail.

The analysis of individually significant loans (typically non-retail) and homogenous portfolios of individually insignificant loans (typically retail) is used to quantify incurred and identified losses. In addition to these specific allowances an IBNI impairment analysis is performed for those items that have not been identified specifically as impaired. For the estimation of IBNI allowances, the Group analyzes quantitative data with specific attention to credit ratings and credit characteristics. The data analysis includes statistical data regarding probability of default ( PD ) based on counterparty credit risk characteristics, loss given default ( LGD ) based on the nature of the facility, and exposure at default ( EAD ). These three elements combined determine the expected loss on an individual loan or pool of loans. This expected loss data set forms the baseline for the calculation of the Group's estimation of losses in the IBNI portfolio analysis.

The Group has adopted a method that converts expected loss data through the application of a multiplier into an estimate of incurred losses. The multiplier (termed the loss emergence period under IFRS) represents the period between the occurrence of an event that indicates a probable and measurable impairment in a group of exposures and the time a loan is identified for specific impairment. The determination of this period recognises that there are delays in the receipt and processing of information to complete the evaluation of potential impairment and that delay is assessed based on our credit review policies and practices for provisioning throughout the Group. These practices are combined into an average loss emergence approach for respectively retail and non-retail.

In determining the consolidated level of the general loan loss allowance under US GAAP, the Group combines the IBNI as determined under IFRS for all countries outside the US on the basis of consistency in the principles on loan loss allowance, with the general loan loss allowance as determined by our US subsidiaries under US GAAP. The Group's US subsidiaries under US GAAP, have taken a loss confirmation approach, which results in a longer period, consisting of the period between the occurrence of an event leading to a deterioration in the borrower's financial condition and recognition of that event in our credit review process to the moment a specific allowance or charge is made. In addition, in assessing whether expected loss data reflects the relevant components of the current business cycle the US subsidiaries' allowance process includes an addition for regional economic trends. Furthermore, an unallocated component is added after considering a variety of factors, including reserve levels of peer banks and input from the local regulator .

*(c) Financial investments*

The Group's available-for-sale and held-to-maturity debt securities, on an IFRS basis, were as follows:

		2006		
	Amortized cost	Unrealized losses	Unrealized gains	Fair Value
<b>Debt securities held-to-maturity</b>	3,729	-	34	3,763
Debt securities available-for-sale:				
Dutch government	2,559	(25)	3	2,537
US treasury and US government	4,806	(39)	33	4,800
Other OECD government	38,531	(206)	112	38,437
Mortgage-backed securities	14,633	(66)	88	14,655
Other securities	56,688	(89)	530	57,129
<b>Total debt securities available-for-sale</b>	117,217	(425)	766	117,558
<b>Total</b>	120,946	(425)	800	121,321



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The Group performs a review of each individual available-for-sale and held-to-maturity security on a regular basis to determine whether any evidence of impairment exists. This review considers factors such as the duration and amount at which fair value is below cost, the credit standing and prospects of the issuer and the intent and ability of the Group to hold the available-for-sale or held-to-maturity security for such sufficient time to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value. An impairment of EUR 28 million (2005: EUR 30 million) was recognized under US GAAP relating to available-for-sale debt securities with unrealized losses for which the Group at the balance sheet date did not have the intent to hold until anticipated full recovery.

The available-for-sale debt securities, on a US GAAP basis, of the Group's two largest individual portfolios are summarised as follows:

### Available-for-Sale

31 December 2006

	Greater Than 12 Months		Less Than 12 Months		Total Fair Value	Total Unrealised Losses
	Fair Value	Unrealised Losses	Fair Value	Unrealised Losses		
Debt securities available for sale:						
Dutch government	564	(12)	1,789	(13)	2,353	(25)
US treasury and US government	1,693	(36)	364	(3)	2,057	(39)
Other OECD government	2,928	(31)	14,205	(170)	17,133	(201)
Corporate Debt	2,345	(6)	4,955	(6)	7,300	(12)
Mortgage backed securities	2,787	(42)	3,463	(24)	6,250	(66)
Other securities	122	(3)	49	(1)	171	(4)
<b>Total securities available for sale</b>	<b>10,439</b>	<b>(130)</b>	<b>24,825</b>	<b>(217)</b>	<b>35,264</b>	<b>(347)</b>

The remaining balance of EUR 78 million unrealised losses relates to other available-for-sale debt securities portfolios.

US GAAP income before tax is negatively impacted by EUR 42 million (2005: EUR 632 million) due to the requirement to include the change in the fair value of Available-for-Sale debt securities relating to foreign exchange rate differences in the Available-for-Sale reserve in equity.

*(d) Pensions and post retirement benefits*

The expenses for pensions and post-retirement benefits under US GAAP are based on the same method of valuation of the benefit obligations and the plan assets as under IFRS, refer to Financial Statement Note 28 Pension and other post-retirement employee obligations for further details.

On transition to IFRS, the group elected the optional exemption under IFRS 1 to recognise all cumulative actuarial gains and losses and unrecognised prior service charges in relation to employee benefit schemes in retained earnings at the date of transition.. The cumulative unrecognized actuarial losses and prior service costs under US GAAP were EUR 1,926 million at 31 December 2006 (IFRS EUR 658 million) and EUR 2,914 million at 31 December 2005 (IFRS 1,38 million). As a consequence, amortisation of these unrecognized actuarial losses and prior service costs was EUR 237 million higher under US GAAP (2005: EUR 192 million) than under IFRS.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 158, *Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans - An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132 (R)* .

In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 158, as at 31 December 2006, the Group has recognised the over - or under-funded status of defined benefit pension plans and post retirement healthcare plans as an asset or a liability within its balance sheet. Actuarial losses (EUR 1,763 million) and prior service costs (EUR 163 million) at 31 December 2006 have been transferred to accumulated other comprehensive income. Taking into account the amount that was already cumulatively charged to equity (EUR 924 million) the incremental negative effect of first time application of SFAS 158 on Other Comprehensive Income was EUR 1,002 million.

The requirement within SFAS 158, effective for year-ended 31 December 2008, to measure plan assets and benefit obligations as of the employer's fiscal year-end balance sheet date will not impact the Group's financial statements, as plan assets and benefit obligations are currently measured as of the balance sheet date.

Amounts in OCI expected to be recognised as components of net periodic benefit cost in 2007:

(in million of €)	Pensions	Healthcare	Total
Prior service cost	49	(1)	48
Net actuarial losses	65	3	68
<b>Total</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>116</b>

*(e) Share based payments*

At 31 December 2006, ABN AMRO has a number of stock based employee compensation plans, which are described more fully in Note 44. As of 1 January 2004 the Group adopted IFRS 2. Prior to the adoption of IFRS 2, the Group did not recognize the financial effect of share-based payments until such payments were settled. In accordance with the transitional provisions of IFRS 2, the Standard has been applied retrospectively to all grants of shares, share options or other equity instruments that were granted after 7 November 2002 and that were not yet vested at the effective date of the standard.

From 1 January 2006 ABN AMRO has adopted SFAS 123(R) and has opted for the modified-prospective transition. Adoption did not have a material impact on the Group's results of operations or financial condition as determined under US GAAP.

Through 31 December 2005, the Group accounted for its employee share-based compensation programs under US GAAP using the intrinsic value method in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees (APB 25)* and related interpretations to measure employee stock compensation.



The following table illustrates the effect on net income and earnings per share if the company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS 123, Accounting for Stock Based Compensation, to stock-based employee compensation as required by SFAS 148 for the year 2005.

<b>Stock-based employee compensation</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(in millions of EUR, except Per Share Data)</b>	
Net profit under US GAAP	2,870	2,824
Preferred dividend	36	43
Profit attributable to ordinary shares	2,834	2,781
Stock-based employee compensation	(45)	55
Pro forma net profit	2,879	2,726
<b>Earnings per share:</b>		
Basic - as reported	1.57	1.68
Basic - pro forma	1.60	1.64
Diluted - as reported	1.56	1.67
Diluted - pro forma	1.59	1.64

*(f) Restructuring provisions*

Due to the rules under US GAAP regarding the timing of the recognition of costs arising from certain restructuring activities, as set out in the policy difference summary, part of the costs associated with the Group wide restructuring initiatives announced in December 2004 were charged partly to US GAAP income in 2005 and 2006 with a remaining portion to be charged during 2007. The provision made in 2004 under IFRS for costs associated with the new Collective Labour Agreement have been recognized as expenses under US GAAP in 2005 and 2006 with a small remaining portion to be recognized in the first half of 2007.

*(g) Derivatives used for hedging*

The Group has entered into certain non trading derivatives for which hedge accounting under SFAS 133 is not applied, due to the differences in the hedging models available and differences in the transition requirements of US GAAP and IFRS. Under IAS 39, the Group hedges interest rate risk on forecasted cash inflows and outflows on a Group basis. For this purpose information is accumulated about financial assets and liabilities, which is then used to estimate and aggregate cash flows and to schedule the future periods in which these cash flows are expected to occur. Appropriate derivative instruments are then used to hedge the estimated future cash flows against repricing risk. SFAS 133 does not permit hedge accounting for hedges of future cash flows determined by this method. The impact of this and other cash flow hedging differences on income before tax in 2006 was EUR 553 million profit (2005: EUR (351) million loss). The impact on the cash flow hedging reserve, which is offset by a change in retained earnings, at 31 December 2006 is a reduction of EUR 108 million net of tax (2005: EUR 497 million).

The effect of not designating hedges of available-for-sale investments, originated prior to 1 January 2005 under US GAAP, was an increase to income before tax of EUR 688 million (2005: EUR (203) million loss) and an impact on the available-for-sale reserve in equity at 31 December 2006 of EUR 127 million net of tax (2005: EUR 611 million). The impact of other fair value hedges not designated for hedge accounting under US GAAP was EUR (112) million loss (2005: EUR (376) million loss) on income before tax and EUR 176 million net of tax (2005: EUR 255 million) on shareholders' equity.

*(h) Mortgage banking activities*

This difference relates to the mortgage servicing assets held by our business in the United States. As disclosed in note 48 this business was sold in early 2007. Accordingly the difference in the valuation of the mortgage servicing asset at 31 December 2006 will be reported as income in the reconciliation of 2007.

*(i) Preference Shares*

This difference relates to preference shares issued by ABN AMRO Holding NV, that qualify as equity under US GAAP.

*(j) Other equity and income differences*

Other includes the effect of other differences between IFRS and US GAAP, which both individually and in aggregate do not have a significant effect on equity or profit for the period attributable to shareholders.

*(k) Variable Interest Entities*

FASB Interpretation No. 46 Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities ( FIN 46(R) ) addresses how a business enterprise should evaluate whether it has a controlling financial interest in another entity. This is determined by initially evaluating whether the entity is a voting interest entity or a variable interest entity ( VIE ).

IFRS and US GAAP generally require consolidation of an entity it controls. Control is typically defined on the basis of ownership of a majority voting interest. However, for some entities control based on voting interests is difficult to determine either because there are no voting interests or the voting rights are not proportional to their risks and rewards. In these situations where it is difficult to identify control through voting interests, US GAAP and IFRS have differences in approach.

In the absence of clear indications of control via the voting interest model IFRS requires the substance of the relationship to be assessed. Where it is determined that in substance the entity is controlled, that entity shall be consolidated. Indicators of control are the predetermination of activities, the activities are being conducted on behalf of the entity so that the entity obtains benefits, the entity has the decision-making powers to obtain the majority of the benefits and may be exposed to risks, or the entity retains the majority of the residual or ownership risks or its assets.

Under US GAAP and in instances where the voting interests are not indicative of whether an entity is controlled by another party then FIN 46(R) is applicable. A VIE is consolidated by its primary beneficiary, which is the party involved with the VIE that absorbs a majority of the expected losses or receives a majority of the expected residual returns or both.

In the vast majority of instances a consolidation assessment under FIN 46(R) will conclude in a manner similar to that under IFRS. In areas where FIN 46(R) is more detailed than IFRS and fully compatible with IFRS, the more detailed guidance available within FIN 46(R) is utilized. This further reduces differences between the Group's IFRS conclusions and those under US GAAP.

**Voting Interest Entities**

Voting interest entities are entities in which the total equity investment at risk is sufficient to enable each entity to finance itself independently and provides the equity holders with the obligation to absorb losses, the rights to receive residual returns and the right to make decisions about the entity's activities. Voting interest entities are consolidated in accordance with ARB 51 which states that the usual condition for a controlling financial interest in an entity is ownership of majority voting interest. This is largely consistent with IFRS.

## Variable Interest Entities

As defined in FIN 46(R), an entity is considered a VIE if the total equity investment at risk is not sufficient to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties, or if the equity investors lack one of the following three characteristics of a controlling financial interest:

the ability to make decisions about the entity's activities through voting rights or similar rights to make decisions about the entity's activities that have a significant effect on the success of the entity;

the obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity if they occur;

the right to receive expected returns of the entity if they occur, which are the compensation for the risk of absorbing the expected losses.

VIEs are consolidated by the interest holder that is the primary beneficiary and that therefore will absorb the majority of the VIE's expected losses, or will receive the majority of the expected residual returns, or both. A variable interest causing an enterprise to be the primary beneficiary can arise from any ownership, contractual or other financial interest, including but not limited to equity and debt interests, derivative contracts, guarantees or fee and management arrangements.

### VIEs in which the Group is the primary beneficiary

VIEs in which the Group is the primary beneficiary are consolidated. The business activities within the Group where VIEs are used include multi- and single-seller conduit programs, asset securitisations, client intermediation, credit structuring, asset realizations, fund management and private equity.

#### *Multi- and single-seller conduit programs*

ABN Amro acts as sponsor to a number of multi-seller asset backed conduit programs, into which its clients sell financial assets. The Group also sponsors its own single-seller asset backed commercial paper conduit programs. The vehicles used in these programs are consolidated under both IFRS and US GAAP. Consolidating these vehicles under IFRS and US GAAP impact assets by EUR 25.9 billion (2005: 25.8 billion) and liabilities by EUR 26.2 billion (2005: 26.0 billion).

#### *Asset securitisations*

The Group assists a wide range of customers with the formation of asset securitizations. This involves the creation of entities with minimal equity and a reliance on funding in the form of notes to purchase the assets being securitized. In these activities the Group can be the primary beneficiary through the holding of either senior and/or junior notes and through derivative contracts with the entities. In this area the consolidation conclusion under IFRS and US GAAP are consistent and in the vast majority of customer asset securitizations the Group is not assessed to be the primary beneficiary.

#### *Client intermediation*

As a financial intermediary, the Group is involved in structuring transactions to meet investor and client needs. These transactions involve entities that fall within the scope of FIN 46(R) structured by either the Group or the client and that are used to modify cash flows of third party assets to create investments with specific risk or return profiles, or to assist clients in the efficient management of other risks. In this area the conclusion to consolidate under IFRS and US GAAP are consistent.

#### *Credit structuring*

The Group structures investments to provide specific risk profiles to investors. This may involve the sale of credit exposures, often by way of credit derivatives, to an entity which subsequently funds the credit exposures by issuing securities. These securities may initially be held by the Group prior to sale outside of the Group.



*Asset realizations*

Occasionally the Group establishes SPEs to facilitate the recovery of loans in circumstances where the borrower has suffered financial losses.

*Fund management*

The Group provides asset management services to a large number of investment entities on an arms-length basis and at market terms and prices. The majority of these entities are investment funds that are owned by a large and diversified number of investors. In addition, there are various partnerships, funds and open-ended investment companies that are used by a limited number of independent third parties to facilitate their tailored private debt, debt securities or hedge fund investment strategies.

**Entities which are de-consolidated for US GAAP purposes**

The Group consolidates under IFRS entities that have issued preferred securities, which are de-consolidated for US GAAP purposes. This does not have an impact on the balance sheet, as a liability to the trust preferred issuers directly replaces the liability recorded by the issuer.



(1) Consolidated Balance Sheet and Income Statement Adjusted for US GAAP

**Consolidated Balance Sheets including significant US GAAP adjustments**

The following Consolidated Balance Sheets illustrate the effect of the reconciling items under US GAAP based on the IFRS balance sheets, and the impact of reporting joint ventures and consolidated private equity investments in accordance with the key differences summary.

**Consolidated Balance Sheets including significant US GAAP adjustments as at 31 December 2006**

	2006	2005
Cash and balances at central banks	12,305	16,646
Financial assets held for trading	205,736	202,055
Financial Investments	122,555	121,359
Loans and receivables - banks	134,819	108,635
Loans and receivables - customers	440,993	378,785
Equity accounted investments	1,766	3,116
Property and equipment	6,266	7,099
Goodwill and other intangible assets	13,853	11,203
Assets of businesses held for sale	12,012	-
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	9,206	7,556
Other assets	18,595	19,912
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>978,106</b>	<b>876,366</b>
Financial liabilities held for trading	145,358	147,717
Due to banks	187,989	167,821
Due to customers	361,255	316,187
Issued debt securities	202,024	170,612
Provisions	7,790	6,188
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	3,707	-
Accrued expenses and deferred income	10,605	8,312
Other liabilities	10,436	10,954
Subordinated liabilities (1)	18,564	18,150
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	28,080	28,494
Equity attributable to minority interest	2,298	1,931
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>978,106</b>	<b>876,366</b>

(1) Includes amounts due to guaranteed preferred issuers. See note (o).

**Consolidated Income Statements including significant US GAAP adjustments**

The following Consolidated Income Statements illustrate the effect of the reconciling items under US GAAP based on the IFRS income statement.

	2006	2005	2004
Interest income	37,698	29,645	24,528

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Interest expense	26,745	20,544	15,833
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>10,953</b>	<b>9,101</b>	<b>8,695</b>
Provision for loan losses	1,913	536	(191)
<b>Net interest income after provision for loan losses</b>	<b>9,040</b>	<b>8,565</b>	<b>8,886</b>
Fee and commission income	7,127	5,572	5,185
Fee and commission expense	1,065	881	700
<b>Net fee and commission income</b>	<b>6,062</b>	<b>4,691</b>	<b>4,485</b>
Net trading income	2,982	2,619	1,310
Results from financial transactions	1,993	(181)	(246)

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	2006	2005	2004
Share of result in equity accounted investments	243	263	206
Other operating income	761	855	240
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>21,081</b>	<b>16,812</b>	<b>14,881</b>
Personnel expenses	8,193	7,275	7,211
General and administrative expenses	6,751	5,420	4,156
Depreciation and amortisation	1,119	871	1,067
<b>Operating expenses</b>	<b>16,063</b>	<b>13,566</b>	<b>12,434</b>
<b>Operating profit before tax</b>	<b>5,018</b>	<b>3,246</b>	<b>2,447</b>
Income tax expense	806	503	522
<b>Profit from continuing operations</b>	<b>4,212</b>	<b>2,743</b>	<b>1,925</b>
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	314	188	974
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>4,526</b>	<b>2,931</b>	<b>2,899</b>
Attributable to minority interests	65	61	75
<b>Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company</b>	<b>4,461</b>	<b>2,870</b>	<b>2,824</b>

(m) *Earnings per Share under US GAAP*

Basic EPS is computed by dividing income available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted EPS includes the determinants of basic EPS and, in addition, gives effect to dilutive potential common shares that were outstanding during the period.

The computation of US GAAP basic and diluted EPS for the years ended 31 December 2006, 2005 and 2004 are presented in the following table:

In millions, except per share amounts	2006	2005	2004
Net profit	4,461	2,870	2,824
Dividends on preference shares	36	36	43
Net profit available to ordinary shareholders	4,425	2,834	2,781
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding applicable to basic EPS	1,882.5	1,804.1	1,657.6
Effect of dilutive securities	11.2	6.8	3.0
Adjusted weighted average ordinary shares outstanding applicable to basic EPS	1,893.7	1,810.9	1,660.6
Basic earnings per share	2.35	1.57	1.68
Diluted earnings per share	2.34	1.56	1.67

(n) *Supplemental Condensed Information*

The following consolidating information presents condensed balance sheets at 31 December 2006 and 2005 and condensed statements of income and cash flows for the years ended 31 December 2006 and 2005 of Holding Company, Bank Company and its subsidiaries. These statements are

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prepared in accordance with IFRS. The significant differences between IFRS and US GAAP as they affect Holding Company, Bank Company and its subsidiaries are set out below.

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The condensed balance sheets at 31 December 2006 and 2005 are presented in the following tables:

**Condensed consolidating balance sheet as at 31 December 2006**

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Cash and balances at central banks	-	6,379	-	5,938	-	12,317
Financial assets held for trading	-	187,802	-	19,159	(1,225)	205,736
Financial Investments	20	88,857	-	50,863	(14,359)	125,381
Loans and receivables - banks	2,487	185,121	489	117,500	(170,778)	134,819
Loans and receivables - customers	-	258,139	-	227,000	(41,884)	443,255
Equity accounted investments	21,940	26,423	-	1,338	(48,174)	1,527
Property and equipment	-	1,532	-	4,738	-	6,270
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	4,928	-	4,479	-	9,407
Assets of businesses held for sale	-	-	-	12,048	(198)	11,850
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	-	4,984	-	4,306	-	9,290
Other assets	3	8,647	-	18,563	(1)	27,212
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>24,450</b>	<b>772,812</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>465,932</b>	<b>(276,619)</b>	<b>987,064</b>
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	136,571	-	8,793	-	145,364
Due to banks	-	195,382	-	139,190	(146,583)	187,989
Due to customers	20	303,615	-	124,830	(66,082)	362,383
Issued debt securities	-	88,358	489	128,783	(15,584)	202,046
Provisions	-	1,348	-	6,500	2	7,850
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	-	-	-	3,905	(198)	3,707
Accrued expenses and deferred income	-	6,462	-	4,178	-	10,640
Other liabilities	65	6,139	-	15,773	-	21,977
Subordinated liabilities	768	12,997	-	5,448	-	19,213
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	23,597	21,940	-	26,234	(48,174)	23,597
Minority interests	-	-	-	2,298	-	2,298
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>24,450</b>	<b>772,812</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>465,932</b>	<b>(276,619)</b>	<b>987,064</b>
<b>Reconciliation to US GAAP</b>						
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company as reported in the condensed balance sheet	23,597	21,940	-	26,234	(48,174)	23,597
US GAAP Adjustments:						
Goodwill and business combinations	-	586	-	3,860	-	4,446
Allowance of loan loss	-	-	-	(540)	-	(540)

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Financial investments	-	110	-	(6)	-	104
Private equity investments	-	-	-	175	-	175
Pensions	-	(634)	-	(24)	-	(658)
Share based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restructuring provisions	-	15	-	45	-	60
Derivatives used for hedging	-	215	-	35	-	250
Mortgage banking activities	-	-	-	162	-	162
Other fair value differences	-	(119)	-	-	-	(119)
Preference shares	768	-	-	-	-	768
Other equity and income differences	-	18	-	22	-	40
Taxes	-	83	-	(288)	-	(205)
Reconciling items subsidiaries (net)	3,715	3,441	-	-	(7,156)	-
Shareholders equity and net profit under US GAAP	28,080	25,655	-	29,675	(55,330)	28,080

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## Condensed consolidating balance sheet as at 31 December 2005

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Cash and balances at central banks	-	11,402	-	5,255	-	16,657
Financial assets held for trading	-	179,895	-	22,592	(432)	202,055
Financial Investments	20	79,215	-	44,539	-	123,774
Loans and receivables - banks	3,685	136,516	386	98,509	(130,461)	108,635
Loans and receivables - customers	-	246,646	-	187,168	(53,566)	380,248
Equity accounted investments	19,332	21,145	-	1,151	(38,635)	2,993
Property and equipment	-	1,631	-	6,479	-	8,110
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	467	-	4,701	-	5,168
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	-	4,013	-	3,602	(1)	7,614
Other assets	4	8,841	-	16,708	(3)	25,550
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>23,041</b>	<b>689,771</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>390,704</b>	<b>(223,098)</b>	<b>880,804</b>

Financial liabilities held for trading	-	138,747	-	9,841	-	148,588
Due to banks	-	174,741	-	121,789	(128,709)	167,821
Due to customers	20	267,769	-	103,119	(53,825)	317,083
Issued debt securities	-	60,953	386	111,070	(1,790)	170,619
Provisions	-	1,632	-	4,779	-	6,411
Accrued expenses and deferred income	-	4,724	-	3,611	-	8,335
Other liabilities	32	8,877	-	9,960	(146)	18,723
Subordinated liabilities	768	12,996	-	5,301	7	19,072
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	22,221	19,332	-	19,303	(38,635)	22,221
Minority interests	-	-	-	1,931	-	1,931
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>23,041</b>	<b>689,771</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>390,704</b>	<b>(223,098)</b>	<b>880,804</b>

**Reconciliation to US GAAP**

Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company as reported in the condensed balance sheet	22,221	19,332	-	19,303	(38,635)	22,221
US GAAP Adjustments:						
Goodwill and business combinations	-	968	-	4,835	-	5,803
Allowance of loan loss	-	-	-	(538)	-	(538)
Financial investments	-	(126)	-	34	-	(92)
Private equity investments	-	-	-	63	-	63
Pensions	-	(109)	-	186	-	77
Share based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Restructuring provisions	-	223	-	-	-	223
Derivatives used for hedging	-	297	-	65	-	362
Mortgage banking activities	-	-	-	232	-	232
Other fair value differences	-	155	-	-	-	155
Preference shares	768	-	-	-	-	768
Other equity and income differences	-	-	-	33	-	33
Taxes	-	(790)	-	(23)	-	(813)
Reconciling items subsidiaries (net)	5,505	4,887	-	-	(10,392)	-
Shareholders equity and net profit under US GAAP	28,494	24,837	-	24,190	(49,027)	28,494

The condensed income statements for 2006, 2005 and 2004 are presented in the following tables:



## Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2006

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	66	3,566	-	6,943	-	10,575
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	4,681	3,803	-	-	(8,484)	-
Net commissions	-	2,303	-	3,759	-	6,062
Trading income	-	2,344	-	635	-	2,979
Results from financial transactions	-	193	-	894	-	1,087
Other operating income	-	478	-	6,460	-	6,938
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>4,747</b>	<b>12,687</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,691</b>	<b>(8,484)</b>	<b>27,641</b>
Operating expenses	2	7,360	-	13,351	-	20,713
Provision loan losses	-	499	-	1,356	-	1,855
Operating profit before tax	4,745	4,828	-	3,984	(8,484)	5,073
Taxes	30	147	-	725	-	902
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	609	-	609
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>4,715</b>	<b>4,681</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,868</b>	<b>(8,484)</b>	<b>4,780</b>
Minority interests	-	-	-	65	-	65
<b>Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company</b>	<b>4,715</b>	<b>4,681</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,803</b>	<b>(8,484)</b>	<b>4,715</b>
<b>Reconciliation to US GAAP</b>						
Goodwill and business combinations	-	(4)	-	(851)	-	(855)
Allowance of loan loss	-	-	-	(58)	-	(58)
Financial investments	-	42	-	(28)	-	14
Private equity investments	-	-	-	90	-	90
Pensions	-	(208)	-	(29)	-	(237)
Share based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restructuring provisions	-	(78)	-	(82)	-	(160)
Derivatives used for hedging	-	1,129	-	-	-	1,129
Mortgage banking activities	-	-	-	(54)	-	(54)
Other fair value differences	-	(274)	-	-	-	(274)
Preference shares	36	-	-	-	-	36
Other equity and income differences	-	21	-	42	-	63
Taxes	-	(187)	-	239	-	52
Reconciling items subsidiaries (net)	(290)	(731)	-	-	1,021	-
<b>Net profit under US GAAP</b>	<b>4,461</b>	<b>4,391</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,072</b>	<b>(7,463)</b>	<b>4,461</b>

## Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2005

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate	ABN AMRO consolidated
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					<b>and reclassify</b>	
Net interest income	17	3,742	-	5,026	-	8,785
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	4,398	2,646	-	-	(7,044)	-
Net commissions	(31)	2,062	-	2,660	-	4,691
Trading income	-	2,231	-	390	-	2,621
Results from financial transactions	-	518	-	763	-	1,281
Other operating income	-	240	-	4,716	-	4,956
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>4,384</b>	<b>11,439</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,555</b>	<b>(7,044)</b>	<b>22,334</b>
Operating expenses	(6)	6,585	-	9,722	-	16,301
Provision loan losses	-	149	-	486	-	635
Operating profit before tax	4,390	4,705	-	3,347	(7,044)	5,398
Taxes	8	307	-	827	-	1,142
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	187	-	187
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>4,382</b>	<b>4,398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,707</b>	<b>(7,044)</b>	<b>4,443</b>
Minority interests	-	-	-	61	-	61
<b>Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company</b>	<b>4,382</b>	<b>4,398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,646</b>	<b>(7,044)</b>	<b>4,382</b>
<b>Reconciliation to US GAAP</b>						
Goodwill and business combinations	-	-	-	(173)	-	(173)
Allowance of loan loss	-	-	-	99	-	99
Financial investments	-	(662)	-	-	-	(662)
Private equity investments	-	-	-	69	-	69
Pensions	-	(307)	-	(32)	-	(339)
Share based payments	-	(73)	-	-	-	(73)
Restructuring provisions	-	(191)	-	(28)	-	(219)
Derivatives used for hedging	-	(882)	-	(48)	-	(930)

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	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Mortgage banking activities	-	-	-	1	-	1
Other fair value differences	-	96	-	-	-	96
Preference shares	36	-	-	-	-	36
Other equity and income differences	-	5	-	(39)	-	(34)
Taxes	-	584	-	33	-	617
Reconciling items subsidiaries (net)	(1,548)	(118)	-	-	(1,666)	-
<b>Net profit under US GAAP</b>	<b>2,870</b>	<b>2,850</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,528</b>	<b>(5,378)</b>	<b>2,870</b>

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2004

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	(77)	4,066	-	4,536	-	8,525
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	3,948	2,632	-	-	(6,580)	-
Net commissions	-	1,734	-	2,751	-	4,485
Trading income	-	1,046	-	263	-	1,309
Results from financial transactions	-	236	-	669	-	905
Other operating income	-	193	-	3,374	-	3,567
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>3,871</b>	<b>9,907</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,593</b>	<b>(6,580)</b>	<b>18,791</b>
Operating expenses	5	7,026	-	8,149	-	15,180
Provision loan losses	-	186	-	421	-	607
Operating profit before tax	3,866	2,695	-	3,023	(6,580)	3,004
Taxes	1	(196)	-	910	-	715
Discontinued operations	-	1,057	-	594	-	1,651
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>3,865</b>	<b>3,948</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,707</b>	<b>(6,580)</b>	<b>3,940</b>
Minority interests	-	-	-	75	-	75
<b>Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company</b>	<b>3,865</b>	<b>3,948</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,632</b>	<b>(6,580)</b>	<b>3,865</b>

Reconciliation to US GAAP

Goodwill and business combinations	-	(784)	-	(148)	-	(932)
Allowance of loan loss	-	798	-	-	-	798
Financial investments	-	(500)	-	-	-	(500)
Private equity investments	-	-	-	133	-	133
Pensions	-	(71)	-	(18)	-	(89)
Share based payments	-	29	-	-	-	29
Restructuring provisions	-	356	-	(49)	-	307
Derivatives used for hedging	-	(450)	-	(109)	-	(559)
Mortgage banking activities	-	-	-	(139)	-	(139)
Other fair value differences	-	(252)	-	-	-	(252)
Preference shares	87	-	-	-	-	87
Other equity and income differences	-	(61)	-	(100)	-	(161)

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Taxes	-	160	-	77	-	237
Reconciling items subsidiaries (net)	(1,128)	(353)	-	-	1,481	-
<b>Net profit under US GAAP</b>	2,824	2,820	-	2,279	(5,099)	2,824

**Supplemental Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows**

The condensed statements of cash flows for the years ended 31 December 2006, 2005 and 2004 are presented in the following tables:

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*Condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2006*

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net cash flows from operating activities from continuing operations	1,537	(265)	-	(2,928)	(3,316)	(4,972)
Net cash flows from operating activities from discontinued operations	-	-	-	314	-	314
<b>Total net cash flows</b>	<b>1,537</b>	<b>(265)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,614)</b>	<b>(3,316)</b>	<b>(4,658)</b>
Net outflow of investment / sale of securities investment portfolios	-	(7,006)	-	(768)	-	(7,774)
Net outflow of investment / sale of participating interests	-	19	-	(7,210)	-	(7,191)
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	-	(125)	-	(758)	-	(883)
Net outflow of investment/sale of intangibles	-	(261)	-	(527)	-	(788)
Net outflow of investment/discontinued operations	-	-	-	1,574	-	1,574
<b>Net cash flows from investing activities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7,373)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7,689)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(15,062)</b>
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	-	(1,017)	-	649	-	(368)
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	-	8,943	-	12,302	-	21,245
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	(2,061)	-	-	-	-	(2,061)
Other changes in equity	133	-	-	143	-	276
Cash dividends paid	(807)	(1,521)	-	(1,795)	3,316	(807)
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>(2,878)</b>	<b>6,405</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,299</b>	<b>3,316</b>	<b>18,285</b>
<b>Cash flows</b>	<b>(1,198)</b>	<b>(1,233)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>996</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,435)</b>

*Condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2005*

	Holding company	Bank company	Lasalle Funding LLC	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net cash flows from operating activities from continuing operations	2,071	(14,255)	-	(4,437)	(2,355)	(18,976)
	-	-	-	200	-	200

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Net cash flows from operating activities from discontinued operations

<b>Total net cash flows</b>	2,071	(14,255)	-	(4,237)	(2,355)	(18,776)
Net outflow of investment / sale of securities investment portfolios	(10)	(10,777)	-	(1,825)	-	(12,612)
Net outflow of investment / sale of participating interests	-	(1,516)	-	(884)	1,228	(1,172)
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	-	(156)	-	(809)	-	(965)
Net outflow of investment/sale of intangibles	-	(252)	-	(170)	-	(422)
Net outflow of investment/discontinued operations	-	-	-	(14)	-	(14)
<b>Net cash flow from investing activities</b>	<b>(10)</b>	<b>(12,701)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(3,702)</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>(15,185)</b>
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	-	1,347	-	(36)	-	1,311
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	-	20,996	-	8,034	-	29,030
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	2,523	-	-	-	-	2,523
Other changes in equity	-	1,222	-	92	(1,222)	92
Cash dividends paid	(659)	(1,751)	-	(598)	2,349	(659)
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	(1,185)	-	(1,185)
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>1,864</b>	<b>21,814</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>31,112</b>
<b>Cash flows</b>	<b>3,925</b>	<b>(5,142)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,632)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,849)</b>

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*Condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2004*

	<b>Holding company</b>	<b>Bank company</b>	<b>Lasalle Funding LLC</b>	<b>Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Eliminate and reclassify</b>	<b>ABN AMRO consolidated</b>
Net cash flows from operating activities from continuing operations	967	(9,517)	-	(6,605)	(1,329)	(16,484)
Net cash flows from operating activities from discontinued operations	-	-	-	437	-	437
<b>Total net cash flows</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>(9,517)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(6,168)</b>	<b>(1,329)</b>	<b>(16,047)</b>
Net outflow of investment / sale of securities investment portfolios	-	(2,398)	-	(24)	-	(2,422)
Net outflow of investment / sale of participating interests	-	(2)	-	(1,775)	1,654	(123)
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	-	(194)	-	(641)	-	(835)
Net outflow of investment/sale of intangibles	-	(185)	-	(100)	-	(285)
Net outflow of investment/discontinued operations	-	-	-	2,513	-	2,513
<b>Net cash flow from investing activities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,779)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(27)</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>(1,152)</b>
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	-	(548)	-	61	-	(487)
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	-	12,704	-	2,979	-	15,683
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	(513)	-	-	-	-	(513)
Other changes in equity	-	1,659	-	334	(1,659)	334
Cash dividends paid	(694)	(677)	-	(657)	1,334	(694)
Discontinued operations	-	-	-	2,422	-	2,422
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>(1,207)</b>	<b>13,138</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,139</b>	<b>(325)</b>	<b>16,745</b>
<b>Cash flows</b>	<b>(240)</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,056)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(454)</b>

*(o) Other information***ABN AMRO Holding NV (Parent Company)**

The parent company financial statements are included in the condensed consolidating footnote note (o) on an IFRS basis. The number of ordinary shares in issuance at 31 December 2006 was 1,936,847,516 (2005: 1,909,738,427, 2004: 1,702,888,861). The total number of authorized ordinary shares amounts to 4,000,000,000.

Proposed profit appropriation of ABN AMRO Holding NV, pursuant to article 37.2 and 37.3 of the articles of association, is as follows:

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(in million of )	2006	2005	2004
Additional to reserves	2,562	2,332	2,200
Dividends on ordinary shares	2,153	2,050	1,665
	4,715	4,382	3,865
Dividends on preference shares	36	36	43

**Guaranteed preferred issuers**

In 2006, 2005 and 2004, guaranteed preferred beneficial interest in subsidiaries represents the 5.900% Non-cumulative Guaranteed Trust Preferred Securities, 6.250% Non-cumulative Guaranteed Trust Preferred Securities and 6.08% Non-cumulative Guaranteed Trust Preferred Securities (the Trust Preferred Securities ) issued respectively by ABN AMRO Capital Funding Trust V, ABN AMRO Capital Funding Trust VI and ABN AMRO Capital Funding Trust VII (the Trusts ), indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of ABN AMRO Holding. The sole assets of the Trusts are Non-cumulative Guaranteed Class B Preferred Securities (the Class B Preferred Securities ) of ABN AMRO Capital Funding LLC V, ABN AMRO Capital Funding LLC VI and ABN AMRO Capital Funding LLC VII, indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of ABN AMRO Holding, and the maturities and interest on the Class B Preferred Securities match those of the Trust Preferred Securities. The Trust Preferred Securities and the Class B Preferred Securities pay interest quarterly in arrears and are redeemable only upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the documents governing the terms of those securities. Subject to limited exceptions, the earliest date that the Class B Preferred Securities can be redeemed is 3 July 2008 with respect to ABN AMRO Capital Funding Trust V, 30 September 2008 with respect to ABN AMRO Capital Funding



Trust VI, and 18 February 2009 with respect to ABN AMRO Capital Funding Trust VII. The Trust Preferred Securities and the Class B Preferred Securities are each subject to a full and unconditional guarantee of ABN AMRO Holding. In terms of dividend and liquidation rights, the Trust Preferred Securities are comparable to ABN AMRO Holding preference shares.

*LaSalle Funding LLC*

LaSalle Funding LLC may from time to time offer up to \$2,500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of debt securities on terms determined at the time of sale, pursuant to a shelf registration statement on Form F-3 filed with the SEC. The notes will be unconditionally guaranteed by Holding and by Bank. In accordance with Regulation S-X of the SEC, Rule 3-10, LaSalle Funding LLC does not publish separate financial statements required for a registrant, as La Salle Funding LLC is an indirectly wholly-owned finance subsidiary of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., who fully and unconditionally guarantees such notes.

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Exhibit 99.4

**CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- (1) Registration Statements on Form F-3 (File No. 333-85646, 333-12384, 333-126811) and related Prospectus of Barclays Bank PLC pertaining to the issue of up to U.S. \$12,870,714,000 aggregate principal amount of debt securities, preference shares and American Depositary Shares,
  - (2) Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-12818) pertaining to the Barclays PLC Approved and Unapproved Incentive Share Option Plans and Executive Share Award Scheme;
  - (3) Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-112796) pertaining to the 1999 Barclays Bank PLC Deferred Compensation Plan (as amended and restated effective March 1, 2003), and
  - (4) Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-112797) pertaining to the Barclays Bank PLC U.S. Senior Management Deferred Compensation Plan (as effective February 10, 2004);
- of our audit report dated April 2, 2007, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. included in the Form 6-K of Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC dated April 23, 2007, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

April 23, 2007

/s/ Ernst & Young Accountants  
Ernst & Young Accountants

Exhibit 99.5

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. s press release containing summary of first quarter 2007 results, dated April 16, 2007

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## ***IR/Press Release***

**Amsterdam, 16 April 2007**

### **ABN AMRO reports summary of the first quarter 2007 results:**

#### **Strong improvement in operating result leads to a 30% increase in EPS from continuing operations to 65 euro cents**

In light of recent developments and in order to be fully transparent, ABN AMRO has decided to provide an update of its first-quarter results ahead of the scheduled publication on 26 April 2007. We will report a full analysis of the first quarter results on 26 April 2007.

#### **Net operating profit first quarter of 2007 up 25.5% compared with the first quarter of 2006**

- o Operating income increased 10.5% driven by strong revenue increases across all regions, supported by a very good performance of Global Markets
- o Operating result up 20.8% on the back of strong revenue growth and good cost control
- o Efficiency ratio improvement of 2.8 percentage points to 66.6%
- o Profit for the period up 29.0%, including a EUR 97 mln gain on the sale of the US mortgage business and EUR 17 mln of results from the operations of the US mortgage business, booked in results from discontinued operations
- o BU Europe's profit for the period increased from EUR 18 mln to EUR 131 mln due to a strong improvement in the operating result
- o EPS from continuing operations improved 30% to 65 euro cents

#### **Net operating profit first quarter of 2007 up 24.6% compared with fourth quarter of 2006**

- o Operating income increased 1.6%
- o Operating expenses down 4.0%, showing the results of cost control measures taken in second half of 2006
- o Efficiency ratio improved with 3.9 percentage points to 66.6%
- o Effective tax rate of continuing operations was 22.6% compared with 20.0% in the previous quarter

### **Chairman's statement**

Our focus on growth, efficiency and acceleration has led to a significantly improved operating performance of EUR 2 bln. The increase in operating result reflects a strong contribution to revenues from our growth engines in Brazil, Italy and Asia, combined with the acceleration of our cost control initiatives. The resulting EPS of 65 euro cents from continuing operations means that we are well on our way to beating the 2007 EPS target of EUR 2.30 (excluding major disposals and restructuring charges).

**quarterly**

*(in millions of euros)*

<b>Q1 2007</b>	<b>Q1 2006</b>	<b>Q4 2006</b>
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			%		%
			change		change
Total operating income	5,989	5,420	10.5	5,893	1.6
Total operating expenses	3,989	3,764	6.0	4,156	(4.0)
Operating result	2,000	1,656	20.8	1,737	15.1
Loan impairment	417	328	27.1	509	(18.1)
Operating profit before tax	1,583	1,328	19.2	1,228	28.9
Income tax expense	358	352	1.7	245	46.1
Net operating profit	1,225	976	25.5	983	24.6
Discontinued operations (net)	114	62		403	
Profit for the period	1,339	1,038	29.0	1,386	(3.4)
Net profit attributable to shareholders	1,310	1,003	30.6	1,359	(3.6)
Earnings per share (euros)	0.71	0.53	34.0	0.72	(1.4)
Eps from continuing operations (euros)	0.65	0.50	30.0	0.51	27.5
Efficiency ratio	66.6%	69.4%		70.5%	

*Note: All figures exclude the consolidation effect of controlled non-financial investments*

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**The first quarter results of the business units compared to the first and fourth quarter 2006 results**
**Breakdown income statement first quarter 2007***(in millions of euros)*

	Nether-lands	Europe (ex ANTV)	Anton-veneta	North America	Latin America	Asia	Private Equity	Private Clients	Asset Mgt	GF/GS	Group
<b>Total operating income</b>	1,360	760	510	995	1,050	580	113	327	231	63	5,989
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	871	630	335	662	584	396	24	224	151	112	3,989
<b>Operating result</b>	489	130	175	333	466	184	89	103	80	(49)	2,000
Loan impairment	105	(7)	78	(1)	190	53	0	(3)	0	2	417
<b>Operating profit before tax</b>	384	137	97	334	276	131	89	106	80	(51)	1,583
Income tax expense	85	6	40	96	99	24	(10)	30	22	(34)	358
<b>Net operating profit</b>	299	131	57	238	177	107	99	76	58	(17)	1,225
Discontinued operations (net)	0	0	0	114	0	0	0	0	0	0	114
<b>Profit for the period</b>	299	131	57	352	177	107	99	76	58	(17)	1,339
Efficiency ratio	64.0%	82.9%	65.7%	66.5%	55.6%	68.3%		68.5%	65.4%		66.6%

**Breakdown income statement first quarter 2006***(in millions of euros)*

	Nether-lands	Europe (ex ANTV)	Anton-veneta	North America	Latin America	Asia	Private Equity	Private Clients	Asset Mgt	GF/GS	Group
Total operating income	1,283	587	451	896	965	435	128	320	210	145	5,420
Total operating expenses	850	550	315	640	570	332	35	229	132	111	3,764
<b>Operating result</b>	433	37	136	256	395	103	93	91	78	34	1,656
Loan impairment	85	0	32	(15)	173	36	15	1	0	1	328
<b>Operating profit before tax</b>	348	37	104	271	222	67	78	90	78	33	1,328

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Income tax expense	84	19	51	53	90	23	(14)	25	16	5	352
<b>Net operating profit</b>	264	18	53	218	132	44	92	65	62	28	976
Discontinued operations (net)	50	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	62
<b>Profit for the period</b>	314	18	53	230	132	44	92	65	62	28	1,038
Efficiency ratio	66.3%	93.7%	69.8%	71.4%	59.1%	76.3%		71.6%	62.9%		69.4%

**Breakdown income statement fourth quarter 2006**

(in millions of euros)

	Nether-lands	Europe (ex ANTV)	Anton-veneta	North America	Latin America	Asia	Private Equity	Private Clients	Asset Mgt	GF/GS	Group
<b>Total operating income</b>	1,320	631	583	1,129	1,018	566	94	326	277	(51)	5,893
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	914	677	354	714	607	407	26	201	163	93	4,156
<b>Operating result</b>	406	(46)	229	415	411	159	68	125	114	(144)	1,737
Loan impairment	112	17	113	8	159	78	5	0	0	17	509
<b>Operating profit before tax</b>	294	(63)	116	407	252	81	63	125	114	(161)	1,228
Income tax expense	72	(2)	29	111	52	35	(24)	38	22	(88)	245
<b>Net operating profit</b>	222	(61)	87	296	200	46	87	87	92	(73)	983
Discontinued operations (net)	371	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	403
<b>Profit for the period</b>	593	(61)	87	328	200	46	87	87	92	(73)	1,386
Efficiency ratio	69.2%	107.3%	60.7%	63.2%	59.6%	71.9%		61.7%	58.8%		70.5%

Note: 1) All figures exclude the consolidation effect of controlled non-financial investments.

2) For comparison reasons the figures by BU have been adjusted to reflect the following (earlier announced) changes: BU Global Clients is reported in the regions; the International Diamonds & Jewellery Group is included in Group Functions (previously BU Private Clients) and BU Asset Management includes Asset Management France (previously in BU Private Clients).

3) The discontinued operations include Bouwfonds non-mortgage and the US mortgage business.





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**Recent developments**

Regarding the ongoing criminal investigations relating to our dollar clearing activities, OFAC compliance procedures and other Bank Secrecy Act compliance matters, the Bank is actively exploring all possible options to resolve these issues. The ultimate resolution of these compliance issues and related investigations and the nature and severity of possible additional sanctions can not be predicted at this point in time.

**Additional information**

The BU Netherlands fourth quarter 2006 result included a gain on the sale of Bouwfonds non-mortgage activities of EUR 338 mln and EUR 33 mln results from Bouwfonds non-mortgage operations in results from discontinued operations. Due to the strong performance of BU Global Markets, BU Europe's operating performance in the first quarter of 2007 significantly increased, which resulted in a profit for the period of EUR 131 mln. The BU Europe also benefited from a tax credit in the first quarter of 2007.

Antonveneta on a standalone basis (excluding purchase accounting impact) generated a profit for the period of EUR 95 mln in the first quarter of 2007. The profit for the period after the impact of purchase accounting amounted to EUR 57 mln and included a EUR 15 mln net gain on the sale of a part of our stake in Italease. In the fourth quarter of 2006 a EUR 59 mln net gain was booked on the sale of a part of our stake in Italease.

BU North America's first quarter 2007 net profit included a net gain on the sale of the US mortgage business of EUR 97 mln, as well as two months of results from the operations of the US mortgage business of EUR 17 mln, booked in results from discontinued operations. The fourth quarter 2006 result was impacted by the favorable Talman judgement of net EUR 75 mln. In addition a restructuring charge of net EUR 39 mln was taken in the fourth quarter of 2006.

BU Asia's first quarter 2007 results were positively impacted by fair value changes on equity investments of EUR 52 mln, compared with a EUR 15 mln positive impact in the fourth quarter of 2006 and a negative EUR 24 mln impact in the first quarter of 2006.

BU Private Client's fourth quarter 2006 results were positively impacted by a EUR 21 mln restructuring provision release. BU Asset Management fourth quarter 2006 results benefited from the EUR 38 mln gain on the sale of the domestic Asset Management activities in Taiwan as well as a EUR 17 mln gain on the sale of the US Mutual Funds business. The first quarter 2006 results benefited from a EUR 28 mln gain on the sale of the Asset Management operations in Curacao.

**Cautionary statement regarding forward-looking statements**

This announcement contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts, including statements about our beliefs and expectations. Any statement in this announcement that expresses or implies our intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions (and the assumptions underlying them) is a forward-looking statement. These statements are based on plans, estimates and projections, as they are currently available to the management of ABN AMRO. Forward looking statements therefore speak only as of the date they are made, and we take no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events.

Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could therefore cause actual future results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward looking statement. Such factors include, without limitation, the conditions in the financial markets in Europe, the United States, Brazil and elsewhere from which we derive a substantial portion of our trading revenues; potential defaults of borrowers or trading counterparties; the implementation of our restructuring including the envisaged reduction in headcount; the reliability of our risk management policies, procedures and methods; the outcome of ongoing criminal investigations and other regulatory initiatives related to compliance matters in the United States and the nature and severity of any sanctions imposed; and other risks referenced in our filings with the US Securities and Exchange Commission. For more information on these and other factors, please refer to Part I: Item 3.D Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission and to any subsequent reports furnished or filed by us with the US Securities and Exchange Commission. The forward-looking statements contained in this announcement are made as of the date hereof, and the companies assume no obligation to update any of the forward-looking statements contained in this announcement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BARCLAYS PLC  
(Registrant)

Date: April 23, 2007

By: /s/ Lawrence Dickinson  
Name: Lawrence Dickinson  
Title: Company Secretary

BARCLAYS BANK PLC  
(Registrant)

Date: April 23, 2007

By: /s/ Lawrence Dickinson  
Name: Lawrence Dickinson  
Title: Company Secretary