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This report on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the registration statements on Form S-8 with registration numbers 333-74703, 333-81400, 333-84044, 333-127660, 333-128619, 333-128621, 333-140798, 333-145751, and 333-149577, the registration statements on Form F-3 with registration numbers 333-137691 and 333-104778-01 and the registration statement on Form F-4 with the registration number 333-108304 of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

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INTRODUCTION

Filing

This document contains restated segmental disclosures of ABN AMRO's Annual Report 2008 on Form 20-F filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on 27 March 2009. It will also be filed on Form 6-K with the SEC.

Certain definitions

Throughout this document, 'Holding' means ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The terms 'ABN AMRO,' and 'the Group' refer to Holding and its consolidated subsidiaries. The 'Bank' means ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and its consolidated subsidiaries. The term 'BU' refers to Business Unit. 'EUR' refers to euros, while 'USD' refers to US dollars.

The terms 'Consortium' and 'Consortium Members' refer to the banks The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc ('RBS'), Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV ('Fortis') and Banco Santander S.A. ('Santander') who jointly acquired ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 17 October 2007 through RFS Holdings B.V. ('RFS Holdings'). On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands ('Dutch State') acquired Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V., including the interest in RFS Holdings that represents the acquired activities of ABN AMRO and effectively became the successor of Fortis in the Consortium Shareholder Agreement.

Presentation of information

Unless otherwise indicated, the financial information contained in this Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) which vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or 'US GAAP'.

A body of generally accepted accounting principles such as IFRS is commonly referred to as 'GAAP'. A 'non-GAAP financial measure' is defined as one that measures historical or future financial performance, financial position or cash flows but which excludes or includes amounts that would not be so adjusted in the most comparable GAAP measure. This report presents certain non-GAAP financial measures as a result of excluding the consolidation effects of ABN AMRO's private equity holdings. In accordance with applicable rules and regulations, ABN AMRO has presented definitions and reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to the most comparable GAAP measures in the paragraph 'Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' in this report. The non-GAAP financial measures described in this report are not a substitute for GAAP measures, for which management has responsibility.

All annual averages in this report are based on month-end figures. Management does not believe that these month-end averages present trends materially different from those that would be presented by daily averages.

Certain figures in this document may not sum up exactly due to rounding. In addition, certain percentages in this document have been calculated using rounded figures.

Explanatory note

The Group is filing this Form 6-K to restate certain segmental disclosures that were made in the Group's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended 31 December 2008, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on 27 March 2009 (the "2008 Form 20-F"), to ensure consistency and comparability with the presentation described below, which was implemented on 1 January 2009:

- The reorganisation of BU Europe, BU Americas and BU Asia into one business segment, the "RBS acquired" segment; and
- The reorganisation of BU Netherlands and BU Private Clients into one business segment, the "Dutch State acquired" segment.

The Group presented segmental disclosures to reflect the above changes in its interim results for the period ended 30 June 2009, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on a separate Form 6-K dated 28 September 2009. To facilitate comparison with these interim results, the segmental disclosures included in the 2008 Form 20-F are being restated in this Form 6-K. Accordingly, the "Group organisation structure" and "Results of operations by BU" sections included in Item 4, Information on the Company, and the segmental information included in Item 5, Operating and Financial Review and Prospects and Item 18, Financial Statements, have been restated herein to reflect the above mentioned changes by amending the following pages that correspond to the 2008 Form 20-F.

Item 4: pages 10 – 11 (Group organisation structure)
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This Form 6-K includes Items 4, 5, and 18 from the 2008 Form 20-F in their entirety and also retains the page numbering of the 2008 Form 20-F for ease of reference.

Cautionary statement on forward-looking statements

Certain sections in this document contain 'forward-looking statements' as that term is defined in the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, such as statements that include the words 'expect', 'estimate', 'project', 'anticipate', 'should', 'intend', 'plan', 'probability', 'risk', 'Value-at-Risk ('VaR')', 'target', 'goal', 'objective', 'will', 'endeavor', 'outlook', 'optimistic', 'prospects' and similar expressions or variations on such expressions.

In particular, this document includes forward-looking statements relating, but not limited, to ABN AMRO Holding N.V.'s (referred to as 'the Group', 'ABN AMRO' or 'ABN AMRO Group') potential exposures to various types of market risks, such as counterparty risk, interest rate risk, foreign exchange rate risk, commodity and equity price risk and credit risks. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties. For example, certain of the market risk disclosures are dependent on choices about key model characteristics and assumptions and are subject to various limitations. By their nature, certain of the market risk disclosures are only estimates and, as a result, actual future gains and losses could differ materially.

Other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those estimated by the forward looking statements contained in this document include, but are not limited to:

- the extent and nature of future developments and continued volatility in the credit markets and their impact on the financial industry in general and ABN AMRO in particular;

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- the effect on ABN AMRO's capital of write downs in respect of credit exposures;
- risks related to ABN AMRO's transition and separation process following its acquisition by the Consortium consisting of The Royal Bank of Scotland plc ('RBS'), the State of the Netherlands ('Dutch State') and Banco Santander S.A. ('Santander');
- general economic conditions in the Netherlands and in other countries in which ABN AMRO has significant business activities or investments, e.g. the United Kingdom and the United States, including the impact of recessionary economic conditions on ABN AMRO's revenues, liquidity and balance sheet;
 - the actions taken by governments and their agencies to support individual banks and the banking system;
- the monetary and interest rate policies of the European Central Bank, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and other G-7 central banks;
 - inflation or deflation;
- unanticipated turbulence in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, capital markets, commodity prices and equity prices;
 - changes in Dutch and foreign laws, regulations and taxes;
 - changes in competition and pricing environments;
 - natural and other disasters;
 - the inability to hedge certain risks economically;
 - the adequacy of loss reserves;
 - technological changes;
 - changes in consumer spending and saving habits; and
 - the success of ABN AMRO in managing the risks relating to the foregoing.

Factors that could also adversely affect ABN AMRO's results or the accuracy of forward-looking statements in this report, and the factors discussed here or in the section 'Risk factors', included in the ABN AMRO's 2008 Annual Report, on Form 20-F filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission on 27 March 2009, should not be regarded as a complete set of all potential risks or uncertainties. ABN AMRO has economic, financial market, credit, legal and other specialists who monitor economic and market conditions and government policies and actions. However, because it is difficult to predict with complete accuracy any changes in economic or market conditions or in governmental policies and actions, it is hard for ABN AMRO to anticipate the effects that such changes could have on ABN AMRO's financial performance and business operations.

The forward-looking statements made in this report speak only as at the date of publication of this report. ABN AMRO does not intend to publicly update or revise these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report, nor does ABN AMRO assume any responsibility to do so.

GROUP ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

Organisational Structure

From 1 January 2009, ABN AMRO is comprised of three reportable segments, namely “RBS acquired”, “Dutch State acquired” and “Central Items”. The “RBS acquired” segment principally contains the international lending, international transaction services with operations in Europe, Asia and the Americas and the equities business of the RBS Group. The “Dutch State acquired” segment serves Dutch commercial clients, Dutch consumer clients, and Dutch and international private clients, and includes the International Diamond and Jewelry business. The “Central Items” segment includes items that are not allocated to but economically shared by the Consortium Members as well as settlement amounts accruing to Banco Santander S.A.

The Group presented segmental disclosures to reflect the above changes in its interim results for the period ended 30 June 2009, which was submitted and filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 6-K dated 28 September 2009.

In 2008 the Group disclosed six reportable Business Units (‘BU’s), namely Europe, Americas, Asia, the Netherlands, Private Clients and Central Items. The change from six reportable BUs to three reportable segments reflects the focus of the Managing Board on the creation and subsequent legal separation of the Dutch State acquired businesses from the residual RBS acquired businesses into two separate independent banks, and the consequential impact that this progression has had on the management of the Group.

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.

Central Items as noted includes items that are not allocated to but economically shared by the Consortium Members, as well as accumulated amounts accruing to Banco Santander S.A. arising from the disposal of Banco Real and other sales and settlements. In addition prior to April 2008, the majority of the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios were economically shared prior to allocation to the respective Consortium Members. Since the allocation was effected on the basis of prospective agreements between Consortium Members, Group Asset and Liability Management results prior to this date are reported in Central Items. Remaining unallocated Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios continue to be reported in Central Items.

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OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

For critical accounting policies and changes in accounting rules, refer to the accounting policies section in Section 5: Financial Statements.

The following discussion of operating results is based on, and should be read in conjunction with ABN AMRO's consolidated financial statements. The financial information contained in this review has been prepared in accordance with IFRS issued by the IASB and adopted by the EU.

This operating and financial review and prospects examines the Group results under IFRS by comparing the results of operations for the years 2008 to 2007 and for 2007 to 2006, highlighting key notes by operating segment for each line item. This is followed by a more detailed analysis of the results of operations for each segment, which explains significant variances in profit or losses for the year with reference to the relevant line items.

Consolidation effects of controlled private equity investments

IFRS requires consolidating investments over which ABN AMRO has control, including non-financial investments managed as private equity investments. However, as a practical matter, ABN AMRO's private equity business is managed separately from the rest of the banking business and management does not measure the performance of the banking business based on the consolidated results of operations. Private equity business involves buying equity stakes in unlisted companies over which ABN AMRO can establish influence or control, and managing these share holdings as an investor for a number of years with a view to selling them at a profit.

The companies in which ABN AMRO has these temporary holdings are active in business sectors outside the financial industry. ABN AMRO believes that combining these temporary holdings with the core banking business does not provide a meaningful basis for discussion of the financial condition and results of operations. Therefore, in the presentation of ABN AMRO's 'Group results', the effects of a line-by-line consolidation in the income statement of the private equity holdings are removed. The results excluding the consolidation effect include the 'de-consolidated' holdings based on the equity method. The measures excluding the effects of consolidation of ABN AMRO's private equity holdings are non-GAAP financial measures. Management refers to these non-GAAP financial measures when making operating decisions because the measures provide meaningful supplementary information about ABN AMRO's operational performance.

In accordance with applicable rules and regulations, ABN AMRO has presented, and investors are encouraged to review, reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to the most comparable IFRS measures, i.e., reconciliations of results excluding the consolidation effects of private equity holdings to results including those effects.

Discontinued operations

For 2008 Banca Antonveneta, the former BU Asset Management, ABN AMRO North America Holdings ('La Salle Bank'), ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. and Bouwfonds are reported as discontinued operations. BU Asset Management was reported as discontinued operations as of December 2007 due to the sale of ABN AMRO's Asset Management activities to Fortis which was completed in April 2008. Banca Antonveneta was reported as discontinued operations as of December 2007 due to the sale of Banca Antonveneta which was completed in May 2008. On 1 January 2008 all remaining Santander acquired businesses, including Banco Real, were reported as discontinued operations due to the sale of these businesses during 2008. Profits from discontinued operations include the related

operating results and if applicable the gain on sale (refer to Note 45 in Section 5: 'Financial Statements'). The comparative income statement figures for the years 2007 and 2006 have been restated in accordance with IFRS. The related assets and liabilities of discontinued operations are presented as assets/liabilities of businesses held for sale as at 31 December 2008. In accordance with IFRS comparative balance sheet figures have not been restated.

Group results

The following table sets out selected information relating to the Group for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006 showing the results both under IFRS and excluding the consolidation effect of ABN AMRO's private equity investments.

(in millions of euros)	IFRS			Consolidation effect (1)			Excluding consolidation effect (non-GAAP measure)		
	2008	2007	2006	2008	2007	2006	2008	2007	2006
Net interest income	5,783	4,595	4,223	(45)	(220)	(342)	5,828	4,815	4,565
Net fee and commission income	2,629	3,852	3,641	-	-	-	2,629	3,852	3,641
Net trading income	(9,324)	1,119	2,627	-	3	(3)	(9,324)	1,116	2,630
Results from financial transactions	(1,684)	1,134	767	(36)	46	15	(1,648)	1,088	752
Share of results in equity accounted investments	106	223	186	-	1	-	106	222	186
Other operating income	306	1,239	873	-	-	-	306	1,239	873
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	1,726	3,836	5,313	1,726	3,836	5,313	-	-	-
Operating income	(458)	15,998	17,630	1,645	3,666	4,983	(2,103)	12,332	12,647
Operating expenses	11,629	14,785	14,702	1,635	3,634	4,939	9,994	11,151	9,763
Operating result	(12,087)	1,213	2,928	10	32	44	(12,097)	1,181	2,884
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	3,387	717	668	-	-	-	3,387	717	668
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(15,474)	496	2,260	10	32	44	(15,484)	464	2,216
Tax	(2,580)	(458)	213	10	32	44	(2,590)	(490)	169
Net operating profit/(loss)	(12,894)	954	2,047	-	-	-	(12,894)	954	2,047

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	16,489	9,021	2,733	-	-	-	16,489	9,021	2,733
Profit/(loss) for the year	3,595	9,975	4,780	-	-	-	3,595	9,975	4,780
Total assets	666,817	1,025,213	987,064	435	1,698	4,537	666,382	1,023,515	982,527
Risk-weighted assets	176,028	232,312	280,704	-	-	-	176,028	232,312	280,704
Full-time equivalent staff	59,558	72,890	85,556	2,594	13,168	30,881	56,964	59,722	54,675
Number of branches and offices (2)(3)	1,020	4,296	4,634	-	-	-	1,020	4,296	4,634

- (1) This is the impact per line item of the private equity investments which are required to be consolidated under IFRS. See 'Section 5: Financial Statements 2008, Accounting Policies'.
- (2) This number includes double counting of branches and offices that serve more than one BU. Adjusted for this double counting, the actual number of branches and offices amounts to 970 (2007: 4,254; 2006: 4,532).
- (3) Including numbers from operations presented as discontinued until actually sold.

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2008 and 2007

Profit for the year decreased by EUR 6,380 million, to EUR 3,595 million. Profit from continuing operations decreased by EUR 13,848 million to a loss of EUR 12,894 million. The variances year-on-year are: the RBS acquired segment (decrease EUR 12,118 million), Central Items (decrease EUR 1,021 million) and the Dutch State acquired segment (decrease EUR 709 million). Profit from discontinued operations net of tax amounted to EUR 16,489 million, reflecting gains on the sale of Banco Real to Santander, Asset Management to Fortis and Banca Antonveneta to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena.

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 16,456 million to a negative operating income of EUR 458 million (non-GAAP: operating income decreased by EUR 14,435 million to a negative operating income of EUR 2,103 million). This relates to decreases in operating income in the RBS acquired businesses (EUR 12,403 million), Central Items (EUR 3,680 million; non-GAAP: EUR 1,659 million) and the Dutch State acquired businesses (EUR 373 million).

The negative operating income in the global market business, predominantly attributable to the European business in the RBS acquired segment, include credit market write downs against asset-backed securities (approximately EUR 1.6 billion) and credit valuation adjustment against exposures to credit insurance counterparties (approximately EUR 4.8 billion), losses arising on trading book counterparty failures (approximately EUR 1.0 billion, including losses associated with the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy and the Bernard L. Madoff fraud), losses due to a change in the valuation methodology for complex trading products (approximately EUR 0.5 billion) and approximately EUR 2.4 billion of losses on the transfer of certain portfolios to RBS. These transfers are at fair value to RBS. However, from an RBS Group perspective, the results on these transfers are eliminated as RBS Group is both the buyer and the seller.

Within Central Items the results from the Private Equity portfolio and our shareholding in Unicredit were both negative in 2008.

Further comment is provided in the discussion of the individual lines that constitute operating income and in the segment commentaries.

Net interest income

Net interest income increased by EUR 1,188 million, or 25.9%, to EUR 5,783 million (non-GAAP: net interest income increased by EUR 1,013 million or 21.0%). This was predominantly due to increases in Central Items (EUR 1,022 million; non-GAAP: EUR 847 million), and the RBS acquired segment (EUR 383 million), partly offset by a decrease in the Dutch State acquired segment (EUR 217 million).

Key notes:

- § Net interest income in Central Items increased mainly due to the interest on the proceeds of the sale of Banca Antonveneta and the sale of Banco Real and due to the transfer of Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios to the RBS acquired and the Dutch State acquired businesses from April 2008 onward.
- § The increase in the RBS acquired segment is mainly due to the interest on the proceeds of the sale of LaSalle, higher revenues from commercial banking and higher interest on cash balances in treasury, as well as higher revenues in the global market, credit market and the equities business.

§ The decrease in the Dutch State acquired segment resulted from the inclusion of a negative interest margin from the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios allocated to the Dutch State. This was partly offset by interest revenues on the proceeds of the sale of Asset Management. An increase in gross interest, resulting from higher mortgage volumes and commercial loans, did not compensate for the lower margins. Margins on deposits and savings also dropped due to the migration to higher yielding saving products and deposits.

Net fee and commission income

The following table sets out the net fee and commission income for the Group for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Fee and commission income			
Securities brokerage fees	876	1,399	1,671
Payment and transaction services fees	836	764	689
Asset management and trust fees	359	495	426
Fees generated on financing arrangements	130	278	163
Advisory fees	321	578	464
Other fees and commissions	546	667	634
Subtotal	3,068	4,181	4,047
Fee and commission expense			
Securities brokerage expense	103	83	321
Other fee and commission expense	336	246	85
Subtotal	439	329	406
Total	2,629	3,852	3,641

Net fee and commission income decreased by EUR 1,223 million, or 31.7%, to EUR 2,629 million. This was due to a decrease in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 749 million), Central Items (EUR 255 million) and the Dutch State acquired segment (EUR 219 million).

Key notes:

§ Lower net fee and commission income in the RBS acquired businesses was due to lower results from the merger and acquisition business and due to lower revenues from equity derivative and strategy business..

§ Net fees and commission income in Central Items decreased, mainly due to the transfer of Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios.

§ Net fees and commission income decreased in the Dutch State acquired businesses mainly due to lower Assets under Management levels in the Private Clients business. This decline reflects a reduction in net new assets due to migration to savings products and lower asset values due to deteriorated financial markets which decreased by EUR 38 billion to EUR 102 billion.

Net trading income

The following table sets out the net trading income for the Group for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Interest instruments trading	(9,276)	(1,531)	740
Foreign exchange trading	915	1,152	859
Equity and commodity trading	(1,017)	1,438	1,042
Other	54	60	(14)
Total	(9,324)	1,119	2,627

Net trading income decreased by EUR 10,443 million to a loss of EUR 9,324 million (non GAAP: net trading income decreased by EUR 10,440 million to a loss of EUR 9,324 million). The majority of the decrease is attributable to the RBS acquired segment (EUR 10,204 million) specifically within the European operations.

Key notes:

§ The decrease in net trading income in the RBS acquired businesses includes credit market write-downs against asset backed securities and credit valuation adjustments against exposures to credit insurance counterparties. For further information refer to our discussion on 'Credit market and related exposures' within this section. The negative revenue also includes losses arising on trading book counterparty failures (approximately EUR 1.0 billion, including losses associated with the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy and the Bernard L. Madoff fraud). Furthermore, trading income was impacted by approximately EUR 500 million of losses due to a change in the valuation methodology of complex trading products that involve multiple unobservable inputs, such as correlation and interpolation, which have been adjusted to use the same estimation techniques as the ultimate parent company, RBS.

Results from financial transactions

The following table sets out the results from financial transactions for the Group for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Net result on the sale of available-for-sale debt securities, loans and advances	(1,881)	134	437
Impairment of available-for-sale debt securities	(333)	-	-
Net result on available-for-sale equity investments	(67)	35	69
Fair value changes in own credit risk	490	168	-
Dividends on available-for-sale equity investments	54	9	26
Net result on other equity investments	(1,185)	669	435
Fair value changes of credit default swaps	1,330	116	(280)
Other	(92)	3	80
Total	(1,684)	1,134	767

Results from financial transactions decreased by EUR 2,818 million to a loss of EUR 1,684 million (non-GAAP: results from financial transactions decreased by EUR 2,736 million to a loss of EUR 1,648 million). The decrease was due to the RBS acquired segment (EUR 1,709 million) and Central Items (EUR 1,253 million; non GAAP: EUR 1,171 million), partly offset by an increase in the Dutch State acquired segment (EUR 144 million).

Key notes:

- § The decrease in the RBS acquired businesses is due to losses of EUR 2.4 billion on the transfer of certain credit portfolios to RBS. The businesses were also impacted by losses on proprietary equity investments of approximately EUR 0.3 billion. These negative results are partly offset by gains recorded on own debt held at fair value of approximately EUR 0.6 billion.
- § Results from financial transactions in Central Items decreased, mainly due to lower results from the Private Equity portfolio (approximately EUR 0.8 billion) and losses from our shareholding in Unicredit (approximately EUR 0.8 billion) that were driven by stock price developments prior to disposal in 2008.

Share of result in equity accounted investments

Share of result in equity accounted investments decreased by EUR 117 million to EUR 106 million (non-GAAP: share of results in equity accounted investments decreased EUR 116 million to EUR 106 million). This was due to the decrease in profits generated by investments held in Central Items (EUR 55 million; non-GAAP: EUR 54 million) and the RBS acquired segment (EUR 39 million).

Other operating income

The following table sets out the other operating income for the Group for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Insurance activities	45	36	45
Leasing activities	78	82	61
Disposal of operating activities and equity accounted investments	(6)	894	453
Other	189	227	314
Total	306	1,239	873

Other operating income decreased by EUR 933 million to EUR 306 million, primarily due to a decrease in Central Items (EUR 755 million).

Key notes:

- § Central Items in 2007 included the gain on the sale of ABN AMRO's stake in Capitalia which was settled in exchange for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million) and the gain on the sale of the Latin American Private Banking operations (EUR 77 million).

Income of consolidated private equity holdings

Income of consolidated private equity holdings decreased by EUR 2,110 million to EUR 1,726 million, due to the transfer of management activities from businesses within Private Equity to an independent management company. As a result of the structural change in control, the results from the portfolio of investments managed by the independent management company were no longer consolidated as of 1 July 2007 but changes in fair value were shown within results from financial transactions as a net result on other equity investments instead.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses decreased by EUR 3,156 million, or 21.3%, to EUR 11,629 million (non-GAAP: operating expenses decreased by EUR 1,157 million, or 10.4%, to EUR 9,994 million), due to decreases in Central Items (EUR

2,928 million; non-GAAP: EUR 929 million) and the RBS acquired segment (EUR 404 million). This was partly offset by an increase in the Dutch State acquired segment (EUR 176 million).

In 2008, EUR 1,036 million of restructuring charges were included, compared to a net release of EUR 101 million in 2007.

Key notes:

- § Operating expenses in Central Items in 2008 include a EUR 167 million restructuring charge, whereas 2007 included a restructuring release of EUR 14 million. Operating expenses in 2007 included a provision for the US Department of Justice investigation (EUR 365 million), transaction-related advisory fees (EUR 211 million), the break-up fee paid to Barclays (EUR 200 million), costs of accelerated vesting of share-based payments (EUR 117 million) and transition and integration costs (EUR 95 million).
- § Operating expenses in the RBS acquired businesses decreased primarily as a result of lower performance related bonuses resulting from the decreased trading performance and a reduction in headcount. In 2008, operating expenses included a restructuring charge of EUR 657 million, compared with a restructuring release of EUR 39 million in 2007 (total increase of EUR 696 million).
- § The 2008 operating expenses in the Dutch State acquired businesses include a restructuring charge of EUR 208 million, whilst in 2007 a restructuring allowance of EUR 48 million was released. The restructuring charge relates to integration and restructuring costs as well as costs related to the preparation for the possible sale resulting from the EC Remedy. Adjusted for the restructuring charge of EUR 208 million, operating expenses decrease by EUR 32 million, due to cost management actions throughout the year, partially offset by an increase in staff costs and a provision for the estimated costs to the Group relating to the deposit guarantee scheme in the Netherlands.

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions increased by EUR 2,670 million to EUR 3,387 million. The main increases were in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 2,263 million) and the Dutch State acquired segment (EUR 398 million).

Key notes:

- § Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions increased in the European operations of the RBS acquired businesses mainly due to a provision relating specifically to LyondellBasell Industries (approximately EUR 1.1 billion) and further provisions in the global markets business.
- § The increase in the Dutch State acquired businesses is mainly related to the small and medium enterprise portfolio.

Tax

Tax expense decreased by EUR 2,122 million to a net tax benefit of EUR 2,580 million (non-GAAP: tax expense decreased EUR 2,100 million to a tax benefit of EUR 2,590 million). In 2008 deferred tax assets relating to losses were not recognised due to uncertainty of recoverability in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 1.4 billion).

Included in 2007 were significant tax-exempt gains on disposals, including the gain on the sale of Capitalia (EUR 624 million, net EUR 617 million), tax credits in some countries as well as substantial releases of tax liabilities resulting from the finalisation of prior-year tax returns and conclusions on a number of additional items.

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax of EUR 16,489 million in 2008 includes:

- The sale of Banco Real to Santander which was concluded in July 2008 with a gain of EUR 10,647 million.
 - Asset Management which was sold to Fortis in March 2008 with a gain of EUR 3,073 million.
- Banca Antonveneta which was sold to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena in May 2008 with a gain of EUR 2,357 million.

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax of EUR 9,021 million in 2007 included:

- The sale of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., ABN AMRO's US-based residential mortgage broker origination platform and residential mortgage servicing business, with a gain of EUR 110 million (net of tax results for the first two months and a gain on sale).
- The sale of ABN AMRO North America Holding Company which principally consists of the retail and commercial activities of LaSalle Corporation (LaSalle), in October 2007. The net of tax results for the first nine months were EUR 777 million, and the gain on sale amounted to EUR 7,163 million.
 - The classification as discontinued operations of Banca Antonveneta (EUR 107 million losses).
 - The classification as discontinued operations of Asset Management (EUR 171 million).
 - The classification as discontinued operations of Banco Real (EUR 786 million).
 - The gain on the sale of Interbank N.V., DMC Group (total EUR 69 million).
 - The partial release of a provision recorded in connection with the sale of Bouwfonds in 2006 (EUR 52 million).

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 2006

Profit for the year 2007 increased by EUR 5,195 million, or 108.7%, to EUR 9,975 million. Profit from continuing operations decreased by EUR 1,093 million, or 53.4%, to EUR 954 million. The major variances year-on-year were attributable to increases in profit from discontinued operations.

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax amounted to EUR 9,021 million reflecting the divestment of ABN AMRO North America Company, which principally consisted of the retail and commercial activities of LaSalle, the divestment of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. and the classification of Banca Antonveneta, Asset Management, Banco Real to Santander as discontinued operations.

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 1,632 million, or 9.3%, to EUR 15,998 million (non-GAAP: operating income decreased by EUR 315 million or 2.5%). This relates primarily to the decreases of operating income in Central Items (EUR 1,493 million; non-GAAP: EUR 176 million) and the RBS acquired segment (EUR 326 million) partly offset by increases in the Dutch State acquired segment (EUR 187 million). Further comment is provided in the discussion of the individual lines that make up operating income and the segment commentaries:

Key notes:

- Operating income in Central Items decreased, mainly due to lower proprietary trading results of the Global Markets activities and higher funding costs. This was partly offset by gains on the credit default swap portfolio that benefited from the general widening of the spread that occurred throughout the year (EUR 116 million), a gain on own credit risk (EUR 115 million), the gain on the sale of Capitalia whose shares were settled for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million), and the gain on the sale of the Latin America Private Banking operations in Miami and Uruguay, which included the Latin America portfolios managed in Switzerland and Luxembourg (EUR 77 million).

- Operating income in the RBS acquired businesses decreased predominantly due to negative fair value adjustments taken in the second half year 2007 in the European operations, related to the first impacts of the credit crisis that developed from the adverse conditions in the sub-prime mortgage market in the US. The negative fair value adjustments of EUR 1,561 million (EUR 1,139 million after tax) were comprised of a negative valuation adjustment on monolines of EUR 606 million (EUR 440 million after tax); and a negative

valuation adjustment of EUR 955 million on asset backed securities and collateralised debt obligation exposures (EUR 699 million after tax) offset by gains on own credit risk of EUR 267 million recorded in the trading portfolio and EUR 53 million recorded in results from financial transactions. The decrease was partly offset by the gains on the sale of ABN AMRO Mellon and by positive development in Asian (consumer and commercial banking growth) and American business (decline in interest rates and weakening US dollar).

Net interest income

Net interest income increased by EUR 372 million, or 8.8%, to EUR 4,595 million (non-GAAP: net interest income increased by EUR 250 million, or 5.5%, to EUR 4,815 million). This was mainly due to increases in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 841 million), partly offset by a decrease in Central Items (EUR 477 million; non-GAAP: EUR 599 million).

Key notes:

- The net interest income increase in the RBS acquired businesses was mainly due to higher global markets income, as client income grew strongly in the European region and continued growth in the consumer lending business and credit card business and the consolidation of Prime Bank and Taitung Business Bank in the Asian region.
- Net interest income in Central Items decreased due to higher funding costs and lower investment income following lower sales of available-for-sale bonds than in 2006.

Net fee and commission income

Net fees and commission income increased by EUR 211 million, or 5.8%, to EUR 3,852 million, primarily due to an increase in the Dutch State acquired businesses (EUR 119 million) and Central Items (EUR 112 million).

Key notes:

- Net fee and commission income in The Dutch State acquired businesses increase relates to higher volumes in non-interest related products such as stocks, investment funds and structured products.
- In the RBS acquired businesses net fee and commission income increased in the Asian operations, due to the higher merger and acquisition advisory fees following the successful closing of client transactions, higher transaction banking revenues, and further growth in the sale of investment products to the Van Gogh Preferred Banking client base. However, the increase was offset by the European operations, due to a decline in securities commissions and commissions related to large corporate clients.

Net trading income

Net trading income decreased by EUR 1,508 million, or 57.4%, to EUR 1,119 million (non-GAAP: net trading income decreased by EUR 1,514 million, or 57.6%, to EUR 1,116 million). This was mainly due to decreases in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 1,310 million) and Central Items (EUR 227 million; non-GAAP measure: EUR 233 million).

Key notes:

- The decrease in the RBS acquired businesses was due to negative fair value adjustments (EUR 1,561 million) relating to the first impacts of the credit crisis that developed from the conditions of the sub-prime mortgage market in the US.
- The decrease of net trading income in Central Items is mainly due to lower proprietary trading income in the global market business.

Results from financial transactions

Results from financial transactions increased by EUR 367 million, or 47.8%, to EUR 1,134 million (non-GAAP: results from financial transactions increased by EUR 336 million, or 44.7%, to EUR 1,088 million). The increase was mainly due to increases in Central Items (EUR 285 million; non-GAAP: EUR 254 million) and the RBS acquired businesses (EUR 50 million).

Key notes:

- Results from financial transactions of Central Items increased in total EUR 285 million (non-GAAP: EUR 254 million) due to mark-to-market gains on the credit default swap portfolios managed as part of the capital and risk hedging activities that benefited from the general widening of credit spreads which occurred throughout 2007 and gains from changes in the fair value related to own credit risk of EUR 115 million, partly offset by decreased gains on sales of available-for-sale bonds.

Share of result in equity accounted investments

Share of results in equity accounted investments increased by EUR 37 million to EUR 223 million (non-GAAP measure: EUR 36 million to EUR 222 million), mainly due to the increase in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 46 million).

Other operating income

Other operating income increased by EUR 366 million, or 41.9%, to EUR 1,239 million, mainly due to increases in Central Items (EUR 303 million) and the RBS acquired segment (EUR 67 million).

Key notes:

- The increase in Central Items (EUR 303 million) was mainly due to the gain on the sale of ABN AMRO's stake in Captialia which was settled in exchange for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million) and due to the gain on the sale of the Latin American Private Banking operations in Miami and Uruguay, including the Latin American portfolios managed in Switzerland and Luxembourg (EUR 77 million). The 2006 figures include the gain on the sale of the Futures business (EUR 229 million) and the gain on the sale of Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt. (EUR 208 million).
- The increase in the RBS acquired businesses was mainly due to the tax exempt gains on the sale of ABN AMRO's 50% share in ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities B.V. (EUR 139 million).

Income of consolidated private equity holdings

Income from consolidated private equity holdings decreased by EUR 1,477 million, or 27.8%, to EUR 3,836 million, due to the transfer of the management of the majority of the businesses from Private Equity to an independent management company. As a result of the structural change in control, the results from the portfolio of investments managed by the independent management company were no longer consolidated as of 1 July 2007 but instead changes

in fair value are shown within results from financial transactions as a net gain on other equity investments.

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Operating expenses

Operating expenses increased by EUR 83 million, or 0.6%, to EUR 14,785 million (non-GAAP: operating expenses increased by EUR 1,388 million, or 14.2%, to EUR 11,151 million), due to increases in operating expenses in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 435 million) and Central Items (decrease of EUR 408 million; non-GAAP: increase of EUR 897 million). In 2007, EUR 101 million of restructuring costs were released compared with a charge of EUR 95 million in 2006. In 2007, EUR 272 million of accelerated vesting of share-based payment plans were recorded. The accelerated vesting of share-based payment plans was a result of the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the Consortium Members.

Key notes:

- The decrease in Central Items was caused by a decline in the operating expenses of consolidated Private Equity investments due to a change in control. On a non-GAAP basis, the operating expenses increased due to the break-up fee paid to Barclays (EUR 200 million), transaction-related advisory fees (EUR 211 million), transition and integration costs (EUR 95 million), the provision for the US Department of Justice investigation (EUR 365 million) and the costs of accelerated vesting of share-based payments (EUR 117 million).
- Operating expenses in the RBS acquired segment increased due to higher staff costs, as a result of an increase in full time equivalents (from 26,701 in 2006 to 32,888 in 2007) and an increase in bonus related expenses following the retention initiative and true-ups for the global markets business. In respect to the Asian business, during 2007, 16 branches across China, India, Indonesia, Hong Kong and Malaysia have been opened. The operating expenses included a restructuring release of EUR 48 million in 2007, and a restructuring charge of EUR 79 million in 2006 (total decrease of EUR 127 million). Non-staff costs were lower compared to 2006 as the benefits from the savings initiatives announced in 2006 were realised.

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions

Loan impairment and other credit provisions increased by EUR 49 million, or 7.3%, to EUR 717 million. The provision level increased mainly in the RBS acquired segment (EUR 166 million), partly offset by lower provisions in Central Items (decrease EUR 114 million).

Key notes:

- Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions increased in the RBS acquired businesses following the lower level of releases than in the prior year and the change in the credit cycle.
- Provisions in Central Items decreased (EUR 114 million) as 2006 included an impairment for the Futures business which was sold to UBS in that year.

Tax

Tax expense declined by EUR 671 million (non-GAAP: tax expenses decreased by EUR 659 million) to a benefit of EUR 458 million (non-GAAP: 490 EUR million), mainly due to significant tax-exempt gains on disposals, including the gain on sale of Capitalia (EUR 624 million, net EUR 617 million), a lower corporate tax rate in the Netherlands, tax credits in some countries as well as substantial releases of tax liabilities resulting from the finalisation of prior year tax returns.

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax of EUR 9,021 million in 2007 included:

- The sale of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., ABN AMRO's US-based residential mortgage broker origination platform and residential mortgage servicing business, with a gain of EUR 110 million (net of tax results for the first two months and a gain on sale).
- The sale of ABN AMRO North America Holding Company, which principally consisted of the retail and commercial activities of LaSalle Corporation (LaSalle), in October 2007 with a net of tax results for the first nine months of EUR 777 million, and a gain on sale amounted to EUR 7,163 million.
 - The classification as discontinued operations of Banca Antonveneta (EUR 107 million losses).
 - The classification as discontinued operations of Asset Management (EUR 171 million).
 - The classification as discontinued operations of Banco Real (EUR 786 million).

- The gain on the sale of Interbank N.V., DMC Group (total EUR 69 million).
- The partial release of a provision recorded in connection with the sale of Bouwfonds in 2006 (EUR 52 million).

Profit from discontinued operations net of tax of EUR 2,733 million in 2006 included:

- The Group disposed of the property development and management activities of Bouwfonds in December 2006, resulting in profits of EUR 505 million, EUR 338 million of which related to the net gain on the sale and EUR 167 million of which related results of operations.
- The classification as discontinued operations of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. (EUR 104 million).
- The classification as discontinued operations of ABN AMRO North America Holding Company (EUR 1,019 million).
- The classification as discontinued operations of Banca Antonveneta (EUR 192 million).
- The classification as discontinued operations of Asset Management (EUR 235 million).
- The classification as discontinued operations of Banco Real (EUR 678 million).

ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCE SHEET MOVEMENTS

The following is an analysis by significant balance sheet category of movements between 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007
Assets		
Financial assets held for trading	212,653	242,277
Financial investments	67,061	96,435
Loans and receivables – banks	75,566	175,696
Loans and receivables – customers	270,507	398,331
Total assets	666,817	1,025,213
Liabilities		
Financial liabilities held for trading	192,087	155,476
Due to banks	94,620	239,334
Due to customers	209,004	330,352
Issued debt securities	111,296	174,995
Equity		
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	17,077	29,575
Equity attributable to minority interests	46	1,134
Subordinated liabilities	13,549	15,616
Group capital	30,672	46,325
Guarantees and other commitments	42,148	55,140

The Group's total assets were EUR 667 billion at 31 December 2008, a decrease of EUR 358 billion, or 35%, when compared with EUR 1,025 billion at 31 December 2007. This decrease is primarily related to the distribution of businesses from the Group to the acquiring Consortium Member and sales to third parties in relation to the transition and impact on transaction volumes and values due to effects of the dislocation in financial markets.

In July 2008, the Santander acquired businesses of the former BU Latin America, predominantly consisting of Banco Real in Brazil, were transferred to Santander resulting in a reduction of total assets by EUR 48 billion. There was also a significant decrease in the volume of reverse repurchase agreements due to the tightening of liquidity and reduction in the professional securities transactions market.

The Group's total liabilities decreased EUR 343 billion, or 35%, to EUR 636 billion for reasons related to the decreases in total assets.

Financial assets and liabilities held for trading

Financial assets held for trading decreased by EUR 29 billion, or 12%, to EUR 213 billion at 31 December 2008 when compared with the 31 December 2007 amount of EUR 242 billion. This decrease resulted mainly from positions that were transferred to RBS, decreases in values due to current market conditions and planned balance sheet reductions by certain businesses. Partially offsetting this decrease were increases in derivative balances due to increases in the fair value of credit derivatives.

Financial liabilities held for trading of EUR 192 billion at 31 December 2008 increased by EUR 37 billion, or 24%, as compared to EUR 155 billion at 31 December 2007 mainly due to the change in derivatives as referred to above.

Financial investments

At 31 December 2008, the Group held financial investments of EUR 67 billion as compared to EUR 96 billion at 31 December 2007. The decrease of EUR 29 billion, or 30%, was due in part to the sale of EUR 6.7 billion of interest earning assets in a securities arbitrage conduit to RBS, and EUR 6 billion due to the sale of Banco Real and other businesses to Santander.

Loans and receivables – banks and Due to banks

Total loans and receivables – banks decreased EUR 100 billion, or 57%, to EUR 76 billion at 31 December 2008 compared to the balance of EUR 176 billion at 31 December 2007. This decrease was primarily driven by the decreased level of professional securities transaction volume, predominantly as a result of decreases in interbank funding activity.

The decline in Due to banks of EUR 145 billion, or 60%, was the most significant decline in liabilities, decreasing to EUR 95 billion at 31 December 2008 from EUR 239 billion at 31 December 2007. The most important drivers of the decrease in Due to banks were a decrease in professional securities transactions of EUR 97 billion and a EUR 52 billion decrease in time deposits from banks reflecting the dislocation in the financial markets.

Loans and receivables – customers and Due to customers

The decline in Loans and Receivables - customers was the most significant decline in assets, as the account declined by EUR 128 billion, or 32%, to 271 billion at 31 December 2008. The decrease was predominantly driven by a decline in professional securities transactions of EUR 85 billion, a decrease of EUR 14 billion in consumer lending, and a EUR 24 billion reduction due to the transfer of several multi-seller conduits to RBS. The decrease also includes EUR 28 billion due to the sale of Banco Real and other businesses to Santander.

Due to customers decreased EUR 121 billion, or 37%, to EUR 209 billion at 31 December 2008 compared to the balance of EUR 330 billion at 31 December 2007. This decrease was primarily driven by the decreased level of reverse repurchase agreement transaction volume of EUR 69 billion, EUR 50 billion less commercial and consumer deposits due to maturities of time deposits which were not renewed as a result of dislocation in the financial markets.

Issued debt securities

At 31 December 2008, the Group had issued debt securities in the amount of EUR 111 billion as compared to EUR 175 billion at 31 December 2007. The decrease of EUR 64 billion, or 37%, was due to the redemption of certain debt corresponding to the decrease in assets as discussed above and the transfer of consolidated conduits to RBS.

Subordinated liabilities and preference shares conversion

Subordinated liabilities decreased EUR 2.1 billion, or 13%, to EUR 13.5 billion at 31 December 2008 compared to EUR 15.6 billion at 31 December 2007. EUR 0.7 billion of the decrease related to the sale of Banco Real and other Latin American businesses to Santander and EUR 0.6 billion is a result of maturities. In November, 2008, the Group converted its outstanding preference financing shares to ordinary shares, decreasing subordinated liabilities by EUR 0.8 billion.

Guarantees and other commitments

The Group has, at any time, a number of commitments to extend credit. At 31 December 2008, the Group had EUR 42 billion of guarantees and other commitments outstanding as compared to EUR 55 billion at 31 December 2007. At 31 December 2008, the Group had EUR 63 billion of committed credit facilities as compared to EUR 104 billion at 31 December 2007. Lower levels of commitments are reflective of lower overall lending volumes in 2008.

Group capital

The following table shows ABN AMRO's capital at 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Ordinary share capital	1,852	1,085	1,085
Ordinary share premium reserves	5,343	5,332	5,245
Treasury shares	-	(2,640)	(1,829)
Retained earnings	11,096	25,650	18,599
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement	(1,214)	148	497
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	17,077	29,575	23,597
Minority interests	46	1,134	2,298
Equity	17,123	30,709	25,895
Subordinated liabilities	13,549	15,616	19,213
Group capital	30,672	46,325	45,108

Group capital at year-end 2008 was EUR 30,672 million, a decrease of EUR 15,653 million or 33.8%, compared with 2007. This was due to:

- A decrease of EUR 12,498 million, or 42.3%, in equity attributable to the shareholder of the parent company, which is mainly resulting from a decrease in retained earnings following the dividend payments in 2008 of in total EUR 19,213 million, a decrease in treasury shares as a result of the sale of these shares to RFS Holdings and an increase of losses not recognised in the income statement. This was partially offset by a net profit attributable to the shareholder of the parent company of EUR 3,580 million and an increase in ordinary share capital following the conversion of preference financing shares and (formerly convertible) preference shares.
- A EUR 1,088 million decrease in minority interests in 2008, which is explained by net additions and disposals of EUR 996 million, EUR 107 million currency translation losses and profit attributable to minority interest of EUR 15 million.

- A decrease of subordinated liabilities by EUR 2,067 million (2007: decrease EUR 3,597 million) to EUR 13,549 million (2007: EUR 15,616 million). The decrease in 2008 is a result of the conversion of preference shares, the disposal of Banco Real and some repayments.

Group capital at year-end 2007 was EUR 46,325 million, an increase of EUR 1,217 or 2.7%, compared with 2006. This was due to:

- An increase of EUR 5,978 million, or 25.3%, in equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company, which is mainly due to an increase in retained earnings and partially offset by an increase in treasury shares
- A EUR 1,164 million decrease of minority interests in 2007, which is explained by net reductions and disposals of EUR 1,026 million, EUR 38 million currency translation losses and profit attributable to minority interest of EUR 127 million.
- A decrease of subordinated liabilities by EUR 3,597 million (2006: increase EUR 141 million) to EUR 15,616 million (2006: EUR 19,213 million). The decrease in 2007 is a result of the sale of LaSalle (EUR 1,487 million), currency translation losses (EUR 848 million), reclassifications to liabilities of businesses held for sale (EUR 1,090 million), issuances (EUR 1,496 million) and redemptions (EUR 1,537 million). Issuances in 2007 include: USD 1 billion (EUR 768 million) floating rate lower tier-2 due 2017, non callable before 2012; BRL 550 million (EUR 197 million) floating rate lower tier-2 due 2013 and 2014; and BRL 885 million (EUR 329 million) floating rate lower tier-2 due 2014. Redemptions were EUR 1,537 million and include a USD 750 million (EUR 555 million) 7.125% note issued in 1977, a NLG 750 million (EUR 340 million) 6% note issued in 1997, a NLG 500 million (EUR 227 million) 8.25% note issued in 1992 and a EUR 200 million note issued in 1997.

Credit ratings

At 31 December the credit ratings of ABN AMRO were as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Long term	Short term	Long term	Short term
Standard & Poor's	A+	A-1	AA-	A-1+
Moody's	Aa2	P-1	Aa2	P-1
Fitch	AA-	F1+	AA-	F1+

Capital ratios

ABN AMRO applies capital adequacy ratios based on the Bank for International Settlements' guidelines and Dutch Central Bank ('DNB') directives. These ratios compare ABN AMRO's capital with its assets and off-balance sheet exposure, weighted according to the relative risk involved. Capital is also set aside for market risk associated with ABN AMRO's trading activities. The minimum required ratios, as determined by the DNB, have been increased in 2008 as discussed in Section 3: 'Risk & Capital Management'. The minimum Tier 1 ratio required is 9% (2007: 4%) and the minimum total capital ratio is 12.5% (2007: 8%). ABN AMRO has met these standards throughout the year including at balance sheet date with a Tier 1 ratio of 10.88% (2007: 12.42%), of which the core Tier 1 ratio is 10.10% (2007: 10.59%). The total capital ratio is 14.43% (2007: 14.61%) at 31 December 2008.

The total capital base decreased by 25.1% (2007: increased by 8.5%) to EUR 25.4 billion at 31 December 2008 (2007: EUR 33.9 billion). Risk weighted assets amounted to EUR 176.0 billion at 31 December 2008 (2007: 232.3 billion), a decrease of EUR 56.3 billion (2007: EUR 48.4 billion), or 24.2% (2007: 17.2%) from 2007.

The following table analyses ABN AMRO's capital ratios at 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Tier 1 capital	19,152	28,850	23,720
Tier 2 capital	5,981	4,816	7,283
Tier 3 capital	272	272	272
Total capital base (including supervisory deductions)	25,405	33,938	31,275
Risk-weighted assets on balance	119,667	172,059	208,948
Off-balance	43,292	53,611	67,675
Market risks	13,069	6,642	4,081
Total risk-weighted assets	176,028	232,312	280,704
Tier 1 capital ratio	10.88%	12.42%	8.45%
Total capital ratio	14.43%	14.61%	11.14%

For further information on the capital ratios refer to Note 39 'Capital Adequacy' within Section 5: 'Consolidated Financial Statements'.

Liquidity and funding

Throughout the year, in response to the dislocation of the financial markets, in particular following the default of Lehman Brothers and ABN AMRO events related to the planned transition of businesses to Consortium Members, management was required to take appropriate relevant measures. Contingency funding plans were put in effect on a number of occasions to manage and to mitigate the negative effects in a coordinated manner in response to these events. In order to strengthen the liquidity buffer, an additional amount of Dutch residential mortgages were securitised as European Central Bank Eligible collateral. The timely response and effectiveness of the measures taken, together with the acquisition by the Dutch State of the interest in ABN AMRO from Fortis, enabled the Group to restore the trust of the public and to stem liquidity outflow, most of which has now been recouped.

ABN AMRO's liquidity management is also directed towards supporting the smooth transfer of ABN AMRO businesses to the Consortium Members. In this respect ABN AMRO adjusted its funding policy in 2008 to concentrate on extending the funding profile through attracting wholesale funding as the long term debt issuance market was not available to ABN AMRO in 2008.

The above measures, in combination with the completion of the transfer of certain businesses, decreased the liquidity exposure significantly and enabled ABN AMRO to manage its liquidity position without excessive stress.

The market dislocation also impacted ABN AMRO's managed asset-backed commercial paper (ABCP) conduits, which are diversified in terms of geographical spread and asset coverage. Also the maturities of the ABCP are well spread over time. These represented the largest contingent liquidity exposure of the Group. In February 2008 one asset arbitrage conduit was no longer able to refinance itself and drew liquidity. All other major conduits have been rolled over without difficulties due to the underlying quality of the assets, with ABN AMRO in some cases temporarily being required to warehouse ABCP. By late 2008 the majority of ABN AMRO's multi-seller conduits and the related issuance and sponsorship role have been transferred to RBS. The outstanding ABCP as per 31 December 2008 was EUR 17.8 billion (2007: EUR 50.9 billion), of which EUR 4.8 billion (2007: EUR 29.3 billion) relates to multi-seller conduits.

In December 2008, the Standard & Poor's rating agency downgraded ABN AMRO, together with a number of other international banks. As a consequence ABN AMRO was required to post more collateral in January 2009, due to its role as a cash deposit bank in securitisation transactions.

Liquidity Ratio

ABN AMRO uses the stable funding to non liquid assets ratio in its liquidity management (refer Section 3: 'Risk & Capital Management' for a discussion on funding liquidity management and measurement). This ratio shows the extent to which core assets (non liquid assets) are covered by core liabilities (stable funding). Non liquid assets are assets that require continuous funding and where - from a commercial perspective - the Group is not in a position to discontinue funding. Stable funding is funding which is assumed to remain available in a crisis.

	2008	2007
Stable funding/non liquid assets:		
Year end ratio	96%	102%
Average ratio	95%	99%

The Group has continued to meet its internal liquidity management limits as well as regulatory liquidity requirements in 2008.

Offices and branches

At 31 December 2008, the Group operated 615 offices and branches in the Netherlands (2007: 665) and 405 offices and branches (2007: 3,631) in 50 other countries and territories (2007: 55). Of these offices and branches, 14 (2007: 17) were in North America, 22 (2007: 2,212) in Latin America and the Caribbean, 140 (2007: 1,155) were in Europe, 9 (2007: 10) were in the Middle East and Africa and 220 (2007: 237) were in the Asia Pacific Region.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS BY SEGMENT

Changes to reporting structure and presentation

From 1 January 2008 the management and control structure of ABN AMRO has been aligned with the consortium ownership of the Group. The results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 2006 have been restated to reflect these changes.

RBS acquired

Selected information

The table below sets out selected information relating to the RBS acquired segment for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Net interest income	2,548	2,165	1,324
Net fee and commission income	1,358	2,107	2,127
Net trading income	(9,115)	1,089	2,399
Results from financial transactions	(1,518)	191	141
Share of result in equity accounted investments	9	48	2
Other operating income	54	139	72
Operating income	(6,664)	5,739	6,065
Operating expenses	5,718	6,122	5,687
Operating result	(12,382)	(383)	378
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	2,609	346	180
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(14,991)	(729)	198
Tax	(2,442)	(298)	(41)
Net operating profit/(loss)	(12,549)	(431)	239
Total assets	478,195	686,791	569,757
Risk-weighted assets	80,395	66,212	69,159
Full-time equivalent staff	32,805	32,888	26,701
Number of branches and offices	315	316	288
Efficiency ratio ¹	-	106.7%	93.8%

1) Negative efficiency ratios have been excluded

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2008 and 2007

Loss for the year increased by EUR 12,118 million to a loss of EUR 12,549 million. This reflects a decrease in operating income of EUR 12,403 million, a decrease in operating expenses of EUR 404 million, an increase in loan impairment and other credit risk provisions of EUR 2,263 million and a decrease in tax expenses of EUR 2,144 million.

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 12,403 million to a negative amount of EUR 6,664 million, mainly as a result of a decrease in net trading income of EUR 10,204 million, a decline in net fee and commission income of EUR 749

million and a decrease in results from financial transactions of EUR 1,709 million, partly offset by an increase in net interest income of EUR 383 million.

- Net interest income increased by EUR 383 million mainly due to the interest on the proceeds of the sale of LaSalle, higher revenues from commercial banking and higher interest on cash balances in treasury, both in the European region, and higher revenues in the global market, credit market and equities business, in the Americas region.
- Net fee and commission income decreased by EUR 749 million, due to lower results from the merger and acquisition business and lower revenues from equity derivative and strategy business.

- The decrease in net trading income includes credit market write-downs against asset backed securities (EUR 1.6 billion) and credit valuation adjustment against exposures to credit insurance counterparties (EUR 4.8 billion). For further information refer to our discussion on 'Credit market and related exposures' in this section. The negative revenue also includes losses arising on counterparty failures (approximately EUR 1.0 billion, including losses associated with the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy and the Bernard L. Madoff fraud). Furthermore, trading income was impacted by approximately EUR 500 million of losses due to a change in the valuation methodology of complex products that involve multiple unobservable inputs, such as correlation and interpolation, which have been adjusted to use the same estimation techniques as the ultimate parent company RBS. Trading income increases were noted in the Asian region, mainly due to higher results from local markets and global markets.
- The decrease in results from financial transactions is due mainly to the transfer of certain credit portfolios to RBS, including structured real estate loans, the notes held by the asset arbitrage conduit and the negative result on the transfer at fair value of the North America multi-seller conduits to RBS. Additionally the result has been impacted by negative valuation adjustments on equity investments including ABN AMRO's investment in a fund holding shares in Korean Exchange Bank. These negative results are partly offset by gains recorded on own debt held at fair value of approximately EUR 0.6 billion.
- Other operating income decreased by EUR 85 million, mainly due to the tax-exempt gains on the sale of ABN AMRO's 50% share in ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities Services B.V. (EUR 139 million) included in the 2007 results.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses decreased by EUR 404 million, or 6.6%, to EUR 5,718 million, primarily as a result of lower performance related bonuses resulting from the decreased trading performance and a reduction in headcount. In 2008, operating expenses included a restructuring charge of EUR 657 million, compared with a restructuring release of EUR 39 million in 2007 (total increase of EUR 696 million).

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions increased by EUR 2,263 million to EUR 2,609 million, mainly due to a provision relating specifically to LyondellBasell Industries (approximately EUR 1.1 billion) and further provisions related to global banking and markets, retail business, financial institutions and corporate clients.

Tax

The effective tax rate for 2008 is impacted by losses incurred in the year for which no deferred tax asset was recognised.

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 2006

Profit for the year decreased by EUR 670 million to a loss of EUR 431 million. This reflects a decrease in operating income of EUR 326 million, an increase in operating expenses of EUR 435 million, an increase of EUR 166 million in loan impairments and other credit risk provisions, partly offset by a decrease of EUR 257 million in tax expenses.

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 326 million, or 5.4%, to EUR 5,739 million predominantly due to negative fair value adjustments taken in the second half year 2007 in the European region, related to the first impacts of the credit crisis that developed from the adverse conditions in the sub-prime mortgage market in the US. The negative fair value adjustments of EUR 1,561 million (EUR 1,139 million after tax) were comprised of a negative valuation adjustment on monolines of EUR 606 million (EUR 440 million after tax); and a negative valuation adjustment of EUR 955

million on asset backed securities and collateralised debt obligation exposures (EUR 699 million after tax) offset by gains on own credit risk of EUR 267 million recorded in the trading portfolio and EUR 53 million recorded in results from financial transactions. The decrease was partly offset by the gains on the sale of ABN AMRO Mellon and by positive developments in the Asian region, driven by strong growth in consumer and commercial banking, and the American region, mainly as a result of the positive impact on the global markets activities of the decline in interest rates and the weakening US dollar.

- Net interest income increased by EUR 841 million which was mainly due to higher global markets income, as client income grew strongly.
- Other operating income increased by EUR 67 million, mainly due to the tax-exempt gains on the sale of ABN AMRO's 50% share in ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities Services B.V. (EUR 139 million).

Operating expenses

Operating expenses increased by EUR 435 million, or 7.6%, to EUR 6,122 million reflecting higher staff costs as a result of an increase in full time equivalents (from 26,701 in 2006 to 32,888 in 2007) and an increase in bonus related expenses following the retention initiative and true-ups for the global markets business. Operating expenses also increased due to continued investments in the new branches and the acquisition of Prime Bank and Taitung Business Bank in the Asian region. During 2007 16 branches across China, India, Indonesia, Hong Kong and Malaysia have been opened. The operating expenses included a restructuring release of EUR 48 million in 2007, and a restructuring charge of EUR 79 million in 2006 (total decrease of EUR 127 million). Non-staff costs were lower compared to 2006 as the benefits from the savings initiatives announced in 2006 were realised.

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions

Loan impairments and other credit risk provisions increased by EUR 166 million to EUR 346 million. This increase was mainly due to additions in the corporate clients portfolio and the change in the credit cycle, partly offset by improvements in the small and medium-sized enterprises and consumer credit portfolios.

Dutch State acquired

Selected information

The table sets out selected information relating to the Dutch State acquired segment for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Net interest income	3,223	3,440	3,432
Net fee and commission income	1,322	1,541	1,422
Net trading income	190	155	126
Results from financial transactions	181	37	5
Share of result in equity accounted investments	31	54	51
Other operating income	242	335	339
Operating income	5,189	5,562	5,375
Operating expenses	3,786	3,610	3,554
Operating result	1,403	1,952	1,821
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	776	378	381
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	627	1,574	1,440
Tax	156	394	413
Net operating profit/(loss)	471	1,180	1,027
Total assets	177,114	161,335	154,398
Risk-weighted assets	91,718	86,913	81,991
Assets under Management (in billions of euros)	102	140	142
Full-time equivalent staff	23,040	23,593	23,556
Number of branches and offices	695	744	738
Efficiency ratio	73.0%	64.9%	66.1%

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2008 and 2007

Profit for the year decreased by EUR 709 million, or 60.1% to EUR 471 million. This was as a result of a decrease in operating income of EUR 373 million, an increase in operating expenses of EUR 176 million and an increase in loan impairment and other credit risk provisions of EUR 398 million, partially offset by a decrease in tax of EUR 238 million.

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 373 million, or 6.7%, to EUR 5,189 million, mainly due to a decrease in net interest income, net fee and commission income and other operating income, partly offset by an increase in results from financial transactions.

- § Net interest income decreased by EUR 217 million, or 6.3%, mainly as result of the inclusion of a negative interest margin from the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios economically allocated to the Dutch State from 1 April 2008, partly offset by interest revenues on the proceeds of the sale of Asset Management. Increased gross interest, resulting from higher mortgage volumes and commercial loans, did not compensate for the lower margins. Margins on deposits and savings also dropped due to the migration to higher yielding saving products and deposits.
- § Net fees and commission income decreased by EUR 219 million, or 14.2%, mainly due to lower Assets under Management levels in the Private Clients business which decreased by EUR 38 billion to EUR 102 billion. This

decline reflects a reduction in net new assets and lower asset values due to deteriorated financial markets in 2008.

§ Results from financial transactions increased by EUR 144 million, reflecting a positive result on the unwinding of some capital management related guarantee transactions.

§ Other operating income decreased by EUR 93 million, or 27.8%. The 2007 figures include the gain on the sale of some branches and offices.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses increased by EUR 176 million, or 4.9%, to EUR 3,786 million. The 2008 operating expenses include a restructuring charge of EUR 208 million, whilst in 2007 a restructuring allowance of EUR 48 million was released. The restructuring charge relates to integration and restructuring costs as well as costs related to the preparation for the possible sale resulting from the EC Remedy. Adjusted for the restructuring charge of EUR 208 million, operating expenses decrease by EUR 32 million, due to cost management actions throughout the year, partially offset by an increase in staff costs arising from a detailed review of staff related provisions and a provision for the estimated costs to the Group relating to the deposit guarantee scheme in the Netherlands.

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions increased by EUR 398 million, to EUR 776 million, mainly related to the small and medium enterprise portfolio.

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 2006

Profit for the year increased by EUR 153 million, or 14.9%, to EUR 1,180 million. This was as a result of an increase of EUR 187 million in operating income, an increase of EUR 56 million in operating expenses and a decrease of EUR 19 million in tax expenses.

Operating income

Operating income increased by EUR 187 million, or 3.5% to EUR 5,562 million, mainly due to an increase in net fee and commissions, net trading income and results from financial transactions.

- Net fee and commission income increased by EUR 119 million, or 8.4%, reflecting higher volumes in non-interest related products such as stocks, investment funds and structured products. Assets under Management decreased by EUR 2 billion to EUR 140 billion, reflecting the sale of the Miami, Uruguay, Vermogensgroep and UK Private Banking operations. Financial market conditions, especially in the fourth quarter of 2007, resulted in portfolio value reduction which was offset by a net inflow of new money in 2007.
- Net trading income and results from financial transactions increased by EUR 61 million, or 46.6%, reflecting favourable market circumstances.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses increased by EUR 56 million, or 1.6%, to EUR 3,610 million, reflecting higher staff costs as a result of an increase in full time equivalents, partly offset by lower internal settlements and lower costs for automation, consultancy and commercial expenses. In 2007, a restructuring allowance of EUR 48 million was released, whilst the 2006 operating expenses included a restructuring charge of EUR 4 million.

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Central Items

Central Items includes head office functions and items that are not allocated to individual Consortium Members such as the private equity portfolio and the investment in Saudi Hollandi Bank. Interest on settlement amounts accruing to Santander are also included.

Selected information

The table sets out selected information relating to Central Items, for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(in millions of euros)	IFRS			Consolidation effect (1)			Excluding consolidation effect (non-GAAP measure)		
	2008	2007	2006	2008	2007	2006	2008	2007	2006
Net interest income/(expense)	12	(1,010)	(533)	(45)	(220)	(342)	57	(790)	(191)
Net fee and commission income	(51)	204	92	-	-	-	(51)	204	92
Net trading income/(loss)	(399)	(125)	102	-	3	(3)	(399)	(128)	105
Results from financial transactions	(347)	906	621	(36)	46	15	(311)	860	606
Share of results in equity accounted investments	66	121	133	-	1	-	66	120	133
Other operating income	10	765	462	-	-	-	10	765	462
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	1,726	3,836	5,313	1,726	3,836	5,313	-	-	-
Operating income	1,017	4,697	6,190	1,645	3,666	4,983	(628)	1,031	1,207
Operating expenses	2,125	5,053	5,461	1,635	3,634	4,939	490	1,419	522
Operating result	(1,108)	(356)	729	10	32	44	(1,118)	(388)	685
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	2	(7)	107	-	-	-	2	(7)	107
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(1,110)	(349)	622	10	32	44	(1,120)	(381)	578
Tax	(294)	(554)	(159)	10	32	44	(304)	(586)	(203)
Net operating profit/(loss)	(816)	205	781	-	-	-	(816)	205	781
Total assets (2)	11,508	177,087	262,909	435	1,698	4,537	11,073	175,389	258,372

Risk-weighted assets (2)	3,915	79,187	129,554				3,915	79,187	129,554
Full-time equivalent staff (2)	3,713	16,409	35,299	2,594	13,168	30,881	1,119	3,241	4,418
Number of branches and offices (2)	10	3,236	3,608				10	3,236	3,608
Efficiency ratio (3)	208.9%	107.6%	88.2%	99.4%	99.1%	99.1%	–	137.6%	43.3%

(1) This is the impact per line item of the private equity investments which are required to be consolidated under IFRS.

See the accounting policies section of the financial statements.

(2) Including discontinued operations.

(3) Negative efficiency ratios have been excluded.

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2008 and 2007

The result for the year decreased by EUR 1,021 million to a loss of EUR 816 million. This was as a result of a decrease in operating income of EUR 3,680 million (non-GAAP: decrease EUR 1,659 million), a decrease in operating expenses of EUR 2,928 million (non-GAAP: decrease EUR 929 million) and a decrease in tax benefit of EUR 260 million (non-GAAP: decrease EUR 282 million).

The decrease in IFRS operating income and operating expenses results from the decrease of the consolidation effect. The consolidation effect decreased due to the sale of Private Equity investments in 2008 and due to a change in management control in 2007. The portfolio of investments, since the change of control managed by an independent management company, is no longer consolidated, but instead is carried at fair value with value changes directly impacting the profit and loss account.

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 3,680 million, or 78.3%, to EUR 1,017 million (non-GAAP: decrease EUR 1,659 million), mainly due to lower Group Asset and Liability Management results, negative results from the Private Equity portfolio (approximately EUR 0.8 billion) and lower results from our shareholding in Unicredit (approximately EUR 0.8 billion) that was fully divested in 2008. The results from the Private Equity portfolio and the shareholding in Unicredit were both negative in 2008. This was partly offset by the interest revenue on the proceeds of the sale of Banca Antonveneta and the sale of Banco Real accruing to Santander. The 2007 figures include the gain on the sale of ABN AMRO's stake in Capitalia which was settled in exchange for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million) and the gain on the sale of the Latin American Private Banking operations in Miami and Uruguay, including the Latin American portfolios managed in Switzerland and Luxembourg (EUR 77 million).

In the course of 2008, the majority of the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios have been allocated to the businesses acquired by the respective Consortium Members. Consequently the majority of the Group Asset and Liability Management results are no longer recorded in Central Items.

- Net interest income increased EUR 1,022 million (non-GAAP: increased EUR 847 million), mainly due to the interest on the proceeds of the sale of Banca Antonveneta and the sale of Banco Real and due to the transfer of Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios as explained above.
- The results from net fee and commission income decreased by EUR 255 million, mainly due to the transfer of Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios as explained above.
- The results from net trading income decreased by EUR 274 million (non-GAAP: decrease EUR 271 million), mainly due to the transfer of Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios as explained above.
- Results from financial transactions decreased by EUR 1,253 million (non-GAAP: decrease EUR 1,171 million), mainly due to lower results from the Private Equity portfolio (approximately EUR 0.8 billion) and lower results from our shareholding in Unicredit (approximately EUR 0.8 billion) driven by stock price developments prior to disposal in 2008.
- Other operating income decreased by EUR 755 million to EUR 10 million. The 2007 figures include the gain on the sale of ABN AMRO's stake in Capitalia which was settled in exchange for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million) and the gain on the sale of the Latin American Private Banking operations in Miami and Uruguay, including the Latin American portfolios managed in Switzerland and Luxembourg (EUR 77 million).

Operating expenses

Operating expenses decreased by EUR 2,928 million (non-GAAP: decrease of EUR 929 million). The results in 2008 included a EUR 167 million restructuring charge, whereas 2007 included a restructuring release of EUR 14 million. Operating expenses in 2007 included a provision for the US Department of Justice investigation (EUR 365 million), transaction-related advisory fees (EUR 211 million), the break-up fee paid to Barclays (EUR 200 million), costs of accelerated vesting of share-based payments (EUR 117 million) and transition and integration costs (EUR 95 million).

Tax

Tax expense increased by EUR 260 million (non-GAAP: increased EUR 282 million) to a benefit of EUR 294 million (non-GAAP: EUR 304 million), mainly due to deferred tax asset impairments, while 2007 included higher tax-exempt gains on disposals as well as a tax release.

Results of operations for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 2006

Profit for the year decreased by EUR 576 million to EUR 205 million. This was as a result of a decrease in operating income of EUR 1,493 million (non-GAAP: decreased EUR 176 million), a decrease in operating expenses of EUR 408 million (non-GAAP: increased EUR 897 million), a decrease in loan impairment and other credit risk provisions of EUR 114 million and an increase in tax benefit of EUR 395 million (non-GAAP: increased EUR 383 million).

Operating income

Operating income decreased by EUR 1,493 million, or 24.1%, to EUR 4,697 million; non-GAAP: decreased EUR 176 million, mainly due to lower proprietary trading results of the global markets activities reported in Central Items and higher funding costs. This was partly offset by gains on the credit default swap portfolio that benefited due to the general widening of the spread that occurred throughout the year (EUR 116 million), a gain on own credit risk (EUR 115 million), both recorded in results from financial transactions, the gain on the sale of Capitalia whose shares were settled for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million) and the gain on the sale of the Latin American Private Banking operations in Miami and Uruguay, including the Latin American portfolios managed in Switzerland and Luxembourg (EUR 77 million), both recorded in other income.

- Net interest income decreased EUR 477 million (non-GAAP: decreased EUR 599 million), mainly due to higher funding costs and lower investment income following lower sales of available-for-sale bonds than in 2006.
- Net trading income decreased by EUR 227 million (non-GAAP: decreased EUR 233 million) to a loss of EUR 125 million (non-GAAP: loss of EUR 128 million), mainly due to lower proprietary trading income on the global market business.
- The results from financial transactions increased EUR 285 million (non-GAAP: EUR 254 million) due to mark-to-market gains on capital and risk hedging (credit default swap portfolio) that benefited from the general widening of the credit spreads that occurred throughout the year and gains from changes in the fair value related to own credit risk of EUR 115 million, partly offset by decreased gains on sales of available-for-sale bonds.
- Other operating income increased by EUR 303 million to EUR 765 million due to the gain on the sale of ABN AMRO's stake in Capitalia which was settled in exchange for Unicredit shares (EUR 624 million) and due to the gain on the sale of the Latin American Private Banking operations in Miami and Uruguay, including the Latin American portfolios managed in Switzerland and Luxembourg (EUR 77 million). The 2006 figures include the gain on the sale of the Futures business (EUR 229 million) and the gain on the sale of Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt. (EUR 208 million).

Operating expenses

Operating expenses decreased by EUR 408 million (non-GAAP: increase of EUR 897 million). Operating expenses in 2007 included a provision for the US Department of Justice investigation (EUR 365 million), transaction-related advisory fees (EUR 211 million), the break-up fee paid to Barclays (EUR 200 million), costs of accelerated vesting of share-based payments (EUR 117 million) and transition and integration costs (EUR 95 million). The results in 2006 included a EUR 5 million restructuring charge, whereas 2007 included a restructuring release of EUR 14 million.

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions

Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions decreased by EUR 114 million to a release of EUR 7 million. The 2006 results included a provision for the Futures business (EUR 72 million) which was sold to UBS in that year.

Tax

Tax expense declined by EUR 395 million (non-GAAP: decreased EUR 383 million) to a benefit of EUR 554 million (non-GAAP: EUR 586 million), mainly due to higher tax-exempt gains on disposals as well as a tax release.

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Corporate Information

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is the parent company of the ABN AMRO consolidated group of companies (referred to as the 'Group', 'ABN AMRO' or 'ABN AMRO Group'). ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is a public limited liability company, incorporated under Dutch law on 30 May 1990, and registered at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The Group provides a broad range of financial services on a worldwide basis, including consumer, commercial and investment banking.

On 17 October 2007 RFS Holdings B.V. ('RFS Holdings'), a company incorporated by RBS, Fortis and Santander acquired 85.6% of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ABN AMRO applied for de-listing of its ordinary shares from Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange. The de-listing of the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ordinary shares and the (formerly convertible) preference shares with a nominal value of €2.24 each from Euronext Amsterdam and the de-listing of its American Depositary Shares ('ADSs') from the New York Stock Exchange was effected on 25 April 2008. Through subsequent purchases RFS Holdings increased its stake in ABN AMRO to 99.3% as at 31 December 2007. RFS Holdings started squeeze-out proceedings in order to acquire the remainder of the shares in ABN AMRO from minority shareholders and this procedure was completed on 22 September 2008. As a result RFS Holdings has now become the sole shareholder of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

RFS Holdings B.V. is controlled by RBS Group plc, which is incorporated in the UK and registered at 36 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, Scotland. RBS is the ultimate parent company of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The consolidated financial statements of the Group are included in the consolidated financial statements of RBS.

On 3 October 2008, the Dutch State acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

Debt securities of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and Euronext. As the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission ('SEC') are applicable to foreign registrants, this annual report complies with the SEC rules and a cross reference table to the sections of the Form 20-F is included on page 225 of this report.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2008 incorporate financial information of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., its controlled entities, interests in associates and joint ventures. The consolidated financial statements were signed and authorised for issue by the Supervisory Board and Managing Board on 20 March 2009. The right to request an amendment of the financial statements is embedded in the Netherlands 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.

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 issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

Summary significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS 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 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. This includes the restatement for the classification of the Banco Real and other Santander acquired businesses as discontinued operation.

Adoption of IFRS standards and interpretations

IFRIC interpretation 11 'Group & Treasury Share Transactions' was issued in November 2006 and became effective for the Group on 1 January 2008. The interpretation provides further guidance on the implementation of IFRS 2 'Share-based Payment'. The adoption of this interpretation has no impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 12 'Service Concession Arrangements' was issued in November 2006 and became effective for the Group on 1 January 2008. The interpretation gives guidance on the accounting by operators for public-to-private concession arrangements. The adoption of this interpretation has no impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 14 IAS 19 'The Limit of a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction' addresses how entities should determine the amount of a surplus in a pension fund that can be recognised as an asset, how a minimum funding requirement affects that limit, and when a minimum funding requirement creates an onerous obligation that should be recognised as a liability in addition to that otherwise recognised under IAS 19. This interpretation became effective on 1 January 2008. The adoption of this interpretation does not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRS 8 'Operating Segments' was issued in November 2006 and adopted by the EU in November 2007. It is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009 but early adoption is permitted. The Group adopted IFRS 8 on 1 January 2007. The standard replaces IAS 14 'Segment Reporting' in setting out requirements for disclosure of information about an entity's operating segments, revenues derived from its products and services, the geographical areas in which it operates, and its major customers.

In October 2008 the IASB issued 'Reclassification of Financial Assets', amendments to IAS 39 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement' and IFRS 7 'Financial Instruments: Disclosures'. The Group has applied these amendments from 1 July 2008. The amendments permit an entity to reclassify certain financial instruments out of the held-for-trading or out of the available-for-sale category and sets out additional disclosure requirements for such

reclassifications. The notes to the consolidated financial statements provide detailed disclosures as required by the reclassification amendment.

Critical accounting policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make difficult, complex or subjective judgments and estimates, at times, regarding matters that are inherently uncertain. These judgments and estimates affect reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those judgments and estimates. The most significant areas requiring management to make judgments 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 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 modelling and estimates. Certain aspects require judgment, 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 18 to our consolidated financial statements.

Fair value of financial instruments

For financial instruments that are actively traded and for which quoted market prices or market parameters are readily available, there is little subjectivity in the determination of fair value. However, when observable market prices and parameters do not exist, management judgement is necessary to estimate fair value.

For instruments where no active liquid market exists, or quoted prices are unobtainable, recent market transactions are used or the fair value is estimated using a variety of valuation techniques – including reference to similar instruments for which market prices do exist or valuation models, such as discounted cash flow calculation or Black-Scholes.

The Group refines and modifies its valuation techniques as markets and products develop and the pricing for such products becomes more or less transparent. Financial markets are sometimes subject to significant stress conditions where steep falls in perceived or actual asset values are accompanied by a severe reduction in market liquidity, such as recent events in the US sub-prime residential mortgage market. In such cases, observable market data may become less reliable or disappear altogether. Where there is doubt over the reliability of the market data due to either market illiquidity or unavailability, other valuation techniques are used. These alternative techniques would include scenario analysis and discounted cash flow calculations.

Unobservable inputs are estimated using a combination of management judgement, historical data, market practice and benchmarking to other relevant observable market data. Where inputs to the valuation of a new transaction cannot be reliably sourced from external providers, the transaction is initially recognised at its transaction price. The difference between the transaction price and the internal valuation at inception, calculated using a model, is reserved and amortised 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. Subsequent changes in fair value as calculated by the valuation model are reported in income.

Fair values include appropriate adjustments to account for known inadequacies in the valuation models or to reflect the credit quality of the instrument or counterparty. 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 37 to the consolidated financial statements.

Impairment of available-for-sale instruments

A financial asset or portfolio of financial assets is impaired and an impairment loss incurred if there is objective evidence that an event or events since initial recognition of the asset or reclassification into available-for-sale from trading have adversely affected the amount or timing of future cash flows from the assets.

Significant management judgement is involved where the determination of future cash flows requires consideration of a number of variables, some of which may be unobservable in current market conditions. This is the case for more complex instruments such as asset backed securities, where factors such as the estimated cash flows on underlying pools of collateral and changes in national or local conditions that correlate with defaults on the assets are considered. Further details are provided in note 14.

Assessment of risk and rewards

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

Pension and post-retirement benefits

Significant pension and post-retirement benefit costs 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 27 to our consolidated financial statements.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets arise from a variety of sources, the most significant being: a) tax losses that can be carried forward to be utilised against profits in future years; and b) valuation changes of assets which need to be tax effected for accounting purposes but are taxable only when the valuation change is realised.

The Group records valuation allowances to reduce the deferred tax assets to the amount which can be recognised in line with the relevant accounting standards. The level of deferred tax asset recognition is influenced by management's assessment of the Group's historic and future profitability profile. At each balance sheet date, existing assessments are reviewed and, if necessary, revised to reflect changed circumstances. In a situation where recent losses have been incurred, the relevant accounting standards require convincing evidence that there will be sufficient future tax capacity.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared annually 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. Subsidiaries are included using the same reporting period and consistent accounting policies.

Subsidiaries

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 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. Current period profit or loss attributable to minority interests is presented as an attribution of profit for the year.

Business combinations

IFRS 3 'Business combinations' was adopted for all business combinations taking 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 a business combination occurs in stages and control of the business is obtained in stages, all assets and liabilities of the acquired business, 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.

Equity accounted investments

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

Investments in associates of a private equity nature are designated to be held at fair value with changes through income, consistent with the management basis for such investments.

Other investments, in associates 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. The Group's share of profit or loss of the investee is recognised and separately disclosed in the Group's income statement. 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. Businesses that may be transferred to shareholders by means of a distribution will not be presented as businesses held for sale.

The results of discontinued operations (an operation held for sale 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 results of the discontinued operations 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 a discontinued operation and qualifies for separate presentation.

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.

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. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at reporting date are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities accounted for at cost, and denominated in foreign currency are translated to the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the date of initial recognition.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities accounted for at fair value in a foreign currency are translated to the functional currency using the exchange rate at the date when the fair value was determined.

Currency translation differences on all monetary financial assets and liabilities are included in foreign exchange gains and losses in trading 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 reporting 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 a foreign 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 does not include interest income and expense in relation to trading balances which is included within net trading income.

Income from debt and other fixed-income instruments is recognised using the effective interest method in interest income.

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.
- 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 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 of financial assets and liabilities held for trading, interest income, dividends received from trading instruments as well as related funding costs. Dividend income from trading instruments is recognised when entitlement is established. Net trading income also includes changes in fair value arising from changes in counter-party credit spreads and changes in ABN AMRO's credit spreads where it impacts the value of the Group's derivative liabilities. The charge related to the write-off of trading instruments is included in trading income.

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, excluding associated companies is recognised when entitlement is established.

Segment reporting

Operating segments are the segments that engage in business activities from which the bank earns income and incurs expenses. These segments are the reporting segments whose operating results are reviewed by the Managing Board on a monthly basis. 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, derivatives held for trading, 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.

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.

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. As of 31 December 2008 the Group no longer classifies financial assets into the held-to-maturity category and due to tainting rules can not do so until 31 December 2010.

Designated at fair value through income are financial assets and financial liabilities that the Group upon initial recognition 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 reduces 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 in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. This is applied to equity investments of a private equity nature.

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 designated at 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. In the infrequent event when 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 and the ability to obtain benefits over the contractual rights that comprise that asset. This occurs when the rights are realised, expire, substantially all risk and rewards are transferred, or not substantially all risk and rewards are transferred nor retained, although control is 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, 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 transferred to the lender without material delay and the lender's claim is limited to those cash flows and substantially all the risks and returns and control associated with the financial instruments have been transferred, in which case that proportion of the asset is derecognised.

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 from 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 convey control, 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.

The measurement of liabilities held at fair value includes the effect of changes in own credit spreads. The change in fair value applies to those financial liabilities designated at fair value where ABN AMRO's own credit risk would be considered by market participants and excludes instruments for which it is established market practice not to include an entity-specific adjustment for own credit. The fair value changes are calculated based on a yield curve generated from observed external pricing for funding and quoted CDS spreads.

All derivatives are recorded in the balance sheet at fair value with changes recorded through income except when designated in cash flow or net investment hedge relationship (see hedge accounting below).

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. 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.

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 active liquid markets. For instruments where no active liquid market exists, or quoted prices are unobtainable, recent market transactions are used or the fair value is estimated using a variety of valuation techniques – including reference to similar instruments for which market prices do exist or valuation models, such as discounted cash flow or Black-Scholes. The Group refines and modifies its valuation techniques as markets and products develop and the pricing for individual products becomes more transparent.

Valuation models are validated prior to use by employees independent of the initial selection or creation of the models. Wherever possible, inputs to valuation models represent observable market data from reliable external data sources. Unobservable inputs are estimated using a combination of management judgement, historical data, market practice and benchmarking to other relevant observable market data.

Where significant inputs to the valuation of a new transaction cannot be reliably sourced from external providers, the transaction is initially recognised at its transaction price. The difference between the transaction price and the internal valuation at inception, calculated using a model, is reserved and amortised 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. Subsequent changes in fair value as calculated by the valuation model are reported in income.

Fair values include appropriate adjustments to account for known inadequacies and uncertainties in valuation models or to reflect the credit quality of the instrument or counterparty.

The change in fair value of notes designated at fair value through income attributable to changes in credit risk are calculated by reference to the credit spread implicit in the market value of ABN AMRO's senior notes.

Reclassifications

Derivatives are not reclassified into and out of the fair value through profit or loss category whilst they are held or issued. Financial instruments designated at fair value through income upon initial recognition are not reclassified out of that category. Non-derivative financial assets classified as held for trading upon initial recognition, if they are no longer held for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term, may be reclassified out of the fair value through income category if certain requirements are met. No financial instrument is reclassified into the fair value through income category after initial recognition.

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.

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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.

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 re-measurement of both the hedging instrument and the hedged item are recognised in the income statement, typically within results from financial transactions.

When a fair value hedge of interest rate risk is terminated, any 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 re-measurement 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.

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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. The cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to the income statement on the disposal of the foreign operation.

Derivatives upon which the Group applies hedge accounting have been disclosed in Note 22 'Other assets' and Note 29 'Other liabilities'.

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 of commercial clients every 6 or 12 months depending on the rating of the facility.

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.

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.

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.

Renegotiated loans

Where possible, ABN AMRO seeks to restructure loans rather than to take possession of collateral. This may involve extending the payment arrangements and the agreement of new loan conditions. Once the items have been renegotiated, the loan is no longer considered past due. Management continuously reviews renegotiated loans to ensure that all criteria are met and that future payments are likely to occur. The loans continue to be subject to an individual or collective impairment assessment, calculated using the loans original effective interest rate.

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 moved from equity and recognised in the income statement within results from financial transactions.

The Group performs a review of individual available-for-sale securities on a regular basis to determine whether any evidence of impairment exists. This review considers factors such as any reduction in fair value below cost, its direction and whether the reduction is significant or prolonged, and the credit standing and prospects of the issuer.

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:

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

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 decided 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 stated at cost, being 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, less any accumulated impairment losses. 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. If the recognition of the assessed fair value of acquired assets and liabilities at the time of acquisition took place on the basis of provisional amounts any changes 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.

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.

Software

Costs that are directly associated with identifiable software products that are controlled by the Group, and likely to generate future economic benefits exceeding these costs, are recognised as intangible assets and stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and any adjustment for impairment losses. 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 to 7 years. Amortisation rates and residual values are reviewed at least annually to take into account any change in circumstances.

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

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 systematically over the estimated useful lives of the intangible asset. Amortisation rates and residual values are reviewed at least annually to take into account any change in circumstances.

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 higher of its fair value less cost to sell and its 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.

The impairment analysis of goodwill and other intangibles 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. 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.

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.

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

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 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 in excess of 10% is recognised in income over the 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.

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

Until 2007, the Group engaged 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 was 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 was recognised in the income statement over the period that the services of the employees were received, which was the vesting period, with a corresponding credit in equity for equity settled schemes and a credit in liabilities for cash settled schemes. For cash settled schemes the fair value of the plan was determined for each reporting period and the changes were recognised in the income statement. In addition, the Group recognised the effects of modifications that increased the total fair value of the share-based payment arrangements or were otherwise beneficial to the employee in the income statement.

The fair value of the options granted was determined using option pricing models, which took 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 were 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 would reflect the number of shares or share options that eventually vested. Where vesting conditions were related to market conditions, these were fully reflected in the fair value initially determined at grant date and as a result, the charges for the services received were recognised regardless of whether or not the market related vesting condition was met, provided that the non-market vesting conditions were met.

In case of cancellation or settlement of a grant of shares or share options during the vesting period, the amount that otherwise would be recognised over the remainder of the vesting period was immediately recognised in the income statement. Any payment made to the employee upon the cancellation or settlement of the grant was accounted for as a deduction from equity for equity settled schemes and as a deduction from the liability for the cash settled schemes.

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.

Tax – current and deferred

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 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.

Deferred tax is also 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 for loan impairment, provisions for pensions and business combinations. The following differences are not provided for: 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 taxes. When share capital recognised as equity is repurchased, the amount of the consideration paid, including incremental directly attributable costs net of 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 net change in the fair value of cash flow hedging instruments, net of taxes, related to hedged transactions that have 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. The cash flows of discontinued operations are separately reported in the period in which the operation qualifies as a held-for-sale business.

The presentation of the cash flow statement for 2007 and 2006 has been amended to conform to the current period presentation which does not separately disclose discontinued operations.

Future changes in accounting policies

ABN AMRO expects to adopt the following amended standards and interpretations with effect from 1 January 2009, where applicable pending their endorsement by the EU.

The IASB issued a revised IAS 23 'Borrowing Costs' in March 2007. The revised standard eliminates the option of recognising borrowing costs immediately as an expense, to the extent that they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. The Group does not expect adoption of the revised standard on 1 January 2009 to have a significant effect on the financial position or results of the Group.

A revised IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' was issued in September 2007 effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. The revised standard aims to improve users' ability to analyse and compare information given in financial statements. Adoption of the revised standard will have no effect on the results reported in the Group's consolidated financial statements but will change the presentation of the results and financial position of ABN AMRO in certain respects.

The IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 2 'Share-based Payment' on 17 January 2008. The amendment, which is applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009, clarifies that vesting conditions comprise only service conditions and performance conditions. It also specifies the accounting treatment for a failure to meet a non-vesting condition. Adoption of the amendment will not have an impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

The IASB published 'Amendments to IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation and IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements, Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation', on 14 February 2008. The amendments are applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. ABN AMRO does not expect these revisions to have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC interpretation 13 'Customer Loyalty Programmes' becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 July 2008. This interpretation addresses how companies that grant their customers loyalty award credits (often called 'points') when buying goods or services should account for their obligation to provide free or discounted goods or

services if and when the customers redeem the points. The adoption of this interpretation on 1 January 2009 will not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 15 'Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate' was issued 3 July 2008 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2009. This interpretation standardises accounting practice across jurisdictions for the recognition of revenue by real estate developers before construction is complete. The main expected change in practice is a shift for some entities from recognising revenue as construction progresses to recognising revenue at a single time – at completion upon or after delivery. The adoption of this interpretation on 1 January 2009 will not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 16 'Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation' was issued 3 July 2008 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 October 2008. IFRIC 16 addresses three main issues. Firstly, the interpretation considers whether risk arises from (a) the foreign currency exposure to the functional currencies of the foreign operation and the parent entity, or from (b) the foreign currency exposure to the functional currency of the foreign operation and the presentation currency of the parent entity's consolidated financial statements. Secondly, it determines which entity within a group can hold a hedging instrument in a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation and in particular whether the parent entity holding the net investment in a foreign operation must also hold the hedging instrument. Finally it discusses how an entity should determine the amounts to be reclassified from equity to profit or loss for both the hedging instrument and the hedged item when the entity disposes of the investment. The adoption of this interpretation on 1 January 2009 will not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

The IASB published 'Improving Disclosures about Financial Instruments (Amendments to IFRS 7)' in March 2009. These amendments improve the disclosure requirements about fair value measurements and reinforce existing principles for disclosures about the liquidity risk associated with financial instruments. The amendments are applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. Adoption of the revised standard will have no effect on the results reported in the Group's consolidated financial statements but will change the presentation of the results and financial position of ABN AMRO in certain respects.

Consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 December

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Interest income	22,080	22,734	19,340
Interest expense	16,297	18,139	15,117
Net interest income 3	5,783	4,595	4,223
Fee and commission income	3,068	4,181	4,047
Fee and commission expense	439	329	406
Net fee and commission income 4	2,629	3,852	3,641
Net trading income 5	(9,324)	1,119	2,627
Results from financial transactions 6	(1,684)	1,134	767
Share of result in equity accounted investments 19	106	223	186
Other operating income 7	306	1,239	873
Income from consolidated private equity holdings 41	1,726	3,836	5,313
Operating income	(458)	15,998	17,630
Personnel expenses 8	5,236	6,363	5,600
General and administrative expenses 9	4,070	4,821	4,594
Depreciation and amortisation 10	1,045	857	824
Goods and materials of consolidated private equity holdings 41	1,278	2,744	3,684
Operating expenses	11,629	14,785	14,702
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions 18	3,387	717	668
Total expenses	15,016	15,502	15,370
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(15,474)	496	2,260
Tax 11	(2,580)	(458)	213
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(12,894)	954	2,047
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax 45	16,489	9,021	2,733
Profit for the year	3,595	9,975	4,780
Attributable to:			
Shareholders of the parent company	3,580	9,848	4,715
Minority interest	15	127	65

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

Consolidated balance sheet at 31 December

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007
Assets		
Cash and balances at central banks 13	5,854	16,750
Financial assets held for trading 14	212,653	242,277
Financial investments 15	67,061	96,435
Loans and receivables- banks 16	75,566	175,696
Loans and receivables- customers 17	270,507	398,331
Equity accounted investments 19	796	871
Property and equipment 20	2,035	2,747
Goodwill and other intangibles 21	924	1,424
Assets of businesses held for sale 45	1,583	60,458
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	7,011	12,580
Tax assets 28	5,100	4,875
Other assets 22	17,727	12,769
Total assets	666,817	1,025,213
Liabilities		
Financial liabilities held for trading 14	192,087	155,476
Due to banks 23	94,620	239,334
Due to customers 24	209,004	330,352
Issued debt securities 25	111,296	174,995
Provisions 26	4,144	6,544
Liabilities of businesses held for sale 45	864	39,780
Accrued expenses and deferred income	8,418	12,244
Tax liabilities 28	700	2,091
Other liabilities 29	15,012	18,072
Liabilities (excluding subordinated liabilities)	636,145	978,888
Subordinated liabilities 30	13,549	15,616
Total Liabilities	649,694	994,504
Equity		
Share capital 31	1,852	1,085
Share premium	5,343	5,332
Treasury shares 31	-	(2,640)
Retained earnings	11,096	25,650
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement	(1,214)	148
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	17,077	29,575
Equity attributable to minority interests	46	1,134
Total equity	17,123	30,709
Total equity and liabilities	666,817	1,025,213
Guarantees and other commitments 34	42,148	55,140
Committed credit facilities 34	63,436	104,137

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

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
Share capital 31			
Balance at 1 January	1,085	1,085	1,069
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	767	-	-
Exercised options and warrants	-	-	16
Balance at 31 December	1,852	1,085	1,085
Share premium			
Balance at 1 January	5,332	5,245	5,269
Share-based payments	10	145	111
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	1	-	-
Dividends paid in shares	-	(58)	(135)
Balance at 31 December	5,343	5,332	5,245
Treasury shares 31			
Balance at 1 January	(2,640)	(1,829)	(600)
Share buy back	-	(1,847)	(2,204)
Utilised for dividends paid in shares	-	412	832
Utilised for exercise of options and performance share plans	-	624	143
Sale of treasury shares	3,708	-	-
Gain on sale of treasury shares	(1,068)	-	-
Balance at 31 December	-	(2,640)	(1,829)
Other reserves including retained earnings			
Balance at 1 January	25,650	18,599	15,237
Profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	3,580	9,848	4,715
Dividends paid to shareholders of the parent company	(19,213)	(1,540)	(807)
Dividends paid in shares to shareholders of the parent company	-	(586)	(656)
Gain on sale of treasury shares	1,068	-	-
Settlement of share option and awards in cash 44	-	(743)	-
Other	11	72	110
Balance at 31 December	11,096	25,650	18,599
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement			
Currency translation account			
Balance at 1 January	597	408	842
Transfer to income statement relating to disposals	(903)	293	(7)
Currency translation differences	823	(104)	(427)
Subtotal – Balance at 31 December	517	597	408
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets			
Balance at 1 January	(543)	364	1,199
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(2,038)	(392)	(233)
Reclassification to the income statement	1,716	(515)	(602)
Subtotal – Balance at 31 December	(865)	(543)	364
Cash flow hedging reserve			
Balance at 1 January	94	(275)	(795)
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on cash flow hedges	(959)	315	735
Net losses/(gains) reclassified to the income statement	(1)	54	(215)
Subtotal – Balance at 31 December	(866)	94	(275)
Net gains /(losses) not recognised in the income statement at 31 December	(1,214)	148	497
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company at 31 December	17,077	29,575	23,597
Minority interest			

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Balance at 1 January	1,134	2,298	1,931
Additions/(reductions)	12	(853)	145
Acquisitions/(disposals)	(1,008)	(300)	203
Profit attributable to minority interests	15	127	65
Currency translation differences	(107)	(138)	(46)
Equity attributable to minority interests at 31 December	46	1,134	2,298
Total equity at 31 December	17,123	30,709	25,895

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

Consolidated cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December

(in millions of euros)	2008	20071	20061
Operating activities			
Profit for the period	3,595	9,975	4,780
Adjustments for			
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	1,152	1,271	1,352
Loan impairment losses	4,332	2,794	2,138
Share of result in equity accounted investments	(171)	(278)	(251)
Movements in operating assets and liabilities			
Movement in operating assets 35	199,957	(133,448)	(77,413)
Movement in operating liabilities 35	(246,314)	114,722	64,763
Other adjustments			
Dividends received from equity accounted investments	34	81	72
Net cash flows from operating activities	(37,415)	(4,883)	(4,559)
Investing activities			
Acquisition of investments	(245,561)	(201,808)	(180,228)
Sales and redemption of investments	263,840	197,850	172,454
Acquisition of property and equipment	(436)	(888)	(1,145)
Sales of property and equipment	94	674	256
Acquisition of intangibles (excluding goodwill)	(284)	(549)	(801)
Disposal of intangibles (excluding goodwill)	5	24	12
Acquisition of subsidiaries and equity accounted investments	(45)	(501)	(7,491)
Disposal of subsidiaries and equity accounted investments	23,907	15,736	1,845
Net cash flows from investing activities	41,520	10,538	(15,098)
Financing activities			
Issuance of subordinated liabilities	508	1,523	4,062
Repayment of subordinated liabilities	(918)	(1,225)	(4,430)
Issuance of other long-term funding	37,952	39,635	35,588
Repayment of other long-term funding	(56,323)	(33,284)	(14,343)
Sale of treasury shares	3,708	-	-
Share buy back	-	(1,847)	(2,204)
Utilised for exercise of options and performance share plans	-	624	143
Other	7	(1,723)	213
Dividends paid	(19,213)	(1,540)	(807)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(34,279)	2,163	18,222
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	3,975	62	264
Movement in cash and cash equivalents	(26,199)	7,880	(1,171)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	12,752	4,872	6,043
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 35	(13,447)	12,752	4,872

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1 Comparative amounts have been restated to conform to current presentation.

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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.

From 1 January 2009, ABN AMRO is comprised of three reportable segments, namely "RBS acquired", "Dutch State acquired" and "Central Items". The "RBS acquired" segment principally contains the international lending, international transaction services with operations in Europe, Asia and the Americas and the equities business of the RBS Group. The "Dutch State acquired" segment serves Dutch commercial clients, Dutch consumer clients, and Dutch and international private clients, and includes the International Diamond and Jewelry business. The "Central Items" segment includes items that are not allocated to but economically shared by the Consortium Members as well as settlement amounts accruing to Banco Santander S.A.

The Group presented segmental disclosures to reflect the above changes in its interim results for the period ended 30 June 2009, which was submitted and filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 6-K dated 28 September 2009.

In 2008 the Group disclosed six reportable Business Units ('BU's), namely Europe, Americas, Asia, the Netherlands, Private Clients and Central Items. The change from six reportable BUs to three reportable segments reflects the focus of the Managing Board on the creation and subsequent legal separation of the Dutch State acquired businesses from the residual RBS acquired businesses into two separate independent banks, and the consequential impact that this progression has had on the management of the Group.

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.

Central Items as noted includes items that are not allocated to but economically shared by the Consortium Members, as well as accumulated amounts accruing to Banco Santander S.A. arising from the disposal of Banco Real and other sales and settlements. In addition prior to April 2008, the majority of the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios were economically shared prior to allocation to the respective Consortium Members. Since the allocation was effected on the basis of prospective agreements between Consortium Members, Group Asset and Liability Management results prior to this date are reported in Central Items. Remaining unallocated Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios continue to be reported in Central Items.

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Operating segment information for the year ended 31 December 2008

	RBS acquired	Dutch State acquired	Central Items	Subtotal	Discontinued Operations	Total
Net interest income - external	1,401	3,758	624	5,783		5,783
Net interest income - other segments	1,147	(535)	(612)	-		-
Net fee and commission income - external	1,461	1,223	(55)	2,629		2,629
Net fee and commission income - other segments	(103)	99	4	-		-
Net trading income	(9,115)	190	(399)	(9,324)		(9,324)
Result from financial transactions	(1,518)	181	(347)	(1,684)		(1,684)
Share of result in equity accounted investments	9	31	66	106		106
Other operating income	54	242	10	306		306
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	1,726	1,726		1,726
Total operating income	(6,664)	5,189	1,017	(458)		(458)
Total operating expenses	5,718	3,786	2,125	11,629		11,629
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	2,609	776	2	3,387		3,387
Total expenses	8,327	4,562	2,127	15,016		15,016
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(14,991)	627	(1,110)	(15,474)		(15,474)
Tax	(2,442)	156	(294)	(2,580)		(2,580)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(12,549)	471	(816)	(12,894)		(12,894)
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	-	-	-	16,489	16,489
Profit for the year	(12,549)	471	(816)	(12,894)	16,489	3,595
Other information at 31 December 2008						
Total assets	478,195	177,114	9,925	665,234	1,583	666,817
Of which equity accounted investments	158	210	428	796	-	796
Total liabilities	472,244	170,069	6,517	648,830	864	649,694
Capital expenditure	192	273	111	576	-	576
Depreciation and amortisation	481	334	230	1,045	-	1,045
Impairment of available-for-sale securities	333	-	-	333	-	333

Operating segment information for the year ended 31 December 2007

	RBS acquired	Dutch State acquired	Central Items	Subtotal	Discontinued Operations	Total
Net interest income – external	1,714	3,598	(717)	4,595		4,595
Net interest income - other segments	451	(158)	(293)	-		-
Net fee and commission income - external	2,543	1,346	(37)	3,852		3,852
Net fee and commission income-other segments	(436)	195	241	-		-
Net trading income	1,089	155	(125)	1,119		1,119
Result from financial transactions	191	37	906	1,134		1,134
Share of result in equity accounted investments	48	54	121	223		223
Other operating income	139	335	765	1,239		1,239
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	3,836	3,836		3,836
Total operating income	5,739	5,562	4,697	15,998		15,998
Total operating expenses	6,122	3,610	5,053	14,785		14,785
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	346	378	(7)	717		717
Total expenses	6,468	3,988	5,046	15,502		15,502
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(729)	1,574	(349)	496		496
Tax	(298)	394	(554)	(458)		(458)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(431)	1,180	205	954		954
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	-	-	-	9,021	9,021
Profit for the year	(431)	1,180	205	954	9,021	9,975
Other information at 31 December 2007						
Total assets	686,791	161,335	116,629	964,755	60,458	1,025,213
Of which equity accounted investments	257	230	360	847	24	871
Total liabilities	668,185	157,748	128,791	954,724	39,780	994,504
Capital expenditure	274	373	454	1,101	-	1,101
Depreciation and amortisation	226	287	344	857	-	857
Impairment of available-for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	-	-

Operating segment information for the year ended 31 December 2006

	RBS acquired	Dutch State acquired	Central Items	Subtotal	Discontinued Operations	Total
Net interest income – external	1,368	3,543	(688)	4,223		4,223
Net interest income - other segments	(44)	(111)	155	-		-
Net fee and commission income - external	2,242	1,295	104	3,641		3,641
Net fee and commission income-other segments	(115)	127	(12)	-		-
Net trading income	2,399	126	102	2,627		2,627
Result from financial transactions	141	5	621	767		767
Share of result in equity accounted investments	2	51	133	186		186
Other operating income	72	339	462	873		873
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	5,313	5,313		5,313
Total operating income	6,065	5,375	6,190	17,630		17,630
Total operating expenses	5,687	3,554	5,461	14,702		14,702
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	180	381	107	668		668
Total expenses	5,867	3,935	5,568	15,370		15,370
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	198	1,440	622	2,260		2,260
Tax	(41)	413	(159)	213		213
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	239	1,027	781	2,047		2,047
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	-	-	-	2,733	2,733
Profit for the year	239	1,027	781	2,047	2,733	4,780
Other information at 31 December 2006						
Total assets	569,757	154,398	77,849	802,004	185,060	987,064
Of which equity accounted investments	42	183	900	1,125	402	1,527
Total liabilities	557,983	151,840	80,206	790,029	171,140	961,169
Capital expenditure	249	412	962	1,623	-	1,623
Depreciation and amortisation	211	307	306	824	-	824
Impairment of available-for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	-	-

Geographical segments

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

	The Netherlands	Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia /Pacific	Total
2008						
Net interest income	3,674	841	256	80	932	5,783
Net commission income	915	947	199	10	558	2,629
Other income	(239)	(9,076)	(84)	44	485	(8,870)
Operating income	4,350	(7,288)	371	134	1,975	(458)
Total assets	280,960	305,429	19,170	1,817	59,441	666,817
Capital expenditure	418	75	25	1	57	576
2007						
Net interest income	2,654	857	134	65	885	4,595
Net commission income	964	1,070	448	80	1,290	3,852
Other income	5,732	922	336	9	552	7,551
Operating income	9,350	2,849	918	154	2,727	15,998
Total assets	309,659	510,540	80,526	46,581	77,907	1,025,213
Capital expenditure	464	180	130	239	88	1,101
2006						
Net interest income	2,637	695	193	48	650	4,223
Net commission income	1,150	1,230	342	33	886	3,641
Other income	7,397	1,663	156	41	509	9,766
Operating income	11,184	3,588	691	122	2,045	17,630
Total assets	289,984	419,691	168,533	36,976	71,880	987,064
Capital expenditure	899	179	315	141	89	1,623

2 Acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries

Acquisitions 2008

During 2008 there were no acquisitions.

Disposals 2008

Transfer of businesses

As part of the separation process of the bank, entities and businesses, as well as portfolios, have been sold and transferred to the Consortium Members and other parties.

Sale of Asset Management

The sale of the shares in ABN AMRO Asset Management NV to Fortis Bank was completed in April. The sale price was EUR 3,699 million, resulting in a gain on sale of EUR 3,073 million.

Sale of Banca Antonveneta

The sale of Banca Antonveneta to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena was completed in May. The sale price was EUR 9,894 million, resulting in a gain on sale of EUR 2,357 million.

Transfer of remaining businesses to Santander

In July 2008 Banco ABN AMRO Real S.A. ('Banco Real'), Interbanca SpA and other entities acquired by Santander were sold to Santander for EUR 15,431 million resulting in a gain on sale of EUR 10,647 million.

Acquisitions 2007

Taitung Business Bank Taiwan

In September 2007 ABN AMRO acquired 100% of the shares of Taitung Business Bank Taiwan. The total consideration received amounted to EUR 147 million, resulting in goodwill recognised of EUR 160 million (see note 21).

Prime Bank Ltd (Pakistan)

In April 2007 ABN AMRO completed the acquisition resulting in a 96.2% stake in Prime Bank. The total consideration paid amounted to EUR 176 million with goodwill of EUR 139 million recognised on acquisition.

Disposals 2007

ABN AMRO North America Holding Company

In October 2007 the Group completed the sale of ABN AMRO North America Holding Company ('LaSalle Bank') which principally consisted of the retail and commercial banking activities of LaSalle Bank Corporation to Bank of America. ABN AMRO's North American Asset Management businesses and certain businesses within ABN AMRO's North American Global Markets and Global Clients operations did not form part of the sale. The sale price was USD 21 billion and resulted in a gain of EUR 7,163 million after tax.

ABN AMRO Capital Holdings B.V.

During the second quarter of 2007, ABN AMRO sold a majority of the shares of AAC Capital Holdings B.V., the management company of certain private equity investments held by the Group, to the executives of the management company. Also as part of the sale, the Bank transferred all power to govern the financial and operating policies of the management company and all investment decisions related to a significant portion of the Group's private equity investments (the Netherlands, Nordic and UK business of ABN AMRO Capital) resulting in the loss of control over these investments to a management company outside of ABN AMRO. The ownership of the underlying investments and therefore the economic interest in the investments has not changed. The loss of control over the management company resulted in the concerned investments to no longer be consolidated in the financial statements of the Group. As of the date of the transaction the investments are recognised and carried at fair value with changes through income. This transaction has resulted in a gain of EUR 108 million reported in results from financial transactions.

ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities Services

In July 2007, ABN AMRO entered into a sale and purchase agreement with Mellon Bank N.A., Pittsburgh, USA to sell its 50% share in the joint venture ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities B.V. (ABN AMRO Mellon). In December 2007 the sale was completed. The sale price amounted to EUR 387 million and resulted in a net gain of EUR 139 million.

Private Banking operations in Miami and Montevideo

In April 2007, BU Private Clients disposed of its operations in Miami and Montevideo to Banco Itau. The profit recognised on the sale included in other operating income, amounted to EUR 72 million after tax.

ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.

In February 2007 ABN AMRO closed the sale of 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 purchased approximately EUR 7.8 billion of net assets. The profit of the sale amounted to EUR 93 million after tax.

Interbank (NL) and DMC Groep

In November 2007 the Group closed the sale of Interbank N.V. and DMC Groep N.V. to SOFINCO for an amount of EUR 98 million. The gain on the sale amounted to EUR 56 million after tax.

Acquisitions 2006

Banca Antonveneta

In January 2006 the Group acquired a controlling interest in Banca Antonveneta. During 2005 the Group had already increased its interest in Banca Antonveneta from 12.7% to 29.9%. During 2006 the Group acquired 100% of the outstanding share capital of Banca Antonveneta.

Asset Management

In February 2006, BU Asset Management acquired International Asset Management Ltd. 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%.

Banco Real

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

Disposals 2006

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.

Global Futures business

In September 2006 ABN AMRO sold the Global Futures business for an amount of EUR 305 million.

Bouwfonds non-mortgage

In December 2006 the Group disposed of the property development and management activities of its Bouwfonds subsidiary. The gain on the sale of Bouwfonds amounted to EUR 338 million.

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3 Net interest income

	2008	2007	2006
Interest income from:			
Cash and balances at central banks	311	282	220
Financial investments available-for-sale	3,929	3,835	3,354
Financial investments held-to-maturity	105	121	188
Loans and receivables-banks	1,216	1,422	1,211
Loans and receivables-customers	16,519	17,074	14,367
Subtotal	22,080	22,734	19,340
Interest expense from:			
Due to banks	4,270	4,656	3,601
Due to customers	7,508	9,114	7,217
Issued debt securities	5,156	6,521	5,946
Subordinated liabilities	703	759	846
Internal funding of the trading business	(1,340)	(2,911)	(2,493)
Subtotal	16,297	18,139	15,117
Total	5,783	4,595	4,223

The interest income accrued on impaired financial assets is EUR 30 million (2007: EUR 50 million).

4 Net fee and commission income

	2008	2007	2006
Fee and commission income			
Securities brokerage fees	876	1,399	1,671
Payment and transaction services fees	836	764	689
Asset management and trust fees	359	495	426
Fees generated on financing arrangements	130	278	163
Advisory fees	321	578	464
Other fees and commissions	546	667	634
Subtotal	3,068	4,181	4,047
Fee and commission expense			
Securities brokerage expense	103	83	321
Other fee and commission expense	336	246	85
Subtotal	439	329	406
Total	2,629	3,852	3,641

5 Net trading income

	2008	2007	2006
Interest instruments and credit trading	(9,276)	(1,531)	740
Foreign exchange trading	915	1,152	859
Equity and commodity trading	(1,017)	1,438	1,042
Other	54	60	(14)
Total	(9,324)	1,119	2,627

ABN AMRO recorded a gain of EUR 75 million (2007: EUR 98 million) in net trading income from changes in fair value of derivatives and other liabilities in the trading book attributable to changes in ABN AMRO's own credit risk.

6 Results from financial transactions

	2008	2007	2006
Net result on the sale of available-for-sale debt securities	(1,453)	157	437
Net result on the sale of loans and advances	(428)	(23)	-
Impairment of available-for-sale debt securities	(333)	-	-
Net result on available-for-sale equity investments	(67)	35	69
Fair value changes in own credit risk	490	251	-
Dividends on available-for-sale equity investments	54	9	26
Net result on other equity investments	(1,185)	669	435
Fair value changes of credit default swaps	1,330	116	(280)
Other	(92)	(80)	80
Total	(1,684)	1,134	767

The net result on the sale of available-for-sale debt securities includes a loss on portfolios held by a securities arbitrage conduit transferred to RBS of EUR 1.0 billion.

Results from financial transactions decreased, mainly due to lower results from the Private Equity portfolio (EUR 0.8 billion) and lower results from our shareholding in Unicredit (EUR 0.8 billion) that were driven by stock price developments prior to its disposal in 2008.

The net result on the sale of loans and advances represents the loss incurred on the sale of the Group's structured real estate loan portfolio to RBS. The net loss on financial assets and liabilities designated at fair value amounts to EUR 1.3 billion (2007: net profit EUR 0.4 billion).

7 Other operating income

	2008	2007	2006
Insurance activities	45	36	45
Leasing activities	78	82	61
Disposal of operating activities and equity accounted investments	(6)	894	453
Other	189	227	314
Total	306	1,239	873

The results from the disposal of operating activities and equity accounted investments for 2007 includes a gain on the sale of the Capitalia shares, of EUR 624 million, which were settled in Unicredit shares and the gain on sale of ABN

AMRO Mellon of EUR 139 million, Interbank/DMC of EUR 56 million, the private clients operations in Miami and Montevideo of EUR 77 million.

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Income from insurance activities can be analysed as follows:

	2008	2007	2006
Premium income	618	799	1,026
Investment income	(74)	161	217
Provision for insured risk	(499)	(924)	(1,198)
Total	45	36	45

8 Personnel expenses

	2008	2007	2006
Salaries (including bonuses and allowances)	3,486	4,676	4,278
Social security expenses	353	447	388
Pension and post-retirement healthcare costs	294	330	312
Share-based payment expenses	(16)	296	71
Temporary staff costs	248	260	282
Termination and restructuring related costs	469	65	171
Other employee costs	402	289	98
Total	5,236	6,363	5,600

Average number of employees (fte):

Banking activities Netherlands	24,044	26,041	25,762
Banking activities foreign countries	33,934	31,949	27,273
Consolidated private equity holdings	11,769	19,621	29,945
Total	69,747	77,611	82,980

9 General and administrative expenses

	2008	2007	2006
Professional fees	1,025	1,113	976
Information, communication and technology expenses	1,071	1,240	1,336
Property costs	507	491	475
Expenses of consolidated private equity holdings	136	332	466
Other general and administrative expenses	1,331	1,645	1,341
Total	4,070	4,821	4,594

10 Depreciation and amortisation

	2008	2007	2006
Property depreciation	111	117	128
Equipment depreciation	274	339	385
Software amortisation	307	328	289
Amortisation of other intangible assets (note 21)	11	23	4
Impairment losses on goodwill (1)	163	11	1
Impairment losses on property and equipment (note 20)	22	35	17
Impairment losses on software (note 21)	157	4	–
Total	1,045	857	824

(1) Includes EUR 72 million impairment losses on Private Equity goodwill and EUR 91 million impairment losses on other consolidated companies (see Note 21).

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11 Tax

Recognised in the income statement

	2008	2007	2006
Current tax expense			
Current year	684	1,306	1,453
Under/(over) provided in prior years	28	97	(96)
Subtotal	712	1,403	1,357
Deferred tax (benefit)/expense			
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(3,024)	(930)	(331)
Reduction in tax rate	46	55	3
Subtotal	(2,978)	(875)	(328)
Total	(2,266)	528	1,029
Continuing operations	(2,580)	(458)	213
Discontinued operations	314	930	827
Taxation on disposal	-	56	(11)
Total	(2,266)	528	1,029

Reconciliation of the total tax charge

Total tax charge continuing operations

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

	2008	2007	2006
Dutch tax rate	25.5%	25.5%	29.6%
Current tax charge/(credit) at current rate on ordinary activities	(3,946)	126	669
Tax exempt income relating to private equity	52	(90)	10
Tax exempt profit on sales	(2)	(30)	(46)
Other tax exempt income	(93)	(179)	(72)
Total tax exempt income effect	(43)	(299)	(108)
Tax related to adjustments to prior years' tax calculations	28	97	(96)
Effect of deferred tax assets not recognised	1,403	47	10
Effect of changes in tax legislation	9	26	(97)
Effect of changes in tax rates	46	55	3
Amount of benefit from a previously unrecognised tax loss, tax credit or temporary difference of a prior period used to reduce current tax expense	(32)	(65)	-
Amount of benefit from a previously unrecognised tax loss, tax credit or temporary difference of a prior period used to reduce deferred tax expense	(1)	(93)	(1)
Other movements	(44)	(352)	(167)
Total	(2,580)	(458)	213

The effect of deferred tax assets not recognised mainly relates to unrecognised tax losses available for carry-forward (refer to note 28).

Total tax charge discontinued operations

	2008	2007	2006
Dutch tax rate %	25.5	25.5	29.6
Current tax charge at current rate on ordinary activities	4,284	2,574	1,053
Total tax exempt income effect	(4,099)	(1,865)	(97)
Other movements	129	221	(129)
Total	314	930	827

Recognised directly in equity

(Benefits)/charges	2008	2007	2006
Relating to currency translation	8	(81)	114
Relating to cash flow hedges	(284)	(158)	(223)
Relating to available-for-sale assets	(358)	389	190
Total	(634)	150	81

12 Fees to independent auditors

Following is a summary of the fees to our independent auditors for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

	2008	2007	2006
Audit fees	30.0	45.2	44.8
Audit-related fees	1.2	13.2	6.0
Tax fees	0.6	2.5	3.7
All other fees	0.7	0.6	0.3
Total fees	32.5	61.5	54.8

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. changed auditors in 2008. The audit fee for 2007 included costs relating to the audit of activities which were discontinued in 2008. Deloitte Accountants B.V. provided audit services to the amount of EUR 14.9 million. The remaining amounts relate to services provided by other Deloitte Member Firms.

Audit related fees consist mainly of accounting consultation and audits in connection with acquisitions and disposals of businesses, review of internal controls and advice on accounting control policies and procedures, attestation services not required by statute or regulation and consultation concerning financial accounting and reporting standards. Tax fees consist of tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning services and assistance and advice related to tax audits and appeals. Other fees are related to risk management and corporate finance advisory services, and other non-prescribed services.

13 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.

	2008	2007
Cash on hand	670	1,470
Balances at central bank	5,184	15,280
Total	5,854	16,750

The deposits with the central banks that represent the mandatory reserve deposits and are therefore not available for use in the Bank's day-to-day operations amount to EUR 3,414 million (2007: EUR 10,560 million).

14 Financial assets and liabilities held for trading

	2008	2007
Financial assets held for trading		
Dutch State	203	1,434
US Treasury and US government agencies	29	2,383
Other OECD governments	2,392	20,214
Non-OECD governments	1,598	4,196
Mortgage and other asset backed securities	9,170	16,191
Financial institutions	3,966	13,428
Non financial institutions	2,382	11,823
Other securities	1,587	3,196
Subtotal: Interest earning financial assets	21,327	72,865
Equity instruments	12,430	45,947
Derivative financial instruments	178,896	123,465
Total assets held for trading	212,653	242,277
Financial liabilities held for trading		
Short positions in financial assets	5,413	35,988
Derivative financial instruments	186,674	119,488
Total liabilities held for trading	192,087	155,476

The Group has executed master netting agreements with the majority of its derivative counterparties resulting in a significant reduction in its net exposure to derivative assets.

The total asset backed securities held for trading comprises prime RMBS (EUR 4.1 billion), CDO and CLO (EUR 4.2 billion) positions. The net exposure of the CDO and CLO positions are significantly lower (EUR 0.8 billion) than the carrying amounts presented as these assets are hedged by credit default swaps purchased from monolines insurers and other counterparties. The fair value of the credit default swaps are included in the derivatives held for trading.

The net exposure to monolines included in derivative financial instruments amounts to EUR 2.2 billion (2007: EUR 1.1 billion). The exposure increased as the value of the underlying positions against which protection had been purchased has continued to deteriorate which lead to an increase of the CDS gross fair value.

EUR 509 million of convertible bonds were reclassified from the trading portfolio to available-for-sale due to market illiquidity. Since reclassification losses of EUR 38 million have been recorded in the available-for-sale reserve.

The increase in derivative balances is partly explained by transactions with RBS. For further information refer to note 46.

Trading portfolio derivative financial instruments

		2008			2007		
		Notional amounts	Fair values		Notional amounts	Fair values	
			Assets	Liabilities		Assets	Liabilities
Interest rate derivatives							
OTC	Swaps	2,643,789	70,922	68,508	6,143,903	61,053	59,725
	Forwards	643,275	930	1,208	315,236	94	108
	Options (purchased)	165,738	12,890	-	288,756	4,922	-
	Options (sold)	146,059	-	18,365	313,688	-	5,906
Exchange	Futures	9,292	321	199	208,083	54	51
	Options (purchased)	-	-	-	398	-	-
	Options (sold)	-	-	-	337	-	-
	Subtotal	3,608,153	85,063	88,280	7,270,401	66,123	65,790
Currency derivatives							
OTC	Swaps	439,902	20,122	17,986	680,512	18,325	16,271
	Forwards	442,946	14,567	17,123	731,609	9,341	8,652
	Options (purchased)	61,709	8,360	-	61,117	2,773	-
	Options (sold)	72,733	-	8,951	73,134	-	3,648
Exchange	Futures	-	-	-	6,512	233	29
	Options (sold/purchased)	317	55	48	2,131	15	8
	Subtotal	1,017,607	43,104	44,108	1,555,015	30,687	28,608
Credit derivatives							
OTC	Swaps	509,322	41,246	42,585	1,604,766	17,216	15,542
Other							
OTC	Equity, commodity and other	16,172	2,889	2,094	115,340	1,862	1,530
	Equity options (purchased)	21,359	5,702	-	30,958	5,568	-
	Equity options (sold)	21,237	-	7,774	27,699	-	989
Exchange	Equity, commodity and other	14,509	537	1,379	14,617	151	48
	Equity options (purchased)	25,638	355	-	19,670	1,858	2,982
	Equity options (sold)	26,538	-	454	26,407	-	3,999
	Subtotal	125,453	9,483	11,701	234,691	9,439	9,548
Total		5,260,535	178,896	186,674	10,664,873	123,465	119,488

15 Financial investments

	2008	2007
Interest-earning securities: available-for-sale		
Dutch State	3,866	1,844
US Treasury and US Government	5,204	2,202
Other OECD governments	23,552	31,505
Non-OECD governments	4,152	8,316
Mortgage and other asset backed securities	22,572	30,528
Financial institutions	3,942	12,539
Non financial institutions	2,058	1,073
Other interest-earning securities	218	2,442
Subtotal	65,564	90,449
Interest-earning securities: held-to-maturity		
Dutch State	-	1,275
Other OECD governments	-	1,128
Other interest-earning securities	-	231
Subtotal	-	2,634
Total	65,564	93,083
Equity instruments		
Available-for-sale	837	1,013
Designated at fair value through income	660	2,339
Subtotal	1,497	3,352
Total	67,061	96,435

The total book value of financial investments has decreased in part as a result of a transfer of assets in a securities arbitrage conduit to RBS (EUR 6.7 billion), due to the sale of Banco Real and other businesses to Santander (EUR 6 billion).

The mortgage and asset backed securities of EUR 22.5 billion consists of EUR 10.9 billion European mortgage covered bonds and EUR 8 billion RMBS of mortgages guaranteed by the Dutch State. Furthermore EUR 3 billion European covered bonds are included in this position. At 31 December 2008 these were primarily AAA rated. The majority of the positions are held as part of the asset and liability management activities of the bank.

16 Loans and receivables – banks

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

	2008	2007
Current accounts	4,254	9,295
Time deposits placed	11,012	9,286
Professional securities transactions	39,453	150,338
Loans	20,893	6,779
Subtotal	75,612	175,698
Allowances for impairment (see note 18)	(46)	(2)
Total	75,566	175,696

17 Loans and receivables – customers

This item is comprised of amounts receivable from non-bank customers.

	2008	2007
Public sector	8,786	5,739
Commercial	138,484	144,613
Consumer	109,298	123,253
Professional securities transactions	13,193	98,270
Multi-seller conduits	5,264	29,457
Subtotal	275,025	401,332
Allowances for impairment (see note 18)	(4,518)	(3,001)
Total	270,507	398,331

During 2008 the majority of ABN AMRO's multi-seller conduits and the related issuance and sponsorship role have been transferred to RBS.

The decrease in the customer loans and receivables includes the impact from the sale of Banco Real and other businesses to Santander of EUR 28.3 billion.

18 Loan impairment charges and allowances

Loan provisioning-commercial loans

The Group reviews the status of credit facilities issued to commercial clients every 6 or 12 months, depending on the rating of the facility. 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 its 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. Specific allowances are partly or fully released 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 programs 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 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 past due (180 days past due, if mortgages), such loans are classified as non-performing and as a result the loans are considered impaired.

Allowances against a given portfolio may be released where there is improvement in the quality of the portfolio. For consumer loans, our write-off rules are determined on days past due and vary by type of product and legal jurisdiction.

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. This process includes an estimate by management to reflect current market conditions.

Allowances

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer	Total
2008				
Balance at 1 January	2	1,774	1,227	3,003
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(351)	(711)	(1,062)
Subtotal	2	1,423	516	1,941
New impairment allowances	46	2,951	584	3,581
Reversal of impairment allowances no longer required	-	(141)	(10)	(151)
Recoveries of amounts previously written off	-	(32)	(11)	(43)
Total loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	46	2,778	563	3,387
Amount recorded in interest income from unwinding of discounting	-	(24)	-	(24)
Currency translation differences	-	4	9	13
Amounts written off (net)	(2)	(605)	(207)	(814)
Effect of (de)consolidating entities	-	12	(19)	(7)
Disposals of businesses	-	-	-	-
Reserve for unearned interest accrued on impaired loans	-	66	1	67
Balance at 31 December	46	3,654	863	4,563

The new impairment allowances of EUR 2,951 million include EUR 1,154 million in relation to the company exposure to LyondellBasell Industries.

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer	Total
2007				
Balance at 1 January	5	2,344	1,302	3,651
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(547)	(172)	(719)
Subtotal	5	1,797	1,130	2,932
New impairment allowances	-	520	766	1,286
Reversal of impairment allowances no longer required	-	(186)	(39)	(225)
Recoveries of amounts previously written off	-	(331)	(13)	(344)
Total loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	-	3	714	717
Amount recorded in interest income from unwinding of discounting	-	(11)	-	(11)
Currency translation differences	-	(16)	30	14
Amounts written off (net)	(3)	(144)	(1,456)	(1,603)
Disposals of businesses	-	80	827	907
Reserve for unearned interest accrued on impaired loans	-	65	(18)	47
Balance at 31 December	2	1,774	1,227	3,003

The reconciliation of the allowance for impairment losses for loans and receivables:

Impairment

	Banks Commercial			Consumer			Total
			Mortgages	Personal loans	Credit cards	Other consumer	
2008							
Individual impairment	46	3,026	3	22	27	39	3,163
Collective impairment	-	628	105	132	27	508	1,400
Balance at 31 December	46	3,654	108	154	54	547	4,563

Carrying amount of loans, individually determined to be impaired, before deducting any individually assessed impairment allowance

	48	4,772	468	321	53	359	6,021
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	Banks Commercial			Consumer			Total
			Mortgages	Personal loans	Credit cards	Other consumer	
2007							
Individual impairment	2	1,188	32	6	4	40	1,272
Collective impairment	-	586	68	772	54	251	1,731
Balance at 31 December	2	1,774	100	778	58	291	3,003

Carrying amount of loans, individually determined to be impaired, before deducting any individually assessed impairment allowance

	2	2,448	136	7	5	100	2,698
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19 Equity accounted investments

	2008	2007
Banking institutions	658	604
Other investments	138	267
Total	796	871
Balance at 1 January	871	1,527
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(51)	(40)
Subtotal	820	1,487
Movements:		
Purchases	3	196
Sales/reclassifications	(19)	(929)
Share of results in equity accounted investments	106	223
Share of results in discontinued operations	-	48
Dividends received from equity accounted investments	(33)	(81)
Currency translation differences	1	(37)
Other	(82)	(36)
Balance at 31 December	796	871

Other includes net gains/losses not recognised in the income statement recorded by the equity accounted investees.

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:

	2008	2007
Total assets	19,035	17,410
Total liabilities	15,761	13,758
Operating income	1,039	2,564
Operating results after tax	338	563

Saudi Hollandi Bank is a quoted entity and the fair value of the Group's holding (40%) based on the share price as at the year end amounts to EUR 808 million.

The majority of the Group's equity accounted investments are regulated entities and therefore their ability to transfer funds to the Group is subject to regulatory approvals.

20 Property and equipment

The book value of property and equipment in 2008 and 2007 changed as follows:

	Property Used in operations	Other	Equipment	Total
Balance at 1 January 2008	1,802	68	877	2,747
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(304)	(40)	(168)	(512)
	1,498	28	709	2,235
Movements:				
Acquired in business combinations	4	-	36	40
Divestment of businesses	(6)	-	-	(6)
Additions	74	6	252	332
Disposals	(13)	(22)	(74)	(109)
Impairment losses	(21)	-	(1)	(22)
Depreciation	(109)	(2)	(274)	(385)
Currency translation differences	(16)	-	(16)	(32)
Other	(34)	7	9	(18)
Balance at 31 December 2008	1,377	17	641	2,035

Representing:

Cost	2,457	28	2,146	4,631
Cumulative impairment	(31)	-	(4)	(35)
Cumulative depreciation	(1,049)	(11)	(1,501)	(2,561)

	Property Used in operations	Other	Equipment	Total
Balance at 1 January 2007	4,263	247	1,760	6,270
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(2,421)	(195)	(862)	(3,478)
	1,842	52	898	2,792
Movements:				
Acquired in business combinations	25	4	7	36
Additions	162	71	458	691
Disposals	(87)	(52)	(43)	(182)
Impairment losses	-	-	(35)	(35)
Impairment losses discontinued operations	(2)	-	-	(2)
Depreciation	(114)	(3)	(339)	(456)
Depreciation discontinued operations	(40)	-	(48)	(88)
Currency translation differences	14	3	-	17
Other	2	(7)	(21)	(26)
Balance at 31 December 2007	1,802	68	877	2,747

Representing:

Cost	3,007	83	2,520	5,610
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Cumulative impairment	(20)	(12)	(3)	(35)
Cumulative depreciation	(1,185)	(3)	(1,640)	(2,828)

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As lessor

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

	2008	2007
Less than one year	23	48
Between one and five years	181	175
More than five years	87	95
Total	291	318

During the year ended 31 December 2008, EUR 77 million (2007: EUR 80 million) was recognised as rental income in the income statement and EUR 61 million (2007: EUR 63 million) in respect of directly related expenses.

21 Goodwill and other intangible assets

	2008	2007
Goodwill	301	474
Software	583	904
Other intangibles	40	46
Total	924	1,424

The book value of goodwill and other intangibles changed as follows:

	Goodwill	Software	Other intangibles	Total
Balance at 1 January 2008	474	904	46	1,424
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(69)	(79)	-	(148)
	405	825	46	1,276
Movements:				
Acquired in business combinations	6	-	5	11
Divestment of businesses	-	(11)	-	(11)
Additions	1	250	5	256
Disposals	-	(3)	(2)	(5)
Impairment losses	(91)	(157)	-	(248)
Amortisation	-	(307)	(11)	(318)
Currency translation differences	(20)	(25)	(3)	(48)
Other	-	11	-	11
Balance at 31 December 2008	301	583	40	924
Representing:				
Cost	392	2,125	48	2,565
Cumulative impairment	(91)	(200)	-	(291)
Cumulative amortisation	-	(1,342)	(8)	(1,350)

	Goodwill	Software	Other intangibles	Total
Balance at 1 January 2007	7,150	959	1,298	9,407
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(7,030)	(156)	(1,262)	(8,448)
	120	803	36	959
Movements:				
Acquired in business combinations	361	3	33	397
Additions	–	481	–	481
Impairment losses	(11)	(4)	–	(15)
Impairment losses discontinued operations	–	(10)	–	(10)
Amortisation	–	(328)	(23)	(351)
Amortisation discontinued operations	–	(30)	–	(30)
Currency translation differences	(7)	(5)	(1)	(13)
Other	11	(6)	1	6
Balance at 31 December 2007	474	904	46	1,424
Representing:				
Cost	476	2,055	50	2,581
Cumulative impairment	(2)	(3)	–	(5)
Cumulative amortisation	–	(1,148)	(4)	(1,152)

Impairment testing

Goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to individual cash generating units. At 31 December 2008 goodwill is allocated across multiple cash generating units whose recoverable amounts are assessed independently of one another. The recoverable amount has been determined based on a value in use basis, calculated using a discounted cash flow model. Factors such as existing business plans and targeted synergies are included in this approach.

Cash generating units with significant goodwill balances were as follows:

Segment	Entity	Basis of recoverable amount	Discount rate	Long term growth rate	Impairment loss	Goodwill	
						2008	2007
RBS acquired	Prime Bank	Value in use	21.90%	4%	82	34	139
	Taitung Business Bank						
RBS acquired	Taiwan	Value in use	9.40%	3%	-	162	160
Dutch State acquired	Delbrueck Bethmann Maffei AG	Fair value less costs to sell	n/a	n/a	-	63	63

Key assumptions impacting the recoverable amount based on the value in use methodology are the growth rates, efficiency rates and capital ratios. The values assigned to each key assumption reflect past experience that was modified based on management's expectation for the future and are consistent with external sources of information.

Management has projected relevant cash flows over a 5 year period. Beyond this time frame a terminal value has been extrapolated based on the terminal growth and discount rates as indicated in the table above.

Fair value less costs to sell was based upon market conform multiples for different classes of assets under current management at Delbrueck Bethmann Maffei AG. The recoverable amount of this cash generating unit exceeds its carrying value by EUR 17 million. Securities are the largest class of assets under management at the cash generating unit and the respective expected multiple for these assets would need to fall by 0.5 percentage point to cause the recoverable amount fall below the carrying value.

The main events that led to the recognition of the impairment losses were driven by lower forecasted growth rates, higher equity market risk premiums and elevated risk free rates in Pakistan, the country of operations of Prime Bank.

Impairment of software was caused mainly by the migration of various platforms to the RBS environment due to restructuring activities, as well as changes in the planned software roll-out schedule.

22 Other assets

	2008	2007
Non-trading derivative assets	6,222	2,464
Unit-linked investments held for policy holder accounts	3,898	4,609
Pension assets	71	15
Sundry assets and other receivables	7,536	5,681
Total	17,727	12,769

Unit-linked investments held for policy holders are designated at fair value through the profit and loss. Sundry assets and other receivables include increased deposits placed with clearing houses and exchanges.

23 Due to banks

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

	2008	2007
Professional securities transactions	26,650	123,537
Current accounts	24,909	19,058
Time deposits	42,423	94,075
Other	638	2,664
Total	94,620	239,334

24 Due to customers

This item is comprised of amounts due to non-banking customers.

	2008	2007
Consumer current accounts	17,706	20,343
Commercial current accounts	60,531	62,284
Consumer savings accounts	64,429	75,311
Commercial deposit accounts	58,248	93,384
Professional securities transactions	6,053	74,556
Other	2,037	4,474
Total	209,004	330,352

25 Issued debt securities

	2008		2007	
	Effective rate %		Effective rate %	
Bonds and notes issued	5.1	75,198	4.3	102,708
Certificates of deposit and commercial paper	3.7	30,020	5.6	43,396
Cash notes, savings certificates and bank certificates	4.6	1,222	5.0	1,533
Subtotal		106,440		147,637
Commercial paper issued by multi-seller conduits	4.3	4,856	5.5	27,358
Total		111,296		174,995

Bonds and notes are issued in the capital markets with a focus on the euro market and are denominated mostly in euros and US dollars. The commercial paper programs are issued globally with the majority issued in the United States and Europe.

Issued debt securities in (currency):

	2008	2007
EUR	64,857	81,147
USD	35,955	70,715
Other	10,484	23,133
Total	111,296	174,995

The balance above includes various structured liabilities that have been designated at fair value through income of EUR 36,856 million (2007: EUR 44,668 million).

Financial liabilities designated at fair value through income

	Structured notes	
	2008	2007
Cumulative change in fair value of the structured notes attributable to changes in credit risk	715	261
	352	251

Change during the year in fair value of the structured notes attributable to changes in credit risk

Difference between the contractual amount at maturity and the carrying amount	502	561
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26 Provisions

	2008	2007
Insurance fund liabilities	2,461	3,652
Provisions for contributions to post-retirement healthcare	10	74
Provision for pension commitments 27	167	321
Other staff provision	374	109
Restructuring provision	186	124
Other provisions	946	2,264
Total	4,144	6,544

The other staff provisions relate in particular to occupational disability and other benefits, except early retirement benefits payable to non-active employees which are included in Provision for pension commitments. Other provisions include provision for claims and litigation. Insurance fund liabilities include the actuarial reserves, the premium and claims reserves of the Group's insurance companies.

Insurance fund liabilities

Movements in insurance fund liabilities are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	3,652	4,080
Premium carried from income statement	372	408
Claims paid	(295)	(203)
Interest	79	86
Acquisitions/disposals	(1,091)	(761)
Changes in estimates and other movements	(239)	(19)
Currency translation differences	(17)	61
Balance at 31 December	2,461	3,652

The assumptions that have the greatest effect in calculating actuarial reserves are future mortality, morbidity, persistency and levels of expenses. Mortality estimates are based on standard industry and national mortality tables, adjusted where appropriate to reflect the Group's own experience. Other key metrics include interest (2008: 3.77%, 2007: 4.06%) unit growth (2008: 3.70%, 2007: 5.38%) and expense inflation (2008: 2.00%, 2007: 3.00%). Changes in assumptions during the year were not significant to the profit recognised. The amount and timing of claims payment is typically resolved within one year.

There are no options and guarantees relating to life insurance contracts that could in aggregate have material effect on the amount, timing and uncertainty of the Group's future cash flows. Life insurance liabilities of EUR 2,461 million include EUR 4 million related to unit linked insurance contracts.

The Group is exposed to insurance risk, either directly through its businesses or through using insurance to reduce other risk exposures. Insurance risk is the risk of fluctuations in the timing, frequency or severity of insured events, relative to the expectations of the Group at the time of underwriting. The Group uses base tables of standard mortality appropriate to the type of contract being written and the territory in which the insured person resides.

Had changes in the relevant risk variable that were reasonably possible at the balance sheet date occurred, there would have been no material impact on Group's profit or loss and equity.

Movements in provisions are as follows:

	Other staff provisions	Restructuring	Other Provisions
Balance at 1 January 2008	109	124	2,264
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	6	-	(1,547)
	115	124	717
Movements:			
Additions	458	179	381
Utilised	(131)	(82)	(153)
Acquisitions/disposals	5	(4)	(21)
Currency translation differences	1	(2)	(4)
Released	(112)	(29)	(143)
Other	38	-	169
Balance at 31 December 2008	374	186	946
Balance at 1 January 2007	672	415	1,923
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(425)	(60)	(243)
	247	355	1,680
Movements:			
Additions	34	33	1,321
Utilised	(73)	(139)	(886)
Acquisitions/disposals	(25)	5	(87)
Currency translation differences	(1)	(5)	22
Released	(5)	(115)	(199)
Other	(68)	(10)	413
Balance at 31 December 2007	109	124	2,264

27 Pension and other post-retirement employee benefits

Members of the Group sponsor a number of pension schemes in the Netherlands and overseas. These schemes include both defined contribution and defined benefit plans. Most of the Group's defined benefit plans provide pensions that are based on average or final salary with annual price evaluation of vested rights. In general, employees do not make contributions for basic pensions but may make voluntary contributions to secure additional benefits. The majority of the beneficiaries of the defined benefit plans are located in The Netherlands, United Kingdom and Switzerland. Plans in all countries comply with applicable local regulations concerning investments and funding levels.

Following the disposal of LaSalle Bank in 2007 and Banco Real in 2008 the Group no longer has material post-retirement benefit obligations other than pensions.

Amounts recognised in the profit and loss

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

	2008	2007
Current service cost	226	279
Interest cost	540	534
Expected return on plan assets	(580)	(621)
Net amortisation of net actuarial (gains)/losses	(15)	(6)
Net amortisation of past service cost	7	—
(Gain)/loss on curtailment or settlements	6	(28)
Defined benefit plans	184	158
Defined contribution plans	94	181
Healthcare contributions	2	4
Total costs	280	343

Reconciliation to balance sheet

The Group makes contributions to 33 (2007: 43) defined benefit plans that provide pension benefits for employees upon retirement. The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

	2008	2007
Present value of funded obligations	10,002	9,651
Present value of unfunded obligations	93	91
Fair value of plan assets	(9,489)	(9,969)
Present value of net obligations/(assets)	606	(227)
Unrecognised past service cost	(1)	(6)
Unrecognised actuarial (losses)/gains	(508)	542
Net liability for defined benefit obligations	97	309
Provision for pension commitments	167	322
Pension assets	(70)	(13)
Net recognised liability for defined benefit obligations	97	309

Explanation of the assets and liabilities

Movements in defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	9,742	12,301
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(1,232)
	9,742	11,069
Current service cost	226	280
Interest cost	540	535
Employee contributions	3	3
Actuarial (gains)/losses	74	(1,501)
Benefits paid	(351)	(343)
Acquisitions/(disposals)	(2)	-
Recognised settlement and curtailment	(1)	(34)
Currency translation differences	(179)	(181)
Other	43	(86)
Balance at 31 December	10,095	9,742

Movements in fair value of plan assets are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	9,969	11,149
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(1,266)
	9,969	9,883
Expected return on plan assets	579	620
Actuarial gains/(losses)	(909)	(288)
Employers contribution	370	394
Employee contributions/refunds	3	3
Benefits paid	(333)	(327)
Acquisitions/(disposals)	(2)	-
Recognised settlement and curtailment	-	1
Currency translation differences	(191)	(180)
Other	3	(137)
Balance at 31 December	9,489	9,969

Principal actuarial assumptions

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

	2008	2007
Discount rate	5.4%	5.5%
Inflation rate	2.0%	2.1%
Expected increment in salaries	2.6%	2.7%
Expected return on investments	4.8%	6.1%

The expected return on plan assets is weighted on the basis of the fair value of these investments. All other assumptions are weighted on the basis of the defined benefit plan obligations. In accordance with IAS 19 paragraph 78, the discount rate is determined based on the average annual yield for AA rated corporate bonds with a term of 10 years or more.

For the pension plans, the expected return on the major classes of plan assets are as follows:

Plan asset category	2008			2007		
	Value in millions of euro	% of total fair value of scheme assets	Expected rate of return %	Value in millions of euro	% of total fair value of scheme assets	Expected rate of return %
Equity securities	1,210	12.8%	7.6%	4,774	47.9%	7.9%
Issued debt securities	7,609	80.2%	4.3%	4,918	49.3%	4.7%
Real estate	350	3.6%	6.3%	38	0.4%	6.0%
Other	320	3.4%	4.9%	239	2.4%	4.8%
Total	9,489			9,969		

For both 2008 and 2007, the schemes have not held investments in ordinary shares, debt issued, property occupied or other assets issued by the Group.

Forecast of pension benefits payments

2009	330
2010	321
2011	312
2012	318
2013	333
Years after 2013	1,866

The Group's expected contribution to be paid to defined pension schemes in 2009 amounts to EUR 423 million (2008: EUR 336 million).

Actuarial gains and losses

The actuarial gains and losses arising on plan liabilities and plan assets (pension plans only) are as follows:

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Present value of obligations	(10,095)	(9,742)	(12,301)	(12,403)	(10,715)
Fair value of plan assets	9,489	9,969	11,149	10,212	8,754
Net surplus/ (deficit) in the plans	(606)	227	(1,152)	(2,191)	(1,961)
Actuarial (losses)/gains					
- arising on benefit obligation	(74)	1,501	518	(925)	(962)
- arising on benefit obligation (in % of plan liabilities)	(0.7)	15.4	4.2	(7.5)	(9.0)
Actuarial (losses)/gains					
- arising on plan assets	(909)	(288)	150	399	63
- arising on plan assets (in % of plan assets)	(9.5)	(2.9)	1.3	3.9	0.7
Experience adjustments on plan liabilities	81	212	81	(925)	(962)
Experience adjustments on plan assets	(909)	(288)	150	399	63
Actual return on plan assets	(330)	332	782	984	629

Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities arising from post-employment obligations.

28 Recognised tax assets and liabilities

The components of tax balances are as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities
Current tax	583	450	1,479	969
Deferred tax	4,517	250	3,396	1,122
Total	5,100	700	4,875	2,091

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following items. In the table below movements related to continued operation are shown.

	Assets		Liabilities		Recognised in Tax expense		Recognised in equity (benefits)/charges	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Property and equipment	(212)	43	10	122	(38)	187	-	-
Intangible assets including goodwill	36	236	10	-	12	(23)	-	-
Derivatives	388	29	54	73	62	(8)	(284)	33
Investment securities	477	190	95	58	29	87	(358)	66
Employee benefits	21	316	2	104	(73)	5	-	-
Servicing rights	40	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
Allowances for loan losses	124	831	27	39	17	103	-	6
Leasing	4	2	5	212	89	(42)	-	(1)
Tax credits	23	18	-	-	23	3	-	-
Other	206	721	47	62	454	258	8	45
Tax value of carry-forward losses recognised	3,410	1,009	-	452	2,401	304	-	1
Total	4,517	3,396	250	1,122	2,978	874	(634)	150

Unrecognised deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets that have not been recognised in respect of carry-forward losses amount to EUR 1,780 million (2007: EUR 695 million) where it is not probable that future taxable profits will be available to utilise these losses. The increase in the deferred tax assets not recognised in respect of carry-forward losses in 2008 relates to tax losses in the Netherlands and the United States.

Expiration of carry-forward losses

At 31 December 2008 carry-forward losses expire as follows:

2009	6
2010	4
2011	9
2012	22
2013	19
Years after 2013	2,320
No expiration	12,304
Total	14,684

Tax exposure to distributable reserves

At the balance sheet date, the aggregate amount of temporary differences associated with undistributed earnings of subsidiaries for which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised is approximately EUR 3.5 billion (2007: EUR 0.6 billion). No liability has been recognised in respect of these differences because the Group is in a position to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that such differences will not reverse

in the foreseeable future. In addition, if these earnings were to be distributed, no taxes would have to be paid. The estimated impact of foreign withholding tax is EUR 103 million (2007: EUR 6 million).

29 Other liabilities

	2008	2007
Non-trading derivative liabilities	7,144	1,971
Liability to unit-linked policyholders	3,898	4,609
Sundry liabilities and other payables	3,970	11,492
Total	15,012	18,072

30 Subordinated liabilities

Issued liabilities qualify as subordinated debt if claims by the holders are subordinated to all other current and future liabilities of ABN AMRO Holding N.V, ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and other Group companies, respectively.

The following table analyses the subordinated liabilities by issuer:

	2008	2007
ABN AMRO Holding N.V. preference financing shares	-	768
ABN AMRO Bank N.V.	11,195	12,616
Other Group companies	2,354	2,232
Total	13,549	15,616

The following table lists the subordinated liabilities issued by ABN AMRO Bank N.V.:

By Issuance	2008	2007
EUR 113 million 7.50% subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed January 2008)	-	111
EUR 182 million 6.00% subordinated notes 2009	176	174
EUR 182 million 6.13% subordinated notes 2009	172	178
EUR 1,150 million 4.63% subordinated notes 2009	1,148	1,150
EUR 250 million 4.70% CMS linked subordinated notes 2019	202	176
EUR 800 million 6.25% subordinated notes 2010	838	825
EUR 100 million 5.13% flip flop Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2017 (callable December 2012)	92	101
EUR 500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	498	500
EUR 1,000 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2016 (callable September 2011)	997	1,000
EUR 13 million zero coupon subordinated notes 2029 (callable June 2009)	8	3
EUR 82 million floating rate subordinated notes 2017	82	82
EUR 103 million floating rate subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2020	103	103
EUR 170 million floating rate sinkable subordinated notes 2041	213	248
EUR 15 million CMS linked floating rate subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2020	10	14
EUR 1,500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable June 2010)	1,495	1,494
EUR 5 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	5	5
EUR 65 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	65	65
EUR 26 million 7.42% subordinated notes 2016	32	30
EUR 7 million 7.38% subordinated notes 2016	9	8

EUR 256 million 5.25% subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed July 2008)

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By Issuance	2008	2007
EUR 13 million floating rate subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed June 2008)	-	13
EUR 1,000 million 4.310% perpetual Bermudan callable subordinated tier 1 notes (callable March 2016)	960	925
USD 12 million floating rate subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed June 2008)	-	8
USD 12 million floating rate subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed June 2008)	-	8
USD 165 million 6.14% subordinated notes 2019	158	126
USD 72 million 5.98% subordinated notes 2019	52	10
USD 500 million 4.65% subordinated notes 2018	411	328
USD 500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2013 (redeemed September 2008)	-	314
USD 1,500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2015 (callable March 2010)	1,036	983
USD 100 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	72	68
USD 36 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	26	24
USD 1,000 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2017 (callable January 2012)	714	676
USD 250 million 7.75% subordinated notes 2023	179	170
USD 150 million 7.13% subordinated notes 2093	107	102
USD 250 million 7.00% subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed April 2008)	-	170
USD 68 million floating rate subordinated notes 2009 (1)	-	46
USD 12 million floating rate subordinated notes 2009 (1)	-	8
AUD 575 million 6.50% Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	311	331
AUD 175 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	86	104
GBP 42 million subordinated notes 2010	16	26
GBP 25 million amortising MTN subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2011	9	20
GBP 750 million 5.0% Bermudan callable perpetual subordinated upper tier 2 notes issued for an indefinite period (callable 2016)	829	982
BRL 50 million floating rate subordinated notes 2013 (1)	-	19
BRL 250 million floating rate subordinated notes 2014 (1)	-	95
BRL 885 million floating rate subordinated notes 2014 (1)	-	338
BRL 300 million floating rate subordinated notes 2014 (1)	-	114
PKR 800 million floating rate subordinated notes 2012	7	9
MYR 200 million subordinated notes 2017	42	41
TRY 60 million floating rate callable subordinated notes 2017 (callable 2012)	35	35
Total	11,195	12,616

(1) Transferred to Banco Santander S.A. in July 2008.

The following table lists the subordinated liabilities issued by other Group companies:

By issuance:	2008	2007
USD 1,285 million 5.90% Trust Preferred V	921	844
USD 200 million 6.25% Trust Preferred VI	143	132
USD 1,800 6.08% Trust Preferred VII	1,290	1,161
BRL 250 million floating rate subordinated notes 2013 (1)	-	95
Total	2,354	2,232

Total subordinated liabilities include EUR 3,317 million (2007: EUR 4,260 million) which qualifies as tier 1 capital for capital adequacy purposes with the Dutch Central Bank (DNB), when taking into account remaining maturities.

The maturity profile of subordinated liabilities is as follows:

	2008	2007
Within one year	1,513	700
After one and within two years	806	2,161
After two and within three years	19	810
After three and within four years	43	19
After four and within five years	4	118
After five years	11,164	11,808
Total	13,549	15,616

Some subordinated liabilities are designated at fair value through income:

	Subordinated liabilities	
	2008	2007
Cumulative change in fair value of the subordinated liabilities attributable to changes in own credit risk	236	98
Change during the year in fair value of the subordinated liabilities attributable to changes in credit risk	138	98
Difference between the contractual amount at maturity and the carrying amount	-	7

The change in fair value of the designated structured notes attributable to changes in own credit risk has been calculated by reference to the change in credit spread implicit in the market value of ABN AMRO's senior notes.

Preference financing shares (including formerly convertible preference shares)

As at 24 November 2008, 1,369,815,864 Preference financing shares with a nominal value of EUR 0.56 per share have been converted into ordinary shares at a 1:1 rate. At the same date 44,988 (formerly convertible) Preference shares with a nominal value of EUR 2.24 per share have been converted into ordinary shares at a 4:1 rate. As a result of the conversion the number of issued and fully paid shares is 3,306,843,332 (nominal value EUR 1,851,832,266) per 24 November 2008.

31 Share capital

The table below provides a breakdown of our issued and fully paid ordinary shares and treasury shares.

Ordinary shares

	Number	In millions of euros
Issued and fully paid		
At 1 January 2008	1,936,847,516	1,085
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	1,369,995,816	767
Balance at 31 December 2008	3,306,843,332	1,852
Issued and fully paid		
At 1 January 2007	1,936,847,516	1,085
Balance at 31 December 2007	1,936,847,516	1,085
Issued and fully paid		
At 1 January 2006	1,909,738,427	1,069
Exercised options and warrants	27,109,089	16
Balance at 31 December 2006	1,936,847,516	1,085

There are no issued ordinary shares that have not been fully paid. Par value per share is EUR 0.56.

Treasury shares

	Number	In millions of euros
Issued and fully paid		
At 1 January 2008	92,719,820	2,640
Sold to RFS Holdings B.V.	(92,719,820)	(3,708)
Gain on sale of treasury shares	-	1,068
Balance at 31 December 2008	-	-
Issued and fully paid		
At 1 January 2007	83,060,725	1,829
Used for options exercised and performance share plans	(27,649,180)	(624)
Share buy back	55,512,333	1,847
Dividends paid in shares	(18,204,058)	(412)
Balance at 31 December 2007	92,719,820	2,640
Issued and fully paid		
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)

Balance at 31 December 2006

83,060,725

1,829

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32 Professional securities transactions

Professional security transactions include balances relating to reverse repurchase activities, cash collateral on securities borrowed and security settlement accounts. The Group controls 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.

	2008		2007	
	Banks	Customers	Banks	Customers
Assets				
Cash advanced under securities borrowing	739	4,408	5,058	46,540
Reverse repurchase agreements	32,716	7,236	142,368	39,313
Unsettled securities transactions	5,998	1,549	2,912	12,417
Total	39,453	13,193	150,338	98,270
Liabilities				
Cash received under securities lending	564	1,711	356	3,132
Repurchase agreements	24,555	2,525	119,253	60,749
Unsettled securities transactions	1,531	1,817	3,928	10,675
Total	26,650	6,053	123,537	74,556

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.

	2008	2007
Securities received under reverse repurchase and/or securities borrowing arrangements which can be repledged or resold	35,982	291,126
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	32,055	284,908

These transactions are conducted under terms that are usual and customary to standard securities borrowing and reverse repurchase agreements.

ABN AMRO has an obligation to return EUR 3,458 million (2007: EUR 44,901 million) of securities borrowings.

Please refer to Note 33 for an overview of the assets pledged to secure the Group's liabilities.

33 Assets pledged as security

The Group trades in debt investments, equity investments and derivatives. These transactions are conducted under terms that are usual and customary to standard lending and stock borrowing activities. The Group has therefore financial assets pledged as security to third parties for liabilities.

Financial assets pledged to secure liabilities are as follows:

	2008	2007
Cash and balances at central banks	-	34
Financial assets held for trading	74	106
Interest earnings securities available-for-sale	400	28,306
Equity investments available-for-sale	-	2,296
Loans and receivables – banks	-	785
Loans and receivables – customers	6,794	5,576
Other assets	-	-
Total	7,268	37,103

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

	2008	2007
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	-
Due to banks	4,298	20,804
Issued debt securities	2,064	14,699
Total	6,362	35,503

These transactions are conducted under terms that are usual and customary to collateralised transactions including, where relevant, standard securities lending and repurchase agreements.

Please refer to Note 32 for an overview of the assets repledged by the Group to secure liabilities relating to reverse repurchase agreements and to Note 40 for an overview of assets charged as security for liabilities relating to securitisations.

34 Commitments and contingent liabilities

Credit facilities

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

Guarantees and other commitments

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 periods 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. In addition, the Group has entered into transactions to guarantee various liabilities in respect to insurance related regulatory reserve financing 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 are expected to 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 interbank 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, including ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

Our committed credit facilities, guarantees and other commitments at 31 December 2008 and 2007 are summarised below:

	Total	Payments due by period			After 5 years
		Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	
2008					
Committed facilities	63,436	14,231	27,336	17,616	4,253
Guarantees and other commitments:					
Guarantees granted	37,509	22,377	5,890	2,021	7,221
Irrevocable letters of credit	4,515	4,280	217	6	12
Recourse risks arising from discounted bills	124	124	-	-	-
2007					
Committed facilities	104,137	42,916	16,672	28,527	16,022
Guarantees and other commitments:					
Guarantees granted	49,337	31,381	5,030	1,841	11,085
Irrevocable letters of credit	5,797	5,412	172	48	165
Recourse risks arising from discounted bills	6	6	-	-	-

Leasing

The Group is lessee under finance and operating leases, providing asset financing for its customers and leasing assets for its own use. In addition, assets leased by the Group may be sublet to other parties. An analysis of the impact of these transactions on the Group balance sheet and income statement is as follows:

Operating lease commitments

The Group leases various offices, branches and other premises under non-cancellable operating lease arrangements. The leases have various terms, escalation and renewal rights. There are no contingent rents payables. The Group also leases equipment under non-cancellable lease arrangements.

Where the Group is the lessee the future minimum lease payment under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Property	
	2008	2007
Not more than one year	165	363
Over one year but not more than five years	337	606
More than five years	254	442
Total	756	1,411

Transactions involving the legal form of a lease

The Group has entered into IT outsourcing arrangements that involve leases in form but not in substance. The life of the arrangement is for 5 years through 2010, where total amount of underlying assets is EUR 130 million.

Contractual and contingent obligations

	Total	Payments due by period			After 5 years
		Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	
2008					
Issued debt securities	111,296	44,944	21,044	21,044	24,264
Subordinated liabilities	13,549	1,513	806	66	11,164
Purchase obligations	44	44	-	-	-
Other obligations	495,711	477,317	5,863	5,864	6,667
2007					
Issued debt securities	174,995	91,685	28,726	31,251	23,333
Subordinated liabilities	15,616	700	2,971	137	11,808
Purchase obligations	127	116	11	-	-
Other obligations	725,162	695,006	11,639	4,865	13,652

Other contingencies

ABN AMRO is involved in a number of legal proceedings in the ordinary course of our business in a number of jurisdictions. In presenting our consolidated financial statements, management makes estimates regarding the outcome of legal, regulatory and arbitration matters, and takes a charge to income when losses with respect to such matters are probable. Charges, other than those taken periodically for costs of defence, are not established for matters when losses

cannot be reasonably estimated.

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 is unlikely to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position and the consolidated profit of the Group.

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35 Cash flow statement

The following table analyses the determination of cash and cash equivalents at 31 December:

	2008	20071	20061
Cash and balances at central banks	5,854	12,469	7,151
Loans and receivables-banks	4,237	9,165	7,314
Due to banks	(23,588)	(14,376)	(12,726)
Cash and cash equivalents from continued operations	(13,497)	7,258	1,739
Loans and receivables-banks	8	43	203
Cash and cash equivalents from businesses held for sale	8	43	203
Cash and balances at central banks	37	4,707	5,166
Loans and receivables-banks	6	788	1,947
Due to banks	(1)	(44)	(4,183)
Cash and cash equivalents from discontinued operations	42	5,451	2,930
Total	(13,447)	12,752	4,872

The following table states the interest, taxes and dividend amounts included in the cash flow from operating activities:

	2008	20071	20061
Interest received	31,067	34,304	30,606
Interest paid	20,092	24,960	21,750
Taxation paid	790	1,544	1,286
Dividends received	121	155	165

The following table analyses movements in operating assets and liabilities:

	2008	20071	20061
Movement in operating assets:			
Financial assets held for trading	27,065	(37,865)	(2,670)
Loans and receivables	170,870	(87,918)	(81,767)
Net (increase)/decrease in accrued income and prepaid expenses	4,015	(4,121)	(2,292)
Net (increase)/decrease in other assets	(2,993)	(3,544)	9,316
Total movement in operating assets	199,957	(133,448)	(77,413)
Movement in operating liabilities:			
Financial liabilities held for trading	37,222	10,559	(4,907)
Due to banks	(119,407)	82,462	19,930
Due to customers	(87,941)	27,816	46,759
Issued debt securities maturing within 1 year	(42,235)	(6,475)	13,048
Provisions	700	61	(53)
Net increase/(decrease) in accrued expense and deferred income	(1,970)	2,981	3,154
Net increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	(32,683)	(2,682)	(13,168)
Total movement in operating liabilities	(246,314)	114,722	64,763

1 Amounts have been restated to conform with current year presentation.

36 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.

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 in the swaps 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 charge if appropriate.

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 values 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.

Gains/(losses) arising from fair value hedges:

	2008	2007
Gains/(Losses) on the hedged assets attributable to the fair value hedged risk	2,812	(392)
Gains/(Losses) on hedging instruments used for the hedged assets	(2,812)	381
Gains/(Losses) on the hedged liabilities attributable to the fair value hedged risk	(2,619)	491
Gains/(Losses) on hedging instruments used for the hedged liabilities	2,619	(480)
Net effect fair value hedge	-	-

Cash flow hedges

Cash flow hedge accounting for Group Asset and Liability Management

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 offset 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 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.

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 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's 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 month 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:

- share the interest rate risk exposure that is being hedged, and
- be sensitive to interest rate changes proportional to the overall sensitivity to interest rate changes in 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.

The schedule of forecast principal balances on which the expected hedged cash flows are expected to impact profit or loss is as follows:

	≤ 3 months	> 3 months and ≤ 1 year	> 1 year and ≤ 5 years	> 5 years and ≤ 10 years	> 10 years	Total
At 31 December 2008						
Cash inflow from hedged assets	-	7,457	4,328	3,822	2,833	18,440
Cash outflow from hedged liabilities	(10)	(8,791)	(9,331)	(4,399)	(4,733)	(27,264)
Net cash outflow	(10)	(1,334)	(5,003)	(577)	(1,900)	(8,824)
At 31 December 2007 1						
Cash inflow from hedged assets	204	18,774	4,490	995	41	24,504
Cash outflow from hedged liabilities	(346)	(17,130)	(15,392)	(3,113)	(4,665)	(40,646)
Net cash inflow/(outflow)	(142)	1,644	(10,902)	(2,118)	(4,624)	(16,142)

1 Prior year comparatives have been restated to conform with current year presentation.

Net gain/(loss) on cash flow hedges transferred from equity to the income statement are as follows:

	2008	2007
Interest income	43	2
Interest expense	(42)	(89)
Other operating income	-	33
Taxation	-	16
Total	1	(38)

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations

As explained in note 38 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.

For qualifying net investment hedges, changes in the fair value of the derivative hedging instrument are recorded in the currency translation account differences reserve within equity. There is no hedge ineffectiveness recorded relating to net investment hedges.

Overview of the fair value of hedging derivatives

	2008		2007	
	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
Qualifying for hedge accounting				
Fair value hedges				
Interest				
Swaps	737	2,146	1,401	671
Options and futures	-	-	31	259
Foreign currency				
Swaps	1,072	1,540	85	265
Forwards	244	302	-	203
Cash flow hedges				
Interest swaps	351	687	471	309
Foreign currency				
Swaps	-	-	206	74
Forwards	2	14	-	-
Net investment hedge	119	40	31	14
Total	2,525	4,729	2,225	1,795
Hedges not qualifying for hedge accounting	3,697	2,414	239	176

Notional amounts

	2008	2007
Interest rate risk	95,699	125,468
Foreign currency risk	13,115	12,300
Net investment hedge	2,245	3,148

37 Fair value of financial instruments

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Fair values are determined from quoted prices in active markets for identical financial assets or financial liabilities where available. Where the market for a financial instrument is not active, fair value is established using a valuation technique. Valuation techniques involve a degree of estimation, the extent of which depends on the instrument's complexity and the availability of market-based data.

Internal controls over fair valuation

The Group has designated controls and processes for the determination of the fair value of financial instruments. A process has been designed to ensure there are formalised review protocols for independent review and validation of fair values separate from those businesses entering into the transactions. This includes specific controls to ensure consistent pricing policies and procedures, incorporating disciplined price verification for both proprietary and counterparty risk trades.

The business entering into the transaction is responsible for the initial determination and recording of the fair value of the transaction. There are daily controls over the profit or loss recorded by trading and treasury front office staff.

A key element of the control environment, segregated from the recording of the transaction's valuation, is the independent price verification process. Valuations are first calculated by the business. Such valuations may be direct prices, or may be derived using a model and variable model inputs. These valuations are reviewed, and if necessary amended, by the independent price verification process. This process involves a team independent of those trading the financial instruments performing a review of valuations in the light of available pricing evidence. Independent price verification is performed at a frequency to match the availability of independent data, and the size of the exposure. For liquid instruments the process is performed daily. The minimum frequency of review is monthly for trading positions, and six monthly for non-trading positions. The independent price verification control includes formalised reporting and escalation of any valuation differences in breach of defined thresholds.

When models are used to value products, those models are subject to a model review process. This process requires different levels of model documentation, testing and review, depending on the complexity of the model and the size of the Group's exposure to the model.

Valuation techniques

The Group uses a number of methodologies to determine the fair values of financial instruments for which observable prices in active markets for identical instruments are not available. These techniques include relative value methodologies based on observable prices for similar instruments, present value approaches where future cash flows from the asset or liability are estimated and then discounted using a risk-adjusted interest rate, option pricing models such as Black-Scholes or binomial option pricing models and simulation models such as Monte-Carlo.

Values between and beyond available data points are obtained by interpolation and extrapolation. When utilising valuation techniques, the fair value can be significantly impacted by the choice of valuation model and underlying assumptions made concerning factors such as the amounts and timing of cash flows, discount rates and credit risk. The principal inputs to these valuation techniques are listed below.

- Bond prices – quoted prices are generally available for government bonds, certain corporate securities and some mortgage-related products.
- Credit spreads – where available, these are derived from prices of credit default swaps (CDS) or other credit based instruments, such as debt securities. For others, credit spreads are obtained from pricing services.
- Interest rates – these are principally benchmark interest rates such as the interbank rates and quoted interest rates in the swap, bond and futures markets.
- Foreign currency exchange rates – there are observable markets both for spot and forward contracts and futures in the world's major currencies.
- Equity and equity index prices – quoted prices are generally readily available for equity shares listed on the world's major stock exchanges and for major indices on such shares.
- Commodity prices – many commodities are actively traded in spot and forward contracts and futures on exchanges in London, New York and other commercial centres.
- Price volatilities and correlations – volatility is a measure of the tendency of a price to change with time. Correlation measures the degree to which two or more prices or other variables are observed to move together. If they move in the same direction there is positive correlation; if they move in opposite directions there is negative correlation. Volatility is a key input in valuing options and the valuation of certain products such as derivatives with more than one underlying variable that are correlation-dependent. Volatility and correlation values are obtained from broker quotations, pricing services or derived from option prices.
- Prepayment rates – the fair value of a financial instrument that can be prepaid by the issuer or borrower differs from that of an instrument that cannot be prepaid. In valuing prepayable instruments that are not quoted in active markets, the Group considers the value of the prepayment option.
- Counterparty credit spreads – adjustments are made to market prices (or parameters) when the creditworthiness of the counterparty differs from that of the assumed counterparty in the market price (or parameters).

- Recovery rates / loss given default - these are used as an input to valuation models and reserves for asset-backed securities and other credit products as an indicator of severity of losses on default. Recovery rates are primarily sourced from market data providers or inferred from observable credit spreads.

The Group refines and modifies its valuation techniques as markets and products develop and as the pricing for individual products becomes more or less readily available. While the Group believes its valuation techniques are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions could result in different estimates of fair value at the balance sheet date.

In order to determine a reliable fair value, where appropriate, management applies valuation adjustments to the pricing information derived from the above sources. These adjustments reflect management's assessment of factors that market participants would consider in setting a price, to the extent that these factors have not already been included in the information from the above sources. Furthermore, on an ongoing basis, management assesses the appropriateness of any model used. To the extent that the price provided by internal models does not represent the fair value of the instrument, for instance in highly stressed market conditions, management makes adjustments to the model valuation to calibrate to other available pricing sources. Where unobservable inputs are used, management may determine a range of possible valuations based upon differing stress scenarios to determine the sensitivity associated with the valuation. As a final step the Group considers the need for further adjustments to the modelled price to reflect how market participants would price instruments. Such adjustments include the credit quality of the counterparty and adjustments to correct model valuations for any known limitations. In addition, the Group makes adjustments to defer income for financial instruments valued at inception where the valuation of that financial instrument materially depends on one or more unobservable model inputs.

Valuation hierarchy

The Group analyses financial instruments held at fair value into the three categories as outlined below.

Level 1 financial instruments are those that are valued using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments. These financial instruments consist primarily of liquid listed equity shares, certain exchange-traded derivatives, and G10 government securities.

Level 2 financial instruments are those valued using techniques based significantly on observable market data. Instruments in this category are valued using quoted prices for similar instruments or identical instruments in markets which are not considered to be active; or valuation techniques where all the inputs that have a significant effect on the valuation are directly or indirectly based on observable market data. Financial instruments included are other government agency securities, investment grade corporate bonds, repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements, less liquid listed equities, state and municipal obligations, certain money market securities and most OTC derivatives.

Level 3 financial instruments are those valued using techniques that incorporate information other than observable market data. Instruments in this category have been valued using a valuation technique where at least one input, which could have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation, is not based on observable market data. Financial instruments included are primarily cash instruments which trade infrequently, unlisted equity shares, super senior tranches of high grade and mezzanine CDOs, and other less liquid debt securities. Also included are certain structured issued debt securities, OTC derivatives where valuation depends upon unobservable exotic and credit derivatives including those with CDPC counterparties.

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The following table presents the valuation methods used in determining the fair values of financial instruments carried at fair value 1:

	Quoted market price (Level 1)	2008		Total
		Valuation techniques observable market inputs (Level 2)	Valuation techniques unobservable inputs (Level 3)	
Financial assets				
Financial assets held-for-trading	14,091	193,458	5,104	212,653
Available-for-sale interest earning securities	4,923	60,621	20	65,564
Available-for-sale equities	192	546	99	837
Equities designated at fair value through income	5	193	462	660
Derivatives not held for trading	-	6,222	-	6,222
Unit-linked investments	-	3,899	-	3,899
Other assets	-	1,468	-	1,468
Total assets at fair value	19,211	266,407	5,685	291,303
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities held for trading	6,587	184,194	1,306	192,088
Due to customers	-	22	-	22
Issued debt securities	-	33,133	3,723	36,856
Derivatives not held for trading	-	7,143	-	7,143
Unit-linked liabilities	-	3,898	-	3,898
Subordinated liabilities	-	722	-	722
Total liabilities at fair value	6,587	229,113	5,029	240,729
	Quoted market price (Level 1)	2007		Total
		Valuation techniques observable market inputs (Level 2)	Valuation techniques unobservable inputs (Level 3)	
Financial assets				
Financial assets held-for-trading	74,063	165,756	2,458	242,277
Available-for-sale interest earning securities	40,188	49,932	329	90,449
Available-for-sale equities	286	387	340	1,013
Equities designated at fair value through income	1,347	5	987	2,339
Derivatives held not held for trading 2	-	2,464	-	2,464
Unit-linked investments	-	4,609	-	4,609
Other assets	-	2,757	-	2,757
Total assets at fair value	115,884	225,910	4,114	345,908
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities held for trading	28,995	124,943	1,538	155,476
Due to customers	-	42	-	42

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Issued debt securities	–	39,223	5,445	44,668
Derivatives not held for trading 2	–	1,971	–	1,971
Unit-linked liabilities	–	4,609	–	4,609
Subordinated liabilities	–	726	–	726
Total liabilities at fair value	28,995	171,514	6,983	207,492

1 Financial instruments recorded in assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale are not included in this table.

2 To conform with the current year approach to classification, for 2007 non-trading derivative assets (EUR 1,396 million) and non-trading derivative liabilities (EUR 1,298 million) were reclassified from level 3 to level 2.

Financial assets held for trading included in level 1 decreased mainly due to the transfer of derivatives to RBS. Available-for-sale interest earning securities and equities decreased due to sales. Equities designated at fair value through income include mainly private equity investments and decreased due to transfers to RBS, market value declines and disposals.

The tables below present the Level 3 financial instruments carried at fair value as at the balance sheet date, the valuation basis, main assumptions and unobservable inputs used in the valuation of these instruments for which the reasonably possible alternative assumptions would have a significant impact on the fair value of the instrument.

(in millions of euros)	Valuation technique	Main assumptions	Carrying value	Reasonably possible alternative assumptions	
				Increase in fair value	Decrease in fair value
Financial assets					
Debt securities:			1,059	117	151
CDOs	Proprietary model,	Implied collateral valuation, default rates, housing prices and correlation			
CLOs	Industry standard, simulation model simulation model	Credit spreads, recovery rates, correlation, credit spreads			
Other	Proprietary model	Credit spreads			
Derivatives:			4,065	629	830
Credit	Proprietary CVA model, industry option models, correlation model	Counterparty credit risk, correlation, volatility			
Other	Proprietary model	Correlation, volatility			
Equity shares	Private equity – valuation statements	Fund valuations	561	40	80
Balance at 31 December 2008			5,685	786	1,061

		Valuation technique	Main assumptions	Carrying value	Reasonably possible alternative assumptions	
					Increase in fair value	Decrease in fair value
(in millions of euros)						
Financial liabilities						
Derivatives				1,306	175	199
Credit	Proprietary CVA model, industry option models, correlation model	Correlation, volatility, counterparty credit risk				
Other	Proprietary model	Correlation, volatility				
Issued debt securities	Proprietary model	Credit spreads		3,723	151	166
Balance at 31 December 2008				5,029	326	365

For the year 2007 the potential effect of using reasonably possible assumptions as inputs to valuation models, relying on non-market observable inputs was approximately EUR 261 million using less favourable assumptions, and an increase of approximately EUR 275 million using more favourable assumptions.

The total estimated change in fair value using a valuation technique with unobservable inputs recognised in the profit and loss account for the year 2008 is a loss of EUR 662 million.

For each of the portfolio categories shown in the above table, set out below is a description of the types of products that comprise the portfolio and the valuation techniques that are applied in determining fair value, including a description of models used and inputs to those models. Where reasonably possible alternative assumptions of unobservable inputs used in models would change the fair value of the portfolio significantly, the alternative inputs are indicated along with the impact these would have on the fair value. Where there have been significant changes to valuation techniques during the year a discussion of the reasons for this is also included.

Financial assets held for trading in level 3, excluding derivatives, primarily comprise collateralised debt obligations ('CDOs'), collateralised loan obligations ('CLOs'), and certain credit and other derivatives.

Collateralised debt obligations

For super senior CDOs which have been originated by the Group no specific third-party information is available. The valuation of these super senior CDOs therefore takes into consideration outputs from a proprietary model, market data and appropriate valuation adjustments.

The Group's proprietary model calculates the expected cash flows from the underlying mortgages using assumptions derived from publicly available data on future macroeconomic conditions (including house price appreciation and depreciation) and on defaults and delinquencies on these underlying mortgages. The model used by the Group comprises an econometric loan-level model which provides the input to an industry standard asset backed securities ('ABS') model, the output of which feeds a proprietary model generating expected cash flows which are discounted using a risk adjusted rate.

Due to the subjectivity of the inputs to the pricing model, alternative valuation points are constructed to benchmark the output of the model. These valuation points include determining an ABS index implied collateral valuation, which provides a market calibrated valuation data point. A collateral net asset value methodology is also considered which uses dealer buy side marks to determine an upper bound for super senior CDO valuations. Both the ABS index implied valuation and the collateral net asset value methodology apply an assumed immediate liquidation approach.

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Management, using all pricing points available, may make necessary and appropriate valuation adjustments to the pricing information derived from the proprietary model. These adjustments reflect management's assessment of factors that market participants would consider in setting a price, to the extent that these factors have not already been included in the model and may include adjustments made for liquidity discounts.

In order to provide disclosures on the valuation of super senior CDOs using reasonably possible alternative assumptions, management has considered macroeconomic conditions, including house price appreciation and depreciation, and the effect of regional variations. The output from using these alternative assumptions has been compared with inferred pricing from other published data. The Group believes that reasonably possible alternative assumptions could reduce or increase valuations. Using these alternative assumptions would reduce or increase the fair value of level 3 super senior CDOs of EUR 670 million by EUR 107 million.

Collateralised loan obligations

To determine the fair value of CLOs purchased from third parties, management use third-party broker or lead manager quotes as the primary pricing source. These quotes are benchmarked to consensus pricing sources where they are available.

For CLOs originated and still held by the Group, the fair value is determined using a correlation model based on a Monte Carlo simulation framework. The main model inputs are credit spreads and recovery rates of the underlying assets and their correlation. A credit curve is assigned to each underlying asset based on prices, from third-party dealer quotes, and cash flow profiles, sourced from an industry standard model. Losses are calculated taking into account the attachment and detachment point of the exposure. As the correlation inputs to this model are not observable, CLOs are deemed to be level 3.

Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions the fair value of CLOs of EUR 105 million would be EUR 2 million higher or EUR 10 million lower.

Other trading debt securities

Other level 3 trading debt securities comprise EUR 264 million of other debt securities. Where observable market prices for a particular debt security are not available, the fair value will typically be determined with reference to observable market transactions in other related products, such as similar debt securities or credit derivatives. Assumptions are made about the relationship between the individual debt security and the available benchmark data. Where significant management judgement has been applied in identifying the most relevant related product, or in determining the relationship between the related product and the instrument itself, the valuation is shown in level 3. Using differing assumptions about this relationship would result in different fair values for these assets and liabilities. The main assumption made is that of relative creditworthiness. Using reasonably possible alternative credit assumptions, taking into account the underlying currency, tenor and rating of the debt securities within each portfolio, would reduce the fair value of other debt securities by up to EUR 34 million or increase the fair value by up to EUR 8 million.

Derivatives

Level 3 derivative assets and liabilities are comprised of credit derivatives and other derivatives.

Derivatives are priced using quoted prices for the same or similar instruments where these are available. However, certain derivatives are valued using pricing models. Inputs for these models are usually observed directly in the market, or derived from observed prices. However, it is not always possible to observe or corroborate all model inputs. Unobservable inputs used are based on estimates taking into account a range of available information including

historic analysis, historic traded levels, market practice, comparison to other relevant benchmark observable data and consensus pricing data.

Credit derivatives

The Group's credit derivatives include vanilla and bespoke portfolio tranches. The bespoke portfolio tranches are synthetic tranches referenced to a portfolio of corporate names on which the Group purchases credit protection. Where the inputs into the valuation technique used are observable in the market, bespoke tranches are considered to be level 2 assets. Where inputs are not observable, bespoke tranches are considered to be level 3 assets. All transactions executed with a CDPC counterparty are considered level 3 as the counterparty credit risk assessment is a significant component of these valuations.

Interest rate and other derivatives

Exotic equity and interest rate options provide a payout (or series of payouts) linked to the performance of one or more underlying equities or interest rates. Exotic options do not trade in active markets with few exceptions. Consequently, the Group uses models to determine fair value. The Group uses a variety of proprietary models for valuing exotic trades.

Exotic valuation inputs include correlation between equities and interest rates. Correlations for more liquid equity and rate pairs are valued using independently sourced consensus pricing levels. Where a consensus pricing benchmark is unavailable, these instruments are categorised as level 3.

Reasonably possible alternative assumptions

In determining the effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions for unobservable inputs for derivatives held for trading, the Group has considered trades with CDPCs separately from all other level 3 derivatives due to the significant element of subjectivity in determining the counterparty credit risk.

The fair value of credit derivative trades with CDPCs as at 31 December 2008 was EUR 1,645 million. The Group's credit derivative exposures to CDPCs are valued using pricing models with inputs observed directly in the market. An adjustment is made to the model valuation as the creditworthiness of CDPC counterparties differs from that of the credit risk assumption within the valuation model. The adjustment reflects the estimated cost of hedging the counterparty risk arising from each trade. In the absence of market observable credit spreads of CDPCs, the cost of hedging the counterparty risk is estimated from an analysis of the underlying trades and the cost of hedging expected default losses in excess of the capital available in each vehicle. A reasonably possible alternative approach would be to estimate the cost of hedging the counterparty risk from market observable credit spreads of entities considered similar to CDPCs (for example monoline insurers with similar business or similarly rated entities). These reasonably possible alternative approaches would reduce the fair value credit derivatives with CDPCs by EUR 371 million or increase the fair value by EUR 208 million.

For all other level 3 derivatives, unobservable inputs are principally comprised of correlations and volatilities. Where a derivative valuation relies significantly on an unobservable input, the valuation is shown in level 3. It is usual for such derivative valuations to depend on several observable, and one or few unobservable model inputs. In determining reasonably possible alternative assumptions, the relative impact of unobservable inputs as compared to those which may be observed was considered.

Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions the fair value of all level 3 derivative assets (excluding CDPCs) of EUR 2,420 million would be reduced by up to EUR 459 million or increased by up to EUR 421 million. Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions, the fair value of all other level 3 derivatives liabilities of EUR 1,306 million would be reduced by up to EUR 199 million or increased by up to EUR 175 million.

Equities designated at fair value through income

Equities designated at fair value through income classified as level 3 include mainly private equity investments. In general private equity investments cannot be valued directly from quoted market prices or by using valuation techniques supported by observable market prices or other market data. The fair value is determined using a valuation technique applied in accordance with the European Private Equity and Venture Capitalist Association guidelines (EVCA).

Issued debt securities

Issued debt securities classified as level 3 are valued using independent quotes from market participants for the debt issuance spreads above average interbank rates (at a range of tenors) which the market would demand when purchasing new senior or sub-debt issuances from the Group. Where necessary, these quotes are interpolated using a curve shape derived from CDS prices.

Using reasonably possible alternate assumptions would reduce the fair value of issued debt securities included in level 3 by up to EUR 166 million or increase the fair value by up to EUR 151 million.

Day one profits

Where model inputs are considered unobservable and have more than an insignificant impact on the valuation, any gains on initial recognition are deferred on the balance sheet, as a Day 1 profit and loss reserve, and amortised over the life of the instruments. The table below shows the movement in the reserve:

	2008	2007
Unamortised balance at 1 January	191	310
Deferral of profit on new transactions	107	170
Recognised in the income statement during the period:		
Subsequent to observability	(3)	(73)
Amortisation	(58)	(94)
Maturity or termination	(83)	(114)
Exchange differences	(30)	(8)
Unamortised balance at 31 December	124	191

Own credit

In certain circumstances the Group designates own debt at fair value through profit and loss. Designation is performed either to eliminate an accounting mismatch, for example, where the debt funds trading positions, or because the debt is managed and assessed on a fair value basis. When valuing financial liabilities recorded at fair value, IFRS requires that an entity take into account the impact of its own credit standing, which, in aggregate, could have a significant impact on the valuation of the liabilities. The categories of financial liabilities on which own credit spread adjustments are made include issued debt securities, subordinated liabilities, and derivatives. An own credit adjustment is applied to positions where it is believed that counterparties will consider the Group's creditworthiness when pricing trades.

The Group's trading systems discount future cash outflows for liabilities measured at fair value at interbank offer rates. The adjustment for the Group's own credit spread represents the difference between the interbank offer rate and the rate which includes the Group's own market-perceived risk of default. In general, the Group anticipates that gains and losses arising from changes in the Group's own credit spread will reverse over the life of the instrument unless repurchased.

For issued debt securities, this adjustment is based on independent quotes from market participants for the debt issuance spreads above average interbank rates (at a range of tenors) which the market would demand when purchasing new senior or sub-debt issuances from the Group. Where necessary, these quotes are interpolated using a curve shape derived from CDS prices. For subordinated liabilities the own credit adjustment is based on the estimated fair values of ABN AMRO's senior notes which are observable.

The Group also considers the impact of own credit spreads when valuing derivative liabilities. In general, the impact is significant only for derivative liabilities that are not collateralised. In these circumstances, the own credit spread is calculated using credit spreads implied by CDSs.

The table below shows the own credit spread adjustments on liabilities recorded in the income statement during the year and for 2007.

	Subordinated liabilities	Issued debt securities	Subtotal	Derivatives	Total 2008	Total 2007
Cumulative at 1 January	98	261	359	-	359	10
Effect of changes to credit spreads	138	352	490	75	565	349
Foreign exchange effect	-	102	102	-	102	-
At 31 December 2008	236	715	951	75	1,026	359

Financial assets and liabilities not carried at fair value

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

- The fair value of variable rate financial instruments and those of a fixed rate nature maturing within 6 months of the balance sheet date are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts. In the case of such loans, the fair value estimate does not reflect changes in credit quality, as the main impact of credit risk is already recognised separately through the deduction of the allowances for credit losses from the carrying amounts.
- 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 specific credit quality of loans within the portfolio are not taken into account in determining fair values, as the main impact of specific credit risk is already recognised separately through the deduction of the allowances for credit losses from the carrying amounts.
- 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. The fair value of the other loans to customers and loans to banks is estimated by comparing market interest rates when the loans were granted with current market rates offered on similar loans.
- The fair value of issued debt securities is based on independent quotes from market participants for the debt issuance spreads above average interbank rates (at a range of tenors) which the market would demand when purchasing new senior or sub-debt issuances from the Group. Where necessary, these quotes are interpolated using a curve shape derived from CDS prices.
 - The fair value of subordinated liabilities is based on the estimated fair values of ABN AMRO's senior notes.

The following table compares the carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities recorded at amortised cost to their estimated fair values*:

	2008			2007		
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Difference	Carrying amount	Fair value	Difference
Financial assets						
Cash and balances at central banks	5,854	5,854	-	16,750	16,750	-
Interest earning securities HTM	-	-	-	2,634	2,599	(35)
Loans and receivables - banks	75,566	75,322	(244)	175,696	175,680	(16)
Loans and receivables - customers	270,119	267,258	(2,861)	396,762	393,574	(3,188)
Total	351,539	348,434	(3,105)	591,842	588,603	(3,239)
Financial liabilities						
Due to banks	94,620	94,627	(7)	239,334	239,334	-
Due to customers	208,984	210,392	(1,408)	330,310	330,228	82
Issued debt securities	74,440	72,030	2,410	130,327	129,636	691
Subordinated liabilities	12,837	8,183	4,654	14,890	13,695	1,195
Total	390,881	385,232	5,649	714,861	712,893	1,968

* Negative amounts represent a reduction to net assets. Positive amounts represent an increase to net assets.

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Financial instrument risk disclosures

This section provides details of the Group's exposure to risk arising from financial instruments and how the Group manages those risks. In addition, this note includes a discussion on the extent to which financial instruments are used, the associated risks and the business purpose served.

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

- Credit risk and country event risk;
 - Liquidity risk;
 - Interest rate risk (banking book positions); and
- Market risk (trading portfolio) including liquidity risk, currency risk, interest rate risk, equity price risk and commodity risk of the trading book.

Below is a short description of credit, liquidity, interest rate and market risk within the Group's financial instruments portfolio and their impact on the Group's financial position and performance as shown in the quantitative tables.

A detailed discussion of these risks is also provided in Section 3 Risk & Capital Management.

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.

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The Group's primary exposure to credit risk arises through its loans, credit facilities and guarantees issued 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 help mitigate the credit risk.

Maximum exposure to credit risk

The amounts stated in the table 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. Consequently, the amounts significantly exceed expected losses in the event of counterparty default.

	2008	2007
Derivative assets held for trading	178,896	123,466
Interest earning securities	65,564	93,083
Loans and receivables – banks	36,113	25,360
Loans and receivables – customers	252,050	270,604
Professional securities transactions	52,646	248,608
Multi-seller conduits	5,264	29,457
Committed credit facilities	63,436	104,137
Credit related contingent liabilities	42,148	55,140
Total	696,117	949,855

The maximum credit exposure on derivative assets held for trading is measured as the current positive fair value. For interest-earning securities the amortised cost is included to reflect the credit risk exposure.

The maximum credit exposure to any individual non related client or counterparty as of 31 December 2008 was EUR 2,584 million (2007: EUR 8,136 million) before taking account of collateral or other credit enhancements.

For a breakdown of counterparties for interest-earning securities in the available-for-sale and held-to-maturity portfolio, please refer to note 15. According to the requirements of the DNB the Group has no individually significant exposure to any single counterparty in the category loans and receivables.

Credit risk concentrations

Concentrations of credit risk (whether on- or off-balance sheet) that share similar characteristics such that their ability to meet contractual obligations is likely to be affected in a similar way to 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 by geography and sector

	2008		2007	
	Outstanding	%1	Outstanding	%1
Netherlands				
Loans and receivables to banks	15,041	19	11,309	6
Loans and receivables to public sector	1,590	18	1,547	27
Loans and receivables to commercial	66,043	48	60,189	42
Loans and receivables to consumer	102,727	94	102,378	83
Total	185,401		175,423	
Europe (excluding Netherlands)				
Loans and receivables to banks	56,815	75	147,223	84
Loans and receivables to public sector	544	6	1,003	17
Loans and receivables to commercial	45,477	33	42,416	29
Loans and receivables to consumer	2,384	2	3,863	3
Total	105,220		194,505	
North America				
Loans and receivables to banks	902	1	1,326	1
Loans and receivables to public sector	105	1	77	1
Loans and receivables to commercial	9,206	7	9,542	7
Loans and receivables to consumer	–		–	
Total	10,213		10,945	
Latin America				
Loans and receivables to banks	156	-	4,430	3
Loans and receivables to public sector	–		350	6
Loans and receivables to commercial	531	-	14,085	10
Loans and receivables to consumer	4	-	12,601	10
Total	691		31,466	
Asia Pacific				
Loans and receivables to banks	2,698	2	11,410	6
Loans and receivables to public sector	6,547	75	2,762	48
Loans and receivables to commercial	17,227	12	18,381	13
Loans and receivables to consumer	4,183	4	4,411	4
Total	30,655		36,964	
Total Group				
Loans and receivables to banks (2)	75,612		175,698	
Loans and receivables to public sector	8,786		5,739	
Loans and receivables to commercial	138,484		144,613	
Loans and receivables to consumer	109,298		123,253	
Total	332,180		449,303	
Professional securities transactions	13,193		98,270	
Multi-seller conduits	5,264		29,457	
Total loans and receivables	350,637		577,030	

- 1 Calculated as a percentage of Group totals for banks, public, commercial and consumer sectors respectively.
- 2 Includes professional securities transactions amounting to EUR 39,453 million (2007: EUR 150,338 million).

Credit risk concentrations from credit facilities and guarantees issued by geography:

	2008 Outstanding	% ¹	2007 Outstanding	% ¹
Netherlands				
Guarantees and other commitment	4,228	10	5,331	10
Committed credit facilities	17,552	28	21,729	21
Total	21,780		27,060	
Europe (excluding Netherlands)				
Guarantees and other commitment	25,083	59	32,748	59
Committed credit facilities	23,351	36	36,846	36
Total	48,434		69,594	
North America				
Guarantees and other commitment	6,884	16	8,539	15
Committed credit facilities	18,220	29	31,291	30
Total	25,104		39,830	
Latin America				
Guarantees and other commitment	230	1	2,630	5
Committed credit facilities	320	1	8,673	8
Total	550		11,303	
Asia Pacific				
Guarantees and other commitment	5,723	14	5,892	11
Committed credit facilities	3,993	6	5,598	5
Total	9,716		11,490	
Total Group				
Guarantees and other commitment	42,148		55,140	
Committed credit facilities	63,436		104,137	
Total	105,584		159,277	

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

In 2008 ABN AMRO changed its industry breakdown in order to align with RBS Group reporting based on Standard Industry Codes ('SIC').

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

	2008 Outstanding	%	2007 Outstanding	%
Central and local government	523	-	-	-
Manufacturing	30,980	22	28,375	20
Construction	1,967	1	2,386	2
Finance	33,996	25	36,578	25
Service industries and other business activities	56,353	41	57,857	40
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	5,099	4	8,220	6

Property and mortgages	9,566	7	11,197	8
Total	138,484		144,613	

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Total consumer loans and receivables by product type are presented in table below:

	2008		2007	
	Outstanding	%	Outstanding	%
Mortgages	94,147	86	95,561	77
Personal lending	1,667	2	12,213	10
Credit Card	1,394	1	2,374	2
Other consumer loans	12,090	11	13,105	11
Total	109,298		123,253	

Collateral

It is ABN AMRO's policy to reduce or mitigate credit risk on credit facilities or exposure, as much as possible in a given commercial environment by securing credit facilities or exposure with collateral. To correctly assess the extent to which the collateral mitigates the credit risk the Collateral must be valued according to a specified valuation method and properly documented and monitored.

Collaterals are obtained 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 extent of collateral held for guarantees and letters of credit is on average 16% (2007: 18%).

During 2008, ABN AMRO took possession of property, equipment and other assets with an estimated value of EUR 7.6 million (2007: EUR 42 million). It is the policy of ABN AMRO to dispose of repossessed properties. The proceeds are used to reduce or repay the outstanding claim. In general these repossessed properties are not occupied for business use. ABN AMRO does not disclose the fair value of collateral held as security or other credit enhancements on loans and advances past due but not impaired, or on individually assessed impaired loans and advances, as it is not practicable to do so.

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

	2008	2007
Commercial customers		
Public authority guarantees	5,712	5,341
Mortgages	5,687	11,059
Securities	2,291	2,606
Bank guarantees	5,082	9,180
Other types of collateral	48,289	38,772
Unsecured	71,423	77,655
Total	138,484	144,613
Consumer customers		
Public authority guarantees	187	141
Mortgages	94,146	95,472
Securities	804	1,120
Bank guarantees	19	14
Other types of collateral	4,861	10,274
Unsecured	9,281	16,232
Total	109,298	123,253

Credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired 31 December 2008

The credit quality of the portfolio of financial assets can be assessed with reference to ABN AMRO's internal credit rating system which reflects the probability of default of an obligor, i.e. the likelihood that a counterparty fails to pay interest and/or principal and/or other financial obligations to the bank.

ABN AMRO's internal counterparty ratings are a crucial tool for managing and monitoring the credit risk of the bank, both at counterparty and portfolio level. The counterparty rating is based on many aspects including both a financial and non-financial analysis of the counterparty.

Each counterparty to whom ABN AMRO grants any type of credit facility or who has an exposure is assigned a Uniform Counterparty Rating (UCR) on a scale of 1 to 8, whereby UCR 1 is of prime quality while UCR 8 is, by definition, 'in default' according to the ABN AMRO definition of default.

The table below gives an overview of the relation between the internal ratings of ABN AMRO (UCR) and the counterparty's probability of default and an indication of how the internal ratings of ABN AMRO compares to the external rating agencies Standards & Poor's, Fitch and Moody's.

UCR	1	2+ till 2-	3+ till 3-	4+ till 4-	5+ till 5-	6+	6-8
Expected default rates (%) 2008	0-0.03	0.04-0.10	0.19-0.42	0.68-1.96	3.54-12.92	26.18	100
Expected default rates (%) 2007	0-0.03	0.04-0.10	0.20-0.40	0.63-1.82	3.37-13.71	30.11	100
Standards & Poor's /							
Fitch	AAA/AA-	A+/A-	BBB+/BBB-	BB+/BB-	B+/B-	CCC+/C	–
Moody's	AAA/Aa3	A1/A3	Baa1/Baa3	Ba1/-Ba3	B1-B3	Caa1/C	–

The following tables show the credit quality of the financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired on respectively 31 December 2008 and 2007:

Neither past due nor impaired at 31 December 2008*:

UCR	1	2+ till 2-	3+ till 3-	4+ till 4-	5+ till 5-	6+	Not rated	Total 2008
Interest earning securities in								
Banking Book	53,518	4,103	874	1,710	42	388	4,930	65,565
Loans and receivables – Banks	54,495	10,402	2,499	1,416	247	879	5,626	75,564
Loans and receivables – Public sector	7,562	236	175	462	196	29	125	8,785
Loans and receivables – Commercial	8,934	15,872	34,947	43,852	11,710	6,692	11,204	133,211
Derivatives	117,976	31,868	6,011	7,895	1,014	3,440	16,914	185,118
Off-balance instruments	7,841	17,576	19,058	4,497	1,235	8,132	5,097	63,436
Total	250,326	80,057	63,564	59,832	14,444	19,560	43,896	531,679

* Excluding discontinued operations

Neither past due nor impaired at 31 December 2007*:

	1	2+ till 2-	3+ till 3-	4+ till 4-	5+ till 5-	6+	Not rated	Total 2007
UCR								
Interest earning securities in								
Banking Book	61,210	9,702	6,652	661	380	3,458	11,019	93,082
Loans and receivables – Banks	114,053	43,107	10,330	5,633	218	625	1,731	175,697
Loans and receivables – Public sector								
Loans and receivables – Commercial	3,839	402	419	446	232	342	59	5,739
Derivatives	4,621	16,942	41,494	49,380	16,910	2,115	8,918	140,380
Off-balance instruments	75,852	32,088	6,757	3,412	348	207	7,265	125,929
Total	16,745	29,286	24,619	12,302	2,356	727	18,103	104,138
	276,320	131,527	90,271	71,834	20,444	7,474	47,095	644,965

* Excluding discontinued operations

Credit quality of consumer loans

Loans and receivables consumer of EUR 106,457 million (2007: EUR 119,223 million) are not rated. An indication of the credit quality of these loans and receivables can be derived from the table below and the collateral obtained for the loans and receivables as well as the geographical breakdown of the underlying products of the portfolio as included in the earlier table within this note.

Credit quality of financial assets that are past due but not impaired

The tables below show the analysis of the financial assets that are past due but not impaired:

	Past due ≤ 30 days	Past due > 30 - ≤90 days	Past due > 90 - ≤180 days	Past due > 180 days - ≤ 1 year	Past due > 1 year	Total
31 December 2008						
Loans and receivables – commercial	191	229	66	9	6	501
Loans and receivables – consumer	1,554	912	28	5	4	2,503

	Past due ≤ 30 days	Past due > 30 - ≤90 days	Past due > 90 - ≤180 days	Past due > 180 days - ≤ 1 year	Past due > 1 year	Total
31 December 2007						
Loans and receivables – commercial	1,654	186	15	18	41	1,914
Loans and receivables – consumer	1,795	1,863	77	2	–	3,737

ABN AMRO does not disclose the fair value of collateral held as security or other credit enhancements on loans and advances past due but not impaired, or on individually assessed impaired loans and advances, as it is not practicable to do so.

Renegotiated financial assets

The carrying amounts for renegotiated financial assets, by class are as follows:

	2008	2007
Loans and advances – customers:		
Commercial	317	603
Consumer	-	414
Total renegotiated financial assets	317	1,017

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 a sale outside of the Group.

Asset realisations

Occasionally the Group establishes special purpose entities to facilitate the recovery of loans in circumstances where the borrower has suffered financial losses.

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.

The Group manages liquidity on a daily basis in all the countries in which the Group operates. 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 the Group's liquidity management depends on, among other things, the effective functioning of local and international financial markets. As this is not always the case, Group-wide contingency funding plans are in place. These plans are put into effect in the event of a dramatic change in the normal business activities or in the stability of the local or international financial markets. As part of this liquidity management contingency planning, the Group continually assess potential trends, demands, commitments, events and uncertainties that could reasonably result in increases or decreases in our liquidity. More specifically, the Group considers the impact of these potential changes on the Group's sources of short-term funding and long-term liquidity planning.

As ABN AMRO has entered into committed credit facilities, the liquidity management process also involves assessing the potential effect of the contingencies inherent in these types of transactions on normal sources of liquidity and finance.

In 2007 and 2008 the financial turmoil has influenced ABN AMRO's liquidity management and position. One of the most notable impacts was on the ABN AMRO managed asset-backed commercial paper (ABCP) conduits, which are diversified in terms of geographical and asset coverage and the maturities of the ABCP are well spread over time. By late 2008 the majority of ABN AMRO's multi-seller conduits and the related issuance and sponsorship role have been transferred to RBS. The outstanding ABCP as per 31 December 2008 was EUR 17.8 billion (2007: EUR 50.9 billion), of which EUR 4.8 billion (2007: EUR 29.3 billion) relates to multi-seller conduits. In 2008 all of the notes held by the Group's securities arbitrage conduit were transferred to RBS. In general the other major conduits have been refinanced in the market with ABN AMRO in some cases temporarily required to warehouse ABCP.

Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities

The following table provides an overview that categorises the balance sheet of the Group into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining contractual periods to repayment. This is not consistent with how the Group looks at liquidity as the models used also take in to account the expected behaviour of customers and other factors.

Maturity for the year ended 31 December 2008:

	On demand	≤ 1 year	> 1 year- ≤ 5 years	> 5 years	Maturity not applicable	Total
Assets						
Cash and balances at central banks	5,400	418	–	36	–	5,854
Financial assets held for trading	11,668	26,534	78,563	83,458	12,430	212,653
Financial investments	–	7,790	14,986	42,788	1,497	67,061
Loans and receivables – banks	4,237	67,814	2,626	889	–	75,566
Loans and receivables – customers	33,976	71,587	44,732	120,212	–	270,507
Other assets	21	2,453	193	482	32,027	35,176
Total	55,302	176,596	141,100	247,865	45,954	666,817
Liabilities						
Financial liabilities held for trading	9,385	26,992	78,412	77,298	–	192,087
Due to banks	25,309	64,083	4,266	962	–	94,620
Due to customers	79,226	116,612	7,461	5,705	–	209,004
Issued debt securities	608	44,336	42,088	24,264	–	111,296
Subordinated liabilities	–	1,513	872	11,164	–	13,549
Other liabilities	3,757	2,231	433	1,829	20,888	29,138
Total	118,285	255,767	133,532	121,222	20,888	649,694
Derivative used for hedging (undiscounted)						
Assets	–	1,225	746	1,183	–	3,154
Liabilities	–	1,247	1,336	4,045	–	6,628
Off-balance liabilities						
Guarantees						37,509
Irrevocable facilities						4,639
Committed facilities						63,436

Maturity for the year ended 31 December 2007:

	On demand	≤ 1 year > 1 year- < 5 years	> 5 years	Maturity not applicable	Total
Assets					
Cash and balances at central banks	16,750	–	–	–	16,750
Financial assets held for trading	9,560	33,628	95,404	57,738	242,277
Financial investments	–	23,822	28,630	40,631	96,435
Loans and receivables – banks	9,300	125,334	26,693	14,369	175,696
Loans and receivables- customers	18,038	173,816	83,967	122,510	398,331
Other assets	–	1,754	338	478	95,724
Total	53,648	358,354	235,032	235,726	1,025,213
Liabilities					
Financial liabilities held for trading	2,443	18,455	68,160	66,418	155,476
Due to banks	19,058	214,886	3,590	1,800	239,334
Due to customers	82,627	222,959	12,914	11,852	330,352
Issued debt securities	–	91,685	59,977	23,333	174,995
Subordinated liabilities	–	700	3,108	11,808	15,616
Other liabilities	4,610	1,709	184	42	78,731
Total	108,738	550,394	147,933	115,253	994,504
Derivative used for hedging					
Assets	–	1,635	349	494	2,478
Liabilities	–	585	751	610	1,946
Off-balance liabilities					
Guarantees					49,337
Irrevocable facilities					5,803
Committed facilities					104,137

Interest rate risk (banking book)

Interest rate sensitivity of banking book positions

The Earnings Risk table below shows the cumulative sensitivity of net interest income and equity over a time horizon of 12 and 24 months, under 'rate rise' and 'rate fall' scenarios. Sensitivity is defined as the percentage change in net 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. The sensitivity analysis is limited to the euro as this is the main currency in which the Group has its earnings. The rates rise and rates fall scenarios for euro are 200 basis points for both years presented.

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

Earnings risk (in percentages)

	Horizon	December 2008	December 2007
Rate rise	One year	(4.1%)	(3.3%)
	Two years	(5.0%)	(3.3%)
Rate fall	One year	2.4%	2.5%
	Two years	0.5%	0.8%

The Earnings risk table below gives the 2008 cumulative change in net interest income over the relevant time horizon in absolute numbers.

Earnings risk (in millions of euros)

	Horizon	December 2008	December 2007
Rate rise	One year	(105)	(126)
	Two years	(271)	(263)
Rate fall	One year	62	94
	Two years	26	64

The Market Value Risk table below shows the sensitivity of the market value of equity to changes in interest rates for the euro. Market value of equity is defined as the discounted value of assets, minus 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 interest rate change shock. The size of the shock is based on observed changes of the curve in a month and a 99% confidence level. The shock rate change for euro was 50 basis points for both years. Due to the separation of the Group and related transfers of some portfolios after the take-over both years are not fully comparable.

Market Value Risk (in percentages)

	December 2008	December 2007
Rate rise	(3.8%)	(2.3%)
Rate fall	3.3%	1.6%

Sensitivity analysis is based upon our interest rate risk modelling of assets and liabilities and is used for risk management purposes only. The model above assumes that during the course of the year no other changes are made in the respective portfolio. Earnings risk shows one possible prediction based upon the model and actual changes in net interest income will vary from the model.

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, 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 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 its trading portfolios. The Group uses VaR as its primary tool for the day-to-day monitoring of market risks. The Group Asset and Liability Committee sets limits on the maximum level of VaR at an aggregate level for the Group. The risk committees may set VaR limits on lower aggregation levels.

Other control measures used in the market risk management process include historical and stress scenarios, 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 loss that might be caused by changes in risk factors under normal circumstances, over a specified period of time, and at a specified level of statistical confidence. The Group uses a proprietary VaR model that has been approved by the DNB.

The VaR methodology adopted by the Group for its VaR calculation is historical simulation, using approximately 1.5 years of weighted (exponential decay method) historical data. 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 daily per trading portfolio, per product line, and for the Group as a whole. It is reported daily to the senior management of the businesses, Group Risk Management, and the responsible members of the Managing Board.

The table below provides the 2008 and 2007 Value at Risk per risk category (99% confidence level, one-day holding period):

(in millions of euros)	For the year ended 31 December 2008				For the year ended 31 December 2007			
	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end
Interest rate risk	28.5	93.8	49.6	68.8	9.5	59.7	27.4	44.8
Equity price risk	12.6	79.9	29.7	19.4	14.8	65.2	35.3	37.0
Foreign exchange risk	2.7	19.6	8.5	13.9	2.1	13.6	4.6	4.4
Commodity price risk	0.4	12.7	2.2	2.0	0.2	6.0	1.4	1.2
Diversification effect	-	-	-	(33.4)	-	-	-	(35.2)
Aggregate VaR (1)	30.7	113.5	57.4	70.7	18.4	68.3	40.2	52.2

(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).

Back testing is performed on the actual and hypothetical profit and loss and the results are reported to the DNB on a quarterly basis. At a 99% confidence level, the statistical expectation is that on one out of every 100 trading days a loss exceeding the VaR occurs. Back testing is an essential instrument for the ex post validation of our internal VaR model.

Stress testing

The limitations of the VaR model means 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 of extreme market movements on our financial results. Sensitivity stress tests and stress scenarios have been developed internally to reflect specific characteristics of the Group's portfolios and are performed daily for each trading portfolio and at several aggregation levels. These apply parallel increases and decreases in a number of risk elements or in one risk element, actual historical scenarios (non-parallel moves in a number of risk elements,) or plausible future shocks.

Capital hedge

Capital ratios are hedged to avoid the material changes in the EUR/USD exchange rate. The primary focus is to protect the core tier 1 ratio against the adverse exchange rate movements

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.

The table shows the sensitivity of our equity capital to a 10% appreciation and 10% depreciation, respectively, in the euro against all foreign currencies.

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007
Euro appreciates 10%	312	(813)
Euro depreciates 10%	(312)	813

Use of derivatives

Derivative instruments

The Group uses derivative instruments to provide risk management solutions to its clients, to manage the Group's own exposure to various risks (including interest, currency and credit risks) and 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.

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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 - these 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 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.

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.

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 credit 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.

39 Capital adequacy

Subsequent to its acquisition by RFS Holdings, ABN AMRO received approval for a transitional period from the DNB and the FSA with regards to compliance to Basel II capital rules. ABN AMRO has agreed with these regulators to continue to report figures on the basis of Basel I until December 2009. In accordance with this, specific minimal requirements have been set for the Tier 1 and Total capital ratios, including the requirement to treat the capital deductions in the same manner as required by Basel II.

These ratios measure capital adequacy 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.

The Group's capital adequacy level was as follows:

	Balance sheet/un-weighted amount		Risk weighted amount, including effect of contractual netting	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Balance sheet assets (net of provisions):				
Cash and balances at central banks	5,854	16,750	485	271
Financial assets held for trading	212,653	242,277	-	-
Financial investments	67,061	96,435	4,961	7,591
Loans and receivables-banks	75,566	175,696	4,210	6,182
Loans and receivables-customers	270,507	398,331	101,909	107,724
Equity accounted investments	796	871	138	268
Property and equipment	2,035	2,747	2,002	2,518
Goodwill and other intangibles	924	1,424	583	871
Assets of business held for sale	1,583	60,458	1,205	39,631
Prepayment and accrued income	7,011	12,580	2,003	4,126
Tax assets	5,100	4,875	-	-
Other assets	17,727	12,769	2,171	2,877
Subtotal	666,817	1,025,213	119,667	172,059
Off-balance sheet positions and derivatives:				
Credit-related commitments and contingencies	105,584	159,277	28,053	38,607
Credit equivalents of derivatives			14,814	14,472
Insurance companies and other			425	532
Subtotal			43,292	53,611
Total credit risks			162,959	225,670
Market risk requirements			13,069	6,642
Total Risk Weighted Assets			176,028	232,312

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 qualifying subordinated liabilities.

The following table analyses actual capital and the minimum standard needed in order to comply with supervisory requirements:

	2008		2007	
	Required	Actual	Required	Actual
Total capital	22,004	25,405	18,584	33,938
Total capital ratio	12.50%	14.43%	8.00%	14.61%
Tier 1 capital	15,843	19,152	9,292	28,850
Tier 1 capital ratio	9.00%	10.88%	4.00%	12.42%
Core tier 1		17,778		24,597
Core tier 1 ratio		10.10%		10.59%

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

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credit equivalent, both un-weighted and weighted for counterparty risk (mainly banks). The figures allow for the impact of netting transactions and other collateral. During 2008 ABN AMRO has complied with the supervisory capital requirements to which it is subject.

Credit equivalent of derivative contracts

	2008	2007
Interest rate contracts	86.5	97.2
Currency contracts	48.1	41.6
Other contracts	90.0	115.5
	224.6	254.3
Effect of contractual netting	163.1	188.0
Unweighted credit equivalent	61.5	66.3
Weighted credit equivalent	14.8	14.5

40 Securitisations

As part of the Group's funding and credit risk mitigation activities, the cash flows of selected financial assets are transferred to third parties for funding purposes. 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 an interest related spread and/or an exposure on first credit losses. The carrying amounts of the assets and associated liabilities approximated EUR 4,609 million, EUR 5,437 million, and EUR 5,554 million at 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Full recognition and continuing involvement

Additionally the Group participates in various mortgage related transactions in the Netherlands that have been conducted without the involvement of a 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 151 million, EUR 203 million and EUR 272 million at 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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

Synthetic transactions

In addition the Group has synthetic securitisations for an amount of EUR 110,764 million (2007: EUR 119,115 million). Through a synthetic securitisation the Group is able to buy protection without actual transfer of any assets to an SPE, since the SPEs have hedged their exposure through the issue of credit linked notes or commercial paper. As a result, the Group as the owner of the assets buys protection to transfer the credit risk on a portfolio of assets to another entity that sells the protection. Although a substantial part of the credit risk related to these loan portfolios are transferred, actual ownership of the portfolio of assets remains with the Group. In general, the third party investors in

securities issued by the SPE have only recourse to the assets of the SPE and not to the Group.

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Credit default swaps

In addition to the transactions mentioned above, the Group also uses credit default swaps in synthetic securitisations programs to reduce credit risk for parts of the loan portfolio by selling these risks directly to the capital markets. At 31 December 2008 the Group has bought credit protection for an amount of EUR 23,413 million (2007: EUR 54,816 million). In order to mitigate the income statement volatility associated with the fair valuations of these credit default swaps and in line with the Group risk appetite and hedging strategy, hedges of these credit default swaps are entered into that are based on credit risk indices. The correlation of these with the credit default swaps are monitored and the strategy is adapted where necessary.

41 Private equity investments

Private equity investments are either consolidated or held at fair value through income.

Consolidated private equity holdings

Investments of a private equity nature that are controlled by the Group are consolidated. These 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 on the income statement of consolidating these investments is set out in the following table.

	2008	2007	2006
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	1,726	3,836	5,313
Other income included in operating income	(45)	(226)	(340)
Total operating income of consolidated private equity holdings	1,681	3,610	4,973
Goods and material expenses of consolidated private equity holdings	1,278	2,744	3,684
Included in personnel expenses	176	390	577
Included in administrative costs	136	332	466
Included in depreciation and amortisation	45	168	212
Total operating expenses	1,635	3,634	4,939
Operating profit/(loss) before tax of consolidated private equity holdings	46	(24)	34

Goods and material expenses include personnel costs relating to manufacturing and production activities.

The assets and liabilities of these consolidated holdings are included in the Group balance sheet as assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale as ABN AMRO in planning to sell the private equity investments. The total assets of these consolidated entities at 31 December 2008 were EUR 435 million (2007: EUR 1,698 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 changes 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 29 (2007: 74) investments with a positive material fair value. The total fair value of these investments is EUR 271 million at 31 December 2008 (2007: EUR 439 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 cash transfer, insurance, finance, lease, global custody and equity capital market transactions. The consolidated financial statements of the joint ventures include the following assets and liabilities, income and expenses, represent the Group's proportionate share:

	2008	2007
Assets		
Financial assets held for trading	203	1,049
Financial investments	1,946	2,193
Loans and receivables-banks and customers	34	246
Property and equipment	17	18
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	56	55
Other assets	2,391	2,827
Total	4,647	6,388
Liabilities		
Financial liabilities held for trading	4	3
Due to banks and customers	32	129
Issued debt securities	-	27
Provisions	2,142	3,156
Other liabilities	2,391	2,865
Total	4,569	6,180
Total operating income	56	185
Operating expenses	30	74
Operating profit	26	111
Tax expense	9	31
Net profit	17	80

Most significant joint ventures:

	Interest held (%)	Main activities
Neuflyze Vie	60	Insurance

43 Remuneration of Managing Board and Supervisory Board

The remuneration of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board, as described and quantified below, is in principle only applicable to the Board Members who were appointed before the takeover of the Group by the Consortium of RBS, Fortis and Santander or were appointed after the takeover but had a contract already with ABN AMRO before the takeover. For the other Board Members appointed after the takeover on behalf of the Consortium Members this remuneration package is not applicable. Their remuneration is paid by the respective Consortium Members and is accordingly not included in the tables below. Additionally, the Managing Board is comprised of the statutory directors for ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

Remuneration Managing Board

The structure of the Managing Board's remuneration package has been in place since 2001 and has been adjusted in 2005 and 2006. 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. The Nomination & Compensation Committee reviewed the Managing Board Package for the last time in 2006 and in 2007 applied some changes in the then applicable Long Term Incentive Plans. With effect from 2008 another change in the Long Term Incentive Plans occurred.

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
- Other benefits

Base salary

A common base salary applies to all Managing Board members. Salaries are reviewed annually with adjustments taking effect from 1 January. In 2008 Managing Board base salaries were adjusted upwards by 2.5% to reflect inflation bringing the 2007 salary of EUR 666,500 to the rounded down amount of EUR 683,000 for 2008.

Performance bonus

The annual performance bonus for Managing Board members was based upon ABN AMRO's quantitative objectives at the corporate level and qualitative performance objectives at both the corporate and BU level. The objectives were set annually by the Nomination & Compensation Committee and endorsed by the Supervisory Board. The cash bonus was expressed as a percentage of base salary with an outcome between 0 and 200%. At target performance would result in a bonus of 150% of base salary. After the bonus percentage would have been set on the assessment of the quantitative targets, the Nomination & Compensation Committee could use its discretion to adjust the bonus outcome within a band of plus or minus 20% of annual gross salary, on the basis of the assessment of the set qualitative criteria.

The Nomination & Compensation Committee has decided that for the year 2008 no bonuses will be granted to Managing Board members considering the changing context in which financial institutions now operate and also considering the collective and individual stakeholder interests of ABN AMRO in this performance year. The Supervisory Board has endorsed this decision.

Cash settlement of the outstanding Long Term Incentive plan 'LTIP' awards as described above

In the performance year 2007, awards were granted, for the last time, under the ABN AMRO LTIPs being the Performance Share Plan 'PSP' and the Share Investment & Matching Plan ('SIMP'). In 2007 the Supervisory and Managing Boards of ABN AMRO have, in accordance with their discretion under the rules of the Group LTIPs, resolved that all outstanding awards and options under these LTIPs, including the awards granted in 2007, should be cash settled as a consequence of the take over of ABN AMRO by the Consortium of Fortis, RBS and Santander.

On 17 October 2007, the date of settlement of the shares tendered under the Consortium's tender offer, was the date for the cash settlement of the awards under the LTIPs. With respect to the calculation of the cash settlement amount, the value of an ABN AMRO share was the value of a tendered share on the settlement date. This value resulted in EUR 35.60 plus EUR 2.28 representing the value of 0.296 RBS share against the closing price of the RBS share on 17 October 2007. The value (further referred to as Settlement Price) per ABN AMRO Holding N.V. share (a 'Share')

resulted in EUR 37.88.

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Given the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the Consortium, there was no longer a true market in ABN AMRO shares. Therefore these plans are no longer available. The Consortium Members however recognised the critical contribution that Managing Board members and other Top Executives make to the business and have decided to develop an alternative arrangement.

This arrangement resulted in a long term incentive award aligned to the plan of the respective Consortium Member where the individual Top Executive and Managing Board members would be employed post-separation if applicable. Therefore one of the Managing Board members originating from ABN AMRO received an award under the Fortis Bank (Nederland) 2008 Phantom Equity Plan and another Managing Board member received an award under the Royal Bank of Scotland Group Restricted Share Plan.

As a consequence of the purchase of the Fortis interest in ABN AMRO, held via an interest in RFS Holdings by the Dutch State, the award conditions provided for a transfer of the Fortis award into a deferred cash award on the basis of the ABN AMRO Deferred Cash Plan 2008 that was applicable for Top Executive members that were not allocated to one of the Consortium Members.

The underlying value of the award for Managing Board members was EUR 770,000 and EUR 390,000 for Senior Executive Vice Presidents and the award will vest at the vesting date (31 December 2010) or prior to this date in the event of earlier redundancy by way of a pro ration of the original award.

Pension

The Managing Board's pensionable salary is 100% of annual base salary. Since 1 January 2006 the normal retirement age of the Managing Board members 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.

Other 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.
- 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.

(in thousands of euros)	Managing Board		Supervisory Board	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Salaries and other short-term benefits	2,028	4,901	725	1,471
Pensions	353	1,423	-	-
Termination benefits	19,790	4,881	-	-
Profit-sharing and bonus payments	-	6,400	-	-
Share-based payments	83	40,057	-	-
Loans (outstanding)	2,868	6,226	-	-

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The following table summarises the salaries, other rewards and bonuses of individual Managing Board members, as far as these rewards are included in the income statement.

(in thousands of euros)	2008					2007				
	Base salary	Other payments 1) Bonus	Share based payments 2)	Pension costs 3)		Base salary	Other payments 1) Bonus	Share based payments 2)	Pension costs 3)	
W.G. Jiskoot 4)	285	4,490	-	-	90	667	-	1,000	5,501	239
J.Ch.L. Kuiper 5)	114	-	-	-	52	667	-	1,000	5,501	336
H.G. Boumeester 6)	114	3,800	-	-	24	667	-	1,000	4,821	203
P.S. Overmars 7)	-	3,500	-	-	-	667	-	1,000	4,821	115
R. Teerlink 8)	171	-	-	-	25	667	-	1,000	4,821	119
J.P. Schmittmann 9)	678	8,248	-	-	108	111	-	-	-	18
M.G.J. de Jong 10)	418	-	-	83	54	-	-	-	800	-
R.W.J. Groenink 11)	-	-	-	-	-	778	4,881	1,400	7,701	275
H.Y. Scott-Barrett 12)	-	-	-	-	-	389	288	-	5,259	118

1 Other payments are comprised of termination payments, deferred cash payments and foreigner allowance.

2 Share-based payments are calculated in accordance with IFRS 2 by recognising the fair value of the originally equity settled shares or options at grant date over the vesting period, taking into account the accelerated vesting in 2007. For originally cash-settled transactions these costs are measured at the fair value at settlement date.

3 Pension costs exclusively comprise pension service cost for the year computed on the basis of IAS 19.

4 W.G. Jiskoot stepped down on 31 May 2008 and received EUR 4.5 million termination payment (incl. pension costs).

5 J.Ch.L. Kuiper retired on 1 March 2008.

6 H.G. Boumeester stepped down on 29 February 2008 and received EUR 3.8 million termination payment.

7 P.S. Overmars stepped down on 31 December 2007 and received EUR 3.5 million termination payment.

8 R. Teerlink stepped down on 31 March 2008.

9 J.P. Schmittmann stepped down on 30 December 2008 and received EUR 8.0 million termination payment, EUR 192 thousand deferred cash award and EUR 56 thousand jubilee gratification.

10 M.G.J. de Jong joined the board on 1 January 2008. EUR 83 thousand share based payment award relates to the RBS Group Restricted Share Plan.

11 R.W.J. Groenink stepped down on 1 November 2007 and received a termination payment (incl. pension costs) of EUR 4,881 thousand.

12 H.Y. Scott-Barrett received a foreigner allowance of EUR 277 thousand, a tax allowance of EUR 11 thousand and stepped down on 1 August 2007.

Loans from ABN AMRO to Managing Board members

(in thousands of euros)	2008		2007	
	Outstanding at 31 December	Interest rate (%)	Outstanding at 31 December	Interest rate (%)
M.G.J. de Jong 1)	2,868	3.63	-	-
W.G. Jiskoot 2)	-	-	1,674	3.38
J.Ch.L. Kuiper 2)	-	-	655	3.87
H.G. Boumeester 2)	-	-	1,633	3.26
P.S. Overmars 2)	-	-	1,163	4.00

R. Teerlink 2)	-	-	-	-
J.P. Schmittmann 2)	-	-	1,101	3.77

1 M.G.J. de Jong was appointed on 1 January 2008.

2 all stepped down during 2008.

Remuneration Supervisory Board

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 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 residents 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 as far as chargeable to ABN AMRO (1)

(in thousands of euros)	2008	2007
A.C. Martinez	125	130
A.A. Olijslager	90	85
D.R.J. Baron de Rothschild 2	-	60
Mrs. T.A. Maas-de Brouwer	85	80
M.V. Pratini de Moraes 2	-	75
P. Scaroni 2	-	60
Lord Sharman of Redlynch 2	-	80
R.F. van den Bergh	70	70
A. Ruys	70	70
G.J. Kramer	75	60
H.G. Randa 2	-	60
Mrs. Llopis Rivas	75	55
M. Enthoven 4	7	-
Mrs. L.S. Groenman 3	-	33

1 The remuneration is excluding an attendance fee.

2 Stepped down on 1 November 2007.

3 Resigned at 26 April 2007.

4 Appointed on 21 November 2008.

Loans from ABN AMRO to Supervisory Board members

There are no loans from ABN AMRO to Supervisory Board members.

Senior Executive Vice Presidents (SEVPs) Compensation 2008

The reward package for ABN AMRO's SEVPs, the second level of Top Executives, was also introduced in 2001. In the course of 2008 the number of SEVPs decreased from 18 at the start of 2008 to 7 by the end of 2008.

The compensation for ABN AMRO SEVPs consists of the following core elements:

- Base salary. The base salaries are benchmarked against the relevant local markets.

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- Performance bonus. The annual performance bonus is linked to the respective markets within the various countries where ABN AMRO operates. Normally 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 2008 SEVPs who were destined to join one of the Consortium Members received a replacement long term incentive award in line with the award that were granted to the members of the Managing Board as described earlier in this note.

In addition, a number of benefits apply in relation to the respective markets and countries of residence.

The total charge in the income statement for SEVPs in 2008 amounts to EUR 57 million (2007: EUR 119 million).

	2008	2007
Salaries and other short-term benefits	8	10
Pension costs	1	2
Termination benefits	41	2
Profit-sharing and bonus payments	7	51
Share-based payments	-	54
Total	57	119

44 Share-based payment plans

Before the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the Consortium of RBS, Fortis and Santander ABN AMRO granted long-term share-based incentive awards to members of the Managing Board, other Top Executives and Key Staff under a number of plans.

The plans for the Managing Board consisted of a Performance Share Plan ('PSP') and a Share Investment & Matching Plan ('SIMP'). At a lower level, the PSP was also applicable to the second tier of Top Executives, the SEVPs. Both the SEVPs and the third level of Top Executives, the Corporate EVPs could defer a part of their bonus into the Bank's shares on the basis of the SIMP. Furthermore, there was a Restricted Share Plan ('RSP') applicable for the Corporate EVPs/MDs and Key Staff. Until 2007 all these plans were equity based but the awards took place in the form of phantom shares. The last awards under the PSP and RSP plans were granted in the 2007 performance year, and also the participation in the SIMP took place for the last time in 2007.

Next to the above described plans there was also a cash-settled PSP for the Corporate EVPs for the performance cycle 2005-2008.

With effect from 2005 share options were no longer granted via the Top Executives Plan and from 2006 share options were no longer granted to Key Staff. The options were replaced by restricted shares in line with the changes for the Top Executives in 2005.

As described in Note 43 all outstanding awards and options under the Bank's LTIPs were cash settled on 17 October 2007 as a consequence of the take over of ABN AMRO by the Consortium. The total settlement amounted to EUR 1,013 of which EUR 442 million related to share options, EUR 301 million to originally equity settled share plans and EUR 270 million to phantom shares. With respect to the calculation of the cash settlement amount, the value of an ABN AMRO share was the value of a tendered share on the settlement date, 17 October 2007. This value resulted in

EUR 35.60 plus EUR 2.28 representing the value of 0,296 RBS share against the closing price of the RBS share on 17 October 2007. The value (further referred to as Settlement Price) per ABN AMRO Holding N.V. share (a 'Share') thus resulted in EUR 37.88.

45 Discontinued operations and assets and liabilities held for sale

The following tables provide a further analysis of the results reporting in the line Results from discontinued operations net of tax.

Banca Antonveneta, the Asset Management business and the Santander acquired businesses were sold in the period and are reported as discontinued operations. Private Equity is presented as held for sale but is not a discontinued operation as Private Equity is not considered to be a major line of business. Profits from discontinued operations include the related operating results and when sold, the applicable gain on sale.

Income statement of discontinued operations:

(in thousands)	2008	2007	2006
Operating income	3,960	10,285	10,945
Operating expense	2,330	6,077	6,517
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	902	1,513	1,206
Operating profit before tax	728	2,695	3,222
Gain on disposal	16,075	7,312	327
Profit before tax	16,803	10,007	3,549
Tax on operating profit	314	930	827
Tax arising on disposal	-	56	(11)
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	16,489	9,021	2,733

The tables below provide a further breakdown of the operating result and gain on disposal of discontinued operations in 2008 by major lines of business.

	2008	2007	2006
Asset Management			
Operating income	179	891	828
Operating expense	157	629	528
Operating profit before tax	22	262	300
Gain on disposal	3,073	-	-
Profit before tax	3,095	262	300
Tax on operating profit	8	91	65
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	3,087	171	235

Asset Management was sold in April 2008 and therefore only includes the results from operations for the first three months of the year.

	2008	2007	2006
Banca Antonveneta, Banco Real & other Santander acquired businesses (including Interbanca)			
Operating income	3,781	6,917	5,942
Operating expense	2,173	4,156	3,599
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	902	1,444	1,125
Operating profit before tax	706	1,317	1,218
Gain on disposal	13,004	-	-
Profit before tax	13,710	1,317	1,218
Tax on operating profit	306	569	348
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	13,404	748	870

The operating income and profit after tax of Banco Real in 2007 amounted respectively to EUR 4,874 million and EUR 807 million.

The sale of Banca Antonveneta to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena was completed in May 2008. The transfer of the remaining Santander acquired businesses to Santander was completed in July 2008.

	2008	2007	2006
ABN AMRO North America Holdings and ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc			
Operating income	-	2,477	3,641
Operating expense	-	1,344	2,117
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	-	69	62
Operating profit before tax	-	1,064	1,462
Gain / (loss) on disposal	(2)	7,312	-
Profit / (loss) from discontinued operations before tax	(2)	8,376	1,462
Tax on operating profit	-	270	339
Tax arising on disposal	-	56	-
Profit / (loss) from discontinued operations net of tax	(2)	8,050	1,123

	2008	2007	2006
Bouwfonds non-mortgage business			
Operating income	-	-	534
Operating expense	-	(52)	273
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	-	-	19
Operating profit before tax	-	52	242
Gain on disposal	-	-	327
Profit from discontinued operations before tax	-	52	569
Tax on operating profit	-	-	75
Tax arising on disposal	-	-	(11)
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	52	505

The major classes of assets and liabilities classified as held for sale as at 31 December are as follows:

	2008	2007
Assets		
Cash and balances at central banks	37	427
Financial assets held for trading	-	1,071
Financial investments	566	3,230
Loans and receivables-banks	79	6,249
Loans and receivables-customers	255	37,336
Equity accounted investments	-	24
Property and equipment	72	1,054
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	6,124
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	17	386
Other assets	557	4,557
Assets of businesses held for sale	1,583	60,458
Liabilities		
Financial assets held for trading	-	379
Due to banks	8	4,280
Due to customers	378	19,937
Issued debt securities	220	8,177
Provisions	12	1,429
Accrued expenses and deferred income	13	495
Other liabilities	233	3,993
Subordinated liabilities	-	1,090
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	864	39,780
Net assets directly associated with disposal business	719	20,678

Net assets directly associated with disposal business represent the balance of net assets and net intercompany funding.

As at 31 December 2008 these balances mainly consisted of the Private Equity businesses and some smaller businesses acquired by Santander in Latin America. As at 31 December 2007 the assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale represent balances of Banca Antonveneta, BU Asset Management and Private Equity.

Cash flows attributable to discontinued operations:

	2008	2007(1)	2006(1)
Net cash flows from operating activities	(2,547)	4,409	4,806
Net cash flows from investing activities	(2,446)	(202)	(3,975)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(416)	(1,686)	(1,070)

(1) Comparative amounts have been restated to conform to current presentation.

46 Related parties

The Group has a related party relationship with associates, joint ventures, key management and shareholders of its parent company, RFS Holdings B.V. The shareholders of RFS Holdings B.V. are RBS Group, Santander and the Dutch State. The ultimate consolidating parent of ABN AMRO, RBS Group, is controlled by the UK Government. Both the UK Government and the Dutch State are therefore related parties.

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions. The Group enters into a number of banking transactions with related parties in the normal course of business. These transactions, which include loans, deposits and foreign currency transactions, have taken place on an arm's length basis. These transactions are carried out on commercial terms and at market rates. Employees are offered preferential terms for certain banking products. No allowances for loan losses have been recognised in respect of loans to related parties in 2008 and 2007.

The equity stakes of the Dutch State and UK Government are reflected in the balance sheets of RFS Holdings B.V. and RBS Group plc respectively. Transactions conducted directly with the Dutch State and UK Government are limited to normal banking transactions, taxation and other administrative relationships. In addition the Group participates in the Dutch State treasuries market and utilises the liquidity support made available to all banks regulated by the DNB.

There may be other significant transactions with entities under the common control of or subject to significant influence by the UK Government. These would include, amongst others, loans, deposits, guarantees, fee based relationships, or equity holdings. Disclosure is made of any significant transactions with these entities.

Balances with joint ventures and associates

	2008		2007	
	Joint Ventures	Associates	Joint Ventures	Associates
Receivables	143	201	222	161
Liabilities	-	139	83	776
Guarantees given	-	332	-	448
Irrevocable facilities	-	8	-	-
Income received	40	68	43	74
Expenses paid	37	2	64	5
Total	220	750	412	1,464

Balances with Consortium Members

	2008		2007	
	RBS	Santander	RBS	Santander
Financial assets held for trading	56,529	1,525	2,821	578
Loans and receivables	7,144	7,900	10,103	112
Other assets	211	-	488	469
Financial liabilities held for trading	59,436	1,519	3,066	362
Due to banks	8,026	2	5,359	211
Other liabilities	838	-	97	-
Guarantees given	23	-	100	9
Irrevocable facilities	-	-	1,343	1
Recoverable facilities	-	10	-	-
Payment commitments	2,181	-	-	-

Financial assets and liabilities positions held for trading with RBS includes positions of which risks have been transferred to RBS in 2008. The assets and liabilities can not be offset under IFRS, however master netting agreements are in place that reduce the credit risk in the assets. As Fortis Bank Nederland N.V. has left the Consortium, no balances have been included for 2008 and comparative balances have not been included to conform with current year presentation.

Balances with Dutch State

	2008
Assets	
Balances at central banks	1,225
Financial assets held for trading	203
Financial investments – available-for-sale	3,866
Liabilities	
Deposits by banks	2,320
Tax balances	
Current tax asset	394
Current tax liability	-
Deferred tax asset	719
Deferred tax liability	-
Tax on profit	(21)
Receipts from tax authorities	42

Balances with the UK Government and its related parties

	Bank of England	2008 Banks	Financial Corporations	Total
Assets				
Balances at central banks	30	-	-	30
Debt securities	20	11	-	31
Loans and advances to banks	-	30	-	30
Derivatives	-	-	4	4
Liabilities				
Deposits by banks	-	30	-	30
Derivatives	-	-	3	3
UK central and local government				2008
Treasury bills securities held for trading				9
Tax balances				
Current tax asset				28
Current tax liability				-
Deferred tax asset				3,320
Deferred tax liability				-
Tax on profit				(2,892)
Receipts from tax authorities				5

47 Subsequent events

On 19 February 2009 Gerrit Zalm, Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO, announced the composition of the Transition Team to lead the planning for the future new bank comprising of the Dutch State acquired businesses of ABN AMRO and Fortis Bank Nederland. The members of this team are also intended to form the Managing Board of the new bank, which will be chaired by Gerrit Zalm.

On 26 February 2009, as part of their Annual Results 2008, RBS announced a restructuring plan aimed at restoring standalone strength. Assets, business lines and some geographies that are non-core will be transferred to a non-core division for disposal/run down over three to five years. This will include retail and commercial businesses of ABN AMRO in Asia acquired by RBS.

On 27 February 2009 Mark Fisher stepped down from his role of Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO. He was succeeded by Gerrit Zalm. At the same time, a number of new appointments to the ABN AMRO Managing Board were announced. This Annual Report reflects these appointments.

There have been no other significant events between the year end and the date of approval of these accounts which would require a change to our disclosure in the accounts.

48 Major subsidiaries and participating interests

Unless otherwise stated, the Group's interest is 100% or almost 100%, on 20 March 2009. 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

AA Interfinance B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Arbo Services B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Effecten Compagnie B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Hypotheken Groep B.V., Amersfoort

ABN AMRO Jonge Bedrijven Fonds B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Participaties B.V., Amsterdam

ABN AMRO Ventures II 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

New HBU II N.V., Amstelveen

Solveon Incasso B.V., Utrecht

Stater N.V., Hoevelaken

Europe (Outside the Netherlands)

ABN AMRO Bank (Luxembourg) S.A., Luxembourg

ABN AMRO Bank (Polska) S.A., Warsaw

RBS Bank (Romania) S.A., Bucharest

ABN AMRO Bank (Schweiz) A.G., Zurich

The Royal Bank of Scotland ZAO, Moscow

RBS Corporate Finance Limited, London

Banque Neuflyze OBC SA, Paris (99.84%)

CM Capital Markets Holding S.A., Madrid (45.20%) (a)

Delbrück Bethmann Maffei AG, Frankfurt am Main

RBS Hoare Govett Limited, London

North America

ABN AMRO Capital Markets Canada Ltd., Toronto

The Royal Bank of Scotland Mexico S.A. Institucion de Banca Multiple, Mexico City

ABN AMRO WCS Holding Company, New York

ABN AMRO Capital (USA) Inc., Chicago

ABN AMRO Incorporated, Chicago

Latin America

The Royal Bank of Scotland (Chile) S.A., Santiago de Chile
The Royal Bank of Scotland (Colombia) S.A., Bogota
ABN AMRO Securities (Venezuela) C.A., Caracas
RBS Finance (Chile) S.A., Santiago de Chile
RBS Securitizadora S.A., Santiago de Chile

Rest of the World

ABN AMRO Asia Ltd., Hong Kong
RBS Asia Corporate Finance Ltd., Hong Kong
The Royal Bank of Scotland Berhad, Kuala Lumpur
ABN AMRO Bank (China) Co. Ltd., Shanghai
ABN AMRO Leasing (China) Co. Ltd., Beijing
JSC SB RBS (Kazakhstan) Ltd., Almaty (80%)
Royal Bank of Scotland Uzbekistan MB, Tashkent (58.82%)
The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited, Karachi (99.22%)
The Royal Bank of Scotland (Philippines) Inc., Manila
ABN AMRO Central Enterprise Services Private Ltd., Mumbai
ABN AMRO Securities (India) Private Ltd., Mumbai
The Royal Bank of Scotland Securities (Kazakhstan) JSC, Almaty
PT RBS Finance Indonesia, Jakarta
ABN AMRO Australia Pty Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Asset Securitisation Australia Pty Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Corporate Finance Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABNED Nominees Pty Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Equities Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Equity Capital Markets Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Capital Management (Australia) Pty Limited, Sydney
ABN AMRO Investments Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Equity Derivatives New Zealand Limited, Auckland
ABN AMRO New Zealand Ltd., Auckland
ABN AMRO Securities NZ Ltd., Auckland
Saudi Hollandi Bank, Riyadh (40%) (a)

The list of participating interests for which statements of liability have been issued, has been filed with the Chamber of Commerce in Amsterdam.

The majority of the Group's subsidiaries and participating investments are regulated entities and therefore their ability to transfer funds to the Group is subject to regulatory approvals.

49 Supplemental condensed consolidating financial statements

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. is a wholly owned subsidiary of ABN AMRO Group and is able to offer and sell certain securities in the US from time to time pursuant to a registration statement on Form F-3 filed with the SEC. The Group has fully and unconditionally guaranteed the obligations of ABN AMRO Bank N.V. that have been incurred: this guarantee includes all securities issued by ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. utilises an exception in Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X and therefore does not file its financial statements with the SEC. In accordance with the requirement to qualify for the exception, presented below is condensed consolidating financial information for (i) ABN AMRO Holding N.V., on a standalone basis as guarantor ('Holding Company'); (ii) ABN AMRO Bank N.V. on a standalone basis ('Bank Company'); (iii) other subsidiaries of the Group on a combined basis ('Subsidiaries'); (iv) consolidation adjustments ('Eliminate and reclassify'); and total consolidated amounts ('ABN AMRO consolidated').

The condensed consolidated financial information is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU and IFRS as issued by the IASB, where the Group has applied Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X which requires a company to account for its investments in subsidiaries using the equity method, differing from IAS 27 which requires the Group account for investments in their subsidiaries at cost subject to impairment.

The following consolidating information presents condensed balance sheets at 31 December 2008 and 2007 and condensed statements of income and cash flows for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006 of Holding Company, Bank Company and its subsidiaries.

The condensed balance sheets at 31 December 2008 and 2007 are presented in the following tables:

Supplemental condensed consolidating balance sheet as at 31 December 2008

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Cash and balances at central banks	-	4,184	1,670	-	5,854
Financial assets held for trading	-	208,132	5,199	(678)	212,653
Financial investments	-	94,144	6,593	(33,676)	67,061
Loans and receivables-banks	-	163,197	113,983	(201,614)	75,566
Loans and receivables-customers	-	193,527	94,339	(17,359)	270,507
Equity accounted investments	17,130	10,097	587	(27,018)	796
Property and equipment	-	1,319	716	-	2,035
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	674	250	-	924
Assets of businesses held for sale	-	418	1,165	-	1,583
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	-	5,499	1,512	-	7,011
Tax assets	-	4,653	447	-	5,100
Other assets	-	11,498	6,229	-	17,727
Total assets	17,130	697,342	232,690	(280,345)	666,817
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	189,886	2,201	-	192,087
Due to banks	8	154,423	111,344	(171,155)	94,620
Due to customers	-	232,367	24,456	(47,819)	209,004
Issued debt securities	-	74,674	70,976	(34,354)	111,296
Provisions	-	1,113	3,031	-	4,144
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	-	484	380	-	864
Accrued expenses and deferred income	-	6,880	1,538	-	8,418
Tax liabilities	45	278	377	-	700
Other liabilities	-	8,964	6,048	-	15,012
Subordinated liabilities	-	11,147	2,402	-	13,549
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	17,077	17,130	9,887	(27,017)	17,077
Minority interests	-	(4)	50	-	46
Total liabilities and equity	17,130	697,342	232,690	(280,345)	666,817

Supplemental condensed consolidating balance sheet as at 31 December 2007

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Cash and balances at central banks	–	11,094	5,656	–	16,750
Financial assets held for trading	–	228,929	16,450	(3,102)	242,277
Financial investments	–	95,344	25,572	(24,481)	96,435
Loans and receivables-banks	–	233,217	98,185	(155,706)	175,696
Loans and receivables-customers	–	275,887	157,705	(35,261)	398,331
Equity accounted investments	31,301	24,116	615	(55,161)	871
Property and equipment	–	1,462	1,547	(262)	2,747
Goodwill and other intangible assets	–	883	1,136	(595)	1,424
Assets of businesses held for sale	–	4,399	52,680	3,379	60,458
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	–	8,818	3,776	(14)	12,580
Tax assets	–	2,971	2,055	(151)	4,875
Other assets	–	5,059	8,320	(610)	12,769
Total assets	31,301	892,179	373,697	(271,964)	1,025,213
Financial liabilities held for trading	–	148,215	7,262	(1)	155,476
Due to banks	906	260,632	122,699	(144,903)	239,334
Due to customers	–	318,204	57,944	(45,796)	330,352
Issued debt securities	–	104,882	97,272	(27,159)	174,995
Provisions	–	685	5,984	(125)	6,544
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	–	–	38,062	1,718	39,780
Accrued expenses and deferred income	–	7,793	4,506	(55)	12,244
Tax liabilities	–	957	703	431	2,091
Other liabilities	52	7,683	11,252	(915)	18,072
Subordinated liabilities	768	11,849	2,998	1	15,616
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	29,575	31,301	23,859	(55,160)	29,575
Minority interests	–	(22)	1,156	–	1,134
Total liabilities and equity	31,301	892,179	373,697	(271,964)	1,025,213

The condensed income statements for 2008, 2007 and 2006 are presented in the following tables:

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2008

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	178	4,382	1,223	-	5,783
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	(13,041)	(509)	-	13,550	-
Net commissions	-	1,546	1,083	-	2,629
Trading income	-	(9,765)	441	-	(9,324)
Results from financial transactions	-	(565)	(1,119)	-	(1,684)
Other operating income	-	170	1,968	-	2,138
Total operating income	(12,863)	(4,741)	3,596	13,550	(458)
Operating expenses	1	7,888	3,740	-	11,629
Provision loan losses	-	3,169	218	-	3,387
Operating profit before tax	(12,864)	(15,798)	(362)	13,550	(15,474)
Taxes	45	(2,757)	132	-	(2,580)
Discontinued operations	16,489	6,940	319	(7,259)	16,489
Profit for the year	3,580	(6,101)	(175)	6,291	3,595
Minority interests	-	-	15	-	15
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	3,580	(6,101)	(190)	6,291	3,580

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2007

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	26	3,545	1,024	-	4,595
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	818	2,151	-	(2,969)	-
Net commissions	-	2,454	1,398	-	3,852
Trading income	-	717	402	-	1,119
Results from financial transactions	-	446	688	-	1,134
Other operating income	-	293	5,005	-	5,298
Total operating income	844	9,606	8,517	(2,969)	15,998
Operating expenses	2	8,805	5,978	-	14,785
Provision loan losses	-	632	85	-	717
Operating profit before tax	842	169	2,454	(2,969)	496
Taxes	15	(649)	176	-	(458)
Discontinued operations	9,021	9,021	1,812	(10,833)	9,021
Profit for the year	9,848	9,839	4,090	(13,802)	9,975
Minority interests	-	-	127	-	127
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	9,848	9,839	3,963	(13,802)	9,848

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2006

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	66	3,486	671	–	4,223
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	1,948	1,085	–	(3,033)	–
Net commissions	–	2,270	1,371	–	3,641
Trading income	–	2,342	285	–	2,627
Results from financial transactions	–	243	524	–	767
Other operating income	–	478	5,894	–	6,372
Total operating income	2,014	9,904	8,745	(3,033)	17,630
Operating expenses	2	7,318	7,382	–	14,702
Provision loan losses	–	500	168	–	668
Operating profit before tax	2,012	2,086	1,195	(3,033)	2,260
Taxes	30	138	45	–	213
Discontinued operations	2,733	2,733	2,380	(5,113)	2,733
Profit for the year	4,715	4,681	3,530	(8,146)	4,780
Minority interests	–	–	65	–	65
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	4,715	4,681	3,465	(8,146)	4,715

The condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2008, 2007 and 2006 are presented in the following tables:

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2008

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Total net cash flows from operating activities	16,403	(12,469)	(39,722)	(1,627)	(37,415)
Net outflow of investment/sale of securities investment portfolios	–	9,178	9,101	–	18,279
Net outflow of investment/sale of participating interests	–	3	23,859	–	23,862
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	–	(116)	(226)	–	(342)
Net outflow of investment of intangibles	–	(201)	(78)	–	(279)
Net cash flows from investing activities	–	8,864	32,656	–	41,520
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	–	(881)	471	–	(410)
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	–	(19,706)	1,335	–	(18,371)
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	3,708	–	–	–	3,708
Other changes in equity	–	–	7	–	7
Cash dividends paid	(19,213)	–	(1,627)	1,627	(19,213)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(15,505)	(20,587)	186	1,627	(34,279)
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	–	3,855	120	–	3,975
Cash flows	898	(20,337)	(6,760)	–	(26,199)

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2007

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Total net cash flows operating activities	113	9,541	(13,928)	(609)	(4,883)
Net outflow of investment/sale of securities investment portfolios	–	148	(4,106)	–	(3,958)
Net outflow of investment/sale of participating interests	–	(27)	15,262	–	15,235
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	–	(114)	(100)	–	(214)
Net outflow of investment of intangibles	–	(280)	(245)	–	(525)
Net cash flows from investing activities	–	(273)	10,811	–	10,538
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	–	(668)	966	–	298
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	–	(2,988)	9,339	–	6,351
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	(1,223)	–	–	–	(1,223)
Other changes in equity	(743)	–	(980)	–	(1,723)
Cash dividends paid	(1,540)	–	(609)	609	(1,540)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(3,506)	(3,656)	8,716	609	2,163
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	–	(75)	137	–	62
Cash flows	(3,393)	5,537	5,736	–	7,880

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2006

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Total net cash flows operating activities	1,537	(265)	(2,515)	(3,316)	(4,559)
Net outflow of investment/sale of securities investment portfolios	–	(7,006)	(768)	–	(7,774)
Net outflow of investment/sale of participating interests	–	19	(5,665)	–	(5,646)
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	–	(125)	(764)	–	(889)
Net outflow of investment of intangibles	–	(261)	(528)	–	(789)
Net cash flows from investing activities	–	(7,373)	(7,725)	–	(15,098)
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	–	80	–	213
Cash dividends paid	(807)	(1,521)	(1,795)	3,316	(807)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(2,735)	6,405	11,236	3,316	18,222
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	–	71	193	–	264
Cash flows	(1,198)	(1,162)	1,189	–	(1,171)

Other information

The parent company financial statements are included in this condensed consolidating footnote. The number of ordinary shares in issuance at 31 December 2008 was 3,306,843,332 (2007: 1,936,847,516, 2006: 1,936,847,516). The total number of authorised ordinary shares amounts to 8,400,000,400.

Proposed profit appropriation of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., pursuant to article 37.2 and 37.3 of the articles of association, is as follows:

(in millions of euros)	2008	2007	2006
(Release from) / addition to reserves	(15,633)	8,777	2,562
Dividends on ordinary shares	19,213	1,071	2,153
	3,580	9,848	4,715
Dividends on preference shares	–	36	36

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Guarantees

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. guarantees all liabilities of ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

Amsterdam, 24 March 2009

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

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of 31 December 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. 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 audit. The consolidated financial statements of the Company, before the effects of the retrospective adjustments for (1) the operations discontinued in 2008 as discussed in the Accounting policies, (2) the disclosures for changes in the composition of reportable segments in 2009 as discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, and (3) the presentation of discontinued operations in the consolidated statement of cash flows, for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 2006 were audited by other auditors whose report, dated 25 March 2008, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). 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 audit provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such 2008 consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries at 31 December 2008, and the result of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

We have also audited the retrospective adjustments to the 2007 and 2006 consolidated financial statements for (1) the operations discontinued in 2008 as discussed in the Accounting Policies; (2) the disclosures for changes in the composition of reportable segments in 2009, as discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, and (3) the consolidated statement of cash flows restated for the presentation of discontinued operations as discussed in the Accounting Policies. Our procedures included (1) obtaining the Company's underlying accounting analysis prepared by management of the retrospective adjustments for discontinued operations, reportable segments and cash flows and comparing the retrospectively adjusted amounts to the consolidated financial statements, (2) testing the mathematical accuracy of the accounting analysis, and (3) on a test basis, obtaining the Company's supporting documentation for these adjustments. In our opinion, such retrospective adjustments are appropriate and have been properly applied. However, we were not engaged to audit, review, or apply any procedures to the 2007 or 2006 consolidated financial statements of the Company other than with respect to the retrospective adjustments and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the 2007 or 2006 consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of 31 December 2008, based on the criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report, dated 24 March 2009, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Deloitte Accountants B.V.

Amsterdam, 24 March 2009 (28 September 2009 as to the retrospective adjustments related to the change in the composition of reportable segments described in Note 1)

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

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of 31 December 2008, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting on page 228. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of 31 December 2008, based on the COSO criteria.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the accompanying consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended 31 December 2008 of the Company and our report, dated 24 March 2009 (28 September 2009 as to the retrospective adjustments related to the change in the composition of reportable segments described in Note 1), expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and includes an explanatory paragraph concerning the retrospective adjustments to the 2007 and

2006 consolidated financial statements.

/s/ Deloitte Accountants B.V.

Amsterdam, 24 March 2009

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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, before the effects of adjustments to retrospectively reflect the discontinued operation and the change in the composition of reportable segments, discussed in Note 1 of the consolidated financial statements, the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries as of 31 December 2007, and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the two-year period ended 31 December 2007 (the 2007 and 2006 consolidated financial statements before the effects of the retrospective adjustments described above are not presented herein). 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, before the effects of the adjustments described above, 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, before the effects of the adjustments described above, present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and subsidiaries as at 31 December 2007, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the two-year period ended 31 December 2007, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by European Union and International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

We were not engaged to audit, review, or apply any procedures to the adjustments to retrospectively reflect the discontinued operations and the change in the composition of reportable segments described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements and accordingly, we do not express an opinion nor any other form of assurance about whether such adjustments are appropriate and have been properly applied. Those retrospective adjustments were audited by other auditors.

Amsterdam, The Netherlands
25 March 2008

/s/ Ernst & Young Accountants LLP

Selected statistical information

This section of the report contains supplementary information that is more detailed than the data presented in the operational results per BU.

Average Balance Sheet

The following table present ABN AMRO's average balances, based on month-end averages, and interest amounts and average rates for the years 2008, 2007 and 2006.

Average assets (1)

(in millions of euros, except percentages)	2008			2007			2006		
	Average balance	Interest income	Average rate (%)	Average balance	Interest income	Average rate (%)	Average balance	Interest income	Average rate (%)
Balances at central banks									
· The Netherlands	5,916	253	4.3	5,562	221	4.0	5,487	160	2.9
· Rest of the world	1,997	58	2.9	2,573	61	2.4	3,180	60	1.9
Financial investments									
· The Netherlands	67,512	3,377	5.0	69,871	3,179	4.5	72,458	2,791	3.9
· Rest of the world	15,634	657	4.2	18,294	777	4.2	18,108	751	4.1
Loans and receivables - banks									
· The Netherlands	11,977	541	4.5	13,091	589	4.5	11,530	476	4.1
· Rest of the world	13,327	675	5.1	15,255	833	5.5	18,455	735	4.0
Loans and receivables – customers (2)									
· The Netherlands	181,576	10,325	5.7	163,815	9,170	5.6	156,426	8,182	5.2
· Rest of the world	124,254	6,194	5.0	147,552	7,904	5.4	126,282	6,185	4.9
Total interest-earning assets	422,193	22,080	5.2	436,013	22,734	5.2	411,926	19,340	4.7
Total interest-earning assets - trading	169,897			258,104			192,454		
Subtotal	592,090			694,117			604,380		
Non-interest-earning assets	260,672			214,520			191,956		
Total average assets	852,762	22,080	2.6	908,637	22,734	2.5	796,336	19,340	2.4
Interest earning assets as a percentage of total interest earning assets									
· The Netherlands	63%								
· Rest of the world	37%								

(1) Assets temporarily sold (subject to repurchase) are included in the relevant balance sheet item.

(2)

For purpose of presentation in this table, loans include professional securities transactions and public sector which represents central, regional and local governments and governmental authorities.

Average liabilities and group equity

(in millions of euros, except percentages)	2008			2007			2006		
	Average balance	Interest expense	Average rate (%)	Average balance	Interest expense	Average rate (%)	Average balance	Interest expense	Average rate (%)
Due to banks									
· The Netherlands	60,664	2,598	4.3	63,668	2,743	4.3	54,636	1,710	3.1
· Rest of the world	39,069	1,672	4.3	44,674	1,913	4.3	45,457	1,891	4.2
Due to customers (1)									
· The Netherlands	136,403	4,691	3.4	140,954	4,788	3.4	135,051	3,860	2.9
· Rest of the world	89,986	2,817	3.1	113,366	4,326	3.8	98,427	3,357	3.4
Issued debt securities									
· The Netherlands	80,803	3,960	4.9	95,801	4,651	4.9	125,348	4,628	3.7
· Rest of the world	30,915	1,196	3.9	36,906	1,870	5.1	27,583	1,318	4.8
Subordinated liabilities									
· The Netherlands	11,115	540	4.9	12,862	564	4.4	12,074	567	4.7
· Rest of the world	2,718	163	6.0	3,163	195	6.2	4,323	279	6.5
Internal funding of the trading book									
	(34,760)	(1,340)	3.9	(74,979)	(2,911)	3.9	(63,967)	(2,493)	3.9
Total interest-bearing	416,913	16,297	3.9	436,415	18,139	4.2	438,932	15,117	3.4
Total interest-bearing securities -trading	179,273			250,807			189,769		
Subtotal	596,186			687,222			628,701		
Non-interest-bearing liabilities	223,892			195,778			144,808		
Group equity	32,684			25,637			22,827		
Total average liabilities and equity	852,762	16,297	1.9	908,637	18,139	2.0	796,336	15,117	1.9
Interest bearing liabilities as a percentage of total interest bearing liabilities									
· The Netherlands	64%								
· Rest of the world	36%								

(1) For presentation in this table, due to customers includes professional securities transactions and savings accounts.

(2) Equity includes minority interests.

Changes in net interest income - volume and interest rate analysis

The following tables allocate, by categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities, changes in interest income and expenses due to changes in volume and in rates for 2008 compared to 2007 and for 2007 compared to 2006. Volume and rate variances have been calculated on the basis of movements in average balances and changes in interest rates. Changes due to a combination of volume and rate have been allocated proportionally.

Assets

(in millions of euros)	2008 over 2007 Change interest income	Volume/Rate changes		2007 over 2006 Change interest income	Volume/Rate changes	
		Volume	Rate		Volume	Rate
Balances at central banks						
· The Netherlands	32	15	17	61	2	59
· Rest of the world	(3)	(15)	12	1	(13)	14
Financial investments						
· The Netherlands	198	(110)	308	388	(103)	491
· Rest of the world	(120)	(112)	(8)	26	8	18
Loans and receivables - banks						
· The Netherlands	(48)	(50)	2	113	68	45
· Rest of the world	(158)	(100)	(58)	98	(143)	241
Loans and receivables - customers (1)						
· The Netherlands	1,155	1,008	147	988	397	591
· Rest of the world	(1,710)	(1,188)	(522)	1,719	1,104	615
	(654)	(552)	(102)	3,394	1,320	2,074

(1) For purposes of presentation in this table, loans include professional securities transactions.

Liabilities

(in millions of euros)	2008 over 2007 Change interest expense	Volume/Rate changes		2007 over 2006 Change interest expense	Volume/Rate changes	
		Volume	Rate		Volume	Rate
Financial liabilities held for trading	1,571	1,551	20	(418)	(428)	10
Due to banks						
· The Netherlands	(145)	(129)	(16)	1,033	315	718
· Rest of the world	(241)	(240)	(1)	22	(33)	55
Due to customers (1)						
· The Netherlands	(97)	(156)	59	928	175	753
· Rest of the world	(1,509)	(807)	(702)	969	543	426
Issued debt securities	(1,365)	(1,009)	(356)	575	(770)	1,345
Subordinated liabilities						
· The Netherlands	(24)	(81)	57	(3)	36	(39)
· Rest of the world	(32)	(27)	(5)	(84)	(72)	(12)
	(1,842)	(898)	(944)	3,022	(234)	3,256

(1) Due to customers includes savings accounts.

Yields, spreads and margins

The following table presents selected yield, spread and margin information applicable to ABN AMRO for 2008, 2007 and 2006.

Yields, spreads and margins

(in percentages)	2008	2007	2006
Gross yield (1)			
· The Netherlands	5.4	5.2	4.7
· Rest of the world	4.9	5.2	4.7
· Total group	5.2	5.2	4.7
Interest rate spread (2)			
· The Netherlands	1.4	1.1	1.4
· Rest of the world	1.4	0.8	0.8
· Total group	1.3	1.0	1.2
Net interest margin (3)			
· The Netherlands	1.2	0.9	0.9
· Rest of the world	0.4	0.3	0.3
· Total group	0.7	0.5	0.5

(1) Gross yield represents the interest rate earned on average interest earning assets.

(2) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the interest rate earned on average interest earning assets and the rate paid on average interest bearing liabilities.

(3) Net interest income as a percentage of total interest earning assets.

Assets

Securities

Investment portfolios

For an overview of ABN AMRO's financial investments at 31 December 2008 and 2007, under IFRS, please refer to Note 15 in Section 5: 'Financial Statements'.

Trading portfolios

For an overview of ABN AMRO's trading portfolio at 31 December 2008 and 2007, under IFRS, please refer to Note 14 in Section 5: Financial Statements'.

Concentration

At 31 December 2008, ABN AMRO held the following securities positions in issuers, which exceeded 10% of ABN AMRO's shareholders' equity at that date:

(in millions of euros)	At 31 December	
	2008	2007
German central government	8,358	16,817
Dutch central government	3,687	7,599
French central government	2,986	5,688
Italian central government	2,087	4,696
Brazilian central government	*	4,539
South Korean central government	*	3,549

* not applicable

Loans and receivables – banks

The following table show loans to and receivables from banks.

Loans and receivables – banks

(in millions of euros)	At 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
· The Netherlands	15,041	11,309	15,290	11,256	10,058
· North America	902	1,325	2,488	4,304	5,729
· Rest of the world	59,623	163,064	117,041	93,075	68,071
Total loans to banks	75,566	175,698	134,819	108,635	83,858

The table below shows an analysis of the remaining life of loans to and receivables from banks at 31 December 2008.

Loans and receivables – banks – maturities

(in millions of euros)

	Remaining life At 31 December 2008			Total
	Within 1 year	After 1 year and within 5 years	After 5 years	
· The Netherlands	13,902	611	528	15,041
· North America	902	–	–	902
· Rest of the world	57,247	2,015	361	59,623
Total loans to banks	72,051	2,626	889	75,566

Loans and receivables - customers

ABN AMRO's loan portfolio consists of loans, overdrafts, assets subject to operating leases, finance lease receivables to governments, corporations and consumers and reverse repurchase agreements. Geographic analyses of loans are, unless otherwise specifically indicated, based on the location of the branch or office from which the loan is made.

Loans and receivables – customers

(in millions of euros)

	At 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Public sector	8,786	5,739	11,567	7,461	6,059
Commercial	138,484	144,613	180,262	152,411	127,044
Consumer	109,298	123,253	135,484	122,708	107,124
Professional securities transactions	13,193	98,270	93,716	74,724	59,269
Multi-seller conduits	5,264	29,457	25,872	25,931	23,700
Total loans (gross)	275,025	401,332	446,901	383,235	323,196
Allowances for impairment	(4,518)	(3,001)	(3,646)	(2,987)	(3,174)
Total loans and receivables - customers	270,507	398,331	443,255	380,248	320,022

The decrease of total loans from EUR 401 billion to EUR 275 billion reflects the transfer of businesses to RBS and the sale of Banco Real and businesses to Santander.

(in millions of euros)

Total loans and receivables customers by geography at 31 December 2008

	Commercial	Consumer	Professional securities transactions	Public sector	Multi-seller conduits	Total
The Netherlands	63,628	102,351	916	1,590	1,698	170,183
Europe	44,712	2,077	8,467	544	-	55,800
North America	9,028	1	3,458	105	-	12,592
Latin America	525	4	-	-	-	529
Asia	16,935	4,003	352	6,547	3,566	31,403
Total	134,828	108,436	13,193	8,786	5,264	270,507

(in millions of euros)

Total loans and receivables customers by geography at 31 December 2007

	Commercial	Consumer	Professional securities transactions	Public sector	Multi-seller conduits	Total
The Netherlands	59,492	102,127	4,599	1,547	9,485	177,250
Europe	42,008	3,769	49,750	1,003	-	94,530
North America	9,355	1	43,402	77	13,970	66,805
Latin America	13,739	11,894	1	350	-	25,984
Asia	18,245	4,235	518	2,762	6,002	31,762
Total	142,839	122,026	98,270	5,739	29,457	398,331

For a breakdown of loans and receivables – customers by region, please refer to Note 38 in Section 5: ‘Financial Statements’.

For a breakdown of credit risk concentrations from credit facilities and guarantees issued, please refer to Note 38 in Section 5: ‘Financial Statements’.

Balances relating to professional securities transactions and multi-seller conduits are not covered by the following analysis as these balances do not share the same characteristics as the main lending activities of the Bank. In particular professional securities transactions are short term in nature.

Outstanding loans

The following table provides an overview of our loans by region and customer type.

Outstanding loans

(in millions of euros)

	At 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
The Netherlands					
· Public sector	1,590	1,547	3,286	2,300	1,055
· Commercial	66,043	60,189	55,951	56,182	53,788
· Consumer	102,727	102,378	97,600	94,603	88,585
Total The Netherlands	170,360	164,114	156,837	153,085	143,428
Rest of Europe					
· Public sector	544	1,003	1,527	1,454	1,826
· Commercial	45,477	42,416	57,425	30,882	23,102
· Consumer	2,384	3,863	12,529	1,539	1,365
Total Rest of Europe	48,405	47,282	71,481	33,875	26,293
North America					
· Public sector	105	77	677	735	792
· Commercial	9,206	9,542	42,179	44,693	35,460
· Consumer	–	–	13,017	15,218	9,716
Total North America	9,311	9,619	55,873	60,646	45,968
Latin America					
· Public sector	–	350	507	596	82
· Commercial	531	14,085	10,095	8,024	4,714
· Consumer	4	12,601	8,320	7,270	4,246
Total Latin America	535	27,036	18,922	15,890	9,042
Rest of the World					
· Public sector	6,547	2,762	5,570	2,376	2,304
· Commercial	17,227	18,381	14,612	12,630	9,980
· Consumer	4,183	4,411	4,018	4,078	3,212
Total Rest of the World	27,957	25,554	24,200	19,084	15,496
Total loans (gross)	256,568	273,605	327,313	282,580	240,227

Maturities

The following table provides an analysis of loan maturities at 31 December 2008. Determinations of maturities are based on contract terms.

Loans maturities

(in millions of euros)

	At 31 December 2008			Total
	Within 1 year	After 1 year and within 5 years	After 5 years	
The Netherlands				
· Public sector	281	632	677	1,590
· Commercial	25,511	23,354	17,178	66,043
· Consumer	7,094	4,678	90,955	102,727
Total The Netherlands	32,886	28,664	108,810	170,360
Rest of Europe				
· Public sector	192	120	232	544
· Commercial	29,381	10,632	5,464	45,477
· Consumer	808	520	1,056	2,384
Total Rest of Europe	30,381	11,272	6,752	48,405
North America				
· Public sector	8	46	51	105
· Commercial	5,658	1,944	1,604	9,206
Total North America	5,666	1,990	1,655	9,311
Latin America				
· Commercial	326	156	49	531
· Consumer	–	2	2	4
Total Latin America	326	158	51	535
Rest of the World				
· Public sector	6,489	–	58	6,547
· Commercial	13,776	2,971	480	17,227
· Consumer	2,181	1,371	631	4,183
Total Rest of the World	22,446	4,342	1,169	27,957
Total loans (gross)	91,705	46,426	118,437	256,568

Interest rate sensitivity

The following table analyses at 31 December 2008 the interest rate sensitivity of loans due after one year and within five years, and loans due after five years, broken down by region.

Loans - interest rate sensitivity

(in millions of euros)	At variable rate(1)	At adjustable rate(2)	At fixed rate(3)	Total
Due after 1 and within 5 years				
The Netherlands				
· Public sector	–	–	632	632
· Commercial	2,001	–	21,353	23,354
· Consumer	233	–	4,445	4,678
Total The Netherlands	2,234	–	26,430	28,664
Rest of Europe				
· Public sector	80	–	40	120
· Commercial	8,319	727	1,586	10,632
· Consumer	143	135	242	520
Total Rest of Europe	8,542	862	1,868	11,272
North America				
· Public sector	–	46	–	46
· Commercial	61	1,871	12	1,944
· Consumer	–	–	–	–
Total North America	61	1,917	12	1,990
Latin America				
· Public sector	–	–	–	–
· Commercial	85	40	31	156
· Consumer	2	–	–	2
Total Latin America	87	40	31	158
Rest of the World				
· Public sector	–	–	–	–
· Commercial	2,511	10	450	2,971
· Consumer	687	6	678	1,371
Total Rest of the World	3,198	16	1,128	4,342
Total (gross)	14,122	2,835	29,469	46,426

(1) Variable rate loans are EURIBOR, London interbank offered rate (LIBOR) and prime rate-based loans as well as adjustable rate loans with fixed interest periods of up to one year.

(2) Adjustable rate loans are loans with fixed interest rates for a period that is shorter than the entire term of the loan.

(3) Fixed rate loans are loans for which the interest rate is fixed for the entire term.

Loans - interest rate sensitivity (continued)

(in millions of euros)	At variable rate(1)	At adjustable rate(2)	At fixed rate(3)	Total
Due after 5 years				
The Netherlands				
· Public sector	3	–	674	677
· Commercial	582	–	16,596	17,178
· Consumer	2,858	–	88,097	90,955
Total The Netherlands	3,443	–	105,367	108,810
Rest of Europe				
· Public sector	76	–	156	232
· Commercial	4,397	59	1,008	5,464
· Consumer	850	17	189	1,056
Total Rest of Europe	5,323	76	1,353	6,752
North America				
· Public sector	–	30	21	51
· Commercial	28	1,570	6	1,604
· Consumer	–	–	–	–
Total North America	28	1,600	27	1,655
Latin America				
· Public sector	–	–	–	–
· Commercial	11	19	19	49
· Consumer	2	–	–	2
Total Latin America	13	19	19	51
Rest of the World				
· Public sector	58	–	–	58
· Commercial	214	–	266	480
· Consumer	499	8	124	631
Total Rest of the World	771	8	390	1,169
Total (gross)	9,578	1,703	107,156	118,437
Due within 1 year				91,705
Total (gross) loans				256,568

(1) Variable rate loans are EURIBOR, London interbank offered rate (LIBOR) and prime rate-based loans as well as adjustable rate loans with fixed interest periods of up to one year.

(2) Adjustable rate loans are loans with fixed interest rates for a period that is shorter than the entire term of the loan.

(3) Fixed rate loans are loans for which the interest rate is fixed for the entire term.

Private sector loans by type of collateral

The following table analyses private sector loans by type of collateral at the dates indicated. Unsecured loans include loans for which ABN AMRO has the right to require collateral.

(in millions of euros)	At 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Commercial					
Public authority guarantees	5,712	5,341	5,417	4,404	8,135
Mortgages	5,687	7,742	18,490	28,441	23,956
Securities	2,291	2,606	2,039	3,487	764
Bank guarantees	5,082	9,180	2,954	3,121	3,029
Other types of collateral	48,289	38,772	52,163	50,439	31,781
Unsecured	71,423	80,972	99,199	62,519	59,379
Total commercial loans	138,484	144,613	180,262	152,411	127,044
Consumer					
Public authority guarantees	187	141	159	3	151
Mortgages	94,146	95,472	103,272	93,826	79,639
Securities	804	1,120	872	2,074	2,647
Bank guarantees	19	14	31	856	2,414
Other types of collateral	4,861	10,274	12,062	7,077	7,354
Unsecured	9,281	16,232	19,088	18,872	14,919
Total consumer loans	109,298	123,253	135,484	122,708	107,124
Total private sector loans (gross)	247,782	267,866	315,746	275,119	234,168
Total private sector loans (net) (1)	243,265	264,865	312,112	272,132	230,994

(1) The difference between total private sector loans (gross) and total private sector loans (net) represents ABN AMRO's specific allowance for loan losses. For a discussion of ABN AMRO's provisioning policy, refer to Note 18 in Section 5: 'Financial Statements'.

Commercial Loans by Industry

In 2008 ABN AMRO changed its industry breakdown in order to align with RBS Group reporting based on Standard Industry Codes ('SIC') codes. Restating comparative figures prior to 2007 would be impractical, hence these comparatives are presented in line with prior periods' categorisation.

The following tables analyse commercial loans by industry at the dates indicated.

(in millions of euros)	At 31 December	
	2008	2007
Central and local government	523	–
Manufacturing	30,980	28,375
Construction	1,967	2,386
Finance	33,996	36,578
Service industries and other business activities	56,353	57,857
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	5,099	8,220
Property and mortgages	9,566	11,197
Total commercial loans (gross)	138,484	144,613

(in millions of euros)	At 31 December			
	2007	2006	2005	2004
Basic material	10,724	15,126	8,263	7,430
Real estate	11,197	23,712	26,301	21,477
Industrial	36,607	39,666	22,757	18,323
Energy	10,699	5,424	7,391	5,584
Financial services	22,573	21,407	22,555	20,967
TMT (media and communications)	10,249	10,092	10,575	9,124
Consumer cyclical	22,242	43,775	36,673	29,771
Consumer non-cyclical	16,992	16,204	12,291	10,618
Health	3,330	4,856	5,605	3,750
Total commercial loans (gross)	144,613	180,262	152,411	127,044

Loan Portfolio by Region

Set out below is an analysis of ABN AMRO's loan portfolio by region. The loan portfolio of ABN AMRO's Netherlands, European (outside the Netherlands) and North American operations comprised 89% (2007: 81%) of ABN AMRO's total loan portfolio at 31 December 2008. The remainder of the total loan portfolio (categorised hereunder 'Rest of the World') at 31 December 2008 includes 10% from Asian operations (2007: 9%), less than 1% from Latin American operations (2007: 10%) and less than 1% from Middle East and African operations (2007: less than 1%).

The Netherlands loan portfolio

The Netherlands loan portfolio is comprised of loans originated from offices and branches located in the Netherlands. The following tables analyse, at the dates indicated, the Netherlands loan portfolio broken down into the location of the borrower, and, in the case of private sector loans, type of collateral and industry of the borrower.

The Netherlands - loans by customer portfolio

(in millions of euros)

	At 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Public sector					
· The Netherlands	421	297	421	480	601
· Rest of Europe	889	874	1,985	1,468	35
· North America	–	–	300	–	–
· Rest of the World	280	376	580	352	419
Total public sector loans (gross)	1,590	1,547	3,286	2,300	1,055
Private sector					
· The Netherlands	149,117	141,087	136,362	135,842	129,379
· Rest of Europe	10,750	10,557	7,241	5,941	7,228
· North America	761	973	1,929	2,244	1,341
· Rest of the World	8,142	9,950	8,019	6,758	4,425
Total private sector loans (gross)	168,770	162,567	153,551	150,785	142,373

The Netherlands - private sector loans by type of collateral

(in millions of euros)

	At 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Commercial					
Public authority guarantees	1,092	922	2,234	971	5,270
Mortgages	4,111	344	3,660	11,209	10,602
Securities	1,361	379	707	240	138
Bank guarantees	265	204	428	293	495
Other types of collateral	19,198	16,730	15,394	16,012	1,585
Unsecured	40,016	41,610	33,528	27,457	35,698