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#### **Financial Calendar 2006**

Preliminary results 2005	23 February
Annual general meeting	25 April
Ex-dividend date	26 April
Payment of dividend	8 May
First quarter	11 May
Second quarter	10 August
Third quarter	2 November

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In accordance with Section 3-9 of the Norwegian Accounting Act, DnB NOR Group prepares consolidated accounts in accordance with IFRS principles, including IAS 34 – Interim Financial Reporting. A description of the accounting principles applied by the Group in preparing the accounts is found in the annual report for 2005.



# Section 1 DnB NOR - an overview

#### **Financial highlights**

## Second quarter 2006 results

- Pre-tax operating profit up 16 per cent to NOK 3.7 billion (3.2)
- Profit for the period up 19 per cent to NOK 2.9 billion (2.4)
- Ordinary expenses cut back to 50.5 per cent of income (52.9)
- Return on equity was 19.2 per cent (18.0)
- Earnings per share were NOK 2.11 (1.78)

Figures for second quarter 2005 in parentheses.

## First half 2006 results

- Pre-tax operating profit up 26 per cent to NOK 7.4 billion (5.9)
- Profit for the period up 28 per cent to NOK 5.7 billion (4.4)
- Ordinary expenses cut back to 49.3 per cent of income (52.7)
- Return on equity was 19.2 per cent (16.9)
- Earnings per share were NOK 4.21 (3.32)

Figures for first half 2005 in parentheses.

#### **DnB NOR - Norway's leading financial services group**

DnB NOR Group	As at	30 June 2006
<ul> <li>Total combined assets</li> <li>Total balance sheet</li> <li>Net lending</li> <li>Customer deposits</li> <li>Market capitalisation</li> </ul>	NOK NOK NOK NOK	1 573 billion 1 223 billion 765 billion 460 billion 103 billion
<ul> <li>DnB NOR Asset management</li> <li>Mutual funds (external clients)</li> <li>Discretionary management (external clients)</li> <li>Total assets under management (external clients)</li> </ul>	NOK NOK NOK	93 billion 257 billion 350 billion
Vital		

#### **Customer base**

- of which unit linked

Total assets

- Serving 2.2 million retail banking customers throughout Norway, of which 824 000 use Internet in active communication (e-dialogue customers)
- More than 187 000 corporate customers in Norway
- Some 985 000 individuals insured in Norway
- DnB NOR Asset Management has more than 664 000 mutual fund customers in Norway and 331 institutional clients in Norway and Sweden

#### **Market shares**

See business areas

•	Corporate Banking and Payment Services	pp. 38-47
•	Retail Banking	pp. 48-52
•	DnB NOR Markets	pp. 53-57
•	Vital	pp. 58-67
•	DnB NOR Asset Management	pp. 68-72
•	DnB NORD	pp. 73-74

#### **Distribution network**

- 195 domestic DnB NOR branches
- 17 Nordlandsbanken branches
- 7 international branches
- 6 international representative offices
- 43 Postbanken sales outlets
- 126 DnB NORD branches
- Internet banking
- Electronic banking
- Telephone banking

- Online equities trading in 13 markets
- Online mutual funds trading

NOK

NOK

214 billion

15 billion

- About 300 post office counters <sup>1)</sup>
- About 1 200 in-store postal outlets <sup>1)</sup>
- About 1 800 rural postmen 1)
- 80 DnB NOR Eiendom sales offices
- 18 Vital sales offices
- 53 Vital agent companies

## Credit ratings from international rating agencies

	Моо	dy's	Standard & Poor's		
	Long-term	Short-term	Long-term	Short-term	
NOR Bank ASA	Aa3	P-1	A +	A-1	



<sup>1)</sup> Provided by Norway Post (the Norwegian postal system)

#### **Group strategy**

DnB NOR has the largest customer base in the Norwegian financial market and is a leader in most market segments. This market position provides a sound basis for generating further growth by developing and strengthening customer relationships. The business idea reflects DnB NOR's ambitions:

DnB NOR will be customers' best financial partner and will meet their needs for financial solutions.

A local presence and a full range of services are our strengths.

In the corporate and retail customer segments, work is in progress to further develop service concepts and a product range well-adapted to meet individual customer needs. Improved advisory services and decision-making as close as possible to the customer are important aspects of the strategy. DnB NOR's various business areas work in close cooperation to offer customers good financial solutions at all times. DnB NOR must develop new products and services in step with the needs of the market. It is essential to offer solutions that bring convenience to the everyday lives of customers. Both internal and external communication should be open, honest and easy to understand.

The Group's international growth will be based on comparative advantages in the form of either competence within various customer segments and industries, special product expertise or established relationships where it is logical to accompany customers expanding outside Norway.

DnB NOR is the preferred partner for international customers doing business in Norway.

DnB NOR has a strong position within asset management in the Nordic region, and Sweden is defined as part of the Group's home market.

The Group holds a leading position within international shipping. DnB NOR also has strong expertise and an international presence in other sectors, such as energy and fisheries. The purchase of the Russian bank Monchebank, headquartered in Murmansk, an area with a high level of activity in the energy, fisheries and shipping sectors, is in line with DnB NOR's stated international strategy.

The Baltic states and Poland are important markets experiencing strong growth, and an increasing number of DnB NOR's customers are establishing operations in this area. DnB NORD, which is owned 51 per cent by DnB NOR and 49 per cent by NORD/LB, has strong operations in this area with a position as the third largest bank in Lithuania and the fourth largest in Latvia.

A common value base and culture are prerequisites for creating a uniform DnB NOR image in the market. The Group's shared values, team spirit, simplicity and value creation, describe what should distinguish the organisation and work processes both internally and in relation to customers. The Group's strategic platform forms the foundation and under the heading "This is the way we do things", units throughout the Group have defined what the Group's business idea and values mean for each unit and employee. Values are also reflected in the leadership principles and in how the Group's brands will be projected in the market.

The financial targets reflect the aim to create shareholder value. The Group seeks to achieve a return on equity and share price increases that are competitive in a Nordic context. The specific long-term targets are:

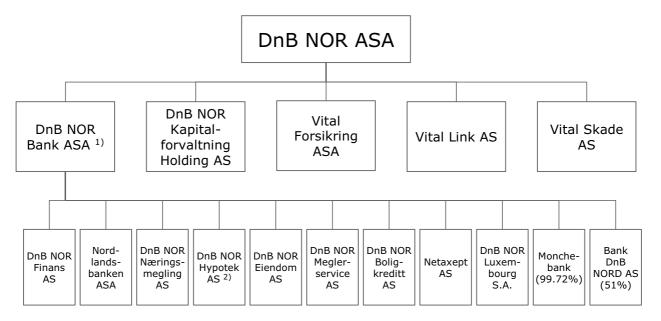
- A return on equity above 15 per cent
- A cost/income ratio below 50 per cent by 2008
- The Board of Directors has approved a new capitalisation policy for DnB NOR: In the longer term, the Group's equity will be structured to ensure that core capital excluding hybrid securities exceeds 4.25 per cent of risk-weighted assets, with the addition of a capital buffer for solvency targets, which is linked to the Group's model for measuring risk-adjusted capital. The capitalisation target corresponds to a core capital ratio of approximately 6.5 per cent as at 30 June 2006.
- Approximately 50 per cent of annual profits should be distributed as dividends, provided that capital adequacy remains at a satisfactory level
- DnB NOR Bank ASA's ratings for ordinary long-term debt should be maintained at an Aa level according to Moody's



#### Legal structure

In accordance with the requirements of the Norwegian regulatory authorities, the banking, asset management and life insurance activities of the DnB NOR Group are organised in separate limited companies under the holding company DnB NOR ASA. Banking activities are organised in DnB NOR Bank ASA. All asset management activities are organised under a common holding company, DnB NOR Kapitalforvaltning Holding AS. Life insurance activities in the form of traditional life and pension products are carried out by Vital Forsikring ASA, while unit linked products are offered through Vital Link AS. A merger of these companies is planned once the conditions for such a merger have been determined. Vital Skade AS offers non-life insurance as part of a total product package for retail and corporate clients and operates as an agent for domestic and foreign insurance underwriters. The chart below shows the legal structure of the DnB NOR Group at end-June 2006.

#### DnB NOR Group - legal structure at end-June 2006

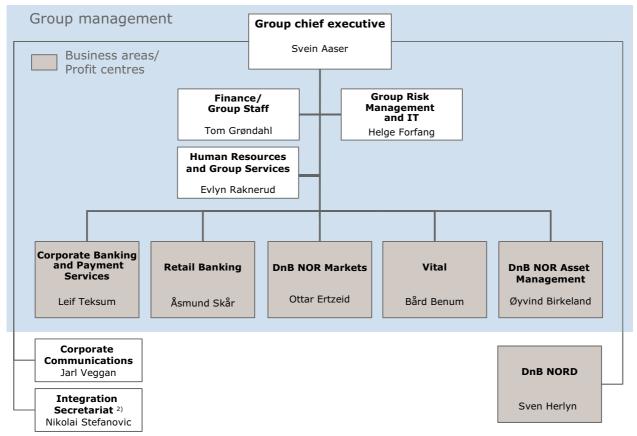


- Major companies.
  Will be merged with DnB NOR Bank ASA.

#### **Group business structure**

The operational structure of DnB NOR includes five business areas and four staff and support units. In addition DnB NORD, which was incorporated in the Group from year-end 2005, is reported as a separate profit centre. As independent profit centres, the business areas carry responsibility for customer segments served by the Group, as well as the products offered. The operational structure of DnB NOR deviates from its legal structure as activities in subsidiaries fall in under the business area relevant to the company's operations.

#### DnB NOR Group - organisation chart at end-June 2006 1)



- 1) Reporting structure.
- Temporary project organisation.

The business areas carry responsibility for customer relationships and for serving specific customer segments, as well as for key distribution channels for the sale of customer products and for ensuring that the Group's products are adapted to market requirements. Responsibilities include marketing, customer service, distribution and risk assessment in addition to product development, production and product pricing. The business areas are also responsible for the most business-critical support functions and have the opportunity to influence other staff and support units in the Group by changing their demand pattern and levels of ambition.

Cooperation between the business areas is an important element in DnB NOR's strategy. A wide range of products, services and distribution channels enables the Group to offer customer solutions across business areas.



#### Financial targets for business areas

Differentiated financial and non-financial targets have been set for the business areas which in combination will help the DnB NOR Group reach communicated financial targets. Return on risk-adjusted capital is the key financial ratio for the business areas, representing each area's profits after taxes relative to the need for risk-adjusted capital. The need for risk-adjusted capital is based on the risk involved in operations in accordance with DnB NOR's total risk model.

Returns for the business areas are presented in the descriptions of each area, see section 3. In this connection, return on capital is measured as the business area's profits after taxes relative to average capital requirements according to BIS rules (7 per cent capital requirement) for Retail Banking, Corporate Banking, DnB NOR Markets and DnB NORD, while for Vital and DnB NOR Asset Management, the calculations are based on average recorded equity. This is consistent with the manner in which most other financial institutions present their business areas.

#### **Internal pricing**

DnB NOR's financial management model and operational organisation entail the sale of products and services between the business areas in the Group. The pricing of such intra-group transactions is regulated by internal agreements generally based on market terms.

Services provided by staff and support units will as far as possible be scaled and priced according to use. Joint expenses incurred by group staff units and other group expenditures that cannot be debited according to use, are charged to the business areas' accounts on the basis of special distribution formulas. Costs relating to the Group's equity transactions, including strategic investments, and direct shareholder-related expenses and costs concerning the Group's governing bodies are not charged to the business areas.

Certain customers and transactions of major importance require extensive cooperation within the Group. To stimulate such cooperation, net income relating to some of these transactions is recorded in the accounts of all relevant business areas. This refers primarily to income from customer trading in Markets. In the first six months of 2006, such income totalled NOK 634 million. Double entries are eliminated in the group accounts. For presentation of the business areas, see section 3.

## **Accounting principles**

The accounts have been prepared according to IFRS principles, including IAS 34 - Interim Financial Reporting. A description of the accounting principles applied by the Group in preparing the accounts is found in the annual report for 2005.

Comparable figures have not been restated for the establishment of DnB NORD and purchase of Monchebank, see description on pages 73-74 and page 47, respectively.



#### **Synergies - IFRS**

#### Cost synergies resulting from the DnB NOR merger

#### Planned annual cost synergies following full implementation in 2007

		Staff	
		reductions	Restruc-
	Cost	(full-time	turing
Amounts in NOK million	synergies	positions)	costs
Retail Banking	745	740	365
Corporate Banking	150	200	145
DnB NOR Markets	105	100	120
DnB NOR Asset Management 1)	110	70	175
IT and Payment Services	235	85	560
Human Resources and Group Services	160	110	160
Staff units/other operations <sup>2) 3)</sup>	355	325	335
Total including Vital	1 860	1 630	1 860

#### Realised synergies 4)

	Staff	Staff	Total staff	Accumulated
	reductions	reductions	reductions	cost synergies
Amounts in NOK million and full time positions	2003-2005	1st half 2006	2003-2006	1st half 2006
Retail Banking	700	43	743	284
Corporate Banking	219	34	253	113
DnB NOR Markets	101	0	101	54
DnB NOR Asset Management 1)	83	1	84	41
Staff units/other operations 5)	214	33	247	364
Total	1 317	111	1 428	856
Vital <sup>1) 6)</sup>	106	15	121	65
Total including Vital	1 423	126	<sup>7)</sup> 1 549	921

<sup>1)</sup> Asset Management and Vital include synergies related to IT and office space. With respect to other units, these synergies appear under staff units/other operations (IT and Group Services).



Includes Treasury. Some synergies have an overall impact and apply to all business areas. Such synergies are not allocated to specific units. Based on IFRS principles, total cost synergy targets for Vital are included. Restructuring provisions of NOK 250 million in Vital are not included.

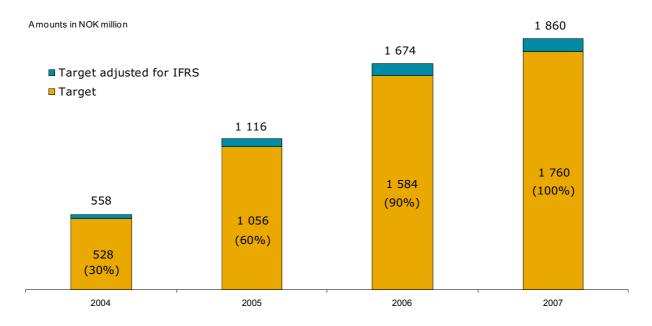
Excluding operations sold.
 Includes IT and Payment Services, Human Resources, Group Services and Treasury. Some synergies have an overall impact and apply to all business

areas. Such synergies are not allocated to specific units.

6) Based on IFRS principles, total cost synergy for Vital are included.

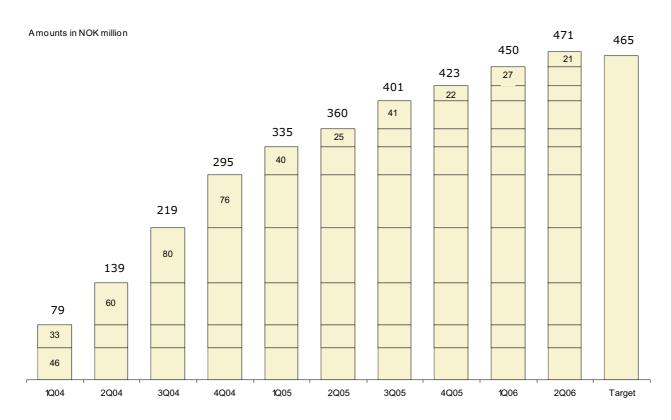
7) A reduction of 1 549 full-time positions as at 30 June, with an additional 89 full-time positions in the second half of 2006.

#### **DnB NOR's cost synergy targets**



#### **Accumulated cost synergies**

- Profit and loss effect 2003: NOK 93 million
- Profit and loss effect 2004: NOK 732 million
- Profit and loss effect 2005: NOK 1 519 million
- Profit and loss effect first half 2006: NOK 921 million





#### **Changes in total operating expenses**

Amounts in NOK million	1st half 2006	Changes	1st half 2005
Total operating expenses	6 942	574	6 368
Of which:			
DnB NORD	324	324	-
Monchebank	16	16	-
Performance-based pay		179	
Pension expenses		122	
IT investments		56	
Wage settlements		46	
Merger synergies 1)		(226)	
Other		58	

1)	Accumulated cost synergies 1st half 2006	921
	Accumulated cost synergies 1st half 2005	695
	Changes in merger synergies	226

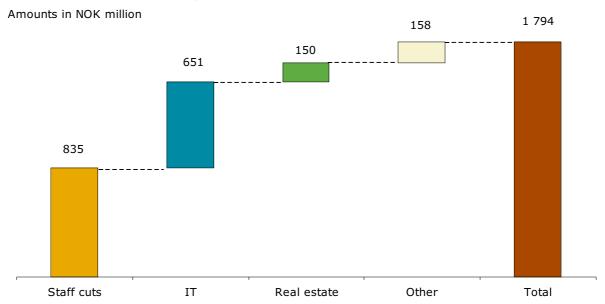
## Restructuring provisions 1)

Amounts in NOK million	2)	Accrued	
Touris III NON IIIIIIOI	30 June 2006 <sup>2)</sup>	expenses 2006	31 Dec. 2005 <sup>2)</sup>
DnB NOR merger	66	168	235
Of which:			
IT		67	
Staff cuts		94	
Real estate		7	

In 2004, NOK 250 million was allocated to restructuring measures in Vital in connection with the merger between Vital Forsikring and Gjensidige NOR Spareforsikring ASA. These provisions are not included in the above table.
 In connection with the merger between DnB and Gjensidige NOR, a total of NOK 1 860 million was allocated to restructuring measures. The table

#### Use of restructuring provisions

#### Accumulated as of second quarter 2006



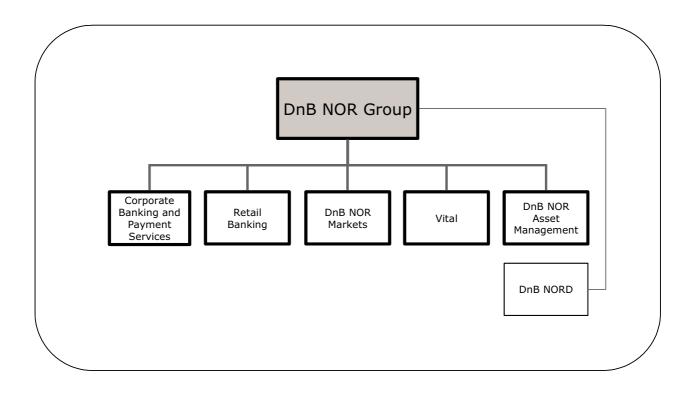
shows the provisions remaining to cover restructuring measures not yet implemented.

## **Section 2**

## Financial results DnB NOR Group

Unless otherwise specified, figures are based on IFRS

Comparable figures have not been restated for the establishment of DnB NORD and purchase of Monchebank





#### **Financial results**

#### **Financial highlights**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Ordinary operating profit 1)	3 408	3 718	3 512	3 404	2 857	7 126	5 704
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	3 408	3 718	3 359	3 404	2 857	7 126	5 704
Pre-tax operating profit	3 704	3 743	3 578	3 613	3 190	7 447	5 917
Profit for the period	2 851	2 849	2 996	2 710	2 392	5 700	4 438
Cost/income ratio (per cent) 1)	50.5	48.2	47.5	48.1	52.9	49.3	52.7
Return on equity (per cent)	19.2	19.2	21.5	19.7	18.0	19.2	16.9
Earnings per share (NOK)	2.11	2.11	2.24	2.03	1.78	4.21	3.32
Total combined assets at end of period (NOK billion)	1 573	1 495	1 463	1 388	1 323	1 573	1 323
Core capital ratio at end of period (per cent) 2)	6.9	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.5	6.9	7.5

Excluding allocation to DnB NOR's employee funds in 2005.
 Including 50 per cent of profit for the year.

## Income statement – condensed 1)

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net interest income	3 781	3 622	3 473	3 426	3 412	7 403	6 711
Net other operating income	3 110	3 555	3 222	3 139	2 648	6 664	5 360
Total operating expenses	3 483	3 459	3 336	3 160	3 203	6 942	6 368
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	3 408	3 718	3 359	3 404	2 857	7 126	5 704
Net gains on fixed and intangible assets	151	12	172	130	455	163	472
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(145)	(12)	(48)	(79)	123	(158)	259
Pre-tax operating profit	3 704	3 743	3 578	3 613	3 190	7 447	5 917
Taxes	853	894	582	903	797	1 747	1 479
Profit from discontinuing operations after taxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Profit for the period	2 851	2 849	2 996	2 710	2 392	5 700	4 438

<sup>1)</sup> For full income statement, see page 32.

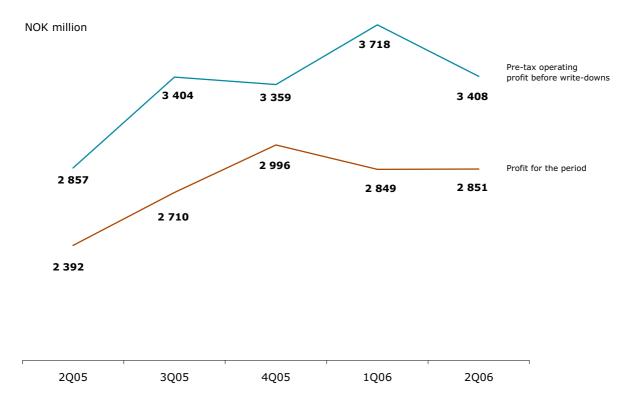
## Balance sheets - condensed 1)

	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	1 Jan.
Amounts in NOK billion	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2005
Cash and lending to/deposits with credit institutions	104.3	70.7	62.1	77.5	66.1	34.8
Net lending to customers	764.7	727.5	697.5	652.4	622.2	583.4
Commercial paper and bonds	215.8	208.2	198.1	192.6	184.4	172.6
Shareholdings	44.3	45.0	37.4	34.7	31.7	31.0
Fixed and intangible assets	35.5	34.9	34.4	31.2	30.1	30.6
Financial assets, customers bearing the risk	14.8	15.1	13.1	12.0	10.8	9.7
Other assets	43.2	37.2	38.7	40.2	47.0	49.5
Total assets	1222.6	1138.7	1081.2	1040.5	992.3	911.7
Loans and deposits from credit institutions	133.1	110.5	108.1	103.3	94.2	59.1
Deposits from customers	459.7	420.8	411.0	399.3	383.2	353.1
Borrowings through the issue of securities	281.8	262.0	236.6	222.2	207.5	192.5
Insurance liabilities, customers bearing the risk	14.8	15.1	13.1	12.0	10.8	9.7
Liabilities to life insurance policyholders	182.2	182.8	174.7	168.1	162.1	153.0
Other liabilities and provisions	59.8	57.2	53.4	56.1	58.4	69.5
Primary capital	91.2	90.1	84.3	79.6	76.1	74.8
Total liabilities and equity	1222.6	1138.7	1081.2	1040.5	992.3	911.7

<sup>1)</sup> For full balance sheets, see page 33.



#### **Profits**





#### **Net interest income**

#### **Net interest income**

				First	half		
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Interest income	10 001	8 864	8 134	7 587	7 222	18 865	14 252
Interest expenses	6 219	5 242	4 661	4 161	3 810	11 462	7 540
Net interest income	3 781	3 622	3 473	3 426	3 412	7 403	6 711

## Changes in net interest income 1)

Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	Change	2Q05
Net interest income	3 781	369	3 412
DnB NORD	156	156	-
Monchebank	5	5	-
Lending and deposit volumes		425	
Lending and deposit spreads		(201)	
Other		(16)	

Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	Change	1Q06
Net interest income	3 781	159	3 622
DnB NORD	156	14	142
Monchebank	5	(1)	5
Lending and deposit volumes		105	
Lending and deposit spreads		(54)	
Net result on balance sheet items etc.		47	
Interest day		38	
Other		9	

## Segmental interest rate spreads 1)

						First	half
Per cent	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Lending:							
Corporate Banking	1.23	1.32	1.30	1.38	1.45	1.27	1.48
Retail Banking	1.41	1.46	1.49	1.54	1.62	1.44	1.63
DnB NORD	1.59	1.72				1.64	
Total	1.35	1.41	1.40	1.47	1.54	1.37	1.57
Deposits:							
Corporate Banking	0.60	0.57	0.60	0.60	0.58	0.58	0.57
Retail Banking	0.96	0.90	0.84	0.83	0.78	0.93	0.79
DnB NORD	1.22	1.13				1.17	
Total	0.79	0.75	0.72	0.72	0.69	0.77	0.69
Combined spread - lending and deposits:							
Total	2.14	2.16	2.12	2.19	2.24	2.14	2.26

 $<sup>1) \</sup>quad \hbox{Based on nominal values, excluding credit institutions and non-performing loans.}$ 

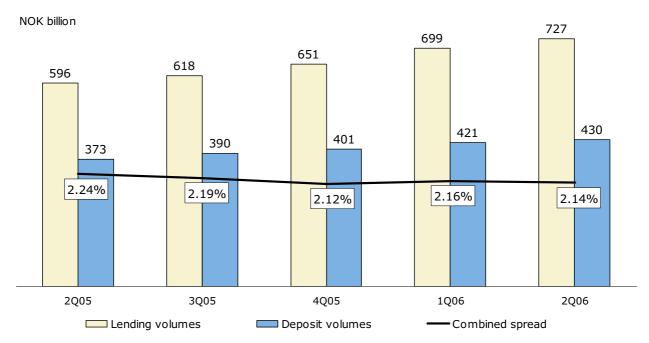


## Changes in net interest income 2Q05-2Q06 due to changes in: 1)

			Interest rate	
Amounts in NOk	( million	Volume	spreads	Total
Lending *)		446	(273)	173
Deposits **)		78	125	203
Total		524	(148)	375
*) Of which:	DnB NORD			110
	Monchebank			7
**) Of which:	DnB NORD			32

<sup>1)</sup> Based on nominal values, excluding credit institutions and non-performing loans.

## Developments in average volumes and interest margin 1)

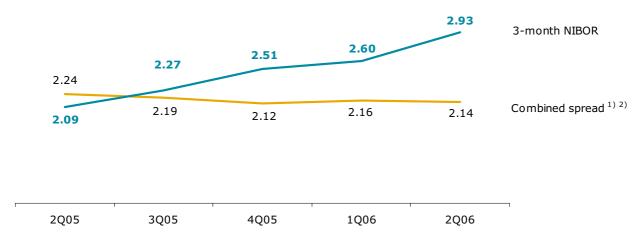


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#### **Developments in average interest rate spreads**

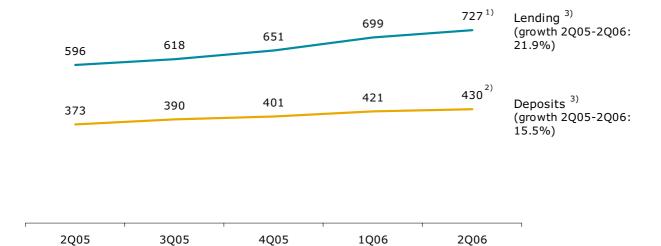
Per cent



- 1) Combined spread for lending and deposits.
- 2) Based on nominal values, excluding credit institutions and non-performing loans.

#### **Developments in average volumes**

NOK billion



- 1) Excluding DnB NORD and Monchebank: 699.
- Excluding DnB NORD and Monchebank: 420.
   Based on nominal values, excluding credit institutions and non-performing loans.

## Net other operating income

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Money transfer and interbank transactions	455	461	494	478	505	916	964
Asset management services	292	305	330	263	234	598	483
Credit broking, guarantees etc.	180	113	106	67	65	293	119
Real estate broking	197	158	175	172	175	355	298
Custodial services	64	56	69	47	60	120	99
Securities trading	115	125	95	89	72	239	155
Sale of insurance products 1)	421	451	447	403	378	872	745
Other income from banking services	116	113	127	152	109	229	203
Net gains on equity investments 2)	99	222	172	356	211	322	330
Corporate finance etc.	93	214	144	88	81	307	176
Other income	129	160	167	170	147	289	354
Net financial and risk result from Vital *)	375	454	362	333	302	829	671
Customer trading in FX and interest rate instruments, DnB NOR Markets	296	357	323	249	251	652	585
FX and interest rate instruments, DnB NOR Markets	100	176	139	174	123	276	143
FX and interest rate instruments, banking portfolio, other	177	191	73	96	(66)	368	38
Net other operating income **)	3 110	3 555	3 222	3 139	2 648	6 664	5 360
As a percentage of total income	45.1	49.5	48.1	47.8	43.7	47.4	44.4

#### \*) Of which:

Net gains on assets in Vital	2 435	4 936	3 913	4 439	2 391	7 371	6 017
Guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders in Vital	2 008	4 453	3 616	4 141	2 127	6 460	5 354
Premium income etc. included in the risk result in Vital	1 059	1 063	1 595	797	777	2 122	1 534
Insurance claims etc. included in the risk result in Vital	1 121	1 097	1 542	761	737	2 218	1 525
Net financial and risk result in Vital	365	449	350	334	304	814	672
Eliminations in the group accounts	10	5	12	(1)	(2)	15	(1)
Net financial and risk result from Vital	375	454	362	333	302	829	671

For a detailed specification of income statement according to IFRS in Vital, see page 61.

#### \*\*) Of which:

DnB NORD	80	71	151	
Monchebank	5	6	10	



Sale through the banking network and Vital's own sale.
 Including gains on the sale of Storebrand shares in 2005.

#### Changes in net other operating income

Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	Change	2Q05
Net other operating income	3 110	462	2 648
DnB NORD	80	80	-
Monchebank	5	5	-
Net commissions and fees		203	
Net gains on equity investments 1)		(117)	
Net gains on other financial instruments		246	
Net financial and risk result from Vital <sup>2)</sup>		74	
Other income		(29)	

Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	Change	1Q06
Net other operating income	3 110	(445)	3 555
DnB NORD	80	9	71
Monchebank	5	(1)	6
Net commissions and fees		(129)	
Net gains on equity investments		(123)	
Net gains on other financial instruments		(174)	
Net financial and risk result from Vital 2)		(79)	
Other income		52	

#### Net other operating income - stock market related

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Asset management services	292	305	330	263	234	598	483
Custodial services	64	56	69	47	60	120	99
Securities trading	115	125	95	89	72	239	155
Net gains on equity investments (including dividends) 1)	99	222	172	356	211	322	330
Corporate finance etc.	93	214	144	88	81	307	176
Owner's share of financial result in Vital $^{*)}$	437	488	309	297	262	925	662
Stock market related income	1 101	1 410	1 119	1 141	920	2 511	1 904
Net other operating income	3 110	3 555	3 222	3 139	2 648	6 664	5 360
As a percentage of net other operating income	35.4	39.7	34.7	36.4	34.7	37.7	35.5
Total income	6 891	7 177	6 695	6 565	6 060	14 068	12 072
As a percentage of total income	16.0	19.6	16.7	17.4	15.2	17.8	15.8

#### \*) Of which:

<u>*                                      </u>							
Net gains on assets in Vital	2 435	4 936	3 913	4 439	2 391	7 371	6 017
Guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders in Vital	2 008	4 453	3 616	4 141	2 127	6 460	5 354
Owner's share of financial result in Vital before eliminations	427	483	297	298	264	910	663
Eliminations in the group accounts	10	5	12	(1)	(2)	15	(1)
Owner's share of financial result in Vital	437	488	309	297	262	925	662

For a detailed specification of income statement according to IFRS in Vital, see page 61.



Including gains on the sale of Storebrand shares in 2005.
 Excluding guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders. After eliminations.

<sup>1)</sup> Including gains on the sale of Storebrand shares in 2005.

## **Operating expenses**

				First half			
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Ordinary salaries	1 393	1 424	1 378	1 296	1 248	2 818	2 505
Employer's national insurance contributions	193	204	174	197	186	397	381
Pension expenses 1)	229	203	(36)	125	148	432	310
Social expenses	112	93	119	112	83	205	175
Total salaries and other personnel expenses	1 927	1 925	1 635	1 730	1 666	3 852	3 371
Fees	181	192	140	141	197	373	371
EDP expenses	386	358	364	365	375	743	710
Postage and telecommunications	110	104	126	125	127	214	239
Office supplies	26	27	30	25	27	54	55
Marketing and public relations	155	134	147	104	127	289	255
Travel expenses	55	51	64	42	50	105	92
Reimbursement to Norway Post for transactions executed	73	83	156	142	132	156	258
Training expenses	16	17	18	9	12	33	25
Operating expenses on properties and premises	213	232	214	200	235	445	440
Operating expenses on machinery, vehicles and office equipment taken to expense	23	32	26	21	23	55	41
Allocations to employee funds	0	0	153	0	0	0	0
Other operating expenses	141	145	98	94	67	286	185
Other expenses	1 379	1 375	1 536	1 268	1 372	2 754	2 670
Depreciation and impairment of fixed and intangible assets	177	159	165	162	165	336	326
Total operating expenses *)	3 483	3 459	3 336	3 160	3 203	6 942	6 368

<sup>\*)</sup> Of which: DnB NORD 173 151 Monchebank 9 7

#### **Changes in total operating expenses**

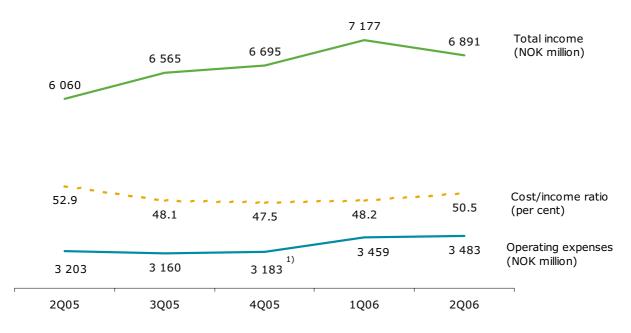
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	Change	2Q05
Total operating expenses	3 483	280	3 203
DnB NORD	173	173	-
Monchebank	9	9	-
Performance-based pay		68	
Pension expenses		81	
IT investments		23	
Wage settlements		19	
Merger synergies		(111)	
Other		19	

Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	Change	1Q06
Total operating expenses	3 483	25	3 459
DnB NORD	173	21	151
Monchebank	9	3	7
Performance-based pay		(41)	
Pension expenses		26	
Merger synergies		(20)	
Other		36	



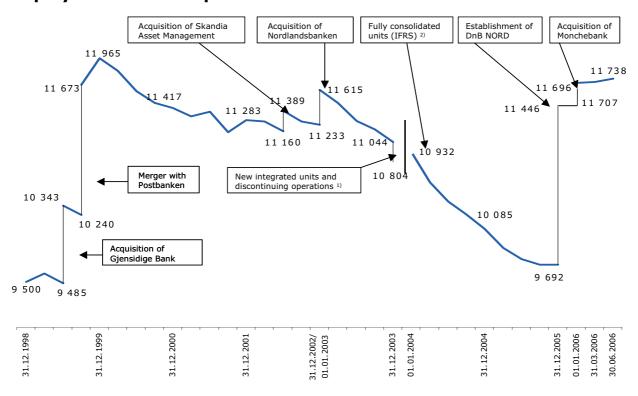
<sup>1)</sup> The low pension expenses in the fourth quarter of 2005 were due to the fact that changes in the subsidiaries' pension schemes had a much greater impact than previously estimated.

#### Cost/income ratio



1) Excluding allocations to employee funds

#### **Employees - full-time positions**



<sup>1)</sup> As at 31 December 2003 the number of full-time positions was reduced by 441 through the sale of Elcon, implemented on 30 March 2004, while the sale of Gjensidige NOR Fondsforsikring resulted in staff cuts of eight full-time positions, implemented in the second quarter of 2004. On the other hand, 209 full-time positions from the former jointly controlled companies Gjensidige NOR Defistpartner and Gjensidige NOR Markedsstøtte were transferred to the Group as from 1 January 2004. The net effect of these changes was a reduction of 240 full-time positions.

2) As at 1 January 2004 the number of full-time positions increased by 128 as a result of the transition to IFRS.



#### Number of employees - full-time positions

	30 June	Other	Changes in	31 Dec.
Full-time positions	2006	changes	group structure	2005
Corporate Banking and Payment Services 1)	2 600	(6)	250	2 356
Retail Banking	4 056	(48)		4 103
DnB NOR Markets	545	7		538
Vital	926	58		868
DnB NOR Asset Management	301	16		285
DnB NORD	1 845	90		1 754
Staff and support units	1 467	(76)		1 542
Total	11 738	42	250	11 446

<sup>1)</sup> An increase of 250 full-time positions resulting from the acquisition of Monchebank in January 2006.

#### Economic assumptions applied in calculating pension expenses and commitments

	Balances	30 June	Expenses first half			
Economic assumptions (per cent)	2006	2005	2006	2005		
Discount rate	3.9	4.7	3.9	4.7		
Anticipated return	4.9	5.7	4.9	5.7		
Anticipated rise in salaries	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5		
Anticipated rise in base rate	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0		
Anticipated rise in pensions	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5		

#### **Pension expenses**

						First half		
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005	
Prognosis	229	203	162	162	162	432	310	
Updated prognosis 1)			(37)	(37)	(14)			
Updated prognosis <sup>2)</sup>			(142)					
Others			(19)					
Total	229	203	(36)	125	148	432	310	

#### **IT expenses**

					First half		
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
IT operating expenses	412	403	405	416	423	814	822
Systems development expenses 1)	165	175	100	142	142	340	284
Vital, after eliminations	100	94	93	66	98	194	190
Total IT expenses 2)	677	672	597	624	662	1 349	1 297

In the fourth quarter of 2005, NOK 73 million in systems development costs previously carried to expense was reclassified and recognised as assets.
 Including salaries and indirect costs.



Updated prognosis for the Bank, adjusted for effects of changes in pension schemes.
 Updated prognosis for other subsidiaries (including Vital), adjusted for effects of changes in pension schemes.

## Net gains on sale of assets

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net gains on financial instruments at fair value	672	946	707	875	453	1 618	1 028
of which major gains included:							
- Brazil-investments				198			
Net gains on fixed and intangible assets	151	12	172	130	455	163	472
of which major gains included:							
- Follalaks				107			
- Helgelandske				16			
- Pan Fish					314		314
- Aurora Salmon			4		59		59
- Scanrope	16					16	
- Exporama	30					30	
- Bogstadveien 45, Oslo	61					61	
- Akersgt. 64-67, Oslo			24		64		64
- Haraldsgate 125, Haugesund			52				
- Søndregate 12, Trondheim			46				
- Postbanken Eiendomsmegling			2				16
- Other	44	12	44	7	18	56	19



## Write-downs on loans and guarantees

#### Write-downs on loans and guarantees

						First half	
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
New individual write-downs	251	257	43	173	275	508	588
Reassessments and recoveries	193	186	122	230	92	379	219
Total individual write-downs	58	71	(79)	(57)	183	129	369
Group write-downs 1)	(204)	(83)	31	(22)	(60)	(287)	(110)
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(145)	(12)	(48)	(79)	123	(158)	259

#### Write-downs on loans and guarantees for principal sectors

						First half	
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Retail customers	44	69	56	(8)	91	113	222
International shipping	(1)	0	(15)	2	17	(1)	20
Real estate	(13)	(12)	(25)	13	(14)	(25)	(24)
Manufacturing	3	7	0	8	19	10	21
Services and management	5	3	(71)	(27)	(3)	8	(3)
Trade	25	4	(9)	(9)	6	29	43
Oil and gas	(2)	0	(1)	3	0	(2)	(7)
Transportation and communication	15	7	2	0	6	22	10
Building and construction	(12)	4	5	2	(4)	(8)	4
Power and water supply	0	0	(1)	0	0	0	2
Fishing	8	(3)	41	4	11	5	(41)
Other sectors	(14)	(8)	(15)	(57)	(18)	(22)	50
Total customers	58	71	(33)	(69)	111	129	297
Credit institutions	0	0	(46)	12	72	0	72
Group write-downs 1)	(204)	(83)	31	(22)	(60)	(287)	(110)
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(145)	(12)	(48)	(79)	123	(158)	259
Of which write-downs on guarantees	1	(10)	12	(17)	(7)	(9)	18

<sup>1)</sup> During the second quarter of 2006, NOK 150 million was reversed due to changes in estimates reflected in the income statement.

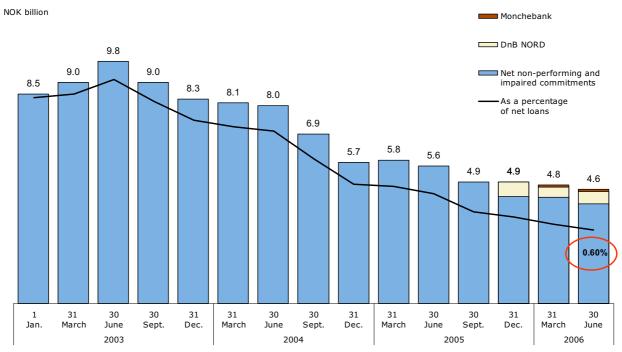


#### Write-down ratio

	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2004
Non-performing (gross)	4 811	5 111	5 434	6 379	7 018	6 802
Impaired commitments (gross)	2 066	1 888	1 871	1 739	1 964	2 427
Gross non-performing and impaired commitments	6 877	6 999	7 305	8 118	8 982	9 229
Individual write-downs	2 233	2 241	2 350	3 373	3 411	3 631
Group write-downs	1 074	1 318	1 420	1 346	1 368	1 478
Write-down ratio (per cent) 1)	48.1	50.9	51.6	58.1	53.2	55.4
Security for loans	3 364	3 552	3 570	3 914	4 639	4 502
Coverage ratio (per cent) 1)	97.0	101.6	100.5	106.3	104.9	104.1

<sup>1)</sup> The decline in the write-down and coverage ratios reflects changes in estimated group write-downs in the second quarter of 2006.

## Net non-performing and impaired commitments 1)



1) Pro forma figures prior to 2005.



## Lending

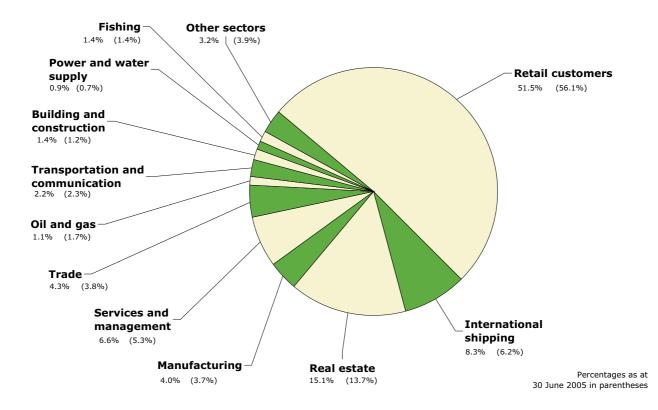
## Net lending to principal sectors 1) 2)

	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK billion	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2004 <sup>3)</sup>
Retail customers	394.3	377.8	374.1	357.3	347.8	330.8
International shipping	63.7	58.2	53.7	41.8	38.6	32.0
Real estate	115.7	108.0	98.9	87.9	84.7	82.9
Manufacturing	30.9	28.4	24.0	23.1	22.9	20.4
Services and management	50.2	46.9	47.2	42.0	32.9	30.6
Trade	32.6	31.1	27.1	25.8	23.7	21.2
Oil and gas	8.8	7.0	7.5	10.3	10.2	4.8
Transportation and communication	17.1	16.9	15.8	14.7	14.2	13.0
Building and construction	10.8	9.7	9.0	7.2	7.3	6.2
Power and water supply	7.2	7.0	6.1	6.6	4.6	4.7
Fishing	10.8	10.6	9.0	9.5	8.9	9.0
Hotels and restaurants	3.7	3.5	3.7	4.0	3.8	3.6
Agriculture and forestry	6.6	6.2	6.4	5.4	4.6	4.5
Central and local government	2.0	4.5	3.4	1.4	2.7	1.4
Other sectors	11.9	11.0	10.0	13.4	13.0	5.0
Net lending to customers, nominal amount	766.3	726.7	696.1	650.4	619.7	570.1
Of which residential mortgages						
within 80% of collateral value	363.2	350.8	342.1	330.3	322.1	308.2
above 80% of collateral value	12.1	11.0	10.7	10.5	10.2	11.1
Total	375.2	361.8	352.8	340.8	332.3	319.3

Split according to official industry definitions which may differ from DnB NOR's business area reporting. Lending after individual write-downs.

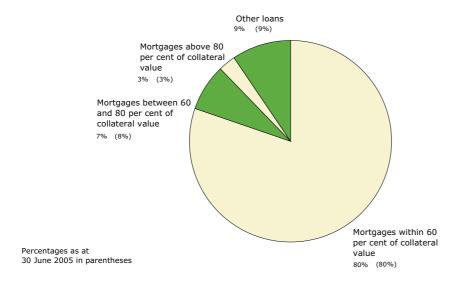
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## Net lending to principal sectors as at 30 June 2006

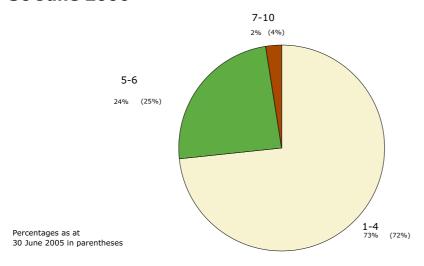




#### Retail market lending as at 30 June 2006



## Corporate lending exposure by risk classification as at 30 June 2006 $^{1)}$



Based on DnB NOR's risk classification system, where 1 represents the lowest risk and 10 the highest risk, see table below.
 The volume represents the expected outstanding amount in the event of default.

#### **DnB NOR's risk classification**

	,	of default cent)	External rating						
Risk class	As from	Up to	Moody's	Standard & Poor's					
1	0.01	0.10	Aaa - A3	AAA - A-					
2	0.10	0.25	Baa1	BBB+					
3	0.25	0.50	Baa2 - Baa3	BBB/BBB-					
4	0.50	0.75	Ba1	BB+					
5	0.75	1.25	Ba2	BB					
6	1.25	2.00	Ba3	BB-					
7	2.00	3.00		B+					
8	3.00	5.00	B1						
9	5.00	8.00	B2	В					
10	8.00	40.00	B3, Caa/C	B-, CCC/C					



#### Capital adequacy according to NGAAP

## Development in primary capital and capital ratios - NGAAP 1)

	DnB NO	R Bank	DnB NOR Bank Group DnB NC			OR Group	
	30 June	31 Dec.	30 June	31 Dec.	30 June	31 Dec.	
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	
Share capital	17 214	17 214	17 214	17 214	13 342	13 369	
Other equity *)	25 622	22 223	30 344	25 905	38 391	36 491	
Total equity	42 836	39 438	47 558	43 119	51 733	49 859	
Perpetual subordinated loan capital securities <sup>2) 3)</sup>	5 249	5 465	5 478	5 698	5 478	5 698	
Deductions:							
Pension funds above pension commitments	(40)	(40)	(49)	(51)	(213)	(165)	
Goodwill	(1 222)	(1 318)	(2 098)	(2 175)	(4 533)	(4 673)	
Deferred tax assets	0	(6)	(73)	(93)	(91)	(111)	
Other intangible assets etc.	(226)	(169)	(285)	(219)	(625)	(499)	
Additions:							
Portion of unrecognised actuarial gains/losses 4)	1 664	2 218	1 768	2 357	1 810	2 413	
Core capital	48 261	45 588	52 300	48 638	53 560	52 523	
Perpetual subordinated loan capital <sup>2) 3)</sup>	8 136	5 670	8 236	5 770	8 236	5 770	
Term subordinated loan capital 3)	17 198	13 664	18 321	14 868	18 321	14 868	
Supplementary capital	25 334	19 334	26 557	20 638	26 557	20 638	
Deductions	2 140	2 182	2 140	2 182	30	0	
Total eligible primary capital 5)	71 454	62 740	76 717	67 094	80 087	73 161	
Total risk-weighted volume	634 162	562 052	723 941	635 707	810 569	714 039	
Core capital ratio (%) *)	7.6	8.1	7.2	7.7	6.6	7.4	
Capital ratio (%) *)	11.3	11.2	10.6	10.6	9.9	10.2	
Core capital ratio incl. 50 per cent of profit for the period (%)	7.6		7.2		6.9		
Capital ratio incl. 50 per cent of profit for the period (%)	11.3		10.6		10.2		
Core capital ratio excluding life insurance (%)					7.5	8.3	
Capital ratio excluding life insurance (%)					9.9	10.1	

- Kredittilsynet has not adapted Norwegian capital adequacy regulations to IFRS. For the time being, capital adequacy calculations are based on special
  consolidation rules for statutory accounts, which thus far are not allowed to be stated according to IFRS. As from 1 January 2006 new regulations on
  the accounting treatment of loans and guarantees were implemented in the accounts for DnB NOR Bank and DnB NOR Bank Group, and led to a
  slight increase in capital adequacy ratios.
- 2) Perpetual subordinated loan capital securities can represent up to 15 per cent of core capital. The excess will qualify as perpetual supplementary capital.
- 3) Calculations of capital adequacy include a total of NOK 741 million in subordinated loan capital in associated companies, in addition to subordinated loan capital in the Group's balance sheet.
- 4) Upon implementation of NRS 6A (IAS 19) in 2005, unrecognised actuarial gains/losses for pension commitments were charged to equity in the accounts. The Ministry of Finance has established a transitional rule whereby three-fifths of the amount recorded against equity can be included in capital adequacy calculations as at 30 June 2006. This effect will be reduced by one-fifth yearly.
- 5) Primary capital and nominal amounts used in calculating risk-weighted volume deviate from figures in the DnB NOR Group's accounts as a different consolidation method ("pro rata consolidation") is used in calculating capital adequacy in relation to associated companies.
- \*) A partial audit has been conducted of the accounts of DnB NOR Bank and the banking group as at 30 June 2006, whereby 50 per cent of interim profits have been included in other equity.

#### **Taxes**

The DnB NOR Group's tax charge for the second quarter of 2006 was NOK 853 million, based on an anticipated average tax rate of 25 per cent of pre-tax operating profits. Due to new taxation rules for gains and losses on equity investments, tax provisions for 2005 amounting to NOK 73 million were reversed in the second quarter.



## **Financial results DnB NOR Group**

#### **Full income statement**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Total interest income	10 001	8 864	8 134	7 587	7 222	18 865	14 252
Total interest expenses	6 219	5 242	4 661	4 161	3 810	11 462	7 540
Net interest income	3 781	3 622	3 473	3 426	3 412	7 403	6 711
Commissions and fees receivable etc.	2 304	2 412	2 378	2 181	2 081	4 716	4 107
Commissions and fees payable etc.	567	576	566	593	577	1 143	1 164
Net gains on financial instruments at fair value	672	946	707	875	453	1 618	1 028
Net gains on assets in Vital	2 445	4 941	3 925	4 438	2 389	7 386	6 016
Guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders in Vital	2 008	4 453	3 616	4 141	2 127	6 460	5 354
Premium income etc. included in the risk result in Vital	1 059	1 063	1 594	797	777	2 122	1 534
Insurance claims etc. included in the risk result in Vital	1 121	1 097	1 542	761	737	2 218	1 525
Net realised gains on investment securities (AFS)	0	0	0	100	67	0	67
Profit from companies accounted for by the equity method	24	29	1	22	35	52	95
Other income	302	290	342	220	287	592	556
Net other operating income	3 110	3 555	3 222	3 139	2 648	6 664	5 360
Total operating income	6 891	7 177	6 695	6 565	6 060	14 068	12 072
Salaries and other personnel expenses	1 927	1 925	1 635	1 730	1 666	3 852	3 371
Other expenses	1 379	1 375	1 536	1 268	1 372	2 754	2 670
Depreciation and impairment of fixed and intangible assets	177	159	165	162	165	336	326
Total operating expenses	3 483	3 459	3 336	3 160	3 203	6 942	6 368
Net gains on fixed and intangible assets	151	12	172	130	455	163	472
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(145)	(12)	(48)	(79)	123	(158)	259
Pre-tax operating profit	3 704	3 743	3 578	3 613	3 190	7 447	5 917
Taxes	853	894	582	903	797	1 747	1 479
Profit from discontinuing operations after taxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Profit for the period	2 851	2 849	2 996	2 710	2 392	5 700	4 438
Profit attributable to:							
Shareholders	2 816	2 815	2 996	2 710	2 380	5 631	4 425
Minority interests	34	34	0	0	12	69	13
Earnings per share (NOK)	2.11	2.11	2.24	2.03	1.78	4.21	3.32
Diluted earnings per share (NOK)	2.11	2.11	2.24	2.03	1.78	4.21	3.32
Earnings per share for discontinuing operations (NOK)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Diluted earnings per share for discontinuing operations (NOK)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



#### **Full balance sheets**

Amounts in NOK million         2006         2005         2005         2005         20           Cash and deposits with central banks         14 022         2 742         21 229         24 264         1 593         8           Lending to and deposits with credit institutions         90 282         67 955         40 854         53 198         64 538         22           Lending to customers         764 657         727 482         697 504         652 405         622 238         583           Commercial paper and bonds         154 927         151 725         145 475         140 283         132 723         116           Shareholdings         42 868         43 510         35 980         33 355         30 091         22           Financial assets, customers bearing the risk         14 800         15 143         13 136         12 016         10 766         95           Financial derivatives         34 742         30 818         33 751         33 980         38 766         42           Shareholdings, available for sale         0         0         0         0         0         0         210           Commercial paper and bonds, held to maturity         60 898         56 518         52 587         52 282         51 656         55     <	ſ	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	1 Jan.
Cash and deposits with central banks         14 022         2 742         21 229         24 264         1 593         2 8 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Amounts in NOK million						2005
Lending to and deposits with credit institutions   90 282   67 955   40 854   53 198   64 538   26     Lending to customers   764 657   727 482   697 504   652 405   622 238   538     Commercial paper and bonds   154 927   151 725   145 475   140 283   132 723   116     Shareholdings   42 868   43 510   35 980   33 355   30 091   25     Financial assets, customers bearing the risk   14 800   15 143   13 136   12 016   10 766   99     Financial derivatives   34 742   30 818   33 751   33 980   38 766   42     Shareholdings, available for sale   0 0 0 0 0 0 0   210     Commercial paper and bonds, held to maturity   60 898   56 518   52 587   52 282   51 656   55     Investment property   24 042   23 583   23 143   20 753   19 341   19     Investments in associated companies   1 425   1 440   1 402   1 362   1 382   13     Intangible assets   6 264   6159   6 042   5 401   5 440   5 40     Deferred tax assets   40   53   52   260   301     Fixed assets   5 152   5 121   5 120   4 777   5 000   6 5     Sidiological assets   0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 147     Discontinuing operations   67   0 0 27   0 0 0     Other assets   8 376   6 407   4 889   6 194   8 061   9     Other assets   1222 564   1138 657   108 191   1040 528   992 251   911     Total asset   13 30 56   110 535   103 295   94 182   55     Deposits from customers   459 734   420 836   410 991   399 273   383 179   353     Financial derivatives   33 217   31 280   31 845   30 614   36 871   440     Descurities issued   281 773   261 995   236 588   222 248   207 473   192     Insurance liabilities, customers bearing the risk   14 800   15 143   13 136   12 016   10 766   10							8 780
Lending to customers		1					26 013
Commercial paper and bonds	- '						583 431
Shareholdings	5		-				116 990
Financial assets, customers bearing the risk		42 868	43 510	35 980	33 355	30 091	29 195
Financial derivatives	2	14 800	15 143	13 136	12 016	10 766	9 747
Commercial paper and bonds, held to maturity         60 898         56 518         52 587         52 282         51 656         55 51 1000           Investment property         24 042         23 583         23 143         20 753         19 341         19 34	-	34 742	30 818	33 751	33 980	38 766	42 552
Investment property	Shareholdings, available for sale	0	0	0	0	210	303
Investment property	Commercial paper and bonds, held to maturity	60 898	56 518	52 587	52 282	51 656	55 645
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Deferred tax assets	Investments in associated companies	1 425	1 440	1 402	1 362	1 382	1 507
Fixed assets         5 152         5 121         5 120         4 777         5 000         5 5 121           Biological assets         0         0         0         0         0         147         148	Intangible assets	6 264	6 159	6 042	5 401	5 440	5 689
Biological assets         0         0         0         0         147           Discontinuing operations         67         0         27         0         0           Other assets         8 376         6 407         4 889         6 194         8 061         6           Total assets         1 222 564         1 138 657         1 081 191         1 040 528         992 251         911           Loans and deposits from credit institutions         133 056         110 535         108 053         103 295         94 182         59           Deposits from customers         459 734         420 836         410 991         399 273         383 179         353           Financial derivatives         33 217         31 280         31 845         30 614         36 871         44           Securities issued         281 773         261 995         236 588         222 248         207 473         192           Insurance liabilities, customers bearing the risk         14 800         15 143         13 136         12 016         10 766         92           Liabilities to life insurance policyholders         182 208         182 838         174 675         168 056         162 149         152           Payable taxes         2 457	Deferred tax assets	40	53	52	260	301	326
Discontinuing operations         67         0         27         0         0           Other assets         8 376         6 407         4 889         6 194         8 061         6           Total assets         1 222 564         1 138 657         1 081 191         1 040 528         992 251         911           Loans and deposits from credit institutions         133 056         110 535         108 053         103 295         94 182         59           Deposits from customers         459 734         420 836         410 991         399 273         383 179         353           Financial derivatives         33 217         31 280         31 845         30 614         36 871         44           Securities issued         281 773         261 995         236 588         222 248         207 473         192           Insurance liabilities, customers bearing the risk         14 800         15 143         13 136         12 016         10 766         9           Payable taxes         2457         1 687         943         3 934         3 139         12           Deferred taxes         1 819         1 832         1 759         17         0           Other liabilities         18 065         18 115         14	Fixed assets	5 152	5 121	5 120	4 777	5 000	5 146
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Other liabilities         18 065         18 115         14 358         16 706         13 310         16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 1	Payable taxes	2 457	1 687	943	3 934	3 139	2 574
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	Provisions	4 220	4 297	4 495	4 806	5 113	5 523
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	Total liabilities	1 162 957	1 076 957	1 022 838	986 157	940 465	861 193
Minority interests 1 551 1 520 946 6 42	Minority interests	1 551	1 520	946	6	42	33
Revaluation reserve 0 0 0 0 90	•						122
		13 342	13 369	13 369	13 367	13 369	13 271
	•						37 082
							50 508
		1 222 564	1 138 657	1 081 191	1 040 528	992 251	911 702



## Key figures 1)

							First	half
		2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
In	terest rate analysis							
1	Combined average spread for lending and deposits (%)	2.14	2.16	2.12	2.19	2.24	2.14	2.26
2	Spread for ordinary lending to customers (%)	1.35	1.41	1.40	1.47	1.54	1.37	1.57
3	Spread for deposits from customers (%)	0.79	0.75	0.72	0.72	0.69	0.77	0.69
В-	te of return/profitability							
	· ·	45.1	49.5	48.1	47.8	42.7	47.4	44.4
4	Net other operating income, per cent of total income	45.1 50.5	49.5 48.2	48.1 47.5	47.8 48.1	43.7 52.9	47.4 49.3	44.4 52.7
5	Cost/income ratio (%)							
5	Return on equity, annualised (%)	19.2	19.2	21.5	19.7	18.0	19.2	16.9
7	RARORAC, annualised (%)	22.2	26.1	26.3	25.6	24.7	24.1	25.3
8	RORAC, annualised (%)	30.7	32.4	36.4	36.3	34.5	31.5	32.8
9	Average equity including allocated dividend (NOK million)	58 680	58 793	55 816	53 151	52 180	58 737	51 966
Fi	nancial strength							
10	Core (Tier 1) capital ratio at end of period (%)	6.6	7.0	7.4	6.9	7.2	6.6	7.2
11	Core (Tier 1) capital ratio incl. 50% of profit for the period (%)	6.9	7.2	-	7.4	7.5	6.9	7.5
12	Capital adequacy ratio at end of period (%)	9.9	10.0	10.2	9.9	10.2	9.9	10.2
13	Capital adequacy ratio incl. 50% of profit for the period (%)	10.2	10.2	-	10.4	10.5	10.2	10.5
14	Core capital at end of period (NOK million)	53 560	54 053	52 523	45 970	45 945	53 560	45 945
15	Total eligible primary capital at end of period (NOK million)	80 087	76 990	73 161	65 776	64 897	80 087	64 897
16	Risk-weighted volume at end of period (NOK million)	810 569	770 232	714 039	661 802	634 057	810 569	634 057
Lo	an portfolio and write-downs							
7	Write-downs relative to gross lending to customers, annualised (%)	(0.08)	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.05)	0.08	(0.04)	0.08
18	Net non-performing and impaired commitments, per cent of net lending to customers	0.60	0.64	0.63	0.74	0.88	0.60	0.88
19	Accumulated write-downs relative to total gross lending to customers (%)	0.48	0.54	0.54	0.69	0.76	0.48	0.76
20	Net non-performing and impaired comm. at end of period (NOK million)	4 645	4 758	4 751	4 931	5 571	4 645	5 571
Lie	quidity							
21	Ratio of customer deposits to net lending at end of period (%)	60.1	57.8	58.9	61.2	61.6	60.1	61.6
Го	tal assets owned or managed by DnB NOR							
22	Assets under management at end of period (NOK billion)	547	554	570	528	505	547	505
23	Average total combined assets (NOK billion)	1 534	1 479	1 426	1 356	1 310	1 506	1 291
24	Total combined assets at end of period (NOK billion)	1 573	1 495	1 463	1 388	1 323	1 573	1 323
25	Customer savings at end of period (NOK billion)	1 011	980	987	933	894	1 011	894
St	aff							
26	Number of full-time positions at end of period	11 738	11 707	11 446	9 692	9 755	11 738	9 755
27	- of which in Vital	926	901	868	867	880	926	880
Γh	e DnB NOR share							
28	Number of shares at end of period (1 000)	1 334 190	1 336 875	1 336 875	1 336 875	1 336 875	1 334 190	1 336 875
29	Average number of shares (1 000)	1 336 427	1 336 875	1 336 875	1 336 875	1 336 875	1 336 651	1 332 088
30	Earnings per share (NOK)	2.11	2.11	2.24	2.03	1.78	4.21	3.32
31	Total shareholder's return (%)	(9.0)	22.6	10.9	2.8	9.6	11.6	18.8
32	Equity per share including allocated dividend at end of period (NOK)	44.68	46.15	43.75	40.74	38.81	44.68	38.74
33	Share price at end of period (NOK)	77.25	88.25	72.00	67.50	68.25	77.25	68.25
34	Price/book value	1.73	1.91	1.65	1.67	1.77	1.73	1.77
35	Market capitalisation (NOK billion)	103.1	118.0	96.3	90.2	91.2	103.1	91.2
36	Dividend per share (NOK)	n/a	n/a	3.5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
37	"RISK" adjustment for the share as at 1 January the consecutive year (NOk	n/a	n/a	(3.5)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

1) Comparable figures excluding DnB NORD and Monchebank.

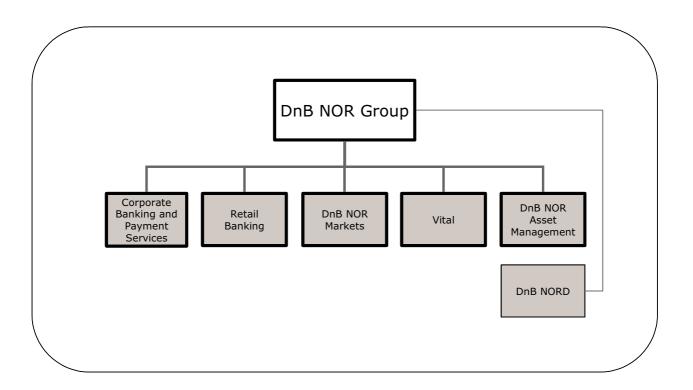
#### **Definitions**

- 1, 2, 3 Based on nominal values, excluding credit institutions and non-performing loans.
- Total expenses relative to total income. Excluding allocations to DnB NOR's employee funds in 2005.
- Net profits excluding discontinuing operations and profits attributable to minority interests, adjusted for changes in the revaluation reserve. Average equity is calculated on the basis of recorded equity excluding minority interests.
- RARORAC (Risk-Adjusted Return On Risk-Adjusted Capital) is defined as risk-adjusted profits relative to risk-adjusted capital. Risk-adjusted profits indicate the level of profits in a normal situation.
- 8 RORAC (Return On Risk-Adjusted Capital) is defined as profits after losses and taxes relative to risk-adjusted capital.
- 30 Excluding discontinuing operations and profits attributable to minority interests. Holdings of own shares are not included in calculations of the number of shares.
- Closing price at end of period less closing price at beginning of period, included dividends reinvested in DnB NOR shares on the dividend payment date, divided by closing price at beginning of period.
- 34 The last quoted share price on Oslo Børs at end of period relative to recorded equity at end of period.
- Number of shares multiplied by the closing share price at end of period.



## **Section 3**

# **DnB NOR Group - business areas**



#### **Business areas - financial performance**

In 2005, the operational structure of DnB NOR included five business areas and four staff and support units. In addition, DnB NORD, which was incorporated in the Group from year-end 2005, is reported as a separate profit centre. As independent profit centres, the business areas carry responsibility for customer segments served by the Group, as well as the products offered.

Selected income statement figures for the business areas have been prepared on the basis of internal financial reporting for the functional organisation of the DnB NOR Group. The figures are based on a number of assumptions, estimates and discretionary distribution.

The transition to IFRS has no impact on the Group's strategy or the business and operative management of the DnB NOR Group.

The DnB NOR Group's income, expenses and balance sheet volumes are allocated to the business areas. Some of the net income generated in DnB NOR Markets related to foreign exchange/ treasury instruments, sales of securities in the primary market, as well as custodial services, is also included in the net other operating income of Retail Banking and Corporate Banking.

#### Extracts from income statement, second quarter

	Bankir	nent		tail king		NOR kets	Vi	tal		R Asset ement	DnB NORD 1)		Oth opera elimina	tions/
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006 2005		2006 2005		2006 2005		2006 2005		2Q06 2Q05	
Net interest income -	2000	2003	2000	2003	2000	2003	2Q00	2003	2000	2003	2000	2003	2000	2003
ordinary operations	1 627	1 398	1 858	1 856	65	62			2	(2)	183		47	99
Interest on allocated capital	198	121	112	70	23	13			11	7	(11)		(334)	(210)
Net interest income	1 824	1 519	1 970	1 926	88	75			13	5	172		(287)	(111)
Net other operating income	643	561	760	761	836	589	656	555	281	236	80		(147)	(54)
Total income	2 468	2 079	2 730	2 687	924	664	656	555	294	241	252		(434)	(166)
Operating expenses *)	884	807	1 492	1 546	352	294	321	291	184	164	173		78	101
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	1 584	1 272	1 238	1 141	572	370	335	264	110	77	80		(511)	(267)
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	(33)	(307)	47	105	0	0			0	0	6		(317)	(130)
Pre-tax operating profit	1 617	1 580	1 191	1 035	572	370	335	264	110	77	73		(195)	(136)
*) of which group overhead	27	14	12	8	5	3	9	6	2	1	0		(56)	(33)

## Extracts from income statement, first half

	Corporate Banking and Payment Services		Retail DnB NOR Banking Markets		Vital		DnB NOR Asset Management		DnB NORD 1)		Other operations/ eliminations <sup>2)</sup>				
	First	half	First	First half		First half		First half		First half		First half		First half	
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	
Net interest income - ordinary operations	3 126	2 729	3 647	3 641	124	111			(1)	(3)	349		159	233	
Interest on allocated capital	364	230	207	133	41	23			21	13	(22)		(611)	(398)	
Net interest income	3 490	2 959	3 854	3 774	166	134			19	10	327		(452)	(165)	
Net other operating income	1 306	1 207	1 560	1 405	1 783	1 245	1 378	1 159	565	481	151		(79)	(137)	
Total income	4 796	4 166	5 414	5 179	1 948	1 379	1 378	1 159	585	491	478		(531)	(302)	
Operating expenses *)	1 748	1 607	2 992	3 054	768	591	618	578	355	333	324		137	205	
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	3 049	2 559	2 421	2 125	1 181	788	760	581	229	158	154		(668)	(508)	
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	(44)	(195)	119	176	0	0			0	0	15		(411)	(194)	
Pre-tax operating profit	3 092	2 754	2 302	1 950	1 181	788	760	581	229	158	139		(257)	(314)	
*) of which group overhead	50	30	24	17	10	7	17	12	5	1	0		(106)	(67)	



1) Included in the balance sheet of the DnB NOR Group as of 31 December 2005.

2)	Other operations:	Elimina double		Elimin	Eliminations		oup re <sup>*)</sup>
		First	First half		First half		half
	Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
	Net interest income - ordinary operations	(10)	(5)	(78)	(49)	247	287
	Interest on allocated capital					(611)	(398)
	Net interest income	(10)	(5)	(78)	(49)	(364)	(111)
	Net other operating income	(624)	(432)	(236)	(261)	781	556
	Total income	(634)	(437)	(314)	(310)	417	445
	Operating expenses			(289)	(284)	427	489
	Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	(634)	(437)	(25)	(27)	(9)	(44)
	Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets			0	0	(411)	(194)
	Pre-tax operating profit	(634)	(437)	(25)	(27)	402	150

The Group Centre includes Human Resources and Group Services, Finance/Group Staff, Risk Management and IT, Corporate Communications, investments in IT infrastructure and shareholder-related expenses. In addition, the Group Centre includes that part of the Group's equity that is not allocated to the business areas. The eliminations refer mainly to internal services from support units to business areas and between business areas. Further, intra-group company transactions and gains and losses on transactions between companies in the Group are eliminated. The elimination of double entries concerns net profits on customer business carried out in cooperation between DnB NOR Markets and other business areas and taken to income in both areas.

		First	half
k)	Group Centre - pre-tax operating profit in NOK million	2006	2005
	Group write-downs	295	110
	Income on equities	225	254
	Portfolio hedging, Treasury	159	(81)
	Net gains on fixed and intangible assets	116	18
	Funding costs on goodwill	(64)	(50)
	Ownership-related expenses (costs relating to shareholders, investor relations, strategic planning etc.)	(90)	(102)
	Unallocated	(100)	(11)
	Other	(138)	13
	Pre-tax operating profit	402	150

## Main average balance sheet items

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	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half
Amounts in NOK billion	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
Net lending to customers 3)	329.9	266.9	376.3	337.7	9.3	2.3					26.1		(4.7)	(4.5)
Customer deposits 3)	235.1	191.8	197.1	192.6	14.2	9.0					10.5		(13.7)	(8.8)
Assets under management							210.9	181.7	533.5	488.3			(171.2)	(154.0)

#### **Key figures**

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	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half	First	half
Per cent	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
Cost/income ratio	36.4	38.6	55.3	59.0	39.4	42.8			60.8	67.9	67.8			
Ratio of deposits to lending 3)	71.3	71.9	52.4	57.0							40.1			
Return on capital BIS 4)	17.0	17.9	22.3	21.9	57.4	52.2	17.2	15.4	22.2	18.5	12.0			
Full-time positions 5)	2 600	2 413	4 056	4 128	545	521	926	880	301	294	1 845		1 467	1 519

- 1) Assets under management include total assets.
- 2) Included in the balance sheet of the DnB NOR Group as of 31 December 2005.
- 3) Based on nominal values.
- 4) Return on capital is calculated on the basis of allocated capital. Allocated capital for Corporate Banking and Payment Services, Retail Banking, DnB NOR Markets and DnB NORD is calculated as 7 per cent of risk-weighted volume. Recorded equity is used for Vital and DnB NOR Asset Management.
- 5) An increase of 250 full-time positions in Corporate Banking and Payment Services resulting from the acquisition of Monchebank in January 2006.



# **Corporate Banking and Payment Services**

Corporate Banking and Payment Services serves Norwegian enterprises in all segments, Swedish medium-sized and large corporates and international businesses where DnB NOR has or can build up, alone or in cooperation with partners, a competitive advantage based on relationships, expertise or products.

DnB NOR holds a strong position in all segments of the Norwegian corporate market, and is one of the world's leading shipping banks. Corporate Banking is organised in ten divisions and two subsidiaries; DnB NOR Finans and Nordlandsbanken. Leif Teksum, group executive vice president, heads the business area.

Corporate Banking and Payment Services aims to be the customers' best partner, meeting their needs for financing solutions throughout the Norwegian and Swedish markets and in selected areas in international markets.

Norway and Sweden are the prime targets for market activities and growth. Corporate Banking and Payment Services also offers international services to shipping and energy clients around the globe. Further international expansion will come within shipping, energy and certain other sectors where competitive advantages and a substantial knowledge base provide growth potential.

#### **Financial performance**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net interest income - ordinary operations	1 627	1 499	1 474	1 497	1 398	3 126	2 729
Interest on allocated capital	198	166	146	134	121	364	230
Net interest income	1 824	1 665	1 620	1 630	1 519	3 490	2 959
Net other operating income	643	663	606	741	561	1 306	1 207
Total income	2 468	2 328	2 226	2 371	2 079	4 796	4 166
Operating expenses	884	864	868	809	807	1 748	1 607
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	1 584	1 465	1 358	1 562	1 272	3 049	2 559
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	(33)	(11)	(162)	(183)	(307)	(44)	(195)
Pre-tax operating profit	1 617	1 475	1 519	1 745	1 580	3 092	2 754
Net lending to customers (NOK billion) 1)	339.7	320.1	304.2	281.4	271.4	329.9	266.9
Deposits from customers (NOK billion) 1)	239.5	230.7	216.3	199.9	194.0	235.1	191.8
Cost/income ratio (%)	35.8	37.1	39.0	34.1	38.8	36.4	38.6
Ratio of deposits to lending (%)	70.5	72.1	71.1	71.1	71.5	71.3	71.9
Return on capital BIS (% p.a.)	17.2	16.8	17.5	21.1	20.1	17.0	17.9

<sup>1)</sup> Average balances. Based on nominal values.

# Comments to the financial performance in the first half of 2006

- Corporate Banking and Payment Services maintained a strong market position in the first half of 2006 and achieved growth in pre-tax operating profit compared with the first half of 2005.
   A high level of activity and continuing strong growth in volumes contributed to a healthy rise in profits.
- Net interest income from ordinary operations was up NOK 396 million. Intense market
  competition resulted in pressure on spreads both in Norway and internationally. The
  combined spread was reduced compared with the first half of 2005, but this was offset by
  strong volume growth in both lending and deposits.
- The average combined spread was 1.85 per cent in the first half of 2006, compared with 2.05 per cent in the first half of 2005. Portfolio quality improved further, and pricing reflected credit risk
- The first half of 2006 saw a high level of customer activity, resulting in increased income from syndicated loans, corporate finance, foreign exchange products, securities services and payment transfers.
- Net reversals on loans totalled NOK 1 million in the first half of 2006.



- Average lending and guarantees to customers increased by NOK 72,4 billion from the first half of 2005.
- Average deposits were up NOK 43.3 billion compared to the corresponding figure for the first half of 2005.
- A total of NOK 26 billion in syndicated credits, defined as the difference between underwriting and final hold, was arranged for customers in cooperation with DnB NOR Markets, in the first half of 2006. Furthermore, NOK 41 billion in commercial paper and bonds were issued in the same period.

## **Customers and market developments**

- DnB NOR is the leading financial institution in the market for large Norwegian corporates. In addition to the Norwegian and Swedish markets, Corporate Banking and Payment Services is offering services in New York, London, Singapore, Copenhagen, Hamburg and Helsinki. Monchebank, headquartered in Murmansk, Russia, is a part of Corporate Banking and Payment Services. The bank has all necessary licenses to do banking businesses in Russia. On 9 May the new representative office in Houston was opened, and the office will play a major part in DnB NOR's initiatives in the international energy market. In Sweden, which is defined as part of the Bank's expanded home market, Corporate Banking and Payment Services has high growth ambitions. The process to establish a full-service branch in Shanghai is on schedule, with the official opening on 20 September 2006.
- The cooperation between DnB NORD and Corporate Banking and Payment Services has strengthened DnB NOR's position in Denmark, Finland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Poland, supporting DnB NOR's aim to become one of the most attractive suppliers of financial services throughout this region.
- The international expansion is in line with DnB NOR's declared international strategy.
- Through a wide distribution network, DnB NOR offers customers local and regional expertise as well as national sector analysis and a broad product range.
- The strong position in the Norwegian SME market was maintained through the first half of 2006. A total of 5 600 new clients were acquired during this period, which is 1 300 more than for the corresponding period in 2005.
- More than 12 000 clients subscribed to the customer loyalty programmes for SME clients, 'Partner' and 'Partner pluss', at end-June 2006. The programmes offer the use of Internet banking applications and credit cards as well as discounted prices on some of the Group's products. During the first half of 2006, a total of 1 380 new programme memberships were established, both among new and existing SME clients.
- Customer surveys show that DnB NOR has a strong position among large corporates with respect to quality and customer satisfaction. Customer satisfaction in the SME market is at an acceptable level, and measures have been initiated to improve satisfaction levels among the smallest companies.
- Corporate Banking and Payment services aims to be the preferred provider of first-class Internet services to corporate clients and new products will be offered in 2006. More than 40 million transactions amounting to more than NOK 2 400 billion were carried out through the Internet banks in the first half-year of 2006.
- Mandatory occupational pensions have been introduced from 2006. DnB NOR has launched new life insurance products for its corporate customers, which are delivered by Vital and will be distributed through the Group's broad regional network and via telephone sales.
- DnB NOR is committed to maintaining and further enhancing a strong local presence. Local management and employees have extensive pertinent expertise and are authorised to grant credits that meet the requirements of the SME segment as well as larger clients.
- Nordlandsbanken has enhanced DnB NOR's position in the northernmost part of Norway. The subsidiary serves the county of Nordland and operates under the brand name Nordlandsbanken.



# Corporate Banking market shares, excluding off-balance sheet instruments 1) 2)

	31 May	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept	30 June
Per cent	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005
Of total lending to corporate clients 3)	15.8	15.3	14.9	15.0	14.5
Of deposits from corporate clients 4)	39.1	37.6	37.3	38.7	37.5

	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 March
Per cent	2005	2004	2004	2004	2004
Of total lending to corporate clients 3)	14.4	14.8	15.1	15.1	15.6
Of deposits from corporate clients 4)	37.6	38.1	39.4	38.2	38.9

<sup>1)</sup> Based on nominal values.

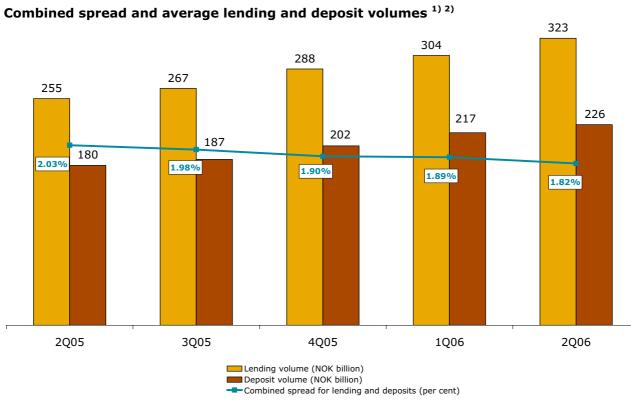
Source: Norges Bank, DnB NOR

## Average total volumes

						First	half
Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Loans 1)	340	320	304	281	271	330	267
Guarantees	57	49	42	43	44	53	44
Total loans and guarantees	396	369	346	324	315	383	310
Adjusted for exchange rate movements	396	366	344	323	314	381	310
Commercial paper during the period	7	18	19	15	14	25	28
Syndicated loans during the period 2)	23	3	8	8	15	26	23
Bond issues during the period	10	6	7	5	8	16	14

Based on nominal values.

Difference between DnB NOR underwriting and DnB NOR final hold.



Excluding loans to and deposits with credit institutions. Based on nominal values.



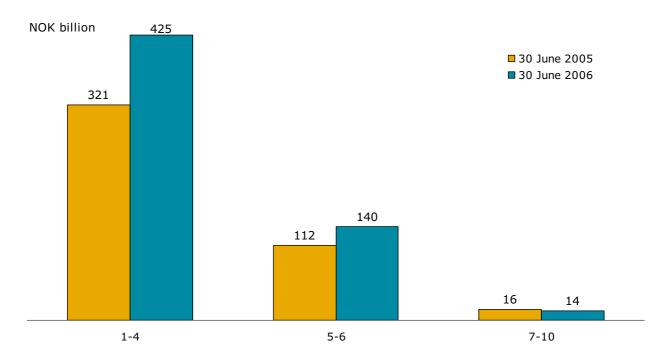
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Overall lending includes all credits extended to Norwegian customers by domestic commercial and savings banks, state banks, insurance companies, finance companies and foreign institutions, as well as bonds and commercial paper. Excluding lending to financial institutions, central government

and social security services.

4) Domestic savings and commercial banks. Excluding deposits from financial institutions, central government and social security services.

## Development in exposure by risk classification 1)



1) Based on DnB NOR's risk classification system where 1 represents the lowest risk and 10 the highest risk. The volume represents the expected outstanding amount in the event of default.

#### Organisation and distribution

Corporate Banking and Payment Services is organised in ten divisions:

- The Nordic Corporate Division and the International Corporate and Institutions Division serve large Norwegian corporates, the public sector, international companies that do business in Norway, international customers in the oil and energy sectors as well as financial institutions.
- The Shipping, Offshore and Logistics Division serves Norwegian and international shipping, offshore and maritime logistics companies.
- Regional Division East and Regional Division Coast serve businesses in two different segments based on geographical location.
- The Sweden division serves large and medium sized businesses in Sweden.
- The Workout Division is responsible for supporting the customer divisions in their work on high-risk customers and non-performing commitments.
- Telephone & Online Banking, Market and Product Division is responsible for cash management, marketing, telephone and on-line banking.
- Bank Production is responsible for customer support, credit and collateral administration as well as carrying out payments.
- Administration and Payment Services is responsible for management support as well as group-wide responsibility for payment products and infrastructure projects affecting both retail and corporate customers. The division also covers operations in Finland, Denmark, Germany and Russia.



#### **Products**

Corporate Banking and Payment Services offers customers a broad range of financial services, including lending, bond issues, syndicated loans, deposits, cash management, eCommerce products, commercial real estate broking services, FX/treasury products, corporate finance and acquisition finance, either directly or in cooperation with DnB NOR Markets.

Through DnB NOR Markets Inc. in the US, DnB NOR offers investment banking services, including mergers and acquisitions and advisory services, to international clients, particularly in the shipping and energy sectors.

#### **Employees**

- The considerable expertise of DnB NOR employees in local business, specific industry knowledge, credit risk, customer needs and product offerings is an important competitive advantage of Corporate Banking and Payment Services in the domestic market. Corporate Banking and Payment Services has a broad competence base and is committed to continuous development. Competence training has top priority and particular emphasis has been placed on systematic specialised training in credit rating and risk and profitability analyses. Competence is also being strengthened in areas that enable Corporate Banking and Payment Services staff to offer customers strategic advice.
- It has been decided to establish an "SME Academy" to strengthen the skills of employees working within the important SME segment. It is scheduled to start in the fourth quarter of 2006
- The 18-month training programme "FRAM" for potential managers in the Regional Division East and the Regional Division Coast was started during the second quarter of 2006. The aim is to stimulate enterprising and customer-focused management based on the Group's values, and the first programme has 16 participants.
- At the end of the first half of 2006, the business area had a staff of 2 600 full-time positions, with 2 161 in Norway, of which 563 in subsidiaries, as well as 440 full-time positions in international units.
- Incentive structures and balanced scorecards are tailored to the goals of the different divisions. In order to maximise performance and attract the best account officers, remuneration varies from division to division.

#### Cooperation with other group entities

Through extensive cooperation with other business areas and support functions in the Group, particularly within corporate finance and FX and interest rate instruments, corporate customers are offered a broad range of financial services and life insurance and pension products.



First half

# Nordic Corporate Division and International Corporate and Institutions Division

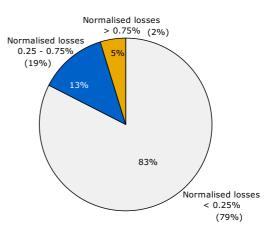
#### Average volumes

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Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net lending to customers	113	106	102	88	85	110	83
Guarantees	36	32	26	26	28	34	28
Customer deposits	105	97	93	85	84	101	82

# Lending according to sector 1)

#### Finance (12%) Trade (11%) Oil/gas/ Public sector 11% supply (8%)(5%) 9% Energy 4% (5%) 14% Manufacturing (12%)Real estate 39% (42%) 6% Telecom/IT (5%)

# Risk classification of portfolio 1) 2)



- 1) Figures as at 30 June 2006. Percentages as at 30 June 2005 in parentheses.
- 2) Based on DnB NOR's risk classification system where the volume represents the expected outstanding amount in the event of default.

- Serving large Norwegian and Nordic corporates, the public sector, international companies
  that do business in Norway, international customers in the oil, energy, TMT and pulp and
  paper industries as well as financial institutions.
- DnB NOR is market leader in the large corporate segment in Norway. The majority of Norway's largest corporations use DnB NOR as their lead banker. In addition, DnB NOR has extensive interaction with most of the other institutions in this segment.
- The business volume generated by DnB NOR in Sweden is growing. At the end of June 2006 committed credits amounted to some SEK 16.9 billion, mainly to large and medium sized corporates.
- Commercial real estate broking services are offered through the subsidiary DnB NOR Næringsmegling.

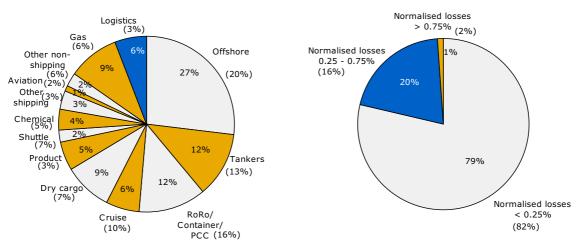
# **Shipping, Offshore and Logistics Division**

#### **Average volumes**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net lending to customers	67	65	59	55	51	66	49
Guarantees	8	6	4	5	6	7	6
Customer deposits	41	43	38	32	32	42	31

# Lending according to sector 1) 2)

# Risk classification of portfolio 1) 2)



- 1) Figures as at 30 June 2006. Percentages as at 30 June 2005 in parentheses.
- 2) Based on DnB NOR's risk classification system where the volume represents the expected outstanding amount in the event of default.

- The Shipping, Offshore and Logistics Division provides commercial and investment banking services to high-quality Norwegian and international shipping, offshore and logistics clients from offices in Oslo, Bergen, New York, London, Singapore and Shanghai.
- The division aims to achieve satisfactory growth in risk-adjusted profitability by being one of the leading international shipping banks.
- The division aims to be the preferred strategic discussion partner for clients, while also expanding the client base through further development of the logistics and LNG portfolio and strengthening of the market position in Germany and the Nordic countries.
- Focuses on competence development to further improve the quality and range of client services.

# **Regional Division East and Regional Division Coast**

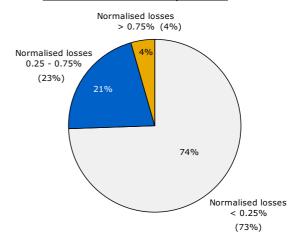
### **Average volumes**

						First	t half
Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net lending to customers	126	117	110	110	106	122	105
Guarantees	12	10	9	11	9	11	9
Customer deposits	90	86	79	81	75	88	76

# Lending according to sector 1)

#### Transp. and Public Primary comm. s sector (3%) industries Finance (2% (8%) Energy 4% 8% Manufacturing (9%)Trade Property/ (12%)real estate (45%) Building and construction (3%)Services (10%)

# Risk classification of portfolio 1) 2)



- 1) Figures as at 30 June 2006. Percentages as at 30 June 2005 in parentheses.
- 2) Based on DnB NOR's risk classification system where the volume represents the expected outstanding amount in the event of default.

- Serving more than 90 000 businesses
- Substantial market shares in all segments large, medium-sized and small enterprises.
   Market shares vary according to geographical region, and there is a sound growth potential in selected areas.
- The priorities of clients served by these two divisions when choosing their bankers are local presence combined with the expertise of a major bank.
- A broad regional network provides service through experienced account managers and advisors, as well as over the telephone and via the Internet.
- Payment services are available through all DnB NOR branches in Norway and corporate clients are served at 60 locations. Products from DnB NOR Markets are available at 12 different places.
- DnB NOR has a sound platform for strengthening its position as the preferred provider of financial products and services for these customer segments.

# Nordlandsbanken - Corporate Banking

#### **Average volumes**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net lending to customers	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Guarantees	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Customer deposits	4	4	4	3	3	4	3

#### **Business profile**

- Corporate Banking in Nordlandsbanken serves businesses and the public sector in the county
  of Nordland.
- Nordlandsbanken serves corporate customers through 17 branches in Nordland and holds a leading position in the corporate segment with a market share of approximately 45 per cent of the active private limited companies in Nordland County.
- Nordlandsbanken aims to be the preferred financial partner for companies in Nordland by meeting their needs for financial solutions through local expertise and as part of a large nationwide financial institution.

## **DnB NOR Finans**

#### **Average volumes**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net lending to customers	23	22	22	21	20	23	19

- DnB NOR Finans is one of Norway's leading finance companies.
- The company meets customer requirements for administrative, financial and risk-reducing services related to investments and operations.
- Business operations focus mainly on leasing, leasing concepts for Information and Communications Technology (ICT), factoring, motor vehicle financing and Autolease car fleet management (Norway, Sweden and Denmark).
- DnB NOR Finans has a strong local presence in Norway through 14 branches, most of which
  have the same location as DnB NOR Bank. In addition to Norway, DnB NOR Finance has local
  representation in Denmark and in Sweden. Products offered in Denmark is Autolease and in
  Sweden Autolease, Equipment Finance, ICT Finance and Factoring.
- There was an 11 per cent increase in new leasing and lending contracts in the first half of 2006 compared to the corresponding period in 2005.
- The value of processed factoring invoices was up 19 per cent in the first half of 2006 relative to the first half of 2005.



# **Monchebank**

## **Average volumes**

			First half	
Amounts in NOK billion	2Q06	1Q06	2006	
Net lending to customers	0.2	0.2	0.2	
Guarantees	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Customer deposits	0.4	0.4	0.4	

## **Business profile**

- Monchebank is a regional bank that serves corporate and retail customers and has a firm foothold in the Kola Region in Russia.
- Monchebank is licensed to engage in banking business everywhere in Russia.
- Monchebank will be the basis for developing DnB NOR business in Northwestern Russia further, primarily based on Nordic companies' expansion in Russia.

# **Financial performance**

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Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06
Net interest income	6	6
Net other operating income	5	6
Total income	10	12
Operating expenses	9	7
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	1	5
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	0	2
Pre-tax operating profit	1	3
Taxes	0	0
Profit for the period	1	3
Net lending to customers (NOK billion) 1)	0.2	0.2
Deposits from customers (NOK billion) 1)	0.4	0.4
Cost/income ratio (%)	90.3	55.4
Ratio of deposits to lending (%)	172.7	174.5
Return on capital (% p.a.) <sup>2)</sup>	4.8	13.7

- Average figures based on nominal values.
   Calculated on the basis of recorded equity.



# **Retail Banking**

Retail Banking, serving private customers and small companies under the main brand names DnB NOR, Postbanken and Nordlandsbanken, is Norway's largest retail bank. Åsmund Skår, group executive vice president, is head of the business area. Retail Banking aims to maintain its leading market position and stand out as the customers' best financial partner.

Good advisory services, customer loyalty programmes and relevant customer dialogue are central tools to build strong customer relations. DnB NOR should be easily accessible and distribution channels should be developed to reflect customer preferences.

Expectations of a modest rise in interest rate levels, a slight improvement in the labour market and subdued growth in housing prices in 2006 provide the basis for continued growth. Retail Banking will face intensifying competition from both Norwegian and Nordic participants in the domestic banking market, but is well prepared to meet the competition based on good customer relations, new loyalty programmes, a broad distribution system, local market expertise and innovative solutions.

#### **Financial performance**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net interest income - ordinary operations	1 858	1 789	1 894	1 828	1 856	3 647	3 641
Interest on allocated capital	112	94	88	76	70	207	133
Net interest income	1 970	1 883	1 982	1 904	1 926	3 854	3 774
Net other operating income	760	800	903	775	761	1 560	1 405
Total income	2 730	2 683	2 885	2 679	2 687	5 414	5 179
Operating expenses	1 492	1 500	1 634	1 528	1 546	2 992	3 054
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	1 238	1 183	1 252	1 152	1 141	2 421	2 125
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	47	71	67	13	105	119	176
Pre-tax operating profit	1 191	1 112	1 185	1 139	1 035	2 302	1 950
Net lending to customers (NOK billion) 1)	381.5	371.1	362.8	352.6	342.1	376.3	337.7
Deposits from customers (NOK billion) $^{1)}$	199.9	194.3	199.5	203.2	194.3	197.1	192.6
Cost/income ratio (%)	54.7	55.9	56.6	57.0	57.5	55.3	59.0
Ratio of deposits to lending (%)	52.4	52.4	55.0	57.6	56.8	52.4	57.0
Return on capital BIS (% p.a.)	22.3	22.3	24.5	24.3	22.8	22.3	21.9

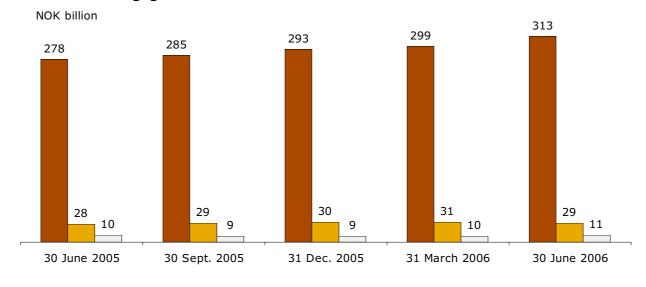
<sup>1)</sup> Average balances. Based on nominal values.

## Comments to the financial performance in the first half of 2006

- Satisfactory profits in the first half of 2006 return on BIS capital 22.3 per cent.
- Cost/income ratio improved from 59.0 to 55.3 per cent.
- Due to intensifying competition, net interest income from ordinary operations remained stable, in spite of lending growth.
- Average lending spreads represented 1.44 percentage points, including consumer finance. Deposit spreads averaged 0.93 percentage points.
- Average lending increased by NOK 39 billion or 11.4 per cent, referring primarily to well-secured housing loans. Deposits increased by NOK 4 billion or 2.3 per cent.
- Net other operating income increased by NOK 155 million or 11 per cent, mainly due to higher fee income from real estate broking activities, increased sales of loyalty programmes and savings products.
- Stable operating expenses.
- Write-downs on loans remained at a low level.
- The volume of non-performing and impaired commitments was at a satisfactory level.



# Residential mortgages 1)



- Mortgage within 60 per cent of collateral value
- Mortgage between 60 and 80 per cent of collateral value
- ☐ Mortgage above 80 per cent of collateral value
- 1) Residential mortgages in the business area Retail Banking in Norway.

#### **Customers/markets**

- Serving 2.2 million private individuals
- 420 000 housing loan customers
- 600 000 customers subscribe to the new DnB NOR loyalty programmes and 404 000 customers to Postbanken Leve
- dnbnor.no and postbanken.no are Norway's largest Internet banks
- 1.3 million clients use the Group's Internet banks
- 25.8 million payment transactions were carried out through the Internet banks in the first half of 2006, compared with 24.3 million in the corresponding period last year
- 824 000 customers have agreed to receive notices such as account statements via e-mail

## Retail Banking market shares 1)

	31 May	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June
Per cent	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005
Total lending to households <sup>2)</sup>	30.1	30.2	30.4	30.6	30.8
Bank deposits from households 3)	34.9	35.1	35.1	36.1	36.2
	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 March
Per cent	2005	2004	2004	2004	2004
Total lending to households <sup>2)</sup>	30.9	31.0	31.2	31.1	31.0

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Bank deposits from households 3)

Source: Norges Bank, DnB NOR

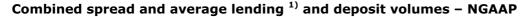


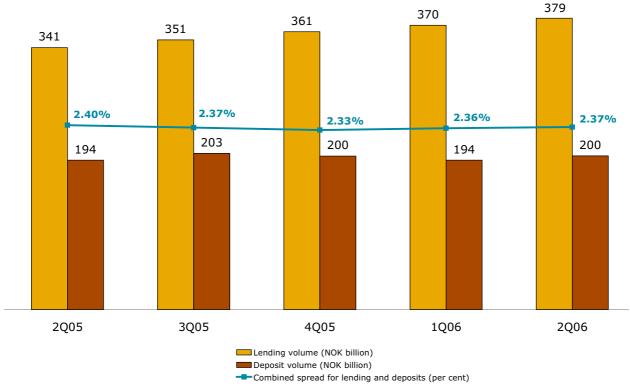
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<sup>1)</sup> Based on nominal values

<sup>2)</sup> Total lending includes all credits extended to Norwegian customers by domestic commercial and savings banks, state banks, insurance companies and finance companies.

<sup>3)</sup> Domestic commercial and savings banks.





1) Average performing loans

## **Interest rate spreads**

						First	half
Per cent	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Lending	1.41	1.46	1.49	1.54	1.62	1.44	1.63
Deposits	0.96	0.90	0.84	0.83	0.78	0.93	0.79
Total	2.37	2.36	2.33	2.37	2.40	2.37	2.42

#### **Organisation and distribution**

Through Norway's largest distribution network, Retail Banking offers a wide range of financial products and services. Production, staff and support functions are largely centralised in cost-efficient units. The major distribution channels are:

- DnB NOR's, Postbanken's and Nordlandsbanken's branch offices
- The postal network
- Internet and telephone
- Investment Advisory Services

The cooperation with 16 regional savings banks involves the provision of technological solutions and distribution of the Group's products. The current agreement is in force until the end of 2009. However, four of the savings banks have terminated the agreement, thereby ending their cooperation during 2006.



DnB NOR Bank ASA and Norway Post have signed an agreement relating to the distribution of financial services through the postal network. The agreement is mainly based on transaction-specific prices and a common aim to increase the number of financial services distributed through the postal network, and will remain in force until December 2012.

- Postbanken and Norway Post have established joint service solutions provided through 1 191 in-store postal outlets, where customers can carry out everyday banking transactions in their local stores.
- 3.4 million payment transactions were carried out through these channels during the first half of 2006, compared with 3.7 million in the first half of 2005 and 7.3 million transactions for the full year 2005.

Norway Post has entered into an agreement with DnB NOR for the purchase and installation of up to 2 500 payment terminals for use in post offices and in-store postal outlets.

## **New products**

- First version of Mobile Bank
- New e-commerce security solution, "Verified by Visa"
- Complete property guide on WAP
- Loyalty programmes introduced in Nordlandsbanken
- New mutual funds

## **Employees**

The number of full-time positions within Retail Banking totalled 4 056 at the end of June 2006.

To ensure a high level of professional expertise and advisory services of a superior ethical standard, DnB NOR has initiated certification of advisers in Retail Banking. All employees who are primarily engaged in advising retail customers will be certified in the course of 2006.

More efficient production and distribution of services through new and better IT solutions, telephone and Internet banking will reduce the number of employees in the coming years. Changing customer needs and the introduction of new products make it vital to upgrade professional skills. This will mainly be achieved by educating and relocating the existing workforce.

## **Cooperation with other group entities**

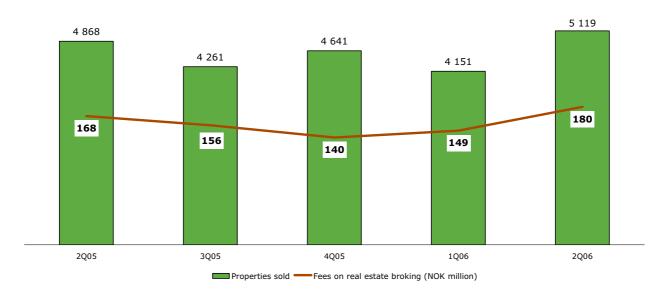
Cross-selling of products is one of the major strengths of the DnB NOR Group. Through its distribution network Retail Banking offers:

- Asset management services (DnB NOR Asset Management)
- Life and pension insurance (Vital)
- Financial instruments (DnB NOR Markets)



#### Residential real estate broking

DnB NOR's real estate broking activities are coordinated in DnB NOR Eiendom AS, a market leader within the real estate broking business. DnB NOR Eiendom had 80 outlets located in DnB NOR branches as at the end of June 2006. In addition to fee income, real estate broking operations generate business in the form of residential mortgages and savings.



## Properties sold and market shares

						First	half
Properties sold	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
DnB NOR Eiendom	4 997	4 088	4 520	4 167	4 757	9 085	8 118
NordMegler (Nordlandsbanken)	122	63	121	94	111	185	179
Total properties sold	5 119	4 151	4 641	4 261	4 868	9 270	8 297
Market share, per cent 1)						15	14

<sup>1)</sup> Management's estimates.

#### **Consumer finance**

- DnB NOR's card-based services and consumer finance activities are coordinated in DnB NOR Kort (an entity within DnB NOR Bank ASA).
- DnB NOR Kort's lending volume increased to NOK 10 847 million, from NOK 10 326 million at end-June 2005.
- Consumer finance activities generated healthy profits in the first half of 2006.
- DnB NOR Kort is Norway's leading card issuer. As at 30 June 2006, the entity had issued more than 1.4 million credit and charge cards. Including debit cards, the DnB NOR Group had issued approximately 3.5 million cards.

#### Non-life insurance

Vital Skade was the first company in Norway to develop a totally integrated virtual insurance site where Internet banking customers can buy non-life insurance products (home, car, travel etc.). Products are sold on a commission basis. Vital Skade operates as an agent and assumes no risk on its own.

Vital Skade has entered into non-exclusive agreements with 13 academic associations offering non-life insurance products through specialised service centres. Premium income generated in Vital Skade in the first half of 2006 totalled NOK 324 million, an increase of 22 per cent from the first half of 2005. Academic associations account for 43 per cent of total premiums. Sales through the Internet banking application continued to show strong growth with total premiums of NOK 79 million, up from NOK 59 million in the first half of 2005. Commission income increased by 19 percent, from NOK 49 million in the first half of 2005 to NOK 59 million in the corresponding period of 2006.



# **DnB NOR Markets**

DnB NOR Markets is Norway's largest provider of a wide range of securities and investment banking services. DnB NOR Markets comprises the following units:

- FX/Rates/Credit/Real Estate
- Equities
- Corporate Finance
- Securities Services

The Group Treasury is organised within DnB NOR Markets though profits and losses for the unit are not recorded under this business area. Ottar Ertzeid, group executive vice president, is head of DnB NOR Markets.

DnB NOR Markets aims to be the leading investment bank for Norwegian and Norwegian-related customers, as well as international clients requiring services relating to Norway and the Norwegian krone. Clients outside Norway are served through the Group's international units, especially shipping and energy clients and Norwegian companies' international entities.

DnB NOR Markets is a full-service investment bank with leading market positions in Norway. The business area has:

- A diversified business/revenues mix (products and customers)
- A sound mix of customer and trading activities
- · Cost- and capital-efficient operations

## **Financial performance**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net interest income - ordinary operations	65	59	64	60	62	124	111
Interest on allocated capital	23	18	15	13	13	41	23
Net interest income	88	77	79	72	75	166	134
Net other operating income	836	947	784	703	589	1 783	1 245
Total income	924	1 024	863	776	664	1 948	1 379
Operating expenses	352	415	340	337	294	768	591
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	572	609	523	439	370	1 181	788
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Pre-tax operating profit	572	609	522	429	370	1 181	788
Cost/income ratio (%)	38.1	40.6	39.4	43.4	44.2	39.4	42.8
Return on capital BIS (% p.a.)	52.0	63.5	61.9	55.0	45.1	57.4	52.2

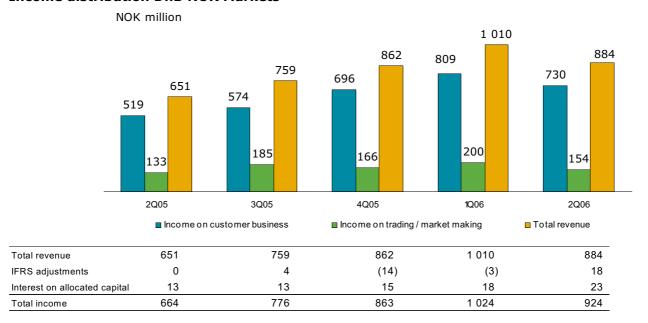
## Comments to the financial performance in the first half of 2006

- DnB NOR Markets recorded healthy profits in the first half of 2006. Income rose in all areas compared with the year-earlier period.
- Total revenues increased by NOK 569 million or 41 per cent, and pre-tax operating profit rose by 50 per cent.
- Income on customer business increased by NOK 417 million, or 37 per cent, the most pronounced increase being in equity-related products/activities and debt capital markets.
- The business area recorded a very satisfactory cost/income ratio and a sound return on equity. Increases in operating expenses mainly reflected performance based pay, investments in information technology and expenses related to increased marketing activity.
- Customer demand for interest rate and currency products remained strong.
- Record-high activity within equities sales and in the Norwegian derivative market, together with strong growth.



- Corporate finance services showed healthy performance through May, but activity has subsequently declined as a result of market volatility.
- There was record-high activity within securities lending.
- Market making/trading revenues totalled NOK 354 million, up NOK 111 million compared with the year-earlier period.

#### **Income distribution DnB NOR Markets**



## **Products and services**

- Foreign exchange and interest rate derivatives.
- Securities and other investment products.
- Debt and equity financing in capital markets, as well as mergers and acquisitions and other advisory and corporate finance services.
- Custodial and other securities services.
- During the second quarter of 2006, DnB NOR launched DnB NOR "Eiendomsfond", a product enabling customers to invest in a diversified property portfolio.
- In the same quarter DnB NOR Markets introduced new investment products such as real return bonds and collateralised debt obligations (CDOs).

## **Revenues within various segments**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
FX and interest rate derivatives	233	268	277	212	237	501	481
Investment products	229	259	234	202	144	488	360
Corporate finance	176	212	112	101	78	387	175
Securities services	92	70	73	59	60	162	105
Total customer revenues	730	809	696	574	519	1 539	1 122
Market making/trading revenues	154	200	166	185	133	354	243
IFRS adjustments	18	(3)	(14)	4	0	14	(8)
Interest income on allocated capital	23	18	15	13	13	41	23
Total income	924	1 024	863	776	664	1 948	1 379



#### Distribution and cooperation with other entities

Maintaining a broad distribution network and effective cooperation with other business areas within the Group, such as Corporate Banking and Payment Services and Retail Banking, are key priorities for DnB NOR Markets. Customers are served through:

- Central units located in Oslo
- International offices (London, Singapore and New York) and 13 regional offices. A branch is under establishment in Shanghai.
- Electronic channels and the Internet
- Cooperating savings banks
- External agents

#### **Customers and market shares**

- In spite of intensifying competition, DnB NOR Markets maintained its leading market position in Norway within foreign exchange, interest rate and equity-related activities and was also the manager for the greatest number of Norwegian Kroner bond issues on Oslo Børs (the Oslo Stock Excange) in the first half of 2006.
- DnB NOR Markets was the largest equity brokerage house on Oslo Børs in the first half of 2006 with a market share of around 10 per cent, and arranged seven of fourteen initial public offerings.
- A leading position within derivatives and structured products in Norway.
- Approximately 31 and 83 per cent respectively of customer trading in equity options and forward contracts on Oslo Børs was handled by DnB NOR Markets in the first half of 2006.
- Approximately 40 per cent market share of capital-guaranteed equity-linked investment products.
- · Leading within domestic securities services.
- 56 per cent of limited companies use DnB NOR Markets as registrar in the Norwegian Central Securities Depository. The market share for bonds issues was 31 per cent.

#### **Employees**

- DnB NOR Markets has a staff of 545 full-time positions located in offices in Norway and abroad.
- DnB NOR Markets achieved the desired stability in staff levels and also recruited new employees within growth areas during the first half of 2006.

#### Risk profile

DnB NOR Markets has a moderate risk profile. Customer activities represent the main business. Trading activities support customer activities with products and prices, with focus on Norwegian kroner products.

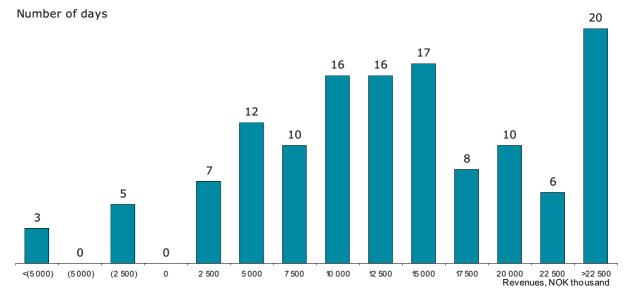
## **Daily revenue statistics for DnB NOR Markets**

	First half			
Amounts in NOK thousand	2006	2005	2005	2004 <sup>1)</sup>
Minimum	(19 707)	(8 651)	(9 656)	(3 812)
Maximum	77 919	75 549	92 987	61 034
Average	14 672	10 755	11 530	9 472
Loss days	8	9	14	10
Gain days	122	120	245	251

<sup>1)</sup> Pro forma figures.



## Daily revenue distribution in the first half of 2006



## **Total income**

Amounts in NOK million	First half 2006
Total daily revenues	1 893
IFRS adjustments	14
Interest on allocated capital	41
Total income	1 948

## Value at risk

Market risk exposures for DnB NOR Markets, i.e. DnB NOR Bank's trading portfolio/activities, were stable during the first half of 2006.

# Value at risk (one day holding period, 99 per cent confidence level)

	30 June 2006	First half 2006				
Amounts in NOK thousand	Actual	Average	Maximum	Minimum		
Currency risk	9 680	7 500	15 100	1 570		
Interest rate risk	11 740	14 042	19 520	9 690		
Diversification effects	(7 780)	(4 949)				
Total	13 640	16 593				

Equity investment risk for DnB NOR Markets was insignificant.



## Interest rate sensitivity

The value of financial investments recorded on and off the balance sheet is affected by interest rate movements. The table below shows potential losses for DnB NOR resulting from parallel one percentage point changes in all interest rates. The calculations are based on a hypothetical situation where interest rate movements in all currencies are unfavourable for DnB NOR relative to the Group's positions. Also, all interest rate movements within the same interval are assumed to be unfavourable for the Group. The calculations are based on the Group's positions as at 30 June 2006 and market rates on the same date.

# Potential losses for DnB NOR resulting from parallel one percentage point changes in all interest rates

		F	F	F.,		
		From	From	From	Maria Hara	
	Up to	1 month	3 months	1 year	More than	
Amounts in NOK million	1 month	to 3 months	to 1 year	to 5 years	5 years	Total
Trading portfolio						
NOK	7	9	34	266	330	46
USD	9	7	13	20	2	33
EURO	4	2	10	3	4	14
GBP	1	2	3	0	0	6
Other currencies	2	4	3	3	2	9
Banking portfolio						
NOK	20	183	125	71	22	15
Total						
NOK	27	192	160	337	308	31
USD	9	7	13	20	2	33
EURO	4	2	10	3	4	14
GBP	1	2	3	0	0	6
Other currencies	2	4	3	3	2	9

The table does not include administrative interest rate risk and interest rate risk relating to non-interest-earning assets. Neither does it include interest rate risk in Vital.



## Vital

Vital offers group pension schemes to businesses and the public sector. In the retail market, long-term savings alternatives are offered in the form of individual pension agreements and annuities. Vital will offer employer's liability insurance, primarily group life and occupational injuries insurance, to certain segments of the corporate market as from autumn 2006. Bård Benum, group executive vice president, is head of Vital.

Vital comprises Vital Forsikring ASA including subsidiaries and the sister company Vital Link AS. Vital aims to be Norway's strongest entity within pension savings. Vital seeks continued growth within the company's business segments and aims to deliver competitive results to its policyholders and owner. Devoting further efforts to improving cost efficiency, providing top-quality advisory services, maintaining high levels of service and customer relationship management and serving as an attractive entry portal for customers into the DnB NOR Group will be instrumental in reaching these targets.

#### **Financial results**

As of 1 January 2005, Vital Forsikring ASA including subsidiaries and Vital Link AS are fully consolidated in the DnB NOR Group's accounts.

Profit sharing between policyholders and the owner in life insurance companies is based on special accounting regulations for such operations stipulated by Kredittilsynet (the Financial Supervisory Authority of Norway). Regulations relating to profit sharing between the owner and policyholders in life insurance companies limit the DnB NOR Group's access to revenues and assets from life insurance operations.

## Financial performance - Vital

				First half			
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Interest result (note 1) 1)	1 608	2 157	1 912	1 963	543	3 765	2 178
Transferred to additional allocations (note 2)	-	-	1 500	-	-	-	-
Risk result (note 3)	(62)	(34)	52	35	38	(96)	7
Administration result (note 4)	(23)	(21)	(15)	(1)	(29)	(44)	(67)
Pension costs 2)	-	-	380	-	-	-	-
Transferred to security reserve	-	-	(2)	7	-	-	(1)
Profit for distribution 3)	1 523	2 102	71	1 990	552	3 625	2 119
Funds transferred to policyholders	1 185	1 677	(164)	1 636	289	2 862	1 536
Tax charge life insurance	-	0	(372)	(11)	(8)	-	(17)
Profit life insurance	338	425	607	364	270	763	601
Net profit in Vital Link	(6)	(4)	40	7	1	(10)	(1)
Net profit from Vital	332	421	647	371	271	753	600
Group adjustments <sup>4)</sup>	5	6	31	-	-	11	-
Profit from Vital in the Group accounts	337	426	679	371	271	764	600
Tax charge	(2)	(2)	(306)	(7)	(7)	(4)	(18)
Pre-tax profit for the business area	335	425	373	364	264	760	581

- 1) For developments in the asset mix, return on assets and financial result in life insurance, see tables on pages 63 and 59.
- 2) Increase in pension costs after transition to IFRS for pensions in Vital in 2005. See note 4 for specification of the effect for the owner.3) See table on page 60.

4) Reversal of goodwill amortisation in 2006. The 2005 figure represents the effect for the owner after taxes of the transition to IFRS for pensions in Vital in 2005.

Note 1–4: see page 62 for a table that indicate Vital's various profit and loss items included in the income statement prepared in accordance with IFRS.



## Comments to the financial performance in the first half 2006

- A NOK 179 million rise in pre-tax profit from Vital.
- Return on assets in life insurance: recorded 3.8 per cent and value adjusted 2.6 per cent
- Administration result increased by NOK 23 million to a net loss of NOK 44 million.
- A 21 per cent increase in total premiums, of which 42 per cent increase in the retail market and 7 per cent in the corporate market.
- A 49 per cent increase in policyholders' funds from defined-contribution pension schemes compared to year-end 2005.
- A 15.0 per cent growth in total assets, to NOK 214.3 billion.
- A NOK 0.8 billion decline in solvency capital from the year-end 2005, to NOK 21.6 billion, see
- · Market share of insurance funds including unit-linked products increased to 35.6 per cent by end-March, up from 35.2 at end-December 2005.
- Leading position in mandatory occupational pension market.

#### Financial results - life insurance

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net result from equities	(2 600)	3 654	1 843	3 153	1 592	1 054	2 943
Net result from other asset classes	2 200	1 610	2 166	1 216	1 725	3 810	2 585
Value-adjusted financial result 1)	(400)	5 264	4 009	4 370	3 316	4 864	5 527
Guaranteed return on policyholders' funds	1 636	1 638	1 535	1 431	1 477	3 274	2 921
Financial result after guaranteed returns	(2 036)	3 626	2 474	2 939	1 839	1 590	2 606
+ From securities adjustment reserve	3 644	(1 469)	(562)	(976)	(1 296)	2 175	(428)
Recorded interest result	1 608	2 157	1 912	1 963	543	3 765	2 178

<sup>1)</sup> Before changes in unrealised gains on long-term securities.

## Value-adjusted return on assets - life insurance

						First half	
Per cent	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Financial assets							
Norwegian equities	(4.2)	19.7	0.8	21.5	11.7	15.5	20.2
International equities	(1.4)	3.7	7.5	7.3	3.9	2.3	7.6
Norwegian bonds	(0.3)	(0.1)	0.2	0.3	2.5	(0.4)	3.3
International bonds	(0.7)	(1.6)	0.1	(0.3)	3.0	(2.3)	3.5
Money market instruments	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	1.3	1.1
Bonds held to maturity	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.4	2.7	2.8
Investment property	3.6	2.8	8.6	1.6	1.7	6.4	3.4
Value-adjusted return on assets I 1)	(0.2)	2.8	2.4	2.7	2.0	2.6	3.3
Value-adjusted return on assets II <sup>2)</sup>	(0.8)	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.3	1.4	3.4
Recorded return on assets 3)	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.2	3.8	3.1
Value-adjusted return on assets I, annualised 1)	(0.8)	11.6	9.6	10.8	8.0	5.2	6.8
Value-adjusted return on assets II, annualised 2)	(3.2)	8.9	8.4	8.8	9.2	2.9	6.9

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding changes in value of commercial paper and bonds held to maturity.



Including changes in unrealised gains on commercial paper and bonds held to maturity.

<sup>3)</sup> Excluding changes in unrealised gains on financial instruments.

## Specification of profit for distribution – life insurance

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Profit for distribution	1 523	2 102	71	1 990	552	3 625	2 119
from operations subject to profit sharing 1)	1 518	2 097	47	1 987	549	3 615	2 114
- Funds transferred to policyholders	1 185	1 677	(164)	1 636	289	2 862	1 536
- Profit for allocation to the owner and taxes	333	420	211	351	260	753	578
from operations not subject to profit sharing	5	5	24	3	3	10	5

- 1) Profit for allocation to the owner and taxes for operations subject to profit sharing in life insurance includes:
  - return on equity, subordinated loan capital and the security reserve, calculated as the company's return on capital, less accrued interest on subordinated loans and allocations to the security reserve
  - a margin of policyholders' funds

- a margin of effective risk premium adjusted for survival risk on contracts providing sufficient profits

According to regulations, annual profit for allocation to the owner and taxes cannot exceed 35 per cent of profit for operations subject to profit sharing. If this figure is negative, the entire amount should be charged to the owner. Total profit to the owner and taxes also includes profits from operations not subject to profit sharing.

#### **Premium income - Vital**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Total premiums due 1) 2)	4 381	8 221	7 411	4 569	3 734	12 602	9 454
Inflow of reserves 3)	227	1 593	301	467	1 003	1 820	2 464
Outflow of reserves 3)	670	1 950	531	661	492	2 620	994
Net premiums paid	3 938	7 864	7 181	4 375	4 245	11 802	10 924
Outflow of reserves 3)	670	1 950	531	661	492	2 620	994
Total premium income	4 608	9 814	7 712	5 036	4 737	14 422	11 918
1) Of which group pension - defined benefit	1 587	4 640	1 011	1 464	1 132	6 227	5 046
2) Of which group pension - defined contribution	177	200	118	132	107	377	232
3) Of which transfers between Vital companies	196	184	173	147	158	380	317

#### Market shares - Vital

	31 March	31 Dec.	31 March
Per cent	2006	2005	2005
Of insurance funds including unit linked products	35.6	35.2	34.9
- Retail market	51.3	51.0	50.2
- Corporate market	29.2	28.9	29.3
Of insurance funds for unit linked products	40.1	39.3	40.8

All premiums include reserves transferred from other life insurance companies.

Source: Association of Norwegian Financial Managers in the Finance Sector, FNH and DnB NOR



# Income statement 1)

						First half	
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Total interest income							
Total interest expenses							
Net interest income							
Commissions and fees receivable etc. (note 4)	455	450	500	400	369	905	730
Commissions and fees payable etc. (note 4)	164	177	185	134	118	341	243
Net gains on financial instruments at fair value							
Net gains on assets in Vital (note 1)	2 435	4 936	3 913	4 439	2 391	7 371	6 017
Guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders in Vital (note 2)	2 008	4 453	3 616	4 141	2 127	6 460	5 354
Premium income etc. included in the risk result in Vital (note 3)	1 059	1 063	1 595	797	777	2 122	1 534
Insurance claims etc. included in the risk result in Vital (note 3)	1 121	1 097	1 542	761	737	2 218	1 525
Net realised gains on investment securities (AFS)							
Profit from companies accounted for by the equity method							
Other income							
Net other operating income	656	722	664	600	555	1 378	1 159
Total income	656	722	664	600	555	1 378	1 159
Salaries and other personnel expenses	172	153	151	134	153	325	290
Other expenses	128	124	116	80	118	252	237
Depreciation and impairment of fixed and intangible assets	20	21	24	22	20	41	51
Total operating expenses (note 4)	321	297	291	236	291	618	578
Net gains on fixed and intangible assets							
Write-downs on loans and guarantees							
Pre-tax operating profit	335	425	373	364	264	760	581
Taxes	(2)	(2)	(306)	(7)	(7)	(4)	(18)
Profit from discontiuning operations after taxes							
Profit for the period <sup>2)</sup>	337	426	679	371	271	764	600

<sup>1)</sup> The figures encompass Vital Forsikring ASA including subsidiaries and Vital Link AS as included in the DnB NOR Group accounts before eliminations for intra-group transactions and balances.

Note 1–4: In the table on next page, the items marked in grey indicate Vital's various profit and loss items included in the income statement prepared in accordance with IFRS



for intra-group transactions and balances.

2) For a detailed statement of financial performance, see page 58.

In the table below, the items marked in grey indicate Vital's various profit and loss items included in the income statement prepared in accordance with IFRS.

						First I	nalf
Note 1	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Interest result in life insurance	1 608	2 157	1 912	1 963	543	3 765	2 178
Guaranteed returns to policyholders in life insurance	1 636	1 638	1 535	1 431	1 477	3 274	2 921
Financial result life insurance 1)	3 244	3 795	3 447	3 394	2 020	7 039	5 099
Financial result on policyholders funds in unit linked operations	(815)	1 136	463	1 074	361	321	897
Transferred to security reserve in Vital	0	(1)	2	(8)	0	(1)	1
Other items recorded as net gains on financial instruments, including	1						
reclassifications	5	6	1	(21)	10	11	19
Net gains on assets in Vital, IFRS	2 435	4 936	3 913	4 439	2 391	7 371	6 017
Note 2							
Transferred to additional allocations in life insurance	0	0	1 500	0	0	0	0
Funds transferred to policyholders in life insurance	1 185	1 677	(164)	1 636	289	2 862	1 536
Total allocations to policyholders in life insurance	1 185	1 677	1 336	1 636	289	2 862	1 536
Guaranteed return on policyholders funds in life insurance	1 636	1 638	1 535	1 431	1 477	3 274	2 921
Guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders in	1 030	1 050	1 333	1 131	1 1//	3 27 1	2 721
life insurance	2 821	3 315	2 871	3 067	1 766	6 136	4 457
Funds transferred on policyholders funds in unit linked operations	(813)	1 137	463	1 074	361	324	897
Pension costs 2)	0	0	282	0	0	0	0
Guaranteed returns and allocations to policyholders							
in Vital, IFRS	2 008	4 453	3 616	4 141	2 127	6 460	5 354
Net financial result result in Vital , IFRS	427	483	297	298	264	910	663
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Note 3							
Risk result in life insurance	(62)	(34)	52	35	38	(96)	7
Risk result in unit linked	0	(1)	1	1	2	0	2
Total risk result in Vital, NGAAP	(62)	(34)	53	36	40	(96)	9
Premium income etc. included in the risk result in Vital, IFRS	1 059	1 063	1 595	797	777	2 122	1 534
Insurance claims etc. included in the risk result in Vital, IFRS	1 121	1 003	1 542	761	737	2 218	1 525
Total risk result in Vital , IFRS	(62)	(34)	53	36	40	(96)	9
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Note 4							
Administration result in life insurance							
Administration result in the insurance	(23)	(21)	(15)	(1)	(29)	(44)	(67)
Administration result in unit linked	(23) (7)	(21) (3)	(15) (15)	(1) 10	(29) 1	(44) (10)	(67) (3)
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Administration result in unit linked	(7)	(3)	(15)	10	1	(10)	(3)
Administration result in unit linked  Administration result Vital, NGAAP  Pension costs <sup>2)</sup> Other items charged to the administration result according to	(7) (30) 0	(3)	(15) (30) 54	10 9 0	1 (28) 0	(10) (54) 0	(3) (70) 0
Administration result in unit linked  Administration result Vital, NGAAP  Pension costs <sup>2)</sup> Other items charged to the administration result according to IFRS, including reclassifications	(7) (30) 0	(3) (24) 0	(15)	10 9 0	(28) 0 (12)	(10) (54) 0	(3) (70) 0 (21)
Administration result in unit linked  Administration result Vital, NGAAP  Pension costs <sup>2)</sup> Other items charged to the administration result according to IFRS, including reclassifications  Administration result in Vital according to IFRS	(7) (30) 0 0 (30)	(3) (24) 0 0 (24)	(15) (30) 54 0	10 9 0 21 30	(28) 0 (12) (40)	(10) (54) 0 0 (54)	(3) (70) 0 (21) (91)
Administration result in unit linked  Administration result Vital, NGAAP  Pension costs <sup>2)</sup> Other items charged to the administration result according to IFRS, including reclassifications  Administration result in Vital according to IFRS  Commission income and fees receivable, IFRS	(7) (30) 0 0 (30) 455	(3) (24) 0 0 (24) 450	(15) (30) 54 0 24 500	10 9 0 21 30 400	1 (28) 0 (12) (40) 369	(10) (54) 0 0 (54) 905	(3) (70) 0 (21) (91) 730
Administration result in unit linked  Administration result Vital, NGAAP Pension costs <sup>2)</sup> Other items charged to the administration result according to IFRS, including reclassifications  Administration result in Vital according to IFRS  Commission income and fees receivable, IFRS  Commission expense and fees payable, IFRS	(7) (30) 0 0 (30) 455 164	(3) (24) 0 0 (24) 450 177	(15) (30) 54 0 24 500 185	10 9 0 21 30 400 134	(28) 0 (12) (40) 369 118	(10) (54) 0 0 (54) 905 341	(3) (70) 0 (21) (91) 730 243
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Before changes in unrealised gains
 Increase in pension cost after transition to IFRS for pensions in Vital in 2005

## Extracts from balance sheets and key figures - Vital

	30 June	31 Mar.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	1 Jan.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2005
Total liabilities to life insurance policyholders	182 208	182 838	174 675	168 056	162 149	152 965
of which group pension - defined benefit	114 582	113 748	110 583	108 900	105 693	99 790
of which group pension - defined contribution	502	446	374	333	289	193
Insurance liabilities - customer bearing the risk	14 800	15 143	13 136	12 016	10 766	9 746
of which group pension - defined contribution	1 036	968	657	575	490	364

	First	First half					
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Solvency capital 1)	21 644	24 824	22 415	24 802	22 432	21 644	22 432
Return on capital (per cent) 2)	15.5	18.8	17.2	17.9	13.7	17.2	15.4
Expenses in per cent of insurance provisions 3)	0.85	0.85	1.03	0.83	0.85	0.85	0.87

- Life insurance. For the composition of solvency capital, see table on page 66.
   Calculations of return on capital are based on recorded equity, after tax charges, and are annualised.
   Life insurance. Calculated according to NGAAP, including costs charged to the administration result. The figures are annualised.

# Balance sheets 1)

	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	1 Jan.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2005
Cash and deposits with central banks						
Lending to and deposits with credit institutions	8 850	7 978	11 527	10 606	8 053	5 781
Lending to customers						
Commercial paper and bonds	61 973	67 144	67 457	64 191	65 348	55 313
Shareholdings	39 347	39 956	32 445	30 001	27 037	24 371
Financial assets, customers bearing the risk	14 800	15 143	13 136	12 016	10 766	9 747
Financial derivatives	1 427	2 255	786	472	507	2 194
Shareholdings, available for sale						
Commercial paper and bonds, held to maturity	60 898	56 518	52 587	52 282	51 656	55 645
Investment property	23 869	23 350	22 872	20 496	19 167	19 252
Investments in associated companies	14	14	14	14	14	14
Intangible assets	304	279	252	213	231	262
Deferred tax assets					30	30
Fixed assets	46	48	50	137	113	77
Biological assets						
Discontinuing operations						
Other assets	2 751	3 039	1 533	3 187	3 405	2 699
Total assets	214 279	215 725	202 659	193 615	186 327	175 385
Loans and deposits from credit institutions						
Deposits from customers						
Financial derivatives	807	233	1 080	354	235	5
Securities issued						
Insurance liabilities, customers bearing the risk	14 800	15 143	13 136	12 016	10 766	9 747
Liabilities to life insurance policyholders	182 208	182 838	174 675	168 056	162 149	152 965
Payable taxes						
Deferred taxes	662	665	99	394	405	423
Other liabilities	4 880	6 340	1 991	1 953	2 291	2 422
Discontinuing operations						
Provisions	192	121	133		12	37
Subordinated loan capital	2 557	2 581	2 594	2 578	2 577	2 519
Total liabilities	206 107	207 919	193 708	185 351	178 435	168 118
Minority interests						
Revalutaion reserve						
Share capital	1 310	1 307	1 307	1 307	1 307	1 302
Other reserves and retained earnings	6 862	6 498	7 643	6 957	6 584	5 965
Total equity	8 172	7 805	8 951	8 264	7 892	7 267
Total liabilities and equity	214 279	215 725	202 659	193 615	186 327	175 385

<sup>1)</sup> The figures encompass Vital Forsikring ASA including subsidiaries and Vital Link AS as included in the DnB NOR Group accounts before eliminations for intra-group transactions and balances.



#### **Products and organisation**

- Group pension schemes to businesses, adapted to customer needs for defined-benefit, defined-contribution and single premium pension schemes.
- Long-term savings alternatives in the form of individual pension agreements, annuities in the retail market.
- Products are offered with guaranteed returns or with a choice of investment profile (unit linked).
- Savings products from other units in the DnB NOR Group, including mutual funds from DnB NOR Asset Management and equity-linked bonds from DnB NOR Markets.

The business area is represented in most parts of Norway through sales offices and provides services through DnB NOR and Postbanken's distribution networks and independent agents, as well as via the Internet.

## Cooperation with other group entities

- By taking advantage of the strength of the DnB NOR Group's total distribution network, Vital is well positioned to enjoy continued market growth.
- Vital's growth in the retail market is not least due to the business area's extensive distribution network, where other business areas in the Group play a principal role.
- In the second quarter of 2006, other business areas accounted for 58.5 per cent of the sales of Vital's products in the retail market, compared with 65.4 per cent in the corresponding period of 2005.

## **Employees**

Vital gives priority to retaining and developing a high level of expertise within insurance products, management and other relevant areas of competence.

## Full-time positions - Vital

	30 June 2006	30 June 2005
Life insurance	898	852
Unit link	28	29
Total	926	880



# Balance sheets and capital adequacy according to NGAAP

The analyses below are prepared on the basis of accounting principles according to Norwegian accounting legislation etc. (NGAAP). Tables marked "Vital" refer to life insurance operations including unit linked operations in Vital Link AS. Tables marked "life insurance" refer to operations in Vital Forsikring ASA including subsidiaries.

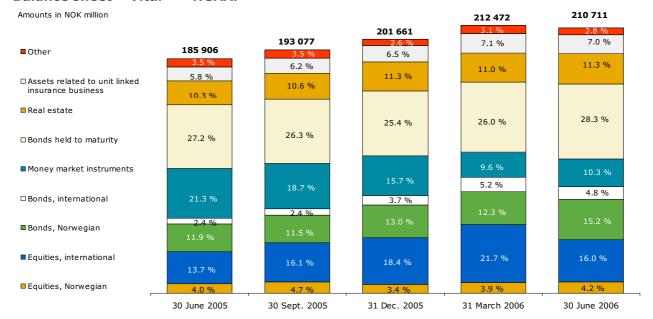
Kredittilsynet and the Ministry of Finance have not adapted solvency capital or capital adequacy regulations to IFRS. The Norwegian Ministry of Finance is expected to establish guidelines for further efforts to determine capital requirements for insurance companies up until the introduction of Solvency II.

## **Balance sheets - Vital - NGAAP**

	30 June	31 Mar.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2004
Financial assets						
Norwegian equities 1)	11 464	11 132	9 088	9 094	7 959	7 077
International equities <sup>2)</sup>	29 042	29 746	23 550	21 209	19 376	17 476
Norwegian bonds 3)	31 739	31 096	29 008	25 942	26 439	26 636
International bonds <sup>4)</sup>	12 683	13 450	13 116	12 484	17 955	18 776
Money market instruments 5)	21 507	26 694	34 391	34 217	27 201	15 654
Bonds held to maturity	59 692	55 228	51 246	50 846	50 515	54 172
Real estate	23 869	23 350	22 872	20 496	19 167	19 410
Assets related to unit linked insurance business	14 800	15 143	13 136	12 016	10 766	9 741
Other	5 914	6 633	5 253	6 773	6 529	6 203
Total assets	210 711	212 472	201 661	193 077	185 906	175 145
Equity	8 161	7 799	7 378	8 306	7 932	7 307
Subordinated loan capital	2 557	2 581	2 594	2 580	2 577	2 519
Securities adjustment reserve	3 328	6 972	5 503	4 942	3 966	3 538
Insurance provisions						
Premium reserve	168 746	165 602	159 457	154 817	150 080	140 701
Additional allocations	3 733	3 747	3 788	2 324	2 331	2 357
Premium fund and pension regulation fund	5 566	5 686	5 124	5 572	5 352	5 992
Security reserve	201	201	201	203	200	201
Other reserves	627	622	602	563	584	545
Provisions in unit linked insurance business	14 800	15 143	13 136	12 016	10 766	9 741
Other liabilities	2 992	4 119	3 877	1 756	2 119	2 244
Total equity and liabilities	210 711	212 472	201 661	193 077	185 906	175 145
Net exposure after adjustment for derivative contracts:						
1) Norwegian equities	8 757	8 389	6 757	9 094	7 480	6 664
2) International equities	33 723	46 057	37 023	31 018	25 382	20 787
- of which investments in hedge funds	1 824	1 877	1 823	1 435	1 485	1 447
3) Norwegian bonds	32 068	26 230	26 306	22 117	22 051	21 649
4) International bonds	10 147	11 143	7 404	4 620	4 433	8 199
5) Money market instruments	21 741	20 300	31 664	36 098	39 583	28 320



# Balance sheet - Vital 1) - NGAAP



1) Net exposure in Vital Forsikring and Vital Link after adjustment for derivative contracts.

# Solvency capital - life insurance - NGAAP 1)

	30 June	31 Mar.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2004
Interim profit, accumulated	3 625	2 102	-	4 109	2 119	-
Securities adjustment reserve	3 328	6 972	5 503	4 942	3 966	3 538
Additional allocations	3 733	3 747	3 788	2 324	2 331	2 357
Security reserve	201	201	201	203	196	197
Equity	7 155	7 155	7 155	7 155	7 155	7 155
Subordinated loan capital and perpetual						
subordinated loan capital securities	2 462	2 486	2 499	2 483	2 482	2 449
Unrealised gains on long-term securities	1 139	2 160	3 268	3 586	4 183	3 935
Solvency capital	21 644	24 824	22 415	24 802	22 432	19 630
Buffer capital 2)	12 426	14 752	11 564	13 780	10 930	8 577

<sup>1)</sup> The above shows the composition of and development in solvency capital. All these elements, with the exception of part of the security reserve, can be used to meet the guaranteed rate of return on policyholders' funds.



be used to meet the guaranteed rate of return on policyholders' funds.

2) Buffer capital is equity in excess of the minimum statutory capital requirement and interim profits, additional allocations and the securities adjustment reserve.

## Capital adequacy and solvency margin capital - life insurance - NGAAP

	30 June	31 Mar.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	30 June	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2004
Capital adequacy 1)						
Total eligible primary capital	9 161	9 252	9 312	9 075	9 035	8 953
Capital adequacy ratio (%)	10.5	10.4	11.7	12.6	12.8	14.1
Core capital	6 954	6 991	7 038	6 818	6 806	6 801
Core capital (%)	7.9	7.9	8.9	9.4	9.6	10.7
Risk-weighted assets	87 489	88 611	79 293	72 239	70 689	63 325
Solvency margin capital <sup>2)</sup>						
Solvency margin capital	11 118	11 216	11 296	10 351	10 307	10 238
Solvency margin capital exceeding minimum requirement	3 576	3 804	4 166	3 488	3 651	3 949
Solvency margin capital in per cent of						
solvency margin capital requirement (%)	147	151	158	151	155	163

<sup>1)</sup> Capital adequacy regulations regulate the relationship between the company's primary capital and the investment exposure on the asset side of the balance sheet. Life insurance companies are subject to a minimum capital adequacy requirement of 8 per cent.



<sup>2)</sup> Solvency margin capital is measured against the solvency margin requirement, which is linked to the company's insurance commitments on the liabilities side of the balance sheet. The solvency margin requirements for Norwegian life insurance companies are subject to regulations on the calculation of solvency capital requirements and solvency margin capital, as laid down by the Ministry of Finance on 19 May 1995.

# **DnB NOR Asset Management**

DnB NOR Asset Management provides mutual funds and discretionary portfolio management services to Norwegian and other Nordic corporate clients, the public sector, private pension funds and retail customers. Øyvind Birkeland, group executive vice president, heads the business area.

DnB NOR Asset Management seeks to provide first-class returns on customer funds within the preferred risk profile and investment horizon. DnB NOR aspires to be the leading asset manager for customers in the Nordic region, providing sound long-term returns and a high level of service based on a thorough understanding of customer needs.

New mutual fund packages, the 'Spar Smart' concept, launched in September 2005 were well received in the market. During the first half of 2006, more than 12 000 'Spar Smart' savings agreements were signed. The number of active savings agreements was up 5.5 per cent during the six-month period. DnB NOR Asset Management leads the market for hedge funds in Norway.

During the second quarter, six additional DnB NOR funds received four or more stars from the rating company Morningstar, bringing the percentage of DnB NOR funds awarded a minimum of four stars by Morningstar to 30.1 per cent.

## **Financial performance**

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006	2005
Net interest income - ordinary operations	2	(3)	(19)	0	(2)	(1)	(3)
Interest on allocated capital 1)	11	9	8	8	7	21	13
Net interest income	13	6	(10)	9	5	19	10
Commission income							
- from retail customers	132	126	112	90	84	258	169
- from institutional clients	141	154	182	149	148	294	305
Other income	8	4	8	5	4	12	7
Total income	294	290	292	253	241	585	491
Operating expenses	184	172	147	162	164	355	333
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	110	119	145	91	77	229	158
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Pre-tax operating profit	110	119	145	89	77	229	158
Assets under management 2)							
Institutional	465	470	488	464	447	465	447
- of which Vital	172	174	167	163	159	172	159
Retail	57	60	60	47	44	57	44
Total	522	530	549	511	491	522	491
Key figures							
Cost/income ratio	62.5	59.1	50.4	63.9	68.2	60.8	67.9
Return on capital (% p.a.) 1)	20.7	23.8	31.7	17.8	16.9	22.2	18.5

<sup>1)</sup> Calculated on the basis of recorded equity.



Assets under management at end of period.

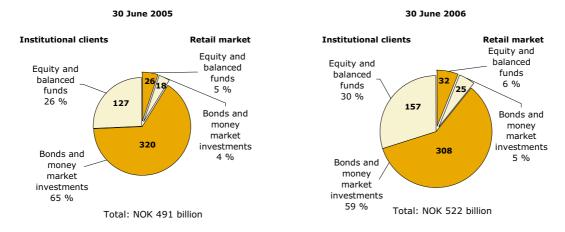
#### Comments to the financial performance in the first half of 2006

- Commission income increased by NOK 79 million from the first half of 2005 to the first half of 2006. This was mainly due to growth in assets under management and performance fee from hedgefond.
- Operating expenses in the first half of 2006 were NOK 355 million, up NOK 22 million from the corresponding period of 2005, half of which was due to new activity.

# **Assets under management**



- ) Share of total assets in the institutional and retail market respectively, invested in bonds, fixed-income funds and money market funds.
- 2) Reduced to NOK 519 billion in the beginning of January 2006 following termination of an investment mandate.



(Amounts in NOK billion and per cent of total assets)

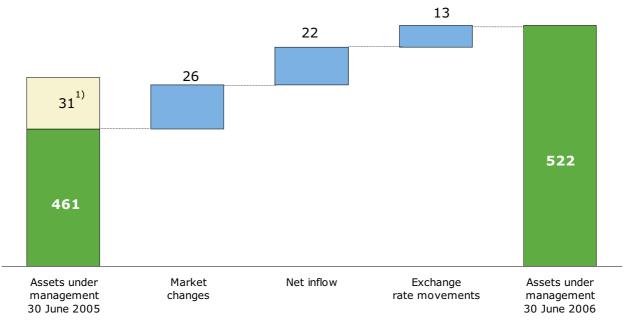


#### Changes in assets under management - net inflow

						First	half
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06 <sup>1)</sup>	4Q05	3Q05	2Q05	2006 <sup>1)</sup>	2005 <sup>2)</sup>
Retail market	(1 459)	(3 717)	12 045	88	(668)	(5 176)	(1 240)
Institutional clients 3)	(2 923)	(29 011)	13 495	3 495	(3 700)	(31 934)	3 398
Total	(4 382)	(32 728)	25 540	3 583	(4 368)	(37 110)	2 158

- 1) Excluding dividends of NOK 957 million, of which NOK 475 million refers to retail and NOK 482 million to institutional clients.
- 2) Excluding dividends of NOK 1 446 million, of which NOK 446 million refers to retail and NOK 1 000 million to institutional clients.
- 3) Of which NOK 30.5 billion represents termination of an investment mandate in 1Q06.

#### Changes in assets under management



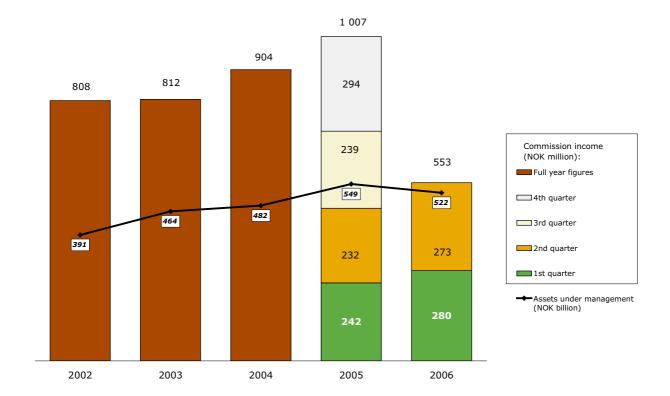
1) NOK 30.5 billion represents termination of an investment mandate

## Comments to changes in assets under management

- Assets under management increased by NOK 30.7 billion or 6.2 per cent from end June 2005.
- There was a net outflow of funds from institutional clients of NOK 15 billion or 3.4 per cent and a net inflow from the retail market of NOK 7 billion or 15.9 per cent.
- New institutional mandates were won in both Sweden and Norway.
- Market developments led to a NOK 26 billion increase in assets under management, representing 5.3 per cent measured in customers' base currencies.
- The depreciation of NOK against other currencies, especially SEK, increased assets under management by NOK 13 billion or 2.5 per cent.
- From end june 2005, Morgan Stanley's global equity index (MSCI World Net Div.) increased by 16.9 per cent measured in USD and 11.3 per cent measured in NOK.
- The stock exchange in Stockholm (OMX) climbed by 16.3 per cent and the stock exchange in Oslo (OSEBX) climbed by 32.8 per cent from end-June 2005.
- During the first half of 2006, Morgan Stanley's global equity index (MSCI World Net Div.) increased by 6.1 per cent measured in USD and was reduced by 2.5 per cent measured in NOK.
- The stock exchange in Stockholm (OMX) was reduced by 0.4 per cent and the stock exchange in Oslo (OSEBX) climbed by 13.2 per cent during the first half of 2006.



## Development in commission income and assets under management



#### Investment returns on assets under management

- Returns on assets under management was good.
- Returns on a number of major client portfolios and funds outperformed relevant benchmarks, including Vital Forsikring's total portfolio, as well as Norwegian equity and bond investments and major Swedish equity portfolios.
- Fund managers' specialisation has led to strong performance for several industry-specific funds (percentage point return in excess of benchmark in parentheses):
  - DnB NOR Nordic Technology (5.9)
  - DnB NOR Telecom (10.5)
  - DnB NOR Finans (4.1)

#### **Customers/markets**

- DnB NOR Asset Management serves the Norwegian and Swedish savings markets, offering domestic and international asset management services.
- Brand names:
  - DnB NOR Kapitalforvaltning in the Norwegian institutional and retail markets
  - DnB NOR Asset Management and Carlson in the Swedish institutional and retail markets.
- A leading position in the institutional market in both Norway and Sweden with 331 institutional clients. The largest clients are Skandia Liv and Vital.
- The number of mutual fund customers in Norway was more than 664 000 at the end of the second quarter of 2006. The number of savings agreements exceeded 290 000.
- · Market shares:
  - DnB NOR Kapitalforvaltning (mutual funds retail in Norway) 41.1 per cent
  - Carlson Fonder (total mutual funds in Sweden)
  - Institutional market in Norway >29 per cent
  - Institutional market in Sweden >20 per cent



1.4 per cent

#### Retail: Fund capital and market shares in Norway

	30 June 2006		30 June 2006		30 June 2006		30 June 2006		30 June 2006		31 Decem	ber 2005	31 Decem	nber 2004
	Fund Market		Fund	Market	Fund	Market								
Amounts in NOK million and per cent	capital	share	capital	share	capital	share								
Equity funds	21 197	28.4	21 345	29.6	19 403	35.6								
Balanced funds	8 424	77.5	7 320	77.4	3 689	71.6								
Fixed-income funds	22 772	54.3	28 099	51.0	16 628	66.4								
Total mutual funds	52 393	41.1	56 763	41.5	39 720	46.9								

Source: Norwegian Mutual Fund Association

#### **Products and services**

- Mutual funds, hedge funds and absolute return products
- · Discretionary portfolio management
- Management and monitoring of investment portfolios
- · Asset allocation and risk management advisory services

#### **Organisation**

- One holding company, DnB NOR Kapitalforvaltning Holding AS with separate asset management companies in the main markets.
- Customer activity is concentrated in Norway and Sweden. In order to provide competitive global asset management, investment operations have also been established in London, New York and Hong Kong.
- A combination of regional and sector-oriented management teams with a presence in all major financial markets.
- Asset management services are provided through channels adapted to the various markets: Retail customers in Norway
  - DnB NOR's extensive network of branches and regional financial services centres
  - Post offices and in-store postal outlets
  - The Internet
  - External channels including brokers, investment advisers and regional and local savings banks

#### Retail customers in Sweden

Local distributors

#### Institutional markets in Sweden and Norway

• The business area's own sales force and, in Norway, through cooperation with Corporate Banking.

#### **Employees**

- Staff growth corresponding to 16 full-time positions in the first half of 2006.
- 301 full-time positions at the end of the quarter.

# Cooperation with other group entities

- DnB NOR's extensive network represents the major distribution channel in the Norwegian retail market.
- DnB NOR Asset Management and Corporate Banking and Payment Services cooperate in providing a complete range of financial services to corporate customers.
- DnB NOR Asset Management manages Vital's equity and bond portfolios.
- DnB NOR Asset Management cooperates with other group entities in developing products adapted to the various markets.



#### **DnB NORD**

In 2005, DnB NOR's growth platform was strengthened through an expansion of its international operations. DnB NOR and Norddeutsche Landesbank, NORD/LB, decided to establish a jointly-owned bank in the Baltic Sea region, DnB NORD. DnB NORD was established in December 2005 and is owned 51 per cent by DnB NOR and 49 per cent by NORD/LB from year-end 2005. The new bank is headquartered in Copenhagen and is headed by Sven Herlyn.

The Baltic states and Poland are important markets experiencing strong growth, and an increasing number of DnB NOR's customers are establishing operations in this area. Thus, the creation of DnB NORD is an important strategic initiative in accompanying customers into one of Europe's most dynamic regions. DnB NORD has taken over NORD/LB's operations in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland and will consequently have a strong market position from the start, as the third largest bank in Lithuania and the fourth largest in Latvia. DnB NORD is also represented in Finland and Denmark and can provide a full service operation for corporate banking.

#### Financial performance 1)

			First half		
				Pro forma	
Amounts in NOK million	2Q06	1Q06	2006	2005	
Net interest income	183	166	349	237	
Net other operating income	80	71	151	122	
Total income	263	237	500	359	
Operating expenses	173	151	324	244	
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	90	86	176	114	
Write-downs on loans and net losses on assets	6	8	15	2	
Pre-tax operating profit	84	77	162	112	
Taxes	10	10	20	4	
Profit for the period	74	67	141	108	
Net lending to customers (NOK billion) 2)	29.8	26.6	29.8	18.6	
Deposits from customers (NOK billion) 2)	11.0	10.2	11.0	8.3	
Cost/income ratio (%)	65.7	63.8	64.8	68.1	
Ratio of deposits to lending (%)	37.0	38.5	37.0	44.5	
Return on capital BIS (% p.a.)	11.4	12.7	12.0		

DnB NORD financial accounts. Net interest income differs from the internal financial reporting presented on page 36, where interest on capital is calculated according to internal DnB NOR capital allocation. The pro forma figures for DnB NORD are not included in the DnB NOR Group 2005 figures

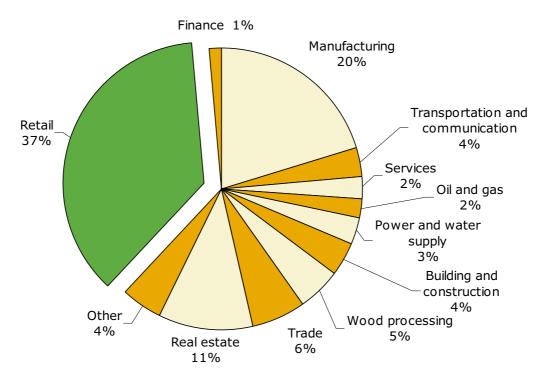
#### Comments to the financial performance in the first half of 2006

- Profit for the period was NOK 141 million and calculated return on capital was 12.0 per cent.
- Strong growth in loan volumes in the Baltic states and Poland.
- Year to date growth in total lending of 53 per cent or 30 per cent excluding loan portfolio taken over from DnB NOR and NORD/LB in the first quarter. 12 per cent growth in the second quarter.
- Lower deposit to lending ratio due to high growth in loan volumes.
- · Total assets of NOK 36.5 billion.
- Increased number of employees and re-branding of the branches and subsidiaries to DnB NORD resulted in increased expenses and higher cost/income ratio in the second quarter 2006 compared to the first quarter.



<sup>2)</sup> Balances at end-period. Based on nominal values.

#### Lending according to customer segments 1)



1) Distribution of lending as at 30 June 2006

#### **Organisation and market**

- All branches are now branded DnB NORD, re-branding activities completed in May 2006.
- DnB NORD serves more than 650 000 retail and corporate clients through 126 branches and offices in six countries.
- DnB NORD employed at the end of June 2006 1 867 persons, corresponding to 1 845 full-time positions.
- DnB NORD is the third largest bank in Lithuania and the fourth largest in Latvia. DnB NORD Lithuania is number one in the Equity linked bonds' market with a 54 per cent market share.
- DnB NORD office in Copenhagen was officially opened in March 2006 and the office in Finland in April 2006.
- In March 2006 Latvia officially opened a branch in Tallinn, Estonia.
- DnB NORD's growth will continue based on the following core values: dynamics, reliability, team spirit and simplicity.
- DnB NORD expects to grow at least in pace with the total market in the Baltic and Poland.



# Section 4 Shareholder information



#### **Equity-related data**

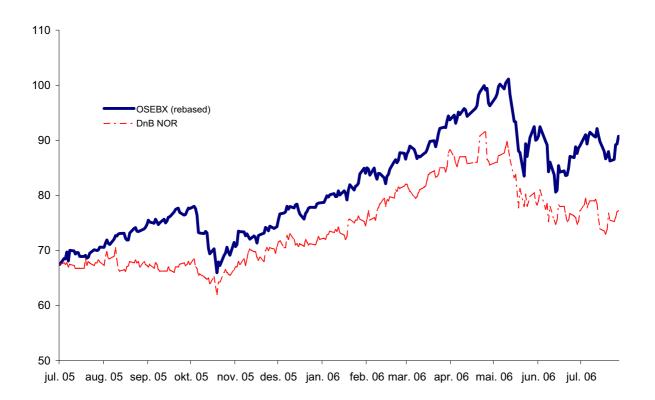
### **Key figures**

	IFRS			NGAAP	
	First half 2006	2005 <sup>1)</sup>	2004 <sup>2)</sup>	2003	2002 <sup>3)</sup>
Shares outstanding at end of period (1 000) 4)	1 334 190	1 336 875	1 327 139	1 309 027	1 309 007
Average number of shares (1 000)	1 336 651	1 334 474	1 317 744	1 309 027	1 309 552
Earnings per share (NOK)	4.21	7.59	6.25	4.11	2.77
Return on equity (per cent)	19.2	18.8	17.7	12.7	8.9
RARORAC (per cent) 5)	24.1	25.7	24.2	n/a	n/a
RORAC (per cent) 6)	31.5	34.7	31.4	n/a	n/a
Share price at end of period (NOK)	77.25	72.00	59.75	44.40	32.60
Price/earnings ratio 7)	9.17	9.49	9.55	10.81	11.75
Price/book value	1.73	1.65	1.57	1.29	1.00
Dividend per share (NOK)	n/a	3.50	2.55	2.20	2.40
Dividend yield (per cent) 8)	n/a	4.86	4.27	4.95	7.36
Equity per share including accrued					
dividend at end of period (NOK)	44.68	43.65	38.13	34.37	32.46

- Including the effect of the 9 736 376 shares issued on 31 March 2005 in connection with the subscription rights programme for employees in the
- Including the effect of the 12 929 907 shares issued on 26 March 2004 in connection with the subscription rights for employees in the former DnB Group and the effect of 5 181 408 shares issued in October 2004 in connection with the subscription rights programme for employees in the former Gjensidige NOR Group
- Including the effect of the cancellation of shares at the AGM 2002 (8 067 420 shares) and AGM 2003 (960 000 shares)
- The Annual General Meeting authorised the Board of Directors of DnB NOR ASA to acquire own shares for a total face value of up to NOK 1 336 874 898, corresponding to 10 per cent of share capital. After the repurchase DnB NOR ASA held a total of 2 685 000 own shares as at 30 June 2006.
- RARORAC (Risk-Adjusted Return On Risk-Adjusted Capital) is defined as risk-adjusted profits relative to risk-adjusted capital for the business area. Risk-adjusted profits indicate the level of profits in a normal situation.

  RORAC (Return On Risk-Adjusted Capital) is defined as the business areas profits after losses and taxes relative to risk-adjusted capital
- Based on the share price at end of period, and annualised EPS
- Dividend per share and dividend yield prior to 2003 are based on DnB Holding ASA's payment of dividend and DnB Holding's share price

## Share price development - July 2005 to July 2006

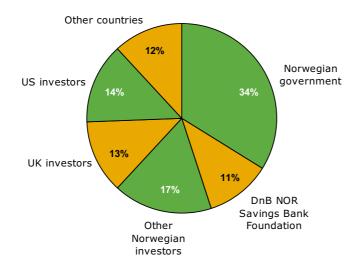


## Shareholder structure as at 30 June 2006

# **Major shareholders**

	Shares in 1 000	Ownership in %
Norwegian government	454 537	
DnB NOR Savings Bank Foundation	146 391	10.97
JPMorgan Chase Bank, Clients Treaty Account NO	1 58 840	4.41
State Street Bank & Trust Co, Client Omnibus D NO	1 39 640	2.97
Folketrygdfondet	39 568	2.97
Gjensidige Forsikring	28 515	2.14
JPMorgan Chase Bank, Fidelity Lending Account	24 999	1.87
The Northern Trust C Treaty Account NO	4 23 423	1.76
JPMorgan Chase Bank, Euro Pacific Growth Fund	22 555	1.69
Fidelity Funds, Europe Growths	22 174	1.66
Mellon Bank, Agent for Clients M NO	17 736	1.33
State Street Bank & Trust Co, Client Omnibus S	15 695	1.18
Pioneer Asset Management SA	14 613	1.10
JPMorgan Chase Bank, Capital World	10 936	0.82
JPMorgan Chase Bank, Omnibus Lending Account NO	9 624	0.72
Deutsche Bank AG London	9 111	0.68
Orkla ASA (incl. Nordstjernen Holding)	9 000	0.67
Mellon Bank, Agent for ABN AMRO M NO	4 8 792	0.66
Oslo Pensjonsforsikring	8 749	0.66
DnB NOR Employees Fund	8 500	0.64
Total largest shareholders	973 398	72.96
Other	360 792	27.04
Total	1 334 190	100.00

#### **Shareholder structure**





# Section 5 The Norwegian economy



#### **Basic information**

Area	385 356 square kilometres
Population	4.6 million
Fertility rate	1.8
Life expectancy	M: 77.5 F: 82.3
Work participation rate, per cent 15 – 74 years	72.4 (M: 76.2 F:68.7)
Gross domestic product 2005	USD 266.6 billion
GDP per capita 2005	USD 57.500
Rating	AAA, Aaa
Currency exchange rate used	6.44 USD/NOK
Current balance 2005	USD 49.6 billion or 16.8 per cent of GDP

## **Key macro-economic indicators**

Per cent	2005	2006	2007	2008
GDP growth				
- Norway, total	2.3	2.6	2.0	1.9
- Mainland Norway	3.7	3.6	2.3	2.2
Private consumption	3.8	3.3	2.9	2.8
Gross fixed investment	10.8	7.5	0.8	0.5
Inflation (CPI)	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.9
Savings ratio 1)	12.1	8.2	7.5	6.9
Unemployment rate	4.6	3.7	3.4	3.5
Current account <sup>2)</sup>	16.8	16.8	15.0	12.0
Net foreign assets <sup>2) 3)</sup>	76.3	88.1		
General government budget balance <sup>2) 3)</sup>	15.9	18.4		

<sup>1)</sup> Per cent of disposable income.

Source if not otherwise indicated: DnB NOR Markets

# Contribution to volume growth in GDP mainland Norway

Per cent	2003	2004	2005	2006
Household demand	1.7	3.3	2.9	2.0
Gross fixed capital formation, mainland companies	(1.1)	0.6	0.8	0.5
Gross fixed capital formation, petroleum activity	0.7	(0.1)	1.4	1.3
Public sector demand	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.8
Exports, mainland Norway	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.0
Imports, mainland Norway	(0.9)	(2.9)	(2.7)	(2.0)
Changes in stocks and stat. discrepancies	(0.4)	1.5	0.0	0.0
GDP, mainland Norway	1.4	3.8	3.7	3.6

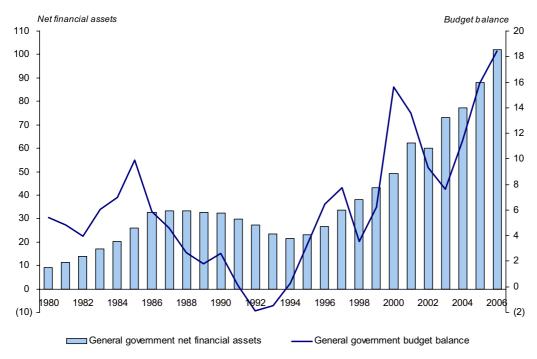
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<sup>2)</sup> Per cent of GDP.

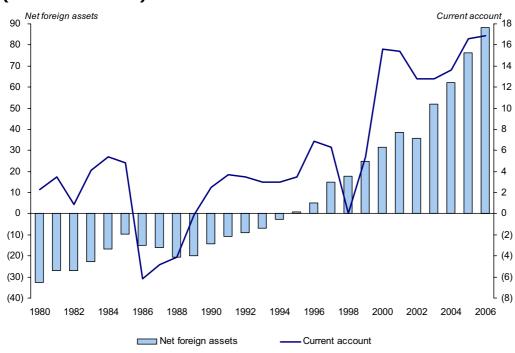
<sup>3)</sup> Source: Ministry of Finance.

# **General government's financial position** <sup>1)</sup> (Per cent of GDP)



Source: Ministry of Finance

# Current account and net foreign assets (incl. private sector) 1) (Per cent of GDP)

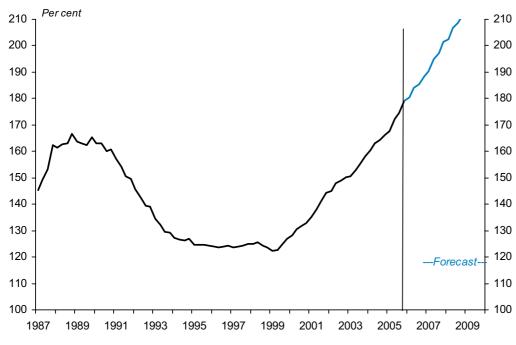


Source: Ministry of Finance

<sup>1)</sup> The projections are based on an assumed oil price of NOK 345 per barrel in 2005 and NOK 420 in 2006. The oil price in May 2006 was NOK 424.8 per barrel.

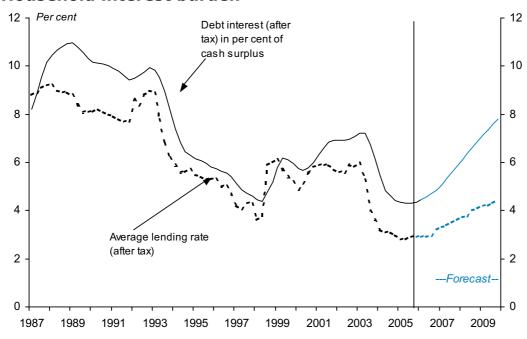


# Household debt servicing capacity (debt in per cent of disposable income)



#### Source: Norges Bank

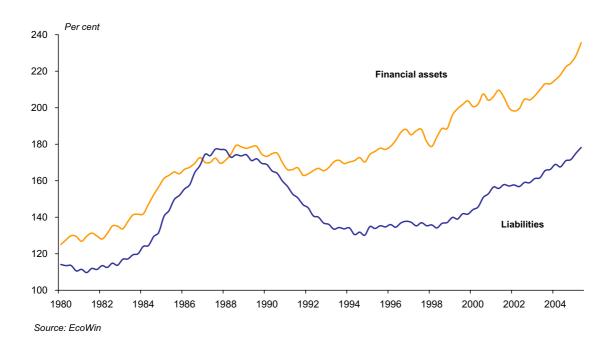
#### Household interest burden



Source: Norges Bank



# Household financial assets and liabilities (per cent of disposable income)



## **Financial market growth**

Percentage change from previous year	31 Dec. 2003	31 Dec. 2004	31 Dec. 2005	31 May 2006
Credit 1)	2003	2001	2003	2000
Total	4.9	8.6	14.2	10.9 5)
- of which commercial and savings banks	7.9	9.5	18.3	19.2
- of which commercial and savings banks, mortgage				
institutions and finance companies	8.9	10.3	15.6	15.6
Total retail market	11.8	12.4	13.7	13.6
Total corporate market	0.4	5.9	14.7	9.0 5)
Savings				
Total <sup>2)</sup>	9.1	11.2	15.1	16.4
- of which commercial and savings banks	3.8	7.5	9.9	13.8
Total retail market <sup>2)</sup>	8.7	8.2	18.2	18.34)
Total corporate market <sup>3)</sup>	8.6	14.0	13.3	15.8 <sup>4)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> Commercial and savings banks, state banks, insurance companies, mortgage institutions, finance companies, bonds, commercial paper, foreign institutions.



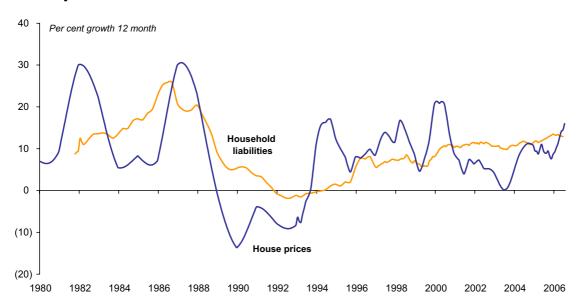
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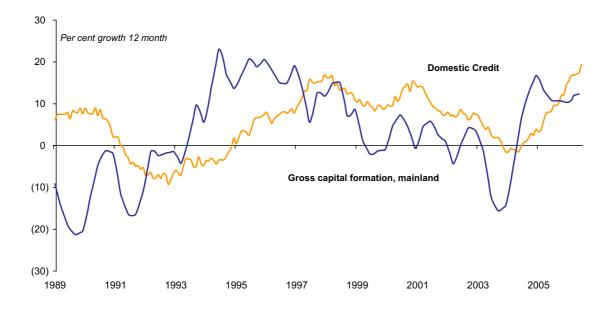
<sup>4)</sup> As at 31 March 2006

<sup>5)</sup> As at 30 April 2006

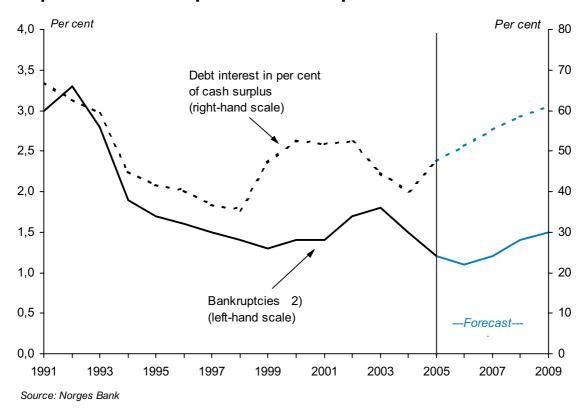
### House prices and household liabilities



# Corporates: domestic credit and gross capital formation, mainland

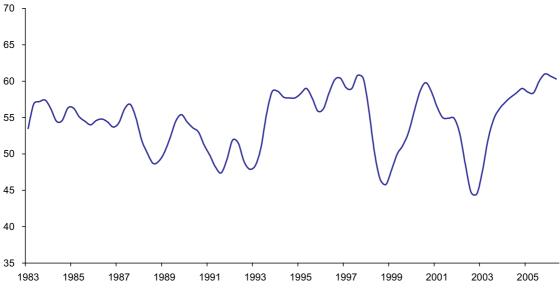


# Corporates' interest paid and bankruptcies 1)



- For non-financial corporates excluding petroleum and international shipping. The share of corporates going bankrupt in per cent

## Business surveys, manufacturing sector (general judgement of outlooks for next quarter, trend)



Source: EcoWin

The survey is based on a sample of mainly larger enterprises. The survey focuses on the industry leaders judgements of the general business situation and the outlooks for a fixed set of variables e.g. production, new orders etc.



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