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DnB NOR Bank ASA



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The accounts for DnB NOR Bank and the DnB NOR Bank Group ¹⁾ are based on Norwegian generally accepted accounting principles and the accounting regulations for banks. DnB NOR Bank implemented regulations from the Ministry of Finance on the accounting treatment of loans and guarantees in the accounts of DnB NOR Bank and the banking group effective 1 January 2006. For the time being, it is not permissible for Norwegian banks and finance companies to prepare accounts according to IFRS.

Introduction

Performance in the banking group in the first three quarters of the year reflected a high level of activity and strong progress in the business areas. There was healthy lending growth and brisk sales of savings and insurance products. In spite of fierce competition, the banking group recorded a 15.8 per cent rise in total income in the first three quarters of 2006 compared with the year-earlier period, while expenses were up 11.0 per cent. The high level of activity in the Norwegian economy combined with low interest rate levels resulted in net reversals on writedowns on loans and guarantees for the banking group after the first nine months of the year.

The banking group's pre-tax operating profits came to NOK 9 113 million in the first three quarters of 2006, up 20.9 per cent from the corresponding period in 2005. After taxes, profits were up 23.8 per cent, from NOK 5 504 million to NOK 6 816 million. Return on equity was 19.1 per cent for the January through September period, compared with 19.2 per cent in the first three quarters of 2005.

The cost/income ratio improved further, representing 51.5 per cent for the first three quarters of 2006, down from 53.7 per cent in the year-earlier period.

In the third quarter of 2006, profits came to NOK 2 273 million, an increase from NOK 2 139 million in the year-earlier period. Return on equity was 18.0 per cent in the July through September period, compared with 21.4 per cent in the third quarter of 2005. The cost/income ratio stood at 51.2 per cent for the third quarter of 2006.

The core capital ratio for the banking group was 7.0 per cent as at 30 September 2006. A partial audit has been conducted of the accounts of DnB NOR Bank and the banking group as at 30 September 2006, thus in accordance with capital adequacy rules, 50 per cent of interim profits has been included in the capital adequacy figures. The core capital ratio for the banking group as at 31 December 2005 was 7.7 per cent. The capital adequacy ratio was 10.7 per cent at end-September 2006, up from 10.6 at end-December 2005.

DnB NOR Bank established Postbanken Eiendom during the third quarter of 2006 and plans to offer real estate brokerage services in all of Postbanken's 42 customer service centres.

¹⁾ DnB NOR Bank ASA is a subsidiary of DnB NOR ASA and part of the DnB NOR Group. The DnB NOR Bank Group, hereinafter called "the banking group", comprises the bank and the bank's subsidiaries. Other companies owned by DnB NOR ASA, including Vital Forsikring and DnB NOR Kapitalforvaltning, are not part of the banking group. Operations in DnB NOR ASA and the total DnB NOR Group are not covered in this report but described in a separate report and presentation.

In September, DnB NOR Bank opened a full service corporate branch in Shanghai and is the first foreign financial institution whose principal activity in the Chinese market is ship financing. DnB NOR Bank is one of the world's leading ship financing banks with a portfolio in excess of USD 15 billion. During the third quarter of 2006, DnB NOR Bank won this year's Lloyd's Shipping Economist Award for its syndicated lending activity to the shipping industry.

Operations in 2006 reflect the banking group's significant investments in new international operations, product development and new IT systems, as well as extensive competence development programmes.

Income

Income totalled NOK 6 098 million for the July through September period, an increase of NOK 642 million or 11.8 per cent from the third quarter of 2005.

Net interest income

Net interest income was NOK 4 072 million in the third quarter of 2006, up NOK 696 million or 20.6 per cent compared with the year-earlier period.

Average lending increased by NOK 152 billion or 24.2 per cent from the third quarter of 2005. The rise mainly represented well-secured housing loans and corporate customer loans with low or medium risk. There was a rise of NOK 61 billion or 15.3 per cent in average deposits. The combined spread contracted by 0.09 percentage points compared with the year-earlier period, standing at 2.07 per cent at end-September 2006

The table below specifies changes in net interest income between the two quarters according to main items:

Changes in net interest income

	3rd quarter	d quarter 3r		
Amounts in NOK million	2006	Change	2005	
Net interest income	4 072	696	3 376	
DnB NORD	212	212		
Monchebank	9	9		
Lending and deposit volumes		448		
Lending and deposit spreads		(220)		
Other balance sheet items		199		
Instalment fees, standby fees etc.		45		
Other		3		

Net other operating income

Net other operating income amounted to NOK 2 026 million in the third quarter of 2006, down NOK 54 million or 2.6 per cent compared with the corresponding period of 2005. The reduction was partly attributable to realised gains on the sale of Storebrand shares and the banking group's equity positions in Brazil in the third quarter of 2005.

Net other operating income represented 33.2 per cent of total income in the third quarter of 2006, as against 38.1 per cent in the year-earlier period.

The table below specifies changes in net other operating income between the two quarters according to main items:

Changes in net other operating income

	3rd quarter	3rd	d quarter
Amounts in NOK million	2006	Change	2005
Net other operating income	2 026	(54)	2 080
DnB NORD	71	71	
Monchebank	5	5	
Net commissions and fees		(49)	
Net gains on foreign exchange and financia	I instruments	(240)	
Net gains on the sale of fixed assets		133	
Other income		25	

Operating expenses

Operating expenses totalled NOK 3 121 million in the third quarter of 2006, up NOK 285 million from the year-earlier period. Excluding operations in DnB NORD and Monchebank, there was a NOK 101 million rise in expenses.

The cost trend in the third quarter of 2006 reflected rising personnel expenses due to higher pension costs and the result of this year's wage settlements. In addition, the banking group is in the midst of a period of investment, product development and international start-ups. The investments will ensure a broader income base and improve conditions for future income growth.

The table below shows changes in operating expenses between the two quarters according to main items:

Changes in operating expenses

	3rd quarter	3rd	d quarter
Amounts in NOK million	2006	Change	2005
Operating expenses	3 121	285	2 836
DnB NORD	175	175	
Monchebank	9	9	
Pension expenses		114	
Wage settlements		51	
Performance-based pay		12	
Marketing		27	
Merger synergies		(73)	
Other		(30)	

Write-downs on commitments

The banking group recorded low write-downs on both retail and corporate loans in the third quarter of 2006. Net reversals on write-downs on loans and guarantees came to NOK 70 million, with individual write-downs of NOK 25 million and reversals on group write-downs of NOK 95 million. The reversals on group write-downs reflected the positive trend in the Norwegian economy.

After deductions for individual write-downs, net non-performing and impaired commitments came to NOK 4 271 million at end-September 2006, a decline of NOK 969 million from 31 December 2005. Net non-performing and impaired commitments represented 0.54 per cent of net lending at end-September 2006, down from 0.80 per cent a year earlier.

Taxes

The banking group's tax charge for the third quarter of 2006 was NOK 774 million. While the tax charge is normally based on an anticipated average tax rate of 27 per cent of the banking group's pre-tax operating profits, there was a write-back of NOK 49 million in the third quarter of 2006, representing provisions for payable and deferred taxes.

Balance sheet

Total assets in the banking group's balance sheet were NOK 1 038 billion as at 30 September 2006, as against NOK 831 billion a year earlier.

Net lending to customers rose by NOK 150 billion or 23.2 per cent during the twelve-month period, of which NOK 36 billion referred to the acquisitions of DnB NORD and Monchebank.

Customer deposits rose by NOK 52 billion or 12.6 per cent from the third quarter of 2005, of which NOK 11.6 billion stemmed from the acquisitions of DnB NORD and Monchebank.

In order to keep the banking group's liquidity risk at a low level, the majority of customer loans are financed through customer deposits, long-term securities, subordinated loan capital and equity. With respect to short-term funding of the bank, restrictive borrowing limits have been established

The ratio of customer deposits to net lending to customers was maintained at a satisfactory level, standing at 57.8 per cent at end-September 2006, down from 63.2 per cent a year earlier.

Securities issued by the banking group increased by NOK 95 billion or 42.7 per cent from the third quarter of 2005, totalling NOK 317 billion at end-September 2006. The majority of the securities were issued in international capital markets. DnB NOR has good access to the European and Asian capital markets, and the banking group's funding base has been further expanded through a boost in activity in the US capital market

The rating agencies' assessments of DnB NOR determine the banking group's funding terms. In September 2006, the Canadian rating agency Dominion Bond Rating Service assigned a long-term rating of AA to DnB NOR Bank ASA. DnB NOR Bank ASA already has an Aa3 rating from Moody's and an A+ rating from Standard & Poor's.

Risk and capital adequacy

The strong growth in corporate credit and in housing loans continued in the third quarter of 2006. Credit quality was very good. As part of risk management, loans totalling approximately NOK 11 billion to the shipping and offshore industries were syndicated in the third quarter of 2006.

Market risk rose by NOK 0.2 billion in the third quarter, to NOK 2.4 billion at end-September 2006. The increase in market risk reflected a positive price trend and greater exposure in the equity market.

The banking group recorded no major operational losses during the July through September period in 2006. The operational stability of the banking group's IT solutions was improved.

Risk-weighted volume included in the calculation of the capital adequacy requirement rose by NOK 44.5 billion during the third quarter, to NOK 768.4 billion at end-September 2006. The core capital ratio was 7.0 per cent, while the capital adequacy ratio was 10.7 per cent.

Prospects for the rest of the year

The economic upturn in Norway continued throughout the third quarter and the healthy economic climate is expected to prevail. This will help maintain strong growth in corporate investment and brisk demand for credit. The rise in housing prices and household debt has remained high over a long period. Sound household finances signify that the growth in housing loans will not be notably subdued in the fourth quarter of 2006.

DnB NOR Bank expects the high level of activity to continue, together with strong demand for financial products and services. Strong competition and increasing pressure on customer spreads are being combated through the further streamlining of operations and innovation. Growth in Norway will be ensured by strengthening and improving

customer relationships and product development, while growth outside Norway will be ensured by improving current operations and through potential new acquisitions.

Healthy income growth and rising wealth among both companies and households indicate a low level of write-downs on loans throughout the rest of the year and that 2006 will be a good year for the banking group.

Oslo, 1 November 2006 The Board of Directors of DnB NOR Bank ASA

Olav Hytta (chairman)	Bent Pedersen (vice-chairman)	Per Hoffmann
Sten Sture Larre	Kari Lotsberg	Heidi M. Petersen
Torill Rambjør	Ingjerd Skjeldrum	Svein Aaser
		(group chief executive)

Income statement

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Earnings per share 10.36 10.34 33.45 28.69 43.	Taxes		646	649	1 971	1 800	2 973
* 1	Profit for the period		1 784	1 754	5 759	4 868	7 422
Average total assets 951 714 777 299 896 934 752 031 771 3	Earnings per share		10.36	10.34	33.45	28.69	43.12
	Average total assets		951 714	777 299	896 934	752 031	771 300

Balance sheets

Balance sheets				DnB NOR	Bank ASA
		30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK million	Note	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)	2004 1)
Assets					
Cash and deposits with central banks		13 324	19 715	23 741	8 286
Lending to and deposits with credit institutions		150 321	86 156	82 059	54 947
Gross lending to customers		670 643	600 680	591 780	525 645
- Individual write-downs		1 344	1 478	2 284	2 494
- Group write-downs		863	3 230	3 230	3 230
Net lending to customers	4, 5	668 436	595 972	586 265	519 921
Commercial paper and bonds		102 556	78 221	78 406	64 615
Shareholdings etc.		2 153	2 610	2 530	4 213
Investments in associated companies		537	537	537	583
Investments in subsidiaries		9 370	8 122	6 463	5 597
Intangible assets		1 443	1 493	2 908	3 038
Fixed assets		2 132	2 412	2 363	2 923
Other assets		38 226	19 901	21 570	23 138
Prepayments and accrued income		5 324	4 097	4 230	3 946
Total assets		993 822	819 238	811 074	691 207
Liabilities and equity					
Loans and deposits from credit institutions		101 338	87 341	91 718	47 608
Deposits from customers		440 111	401 942	402 768	353 741
Securities issued		309 924	230 124	216 381	184 572
Other liabilities		47 420	27 024	27 120	40 337
Accrued expenses and prepaid revenues		8 944	4 832	6 999	4 318
Provisions for commitments		4 314	3 698	3 974	4 525
Subordinated loan capital		35 116	24 839	24 455	23 362
Total liabilities		947 168	779 800	773 414	658 465
Share capital		17 214	17 214	16 964	16 964
Share premium reserve		9 995	9 995	7 745	7 745
Other equity		19 445	12 228	12 950	8 033
Total equity	7	46 654	39 438	37 660	32 743
Total liabilities and equity		993 822	819 238	811 074	691 207
Off-balance sheet transactions and contingencies	8				

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

Income statement

Total liabilities and equity

Off-balance sheet transactions and contingencies

Income statement			DnB			nk Group
		3rd quarter	3rd quarter		September	Full year
Amounts in NOK million	Note	2006	2005 1)	2006	2005 ¹⁾	2005 1)
Interest income	2	11 077	7 519	30 183	21 576	29 712
Interest expenses	2	7 004	4 142	18 433	11 658	16 311
Net interest income and credit commissions	2	4 072	3 376	11 751	9 918	13 401
Dividends		9	4	100	148	154
Commissions and fees receivable		1 528	1 582	4 927	4 590	6 276
Commissions and fees payable		467	509	1 441	1 539	2 025
Net gains on foreign exchange and financial instruments		433	650	1 439	1 573	2 166
Sundry ordinary operating income		373	341	1 179	1 036	1 440
Net gains on the sale of fixed assets		149	13	347	80	231
Net other operating income		2 026	2 080	6 551	5 886	8 241
Salaries and other ordinary personnel expenses		1 713	1 487	5 034	4 328	5 718
Administrative expenses		810	866	2 582	2 654	3 586
Depreciation		223	186	657	575	778
Sundry ordinary operating expenses		315	290	969	874	1 189
Other expenses		60	9	175	49	232
Total operating expenses		3 121	2 836	9 417	8 480	11 502
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs		2 977	2 620	8 885	7 325	10 140
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	3	(70)	(102)	(228)	(8)	(42)
Net gains on long-term securities		0	208	0	208	203
Pre-tax operating profit		3 047	2 929	9 113	7 540	10 385
Taxes		774	791	2 296	2 036	3 058
Profit for the period		2 273	2 139	6 816	5 504	7 327
Earnings per share		13.20	12.61	39.60	32.45	42.56
Average total assets		995 836	796 224	940 534	772 092	792 357

Balance sheets			Dr	nB NOR Ba	nk Group
		30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.
Amounts in NOK million	Note	2006	2005 ¹⁾	2005 ¹⁾	2004 1)
Assets					
Cash and deposits with central banks		15 474	21 229	24 264	8 780
Lending to and deposits with credit institutions		64 028	31 342	43 872	21 604
Gross lending to customers		801 148	698 881	654 538	584 230
- Individual write-downs		1 970	2 065	2 912	3 255
- Group write-downs		1 018	3 576	3 534	3 534
Net lending to customers	4, 5	798 161	693 240	648 092	577 441
Commercial paper and bonds		104 590	79 259	77 252	62 986
Shareholdings etc.		2 277	2 791	2 731	4 611
Investments in associated companies		1 374	1 261	1 298	1 354
Intangible assets		2 425	2 418	3 308	3 469
Fixed assets		4 643	4 519	4 070	4 693
Other assets		39 396	19 288	21 926	22 943
Prepayments and accrued income		5 723	4 645	4 661	4 477
Total assets		1 038 092	859 993	831 472	712 356
Liabilities and equity					
Loans and deposits from credit institutions		109 765	97 870	93 425	48 950
Deposits from customers		460 943	418 395	409 374	360 240
Securities issued		317 000	236 711	222 156	192 410
Other liabilities		48 146	28 527	28 793	41 140
Accrued expenses and prepaid revenues		9 495	5 426	7 415	5 013
Provisions for commitments		4 663	4 145	4 337	4 952
Subordinated loan capital		35 852	25 798	24 850	24 040
Total liabilities		985 864	816 873	790 350	676 745
Minority interests		1 650	946	6	6
Share capital		17 214	17 214	16 964	16 964
Share premium reserve		10 711	10 711	8 461	8 461
Other equity		22 652	14 248	15 691	10 179
Total equity	7	52 228	43 119	41 122	35 611

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

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Note 1 - Accounting principles

The quarterly accounts are based on Norwegian accounting legislation, the accounting regulations issued by the Ministry of Finance and Norwegian generally accepted accounting principles, including NRS 11 – the Norwegian accounting standard for interim reporting. A more detailed description of the bank's accounting principles can be found in the annual accounts for 2005.

DnB NOR Bank implemented regulations from the Ministry of Finance on the accounting treatment of loans and guarantees in the accounts of DnB NOR Bank and the banking group effective 1 January 2006. A more detailed description of the principles can be found in the first quarter report. Figures for previous periods have not been restated, but reclassified in accordance with the new presentation format. Comparable figures have not been restated following the establishment of DnB NORD and the acquisition of Monchebank.

Note 2 - Net interest income and credit commissions

				DnB NOR I	Bank ASA
	3rd quarter	3rd quarter	January - S	September	Full year
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2006	2005	2005
Interest on loans to and deposits with credit institutions, amortised cost 1)	1 281	547	3 160	1 568	2 227
Interest on loans to customers, amortised cost 1)	7 690	5 669	21 195	16 178	22 199
Front-end fees, etc. ²⁾	165	238	503	689	968
Interest on commercial paper and bonds	967	524	2 528	1 517	2 142
Total interest income	10 103	6 978	27 387	19 951	27 536
Interest on loans and deposits from credit institutions	1 071	537	2 657	1 421	2 095
Interest on demand deposits from customers	2 603	1 455	6 770	3 869	5 611
Interest on securities issued	3 072	1 520	7 968	4 208	5 997
Interest on subordinated loan capital	390	231	996	662	912
Other interest expenses ³⁾	(437)	219	(901)	918	945
Total interest expenses	6 699	3 962	17 489	11 078	15 560
Net interest income and credit commissions	3 403	3 016	9 898	8 873	11 976

				DnB NOR Ba		
	3rd quarter	3rd quarter	January - S	September	Full year	
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2006	2005	2005	
Interest on loans to and deposits with credit institutions, amortised cost 1)	706	378	1 827	1 130	1 495	
Interest on loans to customers, amortised cost 1)	9 183	6 334	25 186	18 151	24 991	
Front-end fees, etc. 2)	180	276	544	756	1 052	
Interest on commercial paper and bonds	1 007	531	2 626	1 539	2 174	
Total interest income	11 077	7 519	30 183	21 576	29 712	
Interest on loans and deposits from credit institutions	1 172	585	2 984	1 565	2 278	
Interest on demand deposits from customers	2 680	1 470	6 983	3 925	5 681	
Interest on securities issued	3 171	1 612	8 251	4 493	6 368	
Interest on subordinated loan capital	395	232	1 016	664	915	
Other interest expenses 3)	(413)	244	(802)	1 010	1 069	
Total interest expenses	7 004	4 142	18 433	11 658	16 311	
Net interest income and credit commissions	4 072	3 376	11 751	9 918	13 401	

¹⁾ Amortisation effects refer only to 2006.

²⁾ In 2006, commission income included in the amortisation has been deducted from front-end fees from customers.

³⁾ Including guarantee fund levies.

Note 3 - Write-downs on loans and guarantees

			D	DnB NOR Bank	
	3rd quarter 3	rd quarter	January - S	eptember	Full year
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005 1)	2006	2005 1)	2005
Specification of write-downs					
Write-offs ^{a)}	32	100	129	301	347
Increase in individual write-downs b)	9	33	49	113	117
New individual write-downs c)	93	(6)	353	171	239
Total new individual write-downs	134	127	531	585	703
Reassessed individual write-downs d)	53	35	184	183	265
Total individual write-downs	81	92	347	402	438
Recoveries on commitments previously written off ^{e)}	86	150	246	409	470
Change in group write-downs	(82)	0	(352)	0	0
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(87)	(58)	(251)	(7)	(32
Specification of changes					
Change in individual write-downs b) and c) minus d) and f)	(71)	(54)	(164)	(197)	(962
+ Write-offs covered by individual write-downs made in previous years ^{f)}	120	46	382	298	1 053
+ Write-offs not covered by individual write-downs made in previous years ^{a)}	32	100	129	301	347
- Recoveries on commitments previously written off ^{e)}	86	150	246	409	470
+ Change in group write-downs	(82)	0	(352)	0	0
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(87)	(58)	(251)	(7)	(32
Of which write-downs on guarantees	1	(17)	12	0	1.3

			DNB NOR Bank Group		
	3rd quarter	3rd quarter	January - S		Full year
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005 1)	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)
Specification of write-downs					
Write-offs ^{a)}	36	112	148	327	404
Increase in individual write-downs b)	32	82	120	201	190
New individual write-downs ^{c)}	117	15	425	220	306
Total new individual write-downs	185	209	693	748	900
Reassessed individual write-downs d)	66	105	244	277	324
Total individual write-downs	119	104	449	471	576
Recoveries on commitments previously written off ^{e)}	94	206	295	479	618
Change in group write-downs	(95)	0	(382)	0	0
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(70)	(102)	(228)	(8)	(42)
Specification of changes					
Change in individual write-downs b) and c) minus d) and f)	(10)	(160)	(157)	(342)	(1 191)
+ Write-offs covered by individual write-downs made in previous years f)	93	152	458	486	1 363
+ Write-offs not covered by individual write-downs made in previous years a)	36	112	148	327	404
- Recoveries on commitments previously written off ^{e)}	94	206	295	479	618
+ Change in group write-downs	(95)	0	(382)	0	0
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(70)	(102)	(228)	(8)	(42)
Of which write-downs on guarantees	(1)	(17)	(11)	0	19

a)-f) Show connections between the items.

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

Note 4 – Lending to customers

DnB NOR Bank ASA						DnB NOR Bank Group		
31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.		30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.
2004 1)	2005 1)	2005 1)	2006	Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)	2004 1)
525 645	591 780	600 680	671 108	Lending to customers, nominal amount	801 617	698 881	654 538	584 230
2 494	2 284	1 478	1 344	Individual write-downs	1 970	2 065	2 912	3 255
523 151	589 496	599 202	669 764	Lending to customers, after individual write-downs	799 648	696 816	651 626	580 975
-	-	-	(465)	Amortisation (fees etc.)	(469)	-	-	-
3 230	3 230	3 230	863	Group write-downs	1 018	3 576	3 534	3 534
519 921	586 265	595 972	668 436	Net lending to customers, at amortised cost	798 161	693 240	648 092	577 441

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

Note 5 - Non-performing and impaired commitments

DnB NOF	R Bank ASA					Dn	B NOR Bar	ık Group
31 Dec.		31 Dec.	30 Sept.		30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.
2 004	2005 1)	2005 1)	2006	Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)	2004 1)
				Non-performing commitments				
5 641	5 402	4 130	3 920	Before individual write-downs	4 909	5 556	6 528	6 895
3 471	3 324	2 904	2 746	After individual write-downs	3 253	3 878	3 995	4 196
				Impaired commitments				
1 512	998	1 032	742	Before individual write-downs	1 483	1 914	1 778	2 460
1 091	623	642	448	After individual write-downs	1 018	1 362	1 211	1 778

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

Note 6 - Capital adequacy

DnB NOR Ban	k ASA				DnB NOR E	Bank Group
30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.		30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.
2005	2005	2006	Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2005
16 964	17 214	17 214	Share capital	17 214	17 214	16 964
17 830	22 223	26 560	Other equity *)	31 663	25 905	20 782
34 795	39 438	43 775	Total equity	48 877	43 119	37 746
5 359	5 465	5 467	Perpetual subordinated loan capital securities 1) 2)	5 709	5 698	5 590
			Deductions			
(816)	(40)	(44)	Pension funds above pension commitments	(53)	(51)	(852)
(1 367)	(1 318)	(1 180)	Goodwill	(2 089)	(2 175)	(1 825)
(705)	(6)	(7)	Deferred tax assets	(74)	(93)	(651)
(54)	(169)	(256)	Other intangible assets	(319)	(219)	(62)
			Additions			
-	2 218	1 664	Portion of unrecognised actuarial gains/losses 3)	1 768	2 357	-
37 212	45 588	49 419	Core capital	53 819	48 638	39 945
5 548	5 670	8 386	Perpetual subordinated loan capital 1) 2)	8 486	5 770	5 648
13 549	13 664	20 723	Term subordinated loan capital 2)	21 870	14 868	14 190
19 097	19 334	29 109	Supplementary capital	30 356	20 638	19 838
2 177	2 182	2 160	Deductions	2 160	2 182	2 177
54 131	62 740	76 368	Total eligible primary capital 4)	82 015	67 094	57 607
542 306	562 052	669 035	Total risk-weighted volume	768 425	635 707	591 116
6.9	8.1	7.4	Core capital ratio (per cent) *)	7.0	7.7	6.8
10.0	11.2	11.4	Capital ratio (per cent) *)	10.7	10.6	9.7
			Including 50 per cent of profit for the period:			
7.3	-	7.4	Core capital ratio (per cent)	7.0	-	7.2
10.4	-	11.4	Capital ratio (per cent)	10.7	-	10.2

¹⁾ Perpetual subordinated loan capital securities can represent up to 15 per cent of core capital. The excess will qualify as perpetual supplementary capital.

All figures are presented in accordance with rules prevailing at the time in question.

Note 7 – Equity

NOR Bank	ASA		DnB NOR B	ank Group
Total		Minority	Other	Total
equity	Amounts in NOK million	interests	equity	equity
32 743	Balance sheet as at 31 December 2004	6	35 605	35 611
4 868	Profit for the period	0	5 504	5 504
49	Exchange rate movements	0	8	8
37 660	Balance sheet as at 30 September 2005	6	41 116	41 122
39 438	Balance sheet as at 31 December 2005	946	42 174	43 119
1 474	Implementation of new regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees	0	1 615	1 615
-	Consolidation of holdings previously classified as repossessed assets	1	77	78
40 912	Balance sheet as at 1 January 2006	947	43 865	44 812
-	Minority interests DnB NORD	545	0	545
-	Minority interests Monchebank	2	0	2
-	Sale of Store Elvegården	(6)	0	(6)
5 759	Profit for the period	115	6 702	6 816
(16)	Exchange rate movements	47	11	58
46 654	Balance sheet as at 30 September 2006	1 650	50 578	52 228

²⁾ Calculations of capital adequacy include a total of NOK 754 million in subordinated loan capital in associated companies, in addition to subordinated loan capital in the banking group's balance sheet.

³⁾ 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 September 2006. This effect will be reduced by one-fifth yearly.

⁴⁾ Primary capital and nominal amounts used in calculating risk-weighted volume deviate from figures in the DnB NOR Bank 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 September 2006, whereby 50 per cent of interim profits have been included in other equity.

Note 8 - Off-balance sheet transactions and contingencies

Guarantee commitments etc. and additional information

DnB NOR Bank ASA DnB NOR Bank G					nk Group			
31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.		30 Sept.	31 Dec.	30 Sept.	31 Dec.
2004	2005	2005	2006	Amounts in NOK million	2006	2005	2005	2004
164 578	167 762	182 821	228 092	Unutilised ordinary credit lines	237 789	186 803	167 875	165 845
8 625	8 535	8 928	16 725	Documentary credit commitments	16 856	9 115	8 536	8 629
0	1 074	351	448	Other commitments	513	1 654	1 704	1
173 203	177 371	192 100	245 266	Total commitments	255 158	197 572	178 115	174 475
13 257	14 004	14 247	19 101	Performance guarantees	19 962	14 764	14 206	13 433
11 059	12 443	13 777	19 980	Payment guarantees	20 055	14 519	12 685	11 577
10 913	12 741	13 716	19 681	Loan guarantees	20 752	13 831	12 744	10 916
2 556	0	0	0	Guarantee to the Norwegian Banks' Guarantee Fund 1)	0	0	0	2 676
2 766	2 980	3 050	3 401	Guarantees for taxes etc.	3 451	3 077	3 001	2 790
5 067	6 225	5 360	3 915	Other guarantee commitments	4 620	5 438	6 015	4 803
45 617	48 393	50 151	66 079	Total guarantee commitments	68 840	51 629	48 651	46 194
0	0	0	0	Support agreements	4 076	4 995	3 588	2 482
45 617	48 393	50 151	66 079	Total guarantee commitments etc. *)	72 916	56 624	52 239	48 676
				*) Of which:				
1 481	1 286	1 492	1 591	Counter-guaranteed by financial institutions	1 627	1 498	1 286	1 481
43	325	0	0	Joint and several liabilities	0	0	325	45
43 843	51 718	49 669	56 502	Securities	56 502	49 669	51 718	43 843
43 643	31 / 16	49 009	30 302		30 302	49 009	31 / 16	43 043
42 700	E1 600	40 EE0	EC 207	are pledged as security for:	EC 207	40 EE0	E1 600	12 720
43 728	51 608	49 558	56 387	Loans	56 387	49 558	51 608	43 728
115	110	111	115	Other activities	115	111	110	115

¹⁾ As of 1 January 2005, members are no longer required to guarantee the minimum requirement for capital in the Norwegian Bank's Guarantee Fund.

Contingencies

Due to its extensive operations in Norway and abroad, the banking group will regularly be party to a number of legal actions. None of the current disputes are expected to have any material impact on the banking group's financial position. The disputes involving the highest amounts are described below.

DnB NOR Bank issued a writ against the Norwegian government, represented by the Central Tax Office for Large Companies, requiring that the tax assessment for 2002 be invalidated. The bank claimed that the tax authorities made incorrect use of the realisation principle with respect to interest rate and currency swaps, as no tax credit was awarded for net losses in the tax assessment. The bank lost the case in the District Court. The outcome will have no material effect on the banking group accounts. The decision has been appealed.

Note 9 - Profit and balance sheet trends

Income statements				DnB NOR	Bank ASA
	3rd quarter	2nd quarter	1st quarter		3rd quarter
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)
Net interest income and credit commissions	3 403	3 340	3 155	3 103	3 016
Dividends	8	74	84	1 253	2
Commissions and fees receivable	1 419	1 555	1 655	1 634	1 540
Commissions and fees payable	445	461	478	489	492
Net gains on foreign exchange and financial instruments	432	436	553	565	629
Sundry ordinary operating income	159	153	170	216	136
Net gains on the sale of fixed assets	(102)	149	8	104	9
Net other operating income	1 471	1 908	1 993	3 283	1 825
Salaries and other ordinary personnel expenses	1 359	1 335	1 369	1 256	1 266
Administrative expenses	699	779	783	851	797
Depreciation	136	135	144	146	141
Sundry ordinary operating expenses	277	273	283	292	292
Other expenses	59	158	1	141	7
Total operating expenses	2 531	2 680	2 579	2 686	2 502
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	2 343	2 568	2 568	3 700	2 338
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(87)	(133)	(31)	(24)	(58)
Net gains on long-term securities	0	0	0	3	7
Pre-tax operating profit	2 430	2 701	2 599	3 727	2 403
Taxes	646	665	660	1 172	649
Profit for the period	1 784	2 035	1 940	2 554	1 754
Earnings per share	10.36	11.82	11.27	14.84	10.34
Average total assets	951 714	886 121	852 967	829 107	777 299

Balance sheets				DnB NOR	Bank ASA
	30 Sept.	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)
Assets					
Cash and deposits with central banks	13 324	11 877	1 292	19 715	23 741
Lending to and deposits with credit institutions	150 321	147 480	121 232	86 156	82 059
Gross lending to customers	670 643	655 630	622 845	600 680	591 780
- Individual write-downs	1 344	1 458	1 484	1 478	2 284
- Group write-downs	863	930	1 129	3 230	3 230
Net lending to customers	668 436	653 242	620 232	595 972	586 265
Commercial paper and bonds	102 556	92 235	85 106	78 221	78 406
Shareholdings etc.	2 153	2 405	2 483	2 610	2 530
Investments in associated companies	537	537	543	537	537
Investments in subsidiaries	9 370	9 271	9 034	8 122	6 463
Other assets	47 125	28 426	24 251	27 903	31 072
Total assets	993 822	945 473	864 173	819 238	811 074
Liabilities and equity					
Loans and deposits from credit institutions	101 338	112 834	90 180	87 341	91 718
Deposits from customers	440 111	445 155	409 130	401 942	402 768
Securities issued	309 924	275 019	255 693	230 124	216 381
Other liabilities	60 678	37 059	39 236	35 554	38 092
Subordinated loan capital	35 116	30 582	27 103	24 839	24 455
Equity	46 654	44 824	42 830	39 438	37 660
Total liabilities and equity	993 822	945 473	864 173	819 238	811 074

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

Note 9 - Profit and balance sheet trends (continued)

Income statements			I	DnB NOR B	ank Group
	3rd quarter	2nd quarter	1st quarter		
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)
Net interest income and credit commissions	4 072	3 948	3 730	3 482	3 376
Dividends	9	59	32	6	4
Commissions and fees receivable	1 528	1 649	1 750	1 686	1 582
Commissions and fees payable	467	481	493	485	509
Net gains on foreign exchange and financial instruments	433	429	577	593	650
Sundry ordinary operating income	373	407	399	404	341
Net gains on the sale of fixed assets	149	180	18	151	13
Net other operating income	2 026	2 243	2 283	2 355	2 080
Salaries and other ordinary personnel expenses	1 713	1 649	1 672	1 390	1 487
Administrative expenses	810	891	881	932	866
Depreciation	223	222	212	203	186
Sundry ordinary operating expenses	315	320	333	315	290
Other expenses	60	113	2	183	9
Total operating expenses	3 121	3 196	3 099	3 022	2 836
Pre-tax operating profit before write-downs	2 977	2 994	2 914	2 815	2 620
Write-downs on loans and guarantees	(70)	(145)	(12)	(35)	(102)
Net gains on long-term securities	0	0	0	(5)	208
Pre-tax operating profit	3 047	3 140	2 926	2 845	2 929
Taxes	774	775	748	1 022	791
Profit for the period	2 273	2 365	2 178	1 823	2 139
Earnings per share	13.20	13.74	12.65	10.59	12.61
Average total assets	995 836	929 684	896 082	848 924	796 224

Balance sheets			0	nB NOR Ba	nk Group
	30 Sept.	30 June	31 March	31 Dec.	30 Sept.
Amounts in NOK million	2006	2006	2006	2005 1)	2005 1)
Assets					
Cash and deposits with central banks	15 474	14 022	2 742	21 229	24 264
Lending to and deposits with credit institutions	64 028	82 446	60 849	31 342	43 872
Gross lending to customers	801 148	765 932	728 862	698 881	654 538
- Individual write-downs	1 970	2 083	2 086	2 065	2 912
- Group write-downs	1 018	1 073	1 318	3 576	3 534
Net lending to customers	798 161	762 776	725 458	693 240	648 092
Commercial paper and bonds	104 590	93 929	86 242	79 259	77 252
Shareholdings etc.	2 277	2 540	2 598	2 791	2 731
Investments in associated companies	1 374	1 395	1 408	1 261	1 298
Other assets	52 188	33 171	27 732	30 870	33 964
Total assets	1 038 092	990 278	907 030	859 993	831 472
Liabilities and equity					
Loans and deposits from credit institutions	109 765	123 112	100 446	97 870	93 425
Deposits from customers	460 943	464 384	426 865	418 395	409 374
Securities issued	317 000	281 907	262 498	236 711	222 156
Other liabilities	62 304	39 786	41 667	38 099	40 545
Subordinated loan capital	35 852	31 294	28 062	25 798	24 850
Equity	52 228	49 795	47 492	43 119	41 122
Total liabilities and equity	1 038 092	990 278	907 030	859 993	831 472

¹⁾ Items according to former regulations on the treatment of loans and guarantees, but reclassified in accordance with new presentation models, see note 1.

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