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2004 recurrent earnings up 48% to a record

(S\$m)	2004 ^a	2003	% change
Net interest income	2,566	2,375	8
Non-interest income	1,865	1,823	2
Operating income	4,431	4,198	6
Staff costs	970	865	12
Other operating expenses	1,036	976	6
Operating expenses	2,006	1,841	9
Operating profit	2,425	2,357	3
Goodwill amortisation	440	430	2
Provisions	47	541	(91)
NPAM	1,521	1,025	48
Cash NPAM	1,961	1,455	35

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4Q up 10% from a year ago

(S\$m)	4Q 2004	4Q 2003	% change	3Q 2004	% change
Net interest income	636	628	1	645	(1)
Non-interest income	386	425	(9)	442	(13)
Operating income	1,022	1,053	(3)	1,087	(6)
Staff costs	253	217	17	241	5
Other operating expenses	277	265	5	250	11
Operating expenses	530	482	10	491	8
Operating profit	492	571	(14)	596	(17)
Goodwill amortisation	110	110	0	110	0
Provisions/(write-backs)	(31)	82	nm	17	nm
NPAM	321	292	10	362	(11)
Cash NPAM	431	402	7	472	(9)

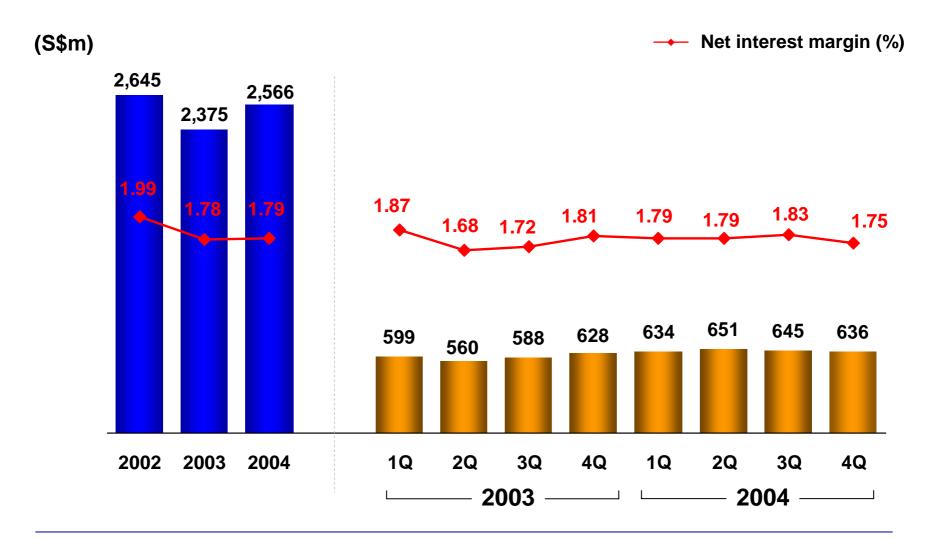


Most full-year operating ratios improve

(%)	4Q 2004	3Q 2004	4Q 2003	2004 a	2003
Net interest margin	1.75	1.83	1.81	1.79	1.78
Non-interest income/total income	38	41	40	42	43
Cost/income	52	45	46	45	44
ROE	10.5	11.7	10.9	12.7	10.0
Loans/deposits	62	63	60	62	60
Loan + non-trading debt securities/ deposits	82	84	80	82	80
NPL ratio	2.5	2.6	5.2	2.5	5.2

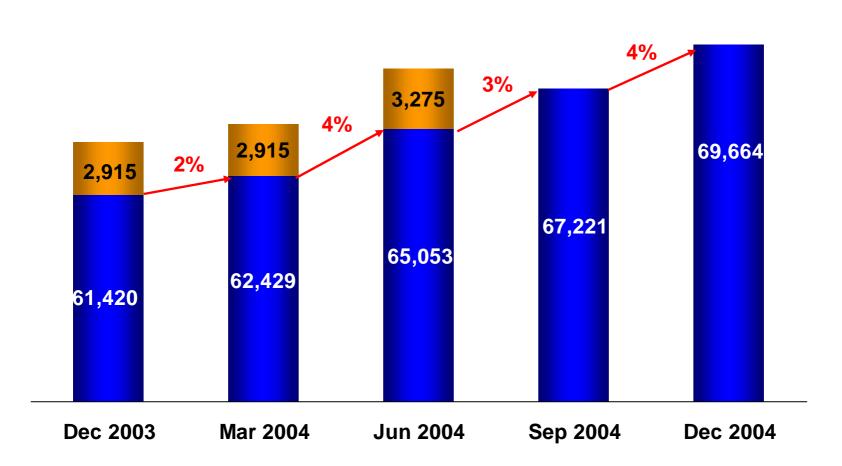
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4Q margins of 1.75% result in stable full-year margins at 1.79%

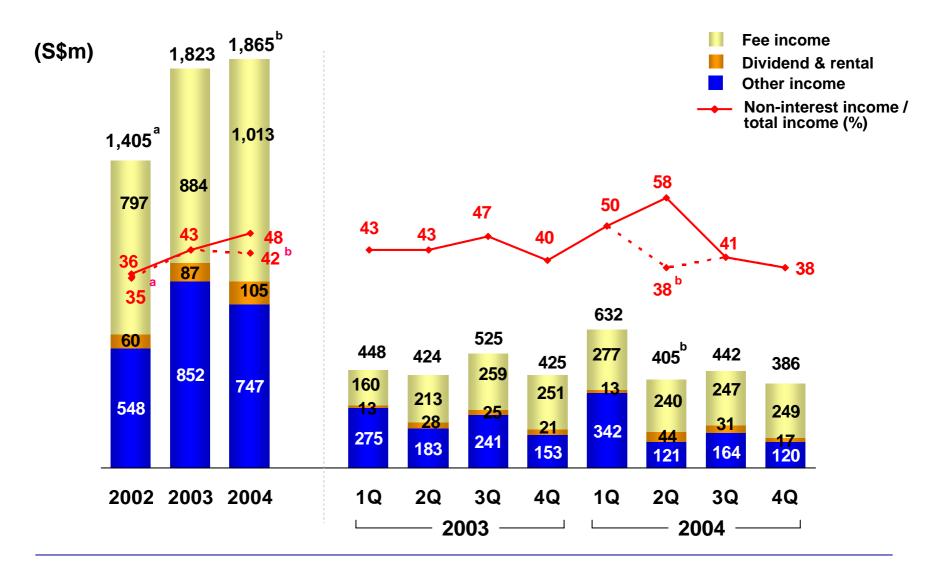


4Q customer loans up 4% on quarter, bringing full-year growth to 13%

(S\$m) DTDB loans



2004 fee income up 15%, treasury income lower

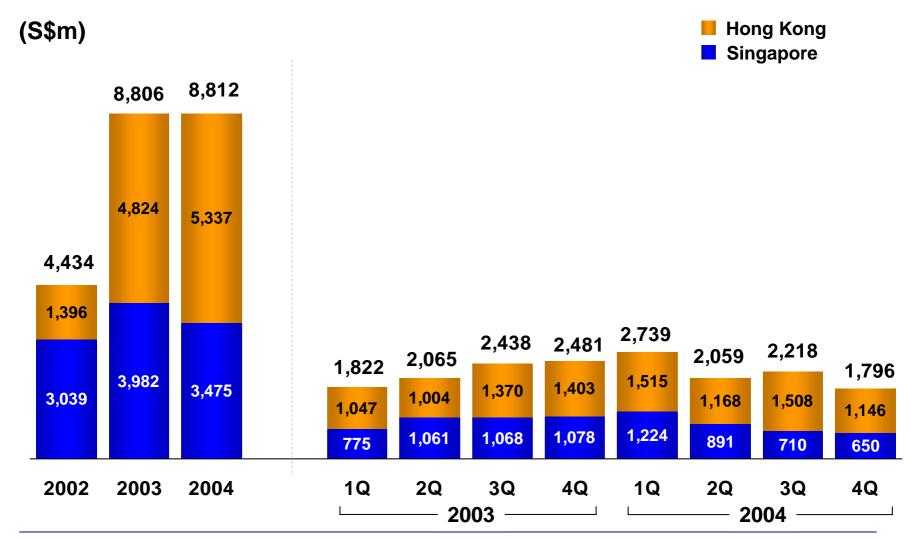


⁽a) Excluding one-time gains of \$96m



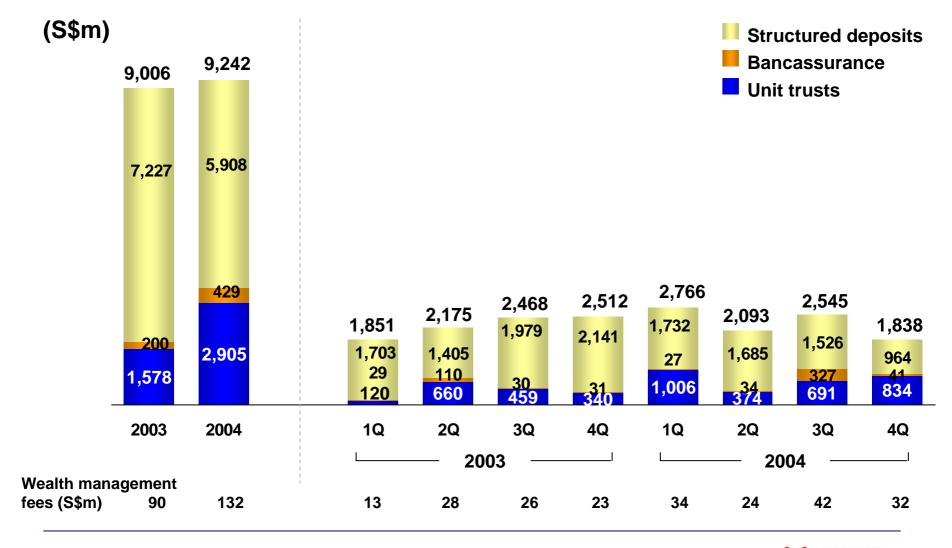
⁽b) Excluding one-time gains of \$497m

Wealth management sales consolidate after doubling each year since 1999





Wealth management fees rise 47% in 2004 from higher unit trust and bancassurance sales



Reduced year-end activity dampens 4Q treasury non-interest income

- Seasonal factors dampen 4Q treasury contributions
- Market uncertainty and reduced customer flows result in lower 2004 performance
- □ Fall in DEaR at 31 December reflects slower year-end markets

	Averaç		
	1 Jan 2004 to 31 Dec 2004	1 Oct 2003 to 30 Sep 2004	DEaR as at 31 Dec 2004
(S\$m)			
Interest rate	28.2	27.2	24.6
FX	6.2	6.0	3.7
Equity	5.5	5.2	5.5
Diversification effect	(14.0)	(13.3)	(11.8)
Total	25.9	25.1	22.0

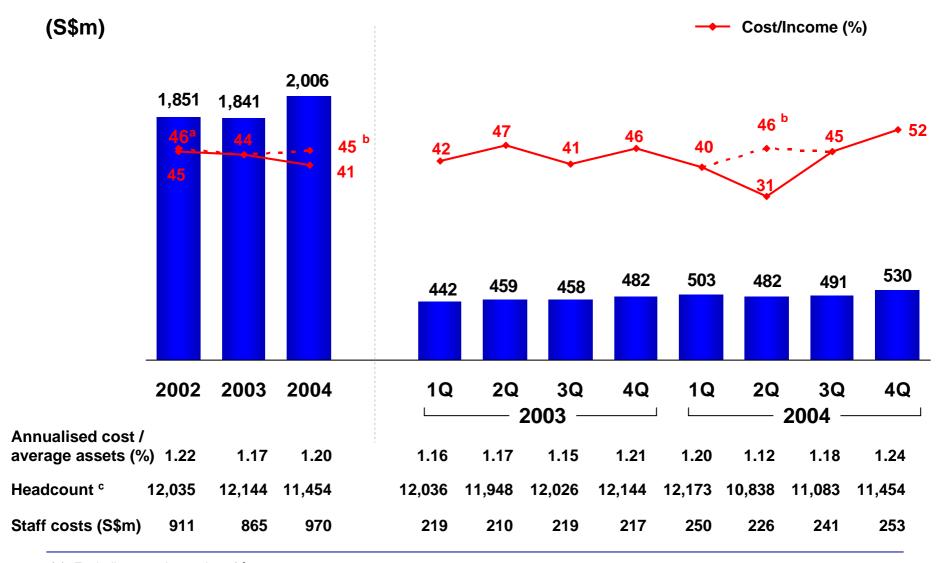
Full-year revenues rise for all customer businesses

Revenues (S\$m)	4Q 2004	4Q 2003	Change	2004	2003	Change
Consumer Banking	401	391	10	1,566	1,441	125
Enterprise Banking	186	173	13	735	631	104
Investment Banking	162	167	(5)	703	668	35
Treasury & Markets	98	149	(51)	740	828	(88)
Central Operations ^a	175	173	2	687	630	57
Total	1,022	1,053	(31)	4,431	4,198	233

⁽a) Including Central Treasury Unit, DBS Vickers and DBS Asset Management and other subsidiaries and associates but excluding exceptional gains of \$497m in 2004



Full-year operating costs increase 9%



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⁽b) Excluding one-time gains of \$497m

⁽c) At period end

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DBS Hong Kong's 2004 net profit up 27%

(S\$m)
Net interest income
Non-interest income
Operating income
Operating expenses
Operating profit
Provisions

Net profit after tax

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2004	2003	% change
804	767	5
380	368	3
1,184	1,135	4
498	463	8
686	672	2
91	172	(47)
534	422	27

DBS Hong Kong's 4Q net profit down 10%

(S\$m)	4Q 2004	4Q 2003	% change	3Q 2004	% change
Net interest income	194	203	(4)	197	(2)
Non-interest income	91	101	(10)	92	(1)
Operating income	285	304	(6)	289	(1)
Operating expenses	133	121	10	126	6
Operating profit	152	183	(17)	163	(7)
Provisions	19	25	(24)	20	(5)
Net profit after tax	126	140	(10)	127	(1)

DBS HK's ratios remain better than group average

(%)	4Q 2004	3Q 2004	4Q 2003	2004	2003
Net interest margin	2.16	2.28	2.45	2.34	2.38
Non-interest income/total income	32	32	33	32	32
Cost/income	47	44	40	42	41
ROE	13.1	13.8	17.0	14.8	12.8
ROA	1.33	1.39	1.59	1.47	1.25
Loans/deposits	80	81	76	80	76
NPL ratio	1.7	1.8	2.4	1.7	2.4

Regional revenues grow at faster pace

	Amou	nt (S\$m)	YoY
	2003	2004	change (%)
Revenues			
Region and rest of world a	199	227	14
Hong Kong ^b	1,337	1,361	2
Singapore ^c	2,520	2,773	10
Total	4,056	4,361	8
Cash profit			
Region and rest of world a	64	79	23
Hong Kong ^b	486	625	29
Singapore ^c	863	1,231	43
Total	1,413	1,935	37

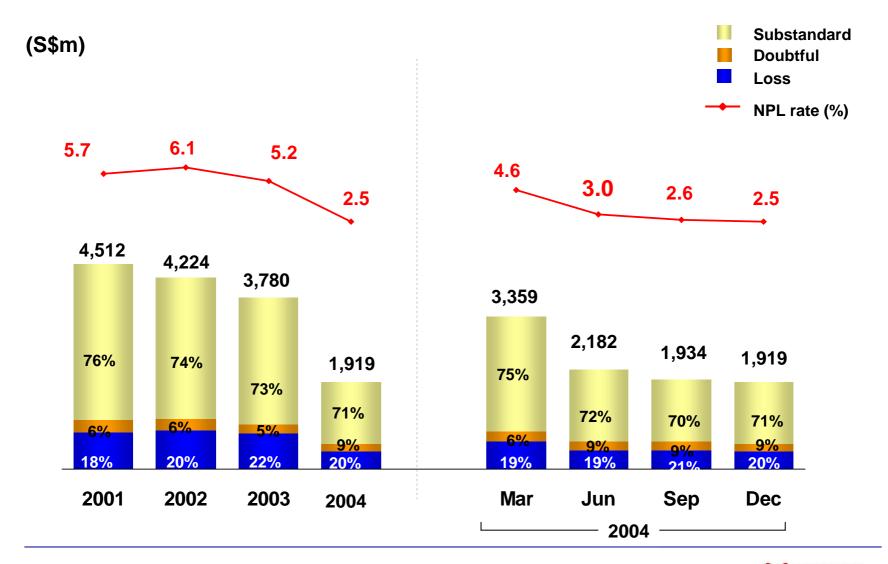


⁽a) Excluding DTDB in all periods(b) Including non-DBS Bank (HK) operations(c) Excluding one-time gains of \$497m in 2004

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NPL rate falls to 2.5%



Non-performing loans stable as additions offset recoveries and write-offs

(S\$m)
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NPLs at start of period

New NPLs

Net recoveries of existing NPLs

Write-offs

NPLs at end of period

4Q 2004	3Q 2004	4Q 2003
1,934	2,182	4,143
325	114	240
(261)	(283)	(299)
(79)	(79)	(304)
1,919	1,934	3,780

4Q specific provision charges rise on quarter but below year ago

(S\$m)

Add charges for

New NPLs

Existing NPLs

Subtract charges for

Upgrading

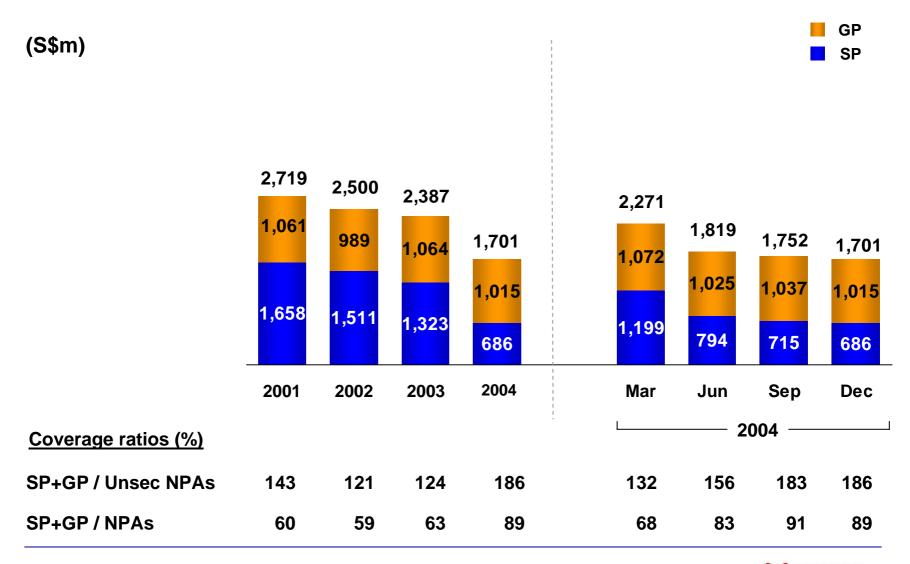
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Recoveries

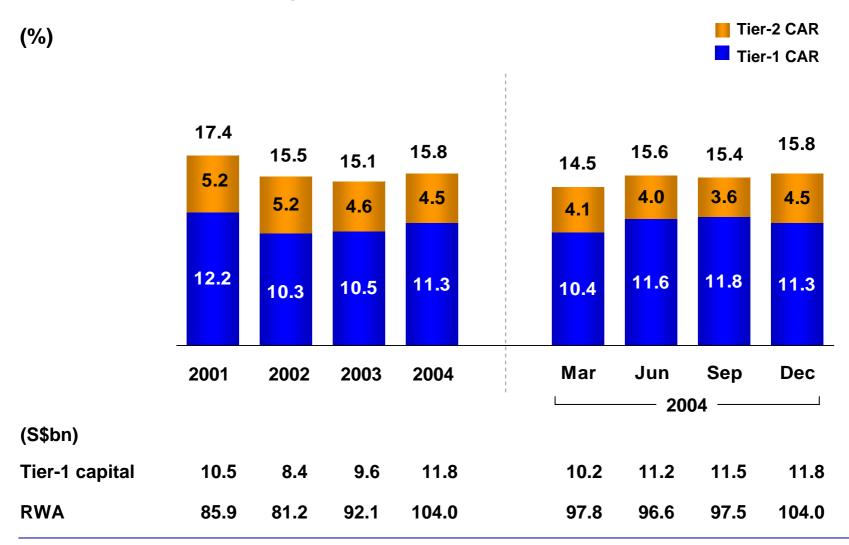
Total SP charges

4Q 2004	3Q 2004	4Q 2003
74	46	64
41	28	73
115	74	137
2	3	9
64	67	41
13	7	9
79	77	59
36	(3)	78

Provision coverage stands at 89%

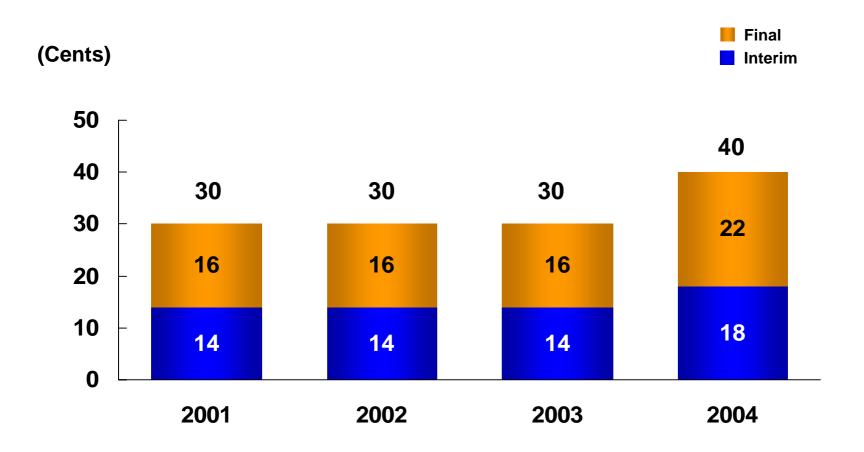


Tier-1 CAR trimmed as RWA expands in 4Q; tier-2 boosted by inclusion of new sub-debt





Dividend rate up 33% to 40 cents



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FRS 39 Financial Instruments:

Recognition and Measurement

FRS 102 Share-based Payments

FRS 103 Business Combinations

Investment securities

Most non-trading securities will be re-classified as AFS and be marked to market

Unrealised changes in fair value for AFS securities will be taken against equity

No change to recognition of interest and dividend income

Proportion of debt securities as at 1 January 2005

Trading36%

- AFS 59%

Loans and receivables 5%

Investment securities – impact on capital

AFS debt securities

unrealised gains or losses have no impact on tier-1

AFS equity securities

- unrealised losses to be deducted against tier-1 on portfolio basis
- 45% of revaluation gains on qualifying securities can be counted as tier-2

Derivatives

All derivatives will be marked to market

Apply hedge accounting to minimise profit and loss volatility

Hedge ineffectiveness taken to profit and loss

Transitional adjustment to equity

Net impact of FRS 39 changes on 1 January adds \$150m to shareholders' funds

Fair value of share options granted after 22 November 2002 and unvested on 1 January 2005 will be expensed over vested period

Fair value to be determined by valuation models

Estimated options expense not expected to exceed \$25m in 2005

Goodwill amortisation, amounting to \$440m in 2004, will no longer be incurred

As at 31 December 2004, we had outstanding goodwill of \$6.9bn for DBS (Hong Kong) and DBS Vickers

Impairment test carried out at least annually and when impairment indicators arise to determine if carrying amount exceeds recoverable amount of investment

Impairment test based on value in use

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