In \$ millions	Note	2003	2002 (1)
Interest income		2,228	2,723
Less: Interest expense		775	1,029
Net interest income		1,453	1,694
Fee and commission income		457	427
Dividends	2	109	198
Rental income		20	17
Other income		651	558
Income before operating expenses	_	2,690	2,894
Less: Staff costs		500	531
Other operating expenses		550	542
Operating expenses	_	1,050	1,073
Operating profit before provisions		1,640	1,821
Less: Provision for possible loan losses and diminution in value of other assets	7	643	595
Net profit before taxation		997	1,226
Less: Taxation	_	255	279
Net profit after taxation		742	947

⁽¹⁾ Figures for 2002 have been restated to reflect the change in accounting policy (Note 2.2.1 of DBSH Notes) (see notes on pages 125 to 127, which form part of these financial statements)

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