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PRUDENTIAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

Year ended 31 December	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m
Gross premiums earned		36,663	32,832
Outward reinsurance premiums		(1,157)	(799)
Earned premiums, net of reinsurance		35,506	32,033
Investment return		3,304	25,787
Other income		2,495	2,306
Total revenue, net of reinsurance		41,305	60,126
Benefits and claims		(30,547)	(50,736)
Outward reinsurers' share of benefit and claims		1,389	631
Movement in unallocated surplus of with-profits funds		(498)	(64)
Benefits and claims and movement in unallocated surplus of with-profits			
funds,			
net of reinsurance		(29,656)	(50,169)
Acquisition costs and other expenditure	В3	(8,208)	(6,752)
Finance costs: interest on core structural borrowings of shareholder-finance	d		
operations		(312)	(341)
Disposal of Japan life business:			
Cumulative exchange loss recycled from other			
comprehensive income	D1	(46)	-
Remeasurement adjustments	D1	-	(13)
Total charges, net of reinsurance		(38,222)	(57,275)
Share of profits from joint ventures and associates, net of related tax		238	303
Profit before tax (being tax attributable to shareholders' and policyholders'			
returns)*		3,321	3,154
Less tax charge attributable to policyholders' returns		(173)	(540)
Profit before tax attributable to shareholders	B1.1	3,148	2,614
Total tax charge attributable to policyholders and shareholders	B5	(742)	(938)
Adjustment to remove tax charge attributable to policyholders' returns		173	540
Tax charge attributable to shareholders' returns	B5	(569)	(398)
Profit for the year attributable to equity holders of the Company		2,579	2,216
Earnings per share (in pence)		2015	2014
Based on profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company:	B6		
Basic		101.0p	86.9p
Diluted		100.9p	86.8p
Dividends per share (in pence)		2015	2014
Dividends relating to reporting year:	B7		

Interim dividend		12.31p	11.19p
Second interim dividend / Final dividend		26.47p	25.74p
Special dividend		10.00p	
Total		48.78p	36.93p
Dividends declared and paid in reporting year:	B7		
Current year interim dividend		12.31p	11.19p
Final dividend for prior year		25.74p	23.84p
Total		38.05p	35.03p

^{*}This measure is the formal profit before tax measure under IFRS but it is not the result attributable to shareholders. This is principally because the corporate taxes of the Group include those on the income of consolidated with-profits and unit-linked funds that, through adjustments to benefits, are borne by policyholders. These amounts are required to be included in the tax charge of the Company under IAS 12. Consequently, the profit before all taxes measure (which is determined after deducting the cost of policyholder benefits and movements in the liability for unallocated surplus of the PAC with-profits fund after adjusting for taxes borne by policyholders) is not representative of pre-tax profits attributable to shareholders.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m
Profit for the year		2,579	2,216
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Exchange movements on foreign operations and net investment hedges:		60	215
Exchange movements arising during the year Cumulative exchange loss of Japan life business		68	215
recycled through profit or loss		46	-
Related tax		4	5
		118	220
Net unrealised valuation movements on securities of US insurance operation classified as available-for-sale:	ons		
Net unrealised holding (losses) gains arising duri	ing		
the year		(1,256)	1,039
Less: net gains included in the income statement	on		
disposal and impairment		(49)	(83)
Total	C3.3	(1,305)	956
Related change in amortisation of deferred			(O=)
acquisition costs	C5.1(b)	337	(87)
Related tax		339	(304)
		(629)	565
Total		(511)	785

Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss Shareholders' share of actuarial gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes:

Gross	27	(12)
Related tax	(5)	2
	22	(10)
Other comprehensive (loss) income for the year, net of related tax	(489)	775
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the equity holders of		
the Company	2,090	2,991

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year end	led 31	December	2015	£m

							1001 2013 2111		
				D 1		Available		3.7	
		~1		Retained		-for-sale		Non-	
		Share	Share				Shareholders'	_	Total
			remium	earnings	reserve	reserves	equity	interests	equity
		note							
	Note	C10 n	ote C10						
Reserves									
Profit for the year		-	-	2,579	-	-	2,579	-	2,579
Other comprehensive income:									
Exchange movement	S								
on foreign operations									
and net investment									
hedges, net of related									
tax		_	_	_	118	_	118	_	118
Net unrealised									
valuation movements	:								
net of related change	,								
in amortisation of									
deferred acquisition									
costs and related tax						(629)	(629)		(629)
costs and related tax		-	-	-	-	(029)	(029)	-	(029)
Shareholders' share o	√f								
actuarial	/1								
gains and losses on defined benefit									
pension schemes, net				22			22		22
of tax		-	-	22	-	-	22	-	22
Total other comprehensive						(5-0)			
(loss) income		-	-	22	118	(629)	(489)	-	(489)
Total comprehensive income									
for the year		-	-	2,601	118	(629)	2,090	-	2,090
Dividends	B7	_	_	(974)	_	_	(974)	-	(974)
		_	_	39	_	_	39	-	39

Reserve movements in respect of share-based payments

Share capital and share premium								
New share capital subscribed Cl	- 10	7	-	-	-	7	-	7
Treasury shares								
Movement in own shares in								
respect of share-based								
payment plans	-	_	(38)	-	-	(38)	-	(38)
Movement in Prudential plc								
shares purchased by unit trusts								
consolidated under IFRS	-	_	20	-	-	20	-	20
Net increase in equity	-	7	1,648	118	(629)	1,144	-	1,144
At beginning of year	128	1,908	8,788	31	956	11,811	1	11,812
At end of year	128	1,915	10,436	149	327	12,955	1	12,956

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Basis Results

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

		Year ended 31 December 2014 £m Available -for-sale Share Retained Translation securities Shareholders' controlling					Total		
			premium			reserves	equity	_	
		note	1	8.			1		1 1 1
	Note	C10	note C10						
Reserves									
Profit for the year		-	-	2,216	-	-	2,216	-	2,216
Other comprehensive									
income: Exchange movements on foreign operations and net investment hedges, net of related tax		-	-	-	220	-	220	-	220
Net unrealised valuation movements, net of related change in amortisation of deferred acquisition									
costs and related tax		-	-	-	-	565	565	-	565
		-	-	(10)	-	-	(10)	-	(10)

Shareholders' share of actuarial gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes, net of tax Total other comprehensive (loss) income Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	(10) 2,206	220 220	565 565	775 2,991	-	775 2,991
Dividends	B7	-	-	(895)	-	-	(895)	-	(895)
Reserve movements in respect of share-based payments		-	-	106	-	-	106	-	106
Share capital and share premium New share capital subscribed	C10	-	13	-	-	_	13	-	13
Treasury shares Movement in own shares in respect of share-based payment plans Movement in Prudential places hares purchased by unit trusts consolidated under		-	-	(48)	-	-	(48)	-	(48)
IFRS Net increase in equity		-	13	(6) 1,363	220	565	(6) 2,161	-	(6) 2,161
At beginning of year At end of year		128 128	1,895 1,908	7,425 8,788	(189) 31	391 956	9,650 11,811	1 1	9,651 11,812

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Basis Results

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December Assets	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m
Intangible assets attributable to shareholders:			
Goodwill	C5.1(a)	1,463	1,463
Deferred acquisition costs and other intangible assets	C5.1(b)	8,422	7,261
Total		9,885	8,724
Intangible assets attributable to with-profits funds:			
Goodwill in respect of acquired subsidiaries for venture fund and other			
investment purposes		185	186

Deferred acquisition costs and other intangible assets		50	61
Total		235	247
Total intangible assets		10,120	8,971
Other non-investment and non-cash assets:			
Property, plant and equipment		1,197	978
Reinsurers' share of insurance contract liabilities		7,903	7,167
Deferred tax assets	C8	2,819	2,765
Current tax recoverable		477	117
Accrued investment income		2,751	2,667
Other debtors		1,955	1,852
Total		17,102	15,546
Investments of long-term business and other operations:			
Investment properties		13,422	12,764
Investment in joint ventures and associates accounted for using the equity	/		
method		1,034	1,017
Financial investments:*			
Loans	C3.4	12,958	12,841
Equity securities and portfolio holdings in unit trusts		157,453	144,862
Debt securities	C3.3	147,671	145,251
Other investments		7,353	7,623
Deposits		12,088	13,096
Total		351,979	337,454
Assets held for sale	D1	2	824
	DI	2 792	
Cash and cash equivalents	C1 C2 1	7,782	6,409
Total assets	C1,C3.1	386,985	369,204
* Included within financial investments are £5,995 million (2014: £4,578 mi	ilion) of lent	securities.	

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Basis Results

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December		Note	2015 £m	2014 £m
Equity and liabilities				
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Equity				
Shareholders' equity			12,955	11,811
Non-controlling interests			1	1
Total equity			12,956	11,812
Liabilities				
Policyholder habilities and	unallocated surplus of with-profits funds:			
	Insurance contract liabilities		260,753	250,038
	Investment contract liabilities with discretionary			
	participation features		42,959	39,277
	Investment contract liabilities without discretionary		•	,
	participation features		18,806	20,224
	Unallocated surplus of with-profits funds		13,096	12,450
	Chanocacca surplus of with-profits funds		13,090	12,430

Total	C4	335,614	321,989
Core structural borrowings of shareholder-financed operations:			
Subordinated debt		4,018	3,320
Other		993	984
Total	C6.1	5,011	4,304
Other borrowings:			
Operational borrowings attributable to			
shareholder-financed operations	C6.2(a)	1,960	2,263
Borrowings attributable to with-profits operations	C6.2(b)	1,332	1,093
	, ,		
Other non-insurance liabilities:			
Obligations under funding, securities lending and sale and			
repurchase agreements		3,765	2,347
Net asset value attributable to unit holders of consolidated			
unit trusts and similar funds		7,873	7,357
Deferred tax liabilities	C8	4,010	4,291
Current tax liabilities	C8	325	617
Accruals and deferred income		952	947
Other creditors		4,876	4,262
Provisions		604	724
Derivative liabilities		3,119	2,323
Other liabilities		4,588	4,105
Total		30,112	26,973
Liabilities held for sale		-	770
Total liabilities	C1,C3.1	374,029	357,392
Total equity and liabilities		386,985	369,204

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December	Note	2015 £m	2014 £m
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before tax (being tax attributable to shareholders' and policyholders'			
returns)note (i)		3,321	3,154
Non-cash movements in operating assets and liabilities reflected in profit before tax:			
Investments		(6,814)	(30,746)
Other non-investment and non-cash assets		(1,063)	(1,521)
Policyholder liabilities (including unallocated surplus)		6,067	27,292
Other liabilities (including operational borrowings)		1,761	3,797
Interest income and expense and dividend income included in result before tax		(8,726)	(8,315)
Other non-cash itemsnote (ii)		234	174
Operating cash items:			
Interest receipts		7,316	7,155
Dividend receipts		1,777	1,559
Tax paid		(1,340)	(721)

Net cash flows from operating activities		2,533	1,828
Cash flows from investing activities Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(256)	(172)
		30	` ′
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment			10
Acquisition of subsidiaries and intangibles		(286)	(535)
Sale of businesses		43	152
Net cash flows from investing activities		(469)	(545)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Structural borrowings of the Group:			
Shareholder-financed operations:note (iii)	C6.1		
Issue of subordinated debt, net of costs		590	-
Redemption of subordinated debt		_	(445)
Interest paid		(288)	(330)
With-profits operations:note (iv)	C6.2		
Interest paid		(9)	(9)
Equity capital:			
Issues of ordinary share capital		7	13
Dividends paid		(974)	(895)
Net cash flows from financing activities		(674)	(1,666)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1,390	(383)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		6,409	6,785
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(17)	7
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		7,782	6,409
Cash and Cash equivalents at one of year		1,102	0,407

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- (i) This measure is the formal profit before tax measure under IFRS but it is not the result attributable to shareholders.
- (ii) Other non-cash items consist of the adjustment of non-cash items to profit before tax.
- (iii) Structural borrowings of shareholder-financed operations exclude borrowings to support short-term fixed income securities programmes, non-recourse borrowings of investment subsidiaries of shareholder-financed operations and other borrowings of shareholder-financed operations. Cash flows in respect of these borrowings are included within cash flows from operating activities.
- (iv) Interest paid on structural borrowings of with-profits operations relate solely to the £100 million 8.5 per cent undated subordinated guaranteed bonds, which contribute to the solvency base of the Scottish Amicable Insurance Fund (SAIF), a ring-fenced sub-fund of the PAC with-profits fund. Cash flows in respect of other borrowings of with-profits funds, which principally relate to consolidated investment funds, are included within cash flows from operating activities.

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Basis Results NOTES

A BACKGROUND

Basis of preparation and exchange rates

These statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and as endorsed by the European Union (EU) as required by EU law (IAS Regulation EC1606/2032). EU-endorsed IFRS may differ from IFRS issued by the IASB if, at any point in time, new or amended IFRS have not been endorsed by the EU. At 31 December 2015, there were no unendorsed standards effective for the two years ended 31 December 2015 affecting the consolidated financial information of the Group and there were no differences between IFRS endorsed by the EU and IFRS issued by the IASB in terms of their application to the Group.

Except for the adoption of the new and amended accounting standards for Group IFRS reporting as described in note A2, the accounting policies applied by the Group in determining the IFRS basis results in this report are the same as those previously applied in the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Exchange rates

The exchange rates applied for balances and transactions in currency other than the presentational currency of the Group, pounds sterling (GBP) were:

	Closing	Average rate	Closing	Average rate
	rate at	for	rate at	for
	31 Dec 2015	2015	31 Dec 2014	2014
Local currency: £				
Hong Kong	11.42	11.85	12.09	12.78
Indonesia	20,317.71	20,476.93	19,311.31	19,538.56
Malaysia	6.33	5.97	5.45	5.39
Singapore	2.09	2.10	2.07	2.09
China	9.57	9.61	9.67	10.15
India	97.51	98.08	98.42	100.53
Vietnam	33,140.64	33,509.21	33,348.46	34,924.62
Thailand	53.04	52.38	51.30	53.51
US	1.47	1.53	1.56	1.65

Certain notes to the financial statements present 2014 comparative information at Constant Exchange Rates (CER), in addition to the reporting at Actual Exchange Rates (AER) used throughout the consolidated financial statements. AER are actual historical exchange rates for the specific accounting period, being the average rates over the period for the income statement and the closing rates for the balance sheet at the balance sheet date. CER results are calculated by translating prior period results using the current period foreign exchange rate ie current period average rates for the income statement and current period closing rates for the balance sheet.

The financial information set out in this announcement does not constitute the Company's statutory accounts for the years ended 31 December 2015 or 2014 but is derived from those accounts. The auditors have reported on the 2015 statutory accounts. Statutory accounts for 2014 have been delivered to the registrar of companies, and those for 2015 will be delivered following the Company's Annual General Meeting. Their report was (i) unqualified, (ii) did not include a reference to any matters to which the auditors drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying their report and (iii) did not contain a statement under section 498(2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006.

A2 Adoption of new accounting pronouncements in 2015

The Group has adopted the Annual improvements to the IFRS's 2011-2013 cycle which were effective in 2015

Except for a change to the presentation of the Prudential Capital business as a separate reporting segment, as described in note B1.3, consideration of these improvements has had no impact on the financial statements of the Group.

В	EARNINGS PERFORMANCE
B1	Analysis of performance by segment
B1.1	Segment results – profit before tax

2014 £m %

		2015				
		£m			2015	2015
					2013 VS	2013 VS
					2014	2014
	Note		AER	CER	AER	CER
			note	note	note	note
Asia aparations			(vii)	(vii)	(vii)	(vii)
Asia operations Asia insurance operations		1,209	1,050	1,040	15%	16%
Eastspring Investments		115	90	91	28%	26%
Total Asia operations		1,324	1,140	1,131	16%	17%

US operations		1 601	1 421	1 5 4 2	100/	100/
Jackson (US insurance operations) Broker-dealer and asset management		1,691 11	1,431 12	1,543 13	18%	10% (15)%
Total US operations		1,702	1,443	1,556	18%	9%
Total OS operations		1,702	1,113	1,000	1070	7 70
UK operations						
UK insurance operations:	B4(b)					
Long-term business*		1,167	729	729	60%	60%
General insurance commission note (i)		28	24	24	17%	17%
Total UK insurance operations	D.O.	1,195	753	753	59%	59%
M&G	B2	442	446	446	(1)%	(1)%
Prudential Capital Total LIK operations		19 1.656	42	42	(55)% 33%	
Total UK operations Total segment profit		1,656 4,682	1,241 3,824	1,241 3,928	22%	33% 19%
Total segment profit		4,002	3,024	3,720	22 70	1770
Other income and expenditure						
Investment return and other income		14	15	15	(7)%	(7)%
Interest payable on core structural borrowings		(312)	(341)	(341)	9%	9%
Corporate expenditurenote (ii)		(319)	(293)	(293)	(9)%	(9)%
Total		(617)	(619)	(619)	- %	- %
Solvency II implementation costs		(43)	(28)		(54)%	
Restructuring costs note (iii)		(15)	(14)	(14)	(7)%	(7)%
Results of the sold PruHealth and PruProtect businesses*		4 007	23	23	n/a	n/a
Operating profit based on longer-term investment returns Short-term fluctuations in investment returns on		4,007	3,186	3,290	26%	22%
shareholder-backed business	B1.2	(737)	(574)	(650)	(28)%	(13)%
Amortisation of acquisition accounting adjustmentsnote (iv)	D1.2	(76)	(79)	(85)	4%	11%
Gain on sale of PruHealth and PruProtect businessesnote (v)		(70)	86	86	n/a	n/a
Cumulative exchange loss on the sold Japan life business					22, 62	11, 40
recycled from other comprehensive income		(46)	_	_	n/a	n/a
Costs of domestication of Hong Kong branchnote (vi)		-	(5)	(5)	n/a	n/a
Profit before tax attributable to shareholders		3,148	2,614	2,636	20%	19%
		2015	201	4	%)
			AER	CER		2015

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					2014	2014
					AER	CER
			note	note	note	note
Basic earnings per share (in pence)	B6		(vii)	(vii)	(vii)	(vii)
Based on operating profit based on longer-term investment returns		125.8p	96.6p	99.5p	30%	26%
Based on profit for the year		101.0p	86.9p	87.9p	16%	15%

^{*}In order to show the UK long-term business on a comparable basis, the 2014 comparative results exclude the contribution from the sold PruHealth and PruProtect businesses.

Notes

- (i) The Group's UK insurance operations transferred its general insurance business to Churchill in 2002. General insurance commission represents the commission receivable net of expenses for Prudential-branded general insurance products as part of this arrangement, which terminates at the end of 2016.
- (ii) Corporate expenditure as shown above is for Group Head Office and Asia Regional Head Office.
- (iii) Restructuring costs are incurred in the UK and represent one-off business development expenses.
- (iv) Amortisation of acquisition accounting adjustments principally relate to the acquired REALIC business of Jackson.
- (v) In November 2014, PAC completed the sale of its 25 per cent equity stake in the PruHealth and PruProtect businesses to Discovery Group Europe Limited.
- (vi)On 1 January 2014, the Hong Kong branch of the Prudential Assurance Company Limited was transferred to separate subsidiaries established in Hong Kong.
- (vii) For definitions of AER and CER refer to note A1.

B1.2 Short-term fluctuations in investment returns on shareholder-backed business

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Insurance operations:		
Asia note (i)	(119)	178
US note (ii)	(424)	(1,103)
UK note (iii)	(120)	464
Other operationsnote (iv)	(74)	(113)
Total	(737)	(574)

Notes

(i) Asia insurance operations

In Asia, the negative short-term fluctuations of $\pounds(119)$ million (2014: positive £178 million) primarily reflect net unrealised movements on bond holdings following rises in bond yields across the region during the year.

(ii) US insurance operations

The short-term fluctuations in investment returns for US insurance operations are reported net of related credit for amortisation of deferred acquisition costs, of £93 million as shown in note C5.1(b) (2014: £653 million) and comprise amounts in respect of the following items:

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Net equity hedge resultnote (a)	(504)	(1,574)
Other than equity-related derivatives note (b)	29	391
Debt securities note (c)	1	47
Equity-type investments: actual less longer-term return	19	16
Other items	31	17
Total	(424)	(1,103)

Notes

(a) Net equity hedge result

The purpose of the inclusion of this item in short-term fluctuations in investment returns is to segregate the amount included in pre-tax profit that relates to the accounting effect of market movements on both the measured value of guarantees in Jackson's variable annuity and fixed index annuity products and on the related derivatives used to manage the exposures inherent in these guarantees. As the Group applies US GAAP for the measured value of the product guarantees this item also includes asymmetric impacts where the measurement bases of the liabilities and associated derivatives used to manage the Jackson annuity business differ as described below.

The result comprises the net effect of:

- The accounting value movements on the variable and fixed index annuity guarantee liabilities;
- Adjustments in respect of fee assessments and claim payments;
- Fair value movements on free standing equity derivatives; and

Related changes to DAC amortisation in accordance with the policy that DAC is amortised in line with emergence of margins,.

Movements in the accounting values of the variable annuity guarantee liabilities include those for:

The Guaranteed Minimum Death Benefit (GMDB), and the 'for life' portion of Guaranteed Minimum Withdrawal –Benefit (GMWB) guarantees which are valued under the US GAAP insurance measurement basis applied for IFRS in a way that is substantially less sensitive to the effect of equity market and interest rate changes. These represent the majority of the guarantees offered by Jackson; and

The 'not for life' portion of GMWB embedded derivative liabilities which are required to be fair valued. Fair value –movements on these liabilities include the effects of changes to levels of equity markets, implied volatility and interest rates.

The free-standing equity derivatives are held to manage equity exposures of the variable annuity guarantees and fixed index annuity embedded options.

The net equity hedge result therefore includes significant accounting mismatches and other factors that detract from the presentation of an economic result. These other factors include:

The variable annuity guarantees and fixed index annuity embedded options being only partially fair valued under 'grandfathered' GAAP;

The interest rate exposure being managed through the other than equity-related derivative programme explained in note (b) below; and

Jackson's management of its economic exposures for a number of other factors that are treated differently in the accounting frameworks such as future fees and assumed volatility levels.

(b) Other than equity-related derivatives

The fluctuations for this item comprise the net effect of:

- Fair value movements on free standing, other than equity-related derivatives;
- Accounting effects of the Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit (GMIB) reinsurance; and
- Related amortisation of DAC.

The free-standing, other than equity-related derivatives, are held to manage interest rate exposures and durations within the general account and the variable annuity guarantees and fixed index annuity embedded options described in note (a) above.

The direct Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit (GMIB) liability is valued using the US GAAP measurement basis applied for IFRS reporting in a way that substantially does not recognise the effects of market movements. Reinsurance arrangements are in place so as to essentially fully insulate Jackson from the GMIB exposure. Notwithstanding that the liability is essentially fully reinsured, as the reinsurance asset is net settled, it is deemed a derivative under IAS 39 which requires fair valuation.

The fluctuations for this item therefore include significant accounting mismatches caused by:

The fair value movements booked in the income statement on the derivative programme being in respect of the –management of interest rate exposures of the variable and fixed index annuity business, as well as the fixed annuity business guarantees and durations within the general account;

Fair value movements on Jackson's debt securities of the general account which are recorded in other comprehensive income rather than the income statement; and

The mixed measurement model that applies for the GMIB and its reinsurance.

(c) Short-term fluctuations related to debt securities

		2015 £m	2014 £m
Short-term fluctuations relatin	g to debt securities		
Credits (charges) in the year:			
-	Losses on sales of impaired and deteriorating bonds	(54)	(5)
	Bond write downs	(37)	(4)
	Recoveries / reversals	18	19
	Total (charges) credits in the year	(73)	10
Less: Risk margin allowance of			
returnsnote		83	78
		10	88
Interest-related realised gains:			
C	Arising in the year	102	63
	Less: Amortisation of gains and losses arising in current and prior		
	years to operating profit based on longer-term investment returns	(108)	(87)
		(6)	(24)
Related amortisation of deferre	ed acquisition costs	(3)	(17)
Total short-term fluctuations r	ĺ	47	

Note

The debt securities of Jackson are held in the general account of the business. Realised gains and losses are recorded in the income statement with normalised returns included in operating profit with variations from year to year included in the short-term fluctuations category. The risk margin reserve charge for longer-term credit-related losses included in operating profit based on longer-term investment returns of Jackson for 2015 is based on an average annual risk margin reserve of 23 basis points (2014: 24 basis points) on average book values of US\$54.6 billion (2014: US\$54.5 billion) as shown below:

2015			2014			
Moody's rating	Average	RMR	Annual	Average	RMR	Annual
category	book		expected loss	book		expected loss

(or equivalent under NAIC ratings of mortgage-backed securities)	value				value			
	US\$m	%	US\$m	£m	US\$m	%	US\$m	£m
A3 or higher	28,185	0.13	(37)	(24)	27,912	0.12	(34)	(21)
Baa1, 2 or 3	24,768	0.25	(62)	(40)	24,714	0.25	(62)	(38)
Ba1, 2 or 3	1,257	1.17	(15)	(10)	1,390	1.23	(17)	(10)
B1, 2 or 3	388	3.08	(12)	(8)	385	3.04	(12)	(7)
Below B3	35	3.70	(1)	(1)	92	3.70	(4)	(2)
Total	54,633	0.23	(127)	(83)	54,493	0.24	(129)	(78)
Related amortisation o	f deferred acquisit	ion costs						
(see below)	•		24	16			25	15
Risk margin reserve ch	narge to operating	profit for						
longer-term credit rela	ted losses		(103)	(67)			(104)	(63)

Consistent with the basis of measurement of insurance assets and liabilities for Jackson's IFRS results, the charges and credits to operating profits based on longer-term investment returns are partially offset by related amortisation of deferred acquisition costs.

In addition to the accounting for realised gains and losses described above for Jackson general account debt securities, included within the statement of other comprehensive income is a pre-tax charge for unrealised losses on debt securities classified as available-for-sale net of related change in amortisation of deferred acquisition costs of £(968) million (2014: net unrealised gains of £869 million). Temporary market value movements do not reflect defaults or impairments. Additional details of the movement in the value of the Jackson portfolio are included in note C3.3(b).

(iii) UK insurance operations

The negative short-term fluctuations in investment returns for UK insurance operations of £(120) million (2014: positive £464 million) include net unrealised movements on fixed income assets supporting the capital of the shareholder-backed annuity business, reflecting the rise in bond yields since the end of 2014.

(iv) Other

The negative short-term fluctuations in investment returns for other operations of $\pounds(74)$ million (2014: negative $\pounds(113)$ million) include unrealised value movements on investments and foreign exchange items.

(v) Default losses

The Group did not experience any default losses on its shareholder-backed debt securities portfolio in 2015 or 2014.

B1.3 Determining operating segments and performance measure of operating segments

Operating segments

The Group's operating segments, determined in accordance with IFRS 8 'Operating Segments', are as follows:

Insurance operations: Asset management operations:

-Asia -Eastspring Investments

-US (Jackson) -US broker-dealer and asset management

-UK -M&G

-Prudential Capital

The Group's operating segments are also its reportable segments for the purposes of internal management reporting. Prior to 2015, the Group incorporated Prudential Capital into the M&G operating segment for the purposes of segment reporting. To better reflect the economic characteristics of the two businesses, the Group has in 2015 made a change to present Prudential Capital as a separate reportable segment rather than aggregating this segment within M&G.

Performance measure

The performance measure of operating segments utilised by the Company is IFRS operating profit attributable to shareholders based on longer-term investment returns, as described below. This measurement basis distinguishes operating profit based on long-term investment returns from other constituents of the total profit as follows:

- Short-term fluctuations in investment returns on shareholder-backed business*;
- Gain on the sale of the Group's stake in the PruHealth and PruProtect businesses in 2014;

Amortisation of acquisition accounting adjustments arising on the purchase of business. This comprises principally the charge for the adjustments arising on the purchase of REALIC in 2012;

The recycling of the cumulative exchange translation loss on the sold Japan life business from other comprehensive income to the income statement in 2015. See note D1 for further details; and

The costs associated with the domestication of the Hong Kong branch which became effective on 1 January 2014.

Segment results that are reported to the Group Executive Committee include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Unallocated items are mainly in relation to the Group Head Office and the Asia Regional Head Office.

*Including the impact of short-term market effects on the carrying value of Jackson guarantee liabilities and related derivatives as explained below.

Determination of operating profit based on longer-term investment return for investment and liability movements:

- (a) General principles
- (i) UK style with-profits business

The operating profit based on longer-term returns reflects the statutory transfer gross of attributable tax. Value movements in the underlying assets of the with-profits funds do not affect directly the determination of operating profit.

(ii) Unit-linked business

The policyholder unit liabilities are directly reflective of the underlying asset value movements. Accordingly, the operating results based on longer-term investment returns reflect the current period value movements in both the unit liabilities and the backing assets.

(iii) US variable annuity and fixed index annuity business

This business has guarantee liabilities which are measured on a combination of fair value and other US GAAP derived principles. These liabilities are subject to an extensive derivative programme to manage equity and, with those of the general account, interest rate exposures. The principles for determination of the operating profit and short-term fluctuations are necessarily bespoke, as discussed in section (c) below.

(iv) Business where policyholder liabilities are sensitive to market conditions
Under IFRS, the degree to which the carrying values of liabilities to policyholders are sensitive to current market
conditions varies between territories depending upon the nature of the 'grandfathered' measurement basis. In general, in
those instances where the liabilities are particularly sensitive to routine changes in market conditions, the accounting
basis is such that the impact of market movements on the assets and liabilities is broadly equivalent in the income
statement, and operating profit based on longer-term investments returns is not distorted. In these circumstances, there
is no need for the movement in the liability to be bifurcated between the elements that relate to longer-term market

conditions and short-term effects.

However, some types of business movements in liabilities do require bifurcation to ensure that at the net level (ie after allocated investment return and charge for policyholder benefits) the operating result reflects longer-term market returns.

Examples of where such bifurcation is necessary are in Hong Kong and for UK shareholder-backed annuity business, as explained in sections b(i) and d(i), respectively.

(v)Other shareholder-financed business

The measurement of operating profit based on longer-term investment returns reflects the particular features of long-term insurance business where assets and liabilities are held for the long-term and for which the accounting basis for insurance liabilities under current IFRS is not generally conducive to demonstrating trends in underlying performance of life businesses exclusive of the effects of short-term fluctuations in market conditions. In determining the profit on this basis, the following key elements are applied to the results of the Group's shareholder-financed operations.

Except in the case of assets backing liabilities which are directly matched (such as linked business) or closely correlated with value movements (as discussed below) operating profit based on longer-term investment returns for shareholder-financed business is determined on the basis of expected longer-term investment returns.

Debt, equity-type securities and loans

Longer-term investment returns comprise actual income receivable for the period (interest/dividend income) and for both debt and equity-type securities longer-term capital returns.

In principle, for debt securities and loans, the longer-term capital returns comprise two elements:

Risk margin reserve based charge for the expected level of defaults for the period, which is determined by reference to the credit quality of the portfolio. The difference between impairment losses in the reporting period and the risk margin reserve charge to the operating result is reflected in short-term fluctuations in investment returns; and

The amortisation of interest-related realised gains and losses to operating results based on longer-term investment returns to the date when sold bonds would have otherwise matured.

At 31 December 2015, the level of unamortised interest-related realised gains and losses related to previously sold bonds for the Group was a net gain of £567 million (2014: £467 million).

Equity type securities

For equity-type securities, the longer-term rates of return are estimates of the long-term trend investment returns for income and capital having regard to past performance, current trends and future expectations. Equity-type securities held for shareholder-financed operations other than the UK annuity business, unit-linked and US variable annuity are of significance for the US and Asia insurance operations. Different rates apply to different categories of equity-type securities.

Derivative value movements

Generally, derivative value movements are excluded from operating results based on longer-term investment returns (unless those derivative value movements broadly offset changes in the accounting value of other assets and liabilities included in operating profit). The principal example of non-equity based derivatives (for example interest rate swaps and swaptions) whose value movements are excluded from operating profit arises in Jackson, as discussed below in section (c).

(b) Asia insurance operations

(i) Business where policyholder liabilities are sensitive to market conditions

For certain Asia non-participating business, for example in Hong Kong, the economic features are more akin to asset management products with policyholder liabilities reflecting asset shares over the contract term. For these products, the charge for policyholder benefits in the operating results should reflect the asset share feature rather than volatile movements that would otherwise be reflected if the local regulatory basis (also applied for IFRS basis) was used.

For certain other types of non-participating business, longer-term interest rates are used to determine the movement in policyholder liabilities for determining operating results.

(ii) Other Asia shareholder-financed business

Debt securities

For this business the realised gains and losses are principally interest related. Accordingly, all realised gains and losses to date for these operations are being amortised over the period to the date those securities would otherwise have matured, with no explicit risk margin reserve charge.

Equity-type securities

For Asia insurance operations, investments in equity securities held for non-linked shareholder-financed operations amounted to £840 million as at 31 December 2015 (2014: £932 million). The rates of return applied in the years 2015 and 2014 ranged from 2.73 per cent to 13.75 per cent with the rates applied varying by territory. These rates are determined after consideration by the Group's in-house economists of long-term expected real government bond returns, equity risk premium and long-term inflation. These rates are broadly stable from period to period but may be different between countries reflecting, for example, differing expectations of inflation in each territory. The assumptions are for returns expected to apply in equilibrium conditions. The assumed rates of return do not reflect any cyclical variability in economic performance and are not set by reference to prevailing asset valuations.

The longer-term investment returns for the Asia insurance joint ventures accounted for using the equity method are determined on a similar basis as the other Asia insurance operations described above.

(c) US Insurance operations

(i) Separate account business

For such business the policyholder unit liabilities are directly reflective of the asset value movements. Accordingly, the operating results based on longer-term investment returns reflect the current period value movements in unit liabilities and the backing assets.

(ii) US variable and fixed index annuity business

The following value movements for Jackson's variable and fixed index annuity business are excluded from operating profit based on longer-term investment returns. See note B1.2 note (ii):

Fair value movements for equity-based derivatives;

Fair value movements for embedded derivatives for the 'not for life' portion of Guaranteed Minimum Withdrawal Benefit and fixed index annuity business, and Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit reinsurance (see below); Movements in the accounts carrying value of Guaranteed Minimum Death Benefit and the 'for life' portion of Guaranteed Minimum Withdrawal Benefits and Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit liabilities, for which, under the 'grandfathered' US GAAP applied under IFRS for Jackson's insurance assets and liabilities, the measurement basis gives rise to a muted impact of current period market movements;

- A portion of the fee assessments as well as claim payments, in respect of guarantee liabilities; and
- Related amortisation of deferred acquisition costs for each of the above items.

Embedded derivatives for variable annuity guarantee minimum income benefit

The Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit liability, which is essentially fully reinsured, subject to a deductible and annual claim limits, is accounted for in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting

Standards Codification (ASC) Subtopic 944-80 Financial Services – Insurance – Separate Accounts (formerly SOP 03-1) under IFRS using 'grandfathered' US GAAP. As the corresponding reinsurance asset is net settled, it is considered to be a derivative under IAS 39, 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement', and the asset is therefore recognised at fair value. As the Guaranteed Minimum Income Benefit is economically reinsured, the mark to market element of the reinsurance asset is included as a component of short-term fluctuations in investment returns.

(iii) Other derivative value movements

The principal example of non-equity based derivatives (for example, interest rate swaps and swaptions) whose value movements are excluded from operating profit, arises in Jackson. Non-equity based derivatives are primarily held by Jackson as part of a broadly-based hedging programme for features of Jackson's bond portfolio (for which value movements are booked in the statement of comprehensive income rather than the income statement), product liabilities (for which US GAAP accounting as 'grandfathered' under IFRS 4 does not fully reflect the economic features being hedged), and the interest rate exposure attaching to equity-based embedded derivatives.

(iv) Other US shareholder-financed business

Debt securities

Jackson is the shareholder-backed operation for which the distinction between impairment losses and interest-related realised gains and losses is in practice relevant to a significant extent. Jackson has used the ratings by Nationally Recognised Statistical Ratings Organisations (NRSRO) or ratings resulting from the regulatory ratings detail issued by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) developed by external third parties such as BlackRock Solutions to determine the average annual risk margin reserve to apply to debt securities held to back general account business. Debt securities held to back separate account and reinsurance funds withheld are not subject to risk margin reserve charge. Further details of the risk margin reserve charge, as well as the amortisation of interest-related realised gains and losses, for Jackson are shown in note B1.2.

Equity-type securities

As at 31 December 2015, the equity-type securities for US insurance non-separate account operations amounted to £1,004 million (2014: £1,094 million). For these operations, the longer-term rates of return for income and capital applied in 2015 and 2014, which reflect the combination of the average risk-free rates over the period and appropriate risk premiums are as follows:

	2015	2014
Equity-type securities such as common and preferred stock and		
portfolio holdings in mutual funds	5.7% to 6.4%	6.2% to 6.7%
Other equity-type securities such as investments in limited		
partnerships and private equity funds	7.7% to 8.4%	8.2% to 8.7%

(d) UK Insurance operations

(i) Shareholder-backed annuity business

For this business, policyholder liabilities are determined by reference to current interest rates. The value movements of the assets covering liabilities are closely correlated with the related change in liabilities. Accordingly, asset value movements are recorded within the 'operating results based on longer-term investment returns'. Policyholder liabilities include a margin for credit risk. Variations between actual and best estimate expected impairments are recorded as a component of short-term fluctuations in investment returns.

The operating result based on longer-term investment returns reflects the impact of value movements on policyholder liabilities for annuity business in PRIL and the PAC non-profit sub-fund after adjustments to allocate the following elements of the movement to the category of 'short-term fluctuations in investment returns':

The impact on credit risk provisioning of actual upgrades and downgrades during the period;

- Credit experience compared to assumptions; and
- Short-term value movements on assets backing the capital of the business.

Credit experience reflects the impact of defaults and other similar experience, such as asset exchanges arising from debt restructuring by issuers that include effectively an element of permanent impairment of the security held. Positive or negative experience compared to assumptions is included within short-term fluctuations in investment returns without further adjustment. The effects of other changes to credit risk provisioning are included in the operating result, as is the net effect of changes to the valuation rate of interest due to portfolio rebalancing to align more closely with management benchmark.

(ii) Non-linked shareholder-financed business

For debt securities backing non-linked shareholder-financed business of the UK insurance operations (other than the annuity business) the realised gains and losses are principally interest related. Accordingly, all realised gains and losses to date for these operations are being amortised over the period to the date those securities would otherwise have matured, with no explicit risk margin reserve charge.

(e) Fund management and other non-insurance businesses

For these businesses, the particular features applicable for life assurance noted above do not apply. For these businesses it is inappropriate to include returns in the operating result on the basis described above. Instead, it is appropriate to generally include realised gains and losses in the operating result with temporary unrealised gains and losses being included in short-term fluctuations. In some instances it may also be appropriate to amortise realised gains and losses on derivatives and other financial instruments to operating results over a time period that reflects the underlying economic substance of the arrangements.

B2 Profit before tax – asset management operations

The profit included in the income statement in respect of asset management operations for the year is as follows:

	2015 £m					2014 £m
	I	Prudential	E			
	M&G	Capital	US Inv	vestments	Total	Total
Revenue (excluding NPH broker-dealer						
fees)	1,237	54	321	352	1,964	2,008
NPH broker-dealer feesnote (i)	-	-	522	-	522	503
Gross revenue	1,237	54	843	352	2,486	2,511
Charges (excluding NPH broker-dealer						
fees)	(810)	(99)	(310)	(278)	(1,497)	(1,477)
NPH broker-dealer feesnote (i)	-	-	(522)	-	(522)	(503)
Gross charges	(810)	(99)	(832)	(278)	(2,019)	(1,980)
Share of profit from joint ventures and						
associates, net of related tax	14	-	-	41	55	42
Profit before tax	441	(45)	11	115	522	573
Comprising:						
Operating profit based on longer-term						
investment returnsnote (ii)	442	19	11	115	587	590
Short-term fluctuations in investment						
returns	(1)	(64)	-	-	(65)	(17)
Profit before tax	441	(45)	11	115	522	573

Notes

(i) The segment revenue of the Group's asset management operations includes:

NPH broker-dealer fees which represent commissions received that are then paid on to the writing brokers on sales of investment products. To reflect their commercial nature the amounts are also wholly reflected as charges within the income statement. After allowing for these charges, there is no effect on profit from this item. The presentation in the table above shows separately the amounts attributable to this item so that the underlying revenue and charges can be seen.

(ii) M&G operating profit based on longer-term investment returns:

	2015 £m	2014 £m
Asset management fee income	934	953
Other income	5	1
Staff costs	(293)	(351)
Other costs	(240)	(203)
Underlying profit before performance-related fees	406	400
Share of associate results	14	13
Performance-related fees	22	33
Total M&G operating profit based on longer-term investment returns	442	446

The revenue for M&G of £961 million (2014: £987 million), comprising the amounts for asset management fee income, other income and performance-related fees shown above, is different to the amount of £1,237 million shown

in the main table of this note. This is because the £961 million (2014: £987 million) is after deducting commissions which would have been included as charges in the main table. The difference in the presentation of commission

is aligned with how management reviews the business.

B3 Acquisition costs and other expenditure

2015 £m	2014 £m
(3,275)	(2,668)
431	916
(4,746)	(4,486)
(618)	(514)
(8,208)	(6,752)
	431 (4,746) (618)

B4 Effect of changes and other accounting features on insurance assets and liabilities

The following features are of relevance to the determination of the 2015 results:

(a) Asia insurance operations

In 2015, the IFRS operating profit based on longer-term investment returns for Asia insurance operations included a profit of £62 million (2014: £49 million) representing a number of non-recurring items, none of which are individually significant.

(b) UK insurance operations

Annuity business

Allowance for credit risk

For IFRS reporting, the results for UK shareholder-backed annuity business are particularly sensitive to the allowances made for credit risk. The allowance is reflected in the deduction from the valuation rate of interest for discounting projected future annuity payments to policyholders that would have otherwise applied. Credit risk

allowance comprises (i) an amount for long-term best estimate defaults, and (ii) additional provisions for credit risk premium, downgrade resilience and short-term defaults.

The weighted components of the bond spread over swap rates for shareholder-backed fixed and linked annuity business for PRIL, the principal company which writes the UK's shareholder-backed business, based on the asset mix at these dates are shown below.

	31 Dec)	31 Dec 2014 (bps)			
	Pillar 1			Pillar 1		
	regulatory		re	egulatory		
	basis Adj	ustment	IFRS	basis Ad	ustment	IFRS
Bond spread over swap rates note (i)	171	-	171	143	-	143
Credit risk allowance:						
Long-term expected defaults						
note (ii)	13	-	13	14	-	14
Additional provisionsnote (iii)	42	(12)	30	44	(12)	32
Total credit risk allowance	55	(12)	43	58	(12)	46
Liquidity premium	116	12	128	85	12	97

Notes

- (i) Bond spread over swap rates reflect market observed data.
- (ii)Long-term expected defaults are derived by applying Moody's data from 1970 to 2009 and the definition of the credit rating used is the second highest credit rating published by Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch.
- (iii) Additional provisions comprise credit risk premium, which is derived from Moody's data from 1970 to 2009, an allowance for a one-notch downgrade of the portfolio subject to credit risk and an additional allowance for short-term defaults.

The prudent Pillar 1 regulatory basis reflects the overriding objective of maintaining sufficient provisions and capital to ensure payments to policyholders can be made. The approach for IFRS aims to establish liabilities that are closer to 'best estimate'.

Movement in the credit risk allowance for PRIL

The movement during 2015 of the average basis points allowance for PRIL on Pillar 1 regulatory and IFRS bases are as follows:

	Pillar 1 Regulatory	
	basis	IFRS
	Total (bps) T	otal (bps)
Total allowance for credit risk at 31 December 2014	58	46
Credit rating changes	2	1
Asset trading	(2)	(2)
Other effects (including for new business)	(3)	(2)
Total allowance for credit risk at 31 December 2015	55	43

Overall, the movement has led to the credit allowance for Pillar 1 purposes to be 32 per cent (2014: 41 per cent) of the bond spread over swap rates. For IFRS purposes it represents 25 per cent (2014: 32 per cent) of the bond spread over swap rates.

The reserves for credit risk allowance at 31 December 2015 for the UK shareholder annuity fund were as follows:

	Pillar	
	1 Regulatory	
	basis	IFRS
	Total £bn	Total £bn
PRIL	1.9	1.5
PAC non-profit sub-fund	0.2	0.1
Total 31 December 2015	2.1	1.6
Total 31 December 2014	2.2	1.7

Other assumption changes

For the shareholder-backed business, in addition to the movement in the credit risk allowance discussed above, the net effect of routine changes to assumptions in 2015, was a credit of £31 million (2014: £28 million).

Other one-off transactions

During 2015 the UK insurance operations entered into additional longevity reinsurance transactions to extend total coverage from £2.3 billion of annuity liabilities at the start of the year to £8.7 billion at the end of 2015 (on a Pillar 1 basis). Overall these transactions generated profit of £231 million (2014: £30 million). Of the £231 million, £170 million relates to transactions undertaken in the second half of 2015 covering £4.8 billion of annuity liabilities (on a Pillar 1 basis). These transactions together with other specific management actions undertaken to position the balance sheet more efficiently under the new Solvency II regime, gave rise to IFRS operating profit in the second of 2015 of £339 million in total, which is not expected to recur in future periods.

B5 Tax charge

(a) Total tax charge by nature of expense

The total tax charge in the income statement is as follows:

	2015 £m			
	Current	Deferred		
Tax charge	tax	tax	Total	Total
UK tax	(218)	69	(149)	(578)
Overseas tax	(516)	(77)	(593)	(360)
Total tax (charge) credit	(734)	(8)	(742)	(938)

The current tax charge of £734 million includes £35 million (2014: £37 million) in respect of the tax charge for the Hong Kong operation. The Hong Kong current tax charge is calculated as 16.5 per cent for all periods on either (i) 5 per cent of the net insurance premium or (ii) the estimated assessable profits, depending on the nature of the business written.

The total tax charge comprises tax attributable to policyholders and unallocated surplus of with-profits funds, unit-linked policies and shareholders as shown below:

	2015 £m			2014 £m
	Current	Deferred		
Tax charge	tax	tax	Total	Total
Tax charge to policyholders' returns	(188)	15	(173)	(540)
Tax charge attributable to shareholders	(546)	(23)	(569)	(398)
Total tax (charge) credit	(734)	(8)	(742)	(938)

The principal reason for the decrease in the tax charge attributable to policyholders' returns is a reduction in the current tax owing to a significant decrease on investment returns in the second half of the year in the with-profits life fund in the UK insurance operations.

(b) Reconciliation of effective tax rate

Reconciliation of tax charge on profit attributable to shareholders

				2015 £m		
		Asia	US	UK		
		insurance	insurance	Insurance	Other	
		operations	operations	operations	operations	Total
Operating profit ba	ased on longer-term investment returns	1,209	1,691	1,195	(88)	4,007
Non-operating pro	fit	(173)	(492)	(120)	(74)	(859)
Profit (loss) before	e tax attributable to shareholders	1,036	1,199	1,075	(162)	3,148
Expected tax rate*		24%	35%	20%	20%	27%
Tax at the expected	d rate	249	420	215	(32)	852
	Effects of recurring tax reconciliation items:					
	Income not taxable or taxable at					
	concessionary rates	(42)	(10)	(2)	(9)	(63)
	Deductions not allowable for tax	(42)	(10)	(2)	())	(03)
	purposes	15	5	7	6	33
	Items related to taxation of life					
	insurance businesses	(20)	(113)	-	-	(133)
	Deferred tax adjustments	10	-	-	(11)	(1)
	Effect of results of joint ventures and					
	associates	(37)	-	-	(13)	(50)
	Irrecoverable withholding taxes	-	-	-	28	28
	Other	(4)	(1)	6	2	3
	Total	(78)	(119)	11	3	(183)
	Effects of non-recurring tax					
	reconciliation items:					
	Adjustments to tax charge in relation to					
	prior years	5	(65)	(7)	_	(67)
	Movements in provisions for open tax		, ,			` ,
	matters	(6)	_	_	(5)	(11)
	Impact of changes in local statutory tax	, ,			. ,	` ,
	rates	(5)	_	(16)	(1)	(22)
	Total	(6)	(65)	(23)	(6)	(100)
Total actual tax ch	arge/(credit)	165	236	203	(35)	569
Analysed into:	urgo, (crount)	103	230	203	(33)	307
Tax on operating p	profit based on longer-term investment					
returns		180	408	227	(19)	796
Tax on non-operat	ing profit	(15)	(172)	(24)	(16)	(227)
Actual tax rate:						
Operating profit ba	ased on longer-term investment returns					
		15%	24%	19%	22%	20%

	Including non-recurring tax reconciling items					
	Excluding non-recurring tax					
	reconciling items	15%	28%	21%	15%	22%
Total profit	C	16%	20%	19%	22%	18%
				2014 £m		
		Asia	US	UK		
		insurance	insurance	Insurance	Other	
		operations	operations	operations†	operations†	Total
Operating profit ba	sed on longer-term investment returns	1,050	1,431	753	(48)	3,186
Non-operating prof	it	170	(1,174)	545	(113)	(572)
Profit (loss) before	tax attributable to shareholders	1,220	257	1,298	(161)	2,614
Expected tax rate*		22%	35%	21%	22%	23%
Tax at the expected	l rate	268	90	273	(35)	596
	Effects of recurring tax reconciliation items:					
	Income not taxable or taxable at					
	concessionary rates	(17)	(6)	-	(2)	(25)
	Deductions not allowable for tax					
	purposes	13	-	7	9	29
	Items related to taxation of life					
	insurance businesses	(44)	(76)	-	-	(120)
	Deferred tax adjustments	(8)	-	(7)	(11)	(26)
	Effect of results of joint ventures and					
	associates	(40)	-	(8)	(10)	(58)
	Irrecoverable withholding taxes	-	-	-	27	27
	Other	(4)	1	(4)	7	-
	Total	(100)	(81)	(12)	20	(173)
	Effects of non-recurring tax					
	reconciliation items:					
	Adjustments to tax charge in relation to					
	prior years	(2)	(1)	3	(7)	(7)
	Movements in provisions for open tax	_			(2.6)	(4.0)
	matters	7	-	-	(26)	(19)
	Impact of changes in local statutory tax	(1)		2		
	rates	(1)	- (1)	2	- (22)	1
	Total	4	(1)	5	(33)	(25)
Total actual tax cha	arge/(credit)	172	8	266	(48)	398
Analysed into:						
	rofit based on longer-term investment		440	1.60	(20)	=0.4
returns	cr.	171	419	163	(29)	724
Tax on non-operati	ng profit	1	(411)	103	(19)	(326)
Actual tax rate:						
Operating profit ba	sed on longer-term investment returns					
	Including non-recurring tax reconciling	1.00	30 6	000	C00	000
	items	16%	29%	22%	60%	23%
	Excluding non-recurring tax	1.00	2004	210	(0)01	2407
	reconciling items	16%	29%	21%	(8)%	24%

Total profit 14% 3% 21% 30% 15%

In order to show the UK insurance business on a comparable basis, the full year 2014 comparatives exclude the contribution from the sold PruHealth and PruProtect businesses from the UK insurance operations and show it in the column for Other operations.

B6 Earnings per share

				2015		
					Basic	Diluted
		Before			earnings	earnings
		tax	Tax	Net of tax	per share	per share
	Note	B1.1	B5			
		£m	£m	£m	Pence	Pence
Based on operating profit based on longer-terr	n					
investment returns		4,007	(796)	3,211	125.8p	125.6p
Short-term fluctuations in investment returns						
on shareholder-backed business	B1.2	(737)	202	(535)	(21.0)p	(20.9)p
Cumulative exchange loss on the sold Japan						
life business recycled from other						
comprehensive income	D1	(46)	-	(46)	(1.8)p	(1.8)p
Amortisation of acquisition accounting						
adjustments		(76)	25	(51)	(2.0)p	(2.0)p
Based on profit for the year		3,148	(569)	2,579	101.0p	100.9p
				2014		
				2014	ъ :	D'1 . 1
		D. C			Basic	Diluted
		Before	T.	NT . C.	earnings	earnings
	NT 4	tax	Tax	Net of tax	per share	per share
	Note	B1.1	B5	C	D	D
D 1		£m	£m	£m	Pence	Pence
Based on operating profit based on longer-terr	n	2 106	(724)	2.462	06.6-	06.5-
investment returns		3,186	(724)	2,462	96.6p	96.5p
Short-term fluctuations in investment returns	D1 2	(574)	200	(275)	(10.0)-	(10.0)
on shareholder-backed business	B1.2	(574)	299	(275)	(10.8)p	(10.8)p
Gain on sale of PruHealth and PruProtect		86	-	86	3.4p	3.4p
Amortisation of acquisition accounting		(70)	26	(52)	(2.1)m	(2.1)m
adjustments Costs of domestication of Hong Kong branch		(79)	26	(53)	(2.1)p	(2.1)p
Costs of domestication of Hong Kong branch		(5)	(208)	(4)	(0.2)p	(0.2)p
Based on profit for the year		2,614	(398)	2,216	86.9p	86.8p

Earnings per share are calculated based on earnings attributable to ordinary shareholders, after related tax and non-controlling interests.

The weighted average number of shares for calculating earnings per share, which excludes those held in employee share trusts and consolidated unit trusts and OEICs, is set out as below:

^{*}The expected tax rates (rounded to the nearest whole percentage) reflect the corporation tax rates generally applied to taxable profit of the relevant country jurisdictions. For Asia operations the expected tax rates reflect the corporation tax rates weighted by reference to the source of profit of operations contributing to the aggregate business result. The expected tax rate for Other operations reflects the mix of business between UK and overseas non-insurance operations, which are taxed at a variety of rates. The rates will fluctuate from year to year dependent on the mix of profit.

	2015	2014
Weighted average number of shares for calculation of:	(millions)	(millions)
Basic earnings per share	2,553	2,549
Shares under option at end of year	9	9
Number of shares that would have been issued at fair value on		
assumed option price	(6)	(6)
Diluted earnings per share	2,556	2,552

B7 Dividends

	2015		2014		
	Pence per		Pence per		
	share	£m	share	£m	
Dividends relating to reporting year:					
Interim dividend	12.31p	315	11.19p	287	
Second interim dividend / Final					
dividend	26.47p	681	25.74p	658	
Special dividend	10.00p	257			
Total	48.78p	1,253	36.93p	945	
Dividends declared and paid in reporting year:					
Current year interim dividend	12.31p	315	11.19p	285	
Final dividend for prior year	25.74p	659	23.84p	610	
Total	38.05p	974	35.03p	895	

Dividend per share

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Interim and special dividends are recorded in the period in which they are paid. Final dividends are recorded in the period in which they are approved by shareholders. The final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2014 of 25.74 pence per ordinary share was paid to eligible shareholders on 21 May 2015 and the 2015 interim dividend of 12.31 pence per ordinary share was paid to eligible shareholders on 25 September 2015. From 2016, Prudential will make twice-yearly interim dividend payments to replace final / interim dividend.

The second interim ordinary and special dividend for the year ended 31 December 2015 of 26.47 pence and 10.00 pence per ordinary share respectively will be paid on 20 May 2016 in sterling to shareholders on the principal register and the Irish branch register at 6.00pm BST on 29 March 2016 (Record Date), and in Hong Kong dollars to shareholders on the Hong Kong branch register at 4.30pm Hong Kong time on the Record Date (HK Shareholders). Holders of US American Depositary Receipts (US Shareholders) will be paid their dividends in US dollars on or about 27 May 2016. The second interim ordinary and special dividend will be paid on or about 27 May 2016 in Singapore dollars to shareholders with shares standing to the credit of their securities accounts with The Central Depository (Pte.) Limited (CDP) at 5.00pm Singapore time on the Record Date (SG Shareholders). The dividend payable to the HK Shareholders will be translated using the exchange rate quoted by the WM Company at the close of business on 8 March 2016. The exchange rate at which the dividend payable to the SG Shareholders will be translated into Singapore dollars, will be determined by CDP.

Shareholders on the principal register and Irish branch register will be able to participate in a Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

BALANCE SHEET NOTES

Analysis of Group position by segment and business type

To explain the assets, liabilities and capital of the Group's businesses more comprehensively, it is appropriate to provide analyses of the Group's statement of financial position by operating segment and type of business.

C1.1 Group statement of financial position – analysis by segment

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		Insurance operations 2015 £m Unallo- Elimin-						2014 £m		
By operating segment	Note	Asia C2.1	US C2.2		Total insurance operations	Asset management operations C2.4	segment (central opera-	ation of intra- group debtors and creditors	31 Dec Group Total	31 Dec Group Total
Assets Intangible assets attributable to										
shareholders: Goodwill Deferred acquisition costs and other	C5.1(a)	233	-	-	233	1,230	-	-	1,463	1,463
intangible assets Total	C5.1(b)	2,103 2,336	6,168 6,168	83 83	8,354 8,587	21 1,251	47 47	-	8,422 9,885	7,261 8,724
Intangible assets attributable to with-profits funds: Goodwill in respect of acquired subsidiaries for venture fund and other investment										
purposes Deferred acquisition costs and other	1	-	-	185	185	-	-	-	185	186
intangible assets		42	-	8	50	-	-	-	50	61
Total		42	-	193	235	-	-	-	235	247
Total		2,378	6,168	276	8,822	1,251	47	-	10,120	8,971
Deferred tax assets Other non-investment	C8.1	66	2,448	132	2,646	140	33	-	2,819	2,765
and non-cash assets Investments of long-term business and other operations: Investment	l	3,621	7,205	7,209	18,035	1,504	4,886 ((10,142)	14,283	12,781
properties Investments in joint ventures and associates accounted		5 475	5 -	13,412 434	13,422 909	125	-	-	13,422 1,034	12,764 1,017

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for using the equity										
method	C2 4	1 004	7 /10	2 571	12.072	005			12.050	12 041
Loans	C3.4	1,084	7,418	3,571	12,073	885	-	-	12,958	12,841
Equity										
securities and										
portfolio										
holdings in uni	t									
trusts		18,532	91,216	47,593	157,341	85	27	-	157,453	144,862
Debt securities	C3.3	28,292	34,071	83,101	145,464	2,204	3	-	147,671	145,251
Other										
investments		57	1,715	5,486	7,258	94	1	-	7,353	7,623
Deposits		773	-	11,226	11,999	89	-	-	12,088	13,096
Total investments		49,2181	134,4251	64,823	348,466	3,482	31	-	351,979	337,454
Assets held for sale		-	-	2	2	-	-	-	2	824
Cash and cash										
equivalents		2,064	1,405	2,880	6,349	1,054	379	-	7,782	6,409
Total assets	C3.1	57,3471	151,6511	75,322	384,320	7,431	5,376 (10	,142)	386,985	369,204

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 2014 \\ 2015 \, \pounds m & \pounds m \end{array}$

Insurance operations

Total insurance

By operating segment Note Asia US UK operations