	Notes	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Turnover	3	712,496	495,545
Cost of sales		(513,724)	(329,792)
Gross profit		198,772	165,753
Other revenue		11,143	5,274
Distribution costs		(38,220)	(34,686)
Administrative expenses		(72,897)	(67,378)
Profit from operations	4	98,798	68,963
Gain on disposal of land and buildings	5	76,776	12,145
Finance costs	6	(14,726)	(12,846)
Profit before taxation		84,072	68,262
Taxation	9	(3,684)	(5,222)
Profit before minority interests		80,388	63,040
Minority interests		31	35
Profit for the year	10	80,419	63,075
Dividends	П	(43,349)	(26,009)
Profit for the year, retained		37,070	37,066
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EARNINGS PER SHARE	12		
Basic		18.6 cents	14.6 cents
Direct		10.4	144
Diluted		18.4 cents	14.4 cents