

KEY FIGURES

Financial highlights (in HK\$ million)	2000	1999	%Increase/ (decrease)
Revenue			
Fare	5,715	5,639	1.3
Non-fare	1,858	1,613	15.2
Operating profit from railway and related operations before depreciation	3,912	3,493	12.0
Profit on property developments	3,376	2,030	66.3
Operating profit before depreciation	7,288	5,523	32.0
Profit attributable to shareholders	4,055	2,116	91.6
Total assets	92,526	87,250	6.0
Loans, obligations under finance leases and bank overdrafts	27,203	23,177	17.4
Shareholders' funds	49,828	45,115	10.4
Financial ratios (in %)			
Operating profit from railway and related operations before depreciation as a percentage of turnover	51.7	48.2	7.3
Debt/equity ratio	54.6	51.4	6.2
Return on shareholders' funds	8.5	4.8	77.1
Interest cover (in times)	3.8	3.7	2.7
Share information			
Earnings per share (in HK\$)	0.81	0.42	91.6
Dividend per share (in HK\$)	0.10	n/a	n/a
Share price (in HK\$) (29/12/2000)	13.65	n/a	n/a
Market capitalisation (in HK\$ million) (29/12/2000)	68,250	n/a	n/a
Operations highlights			
Total passenger boardings (in millions)	777.8	789.7	(1.5)
Average number of passengers (in thousands)			
MTR Lines (weekday)	2,240	2,284	(1.9)
Airport Express Line (daily)	28	29	(3.4)
Fare revenue per passenger (in HK\$)			
MTR Lines	6.73	6.67	0.9
Airport Express Line	53.05	42.80	23.9
Proportion of franchised public transport boardings (in %)			
All movements	24.1	25.2	(4.4)
Cross-harbour	57.9	60.3	(4.0)
Proportion of transport boardings travelling to/from the airport (in %)			
Airport Express Line	28	32	(12.5)

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2000: a record
HK\$4.1 billion
profit, HK\$68.3
billion market
capitalisation,
HK\$92.5
billion total
assets
and HK\$49.8
billion
shareholders'
funds



