

# Financial Summary

## RESULTS

	Nine months ended 31.12.1996 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Twelve months ended 31.12.1997 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Twelve months ended 31.12.1998 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Twelve months ended 31.12.1999 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Twelve months ended <b>31.12.2000</b> <b><i>HK\$'000</i></b>
Turnover	<u>457,694</u>	<u>688,696</u>	<u>809,942</u>	<u>1,004,944</u>	<u><b>1,139,446</b></u>
Profit from operations less finance costs	44,514	65,535	70,564	106,220	<b>111,705</b>
Share of results of associates	4,026	7,643	1,138	1,163	<b>(2,846)</b>
Loss on disposal of associates	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>(7,285)</b></u>
Profit before taxation	48,540	73,178	71,702	107,383	<b>101,574</b>
Taxation charge (credit)	<u>(42,510)</u>	<u>5,052</u>	<u>3,772</u>	<u>8,138</u>	<u><b>16,943</b></u>
Profit after taxation	91,050	68,126	67,930	99,245	<b>84,631</b>
Minority interests	<u>22,817</u>	<u>13,006</u>	<u>12,724</u>	<u>13,085</u>	<u><b>14,355</b></u>
Net profit for the year/period attributable to shareholders	<u>68,233</u>	<u>55,120</u>	<u>55,206</u>	<u>86,160</u>	<u><b>70,276</b></u>
Dividends	<u>9,907</u>	<u>17,895</u>	<u>19,213</u>	<u>28,819</u>	<u><b>36,262</b></u>

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	At 31.12.1996 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 31.12.1997 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 31.12.1998 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 31.12.1999 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At <b>31.12.2000</b> <b><i>HK\$'000</i></b>
Total assets	1,010,717	1,205,010	1,169,922	1,323,085	<b>1,478,024</b>
Total liabilities	(443,648)	(626,830)	(562,878)	(721,661)	<b>(793,300)</b>
Minority interests	<u>(69,526)</u>	<u>(64,248)</u>	<u>(60,071)</u>	<u>(72,803)</u>	<u><b>(76,609)</b></u>
	<u>497,543</u>	<u>513,932</u>	<u>546,973</u>	<u>528,621</u>	<u><b>608,115</b></u>