

5 YEAR STATISTICS

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
<i>At year end (HK \$m):</i>					
Shareholders' funds -	36,528	40,225	41,899	38,178	41,178
per share (HK \$)	17.12	18.91	19.70	17.95	18.75
Debt -					
debt less bank deposits	9,649	22,592	21,175	10,519	10,508
net debt/shareholders' funds	26%	56%	51%	28%	26%
net debt/stockmarket value	10%	34%	60%	17%	17%
interest cover (times)	20	6	4	4	5
Capital employed	46,771	63,527	63,974	56,741	56,887
Fixed assets	9,929	10,472	11,765	11,916	13,433
Associated companies	26,256	40,210	40,145	23,167	26,286
Investments	9,208	11,196	11,574	14,560	9,479
Stockmarket capitalization	95,800	65,520	35,530	62,230	60,720
EBITDA	4,412	5,881	4,919	4,994	5,379
 <i>For the year (HK \$m):</i>					
Earnings -					
Earnings	6,860	7,376	2,808	2,966	3,430
per share - (HK \$)	3.22	3.46	1.32	1.39	1.56
Dividends -					
per share - (HK \$)					
regular	0.62	0.70	0.70	0.75	0.85
special	0.30	0.30	-	2.00	-
cover (times)	2.7	2.8	1.9	1.9	1.8
Number of shareholders	6,215	8,642	14,987	13,506	9,808
Number of employees	11,750	11,800	11,871	10,490	11,354