

## ▶▶ Financial summary

	1999 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000	2001 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
<b>Results</b>					
Turnover	1,308,521	1,520,908	1,490,702	1,745,259	<b>1,860,779</b>
Operating profit	160,867	232,404	215,667	214,735	<b>281,355</b>
Share of operating profits less losses of					
Associated companies	26,500	39,298	71,010	115,970	<b>86,955</b>
Jointly controlled entities	—	(9,975)	(5,234)	(1,498)	<b>(4,521)</b>
Profit before taxation	187,367	261,727	281,443	329,207	<b>363,789</b>
Taxation	43,405	64,726	54,358	83,675	<b>79,741</b>
Profit after taxation	143,962	197,001	227,085	245,532	<b>284,048</b>
Minority interests	38,213	45,863	53,248	63,883	<b>71,252</b>
Profit attributable to shareholders	105,749	151,138	173,837	181,649	<b>212,796</b>
Dividends	24,070	36,230	44,054	44,730	<b>52,626</b>
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<b>Assets and liabilities</b>					
Total assets	5,294,938	5,673,724	5,935,467	6,618,991	<b>8,672,979</b>
Total liabilities	2,419,684	2,617,517	2,588,532	3,088,969	<b>4,685,252</b>
Shareholders' funds	2,875,254	3,056,207	3,346,935	3,530,022	<b>3,987,727</b>

### Note:

The accounting policy on deferred taxation was changed in 2003 and the amounts prior to 2002 have not been restated to reflect this change.