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	2004 (HK\$'000)	2003 (HK\$'000)
Turnover	3,749,130	5,151,246
Profit attributable to shareholders	503,197	327,164
Shareholders' equity	7,265,790	6,428,301
Earnings per share (HK cents)		
– basic	24.8	16.8
– diluted	23.8	16.7
Dividends per share (HK cents)	11.0	5.0
Net asset value per share (HK\$)	3.5	3.3

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of 2,027,033,564 shares (2003: 1,942,433,910 shares) in issue during the year. The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of 2,115,339,365 shares (2003: 1,955,156,107 shares) in issue after adjusting for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

Dividend Schedule

Announcement of final dividend	21 April 2005
Deadline for lodging of all transfers	8 June 2005 – 4:00pm
Closure of register of members	9 June to 14 June 2005
Annual General Meeting	14 June 2005
Posting of dividend warrant to shareholders	28 June 2005