

Financial Highlight

	2000 HK\$ million	1999 HK\$ million	Change in Percentage %
Results			
Turnover	1,191.77	964.66	24%
Cost of sales	(767.23)	(598.41)	28%
Gross profit	424.54	366.26	16%
Operating profit	157.08	210.91	(26)%
Share of profits less losses of associates	397.33	144.64	175%
Profit attributable to Shareholders	288.74	231.49	25%
Earnings per share (HK cents)	26.79	22.26	20%
Dividend per share (HK cents)	8.00	6.00	33%
Balance Sheet			
Shareholders' funds	2,294.95	2,183.55	5%
Cash and deposits	1,532.12	1,149.67	33%
Net borrowings	776.81	602.91	29%
Shareholders' funds per share (HK\$)	2.13	2.03	5%
Major Ratios			
Gross profit margin	35.62%	37.97%	(6)%
Net gearing ratio	33.85%	27.61%	23%