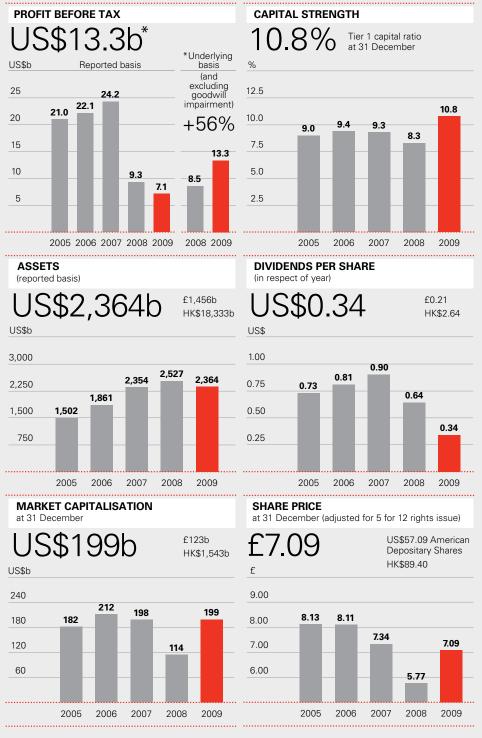
Highlights of 2009



- Diversified business model delivering profits through the economic cycle.
- Underlying performance significantly ahead in 2009.
- Profitable in all regions, apart from North America.
- Capital generated in every quarter of 2009, with improved tier 1 ratio.
- Over US\$1 trillion held in deposits and advances-to-deposits ratio of 77.3%.
- One of the leading dividend payers in the sector, declaring a total of US\$24 billion in respect of the last three years.

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