

Bank of Scotland plc

Report and Accounts **2012**

Member of Lloyds Banking Group

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Results

The consolidated income statement on page 12 shows a loss attributable to equity shareholders for the year ended 31 December 2012 of £1,082 million.

Principal activities

Bank of Scotland plc (the Bank) and its subsidiary undertakings (the Group) provide a wide range of banking and financial services through branches and offices in the UK and overseas.

The Group's revenue is earned through interest and fees on a broad range of financial services products including current and savings accounts, personal loans, credit cards and mortgages within the retail market; loans and capital market products to commercial, corporate and asset finance customers; and private banking.

Business review

For the year ended 31 December 2012, the Group recorded a loss before tax of £1,239 million compared with a loss before tax in 2011 of £3,461 million; the improvement in profitability particularly reflecting a reduction in the impairment charge in 2012.

Total income decreased by £1,283 million, or 15 per cent, to £7,338 million in 2012 compared with £8,621 million in 2011, comprising a decrease of £1,125 million in net interest income and a £158 million decrease in other income.

Net interest income was £6,732 million in 2012; a decrease of £1,125 million, or 14 per cent, compared to £7,857 million in 2011. This reduction reflected a decrease in average interest-earning assets, mainly due to subdued lending demand and the disposal of assets outside of the Group's risk appetite. It was also driven by a decrease in net interest margin, which resulted from competitive deposit markets and elevated wholesale funding costs continuing into 2012, with the average cost of new funding continuing to be higher than the average cost of maturing funds.

Other income was £158 million, or 21 per cent, lower at £606 million in 2012 compared to £764 million in 2011. Fee and commission income was £201 million, or 17 per cent, lower at £1,007 million compared to £1,208 million in 2011. Fee and commission expense increased by £25 million, or 9 per cent, to £311 million compared with £286 million in 2011. Net trading income improved by £428 million to a deficit of £218 million in 2012 compared to a deficit of £646 million in 2011. Other operating income was £360 million, or 74 per cent, lower at £128 million in 2012 compared to £488 million in 2011 reflecting, in particular, losses on disposal of assets outside of the Group's risk appetite in 2012 and a reduction in operating lease rental income.

Operating expenses decreased by £711 million, or 14 per cent, to £4,267 million in 2012 compared with £4,978 million in 2011. Both years included significant charges in respect of regulatory provisions (2012: £1,039 million; 2011: £1,155 million); operating expenses excluding these provisions were £595 million, or 16 per cent, lower at £3,228 million in 2012 compared with £3,823 million in 2011. Staff costs were £335 million, or 17 per cent, lower at £1,691 million in 2012 compared with £2,026 million in 2011 with the ongoing impact of headcount reductions more than offsetting the effect of annual pay rises. Premises and equipment costs were £83 million, or 19 per cent, lower at £351 million compared with £434 million in 2011. Other expenses (excluding the charges in respect of payment protection insurance and other regulatory provisions of £1,039 million from 2012 and £1,155 million from 2011) were £23 million, or 2 per cent, lower at £939 million in 2012 compared with £962 million in 2011. Depreciation and amortisation costs were £89 million, or 26 per cent, lower at £247 million in 2012 compared to £336 million in 2011. In 2011, there had been a charge of £65 million in relation to the impairment of tangible fixed assets; there was no such charge in 2012.

Impairment losses decreased by £2,794 million, or 39 per cent, to £4,310 million in 2012 compared with £7,104 million in 2011. Impairment losses in respect of loans and advances to customers were £2,709 million, or 39 per cent, lower at £4,252 million compared with £6,961 million in 2011. The overall performance of the portfolio continues to improve and benefits from low interest rates and broadly stable UK residential property prices, partly offset by the subdued UK economy, the weak commercial real estate market, and high, although improving, unemployment.

The impairment charge in respect of debt securities classified as loans and receivables was £43 million lower at £17 million in 2012 compared to a charge of £60 million in 2011 and the impairment charge in respect of available-for-sale financial assets was £37 million, or 47 per cent, lower at £41 million in 2012 compared to £78 million in 2011.

In 2012, the Group recorded a tax credit of £160 million compared to a tax credit of £356 million in 2011. The tax credit of £160 million in 2012 arose on a loss before tax of £1,239 million, an effective tax rate of 13 per cent reflecting the effect on the net deferred tax asset of the reduction in the UK corporation tax rate to 23 per cent with effect from 1 April 2013 more than offsetting the benefit of non-taxable items.

Total assets at 31 December 2012 were £561,433 million, £3,290 million, or 1 per cent, higher compared to £558,143 million at 31 December 2011. This increase reflects the greater levels of intercompany funding with other Lloyds Banking Group companies, which more than offset the reduction caused by the continuing disposal of assets which are outside of the Group's risk appetite, customer deleveraging and de-risking and subdued demand in lending markets.

Deposits from banks increased by £20,048 million, or 13 per cent, to £170,118 million compared to £150,070 million at 31 December 2011, but customer deposits were little changed at £235,051 million.

Shareholders' equity decreased by £283 million, from £18,397 million to £18,114 million at 31 December 2012, as a result of positive movements in the available-for-sale financial assets revaluation reserve and the cash flow hedging reserve partly offsetting the loss for the year.

As at 31 December 2012, the Group's capital ratios had increased with a total capital ratio of 17.4 per cent (compared to 14.9 per cent at 31 December 2011); a tier 1 capital ratio of 10.2 per cent (compared to 8.7 per cent at 31 December 2011) and a core tier 1 ratio of 9.8 per cent (compared to 8.4 per cent at 31 December 2011). During 2012 risk-weighted assets decreased by £36,667 million to £162,582 million at 31 December 2012 compared with £199,249 million at 31 December 2011; this decrease reflected risk-weighted asset reductions across the business driven by reductions in assets outside of the Group's risk appetite, lower lending balances and strong management of risk.

Financial risk management objectives and policies

Information regarding the financial risk management objectives and policies of the Group, in relation to the use of financial instruments, is given in note 45 on page 84. A discussion of the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Group is set out on pages 7 to 10. This information is incorporated into this report by reference. Additional information can be found in the annual report of Lloyds Banking Group plc, the Bank's ultimate parent, which does not form part of this report.

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Going concern

The going concern of the Bank and the Group is dependent on successfully funding their respective balance sheets and maintaining adequate levels of capital. In order to satisfy themselves that the Bank and the Group have adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future, the Directors have considered a number of key dependencies as discussed in the Principal risks and uncertainties section under Liquidity and funding on page 9 and additionally have considered projections for the Group's capital and funding position. Having considered these, the Directors consider that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the accounts.

Directors

The names of the Directors of the Bank are shown on page 5. Changes to the composition of the Board since 1 January 2012 up to the date of this report are shown in the table below:

	Joined the Board	Retired from the Board
S V Weller	1 February 2012	
G T Tate		6 February 2012
T J W Tookey		24 February 2012
Lord Leitch		29 February 2012
M G Culmer	16 May 2012	
Sir Julian Horn-Smith		17 May 2012
G R Moreno		17 May 2012
Lord Blackwell	1 June 2012	
C J Fairbairn	1 June 2012	

M A Scicluna and T T Ryan, Jr will retire from the Board on 31 March 2013 and 18 April 2013, respectively.

N L Luff will be appointed to the Board on 5 March 2013.

Directors' interests

The Directors are also Directors of Lloyds Banking Group plc and their interests in shares in Lloyds Banking Group plc are shown in the report and accounts of that company.

Directors' conflicts of interest

The Board, as permitted by the Bank's articles of association, has authorised all potential conflicts of interest that have been declared by individual Directors. Decisions regarding these conflicts of interest could be and were only taken by Directors who had no interest in the matter. In taking the decision, the Directors acted in a way they considered, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the Bank's success. The Directors have the ability to impose conditions, if thought appropriate, when granting authorisation. Any authorities given are reviewed periodically, and as considered appropriate, and at least every 15 months. No Director is permitted to vote on any resolution or matter where he or she has an actual or potential conflict of interest. The Board confirms that no material conflicts were reported to it during the year.

Directors' indemnities

The Directors of the Bank, including the former Directors who retired during the year and since the year end, have entered into individual deeds of indemnity with Lloyds Banking Group plc which constituted 'qualifying third party indemnity provisions' and 'qualifying pension scheme indemnity provisions' for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006. In addition, Lloyds Banking Group plc has granted a deed of indemnity through deed poll which constituted 'third party indemnity provisions' and 'qualifying pension scheme indemnity provisions' to the Directors of the Bank's subsidiary companies, including to former Directors who retired during the year and since the year end. The deeds were in force during the whole of the financial year or from the date of appointment in respect of the Directors who joined the Boards in 2012 and 2013. The indemnities remain in force for the duration of a Director's period of office. The deeds indemnify the Directors to the maximum extent permitted by law. Deeds for existing Directors are available for inspection at the Bank's registered office.

Share capital

Information about share capital and dividends is shown in notes 36 and 40 on pages 53 and 55 and is incorporated into this report by reference.

Employees

The Bank, as part of Lloyds Banking Group is committed to providing employment practices and policies which recognise the diversity of our workforce. We will not unfairly discriminate in our recruitment or employment practices on the basis of any factor which is not relevant to individuals' performance including sex, race, disability, age, sexual orientation or religious belief. We work hard to ensure Lloyds Banking Group is inclusive for all our colleagues.

To support us in this aim, Lloyds Banking Group belongs to a number of major UK employment equality campaign groups, including the Business Disability Forum, The Age and Employment Network, Stonewall and Race for Opportunity. Our involvement with these organisations enables us to identify and implement best practice for our staff. The Bank, as part of Lloyds Banking Group, has a range of programmes to support colleagues who become disabled or acquire a long-term health condition. These include a workplace adjustment programme to provide physical equipment or changes to the way a job is done. The Group also runs residential Personal and Career Development Programmes to help colleagues deal positively with the impact of a disability and the colleague disability network, Access, provides peer support.

Employees are kept closely involved in major changes affecting them through such measures as team meetings, briefings, internal communications and opinion surveys. There are well established procedures, including regular meetings with recognised unions, to ensure that the views of employees are taken into account in reaching decisions.

Schemes offering share options or the acquisition of shares are available for most staff, to encourage their financial involvement in Lloyds Banking Group.

Lloyds Banking Group is committed to providing employees with comprehensive coverage of the economic and financial issues affecting the Group. We have established a full suite of communication channels, including an extensive face-to-face briefing programme, which allows us to update our employees on our performance and any financial issues throughout the year.

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Policy and practice on payment of creditors

The Bank has signed up to the 'Prompt Payment Code' published by the Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS), regarding the making of payments to suppliers. Information about the 'Prompt Payment Code' may be obtained by visiting www.promptpaymentcode.org.uk.

The Bank's policy is to agree terms of payment with suppliers and these normally provide for settlement within 30 days after the date of the invoice, except where other arrangements have been negotiated. It is the policy of the Bank to abide by the agreed terms of payment, provided the supplier performs according to the terms of the contract.

The number of days required to be shown in this report, to comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, is 13 (2011: 14 days). This bears the same proportion to the number of days in the year as the aggregate of the amounts owed to trade creditors at 31 December 2012 bears to the aggregate of the amounts invoiced by suppliers during the year.

Essential business contracts

There are no persons with whom the Bank has contractual or other arrangements that are considered essential to the business of the Bank.

Significant contracts

Details of related party transactions are set out in note 42 on pages 62 to 65.

Research and development activities

During the ordinary course of business the Bank develops new products and services.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the Directors have prepared the Group and Bank financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union. Under company law, the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and the Bank and of the profit or loss of the Bank and Group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to: select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and state whether applicable IFRSs as adopted by the European Union have been followed.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Bank's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Bank and the Group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Bank and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

A copy of the financial statements is placed on the website www.lloydsbankinggroup.com. The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity in relation to the Bank on that website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Each of the current Directors, whose names are shown on page 5 of this annual report, confirms that, to the best of his or her knowledge:

- the financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Bank and Group and the profit or loss of the Group;
- the business review includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Bank and Group; and
- the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Bank and the Group are set out on pages 7 to 10.

Independent auditors and audit information

Each person who is a Director at the date of approval of this report confirms that, so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Bank's auditors are unaware and each Director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a Director to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Bank's auditors are aware of that information. This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

A resolution will be proposed at the 2013 annual general meeting to reappoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as auditors. The Bank's Audit Committee is satisfied that the external auditors remain independent and effective.

On behalf of the Board

Claire A Davies

Company Secretary
1 March 2013

Company Number SC327000

Directors

Sir Winfried Bischoff *Chairman*

A Horta-Osório *Group Chief Executive*

M G Culmer *Group Finance Director*

Lord Blackwell

C J Fairbairn

A M Frew

D L Roberts

T T Ryan, Jr

M A Scicluna

A Watson CBE

S V Weller

Forward looking statements

This annual report includes certain forward looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the US Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to the business, strategy and plans of Bank of Scotland plc and its current goals and expectations relating to its future financial condition and performance. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about Bank of Scotland plc or its directors' and/or management's beliefs and expectations, are forward looking statements. Words such as 'believes', 'anticipates', 'estimates', 'expects', 'intends', 'aims', 'potential', 'will', 'would', 'could', 'considered', 'likely', 'estimate' and variations of these words and similar future or conditional expressions are intended to identify forward looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. By their nature, forward looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend upon circumstances that will occur in the future.

Examples of such forward looking statements include, but are not limited to: projections or expectations of the Group's future financial position including profit attributable to shareholders, provisions, economic profit, dividends, capital structure, expenditures or any other financial items or ratios; statements of plans, objectives or goals of the Group or its management including in respect of certain synergy targets; statements about the future business and economic environments in the United Kingdom (UK) and elsewhere including, but not limited to, future trends in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, credit and equity market levels and demographic developments; statements about competition, regulation, disposals and consolidation or technological developments in the financial services industry; and statements of assumptions underlying such statements.

Factors that could cause actual business, strategy, plans and/or results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward looking statements made by the Group or on its behalf include, but are not limited to: general economic and business conditions in the UK and internationally; inflation, deflation, interest rates and policies of the Bank of England, the European Central Bank and other G8 central banks; fluctuations in exchange rates, stock markets and currencies; the ability to access sufficient funding to meet the Group's liquidity needs; changes to the Group's, Lloyds Banking Group plc's, Lloyds TSB Bank plc's or HBOS plc's credit ratings; the ability to derive cost savings and other benefits including, without limitation, as a result of the integration of HBOS and the Group's Simplification Programme; changing demographic developments including mortality and changing customer behaviour including consumer spending, saving and borrowing habits; changes to borrower or counterparty credit quality; instability in the global financial markets including Eurozone instability and the impact of any sovereign credit rating downgrade or other sovereign financial issues; technological changes; natural and other disasters, adverse weather and similar contingencies outside the Group's control; inadequate or failed internal or external processes, people and systems; terrorist acts and other acts of war or hostility and responses to those acts, geopolitical, pandemic or other such events; changes in laws, regulations, taxation, accounting standards or practices; regulatory capital or liquidity requirements and similar contingencies outside the Group's control; the policies and actions of governmental or regulatory authorities in the UK, the European Union (EU), the US or elsewhere; the implementation of the draft EU crisis management framework directive and banking reform, following the recommendations made by the Independent Commission on Banking; the ability to attract and retain senior management and other employees; requirements or limitations imposed on Lloyds Banking Group plc, Lloyds TSB Bank plc, HBOS plc and the Group as a result of HM Treasury's investment in Lloyds Banking Group plc; the ability to complete satisfactorily the disposal of certain assets as part of the Lloyds Banking Group plc's EU State Aid obligations; the extent of any future impairment charges or write-downs caused by depressed asset valuations, market disruptions and illiquid markets; market related trends and developments; exposure to regulatory scrutiny, legal proceedings, regulatory investigations or complaints; changes in competition and pricing environments; the inability to hedge certain risks economically; the adequacy of loss reserves; the actions of competitors, including non-bank financial services and lending companies; and the success of the Group in managing the risks of the foregoing. Please refer to the latest Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission for a discussion of certain factors.

The Group may also make or disclose written and/or oral forward looking statements in reports filed with or furnished to the US Securities and Exchange Commission, Group annual reviews, half-year announcements, proxy statements, offering circulars, prospectuses, press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by the directors, officers or employees of the Group to third parties, including financial analysts. Except as required by any applicable law or regulation, the forward looking statements contained in this annual report are made as of the date hereof, and Bank of Scotland plc expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to any forward looking statements contained in this annual report to reflect any change in Bank of Scotland plc's expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

Principal risks and uncertainties

At present the most significant risks faced by the Group are:

CREDIT RISK

Definition

Credit risk is defined as the risk that parties with whom the Group has contracted fail to meet their obligations (both on or off balance sheet).

Principal risks

Arising mainly in the retail, commercial banking, and wealth, asset finance and international operations, reflecting the risks inherent in the Group's lending activities. Adverse changes in the credit quality of the Group's UK and/or international borrowers and counterparties, or in their behaviour, would be expected to reduce the value of the Group's assets and increase the Group's write-downs and allowances for impairment losses. Credit risk can be affected by a range of macroeconomic environment and other factors, including, inter alia, increased unemployment, reduced asset values, lower consumer spending, increased personal or corporate insolvency levels, reduced corporate profits, increased interest rates and/or higher tenant defaults.

Over the last five years, the global banking crisis and economic downturn has driven cyclically high bad debt charges, arising from the Group's lending to both retail (including those in wealth, asset finance and international) and commercial customers (including those in wealth, asset finance and international). Group portfolios will remain strongly linked to the economic environment, with inter alia house price falls, unemployment increases, consumer over-indebtedness and rising interest rates being possible impacts to the Group's exposures. The Group has exposure to commercial customers in both the UK and internationally, including Europe and Ireland, particularly related to commercial real estate lending, where the Group has a high level of lending secured on secondary and tertiary assets. The possibility of further economic downside risk remains.

Mitigating actions

The Group takes many mitigating actions with respect to this principal risk. The Group manages its credit risk in a variety of ways such as:

- through prudent and through the cycle credit risk appetite and policies;
- clearly defined levels of authority (including, independently sanctioned and controlled credit limits for commercial customers and counterparties, sound credit scoring models and credit policies for retail customers);
- robust credit processes and controls; and
- well-established Group and Divisional committees that ensure distressed and impaired loans are identified, considered, controlled and appropriately escalated and appropriately impaired (taking account of the Group's latest view of current and expected market conditions, as well as refinancing risk).

Reviews are undertaken at least quarterly and incorporate internal and external audit review and challenge.

CONDUCT RISK

Definition

Conduct risk is defined as the risk of customer detriment or censure and/or a reduction in earnings/value, through financial or reputational loss, from inappropriate or poor customer treatment or business conduct.

Principal risks

Conduct risk and how Lloyds Banking Group manages its customer relationships affect all aspects of the Group's operations and are closely aligned with achievement of Lloyds Banking Group's strategic vision to be the best bank for customers. As a provider of a wide range of financial services products, distributed through numerous channels to a broad and varied customer base, and as a participant in market activities the Group faces significant conduct risks, such as: products or services not meeting the needs of its customers; sales processes which could result in selling products to customers which do not meet their needs; failure to deal with a customer's complaint effectively where the Group has got it wrong and not met customer expectations; behaviours which do not meet market standards.

There remains a high level of scrutiny regarding financial institutions' treatment of customers and business conduct from regulatory bodies, the media and politicians. The FSA in particular continues to drive focus on conduct of business activities through its supervision activity.

There is a risk that certain aspects of the Group's business may be determined by the FSA, other regulatory bodies or the courts as not being conducted in accordance with applicable laws or regulations, or fair and reasonable treatment in their opinion. The Group may also be liable for damages to third parties harmed by the conduct of its business.

Mitigating actions

The Group takes many mitigating actions with respect to this principal risk; key examples include:

- The Group's Conduct Strategy and supporting framework have been designed to support its vision and strategic aim to put the customer at the heart of everything it does. The Group has developed and implemented a framework to enable it to deliver the right outcomes for its customers, which is supported by policies and standards in key areas, including product governance, customer treatment, sales, responsible lending, customers in financial difficulties, claims and complaints handling.
- The Group actively engages with regulatory bodies and other stakeholders in developing its understanding of current customer treatment concerns. The Group develops colleagues' awareness of these and other expected standards of conduct through these and other policies and standards and codes of responsibility. It also undertakes root cause analysis of complaints and makes use of technology and metrics to facilitate earlier detection and mitigation of conduct issues.

MARKET RISK

Definition

Market risk is defined as the risk that unfavourable market moves (including changes in and increased volatility of interest rates, market-implied inflation rates, credit spreads and prices for bonds, foreign exchange rates, equity, property and commodity prices and other instruments), lead to reductions in earnings and/or value.

Principal risks

The Group has a number of market risks, the principal one being:

- Interest rate risk: This risk to the Group's banking income arises from competitive pressures on product terms in existing loans and deposits, which sometimes restrict the Group in its ability to change interest rates applying to customers in response to changes in interbank and central bank rates. A further related risk arises from the level of interest rates and the margin of interbank rates over central bank rates.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Mitigating actions

Market risk is managed within a Board approved framework using a range of metrics to monitor the Group's profile against its stated appetite and potential market conditions.

High level market risk exposure is reported regularly to appropriate committees for monitoring and oversight by senior management.

A variety of risk measures are used such as:

- Sensitivity based measures (e.g. sensitivity to 1 basis point move in interest rates)
- Percentile based measures (e.g. Value at Risk)
- Scenario/stress based measures (e.g. single factor stresses, macroeconomic scenarios)

In addition, profit and loss triggers are used in the Trading Books in order to ensure that mitigating action is discussed if profit and loss becomes volatile.

- Interest rate risk: Exposure arising from the different repricing characteristics of the Group's non-trading assets and liabilities, and from the mismatch between interest rate insensitive assets and interest rate sensitive liabilities, is managed centrally. Matching assets and liabilities are offset against each other and interest rate swaps are also used to manage the residual exposure to within the non-traded market risk appetite. Exposure arising from the margin of interbank rates over central bank rates is monitored and managed within the non-traded market risk appetite through appropriate hedging activity.

OPERATIONAL RISK

Definition

Operational risk is defined as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events.

Principal risks

The principal operational risks currently facing the Group are:

- IT systems and resilience: The risk of loss resulting from the failure to develop, deliver or maintain effective IT solutions. The resilience of IT in terms of its availability to customers and colleagues is of paramount importance to the Group.
- Information security: The risk of information leakage, loss or theft. The threat profile is rapidly changing; in particular increasingly sophisticated attacks by cybercrime groups.
- External fraud: The risk of loss to the Group and/or its customers resulting from an act of deception or omission.
- Customer process: The risk of new issues, process weaknesses and control deficiencies within the Group's customer facing processes as the business continues to evolve.

Mitigating actions

The Group operates a robust control environment with regular review and investment. Contingency plans are maintained for a range of potential scenarios with a regime of regular disaster recovery exercises, both Group specific and industry wide. Significant investment has been made in IT infrastructure and systems to ensure their resilience and to enhance the services they support, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing availability of the Group's services both to its customers and to the wider UK financial infrastructure. The Group continues to invest in IT and information security control environments including user access management and records management to address evolving threats.

The Group adopts a risk based approach to external fraud management, reflecting the current and emerging external fraud risks within the market. This approach drives an annual programme of enhancements to the Group's technology, process and people related controls; with emphasis on preventative controls, supported by real time detective controls – wherever feasible. The Group has developed a mature and robust fraud operating model with centralised accountability established, discharged via Group-wide policies and operational control frameworks. The Group's fraud awareness programme is a key component of its fraud control environment; in 2012 a Group-wide awareness campaign was launched specifically addressing the emerging 'cyber' threats and the role that the Group's colleagues play in helping to keep its customers safe and secure.

Material operational risks are reported regularly to appropriate committees, attracting senior management visibility, and are managed via a range of strategies – avoidance, mitigation, transfer (including insurance), and acceptance.

PEOPLE RISK

Definition

People risk is defined as the risk that the Group fails to lead, manage and enable colleagues to deliver to customers, shareholders and regulators leading to reductions in earnings and/or value.

Principal risks

Lloyds Banking Group has a strategic aim to be the best bank for customers; it is committed to addressing issues within the business that could contribute to customers receiving unfair outcomes. The Group believes the quality, effectiveness and engagement of its people are fundamental to its successful delivery of this strategy. This belief coincides with the increasing external focus on the culture which underpins the performance and behaviour of employees in the development and delivery of fair outcomes to customers.

Consequently, the Group's management of material people risks is critical to its capacity to deliver against its strategic objectives. Over the coming twelve months the Group's ability to manage people risks successfully is likely to be affected by the following factors:

- The developing and increasingly rigorous and intrusive regulatory environment may challenge the Group's people strategy, remuneration practices and retention; and
- Negative political and media attention on banking sector culture, sales practices and ethical conduct may impact colleague engagement, investor sentiment and the Group's cost base.

Mitigating actions

The Group takes many mitigating actions with respect to people risk. Key examples include:

- Focusing on strengthening the risk-based culture amongst colleagues by developing and delivering a number of initiatives that reinforce risk-based behaviours to generate the best possible outcomes for customers and colleagues;
- Continuing to ensure strong management of the impact of organisational change and consolidation on colleagues;
- Embedding our Codes of Personal and Business Responsibility across the Group;

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- Reviewing and developing incentives continually to ensure they promote colleagues' behaviours that meet customer needs and regulatory expectations;
- Focusing on leadership and colleague engagement, through delivery of strategies to attract, retain and develop high calibre people together with implementation of rigorous succession planning;
- Maintaining focus on people risk management across the Group; and
- Ensuring compliance with legal and regulatory requirements related to Approved Persons and the Remuneration Code, and embedding compliant and appropriate colleague behaviours in line with Group policies, values and its people risk priorities.

LIQUIDITY AND FUNDING RISK

Definition

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Group has insufficient financial resources to meet its commitments as they fall due, or can only secure them at excessive cost.

Funding risk is defined as the risk that the Group does not have sufficiently stable and diverse sources of funding or the funding structure is inefficient.

Principal risks

Liquidity and funding continues to remain a key area of focus for Lloyds Banking Group and the industry as a whole. Like all major banks, the Group is dependent on confidence in the short and long-term wholesale funding markets. Should the Group, due to exceptional circumstances, be unable to continue to source sustainable funding, its ability to fund its financial obligations could be impacted. The key dependencies on successfully funding the Group's balance sheet include:

- Continued functioning of the money and capital markets.
- The continuation of Lloyds Banking Group's strategy of right-sizing the balance sheet and development of the retail deposit base which has led to a significant reduction in the wholesale funding requirement over the past year.
- Limited further deterioration in the UK's and the Group's credit rating. In June 2012 the Group experienced a one notch downgrade in its long-term rating from Moody's, following the agency's review of 114 European banks. The impact that the Group experienced following the downgrade was not material and was consistent with the modelled outcomes based on the stress testing framework. Similarly, the internal stress testing framework indicates that Moody's one notch downgrade of the UK's credit rating, announced on 22 February 2013, will not have a material impact on the Group's liquidity and funding position; and
- No significant or sudden withdrawal of customer deposits.

Mitigating actions

Liquidity and funding risk appetite for the banking businesses is set by the Board and this statement of the Group's overall appetite for liquidity risk is reviewed and approved annually by the Board.

- The Group's liquidity and funding position is underpinned by its significant customer deposit base, and has been supported by stable funding from the wholesale markets with a reduced dependence on short-term wholesale funding;
- Daily monitoring and control processes are in place to address regulatory liquidity requirements. The Group monitors a range of market and internal early warning indicators on a daily basis for early signs of liquidity risk in the market or specific to the Group;
- The Group carries out stress testing of its liquidity position against a range of scenarios, including those prescribed by the FSA on an ongoing basis. The Group's liquidity risk appetite is also calibrated against a number of stressed liquidity metrics; and
- The Group has a contingency funding plan embedded within the Group Liquidity Policy which has been designed to identify emerging liquidity concerns at an early stage, so that mitigating actions can be taken to avoid a more serious crisis developing.

STATE FUNDING AND STATE AID

Principal risks

HM Treasury currently holds 39.2 per cent of Lloyds Banking Group's ordinary share capital. United Kingdom Financial Investments Limited (UKFI), as manager of HM Treasury's shareholding, continues to operate in line with the framework document between UKFI and HM Treasury, managing the investment in Lloyds Banking Group on a commercial basis without interference in day-to-day management decisions. There is a risk that a change in Government priorities could result in the framework agreement currently in place being replaced leading to interference in the operations of the Group.

In addition, Lloyds Banking Group is subject to European State Aid obligations in line with the Restructuring Plan agreed with HM Treasury and the EU College of Commissioners in November 2009, which is designed to support the long-term viability of the Group and remedy any distortion of competition and trade in the European Union (EU) arising from the State Aid given to Lloyds Banking Group. This has placed a number of requirements on Lloyds Banking Group including an asset reduction target from a defined pool of assets by the end of 2014, known as Project Atlantic, and the divestment of certain portions of its Retail business by the end of November 2013, known as Project Verde. There is a risk that if the Group does not deliver its divestment commitments by November 2013, a Divestment Trustee would be appointed to dispose of the divestment, which could be sold at a negative price.

Mitigating actions

Lloyds Banking Group has received no indications that the Government intends to change the existing operating arrangements with regard to the role of UKFI and engagement with the Group.

Lloyds Banking Group continues to make good progress in respect to its State Aid commitments. In line with the strengthening of the balance sheet, the Group has made excellent progress against its asset reduction commitment and reached the reduction total required in December 2012, two years ahead of the mandated completion date. The Group is currently working with the European Commission to achieve formal release from this commitment.

On 19 July 2012 Lloyds Banking Group announced that it had agreed non-binding heads of terms with The Co-operative Group (the Co-operative) for the disposal of the Verde business. The Group continues to work with the Co-operative to agree a sale and purchase agreement, with completion of the divestment expected by the end of November 2013. The Group has also undertaken planning for an Initial Public Offering (IPO) of the Verde business, should this be required as a fallback option. The Verde business will be rebranded and operating as a standalone basis within the Lloyds Banking Group during 2013 and available for sale to another third party as a further fallback option.

The Group continues to work closely with the FSA, EU Commission, HM Treasury and the Monitoring Trustee appointed by the EU Commission to ensure the successful implementation of the restructuring plan and mitigate customer impact.

EMERGING RISKS

The Group considers the following to be emerging risks that have the potential to increase in significance and affect the performance of the Group. These risks are considered alongside Lloyds Banking Group's five year operating plan.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Macroeconomic environment

The operating plan is challenging, with a focus on improving earnings while achieving the required regulatory improvements on capital and liquidity. Any adverse movement in interest rates or deterioration in macroeconomic environment beyond the Group's assumptions would delay improvement of the earnings and return profile.

Mitigating actions

The Group is actively supporting sustainable growth in the UK economy through the focused range of products and services provided to business and personal customers, as well as through partnerships with industry and Government. Capital, liquidity and credit risk are managed conservatively and non-core asset reductions remain ahead of schedule ensuring the Group is better placed to address macroeconomic shocks.

Capital risk

Lloyds Banking Group has a strong capital position but remains exposed to the risks of lower than expected profitability, significant losses in a number of stress scenarios or volatility through accounting standards and regulatory changes.

One such area of potential regulatory change relates to the Bank of England's interim Financial Policy Committee (FPC) which published its Financial Stability Report on 29 November 2012. The report recommended that the Financial Services Authority takes action to ensure that the capital of UK banks and building societies reflects a proper valuation of their assets, a realistic assessment of future conduct costs and prudent calculation of risk weights. The FSA is expected to respond prior to the March FPC meeting.

Mitigating actions

The Group has made significant progress and continues to deliver on its strategy of strengthening the balance sheet, including its capital position, to improve the resilience of the Group.

The Group has strong governance, processes and controls which, combined with our proactive management of risk, result in an appropriate level of capital. This includes:

- Rigorous stress testing exercises where the results are shared with the FSA.
- Prudent internal models, based on empirical data, that meet regulatory and stringent internal requirements.

Regulatory change

The Parliamentary Commission on Banking Standards (PCBS) was asked to conduct pre-legislative scrutiny on the draft Banking Reform Bill. The PCBS published its initial report on 21 December 2012. The report contains the Commission's consideration of the Government's draft legislation which gives effect to the recommendations of the Independent Commission on Banking. The PCBS looked at 'Ring fencing', one of the UK Government's main proposals for increasing financial stability.

Mitigating actions

Actions to respond to the proposals on ring fencing are being taken forward alongside planning for recovery and resolution as part of a programme of work with senior executive sponsorship and robust governance arrangements.

Compliance and conduct

Significant legacy costs beyond current provisioning could have significant impact on capital ratios and credit ratings with consequent impact on liquidity risk. There is inherent uncertainty in making estimates of provisions required.

Mitigating actions

Prudent provisioning policy – provisions for legacy conduct issues represent management's best estimate of the anticipated costs of related customer contact and/or redress, including administration expenses.

Group product governance controls – potential risks are monitored through product management information, new product approvals and annual product reviews leading to identification and mitigation of risks at an early stage.

Accounting standards

A number of potential changes to accounting standards are under consultation. These standards are currently scheduled for implementation between 2015 and 2018 and have the potential to add substantial volatility to the Group's reported results and capital.

Mitigating actions

The Group continues to monitor potential changes and where appropriate provide feedback.

Further information can be found under Note 48: Future accounting developments.

Bank of Scotland plc
Independent auditors' report

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC

We have audited the Group and the Bank financial statements (the 'financial statements') of Bank of Scotland plc for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the consolidated income statement, the Group and the Bank statements of comprehensive income, the Group and the Bank balance sheets, the Group and the Bank statements of changes in equity, the Group and the Bank cash flow statements and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union and, as regards the Bank financial statements, as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities on page 4 the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Bank's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Group's and Bank's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Report and Accounts to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the Bank's affairs as at 31 December 2012 and of the Group's loss and the Group's and Bank's cash flows for the year then ended;
- the Group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union;
- the Bank financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union and as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, as regards the group financial statements, Article 4 of the IAS Regulation.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the Bank, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the Bank financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Philip Rivett
Senior Statutory Auditor
for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
London
1 March 2013

- (a) The maintenance and integrity of the Lloyds Banking Group plc website is the responsibility of the Group directors; the work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website.
- (b) Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Bank of Scotland plc
Consolidated income statement

	Note	2012 £ million	2011 £ million
Interest and similar income		15,398	16,748
Interest and similar expense		(8,666)	(8,891)
Net interest income	5	6,732	7,857
Fee and commission income		1,007	1,208
Fee and commission expense		(311)	(286)
Net fee and commission income	6	696	922
Net trading income	7	(218)	(646)
Other operating income	8	128	488
Other income		606	764
Total income		7,338	8,621
Regulatory provisions		(1,039)	(1,155)
Other operating expenses		(3,228)	(3,823)
Operating expenses	9	(4,267)	(4,978)
Trading surplus		3,071	3,643
Impairment	10	(4,310)	(7,104)
Loss before tax		(1,239)	(3,461)
Taxation	12	160	356
Loss for the year		(1,079)	(3,105)
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests		3	–
Loss attributable to equity shareholders		(1,082)	(3,105)
Loss for the year		(1,079)	(3,105)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Statements of comprehensive income

for the year ended 31 December 2012

The Group	2012 £ million	2011 £ million
Loss for the year	(1,079)	(3,105)
Other comprehensive income		
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets:		
Change in fair value	360	(90)
Income statement transfers in respect of disposals	(385)	(72)
Income statement transfers in respect of impairment	397	749
Other income statement transfers	121	(76)
Taxation	(121)	(129)
	372	382
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve:		
Effective portion of changes in fair value taken to other comprehensive income	729	1,350
Net income statement transfers	(269)	373
Taxation	(83)	(447)
	377	1,276
Currency translation differences (tax: nil)	50	2
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	799	1,660
Total comprehensive income for the year	(280)	(1,445)
Total comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	3	–
Total comprehensive income attributable to equity shareholders	(283)	(1,445)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(280)	(1,445)

The Bank	2012 £ million	2011 £ million
Loss for the year	(1,770)	(2,431)
Other comprehensive income		
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets:		
Change in fair value	329	(123)
Income statement transfers in respect of disposals	(6)	106
Income statement transfers in respect of impairment	237	292
Other income statement transfers	121	(76)
Taxation	(167)	(52)
	514	147
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve:		
Effective portion of changes in fair value taken to other comprehensive income	729	1,342
Net income statement transfers	(269)	373
Taxation	(83)	(446)
	377	1,269
Currency translation differences (tax: nil)	13	14
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	904	1,430
Total comprehensive income for the year	(866)	(1,001)

Bank of Scotland plc
Balance sheets
at 31 December 2012

		The Group		The Bank	
	Note	2012 £ million	2011 £ million	2012 £ million	2011 £ million
Assets					
Cash and balances at central banks		6,084	3,070	6,084	3,065
Items in the course of collection from banks		416	431	416	431
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	13	32,585	22,315	32,259	22,004
Derivative financial instruments	14	35,863	36,283	35,531	35,820
Loans and receivables:					
Loans and advances to banks	15	138,207	89,490	138,024	89,270
Loans and advances to customers	16	329,636	376,355	332,735	386,184
Debt securities	19	4,600	11,886	9,476	15,407
		427,443	477,731	480,235	490,861
Available-for-sale financial assets	21	3,572	8,288	3,074	6,896
Investment properties	22	705	1,185	–	–
Goodwill	24	385	385	376	376
Other intangible assets	25	92	69	86	63
Tangible fixed assets	26	1,701	2,367	1,018	1,012
Current tax recoverable		873	593	1,016	679
Deferred tax assets	33	3,640	4,050	3,350	3,722
Investment in subsidiary undertakings	23	–	–	1,342	1,374
Other assets	27	3,074	1,376	2,709	1,044
Total assets		561,433	558,143	567,496	567,347

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Bank of Scotland plc
Balance sheets
at 31 December 2012

		The Group		The Bank	
		2012 £ million	2011 £ million	2012 £ million	2011 £ million
Equity and liabilities	Note				
Liabilities					
Deposits from banks	28	170,118	150,070	169,986	149,608
Customer deposits	29	235,051	235,855	251,670	260,232
Items in course of transmission to banks		518	332	518	330
Trading liabilities	30	33,610	20,805	33,610	20,805
Derivative financial instruments	14	33,272	35,262	32,743	34,926
Notes in circulation		1,198	1,145	1,198	1,145
Debt securities in issue	31	49,508	75,449	42,885	63,178
Other liabilities	32	4,415	4,539	3,847	4,617
Current tax liabilities		59	54	57	44
Deferred tax liabilities	33	–	1	–	–
Other provisions	34	1,146	1,063	1,124	1,014
Subordinated liabilities	35	14,404	15,155	13,848	14,572
Total liabilities		543,299	539,730	551,486	550,471
Equity					
Share capital	36	5,847	5,847	5,847	5,847
Share premium account	37	27,479	27,479	27,479	27,479
Other reserves	38	3,074	2,275	3,288	2,384
Retained profits	39	(18,286)	(17,204)	(20,604)	(18,834)
Shareholders' equity		18,114	18,397	16,010	16,876
Non-controlling interests		20	16	–	–
Total equity		18,134	18,413	16,010	16,876
Total equity and liabilities		561,433	558,143	567,496	567,347

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

The directors approved the financial statements on 1 March 2013.

Sir Winfried Bischoff
Chairman

António Horta-Osório
Chief Executive

George Culmer
Finance Director

Statements of changes in equity

for the year ended 31 December 2012

The Group	Attributable to equity shareholders				Non-controlling interests £ million	Total £ million
	Share capital and premium £ million	Other reserves £ million	Retained profits £ million	Total £ million		
Balance at 1 January 2011	33,326	615	(14,099)	19,842	201	20,043
Comprehensive income						
Loss for the year	–	–	(3,105)	(3,105)	–	(3,105)
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>						
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax	–	382	–	382	–	382
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	–	1,276	–	1,276	–	1,276
Currency translation differences, net of tax	–	2	–	2	–	2
Total other comprehensive income	–	1,660	–	1,660	–	1,660
Total comprehensive income	–	1,660	(3,105)	(1,445)	–	(1,445)
Transactions with owners						
Change in non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	(185)	(185)
Balance at 31 December 2011	33,326	2,275	(17,204)	18,397	16	18,413
Comprehensive income						
(Loss) profit for the year	–	–	(1,082)	(1,082)	3	(1,079)
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>						
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax	–	372	–	372	–	372
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	–	377	–	377	–	377
Currency translation differences, net of tax	–	50	–	50	–	50
Total other comprehensive income	–	799	–	799	–	799
Total comprehensive income	–	799	(1,082)	(283)	3	(280)
Transactions with owners						
Dividends paid	–	–	–	–	(3)	(3)
Change in non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	4	4
Total transactions with owners	–	–	–	–	1	1
Balance at 31 December 2012	33,326	3,074	(18,286)	18,114	20	18,134

Further details of movements in the Group's share capital and reserves are provided in notes 36, 37, 38 and 39.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Bank of Scotland plc

Statements of changes in equity
for the year ended 31 December 2012

The Bank	Share capital and premium £ million	Other reserves £ million	Retained profits £ million	Total £ million
Balance at 1 January 2011	33,326	954	(16,403)	17,877
Comprehensive income				
Loss for the year	–	–	(2,431)	(2,431)
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>				
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax	–	147	–	147
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	–	1,269	–	1,269
Currency translation differences, net of tax	–	14	–	14
Total other comprehensive income	–	1,430	–	1,430
Total comprehensive income	–	1,430	(2,431)	(1,001)
Balance at 31 December 2011	33,326	2,384	(18,834)	16,876
Comprehensive income				
Loss for the year	–	–	(1,770)	(1,770)
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>				
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax	–	514	–	514
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	–	377	–	377
Currency translation differences, net of tax	–	13	–	13
Total other comprehensive income	–	904	–	904
Total comprehensive income	–	904	(1,770)	(866)
Balance at 31 December 2012	33,326	3,288	(20,604)	16,010

There were no transactions with owners in 2011 or 2012.

Bank of Scotland plc

Cash flow statements

for the year ended 31 December 2012

	Note	The Group		The Bank	
		2012 £ million	2011 £ million	2012 £ million	2011 £ million
Loss before tax		(1,239)	(3,461)	(2,040)	(2,780)
Adjustments for:					
Change in operating assets	47(a)	(1,763)	7,821	2,809	(2,606)
Change in operating liabilities	47(b)	4,362	(14,304)	1,708	(2,809)
Non-cash and other items	47(c)	(3,681)	1,912	(2,492)	2,104
Tax received (paid)		38	169	25	(47)
Net cash used in operating activities		(2,283)	(7,863)	10	(6,138)
Cash flows from investing activities					
Purchase of available-for-sale financial assets		(2,002)	(3,967)	(1,784)	(3,335)
Proceeds from sale and maturity of available-for-sale financial assets		6,950	9,747	5,619	9,591
Purchase of fixed assets		(319)	(391)	(232)	(188)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		1,316	1,348	57	78
Additional capital injections to subsidiaries		–	–	–	(465)
Capital repayment by subsidiaries		–	–	–	75
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired		(11)	(62)	–	(50)
Disposal of businesses, net of cash disposed	47(e)	22	298	18	141
Net cash provided by investing activities		5,956	6,973	3,678	5,847
Cash flows from financing activities					
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests		(3)	–	–	–
Change in non-controlling interests		4	–	–	–
Interest paid on subordinated liabilities		(490)	(481)	(463)	(427)
Repayment of subordinated liabilities		(649)	(94)	(649)	(591)
Net cash used in financing activities		(1,138)	(575)	(1,112)	(1,018)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(2)	1	(1)	1
Change in cash and cash equivalents		2,533	(1,464)	2,575	(1,308)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		4,918	6,382	4,692	6,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	47(d)	7,451	4,918	7,267	4,692

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2012

1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements of Bank of Scotland plc have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU) as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006. IFRS comprises accounting standards prefixed IFRS issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and those prefixed IAS issued by the IASB's predecessor body as well as interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) and its predecessor body. The EU endorsed version of IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* relaxes some of the hedge accounting requirements; the Group has not taken advantage of this relaxation, and therefore there is no difference in application to the Group between IFRS as adopted by the EU and IFRS as issued by the IASB. The financial information has been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investment properties, available-for-sale financial assets, trading securities and certain other financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and all derivative contracts.

The going concern of the Bank and the Group is dependent on successfully funding their respective balance sheets and maintaining adequate levels of capital. In order to satisfy themselves that the Bank and the Group have adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future, the directors have considered a number of key dependencies which are set out in the Principal risks and uncertainties section under Liquidity and funding on page 9 and additionally have considered projections for the Group's capital and funding position. Taking all of these factors into account, the directors consider that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

As the Group's share of results of joint ventures and associates is no longer significant, this is now included within other operating income and the related asset reported within other assets; comparatives have been re-presented on a consistent basis.

The Group has adopted the following amendments to standards which became effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2012. Neither of these amendments has had a material impact on these financial statements.

(i) *Disclosures – Transfers of Financial Assets (Amendments to IFRS 7)*

Requires disclosures in respect of all transferred financial assets that are not derecognised in their entirety and transferred assets that are derecognised in their entirety but with which there is continuing involvement. Disclosures in connection with such transfers can be found in note 44.

(ii) *Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets (Amendment to IAS 12)*

Introduces a rebuttable presumption that investment property measured at fair value is recovered entirely through sale and that deferred tax in respect of such investment property is recognised on that basis.

Details of those IFRS pronouncements which will be relevant to the Group but which were not effective at 31 December 2012 and which have not been applied in preparing the financial statements are given in note 48.

2 Accounting policies

The accounting policies are set out below. These accounting policies have been applied consistently.

a Consolidation

The assets, liabilities and results of Group undertakings (including special purpose entities) are included in the financial statements on the basis of accounts made up to the reporting date. Group undertakings include subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates.

(1) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries include entities over which the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies which generally accompanies a shareholding of more than one half of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group; they are de-consolidated from the date that control ceases. Details of the principal subsidiaries are given in note 23.

Special purpose entities (SPEs) are consolidated if, in substance, the Group controls the entity. A key indicator of such control, amongst others, is where the Group is exposed to the risks and benefits of the SPE.

The treatment of transactions with non-controlling interests depends on whether, as a result of the transaction, the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Changes in the parent's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions; any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to the owners of the parent entity. Where the group loses control of the subsidiary, at the date when control is lost the amount of any non-controlling interest in that former subsidiary is derecognised and any investment retained in the former subsidiary is remeasured to its fair value; the gain or loss that is recognised in profit or loss on the partial disposal of the subsidiary includes the gain or loss on the remeasurement of the retained interest.

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains and losses on transactions between Group companies are eliminated.

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for business combinations by the Group. The consideration for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Acquisition related costs are expensed as incurred except those relating to the issuance of debt instruments (see 2e(4)) or share capital (see 2p(1)). Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair value at the acquisition date.

(2) Joint ventures and associates

Joint ventures are entities over which the Group has joint control under a contractual arrangement with other parties. Associates are entities over which the Group has significant influence, but not control or joint control, over the financial and operating policies. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the entity and is normally achieved through holding between 20 per cent and 50 per cent of the voting share capital of the entity.

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Notes to the accounts

2 Accounting policies (continued)

The Group utilises the venture capital exemption for investments where significant influence or joint control is present and the business unit operates as a venture capital business. These investments are designated at initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss. Otherwise, the Group's investments in joint ventures and associates are accounted for by the equity method of accounting and are initially recorded at cost and adjusted each year to reflect the Group's share of the post-acquisition results of the joint venture or associate based on audited accounts which are coterminous with the Group or made up to a date which is not more than three months before the Group's reporting date. The share of any losses is restricted to a level that reflects an obligation to fund such losses.

b Goodwill

Goodwill arises on business combinations, including the acquisition of subsidiaries, and on the acquisition of interests in joint ventures and associates; goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired. Where the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquired entity is greater than the cost of acquisition, the excess is recognised immediately in the income statement.

Goodwill is recognised as an asset at cost and is tested at least annually for impairment. If an impairment is identified the carrying value of the goodwill is written down immediately through the income statement and is not subsequently reversed. Goodwill arising on acquisitions of associates and joint ventures is included in the Group's investment in joint ventures and associates. At the date of disposal of a subsidiary, the carrying value of attributable goodwill is included in the calculation of the profit or loss on disposal except where it has been written off directly to reserves in the past.

c Other intangible assets

Other intangible assets include brands and both internally and externally generated capitalised software enhancements. Intangible assets which have been determined to have a finite useful life are amortised on a straight line basis over their estimated useful life as follows:

Capitalised software enhancements	up to 7 years
Brands (which have been assessed as having finite lives)	10-15 years

Intangible assets with finite useful lives are reviewed at each reporting date to assess whether there is any indication that they are impaired. If any such indication exists the recoverable amount of the asset is determined and in the event that the asset's carrying amount is greater than its recoverable amount, it is written down immediately. Certain brands have been determined to have an indefinite useful life and are not amortised. Such intangible assets are reassessed annually to reconfirm that an indefinite useful life remains appropriate. In the event that an indefinite life is inappropriate a finite life is determined and an impairment review is performed on the asset.

d Revenue recognition

Interest income and expense are recognised in the income statement for all interest-bearing financial instruments, except for those classified at fair value through profit or loss, using the effective interest method. The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or liability and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the expected life of the financial instrument. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments or receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability.

The effective interest rate is calculated on initial recognition of the financial asset or liability by estimating the future cash flows after considering all the contractual terms of the instrument but not future credit losses. The calculation includes all amounts expected to be paid or received by the Group including expected early redemption fees and related penalties and premiums and discounts that are an integral part of the overall return. Direct incremental transaction costs related to the acquisition, issue or disposal of a financial instrument are also taken into account in the calculation. Once a financial asset or a group of similar financial assets has been written down as a result of an impairment loss, interest income is recognised using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss (see accounting policy 2h).

Fees and commissions which are not an integral part of the effective interest rate are generally recognised when the service has been provided. Loan commitment fees for loans that are likely to be drawn down are deferred (together with related direct costs) and recognised as an adjustment to the effective interest rate on the loan once drawn. Where it is unlikely that loan commitments will be drawn, loan commitment fees are recognised over the life of the facility. Loan syndication fees are recognised as revenue when the syndication has been completed and the Group retains no part of the loan package for itself or retains a part at the same effective interest rate for all interest-bearing financial instruments, including loans and advances, as for the other participants.

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Revenue recognition policies specific to leases are set out in k(2) below.

e Financial assets and liabilities

On initial recognition, financial assets are classified into fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale financial assets or loans and receivables. Financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost, except for trading liabilities and other financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition which are held at fair value. Purchases and sales of securities and other financial assets and trading liabilities are recognised on trade date, being the date that the Group is committed to purchase or sell an asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual right to receive cash flows from those assets has expired or when the Group has transferred its contractual right to receive the cash flows from the assets and either:

- substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred; or
- the Group has neither retained nor transferred substantially all of the risks and rewards, but has transferred control.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished (ie when the obligation is discharged), cancelled or expire.

(1) Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Financial instruments are classified at fair value through profit or loss where they are trading securities or where they are designated at fair value through profit or loss by management. Derivatives are carried at fair value (see accounting policy 2f).

Trading securities are debt securities and equity shares acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term or which are part of a portfolio which is managed for short-term gains. Such securities are classified as trading securities and recognised in the balance sheet at their fair value. Gains and losses arising

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from changes in their fair value together with interest coupons and dividend income are recognised in the income statement within net trading income in the period in which they occur.

Other financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are designated as such by management upon initial recognition. Such assets and liabilities are carried in the balance sheet at their fair value and gains and losses arising from changes in fair value together with interest coupons and dividend income are recognised in the income statement within net trading income in the period in which they occur. Financial assets and liabilities are designated at fair value through profit or loss on acquisition in the following circumstances:

- it eliminates or significantly reduces the inconsistent treatment that would otherwise arise from measuring the assets and liabilities or recognising gains or losses on different bases.
- the assets and liabilities are part of a group which is managed, and its performance evaluated, on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy, with management information also prepared on this basis. As noted in accounting policy 2a(2), certain of the Group's investments are managed as venture capital investments and evaluated on the basis of their fair value and these assets are designated at fair value through profit or loss.
- where the assets and liabilities contain one or more embedded derivatives that significantly modify the cash flows arising under the contract and would otherwise need to be separately accounted for.

The fair values of assets and liabilities traded in active markets are based on current bid and offer prices respectively. If the market is not active the Group establishes a fair value by using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants. Refer to note 3 (Critical accounting estimates and judgements: Fair value of financial instruments) and note 44(3) (Financial instruments: Fair values of financial assets and liabilities) for details of valuation techniques and significant inputs to valuation models.

The Group is permitted to reclassify, at fair value at the date of transfer, non-derivative financial assets (other than those designated at fair value through profit or loss by the entity upon initial recognition) out of the trading category if they are no longer held for the purpose of being sold or repurchased in the near term, as follows:

- if the financial assets would have met the definition of loans and receivables (but for the fact that they had to be classified as held for trading at initial recognition), they may be reclassified into loans and receivables where the Group has the intention and ability to hold the assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity; or
- if the financial assets would not have met the definition of loans and receivables, they may be reclassified out of the held for trading category into available-for-sale financial assets in 'rare circumstances'.

(2) Available-for-sale financial assets

Debt securities and equity shares that are not classified as trading securities, at fair value through profit or loss or as loans and receivables are classified as available-for-sale financial assets and are recognised in the balance sheet at their fair value, inclusive of transaction costs. Available-for-sale financial assets are those intended to be held for an indeterminate period of time and may be sold in response to needs for liquidity or changes in interest rates, exchange rates or equity prices. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of investments classified as available-for-sale are recognised directly in other comprehensive income, until the financial asset is either sold, becomes impaired or matures, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is recognised in the income statement. Interest calculated using the effective interest method and foreign exchange gains and losses on debt securities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement.

The Group is permitted to transfer a financial asset from the available-for-sale category to the loans and receivables category where that asset would have met the definition of loans and receivables at the time of reclassification (if the financial asset had not been designated as available-for-sale) and where there is both the intention and ability to hold that financial asset for the foreseeable future. Reclassification of a financial asset from the available-for-sale category to the held-to-maturity category is permitted when the Group has the ability and intent to hold that financial asset to maturity.

Reclassifications are made at fair value as of the reclassification date. Fair value becomes the new cost or amortised cost as applicable. Effective interest rates for financial assets reclassified to the loans and receivables and held-to-maturity categories are determined at the reclassification date. Any previous gain or loss on a transferred asset that has been recognised in equity is amortised to profit or loss over the remaining life of the investment using the effective interest method or until the asset becomes impaired. Any difference between the new amortised cost and the expected cash flows is also amortised over the remaining life of the asset using the effective interest method.

When an impairment loss is recognised in respect of available-for-sale assets transferred, the unamortised balance of any available-for-sale reserve that remains in equity is transferred to the income statement and recorded as part of the impairment loss.

(3) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables include loans and advances to banks and customers and eligible assets including those transferred into this category out of the fair value through profit or loss or available-for-sale financial assets categories. Loans and receivables are initially recognised when cash is advanced to the borrowers at fair value inclusive of transaction costs or, for eligible assets transferred into this category, their fair value at the date of transfer. Financial assets classified as loans and receivables are accounted for at amortised cost using the effective interest method (see accounting policy 2d) less provision for impairment (see accounting policy 2h).

The Group has entered into securitisation and similar transactions to finance certain loans and advances to customers. In cases where the securitisation vehicles are funded by the issue of debt, on terms whereby the majority of the risks and rewards of the portfolio of securitised lending are retained by the Group, these loans and advances continue to be recognised by the Group, together with a corresponding liability for the funding.

(4) Borrowings

Borrowings (which include deposits from banks, customer deposits, debt securities in issue and subordinated liabilities) are recognised initially at fair value, being their issue proceeds net of transaction costs incurred. These instruments are subsequently stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Preference shares and other instruments which carry a mandatory coupon or are redeemable on a specific date are classified as financial liabilities. The coupon on these instruments is recognised in the income statement as interest expense.

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An exchange of financial liabilities on substantially different terms is accounted for as an extinguishment of the original financial liability and the recognition of a new financial liability. The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability extinguished and the new financial liability is recognised in profit or loss together with any related costs or fees incurred.

When a financial liability is exchanged for an equity instrument, the new equity instrument is recognised at fair value and any difference between the original carrying value of the liability and the fair value of the new equity is recognised in the profit or loss together with any related costs or fees incurred.

(5) Sale and repurchase agreements

Securities sold subject to repurchase agreements (repos) continue to be recognised on the balance sheet where substantially all of the risks and rewards are retained. Funds received under these arrangements are included in deposits from banks, customer deposits, or trading liabilities. Conversely, securities purchased under agreements to resell (reverse repos), where the Group does not acquire substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership, are recorded as loans and receivables or trading securities. The difference between sale and repurchase price is treated as interest and accrued over the life of the agreements using the effective interest method.

Securities lent to counterparties are retained in the financial statements. Securities borrowed are not recognised in the financial statements, unless these are sold to third parties, in which case the obligation to return them is recorded at fair value as a trading liability.

f Derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting

All derivatives are recognised at their fair value. Fair values are obtained from quoted market prices in active markets, including recent market transactions, and using valuation techniques, including discounted cash flow and option pricing models, as appropriate. Derivatives are carried in the balance sheet as assets when their fair value is positive and as liabilities when their fair value is negative. Refer to note 3 (Critical accounting estimates and judgements: Fair value of financial instruments) and note 44(3) (Financial instruments: Fair values of financial assets and liabilities) for details of valuation techniques and significant inputs to valuation models.

Changes in the fair value of any derivative instrument that is not part of a hedging relationship are recognised immediately in the income statement.

Derivatives embedded in financial instruments are treated as separate derivatives when their economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to those of the host contract and the host contract is not carried at fair value through profit or loss. These embedded derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the income statement.

The method of recognising the movements in the fair value of derivatives depends on whether they are designated as hedging instruments and, if so, the nature of the item being hedged. Hedge accounting allows one financial instrument, generally a derivative such as a swap, to be designated as a hedge of another financial instrument such as a loan or deposit or a portfolio of such instruments. At the inception of the hedge relationship, formal documentation is drawn up specifying the hedging strategy, the hedged item and the hedging instrument and the methodology that will be used to measure the effectiveness of the hedge relationship in offsetting changes in the fair value or cash flow of the hedged risk. The effectiveness of the hedging relationship is tested both at inception and throughout its life and if at any point it is concluded that it is no longer highly effective in achieving its documented objective, hedge accounting is discontinued.

The Group designates certain derivatives as either: (1) hedges of the fair value of the particular risks inherent in recognised assets or liabilities (fair value hedges); (2) hedges of highly probable future cash flows attributable to recognised assets or liabilities (cash flow hedges); or (3) hedges of net investments in foreign operations (net investment hedges). These are accounted for as follows:

(1) Fair value hedges

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in the income statement, together with the changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk; this also applies if the hedged asset is classified as an available-for-sale financial asset. If the hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, changes in the fair value of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk are no longer recognised in the income statement. The cumulative adjustment that has been made to the carrying amount of the hedged item is amortised to the income statement using the effective interest method over the period to maturity.

(2) Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in other comprehensive income in the cash flow hedge reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the income statement. Amounts accumulated in equity are reclassified to the income statement in the periods in which the hedged item affects profit or loss. When a hedging instrument expires or is sold, or when a hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss existing in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised in the income statement when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in the income statement. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was reported in equity is immediately transferred to the income statement.

(3) Net investment hedges

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations are accounted for similarly to cash flow hedges. Any gain or loss on the hedging instrument relating to the effective portion of the hedge is recognised in other comprehensive income, the gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the income statement. Gains and losses accumulated in equity are included in the income statement when the foreign operation is disposed of. The hedging instruments used in net investment hedges may include non-derivative liabilities as well as derivative financial instruments.

g Offset

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right of set-off and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. In certain situations, even though master netting agreements exist, the lack of management intention to settle on a net basis results in the financial assets and liabilities being reported gross on the balance sheet.

h Impairment of financial assets

(1) Assets accounted for at amortised cost

At each balance sheet date the Group assesses whether, as a result of one or more events occurring after initial recognition of the financial asset and prior to the balance sheet date, there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets has become impaired.

Where such an event has had an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets, an impairment allowance is recognised. The amount of impairment allowance is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows

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discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. If the asset has a variable rate of interest, the discount rate used for measuring the impairment allowance is the current effective interest rate.

Subsequent to the recognition of an impairment loss on a financial asset or a group of financial assets, interest income continues to be recognised on an effective interest rate basis, on the asset's carrying value net of impairment provisions. If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, such as an improvement in the borrower's credit rating, the allowance is adjusted and the amount of the reversal is recognised in the income statement.

Impairment allowances are assessed individually for financial assets that are individually significant. Such individual assessment is used primarily for the Group's wholesale lending portfolios. Impairment allowances for portfolios of smaller balance homogenous loans such as most residential mortgages, personal loans and credit card balances in the Group's retail portfolios that are below the individual assessment thresholds, and for loan losses that have been incurred but not separately identified at the balance sheet date, are determined on a collective basis.

Individual assessment

In respect of individually significant financial assets in the Group's wholesale lending portfolios, assets are reviewed on a regular basis and those showing potential or actual vulnerability are placed on a watch list where greater monitoring is undertaken and any adverse or potentially adverse impact on ability to repay is used in assessing whether an asset should be transferred to a dedicated Business Support Unit. Specific examples of trigger events that would lead to the initial recognition of impairment allowances against lending to corporate borrowers (or the recognition of additional impairment allowances) include (i) trading losses, loss of business or major customer of a borrower; (ii) material breaches of the terms and conditions of a loan facility, including non-payment of interest or principal, or a fall in the value of security such that it is no longer considered adequate; (iii) disappearance of an active market because of financial difficulties; or (iv) restructuring a facility with preferential terms to aid recovery of the lending (such as a debt for equity swap).

For such individually identified financial assets, a review is undertaken of the expected future cash flows which requires significant management judgement as to the amount and timing of such cash flows. Where the debt is secured, the assessment reflects the expected cash flows from the realisation of the security, net of costs to realise, whether or not foreclosure or realisation of the collateral is probable.

For impaired debt instruments which are held at amortised cost, impairment losses are recognised in subsequent periods when it is determined that there has been a further negative impact on expected future cash flows. A reduction in fair value caused by general widening of credit spreads would not, of itself, result in additional impairment.

Collective assessment

Impairment is assessed on a collective basis for (1) homogenous groups of loans that are not considered individually impaired; and (2) to cover losses which have been incurred but have not yet been identified on loans subject to individual impairment.

Homogenous groups of loans

In respect of portfolios of smaller balance, homogenous loans, or otherwise where there is no objective evidence of individual impairment, the asset is included in a group of financial assets with similar risk characteristics and collectively assessed for impairment. Segmentation takes into account factors, such as the type of asset, industry sector, geographical location, collateral type, past-due status and other relevant factors. These characteristics are relevant to the estimation of future cash flows for groups of such assets as they are indicative of the borrower's ability to pay all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the assets being evaluated.

Generally, the impairment trigger used within the impairment calculation for a loan, or group of loans, is when they reach a pre-defined level of delinquency or where the customer is bankrupt. Loans where the Group provides arrangements that forgive a portion of interest or principal are also deemed to be impaired and loans that are originated to refinance currently impaired assets are also defined as impaired.

In respect of the Group's secured mortgage portfolios, the impairment allowance is calculated based on a definition of impaired loans which are those six months or more in arrears (or certain cases where the borrower is bankrupt, has entered into an Individual Voluntary Arrangement, or is in possession). The estimated cash flows are calculated based on historical experience and are dependent on estimates of the expected value of collateral which takes into account expected future movements in house prices, less costs to sell.

For unsecured personal lending portfolios, the impairment trigger is generally when the balance is two or more instalments in arrears or where the customer has exhibited one or more of the impairment characteristics set out above. While the trigger is based on the payment performance or circumstances of each individual asset, the assessment of future cash flows uses historical experience of cohorts of similar portfolios such that the assessment is considered to be collective. Future cash flows are estimated on the basis of the contractual cash flows of the assets in the cohort and historical loss experience for similar assets. Historical loss experience is adjusted on the basis of current observable data about economic and credit conditions (including unemployment rates and borrowers' behaviour) to reflect the effects of current conditions that did not affect the period on which the historical loss experience is based and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical period that do not exist currently. The methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows are reviewed regularly by the Group to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

Incurred but not yet identified impairments

The collective provision also includes provision for inherent losses, that is losses that have been incurred but have not been identified at the balance sheet date. The loans that are not currently recognised as impaired are grouped into homogenous portfolios by key risk drivers. Risk drivers for secured retail lending include the current indexed loan-to-value, previous mortgage arrears, internal cross-product delinquency data and external credit bureau data; for unsecured retail lending they include whether the account is up-to-date and, if not, the number of payments that have been missed; and for wholesale lending they include factors such as observed default rates and loss given default. An assessment is made of the likelihood of each account becoming recognised as impaired within the loss emergence period, with the economic loss that each portfolio is likely to generate were it to become impaired. The loss emergence period is determined by local management for each portfolio and the Group has a range of loss emergence periods which are dependent upon the characteristics of the portfolios. Loss emergence periods are reviewed regularly and updated when appropriate. In general the periods used across the Group vary between one month and twelve months based on historical experience. Unsecured portfolios tend to have shorter loss emergence periods than secured portfolios.

Loan renegotiations and forbearance

In certain circumstances, the Group will renegotiate the original terms of a customer's loan, either as part of an ongoing customer relationship or in response to adverse changes in the circumstances of the borrower. Where the renegotiated payments of interest and principal will not recover the original carrying value of the asset, the asset continues to be reported as past due and is considered impaired. Where the renegotiated payments of interest and principal will recover the

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original carrying value of the asset, the loan is no longer reported as past due or impaired provided that payments are made in accordance with the revised terms. Renegotiation may lead to the loan and associated provision being derecognised and a new loan being recognised initially at fair value.

Write offs

A loan or advance is normally written off, either partially or in full, against the related allowance when the proceeds from realising any available security have been received or there is no realistic prospect of recovery and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off decrease the amount of impairment losses recorded in the income statement. For both secured and unsecured retail balances, the write-off takes place only once an extensive set of collections processes has been completed, or the status of the account reaches a point where policy dictates that forbearance is no longer appropriate. For wholesale lending, a write-off occurs if the loan facility with the customer is restructured, the asset is under administration and the only monies that can be received are the amounts estimated by the administrator, the underlying assets are disposed and a decision is made that no further settlement monies will be received, or external evidence (for example, third party valuations) is available that there has been an irreversible decline in expected cash flows.

Debt for equity exchanges

Equity securities acquired in exchange for loans in order to achieve an orderly realisation are accounted for as a disposal of the loan and an acquisition of equity securities, held as available-for-sale. Where control is obtained over an entity as a result of the transaction, the entity is consolidated; where the Group has significant influence over an entity as a result of the transaction, the investment is accounted for by the equity method of accounting (see (a) above). Any subsequent impairment of the assets or business acquired is treated as an impairment of the relevant asset or business and not as an impairment of the original instrument.

(2) Available-for-sale financial assets

The Group assesses, at each balance sheet date, whether there is objective evidence that an available-for-sale financial asset is impaired. In addition to the criteria for financial assets accounted for at amortised cost set out above, this assessment involves reviewing the current financial circumstances (including creditworthiness) and future prospects of the issuer, assessing the future cash flows expected to be realised and, in the case of equity shares, considering whether there has been a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the asset below its cost. If an impairment loss has been incurred, the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the acquisition cost (net of any principal repayment and amortisation) and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that asset previously recognised, is reclassified from equity to the income statement. For impaired debt instruments, impairment losses are recognised in subsequent periods when it is determined that there has been a further negative impact on expected future cash flows; although a reduction in fair value caused by general widening of credit spreads would not, of itself, result in additional impairment. If, in a subsequent period, the fair value of a debt instrument classified as available-for-sale increases and the increase can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, an amount not greater than the original impairment loss is credited to the income statement; any excess is taken to other comprehensive income. Impairment losses recognised in the income statement on equity instruments are not reversed through the income statement.

i Investment property

Investment property comprises freehold and long leasehold land and buildings that are held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or both. Investment property is carried in the balance sheet at fair value, being the open market value as determined in accordance with the guidance published by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. If this information is not available, the Group uses alternative valuation methods such as discounted cash flow projections or recent prices. These valuations are reviewed at least annually by an independent valuation expert. Investment property being redeveloped for continuing use as investment property, or for which the market has become less active, continues to be measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in the income statement as net trading income.

j Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are included at cost less accumulated depreciation. The value of land (included in premises) is not depreciated. Depreciation on other assets is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the difference between the cost and the residual value over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Premises (excluding land):

- Freehold/long and short leasehold premises: shorter of 50 years and the remaining period of the lease.
- Leasehold improvements: shorter of 10 years and, if lease renewal is not likely, the remaining period of the lease.

Equipment:

- Fixtures and furnishings: 10-20 years.
- Other equipment and motor vehicles: 2-8 years.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

Assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. In the event that an asset's carrying amount is determined to be greater than its recoverable amount it is written down immediately. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

k Leases

(1) As lessee

The leases entered into by the Group are primarily operating leases. Operating lease rentals payable are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

When an operating lease is terminated before the end of the lease period, any payment made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period of termination.

(2) As lessor

Assets leased to customers are classified as finance leases if the lease agreements transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee but not necessarily legal title. All other leases are classified as operating leases. When assets are subject to finance leases, the present value of the lease payments, together with any unguaranteed residual value, is recognised as a receivable, net of provisions, within loans and advances to banks and customers. The difference between the gross receivable and the present value of the receivable is recognised as unearned finance lease income. Finance lease income is recognised in interest income over the term of the lease using the net investment method (before tax) so as to give a constant rate of return on the net investment in the leases. Unguaranteed residual values are reviewed regularly to identify any impairment.

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Operating lease assets are included within tangible fixed assets at cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives, which equates to the lives of the leases, after taking into account anticipated residual values. Operating lease rental income is recognised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease.

The Group evaluates non-lease arrangements such as outsourcing and similar contracts to determine if they contain a lease which is then accounted for separately.

l Share-based compensation

Lloyds Banking Group operates a number of equity-settled, share-based compensation plans in respect of services received from certain of its employees. The value of the employee services received in exchange for equity instruments granted under these plans is recognised as an expense over the vesting period of the instruments. This expense is determined by reference to the fair value of the number of equity instruments that are expected to vest. The fair value of equity instruments granted is based on market prices, if available, at the date of grant. In the absence of market prices, the fair value of the instruments at the date of grant is estimated using an appropriate valuation technique, such as a Black-Scholes option pricing model or a Monte Carlo simulation. The determination of fair values excludes the impact of any non-market vesting conditions, which are included in the assumptions used to estimate the number of options that are expected to vest. At each balance sheet date, this estimate is reassessed and if necessary revised. Any revision of the original estimate is recognised in the income statement, together with a corresponding adjustment to equity. Cancellations by employees of contributions to the Group's Save As You Earn plans are treated as non-vesting conditions and the Group recognises, in the year of cancellation, the amount of the expense that would have otherwise been recognised over the remainder of the vesting period. Modifications are assessed at the date of modification and any incremental charges are charged to the income statement.

m Taxation

Current income tax which is payable on taxable profits is recognised as an expense in the period in which the profits arise.

Deferred tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date which are expected to apply when the related deferred tax asset is realised or the deferred tax liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised where it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. Income tax payable on profits is recognised as an expense in the period in which those profits arise. The tax effects of losses available for carry forward are recognised as an asset when it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which these losses can be utilised. Deferred and current tax related to gains and losses on the fair value re-measurement of available-for-sale investments and cash flow hedges, where these gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income, is also recognised in other comprehensive income. Such tax is subsequently transferred to the income statement together with the gain or loss.

Deferred and current tax assets and liabilities are offset when they arise in the same tax reporting group and where there is both a legal right of offset and the intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

n Foreign currency translation

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the 'functional currency'). The consolidated financial statements are presented in sterling, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the appropriate functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement, except when recognised in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow or net investment hedges. Non-monetary assets that are measured at fair value are translated using the exchange rate at the date that the fair value was determined. Translation differences on equities and similar non-monetary items held at fair value through profit and loss are recognised in profit or loss as part of the fair value gain or loss. Translation differences on available-for-sale non-monetary financial assets, such as equity shares, are included in the fair value reserve in equity unless the asset is a hedged item in a fair value hedge.

The results and financial position of all group entities that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity, are translated into sterling at foreign exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date.
- The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated into sterling at average exchange rates unless these do not approximate to the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates of the transactions in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions.

Foreign exchange differences arising on the translation of a foreign operation are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in a separate component of equity together with exchange differences arising from the translation of borrowings and other currency instruments designated as hedges of such investments (see accounting policy 2f(3)). On disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative amount of exchange differences relating to that foreign operation are reclassified from equity and included in determining the profit or loss arising on disposal.

o Provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised in respect of present obligations arising from past events where it is probable that outflows of resources will be required to settle the obligations and they can be reliably estimated.

The Group recognises provisions in respect of vacant leasehold property where the unavoidable costs of the present obligations exceed anticipated rental income.

Contingent liabilities are possible obligations whose existence depends on the outcome of uncertain future events or those present obligations where the outflows of resources are uncertain or cannot be measured reliably. Contingent liabilities are not recognised in the financial statements but are disclosed unless they are remote.

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2 Accounting policies (continued)**p Share capital***(1) Share issue costs*

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options or to the acquisition of a business are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

(2) Dividends

Dividends paid on the Group's ordinary shares are recognised as a reduction in equity in the period in which they are paid.

q Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and non-mandatory balances with central banks and amounts due from banks with a maturity of less than three months.

r Investment in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are carried at historical cost, less any provisions for impairment.

3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the Group's financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions in applying the accounting policies that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Due to the inherent uncertainty in making estimates, actual results reported in future periods may be based upon amounts which differ from those estimates. Estimates, judgements and assumptions are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty in these financial statements, which together are deemed critical to the Group's results and financial position, are as follows.

Allowance for impairment losses on loans and receivables

At 31 December 2012 gross loans and receivables of the Group totalled £491,312 million (2011: £502,230 million) against which impairment allowances of £18,869 million (2011: £24,499 million) had been made and of the Bank totalled £498,828 million (2011: £513,744 million) against which impairment allowances of £18,593 million (2011: £22,883 million) had been made (see note 20). The Group's accounting policy for losses arising on financial assets classified as loans and receivables is described in note 2h; this note also provides an overview of the methodologies applied.

The allowance for impairment losses on loans and receivables is management's best estimate of losses incurred in the portfolio at the balance sheet date. Impairment allowances are made up of two components, those determined individually and those determined collectively.

Individual impairment allowances are generally established against wholesale lending portfolios. The determination of individual impairment allowances requires the exercise of considerable judgement by management involving matters such as local economic conditions and the resulting trading performance of the customer, and the value of the security held, for which there may not be a readily accessible market. In particular, significant judgement is required by management in the current economic environment in assessing the borrower's cash flows and debt servicing capability together with the realisable value of real estate collateral. The actual amount of the future cash flows and their timing may differ significantly from the assumptions made for the purposes of determining the impairment allowances and consequently these allowances can be subject to variation as time progresses and the circumstances of the customer become clearer.

Collective impairment allowances are generally established for smaller balance homogenous portfolios such as the retail portfolios. The collective impairment allowance is also subject to estimation uncertainty and in particular is sensitive to changes in economic and credit conditions, including the interdependency of house prices, unemployment rates, interest rates, borrowers' behaviour, and consumer bankruptcy trends. It is, however, inherently difficult to estimate how changes in one or more of these factors might impact the collective impairment allowance.

Given the relative size of the mortgage portfolio, a key variable is house prices which determine the collateral value supporting loans in such portfolios. The value of this collateral is estimated by applying changes in house price indices to the original assessed value of the property. If average house prices were ten per cent lower than those estimated at 31 December 2012, the impairment charge would increase by approximately £280 million for the Group and the Bank in respect of UK mortgages and a further £55 million for the Group and for the Bank in respect of Irish mortgages.

In addition, a collective unimpaired provision is made for loan losses that have been incurred but have not been separately identified at the balance sheet date. This provision is sensitive to changes in the time between the loss event and the date the impairment is specifically identified. This period is known as the loss emergence period. In the wholesale business, an increase of one month in the loss emergence period in respect of the loan portfolio assessed for collective unimpaired provisions would result in an increase in the collective unimpaired provision of approximately £88 million for the Group and the Bank (at 31 December 2011, a one month increase in the loss emergence period would have increased the collective unimpaired provision by an estimated £135 million for the Group and for the Bank).

Fair value of financial instruments

In accordance with IFRS 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosure*, the Group and the Bank categorise financial instruments carried on the balance sheet at fair value using a three level hierarchy. Financial instruments categorised as level 1 are valued using quoted market prices and therefore there is minimal judgement applied in determining fair value. However, the fair value of financial instruments categorised as level 2 and, in particular, level 3 is determined using valuation techniques including discounted cash flow analysis and valuation models. These valuation techniques involve management judgement and estimates, the extent of which depends on the complexity of the instrument and the availability of market observable information.

Valuation techniques for level 2 financial instruments use inputs that are largely based on observable market data. Level 3 financial instruments are those where at least one input which could have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation is not based on observable market data. Determining the appropriate assumptions to be used for level 3 financial instruments requires significant management judgement.

At 31 December 2012, the Group classified £763 million of financial assets and £68 million of financial liabilities as level 3 (£225 million and £52 million respectively for the Bank). Further details of the Group's level 3 financial instruments and the sensitivity of their valuation including the effect of applying reasonably possible alternative assumptions in determining their fair value are set out in note 44.

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3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements (continued)**Recoverability of deferred tax assets**

At 31 December 2012 the Group carried deferred tax assets on its balance sheet of £3,640 million (2011: £4,050 million) and deferred tax liabilities of £nil (2011: £1 million); and the Bank carried deferred tax assets of £3,350 million (2011: £3,722 million) and deferred tax liabilities of £nil (2011: £nil) (note 33). This presentation takes into account the ability of the Group to net deferred tax assets and liabilities only where there is a legally enforceable right of offset. Note 33 presents the Group's deferred tax assets and liabilities by type. The largest category of deferred tax asset relates to tax losses carried forward.

The recoverability of deferred tax assets in respect of carry forward losses is based on an assessment of future levels of taxable profit expected to arise that can be offset against these losses. The Group's expectations as to the level of future taxable profits take into account long-term financial and strategic plans, and anticipated future tax adjusting items.

In making this assessment account is taken of business plans, the five year board approved operating plan and the following future risk factors:

- The expected future economic outlook as set out in the Group Chief Executive's Review contained in the Annual Report of Lloyds Banking Group;
- The retail banking business disposal as required by the European Commission; and
- Future regulatory change.

The total deferred tax asset includes £3,632 million (2011: £3,563 million) for the Group and £3,302 million (2011: £3,562 million) for the Bank in respect of trading losses carried forward. The tax losses have arisen in individual legal entities and will be used as future taxable profits arise in those legal entities, though substantially all of the unused tax losses for which a deferred tax asset has been recognised arise in Bank of Scotland plc.

The deferred tax asset is expected to be utilised over different time periods in each of the entities in which the losses arise. Under current UK tax law there is no expiry date for unused tax losses. The assessment of the likely rate of recoverability of the deferred tax is expected to be slower than previously anticipated due to the more subdued and uncertain macroeconomic environment and the further provisions for legacy issues. However, the losses are still expected to be fully utilised by 2019.

As disclosed in note 33, deferred tax assets totalling £664 million (2011: £570 million) for the Group and £56 million (2011: £60 million) for the Bank have not been recognised in respect of certain capital losses carried forward, trading losses carried forward (mainly in certain overseas companies) and unrelieved foreign tax credits as there are no predicted future capital or taxable profits against which these losses can be recognised.

Payment protection insurance and other regulatory provisions

At 31 December 2012, the Group carried provisions of £1,059 million (2011: £905 million) against the cost of making redress payments to customers and the related administration costs in connection with historic regulatory breaches, principally the mis-selling of payment protection insurance. Determining the amount of the provisions, which represent management's best estimate of the cost of settling these issues, requires the exercise of significant judgement. It will often be necessary to form a view on matters which are inherently uncertain, such as the number of future complaints, the extent to which they will be upheld and the average cost of redress. Consequently the continued appropriateness of the underlying assumptions is reviewed on a regular basis against actual experience and other relevant evidence and adjustments made to the provisions where appropriate.

Note 34 contains more detail on the nature of the assumptions that have been made and key sensitivities.

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4 Segmental analysis

IFRS 8 'Operating Segments' requires reporting of financial and descriptive information about operating segments which are based on how financial information is reported and evaluated internally. The chief operating decision maker has been identified as the Group Executive Committee of Lloyds Banking Group. The Bank of Scotland Group is managed on an entity basis and not by segment. The Group Executive Committee does not assess the Bank of Scotland Group's performance and allocate resources across any segments, accordingly no segmental information is provided. A brief overview of the Group's sources of income is provided in the Financial review. The ultimate parent undertaking, Lloyds Banking Group plc, produces consolidated accounts which set out the basis of the segments through which it manages performance and allocates resources across the consolidated Lloyds Banking Group.

Geographical areas

The Group's activities are focused in the UK and the analyses of income and assets below are based on the location of the branch or entity recording the income or assets.

	2012			2011		
	UK £m	Non-UK £m	Total £m	UK £m	Non-UK £m	Total £m
Total income	6,653	685	7,338	7,385	1,236	8,621
Total assets	505,267	56,166	561,433	504,334	53,809	558,143

There was no individual non-UK country contributing more than 5 per cent of total income or total assets.

5 Net interest income

	Weighted average effective interest rate		2012 £m	2011 £m
	2012 %	2011 %		
Interest and similar income:				
Loans and advances to banks	0.94	1.05	1,238	790
Loans and advances to customers, excluding lease and hire purchase receivables	3.69	3.64	13,422	15,012
Debt securities held as loans and receivables	3.88	2.99	327	479
Lease and hire purchase receivables	3.87	3.21	163	174
Interest receivable on loans and receivables	2.98	3.23	15,150	16,455
Available-for-sale financial assets	8.06	3.30	248	293
Total interest and similar income	3.01	3.23	15,398	16,748
Interest and similar expense:				
Deposits from banks, excluding liabilities under sale and repurchase agreements	1.30	0.94	(2,094)	(1,422)
Customer deposits, excluding liabilities under sale and repurchase agreements	2.40	2.54	(5,321)	(5,660)
Debt securities in issue	1.33	1.39	(784)	(1,241)
Subordinated liabilities	2.91	3.64	(417)	(472)
Liabilities under sale and repurchase agreements	1.70	2.15	(50)	(96)
Total interest and similar expense	1.89	1.85	(8,666)	(8,891)
Net interest income			6,732	7,857

Included within interest and similar income is £889 million (2011: £1,041 million) in respect of impaired financial assets. Net interest income also includes a credit of £269 million (2011: a charge of £373 million) transferred from the cash flow hedging reserve.

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6 Net fee and commission income

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Fee and commission income:		
Current accounts	281	357
Credit and debit card fees	262	214
Other	464	637
Total fee and commission income	1,007	1,208
Fee and commission expense	(311)	(286)
Net fee and commission income	696	922

As discussed in accounting policy 2(d), fees and commissions which are an integral part of the effective interest rate form part of net interest income shown in note 5. Fees and commissions relating to instruments that are held at fair value through profit or loss are included within net trading income shown in note 7.

7 Net trading income

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Foreign exchange translation gains	11	338
Gains on foreign exchange trading transactions	41	67
Total foreign exchange	52	405
Investment property losses (note 22)	(89)	(17)
Securities and other losses (see below)	(181)	(1,034)
Net trading expense	(218)	(646)

Securities and other losses comprise net gains (losses) arising on assets and liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss or for trading as follows:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Net (expense) income arising on assets designated at fair value through profit or loss:		
Debt securities, loans and advances	(106)	(198)
Equity shares	176	(44)
Total net income (expense) arising on assets held at fair value through profit or loss	70	(242)
Net losses on financial instruments held for trading	(251)	(792)
Securities and other losses	(181)	(1,034)

8 Other operating income

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Operating lease rental income	139	259
Rental income from investment properties	49	35
Other rents receivable	12	10
Gains on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets (note 38)	385	72
Share of results of joint ventures and associates (note 11)	28	27
Liability management losses	(40)	–
Other income	(445)	85
Total other operating income	128	488

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9 Operating expenses

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Staff costs:		
Salaries	1,300	1,555
Social security costs	122	145
Pensions and other post-retirement benefit schemes	179	197
Restructuring costs	–	59
Other staff costs	90	70
	1,691	2,026
Premises and equipment:		
Rent and rates	188	255
Hire of equipment	2	2
Repairs and maintenance	27	35
Other	134	142
	351	434
Other expenses:		
Communications and data processing	226	234
Advertising and promotion	104	146
Professional fees	27	61
Financial services compensation scheme levy (note 43)	104	81
Other	478	440
	939	962
Depreciation and amortisation:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 26)	233	320
Amortisation of other intangible assets (note 25)	14	16
	247	336
Impairment of tangible fixed assets (note 26)	–	65
Total operating expenses, excluding regulatory provisions	3,228	3,823
Regulatory provisions:		
Payment protection insurance (note 34)	850	1,115
Other regulatory provisions (note 34)	189	–
	1,039	1,155
Total operating expenses	4,267	4,978

The average number of persons on a headcount basis employed by the Group during the year was as follows:

	2012	2011
UK	44,935	47,465
Overseas	990	1,101
Total	45,925	48,566

Fees payable to the Bank's auditors

During the year the auditors earned the following fees:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Fees payable for the audit of the Bank's current year annual report	4.4	4.6
Fees payable for other services:		
Audit of the Bank's subsidiaries pursuant to legislation	1.1	1.4
Other services supplied pursuant to legislation	0.5	0.3
Other services – audit-related fees	0.1	0.3
All other taxation advisory services	0.1	0.5
Services relating to corporate finance transactions	–	0.5
All other services	0.2	0.2
Total fees payable to the Bank's auditors by the Group	6.4	7.8

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9 Operating expenses (continued)

During the year, the auditors also earned fees payable by entities outside the consolidated Group in respect of the following:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Reviews of the financial position of corporate and other borrowers	1.3	3.7

10 Impairment

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Impairment losses on loans and receivables (note 20):		
Loans and advances to customers	4,252	6,961
Debt securities classified as loans and receivables	17	60
Total impairment losses on loans and receivables	4,269	7,021
Impairment of available-for-sale financial assets	41	78
Other credit risk provisions (note 34)	–	5
Total impairment charged to the income statement	4,310	7,104

11 Investments in joint ventures and associates

The Group's share of results of and investments in joint ventures and associates comprises:

	Joint ventures		Associates		Total	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Share of income statement amounts:						
Income	278	313	63	160	341	473
Expenses	(229)	(262)	(68)	(161)	(297)	(423)
Impairment	(6)	(20)	(1)	1	(7)	(19)
Profit (loss) before tax	43	31	(6)	–	37	31
Tax	(9)	(4)	–	–	(9)	(4)
Share of post-tax results	34	27	(6)	–	28	27
Share of balance sheet amounts:						
Current assets	3,097	3,342	127	246	3,224	3,588
Non-current assets	1,596	2,119	581	976	2,177	3,095
Current liabilities	(729)	(713)	(128)	(293)	(857)	(1,006)
Non-current liabilities	(3,672)	(4,471)	(566)	(904)	(4,238)	(5,375)
Share of net assets at 31 December	292	277	14	25	306	302
Movements in investments over the year:						
At 1 January	277	299	25	102	302	401
Additional investments	10	9	1	3	11	12
Disposals	(16)	(47)	(6)	(79)	(22)	(126)
Share of post-tax results	34	27	(6)	–	28	27
Dividends paid	(13)	(5)	–	–	(13)	(5)
Exchange and other adjustments	–	(6)	–	(1)	–	(7)
Share of net assets at 31 December	292	277	14	25	306	302

During 2012, the Group recognised a net £10 million (2011: £8 million) of losses of associates not previously recognised. The Group's unrecognised share of losses of joint ventures was £126 million in 2012 (2011: £85 million in respect of joint ventures and £8 million in respect of associates). For entities making losses, subsequent profits earned are not recognised until previously unrecognised losses are extinguished. The Group's unrecognised share of losses net of unrecognised profits on a cumulative basis of associates is £31 million (2011: £56 million) and of joint ventures is £329 million (2011: £299 million).

The Group's most significant joint venture is Sainsbury's Bank plc, a banking business with operations principally in the UK. Bank of Scotland plc has a 50 per cent stake in the ordinary share capital of Sainsbury's Bank plc, which makes up its statutory accounts to 31 December each year. All other interests in joint ventures are held by subsidiaries. Where entities have statutory accounts drawn up to a date other than 31 December management accounts are used when accounting for them by the Group.

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12 Taxation

a Analysis of tax credit for the year

	2012 £m	2011 £m
UK corporation tax:		
Current tax on loss for the year	226	637
Adjustments in respect of prior years	151	(95)
	377	542
Foreign tax:		
Current tax on loss for the year	(18)	4
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(8)	24
	(26)	28
Current tax credit	351	570
Deferred tax (note 33):		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	213	45
Reduction in UK corporation tax rate	(325)	(350)
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(79)	91
	(191)	(214)
Tax credit	160	356

The tax credit is based on a UK corporation tax rate of 24.5 per cent (2011: 26.5 per cent).

b Factors affecting the tax credit for the year

A reconciliation of the credit that would result from applying the standard UK corporation tax rate to loss before tax to the actual tax credit for the year is given below:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Loss before tax	(1,239)	(3,461)
Tax credit thereon at UK corporation tax rate of 24.5 per cent (2011: 26.5 per cent)	304	917
Factors affecting credit:		
UK corporation tax rate change	(325)	(350)
Disallowed and non-taxable items	61	(48)
Overseas tax rate differences	75	(8)
Gains exempted or covered by capital losses	(10)	60
Adjustments in respect of previous years	64	20
Effect of profit or loss in joint ventures and associates	9	7
Tax losses surrendered for no payment	–	(34)
Tax losses where no deferred tax recognised	(13)	(246)
Deferred tax on tax losses not previously recognised	–	40
Other items	(5)	(2)
Tax credit on loss on ordinary activities	160	356

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13 Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Trading assets	32,201	21,840	32,201	21,840
Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	384	475	58	164
Total	32,585	22,315	32,259	22,004

These assets are comprised as follows:

	2012		2011		2012		2011	
	Trading assets £m	Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Trading assets £m	Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Trading assets £m	Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Trading assets £m	Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m
Loans and advances to customers	28,350	22	17,381	54	28,350	22	17,381	54
Loans and advances to banks	729	–	1,355	–	729	–	1,355	–
Debt securities:								
Government securities	184	–	992	–	184	–	992	–
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	2,239	–	1,384	–	2,239	–	1,384	–
Asset-backed securities:								
Other asset-backed securities	4	–	203	–	4	–	203	–
Corporate and other debt securities	410	15	301	135	410	11	301	34
	2,837	15	2,880	135	2,837	11	2,880	34
Equity shares	–	347	–	286	–	25	–	76
Treasury and other bills	285	–	224	–	285	–	224	–
Total	32,201	384	21,840	475	32,201	58	21,840	164

At 31 December 2012 £10,517 million (2011: £6,233 million) of trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss of the Group and £10,313 million (2011: £6,018 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

Included in the amounts reported above are reverse repurchase agreements treated as collateralised loans with a carrying value of £28,993 million (2011: £18,729 million) for the Group and Bank. Collateral is held with a fair value of £33,946 million (2011: £23,655 million) for the Group and Bank, all of which the Group is able to repledge. At 31 December 2012, £30,191 million (2011: £20,055 million) had been sold or repledged by the Group and Bank.

For amounts included above which are subject to repurchase agreements see note 45.

14 Derivative financial instruments

The Group holds derivatives as part of the following strategies:

- Customer driven, where derivatives are held as part of the provision of risk management products to Group customers; and
- To manage and hedge the Group's interest rate and foreign exchange risk arising from normal banking business. The hedge accounting strategy adopted by the Group is to utilise a combination of fair value and cash flow hedge approaches as described in note 45.

Derivatives are classified as trading except those designated as effective hedging instruments which meet the criteria under IAS 39. Derivatives are held at fair value on the Group's balance sheet. A description of the methodology used to determine the fair value of derivative financial instruments and the effect of using reasonably possible alternative assumptions for those derivatives valued using unobservable inputs is set out in note 44.

The principal derivatives used by the Group are as follows:

- Interest rate related contracts include interest rate swaps, forward rate agreements and options. An interest rate swap is an agreement between two parties to exchange fixed and floating interest payments, based upon interest rates defined in the contract, without the exchange of the underlying principal amounts. Forward rate agreements are contracts for the payment of the difference between a specified rate of interest and a reference rate, applied to a notional principal amount at a specific date in the future. An interest rate option gives the buyer, on payment of a premium, the right, but not the obligation, to fix the rate of interest on a future loan or deposit, for a specified period and commencing on a specified future date.
- Exchange rate related contracts include forward foreign exchange contracts, currency swaps and options. A forward foreign exchange contract is an agreement to buy or sell a specified amount of foreign currency on a specified future date at an agreed rate. Currency swaps generally involve the exchange of interest payment obligations denominated in different currencies; the exchange of principal can be notional or actual. A currency option gives the buyer, on payment of a premium, the right, but not the obligation, to sell specified amounts of currency at agreed rates of exchange on or before a specified future date.

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14 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

- Credit derivatives, principally credit default swaps, are used by the Group as part of its trading activity and to manage its own exposure to credit risk. A credit default swap is a swap in which one counterparty receives a premium at pre-set intervals in consideration for guaranteeing to make a specific payment should a negative credit event take place.
- Equity derivatives are also used by the Group as part of its equity-based retail product activity to eliminate the Group's exposure to fluctuations in various international stock exchange indices. Index-linked equity options are purchased which give the Group the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell a specified amount of equities, or basket of equities, in the form of published indices on or before a specified future date.

The fair values and notional amounts of derivative instruments are set out in the following table:

	2012			2011		
	Contract/ notional amount £m	Fair value assets £m	Fair value liabilities £m	Contract/ notional amount £m	Fair value assets £m	Fair value liabilities £m
The Group						
Trading						
Exchange rate contracts:						
Spot, forwards and futures	2,188	36	44	15,353	112	55
Currency swaps	57,922	828	1,357	81,524	1,617	2,610
Options purchased	141	3	–	59	1	–
Options written	51	–	–	138	–	4
	60,302	867	1,401	97,074	1,730	2,669
Interest rate contracts:						
Interest rate swaps	897,048	23,299	24,691	891,880	23,033	23,706
Forward rate agreements	29,701	12	14	215,904	80	66
Options purchased	13,166	764	–	16,349	823	–
Options written	14,228	–	889	17,275	–	1,002
Futures	44,548	–	1	113,213	–	–
	998,691	24,075	25,595	1,254,621	23,936	24,774
Credit derivatives	435	–	57	256	10	75
Equity and other contracts	8,098	996	766	9,511	1,018	811
Total derivative assets/liabilities held for trading	1,067,526	25,938	27,819	1,361,462	26,694	28,329
Hedging						
Derivatives designated as fair value hedges:						
Interest rate swaps	43,598	4,715	579	37,369	4,166	684
Cross currency swaps	33,314	450	1,097	24,291	557	258
	76,912	5,165	1,676	61,660	4,723	942
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:						
Interest rate swaps	111,888	4,745	3,745	159,964	4,690	5,901
Cross currency swaps	2,704	14	32	19,179	176	90
Options	–	–	–	–	–	–
Futures	49,527	1	–	103,467	–	–
	164,119	4,760	3,777	282,610	4,866	5,991
Total derivative assets/liabilities held for hedging	241,031	9,925	5,453	344,270	9,589	6,933
Total recognised derivative assets/liabilities	1,308,557	35,863	33,272	1,705,732	36,283	35,262

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14 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

Hedged cash flows

For designated cash flow hedges the following table shows when the Group's hedged cash flows are expected to occur and when they will affect income.

2012	0-1 years £m	1-2 years £m	2-3 years £m	3-4 years £m	4-5 years £m	5-10 years £m	10-20 years £m	Over 20 years £m	Total £m
Hedged forecast cash flows expected to occur:									
Forecast receivable cash flows	73	123	248	206	88	243	76	119	1,176
Forecast payable cash flows	(101)	(60)	(42)	(53)	(57)	(405)	(456)	(30)	(1,204)
Hedged forecast cash flows affect profit or loss:									
Forecast receivable cash flows	114	168	233	162	73	237	70	119	1,176
Forecast payable cash flows	(123)	(54)	(47)	(55)	(63)	(408)	(433)	(21)	(1,204)
2011	0-1 years £m	1-2 years £m	2-3 years £m	3-4 years £m	4-5 years £m	5-10 years £m	10-20 years £m	Over 20 years £m	Total £m
Hedged forecast cash flows expected to occur:									
Forecast receivable cash flows	52	139	377	277	136	261	5	28	1,275
Forecast payable cash flows	(154)	(173)	(94)	(65)	(28)	(119)	(409)	(55)	(1,097)
Hedged forecast cash flows affect profit or loss:									
Forecast receivable cash flows	117	147	328	263	167	221	4	28	1,275
Forecast payable cash flows	(207)	(144)	(71)	(65)	(43)	(130)	(407)	(30)	(1,097)

There were no transactions for which cash flow hedge accounting had to be ceased in 2012 or 2011 as a result of the highly probable cash flows no longer being expected to occur.

At 31 December 2012 £31,912 million of total recognised derivative assets of the Group and £30,828 million of total recognised derivative liabilities of the Group (2011: £32,909 million of assets and £31,753 million of liabilities) had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

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14 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

	2012			2011		
	Contract/ notional amount £m	Fair value assets £m	Fair value liabilities £m	Contract/ notional amount £m	Fair value assets £m	Fair value liabilities £m
The Bank						
Trading						
Exchange rate contracts:						
Spot, forwards and futures	2,174	36	44	11,146	111	112
Currency swaps	54,421	822	1,146	77,113	1,487	2,528
Options purchased	141	3	–	59	1	–
Options written	51	–	–	138	–	4
	56,787	861	1,190	88,456	1,599	2,644
Interest rate contracts:						
Interest rate swaps	893,460	23,267	24,644	886,566	23,006	23,662
Forward rate agreements	29,701	12	14	214,558	80	66
Options purchased	13,139	764	–	16,341	823	13
Options written	14,201	–	889	17,267	–	989
Futures	44,548	–	1	113,213	–	–
	995,049	24,043	25,548	1,247,945	23,909	24,730
Credit derivatives	435	–	57	204	10	95
Equity and other contracts	8,041	703	495	9,453	712	524
Total derivative assets/liabilities held for trading	1,060,312	25,607	27,290	1,346,058	26,230	27,993
Hedging						
Derivatives designated as fair value hedges:						
Interest rate swaps	43,598	4,714	579	37,369	4,166	683
Cross currency swaps	33,314	450	1,097	24,291	557	258
	76,912	5,164	1,676	61,660	4,723	941
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:						
Interest rate swaps	111,888	4,745	3,745	159,964	4,690	5,901
Cross currency swaps	2,704	14	32	19,179	177	91
Options	–	–	–	–	–	–
Futures	49,527	1	–	103,467	–	–
	164,119	4,760	3,777	282,610	4,867	5,992
Total derivative assets/liabilities held for hedging	241,031	9,924	5,453	344,270	9,590	6,933
Total recognised derivative assets/liabilities	1,301,343	35,531	32,743	1,690,328	35,820	34,926

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14 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

Hedged cash flows

For designated cash flow hedges the following table shows when the Bank's hedged cash flows are expected to occur and when they will affect income.

2012	0-1 years £m	1-2 years £m	2-3 years £m	3-4 years £m	4-5 years £m	5-10 years £m	10-20 years £m	Over 20 years £m	Total £m
Hedged forecast cash flows expected to occur:									
Forecast receivable cash flows	73	123	248	206	88	243	76	119	1,176
Forecast payable cash flows	(101)	(60)	(42)	(53)	(57)	(405)	(456)	(30)	(1,204)

Hedged forecast cash flows affect profit or loss:

Forecast receivable cash flows	114	168	233	162	73	237	70	119	1,176
Forecast payable cash flows	(123)	(54)	(47)	(55)	(63)	(408)	(433)	(21)	(1,204)

2011	0-1 years £m	1-2 years £m	2-3 years £m	3-4 years £m	4-5 years £m	5-10 years £m	10-20 years £m	Over 20 years £m	Total £m
Hedged forecast cash flows expected to occur:									
Forecast receivable cash flows	52	139	377	277	136	261	5	28	1,275
Forecast payable cash flows	(154)	(173)	(94)	(65)	(28)	(119)	(409)	(55)	(1,097)

Hedged forecast cash flows affect profit or loss:

Forecast receivable cash flows	117	147	328	263	167	221	4	28	1,275
Forecast payable cash flows	(207)	(144)	(71)	(65)	(43)	(130)	(407)	(30)	(1,097)

There were no transactions for which cash flow hedge accounting had to be ceased in 2012 or 2011 as a result of the highly probable cash flows no longer being expected to occur.

At 31 December 2012 £31,589 million of total recognised derivative assets of the Bank and £30,301 million of total recognised derivative liabilities of the Bank (2011: £32,509 million of assets and £31,402 million of liabilities) had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

The principal amount of the contract does not represent the Group's real exposure to credit risk which is limited to the current cost of replacing contracts with a positive value to the Group and Bank should the counterparty default. To reduce credit risk the Group uses a variety of credit enhancement techniques such as netting and collateralisation, where security is provided against the exposure. Further details are provided in note 45.

15 Loans and advances to banks

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Lending to banks	135,335	85,854	135,316	85,801
Money market placements with banks	2,872	3,636	2,708	3,469
Total loans and advances to banks	138,207	89,490	138,024	89,270

No impairment allowances are held against these exposures.

At 31 December 2012, for both the Group and the Bank, £90,464 million (2011: £50,614 million) of loans and advances to banks had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

Included in the amounts reported above are reverse repurchase agreements treated as collateralised loans with a carrying value of £83 million for the Group and Bank (2011: £2,950 million for the Group and Bank). Collateral is held with a fair value of £83 million for the Group and Bank (2011: £2,950 million for the Group and Bank), all of which the Group and Bank are able to repledge.

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16 Loans and advances to customers

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	501	588	478	506
Energy and water supply	1,200	1,670	944	1,365
Manufacturing	1,842	2,946	1,450	2,426
Construction	3,956	6,818	3,577	5,733
Transport, distribution and hotels	14,898	20,135	14,073	19,536
Postal and telecommunications	297	357	225	282
Property companies	30,163	42,418	30,869	41,720
Financial, business and other services	14,419	33,077	13,263	30,526
Personal:				
Mortgages	237,466	243,222	227,194	232,118
Other	13,302	12,920	11,232	11,250
Lease financing	2,953	3,840	40	56
Hire purchase	506	772	144	235
Due from fellow Group undertakings	26,014	30,943	46,938	62,181
Total loans and advances to customers before allowance for impairment losses	347,517	399,706	350,427	407,934
Allowance for impairment losses (note 20)	(17,881)	(23,351)	(17,692)	(21,750)
Total loans and advances to customers	329,636	376,355	332,735	386,184

At 31 December 2012 £286,794 million (2011: £301,274 million) of loans and advances to customers of the Group and £285,342 million (2011: £311,257 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

Included in the amounts reported above are reverse repurchase agreements treated as collateralised loans with a carrying value of £nil for the Group and the Bank (2011: £14,250 million for the Group and Bank). Collateral is held with a fair value of £nil for the Group and Bank (2011: £14,254 million for the Group and Bank), all of which the Group and Bank are able to repledge.

Included in the amounts reported above are collateral balances in the form of cash provided in respect of reverse repurchase agreements amounting to £2 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £34 million for the Group and Bank).

Loans and advances to customers include finance lease receivables, which may be analysed as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Gross investment in finance leases, receivable:				
Not later than 1 year	676	616	39	29
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	1,188	1,665	1	18
Later than 5 years	1,978	2,896	–	9
	3,842	5,177	40	56
Unearned future finance income on finance leases	(886)	(1,337)	–	–
Rentals received in advance	(3)	–	–	–
Net investment in finance leases	2,953	3,840	40	56

The net investment in finance leases represents amounts recoverable as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Not later than 1 year	553	444	39	29
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	871	1,215	1	18
Later than 5 years	1,529	2,181	–	9
Net investment in finance leases	2,953	3,840	40	56

Equipment leased to customers under finance leases primarily relates to structured financing transactions to fund the purchase of aircraft, ships and other large individual value items. During 2012 and 2011 no contingent rentals in respect of finance leases were recognised in the income statement. The allowance for uncollectable finance lease receivables included in the allowance for impairment losses is £30 million for the Group (2011: £89 million).

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16 Loans and advances to customers (continued)

The unguaranteed residual values included in finance lease receivables were as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Not later than 1 year	30	35	–	3
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	72	73	–	8
Later than 5 years	7	12	–	1
Total unguaranteed residual values	109	120	–	12

17 Securitisations and covered bonds

Securitisation programmes

Loans and advances to customers and debt securities classified as loans and receivables include loans securitised under the Group's securitisation programmes, the majority of which have been sold by Group companies to bankruptcy-remote special purpose entities (SPEs). As the SPEs are funded by the issue of debt on terms whereby the majority of the risks and rewards of the portfolio are retained by the Group company, the SPEs are consolidated fully and all of these loans are retained on the Group's balance sheet, with the related notes in issue included within debt securities in issue. In addition to the SPEs described below, the Group sponsors a conduit programme, Grampian (note 18).

Covered bond programmes

Certain loans and advances to customers have been assigned to bankruptcy remote limited liability partnerships to provide security for issues of covered bonds by the Group. The Group retains all of the risks and rewards associated with these loans and the partnerships are consolidated fully with the loans retained on the Group's balance sheet and the related covered bonds in issue included within debt securities in issue.

The Group's principal securitisation and covered bond programmes, together with the balances of the advances subject to these arrangements and the carrying value of the notes in issue at 31 December, are listed below. The notes in issue are reported in note 31.

	2012		2011	
	Loans and advances securitised £m	Notes in issue £m	Loans and advances securitised £m	Notes in issue £m
Securitisation programmes				
UK residential mortgages	44,647	32,201	91,246	68,425
US residential mortgage-backed securities	3,909	5,237	4,659	6,351
Irish residential mortgages	5,194	3,509	5,531	5,661
Credit card receivables	7,001	3,794	6,792	4,810
Dutch residential mortgages	4,551	4,692	4,960	4,817
Commercial loans	675	675	680	631
Motor vehicle loans	1,039	1,086	1,573	1,341
	67,016	51,194	115,441	92,036
Less held by the Group		(33,570)		(65,118)
Total securitisation programmes (note 31)		17,624		26,918
Covered bond programmes				
Residential mortgage-backed	46,311	33,414	48,521	38,882
Social housing loan-backed	2,934	2,400	3,370	2,605
	49,245	35,814	51,891	41,487
Less held by the Group		(10,226)		(13,515)
Total covered bond programmes (note 31)		25,588		27,972
Total securitisation and covered bond programmes		43,212		54,890

Cash deposits of £12,710 million (2011: £13,381 million) held by the Group are restricted in use to repayment of the debt securities issued by the SPEs, covered bonds issued by Bank of Scotland plc and other legal obligations.

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18 Special purpose entities

In addition to the SPEs discussed in note 17, which are used for securitisation and covered bond programmes, the Group sponsors an asset-backed conduit, Grampian, which invests in debt securities. All of the external assets in this conduit are consolidated in the Group's financial statements. The total consolidated exposures in this conduit are set out in the table below:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Loans and advances	59	197
Debt securities:		
Classified as loans and receivables – asset-backed securities	358	2,004
Classified as available-for-sale financial assets – asset-backed securities	143	796
Total debt securities	501	2,800
Total assets	560	2,997

19 Debt securities classified as loans and receivables

Debt securities accounted for as loans and receivables comprise:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Asset-backed securities:				
Mortgage-backed securities	4,280	7,258	10,080	12,454
Other asset-backed securities	416	4,738	242	3,901
Corporate and other debt securities	892	1,038	55	185
Total debt securities classified as loans and receivables before allowance for impairment losses	5,588	13,034	10,377	16,540
Allowance for impairment losses (note 20)	(988)	(1,148)	(901)	(1,133)
Total debt securities classified as loans and receivables	4,600	11,886	9,476	15,407

At 31 December 2012, £4,283 million (2011: £11,417 million) of debt securities designated as loans and receivables of the Group and £7,481 million (2011: £12,776 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

For amounts included above which are subject to repurchase agreements see note 45.

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20 Allowance for impairment losses on loans and receivables

The Group	Loans and advances to customers £m	Debt securities £m	Total £m
Balance at 1 January 2011	25,316	1,291	26,607
Exchange and other adjustments	(385)	11	(374)
Advances written off	(8,428)	(222)	(8,650)
Recoveries of advances written off in previous years	58	8	66
Unwinding of discount	(171)	–	(171)
Charge to the income statement (note 10)	6,961	60	7,021
Balance at 31 December 2011	23,351	1,148	24,499
Exchange and other adjustments	(305)	(41)	(346)
Advances written off	(9,572)	(151)	(9,723)
Recoveries of advances written off in previous years	484	15	499
Unwinding of discount	(329)	–	(329)
Charge to the income statement (note 10)	4,252	17	4,269
At 31 December 2012	17,881	988	18,869

Of the Group's total allowance in respect of loans and advances to customers, £16,726 million (2011: £21,876 million) related to lending that had been determined to be impaired (either individually or on a collective basis) at the reporting date.

Of the total allowance in respect of loans and advances to customers, £3,724 million (2011: £4,075 million) was assessed on a collective basis.

The Bank	Loans and advances to customers £m	Debt securities £m	Total £m
Balance at 1 January 2011	22,722	1,269	23,991
Exchange and other adjustments	(352)	8	(344)
Advances written off	(5,775)	(163)	(5,938)
Recoveries of advances written off in previous years	54	–	54
Unwinding of discount	(393)	–	(393)
Charge to the income statement	5,494	19	5,513
Balance at 31 December 2011	21,750	1,133	22,883
Exchange and other adjustments	(268)	(39)	(307)
Advances written off	(7,913)	(202)	(8,115)
Recoveries of advances written off in previous years	463	–	463
Unwinding of discount	(389)	–	(389)
Charge to the income statement	4,049	9	4,058
At 31 December 2012	17,692	901	18,593

Of the Bank's total allowance in respect of loans and advances to customers, £16,666 million (2011: £20,490 million) related to lending that had been determined to be impaired (either individually or on a collective basis) at the reporting date.

Of the total allowance in respect of loans and advances to customers, £3,371 million (2011: £3,611 million) was assessed on a collective basis.

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21 Available-for-sale financial assets

The Group	2012 £m	2011 £m
Debt securities:		
Government securities	27	75
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	25	32
Asset-backed securities:		
Mortgage-backed securities	882	789
Other asset-backed securities	306	83
Corporate and other debt securities	1,863	5,429
	3,103	6,408
Equity shares	469	1,880
Total available-for-sale financial assets	3,572	8,288

The Bank	2012 £m	2011 £m
Debt securities:		
Government securities	27	75
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	25	32
Asset-backed securities:		
Mortgage-backed securities	781	–
Other asset-backed securities	265	301
Corporate and other debt securities	1,928	5,435
	3,026	5,843
Equity shares	48	1,053
Total available-for-sale financial assets	3,074	6,896

At 31 December 2012 £3,327 million (2011: £7,144 million) of available-for-sale financial assets of the Group and £2,807 million (2011: £5,752 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

For amounts included above which are subject to repurchase agreements see note 45.

All assets have been individually assessed for impairment. The criteria used to determine whether an impairment loss has been incurred are disclosed in accounting policy 2h. At 31 December 2012 no available-for-sale debt securities have been individually determined to be impaired and in respect of which no collateral was held (2011: gross amount before impairment allowances £2 million).

22 Investment properties of the Group

	2012 £m	2011 £m
At 1 January	1,185	789
Exchange and other adjustments	25	(7)
Additions:		
Acquisitions of new properties	7	–
Consolidation of new subsidiary undertakings	411	920
Additional expenditure on existing properties	27	1
Total additions	445	921
Disposals	(861)	(501)
Changes in fair value (note 7)	(89)	(17)
At 31 December	705	1,185

The investment properties are valued at least annually at open-market value, by independent, professionally qualified valuers, who have recent experience in the location and categories of the investment properties being valued.

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23 Investment in subsidiary undertakings

	2012 £m	2011 £m
At 1 January	1,374	1,540
Acquisition of subsidiary	–	50
Additional capital injections and transfers	–	465
Disposals	(18)	(141)
Capital repayment	–	(75)
Impairment	(14)	(465)
At 31 December	1,342	1,374

The principal group undertaking, which has prepared accounts to 31 December and whose results are included in the consolidated accounts of Bank of Scotland plc, is:

	Share class	Country of registration/ incorporation	Percentage of equity share capital and voting rights held	Nature of business
Urbior Investments Limited	Ordinary	UK	100%	Investment holding

The principal area of operation for this group undertaking is its country of registration/incorporation.

In November 2009, as part of the restructuring plan that was a requirement for European Commission approval of state aid received by the Group, Lloyds Banking Group agreed to suspend the payment of coupons and dividends on certain of the Group preference shares and preferred securities for the two year period from 31 January 2010 to 31 January 2012. The Group also agreed to temporarily suspend and/or waive dividend payments on certain preference shares which have been issued intra-group. Consequently, in accordance with the terms of some of these instruments, subsidiaries could have been prevented from making dividend payments on ordinary shares during this period. In addition, certain subsidiary companies currently have insufficient distributable reserves to make dividend payments.

Subject to the foregoing, there were no further significant restrictions on any of the Bank's subsidiaries in paying dividends or repaying loans and advances. All regulated subsidiaries are required to maintain capital at levels agreed with the regulators; this may impact those subsidiaries' ability to make distributions.

24 Goodwill

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
At 1 January	385	376	376	376
Adjustment on acquisition	–	9	–	–
At 31 December	385	385	376	376
Cost ¹	953	953	426	426
Accumulated impairment losses	(568)	(568)	(50)	(50)
At 31 December	385	385	376	376

¹For acquisitions made prior to 1 January 2004, the date of transition to IFRS, cost is net of amounts amortised up to 31 December 2003.

The goodwill held in the Group's and the Bank's balance sheet, which relates to retail banking operations, is tested at least annually for impairment. For the purposes of impairment testing the goodwill is allocated to the appropriate cash generating unit, which is principally the retail banking activities. This compares the recoverable amount, being the higher of a cash-generating unit's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use, with the carrying value. When this indicates that the carrying value is not recoverable it is written down through the income statement as goodwill impairment.

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24 Goodwill (continued)

The recoverable amount of goodwill carried at 31 December 2012 has been based upon value in use. This calculation uses cash flow projections based upon the Group's business plans where the main assumptions relate to the current economic outlook and opinions in respect of economic growth, unemployment, property markets, interest rates and credit quality. Cash flows for the period subsequent to the term of the business plan are not considered for the purposes of impairment testing. The discount rate used in discounting the projected cash flows is 11 per cent (post-tax) reflecting, inter alia, the perceived risks within those businesses. Management believes that any reasonably possible change in the key assumptions would not cause the recoverable amount to fall below the balance sheet carrying value.

25 Other intangible assets

	The Group			The Bank
	Brands £m	Capitalised software enhancements £m	Total £m	Capitalised software enhancements £m
Cost:				
At 1 January 2011	10	279	289	277
Additions	–	28	28	22
Disposals	–	(12)	(12)	(12)
At 31 December 2011	10	295	305	287
Additions	–	41	41	41
Disposals	–	(76)	(76)	(76)
At 31 December 2012	10	260	270	252
Accumulated amortisation:				
At 1 January 2011	10	221	231	219
Exchange and other adjustments	–	1	1	1
Charge for the year	–	16	16	16
Disposals	–	(12)	(12)	(12)
At 31 December 2011	10	226	236	224
Exchange and other adjustments	–	4	4	4
Charge for the year (note 9)	–	14	14	14
Disposals	–	(76)	(76)	(76)
At 31 December 2012	10	168	178	166
Balance sheet amount at 31 December 2012	–	92	92	86
Balance sheet amount at 31 December 2011	–	69	69	63

Capitalised software enhancements principally comprise identifiable and directly associated internal staff and other costs.

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26 Tangible fixed assets

	The Group				The Bank			
	Premises £m	Equipment £m	Operating lease assets £m	Total tangible fixed assets £m	Premises £m	Equipment £m	Operating lease assets £m	Total tangible fixed assets £m
Cost:								
At 1 January 2011	1,439	2,477	3,506	7,422	1,364	2,389	13	3,766
Exchange and other adjustments	–	(8)	(28)	(36)	–	(16)	–	(16)
Additions	35	143	184	362	33	133	–	166
Disposals	(60)	(131)	(1,489)	(1,680)	(52)	(122)	(13)	(187)
Disposal of businesses	(14)	(7)	(330)	(351)	–	–	–	–
At 31 December 2011	1,400	2,474	1,843	5,717	1,345	2,384	–	3,729
Exchange and other adjustments	–	(2)	(320)	(322)	–	–	–	–
Additions	48	155	41	244	48	147	–	195
Disposals	(20)	(205)	(544)	(769)	(19)	(191)	–	(210)
Write-offs	–	(608)	–	(608)	–	(608)	–	(608)
At 31 December 2012	1,428	1,814	1,020	4,262	1,374	1,732	–	3,106
Accumulated depreciation and impairment:								
At 1 January 2011	734	1,912	1,343	3,989	718	1,870	–	2,588
Exchange and other adjustments	(1)	11	(11)	(1)	–	4	–	4
Impairment charged to the income statement (note 9)	–	65	–	65	–	65	–	65
Depreciation charge for the year (note 9)	55	108	157	320	54	97	–	151
Disposals	(4)	(90)	(725)	(819)	(4)	(87)	–	(91)
Disposal of businesses	(3)	(6)	(195)	(204)	–	–	–	–
At 31 December 2011	781	2,000	569	3,350	768	1,949	–	2,717
Exchange and other adjustments	–	(3)	(98)	(101)	–	(4)	–	(4)
Depreciation charge for the year (note 9)	49	98	86	233	48	86	–	134
Disposals	(12)	(153)	(148)	(313)	(11)	(140)	–	(151)
Write-offs	–	(608)	–	(608)	–	(608)	–	(608)
At 31 December 2012	818	1,334	409	2,561	805	1,283	–	2,088
Balance sheet amount at 31 December 2012	610	480	611	1,701	569	449	–	1,018
Balance sheet amount at 31 December 2011	619	474	1,274	2,367	577	435	–	1,012

At 31 December the future minimum rentals receivable by the Group under non-cancellable operating leases were as follows:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Receivable within 1 year	128	172
1 to 5 years	200	464
Over 5 years	216	626
Total future minimum rentals receivable	544	1,262

Equipment leased to customers under operating leases primarily relates to vehicle contract hire arrangements. During 2012 and 2011 no contingent rentals in respect of operating leases were recognised in the income statement.

In addition, total future minimum sub-lease income of £nil for the Group and £nil for the Bank at 31 December 2012 (2011: £nil for the Group and £45 million for the Bank) is expected to be received under non-cancellable sub-leases of the Group's premises.

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27 Other assets

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Settlement balances	309	171	258	171
Investments in joint ventures and associates (note 11)	306	302	102	104
Other assets and prepayments	2,459	903	2,349	769
Total other assets	3,074	1,376	2,709	1,044

28 Deposits from banks

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	2,612	952	2,612	652
Other deposits from banks	167,506	149,118	167,374	148,956
Total deposits from banks	170,118	150,070	169,986	149,608

At 31 December 2012 £145,342 million (2011: £120,189 million) of deposits from banks of the Group and £145,363 million (2011: £120,188 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

Included in the amounts reported above are deposits held as collateral for facilities granted, with a carrying value of £11,845 million (2011: £28,040 million) for the Group and Bank and a fair value of £14,427 million (2011: £28,180 million).

Included in the amounts reported above are collateral balances in the form of cash provided in respect of repurchase agreements amounting to £4 million (2011: £nil) for the Group and the Bank.

29 Customer deposits

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Non-interest bearing current accounts	11,955	11,204	11,955	11,218
Interest bearing current accounts	19,788	26,093	19,793	26,093
Savings and investment accounts	161,059	147,004	161,059	146,980
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	–	3,662	–	3,662
Other customer deposits	42,249	47,892	58,863	72,279
Total customer deposits	235,051	235,855	251,670	260,232

At 31 December 2012 £68,778 million (2011: £57,132 million) of customer deposits of the Group and £88,358 million (2011: £77,063 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

Included in the amounts reported above are deposits held as collateral for facilities granted, with a carrying value of £262 million (2011: £5,306 million) for the Group and Bank and a fair value of £262 million (2011: £5,655 million) for the Group and the Bank.

Included in the amounts reported above are collateral balances in the form of cash provided in respect of repurchase agreements amounting to £192 million (2011: £323 million) for the Group and the Bank.

30 Trading liabilities

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	32,449	19,069	32,449	19,069
Short positions in securities	1,146	1,736	1,146	1,736
Other	15	–	15	–
Trading liabilities	33,610	20,805	33,610	20,805

At 31 December 2012, for both the Group and the Bank, £7,848 million (2011: £5,937 million) of trading liabilities had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

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31 Debt securities in issue

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Medium-term notes issued	5,611	12,491	5,671	12,498
Covered bonds (note 17)	25,588	27,972	25,588	27,972
Certificates of deposit	29	350	29	350
Securitisation notes (note 17)	17,624	26,918	–	–
Commercial paper	121	6,159	114	596
	48,973	73,890	31,402	41,416
Amounts due to fellow Group undertakings	535	1,559	11,483	21,762
Total debt securities in issue	49,508	75,449	42,885	63,178

At 31 December 2012 £39,894 million (2011: £59,832 million) of debt securities in issue of the Group and £33,457 million (2011: £51,979 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

32 Other liabilities

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Settlement balances	944	923	944	923
Other creditors and accruals	3,471	3,616	2,903	3,694
Total other liabilities	4,415	4,539	3,847	4,617

33 Deferred tax

The movement in the net deferred tax balance is as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Asset at 1 January	4,049	4,825	3,722	4,510
Exchange and other adjustments	(14)	14	(7)	(6)
Income statement (charge) credit (note 12):				
Due to change in UK corporation tax rate	(325)	(350)	(324)	(367)
Other	134	136	209	83
	(191)	(214)	(115)	(284)
Amount charged to equity:				
Available-for-sale financial assets (note 38)	(121)	(129)	(167)	(52)
Cash flow hedges (note 38)	(83)	(447)	(83)	(446)
	(204)	(576)	(250)	(498)
Asset at 31 December	3,640	4,049	3,350	3,722

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33 Deferred tax (continued)

The statutory position reflects the deferred tax assets and liabilities as disclosed in the consolidated balance sheet and takes account of the inability to offset assets and liabilities where there is no legally enforceable right of offset. The tax disclosure of deferred tax assets and liabilities ties to the amounts outlined in the table below which splits the deferred tax assets and liabilities by type.

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Statutory position				
Deferred tax asset	3,640	4,050	3,350	3,722
Deferred tax liability	–	(1)	–	–
Net deferred tax asset	3,640	4,049	3,350	3,722

Tax disclosure

Deferred tax asset	4,371	4,653	3,799	4,107
Deferred tax liability	(731)	(604)	(449)	(385)
Net deferred tax asset	3,640	4,049	3,350	3,722

The deferred tax (charge) credit in the consolidated income statement comprises the following temporary differences:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Accelerated capital allowances	12	117
Tax losses carried forward	236	(279)
Allowances for impairment losses	(317)	7
Other temporary differences	(122)	(59)
Deferred tax (charge) credit in the income statement	(191)	(214)

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Deferred tax assets:				
Allowances for impairment losses	190	507	51	73
Capital allowances	–	–	218	207
Other provisions	48	284	180	234
Available-for-sale asset revaluation	291	269	–	–
Tax losses carried forward	3,632	3,563	3,302	3,562
Other temporary differences	210	30	48	31
Total deferred tax assets	4,371	4,653	3,799	4,107
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Accelerated capital allowances	(221)	(233)	–	–
Available-for-sale asset revaluation	–	–	(5)	(6)
Derivatives	(359)	(277)	(369)	(286)
Effective interest rate	(33)	(44)	(31)	(46)
Other temporary differences	(118)	(50)	(44)	(47)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(731)	(604)	(449)	(385)

On 21 March 2012, the Government announced that the corporation tax rate applicable from 1 April 2012 would be 24 per cent. This change passed into legislation on 26 March 2012. In addition, the Finance Act 2012, which was substantively enacted on 3 July 2012, included legislation to reduce the main rate of corporation tax from 24 per cent to 23 per cent with effect from 1 April 2013. The change in the main rate of corporation tax from 25 per cent to 23 per cent has resulted in a reduction in the Group's net deferred tax asset at 31 December 2012 of £293 million, comprising the £325 million charge included in the income statement and a £32 million credit included in equity.

The proposed further reduction in the rate of corporation tax by 2 per cent to 21 per cent by 1 April 2014 is expected to be enacted during 2013. The effect of this further change upon the Group's deferred tax balances and leasing business cannot be reliably quantified at this stage.

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33 Deferred tax (continued)

Deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets are recognised for tax losses carried forward to the extent that the realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable. Group companies have recognised a deferred tax asset of £3,632 million and £3,302 million for the Bank (2011: £3,563 million for the Group and £3,562 million for the Bank) in relation to trading tax losses carried forward. After reviews of medium-term profit forecasts, the Group considers that there will be sufficient profits in the future against which these losses will be offset.

Deferred tax assets of £131 million for the Group and £16 million for the Bank (2011: £42 million for the Group and £20 million for the Bank) have not been recognised in respect of capital losses carried forward as there are no predicted future capital profits. Capital losses can be carried forward indefinitely.

Deferred tax assets of £493 million for the Group and £nil for the Bank (2011: £488 million for the Group and £nil for the Bank) have not been recognised in respect of trading losses carried forward, arising in certain overseas companies, as there are limited predicted future trading profits to offset them. Trading losses can be carried forward indefinitely except for losses in the USA which expire after 20 years.

In addition, deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of unrelieved foreign tax carried forward as at 31 December 2012 of £40 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £40 million for the Group and the Bank), as there are no predicted future taxable profits against which the unrelieved foreign tax credits can be utilised. These tax credits can be carried forward indefinitely.

34 Other provisions

The Group	Provisions for commitments £m	Payment protection insurance £m	Other regulatory provisions £m	Vacant leasehold property and other £m	Total £m
At 1 January 2012	16	780	125	142	1,063
Exchange and other adjustments	(3)	–	12	(33)	(24)
Provisions applied	(4)	(879)	(18)	(60)	(961)
Charge for the year	–	850	189	29	1,068
At 31 December 2012	9	751	308	78	1,146

The Bank	Provisions for commitments £m	Payment protection insurance £m	Other regulatory provisions £m	Vacant leasehold property and other £m	Total £m
At 1 January 2012	14	755	124	121	1,014
Exchange and other adjustments	–	–	12	(34)	(22)
Provisions applied	(4)	(847)	(18)	(47)	(916)
Charge for the year	–	837	189	22	1,048
At 31 December 2012	10	745	307	62	1,124

Provisions for commitments

Provisions are held in cases where the Group is irrevocably committed to advance additional funds, but where there is doubt as to the customer's ability to meet its repayment obligations.

Payment protection insurance

Following the unsuccessful legal challenge by the British Bankers' Association against the FSA and the Financial Ombudsman Service, the Lloyds Banking Group held discussions with the FSA with a view to seeking clarity around the detailed implementation of the FSA Policy Statement which set out evidential provisions and guidance on the fair assessment of a complaint and the calculation of redress in respect of payment protection insurance (PPI) sales standards. As a result, the Group concluded that there are certain circumstances where customer redress will be appropriate. Accordingly the Group made a provision in its income statement for the year ended 31 December 2011 of £1,155 million in respect of the anticipated costs of such redress, including administration expenses.

During the first half of 2012 there was an increase in the volume of complaints being received and, although the level of complaints has declined during the second half of 2012, they are higher than had been anticipated at 31 December 2011. As a consequence, the Group believes that it is appropriate to increase its provision by a further £850 million at 31 December 2012. This increases the total estimated cost of redress, including administration expenses, to £2,005 million; redress payments made and expenses incurred on the some 300,000 claims paid to the end of December 2012 amounted to £1,254 million. However, there are still a number of uncertainties as to the eventual redress costs, in particular the total number of complaints and the activities of claims management companies and regulatory bodies.

The Group has calculated the provision by making a number of assumptions based upon current and expected experience. The principal sensitivities are as follows:

- the number of claims received: an increase of 100,000 from the level assumed would increase the provision for redress costs by £43 million;
- uphold rate of claims reviewed: an increase of one percentage point in this assumption would increase the provision by £6 million;
- average future redress payment: an increase of £100 in this assumption would increase the provision by £21 million.

The Group will reassess the continued appropriateness of the assumptions underlying its analysis at each reporting date in the light of current experience and other relevant evidence.

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34 Other provisions (continued)

Other regulatory provisions

Interest rate hedging products

In June 2012, a number of banks, including the Lloyds Banking Group, reached agreement with the FSA to carry out a thorough assessment of sales made since 1 December 2001 of interest rate hedging products (IRHP) to certain small and medium-sized businesses. The Lloyds Banking Group agreed that on conclusion of this review it would provide redress to any of these customers where appropriate.

Following the completion of a pilot review of IRHP sales to small and medium-sized businesses and agreement reached with the FSA on 30 January 2013 on the principles to be adopted during the course of the wider review, the Group has provided £139 million for the estimated cost of redress and related administration costs. At 31 December 2012, £10 million of the provision had been utilised. A number of uncertainties remain as to the eventual costs given the inherent difficulties in determining the number of customers within the scope of the review and the average compensation to customers.

Other regulatory matters

In the course of its business, the Lloyds Banking Group is engaged in discussions with the FSA or other regulators in relation to a range of matters. In 2012 a provision of £50 million was made in respect of certain UK retail and other matters; however, the ultimate impact on the Group of these discussions can only be known at the conclusion of such discussions.

Vacant leasehold property and other

Vacant leasehold property provisions are made by reference to a prudent estimate of expected sub-let income, compared to the head rent, and the possibility of disposing of the Group's interest in the lease, taking into account conditions in the property market. These provisions are reassessed on a biannual basis and will normally run off over the period of under-recovery of the leases concerned, currently averaging 3 years; where a property is disposed of earlier than anticipated, any remaining balance in the provision relating to that property is released.

35 Subordinated liabilities

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Preference shares		–		–
Preferred securities	715	712	302	301
Undated subordinated liabilities	4,812	4,884	5,244	5,315
Dated subordinated liabilities	8,877	9,559	8,302	8,956
Total subordinated liabilities	14,404	15,155	13,848	14,572

The movement in subordinated liabilities during the year was as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
At 1 January	15,155	15,236	14,572	15,110
Repurchases and redemptions during the year	(649)	(94)	(649)	(591)
Foreign exchange and other movements	(102)	13	(75)	53
At 31 December	14,404	15,155	13,848	14,572

These securities will, in the event of the winding-up of the issuer, be subordinated to the claims of the depositors and all other creditors of the issuer, other than creditors whose claims rank equally with, or are junior to, the claims of the holders of the subordinated liabilities. The subordination of the specific subordinated liabilities is determined in respect of the issuer and any guarantors of that liability. The claims of holders of preference shares and preferred securities are generally junior to those of the holders of undated subordinated liabilities, which in turn are junior to the claims of the holders of the dated subordinated liabilities. Neither the Group nor the Bank has had any defaults of principal, interest or other breaches with respect to its subordinated liabilities during the year (2011: none).

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35 Subordinated liabilities (continued)

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Preference shares				
6% Non-cumulative Redeemable preference shares	–	–	–	–

Since 2009, the Company has had in issue 400 6% non-cumulative preference shares of 25p each. The shares are redeemable at the option of the Company at any time and carry the rights to a fixed rate non-cumulative preferential dividend of 6% per annum; no dividend shall be paid in the event that the directors determine that prudential capital ratios would not be maintained if the dividend were paid. Upon winding up the shares rank equally with any other preference shares issued by the Company. The holder of the shares waived its right to payment for the period from 1 March 2010 to 1 March 2012.

	Note	The Group		The Bank	
		2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Preferred securities					
8.117% Non-cumulative Perpetual Preferred Securities (Class A) (£250 million)	b,c	262	260	–	–
7.754% Non-cumulative Perpetual Preferred Securities (Class B) (£150 million)		151	151	–	–
7.286% Perpetual Regulatory Tier One Securities (Series A) (£150 million)		151	151	151	151
7.281% Perpetual Regulatory Tier One Securities (Series B) (£150 million)		151	150	151	150
Total preferred securities		715	712	302	301

	Note	The Group		The Bank	
		2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Undated subordinated liabilities					
8.625% Perpetual Subordinated Notes (£200 million)	a	23	26	23	26
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (€500 million)		408	420	408	420
Floating Rate Primary Capital Notes (US\$250 million)	a,b	111	118	111	118
7.375% Subordinated Undated Instruments (£150 million)	a	74	78	74	78
4.25% Subordinated Undated Instruments (¥17 billion)		138	174	138	174
10.25% Subordinated Undated Instruments (£100 million)	a	1	1	1	1
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (£300 million)		300	300	300	300
Perpetual Preferred Notes (£250 million)		–	–	262	261
Perpetual Preferred Notes (£150 million)		–	–	151	151
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (£150 million)		150	150	150	150
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (£500 million)		500	500	500	500
12% Perpetual Subordinated Bonds (£100 million)	a	22	26	22	26
8.75% Perpetual Subordinated Bonds (£100 million)	a	5	5	5	5
13.625% Perpetual Subordinated Bonds (£75 million)		14	17	14	17
9.375% Perpetual Subordinated Bonds (£50 million)	a	15	18	15	18
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (£500 million)		500	500	500	500
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (£300 million)		300	300	300	300
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (£250 million)		250	250	250	250
Floating Rate Subordinated Note (£2,000 million)		2,001	2,001	2,001	2,001
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes (€22 million)		–	–	19	19
Total undated subordinated liabilities		4,812	4,884	5,244	5,315

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35 Subordinated liabilities (continued)

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Dated subordinated liabilities				
6.25% Instruments 2012 (€12.8 million)	–	8	–	8
5.50% Subordinated Fixed Rate Notes 2012 (€750 million)	–	658	–	658
4.25% Subordinated Guaranteed Notes 2013 (US\$1,000 million)	621	650	–	–
6.125% Notes 2013 (€325 million)	280	287	280	287
11% Subordinated Bonds 2014 (£250 million)	276	276	276	276
10.5% Subordinated Bonds 2018 (£150 million)	164	164	164	164
6.375% Instruments 2019 (£250 million)	330	328	330	328
9.375% Subordinated Bonds 2021 (£500 million)	685	667	685	667
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£330 million)	330	330	330	330
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£300 million)	300	300	300	300
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£700 million)	700	700	700	700
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£300 million)	300	300	300	300
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£520 million)	520	520	520	520
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£300 million)	300	300	300	300
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£300 million)	300	300	300	300
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£270 million)	270	270	270	270
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£500 million)	500	500	500	500
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£2,000 million)	2,001	2,001	2,001	2,001
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (£1,000 million)	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Floating Rate Subordinated Notes on rolling 5 year notice (€55 million)	–	–	46	47
Total dated subordinated liabilities	8,877	9,559	8,302	8,956

a) In November 2009, as part of the state aid restructuring plan, the Group agreed to suspend the payment of coupons on these instruments for the two year period from 31 January 2010 to 31 January 2012.

b) These securities are callable at specific dates as per the terms of the securities at the option of the issuer and with approval from the FSA. In November 2009, as part of the state aid restructuring plan, the Group agreed not to exercise any call options on these instruments for the two year period from 31 January 2010 to 31 January 2012.

c) The fixed rate on this security was reset from 8.117 per cent to 6.059 per cent with effect from 31 May 2010.

At 31 December 2012 £13,503 million (2011: £14,489 million) of subordinated liabilities of the Group and £13,568 million (2011: £13,906 million) of the Bank had a contractual residual maturity of greater than one year.

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36 Share capital

(1) Authorised share capital

	Group and Bank			
	2012 Number of shares	2011 Number of shares	2012 £m	2011 £m
<i>Sterling</i>				
Ordinary shares of 25p				
At 1 January and 31 December	24,085,301,755	24,085,301,755	6,021	6,021
8.117% non-cumulative perpetual preference shares class 'A' of £10 each	250,000	250,000	3	3
7.754% non-cumulative perpetual preference shares class 'B' of £10 each	150,000	150,000	2	2
			6,026	6,026

(2) Issued share capital

	Group and Bank			
	2012 Number of shares	2011 Number of shares	2012 £m	2011 £m
Ordinary shares of 25p each				
At 1 January and 31 December	23,388,340,552	23,388,340,552	5,847	5,847
Issued and fully paid preference shares				
<i>Preference shares of 25p each</i>				
At 1 January and 31 December	400	400	–	–
Total share capital at 31 December	23,388,340,952	23,388,340,952	5,847	5,847

37 Share premium account

	Group and Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m
At 1 January and 31 December	27,479	27,479

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38 Other reserves

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Other reserves comprise:				
Merger and other reserves	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
Capital redemption reserve	482	482	482	482
Revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets	(145)	(517)	(135)	(649)
Cash flow hedging reserve	1,238	861	1,234	857
Foreign currency translation reserve	(101)	(151)	107	94
At 31 December	3,074	2,275	3,288	2,384

Movements in other reserves were as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Merger and other reserves				
At 1 January and 31 December	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Capital redemption reserve				
At 1 January and 31 December	482	482	482	482

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Revaluation reserve in respect of available-for-sale financial assets				
At 1 January	(517)	(899)	(649)	(796)
Change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	360	(90)	329	(123)
Deferred tax	(78)	45	(80)	33
	282	(45)	249	(90)
Income statement transfers:				
Disposals (note 8)	(385)	(72)	(6)	106
Deferred tax	74	(28)	–	(28)
	(311)	(100)	(6)	78
Impairment	397	749	237	292
Deferred tax	(87)	(166)	(57)	(77)
	310	583	180	215
Other transfers to the income statement	121	(76)	121	(76)
Deferred tax	(30)	20	(30)	20
	91	(56)	91	(56)
At 31 December	(145)	(517)	(135)	(649)

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38 Other reserves (continued)

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Cash flow hedging reserve				
At 1 January	861	(415)	857	(412)
Change in fair value of hedging derivatives	729	1,350	729	1,342
Deferred tax	(145)	(354)	(145)	(353)
	584	996	584	989
Income statement transfers	(269)	373	(269)	373
Deferred tax	62	(93)	62	(93)
	(207)	280	(207)	280
At 31 December	1,238	861	1,234	857

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Foreign currency translation reserve				
At 1 January	(151)	(153)	94	80
Currency translation differences arising in the year	(5)	28	13	14
Foreign currency gains (losses) on net investment hedges (tax: £nil)	55	(26)	–	–
At 31 December	(101)	(151)	107	94

39 Retained profits

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
At 1 January	(17,204)	(14,099)	(18,834)	(16,403)
Loss for the year ¹	(1,082)	(3,105)	(1,770)	(2,431)
At 31 December	(18,286)	(17,204)	(20,604)	(18,834)

¹No income statement has been shown for the Bank, as permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

40 Dividends

No dividends were paid on the Bank's ordinary shares in 2012 or 2011.

In November 2009, as part of the restructuring plan that was a requirement for European Commission approval of state aid received by the Lloyds Banking Group, Lloyds Banking Group plc agreed to suspend the payment of coupons and dividends on certain preference shares and preferred securities for the two year period from 31 January 2010 to 31 January 2012. Lloyds Banking Group plc also agreed to temporarily suspend and/or waive dividend payments on certain preference shares which have been issued intra-group. Consequently, in accordance with the terms of some of these instruments, the Bank was prevented from making dividend payments on its ordinary shares during this period.

41 Share-based payments

Share-based payment scheme details

During the year ended 31 December 2012 Lloyds Banking Group plc operated a number of share-based payment schemes for which employees of the Group were eligible and all of which are equity settled. Details of all schemes operated by Lloyds Banking Group plc are set out below; these are managed and operated on a Lloyds Banking Group-wide basis.

The amount charged to the Group's income statement in respect of Lloyds Banking Group share-based payment schemes, and which is included within staff costs (note 9), was £106 million (2011: £147 million).

Deferred bonus plans

Bonuses in respect of the performance in 2012 of employees within certain of the Group's bonus plans have been recognised in these financial statements in full. The amounts to be settled in shares are included within the total charge to the income statement detailed above.

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41 Share-based payments (continued)

Lloyds Banking Group executive share option schemes

The executive share option schemes were long-term incentive schemes available to certain senior executives of the Group, with grants usually made annually. Options were granted within limits set by the rules of the schemes relating to the number of shares under option and the price payable on the exercise of options. The last grant of executive options was made in August 2005. These options were granted without a performance multiplier and the maximum limit for the grant of options in normal circumstances was three times annual salary. Between March 2004 and August 2004, the aggregate value of the award based upon the market price at the date of grant could not exceed four times the executive's annual remuneration and, normally, the limit for the grant of options to an executive in any one year would be equal to 1.5 times annual salary with a maximum performance multiplier of 3.5.

Performance conditions for executive options

For options granted in 2004

The performance condition was linked to the performance of Lloyds Banking Group plc's total shareholder return (calculated by reference to both dividends and growth in share price) against a comparator group of 17 companies including Lloyds Banking Group plc.

The performance condition was measured over a three year period which commenced at the end of the financial year preceding the grant of the option and continued until the end of the third subsequent year. If the performance condition was not then met, it was measured at the end of the fourth financial year. If the condition was not then met, the options would lapse.

To meet the performance conditions, the Group's ranking against the comparator group was required to be at least ninth. The full grant of options only became exercisable if the Group was ranked first. A performance multiplier (of between nil and 100 per cent) was applied below this level to calculate the number of shares in respect of which options granted to Executive Directors would become exercisable, and were calculated on a sliding scale. If Lloyds Banking Group plc was ranked below median the options would not be exercisable.

Options granted to senior executives other than Executive Directors were not so highly leveraged and, as a result, different performance multipliers were applied to their options. For the majority of executives, options were granted with the performance condition but with no performance multiplier.

Options granted in 2004 became exercisable as the performance condition was met on the re-test. The performance condition vested at 14 per cent for Executive Directors, 24 per cent for Managing Directors, and 100 per cent for all other executives.

For options granted in 2005

The same conditions applied as for grants made in 2004, except that:

- the performance condition was linked to the performance of Lloyds Banking Group plc's total shareholder return (calculated by reference to both dividends and growth in share price) against a comparator group of 15 companies including Lloyds Banking Group plc;
- if the performance condition was not met at the end of the third subsequent year, the options would lapse; and
- the full grant of options became exercisable only if the Group was ranked in the top four places of the comparator group. A sliding scale applied between fourth and eighth positions. If Lloyds Banking Group was ranked below the median (ninth or below) the options would lapse.

Options granted in 2005 became exercisable as the performance condition was met when tested. The performance condition vested at 82.5 per cent for all options granted.

Movements in the number of share options outstanding under the executive share option schemes during 2011 and 2012 are set out below:

	2012		2011	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)
Outstanding at 1 January	10,174,869	225.15	13,363,301	233.09
Forfeited	(2,129,973)	225.92	(2,140,790)	225.91
Lapsed	–	–	(1,047,642)	324.92
Outstanding at 31 December	8,044,896	224.95	10,174,869	225.15
Exercisable at 31 December	8,044,896	224.95	10,174,869	225.15

No options were exercised during 2012 or 2011. The weighted average remaining contractual life of options outstanding at the end of the year was 1.9 years (2011: 2.9 years). The fair values of the executive share options have been determined using a standard Black-Scholes model.

Save-As-You-Earn schemes

Eligible employees may enter into contracts through the Save-As-You-Earn schemes to save up to £250 per month and, at the expiry of a fixed term of three, five or seven years, have the option to use these savings within six months of the expiry of the fixed term to acquire shares in the Group at a discounted price of no less than 80 per cent of the market price at the start of the invitation.

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Movements in the number of share options outstanding under the SAYE schemes are set out below:

	2012		2011	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)
Outstanding at 1 January	453,019,032	49.74	668,044,034	49.59
Exercised	–	–	(2,497,658)	47.34
Forfeited	(8,427,262)	49.15	(18,408,624)	50.52
Cancelled	(88,340,810)	49.83	(181,350,614)	47.78
Expired	(41,678,937)	62.67	(12,768,106)	69.08
Outstanding at 31 December	314,572,023	48.01	453,019,032	49.74
Exercisable at 31 December	119,141	86.50	25,490,233	77.82

No options were exercised in 2012. The weighted average share price at the time that the options were exercised during 2011 was £0.54. The weighted average remaining contractual life of options outstanding at the end of the year was 0.8 years (2011: 1.7 years).

No SAYE options were granted in 2012 or 2011. The fair values of the SAYE options have been determined using a standard Black-Scholes model.

For the HBOS sharesave plan, no options were exercised during 2012 or 2011. The options outstanding at 31 December 2012 had an exercise price of £1.8066 (2011: £1.8066) and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 2.1 years (2011: 2.0 years).

Other share option plans

Lloyds Banking Group Executive Share Plan 2003

The Plan was adopted in December 2003 and under the Plan share options may be granted to senior employees. Options under this plan have been granted specifically to facilitate recruitment and as such were not subject to any performance conditions. The Plan's usage has now been extended to not only compensate new recruits for any lost share awards but also to make grants to key individuals for retention purposes with, in some instances, the grant being made subject to individual performance conditions.

Participants are not entitled to any dividends paid during the vesting period.

	2012		2011	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)
Outstanding at 1 January	53,000,069	Nil	47,694,757	Nil
Granted	34,345,366	Nil	16,395,016	Nil
Exercised	(41,290,412)	Nil	(7,591,526)	Nil
Forfeited	(440,873)	Nil	(3,498,178)	Nil
Outstanding at 31 December	45,614,150	Nil	53,000,069	Nil
Exercisable at 31 December	3,065,531	Nil	2,310,418	Nil

The weighted average fair value of options granted in the year was £0.30 (2011: £0.46). The fair values of options granted have been determined using a standard Black-Scholes model. The weighted average share price at the time that the options were exercised during 2012 was £0.33 (2011: £0.51). The weighted average remaining contractual life of options outstanding at the end of the year was 3.7 years (2011: 2.1 years).

Lloyds Banking Group Share Buy Out Awards

As part of arrangements to facilitate the recruitment of certain Executives, options have been granted by individual deed and, where appropriate, in accordance with the Listing Rules of the UK Listing Authority.

The awards were granted in recognition that the Executives' outstanding awards over shares in their previous employing company lapsed on accepting employment with the Group.

Movements in the number of options outstanding are set out below:

	2012		2011	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)
Outstanding at 1 January	21,321,237	Nil	–	–
Granted	–	–	21,728,172	Nil
Exercised	–	–	(406,935)	Nil
Outstanding at 31 December	21,321,237	Nil	21,321,237	Nil
Exercisable at 31 December	16,509,862	Nil	2,398,593	Nil

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No options were granted or exercised in 2012. The weighted average fair value of options granted during 2011 was £0.38. The weighted average share price at the time that the options were exercised during 2011 was £0.54. The weighted average remaining contractual life of options outstanding at the end of the year was 8.6 years (2011: 9.6 years).

Participants are entitled to any dividends paid during the vesting period. This amount will be paid in cash unless the Remuneration Committee decides it will be paid in shares.

The fair values of the majority of options granted have been determined using a standard Black-Scholes model. The fair values of the remaining options have been determined by Monte Carlo simulation.

HBOS share option plans

The table below details the outstanding options for the HBOS Share Option Plan and the St James's Place Share Option Plan. The final award under the HBOS Share Option Plan was made in 2004. Under this plan, options over shares, at market value with a face value equal to 20 per cent of salary, were granted to employees with the exception of certain senior executives. A separate option plan exists for some partners of St James's Place, which granted options in respect of Lloyds Banking Group plc shares. The final award under the St James's Place Share Option Plan was made in 2009. Movements in the number of share options outstanding under these schemes are set out below:

Participants are not entitled to any dividends paid during the vesting period.

	2012		2011	
	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (pence)
Outstanding at 1 January	22,058,552	394.30	24,695,494	415.70
Forfeited	(319,134)	572.22	(213,498)	253.88
Lapsed	(1,881,726)	686.47	(2,423,444)	624.75
Outstanding at 31 December	19,857,692	363.76	22,058,552	394.30
Exercisable at 31 December	19,857,692	363.76	14,227,020	582.82

No options were exercised during 2012 or 2011. The options outstanding under the HBOS Share Option Plan and St James's Place Share Option Plan at 31 December 2012 had exercise prices in the range of £0.5183 to £5.80 (2011: £0.5183 to £8.7189) and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 1.1 years (2011: 2.0 years).

Other share plans

Lloyds Banking Group Long-Term Incentive Plan

The Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) introduced in 2006 is aimed at delivering shareholder value by linking the receipt of shares to an improvement in the performance of the Group over a three year period. Awards are made within limits set by the rules of the Plan, with the limits determining the maximum number of shares that can be awarded equating to three times annual salary. In exceptional circumstances this may increase to four times annual salary.

Participants may be entitled to any dividends paid during the vesting period if the performance conditions are met. An amount equal in value to any dividends paid between the award date and the date the Remuneration Committee determine that the performance conditions were met may be paid, based on the number of shares that vest. The Remuneration Committee will determine if any dividends are to be paid in cash or in shares.

The performance conditions for awards made in April, May and September 2009 were as follows:

- (i) **Earnings per share (EPS):** relevant to 50 per cent of the award. Performance was measured based on EPS growth over a three-year period from the baseline EPS of 2008.

If the growth in EPS reached 26 per cent, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, would vest. If growth in EPS reached 36 per cent, 100 per cent of this element would vest.

- (ii) **Economic Profit (EP):** relevant to 50 per cent of the award. Performance was measured based on the extent to which cumulative EP targets were achieved over the three-year period.

If the absolute improvement in adjusted EP reached 100 per cent, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, would vest. If the absolute improvement in adjusted EP reached 202 per cent, 100 per cent of this element would vest.

The EPS and EP performance measures applying to this 2009 LTIP award were set on the basis that the Group would enter into the Government Asset Protection Scheme. As the Group did not participate in the Government Asset Protection Scheme, in June 2010 the Remuneration Committee approved restated performance measures on a basis consistent with the EPS and EP measures used for the 2010 LTIP awards. At the end of the relevant period, neither of the performance conditions had been met and the awards lapsed.

An additional discretionary award was made in April, May and September 2009. The performance conditions for those awards were as follows:

- (i) **Synergy Savings:** The release of 50 per cent of the shares was dependent on the achievement of target run-rate synergy savings in 2009 and 2010 as well as the achievement of sustainable synergy savings of at least £1.5 billion by the end of 2011. The award was broken down into three equally weighted annual tranches. Performance was assessed at the end of each year against annual performance targets based on a trajectory to meet the 2011 target. The extent to which targets were achieved determined the proportion of shares to be banked each year. Any release of shares was subject to the Remuneration Committee judging the overall success of the delivery of the integration programme.

- (ii) **Integration Balanced Scorecard:** The release of the remaining 50 per cent of the shares was dependent on the outcome of a Balanced Scorecard of non-financial measures of the success of the integration in each of 2009, 2010 and 2011. The Balanced Scorecard element was broken down into three equally

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weighted tranches. The tranches were crystallised and banked for each year of the performance cycle subject to separate annual performance targets across the four measurement categories of Building the Business, Customer, Risk and People and Organisation Development.

The performance conditions were met and, as a consequence, the share awards vested in full in March 2012 for all participants, with the exception of current and former Executive Directors.

The performance conditions for awards made in March and August 2010 were as follows:

- (i) **EPS:** relevant to 50 per cent of the award. Performance was measured based on EPS growth over a three-year period from the baseline EPS of 2009.

If the absolute improvement in adjusted EPS reached 158 per cent, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, would vest. If absolute improvement in adjusted EPS reached 180 per cent, 100 per cent of this element would vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum would be on a straight line basis.

- (ii) **EP:** relevant to 50 per cent of the award. Performance was measured based on the compound annual growth rate of adjusted EP over the three financial years starting on 1 January 2010 relative to an adjusted 2009 EP base.

If the compounded annual growth rate of adjusted EP reached 57 per cent per annum, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, would vest. If the compounded annual growth rate of adjusted EP reached 77 per cent per annum, 100 per cent of this element would vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum would be on a straight line basis.

For awards made to Executive Directors, a third performance condition was set, relating to Absolute Share Price, relevant to 28 per cent of the award. Performance will be measured based on the Absolute Share Price on 26 March 2013, being the third anniversary of the award date. If the share price at the end of the performance period is 75 pence or less, none of this element of the award will vest. If the share price is 114 pence or higher, 100 per cent of this element will vest. Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis, provided that shares comprised in the Absolute Share Price element may only be released if both the EPS and EP performance measures have been satisfied at the threshold level or above. The EPS and EP performance conditions each relate to 36 per cent of the total award.

At the end of the performance period for the EPS and EP measures, it has been assessed that neither of the performance conditions has been met and, therefore, the awards will not vest.

The performance conditions for awards made in March and September 2011 are as follows:

- (i) **EPS:** relevant to 50 per cent of the award. The performance target is based on 2013 adjusted EPS outcome.

If the adjusted EPS reaches 6.4p, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

If adjusted EPS reaches 7.4p, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (ii) **EP:** relevant to 50 per cent of the award. The performance target is based on 2013 adjusted EP outcome.

If the adjusted EP reaches £567 million, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest. If the adjusted EP reaches £1,234 million, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

For awards made to Executive Directors, a third performance condition was set, relating to Absolute Total Shareholder Return, relevant to one third of the award. Performance will be measured based on the annualised Absolute Total Shareholder Return over the three year performance period. If the annualised Absolute Total Shareholder Return at the end of the performance period is less than 8 per cent, none of this element of the award will vest. If the Absolute Total Shareholder Return is 8 per cent, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest. If the Absolute Total Shareholder Return is 14 per cent or higher, 100 per cent of this element will vest. Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis. The EPS and EP performance conditions will each relate to 33.3 per cent of the total award.

The performance conditions for awards made in March and September 2012 are as follows:

- (i) **EP:** relevant to 30 per cent of the award. The performance target is based on 2014 adjusted EP outcome.

If the adjusted EP reaches £160 million, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

If the adjusted EP reaches £1,653 million, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (ii) **Absolute Total Shareholder Return (ATSR):** relevant to 30 per cent of the award. Performance will be measured against the annualised return over the three year period ending 31 December 2014.

If the ATSR reaches 12 per cent per annum, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

If the ATSR reaches 30 per cent per annum, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (iii) **Short-term funding as a percentage of total funding:** relevant to 10 per cent of the award. Performance will be measured relative to 2014 targets.

If the average percentage reaches 20 per cent, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

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If the average percentage reaches 15 per cent, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (iv) **Non-core assets at the end of 2014:** relevant to 10 per cent of the award. Performance will be measured by reference to balance sheet non-core assets at 31 December 2014.

If non-core assets amount to £95 billion or less, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

If non-core assets amount to £80 billion or less, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (v) **Net simplification benefits:** relevant to 10 per cent of the award. Performance will be measured by reference to the run rate achieved by the end of 2014.

If a run rate of net simplification benefits of £1.5 billion is achieved, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

If a run rate of net simplification benefits of £1.8 billion is achieved, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (vi) **Customer satisfaction:** relevant to 10 per cent of the award. Performance will be measured by reference to the total number of FSA reportable complaints per 1,000 customers over the three year period to 31 December 2014.

If complaints per 1,000 customers average 1.5 per annum or less over three years, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest.

If complaints per 1,000 customers average 1.3 per annum or less over three years, 100 per cent of this element will vest.

Vesting between threshold and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

	2012 Number of shares	2011 Number of shares
Outstanding at 1 January	543,738,186	447,142,491
Granted	265,011,679	147,280,077
Vested	(71,591,014)	(3,918,013)
Forfeited	(221,207,334)	(46,766,369)
Outstanding at 31 December	515,951,517	543,738,186

The weighted average fair value of the share awards granted in 2012 was £0.24 (2011: £0.54). The fair values of the majority of share awards granted have been determined using a standard Black-Scholes model. The fair values of the remaining share awards have been determined by Monte Carlo simulation.

Scottish Widows Investment Partnership Long-Term Incentive Plan

The Scottish Widows Investment Partnership (SWIP) Long-Term Incentive Plan applicable to senior executives and employees of SWIP, which had previously been a cash-only scheme, was amended in May 2012 for awards granted on or after that date. The amendment introduced the receipt of shares in Lloyds Banking Group plc as an element of the total award. The other element will continue to be cash based, with the split between cash based and share based determined by the Remuneration Committee. The amendment is aimed at delivering shareholder value by linking the receipt of shares to an improvement in the performance of SWIP over a three year period. Awards are made within limits set by the rules of the Plan, with the maximum limits for combined cash and shares awarded equating to 3.5 times annual salary. In exceptional circumstances this may increase to 4 times annual salary.

The performance conditions for share-based awards made in June 2012 are as follows:

- (i) **Profitability:** relevant to 40 per cent of the award. The performance target is based on a cumulative 3 year profit before tax. If cumulative profit before tax reaches a specified target level, 100 per cent of this element will vest. If cumulative profit before tax reaches 90 per cent of the target level, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest. If cumulative profit before tax reaches 110 per cent of the target level, 200 per cent of this element of the award, being the maximum, will vest.

No award will be made where performance is below the threshold. Vesting between threshold and target and between target and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (ii) **Investment performance:** relevant to 40 per cent of the award. The performance target is based on the percentage of SWIP funds achieving at or above benchmark performance (on a competitor median or index basis) over the 3 year period. If 50 per cent of funds exceed benchmark performance, 25 per cent of this element of the award, being the threshold, will vest. If 55 per cent of funds exceed benchmark performance, 100 per cent of this element, being the target, will vest. If 70 per cent of funds exceed benchmark performance, 200 per cent of this element of the award, being the maximum, will vest.

No award will be made where performance is below the threshold. Vesting between threshold and target and between target and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

- (iii) **Funds under management (FUM) growth:** relevant to 20 per cent of the award. The performance target is based on growth in the value of third party assets managed by SWIP by the end of the 3 year period. If third party FUM reaches a specified target level, 100 per cent of this element of the award will vest. If third party FUM reaches 80 per cent of the target level, 25 per cent of this element, being the threshold, will vest. If third party FUM reaches 120 per cent of the target level, 200 per cent of this element of the award, being the maximum, will vest.

No award will be made where performance is below the threshold. Vesting between threshold and target and between target and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

For awards made to SWIP's Code Staff (as defined by FSA), a fourth performance condition was set, relating to an internal measure of operational risk. This additional measure is relevant to 15 per cent of the award for these individuals, with a corresponding 5 per cent reduction in each of the weightings for the other three measures described above. As with the other measures, this performance condition has a target value at which 100 per cent of the award will vest, a maximum value at which 200 per cent of the award will vest, and a threshold value at which 25 per cent of the award will vest.

No award will be made where performance is below the threshold. Vesting between threshold and target and between target and maximum will be on a straight line basis.

	2012 Number of shares	2011 Number of shares
Outstanding at 1 January	–	–
Granted	5,452,877	–
Outstanding at 31 December	5,452,877	–

The ranges of exercise prices, weighted average exercise prices, weighted average remaining contractual life and number of options outstanding for the option schemes were as follows:

The fair value calculations at 31 December 2012 for grants made in the year, using Black-Scholes models and Monte Carlo simulation, are based on the following assumptions:

	Executive Share Plan 2003	LTIP	Share Buy Out Awards	SWIP LTIP
Weighted average risk-free interest rate	0.45%	0.52%	0.86%	0.38%
Weighted average expected life	2.5 years	3.0 years	1.3 years	2.8 years
Weighted average expected volatility	63%	78%	51%	81%
Weighted average expected dividend yield	4.1%	4.3%	1.6%	4.5%
Weighted average share price	£0.33	£0.35	£0.41	£0.31
Weighted average exercise price	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

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Share incentive plan

Free shares

An award of shares may be made annually to employees based on a percentage of each employee's salary in the preceding year up to a maximum of £3,000. The percentage is normally announced concurrently with the Group's annual results and the price of the shares awarded is announced at the time of award. The shares awarded are held in trust for a mandatory period of three years on the employee's behalf, during which period the employee is entitled to any dividends paid on such shares. The award is subject to a non-market based condition: if an employee leaves the Group within this three year period for other than a 'good' reason, all of the shares awarded will be forfeited.

The last award of free shares was made in 2008.

Matching shares

The Group undertakes to match shares purchased by employees up to the value of £30 per month; these matching shares are held in trust for a mandatory period of three years on the employee's behalf, during which period the employee is entitled to any dividends paid on such shares. The award is subject to a non-market based condition: if an employee leaves within this three year period for other than a 'good' reason, 100 per cent of the matching shares are forfeited. Similarly if the employees sell their purchased shares within three years, their matching shares are forfeited.

The number of shares awarded relating to matching shares in 2012 was 36,158,343 (2011: 30,999,387), with an average fair value of £0.34 (2011: £0.42), based on market prices at the date of award.

42 Related party transactions

Key management personnel

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of an entity. At 31 December 2012 and 2011, the Group's key management personnel are the members of the Lloyds Banking Group plc Group Executive Committee together with its Non-Executive Directors.

The table below details, on an aggregated basis, key management personnel compensation which has been allocated to the Bank on an estimated basis.

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Compensation		
Salaries and other short-term benefits	5	5
Share-based payments	5	4
	10	9

The aggregate of the emoluments of the directors for qualifying services to the Bank, on an estimated basis, in 2012 was £3.0 million (2011: £3.4 million). The total for the highest paid director António Horta-Osório was £1,359,000 (2011: (António Horta-Osório) £1,646,000).

	2012 million	2011 million
Share option plans over Lloyds Banking Group plc shares		
At 1 January	22	6
Granted (includes entitlements of appointed key management personnel)	8	20
Exercised/lapsed (includes entitlements of former key management personnel)	(5)	(4)
At 31 December	25	22
	2012 million	2011 million
Share incentive plans settled in Lloyds Banking Group plc shares		
At 1 January	58	56
Granted (includes entitlements of appointed key management personnel)	45	35
Exercised/lapsed (includes entitlements of former key management personnel)	(33)	(33)
At 31 December	70	58

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The tables below detail, on an aggregated basis, balances outstanding at the year end and related income and expense, together with information relating to other transactions between Lloyds Banking Group and its key management personnel:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Loans		
At 1 January	3	3
Advanced (includes loans of appointed key management personnel)	3	1
Repayments (includes loans of former key management personnel)	(4)	(1)
At 31 December	2	3

The loans are on both a secured and unsecured basis and are expected to be settled in cash. The loans attracted interest rates of between 2.5 per cent and 29.95 per cent in 2012 (1.09 per cent and 27.5 per cent in 2011).

No provisions have been recognised in respect of loans given to key management personnel.

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Deposits		
At 1 January	6	4
Placed (includes deposits of appointed key management personnel)	39	17
Withdrawn (includes deposits of former key management personnel)	(35)	(15)
At 31 December	10	6

Deposits placed by key management personnel attracted interest rates of up to 3.8 per cent in 2012 (2011: 5 per cent).

At 31 December 2012 and 2011, the Group did not provide any guarantees in respect of key management personnel.

At 31 December 2012, transactions, arrangements and agreements entered into by the Lloyds Banking Group's banking subsidiaries with directors and connected persons of the Group included amounts outstanding in respect of loans and credit card transactions of £1 million with five directors and three connected persons (2011: £3 million with four directors and three connected persons).

Balances and transactions with fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings

Balances and transactions between members of the Bank of Scotland group

In accordance with IAS 27 *Consolidated and separate financial statements*, transactions and balances between the Bank and its subsidiary undertakings, and between those subsidiary undertakings, have all been eliminated on consolidation and thus are not reported as related party transactions of the Group.

The Bank, as a result of its position as parent of a banking group, has a large number of transactions with various of its subsidiary undertakings; these are included on the balance sheet of the Bank as follows:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Assets, included within:		
Derivative financial instruments	10	19
Loans and receivables:		
Loans and advances to customers	22,742	32,654
Debt securities	5,875	6,188
Other	65	–
	28,692	38,861
Liabilities, included within:		
Deposits from banks	–	1
Customer deposits	21,705	29,712
Derivative financial instruments	11	81
Debt securities in issue	10,948	21,304
Subordinated liabilities	468	469
	33,132	51,567

Due to the size and volume of transactions passing through these accounts, it is neither practical nor meaningful to disclose information on gross inflows and outflows. During 2012 the Bank earned interest income on the above asset balances of £843 million (2011: £1,710 million) and incurred interest expense on the above liability balances of £984 million (2011: £2,356 million).

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Balances and transactions with Lloyds Banking Group plc and fellow subsidiaries of the Lloyds Banking Group

The Bank and its subsidiaries have balances due to and from the Bank's ultimate parent company, Lloyds Banking Group plc and fellow subsidiaries of the Lloyds Banking Group. These are included on the balance sheet as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Assets, included within:				
Derivative financial instruments	6,811	4,226	6,793	4,208
Loans and receivables:				
Loans and advances to banks	135,316	85,800	135,316	85,800
Loans and advances to customers	26,014	30,943	24,196	29,527
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	14,761	7,739	14,761	7,739
Other	1,574	1,171	788	310
	184,476	129,879	181,854	127,584
	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Liabilities, included within:				
Deposits from banks	163,005	144,502	163,002	144,502
Customer deposits	29,782	35,267	24,708	30,020
Derivative financial instruments	9,165	8,562	9,146	8,546
Subordinated liabilities	11,140	11,151	11,140	11,195
Debt securities in issue	535	1,559	535	458
Trading liabilities	8,479	6,690	8,479	6,690
Other liabilities	27	–	27	–
	222,133	207,731	217,037	201,411

Due to the size and volume of transactions passing through these accounts, it is neither practical nor meaningful to disclose information on gross inflows and outflows. During 2012 the Group earned £1,277 million and the Bank earned £1,434 million of interest income on the above asset balances (2011: £853 million for the Group and £1,196 million for the Bank); the Group incurred £2,356 million and the Bank incurred £3,269 million of interest expense on the above liability balances (2011: £2,296 million for the Group and £2,967 million for the Bank).

UK Government

In January 2009, the UK Government through HM Treasury became a related party of Lloyds Banking Group plc, the Bank's ultimate parent company, following its subscription for ordinary shares issued under a placing and open offer. As at 31 December 2012, HM Treasury held a 39.2 per cent (2011: 40.2 per cent) interest in Lloyds Banking Group plc's ordinary share capital and consequently HM Treasury remained a related party of the Bank during the year ended 31 December 2012.

From 1 January 2011, in accordance with IAS 24 (Revised), UK Government-controlled entities became related parties of the Group. The Group regards the Bank of England and entities controlled by the UK Government, including The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, Northern Rock (Asset Management) plc and Bradford & Bingley plc, as related parties.

Since 31 December 2011, the Group has had the following significant transactions with the UK Government or UK Government-related entities:

Government and central bank facilities

During the year ended 31 December 2012, the Lloyds Banking Group participated in a number of schemes operated by the UK Government, and central banks and made available to eligible banks and building societies.

Credit guarantee scheme

HM Treasury launched the Credit Guarantee Scheme in October 2008. The drawdown window for the Credit Guarantee Scheme closed for new issuance at the end of February 2010. At 31 December 2011, the Lloyds Banking Group had £23.5 billion of debt in issue under the Credit Guarantee Scheme but this was all repaid during 2012. During the year ended 31 December 2012, fees of £59 million paid to HM Treasury in respect of guaranteed funding were included in the Lloyds Banking Group's income statement (2011: £291 million).

National Loan Guarantee Scheme

The Lloyds Banking Group is participating in the UK Government's National Loan Guarantee Scheme, which was launched on 20 March 2012. Through the scheme, the Lloyds Banking Group is providing eligible UK businesses with discounted funding, subject to continuation of the scheme and its financial benefits, and based on the Lloyds Banking Group's existing lending criteria. Eligible businesses who take up the funding benefit from a 1 per cent discount on their funding rate for a certain period of time.

Business Growth Fund

In May 2011 the Lloyds Banking Group agreed, together with The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (and three other non-related parties), to commit up to £300 million of equity investment by subscribing for shares in the Business Growth Fund plc which is the company created to fulfil the role of the Business Growth Fund as set out in the British Bankers' Association's Business Taskforce Report of October 2010. As at 31 December 2012, the Lloyds Banking Group had invested £50 million (2011: £20 million) in the Business Growth Fund and carried the investment at a fair value of £44 million (2011: £16 million).

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42 Related party transactions (continued)*Big Society Capital*

In January 2012 the Lloyds Banking Group agreed, together with The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (and two other non-related parties), to commit up to £50 million each of equity investment into the Big Society Capital Fund. The Fund, which was created as part of the Project Merlin arrangements, is a UK social investment fund. The Fund was officially launched on 3 April 2012 and the Lloyds Banking Group invested £12 million in the Fund during 2012.

Funding for Lending

In August 2012 the Lloyds Banking Group announced its support for the UK Government's Funding for Lending Scheme and confirmed its intention to participate in the scheme. The Funding for Lending Scheme represents a further source of cost effective secured term funding available to the Lloyds Banking Group. The initiative supports customers, providing householders with more affordable housing finance and a broad range of UK-based businesses with cheaper finance to invest and grow. The Lloyds Banking Group drew down £3.0 billion during 2012.

Central bank facilities

In the ordinary course of business, the Lloyds Banking Group may from time to time access market-wide facilities provided by central banks.

Other government-related entities

Other than the transactions referred to above, there were no other significant transactions with the UK Government and UK Government-controlled entities (including UK Government-controlled banks) during the period that were not made in the ordinary course of business or that were unusual in their nature or conditions.

Other related party disclosures*Joint ventures and associates*

The Group provides both administration and processing services to its principal joint venture Sainsbury's Bank plc. The amounts receivable by the Group during the year were £32 million (2011: £21 million), of which £16 million was outstanding at the year end (2011: £10 million). At 31 December 2012, Sainsbury's Bank plc also had balances with the Group and the Bank that were included in loans and advances to banks of £1,229 million (2011: £1,173 million), deposits by banks of £1,268 million (2011: £780 million) and trading liabilities of £nil (2011: £340 million).

The Group has a number of associates held by its venture capital business that it accounts for at fair value through profit or loss. At 31 December 2012, these companies had total assets of approximately £6,309 million (2011: £7,330 million), total liabilities of approximately £6,151 million (2011: £6,528 million) and for the year ended 31 December 2012 had turnover of approximately £4,035 million (2011: £3,950 million) and made a net loss of approximately £535 million (2011: net loss of £86 million). In addition, the Group has provided £3,602 million (2011: £4,588 million) of financing to these companies on which it received £116 million (2011: £27 million) of interest income in the year.

Banking transactions are entered into by the Bank with its subsidiaries in the normal course of business and are at normal commercial terms. These include loans, deposits and foreign currency transactions.

At 31 December 2012 the Group had loans and advances to customers of £3,424 million (2011: £5,185 million), the Bank had loans and advances to customers of £3,410 million (2011: £5,168 million), and the Group and Bank had outstanding balances within customer accounts of £45 million (2011: £88 million) relating to joint ventures and associated undertakings.

Pension funds

During 2011, the Group sold at fair value certain non-government bonds, equities and alternative assets to Lloyds TSB Group Pension Scheme No 1 for £79 million and to Lloyds TSB Group Pension Scheme No 2 for £43 million.

Taxation

Group relief was surrendered for no payment as per note 12.

43 Contingent liabilities and commitments**Interchange fees**

On 24 May 2012, the General Court of the European Union upheld the European Commission's 2007 decision that an infringement of EU competition law had arisen from arrangements whereby MasterCard issuers charged a uniform fallback interchange fee (MIFs) in respect of cross border transactions in relation to the use of a MasterCard or Maestro branded payment card.

MasterCard has appealed the General Court's judgment to the Court of Justice of the European Union. MasterCard is supported by several card issuers, including Lloyds Banking Group. Judgment is not expected until late 2013 or later.

In parallel:

- the European Commission is also considering further action, including introducing legislation to regulate interchange fees, following its 2012 Green Paper (Towards an integrated European market for cards, internet and mobile payments) consultation;
- the European Commission is pursuing an investigation with a view to deciding whether arrangements adopted by VISA for the levying of the MIF in respect of cross-border credit card payment transactions also infringe European Union competition laws. In this regard VISA reached an agreement (which expires in 2014) with the European Commission to reduce the level of interchange fee for cross-border debit card transactions to the interim levels agreed by MasterCard; and
- the Office of Fair Trading (OFT) may decide to renew its ongoing examination of whether the levels of interchange fees paid by retailers in respect of MasterCard and VISA credit cards, debit cards and charge cards in the UK infringe competition law. The OFT had placed the investigation on hold pending the outcome of the MasterCard appeal to the General Court.

The ultimate impact of the investigations and any regulatory developments on the Lloyds Banking Group can only be known at the conclusion of these investigations and any relevant appeal proceedings and once regulatory proposals are more certain.

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43 Contingent liabilities and commitments (continued)**Interbank offered rate setting investigations**

A number of government agencies in the UK, US and elsewhere, including the UK Financial Services Authority, the US Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the US Securities and Exchange Commission, the US Department of Justice and a number of State Attorneys General, as well as the European Commission, are conducting investigations into submissions made by panel members to the bodies that set various interbank offered rates including the BBA London Interbank Offered Rates (LIBOR) and the European Banking Federation's Euribor. Certain Lloyds Banking Group companies were (at the relevant times) and remain members of various panels whose members make submissions to these bodies including the BBA LIBOR panels. No Lloyds Banking Group company is or was a member of the Euribor panel. Certain Lloyds Banking Group companies have received subpoenas and requests for information from certain government agencies and the Lloyds Banking Group is co-operating with their investigations. In addition certain Lloyds Banking Group companies, together with other panel banks, have been named as defendants in private lawsuits, including purported class action suits in the US with regard to the setting of LIBOR. It is currently not possible to predict the scope and ultimate outcome of the various regulatory investigations or private lawsuits, including the timing and scale of the potential impact of any investigations and private lawsuits on the Lloyds Banking Group.

Financial Services Compensation Scheme

The Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) is the UK's independent statutory compensation fund for customers of authorised financial services firms and pays compensation if a firm is unable to pay claims against it. The FSCS is funded by levies on the industry (and recoveries and borrowings where appropriate). The levies raised comprise both management expenses levies and, where necessary, compensation levies on authorised firms.

Following the default of a number of deposit takers in 2008, the FSCS borrowed funds from HM Treasury to meet the compensation costs for customers of those firms. The interest rate on the borrowings with HM Treasury, which total circa £20 billion, increased from 12 month LIBOR plus 30 basis points to 12 month LIBOR plus 100 basis points on 1 April 2012. Each deposit-taking institution contributes towards the FSCS levies in proportion to their share of total protected deposits on 31 December of the year preceding the scheme year, which runs from 1 April to 31 March.

In determining an appropriate accrual in respect of the management expenses levy, certain assumptions have been made including the proportion of total protected deposits held by the Lloyds Banking Group, the level and timing of repayments to be made by the FSCS to HM Treasury and the interest rate to be charged by HM Treasury. For the year ended 31 December 2012, the Group has charged £53 million (2011: £81 million) to the income statement in respect of the management expenses levy.

The substantial majority of the principal balance of the £20 billion loan between the FSCS and HM Treasury will be repaid from funds the FSCS receives from asset sales, surplus cash flow or other recoveries in relation to the assets of the firms that defaulted. In March 2012, the FSCS confirmed that it expects a shortfall of approximately £802 million and that it expects to recover that amount by raising compensation levies on all deposit-taking participants over a three year period. In addition to the management expenses levy detailed above, the Group has also charged £51 million (2011: £nil) to the income statement in respect of compensation levies. The amount of future compensation levies payable by the Group depends on a number of factors including participation in the market at 31 December, the level of protected deposits and the population of deposit-taking participants.

FSA investigation into Bank of Scotland and report on HBOS

In 2009, the FSA commenced a supervisory review into HBOS. The supervisory review was superseded when the FSA commenced an enforcement investigation into the Bank in relation to its Corporate division between 2006 and 2008. These proceedings have now concluded. The FSA published its Final Notice on 9 March 2012. No financial penalty was imposed on the Group or Bank of Scotland plc. The FSA has committed to producing a public interest report on HBOS. The FSA has indicated that the report is expected to be published in the summer.

Shareholder complaints

In November 2011 the Lloyds Banking Group and two former members of the Lloyds Banking Group's Board of Directors were named as defendants in a purported securities class action filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The complaint asserted claims under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in connection with alleged material omissions from statements made in 2008 in connection with the acquisition of HBOS. No quantum is specified. In October 2012 the court dismissed the complaint. An appeal against this decision has been filed. The Lloyds Banking Group continues to consider that the allegations are without merit.

Other legal actions and regulatory matters

In addition, during the ordinary course of business the Lloyds Banking Group is subject to other threatened and actual legal proceedings (which may include class action lawsuits brought on behalf of customers, shareholders or other third parties), regulatory investigations, regulatory challenges and enforcement actions, both in the UK and overseas. All such material matters are periodically reassessed, with the assistance of external professional advisers where appropriate, to determine the likelihood of the Lloyds Banking Group incurring a liability. In those instances where it is concluded that it is more likely than not that a payment will be made, a provision is established to management's best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the relevant balance sheet date. In some cases it will not be possible to form a view, either because the facts are unclear or because further time is needed properly to assess the merits of the case and no provisions are held against such matters. However the Lloyds Banking Group does not currently expect the final outcome of any such case to have a material adverse effect on its financial position, operations or cash flows.

Contingent liabilities and commitments arising from the banking business

Acceptances and endorsements arise where the Group agrees to guarantee payment on a negotiable instrument drawn up by a customer.

Other items serving as direct credit substitutes include standby letters of credit, or other irrevocable obligations, where the Group has an irrevocable obligation to pay a third party beneficiary if the customer fails to repay an outstanding commitment; they also include acceptances drawn under letters of credit or similar facilities where the acceptor does not have specific title to an identifiable underlying shipment of goods.

Performance bonds and other transaction-related contingencies (which include bid or tender bonds, advance payment guarantees, VAT Customs & Excise bonds and standby letters of credit relating to a particular contract or non-financial transaction) are undertakings where the requirement to make payment under the guarantee depends on the outcome of a future event.

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43 Contingent liabilities and commitments (continued)

The Group's maximum exposure to loss is represented by the contractual nominal amount detailed in the table below. Consideration has not been taken of any possible recoveries from customers for payments made in respect of such guarantees under recourse provisions or from collateral held.

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Contingent liabilities				
Acceptances and endorsements	2	3	2	3
Other:				
Other items serving as direct credit substitutes	28	110	28	110
Performance bonds and other transaction-related contingencies	565	674	340	616
	593	784	368	726
Total contingent liabilities	595	787	370	729

The contingent liabilities of the Group, as detailed above, arise in the normal course of its banking business and it is not practicable to quantify their future financial effect.

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Commitments				
Documentary credits and other short-term trade-related transactions	4	8	4	8
Undrawn formal standby facilities, credit lines and other commitments to lend:				
Less than 1 year original maturity:				
Mortgage offers made	6,346	6,311	6,346	6,311
Other commitments	20,828	22,851	20,230	21,130
	27,174	29,162	26,576	27,441
1 year or over original maturity	7,664	16,442	6,993	12,226
Total commitments	34,842	45,612	33,573	39,675

Of the amounts shown above in respect of undrawn formal standby facilities, credit lines and other commitments to lend, £12,922 million (2011: £15,087 million) for the Group and £11,889 million (2011: £13,498 million) for the Bank were irrevocable.

Operating lease commitments

Where a Group company is the lessee the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable premises operating leases are as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Not later than 1 year	131	139	123	129
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	445	475	426	457
Later than 5 years	673	783	670	776
Total operating lease commitments	1,249	1,397	1,219	1,362

Operating lease payments represent rental payable by the Group for certain of its properties. Some of these operating lease arrangements have renewal options and rent escalation clauses, although the effect of these is not material. No arrangements have been entered into for contingent rental payments.

Capital commitments

Excluding commitments of the Group in respect of investment property (note 22), there was no capital expenditure contracted but not provided for at 31 December 2012 (2011: £nil).

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44 Financial instruments**(1) Measurement basis of financial assets and liabilities**

The accounting policies in note 2 describe how different classes of financial instruments are measured, and how income and expenses, including fair value gains and losses, are recognised. The following table analyses the carrying amounts of the financial assets and liabilities by category and by balance sheet heading.

The Group	Derivatives designated as hedging instruments £m	At fair value through profit or loss		Available- for-sale £m	Loans and receivables £m	Held at amortised cost £m	Total £m
		Held for trading £m	Designated upon initial recognition £m				
At 31 December 2012							
Financial assets							
Cash and balances at central banks	–	–	–	–	–	6,084	6,084
Items in the course of collection from banks	–	–	–	–	–	416	416
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	32,201	384	–	–	–	32,585
Derivative financial instruments	9,925	25,938	–	–	–	–	35,863
Loans and receivables:							
Loans and advances to banks	–	–	–	–	138,207	–	138,207
Loans and advances to customers	–	–	–	–	329,636	–	329,636
Debt securities	–	–	–	–	4,600	–	4,600
	–	–	–	–	427,443	–	427,443
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	–	–	3,572	–	–	3,572
Total financial assets	9,925	58,139	384	3,572	427,443	6,500	505,963
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	–	–	–	–	–	170,118	170,118
Customer deposits	–	–	–	–	–	235,051	235,051
Items in course of transmission to banks	–	–	–	–	–	518	518
Trading liabilities	–	33,610	–	–	–	–	33,610
Derivative financial instruments	5,453	27,819	–	–	–	–	33,272
Notes in circulation	–	–	–	–	–	1,198	1,198
Debt securities in issue	–	–	–	–	–	49,508	49,508
Financial guarantees	–	–	14	–	–	–	14
Subordinated liabilities	–	–	–	–	–	14,404	14,404
Total financial liabilities	5,453	61,429	14	–	–	470,797	537,693

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44 Financial instruments (continued)

The Group	Derivatives designated as hedging instruments £m	At fair value through profit or loss		Available- for-sale £m	Loans and receivables £m	Held at amortised cost £m	Total £m
		Held for trading £m	Designated upon initial recognition £m				
At 31 December 2011							
Financial assets							
Cash and balances at central banks	–	–	–	–	–	3,070	3,070
Items in the course of collection from banks	–	–	–	–	–	431	431
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	21,840	475	–	–	–	22,315
Derivative financial instruments	9,617	26,666	–	–	–	–	36,283
Loans and receivables:							
Loans and advances to banks	–	–	–	–	89,490	–	89,490
Loans and advances to customers	–	–	–	–	376,355	–	376,355
Debt securities	–	–	–	–	11,886	–	11,886
	–	–	–	–	477,731	–	477,731
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	–	–	8,288	–	–	8,288
Total financial assets	9,617	48,506	475	8,288	477,731	3,501	548,118
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	–	–	–	–	–	150,070	150,070
Customer deposits	–	–	–	–	–	235,855	235,855
Items in course of transmission to banks	–	–	–	–	–	332	332
Trading liabilities	–	20,805	–	–	–	–	20,805
Derivative financial instruments	8,568	26,694	–	–	–	–	35,262
Notes in circulation	–	–	–	–	–	1,145	1,145
Debt securities in issue	–	–	–	–	–	75,449	75,449
Financial guarantees	–	–	17	–	–	–	17
Subordinated liabilities	–	–	–	–	–	15,155	15,155
Total financial liabilities	8,568	47,499	17	–	–	478,006	534,090

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44 Financial instruments (continued)

	Derivatives designated as hedging instruments £m	At fair value through profit or loss		Available- for-sale £m	Loans and receivables £m	Held at amortised cost £m	Total £m
		Held for trading £m	Designated upon initial recognition £m				
The Bank							
At 31 December 2012							
Financial assets							
Cash and balances at central banks	–	–	–	–	–	6,084	6,084
Items in the course of collection from banks	–	–	–	–	–	416	416
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	32,201	58	–	–	–	32,259
Derivative financial instruments	9,924	25,607	–	–	–	–	35,531
Loans and receivables:							
Loans and advances to banks	–	–	–	–	138,024	–	138,024
Loans and advances to customers	–	–	–	–	332,735	–	332,735
Debt securities	–	–	–	–	9,476	–	9,476
	–	–	–	–	480,235	–	480,235
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	–	–	3,074	–	–	3,074
Total financial assets	9,924	57,808	58	3,074	480,235	6,500	557,599
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	–	–	–	–	–	169,986	169,986
Customer deposits	–	–	–	–	–	251,670	251,670
Items in course of transmission to banks	–	–	–	–	–	518	518
Trading liabilities	–	33,610	–	–	–	–	33,610
Derivative financial instruments	5,453	27,290	–	–	–	–	32,743
Notes in circulation	–	–	–	–	–	1,198	1,198
Debt securities in issue	–	–	–	–	–	42,885	42,885
Financial guarantees	–	–	14	–	–	–	14
Subordinated liabilities	–	–	–	–	–	13,848	13,848
Total financial liabilities	5,453	60,900	14	–	–	480,105	546,472

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44 Financial instruments (continued)

	Derivatives designated as hedging instruments £m	At fair value through profit or loss		Available- for-sale £m	Loans and receivables £m	Held at amortised cost £m	Total £m
		Held for trading £m	Designated upon initial recognition £m				
At 31 December 2011							
Financial assets							
Cash and balances at central banks	–	–	–	–	–	3,065	3,065
Items in the course of collection from banks	–	–	–	–	–	431	431
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	21,840	164	–	–	–	22,004
Derivative financial instruments	9,619	26,201	–	–	–	–	35,820
Loans and receivables:						–	
Loans and advances to banks	–	–	–	–	89,270	–	89,270
Loans and advances to customers	–	–	–	–	386,184	–	386,184
Debt securities	–	–	–	–	15,407	–	15,407
	–	–	–	–	490,861	–	490,861
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	–	–	6,896	–	–	6,896
Total financial assets	9,619	48,041	164	6,896	490,861	3,496	559,077
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	–	–	–	–	–	149,608	149,608
Customer deposits	–	–	–	–	–	260,232	260,232
Items in course of transmission to banks	–	–	–	–	–	330	330
Trading liabilities	–	20,805	–	–	–	–	20,805
Derivative financial instruments	8,569	26,357	–	–	–	–	34,926
Notes in circulation	–	–	–	–	–	1,145	1,145
Debt securities in issue	–	–	–	–	–	63,178	63,178
Financial guarantees	–	–	17	–	–	–	17
Subordinated liabilities	–	–	–	–	–	14,572	14,572
Total financial liabilities	8,569	47,162	17	–	–	489,065	544,813

(2) Reclassification of financial assets

No assets were reclassified in 2012 or 2011.

In accordance with the amendment to IAS 39 that became applicable during 2008, the Group reviewed the categorisation of its financial assets classified as held for trading and available-for-sale. On the basis that there was no longer an active market for some of those assets, which are therefore more appropriately managed as loans, the Group reclassified the following financial assets:

- In January 2009, the Group reclassified £1,825 million of debt securities classified as held for trading to debt securities classified as loans and receivables.
- In addition, the Group reclassified £649 million of securities classified as available-for-sale to debt securities classified as loans and receivables.
- With effect from 1 July 2008, the Group transferred £12,210 million of assets previously classified as held for trading into available-for-sale.
- With effect from 1 November 2008, the Group transferred £35,446 million of assets previously classified as available-for-sale financial assets into loans and receivables.

At the time of these transfers, the Group had the intention and ability to hold them for the foreseeable future or until maturity. As at the date of reclassification, the weighted average effective interest rate of the assets transferred was 0.7 per cent to 9.5 per cent with estimated recoverable cash flows of £56,743 million.

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44 Financial instruments (continued)

Carrying value and fair value of reclassified assets

The table below sets out the carrying value and fair value of reclassified financial assets.

	31 December 2012		31 December 2011		31 December 2010		31 December 2009		31 December 2008	
	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m
From held for trading to loans and receivables	–	–	269	254	949	965	1,428	1,120	–	–
From held for trading to available-for-sale	867	1,104	1,980	1,890	6,116	6,431	10,478	10,176	13,542	13,542
From available-for-sale to loans and receivables	3,573	3,914	10,052	9,258	21,508	21,522	29,153	27,820	37,173	36,191
Total carrying value and fair value	4,440	5,018	12,301	11,402	28,573	28,918	41,059	39,116	50,715	49,733

During the year ended 31 December 2012, the carrying value of reclassified assets decreased by £7,861 million due to sales and maturities of £7,732 million, foreign exchange and other movements of £221 million, less accretion of discount of £92 million.

No financial assets have been reclassified in accordance with the amendment to IAS 39 since 2009; the following disclosures relate to those assets which were reclassified in 2008 and 2009.

a) Additional fair value gains (losses) that would have been recognised had the reclassifications not occurred

The table below shows the additional gains (losses) that would have been recognised since the date of reclassification in the Group's income statement or through the Group's available-for-sale revaluation reserve if the reclassifications had not occurred.

For assets reclassified in 2009

	2012 £m	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m
From held for trading to loans and receivables	7	11	14	13
From available-for-sale financial assets to loans and receivables	–	–	–	70
Total additional fair value gains	7	11	14	83

For assets reclassified in 2008

	2012 £m	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m	2008 £m
From held for trading to available-for-sale financial assets	285	26	136	904	981
From available-for-sale financial assets to loans and receivables	724	130	(134)	1,147	708
Total additional fair value gains	1,009	156	2	2,051	1,689

b) Actual amounts recognised in respect of reclassified assets

After reclassification the reclassified financial assets contributed the following amounts to the Group income statement:

For assets reclassified from held for trading to loans and receivables in 2009

	2012 £m	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m
Net interest income	3	16	23	45
Impairment losses	(2)	(13)	–	(110)
(Losses) gains on disposal	(10)	32	109	17
Total additional fair value (losses) gains	(9)	35	132	(48)

For assets reclassified from held for trading to available-for-sale financial assets in 2008

	2012 £m	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m	2008 £m
Net interest income	13	141	184	281	442
Impairment losses	–	(8)	1	(305)	(215)
(Losses) gains on disposal	(91)	(26)	95	70	–
Total additional fair value (losses) gains	(78)	107	280	46	227

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For assets reclassified from available-for-sale financial assets to loans and receivables in 2009

	2012 £m	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m
Net interest income	–	–	14	25
(Losses) gains on disposal	–	–	(9)	–
Total additional fair value gains	–	–	5	25

For assets reclassified from available-for-sale financial assets to loans and receivables in 2008

	2012 £m	2011 £m	2010 £m	2009 £m	2008 £m
Net interest income	31	213	443	377	82
Impairment losses	(25)	(6)	(33)	(371)	(558)
(Losses) gains on disposal	(439)	(323)	(128)	(152)	16
Total additional fair value (losses) gains	(433)	(116)	282	(146)	(460)

(3) Fair values of financial assets and liabilities

The following table summarises the carrying values of financial assets and liabilities presented on the Group's and Bank's balance sheets. The fair values presented in the table are at a specific date and may be significantly different from the amounts which will actually be paid or received on the maturity or settlement date.

	The Group				The Bank			
	2012		2011		2012		2011	
	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m
Financial assets								
Cash and balances at central banks	6,084	6,084	3,070	3,070	6,084	6,084	3,065	3,065
Items in the course of collection from banks	416	416	431	431	416	416	431	431
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	32,585	32,585	22,315	22,315	32,259	32,259	22,004	22,004
Derivative financial instruments	35,863	35,863	36,283	36,283	35,531	35,531	35,820	35,820
Loans and receivables:								
Loans and advances to banks	138,207	138,208	89,490	89,452	138,024	138,024	89,270	89,232
Loans and advances to customers	329,636	320,236	376,335	363,375	332,735	323,699	386,184	373,183
Debt securities	4,600	4,784	11,886	10,089	9,476	9,057	15,407	14,113
Available-for-sale financial assets	3,572	3,572	8,288	8,288	4,076	4,076	6,896	6,896
Financial liabilities								
Deposits from banks	170,118	170,192	150,070	150,168	169,986	170,059	149,608	149,706
Customer deposits	235,051	236,641	235,855	236,667	251,670	253,261	260,232	261,043
Items in course of transmission to banks	518	518	332	332	518	518	330	330
Trading liabilities	33,610	33,610	20,805	20,805	33,610	33,610	20,805	20,805
Derivative financial instruments	33,272	33,272	35,262	35,262	33,743	33,743	34,926	34,926
Notes in circulation	1,198	1,198	1,145	1,145	1,198	1,198	1,145	1,145
Debt securities in issue	49,508	50,015	75,449	73,159	42,885	43,102	63,178	61,358
Financial guarantees	14	14	17	17	14	14	17	17
Subordinated liabilities	14,404	13,359	15,155	13,462	13,848	12,798	14,572	13,028

Valuation methodology

Financial instruments include financial assets, financial liabilities and derivatives. The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

Wherever possible, fair values have been estimated using market prices for instruments held by the Group. Where market prices are not available, or are unreliable because of poor liquidity, fair values have been determined using valuation techniques which, to the extent possible, use market observable inputs. Valuation techniques used include discounted cash flow analysis and pricing models and, where appropriate, comparison to instruments with characteristics either identical or similar to those of the instruments held by the Group. These estimation techniques are necessarily subjective in nature and involve several assumptions.

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Fair value information is not provided for items that do not meet the definition of a financial instrument. These items include intangible assets, premises, equipment and shareholders' equity. These items are material and accordingly the Group believes that the fair value information presented does not represent the underlying value of the Group.

Fair value of financial instruments carried at amortised cost

Cash and balances at central banks and items in the course of collection from banks

The fair value approximates carrying value due to their short-term nature.

Loans and receivables

The Group provides loans and advances to commercial, corporate and personal customers at both fixed and variable rates. The carrying value of variable rate loans, loans relating to lease financing and impaired lending is assumed to be fair value. For fixed rate lending, several different techniques are used to estimate fair value, as considered appropriate. These techniques take account of expected credit losses and changes in interest rates and expected future cash flows in establishing fair value. For commercial and personal customers, fair value is principally estimated by discounting anticipated cash flows (including interest at contractual rates) at market rates for similar loans offered by the Group and other financial institutions. The fair value for corporate loans is estimated by discounting anticipated cash flows at a rate which reflects the effects of interest rate changes, adjusted for changes in the counterparty's credit risk. Certain loans secured on residential properties are made at a fixed rate for a limited period, typically two to five years, after which the loans revert to the relevant variable rate. The fair value of such loans is estimated by reference to the market rates for similar loans of maturity equal to the remaining fixed interest rate period. The fair values of asset-backed securities and secondary loans, which were previously within assets held for trading and were reclassified to loans and receivables, are determined predominantly from lead manager quotes and, where these are not available, by alternative techniques including reference to credit spreads on similar assets with the same obligor, market-standard consensus pricing services, broker quotes and other research data.

Deposits from banks and customer deposits

The fair value of deposits repayable on demand is considered to be equal to their carrying value. The fair value for all other deposits is estimated using discounted cash flows applying either market rates, where applicable, or current rates for deposits of similar remaining maturities. The difference between fair value and carrying value is principally interest rate driven on fixed deposits.

Items in course of transmission to banks

The fair value approximates carrying value due to their short-term nature.

Notes in circulation

The fair value of notes in circulation which are payable on demand is considered to be equal to their carrying value.

Debt securities in issue and subordinated liabilities

The fair value of short-term debt securities in issue is approximately equal to their carrying value. Fair value for other debt securities and for subordinated liabilities is estimated using quoted market prices. The difference between fair value and amortised cost is driven both by interest rates and the Group's credit rating.

Valuation of financial instruments carried at fair value

The valuations of financial instruments have been classified into three levels according to the quality and reliability of information used to determine the fair values.

Level 1 portfolios

Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Products classified as level 1 predominantly comprise equity shares, treasury bills and other government securities.

Level 2 portfolios

Level 2 valuations are those where quoted market prices are not available, for example where the instrument is traded in a market that is not considered to be active or valuation techniques are used to determine fair value and where these techniques use inputs that are based significantly on observable market data. Examples of such financial instruments include most over-the-counter derivatives, financial institution issued securities, certificates of deposit and certain asset-backed securities.

Level 3 portfolios

Level 3 portfolios are those where at least one input which could have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation is not based on observable market data. Such instruments would include the Group's venture capital and unlisted equity investments which are valued using various valuation techniques that require significant management judgement in determining appropriate assumptions, including earnings multiples and estimated future cash flows. Certain of the Group's asset-backed securities and derivatives, principally where there is no trading activity in such securities, are also classified as level 3.

Valuation control framework

The key elements of the control framework for the valuation of financial instruments include model validation, product implementation review and independent price verification. These functions are carried out by appropriately skilled risk and finance teams, independent of the business area responsible for the products.

Model validation covers both qualitative and quantitative elements relating to new models. In respect of new products, a product implementation review is conducted pre- and post-trading. Pre-trade testing ensures that the new model is integrated into the Group's systems and that the profit and loss and risk reporting are consistent throughout the trade life cycle. Post-trade testing examines the explanatory power of the implemented model, actively monitoring model parameters and comparing in-house pricing to external sources. Independent price verification procedures cover financial instruments carried at fair value. The frequency of the review is matched to the availability of independent data, monthly being the minimum. Valuation differences in breach of established thresholds are escalated to senior management. The results from independent pricing and valuation reserves are reviewed monthly by senior management.

Formal committees, consisting of senior risk, finance and business management, meet at least quarterly to discuss and approve valuations in more judgemental areas, in particular for unquoted equities, structured credit, over-the-counter options and the Credit Valuation Adjustment (CVA) reserve.

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The table below provides an analysis of the financial assets and liabilities of the Group that are carried at fair value in the Group's consolidated balance sheet, grouped into levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable.

Valuation hierarchy

The Group At 31 December 2012	Level 1 £m	Level 2 £m	Level 3 £m	Total £m
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Loans and advances to customers	–	28,372	–	28,372
Loans and advances to banks	–	729	–	729
Debt securities:				
Government securities	184	–	–	184
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	2,239	–	2,239
Asset-backed securities:				
Other asset-backed securities	–	4	–	4
Corporate and other debt securities	–	411	14	425
	184	2,654	14	2,852
Equity shares	198	–	149	347
Treasury and other bills	285	–	–	285
Total trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	667	31,755	163	32,585
Available-for-sale financial assets				
Debt securities:				
Government securities	27	–	–	27
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	25	–	25
Asset-backed securities:				
Mortgage-backed securities	–	882	–	882
Other asset-backed securities	–	285	21	306
Corporate and other debt securities	22	1,841	–	1,863
	49	3,033	21	3,103
Equity shares	16	46	407	469
Total available-for-sale financial assets	65	3,079	428	3,572
Derivative financial instruments	–	35,691	172	35,863
Total financial assets carried at fair value	732	70,525	763	72,020
Trading liabilities				
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	–	32,449	–	32,449
Short positions in securities	1,146	–	–	1,146
Other	15	–	–	15
Total trading liabilities	1,161	32,449	–	33,610
Derivative financial instruments	–	33,218	54	33,272
Financial guarantees	–	–	14	14
Total financial liabilities carried at fair value	1,161	65,667	68	66,896

There were no significant transfers between level 1 and level 2 during the year.

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The Group	Level 1 £m	Level 2 £m	Level 3 £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2011				
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Loans and advances to customers	–	17,435	–	17,435
Loans and advances to banks	–	1,355	–	1,355
Debt securities:				
Government securities	992	–	–	992
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	1,384	–	1,384
Asset-backed securities:				
Other asset-backed securities	–	–	203	203
Corporate and other debt securities	–	397	39	436
	992	1,781	242	3,015
Equity shares	94	2	190	286
Treasury and other bills	224	–	–	224
Total trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,310	20,573	432	22,315
Available-for-sale financial assets				
Debt securities:				
Government securities	75	–	–	75
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	32	–	32
Asset-backed securities:				
Mortgage-backed securities	–	789	–	789
Other asset-backed securities	–	57	26	83
Corporate and other debt securities	23	5,394	12	5,429
	98	6,272	38	6,408
Equity shares	51	42	1,787	1,880
Total available-for-sale financial assets	149	6,314	1,825	8,288
Derivative financial instruments	–	35,932	351	36,283
Total financial assets carried at fair value	1,459	62,819	2,608	66,886
Trading liabilities				
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	–	19,069	–	19,069
Short positions in securities	1,736	–	–	1,736
Total trading liabilities	1,736	19,069	–	20,805
Derivative financial instruments	–	35,231	31	35,262
Financial guarantees	–	–	17	17
Total financial liabilities carried at fair value	1,736	54,300	48	56,084

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44 Financial instruments (continued)

The Bank At 31 December 2012	Level 1 Valuation £m	Level 2 Valuation £m	Level 3 Valuation £m	Total £m
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Loans and advances to customers	–	28,372	–	28,372
Loans and advances to banks	–	729	–	729
Debt securities:				
Government securities	184	–	–	184
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	2,239	–	2,239
Asset-backed securities:				
Other asset-backed securities	–	4	–	4
Corporate and other debt securities	–	410	11	421
	184	2,653	11	2,848
Equity shares	12	–	13	25
Treasury and other bills	285	–	–	285
Total trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	481	31,754	24	32,259
Available-for-sale financial assets				
Debt securities:				
Government securities	27	–	–	27
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	25	–	25
Asset-backed securities:				
Mortgage-backed securities	–	781	–	781
Other asset-backed securities	–	244	21	265
Corporate and other debt securities	22	1,906	–	1,928
	49	2,956	21	3,026
Equity shares	1	35	12	48
Total available-for-sale financial assets	50	2,991	33	3,074
Derivative financial instruments	–	35,363	168	35,531
Total financial assets carried at fair value	531	70,108	225	70,864
Trading liabilities				
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	–	32,449	–	32,449
Short positions in securities	1,146	–	–	1,146
Other	15	–	–	15
Total trading liabilities	1,161	32,449	–	33,610
Derivative financial instruments	–	32,705	38	32,743
Financial guarantees	–	–	14	14
Total financial liabilities carried at fair value	1,161	65,154	52	66,367

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44 Financial instruments (continued)

The Bank	Level 1 Valuation £m	Level 2 Valuation £m	Level 3 Valuation £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2011				
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Loans and advances to customers	–	17,435	–	17,435
Loans and advances to banks	–	1,355	–	1,355
Debt securities:				
Government securities	992	–	–	992
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	1,384	–	1,384
Asset-backed securities:				
Other asset-backed securities	–	–	203	203
Corporate and other debt securities	–	301	34	335
	992	1,685	237	2,914
Equity shares	24	–	52	76
Treasury and other bills	224	–	–	224
Total trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,240	20,475	289	22,004
Available-for-sale financial assets				
Debt securities:				
Government securities	75	–	–	75
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	32	–	32
Asset-backed securities:				
Other asset-backed securities	–	275	26	301
Corporate and other debt securities	23	5,395	17	5,435
	98	5,702	43	5,843
Equity shares	1,004	24	25	1,053
Total available-for-sale financial assets	1,102	5,726	68	6,896
Derivative financial instruments	–	35,469	351	35,820
Total financial assets carried at fair value	2,342	61,670	708	64,720
Trading liabilities				
Liabilities in respect of securities sold under repurchase agreements	–	19,089	–	19,089
Short positions in securities	1,736	–	–	1,736
Total trading liabilities	1,736	19,089	–	20,825
Derivative financial instruments	–	34,895	31	34,926
Financial guarantees	–	–	17	17
Total financial liabilities carried at fair value	1,736	53,984	48	55,768

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Valuation methodology

Asset-backed securities

Where there is no trading activity in asset-backed securities, valuation models, consensus pricing information from third party pricing services and broker or lead manager quotes are used to determine an appropriate valuation. Asset-backed securities are then classified as either level 2 or level 3 depending on whether there is more than one consistent independent source of data. If there is a single, uncorroborated market source for a significant valuation input or where there are materially inconsistent levels then the security is reported as level 3. Asset classes classified as level 3 mainly comprise certain collateralised loan obligations and collateralised debt obligations.

Equity investments (including venture capital)

Unlisted equities and fund investments are accounted for as trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss or as available-for-sale financial assets. These investments are valued using different techniques as a result of the variety of investments across the portfolio in accordance with the Group's valuation policy and are calculated using International Private Equity and Venture Capital Guidelines.

Depending on the business sector and the circumstances of the investment, unlisted equity valuations are based on earnings multiples, net asset values or discounted cash flows.

- A number of earnings multiples are used in valuing the portfolio including price earnings, earnings before interest and tax and earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation. The particular multiple selected being appropriate for the type of business being valued and is derived by reference to the current market-based multiple. Consideration is given to the risk attributes, growth prospects and financial gearing of comparable businesses when selecting an appropriate multiple.
- Discounted cash flow valuations use estimated future cash flows, usually based on management forecasts, with the application of appropriate exit yields or terminal multiples and discounted using rates appropriate to the specific investment, business sector or recent economic rates of return. Recent transactions involving the sale of similar businesses may sometimes be used as a frame of reference in deriving an appropriate multiple.
- For fund investments the most recent capital account value calculated by the fund manager is used as the basis for the valuation and adjusted, if necessary, to align valuation techniques with the Group's valuation policy.

Derivatives

Where the Group's derivative assets and liabilities are not traded on an exchange, they are valued using valuation techniques, including discounted cash flow and options pricing models, as appropriate. The types of derivatives classified as level 2 and the valuation techniques used include:

- Interest rate swaps which are valued using discounted cash flow models; the most significant inputs into those models are interest rate yield curves which are developed from publicly quoted rates.
- Foreign exchange derivatives that do not contain options which are priced using rates available from publicly quoted sources.
- Credit derivatives are valued using standard models with observable inputs, except for the items classified as level 3, which are valued using publicly available yield and credit default swap (CDS) curves.
- Less complex interest rate and foreign exchange option products which are valued using volatility surfaces developed from publicly available interest rate cap, interest rate swaption and other option volatilities; option volatility skew information is derived from a market standard consensus pricing service. For more complex option products, the Group calibrates its models using observable at-the-money data; where necessary, the Group adjusts for out-of-the-money positions using a market standard consensus pricing service.

Complex interest rate and foreign exchange products where there is significant dispersion of consensus pricing or where implied funding costs are material and unobservable are classified as level 3.

Where credit protection, usually in the form of credit default swaps, has been purchased or written on asset-backed securities, the security is referred to as a negative basis asset-backed security and the resulting derivative assets or liabilities have been classified as either level 2 or level 3 according to the classification of the underlying asset-backed security.

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Movement in level 3 portfolio

The table below analyses movements in the level 3 financial assets portfolio:

The Group	Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Available-for-sale £m	Derivative assets £m	Total financial assets £m
At 1 January 2011	584	2,066	265	2,915
Exchange and other adjustments	(6)	(38)	–	(44)
Gains recognised in the income statement	34	78	39	151
Losses recognised in other comprehensive income	–	(163)	–	(163)
Purchases	6	341	–	347
Sales	(389)	(474)	–	(863)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	331	28	47	406
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	(128)	(13)	–	(141)
At 31 December 2011	432	1,825	351	2,608
Exchange and other adjustments	9	(60)	–	(51)
Gains (losses) recognised in the income statement	5	(356)	(169)	(520)
Losses recognised in other comprehensive income	–	(60)	–	(60)
Purchases	22	218	–	240
Sales	(305)	(1,138)	(10)	(1,453)
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	–	(1)	–	(1)
At 31 December 2012	163	428	172	763
Losses recognised in the income statement relating to those assets held at 31 December 2012	(16)	(33)	(169)	(218)
Losses recognised in other comprehensive income relating to those assets held at 31 December 2012	–	(26)	–	(26)
Gains recognised in the income statement relating to those assets held at 31 December 2011	23	31	74	128
Losses recognised in other comprehensive income relating to those assets held at 31 December 2011	–	(147)	–	(147)

The table below analyses movements in the level 3 financial liabilities portfolio:

	Derivative liabilities £m	Financial guarantees £m	Total financial liabilities £m
At 1 January 2011	34	12	46
Losses recognised in the income statement	3	5	8
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	14	–	14
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	(20)	–	(20)
At 31 December 2011	31	17	48
Losses (gains) recognised in the income statement	22	(3)	19
Redemptions	(15)	–	(15)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	16	–	16
At 31 December 2012	54	14	68
(Losses) gains recognised in the income statement relating to those liabilities held at 31 December 2012	(22)	3	(19)
Losses recognised in the income statement relating to those liabilities held at 31 December 2011	(1)	(5)	(6)

Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio arise when inputs that could have a significant impact on the instrument's valuation become market observable after previously having been non-market observable. In the case of asset-backed securities this can arise if more than one consistent independent source of data becomes available. Conversely transfers into the portfolio arise when consistent sources of data cease to be available.

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Included within the gains (losses) recognised in the income statement are losses of £237 million (2011: gains of £122 million) related to financial instruments that are held in the level 3 portfolio at the year end. These amounts are included in other operating income.

Included within the gains (losses) recognised in other comprehensive income are losses of £26 million (2011: losses of £147 million) related to financial instruments that are held in the level 3 portfolio at the year end.

Movement in level 3 portfolio

The table below analyses movements in the level 3 financial assets portfolio:

	Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Available- for-sale £m	Derivative assets £m	Total financial assets £m
The Bank				
At 1 January 2011	291	40	265	596
Exchange and other adjustments	(5)	(1)	–	(6)
Gains (losses) recognised in the income statement	14	(6)	39	47
Gains recognised in other comprehensive income	–	1	–	1
Purchases	1	–	–	1
Sales	(201)	(3)	–	(204)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	189	37	47	273
At 31 December 2011	289	68	351	708
Exchange and other adjustments	10	(12)	–	(2)
Losses recognised in the income statement	(18)	(6)	(173)	(197)
Gains recognised in other comprehensive income	–	6	–	6
Purchases	5	–	–	5
Sales	(262)	(22)	(10)	(294)
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	–	(1)	–	(1)
At 31 December 2012	24	33	168	225
Losses recognised in the income statement relating to those assets held at 31 December 2012	(32)	–	(173)	(205)
Gains (losses) recognised in other comprehensive income relating to those assets held at 31 December 2012	–	–	–	–
Gains recognised in the income statement relating to those assets held at 31 December 2011	14	–	74	88
Losses recognised in other comprehensive income relating to those assets held at 31 December 2011	–	(2)	–	(2)

The table below analyses movements in the level 3 financial liabilities portfolio:

	Derivative liabilities £m	Financial guarantees £m	Total financial liabilities £m
At 1 January 2011	34	12	46
Losses recognised in the income statement	3	5	8
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	14	–	14
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	(20)	–	(20)
At 31 December 2011	31	17	48
Losses (gains) recognised in the income statement	22	(3)	19
Redemptions	(15)	–	(15)
At 31 December 2012	38	14	52
(Losses) gains recognised in the income statement relating to those liabilities held at 31 December 2012	(22)	3	(19)
Losses recognised in the income statement relating to those liabilities held at 31 December 2011	(1)	(5)	(6)

Included within the gains (losses) recognised in the income statement are losses of £224 million (2011: gains of £82 million) related to financial instruments that are held in the level 3 portfolio at the year end. These amounts are included in other operating income.

Included within the gains (losses) recognised in other comprehensive income are losses of £nil (2011: losses of £2 million) related to financial instruments that are held at the year end.

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**Sensitivity of level 3 valuations
Level 3 portfolio**

			At 31 December 2012			At 31 December 2011		
			Carrying value £m	Effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions		Carrying value £m	Effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions	
				Favourable changes £m	Unfavourable changes £m		Favourable changes £m	Unfavourable changes £m
Valuation basis/technique	Main assumptions							
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:								
Asset-backed securities	Lead manager or broker quote/consensus pricing from market data provider	Use of single pricing source	–	–	–	203	1	(1)
Equity and venture capital investments	Various valuation techniques	Earnings, net asset value and earnings multiples, property prices, forecast cash flows	163	29	(8)	229	16	(19)
Unlisted equities and property partnerships in the life funds	Third party valuations	n/a	–	–	–	–	–	–
			163			432		
Available-for-sale financial assets								
Equity and venture capital investments	Various valuation techniques	Earnings, net asset value, underlying asset values, property prices, forecast cash flows	428	36	(11)	1,825	183	(88)
Derivative financial assets	Industry standard model/consensus pricing from market data provider	Prepayment rates, probability of default, loss given default and yield curves	172	27	(19)	351	58	(23)
Financial assets			763			2,608		
Derivative financial liabilities	Industry standard model/consensus pricing from market data provider	Prepayment rates, probability of default, loss given default and yield curves	54	–	–	31	–	–
Financial guarantees			14	–	–	17	–	–
Financial liabilities			68			48		

Asset-backed securities

Reasonably possible alternative valuations have been calculated for asset-backed securities by using alternative pricing sources and calculating an absolute difference. The pricing difference is defined as the absolute difference between the actual price used and the closest, alternative price available.

Derivative financial instruments

- (i) In respect of the embedded equity conversion feature of the enhanced capital notes, the sensitivity was based on the absolute difference between the actual price of the enhanced capital note and the closest, alternative broker quote available plus the impact of applying a 10 bps increase/decrease in the market yield used to derive a market price for similar bonds without the conversion feature. The effect of interdependency of the assumptions is not material to the effect of applying reasonably possible alternative assumptions to the valuations of derivative financial instruments.
- (ii) In respect of credit default swaps written on level 3 negative basis asset-backed securities, reasonably possible alternative valuations have been calculated by flexing the spread between the underlying asset and the credit default swap, or adjusting market yields, by a reasonable amount. The sensitivity is determined by applying a 60 bps increase/decrease in the spread between the asset and the credit default swap.

Venture capital and equity investments

The valuation techniques used for unlisted equities and venture capital investments vary depending on the nature of the investment, as described in the valuation methodology section above. Reasonably possible alternative valuations for these investments have been calculated by reference to the relevant approach taken as appropriate to the business sector and investment circumstances and as such the following inputs have been considered:

- for valuations derived from earnings multiples, consideration is given to the risk attributes, growth prospects and financial gearing of comparable businesses when selecting an appropriate multiple;
- the discount rates used in discounted cash flow valuations; and
- in line with International Private Equity and Venture Capital Guidelines, the values of underlying investments in fund investments portfolios.

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44 Financial instruments (continued)**(4) Transfers of financial assets****A. Transferred financial assets that continue to be recognised in full**

The Group and the Bank enter into repurchase and securities lending transactions in the normal course of business that do not result in derecognition of the financial assets concerned. In all cases, the transferee has the right to sell or repledge the assets concerned.

As set out in note 17, included within loans and receivables are loans securitised under the Group's securitisation programmes. The Group retains all or a majority of the risks and rewards associated with these loans and they are retained on the Group's balance sheet. Assets transferred into the Group's securitisation programmes are not available to be used by the Group during the term of those arrangements.

The table below sets out the carrying values of the transferred assets and the associated liabilities. For repurchase and securities lending transactions, the associated liabilities represent the Group's and the Bank's obligation to repurchase the transferred assets. For securitisation programmes, the associated liabilities represent the external notes in issue (note 31). Except as noted below, none of the liabilities shown in the table below have recourse only to the transferred assets.

	The Group		The Bank	
	Carrying value of transferred assets £m	Carrying value of associated liabilities £m	Carrying value of transferred assets £m	Carrying value of associated liabilities £m
At 31 December 2012				
Repurchase and securities lending transactions				
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	703	189	703	189
Available-for-sale financial assets	2,439	464	2,439	464
Loans and receivables:				
Loans and advances to customers	44,451	5,300	44,451	5,300
Debt securities classified as loans and receivables	493	403	493	403
Securitisation programmes				
Loans and receivables:				
Loans and advances to customers ¹	67,016	17,624 ²	67,016	17,624

¹Includes US residential mortgage-backed securities and associated liabilities whose carrying values were £185 million and £221 million respectively; the associated liabilities have recourse only to the securities transferred and, at 31 December 2012, the fair values of the securities and the associated liabilities were £244 million and £311 million respectively, a difference of £67 million.

²Excludes securitisation notes held by the Group (£33,570 million).

B. Transferred financial assets derecognised in their entirety with ongoing exposure

The following information by type of ongoing exposure relates to assets and liabilities arising from contractual rights or obligations retained or obtained in connection with financial assets that have been derecognised in their entirety.

	The Group				The Bank			
	Carrying amount of ongoing exposure in balance sheet				Carrying amount of ongoing exposure in balance sheet			
	At fair value through profit or loss				At fair value through profit or loss			
	Loans and receivables £m	Designated upon initial recognition £m	Fair value of ongoing exposure £m	Maximum exposure to loss £m	Loans and receivables £m	Designated upon initial recognition £m	Fair value of ongoing exposure £m	Maximum exposure to loss £m
At 31 December 2012								
Debt securities	199	–	237	199 ¹	199	–	237	199 ¹
Liquidity facilities	56	–	55	56 ¹	56	–	55	56 ¹
Fund investments	–	70	70	100 ²	–	70	70	100 ²
Total	255	70	362	355	255	70	362	355

¹Amount represents the carrying amount of the asset.

²Amount represents the carrying amount of the asset plus undrawn commitments of £30 million.

Debt securities shown in the table above are notes held in non-controlled securitisation vehicles representing the Group's and the Bank's ongoing involvement in financial assets transferred into those securitisation vehicles in prior years. The debt securities, which benefit from significant credit enhancement, are classified as available-for-sale financial assets and are managed on a similar basis to the Group's and the Bank's other non-traded asset backed securities.

Liquidity facilities are to asset-backed conduits of Lloyds TSB Bank plc which include assets previously recognised by the Group and the Bank.

Fund investments shown in the table above are equity and debt interests in an investment fund representing the Group's and the Bank's ongoing involvement in financial assets transferred into the fund in a prior year. The fund investments were designated at fair value through profit or loss and are managed on a similar basis to the Group's and the Bank's trading assets.

The Group and the Bank have no obligation or option to repurchase any of the assets transferred.

Amounts recognised in the income statement in 2012

In respect of debt securities and liquidity facilities shown above, an amount of £3 million was recognised during the year (£14 million cumulatively since derecognition) within net interest income.

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In respect of fund investments shown above, an amount of £3 million was recognised during the year (£55 million cumulatively since derecognition) within net trading income.

45 Financial risk management

Financial instruments are fundamental to the Group's activities and, as a consequence, the risks associated with financial instruments represent a significant component of the risks faced by the Group.

The primary risks affecting the Group through its use of financial instruments are: credit risk; market risk, which includes interest rate risk and currency risk; and liquidity risk. Qualitative and quantitative information about the Group's management of these risks is given below.

(1) Credit risk

The Group's credit risk exposure arises in respect of the instrument below and predominantly in the United Kingdom, the European Union, Australia and the United States. Credit risk appetite is set at Board level and is described and reported through a suite of metrics devised from a combination of accounting and credit portfolio performance measures, which include the use of various credit risk rating systems as inputs and measure the credit risk of loans and advances to customers and banks at a counterparty level using three components: (i) the probability of default by the counterparty on its contractual obligations; (ii) the current exposures to the counterparty and their likely future development, from which the Group derives the exposure at default; and (iii) the likely loss ratio on the defaulted obligations, the loss given default. The Group uses a range of approaches to mitigate credit risk, including internal control policies, obtaining collateral, using master netting agreements and other credit risk transfers, such as asset sales and credit derivatives based transactions.

A. Maximum credit exposure

The maximum credit risk exposure of the Group in the event of other parties failing to perform their obligations is detailed below. No account is taken of any collateral held and the maximum exposure to loss is considered to be the balance sheet carrying amount or, for non-derivative off-balance sheet transactions and financial guarantees, their contractual nominal amounts.

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Loans and receivables:				
Loans and advances to banks, net ¹	138,207	89,490	138,024	89,270
Loans and advances to customers, net ¹	329,636	376,355	332,735	386,184
Debt securities, net ¹	4,600	11,886	9,476	15,407
Deposit amounts available for offset ²	(1,362)	(2)	(1,362)	(2)
	471,081	477,729	478,873	490,859
Available-for-sale financial assets (excluding equity shares)	3,104	6,408	3,026	5,843
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (excluding equity shares):				
Loans and advances	29,101	18,790	29,101	18,790
Debt securities, treasury and other bills	3,137	3,239	3,133	3,138
	32,238	22,029	32,234	21,928
Derivative assets:				
Derivative assets, before offsetting under master netting arrangements	35,863	36,283	35,531	35,820
Amounts available for offset under master netting arrangements ²	(20,733)	(22,816)	(20,704)	(22,786)
	15,130	13,467	14,827	13,034
Financial guarantees	2,399	2,993	2,146	2,661
Irrevocable loan commitments and other credit-related contingencies ³	13,517	15,874	12,259	14,227
Maximum credit risk exposure	537,469	538,500	543,365	548,552
Maximum credit risk exposure before offset items	559,564	561,318	565,431	571,340

¹Amounts shown net of related impairment allowances.

²Deposit amounts available for offset and amounts available for offset under master netting arrangements do not meet the criteria under IAS 32 to enable loans and advances and derivative assets respectively to be presented net of these balances in the financial statements.

³See note 43 – Contingent liabilities and commitments for further information.

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45 Financial risk management (continued)**B. Credit quality of assets***Loan and receivables*

The analysis of lending between retail and wholesale has been prepared based upon the type of exposure and not the business segment in which the exposure is recorded. Included within retail are exposures to personal customers and small businesses, whilst included within wholesale are exposures to corporate customers and other large institutions.

Loans and advances – The Group

	Loans and advances to banks £m	Loans and advances to customers			Total £m	Loans and advances designated at fair value through profit or loss £m
		Retail – mortgages £m	Retail – other £m	Wholesale £m		
31 December 2012						
Neither past due nor impaired	2,891	219,939	12,703	39,811	272,453	14,340
Past due but not impaired	–	10,554	391	1,147	12,092	–
Impaired – no provision required	–	409	635	965	2,009	–
– provision held	–	6,564	424	27,961	34,949	–
Gross	2,891	237,466	14,153	69,884	321,503	14,340
Allowance for impairment losses (note 20)	–	(2,542)	(371)	(14,968)	(17,881)	–
Net	2,891	234,924	13,782	54,916	303,622	14,340
Due from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	135,316				26,014	14,761
Total loans and advances	138,207				329,636	29,101
31 December 2011						
Neither past due nor impaired	3,684	226,256	12,715	68,006	306,977	11,051
Past due but not impaired	–	10,329	439	1,821	12,589	–
Impaired – no provision required	6	940	689	2,935	4,564	–
– provision held	–	5,697	533	38,403	44,633	–
Gross	3,690	243,222	14,376	111,165	368,763	11,051
Allowance for impairment losses (note 20)	–	(2,432)	(499)	(20,420)	(23,351)	–
Net	3,690	240,790	13,877	90,745	345,412	11,051
Due from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	85,800				30,943	7,739
Total loans and advances	89,490				376,355	18,790

The criteria that the Group uses to determine that there is objective evidence of an impairment loss are disclosed in note 2h. All impaired loans which exceed certain thresholds are individually assessed for impairment by reviewing expected future cash flows including those that could arise from the realisation of security. Included in loans and receivables are advances individually determined to be impaired with a gross amount before impairment allowances of £28,970 million (2011: £41,984 million).

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Loans and advances which are neither past due nor impaired – The Group

	Loans and advances to banks £m	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances designated at fair value through profit or loss £m
		Retail – mortgages £m	Retail – other £m	Wholesale £m	Total £m	
31 December 2012						
Good quality	2,859	214,017	8,820	10,949		14,306
Satisfactory quality	24	4,227	3,248	11,972		25
Lower quality	–	542	282	12,473		6
Below standard, but not impaired	8	1,153	353	4,417		3
Total loans and advances which are neither past due nor impaired	2,891	219,939	12,703	39,811	272,453	14,340
31 December 2011						
Good quality	3,640	219,014	7,823	25,630		11,047
Satisfactory quality	38	5,035	3,858	17,560		4
Lower quality	–	951	410	17,777		–
Below standard, but not impaired	6	1,256	624	7,039		–
Total loans and advances which are neither past due nor impaired	3,684	226,256	12,715	68,006	306,977	11,051

The definitions of good quality, satisfactory quality, lower quality and below standard, but not impaired applying to retail and wholesale are not the same, reflecting the different characteristics of these exposures and the way they are managed internally, and consequently totals are not provided. Wholesale lending has been classified using internal probability of default rating models mapped so that they are comparable to external credit ratings. Good quality lending comprises the lower assessed default probabilities, with other classifications reflecting progressively higher default risk. Classifications of retail lending incorporate expected recovery levels for mortgages, as well as probabilities of default assessed using internal rating models.

Loans and advances which are past due but not impaired – The Group

	Loans and advances to banks £m	Loans and advances to customers			Total £m	Loans and advances designated at fair value through profit or loss £m
		Retail – mortgages £m	Retail – other £m	Wholesale £m		
31 December 2012						
0-30 days	–	4,902	297	654	5,853	–
30-60 days	–	2,166	67	107	2,340	–
60-90 days	–	1,460	21	281	1,762	–
90-180 days	–	2,026	5	18	2,049	–
Over 180 days	–	–	1	87	88	–
Total loans and advances which are past due but not impaired	–	10,554	391	1,147	12,092	–
31 December 2011						
0-30 days	–	4,746	324	974	6,044	–
30-60 days	–	2,120	91	386	2,597	–
60-90 days	–	1,524	19	151	1,694	–
90-180 days	–	1,939	4	114	2,057	–
Over 180 days	–	–	1	196	197	–
Total loans and advances which are past due but not impaired	–	10,329	439	1,821	12,589	–

A financial asset is 'past due' if a counterparty has failed to make a payment when contractually due.

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Loans and advances – The Bank

	Loans and advances to banks £m	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances designated at fair value through profit or loss £m
		Retail – mortgages £m	Retail – other £m	Wholesale £m	Total £m	
31 December 2012						
Neither past due nor impaired	2,708	211,454	9,861	34,765	256,080	14,340
Past due but not impaired	–	9,610	163	1,124	10,897	–
Impaired – no provision required	–	352	565	969	1,886	–
– provision held	–	5,778	388	28,460	34,626	–
Gross	2,708	227,194	10,977	65,318	303,489	14,340
Allowance for impairment losses (note 20)	–	(2,301)	(327)	(15,064)	(17,692)	–
Net	2,708	224,893	10,650	50,254	285,797	14,340
Due from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	135,316				46,938	14,761
Total loans and advances	138,024				332,735	29,101
31 December 2011						
Neither past due nor impaired	3,464	217,043	10,364	60,747	288,154	11,051
Past due but not impaired	–	9,318	194	1,779	11,291	–
Impaired – no provision required	6	786	613	2,771	4,170	–
– provision held	–	4,971	476	36,691	42,138	–
Gross	3,470	232,118	11,647	101,988	345,753	11,051
Allowance for impairment losses (note 20)	–	(2,156)	(484)	(19,110)	(21,750)	–
Net	3,470	229,962	11,163	82,878	324,003	11,051
Due from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	85,800				62,181	7,739
Total loans and advances	89,270				386,184	18,790

Loans and advances which are neither past due nor impaired – The Bank

	Loans and advances to banks £m	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances designated at fair value through profit or loss £m
		Retail – mortgages £m	Retail – other £m	Wholesale £m	Total £m	
31 December 2012						
Good quality	2,677	205,783	6,294	9,575		14,306
Satisfactory quality	24	4,098	2,957	8,880		25
Lower quality	–	509	270	12,245		6
Below standard, but not impaired	7	1,064	340	4,065		3
Total loans and advances which are neither past due nor impaired	2,708	211,454	9,861	34,765	256,080	14,340
31 December 2011						
Good quality	3,420	210,304	5,789	24,494		11,047
Satisfactory quality	38	4,665	3,570	13,217		4
Lower quality	–	900	397	16,233		–
Below standard, but not impaired	6	1,174	608	6,803		–
Total loans and advances which are neither past due nor impaired	3,464	217,043	10,364	60,747	288,154	11,051

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Loans and advances which are past due but not impaired – The Bank

	Loans and advances to banks £m	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances designated at fair value through profit or loss £m
		Retail – mortgages £m	Retail – other £m	Wholesale £m	Total £m	
31 December 2012						
0-30 days	–	4,503	135	636	5,274	–
30-60 days	–	1,969	23	103	2,095	–
60-90 days	–	1,330	5	280	1,615	–
90-180 days	–	1,808	–	18	1,826	–
Over 180 days	–	–	–	87	87	–
Total loans and advances which are past due but not impaired	–	9,610	163	1,124	10,897	–
31 December 2011						
0-30 days	–	4,341	143	948	5,432	–
30-60 days	–	1,930	45	386	2,361	–
60-90 days	–	1,364	6	151	1,521	–
90-180 days	–	1,683	–	114	1,797	–
Over 180 days	–	–	–	180	180	–
Total loans and advances which are past due but not impaired	–	9,318	194	1,779	11,291	–

Debt securities classified as loans and receivables

An analysis by credit rating of debt securities classified as loans and receivables is provided below:

	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
The Group							
At 31 December 2012							
Asset-backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	600	943	646	704	312	909	4,114
Other asset-backed securities	120	–	167	–	128	1	416
	720	943	813	704	440	910	4,530
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	–	–	–	271	271
	720	943	813	704	440	1,181	4,801
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Mortgage-backed securities							166
Corporate and other debt securities							621
Total debt securities classified as loans and receivables							5,588
At 31 December 2011							
Asset-backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	1,770	2,043	1,087	909	307	918	7,034
Other asset-backed securities	3,603	374	331	126	304	–	4,738
	5,373	2,417	1,418	1,035	611	918	11,772
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	25	–	–	364	389
	5,373	2,417	1,443	1,035	611	1,282	12,161
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Mortgage-backed securities							224
Corporate and other debt securities							649
Total debt securities classified as loans and receivables							13,034

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The Bank	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012							
Asset-backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	600	797	592	275	734	1,207	4,205
Other asset-backed securities	119	–	78	–	45	–	242
	719	797	670	275	779	1,207	4,447
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	–	–	–	55	55
	719	797	670	275	779	1,262	4,502
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Mortgage-backed securities							5,875
Total debt securities classified as loans and receivables							10,377
At 31 December 2011							
Asset-backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	1,727	1,246	898	407	742	1,233	6,253
Other asset-backed securities	3,532	54	95	–	220	–	3,901
	5,259	1,300	993	407	962	1,233	10,154
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	25	–	–	160	185
	5,259	1,300	1,018	407	962	1,393	10,339
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Mortgage-backed securities							6,201
Total debt securities classified as loans and receivables							16,540

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Available-for-sale financial assets (excluding equity shares)

An analysis of available-for-sale financial assets is included in note 21. The credit quality of available-for-sale financial assets (excluding equity shares) is set out below:

The Group	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012							
Debt securities:							
Government securities	27	–	–	–	–	–	27
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	–	25	–	–	–	25
Asset-backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	796	43	–	–	43	–	882
Other asset-backed securities	285	21	–	–	–	–	306
	1,081	64	–	–	43	–	1,188
Corporate and other debt securities	272	211	567	600	85	22	1,757
	1,380	275	592	600	128	22	2,997
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Corporate and other debt securities							106
Total held as available-for-sale financial assets							3,103
At December 2011							
Debt securities:							
Government securities	1	74	–	–	–	–	75
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	–	32	–	–	–	32
Asset-backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	469	121	116	83	–	–	789
Other asset-backed securities	83	–	–	–	–	–	83
	552	121	116	83	–	–	872
Corporate and other debt securities	1,591	856	2,315	303	–	67	5,132
	2,144	1,051	2,463	386	–	67	6,111
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Corporate and other debt securities							297
Total held as available-for-sale financial assets							6,408

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The Bank	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012							
Debt securities:							
Government securities	27	–	–	–	–	–	27
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	–	25	–	–	–	25
Asset backed securities:							
Mortgage-backed securities	781	–	–	–	–	–	781
Other asset-backed securities	265	–	–	–	–	–	265
	1,046	–	–	–	–	–	1,046
Corporate and other debt securities	272	211	567	600	85	22	1,757
	1,345	211	592	600	85	22	2,855
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Corporate and other debt securities							171
Total held as available-for-sale financial assets							3,026
At 31 December 2011							
Debt securities:							
Government securities	1	74	–	–	–	–	75
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	–	32	–	–	–	32
Asset-backed securities:							
Other asset-backed securities	36	–	–	–	–	–	36
Corporate and other debt securities	1,591	856	2,315	303	–	67	5,132
	1,628	930	2,347	303	–	67	5,275
Due from fellow Group undertakings:							
Asset-backed securities and corporate and other securities							568
Total held as available-for-sale financial assets							5,843

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Debt securities, treasury and other bills held at fair value through profit or loss

An analysis of trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in note 13. The credit quality of debt securities, treasury and other bills held at fair value through profit or loss is set out below.

The Group	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012							
<i>Trading assets</i>							
Government securities	184	–	–	–	–	–	184
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	1,636	603	–	–	–	2,239
Other asset-backed securities	–	–	4	–	–	–	4
Corporate and other debt securities	320	90	–	–	–	–	410
Total debt securities held as trading assets	504	1,726	607	–	–	–	2,837
Treasury and other bills	285	–	–	–	–	–	285
Total held as trading assets	789	1,726	607	–	–	–	3,122
<i>Other assets held at fair value through profit or loss</i>							
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	–	–	–	15	15
Total held at fair value through profit or loss	789	1,726	607	–	–	15	3,137
At 31 December 2011							
<i>Trading assets</i>							
Government securities	992	–	–	–	–	–	992
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	1,062	322	–	–	–	1,384
Other asset-backed securities	–	151	52	–	–	–	203
Corporate and other debt securities	201	–	–	100	–	–	301
Total debt securities held as trading assets	1,193	1,213	374	100	–	–	2,880
Treasury and other bills	224	–	–	–	–	–	224
Total held as trading assets	1,417	1,213	374	100	–	–	3,104
<i>Other assets held at fair value through profit or loss</i>							
Corporate and other debt securities	96	–	–	–	–	39	135
Total held at fair value through profit or loss	1,513	1,213	374	100	–	39	3,239

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The Bank	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012							
<i>Trading assets</i>							
Government securities	184	–	–	–	–	–	184
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	1,636	603	–	–	–	2,239
Other asset-backed securities	–	–	4	–	–	–	4
Corporate and other debt securities	320	90	–	–	–	–	410
Total debt securities held as trading assets	504	1,726	607	–	–	–	2,837
Treasury and other bills	285	–	–	–	–	–	285
Total held as trading assets	789	1,726	607	–	–	–	3,122
<i>Other assets held at fair value through profit or loss</i>							
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	–	–	–	11	11
Total held at fair value through profit or loss	789	1,726	607	–	–	11	3,133
At 31 December 2011							
<i>Trading assets</i>							
Government securities	992	–	–	–	–	–	992
Bank and building society certificates of deposit	–	1,062	322	–	–	–	1,384
Other asset-backed securities	–	151	52	–	–	–	203
Corporate and other debt securities	201	–	–	100	–	–	301
Total debt securities held as trading assets	1,193	1,213	374	100	–	–	2,880
Treasury and other bills	224	–	–	–	–	–	224
Total held as trading assets	1,417	1,213	374	100	–	–	3,104
<i>Other assets held at fair value through profit or loss</i>							
Corporate and other debt securities	–	–	–	–	–	34	34
Total held at fair value through profit or loss	1,417	1,213	374	100	–	34	3,138

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45 Financial risk management (continued)

Derivative assets

An analysis of derivative assets is given in note 14. The Group reduces exposure to credit risk by using master netting agreements and by obtaining collateral in the form of cash or highly liquid securities. In respect of the Group's maximum credit risk relating to derivative assets of £15,130 million for the Group and £14,827 million for the Bank (2011: £13,467 million for the Group and £13,034 million for the Bank), cash collateral of £2,638 million for the Group and £2,638 million for the Bank (2011: £2,249 million for the Group and £2,249 million for the Bank) was held and a further £439 million for the Group and £433 million for the Bank was due from OECD banks (2011: £1,303 million for the Group and £928 million for the Bank).

	AAA £m	AA £m	A £m	BBB £m	Rated BB or lower £m	Not rated £m	Total £m
Derivative financial instruments							
The Group							
At 31 December 2012							
Trading	152	6,505	7,805	1,683	3,848	95	20,088
Hedging	–	4,575	3,607	77	703	2	8,964
	152	11,080	11,412	1,760	4,551	97	29,052
Due from fellow Group undertakings							6,811
Total derivative financial instruments							35,863
At 31 December 2011							
Trading	166	10,095	6,117	2,709	1,769	1,705	22,561
Hedging	–	6,051	2,831	590	2	23	9,497
	166	16,146	8,948	3,299	1,771	1,728	32,058
Due from fellow Group undertakings							4,225
Total derivative financial instruments							36,283
The Bank							
At 31 December 2012							
Trading	–	6,504	7,662	1,683	3,848	67	19,764
Hedging	–	4,575	3,607	77	703	2	8,964
	–	11,079	11,269	1,760	4,551	69	28,728
Due from fellow Group undertakings							6,803
Total derivative financial instruments							35,531
At 31 December 2011							
Trading	–	10,090	5,853	2,709	1,769	1,675	22,096
Hedging	–	6,051	2,831	590	2	23	9,497
	–	16,141	8,684	3,299	1,771	1,698	31,593
Due from fellow Group undertakings							4,227
Total derivative financial instruments							35,820

Financial guarantees and irrevocable loan commitments

Financial guarantees represent undertakings that the Group will meet a customer's obligation to third parties if the customer fails to do so. Commitments to extend credit represent unused portions of authorisations to extend credit in the form of loans, guarantees or letters of credit. The Group is theoretically exposed to loss in an amount equal to the total guarantees or unused commitments, however, the likely amount of loss is expected to be significantly less; most commitments to extend credit are contingent upon customers maintaining specific credit standards.

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45 Financial risk management (continued)**C. Collateral held as security for financial assets**

The Group holds collateral against loans and receivables and irrevocable loan commitments; qualitative and, where appropriate, quantitative information is provided in respect of this collateral below. Collateral held as security for trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and for derivative assets is also shown below.

Loans and receivables

The disclosures below are produced under the combined businesses approach used for the Group's segmental reporting. The Group believes that, for reporting periods immediately following a significant acquisition, such as the acquisition of HBOS in 2009, this combined businesses basis, which includes the allowance for loan losses at the acquisition on a gross basis, more fairly reflects the underlying provisioning status of the loans.

The Group holds collateral in respect of loans and advances to banks and customers as set out below. The Group does not hold collateral against debt securities, comprising asset-backed securities and corporate and other debt securities, which are classified as loans and receivables.

Loans and advances to banks

The Group may require collateral before entering into a credit commitment with another bank, depending on the type of financial product and the counterparty involved, and netting arrangements are obtained whenever possible and to the extent that such agreements are legally enforceable. Collateral is held as part of reverse repurchase or securities borrowing transactions.

There were reverse repurchase agreements which are accounted for as collateralised loans within loans and advances to banks with a carrying value of £83 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £2,950 million for the Group and the Bank), against which collateral is held with a fair value of £83 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £2,950 million for the Group and the Bank), all of which the Group and the Bank are able to repledge.

These transactions were generally conducted under terms that are usual and customary for standard secured lending activities.

Loans and advances to customers

The Group holds collateral against loans and advances to customers in the form of mortgages over residential and commercial real estate, charges over business assets such as premises, inventory and accounts receivable, charges over financial instruments such as debt securities and equities, and guarantees received from third parties.

Retail lending**Mortgages**

An analysis by loan-to-value ratio of the Group's residential mortgage lending is provided below. The value of collateral used in determining the loan-to-value ratios has been estimated based upon the last actual valuation, adjusted to take into account subsequent movements in house prices, after making allowance for indexation error and dilapidations.

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45 Financial risk management (continued)

The Group

	Neither past due nor impaired £m	Past due but not impaired £m	Impaired £m	Gross £m
31 December 2012				
Less than 70 per cent	81,549	2,491	1,152	85,192
70 per cent to 80 per cent	44,178	1,620	713	46,511
80 per cent to 90 per cent	38,670	1,950	951	41,571
90 per cent to 100 per cent	26,631	1,737	969	29,337
Greater than 100 per cent	28,911	2,756	3,188	34,855
Total	219,939	10,554	6,973	237,466

	Neither past due nor impaired £m	Past due but not impaired £m	Impaired £m	Gross £m
31 December 2011				
Less than 70 per cent	85,775	2,382	1,055	89,212
70 per cent to 80 per cent	42,089	1,532	672	44,293
80 per cent to 90 per cent	38,666	1,874	890	41,430
90 per cent to 100 per cent	29,329	1,798	972	32,099
Greater than 100 per cent	30,397	2,743	3,048	36,188
Total	226,256	10,329	6,637	243,222

The Bank

	Neither past due nor impaired £m	Past due but not impaired £m	Impaired £m	Gross £m
31 December 2012				
Less than 70 per cent	79,701	2,360	1,087	83,148
70 per cent to 80 per cent	43,031	1,505	650	45,186
80 per cent to 90 per cent	37,104	1,779	850	39,733
90 per cent to 100 per cent	24,814	1,536	841	27,191
Greater than 100 per cent	26,804	2,430	2,702	31,936
Total	211,454	9,610	6,130	227,194

	Neither past due nor impaired £m	Past due but not impaired £m	Impaired £m	Gross £m
31 December 2011				
Less than 70 per cent	83,738	2,245	987	86,970
70 per cent to 80 per cent	40,829	1,426	604	42,859
80 per cent to 90 per cent	36,944	1,694	787	39,425
90 per cent to 100 per cent	27,308	1,568	836	29,712
Greater than 100 per cent	28,224	2,385	2,543	33,152
Total	217,043	9,318	5,757	232,118

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45 Financial risk management (continued)**Other**

No collateral is held in respect of retail credit cards, or overdrafts, or unsecured personal loans. For non-mortgage retail lending to small businesses, collateral will often include second charges over residential property and the assignment of life cover.

The majority of non-mortgage retail lending is unsecured. At 31 December 2012, impaired non-mortgage retail lending amounted to £688 million, net of an impairment allowance of £371 million (2011: £723 million, net of an impairment allowance of £499 million). The fair value of the collateral held in respect of this lending was £8 million (2011: £9 million). In determining the fair value of collateral, no specific amounts have been attributed to the costs of realisation and the value of collateral for each loan has been limited to the principal amount of the outstanding advance in order to eliminate the effects of any over-collateralisation and to provide a clearer representation of the Group's exposure.

Unimpaired non-mortgage retail lending amounted to £13,094 million (2011: £13,154 million). Lending decisions are predominantly based on an obligor's ability to repay from normal business operations rather than reliance on the disposal of any security provided. Collateral values are rigorously assessed at the time of loan origination and are thereafter monitored in accordance with business unit credit policy.

The Group credit risk disclosures for unimpaired non-mortgage retail lending report assets gross of collateral and therefore disclose the maximum loss exposure. The Group believes that this approach is appropriate. The value of collateral is re-assessed if there is observable evidence of distress of the borrower. Unimpaired non-mortgage retail lending, including any associated collateral, is managed on a customer-by-customer basis rather than a portfolio basis. No aggregated collateral information for the entire unimpaired non-mortgage retail lending portfolio is provided to key management personnel.

Wholesale lending*Reverse repurchase transactions*

There were reverse repurchase agreements which are accounted for as collateralised loans with a carrying value of £nil for the Group and the Bank (2011: £14,250 million for the Group and the Bank), against which the Group held collateral with a fair value of £nil for the Group and the Bank (2011: £14,254 million for the Group and the Bank), all of which the Group and the Bank are able to repledge. Included in these amounts are collateral balances in the form of cash provided in respect of reverse repurchase agreements amounting to £2 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £34 million for the Group and the Bank). These transactions were generally conducted under terms that are usual and customary for standard secured lending activities.

Impaired secured lending

The value of collateral is re-evaluated and its legal soundness re-assessed if there is observable evidence of distress of the borrower; this evaluation is used to determine potential loss allowances and management's strategy to try to either repair the business or recover the debt.

At 31 December 2012, impaired secured wholesale lending amounted to £14,531 million, net of an impairment allowance of £13,291 million (2011: £20,490 million, net of an impairment allowance of £18,576 million). The fair value of the collateral held in respect of impaired secured wholesale lending was £7,379 million (2011: £12,301 million). In determining the fair value of collateral, no specific amounts have been attributed to the costs of realisation. For the purposes of determining the total collateral held by the Group in respect of impaired secured wholesale lending, the value of collateral for each loan has been limited to the principal amount of the outstanding advance in order to eliminate the effects of any over-collateralisation and to provide a clearer representation of the Group's exposure.

Impaired secured wholesale lending and associated collateral relates to lending to property companies and to customers in the financial, business and other services; transport, distribution and hotels; and construction industries.

Unimpaired secured lending

Unimpaired secured wholesale lending amounted to £30,137 million (2011: £55,625 million). Wholesale lending decisions are predominantly based on an obligor's ability to repay from normal business operations rather than reliance on the disposal of any security provided. Collateral values are rigorously assessed at the time of loan origination and are monitored throughout the credit lifecycle in accordance with business unit credit policy, which varies according to the type of lending and collateral involved. The types of collateral taken and the frequency with which collateral is required at origination is dependent upon the size and structure of the borrower. For exposures to corporate customers and other large institutions, the Group will often require the collateral to include a first charge over land and buildings owned and occupied by the business, a mortgage debenture over the company's undertaking and one or more of its assets, and keyman insurance. Where agreements take the form of a standard ISDA master netting agreement, the collateral may be in the form of cash or marketable securities, as required. The Group maintains policies setting out acceptable collateral, maximum loan-to-value ratios and other criteria to be considered when reviewing a loan application. The decision as to whether or not collateral is required will be based upon the nature of the transaction and the credit worthiness of the customer. Other than for project finance, object finance and income producing real estate where charges over the subject assets are a basic requirement, the provision of collateral will not determine the outcome of a credit application. The fundamental business proposition must evidence the ability of the business to generate funds from normal business sources to repay debt.

The extent to which collateral values are actively managed will depend on the credit quality and other circumstances of the obligor. Although lending decisions are predominantly based on expected cash flows, any collateral provided may impact the pricing and other terms of a loan or facility granted; this will have a financial impact on the amount of net interest income recognised and on internal loss-given-default estimates that contribute to the determination of asset quality.

For unimpaired secured wholesale lending, the Group reports assets gross of collateral and therefore discloses the maximum loss exposure. The Group believes that this approach is appropriate as collateral values at origination and during a period of good performance may not be representative of the value of collateral if the obligor enters a distressed state.

Unimpaired secured wholesale lending is predominantly managed on a cash flow basis. On occasion, it may include an assessment of underlying collateral, although, for impaired lending, this will not always involve assessing it on a fair value basis. No aggregated collateral information for the entire unimpaired secured wholesale lending portfolio is provided to key management personnel.

Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (excluding equity shares)

In respect of trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, the fair value of collateral accepted under reverse repurchase transactions which are accounted for as collateralised loans that the Group is permitted by contract or custom to sell or repledge was £33,946 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £23,655 million for the Group and the Bank). Of this, £30,191 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £20,055 million for the Group and the Bank) was sold or repledged.

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In addition, securities held as collateral in the form of stock borrowed amounted to £44,181 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £53,395 million for the Group and the Bank). Of this amount, £43,246 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £44,896 million for the Group and the Bank) had been resold or repledged as collateral for the Group's own transactions.

These transactions were generally conducted under terms that are usual and customary for standard secured lending activities.

Derivative assets, after offsetting of amounts under master netting arrangements

The Group reduces exposure to credit risk by using master netting agreements and by obtaining collateral in the form of cash or highly liquid securities. In respect of the net derivative assets after offsetting of amounts under master netting arrangements of £15,130 million for the Group and £14,827 million for the Bank (2011: £13,467 million for the Group and £13,034 million for the Bank), cash collateral of £2,638 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £2,249 million for the Group and the Bank) was held.

Irrevocable loan commitments and other credit-related contingencies

At 31 December 2012, there were irrevocable loan commitments and other credit-related contingencies of £13,517 million for the Group and £12,259 million for the Bank (2011: £15,874 million for the Group and £14,227 million for the Bank). Collateral is held as security, in the event that lending is drawn down, on £3,502 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £4,204 million for the Group and the Bank) of these balances.

Lending decisions in respect of irrevocable loan commitments are based on the obligor's ability to repay from normal business operations rather than reliance on the disposal of any security provided. For wholesale commitments, it is the Group's practice to request collateral whose value is commensurate with the nature of the commitment. For retail mortgage commitments, the majority are for mortgages with a loan-to-value ratio of less than 100 per cent. Aggregated collateral information covering the entire balance of irrevocable loan commitments over which security will be taken is not provided to key management personnel.

D. Collateral pledged as security**Repo and stock lending transactions**

The Group pledges assets primarily for repurchase agreements and securities lending transactions which are generally conducted under terms that are usual and customary for standard securitised borrowing contracts.

The fair value of collateral pledged in respect of repurchase transactions, accounted for as secured borrowings, where the secured party is permitted by contract or custom to repledge was £52,226 million for the Group and the Bank (2011: £57,892 million for the Group and the Bank). In addition, the following financial assets on the balance sheet have been pledged as collateral as part of securities lending transactions:

Assets pledged

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	513	1,550	513	1,550
Loans and advances to customers	38,434	47,400	38,434	47,400
Debt securities classified as loans and receivables	63	1,071	63	1,071
Available-for-sale financial assets	1,903	1,733	1,903	1,733
	40,913	51,754	40,913	51,754

In addition to the assets detailed above, the Group also holds assets that are encumbered through the Group's asset-backed conduits and its securitisation and covered bond programmes. Further details of these are provided in notes 17 and 18.

E. Collateral repossessed

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Residential property	778	801	629	650
Other	1	8	1	2
	779	809	630	652

In respect of retail portfolios, the Group does not take physical possession of properties or other assets held as collateral and uses external agents to realise the value as soon as practicable, generally at auction, to settle indebtedness. Any surplus funds are returned to the borrower or are otherwise dealt with in accordance with appropriate insolvency regulations. In certain circumstances the Group takes physical possession of assets held as collateral against wholesale lending. In such cases, the assets are carried on the Group's balance sheet and are classified according to the Group's accounting policies.

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45 Financial risk management (continued)**(2) Market risk****Interest rate risk**

In the Group's retail banking business interest rate risk arises from the different repricing characteristics of the assets and liabilities. Liabilities are either insensitive to interest rate movements, for example interest free or very low interest customer deposits, or are sensitive to interest rate changes but bear rates which may be varied at the Group's discretion and that for competitive reasons generally reflect changes in the Bank of England's base rate. There are a relatively small volume of deposits whose rate is contractually fixed for their term to maturity.

Many banking assets are sensitive to interest rate movements; there is a large volume of managed rate assets such as variable rate mortgages which may be considered as a natural offset to the interest rate risk arising from the managed rate liabilities. However a significant proportion of the Group's lending assets, for example personal loans and mortgages, bear interest rates which are contractually fixed for periods of up to five years or longer.

The Group establishes two types of hedge accounting relationships for interest rate risk: fair value hedges and cash flow hedges. The Group is exposed to fair value interest rate risk on its fixed rate customer loans, its fixed rate customer deposits and the majority of its subordinated debt, and to cash flow interest rate risk on its variable rate loans and deposits together with its floating rate subordinated debt. The majority of the Group's hedge accounting relationships are fair value hedges where interest rate swaps are used to hedge the interest rate risk inherent in the fixed rate capital issuances.

At 31 December 2012 the aggregate notional principal of interest rate swaps designated as fair value hedges was £43,598 million (2011: £37,369 million) with a net fair value asset of £4,136 million (2011: £3,482 million) (see note 14). The losses on the hedging instruments were £57 million (2011: gains of £830 million). The gains on the hedged items attributable to the hedged risk were £51 million (2011: losses of £845 million).

In addition the Group has a small number of cash flow hedges which are primarily used to hedge the variability in the cost of funding within the wholesale business. These cash flows are expected to occur over the next five years and the hedge accounting adjustments will be reported in the income statement as the cash flows arise. The notional principal of the interest rate swaps designated as cash flow hedges at 31 December 2012 was £111,888 million (2011: £159,964 million) with a net fair value asset of £1,000 million (2011: liability of £1,211 million) (see note 14). In 2012, ineffectiveness recognised in the income statement that arises from cash flow hedges was a gain of £21 million (2011: a loss of £2 million).

Currency risk

Foreign exchange exposures comprise those originating in treasury trading activities and structural foreign exchange exposures, which arise from investment in the Group's overseas operations.

The corporate and retail businesses incur foreign exchange risk in the course of providing services to their customers. All non-structural foreign exchange exposures in the non-trading book are transferred to the trading area where they are monitored and controlled. These risks reside in the authorised trading centres who are allocated exposure limits. The limits are monitored daily by the local centres and reported to the central market risk function.

Risk arises from the Group's investments in its overseas operations. The Group's structural foreign currency exposure is represented by the net asset value of the foreign currency equity and subordinated debt investments in its subsidiaries and branches. Gains or losses on structural foreign currency exposures are taken to reserves.

The Group hedges part of the currency translation risk of the net investment in certain foreign operations using cross currency borrowings.

The Group's main overseas operations are in the Americas, Australia and Europe. Details of the Group's structural foreign currency exposures, after net investment hedges, are as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Functional currency of Group operations				
Euro:				
Gross exposure	14	(393)	–	–
Net investment hedge	(836)	(897)	–	–
	(822)	(1,290)	–	–
US dollar:				
Gross exposure	77	145	83	117
Net investment hedge	(78)	(122)	(78)	(122)
	(1)	23	5	(5)
Australian Dollar:				
Gross exposure	1,133	1,237	–	–
Net investment hedge	(1,074)	(1,226)	–	–
	59	11	–	–
Other non-sterling	1	–	–	–
Total structural foreign currency exposures, after net investment hedges	(763)	(1,256)	5	(5)

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45 Financial risk management (continued)**(3) Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Group has insufficient financial resources to meet its commitments as they fall due, or can only secure them at excessive cost. The Group carries out monthly stress testing of its liquidity position against a range of scenarios, including those prescribed by the FSA. The Group's liquidity risk appetite is also calibrated against a number of stressed liquidity metrics.

The table below analyses financial instrument liabilities of the Group, on an undiscounted future cash flow basis according to contractual maturity, into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet date; balances with no fixed maturity are included in the over 5 years category. Certain balances, included in the table below on the basis of their residual maturity, are repayable on demand upon payment of a penalty.

The Group	Up to 1 month £m	1-3 months £m	3-12 months £m	1-5 years £m	Over 5 years £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012						
Deposits from banks	96,754	5,871	3,636	35,959	29,645	171,865
Customer deposits	154,603	8,438	24,302	47,257	7,255	241,855
Trading liabilities	12,132	5,100	9,855	3,303	3,280	33,670
Debt securities in issue	4,943	647	7,522	32,411	8,678	54,201
Subordinated liabilities	14	373	254	2,954	20,159	23,754
Total non-derivative financial liabilities	268,446	20,429	45,569	121,884	69,017	525,345
Derivative financial liabilities:						
Gross settled derivatives – outflow	5,622	1,324	3,271	21,334	18,703	50,254
Gross settled derivatives – inflow	(5,428)	(1,119)	(3,106)	(20,291)	(17,485)	(47,429)
Gross settled derivatives – netflow	194	205	165	1,043	1,218	2,825
Gross settled derivatives liabilities	25,750	193	1,017	2,861	688	30,509
Total derivative financial liabilities	25,944	398	1,182	3,904	1,906	33,334
At 31 December 2011						
Deposits from banks	1,212	71,230	5,365	49,210	62,652	189,669
Customer deposits	168,595	10,234	20,669	38,601	15,175	253,274
Trading liabilities	10,574	2,338	2,979	2,442	2,486	20,819
Debt securities in issue	6,713	6,082	7,946	40,601	17,418	78,760
Subordinated liabilities	30	545	1,268	3,652	12,357	17,852
Total non-derivative financial liabilities	187,124	90,429	38,227	134,506	110,088	560,374
Derivative financial liabilities:						
Gross settled derivatives – outflow	1,882	9,475	7,114	21,670	20,367	60,508
Gross settled derivatives – inflow	(1,401)	(8,680)	(6,741)	(20,487)	(19,324)	(56,633)
Gross settled derivatives – netflow	481	795	373	1,183	1,043	3,875
Net settled derivative liabilities	24,983	200	1,302	4,018	892	31,395
Total derivative financial liabilities	25,464	995	1,675	5,201	1,935	35,270

The Group's financial guarantee contracts are accounted for as financial instruments and measured at fair value on the balance sheet. The majority of the Group's financial guarantee contracts are callable on demand, were the guaranteed party to fail to meet its obligations. It is, however, expected that most guarantees will expire unused. The contractual nominal amounts of these guarantees totalled £2,399 million at 31 December 2012 (2011: £2,993 million) with £1,061 million expiring within one year; £320 million between one and three years; £528 million between three and five years; and £490 million over five years (2011: £727 million expiring within one year; £938 million between one and three years; £837 million between three and five years; and £491 million over five years).

The principal amount for undated subordinated liabilities with no redemption option is included within the over 5 years column; interest of approximately £16 million (2011: £26 million) for the Group and the Bank per annum which is payable in respect of those instruments for as long as they remain in issue is not included beyond five years.

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The Bank	Up to 1 month £m	1-3 months £m	3-12 months £m	1-5 years £m	Over 5 years £m	Total £m
At 31 December 2012						
Deposits from banks	97,395	6,125	3,603	38,183	26,392	171,698
Customer deposits	156,312	10,776	28,889	52,547	11,013	259,537
Trading liabilities	12,132	5,100	9,855	3,303	3,260	33,650
Debt securities in issue	15,803	630	4,742	16,560	8,388	46,123
Subordinated liabilities	14	373	262	2,240	20,599	23,488
Total non-derivative financial liabilities	281,656	23,004	47,351	112,833	69,652	534,496
Derivative financial liabilities:						
Gross settled derivatives – outflow	5,622	1,324	3,271	21,334	18,414	49,965
Gross settled derivatives – inflow	(5,428)	(1,119)	(3,106)	(20,291)	(17,481)	(47,425)
Gross settled derivatives – netflow	194	205	165	1,043	933	2,540
Net settled derivative liabilities	25,750	193	1,017	2,861	688	30,509
Total derivative financial liabilities	25,944	398	1,182	3,904	1,621	33,049
At 31 December 2011						
Deposits from banks	1,048	71,225	5,060	49,210	62,653	189,196
Customer deposits	166,242	11,243	21,007	45,691	29,055	273,238
Trading liabilities	10,574	2,338	2,979	2,442	2,486	20,819
Debt securities in issue	73,703	4,995	5,561	19,268	1,894	105,421
Subordinated liabilities	30	545	1,240	2,744	11,889	16,448
Total non-derivative financial liabilities	251,597	90,346	35,847	119,355	107,977	605,122
Derivative financial liabilities:						
Gross settled derivatives – outflow	1,882	9,475	7,114	21,670	20,061	60,202
Gross settled derivatives – inflow	(1,401)	(8,680)	(6,740)	(20,486)	(19,321)	(56,628)
Gross settled derivatives – netflow	481	795	374	1,184	740	3,574
Net settled derivative liabilities	24,983	200	1,302	4,018	892	31,395
Total derivative financial liabilities	25,464	995	1,676	5,202	1,632	34,969

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The following tables set out the amounts and residual maturities of the Group's off balance sheet contingent liabilities and commitments.

The Group	Within 1 year £m	1-3 years £m	3-5 years £m	Over 5 years £m	Total £m
31 December 2012					
Acceptances and endorsements	2	–	–	–	2
Other contingent liabilities	380	140	57	16	593
Total contingent liabilities	382	140	57	16	595
Lending commitments	27,959	2,987	2,052	1,840	34,838
Other commitments	4	–	–	–	4
Total commitments	27,963	2,987	2,052	1,840	34,842
Total contingents and commitments	28,345	3,127	2,109	1,856	35,437

	Within 1 year £m	1-3 years £m	3-5 years £m	Over 5 years £m	Total £m
31 December 2011					
Acceptances and endorsements	3	–	–	–	3
Other contingent liabilities	366	71	198	149	784
Total contingent liabilities	369	71	198	149	787
Lending commitments	28,781	11,181	4,869	773	45,604
Other commitments	8	–	–	–	8
Total commitments	28,789	11,181	4,869	773	45,612
Total contingents and commitments	29,158	11,252	5,067	922	46,399

The Bank	Within 1 year £m	1-3 years £m	3-5 years £m	Over 5 years £m	Total £m
31 December 2012					
Acceptances and endorsements	2	–	–	–	2
Other contingent liabilities	256	40	57	15	368
Total contingent liabilities	258	40	57	15	370
Lending commitments	27,538	2,723	1,699	1,609	33,569
Other commitments	4	–	–	–	4
Total commitments	27,542	2,723	1,699	1,609	33,573
Total contingents and commitments	27,800	2,763	1,756	1,624	33,943

	Within 1 year £m	1-3 years £m	3-5 years £m	Over 5 years £m	Total £m
31 December 2011					
Acceptances and endorsements	3	–	–	–	3
Other contingent liabilities	350	70	197	109	726
Total contingent liabilities	353	70	197	109	729
Lending commitments	27,439	7,454	4,358	416	39,667
Other commitments	8	–	–	–	8
Total commitments	27,447	7,454	4,358	416	39,675
Total contingents and commitments	27,800	7,524	4,555	525	40,404

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46 Capital

Capital is actively managed at an appropriate level of frequency and regulatory ratios are a key factor in the Group's budgeting and planning processes with updates of expected ratios reviewed regularly during the year by the Lloyds Banking Group Senior Asset and Liability Committee. Capital raised takes account of expected growth and currency of risk assets. Capital policies and procedures are subject to independent oversight.

The Group's regulatory capital is divided into tiers depending on level of subordination and ability to absorb losses. Core tier 1 capital as defined in the FSA letter to the British Bankers' Association in May 2009, comprises mainly shareholders' equity and non-controlling interests, after deducting goodwill, other intangible assets and 50 per cent of the net excess of expected loss over accounting provisions and certain securitisation positions. Accounting equity is adjusted in accordance with FSA requirements, particularly in respect of pensions and Available-for-Sale assets. Tier 1 capital, as defined by the European Community Banking Consolidation Directive as implemented in the UK by the FSA's General Prudential Sourcebook (GENPRU), is core tier 1 capital plus tier 1 capital securities less 50 per cent of material holdings in financial companies. Tier 2 capital, defined by GENPRU, comprises qualifying subordinated debt and some additional provisions and reserves after deducting 50 per cent of the excess of expected loss over accounting provisions, and certain securitisation positions and material holdings in financial companies. Total capital is the sum of tier 1 and tier 2 capital after deducting investments in subsidiaries and associates that are not consolidated for regulatory purposes.

The Group's capital resources are summarised as follows:

	2012 £m	2011 £m
Tier 1 capital	16,616	17,432
Tier 2 capital	12,615	13,148
	29,231	30,580
Supervisory deductions	(919)	(983)
Total capital	28,312	29,597

A number of limits are imposed by the FSA on the proportion of the regulatory capital base that can be made up of subordinated debt and preferred securities; for example the amount of qualifying tier 2 capital cannot exceed that of tier 1 capital.

The minimum total capital required under Pillar 1 of the Basel II framework is the Capital Resources Requirement (CRR) calculated as 8 per cent of risk weighted assets. In addition to the minimum requirements for total capital, the FSA has made statements to explain it also operates a framework of targets and expected buffers for core tier 1 and tier 1 capital.

In order to address the requirements of Pillar 2 of the Basel II framework, the FSA currently sets additional minimum requirements through the issuance of Individual Capital Guidance (ICG) for each UK bank calibrated by reference to the CRR. A key input into the FSA's ICG setting process is each bank's Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process. The Group has been given an ICG by the FSA. The FSA has made it clear, however, that ICG remains a confidential matter between each bank and the FSA.

The Group maintains its own buffer to ensure that the regulatory minimum requirements and regulatory targets and buffers are met at all times.

Until the Basel III reforms for an enhanced global capital accord are introduced in the EU through the implementation of the new Capital Requirements Directive and Regulation (CRDIV), the regulatory capital will continue to be based upon the Basel II framework. The impact of the reforms will be gradually phased in as they are subject to a long transition period through to 2022. This allows time for the Group to further strengthen its capital position as necessary through business performance and mitigating actions.

Many of the details of the way these reforms will be integrated within the UK are still to be finalised. In the meantime the Group continues to monitor their development very closely and to analyse their potential impact whilst ensuring that the Group continues to have a strong loss absorption capacity exceeding regulatory requirements as currently formulated.

During the year, the individual entities within the Group and the Group complied with all of the externally imposed capital requirements to which they are subject.

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47 Cash flow statements

a Change in operating assets

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Change in loans and receivables	9,072	10,246	13,731	1,491
Change in derivative financial instruments, trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(9,153)	(3,139)	(9,268)	(4,723)
Change in other operating assets	(1,682)	714	(1,654)	626
Change in operating assets	(1,763)	7,821	2,809	(2,606)

b Change in operating liabilities

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Change in deposits from banks	20,048	7,014	20,378	7,769
Change in customer deposits	(802)	(5,658)	(8,560)	(11,664)
Change in debt securities in issue	(25,853)	(25,276)	(20,237)	(9,633)
Change in derivative financial instruments and trading liabilities	10,848	10,016	10,653	9,962
Change in other operating liabilities	121	(400)	(526)	757
Change in operating liabilities	4,362	(14,304)	1,708	(2,809)

c Non-cash and other items

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Depreciation and amortisation	248	336	148	167
Impairment of tangible fixed assets	–	65	–	65
Revaluation of investment properties	89	17	–	–
Allowance for loan losses	4,269	7,021	4,058	5,513
Write-off of allowance for loan losses	(9,224)	(8,584)	(7,652)	(5,884)
Impairment of available-for-sale financial assets	397	749	237	292
Impairment losses on investments in subsidiaries	–	–	14	465
Payment protection insurance provision	850	1,155	837	1,115
Other provision movements	142	(55)	148	(69)
Unwind of discount on impairment allowances	(329)	(171)	(389)	(393)
Foreign exchange element on balance sheet ¹	905	857	(84)	163
Interest expense on subordinated liabilities	417	472	393	420
Loss (profit) on disposal of businesses	–	21	–	–
Other non-cash items	(579)	896	645	1,098
Total non-cash items	(2,815)	2,779	(1,645)	2,952
Payments in respect of customer goodwill payments provision	–	(497)	–	(497)
Payments in respect of payment protection insurance provision	(879)	(375)	(847)	(351)
Other	13	5	–	–
Total other items	(866)	(867)	(847)	(848)
Non-cash and other items	(3,681)	1,912	(2,492)	2,104

¹When considering the movement on each line of the balance sheet, the impact of foreign exchange rate movements is removed in order to show the underlying cash impact.

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47 Cash flow statements (continued)

d Analysis of cash and cash equivalents as shown in the balance sheet

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Cash and balances with central banks	6,084	3,070	6,084	3,065
Less: mandatory reserve deposits ¹	(259)	(499)	(259)	(499)
	5,825	2,571	5,825	2,566
Loans and advances to banks	138,207	89,490	138,024	89,270
Less: amounts with a maturity of three months or more and amounts due from fellow Lloyds Banking Group undertakings	(136,581)	(87,143)	(136,582)	(87,144)
	1,626	2,347	1,442	2,126
Total cash and cash equivalents	7,451	4,918	7,267	4,692

¹Mandatory reserve deposits are held with local central banks in accordance with statutory requirements; these deposits are not available to finance the Group's day-to-day operations.

e Disposal and closure of group undertakings, joint ventures and associates

	The Group		The Bank	
	2012 £m	2011 £m	2012 £m	2011 £m
Derivatives, trading and other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	134	–	–
Loans and advances to banks	–	–	–	–
Loans and advances to customers	–	24	–	–
Debt securities	–	124	–	–
Tangible fixed assets	–	147	–	–
Deposits from banks	–	–	–	–
Customer accounts	–	–	–	–
Other net assets and liabilities	22	(110)	18	141
	22	319	18	141
Profit (loss) on sale of businesses	–	(21)	–	–
Net cash inflow from disposals	22	298	18	141

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48 Future accounting developments

The following pronouncements may have a significant effect on the Group's financial statements but are not applicable for the year ending 31 December 2012 and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. Save as disclosed, the full impact of these accounting changes is being assessed by the Group.

Pronouncement	Nature of change	IASB effective date
Amendments to IAS 1 <i>Presentation of Financial Statements – 'Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income'</i>	Requires entities to group items presented in other comprehensive income on the basis of whether they are potentially reclassified to profit or loss subsequently.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2012.
Amendments to IFRS 7 <i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures – 'Disclosures-Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities'</i>	Requires an entity to disclose information to enable users of its financial statements to evaluate the effect or potential effect of netting arrangements on the entity's balance sheet.	Annual and interim periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013.
IFRS 10 <i>Consolidated Financial Statements</i>	Supersedes IAS 27 <i>Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements</i> and SIC-12 <i>Consolidation – Special Purpose Entities</i> and establishes the principles for when the Group controls another entity and therefore is required to consolidate the other entity in the Group's financial statements. The implementation of IFRS 10 is not expected to have a material impact on the Group.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013.
IFRS 12 <i>Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities</i>	Requires an entity to disclose information that enables users of financial statements to evaluate the nature of, and risks associated with, its interests in other entities and the effects of those interests on its financial position, financial performance and cash flows.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013.
IFRS 13 <i>Fair Value Measurement</i>	Defines fair value, sets out a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements. It applies to IFRSs that require or permit fair value measurements or disclosures about fair value measurements.	Annual and interim periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013.
Amendments to IAS 32 <i>Financial Instruments: Presentation – 'Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities'</i>	Inserts application guidance to address inconsistencies identified in applying the offsetting criteria used in the standard. Some gross settlement systems may qualify for offsetting where they exhibit certain characteristics akin to net settlement.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014.
IFRS 9 <i>Financial Instruments</i> ^{1,2}	Replaces those parts of IAS 39 <i>Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement</i> relating to the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and liabilities. IFRS 9 requires financial assets to be classified into two measurement categories, fair value and amortised cost, on the basis of the objectives of the entity's business model for managing its financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the instruments and eliminates the available-for-sale financial asset and held-to-maturity investment categories in IAS 39. The requirements for derecognition are broadly unchanged from IAS 39. The standard also retains most of the IAS 39 requirements for financial liabilities except for those designated at fair value through profit or loss where that part of the fair value change attributable to an entity's own credit risk is recorded in other comprehensive income.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

¹As at 1 March 2013, this pronouncement is awaiting EU endorsement.

²IFRS 9 is the initial stage of the project to replace IAS 39. Future stages are expected to result in amendments to IFRS 9 to deal with changes to the impairment of financial assets measured at amortised cost and hedge accounting, as well as a reconsideration of classification and measurement. Until all stages of the replacement project are complete, it is not possible to determine the overall impact on the financial statements of the replacement of IAS 39.

49 Approval of financial statements and other information

These financial statements were approved by the directors of Bank of Scotland plc on 1 March 2013.

Bank of Scotland plc and its subsidiaries form a leading UK-based financial services group, whose businesses provide a wide range of banking and financial services in the UK and in certain locations overseas.

Bank of Scotland plc's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Lloyds Banking Group plc which is incorporated in Scotland. Copies of the consolidated annual report and accounts of Lloyds Banking Group plc may be obtained from Lloyds Banking Group's head office at 25 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7HN or downloaded via www.lloydsbankinggroup.com.

