



2019 HALF-YEAR RESULTS

News Release

BASIS OF PRESENTATION

This release covers the results of Lloyds Banking Group plc together with its subsidiaries (the Group) for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

IFRS 16 and IAS 12 (further information in note 1 on page 67): The Group adopted IFRS 16 Leases from 1 January 2019 and as permitted elected to apply the standard retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initial application being recognised at that date; comparative information has not been restated. The Group has implemented the amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes with effect from 1 January 2019 and as a result tax relief on distributions on other equity instruments, previously recognised in equity, is now reported within tax expense. Comparatives have been restated.

Statutory basis: Statutory information is set out on pages 58 to 108. However, a number of factors have had a significant effect on the comparability of the Group's financial position and results. Accordingly, the results are also presented on an underlying basis.

Underlying basis: The statutory results are adjusted for certain items which are listed below, to allow a comparison of the Group's underlying performance.

- restructuring, including severance related costs, the rationalisation of the non-branch property portfolio, the establishment of the Schroders strategic partnership, the integration of MBNA and Zurich's UK workplace pensions and savings business;
- volatility and other items, which includes the effects of certain asset sales, the volatility relating to the Group's hedging arrangements and that arising in the insurance businesses, insurance gross up, the unwind of acquisition-related fair value adjustments and the amortisation of purchased intangible assets;
- payment protection insurance provisions.

Segment information: The segment results have been restated to reflect the transfer of the Cardnet business from Retail into Commercial Banking and certain equities business from Commercial Banking into Central items. The underlying profit and statutory results at Group level are unchanged as a result of these restatements.

Unless otherwise stated, income statement commentaries throughout this document compare the six months ended 30 June 2019 to the six months ended 30 June 2018, and the balance sheet analysis compares the Group balance sheet as at 30 June 2019 to the Group balance sheet as at 31 December 2018.

Alternative performance measures: The Group uses a number of alternative performance measures, including underlying profit, in the discussion of its business performance and financial position. Further information on these measures is set out on page 112.

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This document contains certain forward looking statements with respect to the business, strategy, plans and/or results of the Group and its current goals and expectations relating to its future financial condition and performance. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about the Group's or its directors' and/or management's beliefs and expectations, are forward looking statements. By their nature, forward looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend upon circumstances that will or may occur in the future. 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RESULTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR

The Group has continued to make strong strategic progress during the first half of 2019 and delivered a good financial performance with market leading efficiency and returns. The economy has remained resilient although economic uncertainty has led to some softening in business confidence as well as in international economic indicators. In this environment our strategy continues to be the right one and we are well placed to support our customers and continue to help Britain prosper.

António Horta-Osório, *Group Chief Executive*

Strong strategic progress and the right strategy in the current environment

- The economy has remained resilient however, as indicated at the first quarter results, the continuing uncertainty is having an impact and leading to some softening in business confidence as well as in international economic indicators
- The Group has taken a prudent approach to growth and risk in recent years, whilst reducing costs and increasing the investment in the business for the benefit of our customers
- Since the launch of GSR3 in 2018, the Group has invested £1.5 billion in improving customer experience, increasing efficiency and delivering superior returns. This investment means the Group is well placed to continue to support its customers, help Britain prosper and deliver sustainable returns for shareholders

Good financial performance with market leading efficiency and returns

- Statutory profit after tax of £2.2 billion with strong return on tangible equity of 11.5 per cent; earnings per share of 2.7 pence
- Robust underlying profit of £4.2 billion with slightly lower net income and expected higher impairment offset by lower total costs
- Net income of £8.8 billion with a resilient net interest margin of 2.90 per cent, slightly lower average interest earning banking assets and other income, with other income benefiting from strong performance in Insurance and Wealth
- Total costs of £4.0 billion down 5 per cent with operating costs down 3 per cent and remediation down 44 per cent. Market leading cost:income ratio further improved to 45.9 per cent and positive jaws of 3 per cent
- Credit quality remains strong with a net asset quality ratio of 26 basis points
- Additional PPI charge of £550 million in the second quarter driven by significant increase in information request volumes in the second quarter, ahead of the August deadline
- Tangible net assets per share of 53.0 pence
- Interim ordinary dividend of 1.12 pence per share, up 5 per cent, in line with our progressive and sustainable policy

Balance sheet strength maintained with lower capital requirement

- Balance sheet remains strong with targeted lending and deposit growth in the quarter including the open mortgage book, SME, UK Motor Finance and current accounts
- CET1 capital build of 70 basis points after the impact of PPI (33 basis points) and IFRS 16 (11 basis points); pro forma CET1 ratio of 14.6 per cent, pre dividend
- As previously reported, given the lower Systemic Risk Buffer and Pillar 2A requirement, the Board's view of the level of capital required by the Group to grow the business, meet regulatory requirements and cover uncertainties has reduced from around 13 per cent to around 12.5 per cent, plus a management buffer of around 1 per cent

Outlook

- The Group's strategy remains the right one in the current environment and the Group continues to expect to deliver sustainable, superior performance for its customers and shareholders
- The resilience of the Group's business model is reflected in its 2019 guidance:
 - Net interest margin of c.2.90 per cent
 - Operating costs to be less than £8 billion and cost:income ratio expected to fall
 - Net asset quality ratio of less than 30 basis points
 - Given below the line charges, including PPI, in 2019 the Group now expects capital build to be at the lower end of the Group's ongoing 170 to 200 basis points range, and for return on tangible equity to be around 12 per cent
- Beyond 2019, longer term targets remain unchanged although continued economic uncertainty could impact outlook

INCOME STATEMENT – UNDERLYING BASIS

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m	Change %
Net interest income	6,145	6,344	(3)	6,370	(4)
Other income	3,100	3,124	(1)	2,886	7
Operating lease depreciation	(473)	(497)	5	(459)	(3)
Vocalink gain on sale	50	–		–	
Net income	8,822	8,971	(2)	8,797	–
Operating costs	(3,906)	(4,024)	3	(4,141)	6
Remediation	(143)	(257)	44	(343)	58
Total costs	(4,049)	(4,281)	5	(4,484)	10
Impairment	(579)	(456)	(27)	(481)	(20)
Underlying profit	4,194	4,234	(1)	3,832	9
Restructuring	(182)	(377)	52	(502)	64
Volatility and other items	(465)	(190)		(287)	(62)
Payment protection insurance provision	(650)	(550)	(18)	(200)	
Statutory profit before tax	2,897	3,117	(7)	2,843	2
Tax expense ¹	(672)	(800)	16	(654)	(3)
Statutory profit after tax¹	2,225	2,317	(4)	2,189	2
Earnings per share	2.7p	2.9p	(7)	2.6p	4
Interim dividend per share – ordinary	1.12p	1.07p	5		
Banking net interest margin	2.90%	2.93%	(3)bp	2.93%	(3)bp
Average interest-earning banking assets	£433bn	£436bn	(1)	£436bn	(1)
Cost:income ratio	45.9%	47.7%	(1.8)pp	51.0%	(5.1)pp
Asset quality ratio	0.26%	0.20%	6bp	0.22%	4bp
Underlying return on tangible equity	16.3%	16.3%	–	14.7%	1.6pp
Return on tangible equity	11.5%	12.1%	(0.6)pp	11.3%	0.2pp

KEY BALANCE SHEET METRICS

	At 30 June 2019	At 30 June 2018	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018	Change %
Loans and advances to customers ²	£441bn	£442bn	–	£444bn	(1)
Customer deposits ³	£418bn	£418bn	–	£416bn	–
Loan to deposit ratio	106%	106%	–	107%	(1)pp
Capital build ⁴	70bp	121bp		210bp	
Pro forma CET1 ratio pre dividend accrual ⁵	14.6%	15.1%	(0.5)pp	13.9%	0.7pp
Pro forma CET1 ratio ⁵	14.0%	14.5%	(0.5)pp	13.9%	0.1pp
Pro forma transitional MREL ratio ⁵	32.2%	29.7%	2.5pp	32.6%	(0.4)pp
Pro forma UK leverage ratio ⁵	5.1%	5.3%	(0.2)pp	5.6%	(0.5)pp
Pro forma risk-weighted assets ⁵	£207bn	£207bn	–	£206bn	–
Tangible net assets per share	53.0p	52.1p	0.9p	53.0p	–

¹ Comparatives restated to reflect amendments to IAS 12, see basis of presentation.

² Excludes reverse repos of £54.1 billion (30 June 2018: £26.7 billion; 31 December 2018: £40.5 billion).

³ Excludes repos of £4.1 billion (30 June 2018: £4.0 billion; 31 December 2018: £1.8 billion).

⁴ Capital build is reported on a pro forma basis before ordinary dividends and share buyback.

⁵ The CET1, MREL and leverage ratios at 30 June 2019, 30 June 2018 and 31 December 2018 are reported on a pro forma basis, reflecting the dividend paid up by the Insurance business in the subsequent reporting period. The CET1 ratios at 31 December 2018 are reported post share buyback and post dividend accrual. In addition the pro forma ratios and pro forma risk-weighted assets at 30 June 2018 reflected the sale of the Irish mortgage portfolio.

QUARTERLY INFORMATION

	Quarter ended 30 June 2019 £m	Quarter ended 31 Mar 2019 £m	Quarter ended 31 Dec 2018 £m	Quarter ended 30 Sept 2018 £m	Quarter ended 30 June 2018 £m	Quarter ended 31 Mar 2018 £m
Net interest income	3,062	3,083	3,170	3,200	3,173	3,171
Other income	1,594	1,506	1,400	1,486	1,713	1,411
Operating lease depreciation	(254)	(219)	(225)	(234)	(245)	(252)
Vocalink gain on sale	–	50	–	–	–	–
Net income	4,402	4,420	4,345	4,452	4,641	4,330
Operating costs	(1,949)	(1,957)	(2,151)	(1,990)	(2,016)	(2,008)
Remediation	(123)	(20)	(234)	(109)	(197)	(60)
Total costs	(2,072)	(1,977)	(2,385)	(2,099)	(2,213)	(2,068)
Impairment	(304)	(275)	(197)	(284)	(198)	(258)
Underlying profit	2,026	2,168	1,763	2,069	2,230	2,004
Restructuring	(56)	(126)	(267)	(235)	(239)	(138)
Volatility and other items	(126)	(339)	(270)	(17)	(16)	(174)
Payment protection insurance provision	(550)	(100)	(200)	–	(460)	(90)
Statutory profit before tax	1,294	1,603	1,026	1,817	1,515	1,602
Tax expense ¹	(269)	(403)	(260)	(394)	(369)	(431)
Statutory profit after tax¹	1,025	1,200	766	1,423	1,146	1,171
Banking net interest margin	2.89%	2.91%	2.92%	2.93%	2.93%	2.93%
Average interest-earning banking assets	£433bn	£433bn	£436bn	£435bn	£436bn	£437bn
Cost:income ratio	47.1%	44.7%	54.9%	47.1%	47.7%	47.8%
Asset quality ratio	0.27%	0.25%	0.18%	0.25%	0.18%	0.23%
Gross asset quality ratio	0.38%	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	0.26%	0.27%
Underlying return on tangible equity	15.6%	17.0%	13.6%	15.9%	17.3%	15.4%
Return on tangible equity	10.5%	12.5%	7.8%	14.8%	11.9%	12.3%
Loans and advances to customers ²	£441bn	£441bn	£444bn	£445bn	£442bn	£445bn
Customer deposits ³	£418bn	£417bn	£416bn	£422bn	£418bn	£413bn
Loan to deposit ratio	106%	106%	107%	105%	106%	108%
Risk-weighted assets ⁴	£207bn	£208bn	£206bn	£207bn	£207bn	£211bn
Tangible net assets per share	53.0p	53.4p	53.0p	51.3p	52.1p	52.3p

¹ Comparatives restated to reflect amendments to IAS 12, see basis of presentation.

² Excludes reverse repos.

³ Excludes repos.

⁴ Risk-weighted assets at June 2018 are reported on a pro forma basis reflecting the sale of the Irish mortgage portfolio.

BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS

	At 30 June 2019 £bn	At 31 Mar 2019 £bn	Change %	At 30 June 2018 £bn	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018 £bn	Change %
Loans and advances to customers							
Open mortgage book	264.9	264.1	–	267.1	(1)	266.6	(1)
Closed mortgage book	19.8	20.5	(3)	22.2	(11)	21.2	(7)
Credit cards	17.7	17.7	–	18.5	(4)	18.1	(2)
UK Retail unsecured loans	8.2	8.1	1	7.8	5	7.9	4
UK Motor Finance	15.5	15.3	1	13.9	12	14.6	6
Overdrafts	1.2	1.2	–	1.2	–	1.3	(8)
Retail other ¹	9.0	8.5	6	8.2	10	8.6	5
SME ²	32.3	32.1	1	31.5	3	31.8	2
Mid Markets	30.6	30.6	–	30.1	2	31.7	(3)
Global Corporates and Financial Institutions	34.7	34.3	1	32.7	6	34.4	1
Commercial Banking other	4.3	4.6	(7)	4.9	(12)	4.3	–
Wealth	0.9	0.9	–	0.8	13	0.9	–
Central items	1.9	2.6	(27)	3.4	(44)	3.0	(37)
Loans and advances to customers³	441.0	440.5	–	442.3	–	444.4	(1)
Customer deposits							
Retail current accounts	76.0	75.2	1	73.1	4	73.7	3
Commercial current accounts ^{2,4}	34.0	33.9	–	33.7	1	34.9	(3)
Retail relationship savings accounts	144.4	144.7	–	147.4	(2)	145.9	(1)
Retail tactical savings accounts	15.3	15.6	(2)	18.4	(17)	16.8	(9)
Commercial deposits ^{2,5}	133.2	133.0	–	130.4	2	130.1	2
Wealth	13.8	13.9	(1)	13.6	1	14.1	(2)
Central items	0.9	0.7	29	1.0	(10)	0.8	13
Total customer deposits⁶	417.6	417.0	–	417.6	–	416.3	–
Total assets⁷	822.2	818.3	–	829.8	(1)	797.6	3
Total liabilities⁷	773.2	767.8	1	781.2	(1)	747.4	3
Shareholders' equity	43.4	43.8	(1)	42.9	1	43.4	–
Other equity instruments	5.4	6.5	(17)	5.4	–	6.5	(17)
Non-controlling interests	0.2	0.2	–	0.3	(33)	0.3	(33)
Total equity	49.0	50.5	(3)	48.6	1	50.2	(2)
Ordinary shares in issue, excluding own shares	70,740m	71,165m	(1)	71,944m	(2)	71,149m	(1)

¹ Primarily includes Europe.

² Includes Retail Business Banking.

³ Excludes reverse repos.

⁴ Primarily non interest-bearing Commercial Banking current accounts.

⁵ Primarily Commercial Banking interest-bearing accounts.

⁶ Excludes repos.

⁷ The adoption of IFRS 16 on 1 January 2019 resulted in the recognition of a right-of-use asset of £1.7 billion and lease liabilities of £1.8 billion.

GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S STATEMENT

In the first six months of 2019 we have continued to deliver for our customers whilst making strong strategic progress, increasing investment in the business and helping Britain prosper. At the same time we have delivered a good financial performance with market leading efficiency and returns which has enabled the Board to announce an increased interim dividend.

Given our clear UK focus, our performance is inextricably linked with the health of the UK economy. The economy has remained resilient, however the continued economic uncertainty is having an impact on business confidence and leading to some softening in international economic indicators. Companies' investment and employment intentions have both declined in the second quarter of 2019 while global growth has softened and interest rate expectations have declined. Despite this the consumer sector remains robust with increased levels of employment and rising real wages, supporting consumption and GDP growth.

In recent years we have deliberately taken a prudent approach to growth and risk and have continued to invest in the business while maintaining a relentless focus on costs. The success of this approach is demonstrated by our financial performance in the first half of the year, which shows the resilience of our business model and the ability to generate market leading returns in an uncertain environment. This further reinforces my confidence that our strategy remains the right one in the current environment and that our significant cost advantage and unique business model mean the Group is well placed to continue to support its customers, help Britain prosper and deliver sustainable, superior returns to our shareholders.

Financial performance

In the first six months we have delivered a robust underlying profit of £4.2 billion, in line with prior year, with a statutory profit after tax of £2.2 billion, despite an additional PPI charge of £650 million. Net interest margin remained resilient at 2.90 per cent, cost:income ratio further improved to 45.9 per cent, while business as usual costs reduced 5 per cent due to our relentless focus on efficiency, enabling increased strategic investment in the business. Statutory return on tangible equity was strong at 11.5 per cent despite higher below the line charges including PPI. Credit quality also remains strong and our loan portfolios continue to be well positioned, reflecting the Group's prudent through the cycle approach to credit risk. The CET1 capital build totalled 70 basis points with the Group's pro forma CET1 ratio increasing to 14.6 per cent, pre dividend.

As announced in May, the Board's view of the level of CET1 capital targeted is around 12.5 per cent, plus a management buffer of around 1 per cent, following the notification by the regulator of the Systemic Risk Buffer and the reduction in the Group's Pillar 2A in July 2018.

The strong capital build has enabled the Board to announce an increased interim ordinary dividend of 1.12 pence per share, up 5 per cent, in line with the Group's progressive and sustainable ordinary dividend policy. Good progress has also been made on the share buyback that was announced with our full year results at the time of issuing results we have bought back approximately 1.4 billion shares, with around 50 per cent of the up to £1.75 billion programme now completed.

As also announced in May, the Group will commence paying quarterly dividends in 2020 which will provide a more regular flow of dividend income to shareholders.

Strategic progress

We are now half way through the third stage of our ambitious strategy launched in February 2018. In the last eighteen months we have made significant progress in transforming the Group for success in a digital world and, in line with our commitment to invest more than £3 billion over the plan period, have invested £1.5 billion to date to build new sources of competitive advantage across our four strategic pillars.

GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S STATEMENT (continued)*Leading customer experience*

We continue to believe that our customers' evolving needs are best served through a multi-brand, multi-channel strategy and are therefore committed to maintaining the UK's largest digital bank and branch network. In line with this commitment, we have continued to improve our digital proposition, with our digitally active customer base increasing to 15.9 million, of which 9.8 million are mobile app customers. While 75 per cent of products are now initiated via digital channels, branches remain a vital channel for meeting our customers' more complex needs. Since the start of 2018, we have improved our relationship mortgage new business market share by 3 percentage points and, through Schroders Personal Wealth we will extend wealth capabilities to our branch network. Our overall success in improving the customer experience is reflected in our net promoter scores, which increased to 65 for all channels and 67 for digital channels, both up c.5 per cent since year end 2018.

Digitising the Group

We have continued to increase our investment in technology. This now represents 19 per cent of operating costs, up from 16 per cent in 2018, with over 70 per cent of this amount relating to enhancing existing capabilities and creating new ones. This investment is enabling us to improve the experience of our customers and colleagues, while also driving operational efficiencies that will support increased investment going forward. Consistent with this focus, we have made strong progress in transforming customer and colleague end-to-end processes, with activity to date having now covered c.40 per cent of our cost base, up from 12 per cent in the previous strategic plan period.

Maximising the Group's capabilities

We have continued to build on our Open Banking proposition, which is now available to all of our digital customers, and we were the first in the market to extend this functionality to both savings products and credit cards. In addition, our unique Single Customer View capability, which enables customers to view all of the pension and insurance products that they hold with the Group alongside their banking products, continues to go from strength to strength and is now available to more than four million customers, up by more than one million since the start of the year. We also established Schroders Personal Wealth in June and will launch this to the market in the second half of the year, with the ambition of becoming a top three financial planning business within five years.

Transforming ways of working

In 2019 we have increased our investment in our colleagues, with a focus on ensuring that we are able to continue to attract, develop and retain the talent and capabilities we will need in the future. As part of this, we have increased the 'skills of the future' training delivered to our colleagues to a cumulative 2.1 million hours since 2018, putting us well on track to meet our target of 4.4 million hours by the end of the plan period. We have also hired over 900 colleagues across critical areas such as engineering, data science and cyber security, in line with our plan to treble our strategic hiring compared to 2018. Consistent with our focus on improving our overall operating efficiency, building internal capabilities through these initiatives has also enabled us to reduce the use of external resource by 20 per cent since the end of 2017.

Helping Britain Prosper Plan

As part of our purpose of helping Britain prosper, we believe we have a responsibility to help address some of the societal, economic and environmental challenges that the UK faces. During the first half of the year, we contributed £10 billion of gross new lending to businesses, and we are on course to meet our commitment to lend up to £18 billion to UK businesses in 2019 as part of our continued support for the UK economy. Similarly, we are on track to meet our target of £6 billion of additional net lending to start-up, SME and Mid Market clients over the three years to the end of 2020.

GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S STATEMENT (continued)

We have now trained around 4,000 people in digital life skills through our Lloyds Bank Academy and have around 23,000 colleagues volunteering as Digital Champions in their local communities as part of our efforts to help close the digital skills gap in the UK. I am also very proud of the Stonewall Top Financial Services Employer and Times Top 50 Employer for Women awards, which we received this year in recognition of our role in championing inclusion and diversity.

To help the UK transition into a sustainable, low carbon economy, which we believe is key to the UK's prosperity, we are actively incentivising sustainable lending with our clients. In recognition of the Green Lending Initiatives we have put in place so far, we recently won the Real Estate Capital Sustainable Finance Provider of the year award. We also have a portfolio of new propositions under development and are currently piloting a digital app which aims to help our Commercial Banking customers understand and improve the energy efficiency of their buildings.

Outlook

Our results for the first half of the year continue to demonstrate the resilience of our business model and that our strategy remains the right one in the current environment. We expect the Group to continue to deliver sustainable, superior performance for our customers and shareholders, and the resilience of the business model is reflected in our guidance for 2019:

- Net interest margin of c.2.90 per cent
- Operating costs of less than £8 billion and cost:income ratio expected to fall
- Net asset quality ratio of less than 30 basis points
- Given the below the line charges, including PPI, in 2019 we now expect capital build to be at the lower end of our ongoing 170 to 200 basis points range, and for return on tangible equity to be around 12 per cent

Beyond 2019, our longer term targets remain unchanged although continued economic uncertainty could impact outlook.

Summary

We will maintain our prudent approach to growth and risk whilst retaining our relentless focus on costs and continuing to invest and transform the business for success in a digital world. We are well placed to continue to support our customers, help Britain prosper, and deliver sustainable, superior returns for shareholders.

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS

Good financial performance with market leading efficiency and returns

The Group's statutory profit after tax was £2,225 million, 4 per cent lower than in the first half of 2018 with robust underlying profit more than offset by higher below the line items, including the PPI provision charge. The return on tangible equity remained strong at 11.5 per cent.

Underlying profit of £4,194 million includes a 2 per cent reduction in net income and the expected higher impairment charge largely offset by lower total costs. The underlying return on tangible equity was 16.3 per cent.

The balance sheet remains strong with lending growth in targeted segments in the quarter including the open mortgage book and SME, and deposit growth largely driven by current accounts. The Group's pro forma CET1 ratio was 14.6 per cent pre dividend and 14.0 per cent post dividend with capital build in the first half of 2019 of 70 basis points, despite 33 basis points impact from PPI and 11 basis points from the implementation of IFRS 16. The capital build includes the impact of the interim Insurance dividend of £100 million paid in July 2019.

Net income

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m	Change %
Net interest income	6,145	6,344	(3)	6,370	(4)
Other income	3,100	3,124	(1)	2,886	7
Operating lease depreciation ¹	(473)	(497)	5	(459)	(3)
Vocalink gain on sale	50	–	–	–	–
Net income	8,822	8,971	(2)	8,797	–
Banking net interest margin	2.90%	2.93%	(3)bp	2.93%	(3)bp
Average interest-earning banking assets	£433.3bn	£436.4bn	(1)	£435.5bn	(1)

¹ Net of profits on disposal of operating lease assets of £14 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £29 million; half-year to 31 December 2018: £31 million).

Net income of £8,822 million was 2 per cent lower than in the first half of 2018, with lower net interest income and a decrease of 1 per cent in other income partly offset by lower operating lease depreciation.

Net interest income of £6,145 million was down 3 per cent with a resilient net interest margin and lower average interest-earning banking assets. Net interest margin was 2.90 per cent, in line with guidance, with the benefit of lower deposit costs and higher current account balances offset by continued pressure on asset margins. Average interest-earning banking assets were down £3.1 billion year on year with growth in targeted segments, in particular SME (£0.8 billion) and UK Motor Finance (£1.4 billion), more than offset by lower balances in the closed mortgage book (£2.4 billion) and the sale of the Irish mortgage portfolio (£3.3 billion).

The Group manages the risk to its earnings and capital from movements in interest rates centrally by hedging the net liabilities which are stable or less sensitive to movements in rates. As at 30 June 2019 the Group's hedge had a nominal balance of £172 billion (31 December 2018: £180 billion) and an average duration of around three years (31 December 2018: around four years). The Group generated £1.3 billion of income from the structural hedge balances in the first six months of 2019 (half-year to 30 June 2018: £1.3 billion). The benefit from the hedge in the six months was £0.5 billion over LIBOR (half-year to 30 June 2018: £0.8 billion) with a fixed earnings rate of approximately 0.6 per cent over LIBOR (half-year to 30 June 2018: 0.9 per cent).

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS (continued)

Other income decreased by 1 per cent to £3,100 million with strong performance within Insurance and Wealth, which increased by 21 per cent reflecting increased workplace pensions new business income and the benefit from the planned change in investment management provider. In Retail, other income reduced 4 per cent with higher current account fee income offset by lower Lex Autolease volumes, with an associated reduction in operating lease depreciation. Commercial Banking income was down 13 per cent and continues to be impacted by challenging conditions in particular within the markets business, resulting in lower levels of client activity. Other income also included a gain of £181 million on the sale of £6 billion of gilts and other liquid assets, (half-year to 30 June 2018: £191 million gain). In addition, in the first quarter the Group recognised a £50 million performance related earn-out following the sale of Vocalink in 2017.

Total costs

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m	Change %
Operating costs	3,906	4,024	3	4,141	6
Remediation	143	257	44	343	58
Total costs	4,049	4,281	5	4,484	10
Business as usual costs ¹	2,677	2,832	5	3,004	11
Cost:income ratio	45.9%	47.7%	(1.8)pp	51.0%	(5.1)pp

¹ Business as usual costs in the half-year to 30 June 2018 and half-year to 31 December 2018 are adjusted to reflect the impact of applying IFRS 16. Excluding the impact of IFRS 16 business as usual costs in the half-year to 2018 were £2,942 million and £3,106 million in the half-year to 31 December 2018.

Total costs of £4,049 million were 5 per cent lower than in the first half of 2018, driven by both a reduction in operating costs and lower remediation charges.

Operating costs of £3,906 million were 3 per cent lower than in the same period in 2018. The Group continues to focus on reducing its underlying cost base to create capacity to further invest in the business. Business as usual costs were down 5 per cent in the period driven by increased efficiency from digitalisation and process improvements in parallel with increased strategic investment of £0.6 billion in the business, up 41 per cent compared to the first half of 2018. During the first six months of 2019 the Group capitalised c.£0.8 billion of investment spend of which c.£0.5 billion related to intangible assets, which is deducted from capital. Total capitalised spend was equivalent to c.60 per cent of above the line investment, which was in line with the full year 2018.

Remediation charges were significantly lower than in the first half of 2018, at £143 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £257 million) and included additional charges of £123 million in the second quarter of 2019 relating to a number of items across existing programmes.

The Group's market leading cost:income ratio continues to provide competitive advantage and improved by 1.8 percentage points to 45.9 per cent, with positive jaws of 3 per cent.

The Group continues to expect operating costs (which excludes remediation) of less than £8 billion for the full year 2019, and is targeting a cost:income ratio including remediation in the low 40s exiting 2020, with reductions every year.

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS (continued)**Impairment**

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m	Change %
Impairment charge	579	456	(27)	481	(20)
Asset quality ratio	0.26%	0.20%	6bp	0.22%	4bp
Gross asset quality ratio	0.34%	0.27%	7bp	0.30%	4bp
	At 30 June 2019 ¹ %	At 30 June 2018 ¹ %	Change	At 31 Dec 2018 ¹ %	Change
Stage 2 loans and advances to customers as % of total	8.1	9.8	(1.7)pp	7.8	0.3pp
Stage 2 ECL ² allowances as % of Stage 2 drawn balances	3.6	3.6	–	4.1	(0.5)pp
Stage 3 loans and advances to customers as % of total	1.9	1.8	0.1pp	1.9	–
Stage 3 ECL ² allowances as % of Stage 3 drawn balances	23.0	25.2	(2.2)pp	24.3	(1.3)pp
Total ECL ² allowances as % of drawn balances	0.9	0.9	–	0.9	–

¹ Underlying basis.

² Expected credit losses.

Credit quality remains strong with a net asset quality ratio of 26 basis points and a gross asset quality ratio of 34 basis points compared with 20 basis points and 27 basis points respectively in the first half of 2018. The impairment charge increased to £579 million and was driven by a number of items including some weakening in used car prices, alignment of credit card provisioning methodologies, lower cash recoveries following prior year debt sales and two corporate cases in Commercial Banking.

The Group's loan portfolios continue to be well positioned, reflecting the Group's prudent, through the cycle approach to credit risk, and benefiting from continued low interest rates and a resilient UK economy.

Overall credit performance in the secured book remains strong with the average mortgage loan to value improving slightly to 42.6 per cent (Dec 2018: 44.1 per cent). New business average loan to value was 63.1 per cent and around 91 per cent of the portfolio has a loan to value ratio of less than 80 per cent. New to arrears as a proportion of the total book remains low in both the secured and unsecured books. In Commercial Banking, the book continues to benefit from effective risk management, including a prudent approach to vulnerable sectors and concentration risk.

The economic assumptions included in the Group's IFRS 9 model scenarios have been refined to reflect the economic outlook through 2019, although the impact on the overall Group expected credit loss (ECL) has not changed significantly. The Group's ECL allowance continues to reflect a probability-weighted view of future economic scenarios including a 30 per cent weighting of downside and a 10 per cent weighting of severe downside. Total ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances remains unchanged at 0.9 per cent over the last year.

Stage 2 loans and advances to customers as a percentage of total lending reduced by 1.7 percentage points to 8.1 per cent reflecting model refinements and portfolio improvements in 2018, whilst Stage 3 loans and advances were broadly stable at 1.9 per cent. The Group's coverage of Stage 2 assets was stable at 3.6 per cent whilst coverage of Stage 3 assets reduced by 2.2 percentage points to 23.0 per cent due to increased Commercial Banking Stage 3 balances with lower likelihood of net loss. The Group's total balance sheet provision at 30 June was £4.4 billion (31 December 2018: £4.4 billion), equivalent to around four years of total normalised annual cash write-offs.

The Group continues to expect an asset quality ratio of less than 30 basis points in 2019, reflecting strong credit quality.

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS (continued)**Statutory profit**

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m	Change %
Underlying profit	4,194	4,234	(1)	3,832	9
Restructuring	(182)	(377)	52	(502)	64
Volatility and other items					
Market volatility and asset sales	(296)	34		(84)	
Amortisation of purchased intangibles	(34)	(53)	36	(55)	38
Fair value unwind and other	(135)	(171)	21	(148)	9
	(465)	(190)		(287)	(62)
Payment protection insurance provision	(650)	(550)	(18)	(200)	
Statutory profit before tax	2,897	3,117	(7)	2,843	2
Tax expense ¹	(672)	(800)	16	(654)	(3)
Statutory profit after tax¹	2,225	2,317	(4)	2,189	2
Earnings per share	2.7p	2.9p	(7)	2.6p	4
Return on tangible equity	11.5%	12.1%	(0.6)pp	11.3%	0.2pp

¹ Comparatives restated to reflect amendments to IAS 12, see basis of presentation.

Further information on the reconciliation of underlying to statutory results is included on page 24.

The Group's statutory profit after tax of £2,225 million was 4 per cent lower than in the first half of 2018 with robust underlying profit and lower restructuring costs more than offset by an increase in volatility and other items and a higher PPI provision charge. The return on tangible equity was 11.5 per cent and earnings per share was 2.7 pence.

Restructuring costs were £182 million, primarily reflecting the completion of the migration of MBNA in the first quarter of 2019, severance costs relating to the Group's strategic investment plans and the rationalisation of the non-branch property portfolio. Restructuring costs were significantly lower than the previous year due to the completion of the ring-fencing programme and the completion of MBNA integration in the first quarter.

Market volatility and asset sales of £296 million included adverse movements in banking volatility and a charge for exiting the Standard Life Aberdeen investment management agreement.

The reduction in amortisation of purchased intangibles to £34 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £53 million) was driven by a number of intangible assets fully amortising in 2018. Fair value unwind and other items reduced to £135 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £171 million) reflecting the run down of the subordinated liabilities acquired during the HBOS acquisition.

The PPI provision charge of £650 million included an additional £550 million charged in the second quarter. The additional charge in the quarter is largely driven by the significant increase in PPI information requests received in the second quarter onwards, which will lead to higher total complaints and associated administration costs. PPI information requests and complaint volumes remain uncertain, however the outstanding balance sheet provision at 30 June 2019 was £1.1 billion and assumes total expected complaint volumes increasing from 5.6 million to 5.8 million.

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS (continued)**Taxation**

The tax expense was £672 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £800 million) representing an effective tax rate of 23 per cent (half-year to 2018: 26 per cent) and benefited from the release of a deferred tax liability. The Group continues to expect the effective tax rate be around 25 per cent in 2020.

Return on tangible equity

The return on tangible equity was 11.5 per cent and the underlying return on tangible equity was flat at 16.3 per cent primarily reflecting robust underlying profit.

Given the below the line charges, including PPI, the Group now expects return on tangible equity to be around 12 per cent in 2019.

Balance sheet

	At 30 June 2019	At 31 Mar 2019	Change %	At 30 June 2018	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018	Change %
Loans and advances to customers ¹	£441bn	£441bn	–	£442bn	–	£444bn	(1)
Customer deposits ²	£418bn	£417bn	–	£418bn	–	£416bn	–
Loan to deposit ratio	106%	106%	–	106%	–	107%	(1)pp
Wholesale funding	£131bn	£125bn	5	£122bn	7	£123bn	6
Wholesale funding <1 year maturity	£44bn	£40bn	11	£38bn	17	£33bn	33
Of which money-market funding <1 year maturity ³	£25bn	£24bn	1	£25bn	–	£21bn	18
Liquidity coverage ratio - eligible assets	£132bn	£135bn	(2)	£129bn	2	£129bn	2
Liquidity coverage ratio ⁴	130%	129%	1pp	125%	5pp	128%	2pp

¹ Excludes reverse repos of £54.1 billion (30 June 2018: £26.7 billion; 31 December 2018: £40.5 billion).

² Excludes repos of £4.1 billion (30 June 2018: £4.0 billion; 31 December 2018: £1.8 billion).

³ Excludes balances relating to margins of £5.1 billion (30 June 2018: 4.0 billion; 31 December 2018: £3.8 billion) and settlement accounts of £2.0 billion (30 June 2018: £1.7 billion; 31 December 2018: £1.2 billion).

⁴ The Liquidity coverage ratio is calculated as a simple average of month end observations over the 12 months preceding the end of each quarter.

Loans and advances to customers were £441 billion with growth in a number of targeted segments in the last three months, including the open mortgage book, which grew £0.8 billion, SME and UK Motor Finance, offset by reductions in the closed mortgage book and Commercial Banking run-off. The Group continues to expect the open mortgage book at the year end to be in line with 2018.

The Group continues to optimise funding and target current account balance growth, with Retail current accounts up 3 per cent over the last six months at £76.0 billion (31 December 2018: £73.7 billion). The loan to deposit ratio was slightly lower at 106 per cent.

Wholesale funding increased by 6 per cent to £131 billion (31 December 2018: £123 billion) as the Group refinanced Funding for Lending Scheme (FLS) funding. The Group's liquidity continues to exceed the regulatory minimum and internal risk appetite.

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS (continued)**Capital**

	At 30 June 2019	At 30 June 2018	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018	Change %
Pro forma CET1 ratio pre dividend accrual ¹	14.6%	15.1%	(0.5)pp	13.9%	0.7pp
Pro forma CET1 ratio ¹	14.0%	14.5%	(0.5)pp	13.9%	0.1pp
Pro forma transitional total capital ratio ¹	21.7%	22.1%	(0.4)pp	23.1%	(1.4)pp
Pro forma transitional MREL ratio ¹	32.2%	29.7%	2.5pp	32.6%	(0.4)pp
Pro forma UK leverage ratio ¹	5.1%	5.3%	(0.2)pp	5.6%	(0.5)pp
Pro forma risk-weighted assets ¹	£207bn	£207bn	–	£206bn	–
Shareholders' equity	£43bn	£43bn	1	£43bn	–
Tangible net assets per share	53.0p	52.1p	0.9p	53.0p	–

¹ The CET1, total, MREL and leverage ratios at 30 June 2019, 30 June 2018 and 31 December 2018 are reported on a pro forma basis, reflecting the dividend paid up by the Insurance business in subsequent reporting period. The CET1 ratios at 31 December 2018 are reported post share buyback and post dividend accrual. In addition the pro forma ratios and pro forma risk-weighted assets at 30 June 2018 reflected the sale of the Irish mortgage portfolio.

The Group's balance sheet remains strong with capital build of 70 basis points in the first six months of 2019. The Group's CET1 capital ratio increased to 14.6 per cent on a pro forma basis pre dividend and 14.0 per cent post dividend (31 December 2018: 13.9 per cent pro forma post dividend and share buyback).

The increase in the CET1 capital ratio included 97 basis points from underlying capital build, primarily driven by underlying profit, and 5 basis points relating to the dividends received from the Insurance business. Market and other movements amounted to 12 basis points. This was partly offset by 33 basis points for PPI and 11 basis points from the implementation of IFRS 16.

The Group continues to expect an ongoing capital build of 170 to 200 basis points per annum, pre dividend. Given the additional below the line charges, particularly PPI, we now expect capital build to be at the lower end of this range in 2019.

The Board's view of the level of CET1 capital required by the Group to grow the business, meet regulatory requirements and cover uncertainties remains unchanged since the announced reduction in the first quarter of 2019, at around 12.5 per cent, plus a management buffer of around 1 per cent.

The transitional total capital ratio reduced to 21.7 per cent on a pro forma basis (30 June 2018: 22.1 per cent; 31 December 2018: 23.1 per cent) and the Group remains well positioned to meet its MREL requirement from 2020 with a pro forma transitional MREL ratio of 32.2 per cent (30 June 2018: 29.7 per cent; 31 December 2018: 32.6 per cent). The leverage ratio on a pro forma basis reduced to 5.1 per cent (30 June 2018: 5.3 per cent; 31 December 2018: 5.6 per cent pro forma).

Tangible net assets per share of 53.0 pence (30 June 2018: 52.1 pence; 31 December 2018: 53.0 pence) increased by 2.1 pence before the payment of the 2018 final dividend of 2.14 pence.

SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS (continued)**Dividend**

In respect of the first half of 2019, the Board has announced an interim ordinary dividend of 1.12 pence per share, an increase of 5 per cent on prior year and in line with the progressive and sustainable ordinary dividend policy.

The Board will continue to give due consideration at each year end to the return of any surplus capital. In February this year, the Board decided to return surplus capital through a share buyback programme of up to £1.75 billion. This commenced in March 2019 and at the time of issuing results is c.50 per cent complete having purchased c.1.4 billion shares.

The Group announced in May 2019 that it would move to the payment of quarterly dividends in 2020 in order to accelerate payment of dividends to all shareholders. The Group intends to adopt three equal interim ordinary dividend payments for the first three quarters of the year followed by, subject to performance, a larger final dividend for the fourth quarter of the year. The first three quarterly payments, payable in June, September and December will be 20 per cent of the previous year's total ordinary dividend per share. The fourth quarter payment will be announced with the full year results, with the amount reflecting the Group's financial performance and our objective of a progressive and sustainable ordinary dividend. The final dividend will continue to be paid in May, following approval at the Annual General Meeting.

UNDERLYING BASIS SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

Half-year to 30 June 2019

	Retail £m	Commercial Banking £m	Insurance and Wealth £m	Central items £m	Group £m
Net interest income	4,366	1,460	58	261	6,145
Other income	1,007	733	1,183	177	3,100
Operating lease depreciation	(461)	(12)	–	–	(473)
Vocalink gain on sale	–	–	–	50	50
Net income	4,912	2,181	1,241	488	8,822
Operating costs	(2,325)	(1,034)	(539)	(8)	(3,906)
Remediation	(48)	(90)	(25)	20	(143)
Total costs	(2,373)	(1,124)	(564)	12	(4,049)
Impairment	(556)	(65)	–	42	(579)
Underlying profit	1,983	992	677	542	4,194
Banking net interest margin	2.64%	3.15%			2.90%
Average interest-earning banking assets	£339.8bn	£92.6bn	£0.9bn	–	£433.3bn
Asset quality ratio	0.33%	0.13%			0.26%
Return on risk-weighted assets	4.23%	2.35%			4.09%
Loans and advances to customers ¹	£338.1bn	£100.1bn	£0.9bn	£1.9bn	£441.0bn
Customer deposits ²	£252.4bn	£150.6bn	£13.8bn	£0.8bn	£417.6bn
Risk-weighted assets	£95.8bn	£83.0bn	£1.3bn	£26.4bn	£206.5bn

Half-year to 30 June 2018

	Retail ³ £m	Commercial Banking ³ £m	Insurance and Wealth £m	Central items ³ £m	Group £m
Net interest income	4,511	1,501	60	272	6,344
Other income	1,052	842	979	251	3,124
Operating lease depreciation	(477)	(20)	–	–	(497)
Net income	5,086	2,323	1,039	523	8,971
Operating costs	(2,401)	(1,073)	(534)	(16)	(4,024)
Remediation	(91)	(75)	(25)	(66)	(257)
Total costs	(2,492)	(1,148)	(559)	(82)	(4,281)
Impairment	(460)	6	–	(2)	(456)
Underlying profit	2,134	1,181	480	439	4,234
Banking net interest margin	2.69%	3.32%			2.93%
Average interest-earning banking assets	£342.0bn	£90.3bn	£0.8bn	£3.3bn	£436.4bn
Asset quality ratio	0.27%	(0.03)%			0.20%
Return on risk-weighted assets	4.71%	2.74%			4.05%
Loans and advances to customers ¹	£340.8bn	£97.3bn	£0.8bn	£3.4bn	£442.3bn
Customer deposits ²	£254.6bn	£148.5bn	£13.6bn	£0.9bn	£417.6bn
Risk-weighted assets	£92.4bn	£86.7bn	£1.3bn	£26.5bn	£206.9bn

¹ Excludes reverse repos.

² Excludes repos.

³ Prior period segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.

UNDERLYING BASIS SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (continued)

Half-year to 31 December 2018

	Retail ¹ £m	Commercial Banking ¹ £m	Insurance and Wealth £m	Central items ¹ £m	Group £m
Net interest income	4,549	1,512	63	246	6,370
Other income	1,045	828	886	127	2,886
Operating lease depreciation	(444)	(15)	–	–	(459)
Net income	5,150	2,325	949	373	8,797
Operating costs	(2,496)	(1,118)	(487)	(40)	(4,141)
Remediation	(176)	(128)	(14)	(25)	(343)
Total costs	(2,672)	(1,246)	(501)	(65)	(4,484)
Impairment	(401)	(77)	(1)	(2)	(481)
Underlying profit	2,077	1,002	447	306	3,832
Banking net interest margin	2.66%	3.22%			2.93%
Average interest-earning banking assets	£342.6bn	£92.1bn	£0.8bn	–	£435.5bn
Asset quality ratio	0.23%	0.16%			0.22%
Return on risk-weighted assets	4.43%	2.30%			3.65%
Loans and advances to customers ²	£340.1bn	£100.4bn	£0.9bn	£3.0bn	£444.4bn
Customer deposits ³	£252.8bn	£148.6bn	£14.1bn	£0.8bn	£416.3bn
Risk-weighted assets	£93.5bn	£86.5bn	£1.2bn	£25.2bn	£206.4bn

¹ Prior period segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.² Excludes reverse repos.³ Excludes repos.

DIVISIONAL RESULTS

RETAIL

Retail offers a broad range of financial service products to personal and business banking customers, including current accounts, savings, mortgages, credit cards, unsecured loans, motor finance and leasing solutions. Its aim is to be the best bank for customers in the UK, by building deep and enduring relationships that deliver value, and by providing customers with choice and flexibility, with propositions increasingly personalised to their needs. Retail operates a multi-brand and multi-channel strategy. It continues to simplify its business and provide more transparent products, helping to improve service levels and reduce conduct risks, whilst working within a prudent risk appetite.

Progress against strategic priorities

Leading customer experience

- UK's largest digital bank with 15.9 million active digital customers; 9.8 million mobile banking app customers and 75 per cent of new products are now originated digitally, whilst also maintaining the UK's largest branch network
- First to market in extending open banking functionality, to both savings products and credit cards
- Launched the Lloyds 'M Word' campaign to support customers being more confident and comfortable talking about money, along with a refreshed Halifax brand
- Supporting customers in branches with around 50 per cent of customer facing time spent on complex financial needs, resulting in the relationship new mortgage market share improving by 3 percentage points since start of 2018

Digitising the Group

- Continued to significantly enhance the mobile app experience for customers by introducing:
 - Virtual Assistant available any time resolving over 25 per cent of messaging queries
 - Upcoming payments helping customers budget better, with over 40 million views since launch
 - Self-service capability to update address, providing flexibility and control
 - Relunched Save the Change so more customers can establish a savings habit linked to everyday transactions
- Voice ID now the most popular form of security for telephone banking with over 12 million verifications since launch
- Rolled out Black Horse Finance Online, a new point of sale technology platform to around 4,000 motor retailers

Maximising the Group's capabilities

- MBNA integration completed ahead of schedule with migration of over 8 million customer accounts
- Launched an electric vehicle fund initiative through Lex Autolease to support lower UK emissions

Transforming ways of working

- Launched a pilot with local shops to boost the number of retailers offering cashback to support access to cash
- Invested around 24,000 training hours in colleagues to support customers with fraud and disputes

Financial performance

- Underlying profit of £1,983 million decreased 7 per cent
- Net interest income was 3 per cent lower, reflecting a 5 basis point reduction in net interest margin with continued mortgage competition pressure partly offset by lower funding costs
- Other income reduced 4 per cent with lower Lex fleet size, with an associated benefit in operating lease depreciation
- Operating costs reduced 3 per cent, as efficiency savings more than offset increased investment in the business.
- Impairment increased 21 per cent as a result of some weakening in used car prices, alignment of credit card methodologies and lower cash recoveries following prior year debt sales
- Customer lending was broadly flat with growth in Black Horse and unsecured loans being offset by mortgages. Open mortgage balances grew by £0.8 billion in the second quarter of 2019
- Customer deposits include improved current account mix, stable relationship balances and reduced tactical savings
- Risk-weighted assets increased by 4 per cent mainly driven by model refinements within mortgages

Retail performance summary

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m	Change %
Net interest income	4,366	4,511	(3)	4,549	(4)
Other income	1,007	1,052	(4)	1,045	(4)
Operating lease depreciation	(461)	(477)	3	(444)	(4)
Net income	4,912	5,086	(3)	5,150	(5)
Operating costs	(2,325)	(2,401)	3	(2,496)	7
Remediation	(48)	(91)	47	(176)	73
Total costs	(2,373)	(2,492)	5	(2,672)	11
Impairment	(556)	(460)	(21)	(401)	(39)
Underlying profit	1,983	2,134	(7)	2,077	(5)
Banking net interest margin	2.64%	2.69%	(5)bp	2.66%	(2)bp
Average interest-earning banking assets	£339.8bn	£342.0bn	(1)	£342.6bn	(1)
Asset quality ratio	0.33%	0.27%	6bp	0.23%	10bp
Return on risk-weighted assets	4.23%	4.71%	(48)bp	4.43%	(20)bp
	At 30 June 2019 £bn	At 30 June 2018 £bn	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018 £bn	Change %
Open mortgage book	264.9	267.1	(1)	266.6	(1)
Closed mortgage book	19.8	22.2	(11)	21.2	(7)
Credit cards	17.7	18.5	(4)	18.1	(2)
UK unsecured loans	8.2	7.8	5	7.9	4
UK Motor Finance	15.5	13.9	12	14.6	6
Business Banking	1.8	1.9	(5)	1.8	–
Overdrafts	1.2	1.2	–	1.3	(8)
Other ²	9.0	8.2	10	8.6	5
Loans and advances to customers	338.1	340.8	(1)	340.1	(1)
Operating lease assets	4.5	4.7	(4)	4.7	(4)
Total customer assets	342.6	345.5	(1)	344.8	(1)
Relationship balances ³	236.3	235.3	–	235.3	–
Tactical balance ³	16.1	19.3	(17)	17.5	(8)
Customer deposits	252.4	254.6	(1)	252.8	–
Risk-weighted assets	95.8	92.4	4	93.5	2

¹ Prior periods restated. See basis of presentation.

² Includes Europe and run-off.

³ Prior period restated to show European deposits as tactical balances.

COMMERCIAL BANKING

Commercial Banking has a client-led, low risk, capital efficient strategy, and is committed to supporting UK based clients and international clients with a link to the UK. Through its segmented client coverage model, it provides clients with a range of products and services such as lending, transaction banking, working capital management, risk management and debt capital markets services. Continued investment in capabilities and digital propositions enables the delivery of a leading customer experience, supported by increasingly productive relationship managers, with more time spent on value-adding activity.

Progress against strategic priorities

Leading customer experience

- Co-piloted shared business banking hubs alongside major UK peers, improving accessibility for corporate clients through longer opening hours and ability to conduct transactions through a shared facility
- Awarded 'Business Bank of the Year' at the FDs' Excellence Awards for the 15th consecutive year

Digitising the Group

- Delivered the first release of our new cash management and payments platform, allowing clients to benefit from a multi-channel experience when making and receiving payments, supporting continued development of API enabled client propositions
- Improved our eTrading capability, enabling clients in LBCM to undertake FX trades electronically 24 hours per day across multiple geographies and in turn allowing us to support larger clients in automating their businesses

Maximising the Group's capabilities

- Contributed over £10 billion of gross new lending to businesses in the first half of the year, and on course to meet our commitment to lend up to £18 billion to UK businesses in 2019
- On track to meet our target of £6 billion additional net lending to start-up, SME and Mid Market clients by the end of 2020
- On course to meet our sustainability targets of supporting energy efficiency improvements for a further one million square feet of commercial real estate in 2019 and renewable energy projects capable of powering 3.5 million homes by 2020

Transforming ways of working

- Launched the SME Business Lending Tool, freeing up additional relationship manager time to allow for increased engagement with clients, as well as increasing productivity and simplifying the lending journey
- Over 450 relationship managers trained on climate change and sustainability related risks and opportunities in collaboration with Cambridge Institute for Sustainable Leadership

Financial performance

- Net interest income of £1,460 million reduced 3 per cent largely reflecting ongoing asset margin pressure
- Other income of £733 million was 13 per cent lower than the first half of 2018, driven by lower levels of client activity, particularly in the markets business
- Operating costs of £1,034 million reduced 4 per cent, as increased investment in the business was more than offset by efficiency savings
- Asset quality ratio of 13 basis points was 16 basis points higher, largely driven by provision increases on two individual corporate cases
- Return on risk-weighted assets of 2.35 per cent, was 39 basis points lower driven by lower underlying profit, partly offset by a reduction in risk-weighted assets of 4 per cent as a result of ongoing optimisation
- Continued lending growth in SME with balances up 2 per cent
- Increased customer deposits at £150.6 billion, reflected continued success in attracting high quality deposit balances in a competitive market

Commercial Banking performance summary

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m	Change %
Net interest income	1,460	1,501	(3)	1,512	(3)
Other income	733	842	(13)	828	(11)
Operating lease depreciation	(12)	(20)	40	(15)	20
Net income	2,181	2,323	(6)	2,325	(6)
Operating costs	(1,034)	(1,073)	4	(1,118)	8
Remediation	(90)	(75)	(20)	(128)	30
Total costs	(1,124)	(1,148)	2	(1,246)	10
Impairment	(65)	6		(77)	16
Underlying profit	992	1,181	(16)	1,002	(1)
Banking net interest margin	3.15%	3.32%	(17)bp	3.22%	(7)bp
Average interest-earning banking assets	£92.6bn	£90.3bn	3	£92.1bn	1
Asset quality ratio	0.13%	(0.03)%	16bp	0.16%	(3)bp
Return on risk-weighted assets	2.35%	2.74%	(39)bp	2.30%	5bp
	At 30 June 2019 £bn	At 30 June 2018 £bn	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018 £bn	Change %
SME	30.5	29.6	3	30.0	2
Mid Markets	30.6	30.1	2	31.7	(3)
Global Corporates and Financial Institutions	34.7	32.7	6	34.4	1
Other	4.3	4.9	(12)	4.3	–
Loans and advances to customers	100.1	97.3	3	100.4	–
<i>SME including Retail Business Banking</i>	<i>32.3</i>	<i>31.5</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>31.8</i>	<i>2</i>
Customer deposits	150.6	148.5	1	148.6	1
Risk-weighted assets	83.0	86.7	(4)	86.5	(4)

¹ Prior periods restated. See basis of presentation.

INSURANCE AND WEALTH

Insurance and Wealth offers insurance, investment and wealth management products and services. It supports around 10 million customers with assets under administration of £155 billion and annualised annuity payments in retirement of over £1 billion. The Group continues to invest significantly in the development of the business, with the aims of capturing considerable opportunities in pensions and financial planning, offering customers a single home for their banking and insurance needs, and driving growth across intermediary and relationship channels through a strong distribution model.

Progress against strategic priorities

Leading customer experience

- Successful migration of around 200,000 policies from a number of legacy systems to a single platform managed by our long term partner Diligenta, enabling customers to better manage their policies with Scottish Widows
- Concluded remaining transfers of the acquired Zurich UK workplace pensions and savings business in July 2019, adding around £9 billion to assets under administration and bringing the total transferred to £18 billion
- Launched simple in branch application process for new 'Plan and Protect' life and critical illness product which takes c.30 minutes for cover up to £500,000, making it easier for homeowners to protect themselves and their families
- Scottish Widows won 'Pension Firm of the Year' at the FD Excellence Awards for the third consecutive year

Digitising the Group

- Launched online home insurance claims process, with over 55 per cent of claims now being managed in this way
- Single Customer View, a unique capability that provides customers with integrated access to banking and insurance products, now available to over 4 million customers, with around 200,000 engaging with their pension every month

Maximising the Group's capabilities

- As part of our partnership with Schroders plc, established Schroders Personal Wealth with around 300 advisers, and transferred over £500 million of high net worth customer assets to Cazenove Capital
- Good progress towards the target of growing open book assets under administration by £50 billion by the end of 2020, with strong customer net inflows of £12 billion (including the Zurich transfer in July) and positive market movements of £8 billion in the first half of 2019. Cumulative net inflows of £25 billion and small positive market movements give overall growth of £28 billion since the start of current strategic plan in 2018
- Already achieved the 1 million new pension customers target since the start of 2018

Financial performance

- Strong growth in life and pensions sales, up 14 per cent, driven by increases in new members in existing workplace schemes and increased auto enrolment workplace contributions
- New underwritten household premiums increased 33 per cent, reflecting progress of direct and corporate partnership propositions; total underwritten premiums decreased 2 per cent driven by a competitive renewal market
- Life and pensions new business income up 27 per cent to £340 million. Lower existing business income due to equity hedging strategy to reduce capital and earnings volatility. Higher experience and other items includes benefits from the planned change in investment management provider and higher in year benefits from changes to annuitant mortality assumptions. General insurance income net of claims benefits from benign weather in 2019
- Underlying profit increased by 41 per cent to £677 million. Net income increased by £202 million to £1,241 million whilst operating costs increased by £5 million with cost savings partly offsetting higher investment in the business

Insurance capital

- Estimated pre interim dividend Solvency II ratio of 149 per cent (31 December 2018 pre final dividend position: 165 per cent). The fall in the ratio primarily reflects the impact of a £350 million dividend paid to Group in February 2019 and market volatility over the period, particularly reductions in long term interest rates
- A dividend of £100 million was paid to Group in July 2019, with c.£7 billion cumulative dividends paid to the Group since 2011

Insurance and Wealth performance summary

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m	Change %
Net interest income	58	60	(3)	63	(8)
Other income	1,183	979	21	886	34
Net income	1,241	1,039	19	949	31
Operating costs	(539)	(534)	(1)	(487)	(11)
Remediation	(25)	(25)	–	(14)	(79)
Total costs	(564)	(559)	(1)	(501)	(13)
Impairment	–	–	–	(1)	–
Underlying profit	677	480	41	447	51
Life and pensions sales (PVNBP) ¹	8,568	7,483	14	6,901	24
General insurance underwritten new GWP ²	64	48	33	59	8
General insurance underwritten total GWP ²	335	342	(2)	348	(4)
General insurance combined ratio	80%	103%	(23)pp	89%	(9)pp
	At 30 June 2019 £bn	At 30 June 2018 £bn	Change %	At 31 Dec 2018 £bn	Change %
Insurance Solvency II ratio ³	149%	153%	(4)pp	165%	(16)pp
UK Wealth Loans and advances to customers	0.9	0.8	13	0.9	–
UK Wealth Customer deposits	13.8	13.6	1	14.1	(2)
UK Wealth Risk-weighted assets	1.3	1.3	–	1.2	8
Total customer assets under administration	155.0	151.0	3	141.3	10

Income by product group

	Half-year to 30 June 2019			Half-year to 30 June 2018			Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
	New business £m	Existing business £m	Total £m	New business £m	Existing business £m	Total £m	
Workplace, planning and retirement	245	56	301	165	75	240	246
Individual and bulk annuities	78	34	112	88	45	133	111
Protection	11	12	23	8	11	19	23
Longstanding LP&I	6	191	197	7	208	215	212
	340	293	633	268	339	607	592
Life and pensions experience and other items			248			140	3
General insurance			179			103	169
			1,060			850	764
Wealth			181			189	185
Net income			1,241			1,039	949

¹ Present value of new business premiums. Further information on page 112.

² Gross written premiums.

³ Equivalent regulatory view of ratio (including With Profits funds) at 30 June 2019 was 141 per cent (30 June 2018: 148 per cent; 31 December 2018: 156 per cent).

CENTRAL ITEMS

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m	Change %
Net income	488	523	(7)	373	31
Operating costs	(8)	(16)	50	(40)	80
Remediation	20	(66)		(25)	
Total costs	12	(82)		(65)	
Impairment	42	(2)		(2)	
Underlying profit	542	439	23	306	77

¹ Prior periods restated. See basis of presentation.

Central items includes income and expenditure not attributed to divisions, including the costs of certain central and head office functions, and the Group's private equity business, Lloyds Development Capital.

Remediation in the half-year to 30 June 2019 reflects the release of provisions relating to discontinued business.

During the first half of 2019, impairment included releases relating to the reassessment of credit risk associated with debt instruments held within the Group's equity investments business.

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. Reconciliation between statutory and underlying basis results

The tables below set out the reconciliation from the statutory results to the underlying basis results, the principles of which are set out on the inside front cover.

	Statutory basis £m	Removal of:			Underlying basis £m
		Volatility and other items ^{1,2,3} £m	Insurance gross up ⁴ £m	PPI £m	
Half-year to 30 June 2019					
Net interest income	4,639	203	1,303	–	6,145
Other income, net of insurance claims	4,492	76	(1,418)	–	3,150
Operating lease depreciation		(473)	–	–	(473)
Net income	9,131	(194)	(115)	–	8,822
Operating expenses ⁵	(5,655)	841	115	650	(4,049)
Impairment	(579)	–	–	–	(579)
Profit before tax	2,897	647	–	650	4,194
Half-year to 30 June 2018					
Net interest income	6,007	93	244	–	6,344
Other income, net of insurance claims	3,564	(119)	(321)	–	3,124
Operating lease depreciation		(497)	–	–	(497)
Net income	9,571	(523)	(77)	–	8,971
Operating expenses ⁵	(5,998)	1,090	77	550	(4,281)
Impairment	(456)	–	–	–	(456)
Profit before tax	3,117	567	–	550	4,234
Half-year to 31 December 2018					
Net interest income	7,389	59	(1,078)	–	6,370
Other income, net of insurance claims	1,666	226	994	–	2,886
Operating lease depreciation		(459)	–	–	(459)
Net income	9,055	(174)	(84)	–	8,797
Operating expenses ⁵	(5,731)	963	84	200	(4,484)
Impairment	(481)	–	–	–	(481)
Profit before tax	2,843	789	–	200	3,832

¹ Half-year to 30 June 2019 comprises the effects of asset sales (gains of £5 million); volatility and other items (losses of £301 million); the amortisation of purchased intangibles (£34 million); restructuring (£182 million, comprising severance related costs, the rationalisation of the non-branch property portfolio, the integration of MBNA and Zurich's UK workplace pensions and savings business); and the fair value unwind and other items (losses of £135 million).

² Half-year to 30 June 2018 comprises the effects of asset sales (losses of £120 million); volatility and other items (gains of £154 million); the amortisation of purchased intangibles (£53 million); restructuring (£377 million, comprising severance related costs, the rationalisation of the non-branch property portfolio, the work on implementing the ring-fencing requirements and the integration of MBNA and Zurich's UK workplace pensions and savings business); and the fair value unwind and other items (losses of £171 million).

³ Half-year to 31 December 2018 comprises the effects of asset sales (losses of £25 million); volatility and other items (losses of £59 million); the amortisation of purchased intangibles (£55 million); restructuring (£502 million, comprising severance related costs, the rationalisation of the non-branch property portfolio, the work on implementing the ring-fencing requirements and the integration of MBNA and Zurich's UK workplace pensions and savings business); and the fair value unwind and other items (losses of £148 million).

⁴ The Group's insurance businesses' income statements include income and expenditure which are attributable to the policyholders of the Group's long term assurance funds. These items have no impact in total upon the profit attributable to equity shareholders and, in order to provide a clearer representation of the underlying trends within the business, these items are shown net within the underlying results.

⁵ The statutory basis figure is the aggregate of operating costs and operating lease depreciation.

2. Banking net interest margin and average interest-earning banking assets

	Half-year to 30 June 2019	Half-year to 30 June 2018	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018
Group net interest income – statutory basis (£m)	4,639	6,007	7,389
Insurance gross up (£m)	1,303	244	(1,078)
Volatility and other items (£m)	203	93	59
Group net interest income – underlying basis (£m)	6,145	6,344	6,370
Non-banking net interest expense (£m) ¹	79	3	51
Banking net interest income – underlying basis (£m)	6,224	6,347	6,421
Net loans and advances to customers (£bn)²	441.0	442.3	444.4
Impairment provision and fair value adjustments (£bn)	4.0	4.0	4.0
Non-banking items:			
Fee based loans and advances (£bn)	(7.5)	(5.3)	(7.2)
Other non-banking (£bn)	(2.5)	(2.2)	(4.7)
Gross banking loans and advances (£bn)	435.0	438.8	436.5
Averaging (£bn)	(1.7)	(2.4)	(1.0)
Average interest-earning banking assets (£bn)	433.3	436.4	435.5
Banking net interest margin (%)	2.90	2.93	2.93

¹ Half-year to 2019 includes impact from the implementation of IFRS 16.

² Excludes reverse repos.

3. Volatility arising in insurance businesses

Volatility included in the Group's statutory results before tax comprises the following:

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
Insurance volatility	221	(194)	(312)
Policyholder interests volatility	105	122	(76)
Total volatility	326	(72)	(388)
Insurance hedging arrangements	(299)	111	246
Total	27	39	(142)

The Group's insurance business has policyholder liabilities that are supported by substantial holdings of investments. IFRS requires that the changes in both the value of the liabilities and investments are reflected within the income statement. The value of the liabilities does not move exactly in line with changes in the value of the investments. As the investments are substantial, movements in their value can have a significant impact on the profitability of the Group. Management believes that it is appropriate to disclose the division's results on the basis of an expected return in addition to results based on the actual return. The impact of the actual return on these investments differing from the expected return is included within insurance volatility.

In-year volatility movements were largely driven by insurance volatility arising from interest rate movements. The capital impact of equity market movements is now hedged within Insurance and this also reduces the IFRS earnings exposure to equity market movements. Prior to 2019 insurance hedging arrangements were also in place within the Bank.

The Group actively manages its exposures to interest rate, foreign currency exchange rate, inflation and market movements within the banking book through a comprehensive hedging strategy. This helps to mitigate earnings volatility and reduces the impact of market movements on the capital position.

4. Tangible net assets per share

The table below sets out a reconciliation of the Group's shareholders' equity to its tangible net assets.

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 30 June 2018 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Shareholders' equity	43,448	42,940	43,434
Goodwill	(2,314)	(2,310)	(2,310)
Intangible assets	(3,615)	(3,061)	(3,347)
Purchased value of in-force business	(255)	(291)	(271)
Other, including deferred tax effects	203	240	228
Tangible net assets	<u>37,467</u>	<u>37,518</u>	<u>37,734</u>
Ordinary shares in issue, excluding own shares	70,740m	71,944m	71,149m
Tangible net assets per share	53.0p	52.1p	53.0p

5. Return on tangible equity

	Half-year to 30 June 2019	Half-year to 30 June 2018	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018
Average shareholders' equity (£bn)	43.6	43.2	42.8
Average intangible assets (£bn)	(5.8)	(5.3)	(5.6)
Average tangible equity (£bn)	<u>37.8</u>	<u>37.9</u>	<u>37.2</u>
Underlying profit after tax (£m) ¹	3,160	3,174	2,883
Add back amortisation of intangible assets (post tax) (£m)	178	138	158
Less profit attributable to non-controlling interests and other equity holders (£m) ¹	(283)	(242)	(289)
Adjusted underlying profit after tax (£m)	<u>3,055</u>	<u>3,070</u>	<u>2,752</u>
Underlying return on tangible equity (%)	16.3	16.3	14.7
Group statutory profit after tax (£m) ¹	2,225	2,317	2,189
Add back amortisation of intangible assets (post tax) (£m)	178	138	158
Add back amortisation of purchased intangible assets (post tax) (£m)	38	59	52
Less profit attributable to non-controlling interests and other equity holders (£m) ¹	(283)	(242)	(289)
Adjusted statutory profit after tax (£m)	<u>2,158</u>	<u>2,272</u>	<u>2,110</u>
Statutory return on tangible equity (%)	11.5	12.1	11.3

¹ Prior period restated to reflect amendments to IAS 12, see basis of presentation.

RISK MANAGEMENT PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Group's principal risks and uncertainties are reviewed and reported regularly as advised in our 2018 Annual Report. Following a review of the Group's risk categories, change and execution risk, data risk and operational resilience risk were elevated from secondary to primary risk categories in the Group's Risk Management Framework, reflecting the greater focus in these key areas.

The external risk faced by the Group may impact the success of delivering against the Group's long term strategic objectives. They include but are not limited to global macro-economic conditions, regulatory developments and market liquidity.

These changes are being embedded during 2019 and are now reflected within the Group's principal risks as below:

Capital risk – The risk that the Group has a sub-optimal quantity or quality of capital or that capital is inefficiently deployed across the Group.

Change and execution risk – The risk that in delivering its change agenda, the Group fails to ensure compliance with laws and regulation, maintain effective customer service and availability, and/or operate within the Group's risk appetite.

Conduct risk – The risk of customer detriment across the customer lifecycle including: failures in product management, distribution and servicing activities; from other risks materialising, or other activities which could undermine the integrity of the market or distort competition, leading to unfair customer outcomes, regulatory censure, reputational damage or financial loss.

Credit risk – The risk that parties with whom the Group has contracted fail to meet their financial obligations (both on and off balance sheet). For example observed or anticipated changes in the economic environment could impact profitability due to an increase in delinquency, defaults, write-downs and/or expected credit losses.

Data risk – The risk of the Group failing to effectively govern, manage, and protect its data (or the data shared with third party suppliers) impacting the Group's agility, accuracy, access and availability of data, ultimately leading to poor customer outcomes, loss of value to the Group and mistrust from regulators.

Funding and liquidity risk – The risk that the Group has insufficient financial resources to meet its commitments as they fall due.

Governance risk – The risk that the Group's organisational infrastructure fails to provide robust oversight of decision making and the control mechanisms to ensure strategies and management instructions are implemented effectively.

Insurance underwriting risk – The risk of adverse developments in the timing, frequency and severity of claims for insured/underwritten events and in customer behaviour, leading to reductions in earnings and/or value. Longevity risk is expected to increase as the Group's presence in the annuity market increases.

Market risk – The risk that the Group's capital or earnings profile is affected by adverse market rates. The principal market risks are interest rates and credit spreads in the banking business, credit spreads in the Insurance business and equity, credit spreads and longevity risk in the Group's defined benefit pension schemes.

Model risk – The risk of financial loss, regulatory censure, reputational damage or customer detriment, as a result of deficiencies in the development, application and ongoing operation of models and rating systems.

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

Operational resilience risk – The risk that the Group fails to design resilience into business operations, underlying infrastructure and controls (people, process, technical) so that it is able to withstand external or internal events which could impact the continuation of operations, and fails to respond in a way which meets customer expectations and needs when the continuity of operations is compromised.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES (continued)

People risk – The risk that the Group fails to provide an appropriate colleague and customer centric culture, supported by robust reward and wellbeing policies and processes; effective leadership to manage colleague resources; effective talent and succession management; and robust control to ensure all colleague-related requirements are met.

Regulatory and legal risk – The risk of financial penalties, regulatory censure, criminal or civil enforcement action or customer detriment as a result of failure to identify, assess, correctly interpret, comply with, or manage regulatory and/or legal requirements.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO

Overview

- Credit quality remains strong despite continued uncertainty and a softening in the external market
- The Group's loan portfolios continue to be well positioned, reflecting the Group's continued effective risk management and benefiting from low interest rates
- The gross asset quality ratio increased to 34 basis points (half-year to 30 June 2018: 27 basis points)
- The net asset quality ratio increased to 26 basis points (half-year to 30 June 2018: 20 basis points)
- The impairment charge increased to £579 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £456 million), driven by a number of items including some weakening in used car prices, alignment of credit card provisioning methodologies, lower cash recoveries following prior year debt sales and two corporate cases in Commercial Banking
- Stage 2 loans as a proportion of total loans and advances to customers increased slightly to 8.1 per cent (31 December 2018: 7.8 per cent). Stage 2 loans and advances were up by £2.0 billion to £40.3 billion, driven by the impact of changes in IFRS 9 economic scenarios, weighted towards the Retail portfolio and improved data quality and IFRS 9 model refinements within Commercial Banking
- Stage 2 expected credit loss allowances as a percentage of drawn balances (coverage) decreased to 3.6 per cent (31 December 2018: 4.1 per cent), mainly driven by a reduction in Stage 2 expected credit loss (ECL) allowances within SME largely as a result of an enhanced approach to loan amortisation within the IFRS 9 model and a number of other model refinements
- Stage 3 loans as a proportion of total loans and advances to customers have remained stable at 1.9 per cent, with Stage 3 loans and advances up £0.4 billion to £9.6 billion. Coverage of Stage 3 drawn balances reduced to 23.0 per cent (31 December 2018: 24.3 per cent), largely as a result of the transfers of a small number of larger, individually assessed names to Stage 3 within Commercial Banking, with lower likelihood of net loss

Low risk culture and prudent risk appetite

- The Group continues to take a prudent approach to credit risk, with robust credit quality and affordability controls at origination and a prudent through the cycle credit risk appetite
- Although not immune, credit portfolios are well positioned against an uncertain economic outlook and potential market volatility, including that related to the UK's exit from the EU
- The Group continues to grow lending to targeted segments while maintaining a prudent risk appetite
- The Group's effective risk management ensures early identification and management of customers and counterparties who may be showing signs of distress
- Sector concentrations within the portfolios are closely monitored and controlled, with mitigating actions taken where appropriate. Sector and product caps limit exposure to certain higher risk and vulnerable sectors and asset classes

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Impairment charge by division**

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Change %	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m	Change %
Retail:					
Secured	(38)	20		18	
Unsecured	461	386	(19)	297	(55)
UK Motor Finance	104	49		64	(63)
Other	29	5		22	(32)
	556	460	(21)	401	(39)
Commercial Banking:					
SME	(48)	14		49	
Other	113	(20)		28	
	65	(6)		77	16
Insurance and Wealth	–	–		1	
Central items	(42)	2		2	
Total impairment charge	579	456	(27)	481	(20)
Asset quality ratio	0.26%	0.20%	6bp	0.22%	4bp
Gross asset quality ratio	0.34%	0.27%	7bp	0.30%	4bp

¹ Prior period segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.

Basis of presentation

The analyses which follow have been presented on two bases; the statutory basis which is consistent with the presentation in the Group's accounts and the underlying basis which is used for internal management purposes. Reconciliations between the two bases have been provided.

In the following statutory basis tables, purchased or originated credit-impaired (POCI) assets include a fixed pool of mortgages that were purchased as part of the HBOS acquisition at a deep discount to face value reflecting credit losses incurred from the point of origination to the date of acquisition. The residual ECL allowance and resulting low coverage ratio on POCI assets reflects further deterioration in the creditworthiness from the date of acquisition. Over time, these POCI assets will run off as the loans redeem, pay down or losses are crystallised.

The Group uses the underlying basis to monitor the creditworthiness of the lending portfolio and related ECL allowances because it provides a better indication of the credit performance of the POCI assets purchased as part of the HBOS acquisition. The underlying basis assumes that the lending assets acquired as part of a business combination were originated by the Group and are classified as either Stage 1, 2 or 3 according to the change in credit risk over the period since origination. Underlying ECL allowances have been calculated accordingly.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Group loans and advances to customers – statutory basis**

At 30 June 2019	Total £m	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Stage 2 as % of total	Stage 3 as % of total
Retail:							
Secured	285,293	252,260	16,876	1,543	14,614	5.9	0.5
Unsecured	27,895	24,578	2,639	678	–	9.5	2.4
UK Motor Finance	15,882	14,343	1,402	137	–	8.8	0.9
Other	10,908	9,957	790	161	–	7.2	1.5
	339,978	301,138	21,707	2,519	14,614	6.4	0.7
Commercial Banking:							
SME	30,835	26,069	4,074	692	–	13.2	2.2
Other	70,688	64,264	3,339	3,085	–	4.7	4.4
	101,523	90,333	7,413	3,777	–	7.3	3.7
Insurance and Wealth	895	789	50	56	–	5.6	6.3
Central items	56,055	55,986	1	68	–	–	0.1
Total gross lending	498,451	448,246	29,171	6,420	14,614	5.9	1.3
ECL allowance on drawn balances	(3,313)	(621)	(953)	(1,558)	(181)		
Net balance sheet carrying value	495,138	447,625	28,218	4,862	14,433		
ECL allowance (drawn and undrawn) as a percentage of gross lending (%)¹	0.7	0.2	3.5	25.4			

¹ Stage 3 ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances are calculated excluding loans in recoveries for unsecured of £242 million and £18 million for Business Banking within Retail other.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Group loans and advances to customers – statutory basis** (continued)

At 31 December 2018 ¹	Total £m	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Stage 2 as % of total	Stage 3 as % of total
Retail:							
Secured	288,235	257,797	13,654	1,393	15,391	4.7	0.5
Unsecured	28,115	24,705	2,707	703	–	9.6	2.5
UK Motor Finance	14,933	13,224	1,580	129	–	10.6	0.9
Other	10,399	9,434	800	165	–	7.7	1.6
	341,682	305,160	18,741	2,390	15,391	5.5	0.7
Commercial Banking:							
SME	30,296	26,099	3,484	713	–	11.5	2.4
Other	71,528	65,903	3,108	2,517	–	4.3	3.5
	101,824	92,002	6,592	3,230	–	6.5	3.2
Insurance and Wealth	865	804	6	55	–	0.7	6.4
Central items	43,637	43,565	6	66	–	–	0.2
Total gross lending	488,008	441,531	25,345	5,741	15,391	5.2	1.2
ECL allowance on drawn balances	(3,150)	(525)	(994)	(1,553)	(78)		
Net balance sheet carrying value	484,858	441,006	24,351	4,188	15,313		
ECL allowance (drawn and undrawn) as a percentage of gross lending (%) ²	0.7	0.1	4.2	28.4			

¹ Segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.

² Stage 3 ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances are calculated excluding loans in recoveries for unsecured of £233 million and £17 million for Business Banking within Retail other.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Group loans and advances to customers – underlying basis**

At 30 June 2019¹	Total £m	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Stage 2 as % of total	Stage 3 as % of total
Retail:						
Secured	286,073	253,348	27,985	4,740	9.8	1.7
Unsecured	27,788	24,480	2,631	677	9.5	2.4
UK Motor Finance	15,882	14,343	1,402	137	8.8	0.9
Other	10,908	9,957	790	161	7.2	1.5
	340,651	302,128	32,808	5,715	9.6	1.7
Commercial Banking:						
SME	30,835	26,069	4,074	692	13.2	2.2
Other	70,688	64,264	3,339	3,085	4.7	4.4
	101,523	90,333	7,413	3,777	7.3	3.7
Insurance and Wealth	895	789	50	56	5.6	6.3
Central items	56,055	55,986	1	68	–	0.1
Total gross lending	499,124	449,236	40,272	9,616	8.1	1.9
ECL allowance on drawn balances	(4,164)	(650)	(1,370)	(2,144)		
Net balance sheet carrying value	494,960	448,586	38,902	7,472		
ECL allowance (drawn and undrawn) as a percentage of gross lending (%)²	0.9	0.2	3.6	23.0		

¹ These balances exclude the impact of the HBOS and MBNA acquisition related adjustments.

² Stage 3 ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances are calculated excluding loans in recoveries for unsecured of £242 million and £18 million for Business Banking within Retail other.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Group loans and advances to customers – underlying basis** (continued)

At 31 December 2018 ^{1,2}	Total £m	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Stage 2 as % of total	Stage 3 as % of total
Retail:						
Secured	289,237	257,797	26,571	4,869	9.2	1.7
Unsecured	27,990	24,593	2,696	701	9.6	2.5
UK Motor Finance	14,933	13,224	1,580	129	10.6	0.9
Other	10,399	9,434	800	165	7.7	1.6
	342,559	305,048	31,647	5,864	9.2	1.7
Commercial Banking:						
SME	30,296	26,099	3,484	713	11.5	2.4
Other	71,528	65,903	3,108	2,517	4.3	3.5
	101,824	92,002	6,592	3,230	6.5	3.2
Insurance and Wealth	865	804	6	55	0.7	6.4
Central items	43,637	43,565	6	66	–	0.2
Total gross lending	488,885	441,419	38,251	9,215	7.8	1.9
ECL allowance on drawn balances	(4,236)	(556)	(1,506)	(2,174)		
Net balance sheet carrying value	484,649	440,863	36,745	7,041		
ECL allowance (drawn and undrawn) as a percentage of gross lending (%) ³	0.9	0.2	4.1	24.3		

¹ These balances exclude the impact of the HBOS and MBNA acquisition related adjustments.

² Segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.

³ Stage 3 ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances are calculated excluding loans in recoveries for unsecured of £233 million and £17 million for Business Banking within Retail other.

Group total expected credit loss allowance – statutory basis

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Customer related balances		
Drawn	3,313	3,150
Undrawn	173	193
	3,486	3,343
Other assets	25	19
Total expected credit loss allowance	3,511	3,362

Group total expected credit loss allowance – underlying basis

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Customer related balances		
Drawn	4,164	4,236
Undrawn	173	193
	4,337	4,429
Other assets	25	19
Total expected credit loss allowance	4,362	4,448

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Reconciliation between statutory and underlying basis of Group gross loans and advances to customers**

	Total £m	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit-impaired £m
At 30 June 2019					
Underlying basis	499,124	449,236	40,272	9,616	–
Purchased or originated credit-impaired assets	–	(1,087)	(11,109)	(3,197)	15,393
Acquisition fair value adjustment	(673)	97	8	1	(779)
	<u>(673)</u>	<u>(990)</u>	<u>(11,101)</u>	<u>(3,196)</u>	<u>14,614</u>
Statutory basis	498,451	448,246	29,171	6,420	14,614
At 31 December 2018					
Underlying basis	488,885	441,419	38,251	9,215	–
Purchased or originated credit-impaired assets	–	–	(12,917)	(3,476)	16,393
Acquisition fair value adjustment	(877)	112	11	2	(1,002)
	<u>(877)</u>	<u>112</u>	<u>(12,906)</u>	<u>(3,474)</u>	<u>15,391</u>
Statutory basis	488,008	441,531	25,345	5,741	15,391

Reconciliation between statutory and underlying basis of Group expected credit loss allowances on drawn balances

	Total £m	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit-impaired £m
At 30 June 2019					
Underlying basis	4,164	650	1,370	2,144	–
Purchased or originated credit-impaired assets	–	(2)	(393)	(565)	960
Acquisition fair value adjustment	(851)	(27)	(24)	(21)	(779)
	<u>(851)</u>	<u>(29)</u>	<u>(417)</u>	<u>(586)</u>	<u>181</u>
Statutory basis	3,313	621	953	1,558	181
At 31 December 2018					
Expected credit losses on drawn balances					
Underlying basis	4,236	556	1,506	2,174	–
Purchased or originated credit-impaired assets	–	–	(481)	(599)	1,080
Acquisition fair value adjustment	(1,086)	(31)	(31)	(22)	(1,002)
	<u>(1,086)</u>	<u>(31)</u>	<u>(512)</u>	<u>(621)</u>	<u>78</u>
Statutory basis	3,150	525	994	1,553	78

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)

Group expected credit loss allowances (drawn and undrawn) as a percentage of loans and advances to customers – statutory basis

	Total		Stage 1		Stage 2		Stage 3		Purchased or originated credit-impaired	
	£m	% ³	£m	% ³	£m	% ³	£m	% ^{2,3}	£m	% ³
At 30 June 2019¹										
Retail:										
Secured	619	0.2	38	–	266	1.6	134	8.7	181	1.2
Unsecured	911	3.3	319	1.3	377	14.3	215	49.3	–	–
UK Motor Finance	349	2.2	202	1.4	70	5.0	77	56.2	–	–
Other	126	1.2	40	0.4	34	4.3	52	36.4	–	–
	2,005	0.6	599	0.2	747	3.4	478	21.2	181	1.2
Commercial Banking:										
SME	311	1.0	37	0.1	165	4.1	109	15.8	–	–
Other	1,122	1.6	62	0.1	118	3.5	942	30.5	–	–
	1,433	1.4	99	0.1	283	3.8	1,051	27.8	–	–
Insurance and Wealth	17	1.9	5	0.6	1	2.0	11	19.6	–	–
Central items	31	0.1	7	–	1	100.0	23	33.8	–	–
Total	3,486	0.7	710	0.2	1,032	3.5	1,563	25.4	181	1.2
At 31 December 2018^{1,4}										
Retail:										
Secured	460	0.2	38	–	226	1.7	118	8.5	78	0.5
Unsecured	896	3.2	287	1.2	379	14.0	230	48.9	–	–
UK Motor Finance	290	1.9	127	1.0	78	4.9	85	65.9	–	–
Other	122	1.2	41	0.4	30	3.8	51	34.5	–	–
	1,768	0.5	493	0.2	713	3.8	484	22.6	78	0.5
Commercial Banking:										
SME	384	1.3	40	0.2	231	6.6	113	15.8	–	–
Other	1,102	1.5	71	0.1	107	3.4	924	36.7	–	–
	1,486	1.5	111	0.1	338	5.1	1,037	32.1	–	–
Insurance and Wealth	18	2.1	6	0.7	1	16.7	11	20.0	–	–
Central items	71	0.2	38	0.1	6	100.0	27	40.9	–	–
Total	3,343	0.7	648	0.1	1,058	4.2	1,559	28.4	78	0.5

¹ UK Motor Finance expected credit loss allowances for Stages 1 and 2 include £179 million (31 December 2018: £99 million) relating to provisions held against the residual value of vehicles that are returned to the Group at the end of contract, in addition to covering losses for exposures to customers that choose to voluntarily terminate their agreements early. The provisions are included within the calculation of coverage ratios.

² Stage 3 ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances are calculated excluding loans in recoveries for unsecured (30 June 2019: £242 million; 31 December 2018: £233 million) and Business Banking within Retail other (30 June 2019: £18 million; 31 December 2018: £17 million).

³ As a percentage of drawn balances.

⁴ Segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)

Group expected credit loss allowances (drawn and undrawn) as a percentage of loans and advances to customers – underlying basis

	Total		Stage 1		Stage 2		Stage 3	
	£m	%⁴	£m	%⁴	£m	%⁴	£m	%^{3,4}
At 30 June 2019^{1,2}								
Retail:								
Secured	1,398	0.5	40	–	659	2.4	699	14.7
Unsecured	983	3.5	346	1.4	401	15.2	236	54.3
UK Motor Finance	349	2.2	202	1.4	70	5.0	77	56.2
Other	126	1.2	40	0.4	34	4.3	52	36.4
	2,856	0.8	628	0.2	1,164	3.5	1,064	19.5
Commercial Banking:								
SME	311	1.0	37	0.1	165	4.1	109	15.8
Other	1,122	1.6	62	0.1	118	3.5	942	30.5
	1,433	1.4	99	0.1	283	3.8	1,051	27.8
Insurance and Wealth	17	1.9	5	0.6	1	2.0	11	19.6
Central items	31	0.1	7	–	1	100.0	23	33.8
Total	4,337	0.9	739	0.2	1,449	3.6	2,149	23.0

At 31 December 2018^{1,2,5}

Retail:								
Secured	1,462	0.5	38	–	707	2.7	717	14.7
Unsecured	980	3.5	318	1.3	410	15.2	252	53.8
UK Motor Finance	290	1.9	127	1.0	78	4.9	85	65.9
Other	122	1.2	41	0.4	30	3.8	51	34.5
	2,854	0.8	524	0.2	1,225	3.9	1,105	19.7
Commercial Banking:								
SME	384	1.3	40	0.2	231	6.6	113	15.8
Other	1,102	1.5	71	0.1	107	3.4	924	36.7
	1,486	1.5	111	0.1	338	5.1	1,037	32.1
Insurance and Wealth	18	2.1	6	0.7	1	16.7	11	20.0
Central items	71	0.2	38	0.1	6	100.0	27	40.9
Total	4,429	0.9	679	0.2	1,570	4.1	2,180	24.3

¹ These balances exclude the impact of the HBOS and MBNA acquisition related adjustments.

² UK Motor Finance expected credit loss allowances for Stages 1 and 2 include £179 million (31 December 2018: £99 million) relating to provisions held against the residual value of vehicles that are returned to the Group at the end of contract, in addition to covering losses for exposures to customers that choose to voluntarily terminate their agreements early. The provisions are included within the calculation of coverage ratios.

³ Stage 3 ECL allowances as a percentage of drawn balances are calculated excluding loans in recoveries for unsecured (30 June 2019: £242 million; 31 December 2018: £233 million) and Business Banking within Retail other (30 June 2019: £18 million; 31 December 2018: £17 million).

⁴ As a percentage of drawn balances.

⁵ Prior period segmental comparatives restated. See basis of presentation.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Group Stage 2 loans and advances to customers – statutory basis**

	Up to date			1-30 days past due			Over 30 days past due		
	Gross lending £m	Expected credit loss £m	as % of gross lending %	Gross lending £m	Expected credit loss £m	as % of gross lending %	Gross lending £m	Expected credit loss £m	as % of gross lending %
At 30 June 2019									
Retail:									
Secured	13,320	173	1.3	1,917	34	1.8	1,639	59	3.6
Unsecured	2,277	278	12.2	260	59	22.7	102	40	39.2
UK Motor Finance	1,215	40	3.3	155	22	14.2	32	8	25.0
Other	644	20	3.1	76	9	11.8	70	5	7.1
	17,456	511	2.9	2,408	124	5.1	1,843	112	6.1
Commercial Banking:									
SME	3,994	158	4.0	57	6	10.5	23	1	4.3
Other	3,053	116	3.8	55	1	1.8	231	1	0.4
	7,047	274	3.9	112	7	6.3	254	2	0.8
Insurance and Wealth	24	–	–	–	–	–	26	1	3.8
Central items	1	1	100.0	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	24,528	786	3.2	2,520	131	5.2	2,123	115	5.4
At 31 December 2018									
Retail:									
Secured	10,118	139	1.4	1,955	30	1.5	1,581	57	3.6
Unsecured	2,355	293	12.4	258	53	20.5	94	33	35.1
UK Motor Finance	1,403	47	3.3	146	23	15.8	31	8	25.8
Other	629	19	3.0	82	7	8.5	89	4	4.5
	14,505	498	3.4	2,441	113	4.6	1,795	102	5.7
Commercial Banking:									
SME	3,037	181	6.0	383	41	10.7	64	9	14.1
Other	2,983	106	3.6	72	1	1.4	53	–	–
	6,020	287	4.8	455	42	9.2	117	9	7.7
Insurance and Wealth	4	–	–	–	–	–	2	1	50.0
Central items	6	6	100.0	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	20,535	791	3.9	2,896	155	5.4	1,914	112	5.9

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Group Stage 2 loans and advances to customers – underlying basis**

	Up to date			1-30 days past due			Over 30 days past due		
	Gross lending £m	Expected credit loss £m	as % of gross lending %	Gross lending £m	Expected credit loss £m	as % of gross lending %	Gross lending £m	Expected credit loss £m	as % of gross lending %
At 30 June 2019¹									
Retail:									
Secured	20,702	374	1.8	3,592	90	2.5	3,691	195	5.3
Unsecured	2,269	294	13.0	260	64	24.6	102	43	42.2
UK Motor Finance	1,215	40	3.3	155	22	14.2	32	8	25.0
Other	644	20	3.1	76	9	11.8	70	5	7.1
	24,830	728	2.9	4,083	185	4.5	3,895	251	6.4
Commercial Banking:									
SME	3,994	158	4.0	57	6	10.5	23	1	4.3
Other	3,053	116	3.8	55	1	1.8	231	1	0.4
	7,047	274	3.9	112	7	6.3	254	2	0.8
Insurance and Wealth	24	–	–	–	–	–	26	1	3.8
Central items	1	1	100.0	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	31,902	1,003	3.1	4,195	192	4.6	4,175	254	6.1
At 31 December 2018¹									
Retail:									
Secured	18,647	383	2.1	3,987	97	2.4	3,937	227	5.8
Unsecured	2,346	320	13.6	257	55	21.4	93	35	37.6
UK Motor Finance	1,403	47	3.3	146	23	15.8	31	8	25.8
Other	629	19	3.0	82	7	8.5	89	4	4.5
	23,025	769	3.3	4,472	182	4.1	4,150	274	6.6
Commercial Banking:									
SME	3,037	181	6.0	383	41	10.7	64	9	14.1
Other	2,983	106	3.6	72	1	1.4	53	–	–
	6,020	287	4.8	455	42	9.2	117	9	7.7
Insurance and Wealth	4	–	–	–	–	–	2	1	50.0
Central items	6	6	100	–	–	–	–	–	–
Total	29,055	1,062	3.7	4,927	224	4.5	4,269	284	6.7

¹ These balances exclude the impact of the HBOS and MBNA acquisition related adjustments.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Retail**

- The credit quality of the Retail portfolios remains strong and continues to benefit from robust credit risk management, including affordability and indebtedness controls at origination and a prudent approach to risk appetite. The economic environment continues to benefit from historically high employment rates, positive real wage growth and household indebtedness remaining below pre-crisis levels.
 - New business quality remains strong
 - The flow of loans entering arrears remains at low levels
 - Stage 3 loans and advances as a per cent of total are unchanged at 1.7 per cent
 - Stage 2 loans and advances as a per cent of total increased to 9.6 per cent (31 December 2018: 9.2 per cent), largely due to changes in IFRS 9 economic scenarios
 - Loans and advances decreased to £341 billion (31 December 2018: £343 billion)
- The impairment charge increased to £556 million in the first half of 2019 compared to £460 million in the same period in 2018, driven by a number of items including some weakening in used car prices, alignment of credit card provisioning methodologies and lower cash recoveries following prior year debt sales
- ECL allowance as a percentage of drawn balances for Stage 3 is broadly stable at 19.5 per cent (31 December 2018: 19.7 per cent). Coverage for Stage 2 is also broadly stable at 3.5 per cent (31 December 2018: 3.9 per cent).

Portfolios

- Total secured loans and advances decreased by £3.2 billion (1.1 per cent) to £286.1 billion, largely due to reductions in the buy-to-let and closed specialist portfolios. The impairment release of £38 million in the first half of 2019 compares to a charge of £20 million for the same period in 2018. This reflects provision releases due to improved credit quality of the portfolio and methodology changes. Total ECL allowance as a percentage of loans and advances remained flat at 0.5 per cent.
- Unsecured loans and advances remained broadly flat at £27.8 billion. The impairment charge increased by £75 million to £461 million in the first half of 2019 compared to £386 million in the same period in 2018, due to the alignment of credit card provisioning methodologies and policies and lower cash recoveries following prior year debt sales. The total coverage is unchanged at 3.5 per cent.
- The motor finance portfolio continued to grow, with loans and advances increasing by 6.4 per cent to £15.9 billion in the first half of 2019. The portfolio continues to benefit from a prudent approach to residual values at origination and provisions through the loan lifecycle. ECL allowances for Stage 1 and Stage 2 include residual value provisions which have increased to £179 million at 30 June 2019 (31 December 2018: £99 million). This is due to an anticipated increase in residual value deficits following some weakening in used car prices, a change in policy relating to voluntary terminations and book growth. As a result of this, the impairment charge increased to £104 million for the first half of 2019, compared to £49 million for the same period in 2018 and coverage for the portfolio increased to 2.2 per cent (31 December 2018: 1.9 per cent).
- Other loans and advances increased by £0.5 billion to £10.9 billion. The impairment charge was £29 million for the first half of 2019 compared to £5 million for the same period in 2018. This increase is primarily due to the non-repeat of prior year IFRS 9 model refinements in Business Banking. Total coverage remained flat at 1.2 per cent (31 December 2018: 1.2 per cent).

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Retail UK secured loans and advances to customers – statutory basis**

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Mainstream	222,196	223,230
Buy-to-let	50,184	51,322
Specialist	12,913	13,683
Total	285,293	288,235

Retail mortgages greater than three months in arrears (excluding repossessions) – underlying basis

	Number of cases		Total mortgage accounts		Value of loans¹		Total mortgage balances	
	At 30 June 2019 Cases	At 31 Dec 2018 Cases	At 30 June 2019 %	At 31 Dec 2018 %	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m	At 30 June 2019 %	At 31 Dec 2018 %
Mainstream	27,853	30,106	1.5	1.5	3,004	3,262	1.3	1.5
Buy-to-let	4,321	4,544	1.0	1.0	577	576	1.1	1.1
Specialist	6,961	7,966	7.2	7.8	1,137	1,282	8.7	9.3
Total	39,135	42,616	1.6	1.7	4,718	5,120	1.6	1.8

¹ Value of loans represents total gross book value of mortgages more than three months in arrears; the balances exclude the impact of HBOS related acquisition adjustments.

The stock of repossessions increased to 1,037 cases at 30 June 2019 compared to 763 cases at 31 December 2018.

The increase is due to the resumption of business as usual litigation activity which had been partially suspended whilst changes were made to the Group's handling of mortgage arrears.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Period end and average LTVs¹ across the Retail mortgage portfolios – underlying basis**

	Mainstream %	Buy-to-let %	Specialist %	Total %
At 30 June 2019				
Less than 60%	57.2	61.1	64.3	58.2
60% to 70%	17.0	23.0	16.2	18.0
70% to 80%	15.7	13.0	11.2	15.0
80% to 90%	8.5	1.7	3.7	7.1
90% to 100%	1.3	0.7	1.4	1.2
Greater than 100%	0.3	0.5	3.2	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average loan to value ² :				
Stock of residential mortgages	41.2	50.0	43.5	42.6
New residential lending	63.7	58.4	n/a	63.1
	Mainstream %	Buy-to-let %	Specialist %	Total %
At 31 December 2018				
Less than 60%	54.2	55.7	59.7	54.7
60% to 70%	16.0	22.8	16.5	17.3
70% to 80%	15.9	15.7	12.0	15.7
80% to 90%	10.7	4.6	6.6	9.4
90% to 100%	2.8	0.7	2.0	2.4
Greater than 100%	0.4	0.5	3.2	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average loan to value ² :				
Stock of residential mortgages	42.5	52.1	45.8	44.1
New residential lending	63.1	58.6	n/a	62.5

¹ Loan to value figures are based on the Halifax House Price Index, calculated by IHS Markit Ltd.

² Average loan to value is calculated as total gross loans and advances as a percentage of the indexed total collateral of these loans and advances; the balances exclude the impact of HBOS related acquisition adjustments.

CREDIT RISK PORTFOLIO (continued)**Commercial Banking**

- The overall credit quality of the portfolio and new business remains good with the portfolio benefiting from continued effective risk management and low interest rates. Notwithstanding the current competitive market conditions, the Group is maintaining its prudent and through the cycle credit risk appetite
- Uncertainty persists around the UK and global economic outlook, including the weakened business investment, the sustainability of global economic growth and the impact of tariff disputes, which has resulted in some softening in external market indicators. In addition there are headwinds in a number of sectors including agriculture, construction, manufacturing and consumer related sectors, such as retail
- Internal and external key performance indicators continue to be monitored closely to help identify early signs of any deterioration
- EU exit developments continue to be monitored proactively and various initiatives are in place to mitigate 'No Deal' risk to ensure portfolio quality is maintained whilst supporting the Group's helping Britain prosper strategy. Planning has concentrated on the highest impact 'No Deal' scenario
- Whilst the current economic outlook remains unclear, portfolios remain well positioned and are subject to ongoing risk mitigation actions as appropriate. Monitoring indicates no material deterioration in the credit quality of the portfolio
- Net impairment charge of £65 million compared with a net release of £6 million in the first half of 2018. Net releases in Stage 1 and Stage 2, weighted towards the SME portfolio and driven by model refinements, were largely offset by Stage 3 gross charges on two corporate cases, rather than any material deterioration in the underlying portfolio
- The size and nature of the commercial portfolio results in some volatility as cases move between stages. Stage 3 loans as a proportion of total loans and advances to customers has increased to 3.7 per cent (31 December 2018: 3.2 per cent). Stage 3 ECL allowance as a percentage of Stage 3 drawn balances has reduced to 27.8 per cent (31 December 2018: 32.1 per cent) largely as a result of the transfer of a small number of larger individually assessed names to Stage 3 on which lower ECL allowances have been assessed
- Stage 2 loans as a proportion of total loans and advances to customers increase to 7.3 per cent (31 December 2018: 6.5 per cent), largely driven by improved data quality and IFRS 9 model refinements. Stage 2 ECL allowances as a percentage of Stage 2 drawn balances were lower at 3.8 per cent (31 December 2018: 5.1 per cent). with the reduction weighted towards SME mainly due to enhanced approach to loan amortisation within the IFRS 9 model and a number of other model refinements

Portfolios

- The SME and Mid Markets portfolios are domestically focused and reflect both our prudent credit risk appetite and the underlying performance of the UK economy. Whilst certain sectors of the market are showing some emerging signs of stress, the overall credit quality of the portfolios has remained broadly stable with levels of impairment remaining low
- The Global Corporates business continues to have a predominance of UK based, and to a lesser extent, US and European-based multi-national investment grade clients. The portfolio remains of good quality and is well positioned for the current economic outlook.
- Through clearly defined sector strategies, Financial Institutions serves predominantly investment grade counterparties with whom relationships are either client driven or held to support the Group's funding, liquidity or general hedging requirements
- The commercial real estate business within the Group's Mid Markets and Global Corporates portfolio is focused on clients operating in the UK commercial property market ranging in size from medium-sized private real estate entities up to publicly listed property companies. Credit quality remains good with minimal impairments/stressed loans. Recognising this is a cyclical sector, appropriate caps are in place to control exposure and business propositions continue to be written in line with a prudent, through the cycle risk appetite with conservative LTVs, strong quality of income and proven management teams
- Total UK Direct Real Estate gross lending across Commercial Banking and Retail stood at £15.8 billion at 30 June 2019 (excludes exposures subject to protection through Significant Risk Transfer securitisations)

FUNDING AND LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT

The Group has maintained its strong funding and liquidity position with a loan to deposit ratio of 106 per cent as at 30 June 2019 (107 per cent as at 31 December 2018).

During the first half of 2019, the Group repaid £12.1 billion of its Funding for Lending Scheme (FLS) drawings, of which £8.1 billion was repaid in advance of contractual maturity. This has reduced the balance of FLS outstanding to £1 billion with £19.9 billion of Term Funding Scheme (TFS) drawings remaining at 30 June 2019.

Overall, total wholesale funding increased by £7.6 billion to £130.9 billion primarily through increased term and money market funding.

The Group's strong ratings continue to reflect its robust balance sheet, improved profitability and bail-in capital position. There were no changes to the Group's ratings over the first half of 2019, although in March Fitch placed the majority of UK banks, including the Group's banking and insurance entities, on Ratings Watch Negative reflecting their view that the risks of a 'No Deal' Brexit have increased.

The Group's liquid assets continue to exceed the regulatory minimum and internal risk appetite, with a liquidity coverage ratio (LCR) of 130 per cent (based on a 12 month rolling average) as at 30 June 2019 calculated on a Group consolidated basis based on the EU Delegated Act. Following the implementation of structural reform, liquidity is managed at a legal entity level with the Group consolidated LCR representing the composite of the ring-fenced bank and non ring-fenced bank entities.

FUNDING AND LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT (continued)

	At 30 June 2019 £bn	At 31 Dec 2018 £bn	Change %
Funding requirement			
Loans and advances to customers ¹	441.0	444.4	(1)
Loans and advances to banks ²	6.7	5.9	14
Debt securities at amortised cost	3.8	4.0	(5)
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income – non-LCR eligible ³	0.7	0.8	(13)
Cash and balances at central bank – non-LCR eligible ⁴	4.7	5.8	(19)
Funded assets	456.9	460.9	(1)
Other assets ⁵	226.5	212.9	6
	683.4	673.8	1
On balance sheet LCR eligible liquid assets			
Reverse repurchase agreements	55.8	40.9	36
Cash and balances at central banks ⁴	52.6	48.9	8
Debt securities at amortised cost	1.6	1.2	33
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	26.4	24.0	10
Trading and fair value through profit and loss	7.1	11.9	(40)
Repurchase agreements	(4.7)	(3.1)	52
	138.8	123.8	12
Total Group assets	822.2	797.6	3
Less: other liabilities ⁵	(204.8)	(187.9)	9
Funding requirement	617.4	609.7	1
Funded by			
Customer deposits ⁶	417.6	416.3	–
Wholesale funding ⁷	130.9	123.3	6
	548.5	539.6	2
Term funding scheme	19.9	19.9	–
Total equity	49.0	50.2	(2)
Total funding	617.4	609.7	1

¹ Excludes reverse repos of £54.1 billion (31 December 2018: £40.5 billion).

² Excludes reverse repos of £1.7 billion (31 December 2018: £0.4 billion).

³ Non-LCR eligible liquid assets comprise a diversified pool of highly rated unencumbered collateral (including retained issuance).

⁴ Cash and balances at central banks are combined in the Group's balance sheet.

⁵ Other assets and other liabilities primarily include balances in the Group's Insurance business and the fair value of derivative assets and liabilities.

⁶ Excludes repos of £4.1 billion (31 December 2018: £1.8 billion).

⁷ The Group's definition of wholesale funding aligns with that used by other international market participants; including interbank deposits, debt securities in issue and subordinated liabilities.

FUNDING AND LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT (continued)

	Included in funding analysis £bn	Repos and cash collateral received by Insurance £bn	Fair value and other accounting methods £bn	Balance sheet £bn
At 30 June 2019				
Deposits from banks	10.8	23.7	0.3	34.8
Debt securities in issue	102.7	–	(4.9)	97.8
Subordinated liabilities	17.4	–	0.4	17.8
Total wholesale funding	130.9	23.7		
Customer deposits	417.6	4.1	–	421.7
Total	548.5	27.8		
At 31 December 2018				
Deposits from banks	8.3	22.1	(0.1)	30.3
Debt securities in issue	97.1	–	(5.9)	91.2
Subordinated liabilities	17.9	–	(0.2)	17.7
Total wholesale funding	123.3	22.1		
Customer deposits	416.3	1.8	–	418.1
Total	539.6	23.9		

Analysis of 2019 total wholesale funding by residual maturity

	Less than one month £bn	One to three months £bn	Three to six months £bn	Six to nine months £bn	Nine months to one year £bn	One to two years £bn	Two to five years £bn	More than five years £bn	Total at 30 June 2019 £bn	Total at 31 Dec 2018 £bn
Deposit from banks	8.2	1.4	0.4	0.2	–	0.2	0.4	–	10.8	8.3
Debt securities in issue:										
Certificates of deposit	1.6	2.5	4.0	2.1	0.8	1.1	–	–	12.1	12.0
Commercial paper	2.5	3.5	3.5	0.6	0.4	–	–	–	10.5	8.0
Medium-term notes	–	2.0	0.5	1.6	1.7	4.6	15.9	20.3	46.6	45.4
Covered bonds	0.7	0.3	–	2.3	–	6.8	12.3	7.0	29.4	27.1
Securitisation	0.1	–	–	1.1	0.4	1.3	–	1.2	4.1	4.6
	4.9	8.3	8.0	7.7	3.3	13.8	28.2	28.5	102.7	97.1
Subordinated liabilities	–	0.3	–	1.3	–	1.4	2.2	12.2	17.4	17.9
Total wholesale funding¹	13.1	10.0	8.4	9.2	3.3	15.4	30.8	40.7	130.9	123.3
Of which issued by Lloyds Banking Group plc	–	–	–	–	–	0.4	11.9	9.6	21.9	20.3

¹ The Group's definition of wholesale funding aligns with that used by other international market participants; including interbank deposits, debt securities and subordinated liabilities.

FUNDING AND LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT (continued)**Analysis of 2019 term issuance**

	Sterling £bn	US Dollar £bn	Euro £bn	Other currencies £bn	Total £bn
Securitisation	–	–	–	–	–
Medium-term notes	–	0.8	–	0.7	1.5
Covered bonds	2.0	–	2.2	–	4.2
Private placements ¹	–	–	0.1	–	0.1
Subordinated liabilities ²	–	0.4	–	–	0.4
Total issuance	2.0	1.2	2.3	0.7	6.2
Of which issued by Lloyds Banking Group plc ³	–	1.2	–	0.7	1.9

¹ Private placements include structured bonds and term repurchase agreements (repos).

² Consists of Additional Tier 1 issuance.

³ Consists of £1.5bn medium-term notes and £0.4bn Additional Tier 1.

The Group continues to access wholesale funding markets across a wide range of products, currencies and investors to maintain a stable and diverse source of funds. In 2019, the Group has continued with this approach to funding, including capital and funding from the holding company, Lloyds Banking Group plc, as needed to transition towards final UK Minimum Requirements for Own Funds and Eligible Liabilities (MREL). The Group will continue to issue funding trades from Lloyds Bank plc, the ring-fenced bank operating company, across senior unsecured, covered bonds, ABS and RMBS. In the first half of 2019, the Group launched an operating company funding programme for LBCM, the non ring-fenced bank, and have since issued a number of trades for this entity including an inaugural five year £500 million senior unsecured public benchmark transaction. The maturity of the Funding for Lending and Term Funding Schemes are fully factored into the Group's funding plans, and in the expected 'steady state' wholesale funding requirements of £15 to £20 billion per annum.

Liquidity portfolio

At 30 June 2019, the banking business had £132.3 billion of highly liquid, unencumbered, LCR eligible assets (31 December 2018: £129.4 billion). These assets are available to meet cash and collateral outflows and regulatory requirements. Total LCR eligible liquid assets represent over five times the Group's money market funding less than one year to maturity (excluding derivative collateral margins and settlement accounts) and exceed total wholesale funding, and thus provide a substantial buffer in the event of market dislocation. The Insurance business manages a separate liquidity portfolio to mitigate insurance liquidity risk.

FUNDING AND LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT (continued)**LCR eligible assets**

	At 30 June 2019 £bn	At 31 Dec 2018 £bn	Change %	Average 2019 £bn	Average 2018 £bn
Level 1					
Cash and central bank reserves	52.6	48.9	8	50.0	58.1
High quality government/MDB/agency bonds ¹	76.6	78.7	(3)	77.2	66.2
High quality covered bonds	1.8	1.0	80	1.4	0.8
Total	131.0	128.6	2	128.6	125.1
Level 2 ²	1.3	0.8	63	0.9	0.8
Total LCR eligible assets	132.3	129.4	2	129.5	125.9

¹ Designated multilateral development bank (MDB).

² Includes Level 2A and Level 2B.

The banking business also has a significant amount of non-LCR eligible liquid assets which are eligible for use in a range of central bank or similar facilities. Future use of such facilities will be based on prudent liquidity management and economic considerations, having regard for external market conditions.

Encumbered assets

The Board and Group Asset and Liability Committee monitor and manage total balance sheet encumbrance using a number of risk appetite metrics. At 30 June 2019, the Group had £56.6 billion (31 December 2018: £53.4 billion) of externally encumbered on balance sheet assets with counterparties other than central banks. The increase in encumbered assets was primarily driven by external covered bond issuances during the first half of 2019. The Group also had £626.7 billion (31 December 2018: £584.3 billion) of unencumbered on balance sheet assets, and £138.9 billion (31 December 2018: £159.8 billion) of pre-positioned and encumbered assets held with central banks. The Group encumbers mortgages, unsecured lending and credit card receivables through the issuance programmes and tradable securities through securities financing activity. The Group mainly positions mortgage assets at central banks. The 2018 Annual Report and Accounts includes further details on how the Group classifies assets for encumbrance purposes.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

Analysis of capital position

During the first half of 2019 the Group's CET1 capital ratio increased by 70 basis points on a pro forma basis before ordinary dividends, primarily as a result of:

- Underlying profit (97 basis points) and the dividend paid by the Insurance business in July 2019 in relation to 2019 interim earnings (5 basis points)
- The impact of market and other movements, including movements in risk-weighted assets, generating an increase of 12 basis points
- Offset by a reduction of 33 basis points relating to PPI provision charges and 11 basis points relating to changes arising from the implementation of IFRS 16

Overall the Group's CET1 capital ratio has strengthened to 14.6 per cent on a pro forma basis before ordinary dividends and 14.0 per cent on a pro forma basis after ordinary dividends (31 December 2018: 13.9 per cent pro forma, including the share buyback). Excluding the Insurance dividend paid up in July 2019 the Group's CET1 capital ratio is 13.9 per cent after ordinary dividends.

The accrual for foreseeable dividends includes the declared interim dividend of 1.12 pence per share. In addition the share buyback programme announced as part of the 2018 year end results has been accrued for in full, net of buybacks completed up to the period end.

The transitional total capital ratio, after ordinary dividends, reduced to 21.6 per cent, largely reflecting the impact of the full share buyback on CET1 capital and a net reduction in additional tier 1 (AT1) capital following a redemption in the period.

Total capital requirement

On 1 January 2019 following entry into force of the UK's ring-fencing regime, the Group's Pillar 2A capital requirement increased from 4.6 per cent to 4.7 per cent, of which 2.7 per cent must be met by CET1 capital. This firm specific capital requirement reflects a point in time estimate by the PRA, which may change over time, of the minimum amount of capital that is needed in relation to risks not covered by Pillar 1.

The Group's total capital requirement as at 30 June 2019, being the aggregate of the Group's Pillar 1 and current Pillar 2A capital requirements, was £26,346 million (31 December 2018: £26,124 million).

Combined buffer requirement

The Group is required to maintain a number of regulatory capital buffers, referred to collectively as the combined buffer requirement, which must be met with CET1 capital.

The Group announced within the first quarter of 2019 interim management statement that it had received notification from the PRA that the systemic risk buffer for the Group's Ring-Fenced Bank sub group will be 2.0 per cent which equates to 1.7 per cent at Group level.

As a result the Group is now subject to the following capital buffers:

- A capital conservation buffer (CCB) of 2.5 per cent of risk-weighted assets
- A countercyclical capital buffer (CCyB) of 0.9 per cent of risk-weighted assets
- A systemic risk buffer (SRB), equivalent to 1.7 per cent of risk-weighted assets at Group level, which will apply from 1 August 2019

The Group is not currently classified as a global systemically important institution (G-SII) but has been identified as an 'other' systemically important institution (O-SII) by the PRA. The O-SII buffer is currently set to zero in the UK.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)

Given the buffer requirements noted, the Board indicated in the first quarter of 2019 statement that its view of the level of CET1 capital required to grow the business, meet regulatory requirements and cover uncertainties is around 12.5 per cent, plus a management buffer of around 1 per cent.

An analysis of the Group's capital position as at 30 June 2019 is presented in the following section on both a CRD IV transitional arrangements basis and a CRD IV fully loaded basis. In addition the Group's capital position reflects the application of the transitional arrangements for IFRS 9.

The following table summarises the consolidated capital position of the Group.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)

	Transitional		Fully loaded	
	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Common equity tier 1				
Shareholders' equity per balance sheet	43,448	43,434	43,448	43,434
Adjustment to retained earnings for foreseeable dividends and share buyback	(2,059)	(1,523)	(2,059)	(1,523)
Deconsolidation adjustments ¹	2,307	2,273	2,307	2,273
Adjustment for own credit	(59)	(280)	(59)	(280)
Cash flow hedging reserve	(1,738)	(1,051)	(1,738)	(1,051)
Other adjustments	300	(19)	300	(19)
	42,199	42,834	42,199	42,834
less: deductions from common equity tier 1				
Goodwill and other intangible assets	(3,901)	(3,667)	(3,901)	(3,667)
Prudent valuation adjustment	(530)	(529)	(530)	(529)
Excess of expected losses over impairment provisions and value adjustments	(30)	(27)	(30)	(27)
Removal of defined benefit pension surplus	(1,184)	(994)	(1,184)	(994)
Securitisation deductions	(190)	(191)	(190)	(191)
Significant investments ¹	(4,350)	(4,222)	(4,350)	(4,222)
Deferred tax assets	(3,247)	(3,037)	(3,247)	(3,037)
Common equity tier 1 capital	28,767	30,167	28,767	30,167
Additional tier 1				
Other equity instruments	5,381	6,466	5,381	6,466
Preference shares and preferred securities ²	4,233	4,008	–	–
Transitional limit and other adjustments	(2,580)	(1,804)	–	–
	7,034	8,670	5,381	6,466
less: deductions from tier 1				
Significant investments ¹	(1,295)	(1,298)	–	–
Total tier 1 capital	34,506	37,539	34,148	36,633
Tier 2				
Other subordinated liabilities ²	13,576	13,648	13,576	13,648
Deconsolidation of instruments issued by insurance entities ¹	(1,787)	(1,767)	(1,787)	(1,767)
Adjustments for transitional limit and non-eligible instruments	2,374	1,504	(1,142)	(1,266)
Amortisation and other adjustments	(2,996)	(2,717)	(2,996)	(2,717)
Eligible provisions	–	–	–	–
	11,167	10,668	7,651	7,898
less: deductions from tier 2				
Significant investments ¹	(965)	(973)	(2,260)	(2,271)
Total capital resources	44,708	47,234	39,539	42,260
Risk-weighted assets (unaudited)	206,520	206,366	206,520	206,366
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio ³	13.9%	14.6%	13.9%	14.6%
Tier 1 capital ratio	16.7%	18.2%	16.5%	17.8%
Total capital ratio	21.6%	22.9%	19.1%	20.5%

¹ For regulatory capital purposes, the Group's Insurance business is deconsolidated and replaced by the amount of the Group's investment in the business. A part of this amount is deducted from capital (shown as 'significant investments' in the table above) and the remaining amount is risk-weighted, forming part of threshold risk-weighted assets.

² Preference shares, preferred securities and other subordinated liabilities are categorised as subordinated liabilities in the balance sheet.

³ The common equity tier 1 ratio is 14.0 per cent on a pro forma basis reflecting the dividend paid up by the Insurance business in July 2019 in relation to its 2019 interim earnings (31 December 2018: 13.9 per cent pro forma, including the share buyback).

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)**Movements in capital resources**

The key difference between the transitional capital calculation as at 30 June 2019 and the fully loaded equivalent is primarily related to capital securities that previously qualified as tier 1 or tier 2 capital, but that do not fully qualify under CRD IV, which can be included in additional tier 1 (AT1) or tier 2 capital (as applicable) up to specified limits which reduce by 10 per cent per annum until 2022. The key movements on a transitional basis are set out in the table below.

	Common Equity tier 1 £m	Additional Tier 1 £m	Tier 2 £m	Total capital £m
At 31 December 2018	30,167	7,372	9,695	47,234
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders ¹	1,843	–	–	1,843
Movement in foreseeable dividends ²	336	–	–	336
Dividends paid out on ordinary shares during the year	(1,523)	–	–	(1,523)
Dividends received from the Insurance business ¹	350	–	–	350
Share buyback completed	(879)	–	–	(879)
Share buyback accrual	(871)	–	–	(871)
IFRS 9 transitional adjustment to retained earnings	(49)	–	–	(49)
Movement in treasury shares and employee share schemes	193	–	–	193
Pension movements:				
Removal of defined benefit pension surplus	(190)	–	–	(190)
Movement through other comprehensive income	(129)	–	–	(129)
Fair value through other comprehensive income reserve	(144)	–	–	(144)
Prudent valuation adjustment	(1)	–	–	(1)
Deferred tax asset	(210)	–	–	(210)
Goodwill and other intangible assets	(234)	–	–	(234)
Excess of expected losses over impairment provisions and value adjustments	(3)	–	–	(3)
Significant investments	(128)	3	8	(117)
Movements in subordinated debt:				
Repurchases, redemptions and other	–	(2,032)	499	(1,533)
Issuances	–	396	–	396
Other movements	239	–	–	239
At 30 June 2019	28,767	5,739	10,202	44,708

¹ Under the regulatory framework, profits made by Insurance are removed from CET1 capital. However, when dividends are paid to the Group by Insurance these are recognised through CET1 capital. The £350 million of dividends received from Insurance during the period reflects their 2018 full year ordinary dividend.

² Reflects the accrual for foreseeable 2019 ordinary dividends (including the interim dividend) and the reversal of the accrual for the 2018 full year ordinary dividend which has now been paid.

CET1 capital resources have reduced by £1,400 million in the period, primarily reflecting:

- The accrual for foreseeable dividends in respect of the first half of 2019, share buybacks completed during the period and the accrual for the remaining buyback under the programme announced as part of the 2018 year end results, and movements related to other capital items including pensions, deferred tax and intangible assets
- Partially offset by profit generation during the period and the receipt of the dividend paid by the Insurance business in February 2019

AT1 capital resources have reduced by £1,633 million in the period, primarily reflecting a redemption during the period and the annual reduction in the transitional limit applied to grandfathered AT1 capital instruments, offset in part by the issuance of a new capital instrument.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)

Tier 2 capital resources have increased by £507 million in the period largely reflecting the transitioning of grandfathered AT1 instruments to tier 2, partially offset by the amortisation of dated instruments.

Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL)

Applying the Bank of England's MREL policy to current minimum capital requirements, the Group's indicative MREL requirement, excluding regulatory capital buffers, is as follows:

- From 2020, 2 times Pillar 1 plus Pillar 2A, equivalent to 20.7 per cent of risk-weighted assets
- From 2022, 2 times Pillar 1 plus 2 times Pillar 2A, equivalent to 25.4 per cent of risk-weighted assets

The Bank of England will review the calibration of MREL in 2020 before setting final end-state requirements to be met from 2022. This review will take into consideration any changes to the capital framework, including the finalisation of Basel III.

During the first half of 2019, the Group issued £1.4 billion (sterling equivalent as at 30 June 2019) of senior unsecured securities from Lloyds Banking Group plc which, while not included in total capital, are eligible to meet MREL. Combined with previous issuances made over the last three years the Group remains comfortably positioned to meet MREL requirements from 2020 and, as at 30 June 2019, had a transitional MREL ratio of 32.2 per cent of risk-weighted assets.

An analysis of the Group's current transitional MREL position is provided in the table below.

	Transitional	
	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Total capital resources (transitional basis)	44,708	47,234
Ineligible AT1 and tier 2 instruments ¹	(768)	(613)
Senior unsecured securities issued by Lloyds Banking Group plc	22,475	20,213
Total MREL²	66,415	66,834
Risk-weighted assets	206,520	206,366
MREL ratio³	32.2%	32.4%

¹ Instruments with less than one year to maturity or governed under non-EEA law without a contractual bail-in clause.

² Until 2022, externally issued regulatory capital in operating entities can count towards the Group's MREL to the extent that such capital would count towards the Group's consolidated capital resources.

³ The MREL ratio is 32.2 per cent on a pro forma basis upon recognition of the dividend paid up by the Insurance business in July 2019 in relation to its 2019 interim earnings (31 December 2018: 32.6 per cent pro forma).

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)**Risk-weighted assets**

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Foundation Internal Ratings Based (IRB) Approach	56,352	60,555
Retail IRB Approach	62,219	59,522
Other IRB Approach	18,223	15,666
IRB Approach	136,794	135,743
Standardised (STA) Approach	25,582	25,757
Credit risk	162,376	161,500
Counterparty credit risk	5,688	5,718
Contributions to the default funds of central counterparties	278	830
Credit valuation adjustment risk	673	702
Operational risk	25,161	25,505
Market risk	2,228	2,085
Underlying risk-weighted assets	196,404	196,340
Threshold risk-weighted assets ¹	10,116	10,026
Total risk-weighted assets	206,520	206,366

¹ Threshold risk-weighted assets reflect the element of significant investments and deferred tax assets that are permitted to be risk-weighted instead of being deducted from CET1 capital. Significant investments primarily arise from investment in the Group's Insurance business.

Risk-weighted assets movement by key driver

	Credit risk IRB £m	Credit risk STA £m	Credit risk total ² £m	Counterparty credit risk ³ £m	Market risk £m	Operational risk £m	Total £m
Total risk-weighted assets as at 31 December 2018							206,366
Less threshold risk-weighted assets ¹							10,026
Risk-weighted assets as at 31 December 2018	135,743	25,757	161,500	7,250	2,085	25,505	196,340
Asset size	(919)	513	(406)	(133)	(110)	-	(649)
Asset quality	613	(153)	460	(93)	-	-	367
Model updates	1,747	-	1,747	-	(117)	-	1,630
Methodology and policy	(412)	(525)	(937)	(276)	4	-	(1,209)
Acquisitions and disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Movements in risk levels (market risk only)	-	-	-	-	366	-	366
Foreign exchange movements	22	(10)	12	(109)	-	-	(97)
Other	-	-	-	-	-	(344)	(344)
Risk-weighted assets as at 30 June 2019	136,794	25,582	162,376	6,639	2,228	25,161	196,404
Threshold risk-weighted assets ¹							10,116
Total risk-weighted assets as at 30 June 2019							206,520

¹ Threshold risk-weighted assets reflect the element of significant investments and deferred tax assets that are permitted to be risk-weighted instead of being deducted from CET1 capital. Significant investments primarily arise from investments in the Group's Insurance business.

² Credit risk includes securitisation risk-weighted assets.

³ Counterparty credit risk includes movements in contributions to the default fund of central counterparties and movements in credit valuation adjustment risk.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)

The risk-weighted assets movement table provides analysis of the movement in risk-weighted assets in the period by risk type and an insight into the key drivers of the movements. The key driver analysis is compiled on a monthly basis through the identification and categorisation of risk-weighted asset movements and is subject to management judgment.

Credit risk, risk-weighted assets:

- Asset size includes changes in book size (both drawn and undrawn balances) and composition, excluding acquisitions and disposals
- Asset quality increases in risk-weighted assets of £0.5 billion are a result of movements due to changes in borrower risk, including changes in the economic environment
- The model update increase of £1.7 billion principally relates to retail mortgage models
- Methodology and policy decreases of £0.9 billion are principally a result of securitisation activity partly offset by the introduction of IFRS 16

Counterparty credit risk: risk-weighted assets decreased by £0.6 billion, largely driven by reduced contributions to default funds and yield curve movements.

Market risk, risk-weighted assets: an increase of £0.1 billion due to various small risk and model changes.

Operational risk, risk-weighted assets: decreased by £0.3 billion following the actualisation of calculation inputs.

Leverage ratio

The Group is subject to the following minimum requirements under the UK Leverage Ratio Framework:

- A minimum leverage ratio requirement of 3.25 per cent of the total leverage exposure measure
- A countercyclical leverage buffer (CCLB) of 0.3 per cent of the total leverage exposure measure
- An additional leverage ratio buffer (ALRB), equivalent to 0.6 per cent of the total leverage exposure measure at Group level, which will apply from 1 August 2019. The ALRB is 35 per cent of the systemic risk buffer

At least 75 per cent of the 3.25 per cent minimum leverage ratio requirement and the entirety of any buffers that may apply must be met with CET1 capital.

Analysis of leverage movements

The Group's fully loaded UK leverage ratio reduced to 5.1 per cent, primarily driven by the reduction in tier 1 capital. The leverage exposure measure increased by £4.9 billion during the period largely reflecting the increase in the SFT exposure measure, an increase in financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income and the recognition of the right-of-use asset following the introduction of IFRS 16.

On a pro forma basis the UK leverage ratio reduced to 5.1 per cent from 5.6 per cent pro forma at 31 December 2018, reflecting the reduction in the pro forma fully loaded tier 1 capital position.

The derivatives exposure measure, representing derivative financial instruments per the balance sheet net of deconsolidation and derivatives adjustments, reduced by £0.1 billion during the period.

The SFT exposure measure, representing SFT assets per the balance sheet net of deconsolidation and other SFT adjustments, increased by £1.2 billion during the period, largely reflecting an increase in volumes, partially offset through netting adjustments and a reduction in the counterparty credit risk add-on.

Off-balance sheet items increased by £0.2 billion during the period, primarily reflecting new residential mortgage offers placed, offset in part by a net reduction in corporate and securitisation financing facilities.

The average UK leverage ratio of 5.1 per cent over the quarter largely reflected the reduction in the tier 1 capital position following the redemption of an AT1 capital instrument called in April.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)

The table below summarises the component parts of the Group's leverage ratio.

	Fully loaded	
	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Total tier 1 capital for leverage ratio		
Common equity tier 1 capital	28,767	30,167
Additional tier 1 capital	5,381	6,466
Total tier 1 capital	34,148	36,633
Exposure measure		
Statutory balance sheet assets		
Derivative financial instruments	26,148	23,595
Securities financing transactions	72,508	69,301
Loans and advances and other assets	723,592	704,702
Total assets	822,248	797,598
Qualifying central bank claims	(53,288)	(50,105)
Deconsolidation adjustments¹		
Derivative financial instruments	(1,475)	(1,376)
Securities financing transactions	(452)	(487)
Loans and advances and other assets	(141,893)	(130,048)
Total deconsolidation adjustments	(143,820)	(131,911)
Derivatives adjustments		
Adjustments for regulatory netting	(9,152)	(8,828)
Adjustments for cash collateral	(13,020)	(10,536)
Net written credit protection	485	539
Regulatory potential future exposure	18,544	18,250
Total derivatives adjustments	(3,143)	(575)
Securities financing transactions adjustments	(2,045)	40
Off-balance sheet items	56,622	56,393
Regulatory deductions and other adjustments	(8,367)	(8,163)
Total exposure measure²	668,207	663,277
Average exposure measure³	671,502	669,896
UK Leverage ratio^{2,5}	5.1%	5.5%
Average UK leverage ratio³	5.1%	5.5%
CRD IV exposure measure⁴	721,495	713,382
CRD IV leverage ratio⁴	4.7%	5.1%

¹ Deconsolidation adjustments relate to the deconsolidation of certain Group entities that fall outside the scope of the Group's regulatory capital consolidation, being primarily the Group's Insurance business.

² Calculated in accordance with the UK Leverage Ratio Framework which requires qualifying central bank claims to be excluded from the leverage exposure measure.

³ The average UK leverage ratio is based on the average of the month end tier 1 capital position and average exposure measure over the quarter (1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019). The average of 5.1 per cent compares to 5.3 per cent at the start and 5.1 per cent at the end of the quarter.

⁴ Calculated in accordance with CRD IV rules which include central bank claims within the leverage exposure measure.

⁵ The UK leverage ratio is 5.1 per cent on a pro forma basis upon recognition of the dividend paid up by the Insurance business in July 2019 in relation to its 2019 interim earnings (31 December 2018: 5.6 per cent pro forma).

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (continued)**Application of IFRS 9 on a full impact basis for capital and leverage**

	IFRS 9 full impact	
	At 30 June 2019	At 1 Jan 2018
Common equity tier 1 (£m)	28,272	29,592
Transitional tier 1 (£m)	34,011	36,964
Transitional total capital (£m)	44,688	47,195
Total risk-weighted assets (£m)	206,789	206,614
Common equity tier 1 ratio (%)	13.7%	14.3%
Transitional tier 1 ratio (%)	16.4%	17.9%
Transitional total capital ratio (%)	21.6%	22.8%
UK leverage ratio exposure measure (£m)	667,712	663,182
UK leverage ratio (%)	5.0%	5.4%

The Group has opted to apply paragraph 4 of CRR Article 473a (the 'transitional rules') which allows for additional capital relief in respect of any post 1 January 2018 increase in Stage 1 and Stage 2 IFRS 9 expected credit loss provisions (net of regulatory expected losses) during the transition period. As at 30 June 2019 no additional capital relief has been recognised.

Stress testing

The Group undertakes a wide-ranging programme of stress testing providing a comprehensive view of the potential impacts arising from the risks to which the Group and its key legal entities are exposed. One of the most important uses of stress testing is to assess the resilience of the operational and strategic plans of the Group and its legal entities to adverse economic conditions and other key vulnerabilities. As part of this programme the Group conducted a macro-economic stress test of the four year operating plan in the first quarter of the year.

The Group also participates in the UK wide Annual Cyclical Scenario stress tests run by the Bank of England. In the 2018 Bank of England stress test the Group exceeded the capital and leverage hurdles after the application of management actions and was not required to take any action as a result of the test. The Group is currently participating in the 2019 Bank of England stress test and, having submitted its results at the end of June, is awaiting the Bank of England's publication of the industry-wide results in the fourth quarter.

Regulatory capital developments

There continue to be a number of significant developments surrounding regulatory capital rules. These include PRA and EBA policy changes on mortgage risk-weighted asset modelling, EU revisions to the Capital Requirements Directive and Regulation that have resulted in the publications of CRD V and CRR 2, and the final Basel III reforms that were published in December 2017 and will introduce changes to the standardised and modelled approaches for certain risk types, including credit and operational risk, along with an aggregate output floor that is due to be implemented in full by 2027. The majority of these changes will be implemented over the coming years with the final Basel III reforms still subject to adoption via European and UK legislative processes. The implementation of some areas, and associated Pillar 2 offsets, will be at the discretion of the PRA.

Half-year Pillar 3 disclosures

The Group will publish a condensed set of half-year Pillar 3 disclosures in August, prepared in accordance with the revised European Banking Authority (EBA) guidelines on Pillar 3 disclosure formats and frequency that were issued in December 2016.

A copy of the half-year Pillar 3 disclosures will be available to view from August at:

<https://www.lloydsbankinggroup.com/investors/financial-performance/>

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED HALF-YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

	Note	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m
Interest and similar income		8,399	8,032	8,317
Interest and similar expense		<u>(3,760)</u>	<u>(2,025)</u>	<u>(928)</u>
Net interest income		4,639	6,007	7,389
Fee and commission income		<u>1,428</u>	<u>1,372</u>	<u>1,476</u>
Fee and commission expense		<u>(694)</u>	<u>(674)</u>	<u>(712)</u>
Net fee and commission income	3	734	698	764
Net trading income		11,789	1,522	(5,398)
Insurance premium income		4,431	4,815	4,374
Other operating income		<u>1,547</u>	<u>1,238</u>	<u>682</u>
Other income		18,501	8,273	422
Total income		23,140	14,280	7,811
Insurance claims		<u>(14,009)</u>	<u>(4,709)</u>	<u>1,244</u>
Total income, net of insurance claims		9,131	9,571	9,055
Regulatory provisions		<u>(793)</u>	<u>(807)</u>	<u>(543)</u>
Other operating expenses		<u>(4,862)</u>	<u>(5,191)</u>	<u>(5,188)</u>
Total operating expenses	4	(5,655)	(5,998)	(5,731)
Trading surplus		3,476	3,573	3,324
Impairment	5	<u>(579)</u>	<u>(456)</u>	<u>(481)</u>
Profit before tax		2,897	3,117	2,843
Tax expense	6	<u>(672)</u>	<u>(800)</u>	<u>(654)</u>
Profit for the period		2,225	2,317	2,189
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders		1,942	2,075	1,900
Profit attributable to other equity holders		<u>251</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>228</u>
Profit attributable to equity holders		2,193	2,280	2,128
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests		<u>32</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>61</u>
Profit for the period		2,225	2,317	2,189
Basic earnings per share	7	2.7p	2.9p	2.6p
Diluted earnings per share	7	2.7p	2.9p	2.6p

¹ Restated, see note 1.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m
Profit for the period	2,225	2,317	2,189
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that will not subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>			
Post-retirement defined benefit scheme remeasurements:			
Remeasurements before tax	(173)	908	(741)
Tax	44	(206)	159
	(129)	702	(582)
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of equity shares held at fair value through other comprehensive income:			
Change in fair value	1	(97)	–
Tax	12	22	–
	13	(75)	–
Gains and losses attributable to own credit risk:			
Gains (losses) before tax	(303)	167	366
Tax	82	(45)	(99)
	(221)	122	267
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures	–	–	8
<i>Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>			
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of debt securities held at fair value through other comprehensive income:			
Change in fair value	(50)	110	(147)
Income statement transfers in respect of disposals	(177)	(203)	(72)
Tax	68	46	73
	(159)	(47)	(146)
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve:			
Effective portion of changes in fair value taken to other comprehensive income	1,179	(223)	457
Net income statement transfers	(242)	(423)	(278)
Tax	(250)	182	(69)
	687	(464)	110
Currency translation differences (tax: nil)	1	5	(13)
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	192	243	(356)
Total comprehensive income for the period	2,417	2,560	1,833
Total comprehensive income attributable to ordinary shareholders	2,134	2,318	1,544
Total comprehensive income attributable to other equity holders	251	205	228
Total comprehensive income attributable to equity holders	2,385	2,523	1,772
Total comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests	32	37	61
Total comprehensive income for the period	2,417	2,560	1,833

¹ Restated, see note 1.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	Note	At 30 June 2019 ¹ (unaudited) £m	At 31 Dec 2018 (audited) £m
Assets			
Cash and balances at central banks		57,290	54,663
Items in the course of collection from banks		693	647
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	155,108	158,529
Derivative financial instruments	9	26,148	23,595
Loans and advances to banks		8,374	6,283
Loans and advances to customers		495,138	484,858
Debt securities		5,434	5,238
Financial assets at amortised cost	10	508,946	496,379
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		27,078	24,815
Goodwill		2,314	2,310
Value of in-force business		5,326	4,762
Other intangible assets		3,615	3,347
Property, plant and equipment		13,646	12,300
Current tax recoverable		6	5
Deferred tax assets		2,401	2,453
Retirement benefit assets	13	1,509	1,267
Other assets		18,168	12,526
Total assets		822,248	797,598

¹ Reflects the implementation of IFRS 16, see note 1.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (continued)

	Note	At 30 June 2019 ¹ (unaudited) £m	At 31 Dec 2018 (audited) £m
Equity and liabilities			
Liabilities			
Deposits from banks		34,777	30,320
Customer deposits		421,692	418,066
Items in course of transmission to banks		499	636
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		24,754	30,547
Derivative financial instruments	9	23,026	21,373
Notes in circulation		1,042	1,104
Debt securities in issue	12	97,815	91,168
Liabilities arising from insurance contracts and participating investment contracts		107,409	98,874
Liabilities arising from non-participating investment contracts		14,706	13,853
Other liabilities		26,124	19,633
Retirement benefit obligations	13	250	245
Current tax liabilities		383	377
Deferred tax liabilities		49	–
Other provisions	17	2,858	3,547
Subordinated liabilities	14	17,809	17,656
Total liabilities		773,193	747,399
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Share capital	15	7,076	7,116
Share premium account		17,739	17,719
Other reserves		13,864	13,210
Retained profits		4,769	5,389
Shareholders' equity		43,448	43,434
Other equity instruments	16	5,406	6,491
Total equity excluding non-controlling interests		48,854	49,925
Non-controlling interests		201	274
Total equity		49,055	50,199
Total equity and liabilities		822,248	797,598

¹ Reflects the implementation of IFRS 16, see note 1.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

	Attributable to equity shareholders						
	Share capital and premium £m	Other reserves £m	Retained profits £m	Total £m	Other equity instruments £m	Non - controlling interests £m	Total £m
Balance at 1 January 2019	24,835	13,210	5,389	43,434	6,491	274	50,199
Comprehensive income							
Profit for the period	-	-	2,193	2,193	-	32	2,225
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>							
Post-retirement defined benefit scheme remeasurements, net of tax	-	-	(129)	(129)	-	-	(129)
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of financial assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax:							
Debt securities	-	(159)	-	(159)	-	-	(159)
Equity shares	-	13	-	13	-	-	13
Gains and losses attributable to own credit risk, net of tax	-	-	(221)	(221)	-	-	(221)
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	-	687	-	687	-	-	687
Currency translation differences (tax: £nil)	-	1	-	1	-	-	1
Total other comprehensive income	-	542	(350)	192	-	-	192
Total comprehensive income	-	542	1,843	2,385	-	32	2,417
Transactions with owners							
Dividends	-	-	(1,523)	(1,523)	-	(91)	(1,614)
Distributions on other equity instruments	-	-	(251)	(251)	-	-	(251)
Issue of ordinary shares	90	-	-	90	-	-	90
Share buyback	(113)	113	(879)	(879)	-	-	(879)
Redemption of preference shares	3	(3)	-	-	-	-	-
Issue of other equity instruments	-	-	(1)	(1)	396	-	395
Redemption of other equity instruments	-	-	-	-	(1,481)	-	(1,481)
Movement in treasury shares	-	-	71	71	-	-	71
Value of employee services:							
Share option schemes	-	-	34	34	-	-	34
Other employee award schemes	-	-	88	88	-	-	88
Changes in non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	(14)	(14)
Total transactions with owners	(20)	110	(2,461)	(2,371)	(1,085)	(105)	(3,561)
Realised gains and losses on equity shares held at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	2	(2)	-	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2019	24,815	13,864	4,769	43,448	5,406	201	49,055

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (UNAUDITED) (continued)

	Attributable to equity shareholders						
	Share capital and premium £m	Other reserves £m	Retained profits £m	Total £m	Other equity instruments £m	Non-controlling interests £m	Total £m
Balance at 1 January 2018	24,831	13,553	3,976	42,360	5,355	237	47,952
Comprehensive income							
Profit for the period ¹	–	–	2,280	2,280	–	37	2,317
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>							
Post-retirement defined benefit scheme remeasurements, net of tax	–	–	702	702	–	–	702
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of financial assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax:							
Debt securities	–	(47)	–	(47)	–	–	(47)
Equity shares	–	(75)	–	(75)	–	–	(75)
Gains and losses attributable to own credit risk, net of tax	–	–	122	122	–	–	122
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	–	(464)	–	(464)	–	–	(464)
Currency translation differences (tax: £nil)	–	5	–	5	–	–	5
Total other comprehensive income	–	(581)	824	243	–	–	243
Total comprehensive income	–	(581)	3,104	2,523	–	37	2,560
Transactions with owners							
Dividends	–	–	(1,475)	(1,475)	–	(26)	(1,501)
Distributions on other equity instruments ¹	–	–	(205)	(205)	–	–	(205)
Issue of ordinary shares	142	–	–	142	–	–	142
Share buyback	(72)	72	(565)	(565)	–	–	(565)
Movement in treasury shares	–	–	35	35	–	–	35
Value of employee services:							
Share option schemes	–	–	21	21	–	–	21
Other employee award schemes	–	–	104	104	–	–	104
Total transactions with owners	70	72	(2,085)	(1,943)	–	(26)	(1,969)
Realised gains and losses on equity shares held at fair value through other comprehensive income	–	141	(141)	–	–	–	–
Balance at 30 June 2018	24,901	13,185	4,854	42,940	5,355	248	48,543

¹ Restated, see note 1.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (UNAUDITED) (continued)

	Attributable to equity shareholders						
	Share capital and premium £m	Other reserves £m	Retained profits £m	Total £m	Other equity instruments £m	Non-controlling interests £m	Total £m
Balance at 1 July 2018	24,901	13,185	4,854	42,940	5,355	248	48,543
Comprehensive income							
Profit for the period ¹	–	–	2,128	2,128	–	61	2,189
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>							
Post-retirement defined benefit scheme remeasurements, net of tax	–	–	(582)	(582)	–	–	(582)
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures	–	–	8	8	–	–	8
Movements in revaluation reserve in respect of financial assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax:							
Debt securities	–	(146)	–	(146)	–	–	(146)
Equity shares	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Gains and losses attributable to own credit risk, net of tax	–	–	267	267	–	–	267
Movements in cash flow hedging reserve, net of tax	–	110	–	110	–	–	110
Currency translation differences (tax: £nil)	–	(13)	–	(13)	–	–	(13)
Total other comprehensive income	–	(49)	(307)	(356)	–	–	(356)
Total comprehensive income	–	(49)	1,821	1,772	–	61	1,833
Transactions with owners							
Dividends	–	–	(765)	(765)	–	(35)	(800)
Distributions on other equity instruments ¹	–	–	(228)	(228)	–	–	(228)
Issue of ordinary shares	20	–	–	20	–	–	20
Share buyback	(86)	86	(440)	(440)	–	–	(440)
Issue of other equity instruments	–	–	(5)	(5)	1,136	–	1,131
Movement in treasury shares	–	–	5	5	–	–	5
Value of employee services:							
Share option schemes	–	–	32	32	–	–	32
Other employee award schemes	–	–	103	103	–	–	103
Total transactions with owners	(66)	86	(1,298)	(1,278)	1,136	(35)	(177)
Realised gains and losses on equity shares held at fair value through other comprehensive income	–	(12)	12	–	–	–	–
Balance at 31 December 2018	24,835	13,210	5,389	43,434	6,491	274	50,199

¹ Restated, see note 1.

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
Profit before tax	2,897	3,117	2,843
Adjustments for:			
Change in operating assets	(16,318)	(19,056)	14,584
Change in operating liabilities	15,630	19,461	(28,134)
Non-cash and other items	10,060	1,204	(4,096)
Tax paid	(557)	(527)	(503)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	11,712	4,199	(15,306)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of financial assets	(8,618)	(6,050)	(6,607)
Proceeds from sale and maturity of financial assets	6,574	14,856	11,950
Purchase of fixed assets	(1,866)	(1,807)	(1,707)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	676	643	691
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired	(6)	(37)	(12)
Disposal of businesses, net of cash disposed	–	1	–
Net cash provided by investing activities	(3,240)	7,606	4,315
Cash flows from financing activities			
Dividends paid to ordinary shareholders	(1,523)	(1,475)	(765)
Distributions on other equity instruments	(251)	(205)	(228)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(91)	(26)	(35)
Interest paid on subordinated liabilities	(666)	(780)	(488)
Proceeds from issue of subordinated liabilities	–	1,729	–
Proceeds from issue of other equity instruments	395	–	1,131
Proceeds from issue of ordinary shares	20	85	17
Share buyback	(694)	(470)	(535)
Repayment of subordinated liabilities	(515)	(1,612)	(644)
Redemption of other equity instruments	(1,481)	–	–
Net cash used in financing activities	(4,806)	(2,754)	(1,547)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	–	1	2
Change in cash and cash equivalents	3,666	9,052	(12,536)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	55,224	58,708	67,760
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	58,890	67,760	55,224

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and balances at central banks (excluding mandatory deposits) and amounts due from banks with a maturity of less than three months. Included within cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2019 is £29 million (30 June 2018: £89 million; 31 December 2018: £40 million) held within the Group's life funds, which is not immediately available for use in the business.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**1. Accounting policies, presentation and estimates**

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements as at and for the period to 30 June 2019 have been prepared in accordance with the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and with International Accounting Standard 34 (IAS 34), *Interim Financial Reporting* as adopted by the European Union and comprise the results of Lloyds Banking Group plc (the Company) together with its subsidiaries (the Group). They do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Group's consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2018 which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union. Copies of the 2018 Annual Report and Accounts are available on the Group's website and are available upon request from Investor Relations, Lloyds Banking Group plc, 25 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7HN.

The UK Finance Code for Financial Reporting Disclosure (the Disclosure Code) sets out disclosure principles together with supporting guidance in respect of the financial statements of UK banks. The Group has adopted the Disclosure Code and these condensed consolidated half-year financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the Disclosure Code's principles. Terminology used in these condensed consolidated half-year financial statements is consistent with that used in the Group's 2018 Annual Report and Accounts.

The directors consider that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the condensed consolidated interim financial statements. In reaching this assessment, the directors have considered projections for the Group's capital and funding position and have had regard to the factors set out in Risk management: Principal risks and uncertainties on page 27.

Except as noted below, the accounting policies are consistent with those applied by the Group in its 2018 Annual Report and Accounts.

Changes in accounting policy

The Group adopted IFRS 16 *Leases* from 1 January 2019. IFRS 16 replaces IAS 17 *Leases* and addresses the classification and measurement of all leases. The Group's accounting as a lessor under IFRS 16 is substantially unchanged from its approach under IAS 17; however for lessee accounting there is no longer a distinction between finance and operating leases.

As lessee, under IFRS 16, in respect of leased properties previously accounted for as operating leases the Group now recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability at the date at which the leased asset is available for use. Assets and liabilities arising from a lease are initially measured on a present value basis. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be determined, or the Group's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments are allocated between the liability and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis. Payments associated with leases with a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis.

Details of the impact of adoption of IFRS 16 are provided in note 22.

The Group has also implemented the amendments to IAS 12 *Income Taxes* with effect from 1 January 2019 and as a result tax relief on distributions on other equity instruments, previously taken directly to retained profits, is now reported within tax expense in the income statement. Comparatives have been restated. Adoption of these amendments to IAS 12 has resulted in a reduction in tax expense and an increase in profit for the period in the half-year to 30 June 2019 of £60 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £50 million). There is no impact on total shareholders' equity or on earnings per share.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**1. Accounting policies, presentation and estimates** (continued)**Future accounting developments**

Details of those IFRS pronouncements which will be relevant to the Group but which will not be effective at 31 December 2019 and which have not been applied in preparing these financial statements are set out in note 23.

Related party transactions

The Group has had no material or unusual related party transactions during the six months to 30 June 2019. Related party transactions for the six months to 30 June 2019 are similar in nature to those for the year ended 31 December 2018. Full details of the Group's related party transactions for the year to 31 December 2018 can be found in the Group's 2018 Annual Report and Accounts.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the Group's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that impact the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Due to the inherent uncertainty in making estimates, actual results reported in future periods may include 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 Group's significant judgements, estimates and assumptions are unchanged compared to those applied at 31 December 2018, except as detailed below.

Allowance for impairment losses

At 30 June 2019 the Group's allowance for expected credit losses (ECL) was £3,511 million (31 December 2018: £3,362 million), of which £3,338 million (31 December 2018: £3,169 million) was in respect of drawn balances.

The measurement of expected credit losses is required to reflect an unbiased probability-weighted range of possible future outcomes. The approach to generating the economic scenarios used in the calculation of the Group's ECL allowances is little changed since 31 December 2018. The central scenario reflects the Group's updated base case assumptions used for medium-term planning purposes. Additional model-generated upside, downside and severe downside scenarios are identified to represent a typical scenario from specified points along an estimated loss distribution, with the scenario weightings unchanged since 31 December 2018. The key UK economic assumptions made by the Group as at 30 June 2019 averaged over a five year period are shown below.

Economic assumptions

	Base case %	Upside %	Downside %	Severe downside %
Scenario weighting	30	30	30	10
At 30 June 2019				
Bank of England base rate	1.25	2.05	0.49	0.11
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.8	5.7	7.0
House price growth	1.5	5.2	(2.3)	(7.4)
Commercial real estate price growth	(0.2)	1.6	(4.9)	(9.5)
At 31 December 2018				
Bank of England base rate	1.25	2.34	1.30	0.71
Unemployment rate	4.5	3.9	5.3	6.9
House price growth	2.5	6.1	(4.8)	(7.5)
Commercial real estate price growth	0.4	5.3	(4.7)	(6.4)

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**1. Accounting policies, presentation and estimates** (continued)*Economic assumptions – start to peak*

	Base case %	Upside %	Downside %	Severe downside %
At 30 June 2019				
Bank of England base rate	1.75	2.70	0.75	0.75
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.5	7.0	8.1
House price growth	7.3	28.8	(1.6)	(2.2)
Commercial real estate price growth	(0.6)	8.4	(1.0)	(1.6)
At 31 December 2018				
Bank of England base rate	1.75	4.00	1.75	1.25
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.3	6.3	8.6
House price growth	13.7	34.9	0.6	(1.6)
Commercial real estate price growth	0.1	26.9	(0.5)	(0.5)

Economic assumptions – start to trough

	Base case %	Upside %	Downside %	Severe downside %
At 30 June 2019				
Bank of England base rate	0.75	0.75	0.31	0.01
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.4	3.8	3.9
House price growth	(1.1)	(0.5)	(12.0)	(33.2)
Commercial real estate price growth	(1.5)	0.0	(23.8)	(40.7)
At 31 December 2018				
Bank of England base rate	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.25
Unemployment rate	4.1	3.5	4.3	4.2
House price growth	0.4	2.3	(26.5)	(33.5)
Commercial real estate price growth	(0.1)	0.0	(23.8)	(33.8)

The Group's base-case economic scenario has changed little over the year and reflects a broadly stable outlook for the economy. Although there remains considerable uncertainty about the economic consequences of the UK's planned exit from the European Union, the Group considers that at this stage the range of possible outcomes is adequately reflected in its choice and weighting of scenarios. The effect of the revised economic assumptions has been to increase the ECL allowance by £50 million.

Impact of forward looking information

As a result of applying the assumptions set out above, the extent to which a higher ECL allowance has been recognised is shown below:

	Base case £m	Probability -weighted £m	Difference £m
UK mortgages	501	619	118
Other Retail	1,365	1,386	21
Commercial	1,376	1,433	57
Other	73	73	–
At 30 June 2019	3,315	3,511	196
At 31 December 2018	3,100	3,362	262

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**2. Segmental analysis**

Lloyds Banking Group provides a wide range of banking and financial services in the UK and in certain locations overseas. The Group Executive Committee (GEC) remains the chief operating decision maker for the Group.

The segmental results and comparatives are presented on an underlying basis, the basis reviewed by the chief operating decision maker. The effects of certain asset sales, volatile items, the insurance grossing adjustment, liability management, restructuring, payment protection insurance provisions, the amortisation of purchased intangible assets and the unwind of acquisition-related fair value adjustments are excluded in arriving at underlying profit.

During the half-year to 30 June 2019, the Group transferred Cardnet, its card payment acceptance service, from Retail into Commercial Banking and also transferred certain equity business from Commercial Banking into Central items. Comparatives have been restated accordingly.

The Group's activities are organised into three financial reporting segments: Retail; Commercial Banking; and Insurance and Wealth. There has been no change to the descriptions of these segments as provided in note 4 to the Group's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018, neither has there been any change to the Group's segmental accounting for internal segment services or derivatives entered into by units for risk management purposes since 31 December 2018.

Half-year to 30 June 2019	Net interest income £m	Other income, net of insurance claims £m	Total income, net of insurance claims £m	Profit (loss) before tax £m	External revenue £m	Inter-segment revenue £m
Underlying basis						
Retail	4,366	1,007	5,373	1,983	6,501	(1,128)
Commercial Banking	1,460	733	2,193	992	1,770	423
Insurance and Wealth	58	1,183	1,241	677	939	302
Other	261	227	488	542	85	403
Group	6,145	3,150	9,295	4,194	9,295	–
Reconciling items:						
Insurance grossing adjustment	(1,303)	1,418	115	–		
Market volatility and asset sales	(87)	(22)	(109)	(296)		
Amortisation of purchased intangibles	–	–	–	(34)		
Restructuring costs	–	(48)	(48)	(182)		
Fair value unwind and other items	(116)	(6)	(122)	(135)		
Payment protection insurance provision	–	–	–	(650)		
Group – statutory	4,639	4,492	9,131	2,897		

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2. Segmental analysis (continued)

Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹	Net interest income £m	Other income, net of insurance claims £m	Total income, net of insurance claims £m	Profit (loss) before tax £m	External revenue £m	Inter-segment revenue £m
Underlying basis						
Retail	4,511	1,052	5,563	2,134	6,399	(836)
Commercial Banking	1,501	842	2,343	1,181	1,818	525
Insurance and Wealth	60	979	1,039	480	1,202	(163)
Other	272	251	523	439	49	474
Group	<u>6,344</u>	<u>3,124</u>	<u>9,468</u>	<u>4,234</u>	<u>9,468</u>	<u>–</u>
Reconciling items:						
Insurance grossing adjustment	(244)	321	77	–		
Market volatility and asset sales	54	128	182	34		
Amortisation of purchased intangibles	–	–	–	(53)		
Restructuring costs	–	–	–	(377)		
Fair value unwind and other items	(147)	(9)	(156)	(171)		
Payment protection insurance provision	–	–	–	(550)		
Group – statutory	<u>6,007</u>	<u>3,564</u>	<u>9,571</u>	<u>3,117</u>		

¹ Restated, see page 70.

Half-year to 31 December 2018 ¹	Net interest income £m	Other income, net of insurance claims £m	Total income, net of insurance claims £m	Profit (loss) before tax £m	External revenue £m	Inter-segment revenue £m
Underlying basis						
Retail	4,549	1,045	5,594	2,077	6,623	(1,029)
Commercial Banking	1,512	828	2,340	1,002	3,071	(731)
Insurance and Wealth	63	886	949	447	693	256
Other	246	127	373	306	(1,130)	1,504
Group	<u>6,370</u>	<u>2,886</u>	<u>9,256</u>	<u>3,832</u>	<u>9,257</u>	<u>–</u>
Reconciling items:						
Insurance grossing adjustment	1,078	(994)	84	–		
Market volatility and asset sales	73	(171)	(98)	(84)		
Amortisation of purchased intangibles	–	–	–	(55)		
Restructuring costs	–	(54)	(54)	(502)		
Fair value unwind and other items	(132)	(1)	(133)	(148)		
Payment protection insurance provision	–	–	–	(200)		
Group – statutory	<u>7,389</u>	<u>1,666</u>	<u>9,055</u>	<u>2,843</u>		

¹ Restated, see page 70.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2. Segmental analysis (continued)

	Segment external assets		Segment customer deposits		Segment external liabilities	
	At 30 June	At 31 Dec	At 30 June	At 31 Dec	At 30 June	At 31 Dec
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Retail	346,979	349,412	252,400	252,808	259,372	259,778
Commercial Banking	158,234	165,030	150,553	148,635	191,275	191,687
Insurance and Wealth	151,165	140,487	13,832	14,063	158,272	147,673
Other	165,870	142,669	4,907	2,560	164,274	148,261
Total Group	822,248	797,598	421,692	418,066	773,193	747,399

3. Net fee and commission income

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
Fee and commission income:			
Current accounts	325	315	335
Credit and debit card fees	469	487	506
Commercial banking and treasury fees	138	152	153
Unit trust and insurance broking	114	105	116
Private banking and asset management	46	49	48
Factoring	53	39	44
Other	283	225	274
Total fee and commission income	1,428	1,372	1,476
Fee and commission expense	(694)	(674)	(712)
Net fee and commission income	734	698	764

Current account and credit and debit card fees principally arise in Retail; commercial banking, treasury and factoring fees arise in Commercial Banking; and private banking, unit trust, insurance broking and asset management fees arise in Insurance and Wealth.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

4. Operating expenses

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
Administrative expenses			
Salaries and social security costs	1,627	1,663	1,671
Pensions and other post-retirement benefit schemes (note 13)	280	405	300
Restructuring and other staff costs	250	444	279
	2,157	2,512	2,250
Premises and equipment	242	367	362
Other expenses:			
IT, data processing and communications	535	563	558
UK bank levy	–	–	225
Operations, marketing and other	626	534	603
	1,161	1,097	1,386
	3,560	3,976	3,998
Depreciation and amortisation	1,302	1,215	1,190
Total operating expenses, excluding regulatory provisions	4,862	5,191	5,188
Regulatory provisions (note 17):			
Payment protection insurance provision	650	550	200
Other regulatory provisions	143	257	343
	793	807	543
Total operating expenses	5,655	5,998	5,731

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Impairment

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
Impact of transfers between stages	379	352	133
Other changes in credit quality	223	242	283
Additions (repayments)	(64)	(70)	(20)
Methodology changes	16	(61)	41
Model changes	27	–	–
Other items	(2)	(7)	44
	<u>200</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>348</u>
Total impairment charge	579	456	481
In respect of:			
Loans and advances to banks	1	–	1
Loans and advances to customers	598	470	552
Debt securities	–	–	–
Financial assets at amortised cost	599	470	553
Other assets	–	–	1
	<u>599</u>	<u>470</u>	<u>554</u>
Impairment charge on drawn balances	599	470	554
Loan commitments and financial guarantees	(19)	(15)	(58)
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	(1)	1	(15)
	<u>(19)</u>	<u>(14)</u>	<u>(73)</u>
Total impairment charge	579	456	481

The Group's impairment charge comprises the following:

Transfers between stages

The net impact on the impairment charge of transfers between stages.

Other changes in credit quality

Changes in loss allowance as a result of movements in risk parameters that reflect changes in customer credit quality, but which have not resulted in a transfer to a different stage. This also contains the impact on the impairment charge of write-offs and recoveries, where the related loss allowances are reassessed to reflect ultimate realisable or recoverable value.

Additions (repayments)

Expected loss allowances are recognised on origination of new loans or further drawdowns of existing facilities. Repayments relate to the reduction of allowances as a result of repayments of outstanding balances.

Methodology changes

Increase or decrease in impairment charge as a result of adjustments to the models used for expected credit loss calculations; either as changes to the model inputs (risk parameters) or to the underlying assumptions.

Model changes

The impact on the impairment charge of changing the models used to calculate expected credit losses.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**6. Taxation**

In accordance with IAS 34, the Group's income tax expense for the half-year to 30 June 2019 is based on the best estimate of the weighted-average annual income tax rate expected for the full financial year. The tax effects of one-off items are not included in the weighted-average annual income tax rate, but are recognised in the relevant period.

An explanation of the relationship between tax expense and accounting profit is set out below:

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹ £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹ £m
Profit before tax	<u>2,897</u>	<u>3,117</u>	<u>2,843</u>
UK corporation tax thereon at 19 per cent (2018:19 per cent)	(550)	(592)	(540)
Impact of surcharge on banking profits	(221)	(175)	(234)
Non-deductible costs: conduct charges	(103)	(92)	(9)
Non-deductible costs: bank levy	–	–	(43)
Other non-deductible costs	(39)	(44)	(46)
Non-taxable income	45	51	36
Tax relief on coupons on other equity instruments	47	39	44
Tax-exempt gains on disposals	10	38	86
(Derecognition) recognition of losses that arose in prior years	12	(10)	1
Remeasurement of deferred tax due to rate changes	14	10	22
Differences in overseas tax rates	(15)	3	3
Policyholder tax	(38)	(36)	(26)
Policyholder deferred tax asset in respect of life assurance expenses	–	–	73
Adjustments in respect of prior years	<u>166</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>(21)</u>
Tax expense	<u>(672)</u>	<u>(800)</u>	<u>(654)</u>

¹ Restated, see note 1.

7. Earnings per share

	Half-year to 30 June 2019	Half-year to 30 June 2018 ¹	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 ¹
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders – basic and diluted (£m)	<u>1,942</u>	<u>2,075</u>	<u>1,900</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue – basic (m)	71,053	72,025	71,257
Adjustment for share options and awards (m)	<u>663</u>	<u>670</u>	<u>612</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue – diluted (m)	<u>71,716</u>	<u>72,695</u>	<u>71,869</u>
Basic earnings per share	2.7p	2.9p	2.6p
Diluted earnings per share	2.7p	2.9p	2.6p

¹ Restated, see note 1.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**8. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Trading assets	23,867	35,246
Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:		
Treasury and other bills	20	20
Loans and advances to customers	10,787	10,964
Loans and advances to banks	2,033	2,178
Debt securities	33,512	32,636
Equity shares	84,889	77,485
	131,241	123,283
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	155,108	158,529

Included in the above is £125,272 million (31 December 2018: £116,903 million) of assets relating to the insurance businesses.

9. Derivative financial instruments

	30 June 2019		31 December 2018	
	Fair value of assets £m	Fair value of liabilities £m	Fair value of assets £m	Fair value of liabilities £m
Hedging				
Derivatives designated as fair value hedges	949	223	950	216
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges	598	965	613	892
	1,547	1,188	1,563	1,108
Trading				
Exchange rate contracts	5,718	4,324	5,797	4,753
Interest rate contracts	18,560	16,653	15,747	14,632
Credit derivatives	64	137	99	181
Equity and other contracts	259	724	389	699
	24,601	21,838	22,032	20,265
Total recognised derivative assets/liabilities	26,148	23,026	23,595	21,373

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

10. Financial assets at amortised cost

Half-year to 30 June 2019

(A) Loans and advances to customers

	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
At 1 January 2019	441,531	25,345	5,741	15,391	488,008
Exchange and other adjustments	24	(114)	160	194	264
Additions (repayments)	14,982	(2,815)	(149)	(999)	11,019
Transfers to Stage 1	5,432	(5,417)	(15)		–
Transfers to Stage 2	(12,982)	13,241	(259)		–
Transfers to Stage 3	(741)	(1,069)	1,810		–
	(8,291)	6,755	1,536		–
Recoveries			201	28	229
Financial assets that have been written off			(1,069)	–	(1,069)
At 30 June 2019	448,246	29,171	6,420	14,614	498,451
Allowance for impairment losses	(621)	(953)	(1,558)	(181)	(3,313)
Total loans and advances to customers	447,625	28,218	4,862	14,433	495,138

(B) Loans and advances to banks

At 1 January 2019	6,282	3	–	–	6,285
Exchange and other adjustments	(23)	2	–	–	(21)
Transfers to Stage 2	(10)	10	–	–	–
Additions (repayments)	2,113	–	–	–	2,113
At 30 June 2019	8,362	15	–	–	8,377
Allowance for impairment losses	(3)	–	–	–	(3)
Total loans and advances to banks	8,359	15	–	–	8,374

(C) Debt securities

At 1 January 2019	5,238	–	6	–	5,244
Exchange and other adjustments	(6)	–	–	–	(6)
Additions (repayments)	202	–	–	–	202
Assets which have been derecognised	–	–	(2)	–	(2)
Financial assets that have been written off			(1)	–	(1)
At 30 June 2019	5,434	–	3	–	5,437
Allowance for impairment losses	–	–	(3)	–	(3)
Total debt securities	5,434	–	–	–	5,434
Total financial assets at amortised cost	461,418	28,233	4,862	14,433	508,946

Exchange and other adjustments includes certain adjustments, prescribed by IFRS 9, in respect of purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**10. Financial assets at amortised cost** (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

(A) Loans and advances to customers

	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
At 1 January 2018	403,881	37,245	5,140	17,973	464,239
Exchange and other adjustments	958	32	–	–	990
Additions (repayments)	34,942	(2,187)	(2,074)	(2,609)	28,072
Transfers to Stage 1	19,524	(19,501)	(23)		–
Transfers to Stage 2	(15,743)	15,996	(253)		–
Transfers to Stage 3	(2,031)	(2,220)	4,251		–
	1,750	(5,725)	3,975		–
Recoveries	–	–	553	27	580
Disposal of businesses	–	(4,020)	(277)	–	(4,297)
Financial assets that have been written off			(1,576)	–	(1,576)
At 31 December 2018	441,531	25,345	5,741	15,391	488,008
Allowance for impairment losses	(525)	(994)	(1,553)	(78)	(3,150)
Total loans and advances to customers	441,006	24,351	4,188	15,313	484,858

(B) Loans and advances to banks

At 1 January 2018	4,245	2	–	–	4,247
Exchange and other adjustments	(29)	1	–	–	(28)
Additions (repayments)	2,066	–	–	–	2,066
At 31 December 2018	6,282	3	–	–	6,285
Allowance for impairment losses	(2)	–	–	–	(2)
Total loans and advances to banks	6,280	3	–	–	6,283

(C) Debt securities

At 1 January 2018	3,291	–	49	–	3,340
Exchange and other adjustments	77	–	(14)	–	63
Additions (repayments)	1,870	–	–	–	1,870
Financial assets that have been written off			(29)	–	(29)
At 31 December 2018	5,238	–	6	–	5,244
Allowance for impairment losses	–	–	(6)	–	(6)
Total debt securities	5,238	–	–	–	5,238
Total financial assets at amortised cost	452,524	24,354	4,188	15,313	496,379

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**10. Financial assets at amortised cost** (continued)

Transfers between stages are deemed to have taken place at the start of the reporting period, with all other movements shown in the stage in which the asset is held at 30 June 2019, with the exception of those held within Purchased or originated credit-impaired, which are not transferrable. Net increase and decrease in balances comprise new loans originated and repayments of outstanding balances throughout the reporting period. Loans which are written off in the period are first transferred to Stage 3 before write-off.

Loans and advances to customers include advances securitised under the Group's securitisation and covered bond programmes (see note 12).

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

11. Allowance for impairment losses

Half-year to 30 June 2019

	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
<i>In respect of drawn balances</i>					
At 1 January 2019	527	994	1,570	78	3,169
Exchange and other adjustments	5	(86)	324	195	438
Transfers to Stage 1	329	(323)	(6)		-
Transfers to Stage 2	(50)	86	(36)		-
Transfers to Stage 3	(7)	(36)	43		-
Impact of transfers between stages	(280)	373	276		369
	(8)	100	277		369
Other items charged to the income statement	100	(55)	305	(120)	230
Charge to the income statement (note 5)	92	45	582	(120)	599
Advances written off			(1,069)	-	(1,069)
Recoveries of advances written off in previous years			201	28	229
Discount unwind			(28)	-	(28)
At 30 June 2019	624	953	1,580	181	3,338
<i>In respect of undrawn balances</i>					
At 1 January 2019	123	64	6	-	193
Exchange and other adjustments	-	(1)	-	-	(1)
Transfers to Stage 1	17	(17)	-		-
Transfers to Stage 2	(5)	5	-		-
Transfers to Stage 3	-	(2)	2		-
Impact of transfers between stages	(14)	25	(1)		10
	(2)	11	1		10
Other items charged to the income statement	(32)	5	(2)	-	(29)
Charge to the income statement	(34)	16	(1)	-	(19)
At 30 June 2019	89	79	5	-	173
Total allowance for impairment losses	713	1,032	1,585	181	3,511
<i>In respect of:</i>					
Loans and advances to banks	3	-	-	-	3
Loans and advances to customers	621	953	1,558	181	3,313
Debt securities	-	-	3	-	3
Other assets	-	-	19	-	19
Drawn balances	624	953	1,580	181	3,338
Provisions in relation to loan commitments and financial guarantees	89	79	5	-	173
Total allowance for impairment losses	713	1,032	1,585	181	3,511
Expected credit loss in respect of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (memorandum item)	1	-	-	-	1

Exchange and other adjustments includes certain adjustments, prescribed by IFRS 9, in respect of purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

11. Allowance for impairment losses (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
<i>In respect of drawn balances</i>					
At 1 January 2018	590	1,147	1,491	32	3,260
Exchange and other adjustments	2	–	133	–	135
Transfers to Stage 1	304	(299)	(5)		–
Transfers to Stage 2	(46)	85	(39)		–
Transfers to Stage 3	(32)	(131)	163		–
Impact of transfers between stages	(233)	401	325		493
	(7)	56	444		493
Other items charged to the income statement	(58)	(107)	696	–	531
Charge to the income statement (note 5)	(65)	(51)	1,140	–	1,024
Advances written off			(1,605)	–	(1,605)
Disposal of businesses	–	(102)	(79)	–	(181)
Recoveries of advances written off in previous years			553	27	580
Discount unwind			(63)	19	(44)
At 31 December 2018	527	994	1,570	78	3,169
<i>In respect of undrawn balances</i>					
At 1 January 2018	147	126	–	–	273
Exchange and other adjustments	(5)	(14)	12	–	(7)
Transfers to Stage 1	28	(28)	–		–
Transfers to Stage 2	(6)	6	–		–
Transfers to Stage 3	(2)	(5)	7		–
Impact of transfers between stages	(25)	22	(5)		(8)
	(5)	(5)	2		(8)
Other items charged to the income statement	(14)	(43)	(8)	–	(65)
Charge to the income statement	(19)	(48)	(6)	–	(73)
At 31 December 2018	123	64	6	–	193
Total allowance for impairment losses	650	1,058	1,576	78	3,362
<i>In respect of:</i>					
Loans and advances to banks	2	–	–	–	2
Loans and advances to customers	525	994	1,553	78	3,150
Debt securities	–	–	6	–	6
Other assets	–	–	11	–	11
Drawn balances	527	994	1,570	78	3,169
Provisions in relation to loan commitments and financial guarantees	123	64	6	–	193
Total allowance for impairment losses	650	1,058	1,576	78	3,362
Expected credit loss in respect of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (memorandum item)	1	–	–	–	1

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**11. Allowance for impairment losses** (continued)

The Group's income statement charge comprises:

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Year ended 31 Dec 2018 £m
Drawn balances	599	1,024
Undrawn balances	(19)	(73)
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	(1)	(14)
Total	579	937

Transfers between stages are deemed to have taken place at the start of the reporting period, with all other movements shown in the stage in which the asset is held at 30 June 2019, with the exception of those held within purchased or originated credit-impaired, which are not transferable. As assets are transferred between stages, the resulting change in expected credit loss of £369 million for drawn balances, and £10 million for undrawn balances, is presented separately, in the stage in which the allowance is recognised at the end of the reporting period.

Net increase and decrease in balances comprise the movements in the expected credit loss as a result of new loans originated and repayments of outstanding balances throughout the reporting period. Loans which are written off in the period are first transferred to Stage 3 before write-off. Consequently, recoveries on assets previously written-off will also occur in Stage 3 only.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**12. Debt securities in issue**

	30 June 2019			31 December 2018		
	At fair value through profit or loss £m	At amortised cost £m	Total £m	At fair value through profit or loss £m	At amortised cost £m	Total £m
Medium-term notes issued	7,930	39,404	47,334	7,032	37,490	44,522
Covered bonds	–	30,479	30,479	–	28,194	28,194
Certificates of deposit	–	12,167	12,167	–	12,020	12,020
Securitisation notes	52	5,261	5,313	53	5,426	5,479
Commercial paper	–	10,504	10,504	–	8,038	8,038
	7,982	97,815	105,797	7,085	91,168	98,253

The notes issued by the Group's securitisation and covered bond programmes are held by external parties and by subsidiaries of the Group.

Securitisation programmes

At 30 June 2019, external parties held £5,313 million (31 December 2018: £5,479 million) and the Group's subsidiaries held £30,139 million (31 December 2018: £31,701 million) of total securitisation notes in issue of £35,452 million (31 December 2018: £37,180 million). The notes are secured on loans and advances to customers and debt securities held at amortised cost amounting to £38,604 million (31 December 2018: £41,674 million), the majority of which have been sold by subsidiary companies to bankruptcy remote structured entities. The structured entities are consolidated fully and all of these loans are retained on the Group's balance sheet.

Covered bond programmes

At 30 June 2019, external parties held £30,479 million (31 December 2018: £28,194 million) and the Group's subsidiaries held £700 million (31 December 2018: £700 million) of total covered bonds in issue of £31,179 million (31 December 2018: £28,894 million). The bonds are secured on certain loans and advances to customers amounting to £41,049 million (31 December 2018: £36,802 million) that have been assigned to bankruptcy remote limited liability partnerships. These loans are retained on the Group's balance sheet.

Cash deposits of £4,049 million (31 December 2018: £4,102 million) which support the debt securities issued by the structured entities, the term advances related to covered bonds and other legal obligations are held by the Group.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**13. Post-retirement defined benefit schemes**

The Group's post-retirement defined benefit scheme obligations are comprised as follows:

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Defined benefit pension schemes:		
Fair value of scheme assets	45,763	42,238
Present value of funded obligations	(44,375)	(41,092)
Net pension scheme asset	1,388	1,146
Other post-retirement schemes	(129)	(124)
Net retirement benefit asset	1,259	1,022
Recognised on the balance sheet as:		
Retirement benefit assets	1,509	1,267
Retirement benefit obligations	(250)	(245)
Net retirement benefit asset	1,259	1,022

The movement in the Group's net post-retirement defined benefit scheme asset during the period was as follows:

	£m
Asset at 1 January 2019	1,022
Exchange and other adjustments	11
Income statement charge	(139)
Employer contributions	538
Remeasurement	(173)
Asset at 30 June 2019	1,259

The charge to the income statement in respect of pensions and other post-retirement benefit schemes is comprised as follows:

	Half-year to 30 June 2019 £m	Half-year to 30 June 2018 £m	Half-year to 31 Dec 2018 £m
Defined benefit pension schemes	139	271	134
Defined contribution schemes	141	134	166
Total charge to the income statement (note 4)	280	405	300

The principal assumptions used in the valuations of the defined benefit pension schemes were as follows:

	At 30 June 2019 %	At 31 Dec 2018 %
Discount rate	2.33	2.90
Rate of inflation:		
Retail Prices Index	3.19	3.20
Consumer Price Index	2.14	2.15
Rate of salary increases	0.00	0.00
Weighted-average rate of increase for pensions in payment	2.73	2.73

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**14. Subordinated liabilities**

The Group's subordinated liabilities are comprised as follows:

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Preference shares	919	803
Preferred securities	3,314	3,205
Undated subordinated liabilities	587	588
Dated subordinated liabilities	12,989	13,060
Total subordinated liabilities	17,809	17,656

15. Share capital

Movements in share capital during the period were as follows:

	Number of shares (million)	£m
Ordinary shares of 10p each		
At 1 January 2019	71,164	7,116
Issued in the period ¹	725	73
Share buybacks	(1,125)	(113)
At period end	70,764	7,076

¹ The ordinary shares issued in the period were in respect of employee share schemes.

On 20 February 2019 the Group announced the launch of a share buyback programme to repurchase up to £1.75 billion of its outstanding ordinary shares; the programme commenced on 1 March 2019. The Group entered into an agreement with Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc and UBS AG, London Branch (the joint brokers) to conduct the share buyback programme on its behalf and to make trading decisions under the programme independently of the Group. The joint brokers are purchasing the Group's ordinary shares as principal and selling them to the Group in accordance with the terms of their engagement. The Group cancels the shares that it purchases through the programme. By 30 June 2019, the Group had bought back and cancelled 1,125 million shares under the programme, for a total cost of £694 million.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**16. Other equity instruments**

	£m
At 1 January 2019	6,491
Redemption of Additional Tier 1 securities	(1,481)
Additional Tier 1 securities issued in the period:	
US dollar notes (\$500 million nominal)	396
At 30 June 2019	5,406

On 27 June 2019 the Group redeemed, at par, £1,481 million of Additional Tier 1 securities at their first call date.

During the half-year to 30 June 2019 the Group issued £396 million (US\$500 million) of Additional Tier 1 (AT1) securities; issue costs of £1 million, net of tax, have been charged to retained profits.

The AT1 securities are Fixed Rate Resetting Perpetual Subordinated Contingent Convertible Securities with no fixed maturity or redemption date.

The principal terms of the AT1 securities are described below:

- The securities rank behind the claims against Lloyds Banking Group plc of (a) unsubordinated creditors, (b) claims which are, or are expressed to be, subordinated to the claims of unsubordinated creditors of Lloyds Banking Group plc but not further or otherwise or (c) whose claims are, or are expressed to be, junior to the claims of other creditors of Lloyds Banking Group, whether subordinated or unsubordinated, other than those whose claims rank, or are expressed to rank, pari passu with, or junior to, the claims of the holders of the AT1 Securities in a winding-up occurring prior to a conversion event being triggered.
- The securities bear a fixed rate of interest until the first call date. After the initial call date, in the event that they are not redeemed, the AT1 securities will bear interest at rates fixed periodically in advance for five year periods based on market rates.
- Interest on the securities will be due and payable only at the sole discretion of Lloyds Banking Group plc, and Lloyds Banking Group plc may at any time elect to cancel any Interest Payment (or any part thereof) which would otherwise be payable on any Interest Payment Date. There are also certain restrictions on the payment of interest as specified in the terms.
- The securities are undated and are repayable, at the option of Lloyds Banking Group plc, in whole at the first call date, or on any fifth anniversary after the first call date. In addition, the AT1 securities are repayable, at the option of Lloyds Banking Group plc, in whole for certain regulatory or tax reasons. Any repayments require the prior consent of the PRA.
- The securities convert into ordinary shares of Lloyds Banking Group plc, at a pre-determined price, should the fully loaded Common Equity Tier 1 ratio of the Group fall below 7.0 per cent.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**17. Provisions for liabilities and charges**

	Provisions for commitments £m	Payment Protection Insurance £m	Other regulatory provisions £m	Other £m	Total £m
Balance at 31 December 2018	193	1,524	861	969	3,547
Adjustment on implementation of IFRS 16	–	–	–	(97)	(97)
Exchange and other adjustments	(1)	32	–	1	32
Provisions applied	–	(992)	(412)	(204)	(1,608)
Charge for the period	(19)	650	143	210	984
At 30 June 2019	173	1,214	592	879	2,858

Payment protection insurance (excluding MBNA)

The Group increased the provision for PPI costs by a further £650 million in the half-year to 30 June 2019, of which £550 million was in the second quarter, bringing the total amount provided to £20,075 million.

The charge in the second quarter is largely driven by the significant increase in PPI information requests (PIRs) which is likely to lead to higher total complaints and associated administration costs. The Group has historically received around 70,000 PIRs per week, of which around 9,000 converted into a complaint. Through the second quarter, the number of PIRs received increased to around 150,000 per week and in recent weeks around 190,000 per week and the Group has assumed that PIRs remain at this elevated level until the industry deadline at the end of August 2019. At the same time, the quality of PIRs has deteriorated and the Group expects this to continue. While PIR and complaint volumes remain uncertain, the impact of these additional volumes is expected to generate around 200,000 extra complaints, increasing the total expected complaint volumes from 5.6 million to 5.8 million.

At 30 June 2019, a provision of £1,083 million remained unutilised relating to complaints and associated administration costs. Total cash payments were £896 million during the six months to 30 June 2019.

Sensitivities

The Group estimates that it has sold approximately 16 million PPI policies since 2000. These include policies that were not mis-sold and those that have been successfully claimed upon. Since the commencement of the PPI redress programme in 2011 the Group estimates that it has contacted, settled or provided for approximately 54 per cent of the policies sold since 2000.

The total amount provided for PPI represents the Group's best estimate of the likely future cost. A number of risks and uncertainties remain including with respect to future complaint volumes, however the potential impact of these risks has reduced due to the proximity of the industry deadline. The cost could differ from the Group's estimates and the assumptions underpinning them, and could result in a further provision being required. These may also be impacted by any further regulatory changes, the final stage of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) media campaign and Claims Management Company and customer activity, and potential additional remediation arising from the continuous improvement of the Group's operational practices.

Deloitte LLP has been appointed to assist the Official Receiver with the submission of PPI queries to providers to establish whether any mis-sold PPI redress is due to creditors of bankrupts' estates. The Group has not made any provision in relation to this matter, which will remain under review.

For every additional 1,000 reactive complaints per week from July 2019 through to the industry deadline of the end of August 2019, the Group would expect an additional charge of approximately £20 million.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**17. Provisions for liabilities and charges** (continued)**Payment protection insurance (MBNA)**

As announced in December 2016, the Group's exposure is capped at £240 million, which is already provided for, through an indemnity received from Bank of America. MBNA increased its PPI provision by £32 million in the half-year to 30 June 2019 but the Group's exposure continues to remain capped at £240 million under the arrangement with Bank of America, notwithstanding this increase by MBNA.

Other provisions for legal actions and regulatory matters

In the course of its business, the Group is engaged in discussions with the PRA, FCA and other UK and overseas regulators and other governmental authorities on a range of matters. The Group also receives complaints in connection with its past conduct and claims brought by or on behalf of current and former employees, customers, investors and other third parties and is subject to legal proceedings and other legal actions. Where significant, provisions are held against the costs expected to be incurred in relation to these matters and matters arising from related internal reviews. During the six months to 30 June 2019 the Group charged a further £143 million in respect of legal actions and other regulatory matters, and the unutilised balance at 30 June 2019 was £592 million (31 December 2018: £861 million). The most significant items are as follows.

Arrears handling related activities

The Group has provided an additional £55 million in the half-year to 30 June 2019 for the costs of identifying and rectifying certain arrears management fees and activities, taking the total provided to date to £848 million. The Group has put in place a number of actions to improve its handling of customers in these areas and has made good progress in reimbursing arrears fees to impacted customers.

Packaged bank accounts

The Group had provided a total of £795 million up to 31 December 2018 in respect of complaints relating to alleged mis-selling of packaged bank accounts, with no further amounts provided during the six months to 30 June 2019. A number of risks and uncertainties remain particularly with respect to future volumes.

Customer claims in relation to insurance branch business in Germany

The Group continues to receive claims in Germany from customers relating to policies issued by Clerical Medical Investment Group Limited (subsequently renamed Scottish Widows Limited), with smaller numbers received from customers in Austria and Italy. The industry-wide issue regarding notification of contractual 'cooling off' periods continued to lead to an increasing number of claims in 2016 and 2017 levelling out in 2018 and into 2019. Up to 31 December 2018 the Group had provided a total of £639 million, with no further amounts provided in 2019. The validity of the claims facing the Group depends upon the facts and circumstances in respect of each claim. As a result the ultimate financial effect, which could be significantly different from the current provision, will be known only once all relevant claims have been resolved.

HBOS Reading – customer review

The Group has now completed its compensation assessment for all 71 business customers within the customer review, with more than 98 per cent of these offers to individuals accepted. In total, more than £98 million has been offered of which £84 million has so far been accepted, in addition to £9 million for ex-gratia payments and £6 million for the reimbursements of legal fees.

The review follows the conclusion of a criminal trial in which a number of individuals, including two former HBOS employees, were convicted of conspiracy to corrupt, fraudulent trading and associated money laundering offences which occurred prior to the acquisition of HBOS by the Group in 2009. The Group provided a further £15 million in the year ended 31 December 2018 for customer settlements, raising the total amount provided to £115 million and is now nearing the end of the process of paying compensation to the victims of the fraud, including ex-gratia payments and reimbursements of legal fees.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**18. Contingent liabilities and commitments*****Interchange fees***

With respect to multi-lateral interchange fees (MIFs), the Group is not directly involved in the ongoing litigation (as described below) which involve card schemes such as Visa and Mastercard. However, the Group is a member / licensee of Visa and Mastercard and other card schemes:

- Litigation brought by retailers continues in the English Courts against both Visa and Mastercard
- Litigation brought on behalf of UK consumers is also proceeding in the English Courts against Mastercard
- Any ultimate impact on the Group of the litigation against Visa and Mastercard remains uncertain at this time

Visa Inc completed its acquisition of Visa Europe on 21 June 2016. As part of this transaction, the Group and certain other UK banks also entered into a Loss Sharing Agreement (LSA) with Visa Inc, which clarifies the allocation of liabilities between the parties should the litigation referred to above result in Visa Inc being liable for damages payable by Visa Europe. The maximum amount of liability to which the Group may be subject under the LSA is capped at the cash consideration which was received by the Group at completion. Visa Inc may also have recourse to a general indemnity, previously in place under Visa Europe's Operating Regulations, for damages claims concerning inter or intra-regional MIF setting activities.

LIBOR and other trading rates

In July 2014, the Group announced that it had reached settlements totalling £217 million (at 30 June 2014 exchange rates) to resolve with UK and US federal authorities legacy issues regarding the manipulation several years ago of Group companies' submissions to the British Bankers' Association (BBA) London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) and Sterling Repo Rate. The Swiss Competition Commission concluded its investigation against Lloyds in June 2019. The Group continues to cooperate with various other government and regulatory authorities, including a number of US State Attorneys General, in conjunction with their investigations into submissions made by panel members to the bodies that set LIBOR and various other interbank offered rates.

Certain Group companies, together with other panel banks, have also been named as defendants in private lawsuits, including purported class action suits, in the US in connection with their roles as panel banks contributing to the setting of US Dollar, Japanese Yen and Sterling LIBOR and the Australian BBSW Reference Rate. Certain of the plaintiffs' claims, have been dismissed by the US Federal Court for Southern District of New York (subject to appeals).

Certain Group companies are also named as defendants in (i) UK based claims; and (ii) two Dutch class actions, raising LIBOR manipulation allegations. A number of the claims against the Group in relation to the alleged mis-sale of interest rate hedging products also include allegations of LIBOR manipulation.

It is currently not possible to predict the scope and ultimate outcome on the Group of the various outstanding regulatory investigations not encompassed by the settlements, any private lawsuits or any related challenges to the interpretation or validity of any of the Group's contractual arrangements, including their timing and scale.

UK shareholder litigation

In August 2014, the Group and a number of former directors were named as defendants in a claim by a number of claimants who held shares in Lloyds TSB Group plc (LTSB) prior to the acquisition of HBOS plc, alleging breaches of duties in relation to information provided to shareholders in connection with the acquisition and the recapitalisation of LTSB. The defendants refute all claims made. A trial commenced in the English High Court on 18 October 2017 and concluded on 5 March 2018 with judgment to follow. It is currently not possible to determine the ultimate impact on the Group (if any).

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**18. Contingent liabilities and commitments** (continued)***Tax authorities***

The Group has an open matter in relation to a claim for group relief of losses incurred in its former Irish banking subsidiary, which ceased trading on 31 December 2010. In 2013 HMRC informed the Group that their interpretation of the UK rules which allow the offset of such losses denies the claim. If HMRC's position is found to be correct management estimate that this would result in an increase in current tax liabilities of approximately £770 million (including interest) and a reduction in the Group's deferred tax asset of approximately £250 million. The Group does not agree with HMRC's position and, having taken appropriate advice, does not consider that this is a case where additional tax will ultimately fall due. There are a number of other open matters on which the Group is in discussion with HMRC (including the tax treatment of certain costs arising from the divestment of TSB Banking Group plc), none of which is expected to have a material impact on the financial position of the Group.

Mortgage arrears handling activities

On 26 May 2016, the Group was informed that an enforcement team at the FCA had commenced an investigation in connection with the Group's mortgage arrears handling activities. This investigation is ongoing and the Group continues to cooperate with the FCA. It is not currently possible to make a reliable assessment of any liability that may result from the investigation including any financial penalty or public censure.

HBOS Reading - FCA investigation

The FCA's investigation into the events surrounding the discovery of misconduct within the Reading-based Impaired Assets team of HBOS has concluded. The FCA issued a final notice on 21 June 2019 announcing that the Group had agreed to settle the matter and pay a fine of £45.5 million.

Other legal actions and regulatory matters

In addition, during the ordinary course of business the Group is subject to other complaints and threatened or actual legal proceedings (including class or group action claims) brought by or on behalf of current or former employees, customers, investors or other third parties, as well as legal and regulatory reviews, challenges, investigations 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 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 at the relevant balance sheet date. In some cases it will not be possible to form a view, for example because the facts are unclear or because further time is needed properly to assess the merits of the case, and no provisions are held in relation to such matters. In these circumstances, specific disclosure in relation to a contingent liability will be made where material. However the 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.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**18. Contingent liabilities and commitments** (continued)**Contingent liabilities and commitments arising from the banking business**

	At 30 June 2019 £m	At 31 Dec 2018 £m
Contingent liabilities		
Acceptances and endorsements	74	194
Other:		
Other items serving as direct credit substitutes	1,042	632
Performance bonds and other transaction-related contingencies	2,462	2,425
	3,504	3,057
Total contingent liabilities	3,578	3,251
Commitments and guarantees		
Documentary credits and other short-term trade-related transactions	1	1
Forward asset purchases and forward deposits placed	171	731
Undrawn formal standby facilities, credit lines and other commitments to lend:		
Less than 1 year original maturity:		
Mortgage offers made	15,011	11,594
Other commitments and guarantees	84,322	85,060
	99,333	96,654
1 year or over original maturity	37,599	37,712
Total commitments and guarantees	137,104	135,098

Of the amounts shown above in respect of undrawn formal standby facilities, credit lines and other commitments to lend, £67,814 million (31 December 2018: £64,884 million) was irrevocable.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities**

The valuations of financial instruments have been classified into three levels according to the quality and reliability of information used to determine those fair values. Note 49 to the Group's 2018 financial statements describes the definitions of the three levels in the fair value hierarchy.

Valuation control framework

Key elements of the valuation control framework, which covers processes for all levels in the fair value hierarchy including level 3 portfolios, include model validation (incorporating pre-trade and post-trade testing), product implementation review and independent price verification. Formal committees meet quarterly to discuss and approve valuations in more judgemental areas.

Transfers into and out of level 3 portfolios

Transfers out of level 3 portfolios arise when inputs that could have a significant impact on the instrument's valuation become market observable; conversely, transfers into the portfolios arise when sources of data cease to be observable.

Valuation methodology

For level 2 and level 3 portfolios, there is no significant change to the valuation methodology (techniques and inputs) disclosed in the Group's 2018 Annual Report and Accounts applied to these portfolios.

The table below summarises the carrying values of financial assets and liabilities presented on the Group's balance sheet. 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.

	30 June 2019		31 December 2018	
	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m	Carrying value £m	Fair value £m
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	155,108	155,108	158,529	158,529
Derivative financial instruments	26,148	26,148	23,595	23,595
Loans and advances to banks	8,374	8,363	6,283	6,286
Loans and advances to customers	495,138	496,768	484,858	484,660
Debt securities	5,434	5,427	5,238	5,244
Financial assets at amortised cost	508,946	510,558	496,379	496,190
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	27,078	27,078	24,815	24,815
Financial liabilities				
Deposits from banks	34,777	34,761	30,320	30,322
Customer deposits	421,692	422,277	418,066	418,450
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	24,754	24,754	30,547	30,547
Derivative financial instruments	23,026	23,026	21,373	21,373
Debt securities in issue	97,815	100,102	91,168	93,233
Liabilities arising from non-participating investment contracts	14,706	14,706	13,853	13,853
Subordinated liabilities	17,809	20,200	17,656	19,564

The carrying amount of the following financial instruments is a reasonable approximation of fair value: cash and balances at central banks, items in the course of collection from banks, items in course of transmission to banks and notes in circulation.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities** (continued)

The Group manages valuation adjustments for its derivative exposures on a net basis; the Group determines their fair values on the basis of their net exposures. In all other cases, fair values of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value are determined on the basis of their gross exposures.

The following tables provide 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.

Financial assets

	Level 1 £m	Level 2 £m	Level 3 £m	Total £m
At 30 June 2019				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
Loans and advances to customers	–	14,907	11,042	25,949
Loans and advances to banks	–	3,082	–	3,082
Debt securities	17,931	21,459	1,778	41,168
Equity shares	82,833	13	2,043	84,889
Treasury and other bills	20	–	–	20
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	100,784	39,461	14,863	155,108
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income:				
Debt securities	15,252	11,083	171	26,506
Equity shares	–	–	25	25
Treasury and other bills	547	–	–	547
Total financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	15,799	11,083	196	27,078
Derivative financial instruments	83	24,881	1,184	26,148
Total financial assets carried at fair value	116,666	75,425	16,243	208,334
At 31 December 2018				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
Loans and advances to customers	–	27,285	10,565	37,850
Loans and advances to banks	–	3,026	–	3,026
Debt securities	18,010	20,544	1,594	40,148
Equity shares	75,701	26	1,758	77,485
Treasury and other bills	20	–	–	20
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	93,731	50,881	13,917	158,529
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income:				
Debt securities	18,879	5,366	246	24,491
Treasury and other bills	303	–	–	303
Equity shares	–	–	21	21
Total financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	19,182	5,366	267	24,815
Derivative financial instruments	93	22,575	927	23,595
Total financial assets carried at fair value	113,006	78,822	15,111	206,939

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities** (continued)**Financial liabilities**

	Level 1 £m	Level 2 £m	Level 3 £m	Total £m
At 30 June 2019				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:				
Liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss	–	7,930	52	7,982
Trading liabilities	<u>2,672</u>	<u>14,100</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>16,772</u>
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	<u>2,672</u>	<u>22,030</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>24,754</u>
Derivative financial instruments	<u>274</u>	<u>21,479</u>	<u>1,273</u>	<u>23,026</u>
Total financial liabilities carried at fair value	<u>2,946</u>	<u>43,509</u>	<u>1,325</u>	<u>47,780</u>
At 31 December 2018				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:				
Liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss	–	7,085	11	7,096
Trading liabilities	<u>1,464</u>	<u>21,987</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>23,451</u>
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	<u>1,464</u>	<u>29,072</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>30,547</u>
Derivative financial instruments	<u>132</u>	<u>20,525</u>	<u>716</u>	<u>21,373</u>
Total financial liabilities carried at fair value	<u>1,596</u>	<u>49,597</u>	<u>727</u>	<u>51,920</u>

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Movements in level 3 portfolio

The tables below analyse movements in the level 3 financial assets portfolio.

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income £m	Derivative assets £m	Total financial assets carried at fair value £m
At 1 January 2019	13,917	267	927	15,111
Exchange and other adjustments	3	1	–	4
Gains recognised in the income statement within other income	489	–	251	740
Gains (losses) recognised in other comprehensive income within the revaluation reserve in respect of financial assets carried at fair value through other comprehensive income	–	8	–	8
Purchases/ increases to customer loans	1,511	–	2	1,513
Sales/ repayments	(1,522)	(80)	(16)	(1,618)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	563	–	22	585
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	(98)	–	(2)	(100)
At 30 June 2019	14,863	196	1,184	16,243
Gains (losses) recognised in the income statement within other income relating to those assets held at 30 June 2019	189	–	285	474

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss £m	Financial assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income £m	Derivative assets £m	Total financial assets carried at fair value £m
At 1 January 2018	14,152	302	1,056	15,510
Exchange and other adjustments	3	(1)	–	2
Gains recognised in the income statement within other income	111	–	2	113
Gains recognised in other comprehensive income within the revaluation reserve in respect of financial assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income	–	1	–	1
Purchases/ increases to customer loans	206	–	–	206
Sales/ repayments	(491)	(91)	(90)	(672)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	532	334	–	866
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	(320)	(193)	–	(513)
At 30 June 2018	14,193	352	968	15,513
Gains (losses) recognised in the income statement within other income relating to those assets held at 30 June 2018	160	–	2	162

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities** (continued)

The tables below analyse movements in the level 3 financial liabilities portfolio.

	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss £m	Derivative liabilities £m	Total financial liabilities carried at fair value £m
At 1 January 2019	11	716	727
Exchange and other adjustments	–	–	–
Losses recognised in the income statement within other income	–	204	204
Additions	–	1	1
Redemptions	(1)	(12)	(13)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	53	364	417
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	(11)	–	(11)
At 30 June 2019	52	1,273	1,325
Losses recognised in the income statement within other income relating to those liabilities held at 30 June 2019	–	249	249
	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss £m	Derivative liabilities £m	Total financial liabilities carried at fair value £m
At 1 January 2018	–	804	804
Exchange and other adjustments	–	–	–
Gains recognised in the income statement within other income	–	(30)	(30)
Additions	–	–	–
Redemptions	–	(2)	(2)
Transfers into the level 3 portfolio	10	–	10
Transfers out of the level 3 portfolio	–	–	–
At 30 June 2018	10	772	782
Gains recognised in the income statement within other income relating to those liabilities held at 30 June 2018	–	(30)	(30)

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19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

The tables below set out the effects of reasonably possible alternative assumptions for categories of level 3 financial assets and financial liabilities which have an aggregated carrying value greater than £500 million.

	Valuation technique(s)	Significant unobservable inputs	Range ²	Carrying value £m	At 30 June 2019 Effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions ¹	
					Favourable changes £m	Unfavourable changes £m
<i>Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss</i>						
Loans and advances to customers	Discounted cash flows	Gross interest rates, inferred spreads (bps)	76 bps / 208 bps	11,042	347	(406)
Equity and venture capital investments	Market approach	Earnings multiple	0.9 / 14.6	1,786	102	(96)
Equity and venture capital investments	Underlying asset/net asset value (incl. property prices) ³	n/a		524	51	(74)
Unlisted equities and debt securities, property partnerships in the life funds	Underlying asset/net asset value (incl. property prices) ³	n/a		1,153	16	(40)
Other				358	47	(47)
				14,863		
<i>Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income</i>						
				196		
<i>Derivative financial assets</i>						
Interest rate derivatives	Option pricing model	Interest rate volatility	7% / 121%	1,184		
				1,184	8	(4)
Financial assets carried at fair value				16,243		
<i>Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss</i>						
				52		
<i>Derivative financial liabilities</i>						
Interest rate derivatives	Option pricing model	Interest rate volatility	7% / 121%	1,273	-	-
Financial liabilities carried at fair value				1,325		

¹ Where the exposure to an unobservable input is managed on a net basis, only the net impact is shown in the table.

² The range represents the highest and lowest inputs used in the level 3 valuations.

³ Underlying asset/net asset values represent fair value.

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19. Fair values of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

				At 31 December 2018		
				Effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions ¹		
	Valuation technique(s)	Significant unobservable inputs	Range ²	Carrying value £m	Favourable changes £m	Unfavourable changes £m
<i>Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:</i>						
Loans and advances to customers	Discounted cash flows	Gross interest rates, inferred spreads (bps)	97bps / 208bps	10,565	380	(371)
Equity and venture capital investments	Market approach	Earnings multiple	0.9 / 14.6	1,657	54	(55)
	Underlying assets/net asset value (incl. property prices) ³			523	48	(57)
Unlisted equities and debt securities, property partnerships in the life funds	Underlying asset/net asset value (incl. property prices, broker quotes or discounted cash flows) ³	n/a	n/a	898	2	(45)
Other				274	92	(21)
-----				13,917		
<i>Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income</i>				267		
<i>Derivative financial assets:</i>						
Interest rate derivatives	Option pricing model	Interest rate volatility	19% / 80%	927	7	(5)
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Financial assets carried at fair value				15,111		
<i>Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss</i>				11		
<i>Derivative financial liabilities:</i>						
Interest rate derivatives	Option pricing model	Interest rate volatility	19% / 80%	716	-	-
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Financial liabilities carried at fair value				727		

¹ Where the exposure to an unobservable input is managed on a net basis, only the net impact is shown in the table.

² The range represents the highest and lowest inputs used in the level 3 valuations.

³ Underlying asset/net asset values represent fair value.

Unobservable inputs

Significant unobservable inputs affecting the valuation of debt securities, unlisted equity investments and derivatives are unchanged from those described in the Group's 2018 financial statements.

Reasonably possible alternative assumptions

Valuation techniques applied to many of the Group's level 3 instruments often involve the use of two or more inputs whose relationship is interdependent. The calculation of the effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions included in the table above reflects such relationships and are unchanged from those described in note 49 to the Group's 2018 financial statements.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers

Gross drawn exposures

At 30 June 2019

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
Loans and advances to banks:						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	8,170	15	-	-	8,185
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	192	-	-	-	192
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 20-23	100%	-	-	-	-	-
		8,362	15	-	-	8,377
Loans and advances to customers:						
<i>Retail – mortgages</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	252,238	13,585	-	-	265,823
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	22	1,842	-	-	1,864
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	-	421	-	-	421
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	-	1,028	-	-	1,028
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	1,543	14,614	16,157
		252,260	16,876	1,543	14,614	285,293
<i>Retail – unsecured</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	22,749	1,213	-	-	23,962
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	1,782	738	-	-	2,520
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	36	143	-	-	179
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	11	545	-	-	556
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	678	-	678
		24,578	2,639	678	-	27,895
<i>Retail – UK Motor Finance</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	14,013	881	-	-	14,894
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	327	236	-	-	563
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	-	93	-	-	93
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	3	192	-	-	195
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	137	-	137
		14,343	1,402	137	-	15,882
<i>Retail – other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	8,252	370	-	-	8,622
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	-	107	-	-	107
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	-	10	-	-	10
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	167	28	-	-	195
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	132	-	132
		8,419	515	132	-	9,066
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	1,538	275	-	-	1,813
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 20-23	100%	-	-	29	-	29
		1,538	275	29	-	1,842
Total Retail		301,138	21,707	2,519	14,614	339,978

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Gross drawn exposures (continued)

At 30 June 2019

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
<i>Commercial</i>						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	68,151	344	–	–	68,495
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	21,584	4,661	–	–	26,245
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	598	2,334	–	–	2,932
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	74	–	–	74
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	3,777	–	3,777
		90,333	7,413	3,777	–	101,523
<i>Other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	789	50	–	–	839
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	56	–	56
		789	50	56	–	895
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	55,986	1	–	–	55,987
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	68	–	68
		55,986	1	68	–	56,055
Total loans and advances to customers		448,246	29,171	6,420	14,614	498,451
<i>In respect of:</i>						
Retail		301,138	21,707	2,519	14,614	339,978
Commercial		90,333	7,413	3,777	–	101,523
Other		56,775	51	124	–	56,950
Total loans and advances to customers		448,246	29,171	6,420	14,614	498,451

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Expected credit losses

At 30 June 2019

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
Loans and advances to banks:						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	2	-	-	-	2
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	1	-	-	-	1
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 20-23	100%	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>
Loans and advances to customers:						
<i>Retail – mortgages</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	37	168	-	-	205
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	-	36	-	-	36
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	-	15	-	-	15
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	-	47	-	-	47
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	134	181	315
		<u>37</u>	<u>266</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>618</u>
<i>Retail – unsecured</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	184	48	-	-	232
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	70	76	-	-	146
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	4	26	-	-	30
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	3	180	-	-	183
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	215	-	215
		<u>261</u>	<u>330</u>	<u>215</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>806</u>
<i>Retail – UK Motor Finance</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	187	19	-	-	206
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	13	11	-	-	24
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	-	9	-	-	9
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	-	31	-	-	31
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	77	-	77
		<u>200</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>347</u>
<i>Retail – other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	6	8	-	-	14
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	-	3	-	-	3
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	-	-	-	-	-
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	-	1	-	-	1
RMS 14	100.00%	-	-	46	-	46
		<u>6</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64</u>
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	20	19	-	-	39
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	-	-	-	-	-
CMS 20-23	100%	-	-	6	-	6
		<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45</u>
Total Retail		<u>524</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>478</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>1,880</u>

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Expected credit losses (continued)

At 30 June 2019

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
<i>Commercial</i>						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	35	1	–	–	36
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	46	110	–	–	156
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	3	135	–	–	138
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	8	–	–	8
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	1,046	–	1,046
		84	254	1,046	–	1,384
<i>Other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	4	1	–	–	5
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	11	–	11
		4	1	11	–	16
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	9	1	–	–	10
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	23	–	23
		9	1	23	–	33
Total loans and advances to customers		621	953	1,558	181	3,313
<i>In respect of:</i>						
Retail		524	697	478	181	1,880
Commercial		84	254	1,046	–	1,384
Other		13	2	34	–	49
Total loans and advances to customers		621	953	1,558	181	3,313

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Gross drawn exposures

At 31 December 2018

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
Loans and advances to banks:						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	6,177	3	–	–	6,180
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	105	–	–	–	105
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	–	–	–
		<u>6,282</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>6,285</u>
Loans and advances to customers:						
<i>Retail – mortgages</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	257,740	10,784	–	–	268,524
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	57	1,709	–	–	1,766
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	262	–	–	262
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	899	–	–	899
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	1,393	15,391	16,784
		<u>257,797</u>	<u>13,654</u>	<u>1,393</u>	<u>15,391</u>	<u>288,235</u>
<i>Retail – unsecured</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	22,363	1,079	–	–	23,442
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	2,071	774	–	–	2,845
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	72	167	–	–	239
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	199	687	–	–	886
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	703	–	703
		<u>24,705</u>	<u>2,707</u>	<u>703</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>28,115</u>
<i>Retail – UK Motor Finance</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	12,918	954	–	–	13,872
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	301	318	–	–	619
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	111	–	–	111
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	5	197	–	–	202
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	129	–	129
		<u>13,224</u>	<u>1,580</u>	<u>129</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>14,933</u>
<i>Retail – other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	7,428	473	–	–	7,901
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	190	60	–	–	250
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	7	–	–	7
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	211	23	–	–	234
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	136	–	136
		<u>7,829</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>136</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>8,528</u>
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	1,605	231	–	–	1,836
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	6	–	–	6
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	29	–	29
		<u>1,605</u>	<u>237</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>1,871</u>
Total Retail		<u>305,160</u>	<u>18,741</u>	<u>2,390</u>	<u>15,391</u>	<u>341,682</u>

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Gross drawn exposures (continued)

At 31 December 2018

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
<i>Commercial</i>						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	65,089	100	–	–	65,189
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	25,472	3,450	–	–	28,922
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	1,441	2,988	–	–	4,429
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	54	–	–	54
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	3,230	–	3,230
		92,002	6,592	3,230	–	101,824
<i>Other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	804	6	–	–	810
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	55	–	55
		804	6	55	–	865
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	43,565	–	–	–	43,565
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	6	–	–	6
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	66	–	66
		43,565	6	66	–	43,637
Total loans and advances to customers		441,531	25,345	5,741	15,391	488,008
<i>In respect of:</i>						
Retail		305,160	18,741	2,390	15,391	341,682
Commercial		92,002	6,592	3,230	–	101,824
Other		44,369	12	121	–	44,502
Total loans and advances to customers		441,531	25,345	5,741	15,391	488,008

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Expected credit losses

At 31 December 2018

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
Loans and advances to banks:						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	2	–	–	–	2
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	–	–	–
		<u>2</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2</u>
Loans and advances to customers:						
<i>Retail – mortgages</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	37	141	–	–	178
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	–	34	–	–	34
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	9	–	–	9
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	42	–	–	42
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	118	78	196
		<u>37</u>	<u>226</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>459</u>
<i>Retail – unsecured</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	135	45	–	–	180
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	57	83	–	–	140
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	4	29	–	–	33
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	3	172	–	–	175
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	228	–	228
		<u>199</u>	<u>329</u>	<u>228</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>756</u>
<i>Retail – UK Motor Finance</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	114	19	–	–	133
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	6	15	–	–	21
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	11	–	–	11
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	1	34	–	–	35
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	78	–	78
		<u>121</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>278</u>
<i>Retail – other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	10	8	–	–	18
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	2	2	–	–	4
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	1	–	–	1
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	53	–	53
		<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>76</u>
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	20	17	–	–	37
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	7	–	7
		<u>20</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>44</u>
Total Retail		<u>389</u>	<u>662</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>1,613</u>

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

20. Credit quality of loans and advances to banks and customers (continued)

Expected credit losses (continued)

At 31 December 2018

	PD range	Stage 1 £m	Stage 2 £m	Stage 3 £m	Purchased or originated credit- impaired £m	Total £m
<i>Commercial</i>						
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	32	1	–	–	33
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	50	86	–	–	136
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	11	231	–	–	242
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	7	–	–	7
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	1,031	–	1,031
		93	325	1,031	–	1,449
<i>Other</i>						
RMS 1-6	0.00-4.50%	43	1	–	–	44
RMS 7-9	4.51-14.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 10	14.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 11-13	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
RMS 14	100.00%	–	–	11	–	11
		43	1	11	–	55
CMS 1-10	0.00-0.50%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 11-14	0.51-3.00%	–	6	–	–	6
CMS 15-18	3.01-20.00%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 19	20.01-99.99%	–	–	–	–	–
CMS 20-23	100%	–	–	27	–	27
		–	6	27	–	33
Total loans and advances to customers		525	994	1,553	78	3,150
<i>In respect of:</i>						
Retail		389	662	484	78	1,613
Commercial		93	325	1,031	–	1,449
Other		43	7	38	–	88
Total loans and advances to customers		525	994	1,553	78	3,150

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**21. Dividends on ordinary shares**

On 21 May 2019, a final dividend in respect of 2018 of 2.14 pence per share, totalling £1,523 million was paid to shareholders. An interim dividend for 2019 of 1.12 pence per ordinary share (half-year to 30 June 2018: 1.07 pence) will be paid on 13 September 2019. The total amount of this dividend is £789 million (half-year to 30 June 2018: £765 million).

22. Implementation of IFRS 16

The Group adopted IFRS 16 Leases from 1 January 2019 and elected to apply the standard retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initial application being recognised at that date; comparative information has therefore not been restated.

Lease liabilities amounting to £1,813 million in respect of leased properties previously accounted for as operating leases were recognised at 1 January 2019. These liabilities were measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the Group's incremental borrowing rate as at that date, adjusted to exclude short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The weighted-average borrowing rate applied to these lease liabilities was 2.43 per cent in the UK, where the majority of the obligations arise, and 5.10 per cent in the US. The corresponding right-of-use asset of £1,716 million was measured at an amount equal to the lease liabilities, adjusted for lease liabilities recognised at 31 December 2018 of £97 million. The right-of-use asset and lease liabilities are included within Property, plant and equipment and Other liabilities respectively. There was no impact on shareholders' equity.

In applying IFRS 16 for the first time, the Group has used a number of practical expedients permitted by the standard; the most significant of which were the use of a single discount rate to a portfolio of leases with reasonably similar characteristics; reliance on previous assessments of whether a lease is onerous; and the use of hindsight in determining the lease term where the contract contains options to extend or terminate the lease. The Group has also elected not to apply IFRS 16 to contracts that were not identified as containing a lease under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4 *Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease*.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)**23. Future accounting developments**

The following pronouncements are not applicable for the year ending 31 December 2019 and have not been applied in preparing these interim financial statements. Save as disclosed below, the impact of these accounting changes is still being assessed by the Group and reliable estimates cannot be made at this stage.

IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts* and certain minor amendments to other accounting standards have not been endorsed by the EU as at 30 July 2019.

IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

IFRS 17 replaces IFRS 4 *Insurance Contracts* and is currently effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021 although the International Accounting Standards Board has proposed delaying implementation until 1 January 2022.

IFRS 17 requires insurance contracts and participating investment contracts to be measured on the balance sheet as the total of the fulfilment cash flows and the contractual service margin. Changes to estimates of future cash flows from one reporting date to another are recognised either as an amount in profit or loss or as an adjustment to the expected profit for providing insurance coverage, depending on the type of change and the reason for it. The effects of some changes in discount rates can either be recognised in profit or loss or in other comprehensive income as an accounting policy choice. The risk adjustment is released to profit and loss as an insurer's risk reduces. Profits which are currently recognised through a value-in-force asset will no longer be recognised at inception of an insurance contract. Instead, the expected profit for providing insurance coverage is recognised in profit or loss over time as the insurance coverage is provided.

The Group's IFRS 17 project is progressing to plan. Work has focused on interpreting the requirements of the standard to support the development of future accounting policy and methodology, and to help understand the financial and reporting impacts of IFRS 17. Further, build of the Group's data warehousing and actuarial liability calculation processes has progressed to enable readiness for reporting to required pace and granularity when IFRS 17 is implemented. The updated IFRS 17 Exposure Draft was published by the IASB on 26 June 2019, and the Group is currently assessing the implications of changes proposed.

Minor amendments to other accounting standards

The IASB has issued a number of minor amendments to IFRSs effective 1 January 2020 (including IFRS 3 *Business Combinations* and IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements*). These amendments are not expected to have a significant impact on the Group.

24. Other information

The financial information included in these condensed consolidated financial statements does not constitute statutory accounts within the meaning of section 434 of the Companies Act 2006. Statutory accounts for the year ended 31 December 2018 were approved by the directors on 19 February 2019 and were delivered to the Registrar of Companies on 31 May 2019. The auditors' report on those accounts was unqualified and did not include a statement under sections 498(2) (accounting records or returns inadequate or accounts not agreeing with records and returns) or 498(3) (failure to obtain necessary information and explanations) of the Companies Act 2006.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors listed below (being all the directors of Lloyds Banking Group plc) confirm that to the best of their knowledge these condensed consolidated half-year financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*, as adopted by the European Union, and that the half-year management report herein includes a fair review of the information required by DTR 4.2.7R and DTR 4.2.8R, namely:

- an indication of important events that have occurred during the six months ended 30 June 2019 and their impact on the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements, and a description of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the financial year; and
- material related party transactions in the six months ended 30 June 2019 and any material changes in the related party transactions described in the last annual report.

Signed on behalf of the Board by

António Horta-Osório
Group Chief Executive
30 July 2019

Lloyds Banking Group plc Board of directors:

Executive directors:

António Horta-Osório (Group Chief Executive)
George Culmer (Chief Financial Officer)
Juan Colombás (Chief Operating Officer)

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Lord Blackwell (Chairman)
Anita Frew (Deputy Chairman and Senior Independent Director)
Alan Dickinson
Simon Henry
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INDEPENDENT REVIEW REPORT TO LLOYDS BANKING GROUP PLC**Report on the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements*****Our conclusion***

We have reviewed Lloyds Banking Group plc's condensed consolidated half-year financial statements (the 'interim financial statements') in the 2019 Half-Year Results of Lloyds Banking Group plc (the 'Company') for the six month period ended 30 June 2019. Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, 'Interim Financial Reporting', as adopted by the European Union and the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules sourcebook of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority.

What we have reviewed

The interim financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated balance sheet as at 30 June 2019;
- the consolidated income statement and consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the period then ended;
- the consolidated cash flow statement for the period then ended;
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the period then ended; and
- the explanatory notes to the interim financial statements

The interim financial statements included in the 2019 Half-Year Results have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, 'Interim Financial Reporting', as adopted by the European Union and the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules sourcebook of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority.

As disclosed in note 1 to the interim financial statements, the financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the full annual financial statements of the Group is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union.

Responsibilities for the interim financial statements and the review***Our responsibilities and those of the directors***

The 2019 Half-Year Results, including the interim financial statements, is the responsibility of, and has been approved by, the directors. The directors are responsible for preparing the 2019 Half-Year Results in accordance with the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules sourcebook of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority.

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the interim financial statements in the 2019 Half-Year Results based on our review. This report, including the conclusion, has been prepared for and only for the Company for the purpose of complying with the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules sourcebook of the United Kingdom's Financial Conduct Authority and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this conclusion, 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.

INDEPENDENT REVIEW REPORT TO LLOYDS BANKING GROUP PLC (continued)***What a review of interim financial statements involves***

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (UK and Ireland) 2410, 'Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity' issued by the Auditing Practices Board for use in the United Kingdom. A review of interim financial information consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures.

A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and, consequently, does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

We have read the other information contained in the 2019 Half-Year Results and considered whether it contains any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the information in the interim financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants
London
30 July 2019

SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVE PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The Group calculates a number of metrics that are used throughout the banking and insurance industries on an underlying basis. A description of these measures and their calculation is set out below.

Asset quality ratio	The underlying impairment charge for the period (on an annualised basis) in respect of loans and advances to customers after releases and write-backs, expressed as a percentage of average gross loans and advances to customers for the period
Banking net interest margin	Banking net interest income on customer and product balances in the banking businesses as a percentage of average gross banking interest-earning assets for the period
Business as usual costs	Operating costs, less investment expensed and depreciation
Cost:income ratio	Total costs as a percentage of net income calculated on an underlying basis
Gross asset quality ratio	The underlying impairment charge for the period (on an annualised basis) in respect of loans and advances to customers before releases and write-backs, expressed as a percentage of average gross loans and advances to customers for the period
Loan to deposit ratio	Loans and advances to customers net of allowance for impairment losses and excluding reverse repurchase agreements divided by customer deposits excluding repurchase agreements
Jaws	The difference between the period on period percentage change in net income and the period on period change in total costs calculated on an underlying basis
Present value of new business premium	The total single premium sales received in the period (on an annualised basis) plus the discounted value of premiums expected to be received over the term of the new regular premium contracts
Return on risk-weighted assets	Underlying profit before tax divided by average risk-weighted assets
Return on tangible equity	Statutory profit after tax adjusted to add back amortisation of intangible assets, and to deduct profit attributable to non-controlling interests and other equity holders, divided by average tangible net assets
Tangible net assets per share	Net assets excluding intangible assets such as goodwill and acquisition-related intangibles divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue
Underlying, 'or above the line' profit	Statutory profit adjusted for certain items as detailed in the Basis of Presentation
Underlying return on tangible equity	Underlying profit after tax at the standard UK corporation tax rate adjusted to add back amortisation of intangible assets, and to deduct profit attributable to non-controlling interests and other equity holders, divided by average tangible net assets

KEY DATES FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE DIVIDENDS

Shares quoted ex-dividend	8 August 2019
Record date	9 August 2019
Final date for joining or leaving the dividend reinvestment plan	23 August 2019
Interim dividend paid	13 September 2019

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