2003

Management report

Balance Sheet

Profit and Loss Account

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Economic development

Germany continued to experience economic stagnation in 2003, with real gross domestic product for the year as a whole shrinking by 0.1 percent, thus remaining below potential for the third consecutive year.

The situation was particularly difficult in the first half of the year, as the German economy faced a slight recession not least of all on account of major geopolitical uncertainty. Overall output of goods and services shrank for two quarters in a row. The second half of the year saw preliminary evidence of an upturn in the economy. Spurred by the US economy, which grew at a fairy strong rate on account of highly expansionary fiscal policy-making, the global economy rebounded. This also had a favourable impact on Germany in the form of strong export growth, which was largely unimpeded by the appreciation of the euro. In the fourth quarter of 2003, in line with the traditional pattern followed by economic upswings in Germany, preliminary signs of a recovery in corporate-sector capital spending emerged.

After several years of (relatively) strong growth, the Saarland economy was hit by the effects of the economic downturn in 2003, with real gross domestic product contracting by 1.1 percent and thus substantially more than the German-wide average. Key industrial segments such as automotive and mechanical engineering were particularly hit, while the building industry remained weak. The only impetus for growth came from the energy industry and a number of service sectors. Against this backdrop, the fact that the number of employees subject to compulsory social security contracted by only 1 percent must be seen as a positive sign.

Business performance

Total assets and volume of business

	Existing		Changes	S
31	. 12. 2003	2003	2003	2002
	EUR mn	EUR mn	%	%
Volume of business ¹⁾	5,914.0	./. 0.8	0.0	4.7
Total assets	5,853.7	4.3	0.1	4.9

1) Total assets plus contingent liabilities / rediscounted own bills of exchange (including own issues) / bills of exchange dispatched for collection prior to maturity

The Bank's total assets remained steady at the previous year's level.

Lending business (including off-balance-sheet (Item 1) liabilities)

31.	Existing 12. 2003 EUR mn	2003 EUR mn	Change 2003 %	s 2002 %
Volume of loans to				
customers	3,019.6	./. 114.9	./. 3.7	0.2
Loans to banks	1,069.3	./. 129.1	./. 10.8	37.9
Investments in securities	1,496.7	136.0	10.0	./. 4.6

Volume of loans to customers:

Sparkasse Saarbrücken granted new loans totalling EUR 339.4 million in the 2003 financial year (EUR 368.1 million in the previous year). The decline of around EUR 114.9 million or 3.7% in loans to customers is, among other things, also attributable to lower guarantee obligations (down EUR 5.5 million or 8.3%).

We will continue our risk-oriented lending strategy in the 2003 financial year and expect to be able to achieve moderate growth in the customer loans business again in 2004.

Loans to banks:

In 2003, loans to banks fell by EUR 129.1 million or 10.8% over 2002. This was particularly due to a decline in term deposits (by EUR 287.2 million), which it was possible to partially counteract via an increase in loans against borrowers' notes (up EUR 197.9 million).

Investments in securities:

Holdings in securities increased by a total of EUR 136.0 million to EUR 1,496.7 million in 2003, underpinned in particular by fixed-income securities. Here, new additions were valued at EUR 410.4 million, while disposals as a result of sales and maturities came to EUR 284.7 million. Holdings of other securities rose by EUR 10.2 million or 3.2%, with special-purpose funds and other investment funds particularly benefiting.

Part of our securities are held in several specialpurpose funds. It is our intention to set and meet a target for assets managed by third parties, giving due consideration to risk and return ratios.

Deposit-taking business

31.	Existing 12. 2003 EUR mn	2003 EUR mn	hanges 2003 %	2002
Funds deposited by customers	4,073.0	165.7	4.2	1.1
Of which:				
Savings deposits	1,957.2	39.0	2.0	1.8
Unsecuritised liabilities	1,819.3	212.6	13.2	7.9
Securitised liabilities	213.5	./.92.7	./.30.3	./.17.3
Subordinated liabilities	67.7	6.8	11.2	./.41.8
Liabilities to banks	1,476.3	./.176.0	./.10.7	13.2
Of which:				
Subordinated liabilities	23.1	./.32.0	./.58.1	234.2

Liabilities to customers:

In the 2003 financial year, funds deposited by customers increased by EUR 165.7 million (4.2%) over 2002. This was underpinned in particular by higher unsecuritised liabilities, which rose by 13.2% over the previous year. On the other hand, securitised liabilities declined by EUR 92.7 million (30.3%).

We project continued moderate growth in 2004.

Liabilities to banks:

Liabilities to banks were down 10.7 %, thus reversing the substantial increase of 13.2% witnessed in the 2002 financial year.

Services:

In <u>combined business with LBS</u>, we achieved a 79.0% increase in the volume of mortgage savings accounts in 2003 compared with 2002, marking the best-ever figure achieved in the history of Sparkasse Saarbrücken.

New life insurance business rose by 21.2%, additionally spurred by discussion of plans to abolish the tax allowances on life insurance policies.

In the new <u>company pension plans</u> segment, a total of 181 new contracts was signed.

Real estate agency business was down slightly in 2003 following the record levels achieved in 2002.

In Sparkasse Saarbrücken's <u>leasing business</u>, the number of new contracts rose by 18.3% in 2003 compared with 2002 in tandem with an 11.3% decline in leasing volumes.

In <u>securities business</u>, sales of fund products rebounded sharply in the year under review compared with 2002. The new fund-related asset management product **s** saarINVEST was successfully launched.

There were major changes in <u>foreign business</u> in 2003. On 1st July 2003, the EU price regulation took effect, marking a major restriction at the EU level of the freedom of competition and pricing of foreign payment operations. As a result, the number of profitable funds transfers contracted from roughly 1,500 to around 800 per month. Given the regional proximity to the national border, there was an increase of almost 100% in standard EU transfers.

Documentary business expanded at a reasonable rate in both volume and revenue terms (2002: EUR

7,265 million; 2003: EUR 9,720 million). This increase in revenues is particularly due to the sharp rise in export L/C business.

Derivatives:

In addition to interest swaps, which have been used for a number of years to hedge interest risks, interest futures were additionally employed for the first time as part of a successful test run.

Own trading:

In 2003, the Bank started to re-arrange the maturity structure of its Depot-A holdings. Trading volumes – buying, selling and maturity – came to a total of EUR 706.7 million.

Staff and welfare matters

Sparkasse Saarbrücken had an average of 1,349 employees including board members during 2003. Employee numbers rose by 1.0% compared with 2002. There were no changes to the Management Board in 2003.

With the exception of two, all trainees successfully completing their courses were offered employment contracts. Personnel costs increased by EUR 3.6 million to EUR 66.1 million in 2003.

Old-age part-time working contracts were entered into with 46 employees in 2003. A total of 82 employees are now making use of this benefit.

Building activities and technical changes:

As part of steps to restructure our distribution channels, two branches were converted into self-service points with advisory services in 2003.

At the end of 2003, Sparkasse Saarbrücken had 87 branches including 17 self-service points.

Statement of results

Compared with the association average, Sparkasse Saarbrücken's asset structure is characterised by a higher proportion of loans to banks and a smaller share of loans to customers.

With respect to funding, more than two thirds comprise liabilities to customers. This is higher than the previous year's level but below the association average. Accordingly, the share of funding from banks dropped slightly over the previous year but is still higher than the association average.

Following a transfer from the accrued surplus still to be approved by the Supervisory Board, the safety reserve will stand at EUR 198.7 million, equivalent to an increase of 5.3 % over the previous year. In 2003, the Bank's fund for general bank risks was increased by EUR 1.3 million to EUR 35.0 million. As well as this, there are supplementary capital components.

The Bank's liable equity capital was stocked up again in 2003 and remains satisfactory.

At 11.2 %, the ratio of equity capital, measured according to Section 10 of the German Banking Act (KWG) in relation to the sum of weighted risk assets and market risk positions as at 31 December 2003 substantially exceeds the minimum statutory requirement of 8 %. The Bank's equity basis thus provides a secure basis for future business expansion.

Undisclosed reserves are included in the assets carried on the balance sheet, particularly securities and real property holdings. Moreover, we have also taken additional precautions to cover specific lending risks in accordance with Section 340f of the German Commercial Code (HGB).

Assets are in an orderly condition.

We expect business activity to remain steady in 2004.

Assets

	EUR 31. 12. 2003	mn 31. 12. 2002	Percentage of bus	sinessess volume 31. 12. 2002
Volume of loans to customers	3,019.6	3,134.5	51.1	53.0
of which: Loans to public sector	616.0	692.0	10.4	11.7
Loans to banks	1,069.3	1,198.4	18.1	20.3
Investments in securities	1,496.7	1,360.7	25.3	23.0
Fixed assets	70.9	73.6	1.2	1.2
Other assets	257.6	147.6	4.4	2.5
Funds deposited by customers	4,073.0	3,907.3	68.9	66.0
Liabilities to banks	1,476.3	1,652.3	25.0	27.9
Other liabilities (including contingent liabilities and reserves)	129.9	132.0	2.2	2.2
Equity capital (including fund fo general banking risks)	r 233.7	223.3	3.9	3.8

Financial position:

Sparkasse Saarbrücken's solvency during the financial year was guaranteed at all times thanks to the well-planned, balanced liquidity provisions it had made. No problems are expected in this regard in the current financial year either.

Partial use was made of the credit facilities granted by Deutsche Bundesbank and SaarLB. Appropriate assets were maintained at the responsible central bank in order to comply with minimum reserve requirements. With effect as of the end of the financial year, a liquidity rating of 1.56 was calculated in maturity band I based on Principle II such that the liquidity level can be considered adequate both at the given point in time as well as for the 2003 financial year as a whole. Nor do the key figures to be calculated for further periods of observation (spans of up to twelve months) give any indication of any potential liquidity problems.

Our financial planning shows our solvency to be secure for the foreseeable future.

Earnings

Income statement	2003	2002
	EUR mn	EUR mn
Net interest income		
(including items 3 and 4 of the income statement)	125.7	117.5
Net commission income	18.4	19.0
Administrative costs		
a) Personnel costs	./.66.1	./.62.5
b) Non-personnel costs	./.26.5	./.29.5
Sub-total	51.5	44.5
Net income from financial transactions	0.4	0.2
Net other operating income/expenses	./.12.3	./.6.0
Result before provisioning	39.6	38.7
Net provisioning result	./.13.3	./.29.7
Result after provisioning	26.3	9.0
Reversal of special tax-allowable reserves	0	0.1
Non-operating earnings	./.1.3	./.3.2
Taxes	./.13.9	./.3.6
Net income and unappropriated surplus	11.1	8.7

Net interest income which rose again in 2003 remains our most important source of income. The low market interest rates had a favourable impact on our funding costs in both our deposits business and our interbank dealings. Based on average total assets, the interest margin works out at 2.13 %, an increase of 0.12 % points over the previous year.

Net income from financial transactions comprising trading in securities and foreign currencies increased substantially over 2002.

Operating earnings before provisioning in 2003 were slightly up on the previous year. After setting aside all necessary provisions, we achieved substantially higher operating earnings after provisions than in 2002.

The net income reported is sufficient to strengthen the Bank's core capital basis and ensure steady business growth. The earnings situation is satisfactory.

On the basis of our forecasts for 2004, we project a slight decline in operating earnings before provisioning for this year.

Risk report

The conscious acceptance, active control and specific transformation of risks are core functions of banks. Due to the nature of the business our company is engaged in, we are exposed to the following main risks:

- Counterparty default risks
- Liquidity risks
- Market price risks
- Other price risks
- Operational risks

Risks in terms of future development that put the Bank's existing portfolio under threat or exert a major influence on its asset, financial or earnings position are currently not apparent. Our Bank has set up a risk management, monitoring and control system in accordance with Section 25a of the German Banking Act (KWG) that is appropriate to the nature and scope of its business activities. The following covers only such risks as were not given due consideration in the balance sheet in the form of impairment charges or provisions.

Counterparty default risks are considered to be such risks as constituted by payment commitments due to the bank that can only be partially met or not at all.

Control of our lending operations occurs with particular consideration being given to size class structure, the nature of the given industry, the collateral provided and the risk of the commitment concerned. The Management Board attaches great importance to risk limitation in the Bank's customer lending activities. Testimony to this is the fact that a focus continues to be placed on quality i.e. risk-sensitive loan provision. Significant risks needing to be taken in some cases require the approval of the Bank's credit committee.

For loan risk control purposes, Sparkasse Saar-brücken applies a rating method developed by Deutscher Sparkassen- und Giroverband that complies with regulatory requirements. When judging the creditworthiness of customers, the Bank makes use of other instruments (e.g. FERI Sector Rating) in addition to those systems the savings bank organisation offers (e.g. the EBIL program for individual balance-

sheet analysis). These systems enable the individual loan risks to be limited while diversifying the loan portfolio risk.

A global limit is set for trading transactions in order to keep counterparty default risks down to a minimum. The risk here is limited thanks to the careful selection of our contractual partners based on the rules for the examination of creditworthiness as well as the setting of limits per counterparty in the trading area. The tools used allow Sparkasse Saarbrücken to monitor counterparty default risks.

The market price risk encompasses such risks as are incurred when the market price of assets or financial investments develops to the disadvantage of the owner due to changes in the market situation or lack of market demand. Market price risks can lead to write-downs on the valuation cut-off date in the commercial balance sheet or to a reduction in the present value.

As far as trading transactions are concerned, loss risks from current market prices and potential market price changes (loss potential) are determined on a daily basis to establish the market price risk and are then set off against the upper loss limit that is set on the basis of the Bank's asset and earnings situation. In so doing, the loss potential is also determined and limited at an individual portfolio level.

The risks are quantified on the basis of a holding period of 10 days, a confidence level of 95 % and a historic observation period of 300 days by applying a value-at-risk method based on the variance/co-variance concept. Back-testing is carried out regularly to check the system and the validity of the forecast values.

Moreover, we also differentiate between **risk** management and **risk controlling**. Our Bank's risk management system determines risk types, limits and structures. The risk controlling system we have implemented monitors the market price risks identified in terms of type and amount and provides daily reports to the various departments concerned and the management in accordance with the requirements with respect to trading transactions.

The interest change risk as a part of the market price risk is also monitored regularly at the level of the overall interest book with the aid of risk analyses in accordance with the present value concept and brought to the attention of the Management Board on a monthly basis. The interest change risk is determined by applying a value-at-risk method based on a historic simulation with a holding period of 63 trading days, a confidence level of 95 % and a historic observation period of 12 years.

Liquidity risk is considered to encompass such risks as are incurred when the Bank is no longer able to unconditionally meet its payment commitments. Term transformation means that considerable importance is attached to capital commitment terms on both the assets and liabilities sides. Depending on whether the liquidity risk is on the assets or liabilities side, we differentiate between

- asset-related liquidity risks (market liquidity risk, forward risk, call-up risk), and
- liability-related liquidity risks (market liquidity risk, refinancing risk, call-up risk

The liquidity risk is allowed for by ensuring that sufficient liquidity is available for respect of both assets and liabilities and that they are responsibly structured. Monthly fine-tuning is carried out on the basis of empirical values and the incorporation of all maturities occurring in a further 12-month period.

Operational risks are defined as the risk of direct or indirect loss as a result of human failure, shortcomings in internal processes and systems as well as external events. Operational risks may be either legal or operating risks.

Legal risks are reduced by means of the careful examination of contracts and the use of standard template contracts

Operating risks in the IT field due to organisational or processing errors are minimised by concluding agreements with an external IT centre, increased automation and ongoing supervision carried out by qualified staff, and are covered in part by insurance.

Equity investment risks are allowed for by supplying the management board with regular/annual reports and the intensive support of the key shareholdings by our representatives on the monitoring, supervisory and advisory committees in question.

On top of this, our internal auditing department carries out audits on a regular basis in order to reduce the risks mentioned. No findings of any significance impacting the Bank's asset, financial or earnings position have been made. Any suggestions put forward by the auditing bodies in respect of improvements are implemented without delay.

Outlook

The German economy has remained weak, with little hope of any sustained recovery in 2004. At the moment, real growth of around 1.5 percent is projected.

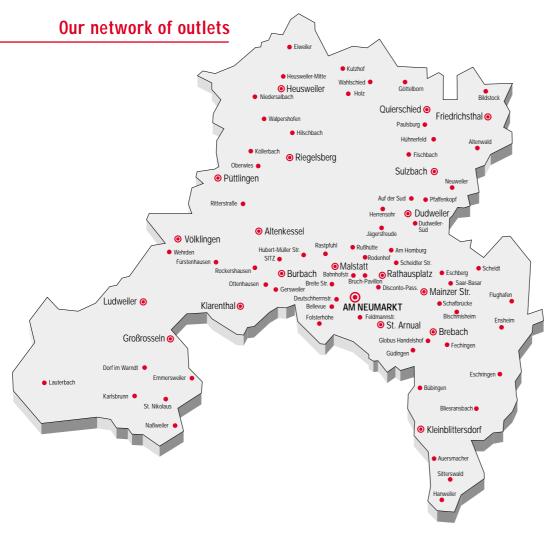
It is not easy to identify any evidence pointing to a sharp upswing. Consumer confidence is currently being dragged down by a number of additional levies, high energy prices and, most of all, an all-pervading sense of pessimism. The effects of the brought-forward tax reform have been counteracted by these factors. In the corporate sector, capital spending remains muted as many companies still have sufficient capacity particularly at their domestic operations. Exports are beginning to feel the effects of the appreciation in the value of the euro, while scope for an even more expansionary economic policy is very limited in Germany in particular. The only bright note is ultimately the prospect of a sustained strong recovery in the global economy linked with the hope that the US dollar does not lose value rapidly against the euro (dollar crash).

The situation in Saarland is likely to improve only slightly in 2004. Although the economic indicators suggest that the state's economy is on the mend again, it is worrying to note that - as in Germany as a whole - corporate confidence has declined again in the first few months of the year. The aforementioned dollar crash would presumably leave deep traces on the Saar economy. Judging by the experience of the past few years, the traditionally heavily export-oriented Saar economy is particularly exposed to exchange-rate vagaries.

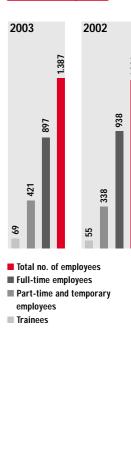
Against this backdrop, Sparkasse Saarbrücken sees a particular responsibility as the region's largest financial services provider. Experience shows that our range of products and services match the

requirements of our customers. Even so, we are aware of the intense competition in the financial services market and that we must not allow our efforts to weaken. Accordingly, optimised market penetration and an improved cost/income ratio remain key targets.

We expect operating earnings for 2004 to be slightly down on 2003 due, among other things, to interest income, which we assume will be lower in tandem with higher expenses. Reasonable allowance has been made for personnel and non-personnel expense. We expect provisioning to be lower than in the previous year but have taken appropriate precautions to protect our loan portfolio from the effects of continued economic weakness. At this stage, we do not expect our securities portfolio to exert any additional pressure on our earnings. Earnings for the year will probably be slightly down on the previous year but live up to our long-term targets.



Staff development



Management board

in the year under review

Dieter Klepper Chairman of the board

Uwe Kuntz Deputy Chairman

Dr. Harald Langenfeld Board member

Hans-Werner Sander Board member

Sparkasse Saarbrücken's board of directors

in the year under review

Chairman **Hajo Hoffmann**

Lord Mayor until 30. 04. 2003

Michael Burkert

President of City Association from 01. 05. 2003

Deputy Chairman

Michael Burkert President of City Association until 30. 04. 2003

Hajo Hoffmann

Lord Mayor from 01. 05. 2003

Mr Hoffmann has not carried out his duties as Lord Mayor since 28. 08 2002. President of the City Association Mr Burkert is standing in for him in his capacity as chairman of the board of directors

Other members:

Dr. Gerhard Bauer **Roland Bentz Karl Caspers**

Annemie Christoph

Jörg Ehm

Manfred Hayo Marga Herzog

Manfred Maurer

Christiane Scherwarth

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Legal form

Sparkasse Saarbrücken is a member of the Sparkassen- und Giroverband Saar (Saarland Savings Banks and Giro Association) and as such a member of the Deutscher Sparkassen und Giroverband e.V., Berlin/Bonn. Guarantor is the Sparkassenzweckverband Saarbrücken of which Saarbrücken City Association and the City of Saarbrücken are members.

Trade registry

Saarbrücken, A 8590

Our A-class partner banks

Austria	Bank Austria Creditanstalt AG	Vienna	BKAU	AT	WW
	Dornbirner Sparkasse Bank AG	Dornbirn	DOSP	AT	2D
Belgium	Ing Belgium SA/NV	Brussels	BBRU	BE	BB 010
	KBC Bank NV	Brussels	KRED	BE	ВВ
Britain	Barclays Bank PLC	London	BARC	GB	22
	Standard Chartered Bank	London	SCBL	GB	2L
	The Royal Bank of Scotland plc	London	RB0S	GB	2L
Canada	Bank of Montreal	Montreal	B0FM	CA	M2
Denmark	Danske Bank Aktieselskab	Copenhagen	DABA	DK	KK
Finland	Nordea Bank Finland Plc	Helsinki	NDEA	FI	НН
France	Banque Fédérative du Credit Mutuel	Strasbourg	CMCI	FR	PA
	Banque Populaire de Lorraine Champagne	Metz	BPLM	FR	2M
	Caisse Nationale des Caisses D'Epargne				
	et de Provoyance	Paris	CEPA	FR	PP
	Caisse d'Epargne et de Prevoyance				
	de Lorraine	Metz	CEPA	FR	PP 575
Germany	Dresdner Bank AG	Frankfurt	DRES	DE	FF
	Landesbank Hessen-Thüringen	Frankfurt	HELA	DE	FF
Italy	Cassa di Risparmio di Bolzano SpA	Bolzano	CRBZ	ΙΤ	2B
Japan	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	Tokyo	SMBC	JP	JT
Luxembourg	Banque et Caisse d´Epargne				
	de l'Etat, Luxembourg	Luxembourg	BCEE	LU	LL
	Banque Générale du Luxembourg SA	Luxembourg	BGLL	LU	LL
Norway	DnB NOR Bank ASA	Oslo	UBNO	NO	KK
Sweden	Nordea Bank Schweden AB(publ.)	Stockholm	NDEA	SE	SS
Schwitzerland	Bank CIAL Schweiz	Basel	CIAL	СН	ВВ
USA	The Bank of New York	New York	IRVT	US	3N

Annual financial statement as at 31. 12. 2003

	EUR	EUR	EUR	31. 12. 2002 EUR thousands
1. Cash reserve a) Cash on hand b) Credit with Deutsche Bundesbank				
a) Cash on hand		43,314,368.19		44,502
b) Credit with Deutsche Bundesbank		188,420,236.91	231,734,605.10	79,014 123,516
2. Public bonds and bills of exchange				
licensed with Deutsche Bundesbank				
for refinancing purposes				
a) Treasury bills and non-interest-bearing				
treasury notes and similar public bonds		0.00		0
b) Bills of exchange		566,873.84		1,961
			566,873.84	1,961
3. Loans to banks				
a) Due daily		3,194,570.28		3,637
b) Other loans		1,066,059,735.79		1,194,733
			1,069,254,306.07	1,198,370
4. Loans to customers			2,957,196,468.56	3,065,338
of which: those secured with				
liens on real estate <u>1,077,481,662.40 EUR</u>				(1,073,583)
local government loans 616,018,749.26 EUR				(691,971)
5. Bonds and other				
fixed-interest securities				
a) Money market securities				
aa) From public issuers	0.00			0
of which: those eligible as security for				(0)
loans from Deutsche Bundes <u>bank</u> 0.00 EUR	0.00			(0)
ab) From other issuers	0.00			0
of which: those eligible as security for				(0)
loans from Deutsche Bundes <u>bank</u> 0.00 EUR		0.00		(0)
h) Daharahara and handa		0.00		0
b) Debentures and bonds	107,890,966.79			140 420
ba) From public issuers of which: those eligible as security for loans	107,090,900.79			140,420
from Deutsche Bundesbank 102,901,552.91 EUR				(140,420)
bb) From other issuers	1,058,838,479.90			901,095
of which: those eligible as security for loans	1,030,030,477.70	1,166,729,446.69		1,041,515
from Deutsche Bundesbank 853,523,878.18 EUR		1,100,727,110.07		(880,929)
c) Own bonds		2,289,884.44		1,801
of own bonds		2/20//00	1,169,019,331.13	1,043,316
Nominal amount 2,229,087.66 EUR			1/10//01//001110	(1,757)
6. Shares and other non-fixed-interest securities			327,679,972.78	317,429
7. Equity investments			31,810,926.79	32,281
of which:				
in banks 0.00 EUR				(0)
in financial service companies 0.00 EUR				(0)
8. Shares in affiliated/associated companies			51,129.19	51
of which:				
in banks 0.00 EUR				(0)
in financial service companies 0.00 EUR				(0)
9. Trustee assets			1,480,285.90	1,739
of which: trustee loans1,480,285.90 EUR				(1,739)
10. Compensation claims vis-à-vis government				
incl. bonds from their exchange			0.00	0
11. Intangible investments			755,834.26	862
12. Fixed assets			38,218,032.81	40,384
13. Other asset items			22,496,249.36	20,338
14. Accruals and deferrals			3,399,359.60	3,764
Total assets			5,853,663,375.39	5,849,349

31. 12. 2002

	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR thousands
1. Liabilities to banks				
a) Due daily		102,406,949.66		329,173
b) With agreed term or period of notice		1,350,767,792.52	1,453,174,742.18	<u>1,268,039</u> 1,597,212
2. Liabilities to customers				
a) Savings deposits				
aa) With agreed period of notice of three months	1,602,139,600.33			1,549,707
ab) With an agreed period of notice	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			
of in excess of three months	355,005,750.34	1 057 145 250 77		368,513
b) Other liabilities		1,957,145,350.67		1,918,220
ba) Due daily	720,625,100.71			674,679
bb) With an agreed period of notice	1,098,653,200.82	1 010 270 201 52		931,996
3. Certificated liabilities		1,819,278,301.53	3,776,423,652.20	<u>1,606,675</u> <u>3,524,895</u>
a) Bonds issued		213,520,286.54	0,1,10,120,002,20	306,164
b) other certificated liabilities		0.00	040 500 007 54	0
of which:			213,520,286.54	306,164
money market securities 0.00 EUR				(0)
own bills of acceptance				(0)
promissory notes in circulation 0.00 EUR 4. Trustee liabilities			1,480,285.90	1,739
of which: trustee loans 1,480,285.90 EUR			1,400,203.70	(1,739)
5. Other liabilities			6,662,587.60	9,887
6. Accruals and deferrals			10,509,633.14	11,604
7. Allocations to reserves				
a) Reserves for pensions and similar commitments		9,549,222.00		9,890
b) Tax reserves		6,148,005.01		4,253
c) Other reserves		35,234,681.87	FO 021 000 00	29,101
8. Special items with reserves share			50,931,908.88	43,244
9. Subordinated liabilities			90,796,882.01	115,954
10. Participatory capital			15,338,756.44	15,339
of which: that due within less than			10,000,700.11	
two years 0.00 EUR				(0)
11. Fund for general banking risks			35,000,000.00	33,700_
a) Subscribed capital		0.00		0
b) Capital reserves		0.00		0
c) Profit reserves	100 744 242 17			100.042
ca) Contingency reserve cb) Other reserves	<u>188,744,342.17</u> 0.00			180,942
.,		188,744,342.17		180,942
d) Net earnings		11,080,298.33	100 004 / 40 50	8,669
			199,824,640.50	189,611
Total liabilities			5,853,663,375.39	5,849,349
1. Contingent liabilities				
 a) Contingent liabilities from rediscounted bills of exchange b) Liabilities from guarantee contracts 		<u>0.00</u> 60,331,903.54		65,463
c) Liabilities from guarantee contracts c) Liability for assets pledged as collateral security for third-page.	arty liabilities	23,233.35		33
	•		60,355,136.89	65,496
2. Other liabilities a) Paturn commitments for unauthentic pension transactions		0.00		0
a) Return commitments for unauthentic pension transactionsb) Placing and takeover commitments		0.00		0
c) Irrevocable loan agreements		39,487,066.62		40,558
			39,487,066.62	40,558

Profit and loss account for the 2003 financial year

1.1.- 31. 12. 2002 EUR thousands **EUR** 1. Interest income from a) Loan and money market transactions 229,469 217,345,094.06 b) Fixed-interest securities and debt register claims 47,102,511.12 59,962 264,447,605.18 289,431 2. Interest expenditure 154,650,486,40 187,986 109,797,118.78 101,445 3. Current income from (12,790)a) Shares and other non-fixed-interest securities 13,590,719.28 b) Equity investment 1,111,973.72 (2,297)c) Shares in affiliated/associated companies 0.00 (0)14,702,693.00 15,087 4. Income from profit syndicates, profit allocation or partial profit allocation contracts 1,220,391.00 985 5. Commission income received 20,550,262.06 (20,933) 6. Commission expenditure 2,106,234.57 (1,916)18,444,027.49 19.017 7. Net income from financial transactions 444,974.45 209 8. Other operating income 3,757,776.12 3,336 9. Income from release of special items with reserves share 0.00 108 148,366,980.84 140,187 10. General administrative costs a) Personnel costs aa) Wages and salaries 50,512,777.02 (47,679)ab) Social security deductions and expenditure on pension and support benefits 15,626,553.03 (14,841)66,139,330.05 (62,520)of which: on old-age pensions 5,122,946.52 EUR (4,935)b) Other administrative costs 26,504,508.43 (29,475)92.643.838.48 91,995 11. Write-downs and allowances for bad debt on intangible assets and fixed assets 6,837,617.96 6,698 12. Other operating expenses 9,234,835.76 2,639 13. Write-downs and allowances for bad debt on loans and certain securities as well as allocations to reserves for lending operations 17,110,368.24 (30,221)13a. Allocations to fund for general banking risks 1,300,000.00 33.700 14. Income from allocations to loans and certain securities as well as from the release 0.00 (0)of reserves for lending operations 17,110,368.24 30,221 14a. Withdrawals from fund for general banking risks 0.00 0 15. Write-downs and allowances for bad debt on equity investments, shares in affiliated/associated companies and securities treated like fixed assets 0.00 (0)16. Income from allocations to equity investments, shares in affiliated/associated companies and (451) securities treated like fixed assets 3,816,821.59 3,816,821.59 451 17. Expenditure from loss acceptance 0.00 18. Allocations to special items with reserves share 0.00 0 19. Result from normal business activities 24,615 25,057,141.99 20. Extraordinary income 0.00 (36,875)21. Extraordinary expenditure 0.00 (0) 22. Extraordinary result 36,875 0.00 23. Tax on income 13,751,871.43 (3,385)24. Other taxes provided they are not reported under Item 12 224,972.23 (206)13,976,843.66 3,591 25. Net earnings 11,080,298.33 8,669 26. Profit/Loss carried forward from previous year 0.00 0 11,080,298.33 8,669 27. Withdrawals from profit reserves 0.00 a) From contingency reserve b) From other reserves 0.00 0.00 0 28. Allocations to profit reserves 0 0.00 a) To contingency reserve 0.00 $\overline{(0)}$ b) To other reserves 0.00 (0) 0.00 0 29. Net earnings 2003 11,080,298.33 8,669

At a glance

Item	Holdings 31. 12. 2003 EUR millions	Holdings 31. 12. 2002 EUR millions	2003 Changes EUR millions	%
Total assets	5,853.7	5,849.4	4.3	0.1
Funds received from customers Including:	4,073.0	3,907.3	165.7	4.2
Savings deposits Non-certificated liabilities	1,957.2 1,819.3	1,918.2 1,606.7	39.0 212.6	2.0 13.2
Certificated liabilities	213.5	306.2	-92.7	-30.3
Subordinate liabilities Participation capital	67.7 15.3	60.9 15.3	6.8 0	11.2 0
Liabilities to banks	1,476.3	1,652.3	-176.0	-10.7
Including: Subordinate liabilities	23.1	55.1	-32.0	-58.1
Other liabilities (including contingent liabilities and provisions)	129.9	132.0	-2.1	-1.6
Equity capital (including fund for general banking risks)	234.8	223.3	10.4	4.7
Loans to customers	3,019.6	3,134.5	-114.9	-3.7
Including: Loans to customers Acceptance liability Assets held in trust Guarantee loans	2,957.2 0.6 1.5 60.3	3,065.3 2.0 1.7 65.5	-108.1 -1.4 -0.2 -5.2	-3.5 -70.0 -11.8 -7.9
Loans to banks	1,069.3	1,198.4	-129.1	-10.8
Securities	1,496.7	1,360.7	136.0	10.0
Non-current assets	70.9	73.6	-2.7	-3.7
Other assets	257.5	147.6	109.9	74.5
Net income	11.1	8.7	2.4	27.6