

Media Release

OCBC Group Reports Full Year 2009 Net Profit of S\$1,962 million

***Core net profit grew 32%, driven by higher non-interest income,
lower expenses and stable asset quality***

Fourth quarter core net profit doubles year-on-year to S\$502 million

Singapore, 19 February 2010 - Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited ("OCBC Bank") achieved a resilient set of results for the financial year ended 31 December 2009, amid challenging operating conditions arising from the global financial crisis. Group net profit grew by 12% to S\$1,962 million, while growth in terms of core earnings was significantly higher at 32%, after adjusting for the one-off divestment gains and tax refunds of S\$263 million in the 2008 reported earnings.

Operating profit before allowances increased 26% to S\$3,019 million, underpinned by a recovery in insurance income and strong trading results which lifted non-interest income by 37%, as well as a 3% reduction in operating expenses as a result of disciplined cost management. Prudent risk management and active portfolio reviews helped to contain credit costs at a slightly lower level than 2008. The Group's non-performing loans ("NPL") ratio peaked in the second quarter, and improved to 1.7% by year-end.

For the fourth quarter of 2009 ("4Q09"), net profit rose 67% year-on-year to S\$502 million. Excluding the S\$51 million tax refunds in 4Q08, core net profit grew 101%, contributed by significantly stronger non-interest income and reduced allowances. Compared to 3Q09, net profit was 12% higher, as the previous quarter included the effect of a S\$213 million loss (S\$154 million after tax and minority interests) from the redemption offer of GreatLink Choice ("GLC") policies by subsidiary Great Eastern Holdings ("GEH"). The non-recurrence of this item was partly offset by lower underlying insurance income following an exceptionally strong performance in the third quarter.

Return on equity, based on core earnings, improved to 12.2% in 2009, from 9.9% in 2008. Core earnings per share for the year rose 29% to 59.4 cents.

A final tax-exempt dividend of 14 cents per share has been proposed, bringing the full year 2009 dividend to 28 cents per share, unchanged from 2008. The dividend payout of 46% of core earnings is in line with the Group's target minimum of 45%. Similar to the previous two dividend payments, shareholders will be given an option to receive the final dividend in the form of shares, the issue price of which will be set at a 10% discount to the average closing share price during the price determination period (ex-dividend date to books closure date, both dates inclusive).

Net Interest Income

Net interest income for the year grew 2% to S\$2,825 million, contributed by growth in interest-earning assets, as net interest margin narrowed by 4 basis points to 2.23%. Loans declined during the first nine months of the year, but grew 5% during the fourth quarter. For the full year, loans edged up 1%, with growth in the housing, commerce and transport sectors largely offset by declines in other sectors.

For 4Q09, net interest income declined 12% year-on-year to S\$687 million, largely because of a significant reduction in gapping income and the effects of sustained low interest rates on asset yields. Net interest margin was 2.08%, down from 2.47% in 4Q08 which was a multi-year high. Compared to 3Q09, net interest income was largely unchanged, and net interest margin was lower by 8 basis points.

Non-Interest Income

Non-interest income rose 37% (excluding the divestment gains in 2008) to S\$1,990 million in 2009, driven by higher insurance profits and net trading income. Life assurance profits more than doubled from S\$300 million to S\$727 million, contributed by higher profit from the Non-Participating Fund as credit spreads tightened and equity markets recovered. The life assurance profits also included a non-recurring gain of S\$201 million in 1Q09 arising mainly from the adoption of the new Risk Based Capital framework in Malaysia. This gain was largely offset by the GLC-related loss of S\$213 million in 3Q09 (classified under “other income”). The two items combined had no significant impact on the Group’s non-interest income, and on earnings contribution from GEH, for the full year.

Net trading income recovered strongly from S\$43 million in 2008 to S\$344 million in 2009, led by gains in foreign exchange income and securities trading. Fee and commission income however fell 6% to S\$730 million, as lower wealth management, fund management and credit card income offset the growth in stockbroking and loan-related income.

For 4Q09, non-interest income rose 92% year-on-year to S\$497 million, contributed by trading and investment gains as compared to losses a year ago, and a 20% increase in fee and commission income. Compared to 3Q09 which was impacted by the GLC loss, non-interest income was 27% higher. Fee and commission income increased by 2%, while life assurance profits fell 39% following an exceptionally strong performance in the previous quarter.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses for the year declined by 3% to S\$1,796 million as the Group maintained a disciplined approach to cost control. Staff costs fell 5% as a result of lower recruitment costs and commission allowances, tighter control on headcount and salary increases, and the cash grants received from the Singapore government’s Jobs Credit Scheme. Other operating expenses also declined by 4%. 4Q09 operating expenses were little changed compared to a year ago as well as the previous quarter.

The cost-to-income ratio was 37.3% in 2009, down from 43.7% in 2008.

Allowances and Asset Quality

Net allowances for loans and other assets amounted to S\$429 million, down slightly from S\$447 million in 2008. Higher specific loan allowances were offset by lower allowances for other assets, mainly investment securities. Specific loan allowances remained relatively low at 29 basis points of loans in 2009, compared to 21 basis points in 2008. Net allowances for loans and other assets in 4Q09 were S\$77 million, well below the S\$243 million a year ago, and above the S\$52 million in 3Q09.

The Group's NPL ratio peaked in June 2009 at 2.1%, improving to 1.7% at year-end, which was slightly higher than the 1.5% at end-2008. Absolute NPLs increased by 20% over the year to S\$1,417 million, with net increases coming mainly from Malaysia and Indonesia. The Group maintains a strong allowance coverage ratio, with cumulative allowances representing 102% of total non-performing assets ("NPAs") and 249% of unsecured NPAs. A majority of the NPAs – 52% – were in the substandard category, which tend to be well collateralised and/or have no overdues.

Subsidiaries' Results

GEH reported a 90% rise in its net profit for the year to S\$517 million, driven by an increase in profit from insurance operations, mainly from the Non-Participating and Investment-linked Fund, as a result of improving market conditions during the year, as well as lower expenses. While its life assurance weighted new sales fell 20% during the year, sales recovered strongly in the second half, registering a growth of 50% compared to the first half. GEH's contribution to the Group's core earnings, after deducting amortisation of intangible assets, non-core gains and minority interests, was S\$412 million (21% of Group core earnings), up from S\$160 million (11%) in 2008.

OCBC Bank (Malaysia) Berhad's operating profit before allowances increased by 6%, led by higher net interest income and Islamic Banking income. Net profit however declined marginally by 1% to MYR 608 million (S\$250 million), as allowances were higher than in 2008, which had the benefit of higher recoveries and writebacks. Its loans grew by 5% for the year, and its NPL ratio was largely unchanged at 3.8%.

Bank OCBC NISP in Indonesia recorded a 38% increase in net profit to IDR 436 billion (S\$61 million), underpinned by 23% growth in net interest income as a result of assets growth and improved interest margins. Its loans grew by 5%, and its NPL ratio increased from 2.7% to 3.2%.

Launch of Bank of Singapore

On 29 January 2010, OCBC Bank announced that it had completed the acquisition of ING Asia Private Bank and its subsidiaries (together, "IAPB") for US\$1,446 million or approximately S\$2,024 million. IAPB was re-named Bank of Singapore Limited, which is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of OCBC Bank. As the only dedicated private bank that is headquartered in Singapore, Bank of Singapore aims to strengthen its position as a leading private bank in Asia offering best-in-class products and services. The financial accounts of Bank of Singapore will be consolidated into OCBC Group with effect from 29 January 2010.

Capital Position

OCBC Group continues to maintain a strong capital position, with a Tier 1 capital adequacy ratio ("CAR") of 15.9% and total CAR of 16.4% as at 31 December 2009, well above the regulatory minimum of 6% and 10% respectively. These ratios improved from their end-2008 levels of 14.9% and 15.1%, respectively, contributed by retained earnings, the issue of new shares pursuant to the Scrip Dividend Scheme, and two issues of Lower Tier 2 subordinated notes. The Group's core Tier 1 ratio, which excludes perpetual and innovative preference shares, increased from 11.0% to 12.0% over the year, and on a pro-forma basis after the consolidation of IAPB, will be approximately 10.7%.

CEO's Comments

Commenting on the Group's performance, CEO David Conner said:

"Given the challenging conditions throughout the year, we are pleased to have delivered strong results for 2009, exceeding our previous high for core earnings in 2007. This demonstrates the resilience and strengths of our customer relationships, our people, processes and business model. For the year ahead, while we remain watchful of developments in Europe, the US and China, we are cautiously optimistic for a gradual recovery in Asia's economy and in our key markets."

About OCBC Bank

OCBC Bank, established in 1912, is the second largest financial services group in Southeast Asia by assets. It is among the world's highest rated banks, with a long term credit rating of Aa1 from Moody's. OCBC Bank and its subsidiaries offer a broad array of specialist financial services, ranging from consumer, corporate, investment, private and transaction banking to treasury, insurance, asset management and stockbroking services.

OCBC Bank's key markets are Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia and Greater China. It has a network of more than 500 branches and representative offices in 15 countries and territories, including 382 branches and offices in Indonesia operated by its subsidiary, Bank OCBC NISP.

OCBC Bank's insurance subsidiary, Great Eastern Holdings, is the largest insurance group in Singapore and Malaysia by assets, and its asset management subsidiary, Lion Global Investors, is one of the largest private sector asset management companies in Southeast Asia.

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To Our Shareholders

The Board of Directors of Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited (“OCBC”) reports the following:

Audited Financial Results for the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2009

For the financial year ended 31 December 2009, Group reported net profit was S\$1,962 million. Details of the audited financial results are in the accompanying Group Financial Report.

Ordinary Dividend

A final tax-exempt dividend of 14 cents per share has been recommended for the financial year 2009. Including the interim net dividend of 14 cents per share paid in October 2009, total dividends for financial year 2009 would amount to 28 cents per share, unchanged from the 28 cents paid for financial year 2008.

Closure of Books

The books closure date will be announced at a later date.

Scrip Dividend Scheme

The Scrip Dividend Scheme will be applicable to the final dividend. The issue price for the new shares to be allotted to shareholders who have elected to receive scrip for the final dividend will be set at a 10% discount to the average of the volume weighted average prices of the shares for each of the market days during the price determination period (being the period commencing on the date on which the shares are first traded on an ex-basis and ending on the books closure date to determine entitlements to the final dividend). Further details will be announced at a later date.

Preference Dividends

On 21 December 2009, the Bank paid semi-annual tax-exempt dividends on its non-cumulative non-convertible preference shares as follows: Class B Preference Shares at 5.1% (2008: 5.1% tax-exempt) per annum; Class E Preference Shares at 4.5% (2008: 4.5% tax-exempt) per annum and Class G Preference Shares at 4.2% (2008: 4.2% tax-exempt) per annum. Total amount of dividends paid for the Class B, Class E and Class G Preference Shares were S\$25.6 million, S\$11.3 million and S\$8.3 million respectively.

Peter Yeoh
Secretary

Singapore, 19 February 2010

More details on the results are available on the Bank’s website at www.ocbc.com

Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited
Financial Year 2009 Group Financial Report



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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

OCBC Group prepares its financial statements in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards as required by the Companies Act, including the modification to FRS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* requirement on loan loss provisioning under Notice to Banks No. 612 “Credit Files, Grading and Provisioning” issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

The following new/revised financial reporting standards and interpretations were mandatory with effect from 1 January 2009:

FRS 1:	Presentation of Financial Statements
FRS 27:	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements - Cost of an investment in a subsidiary, jointly controlled entity or associate
FRS 102:	Share-Based Payment - Amendments relating to vesting conditions and cancellations
FRS 108:	Operating Segments
INT FRS 113:	Customer Loyalty Programmes
INT FRS 116:	Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation
Improvements to FRSs 2008	

The main impact from application of the above was in the presentation of comprehensive income and operating segments. Comprehensive income, comprising all items of income and expenditure recognised in the profit and loss and those taken directly to equity, may be presented either in one single statement of comprehensive income or two linked statements. The Group has opted to present comprehensive income in two linked statements. For the operating segments, items not directly attributable to the segments are separately reflected. Other than the above, the accounting policies and methods of computation for the current financial period are consistent with those applied in the audited financial statements as at 31 December 2008.

Financial Results

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY *(continued)*

S\$ million	2009	2008	+/(-) %	4Q09	4Q08	+/(-) %	3Q09	+/(-) %
Selected Income Statement Items								
Net interest income	2,825	2,783	2	687	783	(12)	689	–
Non-interest income	1,990	1,458	37	497	259	92	392	27
Total core income	4,815	4,241	14	1,184	1,042	14	1,081	10
Operating expenses	(1,796)	(1,854)	(3)	(466)	(463)	1	(467)	–
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation	3,019	2,387	26	718	579	24	614	17
Amortisation of intangible assets	(47)	(47)	–	(12)	(12)	–	(12)	–
Allowances for loans and impairment of other assets	(429)	(447)	(4)	(77)	(243)	(69)	(52)	48
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation	2,543	1,893	34	629	324	94	550	14
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	(#)	6	(101)	(2)	(3)	37	2	(228)
Profit before income tax	2,543	1,899	34	627	321	96	552	14
Core net profit attributable to shareholders								
	1,962	1,486	32	502	250	101	450	12
Divestment gains, net of tax	–	174	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tax refunds	–	89	–	–	51	–	–	–
Reported net profit	1,962	1,749	12	502	301	67	450	12
Cash basis net profit attributable to shareholders ^{1/}								
	2,009	1,796	12	514	313	64	462	11
Ordinary equity	17,075	13,978	22	17,075	13,978	22	15,849	8
Total equity (excluding minority interests)	18,971	15,874	20	18,971	15,874	20	17,745	7
Total assets	194,300	181,385	7	194,300	181,385	7	188,255	3
Assets excluding life assurance fund investment assets	151,223	142,508	6	151,223	142,508	6	146,440	3
Loans and bills receivable (net of allowances)	80,876	79,808	1	80,876	79,808	1	77,257	5
Deposits of non-bank customers	100,633	94,078	7	100,633	94,078	7	96,877	4

Notes:

1. Excludes amortisation of intangible assets.
2. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY *(continued)*

	2009	2008	4Q09	4Q08	3Q09
Key Financial Ratios					
- based on core earnings					
Performance ratios (% p.a.)					
Return on equity ^{1/2/}					
SFRS ^{3/} basis	12.2	9.9	11.6	6.7	10.8
Cash basis	12.5	10.3	11.8	7.0	11.1
Return on assets ^{4/}					
SFRS ^{3/} basis	1.35	1.05	1.32	0.68	1.23
Cash basis	1.38	1.08	1.35	0.71	1.26
Revenue mix / efficiency ratios (%)					
Net interest margin (annualised)	2.23	2.27	2.08	2.47	2.16
Net interest income to total income	58.7	65.6	58.0	75.1	63.7
Non-interest income to total income	41.3	34.4	42.0	24.9	36.3
Cost to income	37.3	43.7	39.4	44.5	43.2
Loans to deposits	80.4	84.8	80.4	84.8	79.7
NPL ratio	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.8
Earnings per share ^{2/} (annualised - cents)					
Basic earnings	59.4	46.1	59.1	30.1	53.4
Basic earnings (cash basis)	60.9	47.6	60.5	31.5	54.8
Diluted earnings	59.3	45.9	58.8	30.0	53.2
Net asset value per share (S\$)					
Before valuation surplus	5.29	4.51	5.29	4.51	4.99
After valuation surplus	6.33	5.18	6.33	5.18	6.07
Capital adequacy ratios (%)					
Tier 1	15.9	14.9	15.9	14.9	15.2
Total	16.4	15.1	16.4	15.1	15.2

Notes:

1. Preference equity and minority interests are not included in the computation for return on equity.
2. In computing return on equity and earnings per share, preference dividends paid and estimated to be due as at the end of the financial period are deducted from core earnings.
3. "SFRS" refers to Singapore Financial Reporting Standards.
4. The computation for return on assets does not include life assurance fund investment assets.

NET INTEREST INCOME

Average Balance Sheet

S\$ million	2009			2008		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate ^{4/} %	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate ^{4/} %
Interest earning assets						
Loans and advances to non-bank customers	78,056	3,043	3.90	76,610	3,651	4.77
Placements with and loans to banks	23,450	432	1.84	23,762	780	3.28
Other interest earning assets ^{1/}	25,055	714	2.85	22,422	836	3.73
Total	126,561	4,189	3.31	122,794	5,267	4.29
Interest bearing liabilities						
Deposits of non-bank customers	95,905	1,036	1.08	93,554	1,815	1.94
Deposits and balances of banks	11,777	96	0.82	13,951	430	3.08
Other borrowings ^{2/}	7,204	232	3.22	6,420	239	3.72
Total	114,886	1,364	1.19	113,925	2,484	2.18
Net interest income / margin ^{3/}		2,825	2.23		2,783	2.27

S\$ million	4Q09			4Q08			3Q09		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate ^{4/} %	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate ^{4/} %	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate ^{4/} %
Interest earning assets									
Loans and advances to non-bank customers	78,339	730	3.70	80,271	949	4.70	76,797	738	3.81
Placements with and loans to banks	26,982	93	1.36	23,433	186	3.15	24,484	97	1.56
Other interest earning assets ^{1/}	25,796	170	2.62	22,470	209	3.70	25,190	162	2.55
Total	131,117	993	3.00	126,174	1,344	4.24	126,471	997	3.13
Interest bearing liabilities									
Deposits of non-bank customers	98,933	229	0.92	96,509	433	1.78	96,780	228	0.93
Deposits and balances of banks	12,099	18	0.58	11,211	66	2.33	10,969	19	0.70
Other borrowings ^{2/}	7,959	59	2.97	7,468	62	3.33	7,190	61	3.33
Total	118,991	306	1.02	115,188	561	1.94	114,939	308	1.06
Net interest income / margin ^{3/}		687	2.08		783	2.47		689	2.16

Notes:

1. Comprise corporate debts and government securities.
2. Mainly debts issued.
3. Net interest margin is net interest income as a percentage of interest earning assets.
4. Average rates are computed on an annualised basis.

NET INTEREST INCOME *(continued)*

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Net interest income for 4Q09 declined 12% year-on-year to S\$687 million. Net interest margin fell from 2.47% to 2.08% largely because of lower gapping income and the impact of sustained low interest rates on asset yields. Compared with the previous quarter, net interest income was relatively unchanged, while net interest margin declined 8 basis points.

Volume and Rate Analysis

Increase / (decrease) due to change in: S\$ million	2009 vs 2008			4Q09 vs 4Q08			4Q09 vs 3Q09		
	Volume	Rate	Net change	Volume	Rate	Net change	Volume	Rate	Net change
Interest income									
Loans and advances to non-bank customers	69	(667)	(598)	(23)	(197)	(220)	15	(23)	(8)
Placements with and loans to banks	(10)	(336)	(346)	28	(121)	(93)	10	(14)	(4)
Other interest earning assets	98	(217)	(119)	31	(69)	(38)	3	5	8
Total	157	(1,220)	(1,063)	36	(387)	(351)	28	(32)	(4)
Interest expense									
Deposits of non-bank customers	45	(820)	(775)	11	(215)	(204)	5	(4)	1
Deposits and balances of banks	(67)	(266)	(333)	5	(53)	(48)	2	(4)	(2)
Other borrowings	30	(35)	(5)	4	(7)	(3)	6	(7)	(1)
Total	8	(1,121)	(1,113)	20	(275)	(255)	13	(15)	(2)
Impact on net interest income	149	(99)	50	16	(112)	(96)	15	(17)	(2)
Due to change in number of days			(8)			–			–
Net interest income			42			(96)			(2)

NON-INTEREST INCOME

S\$ million	2009	2008	+ / (-)	4Q09	4Q08	+ / (-)	3Q09	+ / (-)
			%			%		%
Fees and commissions								
Brokerage	96	74	30	20	16	31	33	(39)
Wealth management	65	132	(51)	18	17	2	19	(6)
Fund management	70	79	(11)	20	16	20	18	9
Credit card	45	55	(18)	14	12	9	12	13
Loan-related	172	153	13	48	38	26	44	9
Trade-related and remittances	124	129	(4)	36	30	22	30	20
Guarantees	23	27	(15)	4	6	(28)	5	(12)
Investment banking	54	51	6	11	3	245	9	26
Service charges	53	50	5	12	15	(18)	12	3
Others	28	24	15	9	6	57	7	28
Sub-total	730	774	(6)	192	159	20	189	2
Dividends	57	72	(21)	4	8	(46)	10	(60)
Rental income	78	68	14	20	19	6	20	(2)
Profit from life assurance	727	300	142	127	115	10	209	(39)
Premium income from general insurance	122	109	12	26	30	(14)	33	(20)
Other income								
Net trading income	344	43	709	78	(64)	220	94	(17)
Net gain/(loss) from investment securities	50	18	176	30	(24)	226	35	(13)
Net gain from disposal of properties	8	8	6	5	#	n.m.	1	411
Loss from redemption of GLC ^{1/} units	(213)	—	—	—	—	—	(213)	—
Others	87	66	30	15	16	(4)	14	7
Sub-total	276	135	104	128	(72)	277	(69)	283
Total core non-interest income	1,990	1,458	37	497	259	92	392	27
Divestment gains	—	186	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total non-interest income	1,990	1,644	21	497	259	92	392	27
Fees and commissions / Total income ^{2/}	15.2%	18.2%		16.2%	15.3%		17.5%	
Non-interest income / Total income ^{2/}	41.3%	34.4%		42.0%	24.9%		36.3%	

Notes:

1. "GLC" refers to GreatLink Choice units.
2. Pre-tax divestment gains are not included.
3. "#" represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.
4. "n.m." denotes not meaningful.

Non-interest income, excluding divestment gains, rose 37% to S\$1,990 million, driven by higher profit from life assurance and net trading income. Profit from life assurance rose from S\$300 million to S\$727 million in 2009, contributed by higher investment profits from the Non-Participating Fund as a result of the tightening of credit spreads and the improvement in equity markets in the second half of 2009. The life assurance profit also included non-recurring gains of S\$201 million in 1Q09 arising from the adoption of the new Risk Based Capital framework in Malaysia and an exercise to achieve better portfolio matching of assets and liabilities in Singapore. This gain was largely offset by a non-recurring loss of S\$213 million in 3Q09 (classified under "other income") resulting from the redemption offer of GreatLink Choice ("GLC") policies by GEH. Net trading income rose from S\$43 million to S\$344 million, led by gains in foreign exchange income and securities trading as market conditions improved. Fee and commission income decreased 6% to S\$730 million, as higher stockbroking and loan-related income was more than offset by declines in wealth management, credit card and fund management income.

Non-interest income for 4Q09 rose year-on-year by 92% to S\$497 million, largely because of net trading and investment gains as compared to net losses a year ago. Fee and commission income increased 20% to S\$192 million and life assurance profits rose 10% to S\$127 million. The increase in fee and commission income was mainly attributable to loan-related, trade-related, investment banking and stockbroking activities. Compared to 3Q09 which was impacted by the GLC loss, non-interest income was 27% higher. Fee and commission income increased by 2%, while life assurance profits fell 39% following an exceptionally strong performance in the previous quarter.

OPERATING EXPENSES

S\$ million	2009	2008	+ / (-) %	4Q09	4Q08	+ / (-) %	3Q09	+ / (-) %
Staff costs								
Salaries and other costs	910	953	(5)	242	229	5	235	3
Share-based expenses	9	13	(28)	4	4	(2)	3	22
Contribution to defined contribution plans	76	79	(3)	19	19	3	19	–
	995	1,045	(5)	265	252	5	257	3
Property and equipment								
Depreciation	135	116	17	36	33	8	33	6
Maintenance and hire of property, plant & equipment	62	68	(10)	14	17	(18)	16	(9)
Rental expenses	46	43	8	12	13	(6)	12	6
Others	106	113	(6)	25	31	(20)	27	(10)
	349	340	3	87	94	(8)	88	(2)
Other operating expenses	452	469	(4)	114	117	(2)	122	(6)
Total operating expenses	1,796	1,854	(3)	466	463	1	467	–
Group staff strength								
Period end	19,561	19,876	(2)	19,561	19,876	(2)	19,360	1
Average	19,478	19,541	–	19,515	19,946	(2)	19,315	1
Cost to income ratio ^{1/}	37.3%	43.7%		39.4%	44.5%		43.2%	

Note:

1. Income excludes divestment gains.

Operating expenses declined by 3% to S\$1,796 million in 2009, reflecting the Group's disciplined cost control. Staff costs fell 5%, contributed by lower recruitment costs and commission allowances, tighter control on headcount, and the cash grants received from the Singapore government's Jobs Credit Scheme. Other operating expenses declined by 4% as travel, accommodation, communication and stationery costs were lower.

For 4Q09, operating expenses of S\$466 million were largely unchanged from a year ago and from the previous quarter, with higher staff costs offset by lower premises and equipment costs and other operating expenses.

The cost-to-income ratio was 37.3% for 2009, compared with 43.7% in 2008.

ALLOWANCES FOR LOANS AND OTHER ASSETS

S\$ million	2009	2008	+ / (-) %	4Q09	4Q08	+ / (-) %	3Q09	+ / (-) %
Specific allowances / (write-back) for loans								
Singapore	63	2	n.m.	(5)	39	(113)	40	(113)
Malaysia	62	40	56	18	35	(48)	13	46
Others	116	123	(5)	48	85	(44)	(4)	n.m.
	241	165	47	61	159	(62)	49	25
Portfolio allowances for loans	23	20	13	11	11	1	5	151
Allowances / (writeback) for CDOs	86	87	(1)	(1)	15	(105)	(6)	88
Allowances and impairment for other assets	79	175	(55)	6	58	(91)	4	16
Allowances for loans and impairment of other assets	429	447	(4)	77	243	(69)	52	48

Note:

1. "n.m." denotes not meaningful.

Allowances for loans and other assets were 4% lower at S\$429 million compared to S\$447 million in 2008. The decline was mainly due to lower allowances for debt securities and other assets, which fell from S\$175 million to S\$79 million.

Specific allowances for loans increased from S\$165 million to S\$241 million, or from 21 basis points of loans to 29 basis points, as higher allowances were made for new NPLs and write-backs and recoveries were lower compared to 2008. By geography, the net increase was mainly from Singapore and Malaysia.

Portfolio allowances increased from S\$20 million to S\$23 million, while allowances of S\$86 million for CDOs were similar to the level in 2008. The Bank's CDO portfolio has been fully provided for since 1Q09.

For 4Q09, net allowances amounted to S\$77 million, down significantly from S\$243 million in 4Q08 as specific allowances for loans and other assets were lower. Compared to 3Q09, allowances were higher because of higher specific and portfolio allowances for loans, and a lower net writeback of allowances for CDOs.

LOANS AND ADVANCES

S\$ million	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009
Loans to customers	80,439	80,140	77,608
Bills receivable	1,902	1,196	1,136
Gross loans to customers	82,341	81,336	78,744
Allowances			
Specific allowances	(454)	(549)	(488)
Portfolio allowances	(999)	(979)	(987)
	80,888	79,808	77,269
Less: assets pledged	(12)	–	(12)
Loans net of allowances	80,876	79,808	77,257
By Maturity			
Within 1 year	28,147	29,457	26,027
1 to 3 years	17,751	15,588	17,153
Over 3 years	36,443	36,291	35,564
	82,341	81,336	78,744
By Industry			
Agriculture, mining and quarrying	1,621	1,315	1,492
Manufacturing	5,828	6,612	5,512
Building and construction	15,643	17,176	15,751
Housing loans	21,460	19,785	20,192
General commerce	7,750	7,072	6,558
Transport, storage and communication	5,791	5,471	5,712
Financial institutions, investment and holding companies	10,032	11,201	10,168
Professionals and individuals	7,968	7,358	7,817
Others	6,248	5,346	5,542
	82,341	81,336	78,744
By Currency			
Singapore Dollar	46,022	47,174	45,249
United States Dollar	11,081	10,671	9,753
Malaysian Ringgit	13,239	12,220	12,409
Indonesian Rupiah	2,889	2,269	2,587
Others	9,110	9,002	8,746
	82,341	81,336	78,744
By Geography ^{1/}			
Singapore	48,457	49,285	46,741
Malaysia	15,322	14,335	14,511
Other ASEAN	4,986	4,602	4,625
Greater China	7,066	6,874	6,586
Other Asia Pacific	3,926	3,242	3,655
Rest of the World	2,584	2,998	2,626
	82,341	81,336	78,744

Note:

1. Loans by geography are based on where the credit risks reside, regardless of where the transactions are booked.

Gross loans rose 1% from a year ago, and 5% from the previous quarter, to S\$82.3 billion as at 31 December 2009. By sector, the year-on-year growth was mainly from lending to the housing, general commerce and transport sectors, offset partly by decline in loans to the building and construction and manufacturing sectors, and to financial institutions, investment and holding companies.

NON-PERFORMING ASSETS ^{1/}

S\$ million	Total NPAs ^{2/}	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Secured NPAs/ Total NPAs %	NPLs ^{3/}	NPL Ratio ^{3/} %
Singapore							
31 Dec 2009	417	163	164	90	65.2	417	0.9
30 Sep 2009	472	201	188	83	63.2	472	1.0
31 Dec 2008	395	107	184	104	58.1	394	0.8
Malaysia							
31 Dec 2009	635	427	155	53	61.1	614	4.0
30 Sep 2009	582	381	142	59	59.6	561	3.9
31 Dec 2008	496	290	121	85	59.2	474	3.3
Other ASEAN							
31 Dec 2009	213	95	23	95	59.9	212	4.3
30 Sep 2009	220	105	27	88	61.8	217	4.7
31 Dec 2008	127	33	28	66	58.8	123	2.7
Greater China							
31 Dec 2009	69	13	56	–	19.9	67	0.9
30 Sep 2009	106	16	90	#	17.9	101	1.5
31 Dec 2008	63	8	55	#	12.9	63	0.9
Other Asia Pacific							
31 Dec 2009	47	40	7	–	51.8	47	1.2
30 Sep 2009	49	20	29	–	37.7	49	1.3
31 Dec 2008	95	16	79	–	13.4	95	2.9
Rest of the World ^{2/}							
31 Dec 2009	67	18	46	3	40.3	60	2.3
30 Sep 2009	154	16	134	4	17.0	28	1.1
31 Dec 2008	172	17	148	7	15.2	33	1.1
Group							
31 Dec 2009	1,448	756	451	241	58.9	1,417	1.7
30 Sep 2009	1,583	739	610	234	53.4	1,428	1.8
31 Dec 2008	1,348	471	615	262	47.8	1,182	1.5

Notes:

1. Comprise non-bank loans, debt securities and contingent liabilities.
2. Include CDOs of S\$7 million, S\$125 million and S\$109 million as at 31 Dec 2009, 30 Sep 2009 and 31 Dec 2008 respectively.
3. Exclude debt securities.
4. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

NON-PERFORMING ASSETS (continued)

Non-performing loans (“NPLs”) were S\$1,417 million as at 31 December 2009, 20% higher than a year ago. By geography, the increase was mainly from Malaysia, Indonesia and Rest of the World.

The Group’s NPL ratio was 1.7% as compared to 1.5% at the end of 2008, but had improved from 2.1% in June 2009. The Singapore NPL ratio rose from 0.8% to 0.9% during the year, while the Malaysia NPL ratio increased from 3.3% to 4.0%. By industry, NPL ratios remained highest for the manufacturing and general commerce sectors, at 6.9% and 2.8% respectively.

Including classified debt securities and CDOs, the Group’s total non-performing assets (“NPAs”) were 7% higher from a year ago. Of the total NPAs, 52% were in the substandard category while 59% were secured by collateral.

	31 Dec 2009		31 Dec 2008		30 Sep 2009	
	S\$ million	% of loans	S\$ million	% of loans	S\$ million	% of loans
NPLs by Industry						
Loans and advances						
Agriculture, mining and quarrying	13	0.8	6	0.5	7	0.5
Manufacturing	402	6.9	339	5.1	473	8.6
Building and construction	234	1.5	113	0.7	201	1.3
Housing loans	224	1.0	243	1.2	232	1.1
General commerce	220	2.8	147	2.1	181	2.8
Transport, storage and communication	109	1.9	24	0.4	90	1.5
Financial institutions, investment and holding companies	38	0.4	125	1.1	66	0.7
Professionals and individuals	140	1.8	126	1.7	140	1.8
Others	37	0.6	59	1.1	38	0.7
Total NPLs	1,417	1.7	1,182	1.5	1,428	1.8
Classified debt securities	31		166		155	
Total NPAs	1,448		1,348		1,583	

	31 Dec 2009		31 Dec 2008		30 Sep 2009	
	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%
NPAs by Period Overdue						
Over 180 days	639	44	568	42	739	47
Over 90 to 180 days	188	13	193	14	153	10
30 to 90 days	208	14	188	14	187	12
Less than 30 days	74	5	230	17	51	3
Not overdue	339	24	169	13	453	28
	1,448	100	1,348	100	1,583	100

	31 Dec 2009		31 Dec 2008		30 Sep 2009	
	Loan	Allowance	Loan	Allowance	Loan	Allowance
S\$ million						
Restructured Loans						
Substandard	45	2	52	5	119	9
Doubtful	30	29	40	42	29	34
Loss	15	4	19	8	17	8
	90	35	111	55	165	51

CUMULATIVE ALLOWANCES FOR ASSETS

S\$ million	Total cumulative allowances	Specific allowances ^{1/}	Portfolio allowances	Specific allowances as % of total NPAs	Cumulative allowances as % of total NPAs
				%	%
Singapore					
31 Dec 2009	588	76	512	18.2	140.9
30 Sep 2009	613	98	515	20.7	129.7
31 Dec 2008	655	151	504	38.1	165.8
Malaysia					
31 Dec 2009	463	233	230	36.6	72.8
30 Sep 2009	449	229	220	39.3	77.2
31 Dec 2008	462	242	220	48.7	93.0
Other ASEAN					
31 Dec 2009	177	111	66	52.3	83.4
30 Sep 2009	139	75	64	34.1	63.3
31 Dec 2008	133	72	61	56.3	104.7
Greater China					
31 Dec 2009	149	55	94	79.7	217.1
30 Sep 2009	174	81	93	76.6	164.4
31 Dec 2008	133	48	85	76.4	210.9
Other Asia Pacific					
31 Dec 2009	54	3	51	7.0	115.7
30 Sep 2009	71	24	47	49.7	147.6
31 Dec 2008	98	53	45	55.6	102.6
Rest of the World					
31 Dec 2009	52	6	46	9.4	76.9
30 Sep 2009	182	134	48	86.7	117.5
31 Dec 2008	204	140	64	82.0	119.4
Group					
31 Dec 2009	1,483	484	999	33.4	102.4
30 Sep 2009	1,628	641	987	40.5	102.8
31 Dec 2008	1,685	706	979	52.3	125.0

Note:

1. Include allowances of S\$6 million, S\$125 million and S\$108 million for classified CDOs as at 31 Dec 2009, 30 Sep 2009 and 31 Dec 2008 respectively.

As at 31 December 2009, the Group's total cumulative allowances for assets were S\$1,483 million, comprising S\$484 million in specific allowances and S\$999 million in portfolio allowances. Total cumulative allowances were 102.4% of total NPAs and 248.9% of unsecured NPAs, compared to 125% and 240% respectively at the end of 2008.

DEPOSITS

S\$ million	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009
Deposits of non-bank customers	100,633	94,078	96,877
Deposits and balances of banks	10,958	10,113	11,832
	111,591	104,191	108,709
Loans to deposits ratio (net non-bank loans / non-bank deposits)	80.4%	84.8%	79.7%

S\$ million	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009
Total Deposits By Maturity			
Within 1 year	109,486	101,412	106,345
1 to 3 years	1,742	2,432	2,079
Over 3 years	363	347	285
	111,591	104,191	108,709
Non-Bank Deposits By Product			
Fixed deposits	53,621	57,218	53,177
Savings deposits	21,753	16,104	20,871
Current account	20,762	16,090	18,392
Others	4,497	4,666	4,437
	100,633	94,078	96,877
Non-Bank Deposits By Currency			
Singapore Dollar	58,458	53,745	57,298
United States Dollar	11,144	12,105	10,666
Malaysian Ringgit	16,286	14,672	15,109
Indonesian Rupiah	3,735	3,039	3,216
Others	11,010	10,517	10,588
	100,633	94,078	96,877

Non-bank customer deposits grew 7% year-on-year and 4% from the previous quarter, to S\$100.6 billion. The year-on-year increase was led by savings and current account deposits, which grew by 35% and 29% respectively, while fixed deposits fell by 6%.

The Group's loans-to-deposits ratio was 80.4%, compared to 79.7% in September 2009 and 84.8% a year ago.

DEBTS ISSUED

S\$ million	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009
Subordinated debts (unsecured)	5,769	5,155	5,136
Commercial papers (unsecured)	1,061	843	687
Structured notes (unsecured)	33	12	33
Total	6,863	6,010	5,856
Maturity of Debts Issued			
Within one year	1,082	845	709
Over one year	5,781	5,165	5,147
Total	6,863	6,010	5,856

CAPITAL ADEQUACY RATIOS

S\$ million	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009
Tier 1 Capital			
Ordinary and preference shares	7,376	6,637	7,004
Disclosed reserves / others	12,893	11,537	12,359
Goodwill / others	(4,307)	(3,913)	(4,375)
Eligible Tier 1 Capital	15,962	14,261	14,988
Tier 2 Capital			
Subordinated term notes	3,163	2,696	2,462
Others	(2,633)	(2,444)	(2,462)
Total Eligible Capital	16,492	14,513	14,988
Risk Weighted Assets	100,013	95,522	98,088
Tier 1 capital adequacy ratio	15.9%	14.9%	15.2%
Total capital adequacy ratio	16.4%	15.1%	15.2%

As at 31 December 2009, Group Tier 1 ratio and total capital adequacy ratio (“CAR”) were 15.9% and 16.4% respectively. These were well above the regulatory minimum of 6% and 10% respectively.

The capital ratios improved from their end-2008 levels of 14.9% Tier 1 and 15.1% total CAR, contributed by: retained earnings; the issue of 118.5 million new shares pursuant to the Scrip Dividend Scheme, in lieu of cash; the issue of S\$712 million of Lower Tier 2 subordinated notes in March 2009, in exchange for outstanding SGD Upper Tier 2 subordinated notes (issued in 2001) which were then cancelled; and the issue of US\$500 million of Lower Tier 2 subordinated notes in November 2009.

The Group’s core Tier 1 ratio, which excludes perpetual and innovative preference shares, increased from 11.0% to 12.0% over the year, and on a pro-forma basis after the consolidation of IAPB, will be approximately 10.7%.

UNREALISED VALUATION SURPLUS

S\$ million	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009
Properties ^{1/}	2,278	2,369	2,056
Equity securities ^{2/}	1,110	(277)	1,374
Total	3,388	2,092	3,430

Notes:

1. Includes properties classified as investment properties and assets held for sale. Property values are determined mainly based on external valuations at year-end, with internal reviews performed for other quarters.
2. Comprises mainly investments in quoted associates and subsidiaries, which are valued based on their market prices at the end of each quarter.
3. The carrying values of subsidiaries and associates on the balance sheet are measured at cost plus post-acquisition reserves; while those of properties are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation, and impairment, if any.

The Group's unrealised valuation surplus represents the difference between the carrying values^{3/} of its properties and investments in quoted subsidiaries/associates as compared to the property values and market prices of the quoted investments at the respective periods.

The valuation surplus as at 31 December 2009 was S\$3.39 billion, up by 62% from S\$2.09 billion at 31 December 2008. The increase was due to the surplus for equity securities, mainly from the Group's stake in GEH.

PERFORMANCE BY BUSINESS SEGMENT

OCBC Group's businesses are presented in the following customer and product segments: Global Consumer Financial Services, Global Corporate Banking, Global Treasury and Insurance.

Operating Profit by Business Segment

S\$ million	2009	2008	+/(-) %	4Q09	4Q08	+/(-) %	3Q09	+/(-) %
Global Consumer								
Financial Services	605	674	(10)	147	148	(1)	148	(1)
Global Corporate Banking	830	834	-	216	109	99	215	1
Global Treasury	600	478	26	101	125	(19)	126	(20)
Insurance ^{1/}	579	229	153	163	48	241	7	n.m.
Others ^{2/}	294	64	358	102	(36)	384	143	(28)
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation for total business segments	2,908	2,279	28	729	394	85	639	14
Add/(Less):								
- Joint income elimination ^{3/}	(305)	(348)	(12)	(81)	(63)	27	(70)	16
- Items not attributed to business segments	(60)	(38)	59	(19)	(7)	191	(19)	1
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation	2,543	1,893	34	629	324	94	550	14

Notes:

1. Pre-tax divestment gains of S\$41 million for 2008 are not included.
2. Pre-tax divestment gains of S\$145 million for 2008 are not included.
3. These are joint income allocated to business segments to reward cross-selling activities.

Global Consumer Financial Services

Global Consumer Financial Services comprises the full range of products and services offered to individuals, including deposit products (checking accounts, savings and fixed deposits), consumer loans (housing loans and other personal loans), credit cards and wealth management products (unit trusts, bancassurance products and structured deposits).

For 2009, operating profit after allowances of the consumer segment declined by 10% to S\$605 million, largely because of lower fee and commission income and increased allowances. Net interest income was higher as a result of improved loan spreads, while expenses were lower. Operating profit for 4Q09 was relatively flat year-on-year at S\$147 million.

Global Corporate Banking

Global Corporate Banking serves business customers ranging from large corporates and the public sector to small and medium enterprises. The products and services offered include long-term loans such as project financing, short-term credit such as overdrafts and trade financing, deposit accounts and fee-based services such as cash management, trustee and custodian services.

PERFORMANCE BY BUSINESS SEGMENT *(continued)*

Global Corporate Banking's operating profit after allowances for 2009 was relatively unchanged from the previous year at S\$830 million. Revenue grew 5% as higher loan volumes and improved spreads boosted net interest income, and expenses fell 2%. These effects were however offset by the increase in loan allowances.

For 4Q09, the business achieved strong profit growth of 99% year-on-year to S\$216 million. The growth was due to significantly lower allowances and improvement in fee and commission income.

Global Treasury

Global Treasury engages in foreign exchange activities, money market operations, fixed income and derivatives trading, and also offers structured treasury products and financial solutions to meet customers' investment and hedging needs.

Global Treasury's operating profit increased by 26% to S\$600 million in 2009, driven by higher foreign exchange gains and income from derivatives and securities trading. Profit in 4Q09 fell 19% from a year ago to S\$101 million, largely because of lower net interest income as gapping margins narrowed.

Insurance

The Group's insurance business, including its fund management activities, is carried out by 87.1%-owned subsidiary GEH, which provides both life and general insurance products to its customers mainly in Singapore and Malaysia.

Operating profit from GEH increased significantly from S\$229 million in 2008 to S\$579 million in 2009, contributed mainly by stronger life assurance results as the equity and credit markets recovered. The profit included S\$201 million of non-recurring gains in 1Q09 arising mainly from the implementation of the new Risk Based Capital framework in Malaysia, as well as the S\$213 million loss from the GLC redemption offer in 3Q09. For 4Q09, GEH achieved an operating profit of S\$163 million, up from S\$48 million in 4Q08. The year-on-year growth was driven by higher income, lower expenses and lower allowances.

After minority interests and tax, and excluding divestment gains and tax write-backs in prior periods, GEH's contribution to the Group's core net profit was S\$412 million in 2009 and S\$119 million in 4Q09, compared to S\$160 million in 2008 and S\$47 million in 4Q08.

Others

The "Others" segment comprises Bank OCBC NISP, PacificMas Berhad, corporate finance, capital markets, property holding, stock brokerage and investment holding.

PERFORMANCE BY BUSINESS SEGMENT *(continued)*

S\$ million	Global Consumer Financial Services	Global Corporate Banking	Global Treasury	Insurance	Others	Total Business Segments
2009						
- External customers	1,218	1,479	816	758	849	5,120
- Intersegment income	-	-	-	-	84	84
Total income	1,218	1,479	816	758	933	5,204
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation	662	1,010	611	642	459	3,384
Amortisation of intangible assets	-	-	-	(47)	-	(47)
Allowances and impairment for loans and other assets	(57)	(180)	(11)	(16)	(165)	(429)
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation	605	830	600	579	294	2,908
Other information:						
Capital expenditure	24	8	1	24	143	200
Depreciation	16	9	1	2	107	135
2008						
- External customers	1,307	1,411	682	482	681	4,563
- Intersegment income	-	-	-	-	65	65
Total income ^{1/}	1,307	1,411	682	482	746	4,628
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation ^{1/}	711	934	497	331	300	2,773
Amortisation of intangible assets	-	-	-	(47)	-	(47)
Allowances and impairment for loans and other assets	(37)	(100)	(19)	(55)	(236)	(447)
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation ^{1/}	674	834	478	229	64	2,279
Other information:						
Capital expenditure	24	8	1	90	155	278
Depreciation	9	4	#	1	102	116

Notes:

1. Pre-tax divestment gains of S\$186 million for 2008 are not included.
2. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

PERFORMANCE BY BUSINESS SEGMENT *(continued)*

S\$ million	Global Consumer Financial Services	Global Corporate Banking	Global Treasury	Insurance	Others	Total Business Segments
4Q09						
- External customers	308	391	151	190	226	1,266
- Intersegment income	-	-	-	-	21	21
Total income	308	391	151	190	247	1,287
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation	156	265	101	184	112	818
Amortisation of intangible assets	-	-	-	(12)	-	(12)
Allowances and impairment for loans and other assets	(9)	(49)	-	(9)	(10)	(77)
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation	147	216	101	163	102	729
Other information:						
Capital expenditure	6	3	#	12	27	48
Depreciation	4	3	#	1	28	36
4Q08						
- External customers	308	364	170	147	128	1,117
- Intersegment income	-	-	-	-	17	17
Total income	308	364	170	147	145	1,134
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation	161	239	124	100	25	649
Amortisation of intangible assets (Allowances and impairment) / write-back for loans and other assets	(13)	(130)	1	(40)	(61)	(243)
Operating profit / (loss) after allowances and amortisation	148	109	125	48	(36)	394
Other information:						
Capital expenditure	14	2	1	58	45	120
Depreciation	3	2	#	#	28	33
3Q09						
- External customers	309	368	179	57	243	1,156
- Intersegment income	-	-	-	-	21	21
Total income	309	368	179	57	264	1,177
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation	161	252	126	21	143	703
Amortisation of intangible assets (Allowances and impairment) / write-back for loans and other assets	(13)	(37)	#	(2)	(#)	(52)
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation	148	215	126	7	143	639
Other information:						
Capital expenditure	3	2	#	4	70	79
Depreciation	4	2	1	#	26	33

Note:

1. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

PERFORMANCE BY BUSINESS SEGMENT *(continued)*

S\$ million	Global Consumer Financial Services	Global Corporate Banking	Global Treasury	Insurance	Others	Group
At 31 December 2009						
Segment assets	27,899	56,549	46,761	49,634	21,744	202,587
Unallocated assets						98
Elimination						(8,385)
Total assets						194,300
Segment liabilities	44,658	48,653	23,405	43,824	18,814	179,354
Unallocated liabilities						1,552
Elimination						(8,385)
Total liabilities						172,521
Other information:						
Gross non-bank loans	26,702	49,878	1,046	289	4,426	82,341
NPAs	309	1,018	-	7	114	1,448
At 31 December 2008						
Segment assets	26,590	57,219	39,009	45,195	20,309	188,322
Unallocated assets						132
Elimination						(7,069)
Total assets						181,385
Segment liabilities	40,574	46,361	25,343	40,337	16,202	168,817
Unallocated liabilities						1,077
Elimination						(7,069)
Total liabilities						162,825
Other information:						
Gross non-bank loans	25,347	51,312	715	430	3,532	81,336
NPAs	319	811	2	14	202	1,348
At 30 September 2009						
Segment assets	26,676	54,174	46,352	48,447	20,016	195,665
Unallocated assets						115
Elimination						(7,525)
Total assets						188,255
Segment liabilities	44,102	45,530	23,675	43,032	17,640	173,979
Unallocated liabilities						1,307
Elimination						(7,525)
Total liabilities						167,761
Other information:						
Gross non-bank loans	25,489	48,259	670	297	4,029	78,744
NPAs	311	1,016	-	9	247	1,583

PERFORMANCE BY GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENT

	2009		2008		4Q09		4Q08		3Q09	
	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%
Total core income										
Singapore ^{1/}	2,912	60	2,684	63	778	66	640	62	649	60
Malaysia	1,239	26	914	22	246	21	210	20	267	25
Other ASEAN	370	8	326	8	91	7	95	9	97	9
Asia Pacific	242	5	272	6	59	5	85	8	56	5
Rest of the World	52	1	45	1	10	1	12	1	12	1
	4,815	100	4,241	100	1,184	100	1,042	100	1,081	100
Profit before income tax										
Singapore ^{1/}	1,594	63	1,244	66	488	78	232	72	328	59
Malaysia	800	31	519	27	132	21	90	28	158	29
Other ASEAN	125	5	81	4	23	4	25	8	40	7
Asia Pacific	41	2	45	2	22	3	(26)	(8)	21	4
Rest of the World	(17)	(1)	10	1	(38)	(6)	(#)	-	5	1
	2,543	100	1,899	100	627	100	321	100	552	100

Notes:

1. Pre-tax divestment gains of S\$186 million for 2008 are not included in total core income and profit before income tax.
2. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

	31 Dec 2009		31 Dec 2008		30 Sep 2009	
	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%	S\$ million	%
Total assets						
Singapore	125,001	64	118,157	66	121,816	65
Malaysia	43,070	22	38,402	21	41,133	22
Other ASEAN	6,922	4	5,853	3	6,214	3
Asia Pacific	15,754	8	15,029	8	15,513	8
Rest of the World	3,553	2	3,944	2	3,579	2
	194,300	100	181,385	100	188,255	100

The geographical segment analysis is based on the location where assets or transactions are booked. For 2009, Singapore accounted for 60% of total income and 63% of pre-tax profit, while Malaysia accounted for 26% of total income and 31% of pre-tax profit.

Pre-tax profit for Singapore increased by 28% in 2009, as higher insurance profits and trading gains more than offset the GLC loss of S\$213 million. Malaysia's pre-tax profit rose 54% year-on-year to S\$800 million, partly because of the non-recurring insurance gains of S\$201 million in 1Q09 arising mainly from the adoption of the new Risk Based Capital framework in Malaysia.

HALF-YEARLY INCOME AND PROFIT

S\$ million	2009	2008	+ / (-) %
Total income			
First half year	2,550	2,239	14
Second half year	2,265	2,188	3
	4,815	4,427	9
Profit for the year			
First half year	1,116	1,073	4
Second half year	1,038	787	32
	2,154	1,860	16

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

Collateralised Debt Obligations (“CDO”)

As at 31 December 2009, the Bank^{1/} has investments of S\$103 million in CDOs, which have been fully provided for in the income statement. Allowances on asset-backed securities CDOs (“ABS CDOs”) and corporate CDOs have been made in full through the income statement since 2Q08 and 1Q09 respectively.

The corporate CDO portfolio stands at S\$103 million. As at 31 December 2009, cumulative allowances of S\$40 million and cumulative mark-to-market losses of S\$63 million on the credit default swaps related to the corporate CDOs have been made in the income statement.

S\$ million Type of CDO / Tranche	31 Dec 09		31 Dec 08		30 Sep 09	
	Exposure	Allowance	Exposure	Allowance	Exposure	Allowance
ABS CDO						
<i>Investment portfolio</i>	–	–	252	(252)	93	(93)
Corporate CDO (Non-ABS)						
<i>Investment portfolio</i>	103	(40)	201	(47)	129	(65) [^]
Total CDO portfolio	103	(40)	453	(299)	222	(158)

Note:

[^] In addition to the cumulative allowances of S\$40 million (Sep 09: S\$65 million), the Bank has also taken cumulative mark-to-market losses of S\$63 million (Sep 09: S\$64 million) to the income statement.

Special Purpose Entities (“SPE”)

As at 31 December 2009, OCBC does not utilise any SPE as a conduit for the securitisation of assets.

1. The disclosures in this section exclude GEH and its asset management subsidiary Lion Global Investors.

AUDITED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

S\$ million	2009	2008	+ / (-) %	4Q09 [@]	4Q08 [@]	+ / (-) %	3Q09 [@]	+ / (-) %
Interest income	4,189	5,267	(20)	993	1,344	(26)	997	–
Interest expense	(1,364)	(2,484)	(45)	(306)	(561)	(45)	(308)	(1)
Net interest income	2,825	2,783	2	687	783	(12)	689	–
Premium income	5,589	6,806	(18)	1,561	1,248	25	1,722	(9)
Investment income	2,726	(400)	782	676	(683)	199	1,136	(41)
Net claims, surrenders and annuities	(4,471)	(4,227)	6	(1,149)	(1,285)	(11)	(1,468)	(22)
Change in life assurance fund contract liabilities	(2,007)	(1,193)	68	(617)	946	165	(883)	(30)
Commission and others	(1,110)	(686)	62	(344)	(111)	210	(298)	15
Profit from life assurance	727	300	142	127	115	10	209	(39)
Premium income from general insurance	122	109	12	26	30	(14)	33	(20)
Fees and commissions (net)	730	774	(6)	192	159	20	189	2
Dividends	57	72	(21)	4	8	(46)	10	(60)
Rental income	78	68	14	20	19	6	20	(2)
Other income	276	321	(14)	128	(72)	277	(69)	283
Non-interest income	1,990	1,644	21	497	259	92	392	27
Total income	4,815	4,427	9	1,184	1,042	14	1,081	10
Staff costs	(995)	(1,045)	(5)	(265)	(252)	5	(257)	3
Other operating expenses	(801)	(809)	(1)	(201)	(211)	(5)	(210)	(4)
Total operating expenses	(1,796)	(1,854)	(3)	(466)	(463)	1	(467)	–
Operating profit before allowances and amortisation	3,019	2,573	17	718	579	24	614	17
Amortisation of intangible assets	(47)	(47)	–	(12)	(12)	–	(12)	–
Allowances for loans and impairment of other assets	(429)	(447)	(4)	(77)	(243)	(69)	(52)	48
Operating profit after allowances and amortisation	2,543	2,079	22	629	324	94	550	14
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	(#)	6	(101)	(2)	(3)	37	2	(228)
Profit before income tax	2,543	2,085	22	627	321	96	552	14
Income tax expense ^{1/}	(389)	(225)	73	(75)	20	472	(65)	16
Profit for the period	2,154	1,860	16	552	341	62	487	13
Profit attributable to:								
Equity holders of the Bank	1,962	1,749	12	502	301	67	450	12
Minority interests	192	111	74	50	40	26	37	37
	2,154	1,860	16	552	341	62	487	13
Earnings per share (for the period – cents) ^{2/}								
Basic	59.4	54.6		14.2	8.4		14.2	
Diluted	59.3	54.5		14.1	8.4		14.1	

Notes:

- 2008 and 4Q08 tax expense include tax refunds of S\$89 million and S\$51 million respectively, following the finalisation of tax treatment for various items in the respective periods.
- "Earnings per share" was computed including divestment gains and tax refunds.
- "@" represents unaudited.
- "#" represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

AUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

S\$ million	2009	2008	+ / (-) %	4Q09 [@]	4Q08 [@]	+ / (-) %	3Q09 [@]	+ / (-) %
Profit for the year/period	2,154	1,860	16	552	341	62	487	13
Other comprehensive income:								
Available-for-sale financial assets								
Gains/(losses) for the year/period	1,306	(1,769)	174	423	(115)	468	235	80
Reclassification of (gains)/losses to income statement								
- on disposal	(50)	(204)	75	(30)	24	(226)	(35)	13
- on impairment	161	281	(43)	14	69	(79)	(3)	602
Tax on net movements	(110)	146	(175)	(24)	14	(278)	(23)	(4)
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	98	(249)	139	20	(183)	111	(12)	271
Other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures	3	13	(79)	(#)	5	(105)	(#)	27
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	1,408	(1,782)	179	403	(186)	317	162	148
Total comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	3,562	78	n.m.	955	155	518	649	47
Total comprehensive income								
Equity holders of the Bank	3,333	41	n.m.	896	140	542	605	48
Minority interests	229	37	524	59	15	301	44	35
	3,562	78	n.m.	955	155	518	649	47

Notes:

1. "n.m." denotes not meaningful.
2. "#" represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.
3. "@" represents unaudited.

AUDITED BALANCE SHEETS

S\$ million	GROUP			BANK		
	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009 [@]	31 Dec 2009	31 Dec 2008	30 Sep 2009 [@]
EQUITY						
Attributable to equity holders of the Bank						
Share capital	7,376	6,638	7,003	7,376	6,638	7,003
Capital reserves	986	1,329	1,057	768	1,099	851
Fair value reserves	1,506	222	1,128	603	12	492
Revenue reserves	9,103	7,685	8,557	5,716	5,076	5,375
	18,971	15,874	17,745	14,463	12,825	13,721
Minority interests	2,808	2,686	2,749	–	–	–
Total equity	21,779	18,560	20,494	14,463	12,825	13,721
LIABILITIES						
Deposits of non-bank customers	100,633	94,078	96,877	77,298	73,238	75,427
Deposits and balances of banks	10,958	10,113	11,832	9,674	9,049	10,039
Due to subsidiaries	–	–	–	1,369	1,399	1,320
Due to associates	119	95	120	118	87	116
Trading portfolio liabilities	2,016	1,111	1,557	2,016	1,111	1,557
Derivative payables	3,918	7,675	4,206	3,767	7,415	4,053
Other liabilities	3,215	2,930	3,602	1,011	944	1,314
Current tax	607	501	479	269	277	250
Deferred tax	946	576	828	120	41	101
Debts issued	6,863	6,010	5,856	8,230	7,554	7,240
	129,275	123,089	125,357	103,872	101,115	101,417
Life assurance fund liabilities	43,246	39,736	42,404	–	–	–
Total liabilities	172,521	162,825	167,761	103,872	101,115	101,417
Total equity and liabilities	194,300	181,385	188,255	118,335	113,940	115,138
ASSETS						
Cash and placements with central banks	13,171	7,028	9,459	8,160	4,267	4,756
Singapore government treasury bills and securities	10,922	9,215	11,318	10,550	8,636	10,951
Other government treasury bills and securities	5,564	4,777	5,273	2,744	1,257	2,353
Placements with and loans to banks	15,821	15,353	18,495	11,992	12,634	14,769
Loans and bills receivable	80,876	79,808	77,257	61,340	62,069	59,387
Debt and equity securities	11,680	10,174	10,979	7,786	7,018	7,440
Assets pledged	279	837	354	267	837	342
Assets held for sale	–	–	#	–	–	–
Derivative receivables	3,973	6,655	4,379	3,770	6,245	4,148
Other assets	2,911	2,665	2,970	689	1,001	567
Deferred tax	64	97	79	5	19	12
Associates and joint ventures	226	132	131	56	12	28
Subsidiaries	–	–	–	8,151	7,173	7,558
Property, plant and equipment	1,609	1,665	1,609	409	405	408
Investment property	765	726	769	549	500	552
Goodwill and intangible assets	3,362	3,376	3,368	1,867	1,867	1,867
	151,223	142,508	146,440	118,335	113,940	115,138
Life assurance fund investment assets	43,077	38,877	41,815	–	–	–
Total assets	194,300	181,385	188,255	118,335	113,940	115,138
Net Asset Value Per Ordinary Share (before valuation surplus – S\$)						
	5.29	4.51	4.99	3.89	3.52	3.72
OFF-BALANCE SHEET ITEMS						
Contingent liabilities	7,314	8,661	7,159	6,458	7,213	6,115
Commitments	43,093	46,655	46,385	34,899	37,478	38,145
Derivative financial instruments	355,210	365,904	358,599	335,535	343,630	338,937

Notes:

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2. “@” represents unaudited.

AUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY – GROUP

For the financial year ended 31 December 2009

S\$ million	Attributable to equity holders of the Bank					Minority interests	Total equity
	Share capital	Capital reserves	Fair value reserves	Revenue reserves	Total		
Balance at 1 January 2009	6,638	1,329	222	7,685	15,874	2,686	18,560
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	1,284	2,049	3,333	229	3,562
Transfers	2	(338)	–	336	–	–	–
Change in minority interests	–	–	–	–	–	8	8
Dividends to minority interests	–	–	–	–	–	(115)	(115)
DSP reserve from dividends on unvested shares	–	–	–	3	3	–	3
Ordinary and preference dividends paid in cash	–	–	–	(286)	(286)	–	(286)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	11	–	–	11	–	11
Shares issued in lieu of ordinary dividends	684	–	–	(684)	–	–	–
Shares issued to non-executive directors	#	–	–	–	#	–	#
Shares purchased by DSP Trust	–	(3)	–	–	(3)	–	(3)
Shares vested under DSP Scheme	–	9	–	–	9	–	9
Treasury shares transferred / sold	52	(22)	–	–	30	–	30
Balance at 31 December 2009	7,376	986	1,506	9,103	18,971	2,808	21,779
Included:							
Share of reserves of associates and joint ventures	–	3	#	32	35	(1)	34
Balance at 1 January 2008	5,520	1,732	1,726	6,700	15,678	1,161	16,839
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	(1,504)	1,545	41	37	78
Transfers	29	(393)	–	364	–	–	–
Acquisition of interests in subsidiaries and change in minority interests	–	–	–	–	–	86	86
Dividends and liquidation distribution to minority interests	–	–	–	–	–	(98)	(98)
DSP reserve from dividends on unvested shares	–	–	–	3	3	–	3
Ordinary and preference dividends	–	–	–	(927)	(927)	–	(927)
Preference shares issued by a subsidiary	–	–	–	–	–	1,500	1,500
Preference shares issued by the Bank	1,000	–	–	–	1,000	–	1,000
Preferences shares' issue expense	(1)	–	–	–	(1)	–	(1)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	15	–	–	15	–	15
Shares issued to non-executive directors	1	–	–	–	1	–	1
Shares purchased by DSP Trust	–	(2)	–	–	(2)	–	(2)
Shares vested under DSP Scheme	–	8	–	–	8	–	8
Treasury shares transferred / sold	89	(31)	–	–	58	–	58
Balance at 31 December 2008	6,638	1,329	222	7,685	15,874	2,686	18,560
Included:							
Share of reserves of associates and joint ventures	–	2	(#)	32	34	(#)	34

Note:

1. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY – GROUP (UNAUDITED)

For the three months ended 31 December 2009

S\$ million	Attributable to equity holders of the Bank					Minority interests	Total equity
	Share capital	Capital reserves	Fair value reserves	Revenue reserves	Total		
Balance at 1 October 2009	7,003	1,057	1,128	8,557	17,745	2,749	20,494
Total comprehensive income for the period	–	–	378	518	896	59	955
Transfers	2	(74)	–	72	–	–	–
DSP reserve from dividends on unvested shares	–	–	–	1	1	–	1
Preference dividends	–	–	–	(45)	(45)	–	(45)
Shares issued in lieu of ordinary dividends	359	–	–	–	359	–	359
Shares purchased by DSP Trust	–	(1)	–	–	(1)	–	(1)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	4	–	–	4	–	4
Treasury shares transferred / sold	12	–	–	–	12	–	12
Balance at 31 December 2009	7,376	986	1,506	9,103	18,971	2,808	21,779
Included:							
Share of reserves of associates and joint ventures	–	3	#	32	35	(1)	34
Balance at 1 October 2008	6,606	1,453	225	7,483	15,767	2,705	18,472
Total comprehensive income for the period	–	–	(3)	143	140	15	155
Transfers	29	(128)	–	99	–	–	–
Dividends to minority interests	–	–	–	–	–	(34)	(34)
Preference dividends	–	–	–	(40)	(40)	–	(40)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	4	–	–	4	–	4
Shares purchased by DSP Trust	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Treasury shares transferred / sold	3	–	–	–	3	–	3
Balance at 31 December 2008	6,638	1,329	222	7,685	15,874	2,686	18,560
Included:							
Share of reserves of associates and joint ventures	–	2	(#)	32	34	(#)	34

Note:

1. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

AUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY – BANK

For the financial year ended 31 December 2009

S\$ million	Share capital	Capital reserves	Fair value reserves	Revenue reserves	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2009	6,638	1,099	12	5,076	12,825
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	591	1,267	1,858
Transfers	2	(342)	–	340	–
DSP reserve from dividends on unvested shares	–	–	–	3	3
Ordinary and preference dividends paid in cash	–	–	–	(286)	(286)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	11	–	–	11
Shares issued in lieu of ordinary dividends	684	–	–	(684)	–
Shares issued to non-executive directors	#	–	–	–	#
Treasury shares transferred / sold	52	–	–	–	52
Balance at 31 December 2009	7,376	768	603	5,716	14,463
Balance at 1 January 2008	5,520	1,453	430	3,710	11,113
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	(418)	1,950	1,532
Transfers	29	(369)	–	340	–
DSP reserve from dividends on unvested shares	–	–	–	3	3
Ordinary and preference dividends	–	–	–	(927)	(927)
Preference shares issued by the Bank	1,000	–	–	–	1,000
Preference shares' issue expense	(1)	–	–	–	(1)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	15	–	–	15
Shares issued to non-executive directors	1	–	–	–	1
Treasury shares transferred / sold	89	–	–	–	89
Balance at 31 December 2008	6,638	1,099	12	5,076	12,825

For the three months ended 31 December 2009 (Unaudited)

S\$ million	Share capital	Capital reserves	Fair value reserves	Revenue reserves	Total equity
Balance at 1 October 2009	7,003	851	492	5,375	13,721
Total comprehensive income for the period	–	–	111	300	411
Transfers	2	(87)	–	85	–
DSP reserve from dividends on unvested shares	–	–	–	1	1
Preference dividends	–	–	–	(45)	(45)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	4	–	–	4
Shares issued in lieu of ordinary dividends	359	–	–	–	359
Treasury shares transferred / sold	12	–	–	–	12
Balance at 31 December 2009	7,376	768	603	5,716	14,463
Balance at 1 October 2008	6,606	1,208	1	4,918	12,733
Total comprehensive income for the period	–	–	11	114	125
Transfers	29	(113)	–	84	–
Preference dividends	–	–	–	(40)	(40)
Share-based staff costs capitalised	–	4	–	–	4
Treasury shares transferred / sold	3	–	–	–	3
Balance at 31 December 2008	6,638	1,099	12	5,076	12,825

Note:

1. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.

AUDITED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2009

S\$ million	2009	2008	4Q09 [@]	4Q08 [@]
Cash flows from operating activities				
Profit before income tax	2,543	2,085	627	321
Adjustments for non-cash items				
Amortisation of intangible assets	47	47	12	12
Allowances for loans and impairment of other assets	429	447	77	243
Change in fair value for hedging transactions and trading securities	(297)	291	14	34
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and investment property	135	116	36	33
Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment and investment property	(8)	(8)	(5)	(1)
Net (gain)/loss on disposal of government, debt and equity securities	(50)	(204)	(30)	24
Net loss on disposal of an associate and interest in subsidiaries	#	#	-	-
Share-based staff costs	9	13	4	4
Share of results of associates and joint ventures	#	(6)	2	3
Items relating to life assurance fund				
Surplus before income tax	998	45	223	(64)
Surplus transferred from life assurance fund	(727)	(300)	(127)	(115)
Operating profit before change in operating assets and liabilities	3,079	2,526	833	494
Change in operating assets and liabilities				
Deposits of non-bank customers	6,580	5,324	3,754	(603)
Deposits and balances of banks	845	(4,651)	(873)	(3,255)
Derivative payables and other liabilities	(3,493)	4,401	(213)	2,095
Trading portfolio liabilities	905	939	459	313
Government securities and treasury bills	(2,736)	(1,138)	145	(622)
Trading securities	115	259	(66)	582
Placements with and loans to banks	80	(338)	2,674	829
Loans and bills receivable	(1,341)	(8,508)	(3,682)	(43)
Derivative receivables and other assets	2,235	(3,119)	452	(2,043)
Net change in investment assets and liabilities of life assurance fund	(521)	580	(306)	372
Cash from/(used in) operating activities	5,748	(3,725)	3,177	(1,881)
Income tax paid	(342)	(362)	(36)	(31)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	5,406	(4,087)	3,141	(1,912)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Acquisition of minority interests	-	(31)	-	-
Dividends from associates	3	2	#	2
(Increase)/decrease in associates and joint ventures	(92)	4	(96)	(2)
Net cashflow from acquisition of subsidiaries	-	(124)	-	-
Purchases of debt and equity securities	(3,130)	(4,424)	(860)	(716)
Purchases of property, plant and equipment and investment property	(200)	(278)	(49)	(119)
Proceeds from disposal of debt and equity securities	3,392	5,219	608	1,293
Proceeds from disposal of interest in subsidiaries	8	-	#	-
Proceeds from disposal of an associate	-	1	-	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment and investment property	20	42	13	21
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	1	411	(384)	479
Cash flows from financing activities				
Dividends paid to equity holders of the Bank	(286)	(927)	(131)	(40)
Dividends paid to minority interests	(115)	(98)	(#)	(34)
Increase/(decrease) in debts issued	1,054	939	1,064	(406)
Net proceeds from issue of preference shares by the Bank	-	999	-	-
Proceeds from issue of preference shares by a subsidiary	-	1,500	-	-
Proceeds from treasury shares transferred/sold under the Bank's employee share schemes	30	58	12	2
Net cash (used in)/from financing activities	683	2,471	945	(478)
Net currency translation adjustments	53	(163)	10	(121)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	6,143	(1,368)	3,712	(2,032)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year/period	7,028	8,396	9,459	9,060
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year/period	13,171	7,028	13,171	7,028

Notes:

1. “#” represents amounts less than S\$0.5 million.
2. “@” represents unaudited.

SHARE CAPITAL AND OPTIONS ON SHARES IN THE BANK

The following table shows movements in the issued ordinary shares of the Bank:

Number of Shares	Financial year ended 31 Dec		Three months ended 31 Dec	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Issued ordinary shares				
Balance at beginning of year/period	3,126,565,512	3,126,512,712	3,193,938,485	3,126,565,512
Shares issued in lieu of ordinary dividends	118,511,571	–	51,181,798	–
Shares issued to non-executive directors	43,200	52,800	–	–
Balance at end of year/period	3,245,120,283	3,126,565,512	3,245,120,283	3,126,565,512
Treasury shares				
Balance at beginning of year/period	(25,746,212)	(40,291,633)	(17,238,874)	(26,450,221)
Shares sold / transferred to employees pursuant to OCBC Share Option Schemes	6,043,567	4,997,454	2,434,335	704,009
Shares sold / transferred to employees pursuant to OCBC Employee Share Purchase Plan	22,790	5,456,660	22,790	–
Shares transferred to DSP Trust pursuant to OCBC Deferred Share Plan	4,898,106	4,091,307	–	–
Balance at end of year/period	(14,781,749)	(25,746,212)	(14,781,749)	(25,746,212)
Total	3,230,338,534	3,100,819,300	3,230,338,534	3,100,819,300

From 1 October 2009 to 31 December 2009 (both dates inclusive), the Bank utilised 2,434,335 treasury shares upon the exercise of options by employees of the Group pursuant to OCBC Share Option Schemes 1994 and 2001. As at 31 December 2009, the number of options outstanding under the OCBC Share Options Schemes was 39,746,960 (31 December 2008: 43,089,452).

From 1 October 2009 to 31 December 2009 (both dates inclusive), the Bank utilised 22,790 treasury shares upon the exercise of acquisition rights by employees of the Group pursuant to OCBC Employee Share Purchase Plan (“ESPP”). As at 31 December 2009, the number of acquisition rights outstanding under the OCBC ESPP was 8,452,191 (31 December 2008: 10,214,077).

51,181,798 ordinary shares were issued pursuant to OCBC Scrip Dividend Scheme in lieu of cash for the interim one-tier tax exempt dividend of 14 cents per ordinary shares in the capital of OCBC for the year ended 31 December 2009.

There was no share buyback in the fourth quarter ended 31 December 2009. No new preference shares were allotted and issued by the Bank in the fourth quarter ended 31 December 2009.

OTHER MATTERS / SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

1. On 29 January 2010, OCBC Bank announced that it has completed the acquisition of ING Asia Private Bank Limited and its subsidiaries (together, "IAPB") for an investment amount of approximately US\$1,446 million or S\$2,024 million. IAPB has been re-named Bank of Singapore Limited ("Bank of Singapore") and is now a wholly-owned private banking subsidiary of OCBC Bank.

The private banking businesses of IAPB and OCBC Bank will be combined and will operate as Bank of Singapore. This will result in the creation of a leading Asian private bank with over 7,000 clients and total private client assets under management of approximately US\$23 billion. It will also occupy a unique position as the only dedicated private bank that is headquartered in Singapore.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT To The Members Of Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited ("the Bank") and its subsidiaries ("the Group"), which comprise the balance sheets of the Group and the Bank as at 31 December 2009, the income statements, statements of comprehensive income and statements of changes in equity of the Group and the Bank and cash flow statement of the Group for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, Chapter 50 ("the Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards. This responsibility includes:

- (a) devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair profit and loss accounts and balance sheets and to maintain accountability of assets;
- (b) selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and
- (c) making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditors' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.





Opinion

In our opinion,

- (a) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the financial statements of the Bank are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards, including the modification of the requirements of FRS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* in respect of loan loss provisioning by Notice to Banks No. 612 'Credit Files, Grading and Provisioning' issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore, to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Bank as at 31 December 2009, the results and changes in equity of the Group and of the Bank and cash flows of the Group for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Bank and by those subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

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19 February 2010