# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

## PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE **SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported):  $\mathbf{July}\ \mathbf{11}, \mathbf{2008}$ 

# WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

### Bermuda

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

001-16503 (Commission file number)

98-0352587 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

c/o Willis Group Limited 51 Lime Street, London, EC3M 7DQ, England (Address of principal executive offices)

(011) 44-20-3124-6000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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### Item 8.01—Other Events

This Current Report on Form 8-K is being filed by Willis Group Holdings Limited ("Willis Group Holdings") and subsidiaries (collectively the "Company") in anticipation of Willis Group Holdings filing a registration statement in connection with the proposed acquisition of Hilb Rogal & Hobbs Company, as announced on June 7, 2008. As the financial statements filed by the Company in its most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 will be incorporated by reference into the registration statement, the Company is filing herewith updated financial statements and other affected financial information for the periods included in its most recent annual report on Form 10-K that reflect retrospective adjustments resulting from the below referenced changes in the Company's accounting disclosure and segmental reporting. Specifically, Items 7 and 8 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 (the "Annual Report") have been adjusted to reflect changes to accounting disclosures and the Company's segmental reporting that were effective January 1, 2008 and that have been applied retrospectively. These events are discussed in more detail below.

By filing this Current Report on Form 8-K, the Company will be able to incorporate the updated information by reference into filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the registration statement to be filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in connection with the acquisition of Hilb Rogal & Hobbs Company.

## Change to accounting disclosures

With effect from January 1, 2008, the Company reported gains on disposal of intangible assets, previously reported within "Commissions and fees", separately as "Other income".

Other income comprises gains on the disposals of intangible assets, which primarily arise on the disposal of books of business. Although the Company is not in the business of selling intangible assets (mainly books of business), from time to time the Company will dispose of a book of business (a customer list) or other intangible asset that does not produce adequate margins or fit with our strategy.

We have retrospectively adjusted the presentation of our revenue analysis to reflect this change in Item 7—"Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", the Consolidated Statements of Operations and the applicable notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Change to segmental reporting

With effect from January 1, 2008, the Company changed its basis of segmental allocation for central costs. In particular, all accounting adjustments for hedging transactions are now held at the Corporate level, together with certain legal costs.

We have retrospectively adjusted our operating income analysis and other segmental disclosures in Item 7—"Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Note 20, Segment Information, in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements to reflect this revised basis of segmental allocation for central costs.

An adjusted Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2007 that was originally filed as Part II, Item 7 of the Annual Report is attached as Exhibit 99.01. Adjusted audited consolidated financial statements for the three years

 $ended\ December\ 31,\ 2007\ that\ were\ originally\ filed\ as\ Part\ II,\ Item\ 8\ of\ the\ Annual\ Report\ are\ attached\ as\ Exhibit\ 99.02.$ 

Other than the changes reflected in the items in this filling, this Form 8-K does not modify or update the disclosures in the Form 10-K in any way.

## INFORMATION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This document and the exhibits attached hereto may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which are intended to be covered by the safe harbors created by those laws. These forward-looking statements include information about possible or assumed future results of our operations. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this document that address activities, events or developments that we expect or anticipate may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. Examples of forward looking statements include statements we made in "Item 7—Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Summary—Shaping our Future" and—"Financial Targets" and elsewhere regarding such things as our outlook and guidance regarding future operating margin and adjusted earnings per diluted share, future capital expenditures, expected growth in commissions and fees, business strategies, competitive strengths, goals, the anticipated benefits of new initiatives, growth of our business and operations, plans, and references to future successes. Also, when we use the words such as "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "expect", "intend", "plan", "probably", or similar expressions, we are making forward-looking statements.

There are important uncertainties, events and factors that could cause our actual results or performance to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements contained in this document, including regional, national or global political, economic, business, competitive, market and regulatory conditions and the following:

- our ability to implement and realize anticipated benefits of the Shaping our Future initiative and other new initiatives,
- the extent and timing of, and prices paid in connection with, any share repurchases under existing or future programs,
- increases in client retentions,

• our ability to retain existing clients and attract new business, and our ability to retain key employees,

- changes in commercial property and casualty markets, or changes in premiums and availability of insurance products due to a catastrophic event such as a hurricane,
- volatility or declines in other insurance markets and the premiums on which our commissions are based.
- impact of competition,
- · the timing or ability to carry out share repurchases or take other steps to manage our capital,
- fluctuations in exchange and interest rates that could affect expenses and revenue,
- rating agency actions that could inhibit ability to borrow funds or the pricing thereof,
- legislative and regulatory changes affecting both our ability to operate and client demand,
- potential costs and difficulties in complying with a wide variety of foreign laws and regulations, given the global scope of our operations,
- changes in the tax or accounting treatment of our operations,
- our exposure to potential liabilities arising from errors and omissions claims against us,
- the results of regulatory investigations, legal proceedings and other contingencies, and
- the timing of any exercise of put and call arrangements with associated companies.

The foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive and new factors may emerge from time to time that could also affect actual performance and results. See also Part I, Item 1A "Risk Factors" in our 2007 Form 10-K for additional factors.

Although we believe that the assumptions underlying our forward-looking statements are reasonable, any of these assumptions, and therefore also the forward-looking statements based on these assumptions, could themselves prove to be inaccurate. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking statements included in this document, our inclusion of this information is not a representation or guarantee by us that our objectives and plans will be achieved.

Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made and we will not update these forward-looking statements unless the securities laws require us to do so. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this document may not occur and we caution you against unduly relying on these forward-looking statements.

## Item 9.01—Financial Statements and Exhibits

- 23.01 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
- 99.01 Item 7—Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for the three years ended December 31, 2007
- $99.02\,$  Item 8—Financial Statements and Supplementary Data for the three years ended December 31, 2007

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED (Registrant)

By: /s/ PATRICK C. REGAN

Patrick C. Regan Group Chief Operating Officer and Group Chief Financial Officer

Dated: London, July 11, 2008

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INFORMATION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS SIGNATURES

## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements No. 333-135176 on Form S-3 and in Registration Statements No. 333-62780, No. 333-63186 and No. 333-130605 on Form S-8 of our report dated February 27, 2008 (July 11, 2008 as to the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Notes 2, 20, 22, and 23) relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of Willis Group Holdings Limited (which report expresses an unqualified opinion and includes an explanatory paragraph regarding the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans- an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132R) appearing in this Current Report on Form 8-K of Willis Group Holdings Limited.

Deloitte & Touche L.L.P.

London, England July 11, 2008 QuickLinks

Exhibit 23.01

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

## Item 7—Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This discussion includes references to non-GAAP financial measures as defined in Regulation G of SEC rules. We present such non-GAAP financial measures, as we believe such information is of interest to the investment community because it provides additional meaningful methods of evaluating certain aspects of the Company's operating performance from period to period on a basis that may not be otherwise apparent on a GAAP basis. These financial measures should be viewed in addition to, not in lieu of, the Company's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2007.

#### Overview

The difficult market conditions in the first nine months of 2007 continued into the last quarter with further rate decreases across most sectors of the market in which we operate. We believe premium rate declines were between 15 to 20 percent in the United States and 5 to 20 percent elsewhere during 2007.

In the reinsurance market, we have seen a combination of declining rates, a reduction in amounts reinsured and other changes, including recent changes in Florida legislation which significantly increased capacity and reduced prices. Although premium rates have declined by approximately 10 percent on average, the most significant impact on reinsurance growth has been higher retentions at the primary underwriters. We expect the reinsurance market to continue to soften in light of favorable loss trends and the strong reserves and returns on equity achieved by the insurance companies.

Despite these difficult trading conditions, we reported 3 percent organic commissions and fee growth and over a 1 percentage point increase in our operating margin for the year ended December 31, 2007 compared with 2006. We continue to execute on our Shaping our Future

## SUMMARY

This discussion includes forward-looking statements, including under the heading "Summary—Shaping our "Future" and "—Financial Targets". Please see "Information Concerning Forward-Looking Statements" for certain cautionary information regarding forward-looking statements and a list of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those predicted in the forward-looking statements.

strategy to deliver productivity improvements and profitable growth. Shaping our Future has contributed to improved margins in our North America and International retail businesses. The strategy mitigated the margin decrease in our Global operations which reflected investments made in analytics and capital market capabilities in our reinsurance operations and an adverse impact from foreign exchange.

Results 2007 compared with 2006

Net income in 2007 was \$409 million, or \$2.78 per diluted share, compared with \$449 million, or \$2.84 per diluted share, in 2006 as the benefits of increased revenues and a 1 percent increase in margin were more than offset by the non-recurrence of a \$71 million tax credit in fourth quarter 2006, primarily relating to the resolution of certain prior year tax matters.

Total revenues at \$2,578 million were \$150 million, or 6 percent, higher than in 2006 of which 2 percent related to foreign currency translation and 1 percent to net acquisitions and disposals. Organic revenue growth was 3 percent reflecting net new business growth of 4 percent and a 1 percent negative impact from declining rates and other market factors.

Operating margin at 24 percent was 1 percentage point higher than in 2006 mainly reflecting:

- the \$102 million gain on disposal of our London headquarters in 2006, equivalent to approximately a 4 percentage point decrease in margin;
- $^{ullet}$  the \$105 million expenditure in 2006 to launch our Shaping our Future strategy, equivalent to approximately a 4 percentage point increase in margin;
- the benefit of 2007 cost savings relating to our Shaping our Future strategy and lower charges for pensions and legal provisions; and
- an adverse year on year impact from foreign currency translation, equivalent to approximately a 1 percentage point decrease in margin.

Results 2006 compared with 2005

Net income in 2006 was \$449 million, or \$2.84 per diluted share, compared with \$281 million, or \$1.72 per diluted share, in 2005. This increase reflected good organic revenue growth, improved operating margin and the benefit of a \$71 million tax credit in the fourth quarter which was primarily related to the resolution of certain prior year tax matters.

Total revenues at \$2,428 million were \$161 million, or 7 percent, higher than in 2005 as organic revenue growth of 8 percent, reflecting net new business growth in all our business units, more than offset a small reduction in market remuneration.

Operating margin for 2006 was 23 percent compared with 20 percent in 2005. Our margins in 2006 and 2005 have been impacted by a number of significant items:

- a \$102 million gain on disposal of our London headquarters in second half 2006, equivalent to 4 percent
  of revenues;
- \$105 million of expenditure in 2006 in support of our Shaping our Future strategic initiatives,

see "Shaping our Future" below, equivalent to 4 percent of revenues;

- a \$78 million gain on the sale of Stewart Smith in second quarter 2005, equivalent to 3 percent of
- first quarter 2005 charges for: regulatory settlements and related costs, \$60 million; the first quarter 2005 headcount reduction program, \$28 million; and a \$20 million additional charge for legal provisions following the March 31, 2005 review of legal proceedings, in total equivalent to 5 percent of revenues.

The year on year improvement in 2006 operating margin also reflected lower pension charges compared with 2005, the benefit of net new business and increased productivity from recent hires. These were partly offset by the impact of lower market remuneration.

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Our Shaping our Future strategy is a series of initiatives designed to deliver profitable growth. We incurred \$105 million of costs in 2006 on growth initiatives and we have continued to execute on the strategy throughout 2007. Achievements to date include the delivery of our Eclipse broking technology and the new end-to-end process for our London Market businesses, together with a \$10 million benefit in 2007 from our client profitability program. The client profitability program is now being rolled out to our retail network, including North America, Australia and our major European operations.

We announced at our Investor Day on November 2, 2007 that, following the tangible results of our Shaping our Future strategy, we expect to invest further in key profitable growth initiatives in 2008.

We are conducting a thorough review of all businesses to identify additional opportunities for cost savings to help fund a portion of these anticipated investments. Although the review is not complete, we currently anticipate that it will lead us to incur a pretax charge in the range of

approximately \$60 million to \$90 million beginning in the first quarter 2008. We expect this review will lead to annualized cost savings in the range of \$20 million to \$40 million in 2008, and that there will be increased benefits in 2009. These savings are in addition to the anticipated annualized net benefit from the 2006 Shaping our Future charges which are currently estimated to be approximately \$30 million in 2008 and \$45 million by 2009

## Financial targets

Excluding this anticipated charge, we continue to expect an adjusted operating margin (operating margin excluding net gains and losses on disposals and other one-time items) of approximately 24 percent in 2008, as underlying business growth and cost savings are reinvested. We also continue to expect adjusted operating margins to expand in 2009 and 2010 to reach our previously stated goal of 28 percent or more.

In addition, we also expect to deliver adjusted diluted earnings per share (diluted earnings per share excluding net gains and losses on disposals and other one-time items) in the range of \$2.85-\$2.95 in 2008, \$3.30-\$3.40 in 2009, and \$4.00-\$4.10 in 2010. These figures include an estimated \$0.10 accretion in 2008 increasing to \$0.30 by 2010 via share buy backs.

### Acquisitions

In second quarter 2007, we acquired Chicago-based Insurance Noodle and an additional 17 percent stake in Coyle Hamilton Willis, our Irish subsidiary.

Insurance Noodle is an internet distributor of US small business property-casualty insurance with annual revenues of approximately \$6 million. We believe that Insurance Noodle's web-enabled business model, combined with its strong carrier relationships and distribution through over 2,500 agents across the United States, offers us a greatly improved, lower-cost way to reach and service this key US market.

On January 2, 2008 we purchased an additional 4 percent of the voting rights in Gras Savoye for

\$30 million, bringing our total voting rights to 42 percent.

### Share buybacks

We repurchased shares totaling \$481 million through our share buyback programs in 2007. On November 1, 2007, the Board authorized a new share buyback program for \$1 billion. This replaced our previous \$1 billion buyback program and its remaining \$308 million authorization. There were no share repurchases under the new authorization in 2007. As of February 22, 2008, we had repurchased 908,000 shares at a cost of \$30 million under the new authorization.

### Cash and financing

Cash at December 31, 2007 was \$200 million; \$88 million lower than at December 31, 2006. Net cash from operating activities of \$268 million, together with cash brought forward, were used to fund:

- dividend payments of \$143 million;
- fixed asset additions of \$185 million of which 106 million related to our new US and UK headquarters buildings; and
- acquisitions of \$82 million.

Total long-term debt at December 31, 2007 was \$1,250 million (December 31, 2006: \$800 million) and total stockholders' equity was \$1,347 million (December 31, 2006: \$1,454 million) giving a capitalization ratio (total long-term debt to total long-term debt and stockholders' equity) of 48 percent at December 31, 2007 compared with 35 percent at December 31, 2006. The increase in this ratio was principally attributable to a \$600 million debt issue and the \$481 million share repurchases in 2007.

In March 2007, we issued \$600 million of 10 year senior notes at 6.20 percent. We used the proceeds of the notes to fund the share buybacks and to repay a net \$150 million on our revolving credit facility. In addition, on November 7, 2007, we amended our revolving

credit facility to increase the permitted leverage ratio (defined as net indebtedness to consolidated EBITDA for the prior four quarters) from 2.5:1.0 to 3.0:1.0. At December 31, 2007, our leverage ratio was approximately 1.5:1.0, up from 0.8:1.0 at December 31, 2006.

We continue to generate strong operating cash flows and we believe that these allow us flexibility in our capital planning. Our investment grade credit ratings were reaffirmed when we issued the \$600 million of notes in the latter part of March 2007.

#### London headquarters

We are currently moving from Ten Trinity Square into our new London headquarters on Lime Street. In November 2004, we entered into an agreement to lease the Lime Street building and

We provide a broad range of insurance brokerage and risk management consulting services to our worldwide clients. Our core businesses include Aerospace; Energy; Marine; Construction; Financial and Executive Risks; Fine Art, Jewelry and Specie; Special Contingency Risks; and Reinsurance.

In our capacity as an advisor and insurance broker, we act as an intermediary between our clients and insurance carriers by advising our clients on their risk management requirements, helping clients determine the best means of managing risk, and negotiating and placing insurance risk with insurance carriers through our global

From the late 1980s through late 2000, insurance premium rates generally trended downwards as a result of a number of factors. However, following several years of underwriting losses, the declines in world equity markets and lower

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BUSINESS took control of the building in June 2007 under a 25 year lease. Annual rentals are \$41 million per year and we have subleased or agreed to sublease approximately 25 percent of the site under leases up to 15 years long. The outstanding contractual obligation for lease rentals at December 31, 2007 was \$947 million and the amounts OVERVIEW receivable from committed subleases was \$78 million.

#### 4 Reporting structure

Effective January 1, 2007, we changed our reporting structure. Our UK and Irish retail operations, Willis UK and Ireland, which were previously reported within our Global segment, are now reported with our previously existing international units as a single International segment which incorporates all our retail operations outside North America.

interest rates, many insurance carriers began to increase premium rates in 2000. The tragic events of September 11, 2001 acted as a catalyst, especially in areas such as aerospace, and rates generally continued to rise through 2003.

During 2004, we saw a rapid transition from a hard market, with premium rates stable or increasing, to a soft market, with premium rates falling in most markets. The soft market continued throughout 2005, although the rate of decline moderated in the latter part of the year. During 2006, the insurance market remained highly competitive and, outside of catastrophe-exposed markets, rates in most sectors have continued to decline.

In 2007, the market has softened further with premium rate decreases in many of the market sectors in which we operate, including declines of between 5 and 20 percent in many territories.

#### Revenue

2007 compared with 2006

				Change attributable to:			
	2007	2006 <sup>(i)</sup>	% change	Foreign currency translation	Acquisitions and disposals	Market remuneration	Organic revenue growth <sup>(ii)</sup>
	(mil	lions)					
Global	\$750	\$737	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%
North America	751	744	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
International	962	847	14%	6%	0%	0%	8%
Commissions and fees	\$2,463	\$2,328	6%	2%	1%	0%	3%
Investment income	96	87	10%				
Other income	19	13	46%				
Total revenues	\$2,578	\$2,428	6%				

(i) Effective January 1, 2007 we changed our management structure. Our UK and Irish retail operations, Willis UK and Ireland, which were previously within our Global division, have been combined with our other international units to create a single International Segment (2006 revenue reclassification of \$292 million). The new International segment incorporates all our retail operations outside North America. Our Energy business previously reported in our North America division is now reported within our Global division (2006 revenue reclassification of \$19 million). Our prior period revenue analysis has been adjusted to reflect our new internal reporting structure.

(ii) Organic revenue growth excludes the impact of foreign currency translation, acquisitions and disposals, market remuneration, investment income and other income from reported revenues. We use organic growth as a measure of business growth generated by operations that were part of the Group at the end of the period. Our method of calculating this measure may differ from that used by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited.

Our 2007 revenues at \$2,578 million were \$150 million, or 6 percent, higher than in 2006 of which 2 percent was attributable to foreign currency translation and 1 percent to net acquisitions and disposals.

Our International and Global operations earn a significant portion of their revenues in currencies other than the US dollar. For the year ended December 31, 2007, reported revenues in International benefited significantly from the year on year effect of foreign currency translation, in particular due to the weakening of the dollar against both sterling and the euro, compared with 2006.

Net acquisitions and disposals added a net 1 percent to total revenues in 2007 which was primarily attributable to the acquisitions of: Insurance Noodle in Chicago; Burkart Risk

5 Consulting and Partner in Switzerland; and Gras Savoye Re, a new venture with Gras Savoye.

Organic growth in commissions and fees in 2007 was 3 percent compared with 2006, reflecting net new business growth of 4 percent, together with the benefit of maintaining client retention levels in excess of 90 percent.

Organic growth in commissions and fees in 2007 included a negative 1 percent impact from premium rates and other market factors, with the impact of the significant rate decreases largely offset by the benefit of other market factors, including higher commission rates, client profitability analyses, higher insured values and changes in limits or exposures.

Organic revenue growth by segment is discussed further in "Operating Results—Segment Information" below.

				Change attributable to:			
	2006 <sup>(i)</sup>	2005 <sup>(i)</sup>	% change	Foreign currency translation	Acquisitions and disposals	Market remuneration	Organic revenue growth <sup>(ii)</sup>
	(millio	ns)					
Global	\$737	\$698	6%	1%	(2)%	(3)%	10%
North America	744	701	6%	0%	0%	0%	6%
International	847	791	7%	(1)%	1%	0%	7%
Commissions and fees	\$2,328	\$2,190	6%	0%	(1)%	(1)%	8%
Investment income	87	73	19%				
Other income	13	4	225%				
Total revenues	\$2,428	\$2,267	7%				

<sup>[</sup>i] Effective January 1, 2007 we changed our management structure. Our UK and Irish retail operations, Willis UK and Ireland, which were previously within our Global division, have been combined with our other International units to create a single International segment (2006 revenue reclassification of \$292 million). The new International segment incorporates all our retail operations outside North America. Our Energy business previously reported in our North America division is now reported within our Global division (2006 revenue reclassification of \$19 million, 2005 \$17 million). Our prior period revenue analysis has been adjusted to reflect our new internal reporting structure.

Our 2006 revenues at \$2,428 million were \$161 million, or 7 percent, higher than in 2005 with organic revenue growth of 8 percent, reflecting strong net new business growth, more than offsetting a 1 percent decrease attributable to market remuneration.

Our International and Global operations earn a significant portion of their revenues in currencies other than the US dollar. In 2006, while there was no net impact on total reported revenues from the year on year effect of foreign currency translation, Global revenues benefited by a net 1 percent which mainly reflected stronger average sterling exchange rates against the dollar, compared with 2005.

 $Net \ acquisitions \ and \ disposals \ had \ a \ neutral \ impact \ on \ total \ revenues \ in \ 2006 \ as \ the \ benefit \ of \ acquisitions \ in: International, including \ MGT$ 

6 Corredores de Seguros in Chile, Nicon in Sweden, Asesores in Peru, and Athos in Brazil; and Global, including Gueits Adams and International Insurance Brokers Inc; was offset by the impact of the Stewart Smith sale in April 2005

Change attributable to:

Organic growth in commissions and fees in 2006 was 8 percent compared with 2005, reflecting strong net new business growth in all our operations. There was a net negligible year on year impact from rates and other market factors as the impact of generally declining rates was offset by other factors, including higher commission rates, higher insureds and changes in limits or exposures, together with significant rate increases in areas with exposures to windstorm and catastrophe.

<sup>(</sup>ii) Organic revenue growth excludes the impact of foreign currency translation, acquisitions and disposals, market remuneration, investment income and other income from reported revenues. We use organic growth as a measure of business growth generated by operations that were part of the Group at the end of the period. Our method of calculating this measure may differ from that used by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited.

	2007	2006	2005
	(	millions, except percentage	s)
Salaries and benefits	\$1,448	\$1,457	\$1,384
Other	460	454	405
General and administrative expenses	\$1,908	\$1,911	\$1,789
Salaries and benefits as a percentage of revenues	56%	60%	61%
Other as a percentage of revenues	18%	19%	18%

2007 compared with 2006

General and administrative expenses at \$1,908 million for 2007 were \$3 million lower than in 2006. This decrease was mainly attributable to:

- the 2006 strategic initiative expenditure of \$96 million relating to the launch of our Shaping our Future strategy, of which \$59 million related to salaries and benefits and \$37 million to other expenses; and
- the benefits of our Shaping our Future initiatives,

partly offset by

a 4 percent adverse impact from foreign currency translation.

Salaries and benefits were 56 percent of 2007 revenues, compared with 60 percent in 2006, with the decrease reflecting:

- the \$59 million benefit as a result of 2006 strategic initiative expenditure, equivalent to approximately 2 percentage points;
- ullet the benefits of cost controls and our Shaping our Future initiatives; and
- a \$36 million reduction in pension charges, equivalent to approximately 1 percentage point. This decrease
  was mainly attributable to an increase in the expected return on assets in the UK plan reflecting higher
  asset levels due to the significant additional contributions we have made in 2007 and 2006;

7 partly offset by

- an adverse impact from foreign currency translation, equivalent to approximately 4 percentage points; and
- continued hiring in targeted development areas, including energy, construction, marine, financial institutions, reinsurance analytics and employee benefits.

Net headcount on a full-time equivalent ("FTE") basis at December 31, 2007 was approximately 13,100, broadly in line with December 31, 2006. For the year ended December 31, 2007 average revenues per employee were approximately \$192,000 compared with \$186,000 per employee for fiscal 2006, an increase of 3 percent. This increase reflected the benefit of improvements in our retail operations in North America and International. Revenues per FTE employee in our Global operations were broadly in line with 2006, with the benefit of productivity improvements and steady client retention largely offset by lower revenues in reinsurance reflecting the difficult trading environment which has seen rate declines throughout 2007.

Other expenses were 18 percent of revenues in 2007 compared with 19 percent in 2006, with the decrease reflecting:

 the \$37 million benefit as a result of 2006 strategic initiative expenditure, equivalent to approximately 2 percentage points;

- a \$22 million reduction in the net charge for legal provisions, reflecting both the favorable resolution of a small number of potentially significant claims and the benefit of a favorable trend in UK claims expense; and
- the benefit of our continued focus on cost controls;

partly offset by

- an adverse impact from foreign currency translation, equivalent to approximately 4 percentage points; and
- a \$17 million additional rental expense recognized in second half 2007, following practical completion of our new London headquarters in June 2007 which gave us control of the building.

Other expenses in 2007 also include \$13 million of rent on our existing London headquarters building, following its sale and leaseback in September 2006. We have given notice to terminate this lease on April 30, 2008 as we are on schedule to complete the move to our new London headquarters by mid April 2008. Of the \$121 million pre-tax gain on the sale of the building, \$22 million was deferred and is being recognized over the revised life of the lease, of which \$14 million was recognized in 2007.

2006 compared with 2005

General and administrative expenses at \$1,911 million for 2006 were \$122 million, or 7 percent, higher than in 2005 including a net 1 percent adverse impact from foreign currency translation.

General and administrative expenses were adversely impacted by significant charges in both 2006 and 2005. In 2006 we incurred \$96 million of expenditure on strategic initiatives, as discussed above, and in 2005 we incurred significant first quarter charges relating to: the first quarter 2005 headcount reduction program, \$28 million; a \$20 million additional charge for legal provisions; and \$9 million of costs related to regulatory settlements.

- 8 Salaries and benefits were 60 percent of 2006 revenues compared with 61 percent in 2005 with the decrease being attributable to:
  - pensions:

the pension charge in 2006 was \$33 million lower than in 2005 which was mainly attributable to an increase in the expected return on assets in the UK plan due to higher asset levels, reflecting the good returns in 2005 and increased contributions by the Company, and an increase in the expected rate of return assumption from 7.25 percent to 7.75 percent. In addition, the US charge benefited from savings attributable to the 2005 headcount reduction program; and

the benefit of net new business and an increased revenue contribution from our recent hires;

### offset by

severance:

severance costs were \$41 million in 2006 of which \$35 million related to our strategic initiatives under which nearly 500 positions were eliminated. Severance costs were \$30 million in 2005 of which \$28 million related to a headcount reduction program in first quarter 2005 under which approximately 500 positions were eliminated; and

a \$19 million reduction in market remuneration.

Other expenses at \$454 million were \$49 million, or 12 percent, higher than in 2005 of which 1 percent was attributable to the impact of net acquisitions and disposals and 1 percent to foreign currency translation.

Other expenses were 19 percent of revenues in 2006 compared with 18 percent in 2005 with the net increase mainly attributable to:

the \$37 million expenditure on strategic initiatives in 2006; partly offset by

an additional \$20 million provision for legal claims following the March 31, 2005 review of

Operating legal proceedings and \$9 million of legal costs relating to the 2005 regulatory settlements.

	2007	2006	2005
		(millions, except percentage	es)
Revenues	\$2,578	\$2,428	\$2,267
Operating income	620	552	451
Operating margin or operating income as a percentage of revenues	24%	23%	20%

2007 compared with 2006

Operating margin was 24 percent in 2007 compared with 23 percent in 2006. This increase reflected the impact

- the \$105 million of expenditure in 2006 in support of the Shaping our Future strategic initiatives, equivalent to 4 percentage points; and
- a 4 percentage point improvement in our retail margin, reflecting the increased margins in both North America and International as a result of our focus on productivity and profitable growth, together with the benefit of lower charges for pensions and legal provisions in our UK and US operations;

partly offset by

- the \$102 million pre-tax gain on the sale of our London headquarters, equivalent to 4 percentage points;
- a 2 percentage point reduction in Global's operating margin mainly reflecting the difficult reinsurance trading environment and an adverse impact from foreign exchange, partly offset by the benefit of our productivity initiatives and the benefit of lower charges for pensions and legal provisions.

Operating segment margins are discussed further in "Operating Results—Segment Information" below.

2006 compared with 2005

Operating margin was 23 percent in 2006 compared with 20 percent in 2005. Our margins

9 in 2006 and 2005 were impacted by a number of significant items:

- the \$102 million pre-tax gain on the sale of our London headquarters in second half 2006, equivalent to
- the \$105 million of expenditure in 2006 in support of our Shaping our Future strategic initiatives, equivalent to 4 percentage points;
- the \$78 million gain on the sale of Stewart Smith in 2005, equivalent to 3 percentage points; and
- first quarter 2005 charges for; regulatory settlements and related costs, \$60 million; the first quarter 2005 headcount reduction program, \$28 million; and a \$20 million additional charge for legal provisions following the March 31, 2005 review of legal proceedings, in total equivalent to 5 percentage points.

The year on year improvement in 2006 operating margin also reflected lower pension charges, the benefit of net new business and increased productivity from recent hires, partly offset by the impact of lower market remuneration.

## Interest expense

Interest expense in 2007 was \$66 million, compared with \$38 million in 2006 and \$30 million in 2005, with the increases due to higher average levels of debt at higher interest rates following the replacement of the \$450 million term loan with the issuance of \$600 million of senior notes in July 2005 and the issuance of a further \$600 million of senior notes in March 2007.

	2007	2006	2005
		(millions, except percentages)	
Income before taxes	\$554	\$514	\$421
Income taxes	144	63	143
Effective tax rate	26%	12%	34%

2007 compared with 2006

The effective tax rate in 2007 was 26 percent compared with 12 percent in 2006, with the increase mainly

- a \$71 million tax credit in 2006, equivalent to 14 percentage points, arising principally from the resolution of complex tax issues relating to the original KKR acquisition structure and subsequent internal restructurings in reaction to changes in UK tax laws; and
- a low tax rate on the gain on disposal of our London headquarters in 2006;

## partly offset by

- the implementation of tax strategies in 2007;
- a \$4 million reduction in our net deferred tax liabilities in the United Kingdom, reflecting UK tax legislation enacted in the second half of 2007. This legislation reduces the rate of UK corporation tax from 30 percent to 28 percent with effect from April 2008; and

Net income and diluted

a greater proportion of income being outside the United States.

earnings per Both 2007 and 2006 benefited from the release of tax provisions relating to prior tax periods following the share resolution of tax issues surrounding prior debt refinancing.

Going forward, we expect our full year 2008 tax rate, excluding the effect of the disposal of our London headquarters, share-based compensation and the release of tax provisions relating to the resolution of prior period tax positions, will be approximately 30 percent.

2006 compared with 2005

The effective tax rate in 2006 was 12 percent compared with 34 percent in 2005. The lower effective tax rate was primarily attributable to a \$65 million tax credit arising in 2006 and the low tax rate on the gain on disposal of our London headquarters. In addition, there was a \$6 million credit in fourth quarter 2006 relating to deferred tax on acquired intangibles.

	2007	2006	2005
	(mill	ions, except per share da	ata)
Net income	\$409	\$449	\$281
Diluted earnings per share	\$2.78	\$2.84	\$1.72
Average diluted number of shares outstanding	147	158	163

2007 compared with 2006

Net income for 2007 was \$409 million, or \$2.78 per diluted share, compared with \$449 million, or \$2.84 per diluted share, in 2006 with the decrease mainly reflecting the impact of:

- the \$94 million post-tax gain on the sale of our London headquarters in 2006, equivalent to \$0.59 per diluted share:
- $^{\bullet}$  the \$71 million tax credit in 2006 as discussed above, equivalent to \$0.45 per diluted share; and
- a \$20 million post-tax increase in interest expense in 2007 reflecting increased long term borrowing to fund share buybacks and additional pension contributions, equivalent to \$0.14 per diluted share;

## partly offset by

- the \$74 million post-tax impact of expenditure in 2006 to launch our Shaping our Future strategic initiatives, equivalent to \$0.47 per diluted share; and
- increased revenues and the improved margin in 2007 as discussed above.

Foreign currency translation had a \$0.06 negative year on year impact on diluted earnings per share in 2007.

Average sharecount reduced from 158 million in 2006 to 147 million in 2007 primarily reflecting the impact of the 15 million shares repurchased under accelerated share repurchase programs in November 2006 and March 2007. After taking into account incremental funding costs, there was a \$0.09 benefit to diluted earnings per share from these share buybacks for 2007.

## 2006 compared with 2005

"Net income for 2006 was \$449 million, or \$2.84 per diluted share, compared with \$281 million, or \$1.72 per diluted share in 2005. Net income in both 2006 and 2005 was impacted by a number of significant items, with the increase reflecting the effect of:

- the \$94 million post-tax gain on disposal of our London headquarters in 2006, equivalent to \$0.59 per diluted share;
- the \$71 million tax credit in fourth quarter 2006, equivalent to \$0.45 per diluted share; and
- the first quarter 2005 charges for regulatory settlements and related costs, the headcount reduction program and the March 31, 2005 review of legal proceedings, in total equivalent to \$0.43 per diluted share;

## partly offset by

- the \$74 million post-tax impact of 2006 Shaping our Future expenditure, equivalent to \$0.47 per diluted share; and
- the gain on disposal of Stewart Smith in second quarter 2005, equivalent to \$0.25 per diluted share.

Foreign currency translation had a \$0.02 negative year on year impact on diluted earnings per share in 2006. A five million reduction in average diluted share count contributed \$0.09 to 2006 diluted earnings per share.

Average sharecount reduced from 163 million in 2005 to 158 million in 2006 primarily reflecting the impact of the 10 million shares repurchased during 2005.

# OPERATING RESULTS—SEGMENT INFORMATION

We organize our business into three segments: Global, North America and International. Our Global business provides specialist brokerage and consulting services to clients worldwide for risks arising from specific industries and activities. North America and International

comprise our retail operations and provide services to small, medium and major corporates.

The following table is a summary of our operating results by segment for the three years ending December 31, 2007:

		2007			2006			2005	
	Revenues	Operating Income	Operating Margin	Revenues	Operating Income	Operating Margin	Revenues	Operating Income	Operating Margin
	(millio	ns)		(milli	ons)		(mill	ions)	
Global	\$796	\$225	28%	\$780	\$234	30%	\$733	\$220	30%
North America	786	152	19%	777	138	18%	721	104	14%
International	996	251	25%	871	180	21%	813	171	21%
Total Retail	1,782	403	23%	1,648	318	19%	1,534	275	18%
Corporate & Other <sup>(1)</sup>	_	(8)	n/a	_	_	n/a	_	(44)	n/a
Total Consolidated	\$2,578	\$620	24%	\$2,428	\$552	23%	\$2,267	\$451	20%

<sup>(1)</sup> Corporate and Other includes the costs of the holding company; foreign exchange hedging activities; amortization of intangible assets; net gains and losses on disposal of operations and properties; certain legal costs; expenditure on our 2006 Shaping our Future initiatives; and 2005 charges and costs relating to regulatory settlements, legal provisions and severance costs held centrally.

## Global

Our Global operations comprise Global Specialties and Reinsurance. The following table sets out revenues, organic revenue growth and  $\,$ 

operating income and margin for the three years ended December 31, 2007:

	2007	2006	2005
	(mi	illions, except percenta	eges)
Commissions and fees	\$750	\$737	\$698
Investment income	46	43	35
Total revenues	\$796	\$780	\$733
Operating income	\$225	\$234	\$220
Organic revenue growth <sup>(i)</sup>	0%	10%	6%
Operating margin	28%	30%	30%

Organic revenue growth excludes the impact of foreign currency translation, acquisitions and disposals, market remuneration, investment income and other income from reported revenues. We use organic growth as a measure of business growth generated by operations that were part of the Group at the end of the period. Our method of calculating this measure may differ from that used by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited.

 $\textbf{Revenues:}\ 2007\ compared\ with\ 2006$ 

1 percent to foreign currency translation. Organic revenue growth was flat in 2007 with the benefit of a 6 percent increase in Global Specialties offset by a 4 percent decrease in Reinsurance.

 $Commissions \ and \ fees \ were \$13 \ million, \ or \ 2 \ percent \ higher, \ in \ 2007 \ compared \ with \ 2006 \ of \ which \ 1 \ percent \ was \ attributable to the net impact of acquisitions and disposals and$ 

Global Specialties revenue growth reflected the benefit of one-time income from satellite launches and strong growth in Construction, especially in global infrastructure projects, together with good performances from Energy, Financial Institutions and Niche. This revenue growth was achieved despite significant rate reductions with rates decreasing in: Aerospace by some 15 to 20 percent year on year; Marine Hull by 15 to 20 percent; Marine cargo by 25 to 40 percent; and Financial Institutions, Energy and Niche by some 10 to 15 percent.

Organic revenues in reinsurance declined in 2007 and were adversely impacted by a combination of declining rates, a reduction in amounts reinsured and other changes, including recent changes in Florida legislation which significantly increased capacity and reduced prices. Although premium rates have declined by at least 10 percent on average, the most significant impact on reinsurance growth has been higher retentions at the primary underwriters. Client retention rates, however, remain very high and we have continued to make investments in Reinsurance to strengthen capital markets and analytics capabilities, which will drive future growth opportunities

Revenues: 2006 compared with 2005

Commissions and fees were \$39 million, or 6 percent higher, in 2006 compared with 2005 primarily reflecting organic revenue growth of 10 percent and a 1 percent favorable impact from foreign currency translation, partly offset by a 2 percent adverse impact from acquisitions and disposals and a 3 percent adverse impact from lower market remuneration.

Organic revenue growth reflected strong net new business growth. In our Global Specialties business Financial Institutions, Niche, Aerospace and Construction all showed good growth and there was a \$9 million benefit from the Shaping our Future client profitability project that was piloted in the global specialty business in the second half of 2006.

Reinsurance reported strong growth in 2006 compared with 2005. In Marine, Energy and catastrophe-exposed American and Caribbean Property, terms and conditions significantly tightened. Capacity in these markets remained inadequate which, together with the shortage of retrocessional reinsurance, led to significant rate increases. However, in many other sectors of the reinsurance market, pricing and terms continued to soften.

Operating margin: 2007 compared with 2006

Operating margin in our Global operations was 28 percent in 2007 compared with 30 percent in 2006. Revenues in our Global operations are largely dollar denominated while our expense base is primarily sterling denominated. The weakening of average dollar rates against sterling generated a negative 2 percentage point impact on Global's margin.

Operating margin in Global Specialities in 2007 was broadly in line with 2006 as the revenue growth achieved against the backdrop of a very tough rate environment was offset by moderate expense growth. The moderate expense growth reflected the benefits of Shaping our Future initiatives, lower charges for pension costs and legal provisions and good cost control, partly offset by an adverse impact from foreign exchange and continued hiring in targeted areas such as Construction, Energy and Financial Institutions.

Reinsurance's operating margin decreased in 2007 largely reflecting the decline in revenues, an adverse impact from foreign exchange and our continued investment in analytics, partly offset by the benefit of lower charges for pension costs and legal provisions, and good cost control.

Operating margin: 2006 compared with 2005

Operating margin was 30 percent in both 2006 and 2005, as an increase in our Global Specialities operating margin was offset by a decrease in our Reinsurance margin.

The Global Specialties margin included the benefit of strong revenue growth in Aerospace, Construction and Financial Institutions, good cost control and a lower pensions charge.

### North America

Our Reinsurance margin was impacted by the declining rate environment in 2006 partly offset by the benefit of tight cost controls and the early impact of Shaping our Future initiatives instigated in the latter half of the year.

	2007	2006	2005
		(millions, except percentages)	
Commissions and fees	\$751	\$744	\$701
Investment income	18	21	16
Other income	17	12	4
Total revenues	\$786	\$777	\$721
Operating income	\$152	\$138	\$104
Organic revenue growth <sup>(i)</sup>	1%	6%	5%
Operating margin	19%	18%	14%

(i) Organic revenue growth excludes the impact of foreign currency translation, acquisitions and disposals, market remuneration, investment income and other income from reported revenues. We use organic growth as a measure of business growth generated by operations that were part of the Group at the end of the period. Our method of calculating this measure may differ from that used by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited.

## Revenues: 2007 compared with 2006

Commissions and fees in North America were \$7 million, or 1 percent, higher in 2007 compared with 2006 which was attributable to organic growth. The organic revenue growth was achieved in the face of declining rates across most regions of the United States: MarketScout data for 2007 showed average property and casualty rate declines in the year of 13 percent. Despite the declining rates, we saw good growth in the Southeast, Central and New York regions and in our program business and employee benefits.

The rate of organic revenue growth has moderated this year compared to previous years as the focus in 2007 has been on profitable growth. Since mid-2006 we have moderated the pace of hiring and at the same time have managed out under performers: consequently, while there has been a year on year decline in producers, revenue per full-time equivalent ("FTE") employee was 5 percent higher in 2007 compared with 2006. Over the last two years we have increased our revenue per FTE employee to approximately \$250,000 which has contributed to margin expansion.

## 14 Revenues: 2006 compared with 2005

Commissions and fees were \$43 million, or 6 percent, higher in 2006 compared with 2005 which was attributable to organic growth. Organic revenue growth reflected strong growth across the business, and benefited from the results of our aggressive hiring strategy over the previous two years and our positive sales culture. Geographies doing particularly well in the year included the Northeast, Central and Southeast. Our Executive Risks and Employee Benefits practices also continued to perform well.

## Operating margin: 2007 compared with 2006

Operating margin in North America was 19 percent in 2007 compared with 18 percent in 2006 and reflected the benefit of the increased revenue per employee discussed above and effective expense control. Margin improvement was most significant in our New York and Central regions.

**International** Strong organic revenue growth across most regions, coupled with rigorous expense management, were the cornerstones of our margin improvement.

Operating margin was 18 percent in 2006 compared with 14 percent in 2005, with the 4 percentage point improvement reflecting the positive results of the accelerated hiring strategy and particularly good performances in the Northeast, Central and Southeast regions.

	2007	2006	2005
		(millions, except percentages)	
Commissions and fees	\$962	\$847	\$791
Investment income	32	23	22
Other income	2	1	_
Total revenues	\$996	\$871	\$813
Operating income	251	180	171
Organic revenue growth <sup>(i)</sup>	8%	7%	6%
Operating margin	25%	21%	21%

<sup>(</sup>i) Organic revenue growth excludes the impact of foreign currency translation, acquisitions and disposals, market remuneration, investment income and other income from reported revenues. We use organic growth as a measure of business growth generated by operations that were part of the Group at the end of the period. Our method of calculating this measure may differ from that used by other companies and therefore comparability may be limited.

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## Revenues: 2007 compared with 2006

Commissions and fees in International were \$115 million, or 14 percent, higher in 2007 compared with 2006. Some 6 percent of this increase was attributable to foreign currency translation as a significant part of International's revenues are earned in currencies that have strengthened against the dollar on a year on year basis, in particular the euro. Organic growth of 8 percent was achieved despite declining rates in most countries, with decreases of between 5 and 20 percent.

We have seen consistent growth in our International business over the last two years, with the last seven quarters all showing growth of 6 percent or higher. This growth is driven by the emerging markets, particularly Latin America, China and Asia, all of which continue to generate strong double-digit growth. The emerging market growth was complemented by good growth in mainland Europe, especially in the Nordic region, Spain, Italy and Eastern Europe. However, there was a modest decline in

our UK and Irish operations revenues compared with 2006 primarily due to the declining rates environment, with decreases averaging between 15 and 20 percent.

Revenues: 2006 compared with 2005

Commissions and fees were \$56 million, or 7 percent, higher in 2006 compared with 2005 of which 7 percent was attributable to organic growth and 1 percent to net acquisitions and disposals. There was a 1 percent adverse impact from foreign currency translation.

Organic growth was the result of good business growth despite a declining rate environment. Latin America (in particular Venezuela, Mexico and Brazil), Asia (Singapore, Hong Kong, Korea and China), Iberia and Italy all performed well.

Operating margin: 2007 compared with 2006

Operating margin in International was 25 percent in 2007 compared with 21 percent in 2006, with the 4 percentage point improvement

reflecting the strong organic revenue growth, particularly in the emerging markets, coupled with sustained cost control and a lower UK pension expense.

Significant operating margin improvement was reported across most areas of our International segment as the effect of strong organic revenue growth, our productivity efficiencies and joint focus more than offset the adverse impact of declining rates in most countries.

Operating margin: 2006 compared with 2005

Operating margin at 21 percent in 2006 was in line with 2005 despite a softening market in most countries. Our emerging markets businesses in Latin America contributed strong operating margin improvement which offset smaller decreases elsewhere.

## ACCOUNTING CHANGES

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes—an interpretation of FASB Statement No.* 109 ("FIN 48"), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions.

The evaluation of a tax position under FIN 48 is a two-step process:

The first step is recognition

Tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return should be recognized only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained upon examination, based on the technical merits of the position. In evaluating whether a tax position has met the more likely than not recognition threshold, it should be presumed that the position will be examined by the relevant taxing authority that would have full knowledge of all relevant information.

The second step is measurement

Tax positions that meet the recognition criteria are measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being recognized upon ultimate settlement.

FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition.

We adopted FIN 48 with effect from January 1, 2007 and, as a consequence, recorded a \$4 million increase in income taxes payable and charged a cumulative adjustment of \$4 million to opening retained earnings at January 1, 2007.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

Our accounting policies are described in Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Management considers that the following accounting estimates or assumptions are the most important to the presentation of our financial condition or operating performance. Management has discussed its critical accounting estimates and associated disclosures with our Audit Committee.

#### Pension expens

We maintain defined benefit pension plans that cover a majority of our employees in the United States and United Kingdom, although the UK plan was closed to new entrants in January 2006. New entrants in the United Kingdom are now offered the opportunity to join a defined contribution plan. Elsewhere, pension benefits are typically provided through defined contribution plans.

We make a number of assumptions when determining our pension liabilities and pension expense which are reviewed annually by senior management and changed where appropriate. The discount rate will be changed annually if underlying rates have moved whereas the expected long-term return on assets will be changed less frequently as longer term trends in asset returns emerge. Other material assumptions include rates of participant mortality, the expected long-term rate of compensation and pension increases and rates of employee termination.

We recorded a net pension credit on our defined benefit pension plans in 2007 of \$10 million, compared to a net pension expense of \$29 million in 2006, a decrease of \$39 million.

The UK plan decrease was \$37 million mainly reflecting an increase in the expected return on assets in the UK UK plan plan due to higher asset levels following significant additional contributions in 2006 and 2007 and the benefit of good returns in 2006. The US pension charge was \$2 million lower in 2007 with the decrease mainly due to savings attributable to the 2005 headcount reduction program.

lan Based on December 31, 2007 assumptions, we expect the net pension credit in 2008 to increase by between \$10 to \$15 million principally reflecting a further increase in the UK expected return on assets reflecting the 2007 and expected 2008 additional contributions and increased UK member contributions in 2008.

	As disclosed using December 31, 2007 assumptions	Impact of a 0.25 percentage point increase in the expected rate of return on assets(1)	Impact of a 0.25 percentage point increase in the discount rate <sup>(1)</sup>	One year increase in mortality assumption <sup>(1)(2)</sup>
		(millions)		
Estimated 2008 expense Projected benefit obligation at December 31,	\$(35)	\$(6)	\$(5)	\$7
2007	2,084	N/A	(94)	50

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- With all other assumptions held constant.
- Assumes all plan participants are one year younger.

Expected long-term rates of return on plan assets are developed from the expected future returns of the various asset classes using the target asset allocations. The expected long-term rate of return used for determining the net UK pension expense in 2007 remained unchanged at 7.75 percent, equivalent to an expected return in 2007 of \$182 million. The expected and actual returns on UK plan assets for the three years ended December 31, 2007 were as follows:

	Expected return on plan assets	Actual return on plan assets
	(millions)	
2007	\$182	\$99
2006	143	141
2005	107	282

Rates used to discount pension plan liabilities at December 31, 2007 were based on yields

prevailing at that date of high quality corporate bonds of appropriate maturity. The selected rate used to discount UK plan liabilities was 5.9 percent compared with 5.3 percent at December 31, 2006 with the increase reflecting an increase in long term bond rates in the United Kingdom in the latter part of 2007. The higher discount rate generated an actuarial gain of \$136 million at December 31, 2007 which was partly offset by a \$16 million actuarial loss attributable to an increase in the inflation and salaries assumptions.

Mortality assumptions at December 31, 2007 were unchanged from December 31, 2006. As an indication of the longevity assumed, our calculations assume that a UK male retiree aged 65 at December 31, 2007 would have a life expectancy of 20 years.

	As disclosed using December 31, 2007 Assumptions	0.25 percentage point increase in the expected rate of return on assets <sup>(1)</sup>	Impact of a 0.25 percentage point increase in the discount rate <sup>(1)</sup>	One year increase in mortality assumption <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	
		(millions)			
Estimated 2008 expense	\$12	\$(1)	\$(1)	\$2	
Projected benefit obligation at December 31, 2007	641	N/A	(21)	19	

- With all other assumptions held constant.
- Assumes all plan participants are one year younger.

The expected long-term rate of return used for determining the net US pension scheme expense in 2007 was 8.0 percent, compared with an actual return of 8.3 percent. The rate used to discount US plan liabilities at December 31, 2007 was 6.0 percent, determined based on expected plan cash flows discounted using a corporate bond yield curve, the same rate used at December 31, 2006. The expected and actual returns on US plan assets for the three years ended December 31, 2007 were as follows:

	Expected return on plan assets (millions)	Actual return on plan assets
2007	\$44	\$46
2006	39	78
2005	35	39

Mortality assumptions at December 31, 2007 were changed from December 31, 2006. The new mortality assumption is the RP-2000 Mortality Table (blended for annuitants and non-annuitants), projected to 2008 by Scale AA. As an indication of the longevity assumed, our calculations assume that a US male retiree aged 65 at December 31, 2007 would have a life expectancy of 18 years.

### Income taxes

We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the estimated future tax consequences of events attributable to differences between the financial statements carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating and capital loss and tax

credit carryforwards. We estimate deferred tax assets and liabilities and assess the need for any valuation allowances using enacted rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to be recovered or settled taking into account our business plans and tax planning strategies.

At December 31, 2007, the Company had gross deferred tax assets of \$202 million (2006: \$237 million) against which a valuation allowance of \$69 million (2006: \$73 million) had been recognized. To the extent that:

- the actual future taxable income in the periods during which the temporary differences are expected to reverse differs from current projections;
- assumed prudent and feasible tax planning strategies fail to materialize;
- new tax planning strategies are developed;
- or material changes occur in actual tax rates or loss carry forward time limits,

the Company may adjust the deferred tax asset considered realizable in future periods. Such adjustments could result in a significant increase

or decrease in the effective tax rate and have a material impact on our net income

Positions taken in the Company's tax returns may be subject to challenge by the taxing authorities upon examination. The Company recognizes the benefit of uncertain tax positions in the financial statements when it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on examination by the tax authorities. The benefit recognized is the largest amount of tax benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized on settlement with the tax authority, assuming full knowledge of the position and all relevant facts. The Company adjusts its recognition of these uncertain tax benefits in the period in which new information is available impacting either the recognition or measurement of its uncertain tax positions.

### ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

There were no new accounting standards issued during the year that would have a significant impact on the Company's reporting.

In March 2007, we issued \$600 million of 10 year senior notes at 6.20%. We used the proceeds of the notes to fund share buybacks in the period and to repay a net \$150 million on our revolving credit facility. On November 7, 2007, we executed an amendment to our revolving credit facility which increased our permitted leverage ratio from 2.5:1 to 3.0:1.

We repurchased shares totaling \$481 million through our share buyback programs in 2007. On November 1, 2007, the Board authorized a new share buyback program for \$1 billion. This replaced our previous \$1 billion buyback program and its remaining \$308 million authorization. There were no share repurchases under the new authorization in 2007. As of February 22, 2008, we had repurchased 908,000 shares at a cost of \$30 million under the new authorization.

Our investment grade credit ratings were reaffirmed when we issued the \$600 million of

## NEW Commitments, contingencies and accrued liabilities

We purchase professional indemnity insurance for errors and insurance claims. The terms of this insurance vary by policy year and self-insured risks have increased significantly over recent years. We have established provisions against various actual and potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings relating principally to alleged errors and omissions in connection with the placement of insurance and reinsurance in the ordinary course of business. Such provisions cover claims that have been reported but not paid and also claims that have been incurred but not reported. These provisions are established based on actuarial estimates together with individual case reviews and are believed to be adequate in the light of current information and legal advice.

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notes in March 2007. We believe that these ratings, together with the amendment to our revolving credit facility and our consistent generation of cash, allow us flexibility in our capital planning.

Going forward into 2008, we intend to continue to proactively manage our capital through the share buyback program funded by raising new debt.

#### Fiduciary funds

As an intermediary, we hold funds generally in a fiduciary capacity for the account of third parties, typically as the result of premiums received from clients that are in transit to insurers and claims due to clients that are in transit from insurers. We report premiums, which are held on account of, or due from, clients as assets with a corresponding liability due to the insurers. Claims held by, or due to, us which are due to clients are also shown as

assets and liabilities. All these balances due or payable are included in accounts receivable and accounts payable on the balance sheet. We earn interest on these funds during the time between

the receipt of the cash and the time the cash is paid out. Fiduciary cash must be kept in certain regulated bank accounts subject to guidelines, which generally emphasize capital preservation and liquidity, and is not generally available to service our debt or for other corporate purposes.

#### Own fund

As of December 31, 2007, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$200 million, compared with \$288 million at December 31, 2006, and \$250 million of our \$300 million revolving credit facility remained available to draw.

## Operating activities

Net cash provided by operations, which excludes fiduciary cash movements, was \$268 million in 2007 compared with \$147 million in 2006 and \$95 million in 2005. Net cash provided by operations has been significantly impacted by the accelerated funding of our pensions schemes over the last three years, with additional contributions of \$153 million in 2007, \$211 million in 2006 and \$50 million in 2005.

Net cash from operations in 2007 was \$121 million higher than in 2006 mainly reflecting:

- a \$27 million increase in net income before gains relating to investment activities;
- a \$58 million reduction in additional contributions to our UK and US defined benefit pension plans; and
- the benefit of a \$13 million reduction in taxes paid.

Net cash from operations in 2006 was \$52 million higher than in 2005 and included:

- a \$168 million increase in net income; and
- a reclassification of approximately \$134 million own funds to fiduciary funds under Financial Services
   Authority ("FSA") regulations in the United Kingdom which came into force in January 2005 and affected
   the timing of

0 transferring commissions from fiduciary funds to own funds;

partly offset by

a \$161 million increase in additional contributions to our UK and US defined benefit pension plans.

### Investing activities

Total net cash used in investing activities was \$221 million in 2007 compared with inflows of \$67 million in 2006 and \$32 million in 2005.

The net increase in cash used in investing activities of \$288 million in 2007 compared with 2006 was mainly attributable to:

- a \$130 million increased investment in fixed assets primarily relating to \$106 million of expenditure on the fit-outs of our new US and UK headquarters buildings; and
- cash proceeds on disposal of fixed and intangible assets of \$27 million in 2007 compared with \$205 million in 2006, primarily reflecting the \$202 million proceeds on sale of our London headquarters in 2006.

The net increase in cash provided by investing activities of 35 million in 2006 compared with 2005 was mainly attributable to:

the cash proceeds of \$202 million on disposal of our London headquarters in 2006. We leased back the property at an annual rental of \$13 million until April 30, 2008 when we expect to move into our new London headquarters;

partly offset by

a reduction in net cash proceeds from disposal of operations of \$85 million, primarily due to the 2005 disposal of Stewart Smith; and

a \$63 million increase in cash payments for acquisitions of subsidiaries and associates.

Cash used for acquisitions of subsidiaries and associates in 2007 amounted to \$82 million (net of cash acquired), and was primarily incurred in acquiring InsuranceNoodle in Chicago and an additional 17 percent of our Irish operation, Coyle Hamilton Willis.

In January 2008, we acquired a further 4 percent of voting rights in Gras Savoye & Cie, our French associate, for \$30 million, which combined with the additional 5 percent we acquired in 2006, brings our total voting interest to 42 percent. The acquisitions were pursuant to a put arrangement we entered into in 1997, see "Contractual Obligations" below.

### Financing activities

Cash used in financing activities amounted to \$146 million in 2007, compared with \$129 million in 2006 and \$270 million in 2005.

Long-term debt

In March 2007, we issued \$600 million of 10 year senior notes at 6.20 percent. We used the proceeds of the notes to fund share buybacks and to repay a net \$150 million on our revolving credit facility.

In addition, on November 7, 2007, we amended our revolving credit facility to increase the

permitted leverage ratio (defined as net indebtedness to consolidated EBITDA for the prior four quarters) from 2.5:1.0 to 3.0:1.0. At December 31, 2007, our leverage ratio was approximately 1.5:1.0, up from 0.8:1.0 at December 31, 2006.

In 2006, we drew down \$200 million on our revolving credit facility, with the increase primarily funding our increased pension contributions. In 2005, we completed a senior notes offering of \$600 million in July with the proceeds used to repay a \$450 million term loan and to fund share buybacks.

Share buybacks

We continued to buy back shares in 2007, repurchasing 11.5 million shares for \$480 million of cash during the year compared with 5.4 million shares for \$211 million in 2006 and 10.3 million shares at a cost of \$360 million in 2005.

Dividend

Cash dividends paid in 2007 were \$143 million compared with \$145 million in 2006 and \$135 million in 2005. In February 2008, the quarterly cash dividend declared was increased by 4 percent to \$0.26 per share, an annual rate of \$1.04 per share. We have funded dividends from cash generated internally by operations and expect to do so in the future

### CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

Our contractual obligations at December 31, 2007 were:

Obligations	Total	2008	2009– 2010	2011– 2012	After 2012
			(millions)		
5.125% Senior Notes due 2010	\$250	\$—	\$250	\$—	\$
5.625% Senior Notes due 2015	350	_	_	_	350
6.200% Senior Notes due 2017	600	_	_	_	600
Revolving credit facility expires 2010 <sup>(i)</sup>	50	_	50	_	_
Interest on Senior Notes	550	70	139	114	227
Long-term debt and related interest	1,800	70	439	114	1,177
Operating leases	1,398	88	156	128	1,026
Pensions	347	149	198	_	_
Put options relating to subsidiaries and associates(ii)	614	457	138	_	19
Total contractual obligations	\$4,159	\$764	\$931	\$242	\$2,222

<sup>(</sup>i) Our revolving credit facility expires in October 2010. Under the facility we have the ability to drawdown funds which reprice at LIBOR plus 0.375 for the drawdown period. Interest on this revolving credit facility has not been included in the above table as we are not able to predict when and how much we will draw on the facility in the future.

## Long-term debt

On March 28, 2007, we issued \$600 million of 10 year senior notes at 6.20%. We used the proceeds of the notes to fund share buybacks and to repay the then outstanding borrowings of \$200 million under our revolving credit facility.

### Operating leases

We are currently moving from Ten Trinity Square into our new London headquarters in Lime Street. In November 2004, we entered into an agreement to lease the Lime Street building and took control of the building in June 2007 under a 25 year operating lease. Annual rentals are \$41 million per year and we have subleased or agreed to sublease approximately 25 percent of the premises under leases up to 15 years long. The outstanding contractual obligation for lease rentals at December 31, 2007 was \$947 million

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and the amounts receivable from committed subleases was \$78 million.

## Pensions

Payments due by

Following changes to UK pensions legislation in 2005, we are now required to agree a funding strategy for our UK defined benefit plan with the plan's trustees. In July 2007, we agreed to make full year contributions of \$149 million for 2008 and 2009 and \$49 million of full year contributions for 2010.

Put options relating to subsidiaries and associates

In connection with many of our investments in less than wholly-owned subsidiaries and associates, we retain rights to increase our ownership percentage over time, typically to a majority or 100 percent ownership position. In addition, in certain instances, the other owners have a right, typically at a price calculated pursuant to a formula based on revenues or earnings, to put some or all of their shares to us.

Based on the earliest dates on which options could be exercised.

As part of the 1997 acquisition of our initial 33 percent shareholding of Gras Savoye, we entered into a put arrangement, whereby the other shareholders in Gras Savoye (primarily two families, two insurance companies and Gras Savoye's executive management team) could put their shares to us. Until the end of 2011, we will be obligated to buy the shares of certain shareholders to the extent those shareholders put their shares, potentially increasing our ownership from the 38 percent holding at December 31, 2007 to 90 percent if all shareholders put their shares, at a price determined by a contractual formula based on earnings and revenue. We acquired an additional 4 percent of Gras Savoye at a cost of \$30 million under these arrangements in January 2008 in addition to the 5 percent acquired at a cost of \$25 million in September 2006, taking our current holding to 42 percent. In addition, we have agreed with one of the shareholders that they may put their shares representing an additional 5.5 percent to us in December 2008 for a fixed price of \$42 million, which would bring our total ownership interest to 48 percent. If the shareholder does not exercise this option they may exercise the general put option beginning in January 2009 at a price based on the original contractual formula.

Management shareholders of Gras Savoye (representing approximately 10 percent of shares) do not have general put rights before 2011, but have certain put rights on their death, disability or retirement from which payments, at December 31, 2007 based on the formula would not have exceeded \$76 million. The shareholders may put their shares individually at any time during the put period.

We believe that, should the aggregate amount of Gras Savoye shares be put to us, sufficient funds would be available to satisfy this obligation. In addition, we have a call option to move to majority ownership under certain circumstances and in any event by December 2009. Upon exercising this call option, the remaining Gras Savoye shareholders will continue to have a put option.

### Off-balance sheet transactions

Apart from commitments, guarantees and contingencies, as disclosed in Note 15 of the Consolidated Financial Statements, the Company has no off-balance sheet arrangements that have, or are reasonably likely to have, a material effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

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## WILLIS GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

## Item 8—Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Willis Group Holdings Limited Hamilton, Bermuda

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Willis Group Holdings Limited and subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the index at Item 15. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of Willis Group Holdings Limited management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Willis Group Holdings Limited and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We have also audited in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007, based on the criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 27, 2008 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control financial reporting.

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2006, the Company changed its method of accounting for its defined benefit pension plans to adopt Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans—an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132R.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

London, England
February 27, 2008 (July 11, 2008 as to the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Notes 2, 20, 22, and 23)

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Year	Years ended December 31,	
	2007	2006	2005
	(million	ns, except per share data)	
REVENUES			
Commissions and fees	\$2,463	\$2,328	\$2,190
Investment income	96	87	73
Other income (Note 2)	19	13	4
Total revenues	2,578	2,428	2,267
EXPENSES			
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$33, \$18 and \$18 (Note 3))	(1,448)	(1,457)	(1,384)
Other operating expenses	(460)	(454)	(405)
Regulatory settlements (Note 15)		_	(51)
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	(66)	(63)	(54)
Gain on disposal of London headquarters (Note 4)	14	102	_
Net gain (loss) on disposal of operations (Note 5)	2	(4)	78
Total expenses	(1,958)	(1,876)	(1,816)
OPERATING INCOME	620	552	451
Interest expense	(66)	(38)	(30)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	554	514	421
Income taxes (Note 6)	(144)	(63)	(143)
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	410	451	278
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax (Note 12)	16	16	14
Minority interest, net of tax	(17)	(18)	(11)
NET INCOME	\$409	\$449	\$281
FARMING REP CHARE (AL., 7)			
EARNINGS PER SHARE (Note 7)  —Basic	\$2.82	\$2.86	\$1.75
—Bäsic —Diluted	\$2.82 \$2.78	\$2.86	\$1.75 \$1.72
AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING (Note 7)	\$2.78	\$2.84	\$1./2
AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING (Note /) —Basic	145	157	101
—Basic —Diluted	145 147	157 158	161 163
CACH DIVIDENDS DECLARED BED COMMON SHADE	£1.00	60.04	60.00
CASH DIVIDENDS DECLARED PER COMMON SHARE	\$1.00	\$0.94	\$0.86

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

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	December	31,
	2007	2006
Accepted	(millions, except s	share data)
ASSETS	****	****
Cash and cash equivalents	\$200	\$288
Fiduciary funds—restricted (Note 8)	1,520	1,772
Short-term investments (Note 8)	40	58
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$32 million in both 2007 and 2006	8,241	8,756
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$211 million in 2007 and \$202 million in 2006 (Note 9)  Goodwill (Note 10)	315 1,648	167 1,569
Other intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$46 million in 2007 and \$32 million in 2006 (Note 11)	78	87
Investments in associates (Note 12)	193	173
Net deferred tax assets (Note 6)	_	72
Pension benefits asset (Note 13)	404	166
Other assets	309	270
TOTAL ASSETS	\$12,948	\$13,378
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Accounts payable	\$9,265	\$10,062
Deferred revenue and accrued expenses	388	430
Net deferred tax liabilities (Note 6)	5	_
Income taxes payable	43	54
Long-term debt (Note 14)	1,250	800
Liability for pension benefits (Note 13)	43	34
Other liabilities	559	502
Total liabilities	11,553	11,882
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 15)		
MINORITY INTEREST	48	42
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Common shares, \$0.000115 par value; Authorized: 4,000,000,000; Issued and outstanding, 143,093,509 shares in 2007 and 153,002,802		
shares in 2006	_	_
Additional paid-in capital	41	388
Retained earnings	1,463	1,250
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax (Note 16)	(153)	(178)
Treasury stock, at cost, 71,858 shares in 2007 and 165,979 shares in 2006	(4)	(6)
Total stockholders' equity	1,347	1,454
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$12,948	\$13,378

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

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Yea	ars ended December	31,
	2007	2007 2006	2005
		(millions)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net income	\$409	\$449	\$281
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Net (gain) loss on disposal of operations, fixed and intangible assets and short-term investments	(20)	1	(77)
Gain on disposal of London headquarters (Note 4)	(14)	(102)	_
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	66	63	54
Provision for doubtful accounts	2	2	1
Minority interest	10	10	5
Provision for deferred income taxes	66	82	38
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	(9)	(11)	(45)
Share-based compensation (Note 3)	33	18	18
Undistributed earnings of associates	(10)	(11)	(10)
Other	(9)	(9)	(14)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from purchase of subsidiaries:			
Fiduciary funds—restricted	285	(131)	(148)
Accounts receivable	632	(248)	(1,171)
Accounts payable	(953)	430	1,085
Additional funding of UK and US pension plans	(153)	(211)	(50)
Other assets	(78)	34	47
Other liabilities	11	(219)	81
Net cash provided by operating activities	268	147	95
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and intangible assets (Note 4)	27	205	6
Additions to fixed assets	(185)	(55)	(32)
Net cash proceeds from disposal of operations, net of cash disposed	_	5	90
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(81)	(73)	(35)
Investments in associates	(1)	(25)	_
Purchase of short-term investments	_	_	(42)
Proceeds on sale of short-term investments	19	10	47
Other			(2)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(221)	67	32
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(221)		32
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from draw down of revolving credit facility	50	200	_
Repayments of debt	(200)	200	(450)
Senior notes issued, net of debt issuance costs	593		593
	(480)	(211)	
Repurchase of shares (Note 18) Proceeds from issue of shares	(460)	16	(360)
	9	11	
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements			45
Dividends paid	(143)	(145)	(135)
Net cash used in financing activities	(146)	(129)	(270)
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(99)	85	(143)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	11	10	(15)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	288	193	351
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$200	\$288	\$193

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

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

# AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		December 31,	
	2007	2006	2005
	(m	illions, except share data)	
COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING (thousands)			
Balance, beginning of year	153,003	156,958	162,744
Common shares issued	406	78	284
Repurchase of shares (Note 18)	(11,515)	(5,397)	(10,291)
Exercise of stock options	1,200	1,364	4,221
Balance, end of year	143,094	153,003	156,958
ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL			
Balance, beginning of year	\$388	\$557	\$817
Issue of common shares under employee stock compensation plans and related tax benefits	35	19	69
Repurchase of shares (Note 18)	(432)	(211)	(360)
Issue of common shares for acquisitions	16	3	7
Share-based compensation	33	18	18
Gains on sale of treasury stock	1	2	6
Balance, end of year	41	388	557
RETAINED EARNINGS			
Balance, beginning of year	1,250	948	805
Adjustment on adoption of FIN 48 (Note 2)	(4)	_	_
	1.246	0.40	
Nuclear (A)	1,246 409	948	805
Net income (a) Dividends	(143)	449 (147)	281 (138)
Repurchase of shares (Note 18)	(49)	(147)	(136)
Balance, end of year	1,463	1,250	948
	5,100		
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS, NET OF TAX			
Balance, beginning of year	(178)	(239)	(194)
Foreign currency translation adjustment (b)	17	44	(41)
Unrealized holding loss (c)		(1)	
Minimum pension liability adjustment (d)	_	209	16
FAS 158 pension funding adjustment (e)	7 1	(2)	(20)
Net gain (loss) on derivative instruments (f)		(2)	(20)
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax	(153)	11	(239)
Adjustment on initial application of FAS 158	_	(189)	_
Balance, end of year	(153)	(178)	(239)
TREASURY STOCK			
Balance, beginning of year	(6)	(10)	(16)
Shares reissued under stock compensation plans	2	4	6
Balance, end of year	(4)	(6)	(10)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$1,347	\$1,454	\$1,256
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (a+b+c+d+e+f)	\$434	\$699	\$236
TO THE COME RETIENSIVE INCOME (4*0*C*0*e*1)	5434		\$236

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

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Willis Group Holdings Limited ("Willis Group Holdings") and subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") provide a broad range of insurance brokerage, reinsurance and risk management consulting services to its worldwide clients, both directly and indirectly through its associates. The Company provides both specialized risk management advisory and consulting services on a global basis to clients worldwide in specific industrial and commercial activities, and services to small, medium and major corporates through its retail operations.

In its capacity as an advisor and insurance broker, the Company acts as an intermediary between clients and insurance carriers by advising clients on risk management requirements, helping clients determine the best means of managing risk, and negotiating and placing insurance risk with insurance carriers through the Company's global distribution network.

### 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These consolidated financial statements conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("US GAAP"). Presented below are summaries of:

- Recent accounting policy changes; and
- Significant accounting policies followed in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements.

### Recent Accounting Policy Changes

### Tax-adoption of FIN 48

The Company adopted FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes—an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 ("FIN 48"), with effect from January 1, 2007. FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions.

The evaluation of a tax position under FIN 48 is a two-step process:

The first step is recognition

Tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return should be recognized only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained upon examination, based on the technical merits of the position. In evaluating whether a tax position has met the more likely than not recognition threshold, it should be presumed that the position will be examined by the relevant taxing authority that would have full knowledge of all relevant information.

The second step is measurement

Tax positions that meet the recognition criteria are measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being recognized upon ultimate settlement.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

As a consequence of adopting FIN 48, the Company recorded a \$4 million increase in income taxes payable and charged a cumulative adjustment of \$4 million to opening retained earnings at January 1, 2007.

		January 1, 2007	
	Before application of FIN 48	Effect of FIN 48 application	After Application of FIN 48
		(millions)	
Income taxes payable	\$54	\$4	\$58
Total liabilities	11,882	4	11,886
Retained earnings	1,250	(4)	1,246
Total stockholders' equity	1,454	(4)	1,450
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$13,378	\$—	\$13,378

#### Pensions-adoption of FAS 158

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued FAS 158 which required an employer to:

- recognize in its statement of financial position the funded status of a benefit plan measured as the difference between the fair value of plan assets and the benefit obligation;
- recognize, net of tax, the gains or losses and prior service costs or credits that arise during the period but are not recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost;
- measure defined benefit plan assets and obligations as of the date of the employer's statement of financial position; and
- disclose additional information in the notes to the financial statements about certain effects on net periodic benefit cost for the next fiscal year that arise from delayed recognition of the gains or losses, prior service costs or credits and transition asset or obligation.

The requirements of FAS 158 are applied prospectively upon adoption. The requirements to recognize the funded status of a defined benefit postretirement plan and provide related disclosures are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2006, and have been applied for the year ended December 31, 2006.

### Significant Accounting Policies

### Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Willis Group Holdings and its subsidiaries, all of which are controlled through the ownership of a majority voting interest. Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated on consolidation.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Foreign Currency Translation

Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of the entity are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in currencies other than the functional currency are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date and the related transaction gains and losses are reported in the statements of operations. Certain intercompany loans are determined to be of a long-term investment nature. The Company records transaction gains and losses from remeasuring such loans as a component of other comprehensive income.

Upon consolidation, the results of operations of subsidiaries and associates whose functional currency is other than the US dollar are translated into US dollars at the average exchange rate and assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates. Translation adjustments are presented as a separate component of other comprehensive income in the financial statements and are included in net income only upon sale or liquidation of the underlying foreign subsidiary or associated company.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. In the preparation of these consolidated financial statements, estimates and assumptions have been made by management concerning; the selection of useful lives of fixed and intangible assets; provisions necessary for accounts receivable, commitments and contingencies and accrued liabilities; long-term asset returns, discount rates and mortality rates in order to estimate pension liabilities and pension expense; income tax valuation allowances; and other similar evaluations. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of time deposits with original maturities of three months or less.

#### Short-Term Investments

The Company classifies all short-term investments as available-for-sale. These securities are carried at fair market value, with unrealized gains and losses reported in other comprehensive income. Realized gains and losses on investments sold are included in net income.

#### Fiduciary Funds-Restricted

Fiduciary funds-restricted represent unremitted premiums received from insureds and unremitted claims received from insurers. Fiduciary funds are generally required to be kept in certain regulated bank accounts subject to guidelines which emphasize capital preservation and liquidity; such funds are not available to service the Company's debt or for other corporate purposes. Notwithstanding the legal relationships with clients and insurers, the Company is entitled to retain investment income earned on

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

fiduciary funds in accordance with industry custom and practice and, in some cases, as supported by agreements with insureds.

Included in fiduciary funds-restricted are cash and cash equivalents consisting primarily of time deposits. The debt securities are classified as available-for-sale. Accordingly, they are recorded at fair market value with unrealized holding gains and losses reported, net of tax, as a component of other comprehensive income.

#### Accounts Receivable and Accounts Payable

In its capacity as an insurance agent or broker, the Company collects premiums from insureds and, after deducting its commissions, remits the premiums to the respective insurers; the Company also collects claims or refunds from insurers on behalf of insureds. Uncollected premiums from insureds and uncollected claims or refunds from insurers are recorded as accounts receivable on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Unremitted insurance premiums and claims are held in a fiduciary capacity. The obligation to remit these funds is recorded as accounts payable on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The period for which the Company holds such funds is dependent upon the date the insured remits the payment of the premium to the Company and the date the Company is required to forward such payment to the insurer. Balances arising from insurance brokerage transactions are reported as separate assets or liabilities unless such balances are due to or from the same party and a right of offset exists, in which case the balances are recorded net.

Accounts receivable are stated at estimated net realizable values. Allowances are recorded, when necessary, in an amount considered by management to be sufficient to meet probable future losses related to uncollectible accounts.

#### Timed Access

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Expenditures for improvements are capitalized; repairs and maintenance are charged to expenses as incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of assets.

Depreciation on buildings and long leaseholds is calculated over the lesser of 50 years or the lease term. Depreciation on leasehold improvements is calculated over the lesser of the useful life of the assets or the lease term. Depreciation on furniture and equipment is calculated based on a range of 3 to 10 years.

### Recoverability of Fixed Assets

Long-lived assets are tested for recoverability whenever events or changes in circumstance indicate that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of a long-lived asset exceeds its fair value. Fair value is determined based on the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset or asset group. Long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangible assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Operating leases

Rentals payable on operating leases are charged straight line to expenses over the lease term as the rentals become payable.

#### Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of businesses acquired over the fair market value of identifiable net assets at the dates of acquisition. The Company reviews goodwill for impairment annually and whenever facts or circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. As part of the evaluation the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the underlying business operation are compared to the carrying amount of goodwill to determine if a write-down is required. If such an assessment indicates that the undiscounted future cash flows are not sufficient, the carrying amount is reduced to the estimated fair value. Acquired intangible assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life.

#### Investments in Associates

Investments in entities less than 50 percent owned in which the Company has the ability to exercise significant influence are accounted for by the equity method of accounting whereby the investment is carried at cost of acquisition, plus the Company's equity in undistributed net income since acquisition, less dividends received. Investments in entities less than 20 percent owned are accounted for by the cost method. Such investments are not publicly traded. The Company periodically reviews its investments in associates for which fair value is less than cost to determine if the decline in value is other than temporary. If the decline in value is judged to be other than temporary, the cost basis of the investment is written down to fair value. The amount of any write-down is included in the statements of operations as a realized loss.

#### Put and Call Options Relating to Subsidiaries and Associates

For certain subsidiaries and associates, the Company has the right to purchase shares (a call option) from co-shareholders at various dates in the future. In addition, the co-shareholders of certain subsidiaries and associates have the right to sell their shares (a put option) to the Company at various dates in the future. Generally, the exercise price of such puts and calls is formula-based (using revenues and earnings) and is designed to reflect fair value. These put and call options fall outside the scope of FAS 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*. Provision is made for any put options that are out of the money at the balance sheet date.

#### Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company uses derivative financial instruments for other than trading purposes to alter the risk profile of an existing underlying exposure. Interest rate swaps are used to manage interest risk exposures. Forward foreign currency exchange contracts are used to manage currency exposures arising from future income and expenses. The fair values of derivative contracts are recorded in other assets and other liabilities. Changes in the fair value of derivatives that qualify for hedge accounting are recorded in other comprehensive income. Amounts are reclassified from other comprehensive income into earnings when

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

the hedged exposure affects earnings. Changes in fair value of derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting, together with any hedge ineffectiveness, are recorded in other operating expenses.

#### Income Taxes

The Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for the estimated future tax consequences of events attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating and capital loss and tax credit carry forwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of changes in tax rates is recognized in the statement of operations in the period in which the enactment date changes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are reduced through the establishment of a valuation allowance at such time as, based on available evidence, it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

Positions taken in the Company's tax returns may be subject to challenge by the taxing authorities upon examination. The Company recognizes the benefit of uncertain tax positions in the financial statements when it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on examination by the tax authorities. The benefit recognized is the largest amount of tax benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized on settlement with the tax authority, assuming full knowledge of the position and all relevant facts. The Company adjusts its recognition of these uncertain tax benefits in the period in which new information is available impacting either the recognition or measurement of its uncertain tax positions.

#### Pensions

The Company has two principal defined benefit pension plans which cover the majority of employees in the United States and United Kingdom. The UK plan was closed to new entrants in January 2006. New entrants in the United Kingdom are now offered the opportunity to join a defined contribution plan. Elsewhere, pension benefits are typically provided through defined contribution plans.

#### Defined benefit plans

The net periodic cost of the Company's defined benefit plans are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method and several actuarial assumptions. The most significant of which are the discount rate and the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets. Other material assumptions include rates of participant mortality, the expected long-term rate of compensation and pension increases and rates of employee termination. Gains and losses occur when actual experience differs from actuarial assumptions. If such gains or losses exceed ten percent of the greater of plan assets or plan liabilities the Company amortizes those gains or losses over the average remaining service period of the employees.

In accordance with FAS 158, the Company records on the balance sheet the funded status of its pension plans based on the projected benefit obligation.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to the Company's defined contribution plans are recognized as they fall due. Differences between contributions payable in the year and contributions actually paid are shown as either other assets or other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets.

#### Share-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for share-based compensation as follows:

- the cost resulting from all equity awards is recognized in the financial statements at fair value estimated at the grant date;
- the fair value is recognized (generally as compensation cost) over the requisite service period for all awards that vest; and
- compensation cost is not recognized for awards that do not vest because service or performance conditions are not satisfied.

#### Revenue Recognition

Revenue includes insurance commissions, fees for services rendered, certain commissions receivable from insurance carriers and investment income earned on fiduciary balances

The Company takes credit for commissions (or fees negotiated in lieu of commissions) in respect of insurance placements at the date when the insured is billed or at the inception date of the policy, whichever is later. Commissions on additional premiums and adjustments are recognized as and when advised. Fees for risk management and other services are recognized as the services are provided. Negotiated fee arrangements for an agreed period covering multiple insurance placements, the provision of risk management and/or other services are determined, contract by contract, on the basis of the relative fair value of the services completed and the services yet to be rendered. The Company establishes contract cancellation reserves where appropriate; at December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, such amounts were not material.

Investment income is recognized as earned.

### Other Income

Other income comprises gains on the disposals of intangible assets, which primarily arise on the disposal of books of business. Prior to January 1, 2008, the Company reported these gains within "Commissions and Fees". Comparatives have been adjusted accordingly. Although the Company is not in the business of selling intangible assets (mainly books of business), from time to time the Company will dispose of a book of business (a customer list) or other intangible asset that does not produce adequate margins or fit with the Company's strategy.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 3. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

On December 31, 2007, the Company had three share-based compensation plans, which are described below. The compensation cost that has been charged against income for those plans for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$33 million (2006: \$18 million; 2005: \$18 million). The total income tax benefit recognized in the statement of operations for share-based compensation arrangements for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$10 million (2006: \$6 million; 2005: \$6 million).

#### Stock Option Plans

The Company has adopted the plans described below providing for the grant of time-based options and performance-based options and various other share-based grants to employees. The objectives of these plans include attracting and retaining the best personnel, motivating management personnel by means of growth-related incentives to achieve long-range goals and providing employees with the opportunity to increase their share ownership in the Company.

Amended and Restated 1998 Share Purchase and Option Plan

This plan, which was established on December 18, 1998, provides for the granting of time-based and performance-based options to employees of the Company. There are 30,000,000 shares available for grant under this plan provided, however, that in no event the total number of shares subject to options and other equity for current and future participants exceed 25 percent of the equity of Willis Group Holdings on a fully diluted basis. All options granted under this plan are exercisable at £2 per share (\$3.96 using the year-end exchange rate of £1 = \$1.98) except for 111,111 time-based options which are exercisable at \$13.50. No further grants are to be made under this plan.

Time-based options are earned upon the fulfilment of vesting requirements. Options are generally exercisable in equal instalments of 20 percent per year over a five-year period commencing on or after December 18, 2000

Performance-based options became exercisable, subject to the fulfilment of vesting requirements with effect from January 1, 2003, upon the achievement of cash flow and EBITDA (as defined in the plan agreements) targets of Willis Group Limited. Options are generally exercisable in equal instalments of 25 percent per year over a four-year period commencing on or after December 18, 2001.

Willis Award Plan

This plan, which was established on July 13, 2000, provides for the granting of time-based options to selected employees who have been identified as superior performers. There are 5,000,000 shares available for grant under this plan provided, however, that in no event the total number of shares subject to options and other equity for current and future participants exceeds 25 percent of the equity of Willis Group Holdings on a fully diluted basis.

All options granted under this plan are exercisable at £2 per share (\$3.96 using the year-end exchange rate of £1 = \$1.98). The options vest immediately on the grant date and are exercisable any time up to July 13, 2010.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 3. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION (Continued)

2001 Share Purchase and Option Plan

This plan, which was established on May 3, 2001, provides for the granting of time-based options and various other share-based grants at fair market value to employees of the Company. There are 25,000,000 shares available for grant under this plan. Options are exercisable on a variety of dates, including from the first, second, third, sixth or eighth anniversary of grant, although for certain options the exercisable date may accelerate depending on the achievement of certain performance goals. Unless terminated sooner by the Board of Directors, the 2001 Plan will expire 10 years after its adoption. That termination will not affect the validity of any grant outstanding at that date.

### Option Valuation Assumptions

The fair value of each option is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model that uses the assumptions noted in the following table. Expected volatility is based on historical volatility of the Company's stock. With effect from January 1, 2006, the Company uses the simplified method set out in Staff Accounting Bulletin No.107 to derive the expected term of options granted. The risk-free rate for periods within the expected life of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant.

	Y	ears ended December 31	ι,
	2007	2006	2005
xpected volatility	30%	30%	26%
Expected dividends	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%
Expected life (years)	6	6	5
Risk-free interest rate	4.61%	5.34%	4.27%

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 3. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION (Continued)

A summary of option activity under the Plans at December 31, 2007, and changes during the year then ended is presented below:

(Options in thousands)	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
				(\$ millions)
Time-based stock options				
Balance, beginning of year	14,952	\$33.10		
Granted	1,920	\$39.78		
Exercised	(853)	\$22.25		
Forfeited	(679)	\$34.90		
Balance, end of year	15,340	\$34.46	6 years	59
Options vested or expected to vest at December 31, 2007	14,703	\$34.45	6 years	56
Options exercisable at December 31, 2007	4,496	\$33.42	6 years	21
Performance-based stock options				
Balance, beginning of year	411	\$3.96		
Exercised	(198)	\$3.96		
Forfeited	(16)	\$3.96		
Balance, end of year	197	\$3.96	2 years	7
Options vested or expected to vest at December 31, 2007	197	\$3.96	2 years	7
Options exercisable at December 31, 2007	197	\$3.96	2 years	7

<sup>(1)</sup> Certain options are exercisable at £2 per share. The year-end exchange rate of £1 = \$1.98 has been used as of December 31, 2007.

The weighted average grant-date fair value of time-based options granted during the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$11.06 (2006: \$9.82; 2005: \$8.33). The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$24 million (2006: \$26 million; 2005: \$77 million). At December 31, 2007 there was \$67 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements under time-based stock option plans; that cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of two years.

No performance-based options were granted during the three years ended December 31, 2007. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$7 million (2006: \$18 million; 2005: \$68 million). At December 31, 2007 there was no unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements under performance-based stock option plans.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 3. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION (Continued)

A summary of restricted stock unit activity under the Plans at December 31, 2007, and changes during the year then ended is presented below:

(Units awarded in thousands)	Shares	Date Fair Value
Nonvested shares (restricted stock units)		
Balance, beginning of year	1,065	\$34.02
Granted	705	\$39.40
Vested	(123)	\$36.68
Forfeited	(73)	\$31.25
Balance, end of year	1,574	\$36.35

The total of restricted stock units vested during the year ended December 31, 2007 was 123,139 shares at an average share price of \$41.21 (2006: 47,704 shares at an average share price of \$37.86). At December 31, 2007 there was \$26 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements under the plan; that cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of two years.

Cash received from option exercises under all share-based payment arrangements for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$21 million; 2006: \$10 million; 2005: \$26 million). The actual tax benefit realized for the tax deductions from option exercise of the share-based payment arrangements totaled \$9 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 (2006: \$11 million; 2005: \$46 million).

#### 4. GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF LONDON HEADQUARTERS

On September 27, 2006 Willis Group Services Limited, a subsidiary of Willis Group Holdings Limited, completed the sale of Ten Trinity Square, the Company's London headquarters building. The building has been leased back at an annual rental of \$13 million until the Company occupies its new London headquarters on Lime Street which is expected to be in April 2008. Gross proceeds were \$202 million of which 25 percent was received in cash on completion and 75 percent was received on November 27, 2006. Of the total pre-tax gain on disposal of \$121 million, \$99 million was recognized in third quarter 2006; \$14 million was recognized in 2007 (2006: \$3 million); the balance of \$5 million will be recognized over the expected remaining life of the lease.

#### 5. NET GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OF OPERATIONS

Total proceeds for 2007 were \$2 million, inclusive of \$nil relating to 2007 dispositions of subsidiaries and associates and \$2 million of deferred proceeds, with a gain on disposal of \$2 million recorded in the consolidated statements of operations.

Total proceeds for 2006 were \$6 million, inclusive of \$3 million relating to 2006 dispositions of subsidiaries and associates and \$3 million of deferred proceeds, with a loss on disposal of \$4 million recorded in the consolidated statements of operations.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 5. NET GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OF OPERATIONS (Continued)

Total proceeds relating to 2005 dispositions of subsidiaries and associates amounted to \$97 million, inclusive of deferred proceeds amounting to \$1 million. A net gain of \$78 million was recorded in the consolidated statements of operations which relates primarily to the gain arising on the sale of the Company's US wholesale unit Stewart Smith on April 14, 2005. The carrying amounts of the Stewart Smith assets and liabilities disposed of were as follows:

	(millions)
Current assets	\$93
Fixed assets	1
Current liabilities	(91)

# 6. INCOME TAXES

The components of income before income taxes, interest in earnings of associates and minority interest are as follows:

		Years ended December 31,	
	2007	2006	2005
		(millions)	
US	\$102	\$117	\$111
UK	243	276	205
Other jurisdictions	209	121	105
Income before incomes taxes, interest in earnings of associates and minority interest	\$554	\$514	\$421

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 6. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

The provision for income taxes by location of the taxing jurisdiction consisted of the following:

	Ye	ars ended December 3	31,
	2007	2006	2005
		(millions)	
Current income taxes:			
US federal tax	\$22	\$5	\$10
US state and local taxes	7	6	6
UK corporation tax	(5)	(65)	54
Other jurisdictions	54	35	35
Total current taxes	78	(19)	105
Deferred taxes:			
US federal tax	_	22	19
US state and local taxes	_	3	3
UK corporation tax	68	68	15
Other jurisdictions	(2)	(11)	1
Total deferred taxes	66	82	38
Total income taxes	\$144	\$63	\$143

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 6. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

Under current Bermuda law, the Company is not required to pay any taxes in Bermuda on its income, profits or capital gains. The following table reconciles the income taxes in these financial statements to that which would be expected at the US federal statutory income tax rate:

		Years ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005	
		(millions)		
Income before income taxes, interest in earnings of associates and minority interest	\$554	\$514	\$421	
US federal statutory income tax rate	35%	35%	35%	
Income tax expense at US federal tax rate	194	180	147	
Adjustments to derive effective rate:				
Non-deductible items:				
Intangible assets	(5)	(6)	8	
Other	3	11	1	
Other items:				
FIN 48 movement	(10)	n/a	n/a	
Resolution of tax authority enquiries	_	(65)	_	
Rate change impact	(4)	_	_	
Prior year adjustment	(3)	(5)	(3)	
Sale of property	_	(23)	_	
Tax differentials of foreign earnings:				
UK earnings	(7)	(16)	(10)	
Other jurisdictions and US State Taxes	(13)	(4)	10	
Other	(11)	(9)	(10)	
Provision for income taxes	\$144	\$63	\$143	

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 6. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

The significant components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities and their balance sheet classifications are as follows:

	Decimo	er 31,
	2007	2006
	 (million	ons)
Deferred tax assets:		
Accrued expenses not currently deductible	\$18	\$20
US net operating losses	_	4
UK capital losses	69	73
Accrued retirement benefits	_	43
Provisions	42	37
Deferred compensation	28	24
Stock options	27	18
Other	18	18
Gross deferred tax assets	202	237
Less: valuation allowance	(69)	(73)
Net deferred tax assets	133	164
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Cost of intangible assets, net of related amortization	20	27
Prepaid retirement benefits	61	16
Tax-leasing transactions	6	6
Unremitted foreign earnings	28	28
Other	23	15
Deferred tax liabilities	138	92
Net deferred tax (liabilities) assets	\$(5)	\$72

At December 31, 2007, the Company had a valuation allowance of \$69 million (2006: \$73 million) to reduce its deferred tax assets to estimated realizable value. The valuation allowances at December 31, 2007 and 2006 relate to the deferred tax assets arising from UK capital loss carryforwards, which have no expiration date. Capital loss carryforwards can only be offset against future UK capital gains. In 2006 the Company reinstated and realized the deferred tax asset relating to UK operating losses following the resolution of tax authority enquiries.

At December 31, 2007, the Company had deferred tax assets of \$133 million (2006: \$164 million), net of the valuation allowance. Management believes, based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods in which the temporary differences are anticipated to reverse, and prudent and feasible tax-planning strategies, it is more likely than not that the Company will realize the benefits of these deductible differences, net of the valuation allowance. However, the amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable could be adjusted in the future if estimates of taxable income are revised. In the event that the valuation allowance of \$69 million at December 31, 2007 (2006: \$73 million) is reduced in future years to recognize deferred tax assets, an amount of up to \$69 million (2006: \$73 million) will be allocated to reduce goodwill.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 6. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

The Company recognizes deferred tax balances related to the undistributed earnings of subsidiaries when the Company expects that it will recover those undistributed earnings in a taxable manner, such as through receipt of dividends or sale of the investments. The Company does not, however, provide for income taxes on the unremitted earnings of certain other subsidiaries where, in management's opinion, such earnings have been indefinitely reinvested in those operations, or will be remitted either in a tax free liquidation or as dividends with taxes substantially offset by foreign tax credits. It is not practical to determine the amount of unrecognized deferred tax liabilities for temporary differences related to these investments.

### Unrecognized tax benefits

Total unrecognized tax benefits as at December 31, 2007 totaled \$20 million which, if recognized, would all impact the Company's effective tax rate. During the next 12 months it is reasonably possible that the Company will recognize approximately \$5 million of tax benefits related to the release of provisions no longer required due to either settlement through negotiation or closure of the statute of limitations on assessment.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amounts of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

	(millions)
Balance at January 1, 2007	\$30
Reductions due to a lapse of the applicable statute of limitation	(10)
Balance at December 31, 2007	\$20

The Company files tax returns in the various tax jurisdictions in which it operates, principally the United States and United Kingdom. In 2006, the Company resolved all issues related to the IRS examination of the 2003 federal income tax return. The 2003 US tax year closed in 2007 upon the expiration of the statute of limitations on assessment. US tax returns for tax years 2004, 2005 and 2006 have been filed. The Company has not received notice that the IRS will be conducting an audit of either of these open years. Texas is the only state with an active income tax audit. The Company has not extended the federal statute of limitations for assessment in the US.

All UK tax returns have been timely filed and are in the normal process of being reviewed, with HM Revenue & Customs making enquiries to obtain additional information. As previously noted the Company resolved all issues relating to enquiries into restructurings in respect of the 2001 tax year. All UK enquiries into the 2002 and 2003 tax year have been cleared in 2007, but tax years 2004 and 2005 are still subject to on-going enquiries. The 2006 UK returns have been filed. The earliest UK tax year the Company has kept open is 1995 in relation to foreign tax relief calculations.

The Company recognizes interest and penalties relating to unrecognized tax benefits as part of its income taxes expense. Total accrued interest as of December 31, 2007 was \$2 million (January 1, 2007: \$2 million). No interest or penalties were recognized in the income statement for the year ended December 31, 2007.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic and diluted earnings per share are calculated by dividing net income by the average number of shares outstanding during each period. The computation of diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if dilutive securities and other contracts to issue shares were exercised or converted into shares or resulted in the issue of shares that then shared in the net income of the Company.

For the year ended December 31, 2007, time-based and performance-based options to purchase 15.3 million and 0.2 million (2006: 15.0 million and 0.4 million; 2005: 11.8 million and 1.0 million) shares, respectively, and 1.6 million restricted shares (2006: 1.1 million; 2005: 0.3 million), respectively, were outstanding.

Basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

		Years ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005	
	(n	illions, except per share	data)	
	\$409	\$449	\$281	
nber of shares outstanding	145	157	161	
tially issuable shares	2	1	2	
of shares outstanding	147	158	163	
re	\$2.82	\$2.86	\$1.75	
ly issuable shares	(0.04	(0.02)	(0.03)	
re	\$2.78	\$2.84	\$1.72	

Options to purchase 2.6 million shares for the year ended December 31, 2007 were not included in the computation of the dilutive effect of stock options because the effect was antidilutive (2006: 5.7 million shares).

### 8. FIDUCIARY FUNDS—RESTRICTED AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS

The Company's fiduciary funds-restricted and short-term investments consist mainly of cash and time deposits. Accrued interest on investments is recorded as other assets.

Debt securities are classified as available-for-sale. Accordingly, they are recorded at fair market value with unrealized holding gains and losses reported, net of tax, as a component of other comprehensive income. As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the amortized cost of such securities approximated fair value.

Realized gains and losses, net of tax, on debt securities are included in net income. During the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, sales of debt securities totaled \$19 million, \$10 million and \$47 million, respectively, on which realized gains and losses were not material to the consolidated results of the Company. Fiduciary funds-restricted, consisting primarily of time deposits with original maturities of less than or equal to three months, were \$1,520 million as of December 31, 2007 (2006: \$1,772 million).

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 8. FIDUCIARY FUNDS—RESTRICTED AND SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Short-term investments consist of the following:

	December 31,	
	2007	2006
	(millio	ans)
Short-term investments: <sup>(1)</sup>		
US, UK and other Government securities	\$28	\$38
Corporate debt securities	12	20
	\$40	\$58

Debt securities classified as available-for-sale.

The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of investments in marketable securities designated as available-for-sale classified by the contractual maturity date of the security:

	December 31,	
	2007	2006
	(million	ns)
Total marketable securities—due within 1 year through 5 years	\$40	\$58

### Consolidation of fiduciary funds

In accordance with FASB Interpretation No. 46(R), Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities an interpretation of ARB No. 51, the financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 reflect the consolidation of one Variable Interest Entity ("VIE"), a UK non-statutory trust that was established in January 2005 following the introduction of statutory regulation of insurance in the UK by the Financial Services Authority. The regulation requires that all fiduciary funds collected by an insurance broker such as the Company be paid into a non-statutory trust designed to give additional credit protection to the clients and insurance carriers of the Company. This trust restricts the financial instruments in which such funds may be invested and affects the timing of transferring commission from fiduciary funds to own funds. As a result of the regulation, approximately \$155 million of own funds were reclassified to fiduciary funds in January 2005.

As of December 31, 2007, the fair value of the assets in the VIE was approximately \$912 million (2006: \$1,056 million) and the fair value of the associated liabilities was approximately \$912 million (2006: \$1,056 million). There are no assets of the Company that serve as collateral for the VIE.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The components of fixed assets are as follows:

	Decen	nber 31,
	2007	2006
	(mil	llions)
Land and buildings	\$56	\$53
Leasehold improvements	140	44
Furniture and equipment	330	272
Total fixed assets, cost	526	369
Less accumulated depreciation	(211)	(202)
Total fixed assets, net	\$315	\$167

The Company recognized a depreciation charge of \$52 million, \$49 million and \$43 million in the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

### 10. GOODWILL

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of businesses acquired over the fair market value of identifiable net assets at the dates of acquisition. Goodwill is not amortized but is subject to impairment testing annually and whenever facts or circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. As part of the evaluation the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the underlying business operation are compared to the carrying amount of goodwill to determine if a write-down is required. If such an assessment indicates that the undiscounted future cash flows are not sufficient, the carrying amount is reduced to the estimated fair value.

When a business entity is sold, goodwill is allocated to the disposed entity based on the fair value of that entity compared to the fair value of the reporting unit in which it is included.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 10. GOODWILL (Continued)

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by operating segment for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 are as follows:

	Global	North America	International	Total
		(1	millions)	
Balance at January 1, 2006	\$1,003	\$217	\$287	\$1,507
Goodwill acquired during 2006	4	20	57	81
Goodwill written off related to sale of business unit during 2006	_	(4)	(2)	(6)
Reversal of valuation allowance on previously acquired tax benefit	(14)	_	_	(14)
Foreign exchange	1	_	_	1
Balance at December 31, 2006	\$994	\$233	\$342	\$1,569
Goodwill acquired during 2007	1	26	55	82
Foreign exchange	(3)	_	_	(3)
Balance at December 31, 2007	\$992	\$259	\$397	\$1,648

# 11. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Other intangible assets are classified into two categories:

- "Customer and Marketing related" includes client lists, client relationships and non-compete agreements; and
- "Contract based, Technology and Other" includes all other purchased intangible assets.

The major classes of amortizable intangible assets are as follows:

	Decem	iber 31,
	2007	2006
	 (mill	lions)
Customer and Marketing related	\$120	\$119
Less: accumulated amortization	(46)	(32)
Net amortizable Customer and Marketing related	74	87
Contract based, Technology and Other	4	_
Less: accumulated amortization	_	_
Net amortizable Contract based, Technology and Other	4	
Total amortizable intangible assets	124	119
Less: accumulated amortization	(46)	(32)
Net total amortizable intangible assets	\$78	\$87

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 11. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

The aggregate amortization of intangible assets for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$14 million. The estimated aggregate amortization of intangible assets for each of the next five years ended December 31 is as follows:

	(millions)
2008	<u> </u>
2008 2009	13
2010	12
2011	12
2012	11
Total	<del></del>

December 31,

# 12. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

The Company holds a number of investments which it accounts for using the equity method. The Company's interest in the outstanding stock of the more significant associates is as follows:

	Country	2007	2006	
Al-Futtaim Willis Co. L.L.C.	Dubai	49%	49%	
Gras Savoye & Cie ("Gras Savoye")	France	38%	38%	

Of those listed above, the Company's principal investment as of December 31, 2007 and 2006 is Gras Savoye, France's leading insurance broker. Included in the carrying amount of the Gras Savoye investment as of December 31, 2007 is goodwill of \$93 million (2006: Goodwill of \$93 million). Of this total, \$21 million was recognized in respect of an additional 5 percent holding in Gras Savoye purchased in 2006.

As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company's other investments in associates individually and in the aggregate were not material to the Company's operations.

On July 23, 1997, the Company entered into an agreement with Gras Savoye whereby, among other things, the co-shareholders of Gras Savoye (other than management) have the right to sell (put option) their shares to the Company possibly increasing the Company's ownership interest from 38 percent to 90 percent. Management shareholders of Gras Savoye, representing approximately 10 percent of the outstanding shares, do not have general put rights before 2011, but have certain put rights on their death, disability or retirement. The option expires at the end of 2011 and Gras Savoye's eligible co-shareholders may exercise their rights from January 1, 2001. In addition, the Company has the right to purchase (call option) at least 50.1 percent of Gras Savoye's shares from the co-shareholders. The call option is exercisable from December 1, 2009 until February 1, 2010. The exact amount payable by the Company under the put and call is based on formula-based price contingent on Gras Savoye's future results. Furthermore, the Company has agreed with one of the shareholders that they may put their shares representing an additional 5.5 percent to the Company in December 2008 for a fixed price of \$42 million, which would bring the Company's total ownership interest to 48 percent. If the shareholder does not exercise this option they may exercise the general put option beginning in January 2009 at a price based on the original contractual formula.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 12. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

On January 2, 2008, the Company acquired an additional 4 percent holding in Gras Savoye for approximately \$30 million increasing its ownership to 42 percent.

Unaudited condensed financial information for associates, in the aggregate, as of and for the years ended December 31, is presented below. For convenience purposes: (i) balance sheet data has been translated to US dollars at the relevant year-end exchange rate, and (ii) condensed statements of operations data has been translated to US dollars at the relevant average exchange rate.

	2007	2006	2005
		(millions)	
Condensed statements of operations data:			
Total revenues	\$508	\$440	\$412
Income before income taxes	75	75	67
Net income	29	41	44
Condensed balance sheets data:			
Total assets	1,446	1,250	1,095
Total liabilities	(1,188)	(1,041)	(926)
Stockholders' equity	(258)	(209)	(169)

For the year ended December 31, 2007 the company recognized \$6 million (2006: \$5 million; 2005: \$5 million) in respect of dividends received from associates.

### 13. PENSION PLANS

The Company maintains two principal defined benefit pension plans that cover almost all our employees in the United States and United Kingdom, although the UK plan was closed to new entrants in January 2006. New entrants in the United Kingdom will now be offered the opportunity to join a defined contribution plan. Elsewhere, pension benefits are typically provided through defined contribution plans. It is the Company's policy to fund pension costs as required by applicable laws and regulations.

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 13. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The following schedules provide information concerning the Company's UK and US defined benefit pension plans as of and for the years ended December 31:

	UK Pension I	UK Pension Benefits		Benefits
	2007	2006	2007	2006
		(millions)		
Change in benefit obligation:				
Benefit obligation, beginning of year	\$2,090	\$1,848	\$585	\$574
Service cost	47	51	21	21
Interest cost	113	97	35	32
Employee contributions	14	10	_	_
Actuarial (gain) loss	(120)	(99)	22	(23)
Benefits paid	(82)	(74)	(22)	(20)
Foreign currency changes	22	257	_	_
Plan amendments	_	_	_	1
Benefit obligations, end of year	2,084	2,090	641	585
Change in plan assets:				
Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year	2,256	1,662	551	475
Actual return on plan assets	99	141	46	78
Employee contributions	14	10	_	_
Employer contributions	180	263	23	18
Benefits paid	(82)	(74)	(22)	(20)
Foreign currency changes	21	254	<u>`</u> _`	<u>'</u>
Fair value of plan assets, end of year	2,488	2,256	598	551
Funded status at end of year	\$404	\$166	\$(43)	\$(34)
Components on the Consolidated Balance Sheets:				
Pension benefits asset	\$404	\$166	<b>\$</b> —	\$—
Liability for pension benefits	_	_	(43)	(34)

 $Amounts \ recognized \ in \ accumulated \ other \ comprehensive \ loss \ consist \ of:$ 

US Pension Benefits	UK Pension Benefits	
2007 2006	2006	2007
ons)	(millions)	
\$20 \$1	\$273	\$236
(7) (9)	(20)	(18)

The accumulated benefit obligations for the Company's UK and US defined benefit pension plans were \$2,014 million and \$619 million, respectively (2006: \$2,019 million and \$565 million, respectively).

# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 13. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The components of the net periodic benefit cost and other amounts recognized in other comprehensive loss for the UK and US defined benefit plans are as follows:

	reals ended beceinber 31,					
	UK Pension Benefits			US	Pension Benefits	
	2007	2006	2005	2007	2006	2005
			(millions)			
Components of net periodic benefit cost:						
Service cost	\$47	\$51	\$47	\$21	\$21	\$24
Interest cost	113	97	88	35	32	31
Expected return on plan assets	(182)	(143)	(107)	(44)	(39)	(35)
Amortization of unrecognized prior service gain	(3)	(3)	(3)	(1)	(1)	_
Amortization of unrecognized actuarial loss	4	14	16	_	_	1
Net periodic benefit (income) cost	\$(21)	\$16	\$41	\$11	\$13	\$21
Other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other comprehensive income (loss):						
Net actuarial (gain) loss	\$(37)	\$287	n/a	\$20	\$1	n/a
Amortization of unrecognized actuarial loss	(4)	(14)	n/a	_	_	n/a
Prior service gain	_	(23)	n/a	_	(10)	n/a
Amortization of unrecognized prior service gain	3	3	n/a	1	1	n/a
Total recognized in other comprehensive income	\$(38)	\$253	n/a	\$21	\$(8)	n/a
Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost and other comprehensive income	\$(59)	\$269	n/a	\$32	\$5	n/a
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The estimated net loss and prior service cost for the UK and US defined benefit plans that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive loss into net periodic benefit cost over the next fiscal year are \$\frac{1}{2}\text{ and \$\frac{1}{2}}\text{ million gain, respectively (using the year-end exchange rate of £1 = \$1.98) for the UK plan and \$\frac{1}{2}\text{ million gain for the US plan, respectively.}

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 13. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The following schedule provides other information concerning the Company's UK and US defined benefit pension plans:

	rears ended December 31,			
	UK Pension Benefits		Pension Benefits US Pension Bene	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
Weighted-average assumptions to determine benefit obligations:				
Discount rate	5.9%	5.3%	6.0%	6.0%
Rate of compensation increase	4.3%	3.9%	4.0%	4.0%
Weighted-average assumptions to determine net periodic benefit cost:				
Discount rate	5.3%	4.9%	6.0%	5.8%
Expected return on plan assets	7.8%	7.8%	8.0%	8.0%
Rate of compensation increase	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	4.0%

The expected return on plan assets was determined on the basis of the weighted-average of the expected future returns of the various asset classes, using the target allocations shown below. The expected returns on UK plan assets are UK and foreign equities 8.80 percent, debt securities 5.40 percent and real estate 6.40 percent. The expected returns on US plan assets are US and foreign equities 9.25 percent and debt securities 5.75 percent.

The Company's pension plan asset allocations based on fair values were as follows:

	Years ended December 31,			
	UK Pensio	on Benefits	US Pensio	n Benefits
Asset Category	2007	2006	2007	2006
Equity securities	71%	72%	62%	70%
Debt securities	22%	18%	28%	30%
Real estate	5%	6%	_	_
Other	2%	4%	10%	_
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

The Company's investment policy includes a mandate to diversify assets and the Company invests in a variety of asset classes to achieve that goal. The UK Plan's assets are divided into 10 separate portfolios according to asset class and managed by 10 investment managers. The broad target allocations are UK and foreign equities (75 percent), debt securities (20 percent) and real estate (5 percent). The US Plan's assets are currently invested in 19 funds representing most standard equity and debt security classes. The broad target allocations are US and foreign equities (64 percent) and debt securities (36 percent).

In 2008, the Company expects to contribute \$149 million to the UK plan and \$25 million to the US plan.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 13. PENSION PLANS (Continued)

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are estimated to be paid by the UK and US defined benefit pension plans:

Expected future benefit payments	UK Pension Benefits	Benefits Benefits	
	(million	ns)	
2008	\$84	\$24	
2009	87	25	
2010	92	28	
2011	99	30	
2012	105	33	
2013-2017	628	218	

Willis North America has a 401(k) plan covering all eligible employees of Willis North America and its subsidiaries. The plan allows participants to make pre-tax contributions and the Company provides a matching contribution of 3 percent of employees' annual eligible compensation. All investment assets of the plan are held in a trust account administered by independent trustees. The Company's 401(k) matching contributions for 2007 were \$6 million; 2005: \$5 million).

# 14. LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	Decen	December 31,		
	2007	2006		
	(mil	llions)		
5.125% Senior notes due 2010	\$25	0 \$250		
5.625% Senior notes due 2015	35	0 350		
6.200% Senior notes due 2017	60	0 —		
Revolving credit facility	5	0 200		
	\$1,25	0 \$800		
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### Senior Notes Offering

On July 1, 2005, the Company completed a senior notes offering of \$600 million, comprising \$250 million, 5 year notes priced at 5.125 percent and \$350 million, 10 year notes priced at 5.625 percent. The net proceeds from the offering were used to repay the then existing \$450 million term loans on July 6, 2005 and for general corporate purposes including additional pension fund contributions of \$50 million.

On March 28, 2007, the Company completed a senior notes offering of \$600 million, 10 year notes priced at 6.200 percent. The net proceeds of the offering were used to repurchase common stock pursuant to the Company's stock repurchase program and to repay the outstanding \$200 million borrowings under the revolving credit facility.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 14. LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

### Revolving Credit Facility

On October 17, 2005, the Company completed the re-financing of the then existing 2003 undrawn revolving credit facility. The \$150 million revolving credit facility was replaced by a new \$300 million revolving credit facility with a term of 5 years. On November 7, 2007, the Company executed an amendment to its revolving credit facility which increases the covenant leverage ratio from 2.5:1.0 to 3.0:1.0.

\$50 million was drawn as at December 31, 2007, bearing an interest rate of LIBOR plus 0.375 percent.

The revolving credit facility agreement contains numerous operating and financial covenants, including requirements to maintain minimum ratios of consolidated EBITDA to consolidated net interest expense and maximum levels of net indebtedness in relation to consolidated EBITDA, in each case subject to certain adjustments.

In addition, the credit agreement includes covenants relating to the delivery of financial statements, reports and notices, limitations on liens, limitations on sales and other disposals of assets, limitations on indebtedness and other liabilities, limitations on sale and leaseback transactions, limitations on mergers and other fundamental changes, maintenance of property, maintenance of insurance, nature of business, compliance with applicable laws, maintenance of corporate existence and rights, use of proceeds, payment of taxes and access to information and properties. At December 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with all covenants.

All obligations of Willis North America Inc. ("Willis North America") (the borrower) under the credit agreement and under the Senior Notes offering are guaranteed by Willis Group Holdings Limited, Trainity Acquisition Limited, Willis Group Limited, TA II Limited, TA II Limited, TA III Limited and TA IV Limited.

#### Lines of Credit

Excluding the \$300 million revolving credit facility, the Company also has available \$8 million (2006: \$7 million) in lines of credit, of which \$nil was drawn as of December 31, 2007 (2006: \$nil).

#### 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### Operating Leases

The Company leases certain land, buildings and equipment under various operating lease arrangements. Original non-cancellable lease terms typically are between 10 and 20 years and may contain escalation clauses, along with options that permit early withdrawal. The total amount of the minimum rent is expensed on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

### 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

As of December 31, 2007, the aggregate future minimum rental commitments under all non-cancellable operating lease agreements are as follows:

Gross Rental Commitments	Subleases	Net Rental Commitments
	(millions)	
\$140	\$(19)	\$121
126	(17)	109
113	(14)	99
91	(13)	78
77	(10)	67
976	(52)	924
\$1,523	\$(125)	\$1,398

The Company is currently moving from Ten Trinity Square into its new London headquarters in Lime Street. In November 2004, the Company entered into an agreement with long time client British Land plc to lease the Lime Street building and took control of the building in June 2007 under a 25 year operating lease, with occupancy targeted for April 2008. The Company's contractual obligations in relation to this commitment total \$947 million and are included in the table above.

Rent expense amounted to \$132 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 (2006: \$93 million; 2005: \$77 million). The Company's rental income from subleases was \$14 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 (2006: \$11 million; 2005: \$9 million).

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Guarantees issued by certain of Willis Group Holdings' subsidiaries with respect to the Senior Credit Facility are discussed in note 14 in these consolidated financial statements.

Certain of Willis Group Holdings' subsidiaries have given the landlords of some leasehold properties occupied by the Company in the United Kingdom and the United States guarantees in respect of the performance of the lease obligations of the subsidiary holding the lease. The operating lease obligations subject to such guarantees amounted to \$1,035 million and \$1,033 million at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

In addition, the Company has given guarantees to bankers and other third parties relating principally to letters of credit amounting to \$4 million and \$3 million at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

### Put and Call Options Relating to Subsidiaries and Associates

For certain subsidiaries and associates, the Company has the right to purchase shares (a call option) from co-shareholders at various dates in the future. In addition, the co-shareholders of certain subsidiaries and associates have the right to sell (a put option) their shares to the Company at various dates in the future. Generally, the exercise price of such puts and calls is formula-based (using revenues and earnings) and is

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# 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

designed to reflect fair value. Based on current projections of profitability and exchange rates, the potential amount payable in 2008 from these options is not expected to exceed \$457 million. Of this balance, \$442 million relates to Gras Savove, as disclosed in Note 12.

#### Claims, Lawsuits and Other Proceedings

#### General

The Company is subject to various actual and potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings relating principally to alleged errors and omissions in connection with the placement of insurance and reinsurance in the ordinary course of business. Similar to other corporations, the Company is also subject to a variety of other claims, including those relating to the Company's employment practices. Some of the claims, lawsuits and other proceedings seek damages in amounts which could, if assessed, be significant.

Errors and omissions claims, lawsuits and other proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business are covered in part by professional indemnity or other appropriate insurance. The terms of this insurance vary by policy year and self-insured risks have increased significantly in recent years. In respect of self-insured risks, the Company has established provisions which are believed to be adequate in the light of current information and legal advice, and the Company adjusts such provisions from time to time according to developments.

On the basis of current information, the Company does not expect that the actual claims, lawsuits and other proceedings, to which the Company is subject, or potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings relating to matters of which it is aware will ultimately have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or liquidity. Nonetheless, given the large or indeterminate amounts sought in certain of these actions, and the inherent unpredictability of litigation, it is possible that an adverse outcome in certain matters could, from time to time, have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations or cash flows in particular quarterly or annual periods.

The most significant actual or potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings, of which we are currently aware are:

#### Inquiries and Investigations

In April 2005, the Company entered into an Assurance of Discontinuance ("NY AOD") with the New York Attorney General and the New York Superintendent of Insurance resolving the investigation commenced by the New York Attorney General in April 2004 which concerned, among other things, arrangements pursuant to which insurers compensated insurance brokers for distribution and other services provided to insurers and, as the investigation of brokers and insurers continued, broadened into an investigation of other possible violations of law, including violations of fluciarry duty, securities laws, and antitrust laws. Pursuant to the NY AOD, the Company has paid \$50 million to eligible customers. The Company also agreed to continue certain business reforms it had already implemented and to implement certain other business reforms. These reforms include an agreement not to accept contingent compensation; and an undertaking to disclose to customers any compensation the Company will receive in connection with providing policy placement services to the customer. The Company also resolved a similar

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### 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

investigation commenced by the Minnesota Attorney General in 2005 by entering into an Assurance of Discontinuance pursuant to which the Company paid \$1 million to Minnesota customers and implemented the business reforms described in the NY AOD. In July 2007 the Company resolved a similar investigation by the Florida Attorney General, the Florida Department of Financial Services and the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation by agreeing to reimburse approximately \$2.6 million to Florida public entities who were customers and to reimburse the state for its investigatory costs.

The Company has responded to requests for documents and information by the regulators and/or attorneys general of more than twenty other states, the District of Columbia, one US city, Canada, and Australia that conducted similar investigations. The Company has co-operated fully with these investigations and has engaged in discussions with regulators and attorneys general about their investigations but cannot predict at this time how or when those investigations will he resolved

The European Commission issued questionnaires pursuant to its Sector Inquiry or, in respect of Norway, the European Free Trade Association Surveillance Authority, related to insurance business practices, including compensation arrangements for brokers, to at least 150 European brokers including our operations in nine European countries. The Company responded to the European Commission questionnaires and has filed the European Free Trade Association Surveillance Authority for two of its Norwegian entities. The European Commission reported on a final basis on September 25, 2007 expressing concerns over potential conflicts of interest in the industry relating to remuneration and binding authorities when assuming a dual role for clients and insurers and also over the nature of the coinsurance market. The Company continues to co-operate with both the European Commission and the European Free Trade Association Surveillance Authority.

Since August 2004, various plaintiffs have filed purported class actions in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, the Northern District of Illinois, the Northern District of California, the New Jersey District court, and the Circuit Court for the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida Civil Division, under a variety of legal theories, including state tort, contract, fiduciary duty and statutory theories, and federal antitrust and RICO theories. Other than a federal suit in Illinois that was voluntarily dismissed by the plaintiff in May 2005, all of these federal actions have been consolidated into two actions in federal court in New Jersey. One of the consolidated actions addresses employee benefits, while the other consolidated action addresses all other lines of insurance. In addition to the two federal actions, the Company was also named as a defendant in a purported class action in the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida Civil Division. Both the consolidated federal actions and the Florida state action name various insurance carriers and insurance brokerage firms, including the Company, as defendants. In July 2007, class action suits, similar to the suits consolidated in New Jersey, were filed in the United States District Courts in the Southern District of Florida and the Southern District of New York. The complaints seek monetary damages and equitable relief and make allegations regarding the practices and conduct that has been the subject of the investigation of state attorneys general and insurance commissioners, including allegations that the brokers have breached their duties to their clients by entering into contingent compensation agreements with either no disclosure to clients and entered into other improper activities. The complaints also allege the existence of a conspiracy among the insurance carriers and brokers and the federal court complaints allege violations of the federal RICO statute. In separate decisi

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### 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

dismissed certain of the state claims without prejudice. Plaintiffs have filed a notice of appeal regarding these dismissal rulings. In January 2008, the Judge dismissed the ERISA claims with prejudice in the employee benefits suit. Additional actions could be brought in the future by individual policyholders. The Company disputes the allegations in all of these suits and intends to defend itself vigorously against these actions. The outcomes of these lawsuits, however, including any losses or other payments that may occur as a result, cannot be predicted at this time.

# Sovereign/WFUM

Sovereign, a wholly owned subsidiary, operated as an insurance company in the United Kingdom and from 1972 Sovereign's underwriting activities were managed by another wholly owned subsidiary, Willis Faber (Underwriting Management) Limited, or WFUM. WFUM also provided underwriting agency and other services to third-party insurance companies, which are referred to as the stamp companies. As part of its services as agent, WFUM underwrote insurance and reinsurance business on behalf of Sovereign and the stamp companies and arranged reinsurance on their behalf. In 1991, Sovereign and the stamp companies ceased underwriting new business. Sovereign entered provisional liquidation in 1997.

In 2004, the solvent stamp companies entered into a settlement agreement whereby Willis Group Limited and all its subsidiaries received certain immediate releases and other releases staged in return for certain staged payments. The final staged payment was made on May 11, 2007 and consequently, the Company and its subsidiaries were released from further potential liabilities to the solvent stamp companies arising out of WFUM's agency role.

On January 5, 2000, a scheme of arrangement proposed by Sovereign to its creditors became effective. The stated purpose of the scheme of arrangement is to resolve Sovereign's liabilities and provide that Sovereign's business is run off in as orderly a manner as possible. The scheme administrators have announced payments to creditors at a payment percentage of 40 percent payable out of Sovereign's assets. Since entering provisional liquidation, Sovereign has been managed by KPMG on behalf of the creditors and Sovereign's assets are therefore separate and distinct from the Company's, and any payment from Sovereign will have no effect on the Company's results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

Sovereign, in common with all the solvent stamp companies, has commenced the process of entering into final cut-off schemes of arrangements with their creditors. Votes approving the scheme proposals took place at creditors' meetings leading to the schemes being approved by the English and US courts in the third quarter of 2007. The Company through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Run-Off 1997 Limited, will continue to perform a consultancy role but otherwise the Company's involvement with the run-off of the stamp companies' obligations has come to an end.

Sovereign has expressed concern about the enforceability of certain reinsurance put in place by WFUM on behalf of Sovereign. The failure of Sovereign to collect reinsurance following any adverse arbitration awards would increase the likelihood of Sovereign pursuing potential claims, including shortfalls in reinsurance recoveries, against WFUM. Sovereign has reserved its rights generally in respect of such potential claims, and WFUM, Willis Group Limited and certain brokerage subsidiaries have entered into standstill agreements with Sovereign which preserve its rights with respect to its potential claims. The

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### 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Company believes that any amounts likely required to resolve any such claim will be covered by errors and omissions insurance.

#### Reinsurance Market Dispute

Various legal proceedings are pending, have been concluded or may commence between reinsurers, reinsureds and in some cases their intermediaries, including reinsurance brokers, relating to personal accident excess of loss reinsurance for the years 1993 to 1998. The proceedings principally concern allegations by reinsurers that they have sustained substantial losses due to an alleged abnormal "spiral" in the market in which the reinsurance contracts were placed, the existence and nature of which, as well as other information, was not disclosed to them by the reinsurance broker. A "spiral" is a market term for a situation in which reinsureds and reinsurers reinsure each other with the effect that the same loss or portion of that loss moves through the market multiple times.

The reinsurers concerned have taken the position that, despite their decisions to underwrite risks or a group of risks, they are no longer bound by their reinsurance contracts. As a result, they have stopped settling claims and are seeking to recover claims already paid. The Company also understands that there have been at least two arbitration awards in relation to a spiral, among other things, in which the reinsurer successfully argued that it was no longer bound by parts of its reinsurance program. Willis Limited, the Company's principal insurance brokers generally, which is an underwriter, for numerous personal accident reinsurance contracts, including two contracts that were involved in one of the arbitrations. Due to the small number of reinsurance brokers generally, Willis Limited was one of a small number of brokers active in the market for this reinsurance during the relevant period. Willis Limited also utilized other brokers active in this market as sub-agents, including brokers who are parties to the legal proceedings described above, for certain contracts and may be responsible for any errors and omissions they may have made. In July 2003, one of the reinsurers received a judgment in the English High Court against certain parties, including a sub-broker Willis Limited used to place two of the contracts involved in this trial. Although neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries were a party to this proceeding or any arbitration, Willis Limited entered into tolling agreements with certain of the principals to the reinsurence contracts tolling the statute of limitations pending the outcome of proceedings between the reinsureds and reinsurers.

Recently two former clients of Willis Limited, American Reliable Insurance Company and one of its associated companies ("ARIC") and CNA Insurance Company Limited and two of its associated companies ("CNA") have each terminated their respective tolling agreements with Willis Limited and commenced litigation in the English Commercial Court against Willis Limited. ARIC has alleged conspiracy between a former Willis Limited employee and the ARIC underwriter as well as negligence and CNA has alleged deceit and negligence by the same Willis Limited employee both in connection with placements of personal accident reinsurance in the excess of loss market in London and elsewhere. The Company disputes these allegations and intends to vigorously defend itself against these actions. ARIC's asserted claim is approximately \$257 million (plus unspecified claims for exemplary damages, interest and costs). The Company cannot predict at this time what, if any, damages might result from this action but believes that any amounts likely required to resolve the claims will be covered by errors and omissions insurance. Various arbitrations continue to be active and from time to time the principals request co-operation from

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the Company and suggest that claims may be asserted against the Company. Such claims may be made against the Company if reinsurers do not pay claims on policies issued by them. The Company cannot predict at this time whether any such claims will be made or the damages that may be alleged.

#### Gender Discrimination Class Action

A federal district court action was commenced against the Company in 2001 on behalf of an alleged nationwide class of present and former female officer equivalent employees alleging that the Company discriminated against them on the basis of their gender and seeking injunctive relief, money damages, attorneys' fees and costs. The court denied plaintiffs' motions to certify a nationwide class or to grant nationwide discovery, but did certify a class of female officers and officer equivalent employees based in the Northeast (New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts) offices. The class consists of approximately 200 women. In June 2007 the parties reached a settlement in principle on the class claims and with the two remaining named plaintiffs on their individual claims for an amount that will not have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. The parties have agreed on the terms of the written settlement agreement including the terms of the injunctive relief that the Company will agree to provide under the settlement which was approved by the court in February 2008. The judge is currently determining the amount of attorney fees the plaintiffs are entitled to receive, which is not material to the Company. A former female employee, whose motion to intervene in the class action was denied, has filed a purported class action with almost identical allegations as those contained in this suit, except seeking a class period of 1998 to the time of trial. The Company's motion to dismiss this suit was denied and the court did not grant the Company permission to immediately file an appeal from the denial of its motion to dismiss. The Company cannot predict at this time what, if any, damages might result from this action.

#### World Trade Center

We acted as the insurance broker, but not as an underwriter, for the placement of both property and casualty insurance for a number of entities which were directly impacted by the September 11, 2001 destruction of the World Trade Center complex, including Silverstein Properties LLC, which acquired a 99-year leasehold interest in the twin towers and related facilities from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey in July 2001. Although the World Trade Center complex insurance was bound at or before the July 2001 closing of the leasehold acquisition, consistent with standard industry practice, the final policy wording for the placements was still in the process of being finalized when the twin towers and other buildings in the complex were destroyed on September 11, 2001.

There are a number of lawsuits pending in the United States between the insured parties and the insurers for several placements, with the Silverstein property placement being the most significant of these lawsuits. There were two jury trials in the Silverstein property suit in which the principal issue was whether the September 11 events constituted one or more occurrences for the purposes of the relevant insurance policies. The outcome from the two jury trials is that Silverstein has \$4.6 billion in coverage as opposed to the \$7 billion it was seeking. On appeal, the verdicts from both jury trials were upheld. Silverstein and a few insurers have filed petitions with the appellate court for reargument. In May 2007, Silverstein reached a settlement with all of its property insurers, putting an end to the property litigation. In June 2007, a state court action was commenced in the New York County Supreme Court by The Westfield Group against Silverstein and Willis seeking to recover the costs it incurred in establishing its insured status under

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## 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

Silverstein's liability policy. Other disputes may also arise in respect of the World Trade Center insurance placed by us which could affect Willis including claims by one or more of the insureds that we made culpable errors or omissions in connection with our brokerage activities. However, we do not believe that our role as broker will lead to liabilities which in the aggregate would have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

## 16. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS, NET OF TAX

The components of comprehensive income are as follows:

		Years ended December 31,				
	20	2007		2005		2005
			(milli	ons)		
Net income	\$	409	\$	449	\$	281
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:						
Foreign currency translation adjustment (net of tax of \$nil in 2007, 2006 and 2005)		17		44		(41)
Unrealized holding gain (loss) (net of tax of \$nil in 2007, 2006 and 2005)		_		(1)		_
Minimum pension liability adjustment, prior to the adoption of FAS 158 (net of tax of \$(97) million in 2006 and \$(5) million in 2005)		_		209		16
FAS 158 pension funding adjustment (net of tax of \$(6) million in 2007)		7		_		_
Net gain (loss) on derivative instruments (net of tax of \$nil in 2007, \$1 million in 2006, \$9 million in 2005)		1		(2)		(20)
Other comprehensive income (loss) (net of tax of \$(6) million in 2007, \$(96) million in 2006, \$4 million in 2005)		25		250		(45)
Comprehensive income		\$434		\$699		\$236

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 16. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS, NET OF TAX (Continued)

The components of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, are as follows:

	December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
		(millions)	
Net foreign currency translation adjustment	\$16	\$(1)	\$(45)
Net unrealized holding loss	(1)	(1)	_
Net minimum pension liability adjustment, prior to the adoption of FAS 158	_	16	(193)
FAS 158 pension funding adjustment	(166)	_	_
Net unrealized loss on derivative instruments	(2)	(3)	(1)
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income pre application of FAS 158, net of tax	\$(153)	\$11	\$(239)
Net adjustment on initial application of FAS 158	_	(189)	_
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	\$(153)	\$(178)	\$(239)

It is estimated that \$5 million of net derivative losses included in accumulated other comprehensive loss will be reclassified into earnings within the next twelve months.

# 17. SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Supplemental disclosures regarding cash flow information and non-cash flow investing and financing activities are as follows:

	,	Years ended December 31,		
	2007	2007 2006		
		(millions)		
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:				
Cash payments for income taxes	\$83	\$96	\$62	
Cash payments for interest	57	36	12	
Supplemental disclosures of non-cash flow investing and financing activities:				
Liabilities accrued for additions to fixed assets	\$16	\$—	\$—	
Issue of stock on acquisitions of subsidiaries	16	3	7	
Deferred payments on acquisitions of subsidiaries	1	. 8	2	
Acquisitions:				
Fair value of assets acquired	\$11	\$92	\$15	
Less:				
liabilities assumed	(2	) (71)	(19)	
cash acquired	_	(2)	(2)	
Net assets (liabilities) assumed, net of cash acquired	\$9	\$19	\$(6)	

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 18. SHARE BUYBACKS

On November 1, 2007, the Board authorized a new share buyback program for \$1 billion. This replaced the previous \$1 billion buyback program and its remaining \$308 million authorization. The program is an open-ended plan to repurchase the Company's shares from time to time in the open market or through negotiated sales with persons who are not affiliates of the Company. No share buybacks had been made under this new authorization by December 31, 2007.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company repurchased through its accelerated share repurchase program 11.5 million shares, bringing total share repurchases under the previous program to date to 16.9 million shares for a total consideration of \$692 million. Repurchased shares were subsequently canceled.

#### Accelerated Share Repurchase Programs

During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company completed the \$150 million November 2006 accelerated share repurchase program and started and completed two further accelerated share repurchase programs, one for \$50 million and one for \$400 million.

The details of the various programs as at December 31, 2007, are as follows:

Start date	Finish date		No. of shares purchased Initial price		Fees and price adjustment <sup>(1)</sup>	
November 2006	February 2007	3,786,922	\$39.61	\$40.63	\$3.9 million	
March 2007	March 2007	1,274,210	\$39.26	\$39.66	\$0.5 million	
March 2007	October 2007	10,240,655	\$39.06	\$41.68	\$26.8 million	

<sup>(1)</sup> Under the terms of the programs, the shares were subject to a price adjustment based on the volume weighted average share price of Willis' stock and dividend payments during the term of the program.

The \$481 million excess of the initial purchase price over nominal value for the two 2007 programs, together with the price adjustments in respect of the completed November 2006 and March 2007 programs has been charged to stockholders' equity; \$432 million was charged against additional paid-in capital and \$49 million against retained earnings.

#### 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company's principal financial instruments, other than derivatives, comprise the fixed rate Senior Notes, a revolving credit facility, cash deposits and short-term investments. The Company also enters into derivative transactions (principally interest rate swaps and forward foreign currency contracts) in order to manage interest rate and currency risks arising from the Company's operations and its sources of finance. The Company does not hold financial or derivative instruments for trading purposes.

The main risks arising from the Company's financial instruments are interest rate risk, liquidity risk, foreign currency risk and credit risk. The Company's board of directors reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks as summarized below.

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### Interest Rate Risk

The Company's operations are financed principally by \$1,200 million fixed rate Senior Notes issued by a subsidiary, of which \$250 million are due 2010, \$350 million are due 2015 and \$600 million are due 2017. As of December 31, 2007, the Company had also drawn down \$50 million on its \$300 million Revolving Credit Facility which expires in 2010. The interest rate applicable to this borrowing varies according to LIBOR on the date of individual drawdowns.

On November 7, 2007, the Company amended its revolving credit facility to increase the permitted leverage ratio (defined as net indebtedness to consolidated EBITDA for the prior four quarters) from 2.5:1.0 to 3.0:1.0. At December 31, 2007, the Company's leverage ratio was approximately 1.5:1.0 up from 0.8:1.0 at December 31, 2006. The Company believes this amendment provides it with flexibility to increase its leverage and that the Company can manage its capital efficiently whilst maintaining our investment grade credit ratings.

As a result of the Company's operating activities, the Company receives cash for premiums and claims which it deposits in short-term investments denominated in US dollars and other currencies. The Company earns interest on these funds, which is included in the Company's financial statements as investment income. These funds are regulated in terms of access and the instruments in which they may be invested, most of which are short-term in maturity. In order to manage interest rate risk arising from these financial assets, the Company enters into interest rate swaps to receive a fixed rate of interest and pay a variable rate of interest fixed in the various currencies related to the short-term investments. The use of interest rate contracts essentially converts groups of short-term variable rate investments to fixed rates.

The fair value of these contracts is recorded in other assets and other liabilities. For contracts that qualify as accounting hedges, changes in fair value are recorded as a component of other comprehensive income.

Amounts are reclassified from other comprehensive income into earnings when the hedged exposure affects earnings. For contracts that do not qualify for hedge accounting, changes in fair value are recorded in other operating expenses.

		Years ended December 31,		
		2007	2006	2005
			(millions)	
Other Comprehensive Income				
Interest rate contracts (net of tax of \$(6), \$1 and \$5)		\$13	\$(2)	\$(11)
	43			

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

A summary of the Company's interest rate swaps by major currency is as follows:

			December 51,					
				Weighted Average I Rates	interest			
		Notional Amount <sup>(1)</sup>	Termination Dates	Receive	Pay			
		(millions)		%	%			
2007								
US dollar	Receive fixed-pay variable	\$1,005	2008-2011	4.85	3.96			
Pounds sterling	Receive fixed-pay variable	355	2008-2011	5.17	5.14			
Euro	Receive fixed-pay variable	160	2008-2011	3.81	4.53			
2006								
US dollar	Receive fixed-pay variable	\$837	2007-2010	4.60	4.90			
Pounds sterling	Receive fixed-pay variable	345	2007-2010	4.94	5.42			
Euro	Receive fixed-pay variable	134	2007-2010	3.32	4.04			

<sup>(1)</sup> Notional amounts represent US dollar equivalents translated at the spot rate as of December 31.

A summary of the Company's forward rate agreements by major currency is as follows:

			December 31,					
					interest			
		Notional Amount <sup>(1)</sup>	Termination Dates	Receive	Pay			
		(millions)		%	%			
2007								
Pounds sterling	Receive fixed-pay variable	\$20	2008	6.19	6.50			
2006								
US dollar	Receive fixed-pay variable	\$160	2007	5.28	5.24			
Pounds sterling	Receive fixed-pay variable	53	2007	4.69	5.32			

Notional amounts represent US dollar equivalents translated at the spot rate as of December 31.

#### Liquidity Risk

The Company's objective is to ensure that it has the ability to generate sufficient cash either from internal or external sources, in a timely and cost-effective manner, to meet its commitments as they fall due. The Company's management of liquidity risk is embedded within its overall risk management framework. Scenario analysis is continually undertaken to ensure that the Company's resources can meet its liquidity requirements. These resources are supplemented by a \$300 million revolving credit facility which expires on October 17, 2010, of which \$50 million was drawn as at December 31, 2007.

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### Foreign Currency Risk

The Company's primary foreign exchange risk arises from changes in the exchange rate between US dollars and pounds sterling as the UK operations earn the majority of their revenues in US dollars and incur expenses predominantly in pounds sterling. In addition, the UK operations earn significant revenues in Euros and Japanese Yen.

These risks are hedged as follows:

- To the extent that forecast pound sterling expenses exceed pound sterling revenues, the Company limits its exposure to this exchange rate risk by the use of forward contracts matched to specific, clearly identified cash outflows arising in the ordinary course of business:
- To the extent the UK operations earn significant revenues in Euros and Japanese Yen, the Company limits its exposure to changes in the exchange rate between the US dollar and these currencies by the use of forward contracts matched to a percentage of forecast cash inflows in specific currencies and periods.

The fair value of these contracts is recorded in other assets and other liabilities. For contracts that qualify as accounting hedges, changes in fair value are recorded as a component of other comprehensive income. Amounts are reclassified from other comprehensive income into earnings when the hedged exposure affects earnings. For contracts that do not qualify for hedge, changes in fair value are recorded in other operating expenses.

Years e	Years ended December 31,		
2007	2006	2005	
	(millions)		
\$(10)	\$13	\$—	
(12)	_	(9)	

The table below summarizes by major currency the contractual amounts of the Company's forward contracts to exchange foreign currencies for pounds sterling. Foreign currency notional amounts are reported in US dollars translated at spot rates at December 31.

	Decembe	er 31,
	Sell 2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	Sell 2006
	(millio	
6 dollar	\$120	\$95
Curo	186	86
apanese yen	14	11

Forward exchange contracts range in maturity from 2008 to 2010.

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

#### Credit Risk and Concentrations of Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the loss that would be recognized at the reporting date if counterparties failed to perform as contracted and from movements in interest rates and foreign exchange rates. The Company does not anticipate non-performance by counterparties. The Company generally does not require collateral or other security to support financial instruments with credit risk; however, it is the Company's policy to enter into master netting arrangements with counterparties as practical.

Concentrations of credit risk that arise from financial instruments exist for groups of customers or counterparties when they have similar economic characteristics that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic or other conditions. Financial instruments on the balance sheet that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and derivatives which are recorded at fair value. The Company maintains a policy providing for the diversification of cash and cash equivalent investments and places such investments in an extensive number of high quality financial institutions to limit the amount of credit risk exposure. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to receivables are limited due to the large number of clients and markets in which the Company does business, as well as the dispersion across many geographic areas. Management does not believe significant risk exists in connection with the Company's concentrations of credit as of December 31, 2007.

#### Fair Value

The estimated fair value of the Company's financial instruments held or issued to finance the Company's operations is summarized below. Certain estimates and judgments were required to develop the fair value amounts. The fair value amounts shown below are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company would realize upon disposition nor do they indicate the Company's intent or ability to dispose of the financial instrument.

		December 31,			
		2007		2006	
	Carrying amou	nt	Fair Value	Carrying amount	Fair Value
		(millions)			
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	200	\$200	\$288	\$288
Fiduciary funds—restricted	1.	520	1,520	1,772	1,772
Short-term investments		40	40	58	58
Derivative financial instruments		14	14	20	20
Liabilities:					
Long-term debt	1.	250	1,247	800	785
Derivative financial instruments		14	14	11	11

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

#### 19. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating its fair value disclosure for financial instruments:

Cash and Cash Equivalents—The estimated fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values due to their short maturities.

Fiduciary Funds—Restricted and Short-Term Investments—Fair values are based on quoted market values.

Long-Term Debt-Fair values are based on quoted market values.

Derivative Financial Instruments—Market values have been used to determine the fair value of interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts based on estimated amounts the Company would receive or have to pay to terminate the agreements, taking into account the current interest rate environment or current foreign currency forward rates.

#### 20. SEGMENT INFORMATION

During the periods presented, the Company operated through three segments: Global; North America and International. Global provides specialist brokerage and consulting services to clients worldwide for specific industrial and commercial activities and is organized by specialism. North America and International predominantly comprise our retail operations which provide services to small, medium and major corporates, accessing Global's specialist expertise when required.

The Company evaluates the performance of its operating segments based on organic revenue growth and operating income. For internal reporting and segmental reporting, the following items are excluded from segmental expenses as they are not directly controlled by segment management:

- i) gains and losses on the disposal of operations and major properties;
- ii) foreign exchange hedging activities;
- iii) amortization of intangible assets;
- iv) Shaping our Future expenditure for 2006; and
- v) significant legal and regulatory settlements which are managed centrally.

With effect from January 1, 2008, the Company changed its basis of segmental allocation for central costs. In particular, all accounting adjustments for hedging transactions are now held at the Corporate level, together with certain legal costs. As a result of this change, an additional \$1 million net operating profit for full year 2007, \$2 million for full year 2006, and nil for full year 2005, previously reported within Corporate, has been allocated to the operating segments. Comparative data have been adjusted accordingly.

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 20. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

The accounting policies of the operating segments are consistent with those described in Note 2. There are no inter-segment revenues, with segments operating on a revenue-sharing basis equivalent to that used when sharing business with other third-party brokers.

Effective January 1, 2007, the Company's UK and Irish retail operations, which were previously reported within Global, are reported within International which now incorporates all the Company's retail operations outside North America. Comparative data have been adjusted accordingly.

Selected information regarding the Company's operating segments is as follows:

#### Year ended December 31, 2007

	Commissions and Fees	Investment Income	Other Income <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Revenues	Depreciation and Amortization	Operating Income	Interest in Earnings of Associates, net of tax
				(millions)			
Global	\$750	\$46	\$—	\$796	\$16	\$225	\$—
North America	751	18	17	786	12	152	_
International	962	32	2	996	24	251	16
Total Retail	1,713	50	19	1,782	36	403	16
Total Operating Segments	2,463	96	19	2,578	52	628	16
Corporate and Other <sup>(2)</sup>					14	(8)	
Total Consolidated	\$2,463	\$96	\$19	\$2,578	\$66	\$620	\$16

<sup>(1)</sup> Prior to January 1, 2008, the Company reported "Other Income" within "Commissions and Fees", as described in Note 2. Comparatives have been adjusted accordingly.

<sup>(2)</sup> Corporate and Other includes the costs of the holding company; foreign exchange hedging activities; amortization of intangible assets; net gains and losses on disposal of operations; certain legal costs; and \$2 million net gain on disposal of the Company's London headquarters net of leaseback costs.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 20. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

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<sup>(1)</sup> Prior to January 1, 2008, the Company reported "Other Income" within "Commissions and Fees", as described in Note 2. Comparatives have been adjusted accordingly.

#### Year ended December 31, 2005

	Commissions and Fees	Investment Income	Other Income <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Revenues	Depreciation and Amortization	Operating Income	Interest in Earnings of Associates, net of tax
				(millions)			
Global	\$698	\$35	\$—	\$733	\$10	\$220	\$—
North America	701	16	4	721	12	104	_
International	791	22	_	813	21	171	14
Total Retail	1,492	38	4	1,534	33	275	14
m . 10	2.100			2.265		405	
Total Operating Segments	2,190	73	4	2,267	43 11	495	14
Corporate and Other <sup>(2)</sup>						(44)	
Total Consolidated	\$2,190	\$73	\$4	\$2,267	\$54	\$451	\$14

<sup>(1)</sup> Prior to January 1, 2008, the Company reported "Other Income" within "Commissions and Fees", as described in Note 2. Comparatives have been adjusted accordingly.

<sup>(2)</sup> Corporate and Other includes the costs of the holding company; foreign exchange hedging activities; amortization of intangible assets; net gains and losses on disposal of operations; certain legal costs; \$99 million gain on disposal of the Company's London headquarters net of leaseback costs and \$101 million of expenditure on second half 2006 Shaping our Future initiatives which were held centrally.

<sup>(2)</sup> Corporate and Other includes the costs of the holding company; foreign exchange hedging activities; amortization of intangible assets; net gains and losses on disposal of operations; certain legal costs; \$60 million of charges and costs relating to regulatory settlements; \$20 million increase in legal provisions; and severance costs of \$28 million held centrally.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 20. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

The following table reconciles total consolidated operating income, as disclosed in the operating segment tables above, to consolidated income before income taxes, interest in earnings of associates and minority interest.

	Years ended December 31,		,	
2007	7	2006	2005	
		(millions)		
	\$620	\$552	\$451	
	(66)	(38)	(30)	
	_			
:	\$554	\$514	\$421	

The Company does not routinely evaluate the total asset position by segment, and the following allocations have been made based on reasonable estimates and assumptions:

	Decer	mber 31,
	2007	2006
	(mi	llions)
Total assets:		
Global	\$9,620	\$9,607
North America	1,677	1,771
International	1,852	1,679
Total Retail	3,529	3,450
Total Operating Segments	13,149	13,057
Corporate and Eliminations	(201)	321
Total Consolidated	\$12,948	\$13,378

Operating segment revenue by product is as follows:

						Years	ended Dece	mber 31,				
	2007	2006	2005	2007	2006	2005	2007	2006	2005	2007	2006	2005
		Global		N	orth Americ	a	1	nternationa	ı		Total	
							(millions)					
Commissions and fees:												
Retail insurance services	\$	\$	\$	\$751	\$744	\$701	\$962	\$847	\$791	\$1,713	\$1,591	\$1,492
Specialty insurance services	750	737	698	_	_	_	_	_	_	750	737	698
Total commissions and fees	750	737	698	751	744	701	962	847	791	2,463	2,328	2,190
Investment income	46	43	35	18	21	16	32	23	22	96	87	73
Other income	_	_	_	17	12	4	2	1	_	19	13	4
Total Revenues	\$796	\$780	\$733	\$786	\$777	\$721	\$996	\$871	\$813	\$2,578	\$2,428	\$2,267

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 20. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

None of the Company's customers represented more than 10 percent of the Company's consolidated commissions and fees for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005.

Information regarding the Company's geographic locations is as follows:

	•	Years ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005	
		(millions)		
Commissions and fees <sup>(1)</sup>				
UK	\$838	\$820	\$786	
US	915	891	840	
Other <sup>(2)</sup>	710	617	564	
Total	\$2,463	\$2,328	\$2,190	
		December 3	1,	
		2007	2006	
	•	(millions)		
Long-lived assets <sup>(3)</sup>				
UK		\$182	\$89	
US		91	48 30	
Other <sup>(2)</sup>		42	30	
Total		\$315	\$167	

<sup>(1)</sup> Commissions and fees are attributed to countries based upon the location of the subsidiary generating the revenue. Prior to January 1, 2008, the Company reported "Other Income" within "Commissions and Fees", as described in Note 2. Comparatives have been adjusted accordingly.

#### 21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company and Fisher Capital Corp. L.L.C. ("Fisher"), with which Mr. James R. Fisher, a former Director of the Company is affiliated, entered into a share option agreement dated January 27, 1999, whereby the Company granted to Fisher 422,501 options to purchase an equivalent number of shares. The options vested at the grant date and were exercisable any time up to January 27, 2014. In November 2005, the remaining 56,697 options were exercised.

Concurrently with the secondary public offering by certain of its shareholders of 6,100,000 shares in November 2005, the Company purchased 1,488,810 of its shares from Profit Sharing (Overseas), Limited Partnership, an affiliate of KKR, with which Mr. P. Golkin, a former Director of the Company, and Mr. S. C. Nuttall, a former Director of the Company are affiliated and 11,190 of its shares from Fisher at a

<sup>(2)</sup> Other than in the United Kingdom and the United States, the Company does not conduct business in any country in which its commissions and fees and/or long-lived assets exceed 10 percent of consolidated commissions and fees and/or long-lived assets, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> Long-lived assets include identifiable fixed assets

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

price of \$36.00 per share, the net public offering price in the secondary offering, in a private non-underwritten transaction under the then \$500 million share repurchase program.

There were no disclosable related party transactions during 2007 or 2006.

#### 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES

On July 1, 2005, Willis North America Inc. ("Willis North America") issued debt securities totaling \$600 million under its April 2003 registration statement. On March 28, 2007, Willis North America issued further debt securities totaling \$600 million under its June 2006 registration statement (Note 14). The debt securities are jointly and severally, irrevocably and fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Willis Group Holdings, Willis Group Limited, TA II Limited, TA II Limited, TA II Limited, TA III Limit

Presented below is condensed consolidating financial information for: (i) Willis Group Holdings, which is a guarantor, on a parent company only basis; (ii) the Other Guarantors which are all 100 percent owned subsidiaries of the parent; (iii) the Issuer, Willis North America; (iv) Other, which are the non-guarantor subsidiaries, on a combined basis; (v) Eliminations; and (vi) Consolidated Company and subsidiaries. The equity method has been used for all investments in cuberidaries.

The entities included in the Other Guarantors column are Willis Group Limited, Trinity Acquisition Limited, TA I Limited, TA II Limited, TA II Limited and TA IV Limited.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2007					
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
				(millions)		
REVENUES						
Commissions and fees	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$2,463	\$—	\$2,463
Investment income	_	_	20	170	(94)	96
Other income						19
Total revenues	_	_	20	2,652	(94)	2,578
EXPENSES						
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$33 in Other)	_	_	_	(1,465)	17	(1,448)
Other operating expenses	(2)	3	11	(491)	19	(460)
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets		_	(8)	(46)	(12)	(66)
Gain on disposal of London headquarters	_	_	_	14	_	14
Net gain on disposal of operations	_	_	_	2	_	2
Total expenses	(2)	3	3	(1,986)	24	(1,958)
OPERATING (LOSS) INCOME	(2)	3	23	666	(70)	620
Investment income from Group undertakings	1,138	2,751	300	163	(4,352)	_
Interest expense	(8)	(207)	(69)	(152)	370	(66)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF						
ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	1,128	2,547	254	677	(4,052)	554
Income Taxes	_	(1)	15	(150)	(8)	(144)
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND						
MINORITY INTEREST	1,128	2,546	269	527	(4,060)	410
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax	_	_	_	16	` _	16
Minority interest, net of tax	_	_	_	(3)	(14)	(17)
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	(719)	(4,446)	(357)		5,522	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$409	\$(1,900)	\$(88)	\$540	\$1,448	\$409

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

## **Consolidating Statement of Operations**

	Year ended December 31, 2006						
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated	
				(millions)			
REVENUES							
Commissions and fees	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$2,328	\$—	\$2,328	
Investment income	_	_	16	124	(53)	87	
Other income				13		13	
Total revenues	_	_	16	2,465	(53)	2,428	
EXPENSES							
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$18 in Other)	_	_	_	(1,474)	17	(1,457)	
Other operating expenses	(1)	43	16	(527)	15	(454)	
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	_	_	(7)	(44)	(12)	(63)	
Gain on disposal of London Headquarters	_	_	_	102	_	102	
Net loss on disposal of operations	_	(9)	_	(41)	46	(4)	
Total expenses	(1)	34	9	(1,984)	66	(1,876)	
OPERATING (LOSS) INCOME	(1)	34	25	481	13	552	
Investment income from Group undertakings	130	878	103	182	(1,293)	_	
Interest expense	(2)	(194)	(63)	(110)	331	(38)	
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF	405	710			(0.10)		
ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	127	718	65	553	(949)	514	
Income Taxes	_	(18)	14	(29)	(30)	(63)	
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND							
MINORITY INTEREST	127	700	79	524	(979)	451	
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax	_	_	_	16		16	
Minority interest, net of tax				(2)	(16)	(18)	
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	322	(552)	(172)		402	_	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$449	\$148	\$(93)	\$538	\$(593)	\$449	

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2005					
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
				(millions)		
REVENUES						
Commissions and fees	\$—	\$—	\$	\$2,190	\$—	\$2,190
Investment income	_	_	12	104	(43)	73
Other income				4		4
Total revenues	_	_	12	2,298	(43)	2,267
EXPENSES						
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$18 in Other)	_	_	_	(1,454)	70	(1,384)
Other operating expenses	(2)	(33)	15	(359)	(26)	(405)
Regulatory settlements		`—	(51)	`	` <u>_</u>	(51)
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	_	_	(4)	(39)	(11)	(54)
Net gain on disposal of operations	_	_	_	118	(40)	78
Total expenses	(2)	(33)	(40)	(1,734)	(7)	(1,816)
OPERATING (LOSS) INCOME	(2)	(33)	(28)	564	(50)	451
Investment income from Group undertakings	370	2,324	140	680	(3,514)	_
Interest expense	_	(189)	(56)	(98)	313	(30)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF						
ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	368	2,102	56	1,146	(3,251)	421
Income Taxes	_	4	32	(121)	(58)	(143)
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND						
MINORITY INTEREST	368	2,106	88	1,025	(3,309)	278
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax	_	_	_	14	_	14
Minority interest, net of tax	_	_	_	(1)	(10)	(11)
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	(87)	(1,904)	(91)		2,082	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$281	\$202	\$(3)	\$1,038	\$(1,237)	\$281

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

As at	December	31,	2007
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	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
				(millions)		
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1	\$—	\$73	\$126	\$—	\$200
Fiduciary funds—restricted	_	_	37	1,483	_	1,520
Short-term investments	_	_	_	40	_	40
Accounts receivable	494	2,703	4,074	9,699	(8,729)	8,241
Fixed assets	_	_	26	289	_	315
Goodwill	_	_	_	186	1,462	1,648
Other intangible assets	_	_	_	78	_	78
Investments in associates	_	_	_	241	(48)	193
Pension benefits asset	_	_	_	404	_	404
Other assets	2	56	4	199	48	309
Equity accounted subsidiaries	927	2,124	700	2,620	(6,371)	_
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,424	\$4,883	\$4,914	\$15,365	\$(13,638)	\$12,948
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Accounts payable	\$37	\$4,030	\$3,570	\$10,339	\$(8,711)	\$9,265
Deferred revenue and accrued expenses	1	2	3	378	4	388
Net deferred tax liabilities	_	_	1	(55)	59	5
Income taxes payable	_	50	_	1	(8)	43
Long-term debt	_	_	1,250	_	<u> </u>	1,250
Liability for pension benefits	_	_	_	43	_	43
Other liabilities	39	_	51	417	52	559
Total liabilities	77	4,082	4,875	11,123	(8,604)	11,553
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MINORITY INTEREST	_	_	_	3	45	48
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,347	801	39	4,239	(5,079)	1,347
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$1,424	\$4,883	\$4,914	\$15,365	\$(13,638)	\$12,948
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## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

As at December 3	31, 2006

	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
				(millions)		
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2	\$65	\$46	\$175	\$—	\$288
Fiduciary funds—restricted	_	_	72	1,700	_	1,772
Short-term investments	_	_	_	58	_	58
Accounts receivable	15	2,534	4,056	10,529	(8,378)	8,756
Fixed assets	_	_	20	147	_	167
Goodwill	_	_	_	171	1,398	1,569
Other intangible assets	_	_	_	87	_	87
Investments in associates	_	_	_	209	(36)	173
Deferred tax assets	_	_	5	126	(59)	72
Pension benefits asset	_	_	_	166	_	166
Other assets	_	54	1	335	(120)	270
Equity accounted subsidiaries	1,543	2,275	864	2,534	(7,216)	_
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,560	\$4,928	\$5,064	\$16,237	\$(14,411)	\$13,378
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	_					
Accounts payable	\$68	\$3,295	\$4,286	\$10,778	\$(8,365)	\$10,062
Deferred revenue and accrued expenses	_	1	2	419	8	430
Income taxes payable	_	132	1	27	(106)	54
Long-term debt	_	_	800	_	`	800
Liability for pension benefits	_	_	_	34	_	34
Other liabilities	38	_	52	390	22	502
Total liabilities	106	3,428	5,141	11,648	(8,441)	11,882
MINORITY INTEREST		_		2	40	42
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,454	1,500	(77)	4,587	(6,010)	1,454
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$1,560	\$4,928	\$5,064	\$16,237	\$(14,411)	\$13,378

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2007							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				millions)				
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$1,128	\$2,470	\$291	\$170	\$(3,791)	\$268		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and other intangible assets	_	_	_	27	_	27		
Additions to fixed assets	_	_	(13)	(172)	_	(185)		
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(36)	_	_	(45)	_	(81)		
Investments in associates	_	_	_	(1)	_	(1)		
Proceeds on disposal of short-term investments	_	_	_	19	_	19		
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Net cash used in investing activities	(36)	_	(13)	(172)	_	(221)		
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds from draw down of revolving credit facility	_	_	50	_	_	50		
Repayments of debt	_	_	(200)	_	_	(200)		
Senior notes issued, net of debt issuance costs	_	_	593	_	_	593		
Repurchase of shares	(480)	_	_	_	_	(480)		
Amounts owed by and to Group undertakings	(492)	1,071	(694)	115	_	(133)		
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	(102)		(05.)	9	_	9		
Dividends paid	(143)	(3,606)	_	(185)	3,791	(143)		
Proceeds from issue of shares	22	(5,555)	_	3	5,751	25		
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Net cash used in financing activities	(1,093)	(2,535)	(251)	(58)	3,791	(146)		
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,055)	(2,333)	(231)	(30)	3,/31	(140)		
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(1)	(65)	27	(60)	_	(99)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		_		11	_	11		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	2	65	46	175	_	288		
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$1	\$	\$73	\$126	\$—	\$200		
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## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2006							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				millions)				
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$127	\$738	\$57	\$157	\$(932)	\$147		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and intangible assets	_	_	_	205	_	205		
Additions to fixed assets	_	_	(10)	(45)	_	(55)		
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	_	_		(73)	_	(73)		
Net cash proceeds from disposal of operations, net of cash disposed	_	_	_	5	_	5		
Investments in associates	_	_	_	(25)	_	(25)		
Proceeds on sale of short-term investments	_	_	_	10	_	10		
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	_	_	(10)	77	_	67		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds from draw down of revolving credit facility	_	_	200	_	_	200		
Repurchase of shares	(211)	_	_	_	_	(211)		
Amounts owed by and to Group undertakings	221	3	(220)	(4)	_	`		
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	_	_	`_`	11	_	11		
Dividends paid	(145)	(718)	_	(214)	932	(145)		
Proceeds from issue of shares	9	_	_	7	_	16		
Net cash used in financing activities	(126)	(715)	(20)	(200)	932	(129)		
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		23	27	34		85		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents				10	_	10		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1	42	19	131	_	193		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$2	\$65	\$46	\$175	\$—	\$288		

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2005							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				(millions)				
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$368	\$2,108	\$152	\$564	\$(3,097)	\$95		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and intangible assets	_	_	_	6	_	6		
Additions to fixed assets	_	_	(5)	(27)	_	(32)		
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(7)	_	(J)	(28)	_	(35)		
Net cash proceeds from disposal of operations, net of cash disposed		_	_	90	_	90		
Cashflow on intra-group transfer of subsidiary	57	_	_	(57)	_	_		
Purchase of short-term investments	_	_	_	(42)	_	(42)		
Proceeds on sale of short-term investments	_	_	_	47	_	47		
Other	_	_	1	(3)	_	(2)		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	50	_	(4)	(14)	_	32		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Repayments of debt	_	_	(450)	_	_	(450)		
Senior notes issued, net of debt issuance costs	_	_	593	_	_	593		
Repurchase of shares	(360)	_	_	_	_	(360)		
Amounts owed by and to Group undertakings	(99)	1	(286)	384	_	_		
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	_	_	_	45	_	45		
Dividends paid	(135)	(2,124)	_	(973)	3,097	(135)		
Other	98	(1)	_	(60)	_	37		
Net cash used in financing activities	(496)	(2,124)	(143)	(604)	3,097	(270)		
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(78)	(16)	5	(54)		(143)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	_	_	_	(15)	_	(15)		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	79	58	14	200	_	351		
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$1	\$42	\$19	\$131	<u> </u>	\$193		

#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

## 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES

The Company filed a shelf registration on Form S-3 on June 21, 2006 under which Willis Group Holdings may offer debt securities, preferred stock, common stock and other securities. In addition, Trinity Acquisition Limited may offer debt securities ("the Subsidiary Debt Securities"). The Subsidiary Debt Securities, if issued, will be guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries.

Presented below is condensed consolidating financial information for: i) Willis Group Holdings, which will be a guarantor, on a parent company only basis; ii) the Other Guarantors, which are all wholly owned subsidiaries of the parent; iii) the Issuer, Trinity Acquisition Limited; iv) Other, which are the non-guarantor subsidiaries, on a combined basis; v) Eliminations; and vi) Consolidated Company and subsidiaries. The equity method has been used for all investments in subsidiaries.

The entities included in the Other Guarantors column are TA I Limited, TA II Limited and TA III Limited.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2007							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				(millions)				
REVENUES								
Commissions and fees	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$2,463	\$—	\$2,463		
Investment income	_	_	_	190	(94)	96		
Other income	_	_	_	19	<u>`</u> _`	19		
Total revenues	_	_	_	2,672	(94)	2,578		
EXPENSES								
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$33 in				(4.405)	45	(1.140)		
Other)	_	_	_	(1,465)	17	(1,448)		
Other operating expenses	(2)		(1)	(476)	19	(460)		
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	_	_	_	(54)	(12)	(66)		
Gain on disposal of London Headquarters	_	_	_	14	_	14		
Net gain on disposal of operations	_	_	_	2	_	2		
Total expenses	(2)		(1)	(1,979)	24	(1,958)		
Total expenses	(2)		(1)	(1,5/5)		(1,530)		
OPERATING (LOSS) INCOME	(2)	_	(1)	693	(70)	620		
Investment income from Group undertakings	1,138	1,508	610	1,096	(4,352)	_		
Interest expense	(8)	(12)	(35)	(381)	370	(66)		
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF								
ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	1,128	1,496	574	1,408	(4,052)	554		
Income taxes	_	3	(37)	(102)	(8)	(144)		
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND					(1.000)			
MINORITY INTEREST	1,128	1,499	537	1,306	(4,060)	410		
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax	_	_	_	16		16		
Minority interest, net of tax		_		(3)	(14)	(17)		
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	(719)	(3,399)	(2,402)	_	6,520	_		
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$409	\$(1,900)	\$(1,865)	\$1,319	\$2,446	\$409		
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## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2006							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				(millions)				
REVENUES								
Commissions and fees	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$2,328	\$—	\$2,328		
Investment income	_	_	_	140	(53)	87		
Other income				13		13		
Total revenues	_	_	_	2,481	(53)	2,428		
EXPENSES								
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$18 in								
Other)	_	_	_	(1,474)	17	(1,457)		
Other operating expenses	(1)	_	(5)	(463)	15	(454)		
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	_	_	_	(51)	(12)	(63)		
Gain on disposal of London Headquarters	_	_	_	102	_	102		
Net loss on disposal of operations	_	_	_	(50)	46	(4)		
Total expenses	(1)		(5)	(1,936)	66	(1,876)		
OPERATING (LOSS) INCOME	(1)		(5)	545	13	552		
Investment income from Group undertakings	130	387	210	566	(1,293)	_		
Interest expense	(2)	_	(35)	(332)	331	(38)		
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF								
ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	127	387	170	779	(949)	514		
Income taxes	_	_	(49)	16	(30)	(63)		
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND								
MINORITY INTEREST	127	387	121	795	(979)	451		
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax	127		121	16	(373)	16		
Minority interest, net of tax	_	_	_	(2)	(16)	(18)		
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	322	(239)	52	_	(135)	— (10)		
		\$148	\$173	\$809	\$(1,130)	\$449		

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

			Year en	ded December 31, 2005		
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated
				(millions)		
REVENUES						
Commissions and fees	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$2,190	\$—	\$2,190
Investment income	_	_	_	116	(43)	73
Other income						4
Total revenues		_		2,310	(43)	2,267
EXPENSES						
Salaries and benefits (including share-based compensation of \$18 in						
Other)	_	_	_	(1,454)	70	(1,384)
Other operating expenses	(2)	_	_	(377)	(26)	(405
Regulatory settlements		_	_	(51)	_	(51
Depreciation expense and amortization of intangible assets	_	_	_	(43)	(11)	(54
Net gain on disposal of operations	_	_	_	118	(40)	78
Total expenses	(2)			(1,807)	(7)	(1,816
OPERATING (LOSS) INCOME	(2)			503	(50)	451
Investment income from Group undertakings	370	1,110	409	1,625	(3,514)	_
Interest expense	_		(28)	(315)	313	(30
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES, INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF						
ASSOCIATES AND MINORITY INTEREST	368	1,110	381	1,813	(3,251)	421
Income Taxes	_	_	(30)	(55)	(58)	(143)
INCOME BEFORE INTEREST IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES AND						
MINORITY INTEREST	368	1.110	351	1,758	(2.200)	278
Interest in earnings of associates, net of tax				1,/50	(3,309)	14
Minority interest, net of tax	_	_	_		(10)	(11)
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	(87)	(908)	(127)	(1)	1,122	
EQUITY ACCOUNT FOR SUBSIDIARIES	(87)	(908)	(127)		1,122	
NET INCOME	\$281	\$202	\$224	\$1,771	\$(2,197)	\$281

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

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	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer		Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				(millio	ons)				
ASSETS									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1	\$—	\$—	\$	199	\$—	\$200		
Fiduciary funds—restricted	_	_	_		1,520	_	1,520		
Short-term investments	_	_	_		40	_	40		
Accounts receivable	494	157	1,684		14,635	(8,729)	8,241		
Fixed assets	_	_	_		315	_	315		
Goodwill	_	_	_		186	1,462	1,648		
Other intangible assets	_	_	_		78	_	78		
Investments in associates	_	_	_		241	(48)	193		
Pension benefits asset	_	_	_		404	_	404		
Other assets	2	2	_		257	48	309		
Equity accounted subsidiaries	927	1,486	773		5,428	(8,614)			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,424	\$1,645	\$2,457	\$	23,303	\$(15,881)	\$12,948		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY									
Accounts payable	\$37	\$844	\$806	\$	16,289	\$(8,711)	\$9,265		
Deferred revenue and accrued expenses	1	_	_		383	4	388		
Net deferred tax liabilities	_	_	_		(54)	59	5		
Income taxes payable	_	_	36		15	(8)	43		
Long-term debt	_	_	_		1,250	$\simeq$	1,250		
Liability for pension benefits	_	_	_		43	_	43		
Other liabilities	39	_	_		468	52	559		
				_					
Total liabilities	77	844	842		18,394	(8,604)	11,553		
MINORITY INTEREST					3	45	48		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,347	801	1,615		4,906	(7,322)	1,347		
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'									
EQUITY	\$1,424	\$1,645	\$2,457	\$	23,303	\$(15,881)	\$12,948		
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# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

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	Willis Group Holdings	Villis Group Holdings The Other Guarantors The Issuer		Ot	her	Eliminations	Consolidated	
				(millions)				
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2	\$—	\$—	\$	286	\$	\$288	
Fiduciary funds—restricted	_	_	_		1,772	_	1,772	
Short-term investments	_	_	_		58	_	58	
Accounts receivable	15	24	1,576		15,519	(8,378)	8,756	
Fixed assets	_	_	_		167	_	167	
Goodwill	_	_	_		171	1,398	1,569	
Other intangible assets	_	_	_		87	_	87	
Investments in associates	_	_	_		209	(36)	173	
Deferred tax assets	_	_	_		131	(59)	72	
Pension benefits asset	_	_	_		166	_	166	
Other assets	_	_	_		390	(120)	270	
Equity accounted subsidiaries	1,543	1,498	897		5,337	(9,275)	_	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,560	\$1,522	\$2,473	\$	24,293	\$(16,470)	\$13,378	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY								
Accounts payable	\$68	\$22	\$782	\$	17,555	\$(8,365)	\$10,062	
Deferred revenue and accrued expenses	_	_	_		422	8	430	
Income taxes payable	_	_	99		61	(106)	54	
Long-term debt	_	_	_		800	`	800	
Liability for pension benefits	_	_	_		34	_	34	
Other liabilities	38	_	_		442	22	502	
Total liabilities	106	22	881		19,314	(8,441)	11,882	
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MINORITY INTEREST	_	_	_		2	40	42	
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,454	1,500	1,592		4,977	(8,069)	1,454	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'								
EQUITY	\$1,560	\$1,522	\$2,473	\$	24,293	\$(16,470)	\$13,378	
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# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2007						
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated	
				(millions)			
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$1,128	\$1,496	\$497	\$938	\$(3,791)	\$268	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and other intangible assets	_	_	_	27	_	27	
Additions to fixed assets	_	_	_	(185)	_	(185)	
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(36)	_	_	(45)	_	(81)	
Investments in associates	_	_	_	(1)	_	(1)	
Proceeds on disposal of short-term investments	_	_	_	19	_	19	
Net cash used in investing activities	(36)	_	_	(185)	_	(221)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES							
Proceeds from draw down of revolving credit facility	_	_	_	50	_	50	
Repayments of debt	_	_	_	(200)	_	(200)	
Senior notes issued, net of debt issuance costs	_	_	_	593	_	593	
Repurchase of shares	(480)	_	_	_	_	(480)	
Amounts owed by and to Group undertakings	(492)	690	(47)	(151)	_	` <u>_</u>	
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	`	_	<u>`</u> _´	9	_	9	
Dividends paid	(143)	(2,186)	(450)	(1,155)	3,791	(143)	
Proceeds from issue of shares	22	_	` _ ´	3	_	25	
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,093)	(1,496)	(497)	(851)	3,791	(146)	
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(1)		_	(98)	_	(99)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		_	_	11	_	11	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	2	_	_	286	_	288	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$1	\$	\$	\$199	\$ <u></u>	\$200	

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# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2006							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
	(millions)							
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$127	\$387	\$169	\$396	\$(932)	\$147		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and intangible assets	_	_	_	205	_	205		
Additions to fixed assets	_	_	_	(55)	_	(55)		
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	_	_	_	(73)	_	(73)		
Net cash proceeds from disposal of operations, net of cash disposed	_	_	_	5	_	5		
Investments in associates	_	_	_	(25)	_	(25)		
Proceeds on disposal of short-term investments	_	_	_	10	_	10		
Net cash provided by investing activities	_	_	_	67	_	67		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds from draw down of revolving credit facility	_	_	_	200	_	200		
Repurchase of shares	(211)	_	_	_	_	(211)		
Amounts owed by and to Group undertakings	221	_	(43)	(178)	_	_		
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	_	_	_	11	_	11		
Dividends paid	(145)	(387)	(129)	(416)	932	(145)		
Proceeds from issue of shares	9	_	_	7	_	16		
Net cash used in financing activities	(126)	(387)	(172)	(376)	932	(129)		
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1	_	(3)	87	_	85		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	_	_	_	10	_	10		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1	_	3	189	_	193		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$2	\$—	\$	\$286	\$—	\$288		

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# 23. FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR PARENT GUARANTOR, OTHER GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES AND NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Year ended December 31, 2005							
	Willis Group Holdings	The Other Guarantors	The Issuer	Other	Eliminations	Consolidated		
				(millions)				
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$368	\$1,110	\$384	\$1,330	\$(3,097)	\$95		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES								
Proceeds on disposal of fixed and intangible assets	_	_	_	6	_	6		
Additions to fixed assets	_	_	_	(32)	_	(32)		
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	(7)	_	_	(28)	_	(35)		
Net cash proceeds from disposal of operations, net of cash disposed	_	_	_	90	_	90		
Cashflow on intra-group transfer of subsidiary	57	_	_	(57)	_	_		
Purchase of short-term investments	_	_	_	(42)	_	(42)		
Proceeds on sale of short-term investments	_	_	_	47	_	47		
Other	_	_	_	(2)	_	(2)		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	50	_	_	(18)	_	32		
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES								
Repayments of debt	_	_	_	(450)	_	(450)		
Senior notes issued, net of debt issuance costs	_	_	_	593	_	593		
Repurchase of shares	(360)	_	_	_	_	(360)		
Amounts owed by and to Group undertakings	(99)	_	(11)	110	_	`=		
Excess tax benefits from share-based payment arrangements	<u>`</u>	_	_	45	_	45		
Dividends paid	(135)	(1,110)	(370)	(1,617)	3,097	(135)		
Other	98	_	_	(61)	_	37		
Net cash used in financing activities	(496)	(1,110)	(381)	(1,380)	3,097	(270)		
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(78)	_	3	(68)	_	(143)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	_	_	_	(15)	_	(15)		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	79	_	_	272	_	351		
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$1	\$—	\$3	\$189	\$—	\$193		
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# NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

# 24. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA

Quarterly financial data for 2007 and 2006 were as follows:

		Three months ended				
	March 31,	June 30,	September 30,	December 31,		
		(millions, except per share data) (unaudited)				
2007						
Total revenues	\$739	\$626	\$574	\$639		
Total expenses	(501)	(488)	(481)	(488)		
Net income	169	78	67	95		
Earnings per share						
—Basic	\$1.11	\$0.55	\$0.47	\$0.66		
—Diluted	\$1.10	\$0.54	\$0.46	\$0.66		
2006						
Total revenues	\$671	\$593	\$543	\$621		
Total expenses	(467)	(474)	(446)	(489)		
Net income	140	72	89	148		
Earnings per share						
—Basic	\$0.89	\$0.46	\$0.57	\$0.95		
—Diluted	\$0.88	\$0.45	\$0.56	\$0.94		
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