THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA JAMAICA LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OCTOBER 31, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA JAMAICA LIMITED

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Bank of Nova Scotia Jamaica Limited ("the Bank") comprising the separate financial statements of the Bank and the consolidated financial statements of the Bank and its subsidiaries ("the Group"), set out on pages 5 to 143, which comprise the Group's and the Bank's statements of financial position as at October 31, 2024, the Group's and the Bank's statements of revenue and expenses, comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and the Bank as at October 31, 2024, and of the Group's and the Bank's financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards) and the Jamaican Companies Act.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Bank in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants including International Independence Standards (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Members of THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA JAMAICA LIMITED

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards and the Jamaican Companies Act, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's and Bank's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group and Bank or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

• Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Members of THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA JAMAICA LIMITED

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing
 an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's and Bank's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's and the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group and Bank to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities
 or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial
 statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group
 audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Members of THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA JAMAICA LIMITED

Report on additional matters as required by the Jamaican Companies Act

We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion, proper accounting records have been maintained, so far as appears from our examination of those records, and the financial statements, which are in agreement therewith, give the information required by the Jamaican Companies Act in the manner required.

Chartered Accountants Kingston, Jamaica

December 19, 2024

Consolidated Statement of Revenue and Expenses Year ended October 31, 2024 (Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
Net financial result and other revenue Net interest income calculated using the effective interest method			
Interest from loans and deposits with banks Interest from securities		37,521,561 <u>9,753,968</u>	32,069,675 <u>7,305,518</u>
Interest income on securities at fair value through profit and loss		47,275,529 165,145	39,375,193 204,332
Total interest income	6	47,440,674	39,579,525
Interest expense	6	(_2,484,082)	(<u>1,449,485</u>)
Net interest income Expected credit losses		44,956,592 (<u>4,147,910</u>)	38,130,040 (<u>2,386,154</u>)
Net interest income after expected credit losses Net gains/(losses) on financial assets	8(b)	40,808,682 <u>66,554</u>	35,743,886 (<u>74,854</u>)
Net investment result		40,875,236	<u>35,669,032</u>
Net finance expenses from insurance contracts Net finance income/(expenses) from reinsurance held	9	(2,784,381)	(1,828,708)
contracts	9	<u>78</u>	(131)
Total insurance/reinsurance held finance expenses		(<u>2,784,303</u>)	(<u>1,828,839</u>)
Net financial result	9	38,090,933	33,840,193
Insurance revenue Insurance service expense Net expenses from reinsurance held contracts	10 13	3,509,830 (962,074) (829)	2,788,585 (971,419) (198)
Insurance service results		2,546,927	1,816,968
Other revenue			
Fee and commission income Fee and commission expense	7 7	21,249,234 (<u>16,219,795</u>)	19,476,290 (<u>14,618,204</u>)
Net fee and commission income Net gains on foreign currency activities Other revenue	8(a) 11	5,029,439 9,057,237 237,138	4,858,086 8,606,390 184,696
Total other revenue		14,323,814	13,649,172
Total operating revenue		54,961,674	49,306,333
Expenses Salaries, pension and other staff benefits Property expenses, including depreciation and	12	10,736,942	10,253,856
amortisation Asset tax Other operating expenses		2,797,970 1,514,483 <u>12,573,813</u>	2,461,027 1,335,900 12,032,434
	13	27,623,208	26,083,217
Profit before taxation Taxation	14 15	27,338,466 (<u>8,917,262</u>)	23,223,116 (<u>7,668,372</u>)
Profit for the year		<u>18,421,204</u>	<u>15,554,744</u>
Earnings per stock unit (expressed in \$)	16	6.29	<u>5.31</u>

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

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income Year ended October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
Profit for the year		18,421,204	15,554,744
Other comprehensive (loss)/income: Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss Remeasurement of retirement benefits plan			
asset and obligations Unrealised gains on equity investments	31(c)	(10,174,985) 403,245	5,739,720
Taxation	37(a)	3,257,247	(1,913,240)
		(6,514,493)	3,826,480
Items that are or will be reclassified to profit or loss: Unrealised gains on investment securities Realised losses on investment securities		4,161,319	3,365,497
transferred to profit		26,012	-
Expected credit loss adjustment on investment securities Finance income from insurance contracts		(7,381) <u>371,310</u>	166,344 <u>870,016</u>
Taxation	37(a)	4,551,260 (<u>1,415,829</u>)	4,401,857 (<u>1,267,519</u>)
		3,135,431	3,134,338
Other comprehensive (loss)/income, net of tax		(<u>3,379,062</u>)	6,960,818
Total comprehensive income		15,042,142	22,515,562

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
ASSETS			
Cash resources			
Cash and balances at Bank of Jamaica Government and bank notes other than	17	77,106,159	109,895,775
Jamaican	18	1,727,579	2,117,289
Due from other banks	19	16,611,503	19,733,017
Accounts with parent and fellow subsidiaries	20	53,572,617	35,222,170
	18	<u>149,017,858</u>	<u>166,968,251</u>
Government securities purchased under			
resale agreements	21	2,179,532	3,907,416
Pledged assets	22	2,691,235	2,462,917
Loans, net of allowance for credit losses	23	312,751,618	268,805,578
Financial assets at fair value through profit			
or loss	25	346,214	2,251,833
Investment securities	26	175,267,696	149,207,764
Segregated fund assets	27	1,768,210	1,290,656
Reinsurance held contract assets		701	1,356
Insurance contract assets	38	20,488	14,469
Other assets			
Taxation recoverable		4,204,785	2,756,560
Sundry assets	28	3,770,841	3,961,604
Property and equipment	29	9,740,038	9,486,721
Intangible assets	30	92,037	99,757
Deferred taxation	37(b)	932,996	1,230,125
Retirement benefits asset	31(a)(i)	20,190,737	31,094,511
		38,931,434	48,629,278
		<u>682,974,986</u>	643,539,518

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (Continued) October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
LIABILITIES			
Deposits by the public	32	476,060,200	444,875,527
Due to other banks and financial institutions	33	2,453,839	3,914,779
Due to parent and ultimate parent company	34	1,779,859	1,783,581
Due to fellow subsidiaries	35	10,420,244	<u>11,352,381</u>
		490,714,142	461,926,268
Insurance contract liabilities	38	50,166,509	49,450,309
Reinsurance held contract liabilities Segregated fund investment contract	38	<u>1,251</u>	2,128
liabilities	27	1,768,210	<u>1,290,656</u>
Other liabilities			
Cheques and other instruments in transit		2,099,970	1,965,962
Other liabilities	36	9,831,432	9,002,316
Taxation payable		3,506,987	2,062,113
Deferred tax liabilities	37(b)	4,727,056	6,832,525
Retirement benefits obligations	31(b)(i)	4,024,363	4,879,478
		24,189,808	24,742,394
		<u>566,839,920</u>	<u>537,411,755</u>
EQUITY			
Share capital	39	2,927,232	2,927,232
Reserve fund	40	3,159,866	3,159,866
Retained earnings reserve	41	53,052,091	51,052,091
Cumulative remeasurement result from			
investment securities	42	851,598	(2,274,181)
Capital reserve	43	9,383	9,383
Loan loss reserve	44	292,682	247,419
Insurance and reinsurance held finance reser	ve 45	(269,708)	(548,190)
Unappropriated profits		<u>56,111,922</u>	<u>51,554,143</u>
		<u>116,135,066</u>	106,127,763
		<u>682,974,986</u>	<u>643,539,518</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 143 were approved for issue by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf on December 19, 2024 by:

Anya Schnoor Director

Anya Schnoor Director

Director Secretary

Vernon Douglas

Maia Wilson

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

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity Year ended October 31, 2024 (Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	<u>Notes</u>	Share <u>capital</u>	Reserve <u>fund</u>	re Retained earnings <u>reserve</u>	Cumulative emeasurement result from investment securities	Capital <u>reserve</u>	=	nsurance/ einsurance held finance U <u>reserve</u>	nappropriated profits	l <u>Total</u>
Balances at October 31, 2022, as restated		2,927,232	3,159,866	47,052,091	(<u>4,756,006</u>)	9,383	339,400	(<u>1,200,703</u>)	39,681,433	87,212,696
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income: Remeasurement of retirement benefits plans	,			-			<u>-</u>		15,554,744	<u>15,554,744</u>
net of taxes Unrealised gains on investment		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,826,480	3,826,480
securities, net of taxes and provisions		-	-	-	2,481,825	-	-	-	-	2,481,825
Finance income on insurance contracts								652,513		652,513
Total comprehensive income					2,481,825			652,513	19,381,224	22,515,562
Transfer to retained earnings reserve		-	-	4,000,000	-	-	-	-	(4,000,000)	-
Transfer from loan loss reserve Dividends paid	52				<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(91,981)		91,981 (<u>3,600,495</u>)(- (<u>3,600,495</u>)
Net movement for the year				4,000,000			(<u>91,981</u>)		(_7,508,514)	(3,600,495)
Balances at October 31, 2023		2,927,232	3,159,866	<u>51,052,091</u>	(<u>2,274,181</u>)	9,383	247,419	(<u>548,190</u>)	51,554,143	106,127,763
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income: Remeasurement of retirement benefits plans	,	-							18,421,204	18,421,204
net of taxes Unrealised gains on investment		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6,783,323)((6,783,323)
securities, net of taxes and provisions		-	-	-	3,108,437	-	-	-	-	3,108,437
Realised losses on investment securities, ne Finance income on insurance contracts	or taxes	-	-	-	17,342 -	-	-	- 278,482	-	17,342 278,482
Total comprehensive income					3,125,779			278,482	11,637,881	15,042,142
Transfer to retained earnings reserve				2,000,000	-			-	(2,000,000)	-
Transfer to loan loss reserve Dividends paid	52	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	- -	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	45,263	<u>-</u>	(45,263) (5,034,839)	- (<u>5,034,839</u>)
Net movement for the year				2,000,000			45,263		(_7,080,102)	(5,034,839)
Balances at October 31, 2024		2,927,232	3,159,866	53,052,091	851,598	9,383	292,682	(269,708)	56,111,922	116,135,066

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows Year ended October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

Cook flows from anaroting activities	Notes	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities Profit for the year		18,421,204	15,554,744
Adjustments for: Taxation Depreciation Amortisation of right of use of asset Amortisation of intangible assets Expected credit losses Gain on sale of property and equipment Increase in retirement benefits asset/obligations, net	15 29 29 30 11 12	8,917,262 960,165 157,362 7,720 5,078,456 (216,475) (1,981,826)	7,668,372 841,101 159,080 8,082 3,300,726 (159,953) (1,317,140)
Interest income Interest expense	6 6	31,343,868 (47,440,674) _2,484,082	26,055,012 (39,579,525) _1,449,485
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Loans Deposits by the public Insurance contracts Other assets, net Other liabilities, net Securities sold under repurchase agreements Amounts due to parent company and fellow subsidiar Accounts with parents, fellow subsidiaries and related Taxation recoverable Amounts due to other banks and financial institutions Statutory reserves at Bank of Jamaica Retirement benefits Interest received Interest paid Taxation paid	d parties	(13,612,724) (48,630,231) 31,159,607 1,081,269 190,764 725,243 - (935,859) (43,532,607) (1,448,225) (1,460,940) (2,473,913) 1,855,500 (77,082,116) 45,514,358 (2,426,654) (7,437,768)	(12,075,028) (36,594,400) 47,682,583 1,031,319 (1,339,314) (142,136) (1,700,000) 9,409,516 (1,117,584) (684,721) 2,867,640 (8,092,742) (154,914) (909,781) 38,607,221 (1,402,742) (6,811,912)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(41,432,180)	29,482,786
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of investment securities Proceeds from maturities/sales of investment securiti Purchase of government securities purchased under repurchase agreement	es	(68,367,159) 48,921,242 (16,096,063)	(34,908,635) 35,633,525 (48,596,042)
Proceed from maturities of government securities Purchased under repurchase agreement Proceeds of sale of property and equipment Purchase of intangible assets Purchase of property and equipment	29	16,787,538 323,326 - (<u>1,197,894</u>)	45,801,619 203,391 (1,287) (1,098,871)
Net cash used in investing activities		(19,629,010)	(_2,966,299)
Net cash flows from operating and investing activities (carried forward to page 11)		(61,061,190)	26,516,487

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows Year ended October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating and investing activities (brought forward from page 10)		(61,061,190)	26,516,487
Cash flows from financing activities Dividends paid Lease payments	52 36(ii)(d)	(5,034,839) (181,727)	(3,600,495) (177,801)
Net cash used in financing activities		(5,216,566)	(<u>3,778,296</u>)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		<u>1,315,555</u>	<u>1,117,584</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(64,962,201)	23,855,775
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		123,437,177	99,581,402
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	18	58,474,976	123,437,177

Separate Statement of Revenue and Expenses Year ended October 31, 2024 (Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
Net interest income and other revenue Net interest income calculated using the effective interest method			
Interest from loans and deposits with banks Income from securities		35,302,740 <u>6,263,826</u>	29,962,701 _4,113,838
		41,566,566	34,076,539
Interest income on securities at fair value through profit and loss		49,570	61,332
Total interest income Interest expense	6 6	41,616,136 (<u>2,984,899</u>)	34,137,871 (<u>1,711,116</u>)
Net interest income Expected credit losses		38,631,237 (<u>4,125,711</u>)	32,426,755 (<u>2,495,967</u>)
Net interest income after expected credit losses Net losses on financial assets	8(b)	34,505,526 (<u>36,663</u>)	29,930,788 (<u>20,623</u>)
Net financial result		34,468,863	<u>29,910,165</u>
Other income			
Fee and commission income Fee and commission expense	7 7	20,808,738 (<u>16,219,795</u>)	19,168,989 (<u>14,618,204</u>)
Net fee and commission income Net gains on foreign currency activities Dividend income Other revenue	8(a) 11	4,588,943 9,056,743 1,568,000 237,138	4,550,785 8,600,606 2,317,000 182,598
		15,450,824	<u>15,650,989</u>
Total operating revenue		49,919,687	<u>45,561,154</u>
Expenses Salaries, pension and other staff benefits Property expenses, including depreciation Asset tax Other operating expenses	12 13	10,537,015 2,764,221 1,324,416 12,257,794 26,883,446	10,079,479 2,430,308 1,142,265 11,746,218 25,398,270
Profit before taxation	14	23,036,241	20,162,884
Taxation	15	(<u>7,457,456</u>)	(_6,297,836)
Profit for the year		15,578,785	13,865,048

Separate Statement of Comprehensive Income Year ended October 31, 2024 (Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
Profit for the year		<u>15,578,785</u>	13,865,048
Other comprehensive (loss)/income: Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss Remeasurement of retirement benefits plan			
assets and obligations	31(c)	(10,174,985)	5,739,720
Unrealised gains on equity investments Taxation	37(a)	403,245 <u>3,257,247</u>	(<u>1,913,240</u>)
		(6,514,493)	3,826,480
Items that are or will be reclassified to profit or loss			
Unrealised gains on investment securities Realised gain on investment securities		3,273,479	1,939,350
transferred to profit Expected credit loss adjustments on		26,012	-
investment securities		36,688	69,406
Taxation	37(a)	3,336,179 (<u>1,112,059</u>)	2,008,756 (<u>669,244</u>)
		2,224,120	1,339,512
Other comprehensive (loss)/income, net of tax		(4,290,373)	5,165,992
Total comprehensive income		11,288,412	19,031,040

Separate Statement of Financial Position October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
ASSETS			
Cash resources Cash and balances at Bank of Jamaica Government and bank notes other than	17	71,543,425	103,433,218
Jamaican	18	1,727,579	2,117,289
Due from other banks	19	16,611,503	19,733,017
Accounts with parent and fellow subsidiaries	20	53,572,617	35,222,170
	18	143,455,124	160,505,694
Government securities purchased under			
resale agreements	21	<u>2,179,532</u>	<u>3,907,416</u>
Pledged assets	22	2,691,235	2,462,917
Loans, net of allowance for credit losses	23	298,599,303	252,997,611
Financial assets at fair value through			
profit or loss	25		<u>580,150</u>
Investment securities	26	122,548,631	<u>101,597,011</u>
Investment in subsidiaries		2,790,000	2,790,000
Other assets Taxation recoverable		2,497,100	837,970
Sundry assets	28	3,783,679	3,904,621
Property and equipment	29	9,721,412	9,464,330
Intangible assets	30	12,224	19,944
Retirement benefits asset	31(a)	20,190,737	<u>31,094,511</u>
		36,205,152	45,321,376
		608,468,977	<u>570,162,175</u>

Separate Statement of Financial Position (Continued) October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2024	2023
LIABILITIES Deposite by the public	22	460 767 460	427.064.000
Deposits by the public Due to other banks and financial institutions	32 33	468,767,460 2,453,839	437,264,290 3,914,779
Due to parent and ultimate parent company	34	1,779,859	1,783,581
Due to subsidiaries	35	18,707,931	15,198,946
Due to fellow subsidiaries	35	10,420,244	11,342,587
		502,129,333	469,504,183
Other liabilities			
Cheques and other instruments in transit		2,315,623	2,031,083
Other liabilities	36	9,514,569	8,743,890
Taxation payable		3,283,166	1,949,715
Deferred tax liabilities	37(b)	4,727,034	6,832,510
Retirement benefits obligation	31(b)(i)	4,024,363	4,879,478
		23,864,755	24,436,676
EQUITY			
Share capital	39	2,927,232	2,927,232
Reserve fund	40	2,930,616	2,930,616
Retained earnings reserve	41	48,101,341	46,101,341
Cumulative remeasurement result from	4.0	4 444 055	(4.050.000)
investment securities	42	1,441,957	(1,050,993)
Capital reserve	43 44	42,087	42,087
Loan loss reserve	44	260,899 26,770,757	153,282
Unappropriated profits		<u>26,770,757</u>	<u>25,117,751</u>
		82,474,889	<u>76,221,316</u>
		608,468,977	<u>570,162,175</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 143 were approved for issue by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf on December 19, 2024 by:

Director

Anya Schnoor

Director

Audrey Tugwell Henry

Secretary

Vernon Douglas

Maia Wilson

Separate Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity Year ended October 31, 2024 (<u>Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated</u>)

	Cumulative remeasurement Retained result from Loan								
	Notes	Share <u>capital</u>	Reserve <u>fund</u>	earnings <u>reserve</u>	investment <u>securities</u>	Capital <u>reserve</u>	loss <u>reserve</u>	Unappropriated profits	<u>Total</u>
Balances at October 31, 2022, as restated		2,927,232	2,930,616	42,101,341	(<u>2,390,505</u>)	42,087	283,769	14,896,231	60,790,771
Profit for the year								13,865,048	13,865,048
Other comprehensive income: Remeasurement of retirement benefits plans, net of taxes Unrealised gains on investment		-	-	-	-	-	-	3,826,480	3,826,480
securities, net of taxes and provisions					<u>1,339,512</u>				<u>1,339,512</u>
Total comprehensive income					<u>1,339,512</u>			<u>17,691,528</u>	<u>19,031,040</u>
Transfer to retained earnings reserve Transfer from loan loss reserve Dividends paid	52	- - 	- - -	4,000,000 - -	- - -	- - 	(130,487)	(4,000,000) 130,487 (3,600,495)	- - (<u>3,600,495</u>)
Net movement for the year				4,000,000			(<u>130,487</u>)	(_7,470,008)	(<u>3,600,495</u>)
Balances at October 31, 2023		2,927,232	2,930,616	46,101,341	(<u>1,050,993</u>)	42,087	153,282	25,117,751	76,221,316
Profit for the year								<u>15,578,785</u>	<u>15,578,785</u>
Other comprehensive income: Remeasurement of retirement benefits plans, net of taxes		-	-	-	-	_	-	(6,783,323)	(6,783,323)
Unrealised gains on investment securities, net of taxes and provisions Realised losses on investment securities, net of taxes		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	2,475,608 17,342	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	2,475,608 17,342
Total comprehensive income					2,492,950			8,795,462	11,288,412
Transfer to retained earnings reserve Transfer to loan loss reserve Dividends paid	52	- - -	- - 	2,000,000	- - <u>-</u>	- - -	107,617 	(2,000,000) (107,617) (5,034,839)	- - (<u>5,034,839</u>)
Net movement for the year				2,000,000			107,617	(<u>7,142,456</u>)	(_5,034,839)
Balances at October 31, 2024		2,927,232	2,930,616	48,101,341	<u>1,441,957</u>	42,087	260,899	26,770,757	82,474,889

Separate Statement of Cash Flows Year ended October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

Cook flows from an existing activities	Notes	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities Profit for the year Adjustments for:		15,578,785	13,865,048
Taxation charge Depreciation Amortisation of right of use of asset Amortisation of intangible assets Expected credit losses	15 29 29 30	7,457,456 954,950 157,362 7,720 5,048,391	6,297,836 834,539 159,080 8,082 3,393,239
Gain on sale of property and equipment Increase in retirement benefits	11	(216,475)	(159,953)
asset/obligations, net	12	(<u>1,981,826</u>) 27,006,363	(<u>1,317,140</u>) 23,080,731
Interest income Interest expense	6 6	(41,616,136) <u>2,984,899</u> (11,624,874)	(34,137,871) <u>1,711,116</u> (9,346,024)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Loans Deposits by the public Statutory reserves at Bank of Jamaica Other liabilities, net Due to parent company and fellow subsidiaries Amounts with parents, fellow subsidiaries and rela Due to other banks and financial institutions Sundry assets, net Securities sold under repurchase agreements Taxation recoverable Retirement benefits asset/obligations	ted parties	(50,195,460) 31,481,274 (2,476,110) 665,768 2,582,921 (43,532,607) (1,460,940) 120,943 - (1,659,130) _1,855,500 (74,242,715)	(38,537,289) 47,171,331 (8,088,413) (228,328) 12,661,526 (1,117,541) 2,867,640 (1,270,746) (1,700,000) (69,106) (154,914) 2,188,136
Interest received Interest paid		39,684,296 (2,930,641)	33,213,994 (1,669,608)
Taxation paid		(6,082,586)	(_5,348,683)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(<u>43,571,646</u>)	<u>28,383,839</u>
Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of investment securities Proceeds from maturities/sales of investment securities		(60,343,598) 43,776,740	(26,884,327) 27,614,568
Investment in subsidiary Purchase of property and equipment Purchase of intangible assets	29	(1,196,161) -	(65,000) (1,096,076) (1,287)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipmen Purchase of government securities purchased repurchase agreement	ler	323,326 (16,096,063)	203,391 (48,596,042)
Proceed from maturities of government securities Purchased under repurchase agreement		16,787,538	45,801,619
Net cash used in investing activities Net cash flows from operating and investing		(16,748,218)	(3,023,154)
activities (carried forward to page 18)		(60,319,864)	<u>25,360,685</u>

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

Separate Statement of Cash Flows (Continued) Year ended October 31, 2024

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	Notes	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating and investing activities (brought forward from page 17)		(_60,319,864)	25,360,685
Cash flows from financing activities Dividends paid Lease payments	52 36(ii)(d)	(5,034,839) (181,727)	(3,600,495) (177,801)
Net cash used in financing activities		(5,216,566)	(<u>3,778,296</u>)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		1,315,555	1,117,541
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(64,220,875) <u>117,000,869</u>	22,699,930 94,300,939
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	18	52,779,994	117,000,869

Notes to the Financial Statements October 31, 2024

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1. Identification, Regulation and Licence

(a) The Bank of Nova Scotia Jamaica Limited ("the Bank") is incorporated and domiciled in Jamaica. It is a 100% subsidiary of Scotia Group Jamaica Limited, which is also incorporated and domiciled in Jamaica. Scotia Group Jamaica Limited is a 71.78% subsidiary of Scotiabank Caribbean Holdings Limited, which is incorporated and domiciled in Barbados. The Bank of Nova Scotia, which is incorporated and domiciled in Canada is the ultimate parent. The registered office of the Bank is located at the Scotiabank Centre, Corner of Duke and Port Royal Streets, Kingston, Jamaica.

The Bank is licensed under the Banking Services Act, 2014.

(b) The Bank's subsidiaries, which together with the Bank are referred to as "the Group", are as follows:

Subsidiaries	Principal Activities	Holding	Financial Year End
The Scotia Jamaica Building Society	Deposit taking and mortgage financing	100%	October 31
Scotia General Insurance Agency	General insurance	100%	October 31*
Scotia Jamaica Life Insurance Company Limited	Life insurance	100%	December 31**

All of the Bank's subsidiaries are incorporated and domiciled in Jamaica.

2. Summary of material accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, and comply with the Jamaican Companies Act ("the Act").

Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain investments measured at fair value.

New and amended standards that became effective during the year:

Certain new and amended standards came into effect during the current financial year. The Group has assessed them and has adopted those which are relevant to its financial statements:

^{*}Scotia General Insurance Agency was incorporated on December 30, 2021.

^{**}The statements included in the consolidation are financial statements as at and for the year ended October 31, 2024.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

New and amended standards that became effective during the year (continued):

- (i) Amendments to IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023 and may be applied earlier. The amendments help companies provide useful accounting policy disclosures. The key amendments to IAS 1 include:
 - requiring companies to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than their significant accounting policies;
 - clarifying that accounting policy information related to immaterial transactions, other events or conditions are themselves immaterial and as such need not be disclosed;
 and
 - clarifying that not all accounting policy information that relate to material transactions, other events or conditions are themselves material to a company's financial statements.

The amendments are consistent with the refined definition of material:

"Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general-purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements".

The Group adopted Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2) from 1 November 2023. Although the amendments did not result in any changes to the accounting policies themselves, they impacted the accounting policy information disclosed in the financial statements.

The amendments require the disclosure of 'material', rather than 'significant', accounting policies. The amendments also provides guidance on the application of materiality to disclosure of accounting policies, assisting entities to provide useful, entity-specific accounting policy information that users need to understand other information in the financial statements.

(ii) Amendments to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors are effective for periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, with early adoption permitted. The amendments introduce a new definition for accounting estimates: clarifying that they are monetary amounts in the financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty.

The amendments also clarify the relationship between accounting policies and accounting estimates by specifying that a company develops an accounting estimate to achieve the objective set out by an accounting policy.

This amendment did not have a significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

New and amended standards that became effective during the year (continued):

(iii) Amendments to IAS 12 *Income Taxes* are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, with early adoption permitted. The amendments clarify how companies should account for deferred tax on certain transactions – e.g. leases and decommissioning provisions.

The amendments narrow the scope of the initial recognition exemption (IRE) so that it does not apply to transactions that give rise to equal and offsetting temporary differences. As a result, companies will need to recognise a deferred tax asset and a deferred tax liability for temporary differences arising on initial recognition of a lease and a decommissioning provision.

For leases and decommissioning liabilities, the associated deferred tax asset and liabilities will need to be recognised from the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented, with any cumulative effect recognised as an adjustment to retained earnings or other component of equity at that date. If a company previously accounted for deferred tax on leases and decommissioning liabilities under the net approach, then the impact on transition is likely to be limited to the separate presentation of the deferred tax asset and the deferred tax liability.

The amendments apply to transactions that occur on or after the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented.

This amendment did not have any impact on the Group's financial statements.

New and amended standards and interpretations that are not yet effective:

At the date of authorization of these financial statements, certain new and amended standards and interpretations have been issued which were not effective for the current year. The Group has assessed them with respect to its operations and has determined that the following are relevant:

(i) Amendments to IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, will apply retrospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024. The amendments promote consistency in application and clarify the requirements in determining if a liability is current or non-current.

Under existing IAS 1 requirements, companies classify a liability as current when they do not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the end of the reporting period. As part of its amendments, the requirement for a right to be unconditional has been removed and instead, now requires that a right to defer settlement must have substance and exist at the end of the reporting period.

Covenants with which the company must comply after the reporting date (i.e. future covenants) do not affect a liability's classification at that date. However, when non-current liabilities are subject to future covenants, companies will now need to disclose information to help users understand the risk that those liabilities could become repayable within twelve months after the reporting date.

This amendment is not expected to have a significant impact on the Group's 2025 financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

New and amended standards and interpretations that are not yet effective (continued):

(ii) IFRS S1 General Requirements for Disclosure of Sustainability-related Financial Information, is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024 (with early application permitted as long as IFRS S2 Climate-related Disclosures is also applied).

IFRS S1 requires an entity to disclose information about its sustainability-related risks and opportunities that are useful to users of general-purpose financial reports in making decisions relating to providing resources to the entity. The standard also requires entities to disclose information about all sustainability-related risks and opportunities that could reasonably be expected to affect the entity's cash flows, its access to finance or cost of capital over the short, medium or long term (collectively referred to as 'sustainability-related risks and opportunities that could reasonably be expected to affect the entity's prospects').

IFRS S1 prescribes how an entity prepares and reports its sustainability-related financial disclosures and sets out general requirements for the content and presentation of those disclosures so that the information disclosed is useful to users in making decisions relating to providing resources to the entity.

Under the standard, entities are required to provide disclosures about the governance processes, controls and procedures, strategies and processes the entity uses to monitor, manage and oversee sustainability-related risks and opportunities, as well as the entities performance and progress towards any targets the entity has set or is required to meet by law or regulation.

The Group is assessing the impact that the amendment will have on its 2025 financial statements.

(iii) IFRS S2 Climate-related Disclosures, is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024 (with early application permitted as long as IFRS S1 General Requirements for Disclosure of Sustainability-related Financial Information is also applied).

IFRS S2 requires entities to disclose information about its climate-related risks and opportunities that is useful to users of general-purpose financial reports in making decisions relating to providing resources to the entity. The standard also requires entities to disclose information about climate-related risks and opportunities that could reasonably be expected to affect the entity's cash flows, its access to finance or cost of capital over the short, medium or long term (collectively referred to as 'climate-related risks and opportunities that could reasonably be expected to affect the entity's prospects'). IFRS S2 applies to climate-related physical risks; climate-related transition risks; and climate-related opportunities available to an entity.

IFRS S2 sets out the requirements for disclosing information about an entity's climate-related risks and opportunities. Under the standard, entities are required to provide disclosures about the governance processes, controls and procedures, strategies and processes the entity uses to monitor, manage and oversee climate-related risks and opportunities, as well as the entities performance and progress towards any targets the entity has set or is required to meet by law or regulation.

The Group is assessing the impact that the amendment will have on its 2025 financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(b) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the assets, liabilities, financial performance and cash flows of the Bank and its subsidiaries presented as a single economic entity. The Bank and its subsidiaries are collectively referred to as "the Group".

Subsidiaries are those entities controlled by the Bank. The Bank controls an investee when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee entity. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

Intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries are consistent with those of the Group.

The Group uses the acquisition method of accounting for business combinations. The Group considers the date on which control is obtained and legally transfers the consideration for the acquired assets and assumed liabilities to be the date of acquisition. The cost of acquisition is measured as the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued and liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured at their fair values at the acquisition date, irrespective of the extent of any non-controlling interest. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired, the difference is recognised directly in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

Any contingent consideration payable is measured at fair value at the acquisition date. If the contingent consideration is classified as equity, then it is not remeasured and settlement is accounted for within equity. Otherwise, subsequent changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration are recognised in profit or loss.

(c) Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker is the person or group that allocates resources to, and assesses the performance of, the operating segments of an entity. The Group has determined the Board of Directors as its chief operating decision maker. Income and expenses directly associated with each segment are included in determining business segment performance. The Group's internal measures used in reporting segment information are consistent with the IFRS. Reconciling items are limited to items that are not allocated to reportable segments, as opposed to a difference in the basis of preparation of the information.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(d) Translation of foreign currencies

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency for at the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions.

Monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the exchange rates prevailing at the reporting date. Foreign currency non-monetary items that are measured at historical cost are translated at historical rates. Foreign currency items measured at fair value are translated into the functional currency using the rate of exchange at the date the fair value was determined.

Foreign currency gains and losses resulting from the settlement of foreign currency transactions and from the translation at the reporting date of foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are recognised in the statement of revenue and expenses.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition are translated into Jamaican dollars using the exchange rate at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated into Jamaican dollars at the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign currency differences are recognized in OCI and accumulated in the translation reserve. When a foreign operation is disposed of partially or in its entirety, the cumulative amount or portion thereof in the translation reserve is reclassified to the profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

(e) Revenue recognition

Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the statement of revenue and expenses using the effective interest method. The "effective interest rate" is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability.

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments, the Group estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not expected credit losses (ECL).

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees and points paid or received that are an integral part of the transaction. Transaction costs include incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of a financial asset.

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset is the amount at which the financial asset is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount.

The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit loss allowance.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(e) Revenue recognition (continued)

The effective interest rate of a financial asset is calculated on initial recognition. In calculating interest income, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) and is revised as a result of periodic reestimation of cash flows of floating rate instruments to reflect movements in market rates of interest.

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset, net of ECL allowance. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

Fee and commission income

Fee and commission income from contracts with customers is measured based on the consideration specified in in the contract with the customer. The Group recognises revenue when it transfers control over a service to a customer.

Fee and commission income which includes account service, portfolio management and management advisory fees are recognised as the related services are performed.

A contract with a customer that results in a recognised financial instrument in the Group's financial statements may be partially in the scope of IFRS 9 and partially in the scope of IFRS 15. If this is the case, the Group first applies IFRS 9 to separate and measure the part of the contract that is in the scope of IFRS 9 and then applies IFRS 15 to the residual.

The nature and timing of the satisfaction of performance obligations in contracts with customers, including significant payment terms, and the related revenue recognition policies are as follows:

Type of service	Nature and timing of satisfaction of performance obligations, including significant payment terms.	Revenue recognition under IFRS 15
Banking services	The Group provides banking related services, including execution of customers' transactions and maintenance of customers' records. Fees are charged when the transactions take place and are based on fixed rates or a fixed percentage of the assets value.	Revenue from banking related services is recognised overtime as the service is provided.
Portfolio and asset management services	The Group provides portfolio and asset management services to customers. Fees are calculated based on a fixed percentage of the value of the assets and are charged at various time intervals	Revenue from portfolio and asset management services is recognised over time as the service is provided.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(e) Revenue recognition (continued)

Insurance revenue

Contracts not measured under the premium allocation approach

The Group recognises insurance revenue as it satisfies its performance obligations – i.e. as it provides services under groups of insurance contracts. This amount represents the total change in the liability for the remaining coverage that relate to services for which the Group expects to receive consideration and is comprised of the contractual service margin, changes in the risk adjustment for non-financial risk as well as experience adjustments.

Contracts measured under the premium allocation approach

Insurance revenue is the amount of expected premium receipts for providing services in the period.

Dividend income

Dividend income on equity securities is recognised when the Group's right to receive payment is established, which is on the ex-dividend date for listed equity securities.

(f) Interest expense

Interest expense is recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments over the expected life of the financial liability (or, where appropriate, a shorter period) to the carrying amount of the financial liability.

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts

(i) Definitions and classifications

Insurance contracts are contracts under which the Group accepts significant insurance risk from a policyholder by agreeing to compensate the policyholder if a specified uncertain future event adversely affects the policyholder.

Contracts held by the Group under which it transfers significant insurance risk related to underlying insurance contracts are classified as reinsurance held contracts. The Group does not accept insurance risk from other insurers.

Insurance contracts are classified as direct participation contracts or contracts without direct participation features based on specific criteria. Insurance contracts with direct participation features are insurance contracts that are substantially investment-related service contracts where the return on the underlying items is shared with policyholders. Underlying items comprise specified portfolios of investment assets that determine amounts payable to policyholders.

The Group uses judgement to assess whether the amounts expected to be paid to the policyholders constitute a substantial share of the fair value returns on the underlying items.

All other insurance and reinsurance held contracts are classified as contracts without direct participation features. Some of these contracts are measured under the Premium Allocation Approach (PAA). Refer to the below table for the type of contracts that the Group accounts for in accordance with IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts*.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(i) Definitions and classifications (continued)

The Group issues the following types of contracts that are accounted for in accordance with IFRS 17 *Insurance Contracts*.

Contracts Issued	Product	Product classification	Portfolio	Measureme nt Model
Whole life insurance contracts	Life Shelter Lifetime Security Solace	Insurance contracts without direct participation features	Individual Life	GMM
Universal life insurance contracts	ScotiaMint	Insurance contracts without direct participation features	Individual Savings & Wealth	GMM
Universal life insurance contracts	Affirm Elevate	Insurance contracts with direct participation features	Individual Universal Life	VFA
Critical illness insurance contracts	Criticare	Insurance contracts without direct participation features	Individual Health	GMM
Variable annuity	Scotia Retirement Fund (RIF)	Insurance contracts without direct participation features	Individual Annuity	GMM
Group creditor level premium	Creditor Life and Non-Revolving level premium	Insurance contracts measured under the PAA	Group Creditor Combined Level	PAA
Group creditor revolving premium	Creditor Life Revolving premium	Insurance contracts measured under the PAA	Group Creditor Combined Revolving	PAA
Group creditor single premium	Creditor Life Non-Revolving single premium	Insurance contracts without direct participation features	Group Creditor Combined Single	GMM
Universal life - excess of loss	Affirm	Reinsurance held contract	Individual Universal Life	GMM

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(ii) Separating components from insurance and reinsurance held contracts

At inception the Group analyzes whether insurance or reinsurance held contracts contain components that should be separated based on the criteria below:

- cash flows relating to embedded derivatives that are required to be separated;
- · cash flows relating to distinct investment components; and
- promises to transfer distinct goods or distinct non-insurance services.

The Group has not identified any embedded derivatives, distinct investment components, distinct goods or distinct non-insurance services in its insurance or reinsurance held contracts that would require separation from the host contract.

(iii) Aggregation and recognition of insurance and reinsurance held contracts

Insurance contracts

Insurance contracts are aggregated into groups for measurement purposes. Groups of insurance contracts are determined by identifying portfolios of insurance contracts, each comprising contracts subject to similar risks and managed together, and dividing each portfolio into annual cohorts (i.e. by year of issue) and each annual cohort into three groups based on the profitability of contracts:

- any contracts that are onerous on initial recognition;
- any contracts that, on initial recognition, have no significant possibility of becoming onerous subsequently; and
- any remaining contracts in the annual cohort.

The Group uses reasonable and supportable information available to assess whether these contracts are onerous at initial recognition and whether non-onerous contracts have a significant possibility of becoming onerous.

An insurance contract issued by the Group is recognised from the earliest of:

- the beginning of its coverage period (i.e. the period during which the Group provides services in respect of any premiums within the boundary of the contract);
- when the first payment from the policyholder becomes due or, if there is no contractual due date, when it is received from the policyholder; and
- when facts and circumstances indicate that the contract is onerous.

When the contract is recognised, it is added to an existing group of contracts or, if the contract does not qualify for inclusion in an existing group, it forms a new group to which future contracts are added. Groups of contracts are established on initial recognition and their composition is not revised once all contracts have been added to the group.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) October 31, 2024

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(iii) Aggregation and recognition of insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

Reinsurance held contracts

A group of reinsurance held contracts that covers aggregate losses from underlying contracts in excess of a specified amount is recognised at the beginning of the coverage period of that group.

Portfolios of reinsurance held contracts are assessed for aggregation separately from portfolios of insurance contracts issued. Applying the grouping requirements to reinsurance held contracts, the Group aggregates reinsurance held contracts concluded within a calendar year (annual cohorts) into groups of

- contracts for which there is a net gain at initial recognition, if any;
- contracts for which at initial recognition there is no significant possibility of a net gain arising subsequently; and
- remaining contracts in the portfolio, if any.

(iv) Insurance acquisition cash flows

Insurance acquisition cash flows arise from the costs of selling, underwriting, and starting a group of insurance contracts (issued or expected to be issued) that are directly attributable to the portfolio of insurance contracts to which the group belongs.

Insurance acquisition cash flows are allocated to groups of insurance contracts using a systematic and rational method for products measured under the General Measurement Model (GMM) and Variable Fee Approach (VFA).

When applying IFRS 17, the Group assumes that insurance acquisition costs are incurred at contract recognition and the acquisition cash flows incurred in each reporting period would relate to contracts issued in the period. As a result, the Group does not recognize an asset for insurance acquisition cash flows.

(v) Contract boundaries

The measurement of a group of contracts includes all of the future cash flows within the boundary of each contract in the group, determined as follows.

Insurance contracts

Cash flows are within the boundary of an insurance contract if they arise from the rights and obligations that exist during the period in which the policyholder is obligated to pay premiums or the Group has a substantive obligation to provide the policyholder with insurance coverage or other services.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(v) Contract boundaries (continued)

A substantive obligation to provide services ends when:

- the Group has the practical ability to reassess the risks of the particular policyholder or change the level of benefits so that the price fully reflects those risks; or
- the Group has the practical ability to reassess the risks of a portfolio of contracts so that the price fully reflects the reassessed risk of that portfolio and the pricing of premiums related to coverage to the date when risks are reassessed does not reflect the risks related to periods beyond the reassessment date.

In assessing the practical ability to reprice, risks transferred from the policyholder to the Group, such as insurance risk and financial risk, are considered; other risks, such as lapse or surrender and expense risk, are not included.

Reinsurance held contracts

For groups of reinsurance held contracts held, cash flows are within the contract boundary if they arise from substantive rights and obligations of the Group that exist during the reporting period in which the Group is compelled to pay amounts to the reinsurer or in which the Group has a substantive right to receive services from the reinsurer.

A substantive right to receive services from the reinsurer ends when the reinsurer has the practical ability to reassess the risks transferred to it and can reprice or change the level of benefits that fully reflects those reassessed risks; or has a substantive right to terminate the coverage.

The contract boundary is reassessed at each reporting period to include the effect of changes in circumstances on the Group's substantive rights and obligations and, therefore, may change over time.

(vi) Measurement – Contracts not measured under the Premium Allocation Approach (PAA)

On initial recognition, the Group measures a group of insurance contracts as the total of:

a) the fulfilment cash flows, which comprise estimates of future cash flows, adjusted to reflect the time value of money and the associated financial risks, and a risk adjustment for non-financial risk; and

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

- (vi) Measurement Contracts not measured under the Premium Allocation Approach (PAA) (continued)
 - b) The contractual service margin (CSM).

The fulfilment cash flows of a group of insurance contracts do not reflect the Group's non-performance risk.

Risk adjustment for non-financial risk

The risk adjustment for non-financial risk is applied to the present value of the estimated future cash flows and reflects the compensation the Group requires for bearing the uncertainty about the amount and timing of the cash flows from non-financial risk as the Group fulfils insurance contracts.

Contractual service margin

On initial recognition of a group of insurance contracts, if the total of the fulfillment cash flows, any derecognized assets for insurance acquisition cash flows, and any cash flows arising at that date is a net inflow, the group of contracts is non-onerous. In this case, the CSM is measured as the equal and opposite amount of the net inflow, which results in no net income or expenses arising on initial recognition.

Insurance contracts - Subsequent measurement

The carrying amount of a group of insurance contracts at each reporting date is the sum of the liability for remaining coverage and the liability for incurred claims.

The liability for remaining coverage comprises:

The fulfilment cash flows that relate to services that will be provided under the contracts in future periods and any remaining CSM at that date

The liability for incurred claims includes:

the fulfilment cash flows for incurred claims and expenses that have not yet been paid and claims that have been incurred but not yet reported.

Fulfilment cash flows

The fulfilment cash flows of groups of insurance contracts are measured at the reporting date using current estimates of future cash flows, current discount rates and current estimates of the risk adjustment for non-financial risk. Changes in fulfilment cash flows are recognised as follows:

Changes relating to future services	Adjusted against the CSM (or recognised in the insurance service result in profit or loss if the group is onerous)
Changes relating to current or past services	Recognised in the insurance service result in profit or loss
Effects of the time value of money, financial risk and changes therein on estimated future cash flows	Recognised as insurance finance income or expenses

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(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(vi) Measurement – Contracts not measured under the Premium Allocation Approach (PAA) (continued)

The CSM of each group of contracts is calculated at each reporting date as follows:

Insurance contracts without direct participation features

The carrying amount of the CSM at each reporting date is the carrying amount at the start of the year, adjusted for:

- a) the CSM of any new contracts that are added to the group in the year;
- b) interest accreted on the carrying amount of the CSM during the year, measured at the discount rates on nominal cash flows that do not vary based on the returns on any underlying items determined on initial recognition;
- c) changes in fulfilment cash flows that relate to future services, except to the extent that:
 - any increases in the fulfilment cash flows exceed the carrying amount of the CSM, in which case the excess is recognised as a loss in profit or loss and creates a loss component; or
 - ii. any decreases in the fulfilment cash flows are allocated to the loss component, reversing losses previously recognised in profit or loss;
- d) the effect of any currency exchange differences on the CSM; and
- e) the amount recognised as insurance revenue because of the services provided in the year).

The changes in fulfilment cash flows that relate to future services comprise of:

- experience adjustments arising from premiums received in the year that relate to future services and related cash flows, measured at the discount rates determined on initial recognition;
- changes in estimates of the present value of future cash flows in the liability for remaining coverage, measured at the discount rates determined on initial recognition, except for those that arise from the effects of the time value of money, financial risk and changes therein;
- c) differences between -
 - component expected to become payable in the year, determined as the any investment payment expected at the start of the year plus any insurance finance income or expenses [see (vi)] related to that expected payment before it becomes payable; and
 - ii. the actual amount that becomes payable in the year.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(vi) Measurement – Contracts not measured under the Premium Allocation Approach (PAA) (continued)

Insurance contracts – without direct participation features (continued)

- d) differences between any loan to a policyholder expected to become repayable in the year and the actual amount that becomes repayable in the year; and
- e) changes in the risk adjustment for non-financial risk that relate to future services

Insurance contracts with direct participation features

Direct participating contracts are contracts under which the Group's obligation to the policyholder is the net of:

- the obligation to pay the policyholder an amount equal to the fair value of the underlying items; and
- a variable fee for future services provided under the insurance contracts.

The carrying amount of the CSM at each reporting date is the carrying amount at the start of the year, adjusted for:

- the CSM of any new contracts that are added to the group in the year;
- the change in the amount of the Group's share of the fair value of the underlying items, and
- changes in fulfilment cash flows that relate to future services, except to the extent that:
- i. a decrease in the amount of the Group's share of the fair value of the underlying items, or an increase in the fulfilment cash flows that relate to future services, exceeds the carrying amount of the CSM, giving rise to a loss in profit or loss (included in insurance service expenses) and creating a loss component; or
- ii. an increase in the amount of the Group's share of the fair value of the underlying items, or a decrease in the fulfilment cash flows that relate to future services, is allocated to the loss component, reversing losses previously recognised in profit or loss (included in insurance service expenses) (see (vi);
- iii. the effect of any currency exchange differences on the CSM; and
- iv. the amount recognised as insurance revenue because of the services provided in the year.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(vii) Measurement - Contracts measured under the Premium Allocation Approach (PAA)

The Group uses the PAA to simplify the measurement of groups of contracts at inception when the coverage period of each contract in the group is one year or less.

On initial recognition of each group of contracts, the carrying amount of the liability for remaining coverage is measured as the premiums received. The Group expects that the time between providing each part of the services and the related premium due date is no more than a year. Accordingly, the Group has chosen not to adjust the liability for remaining coverage and liability for incurred claims to reflect the time value of money and the effect of financial risk. The Group has chosen to expense insurance acquisition cash flows when they are incurred.

Subsequently, the carrying amount of the liability for remaining coverage is increased by any premiums received and decreased by the amount recognised as insurance revenue for services provided.

(viii) Reinsurance held contracts

To measure a group of reinsurance held contracts, the Group applies the same accounting policies as are applied to insurance contracts without direct participation features.

On initial recognition for a group of reinsurance held contracts held, requirements remain consistent with the General Measurement Model with respect to the calculation of the CSM and the determination of the coverage units. The CSM of a group of reinsurance held contracts represents a net cost or net gain on purchasing reinsurance.

The total number of coverage units in a group is the quantity of coverage provided by the contracts in the group over the expected coverage period. The coverage units are determined at each reporting period-end prospectively by considering:

- a) the quantity of benefits provided by contracts in the group;
- b) the expected coverage duration of contracts in the group; and
- the likelihood of insured events occurring, only to the extent that they affect the expected duration of contracts in the group.

The Group measures the estimates of the present value of future cash flows using assumptions that are consistent with those used to measure the estimates of the present value of future cash flows for the underlying insurance contracts, with an adjustment for any risk of non-performance by the reinsurer. The effect of the non-performance risk of the reinsurer is assessed at each reporting period and the effect of changes in the non-performance risk is recognised in profit or loss.

The risk adjustment for non-financial risk is the amount of risk being transferred by the Group to the reinsurer.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(viii) Reinsurance held contracts (continued)

The carrying amount of the CSM at each reporting date is the carrying amount at the start of the year, adjusted for:

- the CSM on any new contracts that are added to the group in the year;
- interest accreted on the carrying amount of the CSM during the year, measured at the discount rates on nominal cash flows that do not vary based on the returns on any underlying items determined on initial recognition
- income recognised in profit or loss in the year on initial recognition of onerous underlying contracts (see below);
- reversals of a loss-recovery component to the extent that they are no changes in the fulfilment cash flows on the group of reinsurance held contracts;
- changes in fulfilment cash flows that relate to future services, measured at the
 discount rates determined on initial recognition, unless they result from changes in
 fulfilment cash flows on onerous underlying contracts, in which case they are
 recognised in profit or loss and create or adjust the loss-recovery component;
- the amount recognised in profit or loss because of the services received in the year.

(ix) Derecognition and contract modification

The Group derecognizes insurance contracts when:

- The rights and obligations relating to the contract are extinguished, or
- The contract is modified such that the modification results in a change in the
 measurement model, or the applicable standard for measuring a component of the
 contract. In such cases, the Company derecognises the initial contract and
 recognises the modified contract as a new contract.

On derecognition of a contract from within a group of contracts not measured under the PAA:

- the fulfilment cash flows allocated to the group are adjusted to eliminate those that relate to the rights and obligations derecognised;
- the CSM of the group is adjusted for the change in the fulfilment cash flows, except where such changes are allocated to a loss component; and
- the number of coverage units for the expected remaining services is adjusted to reflect the coverage units derecognised from the group.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(ix) Derecognition and contract modification (continued)

If a contract is derecognised because its terms are modified, then the CSM is also adjusted for the premium that would have been charged had the Group entered into a contract with the new contract's terms at the date of modification, less any additional premium charged for the modification. The new contract recognised is measured assuming that, at the date of modification, the Group received the premium that it would have charged less any additional premium charged for the modification.

(x) Presentation

The Group has presented separately in the consolidated statement of financial position the carrying amount of portfolios of insurance and reinsurance held contracts that are assets and those that are liabilities.

The Group disaggregates amounts recognised in the statement of revenue and expenses and OCI into:

- a) net insurance revenue, comprising insurance revenue and insurance service expenses; and
- b) insurance/reinsurance held finance expenses

Income and expenses from reinsurance contracts are presented separately from income and expenses from insurance contracts. Income and expenses from reinsurance contracts, other than insurance finance income or expenses, are presented on a net basis as 'net expenses from reinsurance held contracts' in the insurance service result.

The Group does not disaggregate changes in the risk adjustment for non-financial risk between the insurance service result and insurance finance income or expenses. All changes in the risk adjustment for non-financial risk are included in the insurance service result.

Insurance revenue

The Group's insurance revenue depicts the provision of services arising from a group of insurance contracts at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for those services.

Contracts not measured under the premium allocation approach

The company recognises insurance revenue as it satisfies its performance obligations – i.e. as it provides services under groups of insurance contracts. This amount represents the total change in the liability for the remaining coverage that relate to services for which the company expects to receive consideration and is comprised of the contractual service margin, changes in the risk adjustment for non-financial risk as well as experience adjustments.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(g) Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(x) Presentation (continued)

Contracts measured under the premium allocation approach (continued)

Insurance revenue is the amount of expected premium receipts for providing services in the period.

Insurance service expenses

Insurance service expenses arising from insurance contracts are recognised in profit or loss generally as they are incurred and include incurred claims, amortisation of acquisition cashflows, losses on onerous contracts and reversals of such losses and adjustments to the liabilities for incurred claims that do not arise from the effects of the time value of money, financial risk and changes therein.

Net expenses from reinsurance held contracts

Net expenses from reinsurance held contracts comprise an allocation of reinsurance premiums paid less amounts recovered from reinsurers.

Insurance finance income and expenses

Insurance finance income and expenses comprise changes in the carrying amounts of groups of insurance and reinsurance held contracts arising from the effects of the time value of money, financial risk and changes therein. The Group has chosen to disaggregate insurance finance income or expenses between profit or loss and OCI. The amount included in revenue and expenses is determined by a systematic allocation of the expected total insurance finance income or expenses over the duration of the group of contracts using the crediting rate approach.

Amounts presented in OCI are accumulated in the insurance finance reserve.

(h) Taxation

Taxation on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred income taxes. Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as tax expense or benefit in profit or loss, except where they relate to a business combination or items recognised in other comprehensive income.

Current income tax

Current income tax charges are based on the taxable profit for the year, which differs from the profit before tax reported because it excludes items that are taxable or deductible in other years, and items that are never taxable or deductible. The current tax is calculated at tax rates that have been enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred income tax

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their amounts as measured for tax purposes, which will result in taxable amounts in future periods. Deferred tax assets are recognised for temporary differences which will result in deductible amounts in future periods, but only to the extent it is probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available against which these differences can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether it is probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(h) Taxation (continued)

Deferred income tax (continued)

Current and deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the legal right of set-off exists, and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same tax authority on either the same taxable entity, or different taxable entities which intend to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis.

Deferred tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss:
- temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future; and
- · taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill.

(i) Financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets comprise cash resources, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, government securities purchased under resale agreements, pledged assets, loans, investment securities and segregated fund assets. Financial liabilities comprise deposits, securities sold under repurchase agreement, assets held in trust on behalf of participants, segregated fund investment contract liabilities and insurance contract liabilities.

Recognition and initial measurement

The Group initially recognises loans and receivables and deposits on the date that they are originated. Regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized on the settlement date. All other financial assets and liabilities are initially recognised on the trade date at which the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. A financial asset or financial liability is measured initially at fair value plus, for an item not at FVTPL, transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

Classification and measurement, derecognition, and impairment of financial instruments

Classification and measurement

Classification and measurement of financial assets

Financial assets include both debt and equity instruments and are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- Amortised cost;
- Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI);
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL);
- Elected at fair value through other comprehensive income (Equities only); or
- Designated at FVTPL.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(i) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Debt instruments

Debt instruments, including loans and debt securities, are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- Amortised cost;
- Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI);
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL); or
- Designated at FVTPL.

Classification of debt instruments is determined based on:

- (i) The business model under which the asset is held; and
- (ii) The contractual cash flow characteristics of the instrument.

Business model assessment

Business model assessment involves determining how financial assets are managed to generate cash flows. The Group's business model assessment is based on the following categories:

- Held to collect: The objective of the business model is to hold assets and collect contractual cash flows. Any sales of the asset are incidental to the objective of the model.
- Held to collect and for sale: Both collecting contractual cash flows and sales are integral to achieving the objectives of the business model.
- Other business model: The business model is neither held-to-collect nor held-to-collect and for sale. The Group assesses business model at a portfolio level reflective of how groups of assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective. When assessing the business model, the Group takes into consideration the following factors:
 - How the performance of assets in a portfolio is evaluated and reported to Group heads and other key decision makers within the Group's business lines;
 - How compensation is determined for the Group's business lines' management that manages the assets;
 - Whether the assets are held for trading purposes i.e., assets that the Group acquires or incurs principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term, or holds as part of a portfolio that is managed together for short-term profit or position taking;
 - The risks that affect the performance of assets held within a business model and how those risks are managed; and
 - The frequency and volume of sales in prior periods and expectations about future sales activity.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(i) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Business model assessment (continued)

Contractual cash flow characteristics assessment

The contractual cash flow characteristics assessment involves assessing the contractual features of an instrument to determine if they give rise to cash flows that are consistent with a basic lending arrangement. Contractual cash flows are consistent with a basic lending arrangement if they represent cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding (SPPI).

Principal is defined as the fair value of the instrument at initial recognition. Principal may change over the life of the instrument due to repayments or amortisation of premium/discount.

Interest is defined as the consideration for the time value of money and the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding and for other basic lending risks and costs (liquidity risk and administrative costs), and a profit margin.

If the Group identifies any contractual features that could significantly modify the cash flows of the instrument such that they are no longer consistent with a basic lending arrangement, the related financial asset is classified and measured at FVTPL.

Debt instruments measured at amortised cost

Debt instruments are measured at amortised cost if they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold for collection of contractual cash flows, where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest. After initial measurement, debt instruments in this category are carried at amortized cost. Interest income on these instruments is recognised in interest income using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition, transaction costs and fees that are an integral part of the financial transaction.

Impairment on debt instruments measured at amortised cost is calculated using the expected credit loss approach. Loans and debt securities measured at amortised cost are presented net of allowance for credit losses (ACL) in the statement of financial position.

Debt instruments measured at FVOCI

Debt instruments are measured at FVOCI if they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold for collection the contractual cash flows and for selling financial assets, where the assets' cash flows represent payments that are solely payments of principal and interest. Subsequent to initial recognition, unrealised gains and losses on debt instruments measured at FVOCI are recorded in other comprehensive income (OCI). Upon derecognition, realised gains and losses are reclassified from OCI and recorded in non-interest income in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses. Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to the amortised cost of the debt instrument are recognised in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses. Premiums, discounts and related transaction costs are amortised over the expected life of the instrument to interest income in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses using the effective interest rate method.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(i) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Debt instruments measured at FVOCI (continued)

Impairment on debt instruments measured at FVOCI is calculated using the expected credit loss approach. The ECL on debt instruments measured at FVOCI does not reduce the carrying amount of the asset in the statement of financial position, which remains at its fair value. Instead, an amount equal to the allowance that would arise if the assets were measured at amortised cost is recognised in OCI with a corresponding charge for credit losses in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses. The accumulated allowance recognised in OCI is recycled to the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses upon derecognition of the debt instrument.

Debt instruments measured at FVTPL

Debt instruments are measured at FVTPL if assets:

- (i) Are held for trading purposes;
- (ii) Are held as part of a portfolio managed on a fair value basis; or
- (iii) Whose cash flows do not represent payments that are solely payments of principal and interest.

These instruments are measured at fair value in the consolidated statement of financial position, with transaction costs recognised immediately as part of non-interest income.

Realised and unrealised gains and losses are recognised as part of non-interest income in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

Debt instruments designated at FVTPL

Financial assets classified in this category are those that have been designated by the Group upon initial recognition, and once designated, the designation is irrevocable. The FVTPL designation is available only for those financial assets for which a reliable estimate of fair value can be obtained. Financial assets are designated at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch which would otherwise arise.

Financial assets designated at FVTPL are recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in non-interest income in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

Equity instruments

Equity instruments are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- Fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL); or
- Elected at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

Equity instruments measured at FVTPL

Equity instruments are measured at FVTPL, unless an election is made to designate them at FVOCI upon purchase, with transaction costs recognised immediately in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses as part of non-interest income. Subsequent to initial recognition the changes in fair value are recognised as part of non-interest income in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(i) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Equity instruments measured at FVOCI

At initial recognition, there is an irrevocable option for the Group to classify non-trading equity instruments at FVOCI. This election is used for certain equity investments for strategic or longer term investment purposes. This election is irrevocable and is made on an instrument-by-instrument basis and is not available for equity instruments that are held for trading purposes.

Gains and losses on these instruments including when derecognised/sold are recorded in OCI and are not subsequently reclassified to the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses. As such, there is no specific impairment requirement. Dividends received are recorded in interest income in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses. Any transaction costs incurred upon purchase of the security are added to the cost basis of the security and are not reclassified to the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses on sale of the security.

Classification and measurement of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- Fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- Amortised cost; or
- Designated at FVTPL.

Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL

Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL are held principally for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term, or form part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short term profit-taking. Financial liabilities are recognised on a trade date basis and are accounted for at fair value, with changes in fair value and any gains or losses recognised in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses as part of the non-interest income. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

Deposits and securities sold under repurchase agreements are accounted for at amortised cost. Interest on deposits, calculated using the effective interest method, is recognised as interest expense. Interest on securities sold under repurchase agreement , including capitalised transaction costs, is recognised using the effective interest method as interest expense.

Determination of fair value

Fair value of a financial asset or liability is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants in the principal, or in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Group has access at the measurement date.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(i) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Determination of fair value (continued)

The Group values instruments carried at fair value using quoted market prices, where available. Unadjusted quoted market prices for identical instruments in active markets represent a Level 1 valuation. When quoted market prices are not available, the Group maximises the use of observable inputs within valuation models. When all significant inputs are market observable, the valuation is classified as Level 2. Valuations that require the significant use of unobservable inputs are considered Level 3.

Inception gains and losses are only recognised where the valuation is dependent only on observable market data. Otherwise, they are deferred and amortised over the life of the related contract or until the valuation inputs become observable. In determining the fair value for certain instruments or portfolios of instruments, valuation adjustments or reserves may be required to arrive at a more accurate representation of fair value. These adjustments include those made for credit risk, bid-offer spreads, unobservable parameters, constraints on prices in inactive or illiquid markets and when applicable funding costs.

Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset is derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset has expired; or the Group transfers the contractual rights to receive the cash flows from the financial asset; or has assumed an obligation to pay those cash flows to an independent third-party; or the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of that asset to an independent third-party. Management determines whether substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership have been transferred by quantitatively comparing the variability in cash flows before and after the transfer. If the variability in cash flows remains significantly similar subsequent to the transfer, the Group has retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership. The derecognition criteria are applied to the transfer of part of an asset, rather than the asset as a whole, only if such part comprises specifically identified cash flows from the asset, a fully proportionate share of the cash flows from the asset, or a fully proportionate share of specifically identified cash flows from the asset.

Where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are neither retained nor transferred, the Group derecognises the transferred asset only if it has lost control over the asset. Control over the asset is represented by the practical ability to sell the transferred asset. If the Group retains control over the asset, it will continue to recognise the asset to the extent of its continuing involvement. At times, such continuing involvement may be in the form of investment in senior or subordinated tranches of notes issued by non-consolidated structured entities.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount and the sum of (i) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) and (ii) any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income is recognised in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(i) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Transfers of financial assets that do not qualify for derecognition are reported as secured financings in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires. If an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same counterparty on substantially different terms, or the terms of the existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability at fair value. The difference in the respective carrying amount of the existing liability and the new liability is recognised as a gain/loss in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

(j) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents include notes and coins on hand, unrestricted balances held with Bank of Jamaica, amounts due from other banks, and highly liquid financial assets with original maturities of less than ninety days, which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, and are subject to insignificant risk of changes in their fair value.

(k) Allowance for expected credit losses

The Group applies a three-stage approach to measure allowance for credit losses, using an expected credit loss approach as required under IFRS 9, for the following categories of financial instruments that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss:

- Amortised cost financial assets;
- Debt securities classified as at FVOCI;
- Off-balance sheet loan commitments; and
- Financial guarantee contracts.

Expected credit loss impairment model

The Group's allowance for credit loss calculations are outputs of models with a number of underlying assumptions regarding the choice of variable inputs and their interdependencies. The expected credit loss impairment model reflects the present value of all cash shortfalls related to default events either (i) over the following twelve months or (ii) over the expected life of a financial instrument depending on credit deterioration from inception. The allowance for credit losses reflects an unbiased, probability-weighted outcome which considers multiple scenarios based on reasonable and supportable forecasts.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Allowance for expected credit losses (continued)

Expected credit loss impairment model (continued)

The impairment model measures credit loss allowances using a three-stage approach based on the extent of credit deterioration since origination:

- Stage 1 Where there has not been a significant increase in credit risk (SIR) since
 initial recognition of the financial instrument, an amount equal to 12 months expected
 credit loss is recorded. The expected credit loss is computed using a probability of
 default occurring over the next 12 months. For those instruments with a remaining
 maturity of less than 12 months, a probability of default corresponding to the remaining
 term to maturity is used.
- Stage 2 When a financial instrument experiences a SIR subsequent to origination but is not considered to be in default, it is included in Stage 2. This requires the computation of expected credit loss based on the probability of default over the remaining estimated life of the financial instrument.
- Stage 3 Financial instruments that are considered to be in default are included in this stage. Similar to Stage 2, the allowance for credit losses captures the lifetime expected credit losses.

Measurement of expected credit loss

The probability of default (PD), exposure at default (EAD), and loss given default (LGD) inputs used to estimate expected credit losses are modelled based on macroeconomic variables that are most closely related with credit losses in the relevant portfolio.

Details of these statistical parameters/inputs are as follows:

- PD The probability of default is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon. A default may only happen at a certain time over the remaining estimated life, if the facility has not been previously derecognised and is still in the portfolio.
- EAD The exposure at default is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date, taking into account expected changes in the exposure after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, whether scheduled by contract or otherwise, expected drawdowns on committed facilities, and accrued interest from missed payments.
- LGD The loss given default is an estimate of the loss arising in the case where a
 default occurs at a given time. It is based on the difference between the contractual
 cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, including from the
 realisation of any collateral. It is usually expressed as a percentage of the EAD.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Allowance for expected credit losses (continued)

Forward-looking information

The estimation of expected credit losses for each stage and the assessment of significant increases in credit risk consider information about past events and current conditions as well as reasonable and supportable forecasts of future events and economic conditions. The estimation and application of forward-looking information may require significant judgment.

Macroeconomic factors

In its models, the Group relies on a broad range of forward-looking economic information as inputs, such as: GDP growth, unemployment rates, central-bank interest rates, and house-price indices. The inputs and models used for calculating expected credit losses may not always capture all characteristics of the market at the date of the financial statements. To reflect this, qualitative adjustments or overlays may be made as temporary adjustments using expert credit judgment.

Multiple forward-looking scenarios

The Group determines its allowance for credit losses using three probability-weighted forward-looking scenarios. The Group considers both internal and external sources of information and data in order to achieve unbiased projections and forecasts. The Group prepares the scenarios using forecasts generated by Scotiabank Economics (SE). The forecasts are created using internal and external models which are modified by SE as necessary to formulate a 'base case' view of the most probable future direction of relevant economic variables as well as a representative range of other possible forecast scenarios. The process involves the development of three additional economic scenarios and consideration of the relative probabilities of each outcome.

The 'base case' represents the most likely outcome and is aligned with information used by the Group for other purposes such as strategic planning and budgeting. The other scenarios represent more optimistic and more pessimistic outcomes. The Group has identified and documented key drivers of credit risk and credit losses for each portfolio of financial instruments and, using an analysis of historical data, has estimated relationships between macroeconomic variables, credit risk, and credit losses.

Assessment of significant increase in credit risk (SIR)

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk for exposures since initial recognition by comparing the risk of default occurring over the remaining expected life from the reporting date and the date of initial recognition. The assessment considers borrower-specific quantitative and qualitative information without consideration of collateral, and the impact of forward-looking macroeconomic factors.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Allowance for impairment losses (continued)

Assessment of significant increase in credit risk (SIR) (continued)

The common assessments for SIR on retail and non-retail portfolios include macroeconomic outlook, management judgement, and delinquency and monitoring. Forward-looking macroeconomic factors are a key component of the macroeconomic outlook. The importance and relevance of each specific macroeconomic factor depends on the type of product, characteristics of the financial instruments, the borrower and the geographical region. Quantitative models may not always be able to capture all reasonable and supportable information that may indicate a significant increase in credit risk. Qualitative factors may be assessed to supplement the gap. Examples of situations include changes in adjudication criteria for a particular group of borrowers; changes in portfolio composition; and natural disasters impacting certain portfolios. With regards to delinquency and monitoring, there is a rebuttable presumption that the credit risk of the financial instrument has increased since initial recognition when contractual payments are more than 30 days overdue.

Retail portfolio – For retail exposures, a significant increase in credit risk is assessed based on thresholds that exist by product which consider the change in PD. The thresholds used for PD migration are reviewed and assessed at least annually, unless there is a significant change in credit risk management practices in which case, the review is brought forward.

Non-retail portfolio – The Group uses a risk rating scale (IG codes) for its non-retail exposures. All non-retail exposures have an IG code assigned that reflects the probability of default of the borrower. Both borrower specific and non-borrower specific (i.e. macroeconomic) forward looking information is considered and reflected in the IG rating. Significant increase in credit risk is evaluated based on the migration of the exposures among IG codes.

Expected life

When measuring expected credit losses, the Group considers the maximum contractual period over which it is exposed to credit risk. All contractual terms are considered when determining the expected life, including prepayment, and extension and rollover options. For certain revolving credit facilities, such as credit cards, the expected life is estimated based on the period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk and how the credit losses are mitigated by management actions.

Presentation of allowance for credit losses in the statement of financial position

- Financial assets measured at amortised cost: as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the financial assets;
- Debt instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income: no allowance is recognised in the statement of financial position because the carrying value of these assets is their fair value. The allowance determined is presented separately in other comprehensive income;
- Off-balance sheet credit risks include undrawn lending commitments, letters of credit and letters of guarantee, as a provision in other liabilities.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Allowance for impairment losses (continued)

Modified financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are modified or an existing financial asset is replaced with a new one, an assessment is made to determine if the existing financial asset should be derecognised. Where a modification does not result in derecognition, the date of origination continues to be used to determine SIR. Where a modification results in derecognition, the new financial asset is recognised at its fair value on the modification date. The modification date is also the date of origination for this new asset.

The Group may modify the contractual terms of loans for either commercial or credit reasons. The terms of a loan in good standing may be modified for commercial reasons to provide competitive pricing to borrowers. Loans are also modified for credit reasons where the contractual terms are modified to grant a concession to a borrower that may be experiencing financial difficulty.

For all financial assets, modifications of the contractual terms may result in derecognition of the original asset when the changes to the terms of the loans are considered substantial. These terms include interest rate, authorised amount, term, or type of underlying collateral. The original loan is derecognised and the new loan is recognised at its fair value. The difference between the carrying value of the derecognised asset and the fair value of the new asset is recognised in the statement of revenue and expenses.

For all loans, performing and credit-impaired, where the modification of terms did not result in the derecognition of the loan, the gross carrying amount of the modified loan is recalculated based on the present value of the modified cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate and any gain or loss from the modification is recorded in expected credit losses line in the statement of revenue and expenses.

Definition of default

The Group considers a financial instrument to be in default as a result of one or more loss events that occurred after the date of initial recognition of the instrument and the loss event has a negative impact on the estimated future cash flows of the instrument that can be reliably estimated. This includes events that indicate:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower;
- default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- high probability of the borrower entering a phase of bankruptcy or a financial reorganisation;
- measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from the loan or the underlying assets that back the loan.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Allowance for impairment losses (continued)

The Group considers that default has occurred and classifies the financial asset as impaired when it is more than 90 days past due, unless reasonable and supportable information demonstrates that a more lagging default criterion is appropriate.

Write-off policy

The Group writes off an impaired financial asset (and the related impairment allowance), either partially or in full, when there is no realistic prospect of recovery. Where financial assets are secured, write-off is generally after receipt of any proceeds from the realisation of security. In circumstances where the net realisable value of any collateral has been determined and there is no reasonable expectation of further recovery, write-off may be earlier. Credit card receivables 90 days past due are written-off. In subsequent periods, any recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to expected credit losses in the consolidated statement of revenue and expenses.

(I) Repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements

Securities sold under an agreement to repurchase the asset at a fixed price on a future date (repurchase agreements) and securities purchased under an agreement to resell the asset at a fixed price on a future date (reverse repurchase agreements) are treated as collateralised financing transactions. In the case of reverse repurchase agreements, the underlying asset is not recognised in the Group's financial statements; in the case of repurchase agreements the underlying collateral is not derecognised but is segregated as pledged assets. The difference between the sale/purchase and repurchase/resale price is recognised as interest over the life of the agreements using the effective interest method.

(m) Acceptances and guarantees

A financial guarantee is a contract that contingently requires the Group to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor failed to make payment when due in accordance with the original or modified terms of a debt instrument. Guarantees include standby letters of credit, letters of guarantee, indemnifications or other similar contracts.

Financial guarantees are initially measured at fair value. Subsequently, they are measured at the higher of the loss allowance determined in accordance with IFRS 9 [note 2(o)] and the amount initially recognised, less where appropriate, the cumulative amount of income recognised in accordance with the principles of IFRS 15. Management has determined that the amounts initially recognised is immaterial to the financial statements. The Group's and Bank's commitments under acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit as at October 31, 2024 total \$15,036,109 (2023: \$12,534,781) and \$15,036,109 (2023: \$12,534,781), respectively. In the event of a call on these commitments, the Group and Bank have equal and offsetting claims against its customers.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(n) Property and equipment

Land is measured at historical cost. All other property and equipment are measured at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and, if any, accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

Expenditure subsequent to acquisition is included in the asset's carrying amount or is recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other expenditure is classified as repairs and renewals and charged as an expense in profit or loss during the financial period in which it is incurred.

Depreciation and amortisation are calculated on the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the related assets less any residual value as follows:

Buildings 40 Years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment 10 Years
Computer equipment 4 Years
Motor vehicles 5 Years
Leasehold improvements Period of lease

Right-of-use assets The shorter of the asset's useful life and

the lease term

The depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date.

Property and equipment are reviewed periodically for impairment. Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposal of property and equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amount and are taken into account in determining the profit or loss for the year.

(o) Investment in subsidiaries

Investments by the Bank in subsidiaries are measured at cost less impairment losses in the separate financial statements.

(p) Intangible assets

Computer software

Costs associated with developing or maintaining computer software programs are recognised as incurred. Costs that are directly associated with acquiring identifiable and unique software products which are expected to generate economic benefits exceeding costs beyond one year, are recognised as intangible assets. However, such costs are expensed where they are considered to be immaterial.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(q) Employee benefits

Employee benefits are all forms of consideration given by the Group in exchange for service rendered by employees. These include current or short-term benefits such as salaries, bonuses, NIS contributions and vacation leave; non-monetary benefits such as medical care; post-employments benefits such as pensions; and other long-term employee benefits such as termination benefits.

Employee benefits that are earned as a result of past or current services are recognised in the following manner: Short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability, net of payments made, and charged as an expense. Post-employment benefits, termination benefits and equity compensation benefits are accounted for as described below. Other long-term benefits that are not considered material are expensed when incurred.

Pension obligations

The Group operates a defined benefit pension plan. The assets of the plan are held in a separate trustee-administered fund. The pension plan is funded by contributions from employees, taking into account the recommendations of qualified actuaries and based on the rules of the plan. Contributions for the investment subsidiary are charged to the statement of revenue and expenses in the period to which it relates.

The asset or liability in respect of the defined benefit plan is the difference between the present value of the defined benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets at the reporting date. Where a pension asset arises, the amount recognised is limited to the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reduction in future contributions to the plan.

The pension costs are assessed using the Projected Unit Credit Method. Under this method, the cost of providing pensions is charged as an expense in such a manner as to spread the regular cost over the service lives of the employees in accordance with the advice of the actuaries, who carry out a full valuation of the plan every year in accordance with IAS 19 *Employee Benefits*. Remeasurements comprising actuarial gains and losses and changes in the effect of the asset ceiling are reported in other comprehensive income. The pension obligation is measured as the present value of the estimated future benefits of employees and pensioners, in return for service in the current and prior periods, using estimated discount rates based on market yields on Government securities which have terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related liability.

The Group determines the net interest income on the net defined benefit asset for the period by applying the discount rate used to measure the defined benefit asset at the beginning of the year to the net defined benefit asset for the year, taking into account any changes in the asset during the period as a result of contributions and benefit payments. Net interest expense and other expenses on post-retirement obligations are recognised in profit or loss.

When the benefits of the plan are changed or if the plan were to be curtailed, the resulting change in benefits that relates to past service or the gain or loss on curtailment is recognised immediately in profit or loss. The Group recognises gains and losses on the settlement of a defined benefit plan when the settlement occurs. Contributions to the defined contribution plan are charged to the statement of revenue and expenses in the period to which they relate.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(q) Employee benefits (continued)

Termination benefits

Termination benefits are payable whenever an employee's service is terminated before the normal retirement date or whenever an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The Group recognises termination benefits when it is demonstrably committed to either, terminate the services of current employees according to a detailed formal plan without the possibility of withdrawal or to provide termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. Benefits falling due more than twelve months after the financial year end are discounted to present value.

Pension and other post-employment benefits

The cost of these benefits and the present value of the pension and the other post-employment liabilities depend on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net periodic cost/(income) for pension and other post-employment benefits include the expected long-term rate of return on the relevant plan assets, the discount rate and, in the case of the post-employment medical benefits, the expected rate of increase in medical costs. Any changes in these assumptions will impact the net periodic cost/(income) recorded for pension and post-employment benefits and may affect planned funding of the pension plan.

The Group determines the appropriate discount rate at the end of each year; such rate represents the interest rate that should be used to determine the present value of estimated future cash outflows expected to be required to settle the pension and post-retirement benefit obligations. The discount rate is determined by reference to the yield at the reporting date on long-term government instruments of terms approximating those of the Bank's obligation

The expected rate of increase of medical costs has been determined by comparing the historical relationship of the actual medical cost increases with the rate of inflation. Past experience has shown that the actual medical costs have increased on average by the rate of inflation. Other key assumptions for the pension and other post-employment benefit cost and credit are based, in part, on current market conditions.

The Group also provides supplementary health care and life insurance benefits to qualifying employees upon retirement. The entitlement to these benefits is usually based on the completion of a minimum service period and the employee remaining in service up to retirement age. The expected costs of these benefits are accrued over the period of employment, using an accounting methodology similar to that for defined benefit pension plans. These obligations are valued annually by qualified independent actuaries.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(q) Employee benefits (continued)

Equity compensation benefits

The Group has one Employee Share Ownership Plan (ESOP) for eligible employees, through which it provides a fixed benefit to each participant, which is linked to the number of years of service. This benefit is recorded in salaries and staff benefits in the statement of revenue and expenses.

The amount contributed to the ESOP trust (note 53) by the Group for acquiring shares and allocating them to employees is recognised as an employee expense at the time of making the contribution, as the effect of recognising it over the two-year period in which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the shares, is not considered material. Further, the effect of forfeitures is not considered material.

The special purpose entity that operates the Plan has not been consolidated as the effect of doing so is not considered material.

Annual leave

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the year end.

Defined contribution plan

The Group operates a defined contribution pension plan, the assets of which are held in a trustee administered fund. The pension plan is funded by contributions from employees and the subsidiary, made on the basis provided for in the rules. Contributions are charged to the statement of revenue and expenses in the period to which it relates.

(r) Share capital

Classification

Ordinary shares are classified as equity when there is no obligation to transfer cash or other assets.

Share issue costs

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

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(r) Share capital (continued)

Dividends

Dividends on ordinary shares are recognised in stockholder's equity in the period in which they are approved by the Board of Directors, thereby becoming irrevocably payable.

(s) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Group uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

As a lessee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative stand-alone prices.

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term, unless the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Group by the end of the lease term or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Group will exercise a purchase option. In that case, the right-of-use asset will be depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset, which is determined on the same basis as those of property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate, that takes into account the Group's credit risk and economic environment in which the lease is entered.

The Group determines its incremental borrowing rate by obtaining interest rates from various external financing sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of the asset leased.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(s) Leases (continued)

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee;
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Group is reasonably certain to exercise; and
- lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Group is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Group's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Group changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option, or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in 'property and equipment' and lease liabilities in other liabilities in the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases. The Group recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(t) Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's non-financial asset, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash flows that are largely independent from other assets and groups. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the units and then to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

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2. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(t) Impairment of non-financial assets (continued)

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

In respect of other assets, impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(u) Fiduciary activities

The Group commonly acts as trustee and in other fiduciary capacities that result in the holding or placing of assets on behalf of individuals, trusts, retirement benefit plans and other institutions. These assets, and income arising thereon, are excluded from these financial statements, as they are not assets or income of the Group.

3. Critical accounting estimates, and judgements made in applying accounting policies

The Group makes estimates, assumptions and judgements that affect the reported amounts of and disclosures relating to, assets, liabilities, income and expenses reported in these financial statements. Amounts and disclosures based on these estimates assumptions and judgements may be different from actual outcomes and these differences may be reported in the financial statements of the next financial year. Estimates and judgements are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, and are continually evaluated.

Estimates

i. Expected credit losses (ECL)

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for certain financial assets measured at amortised cost is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour (e.g. the likelihood of customers defaulting and the resulting losses). Explanation of the inputs, assumptions and estimation techniques used in measuring ECL is further detailed in notes 24 and 47(b), which also set out key sensitivities of the ECL to changes in these elements.

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3. Critical accounting estimates, and judgements made in applying accounting policies (continued)

ii. Insurance contract cash flows, valuation

(a) Fulfilment cash flows

The fulfilment cash flows of groups of insurance contracts are measured at the reporting date and include:

- estimates of future cash flows;
- an adjustment to reflect the time value of money and the financial risks related to future cash flows, to the extent that the financial risks are not included in the estimates of future cash flows; and
- a risk adjustment for non-financial risk.

The Group's objective is to estimate future cash flows and to determine their expected values considering the full range of possible outcomes. The cash flows are discounted and weighted by the estimated probability of that outcome to derive an expected present value.

Estimates of future cash flows

In estimating future cash flows, the Group incorporates, in an unbiased way, all reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date. This information includes both internal and external historical data about claims and other experience, updated to reflect current expectations of future events.

The estimates of future cash flows reflect the Group's view of current conditions at the reporting date as long as the estimates of any relevant market variables are consistent with observable market prices.

When estimating future cash flows, the Group takes into account current expectations of future events that might affect those cash flows. However, expectations of future changes in legislation that would change or discharge a present obligation or create new obligations under existing contracts are not taken into account until the change in legislation is substantively enacted.

Cash flows within the boundary of a contract relate directly to the fulfilment of the contract, including those for which the Group has discretion over the amount or timing. These include payments to (or on behalf of) policyholders, insurance acquisition cash flows and other costs that are incurred in fulfilling contracts.

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3. Critical accounting estimates, and judgements made in applying accounting policies (continued)

ii. Insurance contract cash flows, valuation (continued)

(a) Fulfilment cash flows (continued)

Insurance acquisition cash flows arise from the activities of selling, underwriting and establishing a group of contracts that are directly attributable to the portfolio of contracts to which the group belongs. Other costs that are incurred in fulfilling the contracts include:

- claims handling, maintenance and administration costs;
- recurring commissions payable on instalment premiums receivable within the contract boundary;
- costs that the Group will incur in providing investment services;
- costs that the Group will incur in performing investment activities to the extent that
 the Group performs them to enhance benefits from insurance coverage for
 policyholders by generating an investment return from which policyholders will
 benefit if an insured event occurs; and
- income tax and other costs specifically chargeable to the policyholders under the terms of the contracts.

Policyholder behaviour is a key assumption in the measurement of insurance contracts. Each type of policyholder behaviour is estimated by product type based on trends in recent experience. The following table sets out the assumptions about surrender rates (expressed as weighted averages) by policy anniversary for all portfolios:

		2024			2023					
	1	5	10	15	20	1	5	10	15	20
	<u>vear</u>	vears	vears	<u>vears</u>	<u>vears</u>	<u>vear</u>	<u>vears</u>	<u>vears</u>	vears	vears
Portfolio										
Individual Life Savings and										
Wealth	11%	9%	6%	5%	4%	11%	9%	6%	5%	4%
Individual Universal Life	14%	8%	4%	4%	4%	15%	9%	6%	6%	6%

Insurance acquisition cash flows and other costs that are incurred in fulfilling contracts comprise both direct costs and an allocation of fixed and variable overheads.

Cash flows are attributed to acquisition activities, other fulfilment activities and other activities at local entity level using activity-based costing techniques. Cash flows attributable to acquisition and other fulfilment activities are allocated to groups of contracts using methods that are systematic and rational and are consistently applied to all costs that have similar characteristics. The Group generally allocates insurance acquisition cash flows to groups of contracts based on the total premiums for each group, claims handling costs based on the number of claims for each group, and maintenance and administration costs based on the number of in-force contracts within each group. Other costs are recognised in profit or loss as they are incurred.

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3. Critical accounting estimates, and judgements made in applying accounting policies (continued)

ii. Insurance contract cash flows, valuation (continued)

(b) Discount rates

The IFRS17 discount curve is developed using the bottom-up approach. Inputs from both internal and external resources are used. The market risk-free spot curve is reviewed and updated quarterly to facilitate alignment with the current market environment. The parameters used to develop the final discount rates (e.g. ultimate rate, illiquidity premium and convergence period) represent our long-term expectations and should therefore be less sensitive to market fluctuations. These assumptions are reviewed at least annually but may be updated more frequently if the company's actuaries determine that a material change in circumstances has occurred.

The risk-free spot yield curve is internally developed utilising indicative yields and actual trades of Government of Jamaica (GOJ) bonds. The curve is generated monthly and provides rates up to 30 years. The risk-free spot yield curve used to develop the IFRS17 discount curve is updated quarterly. Although the internally developed risk-free curve generates rates up to 30 years, there are many months in which rates for the longer tenors are unavailable due to a lack of recent trades. As such, the last observable point chosen was 20 years, in line with the longest tenor at which the curve is consistently generated. Most of the market activity is expected to occur at tenors less than or equal to 20 years.

The ultimate risk-free forward rate was developed considering real GDP growth rates (as reported by STATIN) and the Bank of Jamaica's (BOJ's) inflation target rate. This methodology is aligned with the Canadian Institute of Actuaries Educational Note "IFRS17 Discount Rates for Life and Health Insurance Contracts" (CIA Ed Note). In this regard, a real GDP growth rate of 1.6% and a target inflation rate of 5% was used, leading to an ultimate forward rate of 6.60%.

Linear interpolation was used for points between the last observable point (20 years) and the ultimate period (30 years). Given the limited data and market activity, a full reference curve was not developed to determine the illiquidity premium. Instead, historical mortgage rates were used to develop an ultimate reference point. The ultimate reference point was 8.3% as at October 31, 2024, in line with historical mortgage rates observed over the last 10 years. The difference between the ultimate reference point and the ultimate risk-free point was assumed to include both an illiquidity premium and a credit risk premium. Using the considerations above, the ultimate illiquidity premium as at October 31, 2024 was determined to be 0.8% or 13% above the ultimate risk-free rate.

We assumed that the illiquidity premiums are 13% above the risk-free rates for all tenors. The level of illiquidity in each product was assessed using the exit cost, exit value and inherent value. The products were then put in buckets based on this assessment (0%, 50% or 100% illiquidity premium).

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3. Critical accounting estimates, and judgements made in applying accounting policies (continued)

ii. Insurance contract cash flows, valuation (continued)

(b) Discount rates (continued)

The tables below set out the yield curves used to discount the cash flows of insurance contracts for major currencies.

	2024			2023						
	1	5	10	20	30	1	5	10	20	30
	<u>year</u>	<u>years</u>	years	<u>years</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>year</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>years</u>
Portfolio										
Individual life	7.8%	8.3%	9.4%	12.8%	13.3%	8.7%	8.9%	9.9%	14.6%	15.5%
Individual Health	7.8%	8.3%	9.4%	12.8%	13.3%	8.7%	8.9%	9.9%	14.6%	15.5%
Group Creditor Combined										
Single	7.8%	8.3%	9.4%	12.8%	13.3%	8.7%	8.9%	9.9%	14.6%	15.5%
Individual Life Savings										
and Wealth	7.3%	7.9%	8.9%	12.1%	12.6%	7.8%	8.0%	8.8%	12.5%	13.2%
Individual Universal Life	7.3%	7.9%	8.9%	12.6%	12.6%	7.8%	8.0%	8.8%	12.5%	13.2%

(c) Risk adjustments for non-financial risk

Risk adjustments for non-financial risk are determined to reflect the compensation that the entity requires for bearing non-financial risk, separately for the non-life and other contracts, and are allocated to groups of contracts based on an analysis of the risk profiles of the groups. Risk adjustments for non-financial risk reflect the diversification benefits from contracts issued by the entity, in a way that is consistent with the compensation that it would require and that reflects its degree of risk aversion, and the effects of the diversification benefits are determined using a correlation matrix technique.

The risk adjustments for non-financial risk are determined using a margin approach which assigns a risk margin to individual risks based on the Group's experience for each portfolio.

Risk adjustment for non-financial risk for individual life, individual health, individual savings and wealth, individual universal life, group creditor - GMM and Group creditor - PAA portfolios corresponds to the following confidence levels:

	2024	2023
Insurance contracts	89 50%	86.8%

(d) Contractual service margin

Determination of coverage units

The amortisation of the CSM of a group of contracts is recognised in the profit or loss to reflect services provided in each year based on the number of coverage units provided in the year, which is determined by considering for each contract the quantity of the benefits provided and its expected coverage period. The coverage units are reviewed and updated at each reporting date.

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3. Critical accounting estimates, and judgements made in applying accounting policies (continued)

ii. Insurance contract cash flows, valuation (continued)

(d) Contractual service margin (continued)

The Group determines the quantity of the benefits provided under each contract as follows:

Product	Basis for determining quantity of benefits provided
Group Creditor Combined Single	Outstanding Loan Balance
Individual Universal Life	Level Death Benefit Option: Max(Face Amount, Policy Value) Increasing Death Benefit Option: Face Amount + Policy Value
Individual Health	Face Amount
Individual Life	Face Amount
Individual Life Savings and Wealth	Basic Face Amount + Fund Value - Outstanding Loan Balance
Individual Annuities	Not applicable

An analysis of the expected timing of the allocation of the CSM to profit or loss is disclosed in note 40(d).

4. Responsibilities of the appointed actuary

The Board of Directors, pursuant to the Insurance Act, appoints the Actuary, who is responsible to carry out an annual valuation of the Group's insurance contract liabilities, in accordance with accepted actuarial practice and regulatory requirements, and reports thereon to the policyholders and shareholders. In performing the valuation, the Appointed Actuary estimates the future cashflows as well as a range of expected values that reflect possible outcomes. These cashflows are discounted and weighted by their probabilities in determining the present value estimate of the Group's liabilities. An actuarial valuation is prepared annually.

5. Segmental financial information

The Group is organised into four main business segments:

- (a) Retail Banking this incorporates personal banking services, personal deposit accounts, credit and debit cards, consumer loans and mortgages;
- (b) Corporate and Commercial Banking this incorporates non-personal direct debit facilities, current accounts, deposits, overdrafts, loans, trading and other credit facilities;
- (c) Treasury this incorporates the Bank's liquidity and investment management function, management of correspondent bank relationships, as well as foreign currency trading activities; and
- (d) Insurance Services this incorporates the provision of life and medical insurance, individual pension administration and annuities.

Transactions between the business segments are on normal commercial terms and conditions. Segment assets and liabilities comprise operating assets and liabilities, being the majority of items on the statement of financial position, but exclude items such as taxation, retirement benefits asset and obligation and borrowings. Eliminations comprise intercompany transactions and balances.

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5. Segmental financial information (continued)

3	The Group						
				2024			
	-			anking			
			Corporate				
	Treasury	Retail	and Commercial	Insurance Services	Eliminations	Group	
	rreasary	<u>rtetan</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>OCI VICES</u>	<u>Liiriiridtioris</u>	<u>Огоир</u>	
Net External Revenues	15,449,523	23,116,429	15,828,579	4,715,053	_	59,109,584	
Revenues from other segments	(9,702,145)	1,642,437	7,434,407	615,032	10,269	<u> </u>	
Total revenues	5,747,378	24,758,866	23,262,986	5,330,085	10,269	59,109,584	
Expenses	(<u>891,705</u>)	(_20,798,084)	(9,546,382)	(534,947)		(31,771,118)	
Profit Before Tax	4,855,673	3,960,782	13,716,604	4,795,138	10,269	27,338,466	
Taxation						(<u>8,917,262</u>)	
Profit for the year						18,421,204	
Segment assets	259,715,621	223,433,529	<u>119,632,412</u>	75,509,174	(21,799,489)	656,491,247	
Unallocated assets						26,483,739	
Total assets						<u>682,974,986</u>	
Segment liabilities		264,616,905	247,189,760	52,435,928	(<u>18,</u> 951 <u>,804</u>)	545,290,789	
Unallocated liabilities					,,	21,549,131	
Total liabilities						<u>566,839,920</u>	
Other Comment items							
Other Segment items: Net interest income 1	3,416,389	21,257,974	15,224,741	5,047,219	10,269	44,956,592	
Capital expenditure	- -	160,300	1,035,972	1,622	10,209	1,197,894	
Expected credit losses	5,967	3,805,979	377,076	(41,112)	_	4,147,910	
Depreciation and amortisation	9,956	736,857	374,651	3,783		1,125,247	

Capital expenditure comprises additions, (excluding right-of-use assets) to property and equipment (note 29) and intangible assets (note 30).

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5. Segmental financial information (continued)

_	The Group								
		2023							
		Banking							
			Corporate						
	<u>Treasury</u>	<u>Retail</u>	and <u>Commercial</u>	Insurance <u>Services</u>	Eliminations	Group			
Net external revenues Revenues from other segments	12,597,958 (<u>8,251,931</u>)	20,724,788 2,209,611	14,218,489 5,683,005	4,151,252 343,606	- 15,709	51,692,487			
Total revenues Expenses	4,346,027 (<u>773,211</u>)	22,934,399 (<u>18,268,307</u>)	19,901,494 (<u>8,802,981</u>)	4,494,858 (<u>624,872</u>)	15,709 	51,692,487 (<u>28,469,371</u>)			
Profit before tax Taxation	<u>3,572,816</u>	4,666,092	<u>11,098,513</u>	3,869,986	<u>15,709</u>	23,223,116 (7,668,372)			
Profit for the year						<u>15,554,744</u>			
-									
Segment assets Unallocated assets	<u>257,791,966</u>	<u>191,342,215</u>	107,223,967	<u>69,460,320</u>	(<u>18,135,996</u>)	607,682,472 35,857,046			
Total assets						643,539,518			
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities		<u>244,182,141</u>	<u>235,136,403</u>	50,965,663	(<u>15,278,043</u>)	515,006,164 _22,405,591			
Total liabilities						<u>537,411,755</u>			
Other segment items:	0.050.074	40.004.000	40.450.000	4 070 475	45.700	20.420.040			
Net interest income	2,059,974	19,331,860 345.167	12,452,022 753.836	4,270,475	15,709	38,130,040			
Capital expenditure Expected credit losses	- 7,107	2,071,627	208,042	1,155 99,378	-	1,100,158 2,386,154			
Depreciation and amortisation	7,107 7,606	658.588	335,507	6,562	- -	1,008,263			
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Capital expenditure comprises additions, (excluding right-of-use assets) to property and equipment (note 29) and intangible assets (note 30).

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6. Net interest income

Net interest income	Th	e Group	The Bank		
	2024	2023	2024	2023	
Interest income calculated using the effective interest method: Deposits with banks and other					
financial institutions Investment securities Reverse repurchase	7,128,589 9,606,293	6,499,850 7,270,025	6,172,772 6,116,151	5,793,174 4,082,049	
agreements Loans and advances	147,675 <u>30,392,972</u>	35,493 <u>25,569,825</u>	147,675 <u>29,129,968</u>	31,789 <u>24,169,527</u>	
Interest income on financial asset at fair value through profit or loss	47,275,529 165,145	39,375,193 204,332	<u>41,566,566</u> <u>49,570</u>	34,076,539 61,332	
Total interest income	47,440,674	39,579,525	41,616,136	<u>34,137,871</u>	
Interest expense measured on the effective interest basis: Banks and customers Repurchase agreements Insurance contract liabilities Other	2,415,480 - 36,089 32,513	1,365,374 21,146 32,404 30,561	2,948,757 3,629 - 32,513	1,656,996 23,559 - 30,561	
Not interest income	<u>2,484,082</u>	<u>1,449,485</u>	<u>2,984,899</u>	<u>1,711,116</u>	
Net interest income	<u>44,956,592</u>	<u>38,130,040</u>	<u>38,631,237</u>	<u>32,426,755</u>	
Net fee and commission income	The	Group	The Bank		
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	

7.

	The	Group	The B	ank
	2024	2023	<u>2024</u>	2023
Fee and commission income:				
Retail banking fees	9,246,830	8,869,485	9,233,080	8,856,025
Credit related fees	1,573,789	1,523,583	1,563,536	1,512,220
Commercial and depository fees	10,012,122	8,800,744	10,012,122	8,800,744
Insurance related fees	416,493	282,478		
	21,249,234	19,476,290	20,808,738	19,168,989
Fee and commission expenses	(<u>16,219,795</u>)	(<u>14,618,204</u>)	(<u>16,219,795</u>)	(<u>14,618,204</u>)
	5,029,439	4,858,086	4,588,943	4,550,785

Total fee and commission income and expenses relate to financial assets and liabilities not measured at FVTPL.

8. (a) Net gains on foreign currency activities

Net gains on foreign currency activities include primarily gains and losses arising from foreign currency trading activities.

(b) Net gains/(losses) on financial assets

	The G	roup	The B	ank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
(Gain)/losses on securities				
held for trading	<u>66,554</u>	(<u>74,854</u>)	(<u>36,663</u>)	(<u>20,623</u>)

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9. Net financial result			Group 2024		
	Contracts without direct participation features	Contracts with direct participation features	Contracts measured under the PAA	Other	Total
2024					
Investment return Investment securities Deposits with Bank and other financial institutions Government securities purchased under resale agreement Loans and Advances	3,492,720 862,558 -	22,560 - - -	11,873 - -	6,244,285 6,266,031 147,675 30,392,972	9,771,438 7,128,589 147,675 30,392,972
Total interest income	4,355,278	22,560	<u>11,873</u>	43,050,963	47,440,674
Net gains on financial assets Expected credit losses	35,277 (24,834)	183 128,051	96 -	30,998 (4,251,127)	66,554 (4,147,910)
Net finance expenses from insurance contracts					
Changes in fair value of underlying items of direct participating contracts Interest accreted Effects of changes in interest rates and other financial assumptions Effects of changes in interest rates and other financial assumptions OCI Other interest expense	(2,222,735) (460,776) (394,306) (35,984)	(100,870) - - 22,455	- - - - (105)	- - - - (2,447,993)	(100,870) (2,222,735) (460,776) (371,851) (2,484,082)
Total net finance expenses from insurance contracts	(3,113,801)	(_78,415)	(105)	(_2,447,993)	(_5,640,314)
Net finance income from reinsurance contracts Interest accreted Other The effect of financial risk and changes in financial risk- OCI		19 59 <u>541</u> 619	- - - 	- - - -	19 59 <u>541</u> 619
Total financial result	<u>1,251,920</u>	72,998	<u>11,864</u>	36,382,841	37,719,623
Represented by: Amounts recognized in profit or loss Amounts recognized in OCI	1,646,226 (<u>394,306</u>)	50,002 22,996	11,864	36,382,841	38,090,933 (<u>371,310</u>)
Insurance finance income and expenses Net finance expenses from insurance contracts	<u>1,251,920</u>	<u>72,998</u>	<u>11,864</u>	<u>36,382,841</u>	<u>37,719,623</u>
Recognized in profit or loss Recognized in OCI	(2,683,511) (<u>394,306</u>)	(100,870) 	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(2,784,381) (<u>371,851</u>)
Net finance income from reinsurance held contracts	(<u>3,077,817</u>)	(<u>78,415</u>)			(3,156,232)
Recognized in OCI	<u> </u>	78 <u>541</u>		-	78 <u>541</u>

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9. Net financial results(continued)

Net illialicial results(continueu)	Group				
			2023		
2022	Contracts without direct participation features	Contracts with direct participation features	Contracts measured under the PAA	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Investment return Investment securities Deposits with bank and other financial institutions Government securities purchased under resale agreement Loans and advances	2,962,440 577,396 -	6,200 - - -	681 - -	4,505,036 5,922,454 35,493 25,569,825	7,474,357 6,499,850 35,493 25,569,825
Total interest income	3,539,836	6,200	681	36,032,808	39,579,525
Net losses on financial assets Expected credit losses	(48,083) (88,382)	(6,148) (<u>185</u>)	_ (<u>20</u>)	(20,623) (2,297,567)	(74,854) (<u>2,386,154</u>)
Net finance expenses from insurance contracts					
Changes in fair value of underlying items of direct participating contracts Interest accreted Effects of changes in interest rates and other financial assumptions Effects of changes in interest rates and other financial assumptions OCI Other interest expense	(2,080,810) 233,605 852,383 (<u>32,405</u>)	46,145 (5,307) (22,341) 22,455	- - (4,822) -	- - - - (<u>1,417,080</u>)	46,145 (2,086,117) 211,264 870,016 (1,449,485)
Total net finance expenses from insurance contracts	(<u>1,027,227</u>)	40,952	(<u>4,822</u>)	(<u>1,417,080</u>)	(<u>2,408,177</u>)
Net finance income from reinsurance contracts Interest accreted Other	<u>-</u>	(71) (<u>60</u>) (131)	- -	<u>.</u>	(71) (60) (131)
Total financial result	2,376,144	40,688	(<u>4,161</u>)	32,297,538	34,710,209
Represented by: Amounts recognized in profit or loss Amounts recognized in OCI	1,523,761 <u>852,383</u> 2,376,144	18,233 <u>22,455</u> 40,688	661 (<u>4,822</u>) (4,161)	32,297,538 32,297,538	33,840,193 <u>870,016</u> 34,710,209
Insurance finance income and expenses	2,370,144	40,000	(<u>4,101</u>)	32,231,330	34,710,209
Net finance expenses from insurance contracts Recognized in profit or loss Recognized in OCI	(1,847,205) <u>852,383</u>	18,497 <u>22,455</u>	- (<u>4,822</u>)	<u>-</u>	(1,828,708) <u>870,016</u>
Net finance income from reinsurance held contracts Recognized in profit or loss	(<u>994,822)</u> 	<u>40,952</u> (<u>131</u>)	(<u>4,822</u>) 		(<u>958,692</u>) (<u>131</u>)
		(<u>131</u>)			(<u>131</u>)

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10. Insurance revenue

	The Group		
	<u>2024</u>	2023	
Contracts not measured under the PAA			
Amounts relating to changes in liabilities for			
remaining coverage			
- CSM recognised for insurance			
services provided	1,247,567	651,299	
- Change in risk adjustment for			
non-financial risk for risk expired	210,424	197,077	
- Expected incurred claims			
and other insurance service			
expenses	871,848	872,146	
Recovery of insurance acquisition			
cash flows	<u> 145,874</u>	<u>118,176</u>	
	2,475,713	1,838,698	
Contracts measured under the PAA	1,034,117	949,887	
Total insurance revenue	<u>3,509,830</u>	<u>2,788,585</u>	

11. Other revenue

	The C	The Group		Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Net gain on sale of property and				
equipment	216,475	159,953	216,475	159,953
Other	20,663	24,743	20,663	22,645
	<u>237,138</u>	<u>184,696</u>	<u>237,138</u>	182,598

12. Salaries, pension and other staff benefits

	The Group	The Bank
	<u>2024</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>2023</u>
Wages and salaries Statutory payroll contributions Other staff benefits	9,752,546 8,896,049 934,095 802,663 2,032,127 1,872,284	9,617,9448,756,080910,528788,0141,990,3691,852,525
Post-employment benefits: Pension credit on defined	<u>12,718,768</u> <u>11,570,996</u>	<u>12,518,841</u> <u>11,396,619</u>
benefit plan [note 31 (a)(v)] Other post- retirement benefits	(2,657,620) (1,957,737)	(2,657,620) (1,957,737)
[note 31(b)(ii)]	<u>675,794</u> <u>640,597</u>	<u>675,794</u> <u>640,597</u>
	(1,981,826) (1,317,140)	(<u>1,981,826</u>) (<u>1,317,140</u>)
	<u>10,736,942</u> <u>10,253,856</u>	<u>10,537,015</u> <u>10,079,479</u>

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13. Expenses by nature

•	The Group		The Bank		
	2024	2023	2024	2023	
Salaries, pension and other staff					
benefits (note 12)	10,922,589	10,445,584	10,537,015	10,079,479	
Property expenses, including	0.004.055	0.400.000	0.750.504	0.400.000	
depreciation	2,804,355	2,466,222	2,756,501	2,422,226	
Amortisation of intangibles assets	7,720	8,082	7,720	8,082	
System related expenses	2,092,278	2,092,488	2,081,943	2,085,383	
Insurance claims and benefits	312,139	305,555	-	-	
Transportation and communication	1,676,825	1,673,254	1,668,600	1,665,205	
Marketing and advertising	659,621	714,552	653,267	709,710	
Professional, legal and consultancy fees	445,578	277,273	359,125	219,925	
Technical and support services	6,026,677	5,506,659	5,768,031	5,357,368	
Asset tax	1,514,483	1,335,900	1,324,416	1,142,265	
Licensing and other regulatory Fees	176,331	152,316	116,540	101,178	
Deposit insurance	718,977	647,984	706,783	635,033	
Stationery	289,591	406,793	282,287	397,752	
Other operating expenses	654,404	679,434	621,218	574,664	
Losses on onerous insurance contracts	137,840	224,363	-	-	
Amortisation of insurance acquisition cash					
flows	145,874	<u>118,177</u>			
	28,585,282	27,054,636	<u>26,883,446</u>	<u>25,398,270</u>	
Represented by:					
Insurance service expenses	962,074	971,419	-	-	
Other operating expenses	<u>27,623,208</u>	26,083,217	<u>26,883,446</u>	<u>25,398,270</u>	
	28,585,282	27,054,636	<u>26,883,446</u>	<u>25,398,270</u>	

14. Profit before taxation

In arriving at the profit before taxation, the following are among the items that have been charged:

	The G	roup	Th	e Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Auditors' remuneration	89,698	54,044	53,298	38,594
Non-audit fees	9,581	4,510	8,443	3,851
Depreciation of property and				
equipment	960,165	841,101	954,950	834,539
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	157,362	159,080	157,362	159,080
Amortisation of intangible assets	7,720	8,082	7,720	8,082
Directors' emoluments:				
Fees	20,700	14,654	4,787	3,844
Management remuneration	<u>107,323</u>	87,041	107,323	87,041

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15. Taxation

(a) Taxation charge

Income tax is computed on the profit for the year as adjusted for tax purposes; other taxes are computed at rates and on items shown below:

	The Group		The	Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Current income tax:				
Income tax at 33⅓%	7,440,170	5,509,208	7,415,486	5,509,208
Income tax at 30%	333,067	437,153	-	-
Income tax at 25%	1,108,853	897,606	-	-
Prior year under provision	<u>551</u>	<u>35,589</u>	<u>551</u>	34,926
	8,882,641	6,879,556	7,416,037	5,544,134
Deferred income tax [note 37(a)]	<u>34,621</u>	<u> 788,816</u>	41,419	753,702
	<u>8,917,262</u>	7,668,372	<u>7,457,456</u>	6,297,836

(b) Reconciliation of applicable tax charge to actual tax charge:

	The Gro	oup	The Bank	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Profit before taxation	27,338,466	23,223,116	23,036,241	20,162,884
Tax calculated at 33⅓%	7,706,532	6,720,961	7,678,747	6,720,961
Tax calculated at 30%	319,446	447,462	-	-
Tax calculated at 25%	1,177,945	969,443	-	-
Income not subject to tax – tax free investments	(772,186)	(974,142)	(665,383)	(874,439)
Expenses not deductible for tax	,	,	,	,
purposes	484,974	469,059	443,541	416,388
Prior year under provision	<u>551</u>	35,589	<u>551</u>	34,926
Income tax expense	8,917,262	7,668,372	<u>7,457,456</u>	6,297,836
Effective tax rate	32.62%	33.02%	32.37%	31.23%

16. Earnings per stock unit

Basic earnings per stock unit is calculated by dividing the profit for the year attributable to stockholders by the weighted average number of ordinary stock units in issue during the year.

	The Group	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Profit for the year attributable to stockholders Weighted average number of ordinary stock units	<u>18,421,204</u>	<u>15,554,744</u>
in issue ('000)	2,927,232	2,927,232
Basic earnings per stock unit (expressed in \$)	6.29	<u>5.31</u>

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17. Cash and balances at Bank of Jamaica

	The Group		The	Bank
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Statutory reserves with Bank of Jamaica				
non interest-bearing (note 18)Cash in hand and at bank	45,004,128 32,102,031	42,530,215 67,365,560	44,929,402 26,614,023	42,453,292 60,979,926
	<u>77,106,159</u>	109,895,775	<u>71,543,425</u>	<u>103,433,218</u>

At the reporting date, statutory reserves with Bank of Jamaica represent the required primary reserve ratios.

Relevant legislation	Entity	Reserve percentage			<u>e </u>
	Jama		Jamaican		urrency
		2024	2023	2024	2023
Banking Services Act, 2014, Section 43 Building Society Regulations,	BNSJ	6%	6%	14%	14%
Section 31	SJBS	<u>1%</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>1%</u>

These balances are not available for investment, lending or other use by the Group.

18. Cash and cash equivalents

	The G			Bank 2022
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash resources Less amounts not considered cash and cash equivalents:	149,017,858	166,968,251	143,455,124	160,505,694
Statutory reserves (note 17) Cheques and other	(45,004,128)	(42,530,215)	(44,929,402)	(42,453,292)
instruments in transit Accounts with parent and fellow subsidiaries greater than	(2,099,970)	(1,965,962)	(2,315,623)	(2,031,083)
ninety days	(42,217,052)	-	(42,217,052)	-
Expected credit losses	38,467	41,148	35,117	38,282
Accrued interest	(1,260,199)	(182,274)	(1,248,170)	(<u>164,961</u>)
	58,474,976	122,330,948	52,779,994	115,894,640
Add other cash equivalent balances Reverse repurchase agreemen less than				
ninety days (note 21)		1,106,229		1,106,229
Cash and cash equivalents	58,474,976	123,437,177	52,779,994	117,000,869

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18. Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

	The G	Group	The	The Bank		
	2024	2023	2024	2023		
Cash and cash equivalents is comprised of: Cash and balances with Bank of Jamaica other than statutory reserves	32,140,498	67,406,708	26,649,140	61,018,208		
Government and bank notes other than Jamaican	1,727,579	2,117,289	1,727,579	2,117,289		
Amounts due from other banks (note 19)	16,611,503	19,733,017	16,611,503	19,733,017		
Accounts with parent and fellow subsidiaries	11,355,565	35,222,170	11,355,565	35,222,170		
Reverse repurchase agreements (note 21)	- -	1,106,229	-	1,106,229		
Accrued interest	(1,260,199)	(182,274)	(1,248,170)	(<u>164,961</u>)		
	60,574,946	125,403,139	55,095,617	119,031,952		
Less: Cheques and other instrument in transit	(<u>2,099,970</u>)	(1,965,962)	(<u>2,315,623</u>)	(
	<u>58,474,976</u>	<u>123,437,177</u>	<u>52,779,994</u>	<u>117,000,869</u>		

19. Due from other banks

	The Group		The	Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Items in course of collection from	504 507	745 405	504 507	745 405
other banks Placements with other banks	594,567 16,016,936	715,185 19,017,832	594,567 16,016,936	715,185 19,017,832
r ideemente mar earer same	16,611,503	19,733,017	<u>16,611,503</u>	19,733,017

20. Accounts with parent and fellow subsidiaries

These represent accounts held with the parent company and fellow subsidiaries in the normal course of business.

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21. Government securities purchased/sold under resale agreements

(i) The Group enters into reverse repurchase agreements collateralised by Government of Jamaica securities.

_	The G	roup	The	Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Reverse repurchase agreements (maturity less than ninety days)	-	1,106,229	-	1,106,229
Reverse repurchase agreements	2,102,947	2,794,422	2,102,947	2,794,422
Interest receivables	2,102,947 76,585	3,900,651 <u>6,765</u>	2,102,947 <u>76,585</u>	3,900,651 <u>6,765</u>
	2,179,532	3,907,416	<u>2,179,532</u>	3,907,416

The fair value of collateral held pursuant to reverse repurchase agreements is \$3,695,072 (2023: \$4,727,641) for the Group and the Bank.

22. Pledged assets

Assets are pledged to regulators, the clearing house and other financial institutions, and held as collateral under repurchase agreements with customers and financial institutions. All repurchase agreements mature within twelve months and are contracted under the terms that are customary for these transactions.

	The Group		The	Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Securities with regulators, clearing				
house and other financial institutions	<u>2,691,235</u>	<u>2,462,917</u>	<u>2,691,235</u>	<u>2,462,917</u>

Included in pledged assets are:

- (a) Government issued securities held as fair value through other comprehensive income amounted to \$2,691,235 (2023: \$2,462,917) for the Group and the Bank.
- (b) There were no debt securities which are regarded as cash equivalents for the purposes of the statement of cash flows for the Group and the Bank.

23. Loans, net of allowance for credit losses

	The G	The Group		Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Business and Government Personal and credit cards Residential mortgages Interest receivable	118,278,594 104,926,281 97,842,468 <u>1,678,158</u>	105,691,884 93,192,049 77,152,963 1,248,643	118,278,594 104,926,281 83,594,037 1,529,574	105,691,884 93,192,049 61,324,256 1,080,918
Total	322,725,501	277,285,539	308,328,486	261,289,107
Less: Deferred origination fees Allowance for expected credit	(3,410,175)	(2,854,871)	(3,410,175)	(2,854,871)
losses (note 24)	(<u>6,563,708</u>)	(5,625,090)	(<u>6,319,008</u>)	(5,436,625)
	<u>312,751,618</u>	<u>268,805,578</u>	298,599,303	<u>252,997,611</u>

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23. Loans, net of allowance for credit losses (continued)

(i) The aging of the loans at the reporting date was:

	The C	Group	The Bank	
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Current Past due but not impaired	302,679,029	260,404,024	289,981,722	246,086,110
Past due 1-30 days Past due 31-60 days Past due 61-90 days	10,300,530 2,016,438 1,057,064	8,626,593 1,715,563 786,236	9,526,286 1,689,655 1,011,443	7,786,544 1,504,452 718,162
·	13,374,032	11,128,392	12,227,384	10,009,158
Impaired: Past due more than				
90 days	4,994,282	4,504,480	4,589,806	4,112,921
Interest receivable	<u>1,678,158</u>	1,248,643	1,529,574	1,080,918
Gross loan portfolio	322,725,501	277,285,539	308,328,486	<u>261,289,107</u>
Deferred origination fees Less: Allowance for impair	(3,410,175) ment	(2,854,871)	(3,410,175)	(2,854,871)
losses Loans, net allowance for	(6,563,708)	(_5,625,090)	(_6,319,008)	(_5,436,625)
credit losses	312,751,618	268,805,578	298,599,303	252,997,611

(ii) Repossessed collateral:

In the normal course of business, the security documentation which governs the collateral charged to secure loans gives the Group express authority to repossess the collateral in the event of default. Repossessed collateral is sold as soon as practicable, with the proceeds used to reduce the outstanding indebtedness. Repossessed collateral is only recognised on the statement of financial position when all the risks and rewards are transferred to the Group.

24. Expected credit losses on loans

The Group's allowance calculations are outputs of complex models with a number of underlying assumptions regarding the choice of variable inputs.

Some of the key drivers include the following:

- Changes in risk ratings of the borrower or instrument, reflecting changes in their credit quality;
- Changes in the volumes of transactions;
- Changes in the forward-looking macroeconomic variables used in the models such as GDP growth, unemployment rates, commodity prices, and house price indices, which are most closely related with credit losses in the relevant portfolio;
- Changes in macroeconomic scenarios and the probability weights assigned to each scenario; and
- Borrower migration between the three stages which can result from changes to any of the above inputs and assumptions.

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24. Expected credit losses on loans (continued)

		The Grou	ıр	
		2024		
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Allowance at beginning of year Provided during the year	1,833,620 346,556	1,401,105 282,158	2,390,365 4,484,991	5,625,090 5,113,705
Bad debts written off Foreign exchange movement Transfer to/(from) stages	(732,831)	- 892,795	(4,179,435) (155,616)	(4,179,435) 4,348
Stage 1 Stage 2 Stage 3	1,008,063 (240,821) (<u>30,804</u>)	(831,223) 717,871 (<u>658,231</u>)	(176,840) (477,050) 689,035	- - -
Allowance at end of year (note 23)	2,183,783	(<u>030,231</u>) 1,804,475	<u>2,575,450</u>	6,563,708
Provided during the year Recoveries of bad debts	302,157	258,439 	4,553,109 (<u>930,546</u>)	5,113,705 (<u>930,546</u>)
Impairment losses reported in profit for the year	<u>302,157</u>	258,439	<u>3,622,563</u>	<u>4,183,159</u>
			Group	
	01		023	
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Allowance at beginning of year Provided during the year Bad debts written off	1,770,116 (3,070)	1,764,623 (442,959)	2,363,377 3,639,689 (3,468,662)	5,898,116 3,193,660 (3,468,662)
Foreign exchange movement Transfer to/(from) stages	(691,369)	740,948	(47,603)	1,976
Stage 1 Stage 2 Stage 3	1,262,090 (481,099) (<u>23,047</u>)	(952,778) 916,743 (625,472)	(309,312) (435,644) 648,519	- -
Allowance at end of year (note 23)	1,833,621	1,401,105	2,390,364	5,625,090
The charge for expected credit losses recognised for the year comprises: Provided during the year Recoveries of bad debts	(3,070)	(442,959)	3,639,689 (<u>914,572</u>)	3,193,660 (<u>914,572</u>)
Expected credit losses reported in profit for the year	(<u>3,070</u>)	(<u>442,959</u>)	<u>2,725,117</u>	2,279,088
		The	Bank	
)24	
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Allowance at beginning of year Provided during the year Bad debts written off	1,796,153 354,285	1,335,526 271,892 -	2,304,946 4,416,247 (4,164,389)	5,436,625 5,042,424 (4,164,389)
Foreign exchange movement Transfer to/(from) stages	(688,432)	916,514	(223,734)	4,348
Stage 1 Stage 2 Stage 3	959,540 (236,854) (30,648)	(804,253) 644,937 (635,986)	(155,287) (408,083) <u>666,634</u>	- -
Allowance at end of year (note 23)	<u>2,154,044</u>	<u>1,728,630</u>	2,436,334	6,319,008
Provided during the year Recoveries of bad debts	354,285 	271,892 	4,416,247 (<u>922,680</u>)	5,042,424 (<u>922,680</u>)
Impairment losses reported in profit for the year	<u>354,285</u>	271,892	<u>3,493,567</u>	<u>4,119,744</u>

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24. Expected credit losses on loans (continued)

Expected credit losses reported in profit for the year

_		The	Bank Bank		
	2023				
_	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	
Allowance at beginning of year	1,708,885	1,643,647	2,116,536	5,469,068	
Provided during the year	86,149	(391,100)	3,691,083	3,386,132	
Bad debts written off	-	-	(3,420,551)	(3,420,551)	
Foreign exchange movement Transfer to/(from) stages	(691,369)	740,948	(47,603)	1,976	
Stage 1	1,192,884	(919,569)	(273,315)	-	
Stage 2	(477,372)	859,737	(382,365)	-	
Stage 3	(<u>23,024</u>)	(<u>598,137</u>)	<u>621,161</u>		
Allowance at end of year (note 23) The charge for expected credit losses recognised for the year comprises:	<u>1,796,153</u>	<u>1,335,526</u>	<u>2,304,946</u>	<u>5,436,625</u>	
Provided during the year	86,149	(391,100)	3,691,083	3,386,132	
Recoveries of bad debts			(<u>897,272</u>)	(<u>897,272</u>)	
Expected credit losses reported in profit for the year	<u>86,149</u>	(<u>391,100</u>)	<u>2,793,211</u>	<u>2,488,860</u>	

The total allowance for credit losses is made up as follows:

	The Group		The	Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Allowance for expected credit losses based on IFRS – [see (a) below] Additional allowance based on BOJ	6,563,708	5,625,090	6,319,008	5,436,625
regulations [see (b) below]	292,682	247,418	260,899	153,282
	6,856,390	<u>5,872,508</u>	<u>6,579,907</u>	<u>5,589,907</u>

- (a) This is the allowance based on the requirements of IFRS 9.
- (b) This represents the additional allowance to meet the Bank of Jamaica loan loss provisioning requirements. A non-distributable loan loss reserve was established to represent the excess of the provision required by BOJ over IFRS 9 requirements (note 44).

A loan is classified as impaired if its book value exceeds the present value of the expected cash flows from interest payments, principal repayments, guarantees and proceeds of liquidation of collateral. Provisions for credit losses are made on all impaired loans. Uncollected interest on impaired loans not accrued in these financial statements was estimated at \$862,824 (2023: \$810,402) for the Group and \$775,010 (2023: \$722,547) for the Bank.

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24. Expected credit losses on loans (continued)

Total expected credit losses reported in profit for the year comprise of:

	The Group		The	Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Expected credit losses:				
Loans	4,183,159	2,279,088	4,119,744	2,488,860
Investment securities	(4,460)	168,745	36,651	69,367
Cash resources Acceptance, guarantees &	(3,491)	33,847	(3,386)	33,266
letters of credit	(<u>27,298</u>)	(<u>95,526)</u>	(<u>27,298</u>)	(<u>95,526</u>)
	<u>4,147,910</u>	2,386,154	4,125,711	2,495,967

25. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	The Group		The	Bank
	2024	2023	2024	<u>2023</u>
Government of Jamaica securities Unit trusts	346,214 -	1,893,054 319,033	<u>-</u> -	568,220 -
	346,214	2,212,087	-	568,220
Accrued interest		<u>39,746</u>		<u>11,930</u>
	<u>346,214</u>	2,251,833		<u>580,150</u>

26. Investment securities

	The G	The Group		Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	2023
Fair value through other comprehensive income:				
Unquoted shares	408,275	5,105	408,275	5,105
Government securities	128,714,662	128,672,531	82,061,989	85,306,344
Bank of Jamaica securities	40,921,014	10,888,743	36,309,718	8,898,842
Treasury bills	2,576,831	7,155,650	2,276,831	6,255,650
Corporate bonds	899,715	1,123,317	498,794	476,110
Interest receivable	1,747,199	1,362,418	993,024	654,960
	<u>175,267,696</u>	<u>149,207,764</u>	122,548,631	101,597,011

Included in investment securities are Government of Jamaica Benchmark Investment Notes with a book value of \$90,000 (2023: \$90,000) which have been deposited by one of the Bank's subsidiaries, Scotia Jamaica Life Insurance Company Limited, with the insurance regulator, Financial Services Commission, pursuant to Section 8(1)(a) of the Insurance Regulations 2001.

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27. Segregated fund assets and liabilities

	The	The Group		
	2024	2023		
Segregated fund assets				
Fixed Income Fund	676,916	461,468		
Money Market Fund	279,168	202,744		
Growth Fund	<u>812,126</u>	626,444		
	<u>1,768,210</u>	1,290,656		

The table below shows a reconciliation of the opening to closing balance for the investment contract liabilities.

	The G	Group
	2024	2023
Segregated fund investment contract liabilities		
Opening balance	1,290,656	978,078
Contributions received	495,709	462,925
Benefits paid	(118,220) ((92,814)
Investment return from underlying assets	121,312 ((41,579)
Asset management fees charged	(<u>21,247</u>) ((15,954)
Closing balance	<u>1,768,210</u>	1,290,656

In the above reconciliation, the investment return from the underlying assets represents changes in the fair value of the investment contract liabilities due to the changes in market conditions. The amount due to the investors is contractually determined based on the performance of the underlying assets. The effect of this feature on the fair value of the liability is asset-specific performance risk, not credit risk of the liability; accordingly, no amount of fair value gain or loss required an allocation to the OCI.

28. Sundry assets

-	The Group		The Bank	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Accounts receivable Deferred charges Other	190,406 2,818,250 <u>762,185</u>	467,149 2,060,549 <u>1,433,906</u>	190,406 2,813,164 <u>780,109</u>	467,149 2,055,476 <u>1,381,996</u>
	<u>3,770,841</u>	3,961,604	<u>3,783,679</u>	3,904,621

Accounts receivables include amounts due from related parties totalling \$117,717 (2023: \$110,394) for the Group and \$119,843 (2023: \$110,394) for the Bank.

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29. Property and equipment

			The G	roup		
	Freehold land and buildings	Leasehold improvements	Furniture, fixtures, motor vehicles & equipment	Capital work-in- progress	Right-of- use-asset	<u>Total</u>
Cost:						
October 31, 2022	6,795,549	917,388	9,437,843	374,092	1,659,556	19,184,428
Additions Adjustments Disposals Transfers Translation adjustment	55,231 - (31,633) 167,468 	36,227 - - 136,588 	62,829 - (65,002) 315,614 	945,871 66,879 (50,691) (619,670)	125,637 - - - - 11,785	1,225,795 66,879 (147,326) - 11,785
October 31, 2023	6,986,615	1,090,203	<u>9,751,284</u>	716,481	1,796,978	<u>20,341,561</u>
Additions Disposals Transfers Translation adjustment	5,224 (84,648) 303,726	23,592 - 140,156 	89,089 (27,528) 743,717	1,263,704 (10,419) (1,187,599)	87,851 - - - 17,661	1,469,460 (122,595) - 17,661
October 31, 2024	7,210,917	1,253,951	10,556,562	782,167	1,902,490	21,706,087
Accumulated depreciation: October 31, 2022	1,425,185	634,104	7,413,400	-	445,379	9,918,068
Charge for the year Disposals Translation adjustment	156,687 (9,723) 	102,229 - 	582,185 (57,344) 	- - 	159,080 - <u>3,658</u>	1,000,181 (67,067) <u>3,658</u>
October 31, 2023	1,572,149	<u>736,333</u>	<u>7,938,241</u>		608,117	10,854,840
Charge for the year Disposals Adjustment Translation adjustment	165,066 - - -	128,400 - - - 	666,699 (13,036) 283	- - -	157,362 - - - 6,435	1,117,527 (13,036) 283 <u>6,435</u>
October 31, 2024	1,737,215	864,733	<u>8,592,187</u>		771,914	11,966,049
Net book values: October 31, 2024	5,473,702	389,218	<u>1,964,375</u>	782,167	<u>1,130,576</u>	9,740,038
October 31, 2023	5,414,466	353,870	1,813,043	716,481	1,188,861	9,486,721
October 31, 2022	5,370,364	283,284	2,024,443	374,092	1,214,177	9,266,360

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29. Property and equipment (continued)

			The Ban	k		
	Freehold Land and Buildings	Leasehold Improvements	Furniture, Fixtures, Motor vehicles <u>& Equipment</u>	Capital Work-in <u>Progress</u>	Right-of- use-assets	<u>Total</u>
Cost: October 31, 2022 Additions Disposals Transfers Translation adjustment	6,764,112 55,231 (31,633) 167,468	909,142 36,227 - 136,588	9,317,194 60,033 (65,002) 315,614	373,356 1,012,750 (50,691) (619,670)	1,659,556 125,637 - - 11,785	19,023,360 1,289,878 (147,326) - 11,785
October 31, 2023	<u>6,955,178</u>	<u>1,081,957</u>	9,627,839	715,745	1,796,978	20,177,697
Additions Disposals Transfers Translation adjustment	5,224 (84,648) 303,726	23,592 - 140,156 	87,356 (27,528) 743,717	1,263,704 (10,419) (1,187,599)	87,851 - - 17,661	1,467,727 (122,595) - 17,661
At 31 October 2024	7,179,480	<u>1,245,705</u>	10,431,384	781,431	1,902,490	21,540,490
Accumulated depreciation: October 31, 2022 Charge for the year Disposals Translation adjustment October 31, 2023	1,409,846 156,000 (9,723) - 1,556,123	626,448 102,229 - - - 728,677	7,301,485 576,310 (57,344) - 7,820,451	: : :	445,378 159,080 - 3,658 <u>608,116</u>	9,783,157 993,619 (67,067) 3,658 10,713,367
Charge for the year Disposals Translation adjustment	164,379 - -	128,400 - -	662,171 (13,036) 	- - -	157,362 - 6,435	1,112,312 (13,036) <u>6,435</u>
October 31, 2024	1,720,502	857,077	<u>8,469,586</u>		771,913	11,819,078
Net book values: October 31, 2024	<u>5,458,978</u>	_388,628	<u>1,961,798</u>	<u>781,431</u>	<u>1,130,577</u>	9,721,412
October 31, 2023	5,399,055	<u>353,280</u>	<u>1,807,388</u>	715,745	1,188,862	9,464,330
October 31, 2022	<u>5,354,266</u>	<u>282,694</u>	2,015,709	<u>373,356</u>	<u>1,214,178</u>	9,240,203

30.	Intangible assets	Computer software	
	Cost:	The Group	The Bank
	October 31, 2022 Addition during the year	247,654 	159,838
	October 31, 2023 and 2024	248,941	<u>161,125</u>
	Amortisation: October 31, 2022 Amortisation for the year	141,102 8,082	133,099 <u>8,082</u>
	October 31, 2023 Amortisation for the year	149,184 <u>7,720</u>	141,181 <u>7,720</u>
	October 31, 2024	<u>156,904</u>	<u>148,901</u>
	Net book values: October 31, 2024	92,037	12,224
	October 31, 2023	99,757	19,944
	October 31, 2022	<u>106,552</u>	26,739

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31. Retirement benefits asset/ (obligation)

The Group has established a defined benefit pension plan covering all permanent employees of The Bank of Nova Scotia Jamaica Limited, its subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries. The assets of the plan are held independently of the Group's assets in a separate trustee-administered fund. The fund established under the plan is valued by independent actuaries annually using the Projected Unit Credit Method.

In addition to pension benefits, the Bank offers post-employment medical and group life insurance benefits to retirees and their beneficiaries. The method of accounting and frequency of valuations are similar to those used for the defined benefits pension plan. Amounts recognised in the statement of financial position are as follows:

	The Group	The Group and The Bank	
	2024	<u>2023</u>	
Defined benefits pension plan (a) Other post-retirement benefits (b)	· · · ·	31,094,511 (<u>4,879,478</u>)	
	<u>16,166,374</u>	26,215,033	

(a) Defined benefits pension plan

(i) The amounts recognised in the statement of financial position are determined as follows:

	The Group and the Bank		
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
Present value of funded obligations (iii) Fair value of plan assets (iv)	(40,519,114) <u>83,531,979</u>	(43,026,332) <u>79,403,777</u>	
Limitation of economic benefits	43,012,865 (<u>22,822,128</u>)	36,377,445 (<u>5,282,934</u>)	
Asset in the statement of financial position	20,190,737	31,094,511	

(ii) Movement in the amounts recognised in the statement of financial position.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Balance at beginning of year	31,094,511	23,561,041
Contributions paid Pension income recognised in profit or loss (v)	(1,999,500) 2,657,620	500 1,957,737
Remeasurement recognised in other comprehensive		
income (vi)	(<u>11,561,894</u>)	5,575,233
Balance at end of year	20,190,737	<u>31,094,511</u>

3,842,793

(8,739,498)

2,160,137

<u>178,816</u>

(1,957,737)

4,839,782

(9,054,235)

<u> 173,859</u>

(2,657,620)

607,537

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31. Retirement benefits asset/ (obligation) (continued)

(a) Defined benefits pension plan (continued)

Interest cost on obligation

Interest on effect of ceiling

Administrative fees

Interest income on plan assets

(iii) Movement in the present value of obligation:

(iii)	Movement in the present value of obligation:		
		The Group a	nd the Bank 2023
	Balance at beginning of year Current service costs Interest cost Employees' contributions Benefits paid Actuarial gains arising from:	(43,026,332) (775,437) (4,839,782) (742,896) 2,056,712	(34,417,876) (600,015) (3,842,793) (693,095) 1,878,273
	Experience adjustments Changes in financial assumptions	1,653,377 <u>5,155,244</u>	(1,491,587) (<u>3,859,239</u>)
	Balance at end of year	(<u>40,519,114</u>)	(<u>43,026,332</u>)
(iv)	Movement in fair value of pension plan assets:	<u>The Group a</u> 2024	nd the Bank 2023
` ,	Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year Contributions Benefits paid Interest income on plan assets Administrative fees Remeasurement loss on plan assets included in other comprehensive income	79,403,777 (1,256,604) (2,056,712) 9,054,235 (171,397) (1,441,320)	76,762,713 693,595 (1,878,273) 8,739,498 (160,239) (4,753,517)
	Fair value of plan assets at end of year	83,531,979	79,403,777
	Plan assets consist of the following: Government stocks and bonds Quoted equities Reverse repurchase agreements Certificates of deposit Real estate Net current assets	45,014,137 21,340,120 3,632,049 7,353,593 5,313,906 878,174 83,531,979	44,143,228 20,594,435 2,359,076 6,329,954 4,745,012 1,232,072 79,403,777
(v)	Components of defined benefit income recognised in statement of revenue and expenses:	The Group an 2024	nd the Bank 2023
	Current service costs	775,437	600,015

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31. Retirement benefits asset/ (obligation) (continued)

- (a) Defined benefits pension plan (continued)
 - (vi) Components of defined benefit charge/(credit) recognised in other comprehensive income

	The Group a	The Group and the Bank	
	2024	<u>2023</u>	
Remeasurement of defined benefits obligations Remeasurement of plan assets Change in effect on asset ceiling	(6,808,621) 1,438,858 <u>16,931,657</u>	5,350,826 4,734,940 (<u>15,660,999</u>)	
	<u>11,561,894</u>	(<u>5,575,233</u>)	

(vii) Sensitivity analysis on projected benefits obligation

The calculation of the projected benefits obligation is sensitive to the assumptions used. The table below summarises how the projected benefit obligation measured at the end of the reporting period would have increased/(decreased) as a result of a change in the respective assumptions by one percentage point. In preparing the analyses for each assumption, all others were held constant. The economic assumptions are somewhat linked as they are all related to inflation. Hence, for example, a 1% reduction in the long-term discount rate would cause some reduction in the medical trend rate.

	The Group and the Bank			
	2	2024		3
	1%	1%	1%	1%
	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Discount rate	(4,412,000)	5,452,000	(5,089,000)	6,361,000
Future pension increases	3,748,000	(3,175,000)	4,471,000	(3,752,000)
Future salary increases	<u>1,095,000</u>	(<u>991,000</u>)	<u>1,226,000</u>	(<u>1,108,000</u>)

(viii) Liability duration

The average liability duration was as follows:

The average hability daration was as follows.	The Group and the Bank		
	2024	2023	
Active members and all participants (years)	<u>13.4</u>	<u>14.7</u>	

- (ix) The estimated pension contributions expected to be paid into the defined benefit and contribution plans during the next financial year is \$500 (2023: \$500).
- (x) The principal actuarial assumptions used were as follows:

	The Group and the Bank	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Discount rate	11.00%	11.50%
Future salary increases	8.50%	9.50%
Future pension increases	<u>4.50%</u>	6.25%

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31. Retirement benefits asset/ (obligation) (continued)

- (b) Medical and group life obligations recognised in the statement of financial position
 - (i) Movement in the present value of unfunded obligations

	The Group and the Bank		
	2024	<u>2023</u>	
Balance at beginning of year	(4,879,478)	(4,557,782)	
Current service costs	(124,603)	(125,615)	
Interest cost	(551,191)	(514,982)	
Benefits paid	144,000	154,414	
Actuarial gains/(losses) arising from:			
Experience adjustments	56,007	30,789	
Changes in financial and demographic assumptions	<u>1,330,902</u>	133,698	
Balance at end of year	(<u>4,024,363</u>)	(<u>4,879,478</u>)	

(ii) Components of benefit cost recognised in the statement of revenue and expense for the year

		The Group an	d The Bank
		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	Current service costs Interest on obligation	124,603 <u>551,191</u>	125,615 <u>514,982</u>
		<u>675,794</u>	<u>640,597</u>
(iii)	Credit recognised in other comprehensive income:		
		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	Experience adjustments Changes in financial and demographic assumptions	(56,007) (<u>1,330,902</u>)	(30,789) (<u>133,698</u>)

(iv) Principal actuarial assumptions

Remeasurement gain on obligation

In addition to the assumptions used for the pension plan that are applicable to the group health plan, the estimate assumes a long-term increase in health costs of 6% (2023: 8.50%) per year.

(1,386,909)

(164,487)

(v) Sensitivity analysis on projected benefits obligation:

The calculation of the projected benefits obligation is sensitive to the assumptions used. The table below summarises how the projected benefit obligation measured at the end of the reporting period would have increased/(decreased) as a result of a change in the respective assumptions by one percentage point. In preparing the analyses for each assumption, all others were held constant. The economic assumptions are somewhat linked as they are all related to inflation. Hence, for example, a 1% reduction in the inflation rate, would cause some reduction in the medical trend rate.

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31. Retirement benefits asset/ (obligation) (continued)

- (b) Medical and group life obligations recognised in the statement of financial position (continued)
 - (v) Sensitivity analysis on projected benefits obligation (continued):

	The Group and The Bank							
	2	2024		2024		2024 2023		23
	1% 1%		1 %	1 %				
	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>				
Discount rate	(450,000)	552,000	(624,000)	780,000				
Medical /dental trend rate	512,000	(423,000)	737,000	(598,000)				
Salary increase rate	9,000	(<u>8,000</u>)	<u>6,000</u>	(<u>7,000</u>)				

(vi) Liability duration

The average liability duration is as follows:

		The Group ar	nd The Bank
		2024	2023
	Active members and all participants (years)	<u>13.7</u>	<u>15.9</u>
(c)	Charge/(credit) recognised in other comprehensive income:	The Group ar 2024	nd The Bank 2023
	Retirement benefit pension plan [note 31(a)(vi)] Medical and group life obligation [note 31(b)(iii)]	11,561,894 (<u>1,386,909</u>)	(5,575,233) (<u>164,487</u>)
		10,174,985	(5,739,720)

32. Deposits by the public

	The G	The Group		e Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Personal Business Interest payable	262,633,214 213,368,909 58,077	242,127,188 202,715,328 33,011	256,019,797 212,704,671 42,992	235,353,414 201,889,780 21,096
	<u>476,060,200</u>	444,875,527	<u>468,767,460</u>	437,264,290

Deposits include \$1,553,371 (2023: \$2,036,091) held as collateral for irrevocable commitments under letters of credit.

Deposits by the public are distinguished by customer segment and include deposits payable on demand which are generally savings and chequing accounts for which we do not have the right to notice of withdrawal. Deposit balances also include amounts which mature on a specified date and are generally call and term deposits.

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33. Due to other banks and financial institutions

This represents deposits by other banks and financial institutions as well as funds for on-lending to eligible customers in the normal course of business.

34. Due to parent and ultimate parent company

	The Group and	The Group and The Bank	
	2024	<u>2023</u>	
Deposits held with the Bank:			
Scotia Group Jamaica Limited	1,763,839	1,777,239	
The Bank of Nova Scotia	<u> 16,020</u>	6,342	
	<u>1,779,859</u>	<u>1,783,581</u>	

35. Due to subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries

These represent accounts held by subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries in the normal course of business.

36. Other liabilities

	The Group		The E	Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Accrued staff benefits	2,287,516	2,069,908	2,147,526	1,933,705
Provisions [note 36(i)]	4,500	186,350	4,500	186,350
Prepaid letters of credit	-	238,336	-	238,336
Other payables	397,866	337,425	393,461	334,174
Expected credit losses on				
guarantees and letters of credit	86,020	112,963	86,020	112,963
Accrued liabilities	5,863,416	4,814,920	5,690,948	4,695,948
Lease liabilities [note 36(ii)]	<u>1,192,114</u>	<u>1,242,414</u>	<u>1,192,114</u>	<u>1,242,414</u>
	9,831,432	9,002,316	9,514,569	8,743,890

Accrued liabilities include amounts due to related parties totalling \$707,255 (2023: \$527,282) for the Group and \$692,820 (2023: \$509,049) for the Bank.

(i) Provisions

The following table sets out the movement in provisions:

	The Group			T	ne Bank	
	Restructuring	Other	Total	Restructuring	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance at 1 November 2023	183,850	2,500	186,350	183,850	2,500	186,350
Provisions made during the year	_	22,000	22,000	-	22,000	22,000
Provisions used during the year	(144,273)	(20,000)	(164,273)	(144,273)	(20,000)	(164,273)
Provisions reversed during the year	ear (<u>39,577</u>)		(<u>39,577</u>)	(<u>39,577</u>)		(39,577)
Balance at 31 October 2024		4,500	4,500		4,500	4,500
Current		4,500	4,500		4,500	4,500

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36. Other liabilities (continued)

(ii) Leases

Leases as lessee

The Group leases properties. The leases for the Group and Bank typically run for periods of 3 years with an option to renew the lease after that date. Lease payments are renegotiated at the time of lease renewal to reflect market rentals. Some leases provide for additional rent payments that are based on changes in local price indices.

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases that are short-term and/or leases of low-value items.

Information about leases for which the Group is the lessee, is presented below.

(a) Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are presented in property and equipment (see note 29).

(b) Lease liabilities

	The Group		The	Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Lease liabilities	<u>1,192,114</u>	<u>1,242,414</u>	<u>1,192,114</u>	1,242,414
Lease liabilities are classified as follows:				
Current	154,082	147,335	154,082	147,335
Non-current	1,038,032	1,095,079	1,038,032	1,095,079
	<u>1,192,114</u>	<u>1,242,414</u>	<u>1,192,114</u>	<u>1,242,414</u>
Maturity analysis of contractual undiscounted cash flows:				
Less than one year	181,191	175,521	181,191	175,521
One to five years	666,951	627,367	666,951	627,367
Over five years	473,140	<u>587,914</u>	473,140	<u>587,914</u>
	1,321,282	1,390,802	1,321,282	1,390,802

(c) Amounts recognised in profit or loss:

	The G	The Group		ne Bank
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Interest expense on lease liabilities Depreciation on right-of-use assets	32,362	30,561	32,362	30,561
(note 29) Expenses related to short-term leases	157,362 23.785	159,080 27.133	157,362 23.785	159,080
Expenses related to short-term leases	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> 23,765</u>	<u>27,133</u>

(d) Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows:

	The	The Group		The Group The Bank		ne Bank
	2024	2024 2023 2024		2023		
Total cash outflow for leases	<u>181,727</u>	<u>177,801</u>	<u>181,727</u>	<u>177,801</u>		

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36. Other liabilities (continued)

(ii) Leases (continued)

- Leases as lessee (continued)
 - (e) Extension options

Some property leases contain extension options exercisable by the Group up to March 5, 2043, before the end of the non-cancellable contract period.

Where practicable, the Group seeks to include extension options in new leases to provide operational flexibility. The extension options held are exercisable only by the Group and not by the lessors. The Group assesses at lease commencement date whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the extension options.

The Group reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the options if there is a significant event or significant changes in circumstances within its control.

The Group has estimated that the potential future lease payments, should it exercise the extension option, would result in an increase in lease liabilities of \$344,902 (2023: \$355,416).

37. Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred income taxes are calculated on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and taxation purposes. The calculation is made using applicable tax rates of:

- 30% for The Scotia Jamaica Building Society;
- 25% for Scotia Jamaica Life Insurance Company Limited; and
- 331/3% for The Bank of Nova Scotia Jamaica Limited.
- (a) The movement on the deferred income tax account is as follows:

	The C	Group	The Bank	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Balance as at beginning of year Other	(5,602,400) (164)	(1,632,814) (877)	(6,832,510) -	(3,497,189)
Exchange rate adjustments on ECL Recognised in the income statement	1,707	865	1,707	865
[Note 15(a)] Recognised in other comprehensive income:	(34,621)	(788,816)	(41,419)	(753,702)
Remeasurement of defined benefits asset/obligations	3,391,662	(1,913,240)	3,391,662	(1,913,240)
Equity securities	(134,415)	(1,913,240)	(134,415)	(1,313,240)
Net finance expense-OCI Investment securities:	(92,827)	(217,504)	-	-
fair value re-measurementtransfer to net profit	(1,314,328) (<u>8,674</u>)	(1,050,014) 	(1,103,385) (<u>8,674</u>)	(669,244)
	<u>1,841,418</u>	(3,180,758)	<u>2,145,188</u>	(<u>2,582,484</u>)
Balance at end of year	(<u>3,794,060</u>)	(<u>5,602,400</u>)	(<u>4,727,034</u>)	(<u>6,832,510</u>)

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37. Deferred tax assets and liabilities (continued)

(b) Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following items:

	The C	Group	The Bar	nk
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Retirement benefit asset Other post retirement benefits	(6,730,247)	(10,364,838)	(6,730,247)	(10,364,838)
obligation .	1,341,454	1,626,493	1,341,454	1,626,493
Investment Securities	(443,139)	913,133	(586,048)	522,460
Equity securities	(134,415)	-	(134,415)	
Vacation accrued	223,019	208,961	205,266	194,709
Accelerated tax depreciation	(63,703)	(34,324)	(66,206)	(35,964)
Insurance contracts	644,029	755,221	- -	
Allowance for expected credit losses	1,380,031	1,121,730	1,354,033	1,097,199
Exchange rate adjustments re ECL	(9,458)	(11,166)	(9,458)	(11,165)
Interest receivable	(182,150)	(177,459)	-	-
Unrealised foreign exchange gains	-	(735)	-	-
Unrealised net premiums and discounts on AFS securities	160.014	344,789	(121,936)	120,750
Right of use assets	20,523	17,846	20,523	17,846
Other	(18)	(2,051)	20,323	17,040
Other	\ <u></u> /	\ <u></u> ,		
	(<u>3,794,060</u>)	(<u>5,602,400</u>)	(<u>4,727,034</u>)	(<u>6,832,510</u>)
	The	Group	The B	Bank
	<u>2024</u>	2023	2024	2023
This is comprised of:-				
Deferred income tax asset	932,996	1,230,125	-	-
Deferred income tax liability	(<u>4,727,056</u>)	(<u>6,832,525</u>)	(<u>4,727,034</u>)	<u>6,832,510</u>
	(<u>3,794,060</u>)	(<u>5,602,400)</u>	(<u>4,727,034</u>)	<u>6,832,510</u>

(c) The deferred tax charge in profit for the year comprises tax arising from the following temporary differences:

	The G	Group	The Ba	ank
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Accelerated tax depreciation	29,379	5,381	30,242	5,599
Pensions and other post-retirement				
benefits	42,110	490,685	42,110	490,685
Allowance for loan expected credit losses	(258,301)	99,372	(256,834)	100,577
Vacation accrued	(14,058)	(32,386)	(10,557)	(30,788)
Interest receivable	4,691	18,220	-	-
Insurance contracts	18,365	-	-	-
Investment Securities	33,270	(18,084)	(3,551)	(6,874)
Unrealised premiums & discounts on				
investment	184,775	226,392	242,686	198,054
Unrealised foreign exchange gains	(735)	735	-	-
Right of use assets	(2,677)	(4,083)	(2,677)	(4,083)
Other	(<u>2,198</u>)	2,584		<u>532</u>
Total (Note 15) (a)	<u>34,621</u>	<u>788,816</u>	41,419	<u>753,702</u>

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts

misdrance and remisdrance neid contracts		2024		
	Contracts without direct participation features	Contracts with direct participation features	Contracts measured under the PAA	<u>Total</u>
October 31, 2024 Insurance contracts Insurance contract liabilities Insurance contract assets	(49,963,061) 20,488	(212,860) -	9,412 -	(50,166,509) 20,488
Reinsurance held contracts Reinsurance held contract assets Reinsurance held contract liabilities	701 (<u>1,251</u>)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	701 (<u>1,251</u>)
	Contracts	2023		
	without direct participation features	Contracts with direct participation features	Contracts measured under the PAA	<u>Total</u>
October 31, 2023 Insurance contracts Insurance contract liabilities Insurance contract assets	(49,349,092) 14,469	(91,599) -	(9,618) -	(49,450,309) 14,469
Reinsurance held contracts Reinsurance held contract assets Reinsurance held contract liabilities	1,356 (<u>2,128</u>)	<u>.</u>	<u>-</u>	1,356 (<u>2,128</u>)

The following table sets out the carrying amounts of insurance and reinsurance held contracts expected to be recovered/(settled) more than 12 months after the reporting date:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Insurance contract assets Insurance contract liabilities) ' '(12,303 (46,406,260)
Reinsurance held contract liabilities	(<u>517</u>)	(<u>682</u>)

The following reconciliations show how the net carrying amounts of insurance and reinsurance held contracts in each portfolio changed during the year as a result of cash flows and amounts recognised in the statement of revenue and expenses and OCI. A separate table is used to analyse the movements in the liabilities for remaining coverage and movements in the incurred claims for each portfolio.

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(a) Analysis by remaining coverage and incurred claims

Contracts without direct participation features

		2024			202	3	
	iabilities for remain	ing coverage		Liabilities for rem	aining cover		
	Excluding loss component	Loss component	Liability for incurred <u>claims</u> <u>Total</u>	Excluding loss component	Loss component	Liability for incurred claims	<u>Γotal</u>
Opening insurance contract assets Opening liabilities	(14,469) <u>47,565,023</u>	- <u>198,877</u>	- (14,469 1,585,192 49,349,092		- <u>172,100</u>	- (<u>1,127,066</u> <u>49,3</u>	56,136) 340,936
Net opening balance	47,550,554	<u>198,877</u>	1,585,192 49,334,623	47,985,634	<u>172,100</u>	<u>1,127,066</u> <u>49,2</u>	284,800
Changes in statement of profit or Insurance revenue Contracts under the fair value	loss and OCI						
transition approach Other contracts	(1,673,889) (<u>638,754</u>)	<u>-</u>	- (1,673,889 - (<u>638,75</u> 4	<u>(393,663</u>)		(3	341,272) 393,663)
	(<u>2,312,643</u>)		(2,312,643	<u>(1,734,935)</u>		<u> </u>	<u>′34,935</u>)
Insurance service expenses Incurred claims and other insurance service expenses		(131,459)	544,166 412,707	, _	(32,889)	483,156 4	150,267
Amortization of insurance acquisition cash flows	102,365	-	- 102,365	88,156	_	_	88,156
Losses and reversals of losses on onerous contracts	-	225,987	- 225,987	-	54,694	-	54,694
Adjustment to liabilities for incurred claims			6,137 6,137			3,232	3,232
	102,365	94,528	550,303 747,196	88,156	21,805	486,388 5	<u>596,349</u>
Investment components and premium refunds	(<u>5,968,124</u>)		5,968,124 -	(_6,060,640)		6,060,640	
Insurance service result Net finance expenses from	(8,178,402)	94,528	6,518,427 (1,565,447	7) (7,707,419)	21,805	6,547,028 (1,1	38,586)
insurance contracts	2,303,271	13,583	<u>- 2,316,854</u>	994,670	4,972	9	999,642
Total changes in the statement of profit and loss and OCI	(<u>5,875,131</u>)	<u>108,111</u>	6,518,427 751,407	<u>(6,712,749</u>)	26,777	6,547,028 (1	38,944)
Cash flows Premiums received Claims and other insurance service expenses paid including investme	6,926,712	-	119,232 7,045,944	6,911,332	-	266,159 7,1	77,491
components Insurance acquisition cash flows	- (<u>290,490</u>)		(6,866,339) (6,866,339 - (355,061) 220,464)
Total cash flows	6,636,222	_	(6,747,107)(110,885	6,690,869	-	(6,088,902)	601,966
Premium Receivable	-	-		41,667	-	-	41,667
Policy Loan Receivable	(58,882)	-	- (58,882	2) 6,429	-	-	6,429
Premium Suspense	26,310			<u>(461,295</u>)		(4	(61,2 <u>95</u>)
Net closing balance	48,279,073	306,988	1,356,512 49,942,573	47,550,554	198,877	1,585,192 49,3	334,623
Closing insurance contract assets Closing liabilities	(20,488) 48,299,561	- <u>306,988</u>	- (20,488 <u>1,356,512</u> <u>49,963,06</u> 2		- <u>198,877</u>	- (1,585,192 49,3	14,469) 349,092
Net closing balance	48,279,073	306,988	<u>1,356,512</u> <u>49,942,573</u>	47,550,554	198,877	<u>1,585,192</u> <u>49,3</u>	34,623

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(a) Analysis by remaining coverage and incurred claims (continued)

Contracts with direct participation features

_		2024				2023		
<u> </u>	iabilities for rema	ining coverage	<u>e</u> Liability fo	or.	Liabilities for rem		<u>le</u> Liability for	
	Excluding loss	Loss	incurred	<i>,</i>	Excluding los		Incurred	
	component	component	claims	<u>Total</u>	component	component	claims	<u>Total</u>
Opening insurance contract as Opening liabilities	sets - (<u>127,920</u>)	- <u>213,078</u>	- <u>6,441</u>	- <u>91,599</u>	(1,625) <u>78,504</u>	- 56,130	- (<u>87,561</u>)	(1,625) <u>47,073</u>
Net opening balance	(<u>127,920</u>)	213,078	<u>6,441</u>	91,599	<u>76,879</u>	56,130	(<u>87,561</u>)	45,448
Changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI Insurance revenues Contracts under the fair value transition approach	(49.053)	_	_	(49,053)	(37.620)	_	_	(37,620)
Other contracts	(<u>114,017</u>)			(<u>114,017</u>)	(<u>66,142</u>)			(66,142)
	(<u>163,070</u>)			(163,070)	(103,762)			(103,762)
Insurance service expenses Incurred claims and other		(5 700)	50.454	10.710		(4.550)	10.001	05.540
insurance service expenses Amortisation of insurance	-	(5,736)	52,454	46,718	-	(4,552)	40,064	35,512
acquisition cash flows Losses and reversal of losses	43,509	-	-	43,509	30,020	-	-	30,020
on onerous contracts	-	(74,708)	-	(74,708)	-	171,302	-	171,302
Adjustment to liabilities for incurred claims			(<u>736</u>)	(<u>736</u>)			(<u>151</u>)	(<u>151</u>)
	43,509	(80,444)	51,718	14,783	30,020	166,750	39,913	236,683
Investment components	(<u>244,736</u>)		244,736		(<u>520,076</u>)		520,076	
Insurance service result Net finance expenses from	(364,297)	(80,444)	296,454	(148,287)	(593,818)	166,750	559,989	132,921
insurance contracts	91,878	3,799		95,677	(<u>31,150</u>)	(<u>9,802</u>)		(40,952)
Total changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI	(<u>272,419</u>)	(<u>76,645</u>)	<u>296,454</u>	(52,610)	(624,968)	<u>156,948</u>	<u>559,989</u>	91,969
Cash flows Premiums received Claims and other insurance	716,927	-	-	716,927	763,049	-	-	763,049
service expenses paid, inclu- investment components Insurance acquisition cash flow	-	<u>-</u>	(281,312)	(281,312) (<u>162,151</u>)	- (<u>194,633</u>)	<u>-</u>	(465,987)	(465,987) (<u>194,633</u>)
Total cash flows	<u>554,776</u>		(281,312)	273,464	<u>568,416</u>		(<u>465,987</u>)	102,429
Premium receivable	-	-	-	-	1,625	-	-	1,625
Policy loan receivable Other changes in the net carry amount of the insurance	- ing (<u>99,593</u>)	-	-	- (<u>99,593</u>)	- (148,247)	-	-	- (148,247)
Net closing balance	54,844	136,433	21,583	212,860	(127,920)	213,078	6,441	91,599
Closing insurance contract ass Closing liabilities		136,433	21,583	- 212,860	(<u>127,920</u>) - (<u>127,920</u>)	- 213,078	- 6,441	91,599
Net closing balance	54,844	136,433	21,583	212,860	<u>127,920</u>)	213,078	6,441	91,599

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(a) Analysis by remaining coverage and incurred claims (continued)

Contracts measured under the PAA

		2024						2023		
	<u>Liabilities for remaining cov</u>	<u>'erage Li</u>	abilities for incu Estimates of	Risk	<u>Li</u>		aining coverage	<u>Liabilities for in</u> Estimates of	Risk	
	Excluding loss	Loss	present value of future	adjustment for non-		Excluding loss	Loss	present value of future	adjustment for non-	
	component	component	cash flows	financial risk	<u>Total</u>	<u>componen</u> t	component	cash flows	financial risk	<u>Total</u>
Opening assets Opening liabilities	- (<u>13,902</u>)	- <u>4,746</u>	- <u>16,936</u>	- <u>1,838</u>	- 9,618	(73,434) (3,609)	- <u>1,100</u>	- 18,231	- 1,697	(73,434) <u>17,419</u>
Net opening balance Changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI Insurance revenue	(<u>13,902</u>)	<u>4,746</u>	<u>16,936</u>	<u>1,838</u>	9,618	(_77,043)	1,100	18,231	1,697	(_56,015)
Contracts under the fair value transition approach	(681,268)	-	-	- (681,268)	(733,295)	-	-	-	(733,295)
Other contracts	(<u>349,510</u>)			(_	349,510)	(<u>201,625</u>)				(<u>201,625</u>)
Incurance convice expenses	(<u>1,030,778</u>)			<u> </u>	1,030,778)	(934,920)				(<u>934,920</u>)
Insurance service expenses Incurred claims and other insurance service expenses	-	(1,688)	198,201	890	197,403	-	(1,007)	127,084	353	126,430
Losses and reversal of losses on onerous contracts Adjustment to liabilities for incurred claims		1,380	(<u>693</u>)	<u>73</u> (1,380 620)		4,653 	(<u>2,248</u>)	(<u>212</u>)	4,653 (<u>2,460</u>)
		(<u>308</u>)	197,508	963	198,163		3,646	124,836	141	128,623
Insurance service result	(1,030,778)	(<u>308</u>)	<u>197,508</u>	<u>963</u> (832,615)	(934,920)	3,646	124,836	<u>141</u>	(806,297)
Total changes in the statement of profit or loss and OC Cash flows	(<u>1,030,778</u>)	(<u>308</u>)	<u>197,508</u>	<u>963</u> (832,615)	(934,920)	3,646	124,836	<u>141</u>	(806,297)
Premiums received	1,008,360	-	-	- 1	1,008,360	924,626	-	-	-	924,626
Claims and other insurance service expenses paid, includin investment components	g 		(<u>185,372</u>)	(185,372)			(<u>126,131</u>)		(<u>126,131</u>)
Total cash flows	1,008,360		(<u>185,372</u>)		822,988	924,626		(<u>126,131</u>)		<u>798,495</u>
Premium receivable	(9,403)			(_	9,403)	73,435				73,435
Net closing balance	(<u>45,723</u>)	<u>4,438</u>	29,072	<u>2,801</u> (9,412)	(<u>13,902</u>)	4,746	16,936	1,838	9,618
Closing assets Closing liabilities	- (<u>45,723</u>)	- 4,438	- 29,072	- <u>2,801</u> (9,412)	- (<u>13,902</u>)	- 4,746	- 16,936	- 1,838	- 9,618
Net closing balance	(<u>45,723</u>)	<u>4,438</u>	29,072	<u>2,801</u> (9,412)	(<u>13,902</u>)	4,746	<u>16,936</u>	<u>1,838</u>	9,618

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(a) Analysis by remaining coverage and incurred claims (continued)

The following table summarizes the movement in the reinsurance held contract balances:

Roll forward of asset and liability for reinsurance held contracts

		2024			2023	
	Excluding loss recovery component	Loss recovery component	Incurred claims <u>Total</u>	Excluding loss recovery component	Loss recovery <u>component</u>	Incurred claims component Total
Opening assets	1,356	-	1,356	1,218	-	1,218
Opening liabilities	(<u>2,672</u>)	<u>544</u>	(<u>2,128</u>)	(<u>2,343</u>)	48	(<u>2,295</u>)
Net opening balance	(<u>1,316</u>)	<u>544</u>	(<u>772</u>)	(<u>1,125</u>)	48	(<u>1,077</u>)
Changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI Allocation of reinsurance premiums paid	(<u>1,291</u>)		(<u>1,291</u>)	(<u>785</u>)		(<u>785</u>)
Amounts recoverable from reinsurers Recoveries of incurred claims and other insurance service expenses Recoveries and reversals of recoveries of losses on onerous	<u>-</u>	(127) (<u>189</u>)	(127) (<u>189</u>)	<u>-</u>	97 <u>389</u>	97 _389
Total amounts recovered from reinsurance		(<u>316</u>)	(<u>316</u>)		486	486
Effect of changes in non-performance risk of reinsurers	<u>780</u>		<u>780</u>	<u>101</u>		<u>101</u>
Net expense from reinsurance contracts	(511)	(316)	(827)	(684)	486	(198)
Net finance income from reinsurance contracts	(<u>457</u>)	(<u>5</u>)	(<u>462</u>)	(<u>141</u>)	10	(<u>131</u>)
Total changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI Cash flows	(<u>968</u>)	(321)	(<u>1,289</u>)	(<u>825</u>)	<u>496</u>	(<u>329</u>)
Premiums paid	<u>1,511</u>		<u>1,511</u>	_634		634
Total cash flows	<u>1,511</u>		<u>1,511</u>	634		634
Net closing balance	(<u>773</u>)	223	(<u>550</u>)	(<u>1,316</u>)	544	(<u>772</u>)
Closing assets Closing liabilities	701 (<u>1,474</u>)	- <u>223</u>	701 (<u>1,251</u>)	1,356 (<u>2,672</u>)	- <u>544</u>	1,356 (<u>2.128</u>)
Net closing balance	<u>773</u>)	<u>223</u>	(<u>550</u>)	(<u>1,316</u>)	<u>544</u>	(<u>772</u>)

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

The following reconciliations show the changes in the contractual service margin reflected in insurance contract liabilities and the amounts recognised in the statement of revenue and expenses and OCI.

(b) Analysis by measurement component

Contracts without direct participation features

			2024)23	
		Contrac	ctual Service N	1argin				C	ontractual Servic	ce Margin	
			Contracts					Risk	Contracts		
	Estimate of	Risk	under				Estimate of	Adjustment	under		
	present	Adjustment non-	fair value				present	non-	fair value		
	Value of future	financial	transition	Other			Value of future	financial	transition	Other	
	cash flow	<u>risk</u>	<u>approach</u>	contracts	Subtotal	<u>Total</u>	cash flow	risk	approach	contracts Subtotal	<u>Total</u>
Opening assets	(14,469)	-	-	-	-	(14,469)	(56,136)	-	-		(56,136)
Opening liabilities	44,128,862	2,020,209	2,664,681	535,340	3,200,021	49,349,092	45,677,496	1,897,187	<u>1,547,081</u>	<u>219,171</u> <u>1,766,252</u>	49,340,935
Net opening balance	44,114,393	2,020,209	2,664,681	<u>535,340</u>	3,200,021	49,334,623	45,621,360	<u>1,897,187</u>	<u>1,547,081</u>	<u>219,171</u> <u>1,766,252</u>	49,284,799
Changes that relate to current services											
CSM recognised for service provided	-	-	(944,431)	(290,539)	(1,234,970)	(1,234,970)	-	-	(468,423)	(182,576) (650,999) (650,999)
Change in risk adjustment for non-											
financial risk for risk expired	-	(201,486)	-	-	-	(201,486)	-	(181,967)	-		(181,967)
Experience adjustment	(361,115)	-	-	-	-	(361,115)	(363,544)	- '	-		(363,544)
Changes that relate to future services	•										
Contracts initially recognised in the year	(437,763)	101,184	-	366,164	366,164	29,585	(463,049)	78,560	121	387,488 387,609	3,120
Changes in estimates that adjust the CSM	(1,977,686)	(1,205,586)	3,092,112	91,160	3,183,272	-	(1,644,912)	68,394	1,495,376	81,142 1,576,518	-
Changes in estimates that result in losses											
and reversal of losses on onerous contract	s 92,423	103,979	-	-	-	196,402	37,289	14,285	-		51,574
Changes that relate to past services											
Adjustments to liabilities for incurred claims	5,672	466				6,138	2,815	417	89,085	3,822 92,907	96,139
Insurance service result	(2,678,469)	(1,201,443)	2,147,681	166,785	2,314,466	(1,565,446)	(2,431,401)	(20,311)	1.116.159	289,876 1,406,035	(1,045,677)
Net finance expenses from insurance	(2,0.0,.00)	(1,201,110)	2, , 00 .	.00,.00	2,0, .00	(1,000, 110)	(2,,)	(20,0)	.,,	200,010 1,100,000	(1,0 10,011)
contracts	1,870,769	198,788	191,641	55,657	247,298	2,316,855	735,668	143,333	1,441	26,293 27,734	906,735
Total changes in the statement of	1,010,100	100,100		00,00.		2,0.0,000	. 00,000	1.10,000			
profit or loss and OCI	(807,700)	(1,002,655)	2,339,322	222,442	2,561,764	751,409	(1,695,733)	123,022	1,117,600	316,169 1,433,769	(138,942)
Cash flows	((1,100=,000)					((
Premiums received	7,045,944	-	-	-	_	7,045,944	7,177,491	-	-		7,177,491
Claims and other insurance service	, , -					,,-	, , -				, , ,
expenses paid, including investment											
components	(6,866,340)	-	-	-	_	(6,866,340)	(6,355,061)	-	_		(6,355,061)
Insurance acquisition cash flows	(290,491)	-	-	-	_	(290,491)	(220,464)	_	-		(220,464)
Total cash flows	(110,887)					(110,887)	601,966				601,966
	(50,000)					(50,000)	(440,000)				419.628
Premium receivable	(58,882)	-	-	-	-	(58,882)	(419,628)	-	-		
Policy Loan receivable	26,310	-	-	-	-	26,310	6,428 (461,295)	-	-		6,428
Premium suspense							(461,295)				(<u>461,295</u>)
Net closing balance	43,163,234	<u>1,017,554</u>	5,004,003	757,782	<u>5,761,785</u>	49,942,573	44,128,862	2,020,209	2,664,681	535,340 3,200,021	49,334,623
Closing assets	(20,488)	-	-	-	-	(20,488)	(14,469)	-	-		(14,469)
Closing liabilities	43,183,722	1,017,554	5,004,003	757,782	5,761,785	49,963,061	44,128,863	2,020,209	2,664,681	535,340 3,200,021	49,349,092
Net closing balance	43,163,234	1,017,554	5,004,003	757,782	5,761,785	49,942,573	44,114,393	2,020,209	2,664,681	535,340 3,200,021	49,334,623
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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

(b) Analysis by measurement component (continued)

Contracts with direct participation features

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			Contrac	tual Service	Margin				Contract	ual Service N	/largin	
	Estimate of present Value of future	Risk Adjustment non-financial		Other	0.14.4.1	-	present Value of future	Risk Adjustment non- financial	Contracts under fair value transition	Other	0.14.4.1	-
	cash flow	<u>risk</u>	<u>approach</u>	<u>contracts</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>Total</u>	cash flow	<u>risk</u>	<u>approach</u>	<u>contracts</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>Total</u>
Opening assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,625)	=	-	-	-	(1,625)
Opening liabilities	(<u>4,044</u>)	<u>118,097</u>	(<u>55,417</u>)	<u>32,963</u>	(<u>22,454</u>)	91,599	(<u>80,258</u>)	96,350		30,981	30,981	47,073
Net opening balance Changes in the statement of profit or loss Changes that relate to current services	(<u>4,044</u>) and OCI	<u>118,097</u>	(<u>55,417</u>)	<u>32,963</u>	(<u>22,454</u>)	91,599	(<u>81,883</u>)	96,350		<u>30,981</u>	30,981	45,448
CSM recognised for service provided Change in risk adjustment for non-financial	-	-	(4,943)	(7,654)	(12,597)	(12,597)	-	-	4,942	(5,241)	(299)	(299)
risk for risk expired	- (24 440)	(25,836)	-	-	-	(25,836)	- (20 200)	(17,731)	-	-	-	(17,731)
Experience adjustment Changes that relate to future services	(34,410)	-	-	-	-	(34,410)	(20,200)	-	-	-	-	(20,200)
Contracts initially recognised in the year Changes in estimates that adjust the CSM Changes in estimates that result in losses a		46,119 68,830	- 60,860	87,474 (36,322)	87,474 24,538	3,634 -	(82,571) 158,819	30,920 (32,495)	(60,860)	72,085 (65,464)	72,085 (126,324)	20,434 -
reversal of losses on onerous contracts Changes that relate to past services	2,999	(81,341)	-	-	-	(78,342)	110,249 -	40,619 -	- -	- -	-	150,868 -
Adjustments to liabilities for incurred claims	(<u>612</u>)	(125)				(737)	(<u>136</u>)	(<u>15</u>)				(<u>151</u>)
Insurance service result Net finance expenses from insurance contract	(255,350) ets <u>97,228</u>	7,647 (<u>449</u>)	55,917 (<u>500</u>)	43,498 (<u>602</u>)	99,415 (<u>1,102</u>)	(148,288) <u>95,677</u>	166,161 (<u>42,504</u>)	21,298 449	(55,918) <u>501</u>	1,380 <u>602</u>	(54,538) <u>1,103</u>	132,921 (<u>40,952</u>)
Total changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI Cash flows	(<u>158,121</u>)	7,198	55,417	42,896	<u>98,313</u> (52,610)	123,657	21,747	(<u>55,417</u>)	1,982	(<u>53,435</u>)	91,969
Premiums received Claims and other insurance service expenses	716,927	-	-	-	-	716,927	763,049	-	-	-	-	763,049
paid, including investment components Insurance acquisition cash flows	(281,312) (<u>162,151</u>)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(281,312) (<u>162,151</u>)	(465,987) (<u>194,633</u>)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(465,987) (<u>194,633</u>)
Total cash flows	273,464					273,464	102,429					102,429
Other changes in the net carrying amount of insurance	the (99,593)					(<u>99,593</u>)	(148,247)					(148,247)
Net closing balance	<u>11,706</u>	<u>125,295</u>		<u>75,859</u>	75,859	212,860	(4,044)	118,097	(<u>55,417</u>)	32,963	(22,454)	91,599
Closing assets Closing liabilities	- _11,706	125,29 <u>5</u>	<u>-</u>	- <u>75,859</u>	- <u>75,859</u>	- 212,860	- (<u>4,044</u>)	<u>-</u> 118,097	- (<u>55,417</u>)	<u>-</u> 32,963	- (<u>22,454</u>)	91,599
Net closing balance	<u>11,706</u>	125,295		75,859	75,859	212,860	(<u>4,044</u>)	<u>118,097</u>	(<u>55,417</u>)	32,963	(<u>22,454</u>)	91,599

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

The following table summarises the movement in the reinsurance held contract balances.

(c) Analysis by measurement component – Contracts not measured under PAA

			2024						2023			
				ual Service M	argin			_		ual Service Ma	rgin	
	Estimate of present value of future cash flow	Risk Adjustment non-financial <u>risk</u>	under fair value transition approach	Other contracts	Subtotal	<u>Total</u>	Estimate of present value of future cash flow	Adjustment non- financial <u>risk</u>	Under fair value transition approach	Other contracts	Subtotal	<u>Total</u>
Opening assets	-	1,356	-	-	-	1,356	-	1,218	-	-	-	1,218
Opening liabilities	(<u>1,371</u>)	(<u>41</u>)	(<u>350</u>)	(<u>366</u>)	(_716)	(2,128)	(<u>1,089</u>)	(<u>62</u>)	(<u>697</u>)	(<u>446</u>)	(<u>1,143</u>)	(2,294)
Net opening balance Changes in the statement of profit or loss a Changes that relate to current services	(<u>1,371</u>) nd OCI	<u>1,315</u>	(<u>350</u>)	(<u>366</u>)	(<u>716</u>)	(<u>772</u>)	(<u>1,089</u>)	<u>1,156</u>	(<u>697</u>)	(<u>446</u>)	(<u>1,143</u>)	(<u>1,076</u>)
CSM recognised for service provided Change in risk adjustment for non-financial	-	-	(315)	98	(217)	(217)	-	-	9	65	74	74
risk for risk expired Experience adjustment	- (1,057)	(143)	-	-	-	(143) (1,057)	- (678)	(85)	-	-	-	(85) (678)
Changes that relate to future services	(1,037)	-	-	-	-	(1,007)	(0/0)	-	-	-	-	-
Contracts initially recognised in the year	(95)	282	-	(187)	(187)	-	(293)	122	-	171	171	-
Changes in recoveries of losses on onerous underlying contracts	-	-	(252)	(122)	(374)	(374)	(415)	32	475	(92)	383	-
Changes in estimates that adjust the CSM Changes in estimates that results in losses and	(2,310) d reversal	377	2,194	(261)	1,933	-	492	63	-	-	-	555
of losses on onerous contracts Changes that relate to past services	1,015	(830)	-	-	-	185	-	-	(123) -	(43)	(166) -	(166) -
Effect of changes in non-performance risk or reinsurers	779					779	<u>101</u>					101
Net expense from reinsurance contracts	(1,668)	(314)	1,627	(472)	1,155	(827)	(793)	132	361	101	462	(199)
Net finance income from reinsurance contracts	(<u>780</u>)	<u>257</u>	<u>67</u>	(<u>6</u>)	<u>61</u>	(462)	(<u>123</u>)	27	(<u>14</u>)	(<u>21</u>)	(<u>35</u>)	(<u>131</u>)
Total changes in the statement of profit or loss and OCI Cash flows	(<u>2,448</u>)	(57)	<u>1,694</u>	(<u>478</u>)	<u>1,216</u>	(<u>1,289</u>)	(<u>916</u>)	<u>159</u>	<u>347</u>	80	427	(<u>330</u>)
Premiums paid	<u>1,511</u>					<u>1,511</u>	<u>634</u>					634
Total cash flows	<u>1,511</u>					<u>1,511</u>	<u>634</u>					634
Net closing balance	(<u>2,308</u>)	<u>1,258</u>	<u>1,344</u>	(<u>844</u>)	500	(<u>550</u>)	(<u>1,371</u>)	<u>1,315</u>	(<u>350</u>)	(<u>366</u>)	(<u>716</u>)	(<u>772</u>)
Closing assets Closing liabilities	- (<u>2,308</u>)	701 <u>557</u>	- <u>1,344</u>	- (<u>844</u>)	- 500	701 (<u>1,251</u>)	- (<u>1,371</u>)	1,356 (<u>41</u>)	- (<u>350</u>)	- (<u>366</u>)	<u>-</u> (<u>716</u>)	1,356 (<u>2,128</u>)
Net closing balance	(<u>2,308</u>)	<u>1,258</u>	<u>1,344</u>	(<u>844</u>)	<u>500</u>	(<u>550</u>)	(<u>1,371</u>)	<u>1,315</u>	(<u>350</u>)	(<u>366</u>)	(<u>716</u>)	(<u>772</u>)

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts (continued)

The following table sets out when the Group expects to recognise the remaining contractual service margins (CSM) in profit and loss after the reporting dates for contracts not measured under Premium Allocation Approach (PAA).

(d) Analysis by remaining contractual service margins

				:	2024			
	Less Than 1 Year	1-2 years	2-3 years	3-4 years	4-5 years	5-10 <u>years</u>	Over 10 years	<u>Total</u>
Insurance contracts Without direct participation	005.004	100 150	000 505	004.404	040.007	000 005	0.000.074	5 704 704
features With direct participation features	605,334 7.359	463,458 5,588	363,565 5,128	291,164 4,306	248,067 3.323	989,325 10.432		
Total	612,693	469,046	368,693	295,470	251,390	999,757	2,840,594	5,837,643
Reinsurance held contracts	30	23	17	13	9	33	373	498
				:	2023			
	Less Than			:	2023			
		1-2 years	2-3 <u>years</u>	3-4 <u>years</u>	2023 4-5 <u>years</u>	5-10 <u>years</u>	Over 10 years	<u>Total</u>
Insurance contracts Without direct participation	Than 1	years	<u>years</u>	3-4 years	4-5			<u>Total</u>
Without direct participation features With direct participation	Than 1			3-4	4-5	<u>years</u>		Total 3,202,477
Without direct participation features	Than 1 <u>Year</u>	years	<u>years</u>	3-4 years	4-5 years	<u>years</u>	<u>years</u>	
Without direct participation features With direct participation	Than 1 Year 322,847	years 262,839	<u>years</u> 200,117	3-4 years 159,374	4-5 <u>years</u> 133,599	years 529,429 4,709	<u>years</u> 1,594,272	3,202,477

⁽e) The following tables summarize the effect on the measurement components arising from the initial recognition of insurance and reinsurance held contracts not measured under the PAA in the year.

Breakdown by insurance/reinsurance risk

	2024		
	Profitable	Onerous	
	contracts issued	contracts issued	<u>Total</u>
Insurance contracts without direct participation features			
Insurance acquisition cash flows	172,482	79,455	251,937
Claims and other insurance service expenses payable	1,097,008	<u>352,948</u>	<u>1,449,956</u>
Estimates of present value of cash outflows	1,269,490	432,403	1,701,893
Estimates of present value of cash inflows	(1,719,833)	(419,823)	(2,139,656)
Risk adjustment for non-financial risk	84,179	17,005	101,184
CSM	366,164		<u>366,164</u>
Losses recognised on initial recognition		29,585	29,585

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contract (continued)

(e) The following tables summarize the effect on the measurement components arising from the initial recognition of insurance and reinsurance held contracts not measured under the PAA in the year.

Breakdown by insurance/reinsurance risk (continued)

		2023	
	Profitable	Onerous	
	contracts issued co	ontracts issued	<u>Total</u>
Insurance acquisition cash flows	143,292	21,398	164,690
Claims and other insurance service expenses payable	<u>1,287,530</u>	<u>19,431</u> <u>1,3</u>	<u>306,961</u>
Estimates of present value of cash outflows	1,430,822	40,829 1,4	171,651
Estimates of present value of cash inflows	(1,892,175)		934,703)
Risk adjustment for non-financial risk	73,742	4,819	78,561
CSM	<u>387,611</u>	<u> </u>	<u> 387,611</u>
Losses recognised on initial recognition		<u>3,120</u>	3,120
		2024	
	Profitable	Onerous	
	contracts issue	d contracts issue	ed Total
Insurance contracts with direct participation features			
Insurance acquisition cash flows	133,273	8,405	141,678
Claims and other insurance service expenses payable	<u>1,477,309</u>	<u>21,329</u>	1,498,638
Estimates of present value of cash outflows	1,610,582	29,734	1,640,316
Estimates of present value of cash inflows	(1,742,750)	(27,703)	(1,770,453)
Risk adjustment for non-financial risk	44,506	1,642	46,148
CSM	<u>87,662</u>		<u>87,662</u>
Losses recognised on initial recognition		3,673	3,673
		2023	
	Profitable	Onerous	
	contracts issue	d contracts issue	ed <u>Total</u>
Insurance acquisition cash flows	62,257	36,289	98,546
Claims and other insurance service expenses payable	<u>835,996</u>	<u>81,615</u>	917,611
Estimates of present value of cash outflows	898,253	117,904	1,016,157
Estimates of present value of cash inflows	(994,897)	(103,652)	(1,098,549)
Risk adjustment for non-financial risk	24,747	6,144	30,891
CSM	<u>71,897</u>		71,897
Losses recognised on initial recognition		20,396	20,396

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contract (continued)

(e) The following tables summarize the effect on the measurement components arising from the initial recognition of insurance and reinsurance contracts not measured under the PAA in the year (continued).

Breakdown by insurance/reinsurance risk (continued)

	2024		
Reinsurance held contracts	Contracts Initiated without	Contracts Initiated with	
Reinsurance neid contracts	loss recovery component	loss recovery component	<u>Total</u>
Estimates of present value of cash inflows	3,730	-	3,730
Estimates of present value of cash outflows	(3,825)	-	(3,825)
Risk adjustment for non-financial risk	<u>282</u>		282
CSM	(<u>187</u>)		(<u>187</u>)
		2023	
	Contracts	Contracts	
	Initiated without loss recovery	Initiated with loss recovery	
	component	component	Total
Reinsurance held contracts	<u></u>	<u> </u>	<u></u>
Estimates of present value of cash inflows	(1,295)	-	(1,295)
Estimates of present value of cash outflows	1,003	-	1,003
Risk adjustment for non-financial risk	<u>122</u>		<u>122</u>
CSM	<u>170</u>		<u>170</u>

Claims development

IFRS 17 does not require an entity to disclose claims development information for which uncertainty about the amount and timing of the claims payments is typically resolved within one year. The Group does not provide this disclosure because claims amounts are known from the contractual arrangements (i.e. there is no uncertainty with respect to the amount of claims) and claims are settled shortly after the insured event occurs.

(f) Contract boundaries

The assessment of the contract boundary, which defines which future cash flows are included in the measurement of a contract, requires judgement and consideration of the Group's substantive rights and obligations under the contract.

<u>Insurance contracts</u>

Long term insurance contracts issued by the Group do not have renewable terms consequently all related cash flows fall within the contract boundary.

Reinsurance held contracts

The Group's reinsurance held contract has an annual term and covers claims from underlying contracts incurred within the year (i.e. loss occurring). Cash flows within the contract boundary are those arising from underlying claims which incurred during the year.

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38. Insurance and reinsurance held contract (continued)

(f) Contract boundaries (continued)

Life risk, life savings and participating contracts

The assumptions for long term insurance contracts used in estimating future cash flows are developed by product type and reflect recent experience and the characteristics of policyholders within a group of insurance contracts.

Estimates of future deaths, voluntary terminations and partial withdrawal of policy funds, investment returns, crediting rates, inflation and administration expenses are made based on recent experience and market conditions. These form the assumptions used for determining the expected cash flows at the inception of the contract. New estimates are made each year based on updated experience studies and economic forecasts.

For universal life contracts, crediting rates and discount rates (see 'Discount rates' below), are key assumptions in contract measurement. Future crediting rates are estimated based on the actual rates applied in the current year and current market conditions. The crediting rates applied vary between products.

(g) Investment components

The Group identifies the investment component of a contract by determining the amount that it would be required to repay to the policyholder in all scenarios with commercial substance. These include both circumstances in which an insured event occurs as well as those where the contract matures or is terminated without an insured event occurring. Investment components are excluded from insurance revenue and insurance service expenses.

Universal life and non-participating whole-life contracts have explicit surrender values. The investment component excluded from insurance revenue and insurance service expenses is determined as the surrender value specified in the contractual terms less any accrued fees and surrender charges.

The Group's other contracts do not contain investment components.

(h) Fair value of insurance contracts

The fair value of insurance contracts at transition was determined using the adjusted fulfilment cashflow approach. This method adjusts the expected cashflows to reflect a market view. The objective of this was to determine the fair value to a third-party market participant without explicit reference to the Group's own internal assumptions. In determining the fair value, the group applied the principles of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement.

The Contractual Service Margin (CSM) or loss component of the liability for remaining coverage was determined using the fair value approach. The assessment was conducted on a IFRS17 group-by-group basis. We determined the difference between the fair value of each group and its fulfilment cash flows. Positive amounts were used to determine the CSM, whereas negative amounts were deemed a loss component for the carrying amounts at the transition date. The fair value of reinsurance held contracts were valued in conjunction with the underlying reinsurance held contracts.

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39. Share capital

Authorised:

Authoriseu.				
	Number of U			Jnits ('000)
			<u>2024</u>	2023
Ordinary shares of no par value Preference shares of no par value			3,000,000 	3,000,000
			<u>3,100,000</u>	<u>3,100,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:				
	Number of I	Units ('000)	Carrying value	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Ordinary stock units	2,927,232	2,927,232	2,927,232	2,927,232

Under the provisions of the Companies Act 2004 (the Act), the shares have no par value. The holders of the ordinary stock units are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company.

40. Reserve fund

In accordance with the Banking Services Act, 2014 and regulations under which it operates, the Bank is required to make transfers of a minimum of 15% of net profit, until the amount in the fund is equal to 50% of the paid-up capital of the Bank and thereafter, 10% of net profits until the reserve fund is equal to its paid-up capital.

The Building Society is required to make transfers of a minimum of 10% of net profit, until the amount at the credit of the reserve fund is equal to the total of the amount paid up on its capital shares and the amount of its deferred shares.

41. Retained earnings reserve

The Banking Services Act, 2014 permits transfers from the Bank's net profit to retained earnings reserve, which constitutes a part of the capital base. Transfers to the retained earnings reserve are made at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Such transfers must be notified to Bank of Jamaica and any reversal must be approved by Bank of Jamaica.

42. Cumulative remeasurement result from investment securities

This represents the unrealised surplus or deficit on the revaluation of investment securities.

43. Capital reserve

	The Group		The	The Bank	
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
Liquidation of Scotia Jamaica General Insurance Brokers Limited Dissolution of SDBG Merchant Bank	9,383	9,383	9,383	9,383	
Limited			<u>32,704</u>	32,704	
	<u>9,383</u>	<u>9,383</u>	<u>42,087</u>	42,087	

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44. Loan loss reserve

This is a non-distributable loan loss reserve which represents the excess of the regulatory loan loss provision over the expected credit losses determined under IFRS requirements (note 24).

45. Insurance and reinsurance held finance reserve

This insurance and reinsurance held finance reserve comprises the cumulative insurance finance income and expenses recognized in OCI.

46. Related party transactions and balances

The Group is controlled by Scotia Group Jamaica Limited, which is incorporated and domiciled in Jamaica. Scotia Group Jamaica Limited is a 71.78% subsidiary of Scotiabank Caribbean Holdings Limited, which is incorporated and domiciled in Barbados. The Bank of Nova Scotia, which is incorporated and domiciled in Canada is the ultimate parent company.

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the other party or both parties are subject to common control or significant influence. A number of banking transactions are entered into with related parties, including companies connected by virtue of common directorships, in the normal course of business. These include loans, deposits, investment management services and foreign currency transactions.

Related party transactions with the ultimate parent company comprise the payment of dividends, management fees, guarantee fees, centralised computing and other service fees. There were no other balances due to the ultimate parent company, outside of those set out in note 34. No impairment losses have been recognised in respect of loans made to related parties.

The amounts of related party transactions, outstanding balances at the year end, and related income and expenses for the year are as follows:

		The Group				
		Directors				
	Ultimate	and key Ultimate Fellow management Connected			To	otal
_	<u>parent</u>	<u>subsidiaries</u>	<u>personnel</u>	<u>companies</u>	2024	2023
Loans Balance at October 31	_	_	1,545,896	3,893,338	5,439,234	8,252,439
Interest income earned	-	-	73,135	191,311	264,446	413,992
Deposit liabilities						
Balance at October 31	(1,779,859)	(10,420,244)	(528,080)	(2,922,507) (4,607)	(15,650,690)	,
Interest expense on deposits	-	(445,297)	(335)	(4,607)	(450,239)	(76,533)
Investments/resale agreements Securities purchased/(sold) under resa	alo					
agreements	- -	2,179,532	_	_	2,179,532	3,577,342
Interest (paid)/received on		, ,			, ,	
resale/repurchase agreements Other investments	-	142,207 346,214	-	-	142,207 346,214	(9,061) 319,033
Interest earned on other investments	-	146,089	-	-	146,089	112,394
		-,			,	,
Deposits with banks Due from banks and other financial						
institutions	843,385	52,729,232	-	-	53,572,617	35,222,170
Interest earned from banks and other	•	, ,				
financial institutions	-	2,106,618	-	-	2,106,618	1,457,935
Other						
Fees and commission paid	-	(43,908)	(128,023)	-	(171,931)	(156,018) 30.912
Insurance products Technical service fees (paid)/received	(2,586,220)	- 90,416	22,004	-	22,004 (2,495,804)	(2,176,536)
Other operating (expense)/income	(<u>6,432,765</u>)	(<u>2,754,586</u>)	337		(<u>9,187,014</u>)	(<u>7,394,592</u>)

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Related party transactions and balances (continued) 46.

	The Bank					
	Ultimate	Fellow r	Total			
	<u>parent</u>	<u>subsidiaries</u>	personnel	<u>companies</u>	2024	2023
Loans ⁽¹⁾ Balance at October 31 Interest income earned	- -	Ī.	1,517,904 71,000	3,893,338 191,311	5,411,242 262,311	8,197,514 409,275
Deposit liabilities ⁽²⁾ Balance at October 31 Interest expense on deposits	(1,779,859)	(29,128,176) (1,077,619)	(500,753) (289)	(2,922,507) (4,607)	(34,331,295) (1,082,515)	(34,299,329) (440,718)
Investments/resale agreements ⁽³⁾ Securities purchased/(sold) under resa agreements Interest (paid)/received on	ale -	2,179,532	-	-	2,179,532	3,577,342
resale/repurchase agreements	-	138,578	-	-	138,578	(11,474)
Deposits with banks Due from banks and other financial institutions	843,385	52,729,232	-	-	53,572,617	35,222,170
Interest earned from banks and other financial institutions Due (to)/from fellow subsidiaries	-	2,106,618 25,519	-	-	2,106,618 25,519	1,459,407 (51,529)
Other Fees and commission paid Technical service fees (paid)/received Other operating (expense)/income	- (2,448,061) (<u>6,430,447</u>)	(10,269) 152,450 (<u>1,360,273</u>)	(112,110) - <u>337</u>	- - -	(122,379) (2,295,611) (<u>7,790,383</u>)	(75,176) (2,024,964) (5,327,799)
		The Group		_	The Bar	nk
		2024	2023		2024	2023
Key management compensation Salaries and other short-term benefi Post-employment benefits	ts	898,827 (<u>685,543</u>)	772,994 288,323		796,665 (<u>685,543</u>)	693,269 288,323

Loans are extended to related parties in the normal course of the Group's banking (1) operations. These amounts bear interest at market rates and have fixed repayment terms.

213,284

111,122

- (2) These balances comprise unsecured savings, current and fixed term amounts, that are repayable on demand or with fixed maturities of up to 2 years. These amounts bear interest at market rates ranging from 0% - 0.30%.
- These balances have fixed maturities and bear interest at market rates. (3)

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47. Financial risk management

(a) Overview and risk management framework

The Group's principal business activities result in significant financial instruments, which involves analysis, evaluation and management of some degree of risk or combination of risks. The principal financial risks that arise from transacting financial instruments include credit risk, market risk and liquidity risk. The Group's framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks are as follows:

- extensive risk management policies define the Group's risk appetite, set the limits and controls within which the Group operate, and reflect the requirements of regulatory authorities. These policies are approved by the Group's Board of Directors, either directly or through the Executive and Enterprise Risk Committee.
- guidelines are developed to clarify risk limits and conditions under which the Group's risk policies are implemented.
- processes are implemented to identify, evaluate, document, report and control risk.
- compliance with risk policies, limits and guidelines is measured, monitored and reported to ensure consistency against desired goals.

The Group regularly reviews its risk management policies and systems to reflect changes in markets, products and emerging best practice.

The Board of Directors is ultimately responsible for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework. The Board has established committees for managing and monitoring risks.

The key committees for managing and monitoring risks are as follows:

(i) Board Audit Committee

The Board Audit Committee is comprised of independent directors. This committee oversees the integrity of the Group's financial reporting, compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the performance of the Group's internal audit function and external auditors, as well as the system of internal controls over financial reporting. The Audit Committee reviews the quarterly and annual financial statements, examining significant issues regarding the financial results, accounting principles and policies, as well as management estimates and assumptions, for recommendation to the Board for approval. This committee is assisted in its oversight role by the Internal Audit Department, which undertakes reviews of risk management controls and procedures.

(ii) Executive and Enterprise Risk Committee

The Executive and Enterprise Risk Committee reviews and recommends to the Board for approval, the risk management policies, limits, procedures and standards. This involves review of the quarterly reports on the Group's enterprise-wide risk profile, including credit, market, operational and liquidity risks. This Committee also oversees the corporate strategy and profit plans for the Group, as well as develops and makes recommendations for improvement of the corporate governance policies and procedures.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(a) Overview and risk management framework (continued)

(iii) Asset and Liability Committee

The Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO), a committee of management, has the responsibility of ensuring that risks are managed within the limits established by the Board of Directors. The Committee meets at least once monthly to review risks, evaluate performance and provide strategic direction. The Committee reviews investment, loan and funding activities, and ensures that the existing policies comprehensively deal with the management and diversification of the Group's investment and loan portfolios and that appropriate limits are being adhered to.

The Investment Advisory Committee performs a similar role to ALCO for Scotia Jamaica Life Insurance, where it provides a specialised focus due to the nature of the insurance business.

The most important types of risk for the Group are credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk, insurance risk and operational risk. Market risk includes currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk.

(b) Credit risk

(i) Credit risk management

At a strategic level, the Group manages the levels of credit risk it undertakes by placing limits on the amount of risk accepted in relation to any one borrower or group of borrowers, and industry segments. Credit risk limits are approved by the Board of Directors. The exposure to any one borrower, including banks and brokers, is further restricted by sub-limits covering on and off-balance sheet exposures. Actual exposures against limits are monitored daily. Operationally, exposure to credit risk is managed through regular analysis of the ability of borrowers and potential borrowers to meet interest and principal repayment obligations and by restructuring loans where appropriate. Exposure to credit risk is also managed in part by obtaining collateral and corporate and personal guarantees. The principal collateral types for loans are:

- Cash
- Charges over personal and business assets such as property, motor vehicles, equipment, inventory and accounts receivable; and
- Charges over financial instruments such as debt securities and equities.

In addition, the Group seeks additional collateral from the counterparty as soon as impairment indicators are noted for the relevant loans.

The Group's policy requires the review of individual financial assets that are above materiality thresholds annually or more regularly when individual circumstances require. Allowance for expected credit losses are consistent with policies outlined in note 2(o).

The Group further manages its exposure to credit losses by entering into master netting arrangements with counterparties with which it undertakes a significant volume of transactions. Master netting arrangements do not generally result in an offset of assets and liabilities, as transactions are usually settled on a gross basis. However, the credit risk associated with unfavourable contracts is reduced by a master netting arrangement to the extent that if a default occurs, all amounts with the counterparty are terminated and settled on a net basis.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(ii) Credit-related commitments

The primary purpose of these instruments is to ensure that funds are available to customers as required. Guarantees and standby letters of credit, which represent irrevocable assurances that the Group will make payments in the event that a customer cannot meet its obligations to third parties, carry the same credit risk as loans. Commercial letters of credit, which are written undertakings by the Group on behalf of a customer authorising a third party to issue drafts on the Group up to a stipulated amount under specific terms and conditions, are collateralised by the underlying shipments of goods to which they relate and therefore carry less risk than direct lending.

Commitments to extend credit represent unused portions of authorisations to extend credit in the form of loans, guarantees or letters of credit. With respect to credit risk on commitments to extend credit, the Group is potentially exposed to loss in an amount equal to the total unused commitments. However, the likely amount of loss is less than the total unused commitments, as most commitments to extend credit are contingent upon customers maintaining specific credit standards. The Group monitors the term to maturity of credit commitments because longer-term commitments generally have a greater degree of credit risk than shorter-term commitments.

(iii) Credit quality

The Group's credit risk rating systems are designed to support the determination of key credit risk parameter estimates which measures credit and transaction risks.

<u>Commercial loans</u>: In measuring credit risk of commercial loans at the counterparty level, the Group assesses the probability of default of individual counterparties using internal rating tools. They have been developed internally and combine statistical analysis with credit officer judgment and are validated, where appropriate, by comparison to externally available data. The following table cross-references the Bank's internal borrower grades with equivalent rating category used by Standard and Poor's:

IG Code External rating: Standard & Poor's equivalent

Investment grade AAA to BBBNon-investment grade BB+ to BWatch list CCC+ to CC
Default Default

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iii) Credit quality (continued)

Retail loans: Retail loans are risk-rated based on an internal scoring system which combines statistical analysis with credit officer judgment, and fall within the following categories:

- Very low
- Low
- Medium
- High
- Very high
- Default

Retail loans including all credit card segments:

The Group					
		2024			
Category of PD Grade	PD Range	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	<u>Total</u>
Very Low	< 0.2%	1,644,818	-	-	1,644,818
Low	0.2% to < 1%	101,344,760	129,364	-	101,474,124
Medium	1% to < 3%	62,279,556	288,823	-	62,568,379
High	3% to < 20%	22,673,550	3,525,515	-	26,199,065
Very High	20% to < 99.99%	130,148	<u>3,184,319</u>		3,314,467
Subtotal: PD Grades (Advanced Models) Loans not graded (intermediate or		188,072,832	<u>7,128,021</u>		195,200,853
simplified or gross-up	o)	6,019,837	220,246	-	6,240,083
Default	,			4,786,238	4,786,238
Total		194,092,669	7,348,267	4,786,238	206,227,174
Deferred origination fee Expected credit losses		-	-	-	(3,217,069)
credit card segments	` `	(1,662,899)	(<u>1,634,166</u>)	(2,535,278)	(5,832,343)
Carrying amount		192,429,770	<u>5,714,101</u>	2,250,960	<u>197,177,762</u>

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iii) Credit quality (continued)

Retail loans including all credit card segments (continued):

		The Group			
		2023			
Category of PD Grade	PD Range	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	<u>Total</u>
Very Low Low Medium	< 0.2% 0.2% to < 1% 1% to < 3%	1,538,622 79,840,398 51,783,405	- 151,866 177,105	- - -	1,538,622 79,992,264 51,960,510
High Very High	3% to < 20% 20% to < 99.99%	24,118,200 60,807	3,261,868 2,664,791	<u> </u>	27,380,068 2,725,598
Subtotal: PD Grades (Advanced Models) Loans not graded (intermediate or		<u>157,341,432</u>	6,255,630		<u>163,597,062</u>
simplified or gross-up Default)	4,946,341 	200,303	- 4,324,022	5,146,644 4,324,022
Total		162,287,773	6,455,933	4,324,022	173,067,728
Deferred origination fee Expected credit losses r		- (1621272)	- (4.020.624)	- (2 260 446)	(2,664,933)
credit card segments)		(1,631,273)	(<u>1,238,631</u>)	(2,360,446)	(5,230,350)
Carrying amount		<u>160,656,500</u>	5,217,302	1,963,576	<u>165,172,445</u>
		The Bank			
		2024			
Category of PD Grade	PD Range	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	<u>Total</u>
Very Low	<0.2%	1,702,885	. .	-	1,702,885
Low	0.2% to <1%	89,215,477	116,077	-	89,331,554
Medium	1% to <3%	61,503,667	222,705	-	61,726,372
High	3% to <20%	22,506,184	2,938,738	-	25,444,922
Very High Subtotal: PD Grades (Advanced Models) Loans not graded	20% to 99.99%	<u>130,148</u> <u>175,058,361</u>	<u></u> -		3,002,581 181,208,314
(Intermediate or Simplified or Gross Default	s-up)	6,019,837	220,246	- <u>4,381,762</u>	6,240,083 4,381,762
Total		181,078,198	6,370,199	4,381,762	191,830,159
Expected credit loss allo Deferred origination fee		(1,633,161)	(1,558,321)	(2,396,161)	(5,587,643) (3,217,069)
Carrying amount		179,445,037	<u>4,811,878</u>	<u>1,985,601</u>	183,025,447

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iii) Credit quality (continued)

Retail loans including all credit card segments (continued):

-		The Bank			
		2023			
Category of PD Grade	PD Range	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Very Low	< 0.2%	1,606,957	-	-	1,606,957
Low	0.2% to < 1%	66,116,128	101,373	-	66,217,501
Medium	1% to < 3%	50,974,205	150,373	-	51,124,578
High	3% to < 20%	24,061,845	2,422,920	-	26,484,765
Very High	20% to < 99.99%	60,807	2,497,581		2,558,388
Subtotal: PD Grades (Advanced Models)		142,819,942	<u>5,172,247</u>		147,992,189
Loans not graded (intermediate or					
simplified or gross-up) Default		4,946,341 	200,303	- 3,932,463	5,146,644 3,932,463
Total		147,766,283	<u>5,372,550</u>	3,932,463	157,071,296
Deferred origination fees Expected credit loss allo		- (<u>1,593,806</u>)	- (<u>1,173,052</u>)	- (<u>2,275,027</u>)	(2,664,933) (5,041,885)
Carrying amount		146,172,477	4,199,498	1,657,436	149,364,478

Commercial loans excluding all credit card segments:

The Group									
2024									
Internal Grade	IG Code	<u>S&P</u>	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	<u>Total</u>			
Investment grade	99-98	AAA to AA+	21,984	1,065,251	-	1,087,235			
	95	AA to A+	36	138,515	-	138,551			
	90	A to A-	6,000	963,918	-	969,918			
	87	BBB+	257	6,500	-	6,757			
	85	BBB	13,378,069	1,806,792	-	15,184,861			
	83	BBB-	10,327,738	2,189,541	-	12,517,279			
Non-investment	80	BB+	29,439,668	4,277,268	_	33,716,936			
	77	BB	7,854,618	1,084,796	-	8,939,414			
	75	BB-	24,263,514	1,533,088	-	25,796,602			
	73	B+	13,281,725	322,354	-	13,604,079			
	70	B to B-	2,972,439	138,613	-	3,111,052			
Watch	65	CCC+	-	774,452	_	774,452			
	60	CCC	-	443,147	-	443,147			
	40	CCC- to CC	-	-	-	-			
Default					208,044	208,044			
Total			101,546,048	14,744,235	208,044	116,498,327			
Expected credit loss	allowance		(520,883)	(170,309)	(40,173)	(731,365)			
Deferred origination	fee					(<u>193,106</u>)			
Carrying amount			<u>101,025,165</u>	14,573,926	<u>167,871</u>	<u>115,573,856</u>			

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iii) Credit quality (continued)

Commercial loans excluding all credit card segments (continued):

			<u>The G</u>			
Internal Grade	IG Code	S&P	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	<u>Total</u>
Investment grade	99-98 95 90 87 85 83	AAA to AA+ AA to A+ A to A- BBB+ BBB BBB-	3,033 - 60,566 69 14,503,417 10,136,006	1,030,355 318,939 1,366,130 3,332 1,954,850 2,566,973	- - - - -	1,033,388 318,989 1,426,696 3,401 16,458,267 12,702,979
Non-investment	80 77 75 73 70	BB+ BB BB- B+ B to B-	8,584,233 19,485,757 31,258,725 2,767,818 2,629,700	3,118,796 804,938 1,345,135 464,620 548,481	- - - -	11,703,029 20,290,695 32,603,860 3,232,438 3,178,181
Watch	65 60 40 30	CCC+ CCC CCC- to CC	- - -	525,787 559,687 7	- - -	525,787 559,687 7
Default					<u>180,458</u>	180,458
Total			89,429,324	14,608,030	<u>180,458</u>	104,217,812
Deferred origination Expected credit losse			(<u>202,347</u>)	(<u>162,474</u>)	- (<u>29,919</u>)	(189,939) (394,740)
Carrying amount			89,226,977	<u>14,445,556</u>	<u>150,539</u>	103,633,133
		T	he Bank 2024			
Internal Grade	IG Code	S&P	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Investment grade	99 - 98	AAA to AA+	21,984	1,065,251	<u>Stage 5</u>	<u>Total</u> 1,087,235
investment grade	95 90 87 85 83	AA to A+ A to A- BBB+ BBB BBB-	36 6,000 257 13,378,069 10,327,738	138,515 963,918 6,500 1,806,792 2,189,541	- - - -	138,551 969,918 6,757 15,184,861 12,517,279
Non-Investment	80 77 75 73 70	BB+ BB BB- B+ B to B-	29,439,668 7,854,618 24,263,514 13,281,725 2,972,439	4,277,268 1,084,796 1,533,088 322,354 138,613	- - - -	33,716,936 8,939,414 25,796,602 13,604,079 3,111,052
Watch	65 60 40 30	CCC+ CCC CCC- to CC	- - -	774,452 443,147 - -	- - -	774,452 443,147 - -
Default					208,044	208,044
Total			101,546,048	14,744,235	208,044	116,498,327
Expected credit loss Deferred origination			(520,883)	(170,309)	(40,173)	(731,365) (193,106)
Carrying Amount			<u>101,025,165</u>	14,573,926	<u>167,871</u>	<u>115,573,856</u>

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iii) Credit quality (continued)

Commercial loans excluding all credit card segments (continued):

The Bank								
-			2023					
Internal Grade	IG Code	S&P	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	<u>Total</u>		
Investment grade	99-98 95 90 87 85 83	AAA to AA+ AA to A+ A to A- BBB+ BBB BBB-	3,033 - 60,566 69 14,503,417 10,136,006	1,030,355 318,939 1,366,130 3,332 1,954,850 2,566,973	- - - - -	1,033,388 318,939 1,426,696 3,401 16,458,267 12,702,979		
Non-investment	80 77 75 73 70	BB+ BB BB- B+ B to B-	8,584,233 19,485,757 31,258,725 2,767,818 2,629,700	3,118,796 804,938 1,345,135 464,620 548,481	- - - -	11,703,029 20,290,695 32,603,860 3,232,438 3,178,181		
Watch	65 60 40 30	CCC+ CCC CCC- to CC	- - -	525,787 559,687 7	- - -	525,787 559,687 7		
Default Total	00		- 89,429,324	- 14,608,030	180,458 <u>180,458</u>	180,458 104,217,812		
Deferred origination	fees		-	-	-	(189,939)		
Expected credit losse	es		(202,347)	(162,474)	(_29,919)	(<u>394,740</u>)		
Carrying amount			89,226,977	14,445,556	<u>150,539</u>	103,633,133		

The following tables show certain key macroeconomic variables used to calculate the modelled estimate for the allowance for credit losses. Further changes in these variables up to the date of the financial statements is incorporated through expert credit judgment. For the base case, optimistic and pessimistic scenarios, the projections are provided for the next 12 months and for the remaining forecast period, which represents a medium-term view.

Real GDP growth, y/y % change	Base Cas	se Scenario		e Scenario – imistic	Alternative Scenario – Pessimistic		Alternative Scenario – Very Pessimistic	
	Next 12 Months	Remaining Forecast	Next 12 Months	Remaining Forecast	Next 12 Months	Remaining Forecast	Next 12 Months	Remaining Forecast
2024	3.6	3.8	4.2	4.5	2.5	4.2	0.6	4.7
2023	3.8	3.8	4.5	4.9	2.8	4.2	0.5	4.7

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iii) Credit quality (continued)

<u>Debt securities</u>: Internal grades are used to differentiate the risk of default of a borrower. The following table cross references the Group's internal grades with external rating agency designation of debt and similar securities, other than loans, based on Standard & Poor's ratings or their equivalent:

	I he Group							
	20	024	2023	3				
	Stage 1	Total	Stage 1	Total				
AAA to AA+	43,011,010	43,011,010	42,473,168	42,473,168				
AA to A+	12,283,582	12,283,582	18,952,131	18,952,131				
BBB+ to BB+	-	-	1,514,272	1,514,272				
BB to B-	129,606,514	129,606,514	121,032,009	121,032,009				
Unrated	4,159,705	4,159,705	7,088,098	7,088,098				
	<u>189,060,811</u>	<u>189,060,811</u>	<u>191,059,678</u>	<u>191,059,678</u>				
			Bank					
		024	2023					
	Stage 1	Total	Stage 1	Total				
AAA to AA+	43,011,010	43,011,010	42,473,168	42,473,168				
AA to A+	12,283,582	12,283,582	18,952,131	18,952,131				
BBB+ to BB+	-	-	1,514,272	1,514,272				
BB to B-	75,057,002	75,057,002	72,291,059	72,291,059				
Unrated	498,793	498,793	479,973	479,973				
	<u>130,850,387</u>	130,850,387	<u>135,710,603</u>	<u>135,710,603</u>				
Classified as follows:		_						
		Group	The Ba					
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>				
Amortised cost	11,510,154	37,461,301	6,018,795	31,075,630				
Fair value through OCI	174,859,422	149,202,660	122,140,357	101,591,906				
Fair value through profit or loss		1,932,800		580,150				
Pledged assets:	_	1,932,000	-	300,130				
Fair value through OCI	2,691,235	2,462,917	2,691,235	2,462,917				
	<u>189,060,811</u>	<u>191,059,678</u>	130,850,387	135,710,603				

Expected credit losses on investment securities carried at amortised cost and fair value through the profit and loss was (\$4,461) (2023: \$168,745) and \$36,651 (2023: \$69,367) for the Group and Bank, respectively.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(iv) Maximum exposure to credit risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk is the amount before taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements. For financial assets, the exposure to credit risk equals their carrying amount. For financial guarantees granted, the maximum exposure to credit risk is the maximum amount that would have to be paid if the guarantees were called upon. For loan commitments and other credit-related commitments that are irrevocable over the life of the respective facilities, the maximum exposure to credit risk is the full amount of the committed facilities.

Collateral and other credit enhancements held against loans

It is the Group's practice to lend on the basis of the customer's ability to meet their obligations out of cash flow resources, rather than to rely on the value of security offered as collateral. Nevertheless, the collateral is an important mitigant of credit risk. Depending on the customer's standing and the type of product, some facilities are granted on an unsecured basis. For other facilities, a charge over collateral is obtained and considered in determining the credit decision and pricing. In the event of default, the Group may utilise the collateral as a source of repayment. In such cases the collateral is used to settle all debt obligations to the Group and excess value is returned to the borrower.

The Group's lending portfolio is comprised of secured and unsecured loans which are well diversified by borrower. The Group holds collateral against credits to borrowers primarily in the form of cash, motor vehicles, real estate, charges over business assets such as premises, inventory and accounts receivable, and charges over financial instruments such as debt securities and equities. The collateral values are updated annually (including but not limited to professional valuations) with special focus given to individual collateral values when the loan is assessed as impaired.

The estimated fair value of the collateral with enforceable legal right pursuant to the agreements for outstanding loans and guarantees is \$210,332,906 (2023: \$169,150,180) for the Group and \$196,026,407 (2023: \$153,253,138) for the Bank. The estimated fair value of the collateral with enforceable legal right pursuant to impaired loans approximates \$1,643,391 (2023: \$1,499,862) for the Group and \$1,115,426 (2023: \$1,193,722) for the Bank.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(v) Concentration of exposure to credit risk

Loans

The following table summarises the credit exposure for loans at their carrying amounts, as categorised by industry sectors. These credit facilities are well diversified across industry sectors and are primarily extended to customers within Jamaica.

	The Gro	oup
	2024	2023
Agriculture, fishing and mining	349,868	402,530
Construction and real estate	2,929,706	2,592,525
Distribution	30,126,787	28,531,697
Financial institutions	2,495,611	2,761,567
Government and public entities	5,312,105	2,374,428
Manufacturing	20,988,600	18,839,728
Transportation, electricity, water and other	24,237,703	24,061,488
Personal	202,768,749	170,345,012
Professional and other services	16,339,117	10,419,930
Tourism and entertainment	15,499,063	15,707,991
Interest receivables	<u>1,678,192</u>	1,248,643
Total	<u>322,725,501</u>	277,285,539
Deferred loan origination fees	(3,410,175)	(2,854,871)
Total allowance for credit losses	(<u>6,563,708</u>)	(<u>5,625,090</u>)
	<u>312,751,618</u>	268,805,578
	The Ba	nk
	<u>The Ba</u> 2024	nk 2023
	2024	2023
Agriculture, fishing and mining	2024 349,868	2023 402,530
Construction and real estate	2024 349,868 2,929,706	2023 402,530 2,592,525
Construction and real estate Distribution	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal Professional and other services	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318 16,339,117	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305 10,419,930
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal Professional and other services Tourism and entertainment	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318 16,339,117 15,499,063	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305 10,419,930 15,707,991
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal Professional and other services	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318 16,339,117 15,499,063 1,529,608	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305 10,419,930 15,707,991 1,080,918
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal Professional and other services Tourism and entertainment Interest receivables Total	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318 16,339,117 15,499,063 1,529,608 308,328,486	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305 10,419,930 15,707,991 1,080,918 261,289,107
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal Professional and other services Tourism and entertainment Interest receivables Total Deferred loan origination fees	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318 16,339,117 15,499,063 1,529,608 308,328,486 (3,410,175)	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305 10,419,930 15,707,991 1,080,918 261,289,107 2,854,871)
Construction and real estate Distribution Financial institutions Government and public entities Manufacturing Transportation, electricity, water and other Personal Professional and other services Tourism and entertainment Interest receivables Total	2024 349,868 2,929,706 30,126,787 2,495,611 5,312,105 20,988,600 24,237,703 188,520,318 16,339,117 15,499,063 1,529,608 308,328,486	2023 402,530 2,592,525 28,531,697 2,761,567 2,374,428 18,839,728 24,061,488 154,516,305 10,419,930 15,707,991 1,080,918 261,289,107

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk

Market risk arises from changes in market prices and rates (including interest rates, credit spreads, equity prices and foreign exchange rates), correlations between them, and their levels of volatility. Market risk is subject to extensive risk management controls and is managed within the framework of market risk policies and limits approved by the Board.

The Executive and Enterprise Risk Committee oversees the application of the framework set by the Board and monitor the Group's market risk exposures and the activities that give rise to these exposures.

The Group uses various metrics and models to measure and control market risk exposures. The measurements used are selected based on an assessment of the nature of risks in a particular activity. The principal measurement techniques are Value at Risk (VaR), stress testing, sensitivity analysis and simulation modelling, and gap analysis. The Board reviews results from these metrics quarterly.

The management of the individual elements of market risk – interest rate and currency risks are as follows:

(i) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk of loss due to the following: changes in the level, slope and curvature of the yield curve; the volatility of interest rates; changes in the market price of credit; and the creditworthiness of a particular issuer. The Group actively manages its interest rate exposures with the objective of enhancing net interest income within established risk tolerances. Interest rate risk arising from the Group's funding and investment activities is managed in accordance with Board-approved policies and limits, which are designed to control the risk to net interest income and economic value of shareholders' equity.

The income limit measures the effect of a specified shift in interest rates on the Group's annual net income over the next twelve months, while the economic value limit measures the impact of a specified change in interest rates on the present value of the Group's net assets. Interest rate exposures in individual currencies are also controlled by gap limits.

Sensitivity analysis assesses the effect of changes in interest rates on current earnings and on the economic value of assets and liabilities. Stress testing scenarios are also important for managing risk in the Group's portfolios.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(i) Interest rate risk (continued)

The following tables summarise carrying amounts of assets, liabilities and equity in order to arrive at the Group's and the Bank's interest rate gap, based on the earlier of contractual repricing and maturity dates.

				The Group			
				2024			
	Immediately rate sensitive	Within 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over <u>5 years</u>	Non-rate sensitive	Total
Cash resources Securities purchased	29,096,296	38,409,749	-	22,666,959	-	58,844,854	149,017,858
under resale agreements	-	-	2,102,947	-	-	76,585	2,179,532
Financial assets at fair value through revenue and expe		<u> </u>	-	-	-	346,214	346,214
Pledged assets	-	2,660,189	- 29,860,986	-	- 5.812.824	31,046	2,691,235
Loans Investment securities	221,451,334	18,183,100 3,650,993	29,860,986 51,815,953	37,443,374 98,651,811	18,996,636	2,152,303	312,751,618 175,267,696
Segregated funds assets	-	-	-	-	-	1,768,210	1,768,210
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	38,931,434	38,931,434
Insurance and re-insurance contract assets						21,189	21,189
Total assets	<u>250,547,630</u>	62,904,031	83,779,886	<u>158,762,144</u>	24,809,460	102,171,835	682,974,986
Deposits	471,751,367	10,749,591	7,629,078	569,021	_	15,085	490,714,142
Insurance contract liabilities	40,277,349	2,140,859	7,748,301	- ^	-	<u>-</u>	50,166,509
Reinsurance contract liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	1,251	1,251
Segregated fund investment contract liabilities	t					1,768,210	1,768,210
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	24,189,808	24,189,808
Stockholders' equity						<u>116,135,066</u>	116,135,066
Total liabilities and stockhold	ders'						
equity	<u>512,028,716</u>	12,890,450	<u>15,377,379</u>	569,021		142,109,420	682,974,986
Total interest rate &							
sensitivity gap	(<u>216,481,086</u>)	50,013,581	68,402,507	<u>158,193,123</u>	24,809,460	(<u>39,937,585</u>)	
Cumulative gap	(216,481,086)	(211,467,505)	(143,064,998)	<u> 15,128,125</u>	39,937,585		

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(i) Interest rate risk (continued)

			The	Group			
)23			
	Immediately	Within 3	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Non-rate	
	<u>rate sensitive</u>	months	<u>months</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>5 years</u>	<u>sensitive</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash resources	1,754,356	72,570,768	-	-	-	92,643,127	166,968,251
Governments securities purc	hased	4 400 000	700.055	0.004.700		0.704	0.007.440
under resale agreements Financial assets at fair	-	1,106,229	729,655	2,064,768	-	6,764	3,907,416
value through profit or loss			1,920,870			330,963	2,251,833
Pledged assets	-	2,435,893	1,920,070		-	27,024	2,462,917
Loans	157,301,506	13,661,964	27,703,579	51,104,372	7,939,839	11,094,318	268,805,578
Investment securities	2.328.686	14.694.243	25,476,898	83,523,082	23.108.794	76,061	149,207,764
Reinsurance	_,,,,	,,	,,	,,	,,	,	, ,
Segregated fund asset	-	-	-	-	-	1,290,656	1,290,656
Insurance & re-insurance hel	d						
contract assets	-	-	-	-	-	15,825	15,825
Other assets						48,629,278	48,629,278
Total assets	161,384,548	104,469,097	55,831,002	136,692,222	31,048,633	<u>154,114,016</u>	643,539,518
Deposits, due to financial							
institutions, parent company							
and fellow subsidiaries (3)	446.473.485	7.649.949	7,192,890	598,029	_	11.915	461,926,268
Insurance contract liabilities	1,610,408	47,802,320	-	-	_	37,581	49,450,309
Reinsurance held contract	.,,	,,				,	,,
liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	2,128	2,128
Segregated fund investment							
contract liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	1,290,656	1,290,656
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	24,742,394	24,742,394
Stockholders' equity						<u>106,127,763</u>	106,127,763
Total liabilities and							
stockholders' equity	448,083,893	55,452,269	7,192,890	598,029		132,212,437	643,539,518
Total interest rate &							
sensitivity gap	(<u>286,699,345</u>)	49,016,828	48,638,112	<u>136,094,193</u>	<u>31,048,633</u>	21,901,579	
Cumulative gap	(286,699,345)	(237,682,517)	(189,044,405)	(_52,950,212)	(21,901,579)		

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(i) Interest rate risk (continued)

			TI	he Bank			
		-	-	2024			
	Immediately	Within 3	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Non-rate	
	rate sensitive	<u>months</u>	<u>months</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>5 years</u>	<u>sensitive</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash resources Securities purchased under	31,855,500	30,180,679	-	22,666,959	-	58,751,986	143,455,124
resale agreements Pledged assets	-	- 2,660,189	2,102,947	-	-	76,585 31,046	2,179,532 2,691,235
Loans	209,396,011	17,562,056	29,040,788	37,442,394	5,158,054	-	298,599,303
Investment securities	-	3,351,537	40,087,321	72,695,443	5,013,031	1,401,299	122,548,631
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	2,790,000	2,790,000
Other assets						<u>36,205,152</u>	36,205,152
Total assets	241,251,511	53,754,461	71,231,056	132,804,796	10,171,085	99,256,068	608,468,977
Deposits	485,920,274	9,524,083	6,536,576	148,400	-	-	502,129,333
Other liabilities Stockholders' equity				<u> </u>		23,864,755 82,474,889	23,864,755 82,474,889
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	485,920,274	9,524,083	6,536,576	148,400		106,339,644	608,468,977
Total interest rate & sensitivity gap	(244,668,763)	44,230,378	64,694,480	132,656,396	10,171,085	(<u>7,083,576</u>)	<u> </u>
Cumulative gap	(244,668,763)	(200,438,385)	(135,743,705)	3,087,509	7,083,576		
				2023			
	(1)				_		
	Immediately	Within 3	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Non-rate	
	rate sensitive	<u>months</u>	<u>months</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>5 years</u>	sensitive	<u>Total</u>
Cash resources Securities purchased under	1,678,440	66,197,179	-	-	-	92,630,075	160,505,694
resale agreements Financial assets at fair value	-	1,106,229	729,655	2,064,768	-	6,764	3,907,416
through profit or loss	7		568,219			11,931	580,150
Pledged assets	-	2,435,893	500,219	-	-	27,024	2,462,917
Loans ⁽¹⁾	143,965,694	12,920,118	26,275,752	51,104,372	7,939,839	,	252,997,611
Investment securities ⁽²⁾	2,328,686	14,099,490	20,164,106	61,010,558	3,334,108		101,597,011
Investment in subsidiaries	2,020,000	-	20,104,100	-	5,554,100	2,790,000	2,790,000
Other assets	_	_	_	_	_	45,321,376	45,321,376
Total assets	147,972,820	96,758,909	47,737,732	114,179,698	11,273,947		
Deposits due to financial inst		<u> </u>					
parent company and fellow							
subsidiaries	457,011,637	6,304,534	6,117,317	70,695	_	-	469,504,183
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	_	24,436,676	
Stockholders' equity	_	-	-	-	_	76.221.316	76,221,316
Total liabilities and							
stockholders' equity	457,011,638	6,304,534	6,117,317	70,695		100,657,992	570,162,175
Total interest rate &							
	(309,038,817)						
- Cumulative gap	(<u>309,038,817</u>)	(<u>218,584,442</u>)	(<u>176,964,027</u>	<u>/</u>)(<u>62,855,02</u> 4	1)(<u>51,581,07</u>	<u> </u>	

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

- (i) Interest rate risk (continued)
 - (1) This represents those financial instruments whose interest rates change concurrently with a change in the underlying interest rate basis, for example, base rate loans. This includes impaired loans.
 - (2) This includes financial instruments such as equity investments

Average effective yields by the earlier of the contractual repricing and maturity dates:

			The Grou	р		
	Immediately	Within 3	2024 3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Weighted
	rate sensitive	months	months	years	5 years	<u>Average</u>
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Assets						
Cash resources Securities purchased under	0.26	3.89	-	4.87	-	1.87
resale agreement	-	-	4.50	-	-	4.50
Pledged assets Financial assets at fair value	-	6.50	-	-	-	6.43
through profit or loss	-	6.50	-	-	-	6.43
Loans ⁽¹⁾	9.60	8.19	8.28	11.80	7.73	9.78
Investment securities(2)	-	8.88	6.16	5.85	6.98	5.99
LIABILITIES						
Deposits ⁽³⁾	0.12	2.46	0.86	1.16	-	0.18
Securities sold under repurchase agreement						
Insurance contract liabilities	<u>2.22</u>	<u>2.29</u>	<u>2.35</u>	_=		<u>2.51</u>
			2023			
	Immediately	Within 3	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Weighted
	rate sensitive	<u>months</u>	<u>months</u>	<u>years</u>	5 years	<u>Average</u>
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Assets	0.70	0.00	0.00			0.05
Cash resources	3.70	6.32	8.29	- 4.50	-	2.85
Pledged assets Securities purchased under	-	5.27	4.50	4.50	-	4.73
resale agreements	-	-	10.22	-	-	8.72
Financial assets at fair value	-	7.40	-	-	-	7.32
through profit or loss	9.99	9.55	9.27	11.06	7.74	9.62
Loans(1)	3.35	6.60	6.40	6.78	5.79	6.43
Investment securities(2)	-	-	-	-	-	-
LIABILITIES						
Deposits ⁽³⁾	0.12	0.59	1.00	1.28	-	0.14
Insurance contract liabilities	<u>2.22</u>	<u>2.30</u>	==	=	-	<u>2.30</u>

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(i) Interest rate risk (continued)

			The Bar	nk		
			2024			
	Immediately	Within 3	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Weighted
	rate sensitive	<u>months</u>	<u>months</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>5 years</u>	<u>average</u>
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Assets						
Cash resources Securities purchased under	0.32	4.63	-	4.87	-	1.91
resale agreement	-	-	4.50	-	-	4.34
Pledged assets Financial assets at fair value	-	6.50	-	-	-	6.43
through profit or loss	-	6.50	-	-	-	6.43
Loans (1)	9.72	8.48	8.58	11.80	7.73	9.94
Investment securities (2)	-	8.94	5.53	5.49	7.32	5.61
LIABILITIES						
Deposits (3)	<u>0.11</u>	2.58	<u>0.74</u>	0.28		<u>0.17</u>
			2023			
	Immediately	Within 3	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over	Weighted
	rate sensitive	<u>months</u>	months months	<u>years</u>	5 years	average
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Assets						
Cash resources	7.13	6.03	-	-	-	2.56
Pledged assets	-	7.40	-	-	-	7.32
Securities purchased under						
resale agreements	-	5.27	4.50	4.50	-	4.72
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	_	_	8.35	_		8.18
Loans (1)	10.21	9.40	9.24	11.06	7.44	9.73
Investment securities (2)	3.35	6.54	6.52	6.49	7.40	6.42
LIADILITIES						
LIABILITIES Deposits (3)	<u>0.11</u>	0.46	0.96	0.63		0.13
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- (1) Yields are based on book values and contractual interest rates.
- (2) Yields are based on book values and contractual interest adjusted for amortisation of premiums and discounts. Yields on tax-exempt investments have not been computed on a taxable equivalent basis.
- (3) Yields are based on contractual interest rates.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(i) Interest rate risk (continued)

Sensitivity to interest rate movements

The following shows the sensitivity to interest rate movements using scenarios that are based on recently observed market movements. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign exchange rates, remain constant. The analyses is performed on the same basis as 2023.

		2024	20	23	
JMD Interest rates USD Interest rates	Increase/decre Increase/decre		Increase/decrease by 450 bps Increase/decrease by 150 bps		
	<u>The</u>	e Group 2023	<u>The</u> 2024	Bank <u>2023</u>	
Effect on profit Effect on stockholders	5,908,437	7,893,480	4,883,607	6,508,253	
equity	16,569,244	19,070,018	17,040,652	19,972,349	

The table below analyses the Group's sensitivity to a 0.5% parallel increase or decrease in market interest rates at the reporting date, assuming that all other variables remain constant, is presented below:

	20	24	2023	
	Profit a	Profit and loss Increase Decrease		d loss
	Increase			Increase Decrease
Insurance and reinsurance held contracts	(7.389)	7.369	(5.449)	5.731

(ii) Currency risk

The Group takes on exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing foreign currency exchange rates on its financial position and cash flows. The Board sets limits on the level of exposure by currency and in total for both overnight and intra-day positions, which are monitored daily. The main currencies giving rise to this risk are the USD, CAD, GBP and EUR. The Group ensures that the net exposure is kept to an acceptable level by matching foreign assets with liabilities as far as possible.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Currency risk (continued)

The tables below summarise the exposure to relevant currencies:

-	The Group							
_			202	24				
JMD Equivalent							_	
A4-	<u>JMD</u>	<u>USD</u>	CAD	<u>GBP</u>	<u>EUR</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
Assets Cash Resources	52,612,302	87,312,483	3,042,400	4,844,231	918,818	287,624	149,017,858	
Pledged Assets	2,691,235	-	-	-	-	-	2,691,235	
Loans	279,417,852	33,333,707	11	48	-	-	312,751,618	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	346.214	_	_	_	_	_	346.214	
Segregated fund asset	1,768,210	-	-	-	-	-	1,768,210	
Investment securities	119,973,104	51,026,395	2,276,831	1,991,366	-	-	175,267,696	
Segregated fund investment contract liabilities	2,179,532	_	_	_	_	_	2,179,532	
Reinsurance held contract as		-	-	-	-	-	701	
Insurance contract assets	20,488	-	-	-	-	-	20,488	
Other assets	<u>38,182,652</u>	<u>748,935</u>	(84)	(69)			<u>38,931,434</u>	
	497,192,290	172,421,520	<u>5,319,158</u>	<u>6,835,576</u>	<u>918,818</u>	<u>287,624</u>	682,974,986	
Liabilities								
Deposits, due to financial								
institutions, parent and fellow subsidiaries	302,323,226	175,581,690	5,202,738	6,692,870	911,850	1,768	490,714,142	
Other liabilities	21,852,118	2,172,000	100,997	57,897	(7,941)	14,737	24,189,808	
Segregated fund liabilities	1,768,210	-	-	-	-	-	1,768,210	
Reinsurance held contract liabilities	1,251	_	_	_	_	_	1,251	
Insurance contract liabilities	50,166,509						50,166,509	
	376,111,314	177,753,690	5,303,735	6,750,767	903,909	16,505	566,839,920	
Net position	121,080,976	(5.332.170)	15.423	84.809	14.909	271.119	116,135,066	
		/						
JMD Equivalent				2023				
OND Equivalent	<u>JMD</u>	USD	CAD	<u>GBP</u>	<u>EUR</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	TOTAL	
Asset								
Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL	86,804,376 2,251,833	70,463,450	3,519,983	5,492,007	483,497	204,938	166,968,251 2,251,833	
Pledged assets	2,462,917	_	_	-	-	-	2,462,917	
Loans	237,537,582	31,267,995	-	1	-	-	268,805,578	
Segregated fund asset Investments securities	1,290,656 86,260,405	61,290,663	1,656,696	-	-	-	1,290,656 149,207,764	
Government securities	00,200,400	01,230,003	1,000,000	_	-	_	149,207,704	
under repurchase agreemen		3,577,341	-	-	-	-	3,907,416	
Reinsurance held contract as Insurance contract assets	ssets 1,356 14,469	-	-	-	-	-	1,356 14.469	
Other assets	47,832,580	796,698	-	-	-	-	48,629,278	
	464,786,149	167,396,147	5,176,679	5.492.008	483,497	204.938	643,539,518	
Liabilities	10 111 00,1 10	101,000,111	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	100,101		<u> </u>	
Deposits	283,011,288	167,812,515	5,140,202	5,262,593	698,143	1,527	461,926,268	
Other liabilities	22,837,903	1,800,621	70,533	4,548	13,779	15,010	24,742,394	
Segregated fund investment	1 200 656						1 200 656	
contract liabilities Reinsurance held contract	1,290,656	-	-	-	-	-	1,290,656	
liabilities	2,128	-	-	-	-	-	2,128	
Insurance contract								
	40 450 200						10 150 200	
liabilities	49,450,309	-					49,450,309	
	356,592,284	<u>-</u> 169,613,136	<u>-</u> <u>5,210,735</u>	<u>-</u> 5,267,141	<u>-</u> <u>711,922</u>	16,537	537,411,755	
Net position		<u>-</u> <u>169,613,136</u> (<u>2,216,989</u>)	<u>-</u> <u>5,210,735</u> (<u>34,056</u>)		<u>-</u> <u>711,922</u> (<u>228,425</u>)	16,537 188,401		

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Currency risk (continued)

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JMD Equivalent	JMD	USD	CAD	GBP	EUR	OTHER	TOTAL		
Assets	<u></u> -								
Cash resources Pledged assets	47,050,902 2,691,235	87,311,770 -	3,042,400	4,843,611 -	918,818 -	287,623 -	3 143,455,124 2,691,235		
Loans Investment in subsidiaries	265,265,537 2,790,000	33,333,707 -	- -	48 -	-	-	298,599,303 2,790,000		
Investment in securities Government securities ur	67,254,039 ider	51,026,395	2,276,831	1,991,366	-	-	122,548,631		
repurchase agreement Other assets	2,179,532 35,456,371	- 748,935	(84)	- (<u>69</u>)	<u>-</u>		2,179,532 36,205,152		
	422,687,615	<u>172,420,807</u>	<u>5,319,158</u>	6,834,956	<u>918,818</u>	287,623	<u>608,468,977</u>		
Liabilities Deposits, due to financial institutions, parent and									
fellow subsidiaries Other Liabilities	313,739,807 21,528,083		5,202,738 	6,692,249 <u>57,897</u>	911,850 (<u>7,941</u>)		3 502,129,333 7 23,864,755		
	335,267,890	<u>177,751,903</u>	<u>5,303,735</u>	6,750,146	903,909	16,50	525,994,088		
Net position	87,419,725	(<u>5,331,096</u>)	<u>15,423</u>	84,810	_14,909	<u>271,118</u>	82,474,889		
	2022								
<u>-</u>			20)23					
JMD Equivalent	IMD	HeD			ELID	OTHER	TOTAL		
Assets	JMD	USD	CAD	<u>GBP</u>	EUR	<u>OTHER</u>	TOTAL		
•	JMD 80,343,102 580,150	<u> </u>			EUR 483,497		<u>TOTAL</u> 160,505,694 580,150		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917	70,462,735 - -	CAD	<u>GBP</u>			160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL	80,343,102 580,150	70,462,735 - - 31,267,995	CAD	<u>GBP</u>			160,505,694 580,150		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets Loans Investment securities Investment in subsidiaries	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917 221,729,616	70,462,735 - - 31,267,995	CAD 3,519,983 - - -	<u>GBP</u>			160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917 252,997,611		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets Loans Investment securities	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917 221,729,616 38,649,652 2,790,000	70,462,735 - 31,267,995 61,290,663 - 3,577,341	CAD 3,519,983 - - -	<u>GBP</u>			160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917 252,997,611 101,597,011		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets Loans Investment securities Investment in subsidiaries Government securities under repurchase agreemen Other assets	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917 221,729,616 38,649,652 2,790,000 at 330,075 44,524,720	70,462,735 - 31,267,995 61,290,663 - 3,577,341	CAD 3,519,983 - - -	<u>GBP</u>		204,938	160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917 252,997,611 101,597,011 2,790,000 3,907,416		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets Loans Investment securities Investment in subsidiaries Government securities under repurchase agreement	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917 221,729,616 38,649,652 2,790,000 at 330,075 44,524,720	70,462,735 - 31,267,995 61,290,663 - 3,577,341 796,656	CAD 3,519,983 1,656,696	GBP 5,491,439 - - - - - - -	483,497	204,938	160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917 252,997,611 101,597,011 2,790,000 3,907,416 45,321,376		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets Loans Investment securities Investment in subsidiaries Government securities under repurchase agreemen Other assets Liabilities Deposits, due to financial	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917 221,729,616 38,649,652 2,790,000 at 330,075 44,524,720	70,462,735 - 31,267,995 61,290,663 - 3,577,341 796,656 167,395,390	CAD 3,519,983 1,656,696	GBP 5,491,439 - - - - - - -	483,497	204,938	160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917 252,997,611 101,597,011 2,790,000 3,907,416 45,321,376		
Assets Cash resources Financial assets at FVPL Pledged assets Loans Investment securities Investment in subsidiaries Government securities under repurchase agreemen Other assets Liabilities Deposits, due to financial institutions, parent and fellow subsidiaries	80,343,102 580,150 2,462,917 221,729,616 38,649,652 2,790,000 at 330,075 44,524,720 391,410,232	70,462,735 - 31,267,995 61,290,663 - 3,577,341 796,656 167,395,390 167,812,805 1,798,341	CAD 3,519,983 1,656,696 5,176,679	GBP 5,491,439 5,491,439 5,262,024	483,497 - - - - - - - 483,497 698,143	204,938 - - - - - - - 204,938	160,505,694 580,150 2,462,917 252,997,611 101,597,011 2,790,000 3,907,416 45,321,376 570,162,175		

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Currency risk (continued)

The tables below summarise exposure to relevant currencies (continued):

The following significant exchange rates were applied during the year:

	Average rate	Average rate for the period		te spot rate
	2024	<u>2023</u>	2024	2023
USD	155.9591	153.4719	158.1163	155.2457
CAD	115.0212	113.1964	115.8545	112.3081
GBP	198.0970	188.0098	203.2752	186.2668
EUR	<u>169.2544</u>	<u>164.8968</u>	<u>170.7621</u>	<u>163.6405</u>

Sensitivity to foreign exchange rate movements

A weakening of the JMD against the currencies indicated at October 31 would have increased/(decreased) equity and profit by the amounts shown below. This analysis is performed on the same basis as 2023. The strengthening of the JMD against the same currencies at October 31 would have had an equal but opposite effect on the amounts shown, on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

	2024		2023			
	Increase/dec	rease	Increase/ded	crease		
USD	by1.66%)	by 2.1	3%		
CAD	by 6.07%	6	by 8.6	88%		
GBP	by 6.94%	6	by 11.91%			
EUR	by 6.38%	<u>′o</u>	<u>by 10.1</u>	<u>6%</u>		
	The Gro	oup	The	Bank		
	<u>2024</u>	2023	2024	2023		
Effect on profit and stockholders' equity	(<u>39,715</u>)	(<u>33,397</u>)	(39,582)	(<u>33,200</u>)		

(iii) Equity price risk

Equity price risk arises out of price fluctuations in equity prices. The risk arises from holding positions in either individual stocks (idiosyncratic risk) or in the market as a whole (systemic risk). The goal is to earn dividend income and realise capital gains sufficient to offset the interest foregone in holding such long-term positions.

The Board sets limits on the level of exposure, and diversification is a key strategy employed to reduce the impact on the portfolio which may result from the non-performance of a specific class of assets. Given the potential volatility in the value of equities and the non-interest bearing characteristic of these instruments, the Group limits the amount invested in them.

The following shows the sensitivity of the unitised funds based on the 3-month price volatility of the Funds' published net asset value/share over a 5-year period within a confidence interval of 99% using historical simulation.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(c) Market risk (continued)

(iii) Equity price risk (continued)

Equity price risk (continued)	<u>2024</u>	The Group 2023
Fund value	2,479,568	2,288,525
Effect on profit and stockholders' equity	(<u>56,657</u>)	(<u>50,433</u>)

The table below analyses the Group's sensitivity to a 5% increase or decrease in equity prices at the reporting date, assuming that all other variables remain constant, is presented below.

	2024	2023
	Profit and loss	Profit and loss
	Increase Decrease	e Increase Decrease
Insurance and reinsurance held contracts	<u>12,836</u> (<u>12,836</u>	<u>14,230</u> (<u>14,230</u>)

(d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group is unable to meet its obligations when they fall due as a result of customer deposits being withdrawn, cash requirements from contractual commitments, or other cash outflows. The Group is exposed to daily calls on its available cash resources from overnight and maturing deposits, loan drawdowns and guarantees. The Group does not maintain cash resources to meet all of these needs, as experience shows that a minimum level of reinvestment of maturing funds can be predicted with a high level of certainty. The Group maintains large holdings of unencumbered liquid assets to support its operations. These assets generally can also be sold or pledged to meet the Group's obligations.

The Group's liquidity management process includes:

- (i) Monitoring future cash flows and liquidity on a daily basis;
- (ii) Maintaining a portfolio of highly marketable assets that can be liquidated quickly as protection against any unforeseen interruption of cash flow;
- (iii) Monitoring the liquidity ratios of the Group against internal and regulatory requirements;
- (iv) Managing the concentration and profile of debt maturities, as well as undrawn lending commitments; and
- (v) Liquidity stress testing and contingency planning.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (continued)

The matching and controlled mismatching of the maturities and interest rates of assets and liabilities is fundamental to the management of the Group's business. It is unusual for companies to be completely matched, as transacted business is often of uncertain term and of different types. An unmatched position potentially enhances profitability but can also increase the risk of loss. Based on historical trend, there is no expectation that the deposits by the public will be withdrawn or repaid by the Bank within 3 months. These deposits are from a diverse set of clients.

The maturities of assets and liabilities and the ability to replace, at an acceptable cost, interest-bearing liabilities as they mature, are important factors in assessing the liquidity of the Group and its exposure to changes in interest rates and exchange rates. Assets available to meet all of the liabilities and to cover outstanding loan commitments include cash and central bank balances, government and corporate bonds, treasury bills, and loans.

Liquidity requirements to support calls under guarantees and standby letters of credit are considerably less than the amount of the commitment because the Group does not generally expect all third parties to draw funds under the agreements. The total outstanding contractual amount of commitments to extend credit does not necessarily represent future cash requirements, as many of these commitments will expire or terminate without being funded.

(i) Financial liabilities cash flows

The tables below present the undiscounted cash flows (both interest and principal cash flows) to settle financial liabilities, based on contractual repayment obligations. However, the Group expects that many policyholders/depositors/customers will not request repayment on the earliest date the Group could be required to pay.

_				The Group			
				2024			
Financial liabilities	Within 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 5 <u>years</u>	Over 5 <u>years</u>	No specific maturity	<u>Total</u>	Carrying <u>amount</u>
Deposits by the public, due to financial institutions, parent company and fellow subsidiaries Securities sold under repurchase agreement	482,874,545	7,595,359	572,111	-	-	491,042,015	490,714,142
Cheques and other							
instruments in transit	2,099,970	-	-	-	-	2,099,970	2,099,970
Insurance contract liabilities	47,040,429	6,122,408	-	-	-	53,162,837	50,166,509
Reinsurance contract liabilities	-	=	-	-	1,251	1,251	1,251
Segregated fund investment contract liabilities Guarantees and letters of credit	- 9,627,710	- _5,055,981	- 144,76 <u>6</u>	- 207,846	1,768,210	1,768,210 15,036,303	1,768,210
Total liabilities	541,642,654	18,773,748	716,877	207,846	1,769,461	563,110,586	544,750,082

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (continued)

(i) Financial liabilities cash flows (continued)

				The Grou	цр		
				2023			
	Within	3 to 12	1 to 5	Over 5			Carrying
	3 months	<u>months</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>years</u>	<u>maturity</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>amount</u>
Financial liabilities Deposits by the public, due to financial institutions, parent							
company and fellow subsidiaries Cheques and other instruments	454,133,451	7,212,008	600,090	-	-	461,945,5	49 461,926,268
in transit	1,965,962	_	_	_	_	1,965,9	62 1,965,962
Insurance contract liabilities	48,102,912	6,373,138	-	-	-	54,476,0	
Reinsurance held contract liabilities Segregated fund investment	s -	-	-	-	2,128	2,1	28 2,128
contract liabilities Guarantees and letters of credit	- 7,141,635	<u>-</u> 5,020,634	- <u>132,216</u>	- 232,896	1,290,656 	1,290,6 <u>12,527,3</u>	
	<u>511,343,960</u>	18,605,780	<u>732,306</u>	232,896	1,292,784	532,207,7	<u>26</u> <u>514,635,323</u>
			TI	ne Bank			
	Within	3 to 12	4 4-	2024	Over E		Camaina
	3 months	months	1 to yea		Over 5 years	Total	Carrying amount
Financial liabilities	<u>o montrio</u>	montais	ycc	<u></u>	<u>years</u>	<u>10tar</u>	amount
Deposits, due to financial institutions, parent company and fellow subsidiaries	495,793,794	6,486,215	145	5,606	- :	502,425,615	502,129,334
Cheques and other instruments	, , .	-,,		,			, ,
in transit Guarantees and letters of credit	2,315,623 9,627,710	- 5,055,981	144	- .746	- 207,846	2,315,623 15,036,303	2,315,623
Total Liabilities	507,737,127	11,542,196	290	,372		519,777,541	504,444,957
			TI	ne Bank			
	Within	3 to 12	1 to	2023	Over 5		Carrying
	3 months	months	<u>yea</u>		<u>years</u>	<u>Total</u>	amount
Financial liabilities							
Deposits, due to financial institutions, parent company and fellow subsidiaries Cheques and other instruments	463,323,058	6,129,567	70,	840	-	469,523,465	469,504,183
in transit Guarantees and letters of credi	2,031,083	<u>-</u> 5,020,634	<u>132,</u>	- <u>216</u>	- 232,896	2,031,083 12,527,381	2,031,083
	472,495,776	<u>11,150,201</u>	<u>203,</u>	056	<u>232,896</u>	484,081,929	<u>471,535,266</u>

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (continued)

(ii) Maturity PV cash

The following table provides a maturity analysis of the Group's insurance and reinsurance held contracts which reflects the dates on which the cash flows are expected to occur.

Liabilities for remaining coverage measured under the PAA have been excluded from this analysis

				2024			
			Estimate of p	resent value	of future cash		
	1					More	
	year or	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	than 5	
	less	<u>vears</u>	<u>vears</u>	<u>vears</u>	<u>years</u>	years	<u>Total</u>
Insurance contracts							
Liabilities- direct participating	46,432	35,219	26,822	19,658	13,660	789,415	931,206
Liabilities- other	2,747,395	2,374,201	2,137,956	1,910,324	1,764,897	31,993,704	42,928,477
Assets	(13,215)	(8,780)	(5,761)	(4,026)	(3,039)	(36,061)	(70,882)
	2,780,612	2,400,640	2,159,017	1,925,956	1,775,518	32,747,058	43,788,801
Reinsurance held contracts	2,700,012	2,400,040	2,109,017	1,925,950	1,773,310	32,747,030	45,700,001
Assets	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Liabilities	(115)	(87)	(66)	(49)	(34)	(1,956)	(2,307)
Liabilitios	,		·	,,	,,	,	,
	(<u>115</u>)	(<u>87</u>)	(<u>66</u>)	(<u>49</u>)	(34)(<u>1,956</u>)	(2,307)
				2023			
			Estimate of p	resent value	of future cash	n flows	
	1					More	
	year or	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	than 5	
	less	<u>vears</u>	<u>vears</u>	<u>vears</u>	<u>years</u>	years	<u>Total</u>
Insurance contracts							
Liabilities – direct participating	80,164	65,099	53,608	45,721	39,370	546,792	830,754
Liabilities – other	4,253,698	3,666,602	3,055,601	2,635,856	2,303,267	27,677,285	43,592,309
Assets	(<u>9,341</u>)	(<u>6,141</u>)	(<u>4,014</u>)	(<u>2,709</u>)	(1,983) (<u>22,128</u>)	(<u>46,316</u>)
	4,324,521	3,725,560	3,105,195	2,678,868	2,340,654	28,201,949	44,376,747
Reinsurance held contracts			<u> </u>				
Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities	(<u>133</u>)	(108)	(<u>89</u>)	(<u>76</u>)	(65) (<u>899</u>)	(1,370)
	(<u>133</u>)	(108)	(<u>89</u>)	(76)	(65)	(899)	(1,370

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued

Classification

Contracts under which the Group accepts significant insurance risk are classified as insurance contracts. Contracts held by the Group under which it transfers significant insurance risk related to underlying insurance contracts are classified as reinsurance held contracts. Insurance and reinsurance held contracts also expose the Group to financial risk. The Group does not accept insurance risk from other insurers.

Insurance contracts are classified as direct participating contracts or contracts without direct participation features.

Annuities are immediate payouts of fixed and variable amounts for a guaranteed period and recognised on the date that they originate. Benefits are recognised as liabilities until the end of the guarantee period. These liabilities are increased by interest credited and are decreased by policy administration fees, period payment charges and any withdrawals. Income consists mainly of fees deducted for fund administration and interest credited is treated as an expense in profit or loss. The annuity fund is included as a part of insurance contract liabilities [note 38(a)].

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

Recognition and measurement

The Group measures a group of insurance contracts as the total of the fulfilment cashflows, which comprise estimates of future cash flows, adjusted to reflect the time value of money and the associated financial risks, and a risk adjustment for non-financial risk and the contractual service margins.

Direct participating contracts are contracts under which the Group's obligation to the policyholder is the net of the obligation to pay the policyholder an amount equal to the fair value of the underlying items; and a variable fee for the future services provided under the insurance contracts.

Claims

Death and disability claims, net of reinsurance recoveries, are recorded in profit or loss.

Reinsurance held contracts

The Group enters into contracts with reinsurers under which it is compensated for losses on contracts it issues and which meet the classification requirements for insurance contracts. Reinsurance does not relieve the Group of its liability and reinsurance recoveries are recorded when collection is reasonably assured.

The following table sets out the key risks and risks mitigation for the Group's insurance and reinsurance held contracts.

Portfolio	Product	Kev risk	Risk Mitigation
Individual life	Life Shelter Lifetime Security Solace	- Mortality risk - Interest rate risk	Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Individual Health	Criticare	Morbidity riskMortality riskInterest rate risk	Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Group Creditor Combined Revolving	Visa MasterCard Small Business MasterCard Scotia Line	- Morbidity risk - Mortality risk	Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Group Creditor Combined Single	Mortgage Scotia Plan Loan	Morbidity riskMortality risk	Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Group Creditor Combined Level	Mortgage Scotia Plan Loan	- Morbidity risk - Mortality risk	Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Individual Universal Life	Affirm Elevate	Mortality riskMarket riskInterest rate risk	Reinsurance of excess amounts Surrender charges Investing in investment-grade assets
Individual Life Savings & Wealth	Scotia Mint	- Mortality risk - Surrender charges	- Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Individual Annuity	Scotia Retirement Fund (RIF)	-Longevity risk	- Matching of asset and liability cash flows
Reinsurance held Contract	Affirm	- Mortality risk	- Matching of asset and liability cash flows

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

Underwriting risk

Underwriting risk comprises insurance risk, policyholder behaviour risk and expense risk.

(i) Insurance risk

The Group issues long term contracts that transfer insurance risk. The risk under any one insurance contract is the possibility that the insured event occurs and the uncertainty of the amount of the resulting claim. By the very nature of an insurance contract, this risk is random and therefore unpredictable.

For a portfolio of insurance contracts where the theory of probability is applied to pricing and provisioning, the principal risk that the company faces under its insurance contracts is that the actual claims and benefit payments exceed the carrying amount of the insurance liabilities. This could occur because the frequency or severity of claims and benefits is greater than estimated. Insurance events are random and the actual number and amount of claims and benefits will vary from year to year from the estimate established using statistical techniques.

Experience shows that the larger the portfolio of similar insurance contracts, the smaller the relative variability about the expected outcome will be. In addition, a more diversified portfolio is less likely to be affected by a change in any subset of the portfolio.

Long-term contracts are typically for a minimum period of 5 years and a maximum period which is determined by the coverage period for the contract, typically extending over the life expectancy of the insured. In addition to the estimated benefits which may be payable under the contract, the insurer has to assess the cash flows which may be attributable to the contract.

Frequency and severity of claims

For contracts where death is the insured risk, the most significant factors that could increase the overall frequency and severity of claims are events such as epidemics and other wide-ranging changes to health including lifestyle changes. Depending on concentration risk, natural disasters could also result in earlier or more claims than expected.

The Group charges for mortality risks on a monthly basis for insurance contracts and has the right to alter these charges to a certain extent based on mortality experience and hence minimize its exposure to mortality risk. Delays in implementing increases in charges and market or regulatory restraints over the extent of the increases may reduce this mitigating effect.

The tables below indicate the concentration of insured benefits across bands of insured benefits per individual and group life assured. The benefits insured are shown gross and net of reinsurance.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

(i) Insurance risk (Continued)

	The Group							
	Total Benefits Assured							
	2024		20)23				
Individual Life	Before		Before					
Benefits assured per life	Reinsurance	%	<u>Reinsurance</u>	%				
0 to 250,000	3,363,934	3%	3,586,913	5%				
250,001 to 500,000	3,070,814	3%	3,103,649	4%				
500,001 to 750,000	7,224,447	8%	6,968,181	9%				
750,001 to 1,000,000	3,409,024	4%	3,545,397	5%				
1,000,001 to 1,500,000	13,810,133	14%	13,217,342	17%				
1,500,001 to 2,000,000	8,294,948	9%	8,071,187	11%				
over 2,000,000	<u>56,991,870</u>	<u>59%</u>	<u>37,687,185</u>	49%				
Total	96,165,170	<u>100%</u>	76,179,854	<u>100%</u>				

	The Group							
	Total Benefits Assured							
		2024		2023				
Group benefits	Before		Before					
assured per Life	<u>Reinsuranc</u> e	%	Reinsurance	%				
0 to 250,000	12,919,133	12%	25,487,881	22%				
250,001 to 500,000	6,900,257	6%	7,518,411	6%				
500,001 to 750,000	10,154,577	9%	9,827,067	8%				
750,001 to 1,000,000	8,490,031	8%	9,073,702	8%				
1,000,001 to 1,500,000	14,123,205	13%	15,108,311	13%				
1,500,001 to 2,000,000	11,395,835	11%	12,817,707	11%				
over 2,000,000	43,867,683	41%	36,946,392	32%				
Total	<u>107,850,721</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>116,779,471</u>	<u>100%</u>				

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

Sources of uncertainty in the estimation of future benefit payments and premiums

Uncertainty in the estimation of future benefit payments and premium receipts for long term insurance contracts arises from the unpredictability of long-term changes in overall levels of mortality and variability in policyholder behaviour.

Estimates are made of the expected number of deaths for each of the years in which the Group is exposed to risk. The Group bases these estimates on standard industry and international mortality tables that reflect recent historical mortality experience, adjusted where appropriate to reflect the Group's own experience.

Process used in deriving non-financial assumptions

For long-term contracts with fixed and guaranteed terms, estimates are made in two stages. Estimates of future deaths, voluntary terminations and partial withdrawal of policy funds, investment returns, crediting rates, inflation and administration expenses are made and form the assumptions used for calculating the liabilities at the inception of the contract. A margin for risk and uncertainty is added to these assumptions.

New estimates are made each year based on updated experience studies and economic forecasts. The valuation assumptions are altered to reflect these revised best estimates. The margins for risk and uncertainty may also be altered if the underlying level of uncertainty in the updated assumptions has changed. The financial impact of revisions to the valuation assumption or the related margins is recognised in the accounting period in which the change is made.

(ii) Policyholder behaviour risk

Policyholder behaviour risk is the risk that a policyholders will cancel a contract (i.e. lapse or persistency risk), increase or reduce premiums or withdraw deposits leading to an unfavourable position for the insurance company. Insurance risk for contracts disclosed in this note is also affected by the policyholders' right to pay reduced or no future premiums and to terminate the contract completely. As a result, the amount of insurance risk is also subject to the policyholders' behaviour. The Group has factored the impact of policyholders' behaviour into the assumptions used to measure the liabilities.

Management of underwriting risk

The Group has developed its insurance underwriting strategy and reinsurance arrangements to diversify the type of insurance risks accepted. For each type of risk, the objective is to achieve a sufficiently large population of risks to reduce the variability of the expected outcome. This is supported by policy underwriting and by applying retention limits on any single life insured.

Life risk and life savings contracts

A key aspect of the underwriting process for life risk and life savings products is assessment of insurance risks at the individual contract level. Pricing reflects the Group's own experience, the identification of emerging trends in insurance risk factors and assessment of policyholders' lifestyles.

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

To limit its exposure of potential loss on an insurance policy, the Group cedes certain levels of risk to a reinsurer. Reinsurance ceded does not discharge the Group's liability as primary issuer. The company also limits the probable loss in the event of a single catastrophic occurrence by reinsuring this type of risk with reinsurers. The Group manages reinsurance risk by selecting reinsurers which have established capability to meet their contractual obligations, and which generally have favourable credit ratings as determined by a reputable rating agency.

Policyholder behaviour risk is also considered when designing products – e.g. by means of additional charges on the early surrender of contracts in order to recover acquisition costs. Persistency is monitored using observed company experience.

Expense risk is managed through the annual budgeting process and regular expense analyses.

(iii) Sensitivity analysis

The table below analyses the sensitivity of the CSM, profit or loss and equity to changes in valuation assumptions. This analysis assumes that all other assumptions remain constant.

			2024			
	CSI	М	Profit an	d loss_	Eq	uity
Insurance contracts without Direct participation features	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net
Mortality						
(3% increase)	(22,001)	(22,001)	10	10	(18,490)	(18,490)
Mortality						
(3% decrease)	22,078	22,078	(166)	(166)	18,887	18,887
Morbidity						
(5% increase)	(8,163)	(8,163)	1,961	1,961	(5,404)	(5,404)
Morbidity						
(5% decrease)	8,160	8,160	(1,682)	(1,682)	5,490	5,490
Expense						
(10% increase)	(30,678)	(30,678)	(37,903)	(37,903)	(44,752)	(44,752)
Expense						
(10% decrease)	30,866	30,866	39,158	39,158	44,467	44,467
Lapse						
(10% increase)	(409,901)	(409,901)	(36,227)	(36,227)	(64,626)	(64,626)
Lapse						
(10% decrease)	411,194	411,194	32,620	32,620	72,074	72,074
Insurance contracts without direct participation features						
Mortality	(0.700)	(0.574)	(4 007)	(4.000)		00
(3% increase)	(2,700)	(2,571)	(4,697)	(4,890)	-	90
Mortality	0.700	0.570	4.740	4.074		(50)
(3% decrease) Morbidity	2,709	2,573	4,749	4,871	-	(52)
(5% increase)	(353)	(357)	(3,624)	(3,622)		8
Morbidity	(353)	(357)	(3,024)	(3,622)	-	0
(5% decrease)	351	354	3,548	3,549		(2)
Expense	331	334	3,340	3,349	-	(2)
(10% increase)	(20,003)	(20,011)	(19,749)	(19,742)		(1)
Expense	(20,003)	(20,011)	(19,749)	(19,742)	-	(1)
(10% decrease)	20,005	20,012	19,563	19,557		(3)
Lapse	20,003	20,012	19,503	18,557	-	(3)
(10% increase)	(12,664)	(12,700)	(26,474)	(26,542)	_	90
Lap		(12,700)	(20,714)	(20,042)	_	30
(10% decrease)	13,758	13,800	25,417	25,452	_	(96)
(1070 40010400)	10,730	10,000	20,717	20,402	_	(30)

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

(iii) Sensitivity analysis (continued)

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	CS	SM	Profit	and loss	E	quity
Insurance contracts without Direct participation features	Gross	Net	Gross	<u>Net</u>	Gross	Net
Mortality		,	, ,,,,,,,,,			
(3% increase) Mortality	(39,076)	(39,076)	(10,299)	(10,299)	4,302	4,302
(3% decrease)	39,033	39,033	10,437	10,437	(4,409)	(4,409)
Morbidity						
(5% increase)	(8,656)	(8,656)	(1,048)	(1,048)	(270)	(270)
Morbidity	0.004	0.004	707	707	000	000
(5% decrease)	8,921	8,921	797	797	296	296
Expense (40% in area and)	(EC 074)	(EC 074)	(24 522)	(24 522)	2 002	2 202
(10% increase)	(56,271)	(56,271)	(34,523)	(34,523)	2,892	2,892
Expense (10% decrease)	61,547	61,547	40,840	40,840	(2,904)	(2,904)
Lapse	01,547	01,547	40,040	40,040	(2,904)	(2,904)
(10% increase)	(840,377)	(840,377)	(116,589)	(116,589)	14,317	14,317
Lapse	(040,011)	(040,011)	(110,000)	(110,000)	14,017	14,017
(10% decrease)	848,465	848,465	112,208	112,208	(16,333)	(16,333)
Insurance contracts with direct participation features						
Mortality						
(3% increase)	(1,098)	(1,179)	(2,096)	(2,037)	-	-
Mortality						
(3% decrease)	1,099	1,191	2,645	2,674	-	-
Morbidity						
(5% increase)	(220)	(214)	(874)	(860)	=	-
Morbidity	0.4=	0.40	4 000	4 000		
(5% decrease)	217	212	1,392	1,386	-	-
Expense (400% in arrange)	(4.400)	(4.426)	(20 004)	(20 040)		
(10% increase)	(4,480)	(4,436)	(29,064)	(29,019)	-	-
Expense (10% decrease)	4,520	4,446	29,468	29,407		
Lapse	4,320	4,440	29,400	29,407	=	-
(10% increase)	(7,558)	(7,456)	(60,788)	(60,655)	_	_
(1070 morodoo)	(1,000)	Lapse	(00,700)	(00,000)		
(10% decrease)	8,005	7,852	66,519	66,409	-	-
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Changes in underwriting risk variables mainly affect the CSM, profit or loss and equity as follows. The effects on profit or loss and equity are presented net of the related income tax.

a) CSM:

- Changes in fulfilment cash flows not relating to any loss components, other than those recognised as insurance finance income or expenses.

b) **Profit or loss:**

- Changes in fulfilment cash flows relating to loss components.
- Changes in fulfilment cash flows that are recognised as insurance finance income or expenses in profit or loss.

c) Equity

- Changes in fulfilment cash flows that are recognised as insurance finance income or expenses in OCI.
- The effect on profit or loss under (b).

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47. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Key risks arising from insurance contracts issued (continued)

Reinsurance risk

Reinsurance risk is the risk that a reinsurer will default and not honour obligations arising from claims. To limit its exposure of potential loss on an insurance policy, the company cedes certain levels of risk to a reinsurer. Reinsurance ceded does not discharge the company's liability as primary issuer.

The Group also limited the probable loss in the event of a singly catastrophic occurrence by reinsuring this type of risk with reinsurers.

The Group manages reinsurance, risk by selecting reinsurers which have established capability to meet rating agency.

Retention limits represented the level of risk retained by the insurer. The retention programs used by the company are summarized below.

Type of insurance contract retention

Group creditor life contracts (Maximum retention of \$42,000 per year).

48. Fair value of financial instruments

Determination of fair value

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Group has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

The best evidence of fair value for a financial instrument is the quoted price in an active market. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. Where possible, the Group measures the fair value of an instrument based on quoted prices or observable inputs obtained from active markets.

For financial instruments for which there is no quoted price in an active market, the Group uses internal models that maximize the use of observable inputs to estimate fair value. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

When using models where observable parameters do not exist, the Group uses greater management judgement for valuation methodologies and model inputs.

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48. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

Fair value hierarchy

The Group measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements.

- Level 1 fair value measurement based on quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 fair measured based on all significant market observable inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices).
- Level 3 fair value measured based on significant unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred. There were no such transfers during the year.

Basis of valuation

The specific inputs and valuation techniques used in determining the fair value of financial instruments are noted below:

- (i) financial instruments classified as fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) are measured at fair value by reference to quoted market prices where available. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated on the basis of pricing models or other recognised valuation techniques, which include utilising recent transaction prices or broker quotes. Investments in unit trusts are measured at fair value by reference to prices quoted by the fund managers.
- (ii) financial instruments classified as fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair estimated by reference to quoted market prices where available. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated on the basis of pricing models or discounted cash flows. Fair value is equal to the carrying amount of these investments.
- (iii) the fair values of liquid assets and other assets maturing within one year are considered to approximate their carrying amount. This assumption is applied to liquid assets and the short-term elements of all other financial assets and liabilities. These instruments are classified at level 2.

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48. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

Basis of valuation (continued)

- (iv) the fair values of demand deposits and savings accounts with no specific maturity are considered to be the amount payable on demand at the reporting date; the fair values of fixed-term interest bearing deposits are based on discounted cash flows using interest rates for new deposits. These instruments are classified at level 2.
- (v) the fair values of variable rate financial instruments are considered to approximate their carrying amounts as they are frequently repriced to current market rates.
- (vi) the fair values of fixed rate loans are estimated by comparing actual interest rates on the loans to current market rates offered on similar loans. For match-funded loans the fair value is assumed to be equal to their carrying value, as gains and losses offset each other. Changes in the credit quality of loans within the portfolio are not taken into account in determining gross fair values, as the impact of credit risk is recognised separately by deducting the amount of the allowance for credit losses from both book and fair values. The fair values are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis with current market rates ranging from 7.08% - 9.42%.
- (vii) The fair values of quoted equity investments are based on quoted market bid prices. Equity securities for which fair values cannot be measured reliably are recognised at asset based values. Unquoted equities are carried at fair value through other comprehensive income. These securities are classified at level 3.
- (viii) The fair values of other liabilities due to be settled within one year are considered to approximate their carrying amount. These instruments are classified at level 3.

The following table sets out the carrying amounts and fair values of financial assets and liabilities of the Group and the Bank using the valuation methods and assumptions described above, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value disclosures do not include non-financial assets, such as property and equipment, goodwill and other intangible assets.

The table also excludes financial instruments not measured at fair value but for which carrying amounts are reasonable approximations of fair value.

				The	e Group			
				2	2024			
		Carrying a	amount			Fair value		
Financial assets measured at	Amortised cost	Fair value through OCI	Fair value through profit and loss	<u>Total</u>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	<u>Total</u>
fair value								
Unquoted shares	-	408,275	-	408,275	-	- 07 000 000	408,275	408,275
Government securities Bank of Jamaica securities	-	130,115,481 41,267,151	-	130,115,481 41,267,151	42,725,545	87,389,936 41,267,151	-	130,115,481 41,267,151
Treasury Bills	-	2,576,830	-	2,576,830	2,276,830	300,000	-	2,576,830
Corporate bonds Unitised funds	-	899,959	- 346,214	899,959 346,214	-	899,959 346,214	-	899,959
Officised futius		175,267,696	346,214	175,613,910	45,002,375	130,203,260	408,275	346,214 175,613,910
		170,207,000	040,214	170,010,010	40,002,010	100,200,200	400,210	170,010,010
Pledged assets measured at fair value:								
Government securities		2,691,235		2,691,235		2,691,235		2,691,235
		2,691,235		2,691,235		2,691,235		2,691,235
Financial assets not measured at fair value	i							
Loans and receivables	97,534,444			97,534,444			95,847,276	95,847,276
	97,534,444			97,534,444			95,847,276	95,847,276

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48. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

Accounting classifications and fair values

		The Group						
		Cornina	amount	2	023			
	Amortised cost	Carrying a Fair value through OCI	amount Fair value through profit and loss	Total	Level 1	Fair value	Level 3	Total
Financial assets measured a fair value						<u> </u>		<u></u>
Unquoted shares	-	5,105	-	5,105	-	-	5,105	5,105
Government securities	-	129,882,015	1,932,800	131,814,815	34,750,499	97,064,316	-	131,814,815
Bank of Jamaica securities Treasury bills	-	11,037,612 7,155,650	-	11,037,612	6,255,650	11,037,612 900,000	-	11,037,612 7,155,650
Corporate bonds	-	1,127,382	_	1,127,382	-	1,127,382	-	1,127,382
Unitised funds			319,033	319,033		319,033		319,033
		149,207,764	<u>2,251,833</u>	151,459,597	41,006,149	110,448,343	5,105	<u>151,459,597</u>
Pledged assets measured at fair value:								
Government securities		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917
		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917
Financial assets not measured at fair value								
Loans and receivables	89,927,699			89,927,699			<u>87,527,681</u>	87,527,681
	89,927,699			_89,927,699		<u> </u>	87,527,681	87,527,681
					Bank			
				2	024			
	-	Carrying				Fair va	alue	
	Amortised	Fair value through	Fair value through profit	ŀ				
	cost	<u>OCI</u>	and loss	<u>Total</u>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	<u>Total</u>
Unquoted shares	-	408,275	-	408,275	-	-	408,275	408,275
Government securities	-	82,752,809	-	82,752,809	42,725,545	40,027,264		82,752,809
Bank of Jamaica securities Treasury Bills	-	36,611,923	-	36,611,923	2.276.830	36,611,923	-	36,611,923
Corporate bonds	-	2,276,830 498,794	- -	2,276,830 498,794	2,270,030 -	498,794	- -	2,276,830 498,794
		122,548,631	- 1	22,548,631	45,002,375	77,137,981		122,548,631
Pledged assets measured at fair value:								
Government securities		2,691,235		2,691,235		2,691,235	<u> </u>	2,691,235
	-	2,691,235	-	2,691,235	-	2,691,235	i -	2,691,235
Financial assets not measure at fair value	83,324,062			83,324,062	-		81,636,894	81,636,894
Loans and receivables	83,324,062			83,324,062			81,636,894	81,636,894

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48. Fair value of financial instruments (continued)

Accounting classifications and fair values (continued)

	The Bank							
	2023							
		Carrying a	amount			Fair valu	ıe	
	-	Fair value	Fair value	9				
	Amortised	through 1	through pro	ofit				
	cost	<u>oci</u>	and loss	<u>Total</u>	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	<u>Total</u>
Unquoted shares	=	5,105	-	5,105	-	-	5,105	5,105
Government securities	-	85,840,735	580,150	86,420,885	34,750,499	51,670,386	-	86,420,885
Bank of Jamaica securities	-	9,015,548	-	9,015,548	-	9,015,548	-	9,015,548
Treasury Bills	-	6,255,650	-	6,255,650	6,255,650	-	-	6,255,650
Corporate bonds		479,973		479,973		479,973		479,973
		101,597,011	580,150	102,177,161	41,006,149	61,165,907	5,105	102,177,161
Pledged assets measured at fair value:								
Government securities		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917
		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917		2,462,917
Financial assets not measure	ed							
Loans and receivables	74,051,397			74,051,397		<u> </u>	71,651,37 <u>9</u>	71,651,379
	74,051,397			74,051,397	<u> </u>	7	1,651,379	71,651,379

All Government securities and international bonds are valued using the bid price from Bloomberg to estimate the fair value.

49. Capital risk management

Capital risk is the risk that the Group fails to comply with mandated regulatory requirements, resulting in a breach of its minimum capital ratios and the possible suspension or loss of its licences.

Regulators are primarily interested in protecting the rights of depositors and policyholders, and they monitor closely to ensure that the Group is satisfactorily managing its fiduciary responsibility to depositors and policyholders. The regulators are also interested in ensuring that the Group maintains an appropriate solvency position to meet unforeseen liabilities arising from economic shocks or natural disasters.

The operations of the company are subjected to regulatory requirements. Such regulations not only prescribe approval and monitoring of activities, but also impose certain restrictive provisions to minimize the risk of default and insolvency to meet unforeseen liabilities as these arise.

The Group manages its capital resources according to the following objectives:

- To comply with the capital requirements established by the regulatory authorities responsible for banking, insurance and other financial intermediaries;
- To safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern, and meet future obligations to depositors, policyholders and stockholders;
- To provide adequate returns to stockholders by pricing investment, insurance and other contracts commensurate with the level of risk; and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the future development of the Group's operations. Capital is managed in accordance with the Board approved Capital Management Policy.

Each individual banking, investment and insurance subsidiary is directly regulated by its designated regulator, who sets and monitors each entity's capital adequacy requirements. Required capital adequacy information is filed with the regulators at least quarterly.

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49. Capital risk management (continued)

Banking and mortgage lending

Capital adequacy is reviewed by Executive Management, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors. Based on the guidelines developed by Bank of Jamaica, each regulated entity is required to:

- Hold the minimum level of regulatory capital; and
- Maintain a minimum ratio of total regulatory capital to risk weighted assets.

Regulatory capital is divided into two tiers:

- 1. Tier 1 capital comprises share capital and reserves created by appropriations of retained earnings. The carrying value of goodwill is deducted in arriving at Tier 1 capital; and
- 2. Tier 2 capital comprises qualifying subordinated loan capital, collective impairment allowances and revaluation surplus on property and equipment.

Investment in subsidiaries is deducted from Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital to arrive at the regulatory capital.

The risk weighted assets are measured by means of a hierarchy of four risk weights, classified according to the nature of each asset and counterparty, taking into account any eligible collateral or guarantees. A similar treatment is adopted for off-balance sheet exposure, with some adjustments to reflect the more contingent nature of the potential losses.

The table below summarises the composition of regulatory capital, the ratios for each component and the applicable regulator. During the year, the individual entities complied with all of the externally imposed capital requirements.

	Regulated by BOJ					
	The Scotia Jama	aica Building Society	The Ba	ank		
	<u>2024</u>	2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>		
Tier 1 Capital Tier 2 Capital	5,250,000	5,250,000	53,946,964	51,939,245 		
Less prescribed deductions	5,250,000	5,250,000	53,946,964 (<u>2,790,000</u>)	51,939,245 (<u>2,790,000</u>)		
Total regulatory capital	<u>5,250,000</u>	<u>5,250,000</u>	<u>51,156,964</u>	49,149,245		
Risk weighted assets On-balance sheet Off balance sheet Foreign exchange exposure	8,354,160 - 	9,085,450 - 	336,749,497 64,006,190 2,611,765	304,769,517 57,515,664 413,323		
Total risk weighted assets	<u>8,354,160</u>	<u>9,085,450</u>	403,367,452	362,698,504		
Actual regulatory capital to risk weighted assets Regulatory requirement	62.84% 	57.78% 10.00%	12.68% 10.00%	13.55% 10.00%		

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49. Capital risk management (continued)

Life Insurance

Effective January 1, 2023, the Financial Services Commission ("FSC") established a new capital adequacy regulatory framework for life insurance companies, the Life Insurance Capital Adequacy Test ("LICAT"). The adoption of LICAT is in keeping with the risk-based approach that aligns with International Financial Reporting Standard, IFRS17 – *Insurance Contracts*. Accordingly, life insurance companies and branches of foreign companies carrying on life insurance business in Jamaica shall have a capital ratio greater than 100%.

Capital adequacy is calculated by the Appointed Actuary and reviewed by executive management, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors. The Group seeks to maintain internal capital adequacy levels higher than the regulatory requirements. The financial strength as at October 31, 2024, was evaluated using the revised risk-based assessment measure LICAT.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net capital required	5,107,529	5,494,427
Total capital available	<u>19,010,271</u>	<u>14,008,356</u>
Surplus allowance	2,399,444	2,143,951
Total capital ratio	<u>419%</u>	<u>294%</u>
Regulatory requirement	100%	100%

50. Commitments

		The G	The Group		The Bank	
		2024	2023	2024	2023	
(a)	Capital expenditure authorised and contracted	150,976	98,889	150,976	98,889	
(b)	Commitments to extend credit: Originated term to maturity of more than one year	64,195,880	57,779,574	<u>64,195,880</u>	57,779,574	

51. Litigation and contingent liabilities

The Group is subject to various claims, disputes and legal proceedings in the normal course of business. Provision is made in the financial statements when, in the opinion of management and its legal counsel, it is more likely than not that the Group will be found liable and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

In respect of claims asserted against subsidiaries of the Group for which no provision has been made, management is of the opinion that such claims are either without merit, can be successfully defended or will result in exposure to the subsidiary and the Group, that is immaterial to both its financial position and financial performance.

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52. Dividends

(a) Paid

The Bank paid dividends of \$1.293 per share amounting to \$3,776,127 (2023: \$2,722,325) on April 17, 2024, July 18, 2024 and October 18, 2024.

	The Group a 2024	nd the Bank 2023
In respect of 2022 In respect of 2023	- 1,258,709	878,170 2,722,325
In respect of 2024	<u>3,776,130</u>	
	<u>5,034,839</u>	3,600,495

(b) Proposed

At the Board of Directors meeting on December 12, 2024, a dividend in respect of 2024 of \$0.43 per share (2023: \$0.43 per share) amounting to \$1,258,709 was proposed (2023: \$1,258,710).

53. Employee Share Ownership Plan

The Group has an Employee Share Ownership Plan ("ESOP" or "Plan"), the purpose of which is to encourage eligible employees of the Group to steadily increase their ownership of the parent company's shares. Participation in the Plan is voluntary; any employee who has completed at least one year's service with any Group entity is eligible to participate.

The operation of the ESOP is facilitated by a Trust. The employer and employees make contributions to the Trust and these contributions are used to fund the acquisition of shares for the employees. Employees' contributions are determined by reference to the length of their employment and their annual basic remuneration. The employer contributions are as prescribed by the formula set out in the rules of the Plan.

The contributions are used by the trustees to acquire the parent company's shares at market value. The shares purchased with the employees' contributions vest immediately, although they are subject to the restriction that they may not be sold within two years of acquisition. Out of shares purchased with the Bank's contributions, allocations are made to participating employees, but are held by the Trust for a two-year period, at the end of which they vest with the employees; if an employee leaves the Group within the two-year period, the right to these shares is forfeited; such shares then become available to be granted by the employer to other participants in accordance with the formula referred to previously.

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53. Employee Share Ownership Plan (continued)

The amount contributed by the Group to employee share purchase during the year, included in employee compensation, amounted to \$34,052 (2023: \$29,610).

At the financial year end, the shares acquired with the employer's contributions and held in trust pending allocation to employees and/or vesting were:

	The Group	
	2024	2023
Number of shares	992,364	<u>1,121,261</u>
Fair value of shares \$'000	<u>45,128</u>	38,151

54. Fiduciary activities

The Group provides administration and investment management services to an approved retirement scheme. This involves the Group making allocation and purchase and sale decisions in relation to fixed income securities. Those assets that are held in a fiduciary capacity are not included in these financial statements.

As at the reporting date, the Group had financial assets under administration of approximately \$16,514,005 (2023: \$14,763,346).