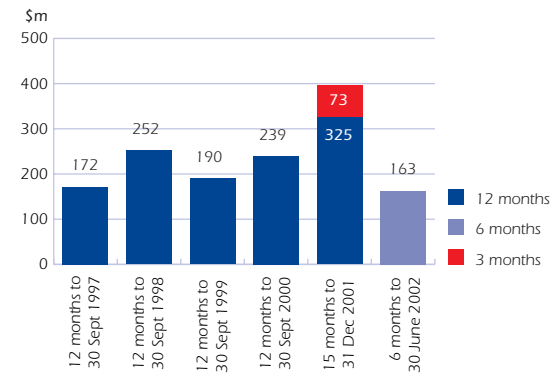
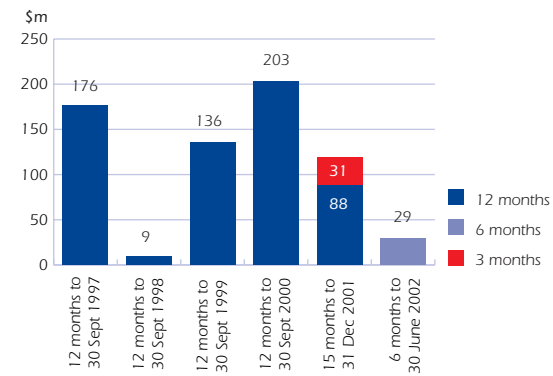


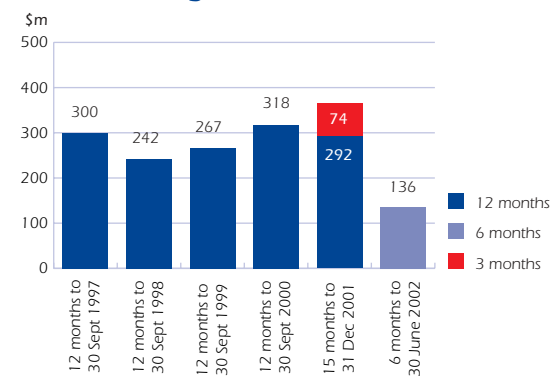
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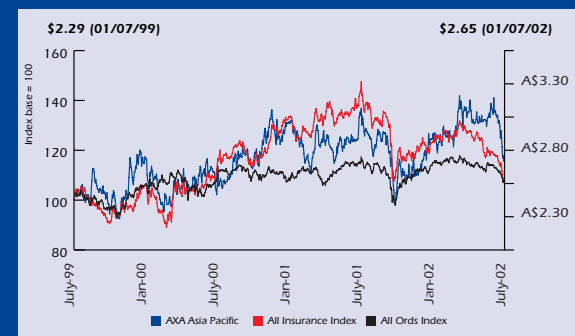
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Profit after Income Tax before Non-Recurring Items



Share Price



Interim Dividend

The half year dividend is 4.75 cents per share, 60% franked.

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Financial Calendar

End of AXA APH 2002 financial year	31 December 2002
End of year results announcement	25 February 2003
AXA APH Annual Report 2002 sent to shareholders	March 2003
Full year dividend sent to shareholders	4 April 2003
Annual General Meeting	24 April 2003
End of AXA APH 2003 half year	30 June 2003
Half year results announcement	26 August 2003
Interim dividend sent to shareholders	3 October 2003

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From our Chairman

Despite very difficult global investment markets I am pleased to report that Group profit after tax and before non-recurring items was \$136 million, a 5% increase over the corresponding period last year (6 months to June 2001 – \$130 million).



Further progress has been made in transforming our operations in Australia and New Zealand where profit after tax and before non-recurring items was \$115 million (2001 – \$116 million).

In Hong Kong profit after tax was \$77 million down 7% on last year (2001 – \$83 million) primarily as a result of weak global equity markets.

Corporate expenses have decreased 30% to \$19 million (2001 – \$27 million) due to operational efficiency gains and a reduction in expenses in our South East Asian operations.

Interest expense was \$37 million, 10% lower than last year (2001 – \$41 million) due to lower average interest rates and a favourable impact from the strengthening of the Australian dollar.

Your Board has declared an interim dividend of 4.75 cents per share, which will be franked to 60%.

Global investment markets have, in 2002, presented some challenges. The combination of last year's recession in the US, the aftermath of the terrorist attacks in the US and the focus on accounting standards and corporate governance following the collapse of Enron, have affected consumer and market confidence and led to increased market volatility. Markets in Australia have been less affected and the local economy continues to perform well.

In our view it is at times like this that professional financial advice becomes even more important than usual. Those saving and investing for the future should not take too short term a view and should seek advice.

There is still a tendency for many people to move into markets when they are near the top and move out when they are near the bottom and taking advice before making a decision will be beneficial.

AXA is committed to high quality financial advice through AXA Financial Planning, Charter and through our recently acquired financial planning businesses Spicers, Monitor Money and ipac.

With our strong capital position and with the backing of the global financial strength and scale of the AXA Group, we are well positioned to grow in our core markets of financial protection and wealth management.

The Board is encouraged by the further progress we are making and is confident that we will continue to deliver profitable growth and attractive returns to our shareholders.

Rick Allert, Chairman

From our Group Chief Executive

Over the last 2½ years AXA Asia Pacific has undergone major change to focus on our core markets of financial protection and wealth management and to improve our capabilities in investment management, marketing, distribution, service and cost efficiency.



I am pleased to say that the improvements in operating performance we reported at the end of 2001 have continued in the first half of 2002.

In Australia and New Zealand operating earnings in financial protection and wealth management grew by 50% to \$63 million (2001 – \$42 million) helped by growth in funds under administration and management and by a return to profitability in our income protection business.

Operating earnings for AXA Health were \$26 million (2001 – \$50 million) the reduction reflecting the exceptional level of profits in 2001 following the increase in membership as a result of the Government's lifetime health initiative. In June we announced the sale of our health business, for an attractive price of \$595 million. This is part of our strategy to focus on our core markets and release capital to support further growth in segments that we regard as more attractive.

Investment earnings in Australia and New Zealand were \$26 million (2001 – \$24 million) reflecting a fall in equity markets mitigated by gains from the strengthening of the New Zealand dollar.

In July we announced the acquisition of ipac Securities, one of the highest quality and most successful financial planning businesses in Australia. Together with our acquisition of Sterling Grace last year this represents a major strategic move in the business of financial planning and advice. We plan to use these acquisitions to further grow in this market segment.

I was particularly pleased that all the hard work we have put in over the last 2 years to return our income protection portfolio to profitability is delivering results. There is still some way to go but the trends are encouraging.

Uncertainty in the market as a result of the turbulence in world share markets has meant that gross funds flows for the industry have fallen this year. It is pleasing that AXA's funds under administration and advice have grown 17% to \$41 billion. Retail funds flows in the 6 months to June 2002 were \$595 million up 20% over the same period last year.

In Hong Kong we have also made progress. Operating earnings were \$74 million (2001 – \$75 million) with the

result affected by the strengthening of the Australian dollar. In local currency operating earnings grew by 3%.

Investment earnings were adversely affected by the fall in international equity markets over the period and fell to \$3 million (2001 – \$8 million).

Despite these falls our capital position remains very strong and we are happy with our asset and liability position.

I am pleased to report strong growth in new business. On an indexed basis (new regular premium plus 10% of single premiums – a commonly used industry measure) new business grew by 17% to HK\$441 million. There were particularly strong contributions from our new channels – AXA Advisers and the broker channel – and productivity in our agency channel grew again.

The trend towards investment products that we saw last year continued with single premiums into investment products growing by 81% to HK\$327 million. Net funds flows grew and are now running at an annualised level of about HK\$4 billion.

The persistency of our in force business has been an area of close management attention and we saw further improvement. Persistency experience is now close to our long-term assumptions.

We are continuing to make progress in modernising the management process of our traditional agency sales force, which remains our greatest strength. There are significant opportunities to grow investment business with interest rates on bank deposits remaining at such low levels.

Gross premiums in China grew by 50% and we are well advanced in our plans to expand from our branch in Shanghai and open a new branch in Guangzhou.

In South East Asia new business continues to grow strongly and our bank partnership in The Philippines is particularly successful. In Singapore we will be launching our financial planning business later this year.

I am pleased with the further progress we have made over the last 6 months. Market conditions are very challenging but we have put in place the capability and delivery platforms that mean we are well positioned to grow strongly as consumer and market confidence improves.

Management remains focused on achieving our K5 objectives in Australia and New Zealand and our M6 objectives in China Region.

Les Owen, Group Chief Executive

Group Financial Performance

In 2001 AXA Asia Pacific Holdings Limited moved its balance date from 30 September to 31 December, in alignment with the global AXA Group. The change provided substantial cost savings and efficiency benefits. The prior year comparatives have been included for the six months to 31 March 2001, which have been audit reviewed, and for the six months to 30 June 2001, which have been restated by management but not audited.

AXA APH Group				
A\$million	6 months ending 30 June 2002	6 months ending 30 June 2001	% Change June to June	6 months ending 31 March 2001
AXA Australia/New Zealand	63	42	50%	40
AXA Australia Health	26	50	(48%)	52
AXA China Region and South East Asia	74	74	–	76
Operating Earnings	163	166	(2%)	168
Investment Earnings	29	32	(9%)	96
Corporate Expenses	(19)	(27)	30%	(23)
Interest Expense	(37)	(41)	10%	(43)
Profit after Tax and before Non Recurring Items	136	130	5%	198
Non-Recurring Items	(2)	(8)	75%	(36)
Profit after Tax and Non Recurring Items	134	122	10%	162

AXA Australia and New Zealand				
A\$million	6 months ending 30 June 2002	6 months ending 30 June 2001	% Change June to June	6 months ending 31 March 2001
Financial Protection	25	13	92%	10
Wealth Management	38	29	31%	30
Health	26	50	(48%)	52
Operating Earnings*	89	92	(3%)	92
Investment Earnings	26	24	8%	56
Profit after Tax and before Non Recurring Items	115	116	(1%)	148

*Operating Earnings Include Capitalised Losses

AXA China Region				
A\$million	6 months ending 30 June 2002	6 months ending 30 June 2001	% Change June to June	6 months ending 31 March 2001
Operating Earnings	74	75	(1%)	72
Investment Earnings	3	8	(63%)	36
Profit after Tax and before Non Recurring Items	77	83	(7%)	108

Consolidated Balance Sheet as at

A\$million	30 June 2002	31 Dec 2001	31 March 2001
Assets			
Cash at bank and deposits on call	1,796	1,597	1,977
Receivables	783	708	1,641
Equity securities	8,334	9,033	7,532
Debt securities	11,941	12,298	13,237
Property investments	2,434	2,517	2,658
Other investments	287	358	223
Operating assets	99	105	97
Intangibles	12	13	22
Excess of market value over net assets of controlled entities	1,491	1,483	1,220
Deferred tax assets	176	27	19
Other assets	99	187	65
Total Assets	27,452	28,326	28,691

Liabilities			
Payables	1,345	1,299	1,659
Borrowings	1,257	1,251	1,948
Provisions	270	300	472
Deferred tax liabilities	117	197	296
Other liabilities	370	274	300
Subordinated debt	1,105	1,184	283
Life insurance policy liabilities	19,661	20,432	20,453
Total Liabilities	24,125	24,937	25,411
Net Assets	3,327	3,389	3,280

Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent entity

Contributed equity	1,186	1,186	1,186
Asset revaluation reserve	15	15	16
Foreign currency translation reserve	(37)	–	–
Shareholders' retained profits	1,865	1,815	1,714

Total equity attributable to shareholders of the parent entity			
Outside equity interests in controlled entities	298	373	364
Total Equity	3,327	3,389	3,280