

Shareholder analysis as at 31 December 2007

	No. of holders ¹	Percentage of total holders	No. of shares	Percentage of ordinary share capital
Shareholding range:				
1 – 250	504,351	89.44%	121,381,085	28.86%
251 – 500	44,229	7.84%	20,648,292	4.91%
501 – 10,000	14,580	2.59%	18,590,052	4.42%
10,001 – 50,000	336	0.06%	7,827,431	1.86%
50,001 – 100,000	126	0.02%	9,120,580	2.17%
100,001 and over	258	0.05%	243,060,973	57.78%
	563,880	100.00%	420,628,413	100.00%

Note:

1. Including those holders whose shares are held in the 'Alliance & Leicester ShareSafe' nominee account.

Classification of shareholders

Personal holders ¹	38.50%
Institutional holders	61.50%

Note:

1. Includes private shareholdings, ShareSafe and shares held in Private Client Accounts by institutional investors.

Financial calendar

Ex-dividend date for final dividend	Wednesday 23 April 2008
Record date for final dividend	Friday 25 April 2008
Annual General Meeting	Tuesday 13 May 2008
Payment date for final dividend	Monday 19 May 2008
Provisional date for interim results to be announced	Friday 1 August 2008
Provisional ex-dividend date for interim dividend	Wednesday 3 September 2008
Provisional record date for interim dividend	Friday 5 September 2008
Provisional payment date for interim dividend	Monday 6 October 2008

Dividends

Interim dividend 2006	17.6p
Final dividend 2006	36.5p
Interim dividend 2007	18.8p
Proposed final dividend 2007	36.5p

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