AFRICAN BANK LIMITED

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Annual Financial Statements represent the financial position and financial results of African Bank Limited. African Bank Limited ("the Bank and/or "the Company" and/or "ABL") does not have any other subsidiaries or associated companies and the Annual Financial Statements are not presented on a consolidated basis. For more information, refer to the basis of preparation of the Annual Financial Statements, as set out in note 1.1.2 to these Financial Statements.

The Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Bank's Annual Financial Statements, comprising the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 September 2022, the Statement of Total Comprehensive Income, the Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year-end, and the notes to the Financial Statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and in the manner required by the Companies Act of South Africa No. 71 of 2008 ("the Companies Act") and the JSE Debt Listings Requirements.

The Directors' responsibilities include:

- designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of these Financial Statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
- selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies;
- · making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances; and
- maintaining adequate accounting records and an effective system of risk management.

The Directors have made an assessment of the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern and have no reason to believe the business will not be a going concern in the year ahead.

The Board of Directors have executed their responsibilities in relation to the requirements of the Board Evaluation Policy. This policy allows for Board members to identify key development areas, improve competencies and improving the composition of the Board through identifying needed skills to inform the nomination and election processes of new Board members. The Annual Board, Board Committee and peer assessments were concluded internally in August 2022 and a report outlining the areas of improvement was tabled during the Board cycle in August 2022. The assessment results will be reported in the Environment, Social and Governance ("ESG") report annexed to the Annual Integrated Report ("AIR"). The Group also considers the independence of Directors in its annual Board evaluation process.

The Auditor is responsible for reporting on whether the Bank's Annual Financial Statements are fairly presented in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Annual Financial Statements found on pages 22 to 108 were approved by the Board of Directors on 29 November 2022 and are signed on its behalf by:

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Director

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Midrand

29 November 2022

A signed copy of the Annual Financial Statements is available for inspection at the registered office as specified in Annexure D to these Financial Statements.

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CERTIFICATE BY THE GROUP COMPANY SECRETARY

In terms of section 88(2)(e) of the Companies Act, I certify that, in respect of the year ended 30 September 2022, the Company has lodged with the Commissioner of the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission, all returns and notices prescribed by the Companies Act and that all such returns and notices are true, correct and up to date.

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Maliga Chetty

Group Company Secretary

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29 November 2022

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AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

PURPOSE OF THE AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

The Audit and Compliance Committee ("the Committee" or "the AuditCom") is constituted in terms of Section 94(7) of the Companies Act No. 71 of 2008 ("the Companies Act"), as amended, and in accordance with Section 64 of the Banks Act No. 94 of 1990 ("the Banks Act"). The main purpose of the Committee is to assist the Board in discharging its duties relating to the safeguarding of assets, information technology governance and control matters, accounting systems and practices, the integrity of internal financial control processes and the preparation of accurate financial reporting and Financial Statements in compliance with all legal requirements, accounting standards and the JSE Debt Listings Requirements.

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

The AuditCom consists of five members and one permanent invitee, who are all independent Non-Executive Directors. The Committee meets at least four times annually with additional meetings scheduled as deemed necessary to achieve its objective, or upon request from the Board or Committee members.

During the course of the financial year, Dhevendren Dharmalingam was appointed to the Board of African Bank Limited, with effect from 01 April 2022. Following this appointment, he became a member of the AuditCom, effective, 01 April 2022. Hemmanth Singh was appointed to the Boards of African Bank Holdings Limited and African Bank Limited with effect from 21 December 2021. Following this appointment, he became a permanent invitee to the AuditCom effective 11 April 2022.

The names of the members and attendance at meetings are reflected below:

	21-Oct	9-Nov	16-Nov	16-Feb	11-May	17-Aug	14-Sep
Name	2021 ¹	2021 ¹	2021	2022	2022	2022	2022 ¹
Members							
Robert Hutchinson-Keip (Chairman)	J	J	J	J	J	J	J
Spyridon Georgopoulos	J	J	J	J	J	J	J
Maureen Manyama	J	J	J	J	J	J	J
Nonzukiso Siyotula	J	J	J	J	J	J	J
Dhevendren Dharmalingam (Appointed on 01-April 2022)	-	-	-	-	J	J	J
Sydney Mhlari (Resigned 24-Nov 2021)	J	J	J	-	-	-	-
Hemmanth Singh (Appointed on 11-April 2022)	-	-	-	-	J	J	_2
Total attendance	5/5	5/5	5/5	4/4	6/6	6/6	5/5

¹ Special meetings held

√ Attended

X Not attended

- Not applicable

² No IT items on agenda

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The Internal and External Auditors attended and reported at all the meetings of the AuditCom, as required. The Group Chief Executive Officer, Group Chief Financial Officer, Group Chief Risk Officer, Group Chief Internal Auditor and Group Chief Compliance Officer attend all meetings by invitation. The Chairman of the Board, Thabo Dloti, has a standing invitation to all AuditCom meetings.

FUNCTIONS OF THE AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

Given the previous corporate governance failures and scandals within the South African business environment, the AuditCom continuously and critically assesses the adequacy of its terms of reference and the responsibilities included therein, with specific reference and consideration to the lessons that could be learnt from these events.

The AuditCom has approved the AuditCom terms of reference and has discharged the functions in terms thereof as set out below.

In respect of the External Auditors and the External Audit:

- appointment of KPMG Incorporated ("KPMG") as the External Auditor for the 2022 financial year. The voluntary audit
 rotation was recommended by the AuditCom in order to ensure independence and was approved by the shareholders of
 African Bank Holdings Limited at its extraordinary general meeting which took place on 12 August 2021 and by the
 Prudential Authority of the South African Reserve Bank on 15 February 2022, in accordance with all applicable legal
 requirements:
- · approved the External Auditors' terms of engagement, the audit plan and budgeted audit fees payable;
- reviewed the audit process and evaluated the effectiveness of the External Auditors;
- obtained assurance from the External Auditors that their independence was not impaired;
- considered the nature and extent of all non-audit services provided by the External Auditors;
- approved proposed contracts with the External Auditors for the provision of non-audit services; and
- confirmed that no reportable irregularities were identified and reported by the External Auditors in terms of the Auditing Profession Act 26 of 2005.

In respect of the Financial Statements:

- examined and reviewed the Annual Financial Statements prior to submission and approval by the Board;
- reviewed reports on the adequacy of the provisions for performing and non-performing loans and impairment of other assets;
- ensured that the Annual Financial Statements fairly presented the financial position of the Bank as at the end of the financial year and the results of operations and cash flows for the financial year and considered the basis upon which the Bank was determined to be a going concern;
- ensured that the Annual Financial Statements comply with IFRS in all material respects;
- considered accounting treatments, significant unusual transactions and accounting judgements;
- considered the appropriateness of the accounting policies adopted and changes thereto;
- reviewed and discussed the External Auditors' audit report;
- noted that there were no material reports or complaints received concerning accounting practices, Internal Audit, internal controls, the content of the Annual Financial Statements and related matters;
- considered the impact of inflation arising from the conflict between Russia and Ukraine on provisions, revenue recognition, the going concern assessment, financial and non-financial assets and current and future Bank operations; and
- reviewed and considered the approach adopted in defining audit materiality.

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In respect of internal control and Internal Audit:

- · reviewed and approved the Internal Audit charter and annual audit plan;
- evaluated the independence, effectiveness and performance of the Internal Audit function and compliance with its charter:
- considered reports of the Internal and External Auditors on the Bank's systems of internal control, including internal financial controls and the maintenance of effective internal control systems;
- reviewed significant issues raised by the Internal Audit processes and the adequacy of corrective action in response to such findings;
- noted that there were no significant differences of opinion between the Internal Audit function and management;
- assessed the adequacy of the performance of the Internal Audit function and the adequacy of the available Internal Audit
 resources and implemented changes under a restructuring programme to ensure adequate performance of the function;
- reviewed the representations from Internal Audit and the Combined Assurance Forum with no information indicating a material breakdown in internal controls, including internal financial controls, resulting in any material loss to the Bank for the year under review;
- met with the Chief Internal Auditor, the Chief Compliance Officer, management and the External Auditors, over the course of the year; and
- considered the routine independent quality assurance review of audit execution, the results of which confirmed that Internal Audit had generally conformed with the International Institute of Internal Auditors Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing.

In respect of legal, regulatory and compliance requirements:

- reviewed, with management, legal, regulatory and compliance matters identified that could have a material impact on the Bank;
- monitored compliance with the Companies Act, the Banks Act and all other applicable legislation including governance codes;
- reviewed reports from Internal Audit, External Auditors and Compliance detailing the extent of legal matters;
- noted that no complaints were received from the Bank's Sustainability, Ethics and Transformation Committee concerning the ethics relating to accounting matters, Internal Audit, internal financial controls, the contents of Financial Statements, potential violations of the law and questionable accounting or auditing matters;
- reviewed and approved the compliance mandate and annual compliance plan;
- reviewed any significant legal and tax matters that could have had a material impact on the Financial Statements;
- reviewed and recommended that the Integrated Report to be adopted by the Board;
- satisfied itself that the Bank has met the requirements emanating from the principles contained in the King IV Report on Corporate Governance ("King IV"), which appears on the Company's website (https://www.africanbank.co.za/en/home/environmental-social-and-governance-reports/).

In respect of risk management and IT:

• considered and reviewed reports from management on risk management, including fraud and IT risks as they pertained to financial reporting and the going concern assessment.

In respect of the coordination of assurance activities:

- reviewed the plans and work outputs of the External and Internal Auditors as well as compliance, and concluded that
 these were adequate to address all significant financial risks facing the business;
- considered the expertise, resources and experience of the finance function and the members of senior management responsible for this function and concluded that these are appropriate; and
- considered the appropriateness of the experience and expertise of the Chief Financial Officer (and who serves as an Executive Director) and concluded that these are appropriate.

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KEY FOCUS AREAS FOR THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

During the year under review, the AuditCom focused on the following key areas:

- changes to the Bank's assumptions post Covid-19;
- the impact of inflation due to the Russia and Ukraine conflict on the Bank's reported results and operations;
- ongoing review of the impairment calculations;
- introduction of a process to review IT operational, risk and compliance matters at the Committee;
- · regulatory and Prudential Authority matters;
- reviewed the progress of the anti-money laundering programme;
- the assessment of the staffing and structure of the internal audit and compliance functions to ensure alignment with the 'Excelerate25' growth strategy;
- long-term and short-term liquidity of the Bank;
- finance department efficiency and optimisation;
- the review and approval of the Combined Assurance Model and monitoring the adequacy of the processes around the model;
- the review of financial performance;
- consideration and approval of the appointment of the new External Auditor;
- considers IFRS compliance and the impact of new accounting standards;
- Income Tax and VAT matters; and
- mergers and acquisitions and accounting treatment thereof as well as the expected impact on the Bank's performance.

INDEPENDENCE OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS

The AuditCom has satisfied itself that the Auditors are independent of the Bank in accordance with section 94(8) of the Companies Act, which includes consideration of the Auditors' previous appointments, the extent of non-audit work undertaken and compliance with criteria relating to the independence or conflict of interest as prescribed by the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors.

In the current financial year KPMG did not perform any non-audit work. However, prior to their appointment as auditors of the Bank, KPMG assisted Internal Audit perform internal financial control audits. The total fees paid in this regard amounted to R841 945. During the 2021 financial year, the predecessor auditors (PwC) performed non-audit services amounting to R6 759 000.

Requisite assurance was sought from and provided by the External Auditors that the internal governance processes within the audit firm support and demonstrate its claim of independence.

The AuditCom has assessed and satisfied itself of Mr. Pierre Fourie's (audit partner) experience and knowledge in terms of section 22(15)(h) of the JSE Listings Requirements.

STATEMENT ON INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS, ACCOUNTING PRACTICES AND ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Based on the work of the Bank's assurance providers, nothing has come to the attention of the Committee that indicates that the Bank's system of internal financial controls and accounting practices, in all material respects, do not provide a basis for reliable Annual Financial Statements.

The Committee is satisfied that the Bank's Annual Financial Statements are in compliance, in all material respects, with the requirements of the Companies Act and International Financial Reporting Standards, and it has recommended the Financial Statements for approval by the Board.

This report was approved by the AuditCom and signed on its behalf by the Chairman of the Committee, Robert Hutchinson-Keip, on 29 November 2022.

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AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Robert Hutchinson-Keip

Chairman of the Audit and Compliance Committee

Robert Hutchinson-keip

29 November 2022

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors present their report to the shareholders, together with the audited Annual Financial Statements of the Bank for the financial year ended 30 September 2022.

NATURE OF THE BUSINESS

African Bank Limited is registered as a bank under the Banks Act, as amended, which operates within the Republic of South Africa. Its business operations is primarily in retail banking with the core product offering consisting of unsecured lending (personal loans and credit cards), transactional banking (including overdrafts) and retail investments. In the current period the Bank has extended it's product offering to include corporate lending, whilst concurrently serving as an agent to provide consummate credit and life insurance cover to customers of the Bank.

African Bank Limited does not have any other subsidiaries or associated companies and the Bank's Annual Financial Statements are not presented on a consolidated basis. For more information, refer to the basis of preparation as set out in note 1.1.2 to the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.

SHARE CAPITAL

The authorised share capital of the Company is 2 000 000 000 ordinary par value shares of R0.01 each (2021: 2 000 000 000 shares, ordinary par value shares of R0.01 each).

During the current year, 1 share at a par value of R0.01 (2021: 1 share at a par value of R0.01) was issued, with a share premium of R1,450 billion (2021: R1,485 billion). At 30 September 2022, the issued ordinary share capital totaled 500 000 002 (2021: 500 000 001) shares at a par value of R0.01 each representing R5 million (2021: R5 million). The Bank has 1 499 999 998 unissued ordinary shares (2021: 1 499 999 999).

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The financial results for the year ended 30 September 2022 are set out on pages 22 to 104 of these Annual Financial Statements. The Bank reported a net profit after tax of R341 million for the 2022 financial year (2021: net profit after tax of R2 million).

BORROWING POWERS

In terms of the Memorandum of Incorporation, the Bank has unlimited borrowing powers.

The total borrowings of the Bank at 30 September 2022 were R16.7 billion (2021: R16.9 billion). Full details of the borrowings are shown in notes 12, 13 and 14 of the Annual Financial Statements.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

The Directors are not aware of material events occurring between the reporting date and the date of authorisation of these Annual Financial Statements as defined in IAS 10 Events after the Reporting Period ("IAS 10") that have not been disclosed in note 36.

Acquisitions

In the 2023 financial year, ABL has acquired 100% ordinary share capital of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited ("GFH") which represents 100% of the voting rights. ABL has also acquired 100% of the preference shares issued by Grindrod Bank Limited ("GBL"), a 100% subsidiary of GFH. This acquisition constitutes a business as defined in IFRS 3 and is a key part of the Bank's 'Excelerate25' strategy to expand its core as it enables ABL to accelerate its entry into the South African corporate banking sector by acquiring valuable sectoral expertise and an existing customer base. The acquisition was subject to regulatory approvals which were provided on 6 October 2022, with an effective date of 1 November 2022. Therefore ABL obtained control of GFH and GBL (in terms of IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements ("IFRS 10")) in the 2023 financial year.

In the 2023 financial year, ABL has acquired certain assets and liabilities from Ubank Limited ("Ubank"), which constitutes a business as defined by IFRS 3. This acquisition fits into the Bank's Excelerate25 strategy of building a scalable, diversified and sustainable banking business. The acquisition was subject to regulatory approvals which were provided on 31 October 2022, with an effective date of 1 November 2022. Therefore ABL obtained control of Ubank (in terms of IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements ("IFRS 10")) in the 2023 financial year.

Refer to note 36 (Events after the reporting period note).

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GOING CONCERN

The Directors have satisfied themselves that the Bank is in a sound financial position and that sufficient cash reserves and borrowing facilities are accessible to enable the Bank to meet its foreseeable cash requirements.

The core function of the Bank is to facilitate financial liquidity by matching the financial requirements of its customers with the funding provided by equity and debt investors. Invariably the maturity of the funding required and that of the funding provided is not equally matched, which gives rise to the required facilitation function performed by the Bank. The consequent mismatch is inherent to the business of the Bank and the resultant liquidity risk to which the Bank is exposed. The mitigating policies and controls applied by the Bank, are disclosed in note 28 to these Financial Statements.

The Board took liquidity risk into account in its assessment that the Bank is a going concern. In the Board's opinion there is no material uncertainty regarding the Bank's ability to meet its obligations and to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business.

The Board's assessment is based on judgement applied to uncertain future events, which are significant and impacts the Bank's ability to raise funding and generate cash and cash equivalents from assets held by the Bank. The acquisition of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited ("GFH") and the acquisition of certain assets and liabilities of Ubank Limited ("Ubank") are material transactions. In considering the Bank's going concern assumption with respect to the existing and expected future economic conditions, the Board (through its subcommittees) assessed the Bank's budgets and cash flow forecasts, including the impacts of GFH and Ubank. In the Board's opinion, the Bank's ability to raise funding and generate cash and cash equivalents is expected to continue.

In the 2020 financial year the Bank entered into a shareholders support and assistance arrangement ("Support Arrangement") with the shareholders of ABHL. The Bank together with the ABHL shareholders, have agreed to cancel the Support Arrangement with effect from 1 October 2022. To ensure that the Bank is able to meet its obligations and to pay its debts as they become due, the Bank has a number of initiatives, which includes its significant retail funding portfolio, and its continued presence in the wholesale market to secure funding from the capital markets.

In addition, there have been no material change in the markets in which the Bank operates, and it has the necessary skills to continue operations.

On this basis, the Directors consider that the Bank has adequate resources to continue operating for the foreseeable future and, therefore, deem it appropriate to apply the going concern basis in preparing the Bank's Annual Financial Statements for this financial year.

MAJOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

During the current financial year, the Bank made additions to its capital assets to the value of R92 million (2021: R76 million), with R51 million being for property plant and equipment (2021: R30 million) and R41 million for intangible assets (2021: R46 million). The additions to leases in terms of IFRS 16 Leases are excluded from the capital assets values.

REGULATORY APPROVAL

As at the date of this Directors' Report, the Directors are not aware of any pending regulatory approval that impacts the financial position and performance as detailed in the Annual Financial Statements as at 30 September 2022.

REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE OF BOARD, COMMITTEES AND DIRECTORS

Board processes provide for the "Review of the Performance of the Board, its Committees and Assessment of Performance of Directors". In the current year the Board undertook an annual assessment of the performance of the Board, its Committees and individual Directors, including a peer assessment and self-assessment on all Directors. This process was concluded during August 2022 and reported to the Directors' Affairs and Governance Committee and Board meeting held 26 August 2022.

CHANGES IN DIRECTORS AND BOARD COMMITTEES

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The following changes in Directors have taken place during the 2022 financial year, and up to 29 November 2022.

Appointments

Hemmanth Singh was appointed as an independent Non-Executive Director on 21 December 2021. The appointment was made to fill a vacancy as well as add to the skill set on the Board.

Dhevendren Dharmalingam was appointed as an independent Non-Executive Director on 1 April 2022. The appointment was made to fill a vacancy as well as add to the skill set on the Board.

Zwelibanzi Manyathi was appointed as an Executive Director on 22 September 2022. The appointment was made to add to the skill set on the Board.

Chrisanthi Michaelides (current Head of Strategic Finance for ABL and ABHL) and Rakesh Garach (CFO for GBL), have been jointly appointed as ABL and ABHL's Acting CFOs effective from 3 December 2022 until the recruitment of a full-time permanent CFO is finalised. Chrisanthi and Rakesh have been appointed as ex officio Acting Executive Directors on the Boards of ABL and ABHL, in accordance with the ABL and ABHL's selection and nomination policy.

Resignations

Sydney Mhlari resigned from the Board with effect from 24 November 2021 due to an increase in workload associated with personal business interests.

Gustav Raubenheimer resigned from the positions of Group CFO, Acting Group Executive: Lending Decisions and Data Sciences, Executive Director on the Boards of ABL and ABHL and Debt Officer, effective 2 December 2022. The process to recruit and appoint a new CFO is at an advanced stage. In the interim, Chrisanthi Michaelides and Rakesh Garach, have been jointly appointed as ABL and ABHL's Acting CFOs until the recruitment of a full-time permanent CFO is finalised. Refer to appointment mentioned above.

Dhevendren Dharmalingam and Nonzukiso Siyotula resigned as independent non-executive directors from the Board of ABL with effect from 11 April 2022. The resignations were necessitated since the ABHL and ABL Board compositions were identical and resulted in unintended legal repercussions when certain shareholder resolutions were required to be passed by the ABL shareholder. The resignations of Dhevendren Dharmalingam and Nonzukiso Siyotula from the ABL Board would resolve this unintended legal issue. Dhevendren Dharmalingam and Nonzukiso Siyotula will remain as Directors on the ABHL Board.

The following changes in Board committees have taken place during the 2022 financial year end up to 29 November 2022:

Appointments

Hemmanth Singh was appointed as a member of the Risk and Capital Management Committee ("RCMC") with effect from 13 January 2022. The appointment was made to fill a vacancy as well as to add to the skill set. Hemmanth Singh was also appointed as a permanent invitee of the Audit and Compliance Committee ("AuditCom") from 11 April 2022. The reason for this change is to address a recommendation from the Prudential Authority relating to IT governance and controls. Hemmanth Singh will strengthen the AuditCom, specifically with his IT and digital skills and experience.

Lindiwe Dlamini, a member of the Sustainability, Ethics and Transformation Committee ("SETCom"), was appointed as the Chairperson of the Committee with effect from 1 April 2022 and was also appointed as a member of the Directors Affairs and Governance Committee with effect from 1 April 2022. The appointments were made to fill a vacancy as well as to add to the skills set.

Dhevendren Dharmalingam was appointed as a member of the AuditCom and a member of the SETCom with effect from 1 April 2022. The appointments were made to fill a vacancy as well as to add to the skills set.

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New Committees:

The formation of the Special Projects and Large Exposures Committee ("SPLEC") was approved by the Board, as an official Committee of the Board on 9 February 2022. The objectives of the Committee are to approve special projects as identified from time to time, and large exposures outside of the management delegation of authority. The following individuals were appointed as members of the Committee or to fill a vacancy:

- Thabo Dloti (Chairperson)
- · Happy Ralinala
- Peter Temple
- Robert Hutchinson-Keip
- Spyridon Georgopoulos
- Lindiwe Dlamini with effect from 1 April 2022
- Kennedy Bungane
- Gustav Raubenheimer (until 2 December 2022)
- Petrus Swanepoel
- Ben Motshoane as Proxy for Head of Credit Risk

Resignations

Sydney Mhlari resigned as a member of the RCMC and AuditCom with effect from 24 November 2021. Membership has been filled by a new appointment due to his resignation.

Happy Ralinala resigned as Chairperson of the SETCom on 31 March 2022 however, will continue to serve as a member.

Thabo Dloti resigned as a member of the SETCom on 31 March 2022. Thabo Dloti was appointed as a member as an interim measure until further non-executive directors were appointed to the Board and Board Committees.

Gustav Raubenheimer resigned as a member of the SPLEC with effect from 2 December 2022 due to his resignation as Executive Director from the Boards of ABL and ABHL.

African Bank Limited Board of Directors

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Thabo Dloti (Chairperson)

Sydney Mhlari (resigned 24 November 2021)

Peter Temple

Happy Ralinala

Robert Hutchinson-Keip

Spyridon Georgopoulos

Maureen Manyama

Lindiwe Dlamini

Nonzukiso Siyotula

Dhevendren Dharmalingam (appointed 01 April 2022)

Hemmanth Singh (appointed 21 December 2021)

Executive Directors

Kennedy Bungane

Gustav Raubenheimer (until 2 December 2022)

Zwelibanzi Manyathi (appointed 22 September 2022)

Chrisanthi Michaelides (from 3 December 2022)

Rakesh Garach (from 3 December 2022)

Details regarding the experience and qualifications of Directors can be found on the African Bank website (https://www.africanbank.co.za/en/home/about-us-our-company/).

DIVIDENDS TO ORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS

No dividends were declared or paid by the Board of Directors during the current or previous financial year.

COMPANY SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE

Maliga Chetty is the Bank Company Secretary. Her business and postal address is disclosed in Annexure D to these Financial Statements.

REMUNERATION AND EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE PARTICIPATION SCHEMES

Details in respect of Directors' remuneration and the Bank's incentive scheme are disclosed in the long-term incentive note and the remuneration note (refer to note 34 and 38).

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

DIRECTORS INTEREST IN SHARES

The Directors have no direct or indirect interest in the issued share capital of the Bank.

DEBT OFFICER

Pursuant to paragraphs 6.39(a) and 7.3(g) of the JSE Debt Listings Requirements ("the Requirements"), Gustav Raubenheimer has been the Debt Officer for the Group for this financial year. The Board has considered and is satisfied with the competence, qualifications and experience of the Debt Officer. Gustav Raubenheimer resigned as Debt Officer with effect from 2 December 2022 due to his resignation as Executive Director from the Boards of ABL and ABHL.

Chrisanthi Michaelides has been appointed as the Debt Officer, effective 3 December 2022. The Board has considered and is satisfied with the competence, qualifications and experience of the Debt Officer.

AUDITORS

The appointment of KPMG Incorporated ("KPMG") as the External Auditor for FY2022 was approved by the shareholders of African Bank Holdings Limited at the AGM held on 12 August 2021 and by the Prudential Authority of the South African Reserve Bank on 15 February 2022.

The Audit and Compliance Committee has assessed and satisfied itself of Pierre Fourie's experience and knowledge in terms of section 7.3(e) and section 22 of the Listing Requirements.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS BY AFRICAN BANK HOLDINGS LIMITED

The following special resolutions were passed during the current financial year:

- · Approval of fees for Non-Executive Directors
- ABHL, as the sole shareholder of ABL approved the acquisition of certain assets and liabilities of Ubank Limited by ABL in accordance with the terms and conditions as contained in the Sale and Business Agreement.

INTEREST OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS IN TRANSACTIONS

The Directors confirm that no material contracts were entered into in that Directors and Officers of the Bank had an interest and that significantly affected the business of the Bank. The Directors had no interest in any third party or company responsible for managing any of the business activities of the Bank.



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the shareholder of African Bank Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Web

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of African Bank Limited (the Bank) set out on pages 22 to 108, which comprise the statement of financial position at 30 September 2022, and the statement of total comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the annual financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and annexure A.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of African Bank Limited at 30 September 2022, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa.

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 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Bank in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

KPMG Incorporated, a South African company and a member firm of the KPMG global organization of independent member firms affiliated with KPMG International Limited, a private English company limited by guarantee.

KPMG Incorporated is a Registered Auditor, in public practice, in terms of the Auditing Profession Act 26 of 2005.Registration number 1999/021543/21

Chairman: Chief Executive: Directors: Prof W Nkuhlu I Sehoole Full list on website

The company's principal place of business is at KPMG Crescent, 85 Empire Road, Parktown.



Expected credit losses on loans and advances (retail advances)

Refer to note 1.4.6 for financial assets at amortised cost, note 1.4.8 for impairment on advances, note 2 net advances, note 17 credit impairment charge, note 26 credit risk and note 37.2 change in estimate

Key audit matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

The main business operations of the Bank is to provide unsecured retail loans, and accordingly we considered the credit risk associated with these retail advances and the related expected credit losses. Gross retail advances at 30 September 2022 amounted to R29,932 billion with an impairment provision of R9,584 billion raised on these retail advances.

Retail advances are measured at amortised cost and the Bank recognises an expected credit loss ("ECL") at each reporting date which includes assessing whether there has been any significant increase in credit risk ("SICR") and considers forward-looking information. The Bank makes use of probability weighted scenarios when estimating the ECL where 50% is assigned to the base scenario, 30% to the downturn scenario and 20% to the upturn scenario.

The ECL in respect of retail advances is an area of significance in the current year due to the degree of judgement and estimation that is applied by management in determining the ECL, and the magnitude of the impairment provision recognised.

The key areas of significant judgement and estimation include:

- Cash flows, and the timing thereof, which are estimated on a collective basis by using portfolio statistics from past performance of similar assets and incorporating changes to collection procedures.
- The following key assumptions when determining the ECL; probability of default ("PD") and loss given default ("LGD").
- Forward looking macro-economic information.

We performed the following procedures with the assistance of our valuation specialists:

- We evaluated the Bank's credit impairment provision by performing a methodology assessment of the IFRS 9, Financial instruments (IFRS 9) ECL model as well as a quantitative assessment of the reasonability of the impairment estimate in accordance with IFRS 9.
- Performed a review of the Bank's ECL model including SICR, PD, LGD and write-off point models in accordance with the Bank's rules and industry practice.
- We obtained an understanding of the Bank's processes, tested the design and implementation and the operating effectiveness of controls relating to the governance, approval and implementation of the ECL model process and model changes.
- Assessed the completeness, accuracy and validity of data and inputs used during the development and application of the ECL model.
- Evaluated the integrity of the data used within the ECL model to 30 September 2022. This provided insight on the underlying data and highlights key data anomalies in input modelling data which were investigated and queried with the Bank for validity.
- Assessed the appropriateness of the macroeconomic scenario forecasts and probability weightings by benchmarking these



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Key audit matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

- Determination of the point of curing for accounts in debt review to align with SARB Directive 7 and industry practice.
- Determination of the write-off point and the impact of the extension of the insurance benefit.
- Change to the SICR indicators to align with the industry.
- The credit risk disclosures which incorporates multiple data inputs and management judgement impacting the completeness and accuracy of the disclosures.

As a result of significant judgement, complexity and estimates applied in determining the ECL for retail advances and the significance of the impairment provision to the financial statements, it was considered a key audit matter for the current year.

against external data and supporting evidence.

- Reperformed and independently reviewed the reasonability of the Bank's forward-looking adjustments by challenging the macroeconomics model.
- Assessed the modifications accounting policy and the debt curing of accounts in accordance with IFRS 9 and the SARB Directive 7 respectively.
- On a sample basis we tested controls over the write-off process to determine whether it was in accordance with the Bank's write-off rules.
- Assessed the appropriateness of disclosures included in the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 9.

Expected credit losses on loans and advances (corporate advances)

Refer to note 1.4.6 for financial assets at amortised cost, note 1.4.8 for impairment on advances, note 2 net advances, note 17 credit impairment charge and note 26 credit risk

Key audit matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

The Bank issued a corporate loan in the form of a revolving facility. The balance of the corporate advances at 30 September 2022 which is included in the net advances financial statement item is R1,760 billion with an associated expected credit loss of R48 million.

The corporate advances are recognised at amortised cost. The credit risk of the undrawn component is managed and monitored with the

We performed the following procedures with the assistance of our valuation specialist:

- Evaluated the Bank's credit impairment provision by performing a methodology review of the IFRS
 9 corporate loan as well as a quantitative assessment of the reasonability of the impairment estimate in accordance with IFRS
- Obtained an understanding of the Bank's



Expected credit losses on loans and advances (corporate advances)

Refer to note 1.4.6 for financial assets at amortised cost, note 1.4.8 for impairment on advances, note 2 net advances, note 17 credit impairment charge, note 26 credit risk and note 37.2 change in estimate

Key audit matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

drawn component and therefore the ECL on the entire facility is included in the impairment assessment.

This is an area of significance in the current year due to:

- This being the first time a corporate loan has been issued by the Bank.
- The degree of judgement and estimation that is applied by management in determining the expected credit loss.
- Cash flows being estimated based on the expected performance of the advance by considering changes to collection procedures and projected future market conditions.
- Weightings applied to the scenarios to determine the ECL, which is subjective in nature.
- The credit risk disclosures which incorporates multiple data inputs and management judgement impacting the completeness and accuracy of the disclosures.

As a result of significant judgement, complexity and estimates applied in determining the ECL for corporate advances and the significance of the balance to the financial statements, it was considered a key audit matter for the current year.

processes and tested the design and implementation and operating effectiveness of controls relating to the governance of the recognition of the impairment provision.

- Assessed the counterparty's ability to service their debt and whether any indicators of significant risk or credit impairment existed at 30 September 2022.
- Independently calculated the corporate loan ECL value over a range of assumptions to establish whether the Bank's estimate falls within our independent estimated range at 30 September 2022
- Assessed the link between the cash shortfall rates of the underlying counterparty and LGD as provided in the value at risk model.
- Performed a sensitivity analysis on the PD by factoring in a distribution of the counterparty not making payment.



Other matter

The financial statements of the Bank as at and for the year ended 30 September 2021, were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements on 29 November 2021.

Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the document titled "African Bank Limited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2022", which includes the Directors' Report, the Certificate by the Company Secretary and the Audit and Compliance Committee Report as required by the Companies Act of South Africa. The other information does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa, and for such internal control as the directors determine 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, the directors are responsible for assessing the 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 the directors either intend to liquidate the Bank or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 judgement 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.
- 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 Bank's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' 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 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 auditor's 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the 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.

We communicate with the directors 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.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should



not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

In terms of the IRBA Rule published in Government Gazette Number 39475 dated 4 December 2015, we report that KPMG Inc. has been the auditor of African Bank Limited for one year.

KPMG Inc. DocuSigned by:

Per Pierre Fourie Chartered Accountant (SA) Registered Auditor Director

29 November 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Rmillion	Notes	2022	2021
	·	·	
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents ¹	4	1,378	3,616
Financial investments	5	160	2,081
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities ¹	6	2,444	3,005
Net advances	2	22,647	16,462
Accounts receivable and other assets	10	202	182
Derivatives	11	85	42
Property and equipment and right of use asset	8	562	602
Intangible assets	9	153	138
Deferred tax assets	7	1,064	1,134
Total assets		28,695	27,262
Liabilities and equity			
Liabilities			
Current tax	7	12	83
Creditors and other liabilities	14	885	974
Short-term funding	13	5,869	7,777
Bonds and other long-term funding	12	10,849	9,139
Total liabilities		17,615	17,973
Equity			
Ordinary share capital	15	5	5
Ordinary share premium	15	12,930	11,480
Retained income		(1,855)	(2,196)
Total equity		11,080	9,289
Total equity and liabilities		28,695	27,262

¹ Deposits with the SARB were previously included in Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on the guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision.

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STATEMENT OF TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Rmillion	Notes	2022	2021
Interest income on advances	16	5,662	4,958
Credit impairment charge	17	(1,436)	(1,341)
Interest on advances after impairment		4,226	3,617
Other interest income	16	303	228
Interest expense and similar charges	18	(1,328)	(1,329)
Income from core income funds		20	64
Foreign exchange (loss)/gain recognised on translation		2	154
Fair value gains/(losses) from derivatives assets and liabilities		43	(157)
Net interest and other income		3,266	2,577
Non-interest income	19	670	618
Operating costs	20	(3,258)	(3,062)
Indirect taxation: VAT	21	(158)	(132)
Operating profit/(loss)		520	1
Profit /(loss) before taxation		520	1
Taxation	21	(179)	1
Profit/(loss) for the year		341	2
Attributable to:			
Owner of African Bank Limited		341	2
Total comprehensive profit for the year		341	2

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Ordinary share capital			Total
5	9,995	(2,198)	7,802
-	-	2	2
		capital premium	capital premium

Issue of equity 1,485 1,485 Balance at 30 September 2021 5 (2,196)9,289 11,480 Total comprehensive profit for the period 341 341 Issue of equity¹ 1,450 1,450 Balance at 30 September 2022 5 12,930 (1,855) 11,080

¹ The Bank issued 1 share to the value of R1,450 million which was fully paid up in the 2022 financial year

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Rmillion	Notes	2022	2021 (restated)
Cash flows from operating activities ¹			
Cash utilised in operations	22	(1,862)	(1,954)
Interest received ²		5,950	4,983
Interest (paid)		(851)	(968)
Direct taxation (paid)	23	(180)	-
Indirect taxation (paid)/received		(241)	72
Movement in assets and liabilities		` ,	
(Increase)/decrease in gross advances1		(8,104)	(647)
Decrease/(increase) in regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities ³		568	(1,635)
Increase/(decrease) in retail funding		1,034	3,469
Increase/(decrease) in transactional banking deposits raised		526	544
(Increase)/decrease in other assets		(20)	19
Increase/(decrease) other liabilities		36	139
Increase/(decrease) in deferred fees and other items related to advances		31	149
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		(3,113)	4,171
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of property and equipment	8	(51)	(30)
Acquisition of intangible assets	9	(41)	(46)
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	8	-	1
Placements of financial investments	5	-	(1,000)
Withdrawals of financial investments	5	1,907	1,003
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		1,815	(72)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net long-term tenure funding (redeemed)		(2,886)	(3,955)
Bonds and long-term wholesale funding raised	24	610	984
Bonds and long-term wholesale funding redeemed	24	(3,496)	(3,454)
Subordinated funding redeemed		-	(1,485)
Net short-term tenure funding raised/(redeemed)		671	(133)
Short-term wholesale funding raised	24	3,069	423
Short-term wholesale funding redeemed	24	(2,398)	(556)
Principal payment of lease liabilities		(149)	(122)
Share issue	15	1,450	1,485
Redemption of derivative instruments		(22)	(129)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(936)	(2,854)
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(2,234)	1,245
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year ³		3,617	2,411
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(5)	(39)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		1,378	3,617

¹ The presentation of the cash flow from operations has been revised in the current year. The prior year comparatives, for 30 September 2021, have been restated to align with the revised layout of this note. Refer to note 37.1.1.

² Interest received comprises of interest received from cash and cash equivalents, financial investments and customers.

³ The deposit with the SARB were previously included in Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on the guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision.

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1. General information

The Bank commenced business on 4 April 2016, after the final execution of the restructuring transaction of the entity formerly known as African Bank Limited (in curatorship). That entity has legally changed its name to "Residual Debt Services" ("RDS") and remains under curatorship. The details of the restructuring transaction can be found in the Offer Information Memorandum published on 4 February 2016 available at the African Bank website (https://www.africanbank.co.za/media/51502/africanbank-restructuring-offer-information-memorandum-incl-annexures.pdf).

The Bank is a 100% owned subsidiary of African Bank Holdings Limited ("ABHL"). ABHL is an unlisted registered bank-controlling company under the Banks Act and the Bank has debt instruments listed on the JSE. The shares in ABHL are privately held by the South African Reserve Bank (50.00%), the Government Employees Pension Fund (25.00%), FirstRand Bank Limited (6.55%), The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited (5.95%), ABSA Trading and Investment Solutions Proprietary Limited (4.95%), Nedbank Limited (4.10%), Investec Bank Limited (2.45%), and Capitec Bank Limited (1.00%). The percentages in brackets indicate percentage holding.

The Bank's business operations is primarily in retail banking with the core product offering consisting of unsecured lending (personal loans and credit cards), transactional banking (including overdrafts) and retail investments. In the current period the Bank has extended it's product offering to include corporate lending, whilst concurrently serving as an agent to provide consummate credit and life insurance cover to customers of the Bank.

The registered office and principal place of business of the Bank is disclosed in Annexure D. The Annual Financial Statements found on pages 22 to 108 were approved by the Board of Directors on 29 November 2022.

1.1 Accounting policies

1.1.1 Statement of compliance

The Bank's Annual Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with, and comply with, the International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee of the IASB ("IFRIC"), the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and Financial Pronouncements as issued by Financial Reporting Standards Council, the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa and the JSE Debt Listings Requirements.

1.1.2 Basis of preparation

The Bank's Annual Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the going concern principle and a historical cost basis is applied, except where specifically indicated otherwise in the accounting policies.

The Annual Financial Statements are presented in South African Rand, which is the Bank's functional currency. All monetary information and figures have been rounded to the nearest million rand (Rmillion), unless otherwise stated.

1.1.3 Application of the going concern principle

The Board (and its sub-committees) have assessed the Bank's budgets and cash flow forecasts in considering the Bank's going concern assumption with respect to the existing and expected future economic impact of significant events. This included the impact the projected cash flows will have on the Bank's liquidity risk, funding risk, interest rate risk, regulatory and economic capital and market risks, as well as other related risks; all of which have remained within the risk parameters as per the Bank's risk appetite framework.

The assessment entailed the consideration of the adequacy of the Bank's capital and liquidity to meet its operations and strategies in the foreseeable future. This was done by analysing the impact of the macroeconomic outlook on the Bank's forecast growth in earnings and balance sheet management to determine the impact to the Bank's financial outlook and operations. Expected outcomes or scenarios were established and tested for sensitivity. The assessment undertaken by the Bank noted above and the funding raised from retail and wholesale markets, despite the cancellation of the Support Arrangement (refer to note 31), demonstrates a positive future outlook for the Bank.

The Bank's Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the going concern principle and using a historical cost basis, except where specifically indicated otherwise in the accounting policies.

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1.2 Adoption of new standards and interpretations effective for the current and future financial periods

The new and revised standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are disclosed in Annexure A to the Annual Financial Statements. There are no amendments to standards and interpretations that have a material impact on the Bank for the year ended 30 September 2022.

1.3 Significant accounting policies

The significant accounting policies set out in this document have been applied in the preparation and presentation of the Bank's Annual Financial Statements of the Bank in dealing with items that are considered material by the Bank during the current and prior financial year.

1.4 Financial instruments

The Bank recognises financial assets and liabilities once it becomes a party to the contractual terms of the instrument on the trade date.

Financial liabilities are classified into the following categories:

- financial liabilities at amortised cost; and
- financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets is based on both the Bank's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

The financial assets are classified into the following categories:

- financial assets at amortised cost;
- financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income; and
- financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

1.4.1 Initial measurement

All financial instruments are measured at fair value and adjusted for transaction costs at initial recognition, except those carried at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are recognised immediately through profit or loss.

1.4.2 Subsequent measurement

After initial recognition, the Bank shall measure financial instruments at either amortised cost or fair value through profit or loss. No financial instruments are classified at fair value through other comprehensive income.

1.4.3 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit and loss are financial liabilities that are mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Currently this category only includes derivatives.

1.4.4 Financial liabilities at amortised cost

All financial liabilities, other than those described above as measured at fair value through profit or loss, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.4.5 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

A financial asset is measured at fair value through profit or loss when it does not meet the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income. This category includes instruments that are held for trading or instruments that are used to eliminate accounting mismatch. Currently, only derivatives and core income funds (included in the financial investments line) are classified as financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss.

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1.4.6 Financial assets at amortised cost

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial asset in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The Bank currently measures advances, regulatory deposits, sovereign debt securities, cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and other assets (excluding prepayments) and certain financial investments at amortised cost.

Advances

Advances arise when the Bank provides money or services directly to a corporate or retail customer with no intention to sell the financial asset. Advances originated by the Bank include unsecured fixed term loans, credit cards and overdraft facilities to retail customers and secured loans and revolving credit facilities to corporate customers. Net advances are considered to be gross advances net of the impairment allowance.

The cash flow characteristics of retail advances are standardised, and therefore the cash flows are assessed to be solely payment of principal and interest on a portfolio basis. Interest rates offered to retail customers are benchmarked to market rates prevalent in South Africa and the Bank considers the customers employment history, bureau data etc when setting the rate. Interest charged to customers compensates the Bank for time value of money, credit risk and administrative costs (including a profit margin) and therefore are consistent with those of a basic lending agreement.

Corporate advances are bespoke in nature as they are designed specific to the customer's circumstances, taking into account the financial position, performance, collateral offered etc. and therefore the cash flows are assessed to be solely payment of principal and interest on an individual basis. The terms and conditions are structured to compensate the Bank for the time value of money, credit risk and administrative costs (including a profit margin) and therefore consistent with those of a basic lending agreement. Interest rates are generally variable rates benchmarked to market rates prevalent in South Africa. Advances are classified as measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses where the losses are recognised in profit or loss. Fees that are considered to be integral to the effective interest rate are capitalised to the value of the loan when material and amortised to profit or loss over the expected life of the loan, using the effective interest method.

Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities

Financial assets held in terms of the South African Reserve Bank ("SARB") requirements and any excess liquid assets held over and above the minimum requirements are disclosed as regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities.

These financial assets include treasury bills and government bonds which are measured at amortised cost. The Bank's business model is to hold these financial assets to collect contractual cash flows and these cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest.

Financial investments

These assets are primarily held to collect contractual cash flows over the life of the asset, the cash flows of which are solely payments of principal and interest.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises of short-term deposits as well as call and current accounts held with financial institutions.

Cash and cash equivalents are initially measured at cost, which approximates fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments. Cash and cash equivalents are classified as measured at amortised cost as they are held to collect contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

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1.4.7 Effective interest method

The effective interest method is the method that is used in the calculation of the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and in the allocation and recognition of the interest revenue or interest expense in profit or loss over the relevant period.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including all fees that form an integral part of the effective interest rate) over the expected life of the financial asset/liability to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset or to the amortised cost of a financial liability.

1.4.8 Impairment of advances

For financial assets classified and measured at amortised cost, the Bank measures and recognises an impairment loss at each reporting date as the expected credit loss (ECL) relating to an asset or group of assets, which includes assessing whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition and considers forward-looking information. This assessment extends to potential of further drawdowns on revolving facilities for retail and corporate advances, such as credit cards and overdrafts (undrawn commitments).

In recognising the impairment loss on advances, the Bank accounts for ECL, and changes in the ECL. The amount of the ECL is updated at each reporting period to reflect any changes in credit risk of advances since initial recognition and to reflect any updates to expectations about timing of expected cash flows and the macroeconomic environment.

The impairment loss represent management's best estimate of ECL in the advances portfolios at the reporting date. When calculating ECL on advances, the Bank exercises judgement in making assumptions and estimations on both individually and collectively assessed advances.

In determining the ECL, the timing and amount of the expected cash flows, as well as forward-looking macroeconomic information are the most significant judgements applied by the Bank. The assumptions underlying these judgements are highly subjective. The methodology and the assumptions used in calculating ECL are reviewed regularly to monitor and manage differences between ECL estimates and the actual loss experience.

For purposes of measuring the ECL for the advances, the Bank's advances are separated into the originated book and the acquired book. The acquired book is classified as a purchased credit-impaired asset.

1.4.8.1 Advances

Advances in the orginated book comprises of retail advances and corporate advances. Retail advances are unsecured fixed term loans, credit cards and overdrafts. The corporate advance is a secured loan and revolving facility.

The Bank applies the general impairment approach to retail advances and corporate advances. The credit risk of the undrawn component is managed and monitored with the drawn component and therefore the expected credit loss on the entire facility is included in the loss allowance.

The impairment provisioning is divided into the following categories:

Stage 1:

At initial recognition, the advance is classified as stage 1 and a 12-month expected credit loss is recognised. If the advance has not experienced a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, it remains classified as stage 1. The credit loss recognised is a credit loss related to default events expected to occur within the next 12 months. Interest income is calculated by applying the original effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount.

Stage 2:

If the advance has experienced a significant increase in credit risk ("SICR") since initial recognition but is not credit-impaired, it is classified as stage 2, and a lifetime expected credit loss is recognised. Interest income is calculated by applying the original effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount.

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Stage 3:

If the advance has become credit-impaired since initial recognition or was purchased/originated credit-impaired, it is classified as stage 3, with an expected credit loss measured and recognised on a lifetime basis. Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the net carrying value.

Retail advances

This portfolio comprises of advances issued to retail customers such as loans, credit cards and overdrafts. At initial recognition, the expected credit loss is in stage 1 unless it is purchase originated credit impaired.

The Bank estimates the cash flows it expects to receive on a collective basis using portfolio statistics derived from past performance of similar financial assets, taking into account any changes to the collection procedures and projected future market conditions. For the portfolio (collective) assessment of impairment, financial assets are grouped on the basis of similar credit risks characteristics, which indicate the borrower's ability to pay in accordance with the contractually agreed terms.

The Bank uses the Contractual Delinquency ("CD") classifications for the purpose of identifying whether a 12- month or lifetime ECL is to be calculated and for the grouping of assets into stages under IFRS 9, in conjunction with other SICR requirements. CD measure is a notable driver in the distribution of the advances between the various stage distributions. The number and sequence of recent payments ("Recency") is also applied in estimating the expected credit loss and the point of write-off.

The table below indicates the CD definitions and how classification into groups was determined and how CD is utilised.

Contractual delinquency	Explanation of categorisation	Time buckets	IFRS 9 stage
CD 0-1	Performing advances that are not past due and are within the contractual term.	<=30 days	Stage 1
CD 0-1 SICR	Performing advances that are not past due and are within the contractual term, but for which a SICR indicator has been identified.	<=30 days	Stage 2 (SICR)
CD 2 - 3	Advances where between two and three instalments have been missed, or where instalments have been received after their contractual date of repayment.	31 - 90 days	Stage 2 (arrears)
>=CD 4	Non-performing advances where four or more instalments have been missed but that have not met write-off requirements.	>=91 days	Stage 3
>CD 4 recency 12	Four or more instalments have been missed and no payments have been received over the past twelve consecutive months.		Written off

Significant increase in credit risk

At each reporting date ("monthly"), advances are assessed to determine whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk from initial recognition.

The Bank offers voluntary customer support payment deferrals (referred to and known as Choose Your Break ("CYB") to customers that are in good standing. The offering of CYB to customers does not in itself result in a significant increase in credit risk, and, therefore, will not trigger an automatic migration from stage 1 to stage 2 in the credit impairment models i.e a move from a 12-month ECL to a lifetime ECL.

The Bank has set certain behaviour and advance granting score thresholds that are used to identify a significant increase in credit risk. These thresholds are dependent on the credit risk expectation at the point of origination, time on book, and an updated view of credit risk which includes forward-looking information.

The purpose of the behaviour score in the ECL model is to provide a measure of an existing customer's propensity to default on an advance within 12 months. The behaviour score is calculated on an individual account level, taking into consideration the credit exposure and repayment behaviour of the customer at other credit providers. The behaviour score is updated for all advances at each reporting date.

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Indicators of a significant increase in the credit risk of a retail advance are:

- where there is a significant deterioration of an account's internal and external risk profile;
- more than one instalment has been missed; or
- any other product linked to the account is flagged as SICR, or has a contractual CD > 1, or has been written off.

In addition, the rebuttable presumption that SICR occurs when payments are more than 30 days past due is applied.

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The SICR thresholds and indicators are reviewed at least on a bi-annual basis to ensure that the models are able to identify SICR throughout the lifetime of the loan.

Refer to note 26.8.3 for the impact on ECL of SICR sensitivity.

Credit impaired

The Bank's definition of default is aligned with its existing internal credit risk management definitions and approaches. This is defined as the point at which an account has a CD of four or more, which is greater than 90 days past due.

When one or more loss event has occurred, an account becomes credit-impaired and a lifetime expected credit loss is raised. Loss events include where:

- the account is in default as defined;
- breach of contract has occurred, for example where payment of interest or principal has been missed for four or more instalments;
- an account enters into debt review;
- indication exists that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from a group of financial assets since the initial recognition of those assets, although the decrease cannot yet be associated with the individual financial assets in the Bank; or
- the origination of a financial asset takes place at a deep discount that reflects the incurred credit losses.

When the criteria for credit-impaired no longer applies, a retail account can move out of stage 3 back to stage 2. This occurs when a retail account cures, in the following circumstances:

- an account becomes performing as it is no longer in arrears and is at a point of being able to be classified as CD3 or less; or
- an account that is in debt review has made six consecutive payments and the total payments is equivalent to six full modified instalments.

Upon curing, an account is monitored, for delinquency purposes, using the agreed modified instalment.

Refer to note 37.2 for the changes made to the policy above.

Corporate advances

This portfolio comprises of advances issued to corporate customers. Corporate advances are assessed on an individual basis due to significant balances within the portfolio. The credit risk of the undrawn component is managed and monitored with the drawn component and therefore the expected credit loss on the entire facility is included in the loss allowance.

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The Bank estimates the cash flows it expects based on expected performance of the advance, taking into account any changes to the collection procedures and projected future market conditions. At initial recognition, the ECL is measured at an amount equal to the expected credit losses over the subsequent 12 month period. For advances for which credit risk has significantly increased since initial recognition, the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses.

An indicator of a significant increase in credit risk is where an account has missed a payment but it has been remedied within the agreed upon time. From a qualitative perspective, the decision that an account has significantly increased in credit risk is made on a case by case basis, due to the bespoke nature of the terms and conditions. The account will be considered to be in default and therefore credit-impaired if a payment has been missed and has not been remedied within the agreed upon timeframe.

1.4.8.2 Forward-looking information

IFRS 9 requires that forward-looking macroeconomic information be included in the determination of SICR and ECL. This forward looking macroeconomic information is included in calculating the origination PD and all subsequent period PDs. The impact of historic macroeconomic conditions on the observed default rates per customer income group and product was used to calibrate and model effects on the PD. The modelled relationships are used to incorporate the forward-looking information into the current risk expectations. This results in the forward-looking information impacting both the SICR evaluation applied in determining the stage allocation and the actual ECL calculation. The most influential macroeconomic factors include the inflationary pressure on food, fuel and the cost of public transport.

The forward-looking information is based on the Bank's economic expectations and industry expectations, as well as expert management judgement, over a planning horizon of at least three years. Economic scenarios utilised by the Bank are provided by an independent specialist on a quarterly basis or more frequently if the current economic environment has experienced notable changes.

These scenarios are considered and approved by the Credit and Models Committee, Model Risk Committee, the Audit and Compliance Committee and, ultimately, ratified by the Board.

The Bank utilises three forward-looking economic scenarios in the ECL model for retail advances and corporate advances:

- a base scenario;
- an upturn scenario indicating improved economic conditions; and
- a downturn scenario indicating a worsening economic environment.

These scenarios include predictions for both the economic variables that statistically show an impact on the advances portfolio at present and additional economic variables that may have an impact going forward. These scenarios are probability-weighted based on the likelihood of each coming to fruition and these probability weightings are also provided by the independent specialist and ratified by the Board. The ECL is ultimately a result of the weighted average of the ECL from each scenario as weighted by each scenario's probability of occurrence.

For retail advances, management has assigned a probability of 50% to the base scenario, 30% to the downturn scenario and 20% to the upturn scenario for the 12-month forecast and for corporate advances a probability of 30% is assigned to the base scenario, 50% to the downturn scenario and 20% to the upturn scenario for the 12-month forecast.

Refer to note 26.8.3 for the impact on ECL for forward-looking information based on the above described scenarios and ascribed probability weightings.

1.4.9 Impairments for financial assets other than advances

Financial assets other than advances are made up of cash and cash equivalents, financial investments, regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and trade receivables. All financial assets other than advances, excluding trade receivables, are placed with counterparties who have a formal local currency credit rating of no less than investment grade.

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Financial assets such as cash and cash equivalents, financial investments and sovereign debt securities are considered to have low credit risk at the end of the reporting period for purposes of determining whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk (SICR) since initial recognition for purposes of calculating expected credit losses in terms of IFRS 9. The counterparties have been assessed to have a strong capacity to meet their contractual cash flow obligations in the near term and adverse changes in economic and/or business conditions in the longer term may, but will not necessarily, reduce the ability of the counterparties to fulfil their contractual cash flow obligations. Where financial assets are considered to have low credit risk, the Bank has applied the low credit risk exemption, these financial assets are, therefore, considered to be stage 1.

For investment in the regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities, the Bank uses the South African National Rating Scale as the basis to determine whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk. An investment will be considered to have SICR (i.e. a transfer from stage 1 to stage 2) if there has been a downgrade of two notches or more by the rating agency since inception of the investment. A move back to stage 1 would only be considered once the rating is similar/the same as at the rating at inception.

Cash deposits are placed only with counterparties that have an approved credit limit, which are reviewed annually by the Asset and Liability Committee ("ALCO") and recommended for approval by the RCMC. The Bank uses International Swaps and Derivatives Association ("ISDA") documentation for the purposes of netting derivatives. These master agreements and associated credit support annexes ("CSA") set out accepted valuation and default covenants, which are evaluated and applied daily, including daily margin calls based on the approved CSA thresholds. CSAs are used as a credit risk mitigation mechanism for the Bank's derivative asset positions. See note 30 for further details. Trade receivables are not rated and are evaluated on an entity by entity basis. The Bank limits the tenure and size of trade receivables to ensure that it does not pose a material risk to the Bank. For further information, refer to note 10.

1.4.10 Written off portfolio

A write-off directly reduces the gross carrying amount, constituting a derecognition event of the advances when the Bank has no reasonable expectation of recovery of the financial asset in its entirety. Advances written off may still be subject to enforcement activity.

The Bank's assessment of reasonable expectation of recovery is either at a single account level or at a collective portfolio level post the write-off point. The point of write-off for retail advances is when advances are in arrears for more than four instalment and no payment has been received in the preceding twelve months. Refer to note 37.2. The point of write-off for corporate advances is where the undrawn commitment is cancelled and there has been non-payment for six months.

The modelling impact of applying the write-off criteria at a portfolio level is that no post write-off recoveries are included in the determination of the LGD. Any cash received after an advance has been written off is treated as a recovery and recognised in the credit impairment charge line in profit or loss.

1.4.11 Acquired book

The acquired book is a purchased credit-impaired book comprising of advances acquired from the entity formerly known as African Bank Limited (in curatorship) and that had subsequently changed its name to RDS. The retail and corporate advances discussed above exclude the acquired book.

These advances are accounted for on a portfolio basis as a single asset and have been classified as credit-impaired on the purchase date and therefore are in stage 3.

The acquired book was recorded upon initial recognition at the fair value of the estimated future cash receipts, discounted at the credit-adjusted effective interest rate. The fair value was calculated by including the anticipated ECL's and the asset was recognised net of the anticipated ECLs. The credit-adjusted effective interest rate is determined based on the amortised cost, not the gross carrying amount of the acquired book and incorporates the impact of expected credit losses in the estimated future cash flows.

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Where estimates of cash receipts are revised based on actual or anticipated cash collections, the carrying amount of the acquired book is adjusted by recalculating the present value of the revised estimated future cash flows using the credit-adjusted effective interest rate initially applied in determining the fair value at acquisition.

To the extent that the revised estimated future cash receipts are more or less than anticipated upon initial recognition, such favourable or unfavourable changes are recognised as a direct adjustment to the carrying amount of the assets and a corresponding gain or loss is recognised as an impairment gain or loss in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Expected credit loss measurement

The same model methodology as applied to retail advances is used to determine the level of credit impairment required.

The amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the financial asset's carrying amount and the cash flows that the Bank expects to receive, discounted at the credit-adjusted effective interest rate for purchased credit-impaired financial assets. In estimating the amount of the ECL, the following inputs are used:

- probability of default ("PD");
- exposure at default ("EAD"); and
- loss given default ("LGD").

PD is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon.

LGD is an estimate of the loss arising in case a default occurs at a given time. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the Bank would expect to receive, including from the realisation of any collateral. It is usually expressed as a percentage of EAD.

EAD is an estimate of the account balance at a future default date, taking into account expected changes in the account after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, whether scheduled by the contract or otherwise, expected drawdowns on committed facilities, and accrued interest from missed payments.

In the process of determining the lifetime ECL for advances, EAD and LGD models are combined and losses are extrapolated to the point where incremental increases of the modelled lifetime no longer increase the total ECL calculated.

1.4.12 Derecognition of financial instruments

Financial instruments are derecognised when:

- the contractual rights or obligations expire or are extinguished, discharged or cancelled, for example an outright sale or settlement;
- they are transferred and the derecognition criteria of IFRS 9 are met; or
- the contractual terms of the instrument are substantially modified and the derecognition criteria of IFRS 9 are met.

1.4.13 Modification

Retail advances

If the Bank renegotiates or modifies the terms of the advance to customers, the Bank considers whether this is a substantial modification to the original terms or whether it's a non-substantial modification, which is an attempt to recover the original contractual amounts outstanding as part of a distressed modification and hence the terms are not substantially different to the original terms.

Substantial modifications

A modification of an advance is substantial when the modified contractual terms are priced to reflect current conditions on the date of modification and are not merely an attempt to recover outstanding amounts. Such modifications will result in the derecognition of the original advance and recognition of a new advance.

Instances where the terms of an advance will be considered to be substantially different from the original terms and therefore, result in a substantial modification, are for retail advances that consolidate existing African Bank advances, also referred to as settlement readvances ("SRAs").

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For SRAs, the Bank derecognises the original advance and recognises a new advance by using the disbursed cash of the new advance to effectively settle the original advance. A new effective interest rate will be calculated for the new advance and the difference between the original advance and new advance is included in modification gain or loss included in the credit impairment charge line item in profit or loss.

The date of disbursement of the SRAs is consequently considered to be the date of initial recognition for impairment calculation purposes, including for the purpose of determining whether a significant increase in credit risk has occurred. These advances will be aged through the contractual CD buckets based on their new contractual instalments and obligations.

Non-substantial modifications

If the modified contractual terms are not substantially different to the original terms it would be considered a non-substantial modification and does not result in derecognition. Therefore, the original advance continues to be recognised. The Bank recalculates the gross carrying amount of the advance as the present value of the modified estimated cash flows, discounted at the advance's original effective interest rate. The original advance is not derecognised and the difference between the recalculated gross carrying amount and the gross carrying amount before the modification is recognised as a modification gain or loss included in the credit impairment charge line item in profit or loss.

The Bank considers instances where the modified terms of the retail advance are not substantially different to the original terms when:

- advances have been rescheduled (ie where there is an amendment to the original terms of the advance, formally agreed with the customer, who is in arrears and has been engaged successfully through the collections channels); and
- legal restructures of advances, such as advances that are undergoing debt review, administration orders or court orders.

The origination date in the original contractual agreement remains the date of initial recognition for impairment calculation purposes and for retail advances, a non-substantial modification is an indicator of a significant increase in credit risk, with the exception of advances in debt review which is considered to be an indicator of credit-impaired. These advances are still aged through the contractual CD buckets based on their original contractual instalments and obligations.

Refer to notes 2 and 17 for the disclosures of the modification gain or loss.

Derivative financial instruments

The Bank uses derivative financial instruments only for the purpose of economically hedging its exposures to known market risks that will affect the current or future profit or loss of the Bank, and as a policy will not enter into derivatives for speculative reasons.

All derivative instruments are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative, subject to offsetting principles.

All derivatives are classified as subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss.

1.4.12 Hedge accounting

Currently, the Bank does not apply hedge accounting per IFRS 9 or IAS 39, but does apply economic hedging principles.

1.5 Intangible assets

1.5.1 Software

Software consists of purchased software. Software acquired is capitalised initially at its acquisition cost or fair value (if acquired through business combination). These are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure on software assets is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is expensed as incurred.

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Software is amortised on a straight-line basis to profit or loss over its estimated useful life, from the date that it is available for use. The estimated useful life of software is between three and ten years. Amortisation methods and useful lives are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

1.5.2 Derecognition of intangible assets

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use. Upon derecognition, a gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and is determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Owner-occupied property, buildings, leasehold improvements, furniture, information technology equipment, office equipment and motor vehicles are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Bank and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced.

Depreciation is charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis and is calculated to reduce the original costs to the expected residual values over the estimated useful lives. Any adjustments to useful lives that may be necessary are accounted for prospectively, with useful life changing from the time of estimation (refer to note 8.1.1 and 9.1).

Useful lives have been determined to be as follows:

Information technology equipment Between 3 and 8 years
Office furniture and equipment Between 6 and 8 years

Motor vehicles 4 years

Leasehold improvements Over the shorter of the lease term or its useful life

Buildings (owner-occupied)

Useful life (limited to 50 years)

Land is not depreciated

All gains or losses arising on the disposal or scrapping of property and equipment are recognised in profit or loss in the period of disposal or scrapping. Repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss when the expenditure is incurred.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

1.7 Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Bank's non-financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indicator of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is re-estimated.

In addition non-financial assets (property and equipment, intangible assets and right of use assets) are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets that had previously been impaired are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting period.

1.8 Leases

Rental agreements where the Bank is the lessee typically include fixed periods of not more than five years, over which the premises are leased. The lease agreements are individually negotiated and contain largely standardised terms and conditions. All other leases (such as laptops, office equipment etc) are considered to be of a low value and/or short-term in nature. The Bank assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease at inception of a contract.

Qualifying leases are recognised as a right of use asset ("ROU asset") and a corresponding liability at the date at which the leased asset is made available for use by the Bank.

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All leases are accounted for by recognising a ROU asset and a lease liability except for:

- leases of low value assets; and
- leases with a term (duration) of twelve months or less.

1.8.1 Extension and termination options

Extension options (or periods after termination options), if applicable, are only included in the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or terminated) and the Bank has an explicit right to renew and extend the term of the lease (or explicit right to terminate the lease).

1.8.2 Leases: Statement of Financial Position

The Bank initially measures the lease liability at the present value of the remaining contractual payments due to the lessor over the lease term, with the discount rate determined by reference to the rate implicit in the lease. The rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable, therefore, the Bank's incremental borrowing rate on commencement of the lease is used. The Bank's funding rate and management judgement (based on market expectations, the specified asset and contractual lease terms), is the basis upon which the incremental borrowing rate is calculated. The carrying value of the lease liability also includes any penalties payable for terminating the lease should the Bank be reasonably certain to exercise the option to terminate.

The Bank initially measures the right of use assets at cost, which comprises of the amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received, plus any initial direct costs incurred and plus an estimate of costs that the Bank is contractually required to incur to dismantle, remove or restore the leased asset.

Subsequently, the Bank applies the cost model to the measurement of the right-of-use assets and applies the non-financial assets impairment policy.

Derecognition

The Bank derecognises the ROU asset and lease liability when the Bank or lessor terminates or cancels a lease.

1.8.3 Leases: Statement of Comprehensive Income

The lease finance cost is determined using the effective interest method and is recognised as interest expense over the lease period.

Subsequent to the initial measurement, the right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the remaining term of the lease or over the remaining economic life of the asset. This depreciation is included as part of operating costs.

Derecognition

On derecognition of the right-of-use asset and lease liability, any difference is recognised as a derecognition gain or loss in profit or loss.

Leases of a low value or of a short-term are accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term

Leases of a short term and/or low value nature are expensed through profit or loss. The low value leases are generally leases where the underlying asset is of a value and short term leases have a lease term of less than 12 months.

Payments made for these leases, net of any incentives received from the lessor, are recognised in operating expenses on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. When the leases are terminated before the lease term has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of a penalty is recognised as operating expenses in the period in which termination takes place and the remaining asset or liability balance is released to profit or loss.

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1.8.4 Reassessment and modification of leases

The carrying amount of the lease liability is adjusted if the Bank:

- reassesses the terms of the lease contract by reassessing the probability of exercising an extension or termination option, or
- modifies the terms of a lease without increasing the term of the lease, or
- where the increased scope is not commensurate with the stand-alone price.

The carrying amount of the lease liability is adjusted to reflect the payments to be made over the revised term, which are discounted at the revised or original rate depending on the facts and circumstances.

For reassessed lease terms, an equivalent adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, with the revised carrying amount being depreciated over the revised lease term. If the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is reduced to zero, however, any further reduction in the measurement of the lease liability is recognised in profit or loss.

For lease modifications that increase the term of the lease, an equivalent adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, with the revised carrying amount being depreciated over the revised lease term. For lease modifications that decrease the term of the lease, the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is decreased to reflect the partial or full termination of the lease, with any resulting difference being recognised in profit or loss as a gain or loss relating to the partial or full termination of the lease.

If the Bank modifies the terms of a lease resulting in an increase in term and the consideration for the lease increases by an amount commensurate with a stand-alone price for the increase in term, the Bank accounts for these modifications as a separate new lease contract.

1.9 Equity

Equity is the residual interest in the assets of the Bank after deducting all liabilities of the Bank.

All transactions relating to the acquisition, sale or issue of shares in the Bank, together with their associated costs, are accounted for in equity.

1.9.1 Share capital and share premium

Shares issued by the Bank are recorded at the value of the proceeds received less the external costs directly attributable to the issue of the shares. In line with the requirements of the Banks Act, only par value shares are issued by the Bank.

1 10 Revenue

Revenue comprises income from interest income and non-interest income.

1.10.1 Interest income

Interest income includes interest on financial instruments measured at amortised cost. The Bank calculates interest revenue using the effective interest method. In applying the effective interest method, the Bank considers the origination fees and service fees as an integral part of the effective interest rate of the exposure for advances when it is assessed to be material.

Origination fees are primarily based on the cost of granting the advance to the individual and are accounted for over the expected life of the loan using the original effective interest rate.

Monthly service fees are charged to the customers on a monthly basis and are considered to be an integral part of the effective interest rate of the advance. These fees are charged to compensate the Bank for the credit risk of the advance and are recognised over the advances expected life. The fee forms part of the decision to grant the advance prior to the advance being generated, including, for example, the assessment of affordability of the advance by the customer as well as the anticipated margin in relation to the anticipated credit risk. Beyond the original contractual term of the advance, the fee is recognised in profit or loss as it is charged to the customer on a monthly basis.

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Interest income on financial assets that are not credit-impaired on initial recognition, is calculated by applying the original effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of such assets. Should the financial asset become credit-impaired, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the net carrying value (being the gross carrying value after deducting the impairment provision for expected credit losses).

Should the financial assets no longer be credit-impaired, interest income is again recognised by applying the original effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of such assets from the date at which the impairment status changed. No retrospective adjustment is made for the period during which the financial assets were deemed to be credit-impaired.

When financial assets are identified as credit-impaired, at the purchase or origination date, interest income is calculated by applying the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the net carrying value (being the gross carrying value after deducting the impairment provision for expected credit losses).

1.10.2 Non-interest income

Non-interest income consists of commission charged, collection fees, as well as any other sundry income such as transaction fees and credit card fees. The Bank additionally earns a binder fee and an outsourcing fee for providing underwriting services to the cell captive. Fees and commissions that form an integral part of the effective interest rate are excluded from non-interest income. The non-interest income is recognised as the performance obligation of the related service performed at a point in time or over time.

Non-interest income type	Recognition of the income
Commission income, outsourcing and binder fees	At the point in time when the premium is collected by the Bank or new business is generated by the Bank.
Collection fees	At a point in time when collections are made by the Bank on behalf of the customer.
Transactional fees and credit card fees	Over time when the service is provided by the Bank over a period of time and at a point in time when the service is provided by the Bank each time a customer transacts.
Early withdrawal fees (included in other income)	At a point in time when the withdrawal takes place.
Commission on value-added services	At a point in time when the service is provided and commission is earned.

1.11 Taxation

1.11.1 Indirect taxation

Indirect taxation in the form of non-claimable value-added tax ("VAT") on expenses is disclosed as indirect taxation in profit or loss and not as part of the taxation charge. The non-claimable VAT on the cost of acquisition of fixed assets is amortised over the useful lives of the fixed assets and is included in depreciation in profit or loss. The net amount of VAT recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of the receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

1.11.2 Direct taxation

Direct taxation in profit or loss consists of South African jurisdiction corporate income tax, inclusive of capital gains tax and is made up of current taxation and deferred taxation.

1.11.3 Current taxation

Current taxation is the expected taxation payable based on the taxable income, inclusive of capital gains tax for the year, using taxation rates enacted or substantially enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to taxation payable in respect of previous years. Taxable income is determined by adjusting the profit before taxation for items that are non-taxable or disallowed in terms of tax legislation.

Current tax is charged or credited to profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items charged or credited directly to the statement of changes in equity, in which case the tax is also recognised in equity. The net amount of tax recoverable from or payable to the taxation authority is included as part of the receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

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1.11.4 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on temporary differences using the balance sheet liability method. Temporary differences are differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and their tax base that result in a timing difference in recognition.

Deferred tax is recognised for all temporary differences. Deferred tax is provided for on the fair value adjustments of assets based on the expected manner of recovery, i.e. sale or use. This manner of recovery affects the rate used to determine the deferred tax liability or asset. The rate used to measure the deferred tax liability or asset will be based on enacted or substantively enacted rates at the reporting date.

1.11.5 Offsetting

Deferred income tax assets, deferred income tax liabilities, current tax assets and current tax liabilities are offset, if a legally enforceable right exists to offset, and if they relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

1.11.6 Judgement and uncertainty

Judgement is required in determining the provision for income taxes due to the complexity of legislation governing the environment in which the Bank operates. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Bank recognises liabilities for anticipated tax issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made. Uncertain tax positions are provided for, in accordance with the criteria defined within IAS 12 Income Taxes ("IAS 12") and IFRIC 23 Uncertainty Over Income Tax Treatments ("IFRIC 23").

Judgement is also required in the treatment of penalties and interest imposed in terms of any tax legislation. IAS 12 does not consider the treatment for "&"penalties and interest, and tax is explained as being based on taxable profits. In terms of Section 223 of the Tax Administration Act ("TAA"), the term 'tax' is defined as: 'for the purposes of administration under this Act, includes a tax, duty, levy, royalty, fee, contribution, penalty, interest and any other moneys imposed under a Tax Act'. This definition for tax encompasses penalties and interest whereas IAS 12 explains that income taxes are based on taxable profits. As at the reporting date, the Bank has accordingly applied the definition per TAA in its definition of tax.

Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised. The most significant management assumption is the forecasts that are used to support the probability assessment that sufficient taxable profits will be generated by entities within the Bank in order to utilise the deferred tax assets. As at the year end, the Bank is of the view that there is no material uncertainty in relation to the recoverability of the deferred tax asset.

1.12 Foreign currency transactions and balances

At each reporting date, foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Foreign exchange gains and losses arising on the settlement of monetary items or on translating monetary items at rates different from those at which they were translated on initial recognition during the reporting period or in previous Annual Financial Statements are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

1.13 Employee benefits

1.13.1 Post-employment benefits

Defined contribution plans have been established for eligible employees of the Bank, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The Bank pays contributions on a contractual basis as determined in terms of the rules of each benefit fund. The Bank has no further legal or constructive obligations to pay any further contributions or benefits once the fixed contributions have been paid to the funds.

Contributions in respect of defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in profit or loss as they are incurred.

1.13.2 Short-term benefits

Short-term benefits consist of salaries, compensated absences (such as paid annual and sick leave), bonuses and medical aid contributions.

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Short-term benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided.

A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus plans or accumulated leave, if the Bank has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

1.13.3 Long-term benefits

Long-term benefits consist of long-term incentive scheme bonuses. The cost of long-term benefits are recognised over time as the employees provide the related services. All remeasurements are accounted for in profit or loss.

1.14 Current and non-current assets and liabilities

Current assets and liabilities are what is expected to be recovered or settled no more than 12 months after the reporting period and non-current assets and liabilities are those that are expected to be recovered or settled more than twelve months after the reporting period.

1.15 Segment reporting

An operating segment is defined as a component of the Bank whose operating results are regularly reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision Maker in allocating resources, assessing its performance and for which discrete financial information is available."

The Chief Operating Decision Maker has been identified as the African Bank Holdings Limited Group CEO ("Group CEO") who is responsible for assessing the performance and allocation of resources of the Bank.

Due to the nature of its operations, the Bank has a single operating segment within South Africa, which is consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Group CEO. The business is widely distributed with no reliance on any major customer and no customer account represents more than 10% of revenue.

1.16 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Bank's accounting policies, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that relate to impairment provisions for advances that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are continually evaluated and management applies their knowledge of current events and actions that may be undertaken in the future but actual results may ultimately differ from estimates. The critical judgements that management have made in the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies and key estimation uncertainties are disclosed as part of the relevant accounting policies.

The principal considerations applied by management in making judgements, estimates and assumptions relate to the following:

- Expected credit loss ("ECL") provisions for advances (refer to note 1.4.8 and 26.7).
- Fair value estimates (refer to note 29).
- Taxation- Judgement and uncertainty (refer to note 1.11.6 and 7).
- Estimated useful life of PPE and intangibles (refer to note 1.5, 1.6, 8 and 9).
- Long term incentives (refer to note 1.13.3 and 34).

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2. Net advances

Rmillion	2022	2024
	2022	2021
Gross advances	32,561	25,372
Retail and corporate advances ¹	31,974	24,454
Acquired book	587	918
Deferred fees	(282)	(250)
Gross advances after deferred origination and administration fees	32,279	25,122
Retail advances	29,932	24,204
Corporate advances	1,760	-
Acquired book	587	918
Balance of impairment provision at the end of the year	(9,632)	(8,660)
Balance of impairment provision at the beginning of the year	(8,660)	(8,646)
Impairment provisions raised on retail advances	(2,178)	(2,166)
Impairment provisions raised on corporate advances	(48)	-
Impairment provisions raised on interest from stage 3 advances	(665)	(972)
Impairment provision released upon write-offs of underlying exposure	1,919	3,124
Net advances	22,647	16,462
Undrawn irrevocable retail advances commitments	843	645
Undrawn irrevocable corporate advances commitments	140	-
Maximum exposure to credit risk	23,630	17,107

¹ The advances balance includes modification losses amounting to R877 million (2021: R781 million). This includes advances with an amortised cost of R892 million (2021: R805 million) (originated book) and R63 million (2021: R33 million) (acquired book) modified during the current financial year.

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Reconciliation of ECL, retail gross advances and corporate gross advances of originated and acquired advances as at 30 September 2022

The below ECL movements depict the differential movements when advances transfer to or from the different stages

Rmillion			ECL				Gross advances ⁴					
	Stage 1	Stag	e 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stag	ge 2	Stage 3	Total originated	Acquired book	
	Stage I	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	Iotai	Stage 1	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	book	Acquired book	
Opening balance 1 October 2021	544	858	1,083	6,175	8,660	8,529	3,596	2,867	9,212	24,204	918	
Changes due to movements in arrears profile of advances	(31)	(210)	90	2,178	2,027	(1,128)	(1,215)	(98)	2,630	189	3	
Transfer from stage 1	-	151	268	480	899	-	714	744	715	2,173	-	
Transfer from stage 2: SICR	44	-	171	478	693	844	-	475	713	2,032	-	
Transfer from stage 2: arrears	9	14	-	794	817	177	65	-	1,184	1,426	-	
Transfer from stage 3	1	5	24	-	30	15	24	66	-	105	-	
Transfer to stage 1	-	(178)	(64)	(10)	(252)	-	(844)	(177)	(15)	(1,036)	-	
Transfer to stage 2: SICR	(38)	-	(23)	(16)	(77)	(714)	-	(65)	(24)	(803)	-	
Transfer to stage 2: arrears	(39)	(100)	-	(44)	(183)	(744)	(475)	-	(66)	(1,285)	-	
Transfer to stage 3	(38)	(151)	(427)	-	(616)	(715)	(713)	(1,184)	-	(2,612)	-	
Transfer to write off/ balance growth up to write-off	30	49	141	496	716	9	14	43	123	189	3	

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Rmillion			ECL					Gross ad	vances ⁴		
	61	Stage	e 2	C1 2	T 1111	614	Stag	e 2	C1	Total originated	
	Stage 1	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	book	Acquired book
Changes due to Changes in balances of advances	505	38	280	(1,150)	(327)	7,024	261	783	(846)	7,222	(529
Change due to novement in palances of existing advances	(42)	(50)	(66)	69	(89)	(788)	(237)	(184)	102	(1,107)	(225
Modifications that did not give rise to de-ecognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	(306)	37	173	(96)	
ssuance of retail	633	299	689	661	2,282	8,029	1,592	1,481	894	11,996	
ssuance of corporate	48	-	-	-	48	1,760	-	-	-	1,760	
Change due to de- ecognition (other han write-off)	(103)	(154)	(117)	(275)	(649)	(1,946)	(731)	(325)	(410)	(3,412)	(165
Change due to write- off ²	(31)	(57)	(226)	(1,605)	(1,919)	(31)	(57)	(226)	(1,605)	(1,919)	(139
Changes due to Change in model Assumptions	224	(382)	(721)	151	(728)	2,527	275	(1,940)	(785)	77	195
Changes due to changes in model changes in model	224	(382)	(721)		(728)	2,527	275	(1,940)	(785)		195

¹ The ECL recognised on new retail advances originating during the financial year (which are not included in opening balances) are raised based on the advances' ECL stage as at the end of the financial year and are included within 'ECL on new retail advances'.

Factors impacting and contributing to significant changes in the ECL during the current period:

² The decrease in the advances as a result of the write-off is equal to the decrease in ECL and relates only to retail advances, as advances are 100% provided for before being written off. The contractual amount outstanding on advances that were written off during the current financial year that are still subject to enforcement activities is R2057 million (refer to credit impairment charges, note 26.9.1).

³ The were no changes due to the arrears profile or changes in balances of corporate advances.

⁴ The gross advances balances are net of deferred fees

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As at the beginning of the financial year multiple overlays were held relating to Covid-19, DebiCheck, the Credit Amendment Bill and retrenchments. In the March 2022 Interim Financial Statements, management held an overlay on the ECL models for the effect of inflation on the prices of food and public transportation (due to the Russia and Ukraine conflict). Subsequently, the ECL models were recalibrated with recent observed behaviour between April 2022 and September 2022 which increased the model calculated ECL, whilst releasing all event driven management overlays. Refer to note 26.7.1.

Reconciliation of ECL and retail gross advances of originated advances as at 30 September 2021

The below ECL movements depict the differential movements when advances transfer to or from the different stages

Rmillion			ECL					Gross ac	dvances		
	Stage 1	Stag	ge 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Sta	ge 2	Stage 3	Total originated	Acquired book
	Juage 1	SICR	Arrears	Juage J	Total	Juage 1	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	book	Acquired book
Opening balance 1 October 2020	432	872	1,572	5,770	8,646	8,444	4,359	3,733	8,460	24,996	1,286
Changes due to movements in arrears profile of advances	134	(266)	112	2,626	2,606	(362)	(2,053)	(431)	2,739	(107)	(195)
Transfer from stage 1	-	117	301	394	812	-	590	716	593	1,899	-
Transfer from stage 2: SICR	70	-	262	477	809	1,379	-	624	718	2,721	-
Transfer from stage 2: arrears	10	20	-	1,006	1,036	202	103	-	1,515	1,820	-
Transfer from stage 3	1	4	31	-	36	13	22	74	-	109	-
Transfer to stage 1	-	(275)	(85)	(8)	(368)	-	(1,379)	(202)	(13)	(1,594)	-
Transfer to stage 2: SICR	(30)	-	(43)	(15)	(88)	(590)	-	(103)	(22)	(715)	-
Transfer to stage 2: arrears	(37)	(124)	-	(49)	(210)	(716)	(624)	-	(74)	(1,414)	-
Transfer to stage 3	(30)	(143)	(636)	-	(809)	(593)	(718)	(1,515)	-	(2,826)	-
Transfer to write-off/											
balance growth up to write-off	150	135	282	821	1,388	(57)	(47)	(25)	22	(107)	(195)

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Net advances continued...

Rmillion			Gross advances								
	Stage 1	Stage	2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stag	e 2	Stage 2	Total originated	Acquired book
	Stage 1	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	TOLAL	Stage 1	SICR	Arrears	Stage 3	book	Acquired book
Changes due to changes in balances of advances	(89)	202	(460)	(2,057)	(2,404)	447	1,290	(435)	(1,987)	(685)	(173)
Change due to movement in balances of existing advances	(49)	(54)	(113)	153	(63)	(1,029)	(295)	(297)	264	(1,357)	(117)
Modifications that did not give rise to derecognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	(12)	(91)	(105)	-
New retail advances ¹	202	565	205	167	1,139	3,168	2,364	542	256	6,330	-
Change due to de- recognition (other than write-off)	(78)	(117)	(84)	(77)	(356)	(1,528)	(585)	(200)	(116)	(2,429)	(56)
Change due to write-off ²	(164)	(192)	(468)	(2,300)	(3,124)	(164)	(192)	(468)	(2,300)	(3,124)	-
Changes due to change in model assumptions	67	50	(141)	(164)	(188)			_			
Changes due to changes in model assumptions	67	50	(141)	(164)	(188)	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	-	
Closing balance 30 September 2021	544	858	1,083	6,175	8,660	8,529	3,596	2,867	9,212	24,204	918

¹ The ECL recognised on new advances originating during the financial year (which are not included in opening balances) are raised based on the advances' ECL stage as at the end of the financial year and are included within 'ECL on new advances'.

² The decrease in the advances as a result of the write-off is equal to the decrease in ECL as advances are 100% provided for before being written off. The contractual amount outstanding on advances that were written off during the current financial year that are still subject to enforcement activities is R3465 million (refer to credit impairment charges, note 26.9.1).

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3. Guarantees and commitments

3.1 Guarantee

RDS indemnity

In terms of the restructuring transaction, RDS has provided a guarantee in favour of the Bank in respect of the advances book transferred to the value of R3 billion until April 2024. To support RDS, the SARB has provided an indemnity guarantee in respect of the guarantee provided by RDS to the Bank. As at year-end, RDS had built up the cash reserves equal to the indemnity of R3 billion. The indemnity guarantee provided by the SARB is in place for eight years, having commenced on 4 April 2016 and expiring on 4 April 2024.

Refer to note 36.3 regarding changes to the indemnity, agreed to after 30 September 2022.

3.2 Commitments

Unutilised card facilities

The total unsecured unutilised credit facilities granted to the Bank's credit card holders is R828 million (2021: R645 million), the repricing profile of which is expected not to be more than one month.

Unutilised overdraft facilities

The total unsecured unutilised overdraft facilities granted to the Bank's overdraft holders is R15 million (2021: R1 million), the repricing profile of which is expected not to be more than one month.

Unutilised corporate facilities

The total untilised facility granted to the Bank's corporate customers is R140 million in the current financial year, the repricing profile for corporate facilities is dependent on the credit risk associated with the relevent customer.

4. Cash and cash equivalents

Call deposits ¹	534	
can deposits	334	3,189
ZAR	532	2,611
Foreign denominated	2	578
Deposits with the SARB ²	445	382
Current accounts ³	399	46
Gross cash and cash equivalents	1,378	3,617
Non-cash adjustment: ECL ⁴	-	(1)
Net cash and cash equivalents	1,378	3,616
Maximum exposure to credit risk	1,378	3,616

See note 26.12 for credit risk ratings of counterparties.

The Bank uses foreign currency denominated deposits to mitigate against risks arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates where the Bank's debt is denominated in a currency other than the functional currency. Refer to note 27.3 for foreign exchange risk management. Refer to note 13 and 14 for debt denominated in a currency other than the functional currency.

¹ Rand call deposits are held with SA banks and can be withdrawn on demand. Rand-denominated call deposits bear interest at rates varying from 2.45% to 5.95% NACM (2021: from 2.45% to 3.50%). Foreign-denominated call deposits consist of foreign currency that the Bank uses to mitigate against the changes in cash flows arising from changes in foreign currency rates, where the debt is denominated in a currency other than the functional currency and can be withdrawn on demand.

² The Bank is required to deposit a minimum balance of R445 million (2021: R382 million and 2020: R381 million) with the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) and these deposits bear no interest. Deposits with the SARB were previously included in note 6, Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision. These deposits are not available for day-to-day operations. The impact on the 1 October 2020 opening balance is a reclassification of R381 million.

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Cash and cash equivalents continued...

³ Current accounts are floating interest rate assets with interest rates generally linked to Prime.

5. Financial investments

Rmillion	2022	2021
Investment in core income funds ¹	160	2,081
Total	160	2,081

¹ Investment in core income funds are unitised and are held with SA banks. These investments are held at fair value.

Reconciliation of financial investments

Rmillion	2022	2021
Investments in core income funds		
Opening balance	2,081	1,017
Placement	-	1,000
Withdrawal: Capital	(1,907)	-
Withdrawal: Interest received	(34)	-
Income from investments	20	64
Closing balance	160	2,081

6. Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities

Rmillion	2022	2 2021 (restated)
Listed	2,451	3,005
Treasury bills	-	-
Bonds ¹	2,451	3,005
Gross regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities	2,451	3,005
Adjustment: ECL ²	(7	-
Net regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities	2,444	3,005
Maximum exposure to credit risk	2,444	3,005

See note 26.12 for credit risk ratings of counterparties

Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities with a carrying value of R915 million (2021: R764 million) are held by the South African Reserve Bank in terms of the Banks Act and regulations thereto, and are not available for day-to-day operations. Deposits with the SARB were previously included this note, however have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision, refer to note 4.

7. Current and deferred tax

Rmillion	2022	2021
Current tax asset/(liability)	(12)	(83)
Deferred tax asset	1,064	1,134
Total	1,052	1,051

⁴ ECL is raised on credit risk arising from the counterparties with whom the deposits are held. All deposits are classified as stage 1. There were no movements between stages for these deposits during the financial year. The ECL charge for the current financial year is immaterial.

¹ R707 million of the bonds has been pledged as security.

² ECL is raised on credit risk arising from the counterparties with whom the deposits and sovereign debt are held. There has not been any changes or downgrades in all deposits and sovereign debt, therefore these are classified as stage 1. There were no movements between stages for these deposits during the financial year. In the prior year the ECL was R419, 000 and during the current year management revised the approach for calculating ECL.

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Current and deferred tax continued...

7.1 Deferred tax asset

Destilian	Opening balance	impact of items recognised in	Closing balance
Rmillion 2022		profit or loss	
Temporary differences			
Right of use asset	3	-	3
Accounts receivable and other assets - Sundry and payroll provisions	149	(32)	117
Impairment provision	923	35	958
Accounts receivable and other assets - Prepayments	(11)	(1)	(12)
Tax impact from the buy-back of liabilities	(2)	-	(2)
Estimated tax loss	72	(72)	-
Total ¹	1,134	(70)	1,064

Rmillion	Opening balance	Deferred tax impact of items recognised in profit or loss	Closing balance
2021		promoti noto	
Temporary differences			
Right of use asset	-	3	3
Provisions	59	90	149
Impairment for expected credit losses	938	(15)	923
Prepayments	(4)	(7)	(11)
Tax impact from the buy-back of liabilities	(1)	(1)	(2)
Estimated tax loss	141	(69)	72
Total ¹	1,133	1	1,134

The calculation of the deferred tax balances as at 30 September 2022 takes into account the change in the tax rate to 27%, which was substantively enacted on 23 February 2022. Refer to note 21 for further disclosure of the impact of the change in tax rate.

8. Property, equipment and right of use assets

	2022		2021			
Rmillion	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying value	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Carrying value
Furniture and fittings	37	(21)	16	34	(17)	17
Information technology equipment	321	(217)	104	301	(179)	122
Motor vehicles	7	(4)	3	7	(2)	5
Leasehold improvements	69	(47)	22	56	(42)	14
Land and buildings (owner-occupied)	301	(38)	263	301	(32)	269
Right of use assets	339	(185)	154	299	(124)	175
Total	1,074	(512)	562	998	(396)	602

¹ The estimated current tax loss has been fully utilised in the current financial year (2021:R72 million). The recoverability of the deferred tax asset is assessed by the Bank on a regular basis. The deferred tax asset recognised by the Bank will be recovered through allowable tax deductions and taxable income in future financial periods. In applying judgement in recognising deferred tax assets and the recoverability thereof, management has critically assessed all available information, including future business profit projections and the past achievement thereof. This was done by considering taxable profits forecasted over a four-year period using the approved Board budget.

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8.1 Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of property and equipment 2022

Rmillion	Carrying value at beginning of year	Additions	Depreciation	Disposals / write-offs	Carrying value at end of year
Furniture and fittings	17	4	(5)	-	16
Information technology equipment	122	34	(51)	(1)	104
Motor vehicles	5	-	(2)	-	3
Leasehold improvements	14	13	(5)	-	22
Land and buildings (owner-occupied)	269	-	(6)	-	263
Total	427	51	(69)	(1)	408

Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of property and equipment 2021

Rmillion	Carrying value at beginning of year	Additions	Depreciation	Disposals / write-offs	Carrying value at end of year
Furniture and fittings	21	1	(4)	(1)	17
Information technology equipment	150	24	(48)	(4)	122
Motor vehicles	1	5	(1)	-	5
Leasehold improvements	25	-	(11)	-	14
Land and buildings (owner-occupied)	275	-	(6)	-	269
Total	472	30	(70)	(5)	427

8.1.1 Change in estimate

During the 2022 financial year, the Bank assessed the useful lives of all property, plant and equipment items noted above. In this assessment the Bank identified the need to re-estimate the useful lives of information technology equipment. The revised useful lives more accurately reflects the period over which expected future benefits of use can be realised. The net effect of the estimation was a decrease of R18 million in the depreciation expense in the current financial year, which will be included in the depreciation charge in future financial periods. This change will be applied prospectively.

8.2 Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of right of use asset

Rmillion	2022	2021
Carrying value at beginning of year	175	280
Additions	128	77
Depreciation	(148)	(133)
Terminations and modifications	(1)	(49)
Carrying value at end of year	154	175

9. Intangible assets

	2022		2021			
Rmillion	Cost	Accumulated amortisation	Carrying value	Cost	Accumulated amortisation	Carrying value
Software	258	(105)	153	223	(85)	138

Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of intangible assets 2022

Rmillion	Carrying value at beginning of		Amortisation		Carrying value at end of year
KIIIIIIOII	year				
Software	138	41	(26)	-	153

Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of intangible assets 2021

Rmillion	Carrying value at beginning of year		Amortisation	Disposals / write-offs	Carrying value at end of year
Software	115	46	(22)	(1)	138

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Intangible assets continued...

9.1 Change in estimate

During the 2022 financial year, the Bank assessed the useful lives of all intangible assets. In this assessment the Bank reestimated the useful lives to reflects more accurately the period over which expected future benefits of use can be realised. The net effect of the re-estimation was a decrease of R6 million in the amortisation expense in the current financial year, which will be included in the amortisation charge in future financial periods. This change will be applied prospectively.

10. Accounts receivable and other assets

Accounts receivable and other assets		
Rmillion	2022	2021
Financial assets		
Sundry receivables ¹	88	94
Management fees	60	40
Insurance commissions	14	39
Other	14	15
Non-financial assets		
Prepayments ²	114	88
Total	202	182
Maximum exposure to credit risk	88	94
maximum exposure to create risk	00	7-7

¹ Due to the short-term nature of the receivables, the carrying amount approximates its fair value. The ECL of the total amount is negligible as the majority of the exposure is within 30 days and/or carries immaterial credit risk.

11. Derivatives

	Assets over	Assets over the counter		ver the counter
Rmillion	Notional	Carrying amount at fair value	Notional ¹	Carrying amount at fair value
2022	· ·			
Inflation linked derivatives				
Swaps	667	85		-
Total	667	85		
2021				
Inflation linked derivatives				
Swaps	667	42		-
Total	667	42		- <u>-</u>
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¹ The notional amount is the sum of the absolute value for both derivative assets and liabilities. The amount cannot be used to assess the risk associated with the positions held and should be used only as a means of assessing participation in derivative contracts.

The Bank uses inflation linked swaps to economically hedge against the changes in the fair value of inflation linked bonds, arising from changes in interest rates. The change of which impacts the cash outflow from the payment of interest.

For accounting purposes, the derivatives have not been formally designated as hedging instruments as defined by IFRS 9 and, therefore, all derivatives were classified as and measured at fair value through profit or loss as per IFRS 9.

For more information on the management of market risk, refer to note 27.

² Information technology licenses and services and prepaid rentals balance at the reporting date.

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Derivatives continued...

Derivatives settled on a net basis and gross basis

The tables below analyse the Bank's derivative assets and liabilities, which will be settled on a net basis into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date.

Some of the Bank's derivatives are subject to collateral requirements (see note 30), such as margin calls. Cash flows from those derivatives could occur earlier than the contractual maturity. Contractual maturities are assessed to be essential for an understanding of the timing of cash flows of all derivatives.

Derivatives settled on a net basis	6 - 12 months	1 - 2 years	2 - 5 years	Total
2022				
Financial assets				
Inflation linked swaps	-	85	-	85
2024				
2021				
Financial assets				
Inflation linked swaps		-	42	42

12. Bonds and other long-term funding

Rmillion	2022	2021
Wholesale funding (refer to note 24)	3,539	3,013
Unsecured bonds (listed on JSE, refer to note 12.1)	2,930	2,364
Unsecured long-term loans (refer to note 12.2)	609	649
Retail long-term funding (refer to note 12.3)	7,310	6,126
Total	10,849	9,139

All long-term funding represents funding with a maturity of more than 12 months after year end.

12.1 Unsecured bonds listed on JSE

Rmillion	Face value	Interest accrued ¹	Unamortised discount ²	Reclassified to short-term funding	Net liability 2022	Net liability 2021³
Fixed rate bonds	235	6	(1)	-	240	240
JIBAR linked bonds	1,935	5	-	-	1,940	1,414
Inflation linked bonds	749	1	-	-	750	710
Total	2,919		(1)	-	2,930	2,364

The bonds' maturities range from the earliest maturity on 13 March 2024 to the latest maturity on 30 March 2027. The following bonds are listed on JSE:

- The 10.93% fixed rate bond has a maturity date of the 10 July 2024.
- The 3 month JIBAR + 3.8% floating rate bond has a maturity date of the 3 December 2024.
- The 3 month JIBAR + 2.94% floating rate bond has a maturity date of the 31 March 2024.
- The 3 month JIBAR + 2.7% floating rate bond has a maturity date of the 14 September 2024.
- The 3 month JIBAR + 2.59% floating rate bond has a maturity date of the 30 March 2025.
- The 3 month JIBAR + 3% floating rate bond has a maturity date of the 30 March 2027.
- The inflation linked bond with a fixed rate of 5.75% with CPI adjustment has a maturity date of the 13 March 2024.

¹ Interest accrued represents interest due to the funders, as at the reporting date, based on the individual bond's legal terms and conditions.

² Unamortised discount represents the fair value adjustment at initial recognition of the funding liability.

³ Net liability for 2021 includes accrued interest of R51 million and an unamortised discount of R6 million.

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Bonds and other long-term funding continued...

12.2 Unsecured long-term loans

Rmillion	Face value	Interest accrued ¹	Unamortised premium / (discount) ²	Net liability 2022	Net liability 2021³
Fixed deposits	560	49	-	609	649
Total	560	49	-	609	649

Fixed Deposits, interest rates between 3.75% and 15.6% (2021: 4.24% to 10.83%). These deposits have various maturities from 01 September 2022 to 20 October 2026.

12.3 Retail long-term funding

	Face value	Interest accrued	Net liability	Net liability
Rmillion			2022	20214
Maturing in 12 to 24 months ¹	374	-	374	502
Maturing in 25 to 36 months ²	311	(1)	310	166
Maturing in 37 to 60 months ³	6,616	10	6,626	5,458
Total	7,301	9	7,310	6,126

Retail funding consists of fixed deposits that have zero, quarterly and semi-annual coupon payment instruments.

13. Short-term funding

Rmillion	2022	2021
Wholesale funding (refer to note 24)	868	3,540
Call deposits ¹	78	38
Notice deposits ²	115	-
Negotiable certificates of deposits ²	48	5
Fixed deposits ³	627	59
Promissory notes⁴	-	51
Listed bonds ⁵	-	3,387
Retail funding	5,001	4,237
Retail short-term funding ⁶	4,935	4,189
Other short-term funding	66	48

¹ Interest accrued represents interest due to the funders, as at the reporting date, based on the individual bond's legal terms and conditions.

² Unamortised premium/(discount) represents the fair value adjustment at initial recognition of the funding liability.

³ Net liability for 2021 includes accrued interest of R41 million and an unamortised premium/(discount) of nil.

¹ Retail long-term funding for this maturity profile bear interest ranging from 7.25% to 8.00% NACM, (2021: 5.61% to 6.51% NACM).

 $^{^2}$ Retail long-term funding for this maturity profile bear interest ranging from 8.00% to 8.50% NACM (2021: 5.61% to 6.93% NACM).

³ Retail long-term funding for this maturity profile bear interest ranging from 8.50% to 10.19% NACM (2021: 6.93% to 8.8% NACM).

⁴ Net liability for 2021 includes accrued interest of R14 million.

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Short-term funding continued...

Total	5,869	7,777

Short-term funding represents funding with a maturity of less than 12 months after year end.

14. Creditors and other liabilities

Rmillion	2022	2021
Financial liabilities ¹		
Gross advances with credit balances	17	12
Cash payable to Residual Debt Services Limited (in curatorship)	12	9
Sundry payables and accruals ²	183	140
Amounts payable to Guardrisk	99	106
Lease liability (refer note 14.1)	163	186
Non financial liabilities		
Accruals related to payroll ³	322	292
VAT provision	-	148
Leave pay accrual	89	81
Total	885	974

¹ Financial liabilities are to be settled in 12 months, unless otherwise disclosed.

14.1 Reconciliation of lease liability

Rmillion	2022	2021
Opening balance	186	280
Additions	127	77
Terminations and modifications	(1)	(49)
Interest expense	14	15
Payments	(163)	(137)
Balance at end of period	163	186

¹ Call deposits have interest rates linked to SAFEX.

² Negotiable certificates of deposit interest rates varying from 3m JIBAR + 0.2% to 3m JIBAR + 2.2% (2021: 3m JIBAR + 0.2% to 3m JIBAR + 1.85%).

³ Fixed deposits interest rates (NACA) varying from 2.0% to 15.06% (2021: 1.51% to 10.75%).

⁴ Promissory notes interest rates (NACA) varying from 3m JIBAR + 4% (2021: 3m JIBAR + 2.25% to 3m JIBAR + 5%).

⁵ All listed bonds matured in the current financial year. During the 2021 financial year all listed bonds to the value of R3 387 million repayable within 12 months were reclassified from long-term funding to short-term funding based on the remaining contractual term.

⁶ Retail short-term funding consists of transactional deposits with an interest rates (NACA) ranging from 2.75% to 5.5% (2021: 2.75% to 4%) and retail investment deposits with interest rates (NACA) varying from 4.17% to 7.87% (2021: 3.93% to 5.85%).

² Sundry payables and accruals consist largely of trade payables.

³ Included in 'Accruals related to payroll' is a provision for the long-term incentive scheme amounting to R40 million (2021: R70 million). Refer to note 34 for additional disclosure. This amount also includes a short term incentive of R245 million, retention awards of R6 million and other payroll liabilities (such as PAYE, medical aid) of R30 million (2021: R29 million).

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Creditors and other liabilities continued...

Undiscounted lease commitments

Rmillion	2022	2021
Payable between 1 and 12 months	138	163
Payable between 13 and 24 months	77	138
Payable between 25 and 60 months	17	95
Total	232	396

15. Share capital

	Number of shares	Number of shares		Rmillion
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Authorised				
Ordinary shares of R0.01 each	2 000 000 000	2 000 000 000	-	-
<u>Issued</u>				
Ordinary shares at par value of R0.01 each	500 000 002	500 000 001	5	5
Ordinary share premium			12,930	11,480
Total			12,935	11,485

The Bank issued 1 share to the value of R1 450 million which was fully paid up in the current financial period (2021: 1 share to the value of R1 485 million).

The Bank has 1 499 999 998 (2021:1 499 999 999) unissued ordinary shares.

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time, and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Bank. All ordinary shares rank equally with regard to the Bank's residual assets.

16. Interest income

16.1 Interest income on advances

Rmillion	2022	2021
Interest on advances	5,032	4,597
Loan origination fees	292	30
Service fee	338	331
Total	5,662	4,958

Interest income on advances is calculated using the effective interest method.

16.2 Other interest income

Rmillion	2022	2021
Interest received on cash and cash equivalents	63	56
Sundry interest income ¹	240	172
Total	303	228

Other interest income is calculated using the effective interest method.

¹ Sundry interest income consists of interest on regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities.

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17. Credit impairment charge

Rmillion	2022	2021
Originated book		
Net movement in impairment provisions ¹	2,226	2,166
Modification that does not give rise to derecognition	96	105
Net impairment charge	2,322	2,271
Post write-off recoveries ²	(491)	(286)
Sub-total: Originated book	1,831	1,985
Acquired book		
Post write-off recoveries ³	(393)	(458)
(Favourable)/unfavourable changes in ECL	(2)	(186)
Sub-total: Acquired book	(395)	(644)
Total	1,436	1,341

¹ Net movement in impairment provisions represents the impairments on retail and corporate advances (refer to the ECL reconciliation under note 26.8.2). The presentation of the comparative information has changed to show net movement in the impairments provision within a single line.

18. Interest expense and similar charges

Rmillion	2022	2021
Wholesale funding ¹	451	640
Subordinated debt	-	94
Unsecured listed bonds	320	454
Call deposits	6	1
Fixed deposits	101	65
Negotiable certificates of deposit	21	17
Interest on promissory notes	3	9
Retail and other	877	689
Right of use asset - finance cost	14	15
Retail funding	816	651
Other interest ¹	47	23
Total	1,328	1,329

¹ Other interest includes interest from transactional banking.

19. Non-interest income

Rmillion	2022	2021
Credit card fees	184	157
Binder and outsourcing arrangements fees ¹	144	139
Collection fees ²	175	237
Transactional fees	115	53
Commission on value-added services	4	2
Other income ³	48	30
Total	670	618

¹ These fees are earned through the intermediary agreement held with Guardrisk for the premiums collected and new business generated by the Bank.

² Post write-off recoveries are recognised less the directly attributable costs of collection of R47 million (2021: R44 million) for the originated book and R26 million (2021: R30 million) for the acquired book. The increased amounts of recoveries in the previous period was largely driven by insurance benefits, as well as an improvement in the economic impact which Covid-19 had on collections. The increased amount of recoveries in this period is driven primarily by the payments of the extended insurance benefits to provide customers with extended cover, resulting in an increased expectation of the Bank recovering amounts. This resulted in management reassessing the definition of write-off. Refer to the note 37.2.1.

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Non-interest income continued...

² Fees relate to fees charged to RDS of R175 million (2021: R237 million). Fees charged are determined on an arm's length basis and managed independently under supervision of the curator of that company. The fees charged to RDS are expected to decline as the book that is being collected upon runs down.

20. Operating costs

Rmillion	2022	2021
Advertising and marketing costs	259	220
Amortisation of intangible assets (refer to note 9)	26	22
Audit fees	19	31
Bank charges and strike costs ¹	108	148
Card transaction costs	198	129
Collection costs	14	22
Depreciation on property and equipment (refer to note 8)	217	203
Direct selling and commissions	46	37
Information technology costs	175	173
Travel cost	11	6
Rental and maintenance costs	146	138
Costs related to property rentals ²	97	104
Other rental and maintenance costs	49	34
Printing, stationery and courier costs	16	16
Professional fees	217	170
Staff costs	1,612	1,578
Basic remuneration	1,111	1,185
Employee benefits expense	268	219
Contribution to provident fund	132	127
Commission paid to sales agents	5	1
Executive Directors' and Prescribed Officers' remuneration (refer to note 38)	96	46
Non-Executive Directors' fees (refer to note 38)	7	7
Telephone, fax and other communication costs	95	101
Other expenses	91	55
Write-off of property, plant and equipment	1	6
Total	3,258	3,062

¹ Included in the bank charges and strike costs line are costs paid for the platform on which advances are disbursed and collected.

21. Indirect and direct taxation

Rmillion	2022	2021
Indirect charge per the Statement of Total Comprehensive Income	(158)	(132)
Direct charge per the Statement of Total Comprehensive Income: SA normal taxation	(179)	1
Total taxation charge	(337)	(131)

³ Other income compromise largely of early withdrawals fees on investments.

² Included in the costs related to property rentals is the value of the short-term and low value leases of R10 million (2021: R30 million).

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Indirect and direct taxation continued...

21.1 Direct taxation

Rmillion	2022	2021
Current taxation	(109)	-
Current year	(113)	-
Prior year	4	-
Deferred taxation	(70)	1
Current year	(37)	(13)
Change in tax rate	(39)	-
Prior year	6	14
Direct taxation charge per the Statement of Total Comprehensive Income	(179)	1

21.2 Direct tax rate reconciliation

%	2022	2021
Effective rate of taxation	34.4	(44.4)
Non-deductible expenses	(1.0)	(1,074.4)
Donations	(0.5)	(258.8)
Fines and penalties	(0.3)	(8.9)
Learnerships	1.4	143.5
Expected credit losses for financial assets	(0.3)	(105.3)
Tax impact on property and equipment	(0.3)	(5.4)
Tax impact on buy-back of liabilities	(0.1)	(839.5)
Other ¹	(0.9)	-
Prior year under/(over) provision	2.1	1,146.8
Change in tax rate	(7.6)	-
Standard rate of South African taxation	28.0	28.0

¹ Other mainly arose from legal fees and professional fees.

22. Cash utilised in operations

Rmillion	2022	2021(restated)
Profit/(loss) before tax	520	1
Adjustment for:	(2,382)	(1,955)
Indirect taxation: VAT	158	132
Increase in impairment of advances	2,123	2,985
Amortisation of intangible assets (refer to note 9)	26	22
Depreciation of property and equipment (refer to note 8)	217	203
Write-off of PPE and intangible assets	1	6
Unrealised foreign exchange differences	9	(74)
Loss on the bond buy-backs	-	-
Fair value movements on derivative instruments	(21)	10
Fair value adjustments on assets	-	-
Profit on disposal of PPE	-	(1)
Movement in other interest income accrual	(291)	(246)
Movement in interest expense accrual	1,228	1,085
Income received from lending activities ¹	(5,865)	(6,058)
Other adjustments on funding instruments	19	(35)
Finance cost from lease liability	14	15
Lease modification	-	1

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Cash utilised in operations continued...

Total	(1,862)	(1,954)

¹ The presentation of the cash flow from operations has been revised in the current year. The prior year comparatives have been restated to align with the revised layout of this note. Refer to note 37.1.1.

23. Direct taxation (paid)/received

Rmillion	2022	2021
Movement in current tax asset	(71)	-
Direct taxation charged to Statement of Total Comprehensive Income (refer to note 21)	(179)	1
Deferred tax portion of amount charged to Statement of Total Comprehensive Income	70	(1)
Total	(180)	-

24. Reconciliation of long-term and short-term wholesale funding

Rmillion	Long-term duration debt: refer to note 12	Short-term duration debt: refer to note 13	Subordinated debt	Total
2022				
Balance at the beginning of the year	3,017	3,540	-	6,557
Long-term tenure funding	522	(3,302)	-	(2,780)
Funding raised	610	-	-	610
Funding redeemed	(51)	(3,445)	-	(3,496)
Net movement in accruals and unamortised fair value adjustments	313	96	-	409
Reclassified to short-term	(47)	47	-	-
Interest paid	(307)	-	-	(307)
Foreign exchange movement	4	-	-	4
Short-term tenure funding	-	630	-	630
Funding raised	-	3,069	-	3,069
Funding redeemed	-	(2,398)	-	(2,398)
Reclassified to Long term maturity	-	-	-	-
Interest paid	-	(41)	-	(41)
Total	3,539	868	-	4,407

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Reconciliation of long-term and short-term wholesale funding continued...

	Long-term Short-term Suduration debt: duration debt: refer to note 12 refer to note 13		Subordinated debt	Total
2021				
Balance at the beginning of the year	5,900	3,460	1,523	10,883
Long-term tenure funding	(2,883)	239	(1,523)	(4,167)
Funding raised	984	-	-	984
Funding redeemed	(329)	(3,125)	(1,485)	(4,939)
Net movement in accruals and unamortised fair value adjustments	430	28	94	552
Reclassified to short term	(3,336)	3,336	-	-
Interest paid	(422)	-	(132)	(554)
Foreign exchange movement	(210)	-	-	(210)
Short-term tenure funding	-	(159)	-	(159)
Funding raised	-	423	-	423
Funding redeemed	-	(556)	-	(556)
Interest paid	-	(26)	-	(26)
Other movements	-	-	- '	-
Total	3,017	3,540	-	6,557

Long-term tenure debt with a repayment date within 12 months from the reporting date is classified as short-term.

The tenure of the debt is defined by the term until final and full repayment of the debt at inception and, thereof, is defined as long-term if this term exceeds 12 months. Long-term debt with a tenure of more than 12 months is reclassified as short-term when the duration of the term until repayment is less than 12 months.

25. Risk management

The nature of the Bank's business activities exposes it to a number of financial risks. The objective of risk management is to balance the risk versus reward relationship with specific controls to mitigate such risks.

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Risk management continued...

The Risk and Capital Management Committee ("RCMC") is constituted as a committee of the Board, is accountable to the Board and reports directly to the Board. The primary objective and mandate of the RCMC and its subcommittees is to assist the Board in discharging responsibilities in terms of the management of risk and capital across the Bank.

The RCMC is responsible for the execution of the relevant business performance and risk management frameworks, regulatory risk management frameworks, internal capital adequacy assessment process ("ICAAP") and treasury and funding risks including asset liability mismatch, interest rate risk and foreign currency risk.

The RCMC is also responsible for the evaluation of the adequacy and efficiency of all material risk models in use in all of the businesses within the Bank. The RCMC is, furthermore, responsible for the approval of all risk and capital-related frameworks within the Bank.

The RCMC has delegated specific responsibilities relating to credit risk to the Model Risk Committee ("MRC") and market risk management to the Asset and Liability Committee ("ALCO"). The RCMC approved the terms of reference of each and any changes thereto of these subcommittees during the current financial period.

The MRC is responsible for managing the risk and profitability strategies of the Bank. The role includes setting of credit policy, pricing strategies, affordability policy and risk control. The MRC monitors these risks and reports on a quarterly basis to the RCMC. The MRC is supported by the Credit Management Structure and is chaired by a Non-Executive Director. (Refer to note 26).

The role of the ALCO is to manage the Bank's liquidity and funding position, interest rate risk in the banking book, asset/liability mismatch, foreign exchange exposure risk, regulatory and economic capital and market risks, as well as other related risks ("ALCO Risks") in such a way as to maximise shareholder return within the risk parameters as defined by the Bank's risk appetite framework set by the RCMC. (Refer to note 28).

The ALCO also has a further strategic function to recommend the strategy and appetite related to the ALCO Risks within the Bank's overall risk appetite to the RCMC.

The RCMC mandates the MRC and the ALCO to monitor and manage the Statement of Financial Position within the context of the identified risks. These are defined as:

- credit risk (note 26)
- market risk
 - interest rate risk (note 27.1)
 - foreign exchange risk (note 27.3)
- liquidity and funding risk (note 28)
- regulatory (and legal) risks in the ALCO context (note 31)

26. Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss arising out of the failure of counterparties to meet their financial and contractual obligations when due. The Bank's primary focus is the underwriting of unsecured loans and accordingly, credit risk features as the dominant financial risk within the Bank.

26.1 Credit risk management

One of the principal objectives and mandate of the MRC is to approve all material credit-related models including impairments, credit scoring, profitability and affordability, as well as all collection scorecards, the advanced Internal Rating Based ("IRB") model for Economic Capital, the ICAAP models and any other models designated as material models that are utilised in the Bank. The MRC oversees the recommendations for the changes identified as necessary to the credit and other risk policies in terms of its oversight process.

The MRC meets on a quarterly basis and reports to RCMC.

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Credit risk continued...

The duties and responsibilities of the MRC include:

- the establishment of an inventory of the material models in use in the Bank and the management thereof;
- the validation of models as it deems necessary;
- the review of the models at least annually; and
- ensuring that an appropriate governance process is in place to ensure that the necessary documentation/information is in place to facilitate the effective validation of the models.

The Credit and Models Committee (CMC) is a sub-Committee of the Executive Committee (Exco). The purpose of the CMC is to assist Exco to fulfil its mandate and oversight responsibilities in relation to credit risk and model risk. The CMC puts forward recommendations to the MRC relating to changes identified in the model risk framework / policy and other risk-related policies.

The Bank's exposure to credit risk can be divided into two categories, which are considered to be its classes:

- financial assets other than advances (refer to note 1.4.9 and 26.12); and
- advances (refer to note 1.4.8 and 26.2).

26.2 Nature and composition of the advances portfolio

26.2.1 Retail advances:

The Bank's main business is to provide unsecured loans, credit cards and overdrafts to retail customers, primarily to individuals with formal employment. The Bank primarily relies on collecting loan instalments directly from the customer's bank account via an electronic debit order or alternatively, accepts electronic funds transfer and cash deposits from customers. Customers are assessed in full every time they apply for credit to determine if their credit profile remains acceptable in terms of the credit policies of the Bank. All of the Bank's business is conducted in the Republic of South Africa. The demographic credit characteristics of the customer base exposes the Bank to systemic credit risk.

The Bank mitigates this risk by applying the Bank's application scorecard, a set of business rules, affordability assessments and verification of items on a sample basis as a fraud mitigation tool. The Bank's credit risk assessment process adheres to the requirements set out by the National Credit Act ("NCA") and the Financial Sector Conduct Authority.

The nature of the loan book is such that it is made up of smaller sized loans across a spectrum of economic sectors and provinces. Loans granted range from a minimum of R1 000 to a maximum of R250 000 at origination and repayment periods range from a minimum of 7 months to maximum of 72 months. For credit cards, the revolving credit facility ranges from R4 000 to R250 000 for new credit cards and limit increases. The minimum contractual repayment is calculated using the outstanding balance of the facility and the percentages used ranges from 3.5% to 12.5%. These repayment percentages are depending on the credit limit of the customer. By its nature, the sum of the carrying amount at year end for unsecured loans, credit cards and any unutilised credit facilities represents the Bank's maximum exposure to credit risk for advances. The Bank has insurance cover against credit events arising from death, permanent or temporary disability and retrenchment of customers through a cell captive arrangement held indirectly by the Bank's holding company.

26.2.2 Corporate advances:

The Bank has expanded their business to include advances to corporate customers which is considered secured lending as financial guarantees and collateral are received. The Bank designed a value at risk model to quantify the level of risk exposure.

The types of collateral held include:

- cessions over revenue streams;
- · rights to financial assets; and
- · financial guarantees.

26.3 Credit risk assessment

26.3.1 Retail advances

The assessment of customer affordability is done in two parts, the first ensuring compliance with the NCA affordability guidelines, and, second, the Bank employs its own credit risk model affordability calculation based on a repayment to income ratio model. The Bank calculates the customer's NCA affordability as being an amount equal to the net income less financial obligations less monthly living expenses. The lower of the NCA affordability assessment and the internal credit risk affordability calculation is used to determine the maximum instalment the customer can be offered, limited to the product maximum limits.

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The Bank calculates credit scores for applicants and further Banks these scores into risk Banks, which have similar risk expectations. The credit scoring engine is configured with the credit policy parameters and is systematically embedded, preventing human intervention, which could result in a breach of policy.

The verification and inputs into the credit scoring system include:

- physical identification of the customer via their South African identification document, proof of address and fingerprint biometrics which is used to validate the customer against their details held at the Department of Home Affairs;
- the customer's three months income, monthly living expenses, declaration of financial obligations, wage frequency, employer and bank details;
- · electronic credit bureau data; and
- the customer's historical performance on existing and previous accounts.

To mitigate against fraud, compliance and credit risk, the customer's completed application could flow to the vetting queues.

A queue is a process where by an application is systematically flagged for further vetting between when a customer applies for a product and the final approval or decline of an offer to the customer. It is a precautionary step taken to identify underlying risk by flagging certain triggers known to indicate potential risk. An application is flagged to go into a queue when one or more of these triggers are detected in the application details of the customer. The Bank evaluates more than 100 possible triggers that could flag an application to go into a queue for vetting.

26.3.2 Corporate advances:

The assessment of customers affordability considers the following:

- external ratings (if available);
- financial performance and key financial indicators;
- funding mix and breach of covenants;
- quality of collateral provided
- risk relating to climate change and environmental sustainabilility; and
- performance of the industry in which the customer operates.

26.4 Credit monitoring

The Bank utilises various reporting and monitoring tools to engage in and control credit risk within the credit life-cycle.

For retail advances, this includes the following:

- real-time monitoring on application volumes, approval rates and processing quality;
- vintage collection reports to establish the initial recovery process efficiency;
- credit aging reports to identify, manage and control CD and ECL estimation; and
- active payment, collection and integrity trend analysis to control and manage underlying risks and movement within the day to day operational procedures.

For corporate advances, this includes:

- monthly review of the credit risk and covenants dashboard by the CMC;
- monthly monitoring of the underlying collateral; and
- additional review of covenants before each new drawdown application is approved.

26.5 Collections and recovery

26.5.1 Retail advances:

Core to the collections function is the monitoring of the payment patterns of customers and to encourage customers to pay their accounts timeously and pay their arrears in the shortest timeframe possible. The recovery of arrears and instalments are collected from customers through the regulated authenticated debit order platform (i.e. Debicheck as the preferred method) and alternatively via the Electronic Funds Transfer Debit Orders ("EFTDBT") platform. Mandates are obtained from customers in their contracts with the Bank and deductions are made from their nominated bank accounts.

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Where debit order collection is unsuccessful, arrears follow-up is performed initially through call centres within the Bank. The Bank operates payment arrangements to promote collection of repayments due, such as rescheduling payments and debt review.

The transfer policy prescribes when an account will be moved into the legal collections division. Once an account has been transferred into legal collections, the account will be allocated to a department either in in-house or to outsourced collection agencies based on current internal business rules.

26.5.2 Corporate advances:

Corporate customers are individually monitored, which includes:

- monthly monitoring of payments. If a payment is missed, these customers are contacted by the relationship manager to remedy the missed payment prior to guarantees or collateral being called upon;
- monthly review of the credit risk and covenants dashboard by the CMC;
- · monthly monitoring of the underlying collateral; and
- additional review of convenants before each new drawdown application is approved.

26.6 Other credit risk disclosures

For comparative purposes management also considers and discloses a non-IFRS view of the gross advances and ECL of the acquired book before application of the acquisition related adjustments.

In order to provide sufficient information about the way the credit risk is managed by the Bank, the information in this section is presented on two bases:

- a non-IFRS basis that discloses the gross advances and impairment before the acquisition-related adjustments linked to the acquired portfolio (refer to note 26.9); as well as
- the IFRS compliant information (refer to note 26.8).

26.7 Judgements

26.7.1 Event-driven management credit estimates

Certain events/risks arise from time to time that may not be incorporated into the statistical forward-looking model. In such instances, the additional inclusions into the ECL are reviewed and approved by the MRC.

26.7.1.1 Covid-19 and social unrest

In response to credit risk relating to Covid-19 and the social unrest experienced in the prior financial year, management held overlays on the ECL models, amounting to R27 million and R38 million respectively. During the current financial year, management has approved the full release of these overlays, and incorporated the expected impacts in the base model.

26.7.1.2 Retrenchments

In the prior financial year, the Bank held an overlay on the ECL model to take into account their risk associated with the collection of advances as a result of retrenchments. The payment of the extended insurance benefits mitigate this risk and as a result management has approved the release of this overlay amounting to R115 million. The extended benefits to the insurance policy resulted in a decrease in the loss given default (LGD) and improved the recovery rate.

26.7.1.3 Credit Amendment Bill

The uncertainty on the implementation of the Credit Amendment Bill has resulted in management approving the release of the Credit Amendment Bill overlay, amounting to R64 million and taking a decision to implement a monitoring framework designed to monitor when the Bill will come to effect and identifying any associated risks.

26.7.1.4 DebiCheck

At the end of the previous financial year, management held an overlay amounting to R278 million relating to DebiCheck. DebiCheck has been active for 11 months in the current financial year, and the observed collections performance has been incorporated into the base model. Therefore, during the current financial year, management has approved the full release of this overlay.

26.7.1.5 Inflation

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In the March 2022 Interim Financial Statements, management considered the inflationary impact on customers and the collection risk stemming from the Russia and Ukraine conflict. Specific consideration was given to the potential inflationary impact on food and public transportation pricing relevant to African Bank customers. Given the level of information at that point in time, management took a prudent view to hold a model overlay amounting to R289 million. Subsequently, management has obtained updated macro-economic forecasts that factor in the observed and expected price increases in food and transport costs. These revised forecasts have been incorporated into the base models, and therefore, management has approved the release of this overlay.

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26.8 Credit quality of advances per IFRS requirements

On acquisition, the acquired book's credit risk was included in measuring the fair value on acquisition, as the book was considered to be credit-impaired at initial recognition. The net carrying value of the acquired book, as included in the gross advances of the Bank, is the sum of the gross amount of the acquired advances, less the estimated ECL at initial recognition, plus the subsequent favourable adjustments from the revision of cash flows since acquisition. (Information using the gross advances and impairment before the acquisition-related adjustments linked with the acquired portfolio is presented in note 26.9).

26.8.1 Arrears analysis

	2022			2021		
Rmillion	Retail advances	Corporate advances	Total	Retail advances	Corporate advances	Total
Gross advances						
Stage 1	15,421	1,760	17,181	8,664	-	8,664
Stage 2	4,582	-	4,582	6,578	-	6,578
Stage 3	10,798	-	10,798	10,130	-	10,130
Originated book	10,211	-	10,211	9,212	-	9,212
Acquired book	587	-	587	918	-	918
Total credit exposure	30,801	1,760	32,561	25,372	-	25,372
Total ECL	(9,584)	(48)	(9,632)	(8,660)	-	(8,660)
Stage 1	(1,194)	(48)	(1,242)	(544)	-	(544)
Stage 2	(1,036)	-	(1,036)	(1,941)	-	(1,941)
Stage 3	(7,354)	-	(7,354)	(6,175)	-	(6,175)
Deferred fees	(282)	-	(282)	(250)	-	(250)
Net advances	20,935	1,712	22,647	16,462	-	16,462

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26.8.2 Impairment as % of gross advances

Rmillion		2022			2021		
	Retail	Corporate			Corporate		
	advances	advances	Total	Retail advances	advances	Total	
Stage 1	7.7%	2.7%	10.5%	6.3%		-	6.3%
Stage 2	22.6%	-	22.6%	29.5%		-	29.5%
Stage 3	68.1%	-	68.1%	61.0%		-	61.0%
Total impairment as a % of total gross advances	31.1%	2.7%	33.8%	34.1%		-	34.1%
Reconciliation of ECL (note 2) ¹							
Balance at the beginning of the year	(8,660)	-	(8,660)	(8,646)		-	(8,646)
Impairment provisions raised on interest from stage 3 advances	(665)	-	(665)	(972)		-	(972)
Net movement in impairment provisions (note 17)	(2,178)	(48)	(2,226)	(2,166)		-	(2,166)
Impairment provision released in respect of bad debt write-offs	1,919	-	1,919	3,124		-	3,124
Balance at the end of the year	(9,584)	(48)	(9,632)	(8,660)		-	(8,660)

The presentation of the comparative information has changed as the subtotal for net movement in impairment provisions has been removed.

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26.8.3 Credit risk sensitivity for retail advances

The tables below illustrate the impact on ECL from changes in SICR and forward-looking information.

The impact on the full stage 2 ECL if the behavioural or initiation scores threshold is stressed by 5%.

Impact on ECL of SICR sensitivity	Upwards	Base	Downwards
2022	(decrease)		(increase)
Shifting of SICR threshold by 5% (Rmillion)	(435)	-	92
% change on total SICR ECL (%)	(30.8%)	-	6.5 %
2021			
Shifting of SICR threshold by 5% (Rmillion)	(261)	-	315
% change on total SICR ECL (%)	(13.4%)	-	16.2 %

By shifting the SICR threshold up, fewer advances will be expected to move into stage 2 and, thus, a decrease in ECL is expected. The opposite will hold true if the SICR threshold is shifted down.

The impact on ECL of forward-looking information based on the probability-weighted impact of all three scenarios.

The Bank derived three macroeconomic scenarios and their predicted impacts on the South African economy as well as a weighted average combination of the three scenarios. In determining the Bank's probability weighted scenario used in the ECL measurement, the Bank took into account the impact of inflation on prices of food and public transportation as these best aligned with the Bank's customer profile.

Impact on ECL of forward-looking information sensitivity	Rmillion	% change in ECL
2022		
100% downturn scenario	15	0.14%
100% base/benign scenario	(57)	(0.54%)
100% upturn scenario	(148)	(1.39%)
2021		
100% downturn scenario	25	0.24%
100% base/benign scenario	(9)	(0.09%)
100% upturn scenario	(33)	(0.33%)

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26.9 Credit quality of advances based on the pre-acquisition gross value of advances (unaudited)

These disclosures are based on the pre-acquisition gross value of advances and related expected credit loss provisions. These disclosures do not comply with the current IFRS requirements, which required the purchased or originated credit-impaired book to be disclosed at the fair value on acquisition date and, thereafter, at amortised cost. This disclosure has been included for informational purposes only.

26.9.1 Advances analysis

Rmillion	2022	2021
Gross advances	33,568	26,725
Acquired	1,594	2,271
Originated portfolios	31,974	24,454
Deferred fees	(282)	(250)
Gross advances after deferred origination and administration fees	33,286	26,475
Retail advances	29,932	24,204
Corporate advances	1,760	-
Acquired book	1,594	2,271
Balance of impairment provisions at the end of the year	(10,639)	(10,013)
Balance of impairment provisions at the beginning of the year	(10,013)	(10,591)
Impairment provisions raised on retail advances	(2,008)	(1,951)
Impairment provisions raised on corporate advances	(48)	-
Impairment provision raised for suspended revenue from advances in stage 3	(627)	(936)
Impairment provision released upon write-off of underlying exposure	2,057	3,465
Net advances	22,647	16,462
Undrawn irrevocable retail advances commitments	843	645
Undrawn irrevocable corporate advances commitments	140	-
Maximum exposure to credit risk	23,630	17,107

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26.9.2 Arrears analysis

Rmillion	2022			2021		
	Retail advances	Corporate advances	Total	Retail advances	Corporate advances	Total
Gross advances						
Stage 1	15,421	1,760	17,181	8,676	-	8,676
Stage 2	4,582	-	4,582	6,591	-	6,591
Stage 3	11,805	-	11,805	11,458	-	11,458
Total credit exposure	31,808	1,760	33,568	26,725	-	26,725
Total ECL	(10,591)	(48)	(10,639)	(10,013)	-	(10,013)
Stage 1	(1,194)	(48)	(1,242)	(545)	-	(545)
Stage 2	(1,036)	-	(1,036)	(1,945)	-	(1,945)
Stage 3	(8,361)	-	(8,361)	(7,523)	-	(7,523)
Deferred fees	(282)	-	(282)	(250)	-	(250)
Net advances	20,935	1,712	22,647	16,462	-	16,462
Impairment as % of gross advances						
Stage 1	7.7%	2.7%	7.2%	6.3%	-	6.3%
Stage 2	22.6%	-	22.6%	29.5%	-	29.5%
Stage 3	70.8%	-	70.8%	65.7%	-	65.7%
Total impairment as a % of total gross advances	33.3%	2.7%	31.7%	37.5%	-	37.5%

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26.10 Credit concentration risk of advances

Credit concentration risk is the risk of loss to the Bank arising from an excessive concentration of exposure to a single counterparty, industry, market, product, region or maturity. This concentration typically exists when a number of counterparties are engaged in similar activities and have similar characteristics that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic and other conditions.

Although the Bank is currently exposed to only limited types of products, the Bank's credit risk portfolio is well-diversified across industries and provinces. The Banks's exposure to corporate advances is concentrated to one customer within the telecommunications industry, which contributes to approxiately 5% of total gross advances. However, corporate advances is a new product offering and the expected future growth in the portfolio will reduce the concentration risk.

The following tables break down the Bank's credit exposure at carrying amount as categorised by the size of the loan, credit card or overdraft and original term of repayment of the amount advanced.

Retail and corporate advances

Average value (at inception)	Number of loans	% of total	Carrying value	% of total
Average value (at inception)	Nulliber of toalis			
		number of loans	Rmillion	carrying value
2022				
<5	33,997	5.1%	47	0.2%
5 - 10	149,292	22.4%	446	2.4%
10 - 20	165,519	24.8%	1,338	7.1%
20 - 50	115,399	17.3%	2,095	11.1%
50 - 100	102,602	15.4%	3,848	20.3%
100 - 200	78,779	11.8%	6,101	32.2%
> 2001	20,917	3.1%	5,053	26.7%
Total	666,505	100%	18,928	100%
2021				
<5	32,618	5.6%	48	0.3%
5 - 10	132,346	22.7%	359	2.6%
10 - 20	121,978	21.0%	865	6.3%
20 - 50	109,393	18.8%	1,680	12.2%
50 - 100	96,972	16.7%	3,175	23.1%
100 - 200	74,149	12.7%	5,371	39.0%
> 200	14,698	2.5%	2,276	16.5%
Total	582,154	100%	13,774	100%

¹ Included in balance is one corporate advance

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26.11 Credit cards and overdrafts

Average value (at inception)	Number of credit cards and overdrafts	% of total number of credit cards and	Carrying value Rmillion	% of total carrying value
2022				
<5	216,921	25.8%	57	1.5%
5 - 10	300,316	35.8%	394	10.6%
10 - 20	191,468	22.8%	738	19.8%
20 - 50	106,812	12.7%	1,242	33.4%
50 - 100	18,368	2.2%	738	19.8%
> 100	4,721	0.6%	434	11.7%
> 200	728	0.1%	116	3.1%
Total	839,334	100%	3,719	100%
2021				
<5	206,698	26.6%	46	1.7%
5 - 10	276,103	35.6%	274	10.2%
10 - 20	177,573	22.9%	604	22.5%
20 - 50	99,441	12.8%	1,076	40.0%
50 - 100	14,507	1.9%	536	19.9%
> 100	1,878	0.2%	152	5.7%
Total	776,200	100%	2,688	100%

26.12 Financial assets other than advances

The Bank maintains cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments with various financial institutions and, in this regard, it is the Bank's policy to limit its exposure to any one financial institution.

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At the reporting date, the international long-term credit rating using Moody's Rating Scale was as follows for cash and cash equivalents, regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities, derivative assets and financial investments:

Assets	Notes	Total carrying amount	Largest exposure to a single counter-	Aaa to A3	Baa1 to Baa3	Below Baa3	Not rated
Rmillion			party				
2022							
Cash and cash equivalents							
Cash deposits - ZAR	4	1,376	532	-	-	1,376	-
Cash deposits - foreign-denominated	4	2	-	-	-	-	-
Financial investments							
Investment in core income funds	5	160		-	-	160	-
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities							
Bonds	6	2,444	2,444	-	-	2,451	-
Derivatives							
Derivative assets	11	85	84	-	-	84	-
Total		4,067	3,060	-	-	4,071	-

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	Notes	Total carrying amount	Largest exposure to a	Aaa to A3	Baa1 to Baa3	Below Baa3	Not rated
Assets			single counter-				
Rmillion			party				
2021	·						
Cash and cash equivalents							
Cash deposits - ZAR	4	3,039	1,390	-	-	3,039	-
Cash deposits - foreign-denominated	4	578	578	-	-	578	-
Financial investments							
Investment in core income funds		2,081	896	-	-	2,081	
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities							
Bonds	6	3,005	3,005	-	-	3,005	-
Derivatives							
Derivative assets	11	42	42	-	-	42	-
Total		8,745	5,911	-	-	8,745	-

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27. Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in the market prices, such as interest rates and foreign exchange rates, will affect the fair value and future cash flows of a financial instrument. Market risk arises from open positions in interest rates and foreign currencies, both of which are exposed to general and specific market movements and changes in the level of volatility. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk.

The Bank has a low market risk appetite. Foreign exchange risk appetite is zero, but with the current position, the Bank has a small unmatched exposure as a result of some operational accounts that require the foreign-denominated cash placements to be held as collateral, therefore, the risk appetite is limited. Foreign exchange risk is actively managed.

27.1 Interest rate risk management

Interest rate risk for the purposes of IFRS 9 is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Bank has interest rate risk arising from several of its financial assets and liabilities. Assets giving rise to interest rate risk include cash and cash equivalents, financial investments, regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities, as well as revolving facilities, which earn interest at a variable rate. However, the Bank's most significant financial asset is its fixed rate advances portfolio which is not exposed to interest rate risk, therefore the Bank's exposure to interest rate risk from financial assets is not considered to be significant.

It is not always feasible to raise fixed rate funding and, therefore, the Bank has a mix of fixed and variable rate funding instruments which expose the Bank to interest rate risk. The Bank also makes use of derivative instruments, primarily floating to fixed interest rate swaps, in order to reduce cash flow risk arising from changes in interest rates.

The Bank considers its overall portfolio in managing its net interest rate risk exposure.

The ALCO view interest rate risk measurement and management in the banking book which comprise of the following:

- re-pricing risk (mismatch risk), being the timing difference in the maturity (for fixed) and re-pricing (for floating rate) of the Bank's assets and liabilities; and
- · yield curve risk, which includes the changes in the shape and slope of the yield curve.

The ALCO is mandated to monitor and manage these risks in adherence to the Bank's risk appetite and meets on a monthly basis to analyse the impact of interest rate risk on the Bank reporting directly to the RCMC on a quarterly basis. The techniques used to measure and control interest rate risk by the ALCO includes re-pricing profiles, sensitivity and stress-testing.

27.2 Re-pricing profile

The table below summarises the re-pricing exposure to interest rate risk through grouping assets and liabilities into re-pricing categories, determined to be the earlier of the contractual re-pricing or maturity date, using the carrying amount of such assets and liabilities at the reporting date.

In the context of re-pricing profiles, instruments are allocated to time periods with reference to the earlier of the next contractual interest rate re-pricing date and the maturity date. Instruments that have no explicit contractual re-pricing or maturity dates are placed in time buckets based on the most likely re-pricing behaviour.

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27.2.1 Re-pricing profile 2022

Rmillion	Demand and up to 1 month	Greater than 1 month up to 3 months	Greater than 3 months up to 12 months		Greater than 24 months	Non-interest sensitive	Non-financial instruments	Total
2022	·		•					
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	933	-	-	-	-	445	-	1,378
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities	-	-	-	-	2,411	33	-	2,444
Derivative assets	-	-	-	-	-	85	-	85
Net advances	4,240	1,106	4,165	4,041	8,878	217	-	22,647
Accounts receivable and other assets	-	-	-	-	-	202	-	202
Financial investments	104	-	-	-	-	56	-	160
Investment in insurance contracts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	562	562
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	153	153
Deferred tax asset	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,064	1,064
Total assets	5,277	1,106	4,165	4,041	11,289	1,038	1,779	28,695
Liabilities and equity								
Short-term funding	3,180	862	1,740	-	-	87	-	5,869
Derivative liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors and accruals	17	-	-	-	-	-	868	885
Current tax	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	12
Bonds and other long-term funding	842	2,139	-	1,517	6,278	73	-	10,849
Subordinated bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ordinary shareholder's equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,080	11,080
Total liabilities and equity	4,039	3,001	1,740	1,517	6,278	172	11,948	28,695
On balance sheet interest sensitivity	1,238	(1,895)	2,425	2,524	5,011	-	-	-

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27.2.2 Re-pricing profile 2021

Rmillion	Demand and up to 1 month	Greater than 1 month up to 3 months	Greater than 3 months up to 12 months		Greater than 24 months	Non-interest sensitive	Non-financial instruments	Total
2021 restated	'	•						
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents ¹	3,231	-	-	-	-	385	-	3,616
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities ¹	553	-	-	-	2,411	41	-	3,005
Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	42	-	42
Net advances	3,068	657	2,522	2,908	7,113	194	-	16,462
Accounts receivable and other assets	-	-	-	-	-	94	88	182
Financial investments	2,011	-	-	-	-	70	-	2,081
Property and equipment and right of use asset	-	-	-	-	-	-	602	602
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	138	138
Deferred tax assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,134	1,134
Total assets	8,863	657	2,522	2,908	9,524	826	1,962	27,262
Liabilities and equity								
Short-term funding	4,411	1,166	2,092	-	-	108	-	7,777
Derivative liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors and accruals	13	-	-	-	-	440	521	974
Current tax	-	-	-	-	-	83	-	83
Bonds and other long-term funding ¹	757	1,623	-	852	5,840	67	-	9,139
Subordinated bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ordinary shareholder's equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,289	9,289
Total liabilities and equity	5,181	2,789	2,092	852	5,840	698	9,810	27,262
On balance sheet interest sensitivity	3,682	(2,132)	430	2,056	3,684	-	-	-

The deposit with the SARB were previously included in Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision.

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27.2.3 Interest rate sensitivity analysis

An interest rate sensitivity analysis for the Bank setting out the potential effect of changes in the market interest rate on earnings for floating rate instruments is presented in the table below.

Sensitivity and stress-testing consist of a combination of stress scenarios and historical stress movements.

The sensitivity analysis have been determined based on the exposure to interest rates for both derivatives and non-derivative instruments at the reporting date. For floating rate liabilities, the analysis is prepared assuming the amount of liability outstanding at the reporting date was outstanding for the whole year. A 200 basis point movement for ZAR exposures and a 50 basis point movement for CHF and USD exposures are used when reporting interest rate risk internally and this represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in interest rates.

The sensitivity analysis below is based on an increase in rates. Given the linear structure of the Bank's portfolio, an increase in interest rates as described above would result in a corresponding net increase of R86 million (2021: increase of R99 million) in net income (before tax).

	end of year	Amount exposed to market risk	interest rate is linked	Statement of profit or loss impact (pre-tax) increase/
Rmillion				(decrease)
2022 Financial assets				
Net credit card advances	2 710	4 724	DEDO	137
	3,719	4,734		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,378		REPO	19
Financial investment	160		REPO	3
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities	-		CPI	-
Derivatives	85		CPI/JIBAR	4
Total assets	5,342	5,910		163
Financial liabilities				
Bonds and other long-term funding	10,849	2,684	CPI/JIBAR	(49)
Short-term funding	5,869	1,596	JIBAR	(28)
Total liabilities	16,718	4,280		(77)
Net effect on the Statement of Total Comprehensiv	e Income			86
2021 restated				
Financial assets				
Net credit card advances	2,688	3,600	REPO	104
Cash and cash equivalents ¹	3,616	3,231	REPO	55
Financial investment	2,081	2,012	REPO	40
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities ¹	3,005	553		11
Derivatives	42	667	CPI/JIBAR	3
Total assets	11,432	10,063		213
Financial liabilities	,	,		
Bonds and other long-term funding	9,139	2,383	CPI/JIBAR	(41)
Short-term funding	7,777	,	JIBAR	(73)
Total liabilities	16,916	6,170		(114)
Net effect on the Statement of Total Comprehensiv	·	,		99

The deposit with the SARB were previously included in Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision.

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27.3 Foreign exchange risk management

Foreign exchange risk is the risk of financial loss resulting from adverse movements in foreign currency exchange rates. Foreign exchange risk in the Bank arises as a result of holding foreign currency denominated borrowings and foreign currency in cash and other assets, the profile of that does not necessarily match the liability profile which these assets are hedging.

The Bank's primary risk objective is to protect the net earnings against the impact of adverse exchange rate movements. The ALCO is mandated to manage this risk by application of appropriate foreign currency derivatives or other appropriate strategies to ensure adherence to the Bank's risk appetite.

27.3.1 Financial instruments denominated in foreign currency

Details of financial instruments denominated in foreign currency are presented below.

	Foreign currency USD/CHF	ZAR carrying amount	Foreign currency USD/CHF	ZAR carrying amount
Rmillion	2022	2022	2021	2021
Financial liabilities		'	'	
Foreign-denominated bonds (CHF)	-	-	(35)	(563)
Total liabilities		-		(563)
Financial assets				
Short-term deposits and cash (USD)	0.02	2	-	2
Short-term deposits and cash (CHF)	0.01	-	36	576
Total assets		2		578
Net open position - USD	0.02	2	-	2
Net open position - CHF	0.01	-	1	13

Currently, the Bank uses foreign currency denominated bonds and foreign currency cash to manage and economically hedge its foreign exchange risk. The Bank's strategy going forward is to eliminate this mismatch through a variety of strategies including amongst others, entering into derivative transactions to which hedge accounting may be applied. In addition, the Bank holds CHF and USD in cash, fixed deposits and government bonds to offset a certain portion of the foreign exchange risk exposure. This is actively managed.

27.3.2 Sensitivity analysis based on 10% increase in exchange rates

A 10% sensitivity adjustment was applied and the analysis was prepared assuming the amount at the reporting date was outstanding for the whole year.

Given the linear structure of the Bank's portfolio, a 10% increase in exchange rates, and its related impact on the forward discount curve, would result in a net increase of R0 million (2021: net increase of R2 million) in net income (before tax).

Sensitivity analysis

Rmillion	Carrying value at end of year	Amount exposed to market risk	Currency	Profit or loss impact (pre-tax)
2022	<u>'</u>	·	'	
Financial assets				
Short-term deposits and cash (USD)	2	2	USD	-
Short-term deposits and cash (CHF)	-	-	CHF	-
Total	2	2		-
Financial liabilities				
Foreign-denominated bonds (CHF)	-	-	CHF	-
Total	-	-		-
Net effect on the Statement of Total Comprehensive Inc	ome			-

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2021

2021				
Financial assets				
Short-term deposits and cash (USD)	2	2	USD	-
Short-term deposits and cash (CHF)	576	576	CHF	58
Total	578	578		58
Financial liabilities				
Foreign-denominated bonds (CHF)	(563)	(564)	CHF	(56)
Total	(563)	(564)		(56)
Net effect on the Statement of Total Comprehensive Income				2

The spot exchange rates used to convert the carrying value (outstanding capital, capitalised interest and unamortised discount) of the foreign currency liabilities were R18.07/USD (2021: R15.05/USD) and R18.36/CHF (2021: R16.11/CHF).

27.4 Other price risk management

The Bank has a low market risk appetite. For this reason, the Bank does not typically trade in any marketable securities or hold any sovereign debt marketable securities (see note 6) to maturity and is, therefore, not exposed to price risk associated with these marketable securities.

28. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Bank is unable to meet its payment obligations as they fall due. These payment obligations could result from depositor withdrawals, lower than expected receipts from customers, higher than expected payouts to customers, higher than expected operational, tax or dividend flows, or the inability to roll over maturing debt. Another form of liquidity risk is that in a stressed liquidity event, the Bank would be unable to sell assets without incurring an unacceptable loss in order to generate cash required to meet payment obligations.

ALCO is specifically mandated by RCMC to ensure appropriate liquid asset and cash reserves in relation to short-term funding and stress events are available. ALCO monitors and controls adherence to the risk appetite and regulatory requirements using internal liquidity risk appetite metrics, the liquidity coverage ratio ("LCR") and net stable funding Ratio ("NSFR") as monitoring indicators.

The following tables analyse the Bank's financial assets and liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The total ties back to the Statement of Financial Position.

The matching and controlled mismatching of the maturities and interest rates of financial assets and liabilities are fundamental to the management of risk within the Bank. The maturity mismatches arise from differences in the repricing and maturity characteristics of the assets and liabilities of the Bank.

An unmatched position potentially enhances profitability, but can also increase the risk of loss. The maturities of financial 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 Bank and its exposure to changes in interest rates.

In order to address the refinancing requirements in the subsequent periods, management had successfully engaged with shareholders of ABHL and finalised a shareholder-backed liquidity Support Arrangement ("Support Arrangement") in the financial year ended 30 September 2020 for a period of three years and four months (the "support period"), up to a maximum of R8 billion over the support period. Over the course of the last two years, the Bank has demonstrated that it could successfully raise funding in the wholesale funding market without calling on assistance from the shareholders in terms of the Support Arrangement. The Bank has been successfully managed two bond issuance funding portfolio that now represents the biggest source of funding and the Bank has successfully managed two bond issuance during the current financial year without the need to access the Support Arrangement. It is the Bank's view that the Support Arrangement has, therefore, served its intended purpose as an enabler to give the capital markets confidence to support the Bank in its fund-raising activities. The Bank, together with the ABHL shareholders, have agreed to cancel the Support Arrangement with effect from 1 October 2022.

To ensure that the Bank is able to meet its obligations and to pay its debts as they become due, the Bank, furthermore, implemented a number of initiatives, including the establishment of a significant retail funding portfolio and improving the visibility of the Bank in the wholesale markets.

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28.1 Maturities profile of discounted assets and liabilities

	Demand and up to 1 month	Greater than 1 month up to 3	Greater than 3 months up to 12	Greater than 12 months up to 24		Non-financial assets / liabilities	Total
Rmillion		months	months	months			
2022			'	'			
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	1,378	-	-	-	-	-	1,378
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities	709	20	19	-	1,696	-	2,444
Derivative assets	-	-	-	85	-	-	85
Net advances ¹	1,463	1,699	6,833	4,041	8,611	-	22,647
Accounts receivable and other assets	202	-	-	-	-	-	202
Financial investments	160	-	-	-	-	-	160
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	562	562
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-	153	153
Deferred tax asset	-	-	-	-	-	1,064	1,064
Total assets	3,912	1,719	6,852	4,126	10,307	1,779	28,695
Liabilities and equity							
Short-term funding	3,589	526	1,754	-	-	-	5,869
Derivative liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors and accruals	525	16	225	7	24	88	885
Current tax	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
Bonds and other long-term funding	16	7	10	3,405	7,411	-	10,849
Subordinated bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ordinary shareholder's equity	-	-	-	-	-	11,080	11,080
Total liabilities and equity	4,130	549	2,001	3,412	7,435	11,168	28,695
Net liquidity gap	(218)	1,170	4,851	714	2,872		

¹ Included in these amounts are advances which have become immediately payable by the customer due to breach of the terms of the agreement.

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	Demand and up to 1 month	Greater than 1 month up to 3	Greater than 3 months up to 12	Greater than 12 months up to 24		Non-financial assets / liabilities	Total
Rmillion		months	months	months			
2021 restated							
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents ¹	3,616	-	-	-	-	-	3,616
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities ¹	-	19	576	-	2,410	-	3,005
Derivative assets	-	-	-	-	42	-	42
Net advances ²	1,002	1,084	4,442	2,858	7,076	-	16,462
Accounts receivable and other assets	94	-	-	-	-	88	182
Financial investments	2,081	-	-	-	-	-	2,081
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	602	602
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-	138	138
Deferred tax asset	-	-	-	-	-	1,134	1,134
Total assets	6,793	1,103	5,018	2,858	9,528	1,962	27,262
Liabilities and equity							
Short-term funding	4,748	481	2,548	-	-	-	7,777
Creditors and accruals	255	47	88	51	12	521	974
Current tax	-	83	-	-	-	-	83
Bonds and other long-term funding	17	7	10	878	8,227	-	9,139
Subordinated bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ordinary shareholder's equity	-	-	-	-	-	9,289	9,289
Total liabilities and equity	5,020	618	2,646	929	8,239	9,810	27,262
Net liquidity gap	1,773	485	2,372	1,929	1,289		

¹ The deposit with the SARB were previously included in Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision.

² Included in these amounts are advances which have become immediately payable due to breach of the terms of the agreement.

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28.2 Maturity profile of undiscounted liabilities

The following table represents the Bank's undiscounted cash flows of liabilities per remaining maturity and includes all cash flows related to the principal amounts as well as future payments. The analysis is based on the earliest date upon which the Bank can be required to pay and is not necessarily the date at which the Bank is expected to pay. The analysis of cash flows will not necessarily agree with the balances on the Statement of Financial Position and, therefore, an analysis of carrying values has been provided.

Liabilities maturities (undiscounted)

	Carrying amount	Up to 1 month		Greater than 6 months up to 12	Greater than 1 year up to 2	Greater than 2 years up to 5	Greater than 5 years	Total
Rmillion			months	months	years	years		
2022								
Financial liabilities								
Short-term funding	5,869	2,840	1,768	1,079	-	-	-	5,687
Creditors and accruals	885	525	16	225	7	24	88	885
Current tax	12	-		12	-	-	-	12
Promissory notes and NCDs - Long-term		1	11	14	215	56	-	297
Fixed deposits and other long-term funding	7,661	32	152	188	1,952	8,016	-	10,340
Bonds listed	2,930	-	135	140	2,195	1,215	-	3,685
Total	17,357	3,398	2,082	1,658	4,369	9,311	88	20,906

	Carrying amount	Up to 1 month		Greater than 6 months up to 12	Greater than 1 year up to 2	Greater than 2 years up to 5	Greater than 5 years	Total
Rmillion			months	months	years	years		
2021								
Financial liabilities								
Short-term funding	7,777	4,468	1,541	1,989	-	-	-	7,998
Creditors and accruals	974	255	47	88	51	12	521	974
Current tax	83	-	83	-	-	-	-	83
Promissory notes and NCDs - Long-term	271	1	9	10	35	269	-	324
Fixed deposits and other long-term funding	6,504	28	132	167	1,292	7,302	-	8,921
Bonds listed	2,364	-	86	89	188	2,605	-	2,968
Total	17,973	4,752	1,898	2,343	1,566	10,188	521	21,268

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29. Assets and liabilities measured at fair value or for which fair values are disclosed

29.1 Valuation models

The 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. IFRS requires an entity to classify fair values measured and/or disclosed according to a hierarchy that reflects the significance of observable market inputs.

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are traded in active markets are based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations. For all other financial instruments, the Bank determines fair values using other valuation techniques.

The Bank measures fair value using the following fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted market prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

Valuation techniques include net present value and discounted cash flow models, comparison with similar instruments for which market observable prices exist and other valuation models. Assumptions and inputs used in valuation techniques include risk-free and benchmark interest rates, credit spreads and other factors used in estimating discounting rates, foreign currency exchange rates, bond and equity prices, equity and equity index prices and expected price volatilities and correlations.

The objective of valuation techniques is to arrive at a fair value measurement that reflects the price that would be received to sell the asset or paid to transfer the liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Recurring fair values

The Bank currently measures and presents financial investments, derivative assets and derivative liabilities at fair value, whilst all other financial instruments are measured and presented at amortised cost. The Bank uses widely recognised valuation models for determining the fair value of common and more simple financial instruments, such as interest rate and currency swaps that use only market data and require little management judgement and estimation.

Observable prices or model inputs are usually available in the market for listed debt and equity securities, exchange traded derivatives and simple over-the-counter derivatives such as swaps. Availability of observable market prices and model inputs reduce the need for management judgement and estimation and also reduce the uncertainty associated with determining fair values. Availability of observable market prices and inputs varies depending on the products and markets and is prone to changes based on specific events and general conditions in the financial markets.

Fair value estimates obtained from models reflect the credit risk of the instrument and include adjustments to take account of the credit risk of the Bank and the counterparty, where appropriate.

Fair value for disclosure

In determining the fair value for disclosure purposes of instruments measured and presented at amortised cost, the Bank uses its own valuation models, which are usually developed from recognised valuation models. Some or all of the significant inputs into these models may not be observable in the market and are derived from market prices or rates or are estimated based on assumptions. Examples of instruments involving significant unobservable inputs include advances and certain funding loans for which there is no active market.

Valuation models that employ significant unobservable inputs require a higher degree of management judgement and estimation in the determination of fair value. Management judgement and estimation are usually required for selection of the appropriate valuation model to be used, determination of expected future cash flows on the financial instrument being valued, determination of the probability of counterparty default and selection of an appropriate discount rate. Fair value estimates obtained from models include adjustments to take account of the credit risk of the Bank and the counterparty, where appropriate.

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General

Model inputs and values are calibrated against historical data and published forecasts and, where possible, against current or recently observed transactions and experiences. This calibration process is inherently subjective and it yields ranges of possible inputs and estimates of fair values, and management judgement is required to select the most appropriate point in the range.

Level 3 fair value disclosure - Advances

The fair value of advances was derived using a discounted cash flow technique. The Bank modelled the expected future cash flows by extrapolating the most recent observed cash flows on advances.

Amortised cost and fair value are both based upon present value of future cash flow techniques, however, the following significant differences exist between the amortised cost which includes ECL and fair value methodologies:

- fair value includes all expected cash flows, whereas impairments under IFRS 9 only consider ECL for the subsequent 12-month period for advances classified as stage 1;
- the impairment cash flows are not reduced by the expected cost of collection unless it is directly attributable; and
- the discount rate used for purposes of estimating the fair value of advances is based on current market circumstances, whereas the discount rate used for ECL is based on the original effective interest rate, which is also adjusted for credit risk in the case of the acquired book, being classified as credit-impaired at acquisition.

Amortised cost requires the future cash flows to be discounted at the advance's original effective interest rate, whereas the fair value methodology discounts the expected cash flows at a required rate of return.

29.2 Valuation framework

The Bank has an established control framework with respect to the measurement of fair values. This framework includes formalised policies and an approval and review process.

When third party information is used to measure fair value, the following procedures are performed in order to ensure that valuations meet the requirements of IFRS:

- · verifying that the third party is approved for use in pricing the relevant type of financial instrument; and
- understanding how the fair value has been arrived at and the extent to which it represents actual market transactions.

29.3 Fair value measurements recognised in the Statement of Financial Position

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured at fair value at the reporting date, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised. The amounts are based on the values recognised in the Statement of Financial Position.

Rmillion	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
2022			•	
Financial assets				
Recurring fair value measurement				
Financial investments		160		160
Derivative instruments	-	85	-	85
Total	-	245	-	245
2021				
Financial assets				
Recurring fair value measurement				
Financial investments	-	2,081	-	2,081
Derivative instruments	-	42	-	42
Total	-	2,123	-	2,123

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29.4 Valuation techniques, significant observable inputs and sensitivity of level 2 financial instruments measured at fair value

The table below indicates the valuation techniques and significant observable inputs used in the determination of the fair value at which the derivative instruments and core income funds are measured, with fair value derived from observable inputs (level

Rmillion	Valuation basis / techniques	Significant observable inputs	Variance in fair value measurement	Effect on profit / (loss) (after tax)
2022				
Assets				
Inflation-linked interest rate swaps	Discounted cash flow	Risk-free rates	100 bps	-
Financial investments measured at fair value	Discounted cash flows	Expected cash flows	1% reduction in expected cash flows	2
Rmillion	Valuation basis / techniques	observable	Variance in fair value measurement	Effect on profit / (loss) (after tax)
2021				
Assets				
Inflation-linked interest rate swaps	Discounted cash flow	Risk-free rates	100 bps	(2)
Financial investments measured at fair value	Discounted cash flows	Expected cash flows	1% reduction in expected cash flows	21

29.5 Assets and liabilities for which fair value is disclosed

Rmillion	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Carrying value
2022		·	· ·	·	
Financial assets					
Government bonds	2,240	-	-	2,240	2,444
Deposits with SARB	-	445	-	445	445
Net advances ²	-	-	26,113	26,113	22,647
Total	2,240	445	26,113	28,798	25,536
Financial liabilities					
Short-term funding	-	867	5,001	5,868	5,868
Unsecured bonds (listed on JSE) ¹	-	3,006	-	3,006	2,930
Unsecured long-term loans	-	609	7,310	7,919	7,919
Total	-	4,482	12,311	16,793	16,717
2021					
Financial assets					
Government bonds	2,987	-	-	2,987	3,005
Deposits with SARB	-	382	-	382	382
Net advances	-	-	18,054	18,054	16,462
Total	2,987	382	18,054	21,423	19,849
Financial liabilities					
Short term funding	-	3,507	4,237	7,744	7,777
Unsecured bonds (listed on JSE) ¹	-	2,363	-	2,363	2,364
Unsecured bonds (listed on foreign	<u>-</u>	-	-	_	_
stock exchange)					
Unsecured long- term loans	-	625	6,126	6,751	6,775
Total	-	6,495	10,363	16,858	16,916

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The fair values of the following items are not disclosed as the values of these assets and liabilities closely approximate their carrying amount due to their short-term or on-demand repayment terms:

- cash and cash equivalents;
- deposits with SARB;
- · accounts receivables and other assets; and
- · creditors and accruals.
- ¹ The fair value of listed bonds reflects the current listed price as at the end of the financial year, but is categorised as level 2 due to the lack of market liquidity for the listed bonds.
- ² The fair value of retail advance is R24,516 million (2021: R18,054 million) and corporate advances is R1,597 million.

30. Financial instruments subject to offsetting or similar agreements

Certain master netting arrangements entered into by the Bank may not meet the criteria for offsetting in the Statement of Financial Position because:

- these agreements create a right of set-off enforceable only following an event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy; and
- the Bank and its counterparties do not intend to settle on a net basis or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

Accordingly, the following table sets out the impact of off-set, as well as financial assets and financial liabilities that are subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement, irrespective of whether they have been offset in accordance with IFRS. It should be noted that the information below is not intended to represent the Bank's actual credit exposure, nor will it reconcile with that presented in the Statement of Financial Position.

Rmillion	Gross amount of recognised financial assets ¹	Gross amount of recognised financial liabilities offset in the Statement of Financial Position ²	presented in the Statement	Amounts not offset in the Statement of Financial Position but subject to enforceable master netting arrangements ³	Gross amount of collateral subject to netting arrangements4	Net amount
2022						
Assets						
Derivative financial instruments	85	-	85	-	(77)	8
2021						
Assets						
Derivative financial instruments	42	-	42	-	(38)	4

¹ Gross amounts are disclosed for recognised assets and liabilities that are subject to a master netting arrangement or a similar agreement, irrespective of whether the offsetting criteria is met.

The amounts that are subject to netting arrangements generally arise in terms of ISDA Master Agreements and Credit Support Annexures between the Bank and various counterparties.

² These amounts qualify for offset in accordance with the criteria per IFRS.

³ The amounts that do not qualify for offset in accordance with the criteria per IFRS.

⁴ Cash collateral not offset in the Statement of Financial Position subject to a master netting arrangement or similar agreement.

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31. Capital management

Capital adequacy risk is the risk that the Bank will not have sufficient capital reserves to meet materially adverse market conditions beyond that which have already been assumed within the ECL provisions and reserves.

External regulatory capital management

Regulatory capital adequacy is measured by expressing available qualifying capital as a percentage of risk-weighted assets. The Banks Act and supporting regulations, read together with specific requirements for the Bank, specify the minimum capital required to be held in relation to risk-weighted assets. Ancillary regulatory requirements include the Basel III leverage ratio, which is included in the scope of regulatory capital adequacy.

Available qualifying capital includes ordinary share capital, equity reserves and qualifying debt instruments less mandatory deductions. The Bank's strategic focus is to maintain an optimal mix of available financial resources, while continuing to generate sufficient capital to support the growth of the Bank's operations within the parameters of the risk appetite set by the RCMC.

Refer to the table in the unaudited Annexure B for the Bank's capital adequacy requirements and position as at 30 September 2022.

Internal capital management

Internal capital adequacy is defined as the Bank's internal measurement of risk and related available financial resources. Available financial resources include ordinary share capital, equity reserves and qualifying additional tier 1 debt instruments less any deduction for the shortfall between provisions and expected loss.

The Bank's strategic focus is to maintain an optimal mix of available financial resources for regulatory and internal capital adequacy, while continuing to generate sufficient capital to support the growth of the Bank's operations within the parameters of the risk appetite set by the RCMC.

ALCO is mandated to monitor and manage capital, which includes:

- meeting minimum Basel III regulatory requirements and any additional capital requirements as specified by the SARB;
- ensuring adequate capital buffers, above the aforementioned criteria, to ensure sustainability in both a systemic and idiosyncratic stress event as set out by the Bank's risk appetite;
- · testing the Bank's strategy against risk appetite and required capital levels; and
- ensuring compliance with other prudential regulatory requirements in respect of non-banking entities within the Bank, most notably the capital requirements of these non-banking entities.

RCMC is mandated to review and sign-off the Bank's annual internal capital adequacy assessment process ("ICAAP") prior to submission to the Board and the SARB.

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32. Analysis of classification of financial assets and liabilities

32.1 Analysis of classification of financial assets

Financial assets are measured either at fair value or at amortised cost. The principal accounting policies describe how the class of financial instruments are measured and how income including fair value gains and losses, are recognised.

Rmillion	Notes	Amortised cost	Financial instruments mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss	Non-financial instruments	Total	Current	Non-current
2022							
Cash and cash equivalents	4	1,378	-	-	1,378	1,378	-
Financial investments	5	-	160	-	160	160	-
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities	6	2,444	-	-	2,444	748	1,696
Net advances	2	22,647	-	-	22,647	9,995	12,652
Deferred tax asset	7	-	-	1,064	1,064	-	1,064
Property and equipment and right of use asset	8	-	-	562	562	-	562
Accounts receivable and other assets	10	88	-	114	202	88	114
Intangible assets	9	-	-	153	153	-	153
Derivatives	11	-	85	-	85	-	85
Total assets		26,557	245	1,893	28,695	12,369	16,326

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Rmillion	Notes	Amortised cost	Financial instruments mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss	Non-financial instruments	Total	Current	Non-current
2021 restated		•				•	
Cash and cash equivalents ¹	4	3,616	-	-	3,616	3,616	-
Financial investments	5	-	2,081	-	2,081	2,081	-
Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities ¹	6	3,005	-	-	3,005	595	2,410
Net advances	2	16,462	-	-	16,462	6,528	9,934
Deferred tax asset	7	-	-	1,134	1,134	-	1,134
Property and equipment	8	-	-	602	602	-	602
Accounts receivable and other assets	10	94	-	88	182	94	88
Intangible assets	9	-	-	138	138	-	138
Derivatives	11	-	42	-	42	-	42
Total assets		23,177	2,123	1,962	27,262	12,914	14,348

Rmillion	2022	2021
Statement of Total Comprehensive Income effect of financial instruments by category	•	
Interest income recognised - financial assets at amortised cost	5,962	5,186
Interest income recognised - financial assets at fair value	20	64
Total	5,982	5,250
Included above is interest income earned on impaired assets (advances)	1,019	924

¹ The deposit with the SARB were previously included in Regulatory deposits and sovereign debt securities and have been reclassified to cash and cash equivalents based on guidance provided in the relevant IFRIC Agenda decision.

32.2 Analysis of classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are measured either at fair value or at amortised cost. The principal accounting policies describe how the class of financial instruments are measured and how expenses, including fair value gains and losses, are recognised.

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	Notes	Amortised cost	Fair value	Non-financial	Total	Current	Non-current
Rmillion				liabilities			
2022							
Short-term funding	13	5,868	-	-	5,868	5,868	-
Creditors and accruals	14	474	-	411	885	766	119
Current tax liability	7	-	-	12	12	12	-
Bonds and other long-term funding	12	10,850	-	-	10,850	33	10,817
Total liabilities		17,192	-	423	17,615	6,679	10,936
2021							
Short-term funding	13	7,777	-	-	7,777	7,777	-
Creditors and accruals	14	453	-	521	974	390	584
Current tax liability	7	-	-	83	83	83	-
Bonds and other long-term funding	12	9,139	-	-	9,139	34	9,105
Total liabilities		17,369	-	604	17,973	8,284	9,689

Rmillion	2022	2021
Statement of Total Comprehensive Income effect of financial instruments by category		
Interest expense recognised for financial liabilities at amortised cost	1,328	1,329
Total	1,328	1,329

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33. Retirement and post-retirement benefits

The Bank contributes to a provident fund, which is governed by the Pension Funds Act No. 24 of 1956, and is a defined contribution plan. This fund is managed by employer and employee-elected trustees. Separate administrators are contracted to run the fund on a day-to-day basis. An independent consultant has also been appointed to the fund to provide professional advice to the trustees. The scheme is funded by the Bank's contributions, which are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income as they are incurred.

The defined contribution scheme is exempt from regular actuarial valuations as no actuarial shortfall is anticipated. It is compulsory for all permanent staff to belong to the Bank's provident fund. The contributions made during the year amounted to R132 million (2021: R127 million).

34. Long-term incentive scheme

In the 2019 financial year, the Group made awards in accordance with the long-term incentive scheme introduced in 2018 that will vest and be paid out after a three-year period. Full payout will be based on a compounded annual growth rate (CAR) of at least 10% over the three years in net profit before tax and foreign exchange losses.

In the 2022 financial year, the Group awarded management and the executive committee a long term incentive that will vests after a three-year period, and will be paid out after a three year period to management and in three tranches at the end of the third, fourth and fifth year for the executive committee. The payout will be based on the performance of the Bank over the three-year period ended 30 September 2024. The amount paid out will be determined after applying multiple financial and non-financial performance measures.

All payouts are subject to the Remuneration Committee ("the RemCom") approval.

Rmillion	2022	2021
Opening balance	70	83
Long-term incentive liability recognised during the current financial year	(6)	(4)
Long-term incentive liability settled during the current financial year (relates to prior year's deferrals)	(24)	(9)
Closing balance	40	70

35. Related party information

Members of the Bank's Executive Committee are considered to be Key Management Personnel of the Bank.

35.1 Balances with related parties

R'000	2022	2021
Gross advances		
Key Management Personnel ¹	722	192
Deposits		
Entities within the same Group of companies	114,100	-
Key Management Personnel ²	72,055	2,036

¹ The amounts advanced to Key Management Personnel are at arms length and consist of credit cards and other loans.

35.2 Transactions with related parties are disclosed below

R'000	2022	2021
Interest income		
Key Management Personnel	81	12
Interest paid		
Entities within the same Group of companies	52,250	-
Key Management Personnel	172	49
Facility commitment fee - Shareholder backed facility	16,666	16,000

² The amounts deposited by Key Management Personnel are held in transactional accounts and retail savings accounts and are at market-related rates, terms and conditions.

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Related party information continued...

In the current financial year, no contracts were entered into in which Directors or Key Management Personnel had an interest and which significantly affected the business of the Bank.

The Directors had no interest in any third-party or company responsible for managing any of the business activities of the Bank.

36. Events after the reporting date

There were no matters or circumstances arising since the reporting date, not otherwise dealt with in the Annual Financial Statements, which significantly affected the financial position as at 30 September 2022 or the results of its operations or cash flows for the period then ended.

36.1 Acquisition of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited:

In the 2023 financial year, ABL has acquired 100% ordinary share capital of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited ("GFH") which represents 100% of the voting rights and 100% of the preference shares issued by Grindrod Bank Limited ("GBL"), a 100% subsidiary of GFH, for cash consideration of R1.6 billion. GFH is the holding company of Grindrod Bank Limited ("GBL"). All regulatory, legislative and contractually required approvals were obtained on 6 October 2022, with an effective date of 1 November 2022. The acquisition date (as defined in IFRS 3), and the date that ABL obtained control of GFH and GBL (in terms of IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements ("IFRS 10")), is 1 November 2022. This acquisition was carried out to enable ABL to accelerate its entry into the South African corporate banking sector by acquiring valuable sectoral expertise and an existing customer base.

As at the date of the approval of the Bank's Annual Financial Statements, the initial accounting for this business combination is incomplete and therefore the additional disclosures required by IFRS 3 cannot be provided.

36,2 Acquisition of certain assets and liabilities of Ubank Limited:

In the 2023 financial year, ABL has acquired certain assets and liabilities from Ubank, which constitutes a business as defined by IFRS 3, for cash consideration of R80 million. ABL has not acquired the Ubank legal entity, and any residual assets and liabilities remain with that legal entity. The acquisition was subject to regulatory approvals which were provided on 31 October 2022, with an effective date of 1 November 2022. Therefore, ABL obtained control of Ubank (in terms of IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements ("IFRS 10")) in the 2023 financial year. This acquisition fits into the Bank's Excelerate25 strategy of building a scalable, diversified and sustainable banking business.

As at the date of the approval of the Bank's Annual Financial Statements, the initial accounting for this business combination is incomplete and therefore the additional disclosures required by IFRS 3 cannot be provided.

36.3 RDS indemnity:

On the 21 November 2022, RDS and the Bank entered into an agreement whereby the indemnity reserve was reduced from R3 billion to R500 million. This is with immediate effect.

37. Restatements and change in estimates

37.1 Correction of prior period reclassifications

37.1.1 Change in presentation: Statement of Cash Flow

These changes were not made to correct errors, but rather as management were of the view that it would better reflect information that is used for decision making by investors and stakeholders and is more aligned to the requirements of IFRS.

In the current financial year, management redesigned the cash from operating activities section of the Statement of Cash Flows, which was prepared using the indirect approach and included additional detail generally disclosed in the direct approach. The revised design removes any additional disclosure not required in the indirect approach. Management is of the view that the revised design provides information that is more easily understandable and is aligned to industry practice.

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As part of the redesign:

- Income earned from lending activities and other adjustments, previously disclosed as a line item in the "cash generated from operations" note called "income received from lending activities" has now been included in the "interest received" line item on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows.
- Income earned from non-lending activities, previously disclosed as a separate line item on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows, is now no longer separately disclosed, because as required by the indirect method, it is already included in Profit/(loss) before tax in the "cash generated from operations" note.
- Certain items that were disclosed in the cash generated from operations note are now disclosed on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows.

Statement of Cash Flows (extract) Rmillion	30 September 2021	Increase/ (Decrease)	30 September 2021 (Restated)
Net increase in gross advances ¹	4,167	(4,814)	(647)
Cash utilised in operations ²	(2,446)	492	(1,954)
Disclose separately on the face of the SOCF ²		4,322	4,322
Interest received		4,983	4,983
Interest paid		(968)	(968)
Other assets		19	19
Other liabilities		139	139
Decrease in deferred fees and other items related to advances		149	149
Total	1,721	-	1,721

¹ Net movement in gross advances was previously presented as the difference between cash received from customers amounting to R10,874 million and advances disbursed to customers of R6,707 million on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows resulting in a net increase in gross advances of R4,167 million. Interest from lending activities of R4,814 was previously included in the net increase in gross advances line and is now presented in interest received.

37.2 Change in estimate

37.2.1 Change in write-off point

The Bank previously determined that it does not have a reasonable expectation of recovering outstanding amounts when more than three instalments have been missed and no payments have been received for eight months (contractual delinquency ("CD") 4 and recency 8). The gross carrying amount of a loan or advance was therefore written off at this point.

All customers, upon entering into a credit facility, are required to obtain insurance through African Insurance Group Limited. Previously the insurance cover in terms of death and retrenchment was limited, and therefore in the previous financial period African Insurance Group Limited made the decision to make additional payments to the Bank on a once-off basis. This resulted in the Bank's post write-off recoveries exceeding an internal threshold of the amount written off. In the current financial period, the insurance benefits relating to death and retrenchment have been extended, resulting in an increased likelihood of the Bank receiving claims.

The payment of the extended benefits will therefore result in an increase to the Bank's expectation of recovering contractual cash inflows. The Bank will now have a reasonable expectation of recovering contractual cash flows until month 12. Therefore, the point at which amounts are written off has been changed from CD4 and recency 8 to CD4 and recency 12. This change in the write-off definition resulted in a decrease in ECL of R81 million.

37.2.2 Change in definition of credit impaired for advances under debt review

The Bank previously determined that accounts in stage 3 would only cure to stage 2 once the account has moved back to CD3 or less based on the original contractual payment terms. Consequently, all accounts in debt review remained in stage 3 indefinitely due to original contractual terms being modified. Furthermore, accounts commencing the debt review process were deemed to be an indicator of SICR.

² Line items previously disclosed in the cash generated from operations note are now disclosed on the face of the Statement of Cash Flows.

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During the current financial year, the Bank applied the following changes for accounts in debt review in order to align with industry practice and in accordance with SARB Directive 7:

- The Bank reviewed its historical data to assess the repayment behaviour of advances in debt review which deemed it appropriate to rehabilitate (cure) advances. The rehabilitation process for debt review accounts utilises the modified contractual terms for curing and only the restructured instalment and terms are considered. The Bank considers an account to have cured when it has made six consecutive payments equivalent to six full restructured instalments as this is an indicator of a reduction in credit risk.
- Accounts commencing the debt review process would be considered to be credit-impaired since these accounts are viewed
 as being in distress.
- Both changes above impacts the definition of credit-impaired and has been accounted for as a change in estimate. This change has resulted in a decrease in the ECL of R106 million.

37.2.3 Change to the SICR indicators

The Bank previously considered an advance to have significantly increased credit risk when it is 1 to 90 days overdue (referred to as stage 2 arrears). Based on historical repayment behaviour and industry practice, management has approved to redefine this SICR indicator from 1 to 90 days to 31 to 90 days.

Management views this change to be more aligned with industry practice and will ensure conformity and comparability with the Banking industry. This change has resulted in a decrease in ECL of R288 million and has been accounted for as a change in estimate.

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38. Directors' and Prescribed Officers' remuneration

38.1.1 Basic remuneration, benefits and incentives paid to Executive Directors

All amounts in R	Date appointed	Date resigned	Salary	Retirement, medical contributions and other	Total cost to company package	Deferred incentive ¹	Settlement award	Long term incentives	Short term incentives		Total
2022											
Kennedy Bungane	14/04/2021	-	6,714,609	1,223,130	7,937,739	-	-	-	5,125,000	-	13,062,739
Gustav Raubenheimer	03/07/2015	-	4,563,883	599,753	5,163,636	719,390	-	3,272,790	3,000,000	1,669,475	13,825,291
Zwelibanzi Manyathi*	22/09/2022	-	3,900,000	445,333	4,345,333	-	-	-		-	4,345,333
Basani Maluleke	03/07/2017	25/01/2021	-	-	-	223,944	-	3,591,621	-	1,817,888	5,633,453
Total			15,178,492	2,268,216	17,446,708	943,334	-	6,864,411	8,125,000	3,487,363	36,866,816

^{*}Zwelibanzi Manyathi joined the Group as a prescribed officer on 15 November 2021 and was appointed as an Exective Director on 22 September 2022.

All amounts in R	Date appointed	Date resigned	Salary	Retirement, medical contributions and other	Total cost to company package	Deferred incentives ²	Settlement award	Long term incentives	Short term incentives	Retention award	Total
2021											
Kennedy Bungane	14/04/2021	-	3,187,500	572,100	3,759,600	-	-	-	-	-	3,759,600
Gustav Raubenheimer	03/07/2015	-	4,221,236	621,038	4,842,274	1,319,344	-	-	-	-	6,161,618
Basani Maluleke	03/07/2017	25/01/2021	2,726,848	731,775	3,458,623	260,087	3,895,497	-	-	-	7,614,207
Brian Riley	24/06/2015	31/03/2018	-	-	-	2,012,500	-	-	-	-	2,012,500
Total			10,135,584	1,924,913	12,060,497	3,591,931	3,895,497	-	-	-	19,547,925

38.1.2 Basic remuneration, benefits and incentives paid to Prescribed Officers

All amounts in R	Date appointed	Date resigned	Salary	Retirement, medical contributions and other	Total cost to company package	Deferred incentive ¹	Settlement award	Long term incentives	Short term incentives	Retention award	Total
2022				·	·	·		·	·		
Unathi Mtya	07/09/2021	-	3,057,469	357,719	3,415,188		-		136,878	-	3,552,066
Vere Millican	04/04/2016	30/04/2022	2,133,332	525,102	2,658,434	537,528	-	2,466,821	2,750,000	1,910,454	10,323,237
Lindiwe Miyambu	04/04/2016	-	3,290,145	723,783	4,013,928	588,169	-	675,815	1,829,916	1,324,655	8,432,483
Sibongiseni Ngundze	01/08/2021	-	3,570,000	648,636	4,218,636	-	-		338,450	-	4,557,086
Edna Montse	01/07/2022	-	646,652	76,350	723,002	-	-	-		-	723,002
Darryl Adriaanzen	15/11/2021	-	2,401,567	267,205	2,668,772	-	-	-		-	2,668,772
George Roussos	04/04/2016	31/07/2022	3,348,206	847,199	4,195,405	578,554	4,232,677	2,058,321	2,375,000	1,528,451	14,968,408
Sbusiso Kumalo	01/08/2021	-	2,564,015	470,473	3,034,488		-		1,043,078	-	4,077,566
Petrus Swanepoel	04/04/2016	-	3,587,240	498,860	4,086,100	564,903	-	1,758,138	2,125,000	1,354,807	9,888,948
Total			24,598,626	4,415,327	29,013,953	2,269,154	4,232,677	6,959,095	10,598,322	6,118,367	59,191,568

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All amounts in R	Date appointed	Date resigned	Salary	Retirement, medical contributions and other	Total cost to company package	Deferred incentive ²	Settlement award	Long term incentives	Short term incentives	Retention award	Total
2021											
Penny Futter	01/09/2018	31/08/2021	3,305,610	810,271	4,115,881	-	-	-	-	-	4,115,881
Unathi Mtya	07/09/2021	-	206,843	29,556	236,399	-	-	-	-	-	236,399
Vere Millican	04/04/2016	30/04/2022	3,438,817	496,144	3,934,961	976,188	-	-	-	-	4,911,149
Lindiwe Miyambu	04/04/2016	-	3,118,255	754,190	3,872,445	1,078,684	-	-	-	-	4,951,129
Sibongiseni Ngundze	01/08/2021	-	595,000	108,000	703,000	-	-	-	-	-	703,000
George Roussos	04/04/2016	31/07/2022	3,819,107	560,443	4,379,550	1,244,637	-	-	-	-	5,624,187
Sbusiso Kumalo	01/08/2021	-	427,336	78,412	505,748	-	-	-	-	-	505,748
Petrus Swanepoel	04/04/2016	-	3,406,371	477,051	3,883,422	1,063,121	-	-	-	-	4,946,543
Total			18,317,339	3,314,067	21,631,406	4,362,630	-	-	-	-	25,994,036

¹ These amounts represent payments to Executive Directors and Prescribed Officers paid during the 2022 financial year, for the deferral of the past service awards.

² These amounts represent payments to Executive Directors and Prescribed Officers paid during the 2021 financial year, for the deferral of the past service awards.

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38.2 Retention awards

38.2.1 Executive Directors' retention awards

	Retention award to be paid in
All amounts in R	January 2023
Gustav Raubenheimer	1,669,475.00
Total	1,669,475

38.2.2 Prescribed Officers' retention awards

	Retention award
	to be paid in
All amounts in R	January 2023
Lindiwe Miyambu	1,324,655
George Roussos	1,528,451
Petrus Swanepoel	1,354,807
Total	4,207,913

38.3 Long-term deferred incentives

38.3.1 Executive Directors' long-term deferred incentives

		2019							
All amounts in R	Vesting in 2020 ¹	Vesting in 2021 ¹	Vesting in 2022 ¹	Value payable In 2023²					
Gustav Raubenheimer	-	-	542,362	130,811					
Total	-	-	542,362	130,811					

¹ The vesting amounts are indicative of the amounts expected to be paid and have been adjusted from the prior year in line with vesting conditions.

38.3.2 Prescribed Officers' long-term deferred incentives

		2019									
All amounts in R	Vesting in 2020 ¹	Vesting in 2021 ¹	Vesting in 2022 ¹	Value payable In 20231							
Lindiwe Miyambu	-	-	518,754	125,117							
Petrus Swanepoel	-	-	518,754	116,944							
Total	-	-	1,037,508	242,061							

¹ The vesting amounts are indicative of the amounts expected to be paid and have been adjusted from the prior year in line with vesting conditions.

² The vesting amounts are indicative of the amounts expected to be paid and have been adjusted from the prior year in line with vesting conditions. The value payable in the 2023 financial year is to be determined.

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38.4 Long-term incentives

38.4.1 Executive Directors' long-term incentive awards

	20)19	2021			
All amounts in R	Nominal award	Vested in the current year and payable in the 2023	Nominal award	To vest in 2024	To vest in 2025	To vest in 2026
Kennedy Bungane	-	-	26,250,000	8,750,000	8,750,000	8,750,000
Gustav Raubenheimer	3,200,000	785,608	-	-	-	-
Total	3,200,000	785,608	26,250,000	8,750,000	8,750,000	8,750,000

		2022						
All amounts in R	Nominal award	To vest in 2025	To vest in 2026	To vest in 2027				
Kennedy Bungane	8,000,000	2,666,667	2,666,667	2,666,666				
Total	8,000,000	2,666,667	2,666,667	2,666,666				

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38.4.2 Prescribed Officers' long-term incentives awards

	2021				
All amounts in R	Nominal award	To vest in 2024	To vest in 2025	To vest in 2026	
Sibongiseni Ngundze	700,000	233,333	233,333	233,334	
Sbusiso Kumalo	502,748	167,583	167,583	167,582	
Total	1,202,748	400,916	400,916	400,916	

	2022				
All amounts in R	Nominal award	To vest in 2025	To vest in 2026	To vest in 2027	
Unathi Mtya	2,378,031	792,677	792,677	792,677	
Lindiwe Miyambu	2,649,309	883,103	883,103	883,103	
Sibongiseni Ngundze	2,940,000	980,000	980,000	980,000	
Edna Montse	1,150,000	1,150,000	-	-	
Darryl Adriaanzen	2,111,542	703,848	703,847	703,847	
Sbusiso Kumalo	2,111,542	703,847	703,847	703,848	
Petrus Swanepoel	2,709,613	903,204	903,204	903,205	
Total	16,050,037	6,116,679	4,966,678	4,966,680	

38.5 Short-term incentives

38.5.1 Executive Directors' short-term incentive awards

	2021		
All amounts in R	To vest in 2022	To vest in 2023	To vest in 2024
Kennedy Bungane	1,708,333	1,708,333	1,708,333
Gustav Raubenheimer	1,000,000	-	-
Total	2,708,333	1,708,333	1,708,333

38.5.2 Prescribed Officers' short-term incentive awards

		2021		
All amounts in R	To vest in 2022	To vest in 2023	To vest in 2024	
Unathi Mtya	45,626	45,626	45,626	
Lindiwe Miyambu	609,972	609,972	609,972	
Sibongiseni Ngundze	112,817	112,817	112,816	
George Roussos	791,667	-	-	
Sbusiso Kumalo	81,026	81,026	81,026	
Petrus Swanepoel	708,333	708,333	708,334	
Edna Montse	15,673	15,673	15,673	
Total	2,365,114	1,573,447	1,573,447	

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38.6 Non-Executive Directors' remuneration

				2022			2021	
All amounts in R	Date appointed	Date resigned	Paid by the Bank	Paid by other entities within The Group	Total	Paid by the Bank	Paid by other entities within The Group	Total
Thabo Dloti (Chairman)	07/03/2019	-	1,829,576	457,394	2,286,970	1,698,058	424,515	2,122,573
Hemmanth Singh	21/12/2021	-	490,974	122,743	613,717	-	-	-
Spyridon Georgopoulos	18/08/2020	-	818,326	204,582	1,022,908	830,512	207,628	1,038,140
Maureen Manyama	23/03/2021	-	553,955	138,489	692,444	231,974	57,993	289,967
Nonzukiso Siyotula¹	13/08/2021	11/04/2022	226,683	419,816	646,499	51,877	12,969	64,846
Peter Temple	29/04/2016	-	756,732	215,291	972,023	984,106	274,328	1,258,434
Robert Hutchinson-Keip	11/03/2020	-	841,514	236,486	1,078,000	1,030,678	272,792	1,303,470
Sydney Mhlarhi	06/07/2016	24/11/2021	108,755	27,189	135,944	914,186	228,546	1,142,732
Happy Ralinala	23/05/2018	-	744,559	186,140	930,699	962,901	240,725	1,203,626
Lindiwe Dlamini	30/07/2021	-	583,468	145,867	729,335	53,428	13,357	66,785
Dhevendren Dharmalingam¹	01/04/2022	11/04/2022	-	410,713	410,713	-	-	-
Total			6,954,542	2,564,710	9,519,252	7,094,794	1,817,121	8,911,915

The Non-Executive Directors are paid fees based on a fixed retainer for their responsibilities and duties as Board members as well as additional fees for participation in the various subcommittees of the Board. They do not participate in any of the Group's incentive schemes and neither do they receive any other benefits from the Bank.

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1 Dhevendren Dharmalingam and Nonzukiso Siyotula resigned as independent Non-Executive Directors from the Board of ABL with effect from 11 April 2022. Dhevendren Dharmalingam and Nonzukiso Siyotula will remain as Directors on the ABHL Board, refer to changes in Directors and Board Committees in the Directors report.

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ANNEXURE A: ADOPTION OF NEW STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATION

1. Standards and amendments with an effect on the Annual Financial Statements

The following amendments to standards and interpretations have an impact on the Bank for the year ended 30 September 2022:

Title and Details	Impact assessment
IFRIC Agenda decision on Demand Deposits with Restrictions on Use arising from a Contract with a Third Party	· '
Interest Rate Benchmark Reform - Phase 2 - Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16	The SARB has indicated their intention to move away from JIBAR and to create an alternative reference rate for South Africa. The current proposals are to designate the South African Rand Overnight Index Average ("ZARONIA") as the official successor rate to the JIBAR. The Bank is monitoring the progress of the transition to ZARONIA.

All other standards and amendments effective in the current year have no material impact on the Bank.

2. Standards and amendments in issue but not yet effective

The Bank has not early adopted or applied any of the standards or amendments not yet effective. All other amendments not listed below are assessed to have no material impact on the Bank.

IFRS reference	Title and details	Impact assessment	Effective date
IFRS 17	IFRS 17 - insurance contract The IASB issued IFRS 17, which states a new approach of accounting for insurers. IFRS 17 has a general model that requires entities to measure an insurance contract at initial recognition at the total of the fulfilment cash flows (comprising the estimated future cash flows, an adjustment to reflect the time value of money and an explicit risk adjustment for non-financial risk) and the contractual service margin. The fulfilment cash flows are remeasured on a current basis each reporting period. The unearned profit (contractual service margin) is recognised over the coverage period. The standard also provides a simplification in the form of the premium allocation approach. This simplified approach is applicable for certain types of contracts, including those with a coverage period of one year or less.	This Standard will be effective for the financial year beginning 1 October 2023. The Bank has commenced assessing the potential impact and is likely to be immaterial.	This standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

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IEDC mafamanas	Title and	 	Effective data
IFRS reference	details	Impact assessment	Effective date
(amendment)	IAS 37 - Onerous contracts - costs of fulfilling a contract (amendment) The amendment specifies which costs an entity needs to include when assessing whether a contract is onerous or lossmaking. The amendments apply a 'direct related cost approach', which includes costs that relate directly to a contract and an allocation of costs directly related to contract activities. General and administrative costs are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty to the contract.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
(amendment)	IAS 16 - 'Property, Plant and Equipment' on Proceeds before Intended Use The amendment prohibits an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of PPE any proceeds received from selling items produced while the entity is preparing the asset for its intended use	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
	(for example, the proceeds from selling samples produced when testing a machine to see if it is functioning properly). The proceeds from selling such items, together with the costs of producing them, are recognised in profit or loss.		,
IFRS 3	IFRS 3 - Reference to the Conceptual Framework		
(amendment)	The amendments add an exception to the recognition principle of IFRS 3 to avoid the issue of potential 'day 2' gains or losses arising for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets or IFRIC 21 Levies, if incurred separately. The exception requires entities to apply the criteria in IAS 37 or IFRIC 21, respectively, instead of the Conceptual Framework, to determine whether a present obligation exists at the acquisition date. At the same time, the amendments add a new paragraph to IFRS 3 to clarify that contingent assets do not qualify for recognition at the acquisition date.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
	The amendments are intended to update a reference to the Conceptual Framework without significantly changing requirements of IFRS 3. The amendments will promote consistency in financial reporting and avoid potential confusion from having more than one version of the Conceptual Framework in use.		

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IFRS reference	Title and details	Impact assessment	Effective date
IAS 1	IAS 1 - Disclosure of accounting policies - amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2		
(amendment)	The IASB issued amendments to IAS 1 and an update to IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements to help preparers provide useful accounting policy disclosures. The key amendments to IAS 1 include: requiring companies to disclose their material accounting policies; clarifying that accounting policies related to immaterial transactions, other events or conditions are themselves immaterial and as such need not be disclosed; and clarifying that not all accounting policies that relate to material transactions, other events or conditions are themselves material to a company's financial statements.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.
IAS 8	IAS 8 - Definition of accounting estimates		
(amendment)	The amendments to IAS 8 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.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.
IAS 1	IAS 1 - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current		
(amendment)	The proposed amendment is that if a right to defer settlement for at least twelve months is subject to an entity complying with conditions after the reporting date, those conditions do not affect whether the right to defer settlement exists at the reporting date for the purpose of classifying a liability as current or non-current. Additional presentation and disclosure requirements would be applicable in such circumstances, including presenting non-current liabilities that are subject to covenants to be complied with within twelve months after the reporting period, separately in the statement of financial position.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

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IFRS reference	Title and details	Impact assessment	Effective date
IAS 12	IAS 12 - Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction		
(amendment)	Transaction The amendments clarify that where payments that settle a liability are deductible for tax purposes, it is a matter of judgement (having considered the applicable tax law) whether such deductions are attributable for tax purposes to the liability recognised in the financial statements (and interest expense) or to the related asset component (and interest expense). This judgement is important in determining whether any temporary differences exist on initial recognition of the asset and liability. Under the amendments, the initial recognition exception does not apply to transactions that, on initial recognition, give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences. It only applies if the recognition of a lease asset and lease liability (or decommissioning liability and decommissioning asset component) give rise to taxable and deductible temporary differences that are not equal. In cases where the resulting deferred tax assets and liabilities are not equal, an entity would need to account for the difference between the deferred tax asset and liability in profit or loss.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

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IFRS reference	Title and details	Impact assessment	Effective date
Annual improvements (amendment)	Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018 - 2020 IFRS 9 Financial Instruments. The amendment clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other's behalf. There is no similar amendment proposed for IAS 39. An entity applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment. Lease incentives The amendment removes the illustration of payments from the lessor relating to leasehold improvements in Illustrative Example 13 accompanying IFRS 16. This removes potential confusion regarding the treatment of lease incentives when applying IFRS 16.	The amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Bank's Annual Financial Statements.	The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.

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ANNEXURE B: CAPITAL ADEQUACY (UNAUDITED)

Capital adequacy requirements:

Rmillion	2022	2021
On-balance sheet assets	28,695	27,262
Off-balance sheet items	983	645
Total risk exposure	29,678	27,908
Total risk-weighted exposure	25,382	21,444
Primary (Tier I)		
Share capital	12,935	11,485
Primary reserves (less statutory deductions)	(2,008)	(2,553)
Total	10,927	8,932
Secondary (Tier II)		
Subordinated debt instruments	-	-
General allowance for credit impairments	232	179
Total	232	179
Total qualifying capital and unimpaired reserve funds	11,159	9,111
Total capital to risk-weighted assets	%	%
Primary	43.05	41.65
Secondary	0.91	0.83
Total	43.96	42.48

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ANNEXURE C: ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (UNAUDITED)

The following acronyms and abbreviations have been used in these financial statements.

ABHL African Bank Holdings Limited

ABL African Bank Limited
AGM Annual General Meeting

AIG African Insurance Group Limited
ALCO Asset and Liability Committee

Bank African Bank Limited CAR Capital Adequacy Ratio

CHF Swiss Franc

CEO Group Chief Executive Officer
CFO Group Chief Financial Officer
CMC Credit and Models Committee
CRO Group Chief Risk Officer

Covid-19 Coronavirus

CPI Consumer Price Index

DMTN Domestic medium-term note programme

ECL Expected credit losses

EMTN Euro medium-term note programme

Exco Executive Committee FSB Financial Services Board

IAS International Accounting Standards
IASB International Accounting Standards Board

IBNR Incurred but not reported

ICAAP Internal Capital Adequacy and Assessment Process

IFRIC IFRS Interpretations Committee of IASB
IFRS International Financial Reporting Standards

IT Information Technology

JIBAR Three months Johannesburg interbank agreed rate

JSE JSE Limited

LTIP Long-term incentive plan MMIJV MMI Joint Venture MRC Model Risk Committee

NACA
Nominal annual compounded annually
NACM
NACQ
Nominal annual compounded monthly
NACQ
Nominal annual compounded quarterly
NACS
Nominal annual compounded semi-annually

NCA National Credit Act No 34 of 2005

Rm / Rmillion Millions of rand

RSA Republic of South Africa
PSI Portfolio Specific Impairment
SAFEX South Africa Future Exchange
SARB South African Reserve Bank

SI Specific Impairment

SICR Significant increase in credit risk

SPLEC Special Projects and Large Exposures Committee

R0 Thousands of rand

RCMC Risk and Capital Management Committee

RDS Residual Debt Services Limited (under curatorship)

TAA Tax Administration Act

The Bank Act No. 94 of 1990
The Companies Act The Companies Act No. 71 of 2008

Tier I Primary capital
Tier II Secondary capital
USD United States Dollar
VAT Value Added Tax
ZAR South African Rand

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ANNEXURE D: CORPORATE INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

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Maliga Chetty

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Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

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