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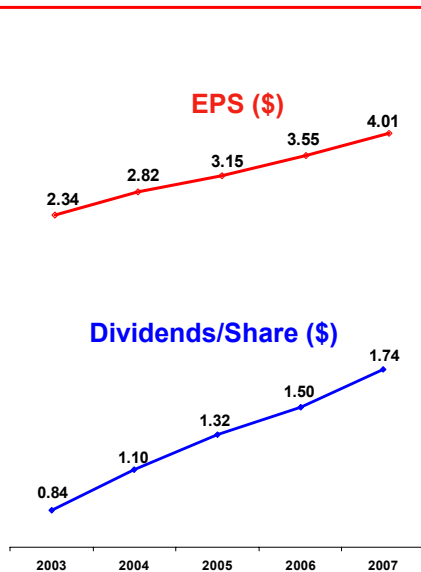
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Overview

Rick Waugh
President & Chief Executive Officer

Achieved record earnings in 2007



Results

- **2007 EPS: \$4.01**
 - up 13% vs. 2006
- **Q4 EPS: \$0.95**
 - up 7% vs. Q4/06
 - down 7% vs. Q3/07

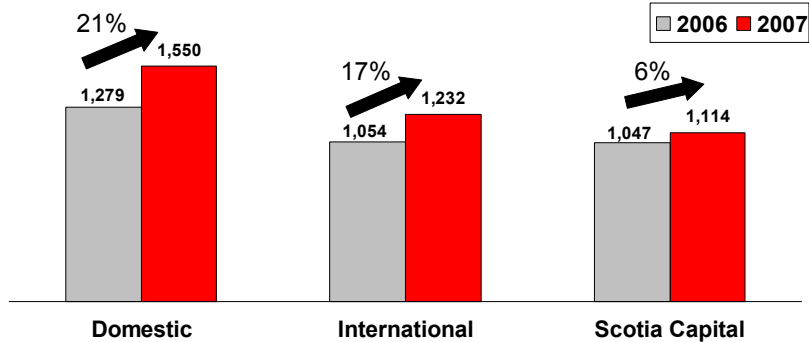
Dividend Increase

- annual dividends up 16%
- +2 cents increase to \$0.47/qtr



All major business lines delivered strong earnings

net income available to common shareholders, \$ millions



Domestic: Record net income driven by strong asset and deposit growth partly offset by lower margin, primarily due to higher wholesale funding costs. Retail banking, wealth management, commercial banking, and small business all generated solid results.

International: Record net income reflecting organic growth driven by strong asset growth across the division and the increased contribution from acquisitions, largely Peru and Costa Rica.

Scotia Capital: Record net income with solid results from Corporate and Investment banking, both from lending and investment banking, and Global Capital Markets, from strong underlying trading results, notwithstanding losses on structured credit instruments.



Delivered on 2007 key priorities

<u>Priorities</u>	<u>Performance</u>
1. Sustainable revenue growth	12% growth <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Effectively manage capital	8 acquisitions: \$2B+ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Strong TCE: 7.2% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Leadership development	Depth of talent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Met or exceeded 2007 targets

	<u>Q4/07</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Objective</u>
EPS Growth	7%	13%	vs. 7-12%
ROE	21.0%	22.0%	vs. 20-23%
Productivity	54.4%	53.7%	vs. <58%

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2008 Outlook

- **Challenging operating environment**
- **Continued focus on key priorities:**
 - Sustainable revenue growth
 - Effective capital management
 - Leadership development
- **Maintain positive targets and outlook**

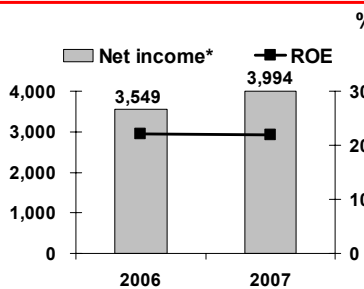
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Performance Review

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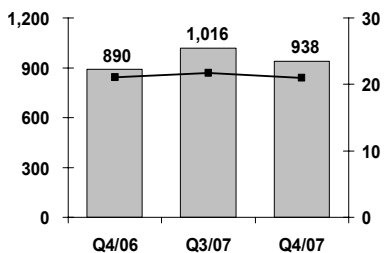
Executive Vice-President &
Chief Financial Officer

Group financial performance overview



2007 vs. 2006 net income: +13%

- record earnings and high ROE driven by:
 - + strong asset growth
 - + positive impact of acquisitions
 - + favourable credit quality
- partially offset by:
 - higher expenses partly due to acquisitions
 - some margin compression
 - negative forex translation (\$82) mm



Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 net income: (8)%

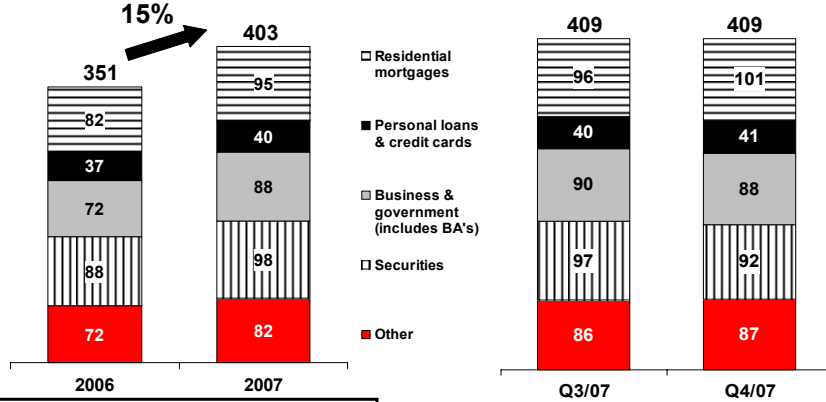
- + VISA gains
- + widespread growth in retail volumes
- losses on structured credit instruments
- lower underlying trading revenues
- higher expenses
- negative forex translation (\$37) mm

* net income available to common shareholders, \$ millions



Strong asset growth

average assets, \$ billions

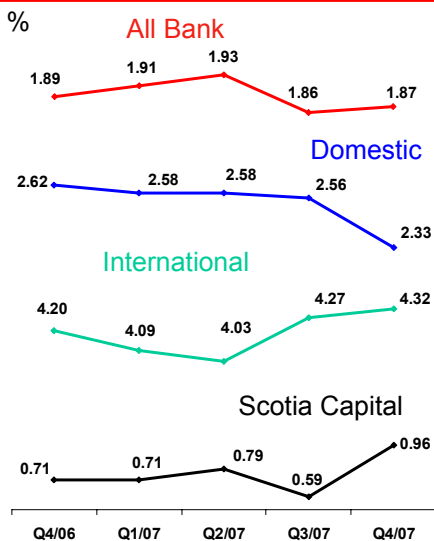


Yr/Yr
 Residential mortgages: +16%
 Personal loans +9%
 Business & government: +23%

Qtr/Qtr
 + residential mortgages +4%
 - trading securities (10)%



All-bank net interest margin flat quarter-over-quarter



All-Bank margin: +1 bps qtr/qtr
 + higher TEB interest income
 - negative impact of financial instruments

Domestic margin: (23) bps qtr/qtr
 - higher wholesale funding costs
 - shift in asset mix

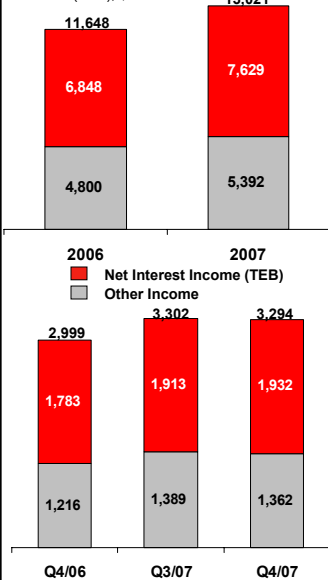
International margin: +5 bps qtr/qtr
 + broad based retail asset growth
 + growth in commercial assets in Asia

Scotia Capital margin: +37 bps qtr/qtr
 + increase in tax exempt dividend income
 - reduction in low spread trading assets



Strong revenue growth – up 12% vs. 2006

revenues (TEB), \$ millions



2007 vs. 2006 net interest income: +11%

- + strong organic and acquisition related retail asset growth
- margin compression due to higher funding costs & mix

2007 vs. 2006 other income: +12%

- broad based growth & positive impact of acquisitions
 - + retail brokerage +\$72 mm & mutual funds +\$55 mm
 - + net securities gains +\$117 mm
 - + investment banking revenues +\$78 mm
- negative forex translation (\$80) mm

Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 revenues flat

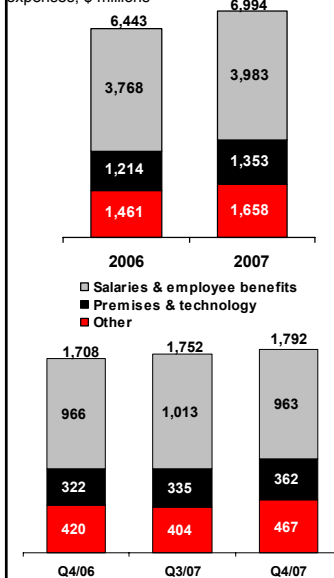
- net interest revenue up 1%:
 - + solid retail asset growth
 - negative forex translation (\$46) mm
- other income down 2%:
 - + higher securities gains
 - lower underlying trading revenues
 - negative forex translation (\$41) mm
- VISA gain offset by losses on structured credit instruments

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Investing for future growth

expenses, \$ millions



2007 vs. 2006 expenses: +9%

- 40% of increase due to acquisitions
- salaries & employee benefits +\$215 mm:
 - acquisitions & higher staffing for branch expansion
- premises & technology +\$139 mm:
 - acquisitions, new branches & growth initiatives
- other expenses +\$197 mm:
 - higher advertising & professional fees
 - \$51 mm VAT recovery in 2006
- forex translation (\$77) mm

Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 expenses: +2%

- spending on revenue growth initiatives:
 - advertising & business development +\$23 mm
 - technology +\$22 mm
 - professional fees +\$28 mm
 - salaries +\$11 mm
- lower performance based compensation (\$42) mm
- pension & other benefits (\$26) mm
- forex translation (\$30) mm

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Positive operating leverage

2007 vs. 2006

	<u>Reported</u>	<u>Adjusted*</u>
Domestic	6.0%	4.1%
International	4.7%	4.9%
Scotia Capital	(3.5)%	0.4%
All Bank	3.2%	3.6%

*Domestic: excl. VISA gain

*International: excl. VISA gain and VAT recovery

*Scotia Capital: excl. losses on structured credit instruments (including ABCP), gain on sale of bond index business



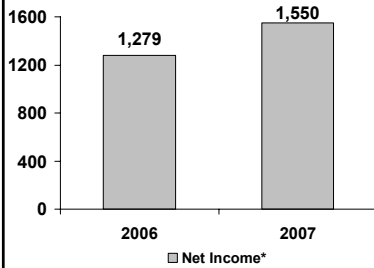
Domestic Banking

Chris Hodgson

Executive Vice President
Domestic Personal Banking

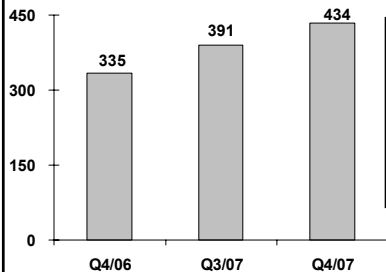


Domestic Banking Solid earnings from asset & revenue growth



2007 vs. 2006 net income: +21%

- + revenues up 9%
- expenses up 3%
 - growth initiatives
 - volume related expenses



Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 net income: +11%

- + revenues up 5% (including VISA gain)
- expenses up 4% reflecting growth initiatives:
 - acquisition related costs
 - new branches
 - higher advertising and technology costs

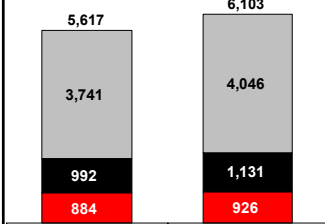
* net income available to common shareholders, \$ millions

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Domestic Banking Revenue growth

revenues (TEB), \$ millions



2007 vs. 2006 revenues: +9%

Retail & Small Business: +8%

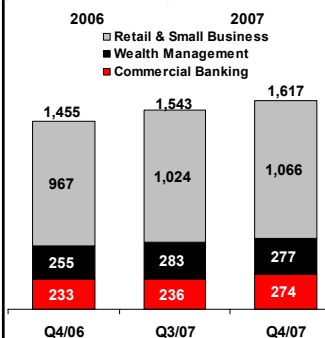
- + strong asset & deposit growth
- + higher service fees and credit card revenues
- partly offset by lower margin

Wealth Management: +14%

- mutual funds +24%
- retail brokerage +10%
- private client +13%

Commercial Banking: +5%

- asset & deposit growth



Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 revenues: +5%

Retail & Small Business: +4%

- + VISA gain
- + strong retail asset growth
- + small business deposit growth
- margin compression

Wealth Management: -2% lower retail brokerage

Commercial Banking: +16% higher deposit revenue

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Strong market share gains

Year-over-Year Increase

Residential Mortgages	+15 basis points
Personal Term Deposits	+41 basis points
Total Personal Deposits	+24 basis points
Mutual Funds	+16 basis points

Domestic market share figures as at September 2007

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Domestic 2008 Priorities

- **Drive sustainable revenue growth**
 - **leverage acquisitions & partnerships to acquire new customers**
 - e.g. Cineplex/SCENE, NHL, NHLPA, CFL
 - **build on the strong momentum in wealth management**
 - leveraging expanded retail sales force
 - **leverage small business expertise**
- **Expand/enhance sales & distribution capacity**
 - open 20-25 new branches
 - upgrade branch technology

Maintain earnings momentum & positive operating leverage

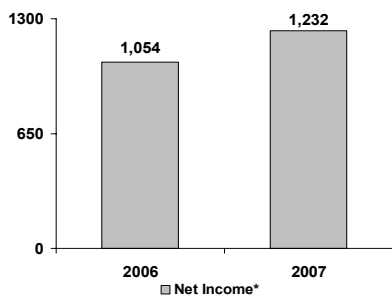
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International Banking

Rob Pitfield

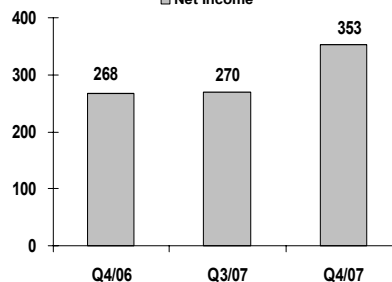
Executive Vice President
International Banking

International Banking Record earnings from broad-based growth



2007 vs. 2006 net income: +17%

- + revenues up 23%
- expenses up 18% (up 15% ex. VAT recovery)
 - impact of acquisitions
 - business growth, including new branches
 - higher credit card & advertising costs
- higher taxes, largely Mexico



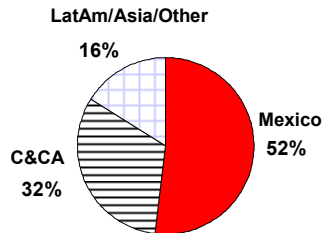
Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 net income: +31%

- + revenues up 14%
- expenses up 4%
 - business growth initiatives
 - partly offset by lower benefit costs

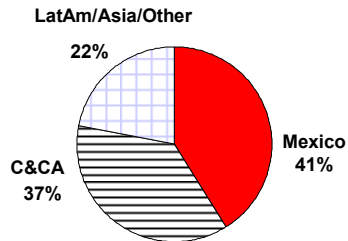


More diversified earnings mix

2006
Net Income* - \$1,054 million



2007
Net Income* - \$1,232 million



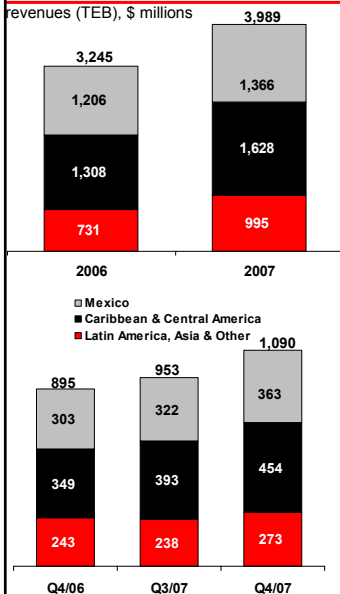
* available to common shareholders

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International Banking Higher revenues in all regions

revenues (TEB), \$ millions



2007 vs. 2006 revenues: +23%

Mexico: +13%

+ strong retail loan growth

- credit cards +36%, mortgages +34%

+ higher fee income (25% brokerage, 14% credit cards)

Caribbean & Central America: +25%

+ strong asset & deposit growth:

- 21% commercial loans, 22% credit cards, 18% mortgages

+ higher fees (credit cards up 35%)

Latin America, Asia & Other: +36%

+ whole year impact of Peru acquisition

Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 revenues: +14%

Mexico: +13%

+ strong underlying asset growth and higher margin

- credit cards +11%, mortgage +9%

+ higher securities gains & transaction-driven revenues

Caribbean & Central America: +15%

+ higher other income, including VISA gain

Latin America, Asia & Other: +15%

+ asset growth in Chile, Peru and Asia

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International 2008 Priorities

- **Drive sustainable organic revenue growth**
 - **new segments** - affluent, consumer finance, small business
 - **aggressively expand distribution network**
 - add 140 new branches, including 100 in Mexico
 - expand wealth centres across the Caribbean & Latin America
- **Pursue additional acquisition opportunities**
 - P&C banking, insurance, wealth management, consumer finance

Drive revenue growth & positive operating leverage

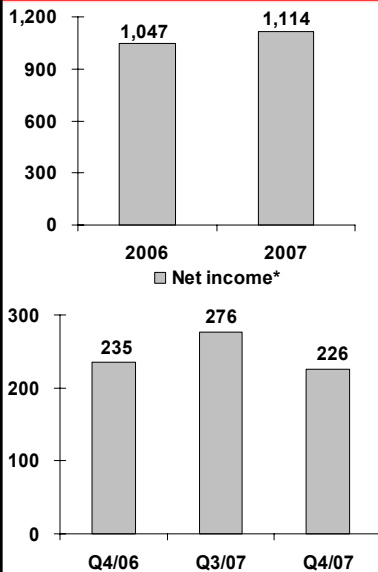
Scotia Capital

John Schumacher

Co-Head
Scotia Capital



Scotia Capital Record net income in 2007



2007 vs. 2006 net income: +6%

- + revenues up 3%
- + higher loan loss recoveries
- expenses up 6%
 - higher performance-related compensation
 - technology, hiring specialist expertise

Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 net income: (18)%

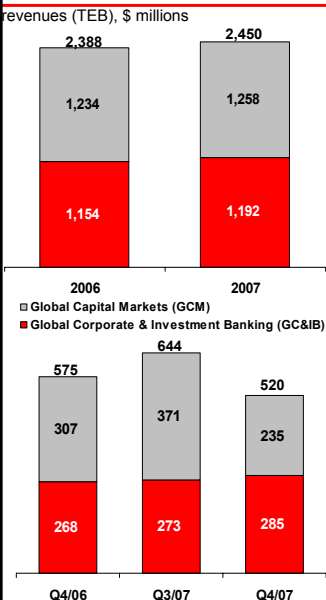
- revenues down \$124mm
- net interest income: up \$133mm
 - + higher tax-exempt dividend income
- other income: down \$257mm
 - lower derivatives trading
 - losses on structured credit instruments
- + expenses down \$42mm
 - lower performance-related compensation
- + net loan loss recoveries flat

* net income available to common shareholders, \$ millions

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Scotia Capital 2007 revenues higher



2007 vs. 2006 revenues: +3%

Global Capital Markets: +2%

- + strong underlying trading revenues from:
 - derivatives, fixed income, precious metals & FX
 - offset by lower equity trading

Global Corporate & Investment Banking: +3%

- + higher interest recoveries, M&A, new issue revenue
- + loans & BAs up 22%, partly offset by lower spreads

Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 revenues: (19)%

Global Capital Markets: down \$136mm

- + \$43mm gain on sale bond index business
- losses on structured credit instruments (\$135)mm
- lower underlying trading revenues vs. record Q3/07

Global Corporate & Investment Banking: up 4%

- + higher securities gains in the U.S. & Europe
- lower credit & investment banking fees

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Scotia Capital 2008 Priorities

- **Drive sustainable revenue growth**
 - Leverage **NAFTA capabilities**
 - Increase market share with alternative asset managers
 - Expand client coverage globally in selected industries
 - e.g. **energy, mining**
 - Increase presence in **infrastructure finance**
 - Additional partnering with International Banking

- **Maintain prudent risk management**

Deliver sustainable net income growth with a high ROE

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Risk Review

Brian Porter

Chief Risk Officer

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Risk Overview

- **Stable credit quality**
 - credit losses flat quarter-over-quarter
 - net impaired loans stable

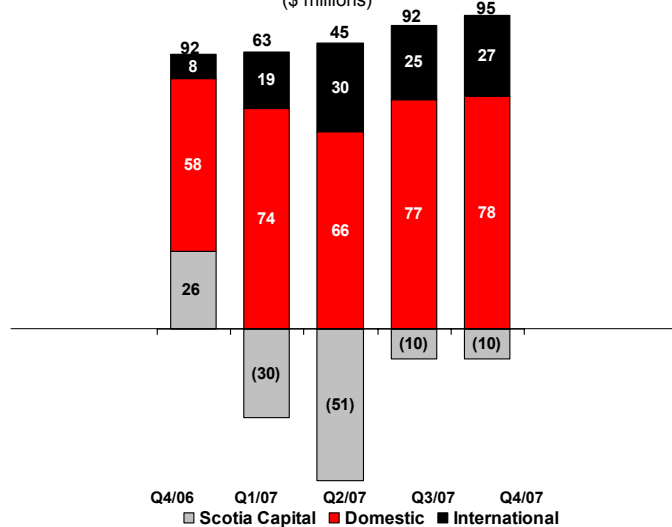
- **Market risk well-controlled**

- **Asset classes of current focus**
 - exposures not significant

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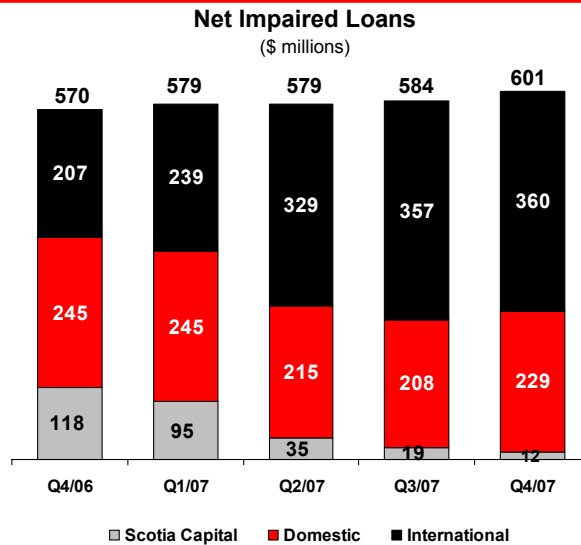
Credit losses flat quarter-over-quarter

Specific Provision for Credit Losses
(\$ millions)



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Net impaired loans stable



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Quarterly VaR by risk factor

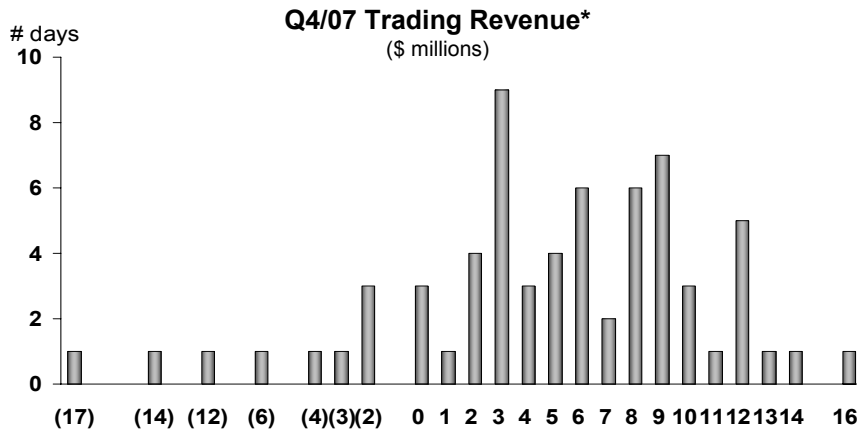
Average 1 day VaR, \$ millions

<u>Risk Factor</u>	<u>Q4/07</u>	<u>Q3/07</u>	<u>Q4/06</u>
Interest rate	9.2	9.0	7.4
Equities	6.1	8.7	5.9
Foreign exchange & Commodities	3.9	3.3	1.3
Diversification	(6.0)	(5.4)	(4.5)
All-Bank VaR	13.2	15.6	10.1

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Trading revenue



- 86% days had positive results in Q4/07 vs. 91% in Q3/07
- Daily trading losses exceeded VaR on August 7th

* Excludes \$115 million loss on consolidation of a Bank-sponsored conduit

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Asset classes of current focus

Asset class	Comments
U.S. sub-prime mortgage exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no direct exposure • indirect exposure nominal
Canadian non-bank ABCP conduits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fair value of holdings is \$323 mm, of which \$187 mm relates to Montreal Accord • certain holdings were written down by 20% • other holdings not written down due to planned restructuring, nature of assets in the conduit, or acquired at fair value through purchase of Dundee Bank of Canada • liquidity lines to conduits total \$570 mm, of which \$370 mm relates to Montreal Accord • drawdowns total \$88 mm
Scotia-sponsored conduits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • commercial paper outstanding for non-consolidated conduits with global liquidity support total \$14.5 B • multi-seller conduits contain primarily traditional assets • nominal U.S. sub-prime exposure • nominal commercial paper inventory • consolidated one conduit whose assets were highly-rated structured credit products • risk has largely been hedged and is being managed as part of the Bank's trading risk
CDOs and CLOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • investments total \$1.2B, majority are highly rated; including \$516mm acquired at fair value through purchase of Dundee Bank of Canada • Scotia Capital trades in synthetic CDOs, which is largely a customer driven business
Structured Investment Vehicles (SIVs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fair value of investments is \$125 mm • do not sponsor, manage or provide liquidity support to SIVs
LBO underwriting commitments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$200 mm • no issues of concern
Hedge fund exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • majority of activity is collateralized • no credit issues with counterparties

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2008 Targets

Rick Waugh
President & Chief Executive Officer

2008 targets

- EPS growth: 7-12%
- ROE: 20-23%
- Productivity ratio – less than 57%
- Maintain strong capital ratios



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Q4/07 Items of note

	<u>Pre-Tax</u> \$MM	<u>After-Tax</u> \$MM	<u>EPS Impact</u> (cents)	<u>Business Line Impacted</u>
Gain on global VISA restructuring	202	163	16	Dom: 111 Int'l: 91
Gain on sale of bond index business	43	35	3	SC
Losses on structured credit instruments	(191)	(133)	(13)	SC: 135 Other: 56
Financial instruments accounting	(39)	(24)	(2)	All
Tax charge	-	(50)	(5)	Other
Forex vs. Q3/07	(55)	(37)	(4)	All

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Larger contribution from acquisitions

Impact on income (\$ millions)	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Net interest income	\$464	\$173
Other income	263	118
Non-interest expenses	(416)	(191)
Other items (net of tax)	(117)	(46)
Net income	194	54
Earnings per share (diluted)	\$0.19	\$0.05

Acquisitions Include:

Domestic: Maple Trust & Travelers Leasing Corporation

International: Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Peru, Thailand

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Continue to earn through forex headwinds

Impact (\$ millions)	<u>Q4/07 vs. Q3/07</u>	<u>Q4/07 vs. Q4/06</u>	<u>2007 vs. 2006</u>
Revenues	(87)	(136)	(199)
Non-interest expenses	30	52	77
Net income	(37)	(53)	(82)
EPS (diluted)	(4) cents	(5) cents	(8) cents

Spot Rate

Oct. 31

1.06

\$US/\$CAD

11.27

Mexican peso/\$CAD

2007

0.91

9.97

Average exchange rate

2006

0.88

9.54

Q4/07

0.98

10.79

Q3/07

0.93

10.07

Q4/06

0.89

9.74

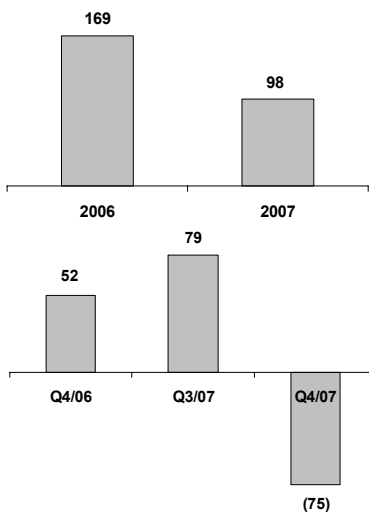
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Scotiabank Mexico

Scotiabank Mexico Contribution (\$ mm)	2007	2006	Q4/07	Q3/07
Net income in pesos, excluding inflation accounting	4,358	5,008	1,391	927
MXP/CAD exchange rate	10.0	9.5	10.5	10.1
Net income in CAD, excluding inflation accounting	\$437	\$525	\$132	\$92
BNS' share (97%)	\$425	\$511	\$128	\$89
Canadian GAAP and acquisition adjustments	\$36	\$21	\$(19)	\$11
Total contribution in CAD	\$461	\$532	\$109	\$100
Excl. VAT recovery		\$481		

Earnings in Other segment

net income available to common shareholders, \$ millions



2007 vs. 2006 net income: (42)%

- + higher securities gains
- FI accounting impact
- expenses up \$51mm
- a \$35mm reduction in general allowance

Q4/07 vs. Q3/07 net income: (100)%+

- FI accounting impact
- structured credit instruments write-down \$56 mm
- expenses up \$23mm
- higher taxes
- + higher securities gains, excluding write-downs

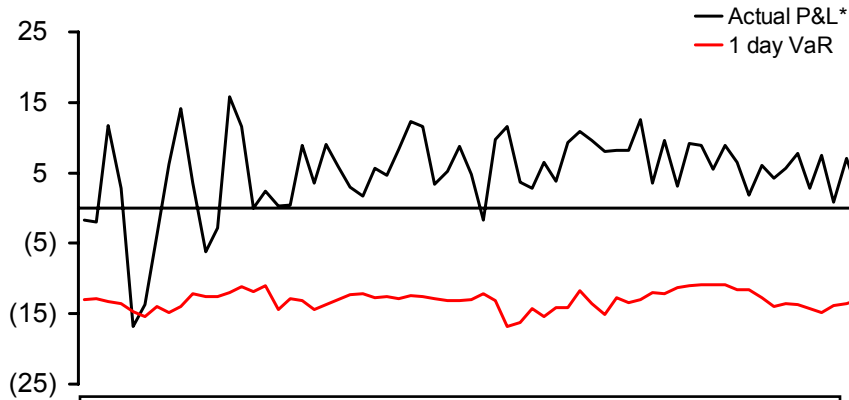
The Other category includes Group Treasury and other corporate items, which are not allocated to a business line



Trading results within 1 Day VaR except one day

(\$ millions)

August 1, 2007 to October 31, 2007



▪ Q4/07: Average 1 day VaR: \$13.2 vs. \$15.6 in Q3/07

*excludes \$115 million loss on consolidation of a Bank-sponsored conduit

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Moderate net impaired loan formations

(Q4/07, \$ millions)

Domestic

- Retail	107	
- Commercial	8	115

Domestic Retail: formations reflect growing portfolio size; underlying credit trends remain strong

Domestic Commercial: stable credit quality

International

- Mexico	13	
- Caribbean & Central America	22	
- Latin America & Asia	19	54

International: formations primarily in retail portfolios across division, largely mirroring underlying asset growth

Scotia Capital

- U.S.	(5)	
- Canada & Other	(6)	(11)

Scotia Capital: small repayments on a number of accounts in the U.S. and Europe

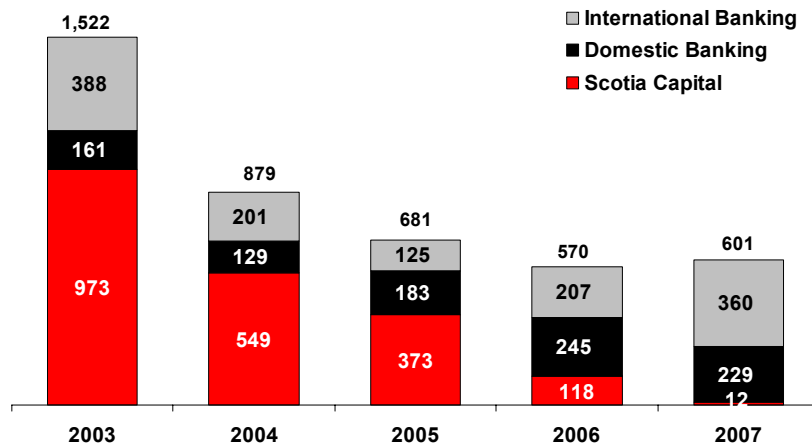
Total 158

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Positive trend in net impaired loans

\$ millions



* after specific allowance

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High level of unrealized securities gains

(\$ millions)	Q4/07	Q3/07	Q4/06
Emerging Market Debt	530	527	658
Fixed Income	(14)	(103)	(88)
Equities	456	536	521
	972	960	1,091

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