# Egg plc

**Preliminary Results** 

**Analysts Presentation** 

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- The World's premier internet financial services brand
  - Leading and largest pure online bank
  - Proven first-mover advantage and sustainable market leadership
- Industry leading marketing skills and CRM expertise
  - Integrated customer communication strategies
  - Low unit marketing acquisition costs (74% of industry average)
- Great products
  - Substantial and profitable credit card portfolio (£3bn of balances)
  - Record volumes of personal loan cross sales
  - Track record on savings products
- Leading edge technology and digital services potential
  - Award winning IT, marketing, CRM and security technology
  - Account aggregation live on the Earl website, further tools in live pilot

- Substantial upmarket customer base
  - 3.2 million unique customers with above average incomes and propensity to hold financial products
  - Target market growing with increasing internet penetration
- Delivering a holistic customer experience
  - High levels of customer satisfaction
  - Customer complaints at all time lows
- Proven track record and robust growth prospects
  - Turned UK business from £150m loss in 2000 to £70m profit in 2003, delivering 50% compound annual growth in customer numbers over that period
  - High customer loyalty and market growth potential

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- France is a market ripe for a revolution in consumer experience of financial services
- Egg has built assets in France
  - Scaleable card and general banking operations
  - 57% unprompted brand awareness and 22% prompted brand awareness
  - 66,000 card accounts demonstrating profitable behaviour
- Options exist but decision on France is on hold until auction process is completed

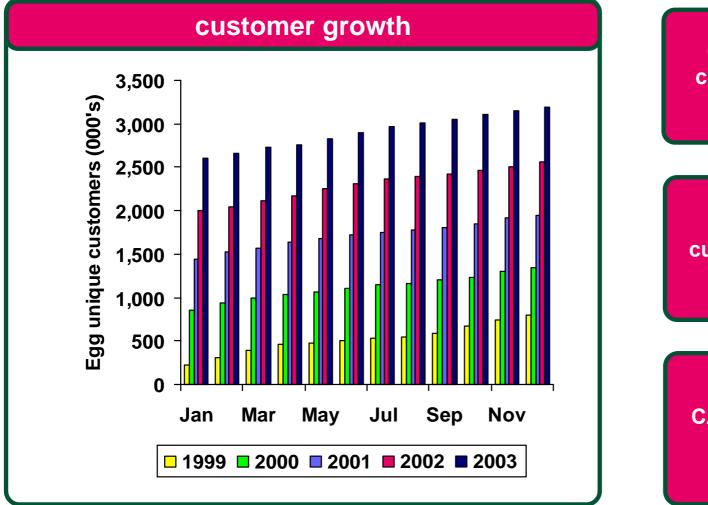
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- Profits more than doubled to £73m (2002: £35m)
- Revenues up almost 30% while total costs rose just 6%
- Unsecured lending balances grew by £1.5bn (2002: £0.9bn)
- Egg took 10% of the net market growth in credit card balances and 12% of the net market increase in personal lending in 2003
- Card balances reach £3.0bn (6% of UK market) up from £2.3bn in 2002
- Personal loan sales totalled £1.7bn up 108% on 2002 (£0.8bn)
- Credit quality remains strong with card arrears levels still well below industry average

# **Customer Base**

Acquisition



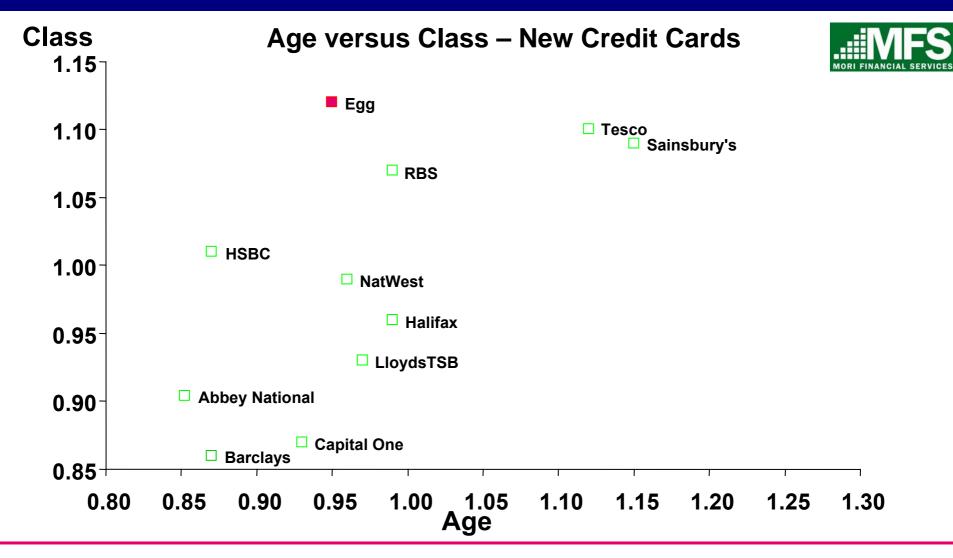
635,000 net new customers in 2003 (2002: 610,000)

total Egg UK customers up to 3.2 million

CAGR of 50% since 1998

# **Customer Base**

Young and Upmarket

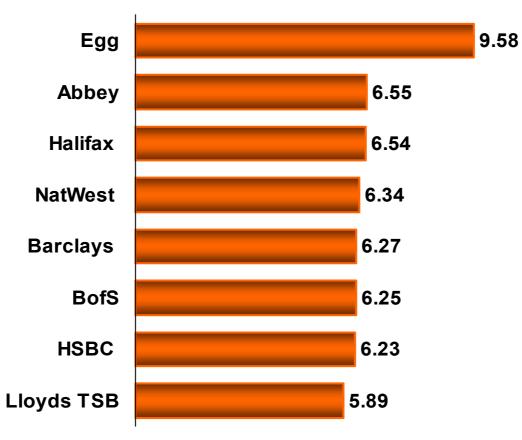


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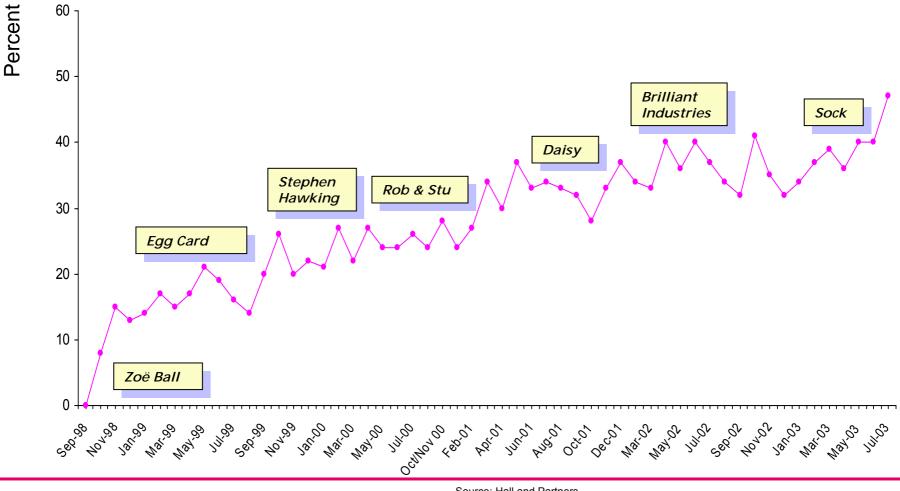
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#### **Number of Financial Products Per Customer**

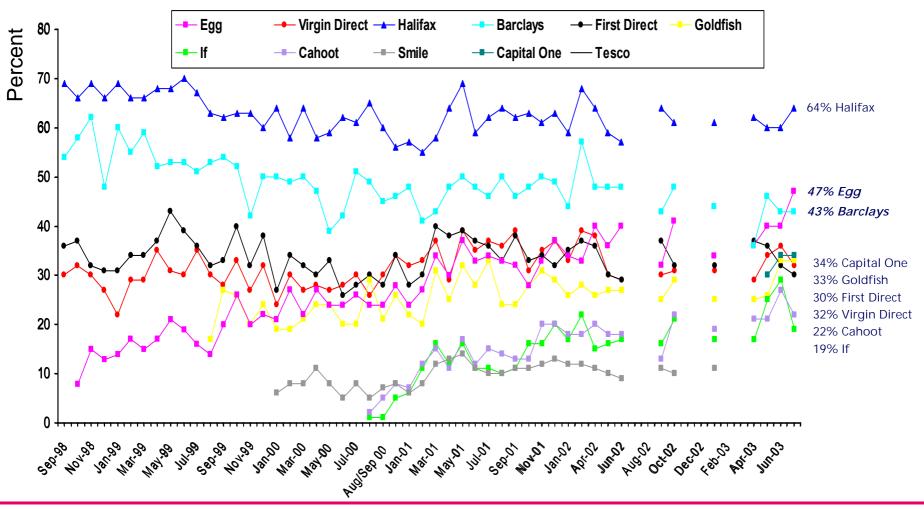


#### **Brand Consideration has developed strongly since launch**



Source: Hall and Partners

#### **Brand** Significantly greater consideration than other new entrants



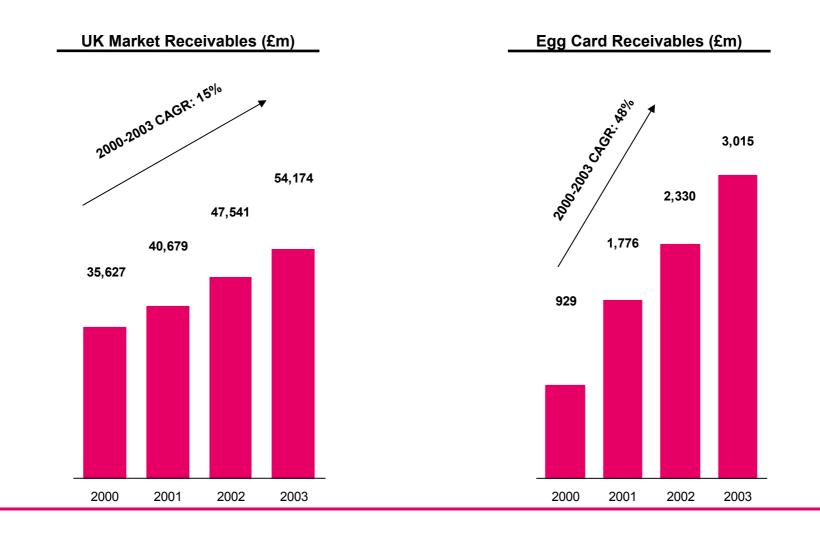
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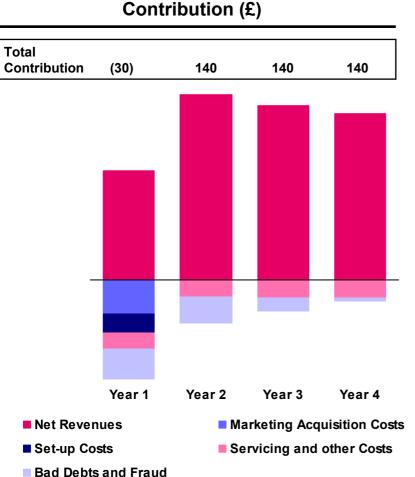
#### **Products** Unsecured Lending – Profitable Balance Growth



#### Cards Market Growth



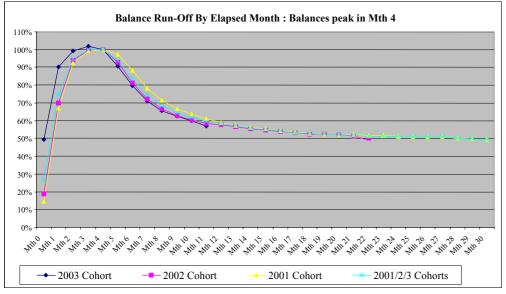
Market Data Sources: Datamonitor (forecasts), BBA (historic data)



**Key Observations** 

- Initial marketing costs, • setup costs, incentive offers and general bad debt provision means cards are loss-making in year 1
- Servicing costs low • throughout life
- Smooth and predictable ٠ profit flows from year 2 onwards

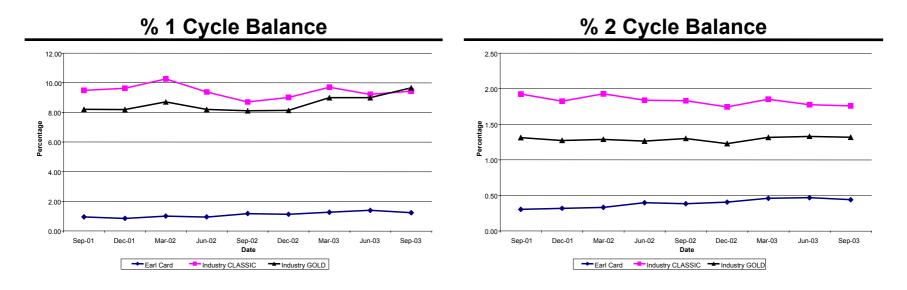
#### **Cards** Balance Profile by Cohort



#### **Key Observations**

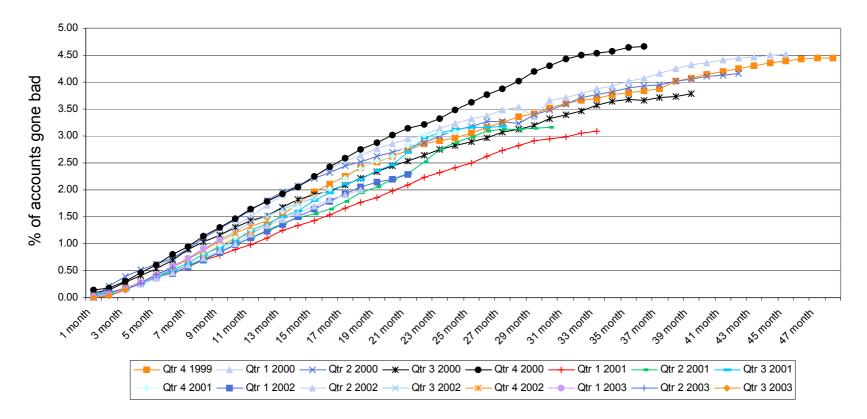
- The current Egg product offering generates a highly predictable shape of balance growth for each cohort of business as:
  - Customers on promotional rates build balances rapidly over the first 4 months and then pay down either partially or in full at the end of their promotional period.
  - Thereafter balances remain very stable with approximately 85% of balances being interest bearing.
  - Underlying attrition and unsecured lending cross sales are partially offset by additional balance transfers to existing customers

#### **Cards** Credit Quality - Delinquency



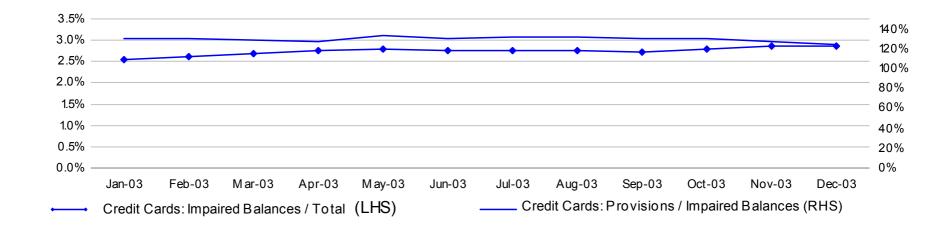
- Levels of impaired balance consistently out perform industry Classic and Gold portfolios
- Brand benefits upscale population
- Digital filter customers have outperformed expectations based on demography alone
- Product direct debit proposition has transformed credit management
  - Early collections activity, pre-delinquency
  - Accelerated treatment strategies

#### **Cards** Emergence of 'Bad' Accounts over Time



The emergence of 'bad' accounts shows a consistent trend over time, with recent cohorts outperforming the average

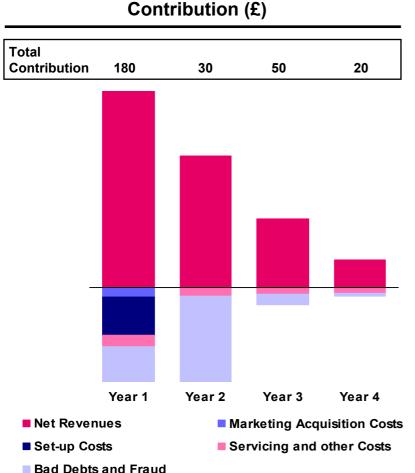
#### **Cards** Provisions and Impaired Balances as % of Portfolio



# Levels of impaired balances have grown in line with expectations given the growth of the portfolio and the timing of debt emergence

Provisions as % of impaired balances have been stable with marginal improvement in Q4 being attributable to the better recoveries on externally placed debt

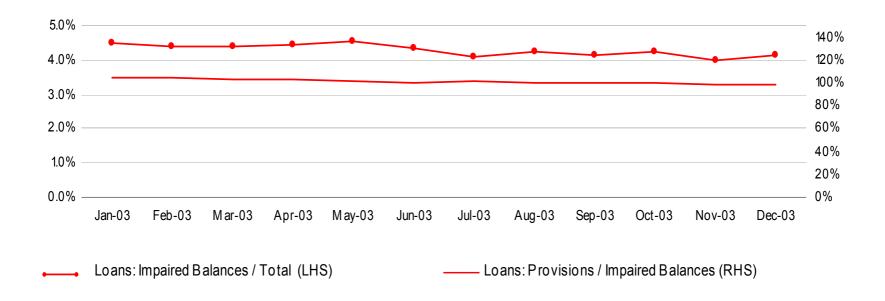
- CRM capability driving highly successful cross sales strategy
- Record disbursements of £1.7 billion (2002: £0.8 billion)
- Net balance growth of £800 million which was 12% of the net market growth in 2003
- Egg now has 1.5% of the total market
- 40% of Egg customers have a loan somewhere, Egg has just 15% of those loans (i.e. 6% of our base cross sold to by end 2003)
- PPI penetration at just over 60%
- Improving credit profile



**Key Observations** 

- Upfront PPI commission dominates year 1 cashflows
- Smaller contribution thereafter results from
  - Peak of bad debts is in the first 24 months
  - Repayment and redemption profile naturally erodes interest income

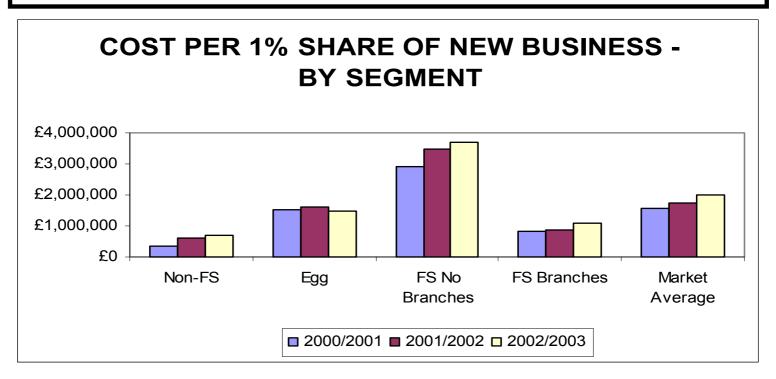
#### Loans Provisions and Impaired Balances as % of Portfolio



#### Impaired balances are higher % of book than on cards but falling over time as more cross-sold loans in the mix which are higher quality

Provision levels have remained stable with the improvements in Q4 2003 again due to better recoveries on externally placed debt

Egg acquisition costs are 40% of those of its direct competitors and 74% of the industry average



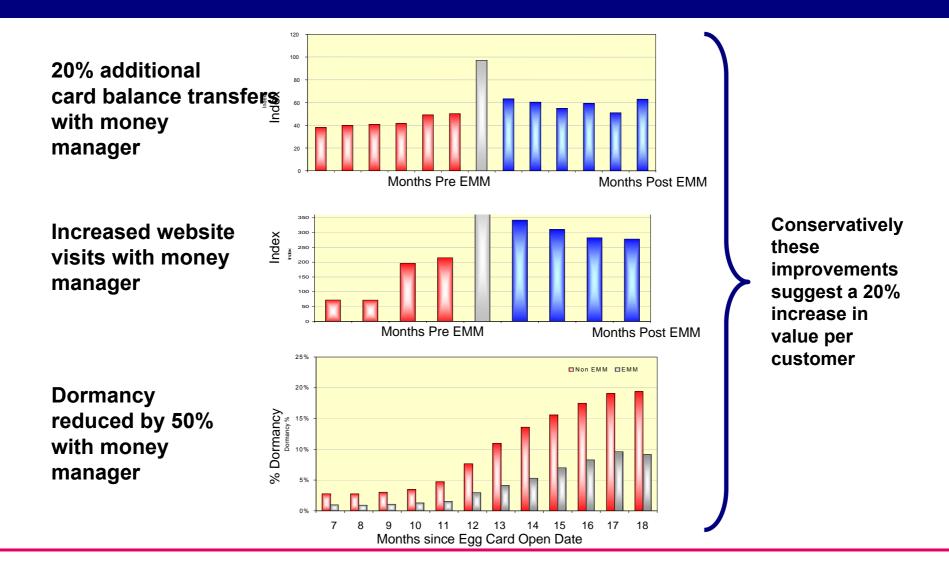
(Source: Mori/Thomson InterMedia)

#### Marketing Applying our CRM capability

- CRM best practices: Egg's cutting edge play (Forrester research, September 2003) "... In the past two years, Egg has quietly built a world-class CRM infrastructure..."
- Further loan cross sales
- New card proposition
- Insurance
- Mortgages

# **New Initiatives**

**Evidence of Valuable Behaviour in Current Egg Money Manager Customers** 



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# **Profit and Loss Account**

Group – Analysis by Business Unit

	2003 £m	2002 £m	
Egg UK	72.8	34.8	Egg UK profits more than double
Egg France	(89.1)	(46.7)	double
Other International	(4.3)	(3.4)	France reflects full year of
Subsidiaries/Assoc/JV's	(3.6)	(1.3)	investment after launch in November 2002
Restructuring	(10.3)	-	
Group Loss Before Tax	(34.4)	(16.6)	Restructuring has removed circa £12 million of payroll costs

## Profit and Loss Account Egg UK

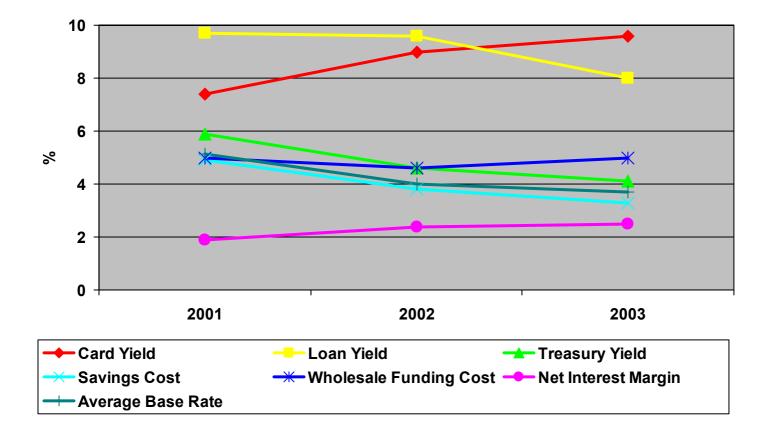
	2003 £m	2002 £m	Revenues up 29%
Net Interest Income	263.0	223.3	
Other Operating Income	156.6	102.7	Ops/Admin costs up 8% while customer numbers
Total Revenue	419.6	326.0	grew 25%
Ops/Admin Expenses	(143.6)	(133.5)	Industry leading marketing efficiency
Brand and Marketing	(33.9)	(34.6)	
Development	(19.9)	(17.4)	Increased investment in development (CRM and
Depreciation	(18.4)	(18.5)	Basel II)
Total Costs	(215.8)	(204.0)	Wholesale provisions – prudent accrual to first
Amounts w/o Fixed Asset Inv.	(4.3)	(3.1)	loss level of credit derivative
Bad Debt Provision	(126.7)	(84.1)	
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax			Retail credit quality remains strong

# **Profit and Loss Account**

#### Egg UK - Quarterly Trend

	Q1 2002 £m	Q2 2002 £m	Q3 2002 £m	Q4 2002 £m	Q1 2003 £m	Q2 2003 £m	Q3 2003 £m	Q4 2003 £m
Net interest income	55.3	56.2	53.8	58.0	64.3	61.6	64.6	72.5
Other Operating Income	18.4	24.5	25.8	34.0	30.6	43.0	43.6	39.4
Total Revenues	73.7	80.7	79.6	92.0	94.9	104.6	108.2	111.9
Ops/Admin Expenses	(31.7)	(31.7)	(33.3)	(36.8)	(32.9)	(34.3)	(36.8)	(39.7)
Brand & Marketing Costs	(7.8)	(12.9)	(6.0)	(7.9)	(9.0)	(9.9)	(6.5)	(8.5)
Development Costs	(5.7)	(4.2)	(4.2)	(3.3)	(4.9)	(4.6)	(5.9)	(4.5)
Depreciation & Amortisation	(4.9)	(4.7)	(4.7)	(4.2)	(4.0)	(3.4)	(4.4)	(6.5)
Amounts w/o Fixed Asset Inv.	-	-	-	(3.1)	-	-	-	(4.3)
Provisions for Bad & Doubtful Debts	(18.6)	(20.6)	(21.2)	(23.7)	(26.8)	(33.0)	(34.6)	(32.3)
Egg UK Profit/(Loss	5.0	6.6	10.2	13.0	17.3	19.4	20.0	16.1

#### **Revenue Drivers** Asset and Liability Yields – Key Trends



	2003 £m	2002 £m
PPI (incl. profit share)	78.3	40.7
Card fees and commissions - insurance commissions	42.0	27.1
- other (incl. net interchang	je) 34.1	27.4
Other (incl. treasury)	2.2	7.5
Total	156.6	102.7

Strong growth in PPI commissions on back of record loans volumes (penetration running at over 60%) Card fees reflect greater transactional revenues from larger book and point of sale commissions selling CRP (29% run-rate) Other income fell slightly with lower profits on disposal of investments and higher fees re tier 2 debt and securitisation

#### **Costs** Increasing efficiency

Costs Per Customer	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	Economies of
Total (excluding Bad Debts)	£75	£90	£117	scale as benefits of
Operational and Admin.	£50	£59	£75	digital model emerge
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# **Bad Debt Provisions**

#### **Prudent Cover**

	Card	ds	Loa	ns
	Dec 2003	Dec 2002	Dec 2003	Dec 2002
customer balance (£m)	3,015	2,330	1,773	967
period end provision (£m)	109	77	70	45
% provision held	3.6%	3.3%	3.9%	4.6%
impaired balances (£m)	86	53	73	43
impaired as % total	2.8%	2.3%	4.1%	4.4%
provisions as % of impaired balances	126%	144%	96%	105%
charge as % of average assets	2.7%	2.4%	3.9%	4.7%

# **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

**Further Growth** 

	2003 £m	2002 £m
Mortgages	1,995	2,361
Personal Loans	1,773	977
Credit Cards	3,134	2,337
Retail Assets	6,902	5,675
Wholesale Assets	4,486	4,518
Other Assets	307	372
Total Assets	11,695	10,565
Customer Deposits	6,452	8,016
Wholesale Liabilities	3,862	1,516
Subordinated Debt	451	202
Other Liabilities	494	370
Shareholders' Funds	436	461
<b>Total Capital &amp; Liabilities</b>	11,695	10,565

Unsecured lending balances increase by £1.6bn (2002: £1.0bn)

Savings outflows as expected (£1.5bn)

Wholesale liabilities (including securitisations) increase by £2.4bn to fund asset growth and savings outflows

#### Capital, Funding and Liquidity Capital Base

Tier 1 Capital	<b>Dec 2003</b> £474m	Dec 2002 £512m	£1.5bn of card securitisation to manage RWAs and Tier 1 ratio
Tier 2 Capital	£474m	£200m	
Supervisory Deductions	(£89m)	(£60m)	Credit Derivatives
Total Capital	£861m	£652m	over £1.75bn of mortgages and
<b>Risk-weighted Assets</b>	£4.9bn	£4.9bn	£0.9bn of ABS/MBS assets
Risk asset Ratios			
- Tier 1	9.7%	9.9%	
- Total	17.5%	13.2%	£450m of Tier 2 debt

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