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Overview

Rick Waugh
President & Chief Executive Officer

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2005 - record results

2005 Results (vs. 2004)

EPS: \$3.15 – up 12%ROE: 20.9% vs. 19.9%

Provision for credit losses: \$230 mm vs. \$390 mm

Q4/05 Results (vs. Q4/04)

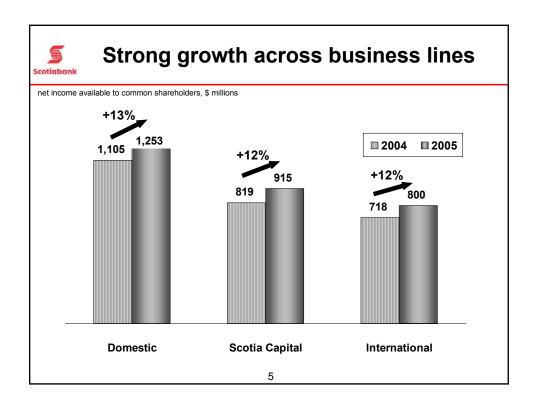
EPS: \$0.80 – up 16%ROE: 20.5% vs. 18.8%

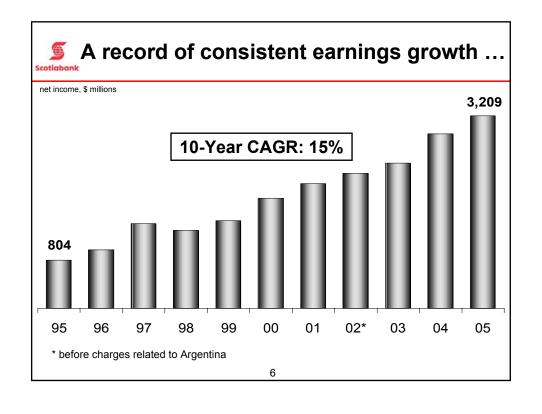
Strong Capital Ratios

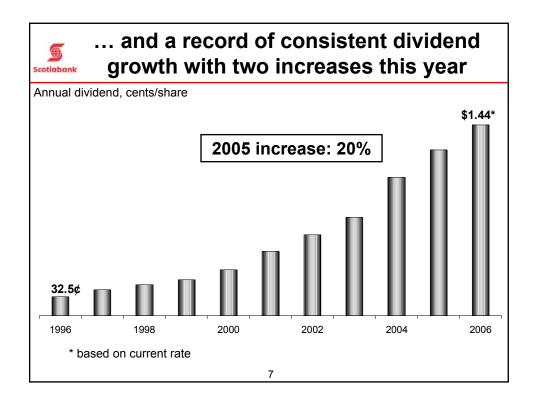
■ TCE: 9.3%

Another Dividend Increase

+2 cents to 36 cents/quarter effective Q1/06







	<u>2005</u>		<u>Target</u>
ROE	20.9%	VS.	17-20%
EPS Growth	12%	VS.	5-10%
Productivity	56.3%	VS.	<58%



Performance Review

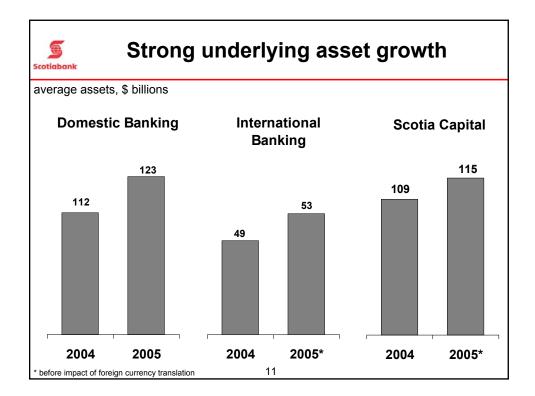
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Underlying revenue growth in 2005

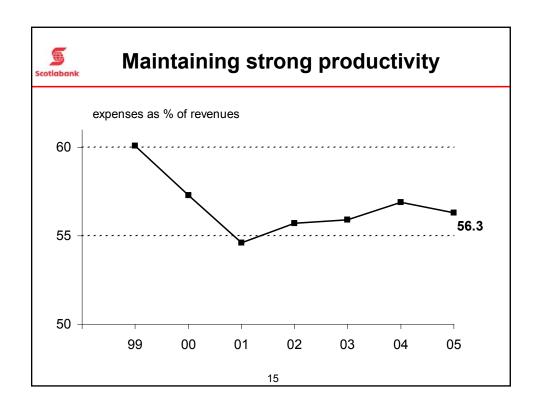
\$ millions		Char	<u>nge</u>
	<u>2005</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
Reported	10,400	379	4
Impact of Stronger Canadian dollar	287	287	
Underlying	10,687	666	7
Net Interest Income	6,035	334	6
Other Income	4,652	332	8
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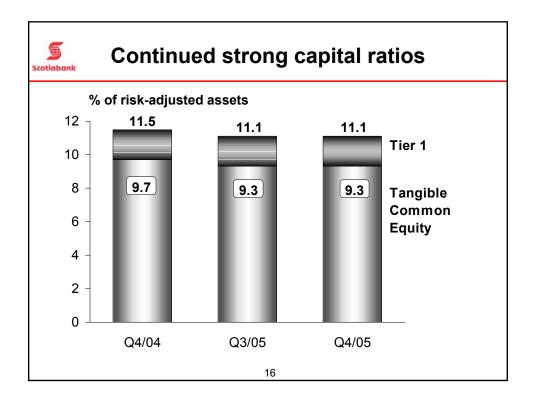


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Q4/05	vs. Q3/05		2005	vs. 2004
1.97%	-	Net interest margin	2.00%	(10) bps
		Due to:		
	1	Canadian currency		(10)
	(1)	Foreign currency		-
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Solid growth in other income				
\$ millions Q4 / Q3	Q4 / Q4		<u>2005</u> /	2004
44	178	Underlying	332	8%
(18)	(20)	Impact of stronger Canadian \$	(123)	
26	158	Reported	209	5%
(7)	8	Trading Revenues	118	
13	40	Retail Brokerage	92	
(3)	20	Deposit & Payment services	55	
9	27	Investment Banking	32	
2	8	Mutual Funds	22	
1	8	Card Revenues	20	
(2)	(7)	Securitization Revenues	(32)	
(9)	(12)	Credit Fees	(41)	
-	55	Securities Gains	(63)	
22	11	Other	6	
26	158	Reported	209	5%
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S		Higher expenses		
\$ millions Q4 / Q3	Q4 / Q4		2005 / 2	004
66	106	Underlying	228	4 %
(20)	(20)	Impact of stronger Canadian \$	(95)	
16	32	Impact of new subsidiaries	48	
62	118	Reported	181	3%
21	28	Salaries	30	
(24)	1	Performance-based compensation	29	
11	7	Professional Expenses	23	
23	22	Advertising & Business Development	22	
14	9	Premises & Technology	9	
-	(1)	Communications	7	
(8)	(2)	Business & Capital taxes	5	
(10)	3	Pension & employee benefits	(23)	
35	51	Other	79	
62	118	Reported	181	3%
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High level of unrealized securities' gains

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	Q4/05	Q3/05	Q4/04
- Emerging Market Debt	574	579	507
- Fixed Income	(38)	1	39
- Equities	499	504	502
	1,035	1,084	1,048

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Business Line Results



Year-over-year growth across all businesses

net income available to common shareholders, \$ millions

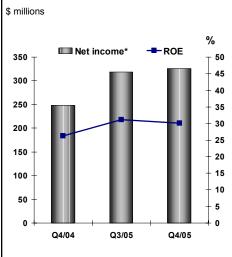
Domestic
International
Scotia Capital
Other
Total

Q4/05	Q3/05	Q4/04
326	319	248
174	234	159
229	200	237
74	22	57
803	775	701

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Domestic Banking – strong performance

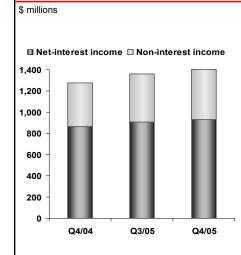


- Net income of \$326 million
 - up 31% yr/yr, 2% qtr/qtr
- ROE of 30.1%
- Revenues up 10% yr/yr, 3% qtr/qtr
- Expenses: moderate increase
- Credit quality remains strong

* net income available to common shareholders



Domestic – continued strong retail asset growth



Year/Year

- Revenues up 10%
- Strong retail asset growth
- Margin compression
- Higher fees in several areas:
 - retail brokerage
 - mutual funds
 - card revenues

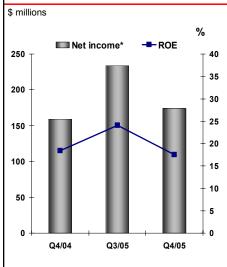
Quarter/Quarter

- Revenues up 3%
- Higher brokerage and mutual fund fees

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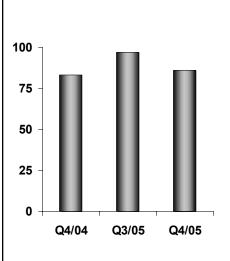
International – good underlying growth impacted by forex



- Net income of \$174 million
 - up 10% yr/yr, down 25% qtr/qtr
 - up 17% yr/yr, ex. forex translation
- Expenses up 22% yr/yr, 9% qtr/qtr
 - Banco de Comercio acquisition
 - Inverlat: higher marketing expenses & performance-based compensation
- Caribbean & Central America
 - strong retail asset growth
 - lower loan losses
- Latin America
 - strong revenue growth yr/yr
 - solid results at Scotiabank Inverlat

* net income available to common shareholders

Scotiabank Inverlat – another good quarter,



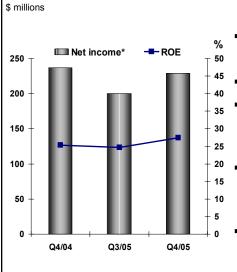
contribution, \$ millions

- Contribution of \$86 million
 - up 4% yr/yr
- ROE of 24%
- Underlying revenues up 21% yr/yr
 - growth in retail & commercial lending
 - higher margins and retail banking fees
- Higher expenses
 - advertising and promotion
 - performance-based compensation

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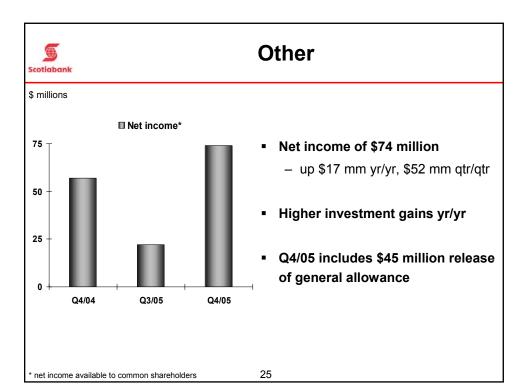


Scotia Capital – higher revenues, lower loan loss recoveries vs. Q4/04



- Net income of \$229 million
 - down 3% yr/yr, up 15% qtr/qtr
- ROE of 27.4%
- Revenue up 11% yr/yr, 4% qtr/qtr
 - Scotia Waterous contribution
 - strong growth in derivatives
- Expenses down 2% yr/yr, 7% qtr/qtr
 - lower salaries and performancebased compensation
- Lower loan loss recoveries yr/yr
 - net recovery of \$7 million vs. net recovery of \$25 million in Q4/04

* net income available to common shareholders





Risk Review

Brian Porter Chief Risk Officer



Credit risk overview

Lower specific provisions:

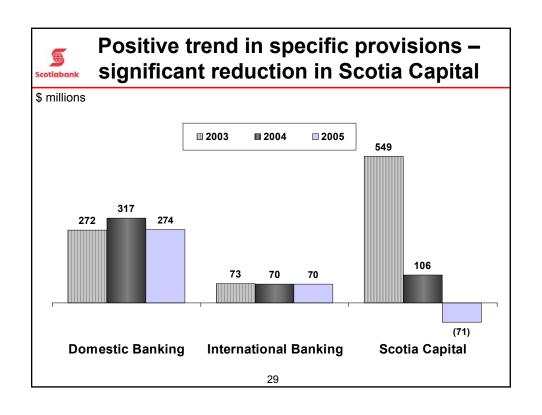
- 2005: \$275 mm - down \$215 mm vs. 2004

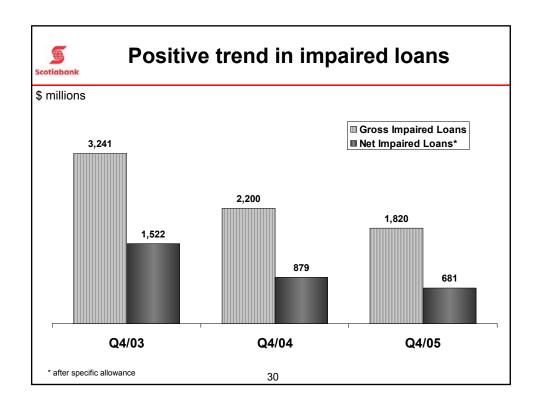
- Q4/05: \$81 mm - down \$4 mm vs. Q3/05

■ Lower net impaired loans: \$681 mm (after specific allowance)

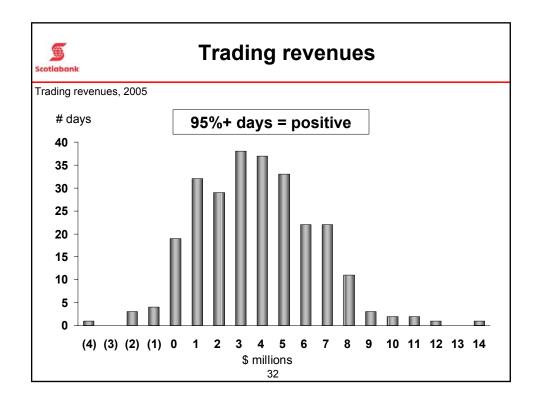
- down \$198 mm vs. Q4/04
- up \$108 mm vs. Q3/05
- \$45 mm release of general allowance in Q4/05

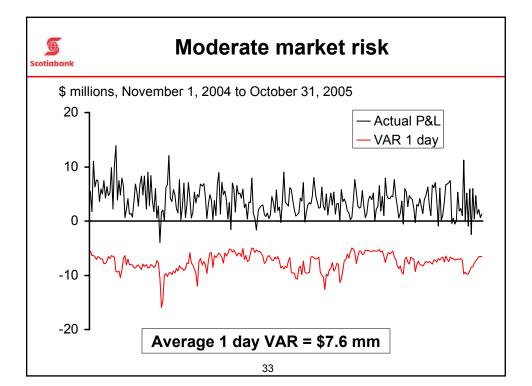
Significant reduction in specific provisions in 2005				C
\$ millions Q4/05	Q3/05		2005	<u>2004</u>
69	63	Domestic	274	317
16	21	International	70	70
		Scotia Capital:		
(20)	1	- U.S.	(93)	54
13	1	- Other	22	52
3	(1)	Other	2	(3)
81	85	Total	275	490
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Met formations this quarter			
\$ millions			
Domestic			
- Retail	89		
- Commercial	46	135	
International		47	
Scotia Capital			
- Canada	(6)		
- U.S.	(9)		
- Europe	72	57	
Total		239	
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Risk summary

- Credit quality remains stable
- Potential for further release of general allowance
- Market risk remains well controlled



Outlook

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President & Chief Executive Officer

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2006 key priorities

1. Sustainable revenue growth

- retain and grow existing business
- acquire new customers

2. Acquisitions

3. Effective capital management & allocation

maintain strength and flexibility



Domestic Banking – 2006 key priorities

- Grow existing customer base and acquire new customers
 - increase share of wallet and improve cross-sell
 - focus on emerging affluent investor segment
 - new branches and new branch formats
 - targeted marketing initiatives and additional financial advisors
- Focus on Wealth Management
- Restructure Commercial Banking
- Expand scale and increase revenues via strategic alliances and acquisitions



International Banking – 2006 key priorities

- Pursue revenue growth opportunities
 - sales and service
 - expand sales and delivery network, product offerings
- Continue to seek acquisitions in key markets
 - Caribbean, Central America, Latin America and Asia
- Lower processing costs, take advantage of economies of scale
 - refine International Shared Services initiative



Scotia Capital – 2006 key priorities

- Global Corporate & Investment Banking
 - remain in top 3 position in products in Canada
 - acquisitions in niche sectors
 - continue to actively manage risk
- Global Capital Markets
 - target growing client segments with new product offerings
- Continue integration of Mexico wholesale business, creating NAFTA platform

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2006 objectives

■ EPS growth: 5-10%

■ ROE: 18-22%

Productivity ratio – below 58%

Maintain strong capital ratios & credit ratings