

Portfolio analysis

The Group's equity, fixed income and loan investments total £4,139 million at 31 March 2006.

| Portfolio value by business line (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Buyouts | 1,465 | 1,521 | 1,487 | 1,197 | 1,152 |
| Growth Capital | 1,284 | 1,292 | 1,233 | 2,000 | 2,647 |
| Venture Capital | 826 | 748 | 682 | 742 | 1,310 |
| SMI | 564 | 756 | 960 | – | – |
| Total | 4,139 | 4,317 | 4,362 | 3,939 | 5,109 |

| Portfolio value by geography (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| UK | 1,740 | 2,258 | 2,528 | 2,494 | 3,386 |
| Continental Europe | 1,925 | 1,693 | 1,516 | 1,175 | 1,373 |
| US | 307 | 277 | 243 | 180 | 264 |
| Asia | 167 | 89 | 75 | 90 | 86 |
| Total | 4,139 | 4,317 | 4,362 | 3,939 | 5,109 |

| Continental European portfolio value (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Benelux | 124 | 180 | 181 | 101 | 78 |
| France | 344 | 292 | 234 | 186 | 253 |
| Germany/Austria/Switzerland | 489 | 503 | 459 | 319 | 385 |
| Italy | 142 | 69 | 53 | 69 | 103 |
| Nordic | 394 | 344 | 332 | 273 | 304 |
| Spain | 342 | 249 | 224 | 211 | 222 |
| Other European* | 90 | 56 | 33 | 16 | 28 |
| Total | 1,925 | 1,693 | 1,516 | 1,175 | 1,373 |

*Other European includes investments in countries where 3i did not have an office at 31 March 2006.

| Portfolio value by FTSE industrial classification (£m) ² | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Resources | 145 | 162 | 159 | 186 | 268 |
| Industrials | 1,040 | 1,077 | 1,019 | 944 | 1,117 |
| Consumer goods | 841 | 969 | 1,030 | 873 | 1,080 |
| Services and utilities | 1,173 | 1,214 | 1,278 | 1,018 | 1,318 |
| Financials | 379 | 326 | 247 | 274 | 273 |
| Information technology | 561 | 569 | 629 | 644 | 1,053 |
| Total | 4,139 | 4,317 | 4,362 | 3,939 | 5,109 |

| Portfolio value by valuation method (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Imminent sale or IPO | 290 | 373 | 174 | 37 | 51 |
| Listed | 197 | 198 | 259 | 187 | 413 |
| Secondary market | 62 | 37 | 31 | 30 | 89 |
| Earnings | 1,021 | 1,138 | 1,347 | 938 | 1,210 |
| Cost | 621 | 468 | 509 | 607 | 1,077 |
| Further advance | 116 | 203 | 149 | 155 | 186 |
| Net assets | 95 | 92 | 103 | 139 | 132 |
| Other (including other Venture Capital assets valued below cost) | 371 | 408 | 328 | 282 | 219 |
| Loan investments and fixed income shares | 1,366 | 1,400 | 1,462 | 1,564 | 1,732 |
| Total | 4,139 | 4,317 | 4,362 | 3,939 | 5,109 |

Notes

¹ 2004 and 2005 have been restated for IFRS.

² In January 2006 there was a reclassification of industry sectors by the FTSE. Comparative data has not been restated.

| Buyout portfolio value by valuation method (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Imminent sale or IPO | 92 | 134 | 59 | – | – |
| Listed | 25 | 48 | 86 | 46 | 93 |
| Secondary market | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 12 |
| Earnings | 410 | 372 | 472 | 245 | 204 |
| Cost | 105 | 71 | 58 | 93 | 64 |
| Net assets | – | 4 | 2 | 7 | 9 |
| Other | 38 | 22 | 20 | 32 | 14 |
| Loan investments and fixed income shares | 794 | 869 | 789 | 768 | 756 |
| Total | 1,465 | 1,521 | 1,487 | 1,197 | 1,152 |

| Growth Capital portfolio value by valuation method (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Imminent sale or IPO | 112 | 120 | 49 | 23 | 42 |
| Listed | 31 | 62 | 78 | 102 | 177 |
| Secondary market | 27 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 13 |
| Earnings | 294 | 360 | 350 | 658 | 967 |
| Cost | 257 | 159 | 171 | 230 | 284 |
| Further advance | 8 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 24 |
| Net assets | 29 | 33 | 39 | 131 | 115 |
| Other | 89 | 200 | 145 | 135 | 155 |
| Loan investments and fixed income shares | 437 | 335 | 379 | 701 | 870 |
| Total | 1,284 | 1,292 | 1,233 | 2,000 | 2,647 |

| Venture Capital portfolio value by valuation method (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|
| Imminent sale or IPO | 33 | 33 | 36 | 14 | 9 |
| Listed | 128 | 72 | 71 | 39 | 143 |
| Secondary market | 31 | 22 | 20 | 18 | 64 |
| Earnings | 10 | 25 | – | 35 | 39 |
| Cost | 248 | 221 | 257 | 284 | 729 |
| Further advance | 104 | 186 | 119 | 141 | 162 |
| Net assets | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Other Venture Capital assets valued below cost | 71 | 71 | 51 | 79 | 23 |
| Other | 132 | 55 | 66 | 36 | 27 |
| Loan investments and fixed income shares | 63 | 62 | 61 | 95 | 106 |
| Total | 826 | 748 | 682 | 742 | 1,310 |
| – of which early stage Venture Capital | 629 | 561 | 456 | 589 | 1,042 |

| SMI portfolio value by valuation method (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|------|
| Imminent sale or IPO | 53 | 86 | 30 | – | – |
| Listed | 13 | 16 | 24 | – | – |
| Secondary market | 3 | 5 | 3 | – | – |
| Earnings | 307 | 381 | 525 | – | – |
| Cost | 11 | 17 | 23 | – | – |
| Further advance | 4 | 3 | 15 | – | – |
| Net assets | 60 | 54 | 61 | – | – |
| Other | 41 | 60 | 46 | – | – |
| Loan investment and fixed income shares | 72 | 134 | 233 | – | – |
| Total | 564 | 756 | 960 | – | – |

| Venture Capital portfolio value by sector (£m) | 2006 | 2005 ¹ | 2004 ¹ | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|
| Healthcare | 290 | 228 | 232 | 253 | 400 |
| Communications | 178 | 189 | 171 | 151 | 242 |
| Electronics, semiconductors and advanced technologies | 147 | 141 | 106 | 107 | 186 |
| Software | 211 | 190 | 173 | 231 | 482 |
| Total | 826 | 748 | 682 | 742 | 1,310 |

Note

¹ 2004 and 2005 have been restated for IFRS.