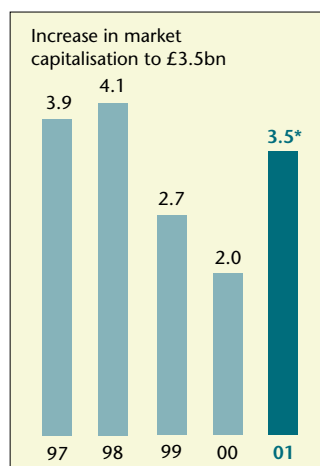
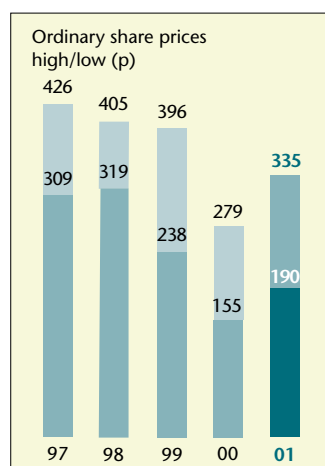
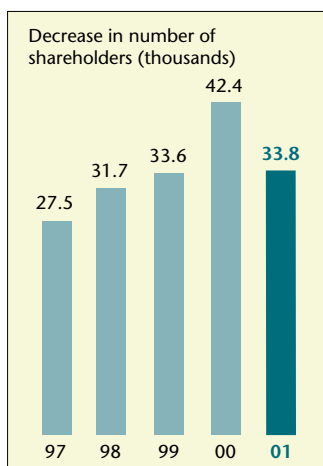


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\*Based on a closing share price of 328.25p.

### Analysis of ordinary shares at 31 March 2001

	Shareholders		Shares held (millions)		% of Total	
	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000
<b>By Category:</b>						
Individuals	28,031	34,398	51.5	64.0	4.9	6.1
Banks and Nominee Accounts	4,451	6,178	963.1	900.1	91.6	85.9
Insurance Companies	87	135	12.2	18.2	1.2	1.7
Investment Companies	64	112	4.9	1.2	0.5	0.2
Other Companies	1,172	1,635	17.3	61.3	1.6	5.8
Pension Funds	15	22	1.8	3.5	0.2	0.3
	<b>33,820</b>	<b>42,480</b>	<b>1,050.8</b>	<b>1,048.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>By Size of Holding:</b>						
1 – 1,000	18,288	21,687	8.5	11.1	0.8	1.1
1,001 – 5,000	12,595	17,013	26.7	36.9	2.6	3.5
5,001 – 10,000	1,259	1,830	8.9	13.1	0.8	1.2
10,001 – 100,000	1,086	1,319	34.1	40.3	3.2	3.8
100,001 – 500,000	355	403	84.7	92.1	8.1	8.8
500,001 – 1,000,000	105	111	76.5	78.5	7.3	7.5
1,000,001 and over	132	117	811.4	776.3	77.2	74.1
	<b>33,820</b>	<b>42,480</b>	<b>1,050.8</b>	<b>1,048.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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## Financial calendar 2001/02

10 July 2001	Annual General Meeting at The Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, London W1A 2HJ
6 August 2001	Payment of final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2001 to shareholders on the register on 25 May 2001
November 2001	Interim announcement of results for the 28 week period ending 13 October 2001
January 2002	Trading statement in respect of Christmas and the New Year
February 2002	Anticipated payment of interim dividend for the year ending 30 March 2002
30 March 2002	Financial year end
May 2002	Preliminary announcement of results for the year ending 30 March 2002
June 2002	Circulation of Annual Report

## Scrip dividend option

Safeway has previously offered shareholders the option to receive ordinary shares instead of cash dividends. However, since August 1999, the scrip dividend scheme has been suspended.

Shares have been issued in respect of scrip dividends at the following prices:

Financial year	Interim dividend payment date	Issue price	Final dividend payment date	Issue price
1990/91	25.2.1991	244.5p*	27.8.1991	286.2p
1991/92	24.2.1992	284.4p	25.8.1992	350.6p
1992/93	22.2.1993	383.2p	24.8.1993	329.2p
1993/94	21.2.1994	269.6p	23.8.1994	239.0p
1994/95	20.2.1995	243.8p	14.8.1995	325.2p
1995/96	19.2.1996	313.2p	5.8.1996	348.4p
1996/97	10.2.1997	378.9p	4.8.1997	357.6p
1997/98	9.2.1998	325.1p	3.8.1998	379.5p
1998/99	8.2.1999	293.6p	–	–

\*Adjusted for the effect of the rights issue in June 1991.

## Registrars

Administrative enquiries concerning the holding of Safeway shares (including the payment of dividends) should be directed in the first instance to the Registrars at: Computershare Services PLC, PO Box 435, Owen House, 8 Bankhead Crossway North, Edinburgh, EH11 4BR. Telephone 0870 702 0123.

Computershare Services Plc has introduced a facility whereby shareholders are able to access details of their shareholding in the Company over the internet, subject to complying with an identity check. This service can be accessed on their website at [www.computershare.com](http://www.computershare.com).

## Dividend reinvestment plan

The Company provides a dividend reinvestment plan ("DRIP"). The DRIP enables shareholders to apply all of their cash dividends to buy additional ordinary shares in Safeway in the market at competitive dealing rates. Full details of the DRIP can be obtained from the Registrars. If you have previously completed a mandate form to join the DRIP you need take no further action.

## Dividends

Shareholders may have their dividends paid directly into their United Kingdom bank accounts if they so wish. Shareholders interested in this service should contact the Registrars in the first instance.

## Amalgamation of shareholding accounts

Shareholders who receive duplicate sets of mailings from Safeway owing to their having multiple shareholding accounts, should write to the Registrars in the first instance in order to have their accounts amalgamated if they so wish.



**We remain committed to the adoption of best practice in our communications with investors following guidelines originally issued by the London Stock Exchange.**

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### **Corporate internet site – <http://www.safeway.co.uk/corporate>**

Safeway's Annual Report and Preliminary Results Statement are now also available on-line via the Internet and can be found on our corporate website. You can also surf our Investor, Company Information and "News and Views" sections (including the Preliminary Results presentation and interviews with management) at the above address.

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### **CREST**

Safeway entered the CREST system in October 1996 and our ordinary shares are available for settlement in CREST. The membership of this system is voluntary, so shareholders who do not wish to participate may continue to hold their own share certificates and deal in our shares outside CREST.

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### **Personal equity plans (PEP)**

Safeway continues to operate both a General PEP and a Single Company PEP. These plans were closed to new investors with effect from 6 April 1999. However, if you wish to receive information regarding these plans, please contact the Plan Manager, Halifax plc, Trinity Road, Halifax, West Yorkshire, HX1 2RG. Telephone 0870 606 6418.

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### **Individual savings account (ISA) – cash**

Following the successful introduction of the Safeway Direct Savings Account, on 6 April 1999 Safeway and our financial services partner Abbey National introduced a cash mini ISA. This permits an individual to invest without paying tax. Details are available from Abbey National. Telephone 0800 995 995.

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### **Individual savings account (ISA) – shares**

The Company operates a Shares ISA administered by the Plan Manager, Halifax Share Dealing Limited. The Account enables shareholders to receive dividends on the shares held free of income tax or to reinvest dividends to increase their shareholding and to dispose of shares held without incurring any capital gains tax liability. Full details can be obtained from the Plan Manager on 0870 600 9966.

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### **Share price information**

The latest share price and Company information can be obtained by calling the Financial Times Cityline Service (calls from within the UK cost 60p per minute, excluding VAT). Telephone 0906 843 1643.

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### **Investor enquiries**

Please contact: Investor Relations Department, Safeway plc, Safeway House, 6 Millington Road, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 4AY. Telephone 020 8848 8744. Facsimile 020 8970 3986. E-mail [investor\\_relations@safeway.co.uk](mailto:investor_relations@safeway.co.uk).



**Anyone requiring further information about Safeway can visit our recently relaunched website at [www.safeway.co.uk](http://www.safeway.co.uk)**