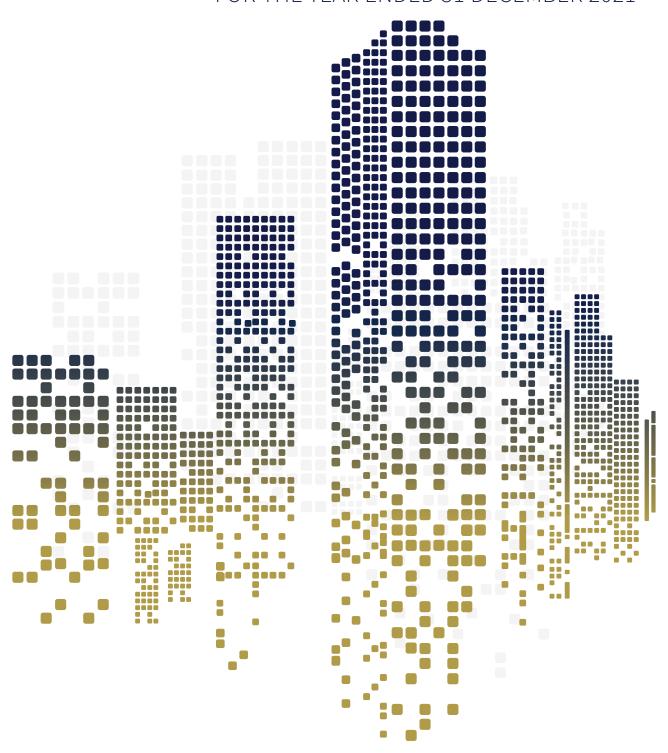


GRINDROD BANK LIMITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021



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CERTIFICATE BY COMPANY SECRETARY

The company secretary hereby certifies in terms of section 88(2) of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008, (the Companies Act), that the Company has lodged with the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission of South Africa all such returns and notices as are required of a public company in terms of the Companies Act and that all such returns are true, correct and up to date in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

PW Bester

Company secretary 31 March 2022

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are required by the Companies Act to maintain adequate accounting records and are responsible for the content and integrity of the consolidated and separate financial statements and related financial information included in this report. It is their responsibility to ensure that the consolidated and separate financial statements fairly present the affairs of Grindrod Bank Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries (together, referred to as the Group) as at 31 December 2021 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the period then ended, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, the JSE Debt Listing Requirements and the Companies Act. The external auditors are engaged to express an independent opinion on the consolidated and separate financial statements.

The directors acknowledge that they are ultimately responsible for the system of internal financial controls established by the Group and place considerable importance on maintaining a strong control environment. To enable the directors to meet these responsibilities, the board of directors (the board) sets standards for internal controls aimed at reducing the risk of error or loss in a cost effective manner. The standards include the proper delegation of responsibilities within a clearly defined framework, effective accounting procedures and adequate segregation of duties to ensure an acceptable level of risk. These controls are monitored throughout the Group and all employees are required to maintain the highest ethical standards in ensuring the Group's business is conducted in a manner that in all reasonable circumstances is above reproach. The focus of risk management in the Group is on identifying, assessing, managing and monitoring all known forms of risk across the Group. While operating risks cannot be fully eliminated, the Group endeavours to minimise them by ensuring that appropriate infrastructure, controls, systems and ethical behaviour are applied and managed within predetermined procedures and constraints.

The directors are of the opinion that the system of internal controls provides reasonable assurance that the financial records may be relied on for the preparation of the financial statements. However, any system of internal controls can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The directors have reviewed the Group's cash flow forecast for the year to 31 December 2022 and, in the light of this review and the current/forecast financial and capital positions, they are satisfied that the Group has access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

A sound corporate governance framework commits the Group to high standards of business ethics. The framework guides the board, as the custodian of responsible corporate governance, in the formulation and implementation of the Group strategy to achieve targeted performance and create sustainable value to the benefit of all stakeholders. The framework comprises appropriate policies, procedures and power of execution to ensure that the governance objectives are properly implemented, managed, reviewed and adjusted. This ensures responsible corporate citizenship through regulatory and best practice adherence, effective and ethical leadership and sustainable value creation. Additional disclosure in this regard, including disclosures relating to the King Report on Corporate Governance™ for South Africa, 2016 (King IV)*, can be found in the Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited integrated annual report, published on www.grindrodbank.co.za.

The consolidated and separate financial statements set out on pages 14 to 77, which have been prepared on the going concern basis, were approved by the board on 31 March 2022, and are signed on its behalf by:

Tyrone Soondarjee

Chairman

David Polkinghorne

Chief executive officer

Rakesh Garach

Chief financial officer

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

for the year ended 31 December 2021

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report which forms part of the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Nature of business

Grindrod Bank Limited is a registered specialist investment bank that provides bespoke financial services to private, corporate and institutional clients.

Review of financial results and activities

The operating results and state of affairs of the Group are fully set out in the consolidated and separate financial statements and accompanying notes. The Group has delivered strong financial performance for the year ended 31 December 2021 despite economic challenges that resulted from the Covid-19 pandemic, economic unrest and an already ailing South African economy. Profitability increased by 44.15% to R109.17 million (2020: R75.73 million). This was largely due to higher net interest margin and lower credit impairments which was offset to some extent by higher operating expenditure.

The directors wish to highlight the following:

- » Certain of the Group's lending clients were impacted by the civil unrest that occurred in KwaZulu-Natal and parts of Gauteng in July 2021. The resultant effect was damage to the properties that serve as security and underpin the facilities provided by the Group. The damages had a knock-on effect and resulted in 3 clients with total loan balances of R60.73 million at 31 December 2021 requesting temporary relief on loan repayments while insurance claims were being processed and finalised. Although these clients have sufficient insurance cover for the repair of the properties and servicing of the facilities, the Group deemed it prudent to raise a riot overlay amounting to R4.23 million while insurance claims are being finalised;
- » Healthy growth in the Group's funding base to R11.92 billion (2020: R9.97 billion) primarily due to an increase in the deposit book. The Group also increased its issuance under the domestic medium-term note programme by R137 million to R650 million. With a healthy liquidity position and a strong capital adequacy ratio, 15.669% (2020: 14.659%), the Group is well placed to capitalise on new opportunities;
- » The Group's net impairment charge decreased by 48.86% to R51.91 million. The key drivers of the decrease include improved credit management over the loan portfolio, better-than-expected collection outcomes and a reduction in Stage 3 loan impairments as some clients cured. The Group did not release its Covid-19 judgemental overlay as it maintains a conservative outlook in an uncertain environment;
- » Total operating expenses increased by 24.41% to R327.63 million from R263.35 million at December 2020. The higher expenses are largely attributed to an increase of 39.01% in staff costs and the roll-out of a project to improve the core banking capabilities of the Group to enhance product delivery to its client base;
 - » The increase in staff costs was mainly due to the recognition of short-term employee incentives. Following the lifting of Prudential Authority Guidance Note 4/2020 in February 2021, employee incentives linked to performance achieved by employees in the 2020 financial year were paid in June 2021. For the 2021 financial year, short-term employee incentives are based on a business scorecard methodology whereby specific targets set by the board have to be met in order to determine a short-term incentive pool. In terms of IAS 19, the requirement of a constructive obligation was met, hence a provision was raised at year-end; and
 - » This led to an increase in the cost-to-income ratio of the Group to 64.79% (2020: 59.68%). The directors anticipate the normalisation of this ratio to levels below 60% going forward.

Authorised and issued share capital

Details of the authorised and issued ordinary share capital are disclosed in note 11.

Details of the authorised and issued preference share capital are disclosed in note 13.

Dividends

An ordinary dividend of R30 million was declared and paid in the 2021 financial reporting period (2020: Rnil). Preference share dividends paid and accrued are presented in the statement of changes in equity.

DIRECTORS' REPORT continued

Directors

At 31 December 2021, and the date of this report, the board comprised of the following members:

Name	Designation	Meeting attendance	Date of appointment	Date of retirement
DA Polkinghorne	Chief executive officer	9/9	January 1999	
JH Beare	Non-executive director	3/3	December 2010	May 2021
ZN Malinga*	Lead independent non-executive director	8/9	April 2017	
RS Garach	Chief financial officer	9/9	July 2019	
TD Soondarjee**	Independent non-executive director (Chairman)	9/9	September 2019	
S Barrett	Independent non-executive director	8/9	December 2019	
R Ramcharan	Independent non-executive director	8/9	September 2020	
GG Christopulo	Independent non-executive director	9/9	September 2020	
CR Howell	Independent non-executive director	9/9	September 2020	
MP Grindrod	Non-executive director	9/9	November 2020	
RM Maleka	Independent non-executive director	1/1	October 2021	

^{*} Independent from January 2020. Appointed Lead independent non-executive director in September 2020.

Committee meetings

The chief financial officer of Grindrod Limited, Fathima Ally, has been granted approval by the Prudential Authority (PA) to attend the committee meetings listed below:

- » Credit and large exposure committee;
- » Balance sheet management committee;
- » Audit and compliance committee;
- » Risk and capital management committee; and
- » Social and ethics committee.

Company secretary

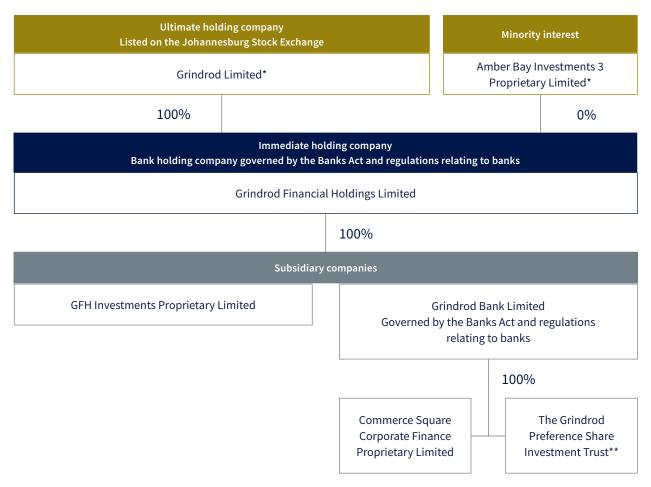
PW Bester (appointed in September 2020).

Country of incorporation

South Africa

^{**} Appointed Chairman in September 2020.

Holding company and subsidiaries



^{*} In August 2021 Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited (GFH) repurchased 483 ordinary shares, representing 3.17%, held by Amber Bay Investments 3 Proprietary Limited (Amber Bay) in GFH. To finance the repurchase, an additional 483 shares were issued to Grindrod Limited, which were fully subscribed for. The resultant share buy-back from Amber Bay and share issue to Grindrod Limited resulted in GFH becoming whollyowned by Grindrod Limited.

^{**} Deemed controlled entity of Grindrod Bank Limited in terms of IFRS 10.

DIRECTORS' REPORT continued

Going concern

The directors have reviewed the Group's cash flow forecast for the year to 31 December 2022 and in light of this review and the current/forecast financial and capital positions, they are satisfied that the Group has access to adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

Events after the reporting period

The directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance arising since the reporting period date that has a material impact on the financial statements.

Directors' interest

With the exception of David Polkinghorne (chief executive officer), the directors and prescribed officers did not have any interest in the ordinary shares of the Group nor in the preference shares of the Company. David Polkinghorne held a minority interest in GFH via his shareholding in Amber Bay which was subsequently disposed of in August 2021. The directors did not have an interest in any third party or company responsible for managing the business activities of the Group. Transactions with directors and prescribed officers are entered into in the normal course of business under terms that are no more favourable than those with third parties.

Auditor

SNG Grant Thornton

Preparer of financial statements

Brendon James (head of finance), under the supervision of Rakesh Garach (chief financial officer).

Registered address

5 Arundel Close, Kingsmead Office Park, Durban, 4001

AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

for the year ended 31 December 2021

The audit and compliance committee (the committee) have pleasure in presenting their report which forms part of the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Role and key functions

The committee is a statutory board committee that assists the board in its corporate governance supervision responsibilities, and is appointed by the board in terms of section 94 of the Companies Act read with section 64 of the Banks Act, 94 of 1990 (the Banks Act). The committee operates independently of management, is free of any organisational restraint or pressure and acts in accordance with its statutory duties and the delegated authority of the board, within formally approved terms of reference, which are reviewed and approved annually by the board.

Role of the committee

The overall objectives and role of the committee are to:

- » Provide oversight of the financial reporting process and the related risk management thereof;
- » Review the internal control and assurance processes;
- » Review the integrity of financial information and the presentation of accurate financial reports in compliance with the applicable regulations and accounting standards;
- » Manage and oversee the performance, conduct, quality and effectiveness of the Group's internal audit function;
- » Provide oversight of the Group's compliance function;
- » Appoint, manage and oversee the relationship with the external auditors including the effectiveness and independence of the external audit function; and
- » Ensure appropriate corporate governance and compliance within the scope of its mandate, with a specific focus on the potential risks to the Group within the framework of a combined assurance model, and for information technology (IT) governance as related to financial reporting and the going concern of the Group.

The committee is also, subject to board approval, authorised to investigate any activity within the scope of its terms of reference and to interact with the directors, management, employees and assurance providers and to obtain independent professional advice to ensure effective governance.

Composition of the committee

The committee composition satisfies the requirements of the Companies Act, the JSE Debt Listing Requirements and the Banks Act. Members of the committee are appointed following an assessment by the directors' affairs committee, of their collective qualifications and experience and approval by the PA. The chairman of the board may not serve as chairman or as a member of the committee.

The committee currently comprises of four independent non-executive directors.

The members of the committee during the reporting period and to the date of this report were:

Name	Designation	Date of appointment
ZN Malinga*	Independent non-executive director (Chairperson)	April 2017
S Barrett	Independent non-executive director	March 2020
R Ramcharan	Independent non-executive director	October 2020
GG Christopulo	Independent non-executive director	October 2020

^{*} Appointed as chairperson in March 2020.

AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT continued

Composition of the committee continued

Six meetings (four regular and two ad-hoc) were held during the reporting period.

The committee has decision-making authority regarding its statutory duties and is accountable to the board.

The company secretary serves as secretary to the committee.

The independence of the committee and performance of its members were evaluated by the directors' affairs committee during 2021.

The committee invites the chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief risk officer, head of finance, chief internal auditor, chief compliance officer, representatives of the external auditors and representatives of the ultimate holding company (where approved by the PA) to attend its meetings as required.

The internal and external auditors have unrestricted access to the chairperson and members of the committee. In 2021, the committee met with the internal and external auditors without management being present.

The committee has satisfied itself that the finance and regulatory reporting functions are effective.

Key activities

In terms of its mandate, matters considered by the committee based on its annual work plan for 2021 included:

- » Reviewing the consolidated and separate annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 in line with applicable legislative and regulatory compliance and recommendation thereof for approval by the board;
- » Reviewing the combined assurance model and the effectiveness of the process for identifying, assessing and reporting on significant internal financial control, tax and fraud risks as related to financial reporting;
- » Assessing the suitability, expertise and experience of the chief financial officer; the expertise, experience and resources of the finance function; the suitability, expertise and experience of the chief internal auditor and evaluation of the independence, effectiveness and performance of the internal audit function;
- » Assessing and reviewing the expertise and effectiveness of the chief compliance officer and resources of the compliance function;
- » Reviewing and approving the internal audit and compliance plans;
- » Recommending the independent external auditor and designated audit partner for approval by the shareholders at the Group's annual general meetings;
- » Reviewing and approving the external auditor's terms of engagement, fees for audit and non-audit services, audit plan, resources, independence, effectiveness, audit findings, key audit risks and external audit report;
- » Reviewing legislative and statutory compliance within the scope of its mandate and reviewing compliance with the Group's code of ethics and conduct;
- » Reviewing IT risks and evaluation of audit assessments of IT-related controls performed by the internal and external auditors together with the appropriateness of actions taken by management to address key issues identified, and reporting on its findings to the risk and capital management committee;
- » Considering the impact of and response to the Covid-19 pandemic and the July 2021 Riots in relation to risk of material misstatement presented by estimates required under IFRS 9 and IFRS 13;
- » Reviewing and confirming the going concern status; and
- » Approving this committee report for presentation to the shareholders.

External audit

SNG Grant Thornton served as the Group's registered external auditors for the 2021 reporting period. The terms of engagement, independence, expertise, audit quality, objectivity and the appropriateness of key partners at SNG Grant Thornton as the external auditor are appraised by the committee, annually. The SNG Grant Thornton audit team includes relevant financial services experts.

In assessing the auditor's independence, the committee considered guidance contained in King IV, the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA) publications and the JSE Debt Listings Requirements and the related commentary thereon.

The committee satisfied itself that the auditors' independence was not prejudiced by any consultancy, advisory or other work undertaken as a result of any previous appointment as auditor.

Key audit matters (KAM)

The committee considered the key audit matters as raised by the external auditor, SNG Grant Thornton.

These matters are also key aspects considered by the committee as part of the annual reporting process in recommending the financial statements as well as the adequacy and effectiveness of internal controls to the board for approval and disclosure.

KAM: measurement of loans and advances: impairments

This is an area that is also reviewed by the credit and large exposure committee. The committee considered whether the levels of provisioning and credit impairment were appropriate. Discussions were held with management and the credit and large exposure committee to obtain comfort over the adequacy of Stage 1, 2 and 3 provisioning. The committee reviewed the methodology and assumptions applied to calculate the impairments and monitored the governance framework applied to the expected credit loss model. The committee reviewed the internal and external auditor's reports to satisfy itself in this regard.

KAM: measurement of loans and advances: fair value

The Group engaged the services of an external expert to assist in the valuation of its loans and advances portfolio to ensure compliance with IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement. The committee satisfied itself as to the appropriateness of the skills and experience of the expert engaged and further analysed the key judgements and assumptions applied. The committee had a specific discussion with the external auditors to satisfy itself in this regard.

Key focus areas for the 2022 reporting period

In addition to the standard audit committee workplan, the committee has identified the following as key focus areas for the 2022 reporting period:

- » Review development and implementation of the compliance business integration strategy (over and above the objective of ensuring compliance with laws and regulations);
- » Ensuring systems of internal controls and processes over critical sources of information and models upon which estimates are based are operating effectively;
- » Enhance the effectiveness of the combined assurance model; and
- » Consider the implications of environmental, social and governance (ESG) from a financial reporting and disclosure perspective.

Financial statements

Following the committee's review of the consolidated and separate financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021, it is of the opinion that, in all material respects, they comply with the Companies Act, Banks Act, JSE Debt Listing Requirements and IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), and fairly present the results of operations, cash flows and financial position of the Group.

Based on the results of the internal and external audit reviews of the Group's internal controls and information technology general controls, no material weaknesses were identified to indicate that the internal financial controls were not operating effectively.

On this basis, the committee recommended that the board approves the consolidated and separate financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Zola Malinga

Chairperson: Audit and compliance committee

31 March 2022



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the shareholders of Grindrod Bank Limited

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated and separate financial statements of Grindrod Bank Limited and its subsidiaries (the Group) set out on pages 14 to 77, which comprise the consolidated and separate statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021, and the consolidated and separate statement of comprehensive income, consolidated and separate statement of changes in equity and consolidated and separate statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated and separate financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated and separate financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2021, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Measurement of loans and advances

Loans and advances by the Group are either measured at amortised cost less impairments in terms of an expected credit loss (ECL) model, or at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL). This is in accordance with IFRS 9: Financial Instruments (IFRS 9).

Significant judgement is exercised by the directors in assessing these impairments and fair value measurements, and includes estimating:

Impairments:

- » whether there was a significant increase in credit risk since inception (SICR), which determines whether a loan or advance is classified as Stage 1, 2 or 3. Many collateralised loans and advances have no scheduled repayments until the end of the loan period, making it highly judgmental to identify a SICR.
- » the probability that a loan or advance will default (PD), either over a 12 month period or over the lifetime of the loan or advance, depending on staging; and
- » the loss given default (LGD). A key input into the LGD model is the expected realisable value of the collateral securing the loan or advance.

Fair value

- » changes in interest rates since inception (in the case of fixed rate loans and advances);
- » changes in credit risk of the counterparty since inception, as well as changes in general market credit spread levels for a given credit rating;
- » changes in general market liquidity spread levels since inception; and
- » the current and projected future value of the asset being financed, in the case of loans and advances where the total pay-off depends on the value of such underlying asset.

Impairment of advances is disclosed in accounting policy note 1.7 and note 3, and fair value is disclosed in note 23 to the consolidated and separate financial statements.

Due to the significant judgement applied by the directors, as disclosed in "Judgements made by management and key sources of estimation uncertainty" on page 20 of the consolidated and separate financial statements, the credit impairments against loans and advances measured at amortised cost and the fair value of loans and advances measured at FVTPL, are in aggregate considered to be a key audit matter.

With the assistance of auditor's and management's experts, we performed the following audit procedures on the ECL model:

- » assessed the design and implementation of key internal controls relating to the model;
- » assessed the appropriateness of assumptions and variables used in determining the ECL in relation to current market conditions and forward-looking economic information;
- » assessed the completeness, accuracy and validity of data inputs used during the development and application of the credit impairment model;
- » considered the methodologies and assumptions applied in order to assess compliance with IFRS 9, including the determination of SICR, PD, EAD (exposure at default) and LGD;
- » assessed the appropriateness of management's Stage allocation;
- » evaluated the methodology used to incorporate forward looking information in the calculation of expected credit losses;
- » performed substantive tests of details on a sample basis, relating to the estimated realisable value of the collateral securing loans and advances included in the ECL model; and
- » considered and assessed the qualitative factors that influence the impairment, including the amount in arrears, period in arrears and the financial strength of the borrower.

We assessed the material disclosures made by management against the requirements of IFRS 7: Financial Instruments – Disclosures and IFRS 9.

With the assistance of auditor's and management's experts, we performed the following audit procedures on the fair value models:

- » assessed the valuation methodologies for compliance with IFRS 13: Fair Value Measurement (IFRS 13), financial instrument pricing theory and market practice;
- » evaluated the completeness, accuracy and validity of the contractual terms and conditions utilised as data inputs into the fair value models; and
- » assessed the appropriateness of the models and the reasonableness of the assumptions and market data variables used in the fair value calculations, against current market conditions and relevant forward-looking economic information.

We considered whether management had appropriately allowed for the increased credit risk introduced by the Covid-19 pandemic to the loan book, in their estimation process for determining both the ECL and fair value.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT continued

Other information

The Group's directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the document titled "Grindrod Bank Limited Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021", which includes the Directors' Report, the Audit and Compliance Committee's Report and the Certificate by the Company Secretary as required by the Companies Act of South Africa. The other information does not include the consolidated and separate financial statements and our auditor's reports thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated and separate financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated and separate financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRSs and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa, and for such internal controls as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated and separate financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing Grindrod Bank Limited and its subsidiaries' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate Grindrod Bank Limited and its subsidiaries or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated and separate financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- » Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls;
- » Obtain an understanding of internal controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal controls;
- » Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors;
- » Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern;
- » Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated and separate financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated and separate financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation; and
- » Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated and separate financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal controls that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Audit tenure

In terms of the IRBA Rule published in Government Gazette Number 39475 dated 4 December 2015, we report that SizweNtsalubaGobodo Grant Thornton Inc has been the auditor of the Group for 3 years.



Agnes Dire SizweNtsalubaGobodo Grant Thornton Inc. Director Registered Auditor

31 March 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 31 December 2021

		Group		Com	pany
	Notes	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Assets					
Cash and short-term funds	1	1 117 663	923 536	1 117 663	923 536
Negotiable securities	2	3 935 984	2 469 396	3 935 984	2 469 396
Loans and advances	3	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160
Investment securities	4	9 118	9 198	9 118	9 198
Current tax asset		1 315	11 795	1 315	11 795
Other assets	5	20 826	75 332	20 826	75 332
Property and equipment	6	24 747	14 828	24 747	14 828
Deferred tax asset	7	61 046	47 931	61 046	47 931
Total assets		13 731 954	11 719 176	13 731 954	11 719 176
Liabilities					
Deposits and funding instruments	8	11 922 632	9 965 473	11 922 632	9 965 473
Derivative instruments	9	24 277	73 046	24 277	73 046
Provisions	10.1	47 562	14 990	47 562	14 990
Other liabilities	10.2	64 733	54 459	64 733	54 459
Total liabilities		12 059 204	10 107 968	12 059 204	10 107 968
Equity					
Ordinary share capital	11	650	650	650	650
Share premium	12	347 929	347 929	347 929	347 929
Preference share capital	13	285 000	285 000	285 000	285 000
Retained earnings		1 039 171	977 629	1 039 171	977 629
Total equity		1 672 750	1 611 208	1 672 750	1 611 208
Total liabilities and equity		13 731 954	11 719 176	13 731 954	11 719 176

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOMEFor the year ended 31 December 2021

		Group		Company	
	Notes	2021 R000	2020 R000	2021 R000	2020 R000
Interest and similar income Interest and similar expense	14 15	746 786 (472 290)	783 363 (592 980)	746 786 (472 290)	721 548 (537 348)
Net interest and similar income Non-interest revenue	16	274 496 231 188	190 383 250 866	274 496 231 188	184 200 257 049
Net fee income Gains and losses on financial instruments Dividend income Other non-interest revenue	16.1 16.2 16.3 16.4	47 718 180 821 - 2 649	56 676 194 190 - -	47 718 180 821 - 2 649	56 676 194 190 6 183
Total revenue Impairment losses on financial assets	17	505 684 (51 913)	441 249 (101 522)	505 684 (51 913)	441 249 (101 522)
Operating income Operating expenses	18	453 771 (327 625)	339 727 (263 347)	453 771 (327 625)	339 727 (263 347)
Profit before tax Income tax expense	19	126 146 (16 972)	76 380 (646)	126 146 (16 972)	76 380 (646)
Profit for the year Other comprehensive income		109 174 -	75 734 -	109 174 -	75 734 -
Total comprehensive income for the year		109 174	75 734	109 174	75 734

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY For the year ended 31 December 2021

	Ordinary share capital R000	Share premium R000	Preference share capital R000	Retained earnings R000	Total R000
Group Balance at 31 December 2019 Total comprehensive income for the year	650 -	347 929 -	285 000 -	921 631 75 734	1 555 210 75 734
Profit for the year	-	-	-	75 734	75 734
Preference share dividends	-	-	-	(19 736)	(19 736)
Balance at 31 December 2020 Total comprehensive income for the year	650 -	347 929 -	285 000	977 629 109 174	1 611 208 109 174
Profit for the year	-	-	-	109 174	109 174
Ordinary dividends Preference share dividends				(30 000) (17 632)	(30 000) (17 632)
Balance at 31 December 2021	650	347 929	285 000	1 039 171	1 672 750
Company Balance at 31 December 2019 Total comprehensive income for the year	650 -	347 929 -	285 000	921 631 75 734	1 555 210 75 734
Profit for the year	-	-	-	75 734	75 734
Preference share dividends	_	_	_	(19 736)	(19 736)
Balance at 31 December 2020 Total comprehensive income for the year	650 -	347 929 -	285 000 -	977 629 109 174	1 611 208 109 174
Profit for the year	-	-	-	109 174	109 174
Ordinary dividends Preference share dividends	-	-	-	(30 000) (17 632)	(30 000) (17 632)
Balance at 31 December 2021	650	347 929	285 000	1 039 171	1 672 750

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWSFor the year ended 31 December 2021

		Gro	oup	Com	pany
	Notes	2021 R000	2020 R000	2021 R000	2020 R000
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash receipts from clients Cash paid to clients, employees and suppliers*		1 043 999 (749 970)	1 067 865 (857 215)	1 043 999 (749 970)	982 073 (779 304)
Cash generated from operations*	20	294 029	210 650	294 029	202 769
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets: Increase in loans and advances Sale of preference shares linked to trust		(506 138)	(815 021)	(506 138)	(815 021)
participatory contributions		-	1 727 444	-	-
Increase in deposits held for regulatory purposes		(74 432)	(9 079)	(74 432)	(9 079)
(Increase)/decrease in other negotiable securities Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities:		(1 466 635)	8 583	(1 466 635)	11 751
Increase/(decrease) in deposits and funding					
instruments		1 957 159	(1 991 636)	1 957 159	(1 999 697)
Redemption of trust participatory contributions		(10.007)	(1724276)	- (10.007)	- (25.622)
Income tax paid		(19 607)	(35 632)	(19 607)	(35 632)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities*		184 376	(2 628 967)	184 376	(2 644 909)
Cash flows from investing activities Acquisition of property and equipment		(4 245)	(3 879)	(4 245)	(3 879)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		67	5	67	5
Dividends income		_	-	_	15 942
Acquisition of investment securities		-	(221)	-	(221)
Net cash (used in)/from investing activities		(4 178)	(4 095)	(4 178)	11 847
Cash flows from financing activities					
Dividends paid to ordinary shareholders		(30 000)	- (10.010)	(30 000)	-
Dividends paid on preference shares* Payment of lease liabilities*	21	(17 596) (12 853)	(10 846) (13 985)	(17 596) (12 853)	(10 846) (13 985)
Net cash used in financing activities*		(60 449)	(24 831)	(60 449)	(24 831)
		(60 449)	(24 631)	(60 449)	(24 651)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and short-term funds		119 749	(2 657 902)	119 749	(2 657 902)
Cash and short-term funds at 1 January		705 805	(2 657 893) 3 363 698	705 805	(2 657 893) 3 363 698
Cash and short-term funds at 31 December	22	825 554	705 805	825 554	705 805

 $^{^{\}star} \ \ \textit{Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure}.$

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

For the year ended 31 December 2021

Reporting entity

Grindrod Bank Limited (the Company) is domiciled in South Africa. The registered address is 5 Arundel Close, Kingsmead Office Park, Durban, 4001. The consolidated financial statements comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Group). The Group is primarily involved in investment, corporate and retail banking.

Basis of preparation

The consolidated and separate financial statements (financial statements) of the Group and Company have been prepared in accordance with IFRS, the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee, Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, the JSE Debt Listing Requirements and the Companies Act. The financial statements have been prepared using the going concern principle and on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments which are measured at fair value. The financial statements are presented in South African Rand which is the Group's functional currency and all amounts are rounded to the nearest thousand.

Recent accounting developments

Adoption of new and amended standards for the first time in the current financial year

The following standards, interpretations and amendments have been adopted without affecting the Group's previously reported financial results, disclosures or accounting policies and did not impact the Group's results upon transition:

Pronouncement	Title and details
IFRS 3 amendments	Definition of a Business The amendment elaborates on the definition of a business and is aimed at providing further guidance to better distinguish between the acquisition of a business or a group of assets.
Updated references to the Conceptual Framework	Changes to the references to the Conceptual Framework When the IASB published the revised 'Conceptual Framework' in March 2018, it also issued 'Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards'.
IAS 1 and IAS 8 amendments	Updated materiality definition The definition of "material" has been clarified and aligned with the definition used in the Conceptual Framework and in the various standards.
IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7 – Phase 1 Amendments	Interest Rate Benchmark Reform These amendments address the potential effects from IBOR reform on financial reporting.
IFRS 16 Amendment	Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions Lessees are provided with an exemption from assessing whether a Covid-19-related rent concession is a lease modification.

Standards/Interpretations issued but not yet effective

There are new or revised accounting standards and interpretations in issue that are not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2021, and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. The Group does not plan to adopt these standards early. These will be adopted in the period that they become mandatory unless otherwise indicated. These include the following standards and interpretations that have been issued, with an indication of the estimated impact on the future financial statements of the Group:

Pronouncement	Title and details	Effective date
IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The amendments require the full gain to be recognised when assets transferred between an investor and its associate or joint venture meet the definition of a 'business' under IFRS 3 Business Combinations. Where the assets transferred do not meet the definition of a business, a partial gain to the extent of unrelated investors' interests in the associate or joint venture is recognised. The definition of business is key to determining the extent of the gain to be recognised.	The effective date is deferred by the IASB pending the outcome of its research project on the equity method of accounting.
	This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group as these transactions are unlikely to occur. Changes to be assessed as and when such transactions take place.	
IFRS 17	Insurance Contracts IFRS 17 replaces the current standard on insurance contracts, IFRS 4. It creates one accounting model for all insurance contracts in all jurisdictions that apply IFRS. Among others, IFRS 17 requires an entity to measure insurance contracts using updated estimates and assumptions that reflect the timing of cash flows, taking into account any uncertainty relating to insurance contracts. The financial statements of an entity will reflect the time value of money in estimated payments required to settle incurred claims. Insurance contracts are further required to be measured based only on the obligations created by the contracts. An entity will also be required to recognise profits as an insurance service is delivered, rather than on receipt of premiums.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.
	This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group as these transactions are unlikely to occur. Changes to be assessed as and when such transactions take place.	
IFRS 3 amendments	Updating a reference to the Conceptual Framework This amendment updates reference to the 2018 Conceptual Framework, adds a requirement that transactions and other events within the scope of IAS 37 or IFRIC 21 must be accounted for per IAS 37 and IFRIC 21 to identify the liabilities assumed in a business combination and adds an explicit statement that an acquirer does not recognise contingent assets acquired in a business combination.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
	This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group as these transactions are unlikely to occur. Changes to be assessed as and when such transactions take place.	
IAS 37	Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract	Annual periods
amendments	This amendment indicates which costs an entity should include as the costs of fulfilling a contract when assessing whether a contract is onerous.	beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
	This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group as these transactions are unlikely to occur. Changes to be assessed as and when such transactions take place.	
2018 – 2020 annual improvements cycle	Amendments to IFRS 1, IFRS 9, IFRS 16 and IAS 41 Changes were made to IFRS 1 First-time adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards and IAS 41, Agriculture, which will have no impact on the Group.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
	An illustrative example has been removed from IFRS 16 to prevent potential confusion regarding the treatment of lease incentives. This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group.	
	IFRS 9 has been amended to clarify the fees that an entity includes when determining whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. This amendment is not expected to have a material impact on the Group.	

ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

Pronouncement	Title and details	Effective date
IAS 1 amendments	Presentation of financial statements The amendment clarifies that the classification of liabilities must be based on whether the right to defer settlement by at least twelve months exists at the end of the reporting period. It further states that classification is unaffected by expectation of settlement, that settlement refers to transfer of cash, equity instruments, other assets or services and that only if an embedded derivative in a convertible liability is itself an equity instrument would the terms of a liability not impact its classification.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.
	This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group.	
IAS 16 amendments	Proceeds before intended use This amendment prohibits an entity from reducing the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment through deducting the proceeds from the sale of items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. The proceeds from selling such items and the costs of producing them are to be recognised in profit or loss.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
	This amendment is not expected to have an impact on the Group as these transactions are unlikely to occur. Changes to be assessed as and when such transactions take place.	

Critical judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the accounting policies, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant and are disclosed in the notes and policies where applicable. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognised prospectively. Key areas where judgement and measurement uncertainty have been used include:

		Judgement	Estimate	Accounting policy/Note
»	Expected credit loss measurement	√	✓	Refer to accounting policy 1.7 and note 3 to the financial statements for judgements and estimates made.
»	Assessment of control of an investee	√		Refer to accounting policy 4 for judgements made.
»	Share-based incentive schemes		✓	Refer to accounting policy 8.3 and note 34 to the financial statements for estimates made.
»	Revenue recognition	✓		Refer to accounting policy 10 and notes 14 and 16 to the financial statements for judgements made.
»	Valuation of level 2 loans and advances*	√	✓	Refer to accounting policy 1.6 and note 23 to the financial statements for judgements and estimates made.
»	Valuation of level 3 loans and advances*	√	✓	Refer to accounting policy 1.6 and note 23 to the financial statements for judgements and estimates made.

^{*} The differentiation between level 2 and 3 loans and advances is that level 2 makes use of all observable inputs for the valuation, whereas level 3 includes observable and unobservable inputs.

Covid-19 pandemic and July 2021 riots

Although the areas of judgement and estimation applied remained mostly the same as in the prior years, greater judgment had to be applied in the following areas:

Consideration	Assessment
Going concern	Limited impact on going concern for the foreseeable future. Based on the projections of future results, cash flows, future commitments and assessment of the Group's potential deposits/borrowing facilities projected/available, no going concern risk has been identified.
Deferred tax asset recoverability	No material impact noted, deferred tax assets raised based on sufficient taxable profits and capital gains expected in the future.
Restructuring and retrenchment costs	The Group does not have future restructure or retrenchment plans.
Onerous contracts	The Group does not engage in services that may lead to material onerous contracts.
Net impairment losses on loans and advances (IFRS 9: ECLs)	Due to an improvement in the management of credit risk, Stage 3 ECLs decreased by 45.09%. This was marginally offset by the raising of a judgemental riot overlay of R4.23 million due to the July 2021 unrest. The Group did not release its Covid-19 judgemental overlay as it maintains a conservative outlook in an uncertain environment.
Modifications to contractual cash flows	Due to increased pressure on clients and the impact of Covid-19 and the July 2021 riots, payment holidays were granted to clients. This resulted in a net modification loss of R2.07 million being recognised.
Valuation of loans and advances and derivative instruments (IFRS 13: Fair value measurement)	Heightened focus was given to the fair value loan portfolio, specifically credit spreads which is a key input into the valuation of this portfolio. Sufficient regard was given to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and July 2021 riots on security valuations and resultant impact on credit spreads which were adjusted accordingly.
Liquidity risk	The Group has prudent liquidity management strategies and holds sufficient amounts of surplus cash on call and in easily liquifiable assets. This served the Bank well during the Covid-19 pandemic and July 2021 unrest as the Bank did not experience a liquidity strain.

Currently the Group is not managed or internally structured for management reporting purposes on a segmented basis and as a result no segmental information has been provided.

Other than the changes arising from the adoption of new accounting standards as noted above, the following principal accounting policies have been consistently applied in all material respects:

1. Financial instruments

1.1 Recognition and initial measurement

The Group initially recognises loans and advances, deposits and debt securities issued on the date on which they are originated. All other financial instruments are recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset or financial liability is measured initially at fair value plus, for an item not at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. The fair value of a financial instrument at initial recognition is generally its transaction price. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or financial liability at FVTPL are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

1. Financial instruments continued

1.2 Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial assets

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified and measured at amortised cost or FVTPL.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets the following conditions and is not designated as FVTPL:

- » The asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- » The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI).

All other financial assets are classified and measured at FVTPL.

In addition, on initial recognition, the Group may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Business model assessment

The Group makes an assessment of the objective of a business model in which an asset is held at a portfolio level because this best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information considered includes:

- » The stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. In particular, whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest revenue, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of the liabilities that are funding those assets or realising cash flows through the sale of the assets;
- » How the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Group's management;
- » The risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and its strategy for how those risks are managed;
- » How managers of the business are compensated (e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected); and
- » The frequency, volume and timing of sales in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and its expectations about future sales activity. However, information about sales activity is not considered in isolation, but as part of an overall assessment of how the Group's stated objective for managing the financial assets is achieved and how cash flows are realised.

The Group has irrevocably designated fixed rate loans linked to interest rate swaps at FVTPL. The Group enters into interest rate swap agreements to economically hedge its fixed rate loans and, therefore, since these instruments are used as hedging tools, the Group has elected to recognise these fixed rate loans at fair value. The Group, however, does not apply hedge accounting.

Variable rate advances, comprising mortgage loans, term loans, invoice discounting, preference share investments and overdraft facilities, are held at amortised cost as the business model is to hold the assets for the collection of contractual cash flows. The contractual cash flows of these advances represent SPPI. In certain instances, variable rate advances include a special revenue arrangement (refer below for classification of variable rate loans and advances with special revenue arrangements).

Preference share investments consist of investments held in various preference shares that accrue dividends. The Group primarily holds these investments in order to collect the contractual cash flows in the form of dividends and the principal amount initially invested. In certain instances, the preference share investments include a special revenue arrangement (refer below for classification of preference share investments with special revenue arrangements).

The Group enters into special revenue arrangements whereby certain advances have additional revenue arrangements attached to them in terms of which the Group is entitled to a fee or dividend derived from specified asset values upon facility expiry or upon early settlement due to realisation of the specified asset. Where the special revenue arrangements are for compensation of credit risk, they meet the SPPI requirements and are classified at amortised cost and where the special revenue arrangements are not only for compensation of credit risk, they do not meet the SPPI requirements and are classified at FVTPL.

Negotiable securities include money-market investments, government bonds, treasury bills and preference shares. The Group considers that these securities are held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows.

Financial assets that are held for trading and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVTPL because they are neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets.

Assessment of whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI)

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs, e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs, as well as profit margin.

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are SPPI, the Group considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making the assessment, the Group considers:

- » Contingent events that would change the amount and timing of cash flows;
- » Leverage features;
- » Prepayment and extension terms;
- » Terms that limit the Group's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse loans); and
- » Features that modify consideration of the time value of money (e.g. periodical reset of interest rates).

Equity instruments have contractual cash flows that do not meet the SPPI criterion. Accordingly, all such financial assets are measured at FVTPL.

Reclassifications

Financial assets are only reclassified, subsequent to their initial recognition, in the period after the Group changes its business model for managing the financial assets.

1 Financial instruments continued

1.2 Classification and subsequent measurement continued

Subsec	iuent i	measui	rement

Financial assets	Classification	Subsequent measurement
Loans and advances		
» Fixed rate loans and advances linked to interest rate swaps	Designated at FVTPL	These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Interest income on fair value loans are recognised in non-interest income as it effectively represents fair value movements.
» Fixed rate loans and advances not linked to interest rate swaps	Amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income and impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
» Variable rate loans and advances with no special revenue arrangements	Amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income and impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
advances with special	Amortised cost or FVTPL	An assessment is done to determine whether the contractual cash flows consist of SPPI.
revenue arrangements		Cash flows consist of SPPI (amortised cost):
		These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income and impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
		Cash flows do not consist of SPPI (FVTPL):
		These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Interest income on fair value loans are recognised in non-interest income as it effectively represents fair value movements.
Other assets	Amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
Preference share investments with no special revenue arrangements	Amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Preference share dividend income (disclosed in note 14) and impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
Preference share investments with special	Amortised cost or FVTPL	An assessment is done to determine whether the contractual cash flows consist of SPPI.
revenue arrangements		Cash flows consist of SPPI (amortised cost):
		These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Preference share dividend income (disclosed in note 14) and impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
		Cash flows do not consist of SPPI (FVTPL):
		These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Preference share dividend income on fair value loans are recognised in non-interest income as it effectively represents fair value movements.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities include deposits and funding instruments, derivative instruments, accounts payable and sundry creditors.

Financial liabilities are classified and subsequently measured at amortised cost, except for derivative financial instruments.

Financial liabilities at FVTPL are measured at fair value and net gains and losses, including any interest expense, are recognised in profit or loss.

Financial liabilities subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method have the interest expense recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is also recognised in profit or loss.

Derivative financial instruments

Derivative instruments, which include interest rate swaps, are held by the Group to manage interest rate risk, defined as economic hedging activities. Derivative instruments are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently remeasured to FVTPL using market prices at each reporting date.

1.3 Derecognition

Financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset derecognised) and the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial liabilities

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire.

1.4 Modifications of financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are modified, the Group evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified asset are substantially different. When considering whether the modification is substantial, the Group performs a quantitative and qualitative assessment. Under the quantitative assessment the modification is considered to be substantial if the discounted present value of the cash flows under the new terms including any fees received net of any fees paid is at least 10 per cent different from the discounted present value of the remaining cash flows of the original financial asset. The qualitative assessment will depend on the specific facts and circumstances of each case, where a substantial modification would arise when there is a significant value transfer of the financial asset.

If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual rights to cash flows from the original financial asset are deemed to have expired. In this case, the original financial asset is derecognised and a modified financial asset is recognised at fair value with any fees received as part of the modification being included in profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on derecognition.

If cash flows are modified when the borrower is in financial difficulties, then the objective of the modification is usually to maximise recovery of the original contractual terms rather than to originate a new asset with substantially different terms. If the Group plans to modify a financial asset in a way that would result in forgiveness of cash flows, then it first considers whether a portion of the asset should be written off before the modification takes place (refer below 1.7 for write-off policy). This approach impacts the result of the quantitative evaluation and means that the derecognition criteria are not usually met in such cases.

If the modification of a financial asset measured at amortised cost does not result in a derecognition of the financial asset, then the Group first recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset using the original effective interest rate of the asset and recognises the resulting adjustment as a modification gain or loss in profit or loss. For floating-rate financial assets, the original effective interest rate used to calculate the modification gain or loss is adjusted to reflect current market terms at the time of the modification. Any costs or fees incurred and modification fees received adjust the gross carrying amount of the modified financial asset and are amortised over the remaining term of the modified financial asset by recomputing the effective interest rate on the instrument.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

1. Financial instruments continued

1.4 Modifications of financial assets and financial liabilities continued

Financial liabilities

If the terms of a financial liability are modified, the Group evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different. When considering whether the modification is substantial, the Group performs a quantitative and qualitative assessment. Under the quantitative assessment the modification is considered to be substantial if the discounted present value of the cash flows under the new terms plus any fees paid net of any fees received is at least 10 per cent different from the discounted present value of the remaining cash flows of the original financial liability. The qualitative assessment will depend on the specific facts and circumstances of each case, where a substantial modification would arise when there is a significant value transfer of the financial liability.

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different. In this case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid is recognised in profit or loss.

Consideration paid includes non-financial assets transferred, if any, and the assumption of liabilities, including the new modified financial liability.

If the modification of a financial liability is not accounted for as derecognition, then the amortised cost of the liability is recalculated by discounting the modified cash flows at the original effective interest rate and the resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss. For floating-rate financial liabilities, the original effective interest rate used to calculate the modification gain or loss is adjusted to reflect current market terms at the time of the modification . Any costs and fees incurred are recognised as an adjustment to the carrying amount of the liability and amortised over the remaining term of the modified financial liability by re-computing the effective interest rate on the instrument.

1.5 Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis only when permitted under IFRS.

1.6 Fair value measurement

'Fair value' is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Group has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

When one is available, the Group measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as 'active' if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

If there is no quoted price in an active market, then the Group uses valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all of the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

The best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument on initial recognition is normally the transaction price, i.e., the fair value of the consideration given or received. If the Group determines that the fair value on initial recognition differs from the transaction price and the fair value is evidenced neither by a quoted price in an active market for an identical asset or liability nor based on a valuation technique for which any unobservable inputs are judged to be insignificant in relation to the difference, then the financial instrument is initially measured at fair value, adjusted to defer the difference between the fair value on initial recognition and the transaction price.

Subsequently, that difference is recognised in profit or loss on an appropriate basis over the life of the instrument but no later than when the valuation is wholly supported by observable market data or the transaction is closed out.

If an asset or a liability measured at fair value has a bid price and an ask price, then the Group measures assets and long positions at a bid price and liabilities and short positions at an ask price.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy as of the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

1.7 Credit impairment losses

The Group recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECLs) on the following financial instruments that are not measured at FVTPL:

- » Financial assets that are debt instruments;
- » Financial guarantee contracts issued; and
- » Loan commitments issued.

No impairment loss is recognised on equity investments.

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, for which a 12-month ECL is measured:

- » Debt investment securities that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- » Financial assets on which credit risk has not increased significantly since their initial recognition.

Indicators of a significant increase in credit risk (SICR) may include any of the following:

- » Facility is in arrears for greater than 30 days;
- » Classification and appearance on a credit watch list; and
- » Significant decrease in value of collateral.

When loans and advances are considered to be non-performing, i.e. they meet the Group's internal staging criteria (Stages 2 and 3) which may affect the recovery of the loan, they are transferred to a dedicated managed accounts department. Once a loan is considered as performing, the loan is assessed for reclassification out of managed accounts. If a redefault occurs, the above process is followed.

12-month ECLs are the portion of lifetime ECLs that result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date. Financial instruments for which 12-month ECLs are recognised are referred to as 'Stage 1 financial instruments'. Financial instruments allocated to Stage 1 have not undergone a SICR since initial recognition and are not credit-impaired.

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instrument or the maximum contractual period of exposure. Financial instruments for which lifetime ECLs are recognised but that are not credit-impaired are referred to as 'Stage 2 financial instruments'. Financial instruments allocated to Stage 2 are those that have experienced a SICR since initial recognition but are not credit-impaired.

Financial instruments for which lifetime ECLs are recognised and that are credit-impaired are referred to as 'Stage 3 financial instruments'. Credit impairment is considered to occur when defined Stage 3 criteria have been met, the most significant of which is default. IFRS 9 requires an entity to apply a default definition that is consistent with the definition used for internal credit risk management purposes for the relevant financial instrument and considers qualitative indicators where appropriate. There is a rebuttable presumption that default does not occur later than when a financial asset is 90 days past due, unless an entity has reasonable and supportable information to demonstrate that a more lagging default criterion is more appropriate. The definition of default should be the same for all financial instruments unless an entity can demonstrate that another default definition is more appropriate for a particular financial instrument.

Based on this the Group uses the following indicators for default:

- » Facilities with an outstanding amount for 90 days or more will be termed in default;
- » Conditions not being met (such as covenants or minimum NAV). This is subject to an internal assessment of the breach; and
- » Acts of insolvency (liquidation/business rescue proceedings).

Collateral

Collateral is measured at fair value at inception of a financial instrument and the valuation is reviewed periodically depending on the collateral type. Collateral held against Stage 2 financial instruments is reviewed when a SICR since initial recognition is identified and collateral held against Stage 3 financial instruments is monitored on an ongoing basis.

1. Financial instruments continued

1.7 Credit impairment losses continued

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. They are measured as follows:

- » Financial assets that are not credit-impaired at the reporting date: as the present value of all cash shortfalls, i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive;
- » Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date: as the difference between the gross carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows;
- » Undrawn loan commitments: as the present value of the difference between the contractual cash flows that are due to the Group if the commitment is drawn down and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive; and
- » Financial guarantee contracts: the expected payments to reimburse the holder less any amounts that the Group expects to recover.

When discounting future cash flows, the following discount rates are used:

- » Financial assets: the original effective interest rate or an approximation thereof;
- » Undrawn loan commitments: the effective interest rate, or an approximation thereof, that will be applied to the financial asset resulting from the loan commitment; and
- » Financial guarantee contracts issued: the rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks that are specific to the cash flows.

The Group calculates ECLs using the following main components: probability of default (PD), exposure at default (EAD) and loss-given default (LGD). The calculated ECLs are then discounted using the appropriate effective interest rate of the financial asset. The assessment of SICR and the calculation of ECLs incorporate forward looking information.

The Group has performed historical analyses and identified the key economic variables impacting credit risk and ECLs for each portfolio. These economic variables and their associated impact on the PD, EAD and LGD vary by financial instrument. Significant judgement and estimation are applied in this process of incorporating forward looking information into the SICR assessment and ECLs calculation.

The period of exposure used in this model for all types of facilities, except for overdraft facilities, is the expiry date of the facility granted. For overdraft facilities, the period of exposure is the average rolling period. This is deemed appropriate for the Group since behavioural patterns of individual facilities cannot consistently reflect the average behavioural patterns across products. As such, the probability that the facility will be renewed varies significantly across the loan book. All facilities are granted with a defined expiry date and with no guarantee of renewal. Renewals are subject to the normal credit evaluation process.

PD

PD is determined primarily based on judgement using knowledge of the loan book and the Group's client base. Probabilities are subject to debate and approval by, the credit executive committee, the credit and large exposure committee, the risk and capital committee and the board. PDs are assigned according to product type.

The PD ranges for the current and prior periods applied to each product type are:

Product type	2021 PD range %	2020 PD range %
Mortgage bonds Invoice discounting, term loans and overdrafts	(0.16) - (1.96) (0.37) - (3.77)	(0.14) - (1.73) (0.34) - (3.43)
Covid-19 Guarantee scheme loans Preference shares	(0.55) - (5.56) (0.35) - (4.35)	(0.44) – (4.46) (0.32) – (3.96)

The table below reflects the impairment impact of a change in the PD% on exposures:

2021		<u> </u>	2020)
Stress scenario analysis	+20% PD R000	-20% PD R000	+20% PD R000	-20% PD R000
Stage 1	4 237	(4 237)	4 134	(4 134)
Stage 2	267	(269)	503	(505)
Stage 3*	-	-	-	_
	4 504	(4 506)	4 637	(4 639)

^{*} Subject to specific impairment and not model impairment.

EAD

EAD is calculated based on product type, access level and repayment type. Depending on these factors, three measurement types are possible:

- » Average utilisation;
- » Interest roll-up; and
- » Amortisation.

LGD

LGD is per period and is calculated considering the projected exposure less the cash flows expected from realising security, valued according to the established and approved credit policy.

Where collateral is held to secure multiple facilities, the general practice of the Group is as follows:

- » Collateral is apportioned proportionately across facilities where multiple facilities are structured for a single lending transaction; and
- » Where collateral for a single lending transaction is used to later secure another transaction, the collateral is allocated to the original loan and thereafter allocated to the new loan.

Forward looking information (FLI)

The LGD is adjusted for forward looking economic scenarios according to the industry applicable to the exposure. Three economic scenarios are utilised, i.e., poor, stable and good, and the applicable adjustment is based on judgement using freely available forecast economic indicators applicable to that industry.

The Group considers the following as guidance for each economic scenario:

Poor	Stable	Good
based on the forecast data is	based on the forecast data is expected	The projected industry performance based on the forecast data is expected to have improved relative to the current market.
,	Based on forecast data, income and cost are expected to be minimally impacted by changes.	,
Cyclical industries are anticipated to perform worse in the best point in a cycle.	Cyclical industries are anticipated to perform as intended.	Cyclical industries are anticipated to perform better in the worst point of a cycle.
Rates are anticipated to have a significant movement that negatively impacts the industry.	Rates are anticipated to be stable over time.	Rates are anticipated to have a significant movement that positively impacts the industry.

Utilising the factors above, the overall probabilities and LGD adjustments are assigned to the applicable industries. Both the impact on exposure and collateral are considered.

The most significant macro-economic variables have been stressed against the final ECL allowance balance in order to determine the sensitivity of the model to changes in FLI.

1. Financial instruments continued

1.7 Credit impairment losses continued

The table below reflects stress scenarios based on forward looking information (FLI):

Stress scenario analysis	Stress impact %	Stress impact R000	Total ECLs R000
Group and Company			
2021			
Base FLI			38 268
Positive FLI	(2.7)	(1 042)	37 226
Negative FLI	2.09	801	39 069
2020			
Base FLI			34 696
Positive FLI	(3.8)	(1318)	33 378
Negative FLI	2.6	902	35 598

The table below reflects the impairment impact of a change in the LGD% on exposures at:

	202	21	2020	0
Stress scenario analysis	+20% LGD R000	-20% LGD R000	+20% LGD R000	-20% LGD R000
Stage 1	4 237	(4 237)	4 134	(4 134)
Stage 2	274	(274)	510	(510)
Stage 3*	-	-	_	-
	4 511	(4 511)	4 644	(4 644)

^{*} Subject to specific impairment and not model impairment.

Significant areas of judgement and key assumptions

The Group has limited historical quantitative data on credit defaults owing to the nature and size of loans and advances. Consequently, various elements of the model incorporate the use of experience and professional judgement, including the following:

- » Determining PD across all product types;
- » Appropriateness of qualitative staging criteria;
- » Security valuation methodology; and
- » FLI impact on PDs and LGDs.

The following are key economic variables used to determine the change in PDs and LGDs:

	12 month range %	Lifetime range %
2021		
Key economic variables		
Gross domestic product (GDP)	0.8 - 2.5	0.3 - 2.0
Inflation rate	2.9 - 5.6	3.0 – 7.7
Prime lending rate	6.0 - 10.0	7.0 – 11.0
Unemployment rate	28.4 - 34.4	28.3 - 34.3
2020		
Key economic variables		
Gross domestic product (GDP)	0.6 - 2.0	0.3 – 3.0
Inflation rate	2.6 - 4.6	2.7 - 6.7
Prime lending rate	5.0 - 9.0	8.0 – 12.0
Unemployment rate	28.4 – 32.4	28.3 – 32.3

Key economic variables beyond the three-year forecast period equate to a long-run average expectation.

Of the key economic variables, GDP and the inflation rate have the biggest impact. In addition, three other factors, namely producer price index, overall economic risk and construction output levels were used. Economic risk constitutes a weighted average of exchange risk, demand risk, cost risk, sovereign credit risk and trade credit risk resulting in a measurable figure of economic risk for a given country. The historical indicators and book performance as well as the current economic state were used to determine an acceptable range looking forward. Should the 12-month or lifetime values fall outside the threshold, the PDs are adjusted accordingly.

Scenario analysis on staging

The table below reflects the impact on ECLs by stress testing the loans and advances portfolio, specifically loans moving from 12-month ECLs to lifetime ECLs.

	Stage 1 R000	Stage 2 R000	Stage 3 R000	Total R000
2021				
Base staging	21 187	17 081	179 619	217 887
5% transfer from Stage 1 to Stage 2	11 845	35 505	179 619	226 969
10% transfer from Stage 1 to Stage 2	10 113	39 846	179 619	229 578
	Stage 1 R000	Stage 2 R000	Stage 3 R000	Total R000
2020				
Base staging	20 670	14 026	133 203	167 899
5% transfer from Stage 1 to Stage 2	14 278	40 900	133 203	188 381
10% transfer from Stage 1 to Stage 2	11 746	57 264	133 203	202 213

Restructured financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are renegotiated or modified or an existing financial asset is replaced with a new one due to financial difficulties of the borrower, then an assessment is made of whether the financial asset should be derecognised.

ECLs are measured as follows:

If the expected restructuring will not result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected cash flows arising from the modified financial asset are included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing asset.

1. Financial instruments continued

1.7 Credit impairment losses continued

If the expected restructuring will result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected fair value of the new asset is treated as the final cash flow from the existing financial asset at the time of its derecognition. This amount is included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing financial asset that are discounted from the expected date of derecognition to the reporting date using the original effective interest rate of the existing financial asset.

The renegotiation of terms does not automatically mean a change in credit risk of the financial asset, hence management would assess whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets measured at amortised cost are credit impaired (referred to as 'Stage 3 financial assets'). A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- » Acts of insolvency, i.e., liquidation or business rescue proceedings;
- » Significant financial difficulty of the borrower; and
- » A default event, which typically includes non-repayment according to contractual terms.

In making an assessment of whether an investment in sovereign debt is credit-impaired, the Group considers the following factors:

- » The market's assessment of creditworthiness as reflected in bond yields;
- » The rating agencies' assessments of creditworthiness;
- » The country's ability to access the capital markets for new debt issuance;
- » The probability of debt being restructured, resulting in holders suffering losses through voluntary or mandatory debt forgiveness; and
- » The international support mechanisms in place to provide the necessary support as 'lender of last resort' to that country, as well as the intention, reflected in public statements, of governments and agencies to use those mechanisms. This includes an assessment of the depth of those mechanisms, irrespective of the political intent, whether there is the capacity to fulfil the required criteria.

Presentation of allowance for ECLs in the statement of financial position

Loss allowances for ECLs are presented in the statement of financial position as follows:

- » Financial assets measured at amortised cost: as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets;
- » Loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts: generally, as a provision; and
- » Where a financial instrument includes both a drawn and an undrawn component, and the Group cannot identify the ECLs on the loan commitment component separately from those on the drawn component: the Group presents a combined loss allowance for both components. The combined amount is presented as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the drawn component. Any excess of the loss allowance over the gross amount of the drawn component is presented as a provision.

Write-off

Loans and debt securities are written off (either partially or in full) when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof. This is generally the case when the Group determines that the borrower does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off. This assessment is carried out at the individual asset level. Recoveries of amounts previously written off are recognised when cash is received and are included in 'impairment losses on financial instruments', in the statement of comprehensive income.

Financial assets that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Group's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

1.8 Designation at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets

On initial recognition, the Group has designated certain financial assets as at FVTPL because this designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch, that would otherwise arise.

Financial liabilities

The Group has designated certain financial liabilities as at FVTPL in either of the following circumstances:

- » The liabilities are managed, evaluated and reported internally on a fair value basis; and
- » The designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

2. Cash and short-term funds

'Cash and short-term funds' include notes and coins on hand, balances held with the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) and highly liquid financial assets, and are used by the Group in the management of its short-term commitments.

Cash and short-term funds are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

3. Investment securities

Investment securities includes equity investment securities mandatorily measured at FVTPL; these are at fair value with changes recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Dividends are recognised in profit or loss.

4. Basis of consolidation

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the Group.

The Group controls an entity if it:

- » Has power over the investee;
- » Is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- » Has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Group reassesses whether it has control if there are changes to one or more of the elements of control. This includes circumstances in which protective rights held (e.g. those resulting from a lending relationship) become substantive and lead to the Group having power over an investee.

The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any unrealised income and expenses (except for foreign currency transaction gains or losses) arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

Significant area of judgement

Unconsolidated structured entities

The Group currently holds preference shares in various entities as a result of its financing activities. Some of these financed entities have defined investment-related activities including holding shares in either listed or unlisted entities. The Group does not have any voting rights in these entities in the absence of a default event. In some instances the preference share agreements in place with the issuers of the preference shares are structured to ensure the Group, as the preference share holder, has protective rights in the event of the preference share issuer defaulting. In accordance with IFRS 10, an assessment of the facts, circumstances, significant judgements and assumptions has been performed to ensure that there is no control over these entities.

Judgement is applied by management when determining whether the requirements of control as defined by IFRS 10 are met. These judgements include:

- » The determination of relevant activities of the entity. Relevant activities have been identified as decisions surrounding the investment of funds, early redemption and/or repayment of funding;
- » How decisions surrounding relevant activities are made;
- » Assessment of the ability to direct these activities;
- » Whether rights defined in funding agreements are protective or substantive in nature; and
- » The right of the Group to any residual interest.

As the Group does not control the relevant activities referred to above or have a right to any residual interest, the Group does not have power over the investees and hence does not control the investees in terms of IFRS 10. Refer to note 37 for a summary of the financial information of the Group's interest in unconsolidated structured entities.

Deemed controlled entities

The Group enters into transactions from time to time with the Grindrod Preference Share Investment Trust, (the Trust).

Based on management's assessment of the requirements of IFRS 10, the Group has power over the Trust, has exposure to variable returns from its involvement with the Trust and that it has the ability to use that power to affect the amount of its returns from the Trust. As all the requirements of control are met, it is deemed that the Group controls the Trust. The Trust is dormant and therefore did not have a financial impact on the Group's results in 2021 and 2020.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

5. Property and equipment

Items of property and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only if it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group. If significant parts of an item of property and equipment have different useful lives, then they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property and equipment. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment. Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss and is calculated using the straight-line method, at rates estimated to write off each asset over the term of its useful life. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation methods are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

The estimated useful lives of property and equipment for the current and comparative periods are as follows:

	Years
Office equipment	5
Furniture & fittings	6
Motor vehicles	4
Computers and computer hardware	3

Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of property and equipment is recognised within profit or loss.

6. Taxation

Income tax

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. It is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity.

Current tax

Current tax comprises the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year and any adjustment to the tax payable or receivable in respect of previous periods. The amount of current tax payable or receivable is the best estimate of the tax amount expected to be paid or received. It is measured using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for tax purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Future taxable profits are determined based on the reversal of relevant taxable temporary differences. If the amount of taxable temporary differences is insufficient to recognise a deferred tax asset in full, then future taxable profits, adjusted for reversals of existing temporary differences, are considered, based on business plans for individual subsidiaries in the Group. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised; such reductions are reversed when the probability of future taxable profits improves.

Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if there is any. The measurement of deferred tax reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

7. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation as a result of a past event which results in a probable outflow of economic benefits and can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as finance costs.

8. Employee benefits

8.1 Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits consists of salaries, short-term incentives, leave pay, provident fund contributions, medical aid contributions and group life contributions.

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the related service is provided and recognised in profit or loss. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

8.2 Defined contribution scheme

The Group pays fixed contributions to a third party as part of a defined contribution provident fund plan for the benefit of its employees. The Group has no further legal or constructive obligation in terms of the defined contribution benefit plan beyond these contributions.

Defined contributions are recognised in profit or loss as they become due.

8.3 Share-based payment

Forfeitable share plan

Certain senior executives have been granted equity settled share options in terms of the Grindrod Limited forfeitable share plan (FSP). These share options are classified as cash settled as they will not be settled in the Group's own equity instruments. The share options are measured at fair value (excluding the effect of non-market based vesting conditions) at the date of grant and recognised in profit or loss on the straight-line basis over the vesting period with a corresponding increase in liabilities, based on the estimated number of shares that will eventually vest and adjusted for the effect of non market-based vesting conditions.

Share appreciation rights

The fair value of the amount payable to employees in respect of share appreciation rights, which are settled in cash, are recognised as an expense with a corresponding increase in liabilities, over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to payment. The liability is remeasured at each reporting date and at settlement date based on the fair value of the incentive schemes. Any changes in the liability are recognised in profit or loss.

9. Leases

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Group uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability, where applicable.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

9. Leases continued

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Group determines its incremental borrowing rate by analysing its borrowings from various external sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- » Fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments; and
- » The exercise price under a purchase option that the Group is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Group is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured if the Group changes its assessment of whether it will exercise an extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of- use asset, or is recognised in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Group presents right-of-use assets in 'property and equipment' and lease liabilities in 'other liabilities' on the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases, including leases of computers, small items of office furniture and equipment. The Group recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense in the period that it relates to.

10. Revenue recognition

Revenue from financial instruments is recognised in terms of IFRS 9 and revenue from other service contracts is recognised in terms of IFRS 15.

10.1 Interest

10.1.1 Effective interest rate

Interest income and expenses are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method. The 'effective interest rate' is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to:

- » The gross carrying amount of the financial asset; and
- » The amortised cost of the financial liability.

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments other than purchased or originated credit-impaired assets, the Group estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not ECLs.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Transaction costs include incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or financial liability.

10.1.2 Amortised cost and gross carrying amount

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any ECL allowance. The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any ECL allowance.

10.1.3 Calculation of interest income and expense

The effective interest rate of a financial asset or financial liability is calculated on initial recognition of a financial asset or a financial liability. In calculating interest income and expense, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) or to the amortised cost of the liability. The effective interest rate is revised as a result of periodic re-estimation of cash flows of floating-rate instruments to reflect movements in market rates of interest.

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

For financial assets that were credit-impaired on initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the creditadjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the asset. The calculation of interest income does not revert to a gross basis, even if the credit risk of the asset improves.

10.1.4 Presentation

Interest income calculated using the effective interest method presented in the statement of comprehensive income includes interest on financial assets measured at amortised cost.

Interest expense presented in the statement of comprehensive income includes financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

10.2 Fee income

Fee income and expense that are integral to the effective interest rate on a financial asset or financial liability are included in the effective interest rate (see above).

Other fee income is recognised as the related services are performed. The Group provides banking services to retail and corporate clients, including administration and servicing fees, and advisory fees. Fees for ongoing account management are charged to the client's account on a monthly basis. Transaction-based fees are charged to the client's account when the transaction takes place. Servicing fees are charged on a monthly basis.

A contract with a client that results in a recognised financial instrument in the Group's financial statements may be partially in the scope of IFRS 9 and partially in the scope of IFRS 15. If this is the case, then the Group first applies IFRS 9 to separate and measure the part of the contract that is in the scope of IFRS 9 and then applies IFRS 15 to the residual.

Other fee expenses relate mainly to transaction and service fees, which are expensed as the services are received.

The description of fees earned by the Group from its clients is not necessarily indicative of the nature of the services provided, or of whether or not they are calculated using the effective interest rate. Accordingly, judgement is applied in categorising fees between those calculated using the effective interest rate to be accounted for in accordance with IFRS 9 and those to be accounted for in accordance with IFRS 15.

The following significant judgements are applied by management to distinguish whether fees are earned in accordance with IFRS 9 or IFRS 15:

- » Whether the fee directly relates to origination of a loan recognised in the statement of financial position. These fees are compensation for the loan origination process;
- » Whether the fee is compensation for the time value of money, such as when a lower rate of interest is charged together with an upfront or periodic fee to compensate for that lower interest rate;
- » Whether the fee is compensation for credit risk, such as when an additional fee is charged for credit risk not fully priced into the quoted interest rate. Such fees may be charged in advance, periodically or upon exit of the facility; and
- » Whether the fee relates to basic lending risks and whether the fee forms part of the normal profit margin associated with basic lending.

The above fees are included in the calculation of the effective interest rate and recognised in accordance with IFRS 9. The effective interest method discounts the future cash flows over the expected life of the financial instrument to the carrying amount of the instrument. The effective interest rate is determined on initial recognition of the financial instrument and is not subsequently remeasured.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholder has a right to receive payment and is included as revenue of the Group.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

11. Impairment of non-financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its non-financial assets (other than deferred tax assets) to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. Value in use is based on the estimated future cash flows, discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

12. Share capital, other equity and reserves

12.1 Ordinary and preference share capital

The Group classifies instruments issued as financial liabilities or equity instruments in accordance with the substance of the contractual terms of the instruments. Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

The Group's preference share capital is not redeemable by holders and bears an entitlement to dividends at the sole discretion of the board of directors, subject to the Companies Act requirements. Accordingly, it is presented within equity. Distributions thereon are recognised in equity.

12.2 Share issue costs

Incremental costs that are directly attributable to the issue of an equity instrument are deducted from the initial measurement of the equity instruments.

12.3 Share premium

Share premium includes any premium received on the issue of share capital.

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	Gro	oup	Company		
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	
Cash and short-term funds					
At amortised cost Regulatory deposit with the SARB*	292 309	217 877	292 309	217 877	
Other deposits with the SARB	51 616	51 469	51 616	51 469	
Inter-bank deposits	773 938	654 336	773 938	654 336	
ECL allowance against cash and short-term funds (Stage 1)	(200)	(146)	(200)	(146)	
Tunus (Stage 1)	1 117 663	923 536	1 117 663	923 536	
	1111 000	323 333	1111 003	323 333	
The carrying amount of cash and short-term funds approximates fair value due to its short-term nature.					
Analysis of ECL allowance (Stage 1)					
Allowance at 1 January Net increase in allowance	146 54	- 146	146 54	- 146	
Allowance at 31 December	200	146	200	146	
ECL allowance analysis					
Stage 1 – 12-month ECLs	200	146	200	146	
Total ECL allowance on cash and short-term funds	200	146	200	146	
Stage 1 – 12-month ECLs					
Gross carrying amount	1 117 863	923 682	1 117 863	923 682	
Less: ECL allowance	(200)	(146)	(200)	(146)	
Net carrying amount at 31 December	1 117 663	923 536	1 117 663	923 536	
ECL allowance at 1 January	146	-	146	-	
Movements of allowance recognised in profit					
or loss Net impairment losses recognised	54	146	54	146	
ECL allowance at 31 December	200	146	200	146	

^{*} The regulatory deposit with the SARB is for minimum reserve requirements and is available for use subject to certain restrictions and limitations imposed by the SARB.

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	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Negotiable securities				
At amortised cost				
Treasury bills	3 623 745	1 661 248	3 623 745	1 661 248
Money market investments	-	607 237	-	607 237
Government bonds	312 958	185 232	312 958	185 232
Preference shares	290	16 641	290	16 641
ECL allowance against negotiable securities (Stage 1)	(1 009)	(962)	(1 009)	(962)
	3 935 984	2 469 396	3 935 984	2 469 396
The carrying amount of negotiable securities approximates fair value due to its short-term nature or its ability to be easily liquifiable.				
Analysis of ECL allowance (Stage 1)				
Allowance at 1 January Net increase in allowance	962 47	962	962 47	962
Allowance at 31 December	1 009	962	1 009	962
ECL allowance analysis				
Stage 1 – 12-month ECLs	1 009	962	1 009	962
Total ECL allowance on negotiable securities	1 009	962	1 009	962
Stage 1 – 12-month ECLs				
Gross carrying amount	3 936 993	2 470 358	3 936 993	2 470 358
Less: ECL allowance	(1 009)	(962)	(1 009)	(962)
Net carrying amount at 31 December	3 935 984	2 469 396	3 935 984	2 469 396
ECL allowance at 1 January	962	_	962	_
Movements of allowance recognised in profit				
or loss				
Net impairment losses recognised	47	962	47	962
ECL allowance at 31 December	1 009	962	1 009	962

	Gre	oup	Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Loans and advances				
At amortised cost	6 650 577	5 951 392	6 650 577	5 951 392
At fair value through profit or loss	1 272 504	1 263 415	1 272 504	1 263 415
Designated at fair value through profit or loss	638 174	952 353	638 174	952 353
	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160
Loans and advances – companies and close				
corporations*	6 897 549	6 759 194	6 897 549	6 759 194
Loans and advances – unincorporated businesses				
and other	522 217	586 326	522 217	586 326
Loans and advances – households*	25 986	27 838	25 986	27 838
Preference share financing	1 076 569	770 057	1 076 569	770 057
Debtor financing*	145 753	51 802	145 753	51 802
Revaluation of loans at fair value through profit or				
loss	111 068	139 842	111 068	139 842
ECL allowance against loans and advances				
(Stages 1 and 2)	(38 268)	(34 696)	(38 268)	(34 696)
ECL allowance against loans and advances	((/	()
(Stage 3)	(179 619)	(133 203)	(179 619)	(133 203)
	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160
Mortgages	3 824 359	3 501 017	3 824 359	3 501 017
Corporate loans	3 174 576	3 230 484	3 174 576	3 230 484
Overdrafts	446 817	641 857	446 817	641 857
Debtor financing	145 753	51 802	145 753	51 802
Preference share financing	1 076 569	770 057	1 076 569	770 057
Revaluation of loans at fair value through profit				
or loss	111 068	139 842	111 068	139 842
ECL allowance against loans and advances				
(Stages 1 and 2)	(38 268)	(34 696)	(38 268)	(34 696)
ECL allowance against loans and advances				
(Stage 3)	(179 619)	(133 203)	(179 619)	(133 203)
	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160

 $^{^{\}star} \ \ \textit{Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure.}$

3.

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Loans and advances continued				
Collateral				
Property	4 544 511	4 259 047	4 544 511	4 259 047
Listed shares	584 469	279 310	584 469	279 310
Unlisted shares	337 890	250 892	337 890	250 892
Debtors	155 636	52 771	155 636	52 771
Guarantees	1 987 155	1 611 789	1 987 155	1 611 789
Other	160 665	126 264	160 665	126 264
Fair value of collateral held	7 770 327	6 580 073	7 770 327	6 580 073
Unsecured*	1 006 663	1 887 195	1 006 663	1 887 195
Revaluation of loans at fair value through profit or loss ECL allowance against loans and advances	111 068	139 842	111 068	139 842
(Stages 1 and 2) ECL allowance against loans and advances	(38 268)	(34 696)	(38 268)	(34 696)
(Stage 3) Security for financing guarantees excluding cash-	(179 619)	(133 203)	(179 619)	(133 203)
backed guarantees	(108 915)	(272 051)	(108 915)	(272 051)
	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160
Sectoral analysis				
Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing	44 098	70 182	44 098	70 182
Mining and quarrying	31 694	21 112	31 694	21 112
Manufacturing	124 882	239 866	124 882	239 866
Electricity, gas and water supply	10 628	7 879	10 628	7 879
Construction Wholesale and retail trade, repair of specified items,	45 045	11 188	45 045	11 188
hotels and restaurants	473 197	483 848	473 197	483 848
Transport, storage and communication Financial intermediation and insurance	262 573 207 087	53 943 286 428	262 573	53 943 286 428
Real estate	5 063 767	4 810 077	207 087 5 063 767	4 810 077
Business services	397 956	306 409	397 956	306 409
Community, social and personal services	39 568	41 861	39 568	41 861
Households	25 986	27 838	25 986	27 838
Other**	1 873 042	1 841 225	1 873 042	1 841 225
ECL allowance against loans and advances (Stages 1 and 2)	(38 268)	(34 696)	(38 268)	(34 696)
	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160
Geographical analysis				
KwaZulu-Natal	4 375 769	4 197 912	4 375 769	4 197 912
Gauteng	2 431 694	2 558 997	2 431 694	2 558 997
Western Cape	1 226 588	1 249 994	1 226 588	1 249 994
Free State	427 872	91 015	427 872	91 015
Mpumalanga	86 915	7 359	86 915	7 359
Eastern Cape	8 592	6 707	8 592	6 707
Northern Cape	3 825	4 478	3 825	4 478
Outside of South Africa	-	50 698	-	50 698
	8 561 255	8 167 160	8 561 255	8 167 160

Exposures are secured by counterparties' statement of financial position on which the Group does not place reliance for collateral valuation

purposes.

** Other consists of loans and advances to investment holding entities with diverse investment portfolios therefore these loans and advances cannot be categorised into a specific industry.

	Gro	Group		Company		
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000		
Modified loans and advances measured at amortised cost						
Information on loans and advances that were modified while they had loss allowances amounting to lifetime ECLs.						
Gross carrying amount before lifetime ECLs and modifications Lifetime ECLs before modifications	157 498 (21 412)	21 291 (21 287)	157 498 (21 412)	21 291 (21 287)		
Amortised cost before modifications Modifications gains	136 086 8	4 21	136 086 8	4 21		
Analysis of ECL allowance (Stages 1 and 2) Allowance at 1 January Net increase in allowance	34 696 3 572	22 129 12 567	34 696 3 572	22 129 12 567		
Allowance at 31 December	38 268	34 696	38 268	34 696		
Analysis of ECL allowance (Stage 3) Allowance at 1 January Net increase in allowance including suspended	133 203	67 795	133 203	67 795		
interest	64 183	92 391	64 183	92 391		
Written off	(17 767)	(26 983)	(17 767)	(26 983)		
Allowance at 31 December	179 619	133 203	179 619	133 203		
ECL allowance analysis Stage 1 – 12-month ECLs Stage 2 – lifetime ECLs Stage 3 – lifetime ECLs	21 187 17 081 179 619	20 670 14 026 133 203	21 187 17 081 179 619	20 670 14 026 133 203		
Total ECL allowance on loans and advances	217 887	167 899	217 887	167 899		

	Stage 1 (12-month ECL allowance) R000	Stage 2 (Lifetime ECL allowance) R000	Stage 3 (Lifetime ECL allowance) R000	Total R000
Loans and advances continued				
Group and Company				
2021	5 252 722	0.40 500	1 005 100	0.000.404
Gross carrying amount Less: ECL allowance	5 359 790 (21 187)	243 536 (17 081)	1 265 138 (179 619)	6 868 464 (217 887)
Net carrying amount at 31 December 2021	5 338 603	226 455	1 085 519	6 650 577
ECL allowance at 1 January 2021	20 670	14 026	133 203	167 899
Transfers between stages	(1 683)	(1 337)	3 020	-
Transfers from Stage 1 to Stage 2	(231)	231	_	_
Transfers from Stage 1 and 2 to Stage 3	(1 452)	(1 568)	3 020	-
Movements of allowance recognised in profit or loss	2 200	4 392	43 396	49 988
New ECLs raised	1 239	3 383	1 842	6 464
Subsequent changes in ECLs including				
derecognition Written off	961	1 009	59 321 (17 767)	61 291 (17 767)
WITHERTON			(11 101)	(17 707)
ECL allowance at 31 December 2021	21 187	17 081	179 619	217 887
2020				
Gross carrying amount	4 026 488	974 006	1 118 797	6 119 291
Less: ECL allowance	(20 670)	(14 026)	(133 203)	(167 899)
Net carrying amount at 31 December 2020	4 005 818	959 980	985 594	5 951 392
ECL allowance at 1 January 2020	15 177	6 952	67 795	89 924
Transfers between stages	(593)	25	568	_
Transfers from Stage 1 to Stage 2	(25)	25	_	-
Transfers from Stage 1 to Stage 3*	(568)		568	_
Movements of allowance recognised in		7.040	04.040	
profit or loss	6 086	7 049	64 840	77 975
New ECLs raised*	4 435	1 221	82 306	87 962
Subsequent changes in ECLs including derecognition*	1 651	5 828	9 5 1 7	16 996
Write offs	-	-	(26 983)	(26 983)
ECL allowance at 31 December 2020	20 670	14 026	133 203	167 899

^{*} Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure.

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Analysis of classified, impaired or				
non-performing loans and advances Advances classified as special mention	420 552	551 845	420 552	551 845
Advances classified as special mention Advances classified as sub-standard	741 303	339 568	741 303	339 568
Advances displaying significant weakness	741303	333 300	141 303	333 300
(doubtful and loss)	97 467	227 384	97 467	227 384
Carrying amount of classified, impaired or				
non-performing loans and advances*	1 259 322	1 118 797	1 259 322	1 118 797
Collateral held against classified, impaired or				
non-performing loans and advances**	3 013 819	4 195 499	3 013 819	4 195 499
Age Analysis of classified, impaired or				
non-performing loans and advances				
Current	1 130 154	825 691	1 130 154	825 691
6 – 12 months overdue	2 766	179 339	2 766	179 339
> 12 months overdue	126 402	113 767	126 402	113 767
	1 259 322	1 118 797	1 259 322	1 118 797
Sectoral analysis of classified, impaired or				
non-performing loans and advances				
Electricity, gas and water supply	7 384	-	7 384	_
Wholesale and retail trade, repair of specified items,				
hotels and restaurants	35 299	43 157	35 299	43 157
Financial intermediation and insurance Real estate	- 781 961	15 044 626 832	781 961	15 044 626 832
Business services	231 744	236 386	231 744	236 386
Households	-	355		355
Community, social and personal services	-	6 726	_	6 726
Other	202 934	190 297	202 934	190 297
	1 259 322	1 118 797	1 259 322	1 118 797
Credit-impaired loans and advances				
(included in Stage 3)				
Carrying amount	326 815	279 008	326 815	279 008
ECL allowance (Stage 3)	(179 619)	(133 203)	(179 619)	(133 203)
Net carrying amount	147 196	145 805	147 196	145 805

^{*} Not all classified, impaired or non-performing loans and advances are categorised as Stage 3 loans and advances.
** Overcollateralised in certain instances.

		Group		Company	
		31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
4.	Investment securities				
	At fair value through profit or loss				
	Private equity investments	6 398	6 398	6 398	6 398
	Unit trust investments	2 720	2 800	2 720	2 800
		9 118	9 198	9 118	9 198
5.	Other assets				
	At amortised cost				
	Sundry receivables	5 717	9 370	5 717	9 370
	Fee and dividend receivables	15 109	65 962	15 109	65 962
		20 826	75 332	20 826	75 332

The carrying amount of other assets approximates fair value due to its short-term nature.

		Furniture, fittings, office equipment, motor vehicles and artwork R000	Computers and computer hardware R000	Right-of-use assets* R000	Total R000
6.	Property and equipment				
	Group and Company 2021				
	Cost at 1 January	13 026	25 183	35 207	73 416
	Additions Disposals	530 (92)	3 715 (31)	21 165 -	25 410 (123)
	Cost at 31 December	13 464	28 867	56 372	98 703
	Accumulated depreciation at 1 January	11 584	20 548	26 456	58 588
	Depreciation	715	2 947	11 784	15 446
	Disposals	(47)	(31)	-	(78)
	Accumulated depreciation at 31 December	12 252	23 464	38 240	73 956
	Carrying amount at 1 January	1 442	4 635	8 751	14 828
	Carrying amount at 31 December	1 212	5 403	18 132	24 747

^{*} Right-of-use assets comprise of office premises for business purposes.

	Furniture, fittings, office equipment and motor vehicles R000	Computers and computer hardware R000	Right-of-use asset* R000	Total R000
Group and Company				
2020				
Cost at 1 January	12 895	21 452	26 997	61 344
Additions	131	3 748	8 210	12 089
Disposals	_	(17)	-	(17)
Cost at 31 December	13 026	25 183	35 207	73 416
Accumulated depreciation at 1 January	10 827	18 862	13 624	43 313
Depreciation	757	1701	12 832	15 290
Disposals	_	(15)	_	(15)
Accumulated depreciation at 31 December	11 584	20 548	26 456	58 588
Carrying amount at 1 January	2 068	2 590	13 373	18 031
Carrying amount at 31 December	1 442	4 635	8 751	14 828

^{*} Right-of-use assets comprise of office premises for business purposes.

right of dae dasea comprise of office prefined for business	Group		Com	Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	
Deferred tax asset					
Deferred tax asset	61 046	47 931	61 046	47 931	
Deferred tax asset is attributable to the following:					
Loss allowance	15 661	13 237	15 661	13 237	
Provisions	17 319	7 883	17 319	7 883	
Income and sundry accruals	19 668	21 601	19 668	21 601	
Capital loss*	8 398	5 210	8 398	5 210	
	61 046	47 931	61 046	47 931	

^{*} Management is of the view that the deferred tax asset relating to the capital loss will reverse in the future periods and therefore the asset will be recovered through future capital taxable income generated on realisation of the preference share financing and investment securities portfolio.

	Balance at 1 January R000	Recognised in profit or loss R000	Balance at 31 December R000
Deferred tax asset continued			
Group and Company			
2021			
Loss allowance	13 237	2 424	15 661
Provisions	7 883	9 436	17 319
Income and sundry accruals	21 601	(1 933)	19 668
Capital loss	5 210	3 188	8 398
	47 931	13 115	61 046
2020			
Loss allowance	6 387	6 850	13 237
Provisions	7 863	20	7 883
Income and sundry accruals	3 717	17 884	21 601
Capital loss	6 980	(1 770)	5 210
	24 947	22 984	47 931

Deposits and funding instruments	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020	31 December 2021	31 December 2020
Deposits and funding instruments		R000	R000	R000
1 0				
At amortised cost				
Call deposits	5 914 414	5 098 352	5 914 414	5 098 35
Current accounts	957 544	880 258	957 544	880 25
Notice and fixed deposits	4 277 991	3 399 610	4 277 991	3 399 61
SARB guaranteed loans	36 235	_	36 235	
Notes – domestic medium-term note (DMTN)	650 000	513 000	650 000	513 00
Accrued interest	86 448	74 253	86 448	74 25
	11 922 632	9 965 473	11 922 632	9 965 47
Amounts owed to depositors	11 897 421	9 933 143	11 897 421	9 933 14
Amounts owed to banks	25 211	32 330	25 211	32 33
	11 922 632	9 965 473	11 922 632	9 965 47
Note issue (DMTN programme)				
3-month Johannesburg Inter-bank Agreed Rate				
(JIBAR) plus 3.00% (maturity date: June 2021)	_	263 000	_	263 00
3-month JIBAR plus 2.25% (maturity date:				
November 2022)	250 000	250 000	250 000	250 00
3-month JIBAR plus 2.50% (maturity date: June 2024)	400 000	_	400 000	
	650 000	513 000	650 000	513 00
A JSE listed 3-year note was originally issued on				
15 October 2012 with subsequent taps, rollovers and new issues.				
Interest is payable quarterly in arrears and is				
inked to the 3-month JIBAR rate plus a spread.				
Notes to the value of R263 million at a rate of				
3-month JIBAR plus 3.00% matured in June 2021.				
New notes to the value of R400 million at a rate of				
3-month JIBAR plus 2.50% were issued in June 2021.				
Sectoral analysis				
Banks	25 211	32 330	25 211	32 33
Government and public sector Individuals	874 192	742 482 1 627 841	874 192	742 48
ndividuals Business sector	2 116 653 8 906 576	7 562 820	2 116 653 8 906 576	1 627 84 7 562 83
	11 922 632	9 965 473	11 922 632	9 965 4
	11 322 032	3 303 113	11 022 002	3 303 41
Geographical analysis				

	Gre	Group		pany
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Derivative instruments				
At fair value through profit or loss Interest rate swaps				
Derivative liabilities Derivative assets	25 203 (926)	73 046 -	25 203 (926)	73 046
Net derivative liabilities	24 277	73 046	24 277	73 046
Fair value adjustments for the period: Derivative liabilities Derivative assets	47 843 926	(50 795) (2)	47 843 926	(50 795) (2)
Net fair value gain/(loss)	48 769	(50 797)	48 769	(50 797)
Interest rate swaps (nominal value) Contracts with negative fair value (liabilities) Contracts with positive fair value (assets)	544 598 70 000	822 561 -	544 598 70 000	822 561 -
	614 598	822 561	614 598	822 561

The nominal amount disclosed represents the gross value of total outstanding contracts at reporting period and does not reflect the amount receivable or payable under the contract. The nominal amount should be viewed only as a means of assessing the extent of exposure to the derivative contracts.

		Group		Company	
		31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
0. Provisions a	and other liabilities				
0.1 Provisions					
Leave pay provis	sion	9 366	8 252	9 366	8 252
Short-term incer	ntive provision*	38 196	6 738	38 196	6 738
		47 562	14 990	47 562	14 990
0.2 Other liabilitie	S				
Trade and other		31 771	32 111	31 771	32 111
	e dividends payable**	8 926	8 890	8 926	8 890
Share appreciat	9	4 252	2 700	4 252	2 700
Forfeitable share Lease liabilities	e pian	507 19 277	1 071 9 687	507 19 277	1 071 9 687
		64 733	54 459	64 733	54 459
		000	0.100	01.100	01.00
-	ve pay provision				
Balance at 1 Jan		8 252	7 925	8 252	7 925
Recognised duri	sed during the year	(9 553) 10 667	(4 315) 4 642	(9 553) 10 667	(4 315) 4 642
Balance at 31 De		9 366	8 252	9 366	8 252
Leave pay provis cashflows is vari	sion is contractual and the timing of able.				
Analysis of sho	ort-term incentive provision				
Balance at 1 Jar	-	6 738	10 500	6 738	10 500
	sed during the year	(6 738)	(10 500)	(6 738)	(10 500)
Recognised duri	ng the year	38 196	6 738	38 196	6 738
Balance at 31 De	ecember ————————————————————————————————————	38 196	6 738	38 196	6 738
Analysis of sha	re appreciation rights scheme				
Balance at 1 Jar		2 700	6 408	2 700	6 408
	sed during the year***	(810)	(4 862)	(810)	(4 862)
Recognised duri	ng the year***	2 362	1 154	2 362	1 154
Balance at 31 De	ecember	4 252	2 700	4 252	2 700
Analysis of for	feiture share plan scheme				
Balance at 1 Jar		1 071	3 368	1 071	3 368
	sed during the year	(564)	(2 297)	(564)	(2 297)
Balance at 31 De	ecember	507	1 071	507	1 071

^{*} Refer to additional disclosure on incentive schemes included in note 34.

^{**} Trade and other payables and preference share dividends payable are designated at amortised cost. The carrying amount of trade and other payables and preference share dividends payable approximates fair value due to its short-term nature.

^{***} Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure.

10. Provisions and other liabilities

Analysis of lease liabilities

The Group leases office premises. The leases typically run for a period of 5 years, with an option to renew the lease. Certain leases contain extension options exercisable by the Group before the end of the non-cancellable contract period. Where practicable, the Group seeks to include extension options in new leases to provide operational flexibility. The extension options held are exercisable only by the Group and not by the lessors. The Group assesses at lease commencement date whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the extension options. The Group reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the options if there is a significant event or significant changes in circumstances within its control.

Interest expense on lease liabilities was R1 277 879 (2020: R1 145 636).

Undiscounted contractual maturity analysis	<3 months R000	>3 months <6 months R000	>6 months <1 year R000	>1 year <5 years R000	Total R000
Group and Company 31 December 2021			'	'	
Lease liabilities	3 469	3 514	3 362	10 619	20 964
31 December 2020					
Lease liabilities	2 628	2 717	3 695	1 072	10 112

		Gro	Group		pany
		31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
11.	Ordinary share capital				
	Authorised 500 000 000 (2020: 500 000 000) ordinary shares of 1 cent each	5 000	5 000	5 000	5 000
	Issued				
	65 000 003 (2020: 65 000 003) ordinary shares of 1 cent each	650	650	650	650
	Reconciliation of the number of shares issued Balance at 1 January Issue of shares	65 000 003 -	65 000 003 -	65 000 003	65 000 003
	Balance at 31 December	65 000 003	65 000 003	65 000 003	65 000 003
	The directors do not have the authority to issue the remaining unissued shares unless a resolution is passed by the shareholders.				
12.	Share premium				
	Arising on the issue of 65 000 003 (2020: 65 000 003) ordinary shares of 1 cent each	347 929	347 929	347 929	347 929

	Gre	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	
Preference share capital					
Authorised 750 000 (2020: 750 000) non-cumulative, non-redeemable, non-participating and non-convertible	е				
par value shares of 1 cent each		_	-	_	
Issued 245 000 (2020: 245 000) non-cumulative, non-redeemable, non-participating and non-convertible par value shares of 1 cent each	e 285 000	285 000	285 000	285 000	
The preference share capital is held by Grindrod Limited. Dividends are payable bi-annually at 88% of the prime interest rate and is subject to the Companies Act requirements with regards to adhering to the solvency and liquidity requirements.	rs.				
The preference shares qualify as additional Tier 1 regulatory capital.					
Interest and similar income Calculated using the effective interest metho	d				
Advances*	465 090	436 621 16 362	465 090 24 766	436 621 16 362	
Preference share dividends, advances portfolio SARB guaranteed loans*	24 766 2 728	800	24 766	800	
Balances at banks and short-term funds	36 903	103 557	36 903	103 557	
Other short-term securities Preference share dividends, negotiable securities	158 189	117 792	158 189	117 792	
portfolio Loan origination fees recognised over the expected	2 042	603	2 042	4 538	
life of advances	57 068	41 878	57 068	41 878	
Preference shares linked to participatory contributions	-	65 750	-	-	
	746 786	783 363	746 786	721 548	
Interest and similar expense					
Calculated using the effective interest metho	Ч				
Call deposits	200 306	207 545	200 306	207 545	
Current accounts	5 362	8 717	5 362	871	
Notice and fixed deposits	225 168	265 281	225 168	265 28	
SARB guaranteed loans	1 017	_	1 017		
Funding under repurchase agreements	3 823	-	3 823		
Notes – domestic medium-term note (DMTN)	35 336	54 659	35 336	54 65	
Trust participatory contributions	_	55 632	_		
Lease liabilities	1 278	1 146	1 278	1 14	
	472 290	592 980	472 290	537 34	

 $^{^{\}star} \ \ \textit{Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure}.$

		Group		Company	
		31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
16.	Non-interest revenue				
16.1	Net fee income Corporate banking**	2 374	6 814	2 374	6 814
	Corporate banking fee income** Corporate banking fee expense**	3 525 (1 151)	9 785 (2 971)	3 525 (1 151)	9 785 (2 971)
	Platform banking**	36 767	41 408	36 767	41 408
	Platform banking fee income** Platform banking fee expense**	135 194 (98 427)	139 497 (98 089)	135 194 (98 427)	139 497 (98 089)
	Corporate finance Other banking related*	5 744 2 833	5 019 3 435	5 744 2 833	5 019 3 435
		47 718	56 676	47 718	56 676
	* Other banking related fee income consists of administrative fee income. ** Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure.				
16.2	Gains and losses on financial instruments Loans held at FVTPL – Fair value adjustments*** Loans held at FVTPL – Interest income*** Loans designated at FVTPL – Fair value adjustments*** Loans designated at FVTPL – Interest income*** Modification of loans at amortised cost Derivates held at FVTPL Investment securities held at FVTPL	36 337 87 971 (37 426) 71 143 (2 073) 24 949 (80)	11 304 88 973 73 215 93 468 3 855 (76 425)	36 337 87 971 (37 426) 71 143 (2 073) 24 949 (80)	11 304 88 973 73 215 93 468 3 855 (76 425) (200)
		180 821	194 190	180 821	194 190
	*** Limited reclassifications were made to improve disclosure. Interest income on fair value loans are recognised in non-interest income as it effectively represents fair value movements.				
16.3	Dividend income Residual beneficiary distribution	-	-	-	6 183
16.4	Other non-interest revenue	2 649	_	2 649	_
		231 188	250 866	231 188	257 049
17.	Impairment losses on financial assets Increase in allowance for credit losses Stage 1 ECL allowance against cash and short-term				
	funds	54	146	54	146
	Stage 1 ECL allowance against negotiable securities Stage 1 and 2 ECL allowance against loans and advances	46 3 572	962 12 567	46 3 572	962 12 567
	Stage 3 ECL impairment losses against loans and advances	48 241	87 847	48 241	87 847
		51 913	101 522	51 913	101 522
		01010	101 022	01010	101 022

	Group		Company	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	R000	R000	R000	R000
Operating expenses				
Audit fees	4 071	4 109	4 071	4 109
Advisory fees	655	530	655	530
Banking and transactional-related costs Computer-related costs Depreciation	13 403	14 482	13 403	14 482
	53 614	32 884	53 614	32 884
	15 446	15 290	15 446	15 290
Employee expenses	205 767	147 547	205 767	15 290
Remuneration and other employee expenses	154 521	139 655	154 521	139 655
Short-term incentives	48 884	6 738	48 884	6 738
Share-based payments expense	2 362	1 154	2 362	1 154
Legal and professional fees Marketing Non-executive director emoluments Premises	7 250	4 995	7 250	4 995
	3 586	2 117	3 586	2 117
	5 621	4 521	5 621	4 521
	6 047	6 589	6 047	6 589
Rental	1 254	1 148	1 254	1 148
Other premises-related costs	4 793	5 441	4 793	5 441
Travel Other expenses* Indirect tax	911	1 093	911	1 093
	10 962	12 164	10 962	12 164
	292	17 026	292	17 026
	327 625	263 347	327 625	263 347
 Other expenses consists of insurance, entertainment, corporate services, printing and stationery, telephone and subscriptions. 				
Included in employee expenses: Key executive management remuneration (6 employees, 2020: 8 employees)				
Managerial services – salaries	18 888	18 040	18 888	18 040
Managerial services – short-term incentive expense** Managerial services – share-based payment expense Defined contribution plan expense	5 315	3 082	5 315	3 082
	910	628	910	628
	1 966	2 100	1 966	2 100
отпостинения рып ехрепае	27 079	23 850	27 079	23 850

^{**} Short-term incentive expense relates to 2020 awards paid in the 2021 reporting period. The 2021 short-term incentive provision has been raised but is yet to be awarded and is therefore not included in this amount.

	Services as directors R000	Salaries R000	Short- term incentive expense* R000	Share- based payment expense** R000	Defined contribution scheme expense R000	Tota R000
Operating			,			
expenses						
continued						
Directors'						
remuneration						
Group and Company						
31 December 2021						
Executive directors						
DA Polkinghorne	_	5 864	1 836	483	279	8 462
RS Garach	_	3 971	1 304	-	384	5 659
Non-executive	_	3311	1304	_	304	3 033
directors						
JH Beare	252	_	_	_	_	252
ZN Malinga	945	_	_	_	_	945
TD Soondarjee	1 050	_	_	_	_	1 050
S Barrett	1 072	_	_	_	_	1 072
R Ramcharan	810	_	_	_	_	810
GG Christopulo	695	_	_	_	_	695
CR Howell	722	_	_	_	_	722
MP Grindrod	-	_	_	_	_	_
RM Maleka	75	-	_	-	-	75
	5 621	9 835	3 140	483	663	19 742
31 December 2020						
Executive directors						
DA Polkinghorne	_	5 607	_	357	290	6 25
RS Garach	_	3 177	-	_	478	3 65
Non-executive						
directors						
JH Beare	658	_	_	_	-	658
ASP Dambuza	453	-	-	-	-	453
WD Geach	76	_	_	_	_	7
ZN Malinga	725	_	_	_	_	72!
MS Mbatha	49	_	_	_	-	4
TD Soondarjee	1 031	-	_	_	_	1 03
S Barrett	791	_	_	_	-	79:
Z Nyanga	271	_	_	_	_	27
R Ramcharan	179	-	-	-	-	179
GG Christopulo	156	_	_	-	_	15
CR Howell	132	_	_	-	_	132
MP Grindrod	_	_	_	_	_	-
	4 521	8 784	_	357	768	14 430

^{*} Short-term incentive expense relates to 2020 awards paid in the 2021 reporting period. The 2021 short-term incentive provision has been raised but is yet to be awarded and is therefore not included in this amount.

^{**} The share-based payment expense relates to options that vested.

Director emoluments paid by the Grindrod Group to Company directors, excluding payments by the Company:

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Executive directors of Grindrod Limited MP Grindrod*	3 566	583	3 566	583
* MP Grindrod was appointed as a non-executive director of the Company in November 2020. He is not a director of Grindrod Limited, however he is on the board of directors of various entities within the Grindrod Group.				
Refer to Grindrod Limited financial statements, as published on their website at www.grindrod.co.za, for full disclosure of total remuneration paid by Group companies to its directors.				
Income tax expense				
SA Normal taxation				
Current Tax	27 565	23 631	27 565	23 631
Deferred Tax	(13 115)	(22 985)	(13 115)	(22 985)
Foreign taxation	2 522	_	2 522	_
Income tax expense	16 972	646	16 972	646
	%	%	%	%
Reconciliation of the tax rate				
Standard rate	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00
Adjusted for:				
Non-taxable dividend income	(16.02)	(26.56)	(16.02)	(26.56)
Non-deductible differences Non-taxable differences	(0.13)	0.32	(0.13)	0.32 (0.37)
Capital losses/(gains) on loans and advances	(0.12) 0.75	(0.37) (0.46)	(0.12) 0.75	(0.37)
Prior year tax adjustments	0.60	(0.08)	0.60	(0.08)
Effective tax rate	13.45	0.85	13.45	0.85

	Gre	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	
O. Reconciliation of profit before tax to cash generated from operations					
Profit before taxation Adjusted for:	126 146	76 380	126 146	76 380	
Unrealised (profit)/loss on derivatives	(48 769)	50 797	(48 769)	50 797	
Unrealised loss/(profit) on loans at FVTPL	60 230	(36 100)	60 230	(36 100)	
Unrealised loss on investment securities	80 15 446	200 15 290	80 15 446	200 15 290	
Depreciation Profit on sale of property and equipment	(22)	(3)	(22)	(3)	
Foreign exchange loss	21	(5)	21	(5)	
Increase in Stage 1 and 2 ECL allowances	3 672	13 675	3 672	13 675	
Increase in Stage 3 ECL impairments allowance	48 241	87 847	48 241	87 847	
Dividend income	-	-	-	(6 183)	
Operating profit before working capital changes	205 045	208 086	205 045	201 903	
Changes in:					
Decrease/(increase) in sundry receivables	3 632	(1 064)	3 632	(1 064)	
Decrease/(increase) in fee income	50 853	19 803	50 853	(4 174)	
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	34 499	(16 175)	34 499	6 104	
Cash generated from operations	294 029	210 650	294 029	202 769	
Reconciliation of lease liabilities arising from financing activities					
Balance at 1 January	9 687	14 316	9 687	14 316	
Additions	21 165	8 210	21 165	8 210	
Interest expense	1 278	1 146	1 278	1 146	
Payments	(12 853)	(13 985)	(12 853)	(13 985)	
Balance at 31 December	19 277	9 687	19 277	9 687	

		Group		Com	pany
		31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
22.	Cash and short-term funds Cash and short-term funds Deposits held with SARB for regulatory purposes ECL allowance against cash and short-term funds	1 117 663 (292 309)	923 536 (217 877)	1 117 663 (292 309)	923 536 (217 877)
	(Stage 1)	200	146	200	146
	Cash and short-term funds at 31 December	825 554	705 805	825 554	705 805
	Cash and short-term funds comprise: Current account balances Inter-bank deposits	51 616 773 938	51 469 654 336	51 616 773 938	51 469 654 336
		825 554	705 805	825 554	705 805

23. Financial instruments measured at fair value – hierarchy

The following tables analyse financial instruments measured at fair value at the reporting date, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the financial instrument is categorised. The amounts are based on the values recognised in the statement of financial position.

Level 1 R000	Level 2 R000	Level 3 R000	Total R000
_	638 174	1 272 504	1 910 678
-	-	9 118	9 118
-	638 174	1 281 622	1 919 796
-	24 277	_	24 277
-	24 277	_	24 277
-	952 353	1 263 415	2 215 768
		9 198	9 198
_	952 353	1 272 613	2 224 966
-	73 046	-	73 046
_	73 046	-	73 046
	R000	R000 R000 - 638 174 - - - 638 174 - 24 277 - 24 277 - 952 353 - - - 952 353 - - - 73 046	R000 R000 R000 - 638 174 1 272 504 - 9 118 - 638 174 1 281 622 - 24 277 - - 24 277 - - 952 353 1 263 415 - 9 198 - 952 353 1 272 613 - 73 046 -

23. Financial instruments measured at fair value – hierarchy continued

The Group measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in determining the measurements:

Level 1: Inputs that are quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical instruments.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques in which all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3: Inputs that are unobservable. This category includes all instruments for which the valuation technique includes inputs that are not observable and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments for which significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

	31 Decem	iber 2021	31 Decem	ber 2020
	Loans and advances R000	Investment securities R000	Loans and advances R000	Investment securities R000
Group and Company				
Level 3 reconciliation				
Balance at 1 January	1 263 415	9 198	1 095 625	9 177
Total gains/(losses) recognised in profit or loss	124 308	(80)	100 277	(200)
Additions	386 303	-	202 019	221
Settlements	(501 522)	-	(134 506)	-
Balance at 31 December	1 272 504	9 118	1 263 415	9 198

Supplementary information

The table below reflects information about the valuation techniques and significant unobservable and observable inputs used in measuring financial assets categorised as Level 2 and 3 in the fair value hierarchy:

	Category	Valuation technique	Observable inputs
Level 2	Loans and advances	Discounted cash flow	Credit spreads, swap and prime curves
	Derivative instruments	Discounted cash flow and swaption methodology	Yield curves, credit default spreads and JIBAR curves

Level 3	Category	Valuation technique	Observable inputs	Unobservable inputs	Range for unobservable inputs
	Loans and advances	Discounted cash flow	Swap and prime curves	Credit spreads	1.6% – 21.1%
	Investment securities	Earnings multiple	None	Future profit assumptions and earnings multiple	10.3x - 11.3x

The differentiation between level 2 and 3 financial instruments is that level 2 makes use of all observable inputs for the valuation, whereas level 3 includes unobservable inputs.

Sensitivity analysis of valuations using unobservable inputs

As part of the Group's risk management processes, stress tests are applied on the significant unobservable parameters to generate a range of alternative valuations. The following table reflects how the unobservable parameters were changed in order to evaluate the sensitivities of Level 3 financial instruments:

Significant unobservable parameter	Favourable/ (unfavourable) variance applied to parameters
31 December 2021 Credit spread Price earnings multiple	100 – 150/(100) – (150) bps 0.5x – (0.5x)
31 December 2020 Credit spread Price earnings multiple	100 – 150/(100) – (150) Bps 0.5x – (0.5x)

A significant parameter has been deemed to be one which may affect profit or loss, or the fair value of the asset by more

The following table presents the effects that the sensitivity analysis would have on Level 3 financial instruments:

Financial instrument	Parameter	31 December 2021 Potential effect on profit or loss favourable/ (unfavourable) R000	31 December 2020 Potential effect on profit or loss favourable/ (unfavourable) R000
Group and Company			
Loans and advances	Credit spread – 100 bps	16 537/(15 995)	14 933/(14 460)
Loans and advances	Credit spread – 150 bps	25 017/(23 797)	22 584/(21 520)
Investment securities	Price earning multiple – 0.5x	3 154/(4 896)	3 154/(4 896)

24. Fair value of financial instruments measured at amortised cost – hierarchy

	Total carrying amount R000	Total fair value R000	Level 1 R000	Level 2 R000	Level 3 R000
Group and Company					
31 December 2021					
Assets					
Cash and short-term funds*	1 117 663	1 117 663	-	1 117 663	-
Negotiable securities*	3 935 984	3 935 984	-	3 935 984	-
Loans and advances	6 650 577	6 655 400	-	-	6 655 400
Other assets*	20 826	20 826	-	20 826	-
	11 725 050	11 729 873	-	5 074 473	6 655 400
Liabilities					
Deposits and funding instruments*	11 922 632	11 922 632	_	11 922 632	_
Trade and other payables*	31 771	31 771	_	31 771	_
Preference share dividends payable*	8 926	8 926	-	8 926	-
	11 963 329	11 963 329	-	11 963 329	-

^{*} For financial assets and financial liabilities that are liquid or have a short-term maturity (less than 12 months) it is assumed that the carrying amounts approximate their fair value.

	Total carrying amount R000	Total fair value R000	Level 1 R000	Level 2 R000	Level 3 R000
Group and Company					
31 December 2020					
Assets	022.526	022.526		022.526	
Cash and short-term funds*	923 536	923 536	-	923 536	-
Negotiable securities*	2 469 396	2 469 396	-	2 469 396	-
Loans and advances	5 951 392	5 966 049	-	-	5 966 049
Other assets*	75 332	75 332	-	75 332	-
	9 419 656	9 434 313	-	3 468 264	5 966 049
Liabilities					
Deposits and funding instruments*	9 965 473	9 965 473	_	9 965 473	_
Trade and other payables*	32 111	32 111	_	32 111	_
Preference share dividends payable*	8 890	8 890	-	8 890	-
	10 006 474	10 006 474	-	10 006 474	-

^{*} For financial assets and financial liabilities that are liquid or have a short-term maturity (less than 12 months) it is assumed that the carrying amounts approximate their fair value.

Supplementary information

The table below reflects information about the valuation techniques and significant unobservable and observable inputs used in measuring financial instruments categorised as Level 2 and Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy:

	Category	Valuation technique	Observable inputs
	Cash and short- term funds		Interest rates and yield curves
	Negotiable securities	Discounted cash flow	Interest rates and yield curves
Level 2	Other assets	Discounted cash flow	Interest rates and yield curves
	Trade and other payables	Discounted cash flow	Interest rates and yield curves
	Deposits and funding instruments	Discounted cash flow	Interest rates and yield curves

Lorel 2	Category	Valuation technique	Observable inputs	Unobservable inputs	Range for unobservable inputs
Level 3	Loans and advances	Discounted cash flow	Swap and prime curves	Credit spreads	2.77% – 6.56%

25. Financial instruments risk management: credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Group if a client or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Group's loans and advances to clients, other banks and investment debt securities.

Credit risk management

Sound credit risk management involves prudently managing the risk and reward relationship which takes into account controlling and minimising credit risks across a variety of dimensions, such as financial performance, quality of lending, concentration, maturity, monitoring and security. The board has delegated responsibility for the management of credit risk to the credit and large exposure committee (CLEC) who is responsible for the sustainability and health of the loan book by ensuring sound credit granting and for monitoring large exposures, associated exposures, sectoral exposure and any irregular or problem loans. Credit risk is monitored at an individual and at an aggregated group exposure level. The Group's target market typically includes SME businesses with a focused client-centric approach. New deal approval is subject to specified limits of authority which are aggregated at a client or total group exposure level, i.e. credit department (R10 million), credit exco (R80 million), credit and large exposure committee (R150 million) and the board (above R150 million). The CLEC monitors credit portfolios, risk procedures, policies and credit standards. The CLEC has also been assessing and reporting the impact of Covid-19 and the civil unrest on the credit portfolio. The Group has tasked management to be more diligent and commence early interventions with clients in arrears. This has shown benefits in managing arrear accounts. The credit risk unit manages post-implementation credit risk in line with the Group's credit policies and board risk appetite. In addition the Group established a dedicated loan recovery unit to manage Stage 2 and Stage 3 loans to maximise the recoveries from distressed loans.

Maximum exposure to credit risk

Maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting period is stated before taking into account any collateral or other credit enhancement and after taking into account impairments and netting where applicable. For financial assets recognised in the statement of financial position, the maximum exposure to credit risk equals the carrying amount. For financial commitments and guarantees, the maximum exposure to credit risk is the maximum amount the Group would have to pay to perform in terms of the contract.

Definitions

Past due

Exposures are considered past due when the facility has expired and not settled per the terms and conditions of the contractual agreement. Generally, exposures are graded per regulations and once they are considered past due, a Stage 3 impairment loss is recognised taking into account the collateral held.

The Group has limited historical quantitative data on credit defaults owing to the nature and size of loans and advances. Consequently, various elements of the ECL model incorporate the use of experience and professional judgement which are reviewed and approved by both the CLEC and risk and capital management committee.

Credit risk mitigation

The Group does not have material netting arrangements and it does not currently use credit derivatives to mitigate credit risk.

The Group values property assets on a periodical basis using a desktop approach and independent valuations are performed where appropriate or necessary in terms of the Group's valuation policy. The value of listed assets is tracked on an ongoing basis and unlisted investments and other security assets are valued periodically when significant reliance is placed on the security.

Counterparty risk

The risk that a counterparty to a transaction fails to perform in terms of the contract resulting in a potential cost to replace the cash flow or the risk that a counterparty fails to honour an undertaking for payment or delivery in terms of unsettled transactions.

The Group is extremely cautious when selecting counterparties to transactions and formal limits are established for counterparties.

The Group only enters into interest rate swaps with the major South African banks.

The Group has adopted the Basel III standardised approach for the measurement of its exposure to credit risk.

Concentration risk

The risk of an uneven distribution of loans and advances to individual borrowers, industries or sectors and geographical regions which could result in significant credit losses.

The Group monitors concentration risk on an ongoing basis and ensures adequate diversification of exposure at account and underlying security level. Sufficient regard is also given to section 73 (Concentration Risk) of the Banks Act.

26. Financial instruments risk management: liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

In the banking environment, liquidity risk may be defined as the risk of a bank not being able to repay its maturing deposits or meet its obligations under a loan agreement. Liquidity risk includes the risk of incurring excessively high interest costs or being forced to sell assets at a loss in order to meet obligations.

The Group has a prudent liquidity management policy and the balance sheet management committee (BSM) is responsible for monitoring the stability of funding, surplus cash or near cash assets, anticipated cash outflows, exposure to large depositors and exposure to related parties. Liquidity risk arises from mismatches in the timing and amounts of cash flows, which is inherent to the Group's operations and investments. The Group has been well-served by its prudent liquidity management policy, strong liquidity ratios, the stability of its deposit base and the quality of the advances book and intends to continue to adopt a conservative liquidity policy in the future. In addition, the Group maintains a healthy level of easily liquefiable assets to adequately manage short-term liquidity requirements.

	Note	<3 months R000	>3 months <6 months R000	>6 months <1 year R000	>1 year <5 years R000	>5 years R000	Non- contrac- tual R000	Total R000
Group and Company Contractual maturity								
analysis								
31 December 2021								
Assets (discounted								
maturity) Cash and short-term								
funds	1	344 279	_	771 691	_	1 893	(200)	1 117 663
Negotiable securities	2	918 047	1 232 230	1 473 758	217 114	95 844	(1009)	
Loans and advances*	3	2 211 179	160 766	828 982	3 973 320	1 604 895	(217 887)	8 561 255
Investment securities	4	_	_	_	_	_	9 118	9 118
Other assets	5	15 109	-	-	_	_	5 717	20 826
-		3 488 614	1 392 996	3 074 431	4 190 434	1 702 632	(204 261)	13 644 846
31 December 2021 Liabilities (undiscounted maturity)								
Deposits and funding								
instruments	8	9 592 432	1 116 108	627 342	739 347	9 847	-	12 085 076
Derivative instruments Trade and	9	_	_	1 072	20 889	2 316	_	24 277
other payables	10.2	31 771	_	_	_	_	_	31 771
Preference share	10.2	31111						51111
dividends payable	10.2	8 926	_	_	_	_	-	8 926
		9 633 129	1 116 108	628 414	760 236	12 163	_	12 150 050
Financial guarantees	35	434 724	-	-	-	-	-	434 724
Irrevocable unutilised facilities	35	232 141	-	_	_	_	_	232 141
		10 299 994	1 116 108	628 414	760 236	12 163		12 816 915

^{*} The contractual maturity analysis of loans and advances are based on the final contractual maturity of the exposure. In certain instances these loans and advances represent amortising exposures, however the Group adopted a conservative approach and reflected the cash flows on amortising exposures based on the final expected repayment date.

Financial instruments risk management: liquidity risk continued

	Note	<3 months R000	>3 months <6 months R000	>6 months <1 year R000	>1 year <5 years R000	>5 years R000	Non- contrac- tual R000	Total R000
Group and Company								
31 December 2020								
Assets (discounted maturity)								
Cash and short-term								
funds	1	923 682	-	-	_	-	(146)	923 536
Negotiable securities	2	1 063 120	1 010 878	195 787	15 340	185 233	(962)	2 469 396
Loans and advances*	3	2 634 941	143 267	672 847	3 036 411	1 847 593	(167 899)	8 167 160
Investment securities	4	-	-	-	-	-	9 198	9 198
Other assets	5	9 497	-	-	65 835	-	-	75 332
		4 631 240	1 154 145	868 634	3 117 586	2 032 826	(159 809)	11 644 622
31 December 2020								
Liabilities								
(undiscounted								
maturity)								
Deposits and funding								
instruments	8	8 041 568	863 372	631 621	549 568	-	-	10 086 129
Derivative instruments Trade and	9	_	_	_	28 565	44 481	_	73 046
other payables	10.2	27 366	-	-	2 141	2 604	-	32 111
Preference share								
dividends payable	10.2	8 890	-	-	-	_	-	8 890
		8 077 824	863 372	631 621	580 274	47 085	-	10 200 176
Financial guarantees Irrevocable unutilised	35	735 152	_	_	_	_	-	735 152
facilities	35	310 324					-	310 324
		9 123 300	863 372	631 621	580 274	47 085	-	11 245 652

^{*} The contractual maturity analysis of loans and advances are based on the final contractual maturity of the exposure. In certain instances these loans and advances represent amortising exposures, however the Group adopted a conservative approach and reflected the cash flows on amortising exposures based on the final expected repayment date.

27. Financial instruments risk management: interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that fluctuating interest rates will unfavourably affect an institution's earnings and the value of its assets, liabilities and capital. The risk is due to assets and liabilities repricing at different times, or against different base rates. The amount at risk is a function of the magnitude and direction of interest rate changes.

Traditional repricing gap analysis is used to measure interest rate exposure. The Group has a conservative policy on interest rate risk arising from repricing differentials and the duration of this exposure is limited to three months for material aggregated positions or hedged using derivative instruments. The static interest rate gap report is reviewed monthly by the BSM committee and the model assumes each asset class will reprice in full in the relevant repricing timeband.

Interest rate repricing gap	<3 months R000	>3 months <6 months R000	>6 months <1 year R000	>1 year <5 years R000	>5 years R000	Non-rate sensitive R000	Total R000
Group and Company							
31 December 2021							
Assets	9 711 083	1 232 231	1 540 011	756 005	302 358	190 266	13 731 954
Equity and liabilities	(11 335 365)	(333 650)	(298 896)	(239 720)	-	(1 524 323)	(13 731 954)
Interest rate hedging							
activities	663 270	-	(66 254)	(403 781)	(193 235)	-	-
Repricing profile	(961 012)	898 581	1 174 861	112 504	109 123	(1 334 057)	-
Cumulative repricing profile	(961 012)	(62 431)	1 112 430	1 224 934	1 334 057	-	-
Expressed as a percentage	/7 co/)	(0.50()	0.10/	0.00/	0.70/		
of total assets (%)	(7.0%)	(0.5%)	8.1%	8.9%	9.7%		
31 December 2020							
Assets	9 203 014	1 010 879	215 809	312 415	769 101	207 958	11 719 176
Equity and liabilities	(9 574 364)	(152 658)	(289 175)	(234 276)	_	(1 468 703)	(11 719 176)
Interest rate hedging							
activities	801 769	-	_	(229 198)	(572 571)	_	_
Repricing profile	430 419	858 221	(73 366)	(151 059)	196 530	(1 260 745)	_
Cumulative repricing profile	430 419	1 288 640	1 215 274	1 064 215	1 260 745	-	-
Expressed as a percentage							
of total assets (%)	3.7%	11.0%	10.4%	9.1%	10.8%		

Interest income sensitivity	<3 months R000	>3 months <6 months R000		Cumulative impact on net interest income R000
Group and Company				
31 December 2021				
2% interest rate increase	(4 866)	(5 677)	(11 355)	(21 898)
2% interest rate decrease	4 866	5 677	11 355	21 898
31 December 2020				
2% interest rate increase	3 231	1768	3 535	8 534
2% interest rate decrease	(3 231)	(1768)	(3 535)	(8 534)

Interest rate sensitivity is based on the static repricing profile of assets and liabilities at the reporting date and determined by applying market-related interest rates and a parallel interest rate shock.

Equity impact is net of tax and amounts to (R15.77 million) (2020: R6.14 million) on a 2% interest rate increase and R15.77 million (2020: (R6.14 million)) on a 2% interest rate decrease.

27. Financial instruments risk management: interest rate risk continued Hedging

Hedging is a technique used to reduce risk by simultaneously entering into a transaction to be hedged and a transaction with equivalent characteristics in terms of size, duration and interest rate but with an opposite financial effect.

All individual fixed rate transactions are required to be hedged, either within the loan book or synthetically with derivative instruments, whenever a 1% parallel shift in the yield curve could result in a loss exceeding the amounts specified in the policy matrix.

28. Financial instruments risk management: market risk

This is the risk that the market price of an asset may change, resulting in a loss on realisation of that asset.

The Group does not have any regulatory market risk as a result of trading activities. Where marketable securities are held as investments, the market prices are monitored and reports are tabled at BSM meetings.

29. Financial instruments risk management: investment risk

This is the risk that investment values may fluctuate due to changes in market prices or investment-specific factors (e.g. global influences, business cycle, industry, management or reputational issues).

Where the business is exposed to investment risk, reports are tabled at BSM meetings.

30. Financial instruments risk management: equity investment risk

Equity price risk is the risk that arises from security price volatility – the risk of a decline in the value of a security or a portfolio.

Listed investments are recognised on a settlement date basis and are initially measured at fair value and are remeasured to fair value through profit or loss using market closing prices.

Unlisted investments are recognised on a settlement date basis and are initially measured at fair value and are remeasured to fair value through profit or loss using either listed proxy entity share prices (adjusted for liquidity, marketability and operational scale) or a discounted cash flow model taking into account future maintainable earnings.

All unrealised gains/(losses) are recognised in profit or loss.

Sensitivity analysis	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Group and Company		
10% increase in equity prices	91	92
10% decrease in equity prices	(91)	(92)

Equity impact is net of tax and amounts to R0.71 million (2020: R0.71 million) on a 10% increase in equity prices and (R0.71 million) (2020: (R0.71 million)) on a 10% decrease in equity prices.

31. Financial instruments risk management: currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will have an impact on profitability due to a mismatch between foreign receivables and foreign payables. The Group does not have any foreign receivables or payables at either reporting date.

32. Financial instruments risk management: solvency/capital adequacy risk

Solvency risk is the risk that a bank will not have adequate capital and reserve funds to absorb losses, resulting in depositors having to absorb these losses which could result in depositors losing confidence in the Group.

Capital management

The Group manages its capital base to ensure an appropriate balance between maintaining adequate capital levels while still supporting business growth, maintaining depositor confidence and ensuring sustainable returns to stakeholders.

The Group's capital management policy objectives are to ensure the Group is adequately capitalised to support its risk profile and the development of robust risk management techniques and internal controls to manage and monitor the risks of the Group.

Key objectives include:

- » Sufficiency of capital to meet regulatory requirements as set by the PA;
- » Adequacy of capital to meet the economic capital requirements of the Group;
- » Optimisation of returns on regulatory capital, thereby ensuring market-related returns to investors on a sustainable basis;
- » Ability to generate capital to support and maintain business growth; and
- » Ability to withstand potential macro and/or micro stress events through the maintenance of an adequate capital buffer.

Regulatory capital

In terms of the requirements of the Banks Act, the Group has complied with the minimum capital requirements for the current reporting period.

The Group's regulatory capital is split into two tiers:

- » Tier 1 capital is split into common equity Tier 1 capital and additional Tier 1 capital, which includes ordinary share capital, share premium, appropriated retained earnings and qualifying preference share capital; and
- » Tier 2 capital includes qualifying Stage 1 and 2 impairments.

The minimum capital requirements are defined by two ratios as follows:

- » Tier 1 capital as a percentage of risk-weighted assets; and
- » Total qualifying capital as a percentage of risk-weighted assets.

	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	%	%	%	%
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited
Common equity Tier 1 capital	12.508	11.653	12.508	11.653
Additional Tier 1 capital	2.777	2.670	2.777	2.670
Total Tier 1 capital Tier 2 capital	15.285	14.323	15.285	14.323
	0.384	0.336	0.384	0.336
Total capital	15.669	14.659	15.669	14.659
Stakeholder capital adequacy ratio minimum requirements Regulator:				
– Notional common equity Tier 1	7.000	7.000	7.000	7.000
Notional total Tier 1Total capital	8.500	8.500	8.500	8.500
	10.500	10.500	10.500	10.500

32. Financial instruments risk management: solvency/capital adequacy risk *continued*Retained earnings appropriation

The Group appropriates a component of earnings retained after dividend distributions, as required, to ensure minimum required capital levels are maintained.

Dividend policy

The Group has a dividend policy of three times cover (33.33%) subject to the Companies Act requirements with regards to adhering to the solvency and liquidity tests. Dividends will only be distributed where moderate stress forecasting indicates no capital shortfall or where unappropriated reserves adequately cover dividends and any capital appropriation required to maintain capital levels.

33. Financial instruments risk management: operational risk

Operational risk is the risk that internal practices, policies and systems are not rigorous or sophisticated enough to cope with adverse market conditions or human or technological errors, including:

- » Error, negligence or fraud;
- » Failure to correctly measure or report risk;
- » Lack of controls to prevent unauthorised or inappropriate transactions being made; and
- » Lack of understanding by key employees.

It is the responsibility of management and ultimately the risk and capital management committee to assess operational procedures and controls and to ensure the adequacy thereof. Management is assisted by internal audit in this regard.

The Group has adopted the Basel III basic indicator approach for the measurement of operational risk.

34. Incentive schemes

At 31 December 2021, the Group had the following short-term incentive scheme (refer note 10.1) and share-based payment arrangements (refer note 10.2):

Risk, internal audit and compliance employees do not have specific incentive schemes linked to the performance of the business. However, they do share in the general short-term incentive pool should there be one, and they may be granted share options.

Short-term incentives (refer to note 10.1)

Short-term incentives are based on the achievement of agreed individual key performance indicators with employees, subject to the satisfactory performance of the Group and approval by the human capital and remuneration committee. Short-term incentives for executives and other key employees are based on the achievement of agreed individual key performance indicators and the achievement of the Group's business scorecard objectives based on final audited results, subject to approval by the board of directors taking into account other qualitative factors. Short-term incentives for executives are capped at 100% of total cost of employment.

Share-based payment arrangements

The share option schemes have a deferral mechanism as a result of the vesting periods and are forfeited on resignation or dismissal from the Group. At this stage no clawbacks or long-term performance measures exist.

Grindrod Financial Services Group cash-settled share-based incentive schemes (refer to note 10.2)

The Group has offered share appreciation rights (SARs) linked to the growth in the consolidated value of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited. In terms of the plan, participants are allocated notional shares at an approved allocation price vesting in equal tranches after three, four and five years. The Group is required to pay a share appreciation bonus to each participant on each vesting date equal to the difference between the lower of the fair market and the capped value and the allocation price of the shares.

The fair market value of the shares is determined using the greater of:

- » The consolidated net asset value of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited; or
- » Approximately seven times the consolidated sustainable after tax profits of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited for the latest reporting period in respect of which audited financial results have been prepared.

The capped value of the shares is 10% of the profit for the year of Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited, for the latest reporting period in respect of which audited financial results have been prepared, taking into account shares in issue and notional shares in respect of dividends that have been capitalised into the entities.

An employee's right to participate in the scheme terminates upon leaving the employment of the Group. Vesting may, in exceptional circumstances and subject to the approval of the human capital and remuneration committee, occur earlier than the five-year vesting period.

The Group has recognised liabilities of R4.25 million (2020: R2.70 million). Refer to note 10.2.

The Group has recognised expenses of R2.36 million (2020: R1.15 million). Refer to note 10.2.

The details of the SARs are as follows:

Date granted	Number of SARs	Issue price* R	Cancella- tions	Settle- ments	Restated	Vested	Net total**
2017	1 109 000	14.33	(351 623)	(226 000)	111 997	(476 821)	166 553
2018	1 194 000	15.20	(342 498)	(215 000)	132 476	(326 412)	442 566
2019	1 641 000	16.54	(507 777)	(295 000)	200 078	(138 204)	900 097
2020	2 262 000	15.01	(359 000)	_	_	_	1 903 000
2021	1 890 000	15.51	-	-	-	-	1 890 000
	8 096 000		(1 560 898)	(736 000)	444 551	(941 437)	5 302 216

^{*} The price reflects the market price on the dates of the awards.

The vesting price for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 awards that vested during 2021 was R15.57. The 2019, 2020 and 2021 awards did not vest during the year.

The final vesting date for the 2021 options is April 2026.

Included in the net total SARs in issue is 1 152 217 made to DA Polkinghorne (chief executive officer) and 484 000 made to RS Garach (chief financial officer).

Details of SARs outstanding during the year:

	Group		Com	pany
	31 December 2021 Number of SARs	31 December 2020 Number of SARs	31 December 2021 Number of SARs	31 December 2020 Number of SARs
Outstanding at 1 January	4 138 779	4 787 000	4 138 779	4 787 000
Granted during the year	1 890 000	2 262 000	1 890 000	2 262 000
Settled/Cancelled during the year	(726 563)	(3 593 480)	(726 563)	(3 593 480)
Restated during the year	-	683 259	-	683 259
Outstanding at 31 December	5 302 216	4 138 779	5 302 216	4 138 779

In addition to the above share option scheme, DA Polkinghorne is also a beneficiary of the Grindrod Limited share-price linked scheme. The details of the scheme is as follows:

The options issued by Grindrod Limited requires it to pay the intrinsic value of the SARs at the date of exercise.

The fair values were calculated using a stochastic model based on the standard binomial options pricing model.

This model has been modified to take into account early exercise opportunities and expected employee exercise behaviour.

Refer to Grindrod Limited financial statements, as published on their website at www.grindrod.co.za, for full disclosure.

^{**} At 31 December 2021, the fair value of these SARs was R3.84 million.

34. Incentive schemes continued

Grindrod Financial Services Group cash-settled share-based incentive schemes (refer to note 10.2) continued

The details of the SARs are as follows:

Date granted	Number of SARs	Issue price* R	Vested	Net total**
2016	152 063	5.09	(152 063)	-
2017	287 230	7.65	(143 614)	143 616
2018	351 193	7.40	(117 064)	234 129
2019	385 000	8.13	-	385 000
2020	406 800	3.67	-	406 800
2021	213 000	5.10	-	213 000
	1 795 286		(412 741)	1 382 545

^{*} The price reflects the market price on the dates of the awards.

The vesting price for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 awards that vested during 2021 was R5.51, R5.15 and R5.20 respectively. The 2019, 2020 and 2021 awards did not vest during the year.

The final vesting date for the 2021 options is August 2026.

Details of options outstanding during the year:

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 Number of SARs	31 December 2020 Number of SARs	31 December 2021 Number of SARs	31 December 2020 Number of SARs
Outstanding at 1 January	1 582 286	1 538 867	1 582 286	1 538 867
Granted during the year	213 000	406 800	213 000	406 800
Settled/Cancelled during the year	(412 741)	(363 381)	(412 741)	(363 381)
Restated during the year	-	_	-	_
Outstanding at 31 December	1 382 545	1 582 286	1 382 545	1 582 286

Grindrod Limited forfeitable share plan (FSP) (refer to note 10.2)

In terms of the Grindrod Limited FSP, the participants are entitled to receive dividends and to vote in respect of the shares awarded. However, the forfeitable shares cannot be disposed of or otherwise encumbered and they are also subject to a risk of forfeiture until the delivery date. The shares vest in equal tranches after three, four and five years. For the delivery conditions to be met, the participants are required to remain employed by the Group until the vesting date. There are no performance criteria in the vesting conditions. Employees terminating employment due to resignation or dismissal on grounds of misconduct, proven poor performance or dishonest or fraudulent conduct will forfeit all unvested awards. There were no share issues in either the current or prior reporting periods.

The fair value of the equity settled shares subject to non-market conditions is the average share price at grant date.

The Group has recognised liabilities of R0.51 million (2020: R1.07 million). Refer to note 10.2.

^{**} At 31 December 2021, the fair value of these SARs was R0.41 million.

The Group has not recognised expenses in the current or prior reporting periods. Refer to note 10.2.

Date granted	Number of options granted	Price* R	Number of forfeitable shares vested	Number of forfeitable shares forfeited	Total forfeitable shares**
2016	111 151	9.61	(111 151)	-	_
2017	651 697	13.87	(319 814)	(253 438)	78 445
	762 848		(430 965)	(253 438)	78 445

^{*} The price reflects the market price on the dates of the awards.

The vesting price for the 2016 and 2017 awards that vested during 2021 was R5.23 and R4.73 respectively.

The final vesting date for the 2017 options is June 2022.

Details of options outstanding during the year:

	Group		Com	pany
	31 December 2021 Number of options	31 December 2020 Number of options	31 December 2021 Number of options	31 December 2020 Number of options
Outstanding at 1 January	193 941	659 411	193 941	659 411
Vested during the year	(115 496)	(338 751)	(115 496)	(338 751)
Forfeited during the year	-	(126 719)	-	(126 719)
Outstanding at 31 December	78 445	193 941	78 445	193 941

35. Commitments and financial guarantees

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Financial guarantees Financial guarantees are provided where lending facilities have been approved and all the terms and conditions of the loan have been met.	434 724	735 152	434 724	735 152
Irrevocable unutilised facilities Irrevocable unutilised facilities are approved lending facilities which cannot be unconditionally withdrawn, prior to facility expiry, by the Bank.	232 141	310 324	232 141	310 324
Maximum exposure to credit risk*	341 056	582 375	341 056	582 375

^{*} Excludes cash-backed guarantees.

^{**} At 31 December 2021, the fair value of these options were R0.51 million.

36. Retirement benefit information

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Defined contribution plan expense	17 720	15 130	17 720	15 130

The Group contributes to the Galaxy Umbrella Provident Fund, administered by GQM Fund Administrators Proprietary Limited, a defined contribution plan. Alexander Forbes Financial Services Proprietary Limited is responsible for the administrative functions of the fund. The fund is registered under and governed by the Pension Funds Act, 1956.

At 31 December 2021, 182 employees (2020: 183 employees) of the Group were members of the Galaxy Umbrella Provident Fund.

37. Analysis of the Group's interests in unconsolidated structured entities

The Group currently holds preference shares in various entities as a result of financing activities. Some of these financed entities have defined investment-related activities including holding shares in either listed or unlisted entities. The Group does not have any voting rights in these entities in the absence of a default event. In accordance with IFRS 10, an assessment of the facts, circumstances, significant judgements and assumptions has been performed to ensure that there is no control over these entities.

The table below summarises the carrying amounts, interest revenue, impairment losses and fair value adjustments recognised in the statement of financial position and statement of comprehensive income of the Group's interest in unconsolidated structured entities:

	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
Statement of financial position		
Loans and advances – at FVTPL	642 767	586 828
Loans and advances – at amortised cost	457 628	164 198
Statement of comprehensive income		
Loans at amortised cost – Interest revenue	24 857	16 580
Loans held at FVTPL – Fair value adjustments	26 800	27 832
Loans held at FVTPL – Interest income	44 837	45 530
Impairment losses on loans and advances	(18 015)	(5 154)

The primary risk to which the Group is exposed to is default risk. The Group has security in the form of limited guarantees in certain instances.

38. Related parties

The Group conducts business with various related parties.

Grindrod Group companies

- » Entities in the Grindrod Limited Group, other than all entities held directly or indirectly by the Bank holding company, Grindrod Financial Holdings Limited;
- » The grouping includes subsidiaries within the Grindrod Limited Group that invest in property and private equity:
 - Grindrod Property Private Equity Proprietary Limited; and
 - GFS Holdings Proprietary Limited (GFS).

Grindrod Group investee companies/entities

These entities form part of GFS's portfolio of equity investments. These investees are managed and operated by third-party clients of the Group, but are classified as associate companies in accordance with IFRS due to the Grindrod Limited Group holding between 20% and 50% of the shares in the entities thereby having significant influence over these companies. The GFS investments are passive.

Directors and key management personnel (directly and indirectly)

Includes close family members and any entity controlled or jointly controlled by directors or key management personnel, split between:

- » Grindrod Limited; and
- » Grindrod Bank.

Advances to and deposits from the above groups of related parties are all on normal business terms and at market-related interest rates.

Summary of related party transactions

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
3. Loans and advances				
Related party loans and advances: Grindrod Group companies Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	554 324 821 259	693 401 1 225 499	554 324 821 259	693 401 1 225 499
Directors and key management personnel (directly and indirectly) Grindrod Bank	7 025	39 461	7 025	39 461
	1 382 608	1 958 361	1 382 608	1 958 361
5. Other assets				
Included in other assets are amounts due from related parties, including overhead recoveries:				
Grindrod Group companies	1 519	57 196	1 519	57 196
Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	97	909	97	909
	1 616	58 105	1 616	58 105

38. Related parties *continued*

Related parties continued	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
8. Deposits and funding instruments				
Related party deposits from:				
Grindrod Group companies	15 167	20 881	15 167	20 881
Grindrod Bank subsidiaries Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	72 1 549	72 6 310	72 1 549	72 6 310
Deposits from directors and key management	20.0	0 0 2 0	-0.0	0 020
personnel (directly and indirectly) Grindrod Group (excluding Grindrod Bank)	137 648	152 226	137 648	152 226
Grindrod Bank	107 322	70 679	107 322	70 679
	261 758	250 168	261 758	250 168
14. Interest and similar income				
Interest and similar income earned from				
related parties: Grindrod Group companies	39 217	65 525	39 217	65 525
Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	84 538	101 533	84 538	101 533
Interest and similar income earned from directors				
and key management personnel of:				
Grindrod Bank	4 028	3 316	4 028	3 316
	127 783	170 374	127 783	170 374
15. Interest and similar expense				
Interest and similar expenses paid to related parties:				
Grindrod Group companies	890	2 062	890	2 062
Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	121	495	121	495
Interest and similar expenses paid to directors and key management personnel of:				
Grindrod Group (excluding Grindrod Bank)	5 536	4 703	5 536	4 703
Grindrod Bank	4 324	5 296	4 324	5 296
	10 871	12 556	10 871	12 556
16.1 Fee income				
Fee income earned from related parties:				
Grindrod Group companies Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	4 398 11 955	2 885 1 026	4 398 11 955	2 885 1 026
Fee income earned from directors and				
key management personnel of: Grindrod Group (excluding Grindrod Bank)	136	_	136	_
Grindrod Bank	-	815	-	815
	16 489	4 726	16 489	4 726

	Group		Company	
	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000	31 December 2021 R000	31 December 2020 R000
18. Operating expenses				
Operating expenses paid to related parties: Grindrod Group companies	7 139	6 774	7 139	6 774
Operating expenses paid to directors and key management personnel of:				
Grindrod Bank*	69	1 049	69	1 049
	7 208	7 823	7 208	7 823
 Paid R69 050 (2020: R11 750) to SAPOA, of which Z Malinga is a non-executive director. Paid Rnil (2020: R100 000) to Travisiri Enterprises Proprietary Limited, of which TD Soondarjee is a director. Paid Rnil (2020: R134 550) to Uyandiswa Project Management Services, of which ASP Dambuza is a director. 35. Commitments and financial guarantees 				
Guarantees held by related parties subject to				
credit risk: Grindrod Group companies Grindrod Group investee companies/entities	11 974 30 812	11 974 902	11 974 30 812	11 974 902
Directors and key management personnel				
(directly and indirectly) Grindrod Bank Grindrod Group (excluding Grindrod Bank)	14 865 19 742	95 382 4 300	14 865 19 742	95 382 4 300
	77 393	112 558	77 393	112 558

39. Events after reporting date

The directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance arising since the reporting period date that has a material impact on the financial statements.

CORPORATE DETAILS

Country of incorporation:South AfricaIndependent non-executive chairman:TD SoondarjeeLead independent non-executive director:ZN Malinga

Executive directors: DA Polkinghorne (chief executive officer)

RS Garach (chief financial officer)

Independent non-executive directors: S Barrett

ZN Malinga R Ramcharan GG Christopulo CR Howell RM Maleka

Non-executive directors:MP GrindrodCompany secretary:PW BesterDebt officer:YJ Zimbler

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