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Independent auditors' report

To the Head Office of Barclays Bank PLC - Dubai Branch

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

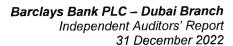
Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Barclays Bank PLC – Dubai Branch ("the Branch"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in Head Office account and reserves and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Branch as at 31 December 2022, its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Standards).

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 *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Branch in accordance with International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Branch financial statements in the United Arab Emirates, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.





Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Branch's financial statements in accordance with IFRS Standards and their preparation in compliance with the applicable provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. 32 of 2021, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of Branch's financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Branch's financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Branch's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Branch or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with Governance are responsible for overseeing the Branch's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

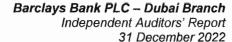
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Branch's financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

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 financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism 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 control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control 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 Branch's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's 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 auditors' 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 auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Branch to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including
 the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and
 events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.





Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

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

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Further, as required by Article (114) of the Decretal Federal Law No. (14) of 2018 (as amended), we report that we have obtained all the information and explanations we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit.

KPMG Lower Gulf Limited

Fawzi AbuRass Registration No.: 968

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Date: 2 4 MAR 2023

Statement of financial position

	_	As at 31 December		
	Note	2022	2021	
		AED'000	AED'000	
Assets	_	4.004.000		
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank	4	1,286,378	1,212,533	
Due from other banks	5	2,958,365	2,514,950	
Due from Head Office and other branches	6	66,994	48,499	
Loans and advances	7	964,192	1,234,817	
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	8	1,137,607	1,797,492	
Other assets	9	5,499	5,992	
Property and equipment	10	3,399	6,625	
Deferred tax assets	11	7,361	17,430	
Total assets	_	6,429,795	6,838,338	
Liabilities, Head Office account and reserves Liabilities Due to customers Due to Head Office and other branches Other liabilities Total liabilities	12 13 14	2,277,461 1,774,472 54,037 4,105,970	3,386,304 1,201,749 41,429 4,629,482	
Head Office account and reserves Allocated capital	15	2,540,214	2,540,214	
Legal reserve	16(a)	155,555	144,842	
General reserve	16(b)	27,169	30,817	
Revaluation reserve	10(0)	8,215	373	
Accumulated losses		(407,328)	(507,390)	
Total Head Office account and reserves	-	2,323,825	2,208,856	
Total liabilities, Head Office account and reserves	-	6,429,795	6,838,338	
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These financial statements have been approved on 24 March 2023 and signed by:

Ramkumar Balasubramaniam Chief Financial Officer

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The independent auditor's report is set out on pages 1-3.

The notes from 1 to 27 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

		Year ended 3	1 December
	Note	2022	2021
		AED'000	AED'000
Interest income	19	134,658	52,174
Interest expense	20	(48,113)	(6,117)
Net interest income		86,545	46,057
Fee and commission income	21	29,849	30,815
Net foreign exchange income		8,245	5,968
Operating income		124,639	82,840
Operating expenses	22	(87,734)	(79,786)
Impairment release on financial instruments	3.2.3	78,331	33,972
Profit before taxation		115,236	37,026
Income tax expense	23	(8,109)	(8,168)
Profit for the year		107,127	28,858
Other comprehensive income			
Net changes in investments measured at fair value	8 (b)	9,803	373
Income tax relating to fair value profit on Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	23	(1,961)	-
Total comprehensive Income for the year		114,969	29,231

Statement of changes in Head Office account and reserves

	Note	Allocated capital AED'000	Legal reserve AED'000	General reserve AED'000	Revaluation reserve AED'000	Accumulat ed losses AED'000	Total AED'000
At 1 January 2021		2,540,214	141,956	19,297	-	(521,842)	2,179,625
Total comprehensive income for the year							
Profit for the year and total comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	28,858	28,858
Fair value gain on Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	8 (b)	-	-	-	373	-	373
Other equity movement							
Transfer to legal reserve	16(a)	-	2,886	-	-	(2,886)	-
Transfer to general reserve	16(b)			11,520		(11,520)	
Total movement	•	-	2,886	11,520	373	14,452	29,231
At 31 December 2021	•	2,540,214	144,842	30,817	373	(507,390)	2,208,856
At 1 January 2022		2,540,214	144,842	30,817	373	(507,390)	2,208,856
Total comprehensive income for the year							
Profit for the year and total comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	107,127	107,127
Fair value gain on Investments measured at fair value	8 (b)	-	-	-	9,803	-	9,803
Other equity movement							
Transfer to legal reserve	16(a)	-	10,713	-	-	(10,713)	-
Transfer from general reserve	16(b)	-	-	(3,648)	-	3,648	-
Tax release on fair value gain on Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)		-	-		(1,961)		(1,961)
Total movement	_		10,713	(3,648)	7,842	100,062	114,969
At 31 December 2022	- -	2,540,214	155,555	27,169	8,215	(407,328)	2,323,825
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Statement of cash flows

tutement of cash nows		Year ended 31	December
	Note	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Operating activities			
Profit for the year before taxation		115,236	37,026
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	10	3,226	3,226
Interest expense on finance lease	24	18	34
End of service benefits charge for the year	14(a)	191	179
Net impairment release on financial instruments	3.2.3	(78,027)	(32,971)
Operating cash flows before end of service		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
benefits and tax paid and changes in assets and liabilities		40,644	7,494
End of service benefits paid	14(a)	(357)	(250)
Income tax paid during the year	· /	-	(7,345)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Balances with the UAE Central Bank excluding		32,334	3,119,981
amounts considered as cash and cash equivalents	4,25	32,331	3,117,701
Due from other banks excluding amounts considered as cash and cash equivalents	5,25	(444,137)	(754,741)
Due from Head Office and other branches excluding		(107	16 416
amounts considered as cash and cash equivalents	6,25	6,407	16,416
Loans and advances	7	354,241	(303,515)
Other assets	9	493	(3,425)
Due to other banks	9	793	(5,132)
Due to customers	12	(1,108,843)	544,728
Due to Head Office and other branches	13	572,723	188,801
Other liabilities	13	9,876	(3,936)
Net cash (used in) / from operating activities	14 <u> </u>	(536,619)	2,799,076
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Investing activities Sale/ (Purchase) of investments	8	669,688	(1,797,119)
Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	_	669,688	(1,797,119)
the case is only (asserting acceptance)			(1,171,1117)
Financing activities			
Payment of lease liabilities	24(iii)	(464)	(459)
Net cash used in financing activities		(464)	(459)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		132,605	1,001,498
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		1,103,588	102,090
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	25	1,236,193	1,103,588
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Notes to the financial statements

1 Establishment and operations

Barclays Bank PLC (the "Head Office") is a public limited company incorporated in the United Kingdom and the address of its registered office is 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP. The principal activity of Barclays Bank PLC in the United Arab Emirates ("UAE") is wholesale banking which it carried out from its Branch in Dubai (the "Bank" or "the Branch"). The registered address of the Dubai Branch is Office No.109, Level 1, The Offices 3, One Central, Dubai World Trade Centre, Dubai, UAE.

2 Significant accounting policies

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with and comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), interpretations issued by International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) and the applicable requirements of laws of the United Arab Emirates. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention except for derivative financial instruments measured at fair value and Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 2(u).

(b) Financial assets and liabilities

Recognition and initial measurement

The Bank initially recognises loans and advances, and deposits on the date on which they are originated. All other financial instruments (including regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets) are recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Bank 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 the Statement of Profit or Loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

Classification

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost, Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) or FVTPL. A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at 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 gives rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(b) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Classification (continued)

A debt instrument is measured at FVOCI only if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- The asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset gives rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Bank may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

All other financial assets are classified as FVTPL.

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

Business model assessment

The Bank 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, realising cash flows through the sale of the assets and holding it for liquidity purposes;
- The risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Bank's management;
- 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;
- 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 Bank's stated objective for managing the financial assets is achieved and how cash flows are realised.

Financial assets that are held for trading or managed 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.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (b) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Classification (continued)

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

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).

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Bank 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 Bank considers:

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

Reclassification

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, except in the period after the Bank changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Financial liabilities

The Bank classifies its financial liabilities, other than financial guarantees and loan commitments, as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL.

Derecognition

Financial assets

The Bank 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 Bank 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 sum of (i) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) and (ii) any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in OCI is recognised in profit or loss. Any cumulative gain/loss recognised in OCI in respect of equity investment securities designated as at FVOCI is not recognised in profit or loss on derecognition of such securities.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (b) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished – that is, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

(c) Impairment of financial assets

The Bank applies a three-stage approach to measuring expected credit losses (ECL) on financial assets carried at amortised cost and debt instruments classified as FVOCI. Assets migrate through the following three stages based on the change in credit quality since initial recognition.

Stage 1 – the recognition of 12 month expected credit losses (ECL), that is the portion of lifetime expected credit losses from default events that are expected within 12 months of the reporting date, if credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition;

Stage 2 – lifetime expected credit losses for financial instruments for which credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition; and

Stage 3 – lifetime expected credit losses for financial instruments which are credit impaired.

Refer to note 3 for further details regarding the impairment requirements.

Accounting for the impairment of financial assets

The Bank recognises expected credit losses (ECLs) based on unbiased forward-looking information for all financial assets at amortised cost, lease receivables, debt financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts. Intercompany exposures, including loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, are also in scope of IFRS 9 for ECL purposes. The ECL for intercompany exposures is immaterial.

At the reporting date, an allowance (or provision for loan commitments and financial guarantees) is required for the 12 month ECLs. If the credit risk has significantly increased since initial recognition (Stage 2), or if the financial instrument is credit impaired (Stage 3), an allowance (or provision) should be recognised for the lifetime ECLs.

The measurement of ECL is calculated using three main components: (i) probability of default (PD) (ii) loss given default (LGD) and (iii) the exposure at default (EAD).

The 12 month ECL is calculated by multiplying the 12 month PD, LGD and the EAD. The 12 month and lifetime PDs represent the PD occurring over the next 12 months and the remaining maturity of the instrument respectively.

The EAD represents the expected balance at default, taking into account the repayment of principal and interest from the balance sheet date to the default event together with any expected drawdowns of committed facilities. The LGD represents expected losses on the EAD given the event of default, taking into account, among other attributes, the mitigating effect of collateral value at the time it is expected to be realised and the time value of money.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Accounting for the impairment of financial assets (continued)

Determining a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition:

The Bank assesses when a significant increase in credit risk has occurred based on quantitative and qualitative assessments. The credit risk of an exposure is considered to have significantly increased when:

i) Quantitative test

The annualised lifetime PD has increased by more than an agreed threshold relative to the equivalent at origination.

PD deterioration thresholds are defined as percentage increases, and are set at an origination score band and segment level to ensure the test appropriately captures significant increases in credit risk at all risk levels. Generally, thresholds are inversely correlated to the origination PD, i.e. as the origination PD increases, the threshold value reduces.

The assessment of the point at which a PD increase is deemed 'significant', is based upon analysis of the portfolios' risk profile against a common set of principles and performance metrics (consistent across both retail and wholesale businesses), incorporating expert credit judgement where appropriate.

For existing/historical exposures where origination point scores/data are no longer available or do not represent a comparable estimate of lifetime PD, a proxy origination score is defined, based upon:

- Back-population of the approved lifetime PD score either to origination date or, where this is not feasible, as far back as possible, (subject to a data start point no later than 1 January 2015); or
- Use of available historic account performance data and other customer information, to derive a comparable 'proxy' estimation of origination PD.

ii) Qualitative test

Accounts meet the portfolio's 'high risk' criteria and are subject to closer credit monitoring.

High risk customers may not be in arrears but either through an event or an observed behavior exhibit credit distress. The definition and assessment of high risk includes as wide a range of information as reasonably available, including industry and Group wide customer level data wherever possible or relevant.

Whilst the high risk populations applied for IFRS 9 impairment purposes are aligned with risk management processes, they are also regularly reviewed and validated to ensure that they capture any incremental segments where there is evidence of credit deterioration.

iii) Backstop criteria

Accounts that are 30 calendar days or more past due. The 30 days past due criteria is a backstop rather than a primary driver of moving exposures into Stage 2.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (c) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Accounting for the impairment of financial assets (continued)

iii) Backstop Criteria (continued)

Exposures will move back to Stage 1 once they no longer meet the criteria for a significant increase in credit risk. This means that, at minimum: all payments must be up-to-date, the PD deterioration test is no longer met, the account is no longer classified as high risk, and the customer has evidenced an ability to maintain future payments. The Bank monitor such financial instruments for a minimum probationary period of 12 months to confirm if the risk of default has decreased sufficiently before upgrading such exposure from Stage 2 to Stage 1

The Bank does not rely on the low credit risk exemption which would assume facilities of investment grade are not significantly deteriorated.

Management overlays and other exceptions to model outputs are applied only if consistent with the objective of identifying significant increases in credit risk.

Forward-looking information

The measurement of ECL involves complexity and judgement, including estimation of PDs, LGD, a range of unbiased future economic scenarios, estimation of expected lives (where contractual life is not appropriate), and estimation of EAD and assessing significant increases in credit risk.

Credit losses are the expected cash shortfalls from what is contractually due over the expected life of the financial instrument, discounted at the original effective interest rate (EIR). ECLs are the unbiased probability-weighted credit losses determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes and considering future economic conditions. When there is a non-linear relationship between forward-looking economic scenarios and their associated credit losses, five forward-looking economic scenarios are considered to ensure a sufficient unbiased representative sample of the complete distribution is included in determining the expected loss. Stress testing methodologies are leveraged within forecasting economic scenarios.

The Bank utilises an external consensus forecast as the baseline scenario. In addition, two adverse and two favourable scenarios are derived, with associated probability weightings. The adverse scenarios are calibrated to a similar severity to internal stress tests, whilst also incorporating IFRS 9 specific sensitivities and nonlinearity. The most adverse scenarios are benchmarked to the Bank of England's annual cyclical scenarios and to the most severe scenarios from Moody's inventory, but are not designed to be the same. The favourable scenarios are calibrated to be symmetric to the adverse scenarios, subject to a ceiling calibrated to relevant recent favourable benchmark scenarios. The scenarios include six core variables, (GDP, unemployment and House Price Index in both the UK & US markets), and expanded variables which include emerging market indicators, using statistical models based on historical correlations. The Head Office considers these macroeconomic forecasts as reasonable proxy of the economic environment of the Branch.

The probability weights of the scenarios are estimated such that the baseline (reflecting current consensus outlook) has the highest weight and the weights of adverse and favourable scenarios depend on the deviation from the baseline; the further from the baseline, the smaller the weight. A single set of five scenarios is used across all portfolios and all five weights are normalised to equate to 100%. The impacts across the portfolios are different because of the sensitivities of each of the portfolios to specific macroeconomic variables.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (c) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Forward-looking information (continued)

Definition of default, credit impaired assets, write-offs, and interest income recognition

The definition of default for the purpose of determining ECLs has been aligned to the applicable UAE requirement of default (the institution considers that the obligor is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the institution, the parent undertaking or any of its subsidiaries in full, without recourse by the institution to actions such as realising security), which considers indicators that the debtor is unlikely to pay, includes exposures in forbearance and is no later than when the exposure is more than 90 days past due. When exposures are identified as credit impaired or purchased or originated as such interest income is calculated on the carrying value net of the impairment allowance. The Bank's definition of default is consistent with the provisions of Central Bank of United Arab Emirates (CBUAE) Circular 28/2010 (Regulation for Classification of Loans and their Provisions).

Credit impaired is when the exposure has defaulted which is also anticipated to align to when an exposure is identified as individually impaired.

Uncollectible loans are written off against the related allowance for loan impairment on completion of the Bank's internal processes and when all reasonably expected recoverable amounts have been collected. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to the income statement.

Loan modifications and renegotiations that are not credit-impaired

When modification of a loan agreement occurs as a result of commercial restructuring activity rather than due to credit risk of the borrower, an assessment must be performed to determine whether the terms of the new agreement are substantially different from the terms of the existing agreement. This assessment considers both the change in cash flows arising from the modified terms as well as the change in overall instrument risk profile. With regards to exposures that are restructured, the Bank observe a probationary period of a minimum of 3 instalments (for repayments which are on a quarterly basis or shorter) and 12 months (in cases where instalments are on a longer frequency than quarterly) after the restructuring, before upgrading from Stage 3 to 2. No loan modification has occurred during the reporting period.

Where terms are substantially different, the existing loan will be derecognised and new loan recognised at fair value, with any difference in valuation recognised immediately within the income statement, subject to observability criteria.

Where terms are not substantially different, the loan carrying value will be adjusted to reflect the present value of modified cash flows discounted at the original EIR, with any resulting gain or loss recognised immediately within the income statement as a modification gain or loss.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Expected life

Lifetime ECLs must be measured over the expected life. This is restricted to the maximum contractual life and takes into account expected prepayment, extension, call and similar options. The exceptions are certain revolver financial instruments, such as credit cards and bank overdrafts, that include both a drawn and an undrawn component where the entity's contractual ability to demand repayment and cancel the undrawn commitment does not limit the entity's exposure to credit losses to the contractual notice period. For revolving facilities, expected lifetime is analytically derived to reflect behavioural life of the asset, i.e. the full period over which the business expects to be exposed to credit risk. Behavioural life is typically based upon historical analysis of the average time to default, closure or withdrawal of facility. Where data is insufficient or analysis inconclusive, an additional 'maturity factor' may be incorporated to reflect the full estimated life of the exposures, based upon experienced judgement and/or peer analysis. Potential future modifications of contracts are not taken into account when determining the expected life or EAD until they occur.

Discounting

ECLs are discounted at the EIR at initial recognition or an approximation thereof and consistent with income recognition. For loan commitments the EIR is the rate that is expected to apply when the loan is drawn down and a financial asset is recognised. Issued financial guarantee contracts are discounted at the risk free rate. Lease receivables are discounted at the rate implicit in the lease. For variable/floating rate financial assets, the spot rate at the reporting date is used and projections of changes in the variable rate over the expected life are not made to estimate future interest cash flows or for discounting.

Modelling techniques

ECLs are calculated by multiplying three main components, being the PD, LGD and the EAD, discounted at the original EIR. The regulatory Basel Committee of Banking Supervisors (BCBS) ECL calculations are leveraged for IFRS 9 modelling but adjusted for key differences which include:

- BCBS requires 12 months through the economic cycle losses whereas IFRS 9 requires 12 months or lifetime point in time losses based on conditions at the reporting date and multiple forecasts of the future economic conditions over the expected lives.
- IFRS 9 models do not include certain conservative BCBS model floors and downturn assessments and require discounting to the reporting date at the original EIR rather than using the cost of capital to the date of default.
- Management adjustments are made to modelled output to account for situations where known or expected risk factors and information have not been considered in the modelling process, for example forecast economic scenarios for uncertain political events.
- ECL is measured at the individual financial instrument level, however a collective approach where financial instruments with similar risk characteristics are grouped together, with apportionment to individual financial instruments, is used where effects can only be seen at a collective level, for example for forward-looking information.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Modelling techniques (continued)

For the IFRS 9 impairment assessment, Banks' risk models are used to determine the PD, LGD and EAD. For Stage 2 and 3, Bank applies lifetime PDs but uses 12 month PDs for Stage 1. The ECL drivers of PD, EAD and LGD are modelled at an account level which considers vintage, among other credit factors. Also, the assessment of significant increase in credit risk is based on the initial lifetime PD curve, which accounts for the different credit risk underwritten over time.

Forbearance

A financial asset is subject to forbearance when it is modified due to the credit distress of the borrower. A modification made to the terms of an asset due to forbearance will typically be assessed as a non-substantial modification that does not result in de-recognition of the original loan, except in circumstances where debt is exchanged for equity.

Both performing and non-performing forbearance assets are classified as Stage 3 except where it is established that the concession granted has not resulted in diminished financial obligation and that no other regulatory definitions of default criteria has been triggered, in which case the asset is classified as Stage 2. The minimum probationary period for non-performing forbearance is 12 months and for performing forbearance, 24 months. Hence, a minimum of 36 months is required for non-performing forbearance to move out of a forborne state.

No financial instrument in forbearance can transfer back to Stage 1 until all of the Stage 2 thresholds are no longer met and can only move out of Stage 3 when no longer credit impaired.

Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position

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

- for financial assets measured at amortised cost: as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets;
- for debt instruments measured at FVOCI: no loss allowance is recognised in the statement of financial position because the carrying amount of these assets is their fair value. However, the loss allowance is disclosed and is recognised in the fair value reserve;
- for 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 Bank cannot identify the ECL on the loan commitment component separately from those on the drawn component: the Bank 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 advances and debt securities are written-off when the Bank has no reasonable expectations of recovering the financial asset (either partially or in full). This is the case when the Bank 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. A write-off constitutes a derecognition event. The Bank may apply enforcement activities to financial assets written-off. Recoveries of amounts previously written-off are included in 'recoveries' in the Banks statement of profit or loss.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(d) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Bank and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is computed on the straight line method at rates calculated to reduce the cost of assets to their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives as follows:

Years

Leasehold improvements

10-15 years or over the period of the lease if less than 10 years

Motor vehicles, office equipment and furniture and fixtures (Other assets)
Right-of-use assets

4-10

The period of the lease

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date and prospectively adjusted if appropriate.

When the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount being the higher of the net selling price and value in use. Gains and losses on disposal of property and equipment are determined by comparing sales proceeds to the carrying value of the asset diposal and are taken into account in determining operating income.

Assets under construction is stated at cost incurred from the date of commencement of the project to the date on which it is commissioned. When commissioned, assets under construction is transferred to the appropriate category of property and equipment and depreciated in accordance with the Bank's accounting policies.

(e) Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value. Fair values are obtained from quoted market prices in active markets, including recent market transactions. All derivatives are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

(f) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(g) Due to banks, customers and Head Office & other branches

Borrowings include due to other banks, due to customers and due to Head Office and other branches. Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, being their issue proceeds (fair value of consideration received), net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between proceeds net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(h) Provision for staff benefits

The end of service benefits for international staff are provided in accordance with Barclays group policy, which is in line with the requirements of IAS 19, and are in lieu of the end of service benefits payable under UAE Labour Law. The liability for these benefits is settled through the Head Office current account and recorded as a charge in the income statement.

Pension contributions are made in respect of UAE national employees to the UAE General Pension and Social Security Authority in accordance with Federal Law No. (7), 1999 for Pension and Social Security.

Provision is also made, using actuarial techniques for the end of service benefits due to the non-UAE national employees in accordance with the UAE Labour Law for their periods of service up to the balance sheet date. A provision is made for the estimated liability for airfares as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

(i) Due from banks, Head Office and other branches

Amounts due from banks and due from Head Office and other branches are stated at amortised cost, less any amounts written off and provision for impairment, if any.

(j) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Bank has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

(k) Foreign currency translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Bank are measured in Arab Emirates Dirham ("AED") being the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Bank operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are prepared in AED, which is the Bank's functional and presentation currency.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into AED at the rate ruling on the transaction date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into AED at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Any resultant gains or losses are accounted for in the income statement.

(l) Interest income and expense

Effective interest rate

Interest income and expense 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; or
- the amortised cost of the financial liability.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(l) Interest income and expense (continued)

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments other than purchased or originated creditimpaired assets, the Bank estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not ECL. For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, a credit-adjusted effective interest rate is calculated using estimated future cash flows including ECL.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees and points paid or received 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.

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 expected credit loss allowance.

The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit loss allowance.

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 or an approximation thereof 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. The effective interest rate is also revised for fair value hedge adjustments at the date amortisation of the hedge adjustment begins.

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate or an approximation thereof, 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 credit-adjusted 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. For information on when financial assets are credit-impaired, refer note 2(d).

Presentation

Interest income calculated using the effective interest method presented in the statement of profit or loss and Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) includes interest on debt instruments measured at FVOCI.

Interest expense presented in the statement of profit or loss and OCI includes financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(m) Fee and commission income

Fee and commission 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.

Other fee and commission income – including account servicing fees, investment management fees, sales commission, placement fees and syndication fees – is recognised as the related services are performed. If a loan commitment is not expected to result in the draw-down of a loan, then the related loan commitment fee is recognised on a straight-line basis over the commitment period.

A contract with a customer that results in a recognised financial instrument in the Bank'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 Bank 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 and commission expenses relate mainly to transaction and service fees, which are expensed as the services are received.

(n) Lease

At inception of a contract, the Bank 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 Bank uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Bank allocates consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative standalone price.

The Bank 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 and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove any improvements made to branches or office premises.

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.

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 Bank's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Bank uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Bank 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;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date:

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(n) Lease (continued)

- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Bank is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Bank is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Bank is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Bank's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Bank changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, 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 recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Bank presents right-of-use assets in 'property and equipment' and lease liabilities in 'Other liabilities' in the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low value assets

The Bank 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 IT equipment. The Bank recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The Bank does not have any lease arrangements in which it acts as a lessor.

(o) Taxation

Provision for taxation is made in respect of the Bank's operations in the Emirate of Dubai whereby tax is payable at the rate of 20% of the adjusted net profit generated during the year.

Income tax is recognised as an expense (income) for the period except to the extent that current tax related to items that are charged or credited in other comprehensive income or directly to equity. In these circumstances, current tax is charged or credit to other comprehensive income or to equity (for example, current tax on available-for-sale investment).

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the date of the balance sheet and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the unused tax losses can be utilised.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(p) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flow, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand, balances in current and call accounts and placements with the UAE Central Bank and with other financial institutions with original maturity of less than or equal to three months, excluding statutory deposits required to be maintained with the UAE Central Bank.

(q) Interest rate benchmark reform

Interbank offered rates ("IBORs"), such as the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), play a critical role in global financial markets, serving as reference rates for derivatives, loans and securities, and as parameters in the valuation of financial instruments.

Uncertainty surrounding the integrity of IBOR rates has in recent years, led regulators, central banks and market participants to work towards a transition to alternative risk-free benchmark reference rates ("RFRs") and market-led working groups in respective jurisdictions have recommended alternative risk-free reference rates, which are gradually being adopted.

The majority of market LIBOR and other IBOR rates were discontinued after 31 December 2021 and replaced with certain Alternative Reference Rates ("ARRs"), with the exception of certain USD LIBOR rates where cessation is delayed until 30 June 2023.

Barclays Group has established a Group-wide LIBOR Transition Programme, with oversight from the Group Finance Director. The Transition Programme spans all business lines and has cross-functional governance which includes Legal, Compliance, Conduct Risk, Client Engagement and Communications, Risk, and Finance. The Transition Programme aims to drive strategic execution, and identify, manage and resolve key risks and issues as they arise. The Transition Programme follows a risk-based approach, using recognised 'change delivery' control standards. Accountable Executives are in place within key working groups and workstreams, with overall Board oversight delegated to the Board Risk Committee and the Group Finance Director.

Any incremental Technology or Business Process changes required to support USD LIBOR cessation will be delivered ahead of 30 June 2023. For contracts indexed to an IBOR that mature after the expected cessation of the IBOR rate the Barclays Group is working to amend contracts to include the addition of fallback clauses or replacement of the IBOR rate with an alternative benchmark rate.

IBOR reform exposes the Bank to various risks, which the Transition Programme team is reviewing and monitoring to manage the changes appropriately. These risks include but are not limited to the following:

- Conduct risk arising from discussions with clients and market counterparties due to the amendments required to existing contracts necessary to effect IBOR reform;
- Financial and Market risk to the Bank and its clients that IBOR reform disrupts markets giving rise to financial losses;
- Pricing risk from the potential lack of market information if liquidity in IBORs reduces and RFRs are illiquid and unobservable; and
- Accounting risk if the Branch's hedging relationships fail and form an unrepresentative income statement volatility as financial instruments transition to RFRs.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(q) Interest rate benchmark reform (continued)

The Bank has transitioned the majority of LIBOR linked exposures to RFRs as of 31 December 2022 and are in the process of transitioning remaining exposure before the end of 30 June 2023. Following are the Branch's significant exposures indexed to LIBOR:

USD LIBOR AED'000 152,852

Loans and advances

The Branch's exposures with the Head Office and other branches and the financial liabilities of the Bank are not indexed to IBOR.

(r) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of their non-financial assets to determine whether there is any indication of an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in Banks statement of profit or loss.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in Banks statement of profit or loss.

(s) Investment securities

The 'investment securities' caption in the statement of financial position includes debt securities measured at FVOCI.

For debt securities measured at FVOCI, gains and losses are recognised in OCI, except for the following, which are recognised in profit or loss in the same manner as for financial assets measured at amortised cost.

- Interest revenue using the effective interest method;
- ECL and reversals; and
- Foreign exchange gains and losses.

When debt security measured at FVOCI is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is reclassified from equity to profit or loss.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(t) Application of New and Revised International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

i) Standards and Interpretations in issue and effective

During the current year, the Bank has applied the amendments to IFRS 3, IAS 16, IAS 37 and annual improvements to IFRS Standards 2018–2020 issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") that are mandatorily effective for an accounting period that begins on or after January 1, 2022. The application of these amendments to IFRSs has not had any material impact on the amounts reported for the current and prior periods but may affect the accounting for the Bank's future transactions or arrangements.

Other than the above, there are no other significant IFRSs, amendments or interpretations that were effective for the first time for the financial year beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

ii) Standards and Interpretations in issue but not yet effective

New standards and significant amendments to standards applicable to the Bank:	Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
Amendments to IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' to address the classification of liabilities as current or non-current providing a more general approach based on the contractual arrangements in place at the reporting date.	January 1, 2023
IFRS 17 'Insurance Contracts' requires insurance liabilities to be measured at a current fulfilment value and provides a more uniform measurement and presentation approach for all insurance contracts.	January 1, 2023
Amendments to IFRS 17 'Insurance Contracts' to address concerns and implementation challenges identified after IFRS 17 were published in 2017.	January 1, 2023
Extension of the Temporary Exemption from Applying IFRS 9 (Amendments to IFRS 4). The amendment changes the fixed expiry date for the temporary exemption in IFRS 4 'Insurance Contracts' from applying IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' so that entities would be required to apply IFRS 9 for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023.	January 1, 2023
Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2) which require that an entity disclose its material accounting policies, instead of its significant accounting policies.	January 1, 2023
The IASB issued 'Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction (Amendments to IAS 12)' that clarifies how companies account for deferred tax on transactions such as leases and decommissioning obligations.	January 1, 2023

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(t) Application of New and Revised International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) (continued)

The amendments replace the definition of Accounting Estimates (Amendments to IAS 8) - The amendments replace the definition of a change in accounting estimates with a definition of accounting estimates. Under the new definition, accounting estimates are "monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty".

January 1, 2023

Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to IFRS 16) - The amendment clarifies how a seller-lessee subsequently measures sale and leaseback transactions that satisfy the requirements in IFRS 15 to be accounted for as a sale.

January 1, 2024

Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (Amendments to IAS 1) - The amendment clarifies how conditions with which an entity must comply within twelve months after the reporting period affect the classification of a liability.

January 1, 2024

The Bank has not early adopted new and revised IFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective.

Management anticipates that these amendments will be adopted in the financial statements in the initial period when they become mandatorily effective. The impact of these standards and amendments are currently being assessed by the management.

(u) Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The Bank makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Impairment charge on financial assets

Impairment losses are evaluated as described in accounting policy 2 (c).

The measurement of impairment losses under IFRS 9 across all categories of financial assets requires judgement, in particular, the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows and collateral values when determining impairment losses and the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk. These estimates are driven by a number of factors, changes in which can result in different levels of allowances.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management

3.1 Risk management review

The Bank's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks and those activities involve the analysis, evaluation, acceptance and management of some degree of risk or combination of risks. Taking risk is core to the financial business. The Bank's aim is therefore to achieve an appropriate balance between risk and return and minimise potential adverse effects on the Bank's financial performance.

The main sources of financial risk that the Bank faces arise from financial instruments, which are fundamental to the Bank's business, and constitute the core of its operations. Financial instruments create, modify or reduce the liquidity, credit and market risks of the Bank's balance sheet. Consequently, the Bank devotes considerable resources to maintaining effective controls to manage, measure and mitigate each of these risks and regularly reviews its risk management procedures and systems to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the business.

Managing financial risks, especially credit risk is a fundamental part of the Bank's business activity and an essential component of the planning process. The Bank achieves its risk management goals by keeping risk management at the centre of the executive agenda and by building a culture that measures risk management with everyday business decision making.

The Bank ensures that it has the capacity to manage the risk in its established businesses as well as new and growing ones, and that its business plans are consistent with the risk appetite, that is, the level of risk that the Bank is willing to accept in fulfilling its business objectives.

Bank's risk management policies are designed to identify and analyse risks, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor the risks and adherence to limits. These policies provide written principles for overall risk management, as well as specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, use of derivative financial instruments and non-derivative financial instruments. In addition, internal audit is responsible for the independent review of risk management and the control environment.

The most important types of risk are credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk. Market risk includes currency risk, interest rate and price risk.

3.2 Credit risk

Credit risk is defined as the risk that the Bank's customers, clients or counterparties or other financial instruments fail to perform, are unwilling to pay interest, repay the principal or otherwise to fulfil their contractual obligations under loan agreements or other credit facilities, thus causing the Bank to suffer a financial loss.

Credit risk also arises through the downgrading of counterparties, whose credit instruments are held by the Bank, thereby resulting in the value of the assets to fall. As credit risk is the Bank's most important risk, considerable resources, expertise and controls are devoted to managing this risk within the core departments of the Bank.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

The Bank takes on exposure to credit risk, which is the risk that counterparty will cause a financial loss to the Bank by failing to discharge an obligation. Significant changes in the economy, or in the health of a particular industry segment that represents a concentration in the Bank's portfolio, could result in losses that are different from those provided for at the balance sheet date. Management, therefore, carefully manages its exposure to credit risk. Credit exposures arise principally in loans and advances and other receivables. There is also credit risk in off-balance sheet financial arrangements such as credit commitments. The FVOCI investments are –not exposed to credit risk as they are soverign instruments.

3.2.1 Credit risk management

The granting of credit is one of the Bank's major sources of income and is therefore one of its most significant risks, and the Bank dedicates considerable resources to control it effectively.

The Credit Risk function provides direction on credit risk-taking. These functional teams manage the resolution of all significant credit policy issues, approve credit decisions which fall within its delegated authority, engages with Head Office where appropriate and maintains governance and oversight on all credit risk related matters.

Each business segment has an embedded credit risk management team that assists in the formulation of the risk policy and its implementation across the respective businesses. Examples include ensuring that:

- Maximum exposure guidelines are in place relating to the exposures to any individual customer or counterparty;
- Policies are in place that limit lending to certain industrial sectors.

Those corporate accounts which are deemed to contain heightened levels of risk are recorded on graded problem loan lists known as "early warning lists". These are updated monthly and circulated to the relevant risk control points. Once listing has taken place, exposure is very carefully monitored and, where possible, exposure reductions are effected.

These lists are graded in line with the perceived severity of the risk attached to the lending. Businesses with exposure to corporate customers having increasing concern relate to one of the three categories (EWL1, EWL2 and EWL3). By the time an account becomes impaired it will normally, but not necessarily, have passed through all three categories, which reflect the need for ever-increasing caution and control.

Where an obligor's financial health gives grounds for concern, it is immediately placed into the appropriate category. All obligors are subject to a full review of all facilities on, at least, an annual basis. Interim reviews and quarterly reviews may be undertaken if circumstances dictate.

Where models are used, they are based upon customer's personal and financial performance and industry norms over recent periods as a predictor for future performance. The models are reviewed regularly to monitor their robustness relative to actual performance and amended as necessary to optimise their effectiveness.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.1 Credit risk management (continued)

The Bank has implemented an internal rating framework known as Default Grade (DG). DG is a standard internal rating framework used across Barclays Group and is compliant with Basel-II AIRB requirements. In accordance with the framework customers are graded across 21 rating grades with each grade having a specified probability of default (PD) which can be mapped to equivalent of Moody's & S&P rating grade (for classified and write-offs it has additional grades beyond 21). Given that the rating methodology is an advanced methodology and grades are driven from a sophisticated model, there is no static mapping between internal grades to that of Moody's and S&P. However, as a proxy, the following table identifies the mapping of internal DGs with that of Moody's and S&P:

Default Grade	Wholesale lending Probability of default	Credit Quality Description
1-3	0.0-0.05%	_
4-5	0.05-0.15%	Strong
6-8	0.15-0.30%	_
9-11	0.30-0.60%	
12-14	0.60-2.15%	Satisfactory
15-19	2.15-11.35%	
20-21	11.35% to <100%	Higher Risk
22	100%	Credit Impaired

The Bank uses the external ratings where available to benchmark their internal credit risk assessment. Observed defaults per rating category vary year on year, especially over an economic cycle.

3.2.2 Risk limit control and mitigation policies

The Bank uses a wide variety of techniques to reduce credit risk on its lending. The most fundamental of these is performing an assessment of the ability of a borrower to service the proposed level of borrowing without distress. It is the Bank's policy to establish that loans are within the customer's capacity to repay, rather than to rely excessively on security and as a result, depending on the customer's standing and the type of product, facilities may be unsecured.

The Bank manages, limits and controls concentrations of credit risk wherever they are identified in particular, to individual counterparties and groups, and to industries and countries.

The credit risk is primarily managed by placing limits on the amount of risk accepted in relation to one borrower or groups of borrowers and to geographical and industry segments. Such risks are monitored on a revolving basis and are subject to an annual or more frequent review.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.2 Risk limit control and mitigation policies (continued)

Exposure to credit risk is also managed through regular analysis of the ability of borrowers and potential borrowers to meet interest and principal repayment obligations and by changing the lending limits where appropriate. Some other specific control and mitigation measures are outlined below.

(a) Collateral

When collateral is deemed appropriate, businesses are required to take specific, agreed classes of collateral and ensure that they are holding a correctly perfected charge. The principal collateral types are as follows:

- Personal sector mortgages over residential properties;
- Commercial and industrial sector charges over business assets such as premises, inventory and recoverables:
- Commercial real estate sector charges over the properties being financed.

Valuation of the collateral taken will be within agreed parameters and will be conservative in value. Within the corporate sectors, collateral for impaired loans including guarantees and insurance is reviewed regularly and at least annually, to ensure that it is still enforceable and that the impairment allowance remains appropriate given the current valuation. Where the collateral has decreased in value, an additional impairment allowance may be considered. Conversely, increases in collateral may result in a release of the impairment allowance.

(b) Derivatives

At any one time, the amount subject to credit risk is limited to the current fair value of instruments that are favourable to the Bank. In the case of forward exchange contracts the Bank is exposed to the notional amount should the counterparty fail to honor the contract. This credit risk exposure is managed as part of the overall lending limits with customers, together with potential exposures from market movements and entering into forward contracts with other banks, in the form of back to back contracts, commitment to purchase and sell a contract, resulting in limited credit exposure to the Bank.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.3 Amounts arising from Expected Credit Loss

Movement in gross exposure and expected credit loss

The following table presents a reconciliation of the opening to the closing balance of the exposure and expected credit loss.

	STA	GE 1	STAGE 2		STAGE 2 STAGE 3		Total	
	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000
Balance as at 1 January 2022	6,643,936	(6,236)	65,937	(5,335)	548,368	(457,207)	7,258,241	(468,778)
Transfers to Stage 1	399	(3)	(399)	3	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net re-measurement of ECL arising from transfer of stage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New financial assets originated or purchased	761,813	(402)	-	-	-	-	761,813	(402)
Net drawdowns/repayments/ risk parameter changes and other movements	(1,029,940)	(200)	(46,846)	5,183	(167,823)	76,789	(1,244,609)	81,772
Asset derecognised due to write-offs	-	-	-	-	(326,934)	326,934	(326,934)	326,934
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2022	6,376,208	(6,841)	18,692	(149)	53,611	(53,484)	6,448,511	(60,474)
Reconciliation of ECL movement to impairment (charge)/release for the period								
ECL movement excluding assets derecognised due to disposals and write-off	-	(605)	-	5,186	-	76,789	-	81,370
Net recoveries post write-offs	-	-	-	-	-	304	-	304
ECL movement on unfunded exposure	-	(4,185)	-	842	-	-	-	(3,343)
Exchange and other adjustments		<u>-</u> _						
Income statement release / (charge) for the year	-	(4,790)	-	6,028	-	77,093	-	78,331

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.3 Amounts arising from Expected Credit Loss (continued)

Movement in gross exposure and expected credit loss (continued)

	STA	GE 1	STAGE 2		STAGE 3		T	otal
	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000	Exposure AED'000	Loss allowance AED'000
Balance as at 1 January 2021	5,913,423	(12,714)	49,372	(331)	885,447	(793,667)	6,848,242	(806,712)
Transfers to Stage 1	-	-	-	` <u>-</u>	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net re-measurement of ECL arising from transfer of stage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New financial assets originated or purchased	2,905,123	(310)	-	-	-	-	2,905,123	(310)
Net drawdowns/repayments/ risk parameter changes and other movements	(2,174,610)	6,788	16,565	(5,004)	(29,555)	28,936	(2,187,600)	30,720
Asset derecognised due to write-offs	-	-	-	-	(307,524)	307,524	(307,524)	307,524
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2021	6,643,936	(6,236)	65,937	(5,335)	548,368	(457,207)	7,258,241	(468,778)
Reconciliation of ECL movement to impairment (charge)/release for the period ECL movement excluding assets derecognised due to disposals and write-off		6,478	-	(5,004)	-	27,935		29,409
Net recoveries post write-offs	-	-	-	-	-	1,001	-	1,001
ECL movement on unfunded exposure	-	7,125	-	(3,469)	-	-	-	3,656
Exchange and other adjustments	-	(94)	-	-	-	-	-	(94)
Income statement release / (charge) for the year		13,509		(8,473)		28,936		33,972

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.3 Amounts arising from Expected Credit Loss (continued)

Movement in gross exposure and expected credit loss (continued)

Contingencies and commitments

	Loss allowance
	AED'000
Balance as at 1 January 2022	5,653
Movement in letters of credit, guarantees & acceptances and undrawn commitments	3,343
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2022*	8,996
Balance as at 1 January 2021	9,309
Movement in letters of credit, guarantees & acceptances and undrawn commitments	(3,656)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2021*	5,653

^{*}ECL on off balance sheet exposures is booked under Other Liabilities (note 14).

3.2.4 Maximum exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancements

The following table represents a worst case scenario of credit risk exposure to the Bank at 31 December 2022 and 2021 without taking into account any collateral held or other credit enhancements attached. For on and off balance sheet assets, the exposures set out below are based on gross amounts as reported in the balance sheet.

	Maximum exposure		
	2022	2021	
	AED'000	AED'000	
On balance sheet:			
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding	1 260 970	1 102 705	
cash in hand) (note 4)	1,260,879	1,193,705	
Due from other banks (note 5)	2,962,269	2,516,611	
Due from Head Office and other branches (note 6)	66,999	48,501	
Loans and advances:			
- Loans to corporate customers (note 7)	1,020,757	1,701,932	
Investments measured at fair value through other	1,127,804	1,797,119	
comprehensive income (FVOCI) (note 8)	1,127,004	1,/9/,119	
Other assets (note 9)	3,757	3,312	
Off balance sheet:			
Letters of credit (note 17)	456,599	688,843	
Guarantees and acceptances (note 17)	1,415,021	1,277,400	
Undrawn credit commitments (note 17)	4,863,914	2,868,155	
At 31 December	13,177,999	12,095,578	

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)
- 3.2.4 Maximum exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancements (continued)

Management does not consider exposure on due from Head Office and other branches will result in any potential loss.

Management is confident in its ability to continue to control and minimise the loss arising from its exposure to credit risk resulting from its loans and advances portfolio and amounts due from banks based on the following:

- 62.13% (2021: 41%) of the loans and advances to corporate customers is categorised in the top grades of the Bank's internal grading system.
- The Bank continuously reviews its credit policy and changes are made based on the management information system reports and the patterns that emerge from these reports.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.5 Financial instruments at amortised cost by product

The table below presents a breakdown of financial instruments at amortised cost and Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income and the impairment allowance with stage allocation by asset classification.

	As at 31 December 2022					
Gross exposure	Stage 1 AED'000	Stage 2 AED'000	Stage 3 AED'000	Total AED'000		
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	1,260,879	-	-	1,260,879		
Due from Other banks Due from Head Office and other branches	2,962,269 66,999	-	-	2,962,269 66,999		
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,137,607	-	-	1,137,607		
Corporate loans Other assets	948,454 3,757	18,692	53,611	1,020,757 3,757		
Total	6,379,965	18,692	53,611	6,452,268		
Expected Credit Loss						
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	-	-	-	-		
Due from other banks Due from Head Office and other branches	(3,904) (5)	-	-	(3,904) (5)		
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	-	-	-	-		
Corporate loans Other assets	(2,932)	(149)	(53,484)	(56,565)		
Total	(6,841)	(149)	(53,484)	(60,474)		
Net exposure						
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	1,260,879	-	-	1,260,879		
Due from other banks Due from Head Office and other branches	2,958,365 66,994	-	-	2,958,365 66,994		
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,137,607	-	-	1,137,607		
Corporate loans Other assets	945,522 3,757	18,543	127	964,192 3,757		
Total	6,373,124	18,543	127	6,391,794		
Coverage ratio						
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	-	-	-	-		
Due from other banks	0.13%	-	-	0.13%		
Due from Head Office and other branches Investments measured at fair value through	0.01%	-	-	0.01%		
other comprehensive income (FVOCI) Corporate loans Other assets	0.31%	0.80%	99.76%	5.54%		
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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.5 Financial instruments at amortised cost by product (continued)

	As at 31 Dece	mber 2021					
Stage 1 AED'000	Stage 2 AED'000	Stage 3 AED'000	Total AED'000				
	1122 000	1122 000	1122 000				
1,193,705	-	-	1,193,705				
2,516,611	-	-	2,516,611				
48,501	_	-	48,501				
1,797,492	-	-	1,797,492				
1,087,627	65,937	548,368	1,701,932				
	-	, <u>-</u>	3,312				
6,647,248	65,937	548,368	7,261,553				
-	-	-	-				
(1.661)	_	_	(1,661)				
` ' /	_	_	(2)				
(-)			(-)				
-	-	-	-				
(4.573)	(5.335)	(457,207)	(467,115)				
-	-	-	-				
(6,236)	(5,335)	(457,207)	(468,778)				
1 193 705	_	_	1,193,705				
	_	_					
	-	-	2,514,950				
48,499	-	-	48,499				
1 797 492	_	_	1,797,492				
	60,602	91,161	1,234,817				
		<u> </u>	3,312				
6,641,012	60,602	91,161	6,792,775				
-	-	-	-				
0.07%	-	-	0.07%				
-	-	-	-				
-	-	-	=				
0.42%	8.09%	83.38%	27.45%				
	AED'000 1,193,705 2,516,611 48,501 1,797,492 1,087,627 3,312 6,647,248 (1,661) (2) (4,573) (6,236) 1,193,705 2,514,950 48,499 1,797,492 1,083,054 3,312 6,641,012	Stage 1 AED'000 Stage 2 AED'000 1,193,705 - 2,516,611 48,501 - 1,797,492 - 1,087,627 3,312 65,937 6,647,248 65,937 (1,661) (2) - (4,573) (5,335) (6,236) (5,335) 1,193,705 - 2,514,950 48,499 - 1,083,054 3,312 60,602 6,641,012 60,602	AED'000 AED'000 1,193,705 - 2,516,611 - 48,501 - 1,797,492 - 1,087,627 65,937 548,368 3,312 - 6,647,248 65,937 548,368 (1,661) - - (2) - - (4,573) (5,335) (457,207) (6,236) (5,335) (457,207) 1,193,705 - - 2,514,950 - - 48,499 - - 1,797,492 - - 1,083,054 60,602 91,161 3,312 - - 6,641,012 60,602 91,161				

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure

The following table breaks down the Bank's financial assets and off balance sheet items categorised by industry as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

31 December 2022	Financial institutions AED'000	Construction & real estate AED'000	Wholesale and retail trade AED'000	Other industries AED'000	Total AED'000
On balance sheet items					
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	1,260,879	-	-	-	1,260,879
Due from other banks	2,962,269	-	-	-	2,962,269
Due from Head Office and other branches	66,999	-	-	-	66,999
Loans to corporate entities	-	30,742	168,148	821,867	1,020,757
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,137,607	-	-	-	1,137,607
Other assets	-	-	-	3,757	3,757
Total	5,427,754	30,742	168,148	825,624	6,452,268
Off balance sheet items					
Letters of credit	423,522	-	525	32,552	456,599
Guarantees and acceptances	640,008	-	129,266	645,747	1,415,021
Undrawn credit commitments	2,972,925		1,078,986	812,003	4,863,914
Total	4,036,455		1,208,777	1,490,302	6,735,534

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

31 December 2021	Financial institutions AED'000	Construction & real estate AED'000	Wholesale and retail trade AED'000	Other industries AED'000	Total AED'000
On balance sheet items					
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	1,193,705	-	-	-	1,193,705
Due from other banks	2,516,611	-	-	-	2,516,611
Due from Head Office and other branches	48,501	-	-	-	48,501
Loans to corporate entities	-	30,742	228,930	1,442,260	1,701,932
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,797,492	-	-	-	1,797,492
Other assets		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	3,312	3,312
Total	5,556,309	30,742	228,930	1,445,572	7,261,553
Off balance sheet items					
Letters of credit	673,650	-	5	15,188	688,843
Guarantees and acceptances	642,062	-	136,016	499,322	1,277,400
Undrawn credit commitments	953,844	<u>-</u>	907,935	1,006,376	2,868,155
Total	2,269,556	<u> </u>	1,043,956	1,520,886	4,834,398

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

The following table breaks down the Bank's main credit exposure at their gross carrying amounts, as categorised by geographical regions as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

For this table, the Bank has allocated exposures to regions based on the country of domicile of its counterparties:

31 December 2022	UAE AED'000	OECD AED'000	Asia AED'000	Others AED'000	Total AED'000
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	1,260,879	-	-	-	1,260,879
Due from other banks	78,770	539,686	2,342,235	1,578	2,962,269
Due from Head Office and other branches	19,841	47,150	8	-	66,999
Loans and advances - Corporate loans Investments measured at fair value through other	531,692	489,065	-	-	1,020,757
comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,137,607	-	-	-	1,137,607
Other assets	3,757				3,757
Total	3,032,546	1,075,901	2,342,243	1,578	6,452,268
31 December 2021					
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	1,193,705	-	-	-	1,193,705
Due from other banks	106,370	20,237	2,388,998	1,006	2,516,611
Due from Head Office and other branches	18,166	30,327	8	-	48,501
Loans and advances - Corporate loans Investments measured at	1,187,612	382,842	131,478	-	1,701,932
fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,797,492	-	-	-	1,797,492
Other assets	3,312				3,312
Total	4,306,657	433,406	2,520,484	1,006	7,261,553

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

Concentration of credit risk by industry

The following table breaks down the Bank's credit exposures on loans and advances, due from banks, Head Office and other branches, cash and balances with UAE Central Bank and off balance sheet items categorised by industry as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

	Loans and advances AED'000	Amounts due from banks, Head Office and other branches AED'000	Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) AED'000	Total funded AED'000	Off balance sheet items AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2022							
Crude oil, gas, mining & quarrying	-	-	-	-	-	337,837	337,837
Manufacturing	167	-	-	-	167	270,109	270,276
Construction	30,742	-	-	-	30,742	-	30,742
Trade	168,148	-	-	-	168,148	1,208,776	1,376,924
Transport, storage & communication	-	-	-	-	-	101,825	101,825
Financial institutions	-	3,029,268	1,260,879	1,137,607	5,427,754	4,036,455	9,464,209
Services	256,754	-	-	-	256,754	780,532	1,037,286
Government	564,946				564,946		564,946
Total exposures	1,020,757	3,029,268	1,260,879	1,137,607	6,448,511	6,735,534	13,184,045

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

Concentration of credit risk by industry (continued)

	Loans and advances AED'000	Amounts due from banks, Head Office and other branches AED'000	Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand) AED'000	Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) AED'000	Total funded AED'000	Off balance sheet items AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2021							
Crude oil, gas, mining & quarrying	-	-	-	-	-	391,463	391,463
Manufacturing	118,011	-	-	-	118,011	123,066	241,077
Construction	30,742	-	-	-	30,742	-	30,742
Trade	228,930	-	-	-	228,930	1,043,956	1,272,886
Transport, storage & communication	382,651	-	-	-	382,651	134,965	517,616
Financial institutions	-	2,565,112	1,193,705	1,797,492	5,556,309	2,269,556	7,825,865
Services	629,701	-	-	-	629,701	871,392	1,501,093
Government	311,897				311,897		311,897
Total exposures	1,701,932	2,565,112	1,193,705	1,797,492	7,258,241	4,834,398	12,092,639

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

The following table breaks down the Bank's credit exposures on loans and advances, due from banks, Head Office and other branches, Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, cash and balances with UAE Central Bank and off balance sheet items categorised by maturity as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

Concentration of credit risk by contractual maturity

			On Balance sheet Items	S		
	Loans and advances AED'000	Amounts due from banks, Head Office and other branches AED'000	Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank excluding cash in hand) AED'000	Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) AED'000	Total funded AED'000	Total unfunded AED'000
31 December 2022						
Less than 3 months	427,240	1,019,580	1,260,879	1,137,607	3,845,306	614,160
3 months to 1 year	33,638	2,008,698	-	-	2,042,336	466,121
One to five years Over five years	559,879 -	990	-	- -	560,869	5,459,524 195,729
Total exposures	1,020,757	3,029,268	1,260,879	1,137,607	6,448,511	6,735,534
31 December 2021						
Less than 3 months	301,859	863,003	1,193,705	1,349,859	3,708,426	855,155
3 months to 1 year	251,070	1,702,109	-	447,633	2,400,812	2,971,540
One to five years	1,149,003	-	-	-	1,149,003	795,808
Over five years	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_			211,895
Total exposures	1,701,932	2,565,112	1,193,705	1,797,492	7,258,241	4,834,398

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.3 Market risk

The Bank takes on exposure to market risks, which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risks arise from open positions in interest rate and currency, all of which are exposed to general and specific market movements and changes in the level of volatility of market rates or prices such as interest rates, credit spreads and foreign exchange rates. The Bank has a limited exposure over market risk, except interest rate risk which is explained in note 3.5.

The Assets Liability Forum (ALFO) is responsible to formalise the Bank's key financial indicators and ratios, set the thresholds to manage and monitor the market risk and also analyse the sensitivity of the Bank's interest rate and maturity mismatches. ALFO also guides the Bank's investment decisions and provides guidance in terms of interest rate and currency movements.

3.3.1 Market risk measurement techniques

The stress test technique provides an indication of the potential size of losses that could arise in extreme conditions. The stress tests carried out by the Bank's treasury include: risk factor stress testing, where stress movements are applied to each risk category; emerging market stress testing, where emerging market portfolios are subject to stress movements; and ad hoc stress testing, which includes applying possible stress events to specific positions or regions — for example, the stress outcome to a region following a currency peg break. The results of the stress tests are reviewed by senior management.

3.4 Foreign exchange risk

The Bank takes on exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing foreign currency exchange rates on its financial position and cash flows. The Head Office sets limits on the level of exposure by currency and in aggregate for both overnight and intra-day positions, which are monitored daily. The table below summarises the Bank's financial instruments at carrying amounts, categorised by currency.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Foreign exchange risk (continued)

3.4.1 Foreign exchange risk

AED AFD:000	USD	EUR	GBP	Others	Total AED'000
ALD 000	AED 000	ALD 000	ALD 000	ALD 000	AED 000
1,286,305	73	-	-	-	1,286,378
6,294	2,314,660	619,634	-	21,681	2,962,269
2,506	27,210	12,566	24,709	8	66,999
17,410	1,003,330	17	-	-	1,020,757
1,137,607	-	-	-	-	1,137,607
3,757				<u> </u>	3,757
2,453,879	3,345,273	632,217	24,709	21,689	6,477,767
302,847	1,888,032	54,276	24,603	7,703	2,277,461
219,271	967,531	573,433	579	13,658	1,774,472
50,701		447	52		51,200
572,819	2,855,563	628,156	25,234	21,361	4,103,133
1,881,060	489,710	4,061	(525)	328	2,374,634
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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.4 Foreign exchange risk (continued)
- 3.4.1 Foreign exchange risk (continued)

	AED	USD	EUR	GBP	Others	Total
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
31 December 2021						
Assets						
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank	1,212,459	74	-	-	-	1,212,533
Due from other banks	50	2,332,496	163,117	-	20,948	2,516,611
Due from Head Office and other branches	18,105	15,595	2,332	12,461	8	48,501
Loans and advances	218,826	1,472,424	10,682	-	-	1,701,932
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,797,492	-	-	-	-	1,797,492
Other assets	2,623			689		3,312
Total financial assets	3,249,555	3,820,589	176,131	13,150	20,956	7,280,381
Liabilities						
Due to customers	303,085	3,003,255	58,568	12,923	8,473	3,386,304
Due to Head Office and other branches	236,430	950,569	-	757	13,993	1,201,749
Other liabilities	33,817	3,245	1,776	49	<u> </u>	38,887
Total financial liabilities	573,332	3,957,069	60,344	13,729	22,466	4,626,940
Net on-balance sheet financial position	2,676,223	(136,480)	115,787	(579)	(1,510)	2,653,441

The Bank has limited exposure to foreign exchange risk as most of the foreign currency financial instruments are either in US Dollar or in currencies pegged to US Dollars. Liabilities received in other currencies, mainly EUR and GBP, are placed with Barclays Group or swapped into AED via foreign exchange swaps to remain compliant with the Central Bank regulation on managing large exposures.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.4 Foreign exchange risk (continued)

3.4.2 Sensitivity of currency risk

31 December 2022	EUR AED'000	GBP AED'000	Others* AED'000	Total AED'000
Total assets Total liabilities	632,217 (628,156)	24,709	7,259	664,185 (660,560)
Total habilities		(25,234)	(7,170)	
Net assets / (liabilities)	4,061	(525)	89	3,625
FX forward purchases / (sales)	(1,571)	177	(10)	(1,404)
Net exposure	2,490	(348)	79	2,221
5% sensitivity	124	(17)	4	111
31 December 2021	EUR AED'000	GBP AED'000	Others AED'000	Total AED'000
Total assets	176,131	13,150	6,540	195,821
Total liabilities	(60,344)	(13,729)	(6,306)	(80,379)
Net assets / (liabilities)	115,787	(579)	234	115,442
FX forward purchases / (sales)	(115,045)	-	-	(115,045)
Net exposure	742	(579)	234	397
5% sensitivity	37	(29)	12	20

^{*}All the currencies pegged with US Dollar are excluded from the above analysis.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk

Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Bank takes on exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on both its fair value and cash flow risks. Interest margins may increase as a result of such changes but may reduce losses in the event that unexpected movements arise. The ALFO sets limits on the level of mismatch of interest rate re-pricing that may be undertaken, which is monitored daily by Treasury. The table below summarises the Bank's exposure to interest rate risks. It includes the Bank's financial instruments at carrying amounts, categorised by the earlier of contractual re pricing or maturity dates.

	Up to 1 month	1-3 months	3-6 months	6-12 months	Over 1 year	Non-interest bearing	Total
31 December 2022	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Assets							
Cash and balances with the UAE		_	_	_	_	166,240	1,286,378
Central Bank	1,120,138					•	
Due from other banks	277,135	615,596	452,938	1,593,855	1,065	21,680	2,962,269
Due from Head Office and other branches	367	197	14,729	2,590	-	49,116	66,999
Loans and advances	140,928	754,803	125,026	-	-	-	1,020,757
Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	868,122	269,485	-	-	-	-	1,137,607
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	3,757	3,757
Total financial assets	2,406,690	1,640,081	592,693	1,596,445	1,065	240,793	6,477,767
Liabilities	_						_
Due to customers	852,252	316,155	-	1,325	150	1,107,579	2,277,461
Due to Head Office and other branches	783,827	364,359	392,778	-	-	233,508	1,774,472
Other liabilities						51,200	51,200
Total financial liabilities	1,636,079	680,514	392,778	1,325	150	1,392,287	4,103,133
Interest sensitivity gap	770,611	959,567	199,915	1,595,120	915	(1,151,494)	2,374,634

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk (continued)

21 December 2021	Up to 1 month	1-3 months	3-6 months	6-12 months	Over 1 year	Non-interest bearing	Total
31 December 2021 Assets	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Cash and balances with the UAE							
Central Bank	1,010,000	-	-	-	-	202,533	1,212,533
Due from other banks	304,662	606,566	41,404	1,557,504	-	6,475	2,516,611
Due from Head Office and other	,	,	,	, ,		,	, ,
branches	8,696	2,332	6,256	882	-	30,335	48,501
Loans and advances	294,434	55,261	247,665	-	1,104,572	-	1,701,932
Investments measured at fair	0.40.0=4	400.00.					. ===
value through other	849,974	499,885	447,633	-	-	-	1,797,492
comprehensive income (FVOCI) Other assets						2 212	2 212
	-	-		-	-	3,312	3,312
Total financial assets	2,467,766	1,164,044	742,958	1,558,386	1,104,572	242,655	7,280,381
Liabilities							
Due to customers	1,908,506	180,369	293,849	1,322	-	1,002,258	3,386,304
Due to Head Office and other branches	951,319		-	-	-	250,430	1,201,749
Other liabilities		<u> </u>				38,887	38,887
Total financial liabilities	2,859,825	180,369	293,849	1,322	-	1,291,575	4,626,940
Interest sensitivity gap	(392,059)	983,675	449,109	1,557,064	1,104,572	(1,048,920)	2,653,441

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk (continued)

The table below summarises the average interest rate on the outstanding interest bearing balances by major currencies for monetary financial instruments:

	AED %	USD	EUR %
31 December 2022	70	%	70
Assets			
Deposits with Central Bank	4.40	-	-
Bills discounted	5.90	4.10	3.70
Due from Head Office and other branches	4.90	4.50	2.70
Loans and advances	6.90	6.40	5.70
Liabilities			
Due to Head Office and other branches	-	3.80	2.73
Due to customers	0.07	3.34	-
31 December 2021			
Assets			
Deposits with Central Bank	0.15	-	-
Bills discounted	1.50	1.50	1.40
Due from Head Office and other branches	3.00	3.00	-
Loans and advances	4.60	3.00	2.00
Liabilities			
Due to Head Office and other branches	-	0.20	-
Due to customers	0.07	0.27	-

Interest rate risk is also assessed by measuring the impact of reasonable possible change in interest rate movements. The Bank assumes a fluctuation in interest rates of 25 basis points (bps) as being reasonable and estimates the following impact on the interest income and interest expense for the year:

	Interest income AED'000	Interest expense AED'000
31 December 2022 Fluctuation in yield by 25 bps	5,342	4,039
31 December 2021 Fluctuation in yield by 25 bps	5,585	3,831

The above sensitivity is calculated based on Interest Rate sensitivity per basis point metric and assumes instantaneous parallel change to forward interest rate curves. The model does not apply floors to shocked market rates and does not recognizes the interest rate floors where relevant and balances are adjusted for assumed behavioural profiles (e.g. Structural Interest rate hedges balances). It does not incorporate actions that could be taken by management to mitigate the effect of interest rate movements.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.6 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank is unable to meet its payment obligations associated with its financial liabilities when they fall due and to replace funds when they are withdrawn. The consequence may be the failure to meet obligations to repay depositors and fulfil commitments to lend.

The Bank manages its liquidity in accordance with Central Bank of the U.A.E. requirements and the Bank's internal guidelines mandated by ALFO. The Central Bank of the U.A.E. has reserve requirements on deposits ranging between 1% and 7% on demand and time deposits. The Central Bank of the U.A.E. also imposes mandatory 1:1 advances to deposit ratio whereby loans and advances (combined with inter-bank placements having a remaining term of greater than three months) should not exceed stable funds as defined by the Central Bank of the U.A.E. ALFO monitors liquidity ratios on a regular basis and for covering the risk of any mismatch in liquidity, Head Office funding is available for the Dubai Branch.

The table below presents the cash flows payable by the Bank by remaining contractual maturity at the balance sheet date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

Liquidity risk	Total carrying amount AED'000	Gross nominal outflows AED'000	Up to 3 Months AED'000	3 - 12 months AED'000	1 - 5 years AED'000
31 December 2022	ALD	ALD	ALD	ALD 000	ALD
Due to customers	2,277,461	2,282,944	2,110,403	172,391	150
Due to Head Office and other branches	1,774,472	1,783,345	1,384,729	398,616	-
Other liabilities	54,037	54,037	54,037		
	4,105,970	4,120,326	3,549,169	571,007	150
31 December 2021					
Due to customers	3,386,304	3,387,865	3,092,289	295,576	-
Due to Head Office and other branches	1,201,749	1,201,760	1,201,760	-	-
Other liabilities	41,429	41,429	40,724	145	560
	4,629,482	4,631,054	4,334,773	295,721	560

The Bank's derivatives that will be settled on a gross basis include foreign exchange contracts.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.6 Liquidity risk (continued)

The table below analyses the Bank's derivative financial instruments that will be settled on a gross basis into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Up to 1 month AED'000	1-3 months AED'000	3-12 months AED'000	1-5 years AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2022 Foreign exchange contracts					
- Outflow	646,719	_	_	_	646,719
- Inflow	646,673	-	-	-	646,673
31 December 2021 Foreign exchange contracts					
- Outflow	131,100	-	-	-	131,100
- Inflow	130,821	-	-	-	130,821
Off-balance sheet ite	ms	No later than 1 year AED'000		1-5 years AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2022					
Letter of credit, guaran acceptances	ntees and	1,080,282		791,338	1,871,620
Undrawn credit comm	itments	4,698,629		165,285	4,863,914
Total		5,778,911		956,623	6,735,534
31 December 2021					
Letter of credit, guaran acceptances	ntees and	1,267,156		699,087	1,966,243
Undrawn credit comm	nitments	2,559,540		308,615	2,868,155
Total		3,826,696		1,007,702	4,834,398

3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

(a) Definition

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 Bank has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

The Bank has determined that the fair value of its current financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value approximates its carrying amount as at the year end.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)
- (a) Definition (continued)

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 Bank has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

When one is available, the Bank 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 Bank 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 Bank 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 Bank measures assets and long positions at a bid price and liabilities and short positions at an ask price.

Portfolios of financial assets and financial liabilities that are exposed to market risk and credit risk that are managed by the Bank on the basis of the net exposure to either market or credit risk are measured on the basis of a price that would be received to sell a net long position (or paid to transfer a net short position) for the particular risk exposure. Portfolio-level adjustments — e.g. bid-ask adjustment or credit risk adjustments that reflect the measurement on the basis of the net exposure — are allocated to the individual assets and liabilities on the basis of the relative risk adjustment of each of the individual instruments in the portfolio. The fair value of a financial liability with a demand feature (e.g. a demand deposit) is not less than the amount payable on demand, discounted from the first date on which the amount could be required to be paid.

The fair value of investments in mutual funds, private equity funds or similar investment vehicles are based on the last net asset value published by the fund manager. For other investments, a reasonable estimate of the fair value is determined by reference to the price of recent market transactions involving similar investments, are based on the expected discounted cash flows.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Bank uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)
- (a) Definition (continued)

Fair value hierarchy

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, which reflects the significance of inputs used in making the measurements:

Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument. A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry, group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly recurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. 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; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs based on unobservable data 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 where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

The hierarchy used by the Bank is set out in note 6.2.

The fair value of a financial instrument is the price that would be received to sell a financial asset or paid to transfer a financial liability in an orderly transaction in the principal market at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e., an exit price). Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets provide the best evidence of fair value. When there is no quoted price in an active market, the Bank applies other valuation techniques that maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and that minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Such valuation techniques include the following: using information available from recent market transactions, referring to the current fair value of a comparable financial instrument, applying discounted cash flow analysis, applying option pricing models, or relying on any other valuation technique that is commonly used by market participants and has proven to yield reliable estimates.

For over-the-counter (OTC) derivative financial instruments, fair value is determined using well established valuation techniques that incorporate assumptions based primarily on observable market inputs such as current market prices and the contractual prices of the underlying instruments, the time value of money, interest rate yield curves, credit curves, currency rates as well as price and rate volatility factors.

The Bank determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorization (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

At each reporting date, the Bank analyses the movements in the values of assets and liabilities which are required to be re-measured or re-assessed as per the Bank's accounting policies. For this analysis, the Bank verifies the major inputs applied in the latest valuation by agreeing the information in the valuation computation to contracts and other relevant documents.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Bank has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

(b) Financial instruments not measured at fair value

The following table sets out the fair values of financial instruments not measured at fair value and analyses them by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which each fair value measurement is categorised. The fair values are not materially different from their carrying amounts.

At 31 December 2022	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
Financial assets				
Cash and balances with the UAE	_	1,286,378	-	1,286,378
Central Bank Due from other banks	_	21,681	2,936,684	2,958,365
Due from Head Office and other		ŕ		
branches	-	49,107	17,887	66,994
Loans and advances Other assets	-	3,757	964,192	964,192 3,757
Total	<u>-</u> _	1,360,923	3,918,763	5,279,686
		1,300,923	3,710,703	3,279,000
Financial liabilities Due to customers		2,277,461		2,277,461
Due to Head Office and other	-		-	
branches	-	1,774,472	-	1,774,472
Other liabilities		51,200		51,200
Total	-	4,103,133	-	4,103,133
At 31 December 2021	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
Financial assets				
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank	-	1,212,533	-	1,212,533
Due from other banks	-	20,160	2,494,790	2,514,950
Due from Head Office and other branches	-	30,334	18,165	48,499
Loans and advances	-	-	1,234,817	1,234,817
Other assets	<u> </u>	3,312	<u> </u>	3,312
Total	-	1,266,339	3,747,772	5,014,111
Financial liabilities Due to customers Due to Head Office and other	-	3,386,304	-	3,386,304
branches	-	1,201,749	-	1,201,749
Other liabilities		38,887		38,887
Total		4,626,940		4,626,940

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

(c) Financial instruments measured at fair value

The assets measured at fair value as per the hierarchy as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 are disclosed in the table below:

	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2022 Financial assets Investments measured at fair				
value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,137,607	-	-	1,137,607
Financial liabilities:				
Foreign currency forwards-		53		53
net				
	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2021				
Financial assets Investments measured at fair				
value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)	1,797,492	-	-	1,797,492
Financial liabilities:				
Foreign currency forwards- net	-	279	-	279

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3.8 Capital management

The CBUAE issued Basel III capital regulations, which came into effect from 1 February 2017 introducing minimum capital requirements at three levels, namely Common Equity Tier 1 ('CET1'), Additional Tier 1 ('AT1') and Total Capital.

The minimum capital adequacy requirements as set out by the Central Bank are as follows:

- Minimum common equity tier 1 (CET 1) ratio of 7% of risk weighted assets (RWAs).
- Minimum tier 1 ratio of 8.5% of RWAs.
- Total capital adequacy ratio of 10.5% of RWAs.

The table below summarizes the composition of regulatory capital and the ratios of the Bank as per BASEL III guidelines and has complied with all of the externally imposed capital requirements which it is subject to:

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Tier 1 capital	ALD 000	ALD 000
Allocated capital	2,540,214	2,540,214
Legal reserve	155,555	144,842
Accumulated other comprehensive income	8,215	168
Accumulated losses	(407,328)	(524,728)
Eligible Tier 1 capital	2,296,656	2,160,496
Deductions:		
Intangible assets	3,138	-
Total deductions	3,138	-
Tier 1 capital	2,293,518	2,160,496
Tier 2 capital		
General provision	33,896	37,215
Total regulatory capital	2,327,414	2,197,711
Risk Weighted Assets		
Credit exposure risk	2,710,211	2,977,184
Credit value adjustment	1,442	-
Total Credit risk	2,711,653	2,977,184
Market risk	2,811	1,270
Operational risk	208,584	250,258
Total risk weighted assets	2,923,048	3,228,712
Tier 1 capital ratio	78.46%	66.92%
Capital adequacy ratio	79.62%	68.07%

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.8 Capital management (continued)
- 3.8.1 Analysis of branch's exposure based on Basel III standardised approach

		Credit Risk Mitigation (CRM)			
	On and Off balance sheet gross outstanding AED'000	Exposure before CRM AED'000	CRM AED'000	After CCF AED'000	Risk weighted Assets AED'000
31 December 2022					
Claims on sovereigns	2,398,485	2,398,485	-	2,398,485	-
Claims on banks	7,130,224	7,130,224	-	3,644,361	1,525,975
Claims on public sector enterprise including GRE	608,518	608,518	-	570,101	320,663
Claims on corporates & GRE	3,057,272	3,057,272	90,197	907,145	816,948
Past due loans	66,226	363	-	363	363
Other assets	60,721	60,721	-	60,721	46,262
Total claims	13,321,446	13,255,583	90,197	7,581,176	2,710,211
Of which:					
Rated exposure	9,967,453				
Unrated exposure	3,353,993				
Total exposure	13,321,446				

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.8 Capital management (continued)
- 3.8.1 Analysis of branch's exposure based on Basel III standardised approach (continued)

		Credit l			
	On and Off balance sheet gross outstanding AED'000	Exposure before CRM AED'000	CRM AED'000	After CCF AED'000	Risk weighted Assets AED'000
31 December 2021					
Claims on sovereigns	2,991,197	2,991,197	-	2,991,197	-
Claims on banks	4,849,625	4,849,625	-	3,342,459	1,504,625
Claims on public sector enterprise including GRE	361,439	361,439	-	317,592	68,154
Claims on corporates & GRE	3,357,480	3,357,480	1,322	1,337,500	1,254,902
Past due loans	601,747	91,394	-	91,394	91,394
Other assets	50,791	50,791	-	50,791	58,109
Total claims	12,212,279	11,701,926	1,322	8,130,933	2,977,184
Of which:					
Rated exposure	9,286,602				
Unrated exposure	2,925,677				
Total exposure	12,212,279				

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.8 Capital management (continued)

3.8.2 Capital requirement for market risk under standardised approach as at 31 December

	Risk weighted assets		Capital	charge
	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Market risk				
Foreign exchange risk	2,811	1,270	295	133

Capital charge for year ended 31 December 2022 has been calculated at 10.5% (2021: 10.5%).

3.8.3 Gross exposures and credit risk mitigation

	Exposures		Risk weigh	ted assets
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Gross exposure prior to credit risk mitigation	13,255,583	11,701,926	2,710,211	2,977,184
Less: Exposures covered by eligible financial collateral	(90,197)	(1,322)	-	-
Net exposures after credit risk mitigation	13,165,386	11,700,604	2,710,211	2,977,184

4 Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Cash in hand (note 25)	25,499	18,828
With UAE Central Bank in:		
Current account (note 25)	22,130	32,751
Statutory deposit	118,612	150,946
Overnight deposit facility (note 25)	1,120,137	1,010,008
	1,286,378	1,212,533
Expected credit loss	· -	-
-	1,286,378	1,212,533

The current account balances are transferred to statutory deposit account at the end of the day as part of overnight sweeping mechanism introduced by UAE Central Bank. The statutory deposit with the UAE Central bank is not available to finance the day to day operations of the Bank. Cash in hand, current account and statutory deposit with the UAE Central Bank are non-interest bearing balances.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

5 Due from other banks

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Current accounts (note 25)	21,681	20,160
Bills discounted	2,940,588	2,496,451
	2,962,269	2,516,611
Expected credit loss	(3,904)	(1,661)
	2,958,365	2,514,950

6 Due from Head Office and other branches

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Current accounts (note 25)	46,746	21,841
Other receivables	2,366	8,493
Bills discounted	17,887	18,167
	66,999	48,501
Expected credit loss	(5)	(2)
	66,994	48,499

6.1. Due from Head Office and other branches is a related party balance (note 26)

7 Loans and advances

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Corporate loans	1,020,757	1,701,932
Expected credit loss	(56,565)	(467,115)
Net loans and advances	964,192	1,234,817

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

8 Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income

8(a) Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Quoted debt securities	1,137,607	1,797,492

8(b) Movement in Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
At 1 January		
Opening balance	1,797,492	-
Addition during the year	1,127,804	1,797,119
Matured during the year	(1,797,492)	-
Change in fair value	9,803	373
At 31 December	1,137,607	1,797,492
9 Other assets		
	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Prepayments	1,742	2,680
Other receivables	3,757	3,312
	5,499	5,992

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

10 Property and equipment

	Intangible assets AED'000	Right-of -use assets AED'000	Total AED'000
Cost			
At 1 January 2021	17,265	1,764	19,029
Write off	-	-	-
Transfer		-	
At 31 December 2021	17,265	1,764	19,029
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 January 2021	(8,373)	(805)	(9,178)
Charge for the year	(2,877)	(349)	(3,226)
At 31 December 2021	(11,250)	(1,154)	(12,404)
Net book amount			
At 31 December 2021	6,015	610	6,625
Cost			
At 1 January 2022	17,265	1,764	19,029
Write off	-	-	-
Transfer		-	
At 31 December 2022	17,265	1,764	19,029
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 January 2022	(11,250)	(1,154)	(12,404)
Charge for the year	(2,877)	(349)	(3,226)
At 31 December 2022	(14,127)	(1,503)	(15,630)
Net book amount			
At 31 December 2022	3,138	261	3,399
71. 51 December 2022	3,130	201	3,077

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

11 Deferred income tax assets

Deferred income taxes are calculated on all temporary differences under the liability method using an effective tax rate of 20%.

The movement on the deferred income tax account is as follows:

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
At 1 January Additions during the year Utilisation during the year Tax on gain in Investments measured at fair value through other	17,430 4,340 (915)	18,253 7,168 (1,161)
comprehensive income (FVOCI) Written off during the year At 31 December	(1,961) (11,533) 7,361	(6,830) 17,430
Deferred income tax assets are attributable to the following items:		
	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Provision for corporate loan impairment Provision for suspended interest	1,382 2,476	2,296 10,629
Gain in FV on Investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) Other accruals and provisions	(1,961) 5,464	4,505
- -	7,361	17,430

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefit is probable.

7,361

12 **Due to customers**

Deferred tax assets:

Deferred tax asset to be recovered

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Current accounts	580,467	716,869
Call deposits	535,329	376,017
Term deposits	1,161,665	2,293,418
	2,277,461	3,386,304

At 31 December 2022, term deposits amounting to AED 0.97 million (2021: AED 0.96 million) were held as cash collateral for loans and advances granted to and commitments made on behalf of customers.

17,430

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13 Due to Head Office and other branches

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Term deposits	1,540,964	951,318
Current accounts	175,791	149,800
Call accounts	32,546	31,263
Others	25,171	69,368
	1,774,472	1,201,749

13.1. Due to Head Office and other branches is a related party balance (note 26)

14 Other liabilities

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Bills payable	36,974	28,308
Deferred income	1,711	1,250
Provision for End of service benefits (note 14(a))	1,126	1,292
Expected credit loss on unfunded exposures (note 3.2.3)	8,996	5,653
Others	5,230	4,926
	54,037	41,429

Others include a provision of AED 1.15 million (2021: AED 1.15 million) representing management's estimate of a claim related to the exit of the retail banking business.

(a) Provision for end of service benefits

	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Balance brought forward	1,292	1,363
Add: Charge during the year	191	179
Less: Payments during the year	(357)	(250)
Balance carried forward	1,126	1,292

(b) Provision for employees' end of service benefits

In accordance with the provisions of IAS 19, management has carried out an exercise to assess the present value of its obligations at 31 December 2022, using the projected unit credit method, in respect of employees' end of service benefits payable under the UAE Labour Law. Under this method, an assessment has been made of an employees' expected service life with the Bank and the expected basic salary at the date of leaving the service. Management has assumed average increment/promotion costs to be 8.4 % in 2022 (2021: 2.45 %). The expected liability at the date of leaving the service has been discounted to its net present value using a discount rate of 3.62 % (2021: 1.46 %).

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

15 Allocated capital

In accordance with the UAE Union Law Number (10) of 1980, as amended, allocated capital represents the amount of an interest free deposit provided by the Head Office.

16 Reserves

(a) Legal reserve

In accordance with Article 82 of the UAE Union Law Number (10) of 1980, as amended, 10% of the profit for the year is required to be transferred to a legal reserve which is non-distributable. Allocations to this reserve are required to be made until such time as the balance in this reserve equals 50% of the allocated capital. This reserve is not available for distribution.

(b) General reserve

The Bank has created a special reserve titled as 'General reserve' in lieu of the general provision required to be created in accordance with the "Circular No 28/2010" issued by the UAE Central Bank. The Bank assesses the general provision requirement annually at each balance sheet date. Based on this assessment, general reserve of AED 27.17 million was required as at 31 December 2022 (2021: AED 30.82 million) and thus an amount of AED 3.65 million was released from general reserve under statement of movements in Head Office account and reserves during the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021: a charge of AED 11.53 million was recorded in general reserve).

Impairment reserve under the Central Bank of UAE (CBUAE) guidance

The CBUAE has issued its IFRS 9 guidance addressing variogus implementation challenges and practical implications for Banks adopting IFRS 9 in the UAE ("guidance").

Pursuant to clause 6.4 of the guidance, the reconciliation between general and specific provision under Circular 28/2010 of CBUAE and IFRS 9 is as follows:

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Allowances for impairment losses: General		
General provisions under Circular 28/2010 of CBUAE	43,155	47,990
Less: Stage 1 and Stage 2 provisions under IFRS 9	15,986	17,173
General provision transferred to the impairment reserve*	27,169	30,817
Allowances for impairment losses: Specific		
Specific provisions under Circular 28/2010 of CBUAE	53,484	457,207
Less: Stage 3 provisions under IFRS 9	53,484	457,207
Specific provision transferred to the impairment reserve*	<u> </u>	
Total provision transferred to the impairment reserve	27,169	30,817

^{*}In the case where provisions under IFRS 9 exceed provisions under CBUAE, no amount shall be transferred to the impairment reserve.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

17 Contingencies and commitments

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Letters of credit	456,599	688,843
Guarantees and acceptances	1,415,021	1,277,400
Undrawn credit commitments	4,863,914	2,868,155
	6,735,534	4,834,398

The primary purpose of these instruments is to ensure that funds are available to a customer as required. Guarantees and standby letters of credit, which represent irrevocable assurances that the Bank will make payments in the event that a customer cannot meet his obligations to third parties, carry the same credit risk as loans and advances. Documentary and commercial letters of credit, which are written undertakings by the Bank on behalf of a customer's authorising a third party to draw drafts on the Bank up to a stipulated amount under specific terms and conditions, are collateralised by the underlying shipments of goods to which they relate and therefore have less risk. Cash requirements under guarantees and standby letters of credit are considerably less than the amount of the commitment because the Bank does not generally expect the third party to draw funds under the agreement.

18 Forward foreign exchange contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts (FECs) comprise commitments to purchase and sell foreign and domestic currencies on behalf of customers and in respect of the Bank's proprietary activities and undelivered spot transactions. The Bank has entered into the following forward exchange transactions which have been marked to market:

	Contractual/ notional amount AED'000	Assets AED'000	Liabilities AED'000
31 December 2022	646,673	2	53
31 December 2021	130,821	-	278
19 Interest income		2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Loans and advances Bills discounted Overnight deposits facility Deposits with Head Office (note 26) Investment at FVOCI		56,493 48,166 13,147 1,313 15,539	24,020 23,910 4,016 154 74 52,174

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

20 Interest expense

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Deposits from Head Office (note 26)	22,156	488
Due to customers	25,957	5,629
_	48,113	6,117
Fee and commission income		
	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Documentary credits and guarantees	10,705	8,950
Loan fees	6,145	10,832
Other commission	12,999	11,033
<u> </u>	29,849	30,815
22 Operating expenses		
	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Staff costs (note 22 (a))	5,439	4,886
Postage and communication	2,161	2,179
Marketing and advertising	16	202
Depreciation (note 10) Expenses incurred by related parties on behalf of the Branch	3,226	3,226
(note 26)	69,522	61,218
Expenses incurred by the Branch on behalf of related parties (note 26)	(3,705)	(3,808)
Salaries paid to outsourced staff	3,483	4,470
Other	7,592	7,413
	87,734	79,786
22(a) Staff costs		
	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Salaries and allowances	2,714	2,353
Other staff costs	2,725	2,533
	5,439	4,886

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

23 Income tax

2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
<u> </u>	7,345
-	7,345
10,070	823
(1,961)	-
8,109	8,168
	AED'000 10,070 (1,961)

The income tax rate applicable to the Bank's 2022 income is 20% (2021: 20%). On 9 December 2022, the UAE Ministry of Finance released the Federal Decree-Law No. 47 of 2022 on the Taxation of Corporations and Businesses (the Law) to enact a Federal corporate tax (CT) regime in the UAE. The CT regime will become effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 June 2023.

A rate of 9% will apply to taxable income exceeding a particular threshold to be prescribed by way of a Cabinet Decision (expected to be AED 375,000 based on information released by the Ministry of Finance), a rate of 0% will apply to taxable income not exceeding this threshold [and a rate of 0% on qualifying income of free zone entities]. In addition, there are several other decisions that are yet to be finalized by way of a Cabinet Decision that are significant in order for entities to determine their tax status and taxable income. Therefore, pending such important decisions, the Bank has considered that the Law, as it currently stands, is not substantively enacted as at 31 December 2022 from the perspective of IAS 12 – Income Taxes. The Bank shall continue to monitor the timing of the issuance of these critical Cabinet Decisions to determine their tax status and the application of IAS 12 – Income Taxes. The Bank is currently in the process of assessing the possible impact on the financial statements, both from current and deferred tax perspective, once the Law becomes substantively enacted.

Further information about deferred income tax is presented in note 11. The tax on the Bank's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the basic tax rate of the Bank as follows:

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Profit before taxation	125,039	37,026
Tax calculated at the base tax rate of the Bank Effect of:	25,008	7,405
Release of Interest in suspense disallowed in prior years for which no deferred tax was recognised	-	(1,577)
Release of retail specific provision disallowed in prior years for which no deferred tax was recognised	-	(849)
Release of Corporate specific provision disallowed in prior years for which no deferred tax was recognised	(80,744)	(58,238)
Gain on FVOCI for which deferred tax is recognised during the year	(1,961)	-
Unused tax losses for which no deferred tax is recognised Utilisation of deferred tax assets of prior years	65,806	56,023 (830)
Other Provisions for which deferred tax is recognised during the year	-	(1,019)
Prior year adjustments	-	7,345
Other temporary differences		(92)
Income tax charge	8,109	8,168
Effective tax rate	<u> </u>	

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

24 Leases

The Bank leases branch premises for a period of 5 years, with an option to renew the lease after that date. Payments are renegotiated every five years to reflect market rentals.

The Bank also leases IT equipment with contract terms of one to three years. The leases are short-term and/or leases of low-value items. The Bank has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for these leases.

i. Lease liability

	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
As at 1 January	793	1,218
Interest expense	18	34
Cash payments	(464)	(459)
As at 31 December	347	793

The lease liability is included in Other liabilities as at 31 December. Refer note 3.6 for maturity analysis of other liabilities as at 31 December.

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ii. Amounts recognised in profit or loss

Overnight deposit facility

Current accounts

Current accounts

Due from other banks (note 5)

Due from Head Office and other branches (note 6)

Leases under IFRS 16	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Interest on lease liabilities Expenses relating to leases of low-value assets, excluding short-	18	34
term leases of low-value assets	19	22
iii. Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows		
	2022 AED'000	2021 AED'000
Total cash outflow for leases	464	459
25 Cash and cash equivalents for statement of cash flow		
	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank		
(note 4)		
Cash in hand	25,499	18,828
Current account with UAE Central bank	22,130	32,751

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

26 Related party transactions

Related parties comprise the Head Office, subsidiaries and branches of the Head Office and key management personnel.

During the year, the Branch entered into transactions with related parties in the ordinary course of business at mutually agreed terms and conditions. In addition to the balances noted in the assets and liabilities of the Bank at the year end, the following transactions were carried out on normal commercial terms and conditions.

	2022	2021
	AED'000	AED'000
Transactions during the year:		
Interest income (note 19)	1,313	154
Interest expense (note 20)	22,156	488
Operating expenses include:		
Expenses incurred by related parties on behalf of the Branch (note	69,522	61,218
22)	07,322	01,210
Expenses incurred by the Branch on behalf of related parties (note	(3,705)	(3,808)
22)	(3,703)	(3,808)
Due from Head Office and other branches (note 6)	66,994	48,499
Due to Head Office and other branches (note 13)	1,774,472	1,201,749

Key management personnel include employees of other entities within the Barclays Group with management responsibilities for the Branch. Remuneration of such employees are booked in the respective employing entity of the Barclays Group.

27 Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified, where necessary, to conform with changes in the current period's presentation.