

UOB Group

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Financial Highlights

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Record full year profit

NPAT (FY19) **\$4.34b**

▲ 8% YoY

NPAT (4Q19) **\$1.01b**

▲ 10% YoY

▼ 10% QoQ

Strong client franchise; solid balance sheet position

- Total income for FY19 up 10% to cross \$10 billion mark, led by healthy client franchise growth and higher trading and investment income
- Stable funding with loan-to-deposit ratio at 85.4%; LCR for the year at 146% and NSFR at 111%
- NPL ratio flat at 1.5% with unsecured NPA coverage high at 202%; total credit costs slightly higher at 18 bps
- Robust capital position with CET1 ratio at 14.3%
- Full year dividends of \$1.30 cents

Full year earnings up 8% to a new high of \$4.34 billion



	2019	2018	YoY +	+/(-)
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%
Net interest income	6,562	6,220	342	6 🔺
Net fee income	2,032	1,967	65	3 🔺
Others	1,435	930	506	54 🔺
Total income	10,030	9,116	913	10 🔺
Less: Total expenses	4,472	4,003	469	12 🔺
Operating profit	5,558	5,113	445	9 🔺
Less: Total allowances	435	393	42	11 🔺
Add: Assoc & JV	51	106	(54)	(51) ▼
Net profit	4,343	4,008	335	8 🔺

- Higher net interest income (NII) as loans grew 3%.
- Steady fee growth particularly wealth management and credit card.
- Stronger trading and investment income.
- Expenses increased due to talent and technology investments.
 Cost/Income ratio at 44.6%.
- Higher allowances from impaired assets.
- Contributions from associates declined due to reduced shareholdings.





	4Q19	4Q18	YoY +	+/(-)
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%
Net interest income	1,635	1,608	27	2 🔺
Net fee income	476	467	9	2 🔺
Others	321	140	180	>100 🔺
Total income	2,432	2,216	216	10 🔺
Less: Total expenses	1,116	984	132	13 🔺
Operating profit	1,316	1,232	84	7 🔺
Less: Total allowances	146	128	18	14 🔺
Add: Assoc & JV	20	0	20	>100 🔺
Net profit	1,006	916	90	10 🔺

- Higher NII driven by loan growth.
- Fees increased from strong wealth management flows and credit card fees.
- Other income driven by stronger investment income and higher treasury customer flows.
- Higher expenses in tandem with income growth and investment in strategic initiatives.
- Higher allowances from impaired assets.

QoQ earnings 10% down due to seasonally slower 4th quarter

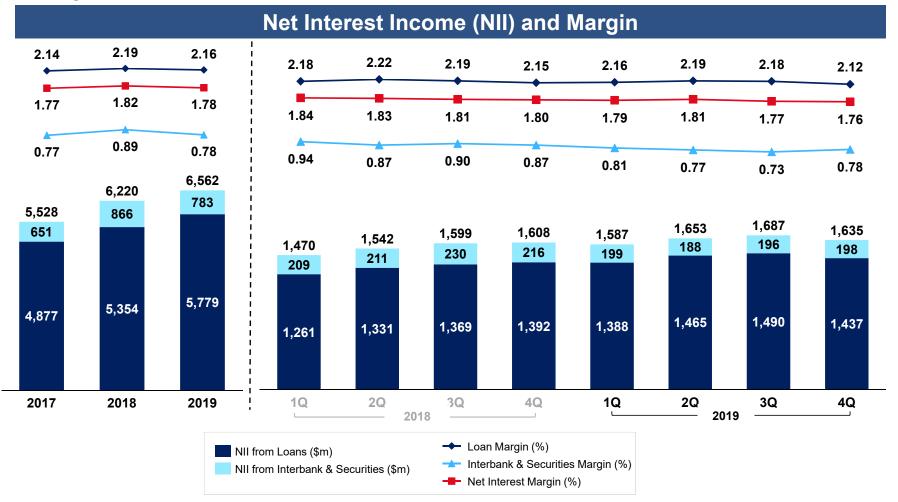


	4Q19	3Q19	QoQ +	+/(-)
	\$m	\$m	\$m	%
Net interest income	1,635	1,687	(51)	(3) ▼
Net fee income	476	551	(76)	(14) ▼
Others	321	371	(50)	(14) ▼
Total income	2,432	2,609	(177)	(7) ▼
Less: Total expenses	1,116	1,154	(38)	(3) 🔻
Operating profit	1,316	1,455	(140)	(10) ▼
Less: Total allowances	146	145	-	0 🔺
Add: Assoc & JV	20	14	6	41 🔺
Net profit	1,006	1,118	(113)	(10) ▼

- NII decreased 3% from lower loan origination and lower interest rates.
- Seasonally lower fees and trading and investment income.
- Decrease in expenses in line with lower income.

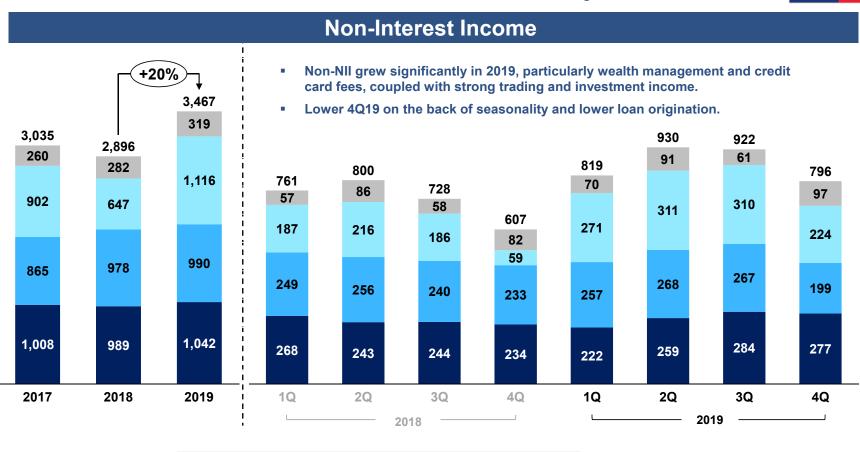
QoQ NIM down 1 bp on lower interest rates and increased competition





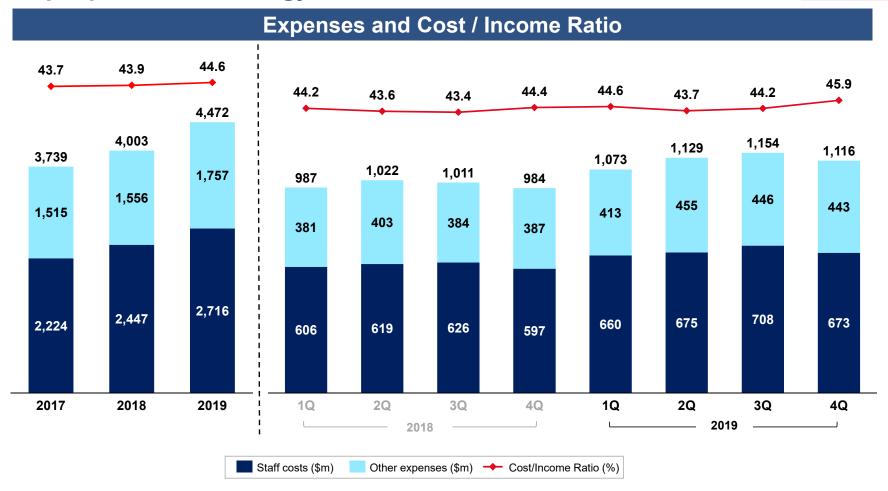
Non-interest income rose 20% YoY; but seasonally lower QoQ





Cost/Income ratio for 2019 at 44.6% with continued investment in people and technology





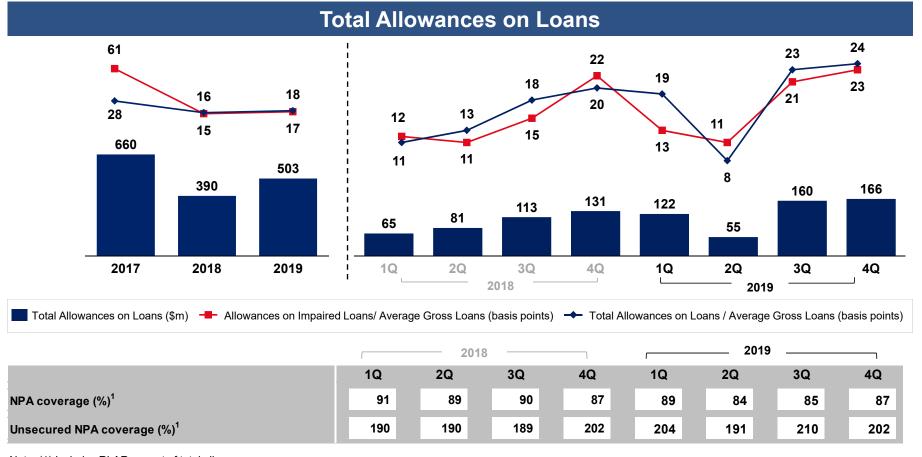


NPA formation increased this quarter, no widespread concern

			2018				2019 ——	1
(\$m)	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q
NPAs at start of period	4,389	4,323	4,404	4,374	4,166	4,215	4,185	4,350
Group wholesale and small enterprises								
New NPAs	235	252	275	370	230	357	180	437
Upgrades, recoveries and translations	(206)	(88)	(229)	(257)	(139)	(182)	(38)	(400)
Write-offs	(129)	(101)	(29)	(392)	(17)	(229)	(26)	(81)
	4,289	4,386	4,421	4,095	4,240	4,161	4,301	4,307
Group Retail (personal customers only)	34	18	(47)	71	(25)	24	49	(10)
NPAs at end of period	4,323	4,404	4,374	4,166	4,215	4,185	4,350	4,297
NPL Ratio (%)	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5

Total credit costs stable at 18 bps for 2019 with healthy allowance coverage





Note: (1) Includes RLAR as part of total allowances.

Regulatory loss allowance reserve (RLAR) is a non-distributable reserve appropriated through retained earnings to meet MAS Notice No. 612 Credit Files, Grading and Provisioning requirements.

North Asia loan exposure reduced amid uncertainty in 2H19



	Dec-19	Jun-19	Dec-18	Jun19 vs Dec18	Dec19 vs Jun19	YoY
Gross Loans	\$ b	\$b	\$b	+/(-)%	+/(-)%	+/(-)%
Singapore	139	142	137	3	(2)	1
South East Asia	63	61	59	2	4	6
Malaysia	30	29	29	(1)	2	1
Thailand	20	18	17	8	8	16
Indonesia	11	11	11	1	1	2
Others	2	2	2	3	7	10
North Asia	43	46	43	8	(7)	1
Greater China	41	43	40	7	(3)	3
Others	2	3	2	33	(52)	(36)
Rest of the world	24	25	22	9	(2)	7
Total	269	273	262	4	(2)	3

Note: Loans are classified based on where credit risks reside, represented by country of incorporation/operation for non-individuals and residence for individuals.



Stable income in 2H19 despite de-risking our balance sheet. Southeast Asia franchise showing results as cross border connectivity improved

	2019	2018	2H19	1H19	2H18	1H19 vs 2H18	2H19 vs 1H19	YoY
Total Income	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	+/(-)%	+/(-)%	+/(-)%
Singapore	5,756	5,123	2,855	2,901	2,526	15	(2)	12
Southeast Asia	2,705	2,531	1,408	1,297	1,295	0	9	7
Malaysia	1,084	1,068	570	513	540	(5)	11	1
Thailand	1,056	964	545	512	496	3	6	10
Indonesia	485	444	250	235	227	4	6	9
Others	80	55	43	36	32	13	20	45
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North Asia	988	917	478	510	445	14	(6)	8
Greater China	937	864	456	481	422	14	(5)	9
Others	51	53	22	28	24	19	(20)	(5)
Rest of the world	581	546	299	282	276	2	6	6
Total	10,030	9,116	5,041	4,989	4,543	10	1	10

Maintaining strong growth in Singapore despite competitive landscape. Broadbased increase across all business

Southeast Asia franchise progressing well across Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia. Vietnam gaining traction as an emerging market.

North Asia showed growth in 2019, more cautious stance in 2020.

Business segments delivered healthy profit growth



Oı	perating	Profit
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Group Retail

Group Wholesale Banking

Global Markets

Others *

Total

2019 \$m	2018 \$m	+/(-) %
2,200	2,032	8
3,066	2,984	3
317	222	43
(26)	(125)	79
5,558	5,113	9





Income from high affluent customers

 Higher NII from volume growth and improvement in deposit margin; stronger contribution from wealth

Wholesale



+10% **Cross-border** income

- Income growth of 6% from improvement in cash management, treasury and loan-related activities.
- Cross border accounted for 28% of total income

Global Markets



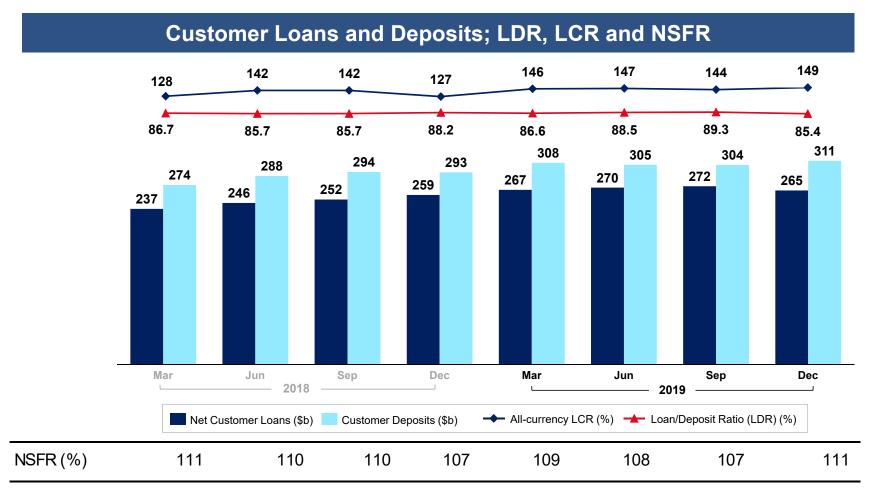
+10% **Treasury flow**

Income growth driven by strong trading performance

^{*} Comprise Investment Management, Central Treasury, Corporate Functions and Banknotes

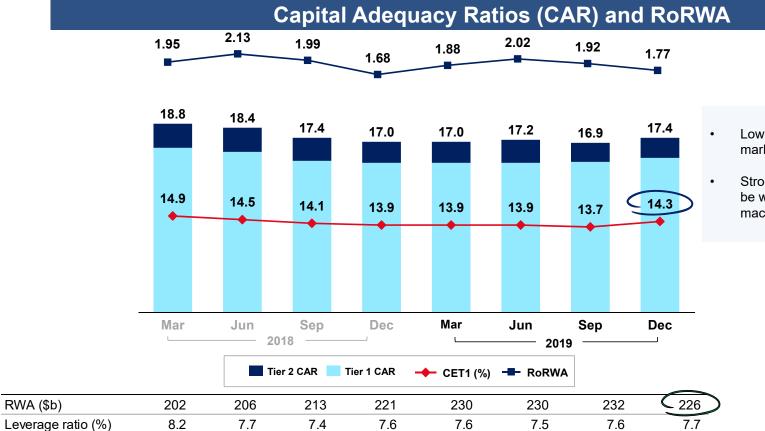
Stable liquidity position with average LCR at 149% and NSFR at 111%





Strong capital and leverage ratios

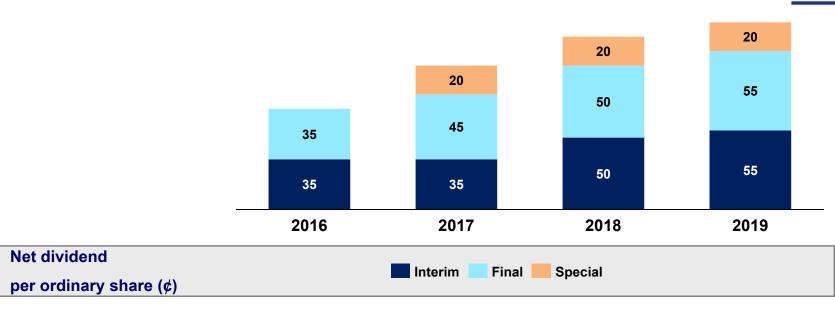




 Strong capital allows the Group to be well-positioned to steer through macro uncertainties.

Dividends





	2016	2017	2018	2019
Payout amount (\$m)	1,135	1,660	2,000	2,170
Payout ratio (%)	37	49	50	50
Payout ratio (%) (excluding special/one-off dividends (%)	37	39	42	42

Appendix:

Performance of Major Territories

- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Thailand
- Indonesia
- Greater China

Exposure to Greater China Deposits



Singapore – Key Financials



	2019	2018	+/(-)	4Q19	3Q19	+/(-)
	\$m	\$m	%	\$m	\$m	%
Net interest income	3,752	3,552	6	896	968	(7)
Net fee income	1,197	1,174	2	274	336	(18)
Other non-interest income	807	396	>100	179	201	(11)
Total income	5,756	5,123	12	1,350	1,505	(10)
Less: Expenses	2,480	2,189	13	594	635	(7)
Operating profit	3,276	2,934	12	756	869	(13)
Less: Total allowances	167	83	>100	61	54	14
Add: Assoc & JV	52	66	(21)	17	13	27
Profit before tax	3,161	2,917	8	712	829	(14)
Financial indicators (%)						
Net interest margin	1.48	1.49		1.43	1.49	
Cost/Income ratio	43.1	42.7		44.0	42.2	
Customer loans (net) - \$b ^	157.1	154.2	2%	157.1	160.3	(2%)
Loan/Deposit ratio	76.2	79.3		76.2	80.5	
NPL ratio ^	1.7	1.7		1.7	1.6	

[^] Based on location where the loans are booked.

Malaysia – Key Financials



	2019 RM'm	2018 RM'm	+/(-) %	4Q19 RM'm	3Q19 RM'm	+/(-) %
Net interest income	2,242	2,210	1	594	564	5
Net fee income	632	655	(4)	192	171	12
Other non-interest income	419	333	26	104	110	(5)
Total income	3,293	3,198	3	890	845	5
Less: Expenses	1,322	1,218	9	373	327	14
Operating profit	1,971	1,980	(0)	517	518	(0)
Less: Total allowances	243	182	34	99	59	68
Profit before tax	1,728	1,798	(4)	418	459	(9)
Profit before tax (S\$m)	569	600	(5)	137	152	(10)
Average Exchange rate	3.04	2.99		3.05	3.03	
Financial indicators (%)						
Net interest margin	1.96	2.07		2.00	1.93	
Cost/Income ratio	40.1	38.1		41.9	38.7	
Customer loans (net) - RM'b ^	90.2	91.1	(1%)	90.2	90.9	(1%)
Loan/Deposit ratio	99.7	100.8	. ,	99.7	98.3	. ,
NPL ratio ^	1.8	1.6		1.8	1.8	

[^] Based on location where the loans are booked.

Thailand – Key Financials



	2019 THB'm	2018 THB'm	+/(-) %	4Q19 THB'm	3Q19 THB'm	+/(-) %
Net interest income	17,277	16,944	2	4,269	4,345	(2)
Net fee income	5,336	4,991	7	1,403	1,395	1
Other non-interest income	1,348	1,134	19	279	397	(30)
Total income	23,961	23,069	4	5,951	6,137	(3)
Less: Expenses	14,775	13,661	8	3,519	3,885	(9)
Operating profit	9,186	9,408	(2)	2,432	2,252	8
Less: Total allowances	3,019	2,672	13	931	1,313	(29)
Profit before tax	6,167	6,736	(8)	1,501	939	60
Profit before tax (S\$m)	271	282	(4)	68	42	61
Average Exchange rate	22.79	23.92		22.16	22.34	
Financial indicators (%)						
Net interest margin	3.24	3.40		3.11	3.11	
Cost/Income ratio	61.7	59.2		59.1	63.3	
Customer loans (net) - THB'b ^	406.6	376.0	8%	406.6	397.2	2%
Loan/Deposit ratio	87.0	90.7		87.0	81.9	
NPL ratio ^	2.9	2.8		2.9	2.7	

[^] Based on location where the loans are booked.

Indonesia – Key Financials



	2019	2018	+/(-)	4Q19	3Q19	+/(-)
	IDR'b	IDR'b	%	IDR'b	IDR'b	%
Net interest income	3,388	3,364	1	881	820	7
Net fee income	874	799	9	257	228	13
Other non-interest income	756	529	43	129	249	(48)
Total income	5,018	4,692	7	1,267	1,297	(2)
Less: Expenses	3,599	3,298	9	949	930	2
Operating profit	1,419	1,394	2	318	367	(13)
Less: Total allowances	554	587	(6)	53	141	(62)
Profit/(loss) before tax	865	807	7	265	226	17
Profit/(loss) before tax (S\$m)	84	77	9	26	22	17
Average Exchange rate	10,327	10,502		10,293	10,251	
Financial indicators (%)						
Net interest margin	3.72	3.89		3.86	3.58	
Cost/Income ratio	71.7	70.3		74.9	71.7	
Customer loans (net) - IDR't ^	72.5	70.6	3%	72.5	73.0	(1%)
Loan/Deposit ratio	89.2	91.3		89.2	92.3	-
NPL ratio ^	1.7	1.4		1.7	1.8	

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Greater China – Key Financials

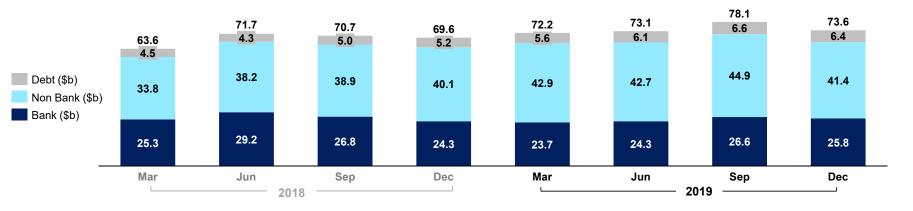


	2019	2018	+/(-)	4Q19	3Q19	+/(-)
	\$m	\$m	%	\$m	\$m	%
Net interest income	455	421	8	137	121	13
Net fee income	169	159	6	21	44	(51)
Other non-interest income	313	283	10	63	70	(10)
Total income	937	864	9	221	235	(6)
Less: Expenses	401	381	5	105	105	(1)
Operating profit	536	483	11	116	129	(10)
Less: Total allowances	9	68	(88)	7	15	(51)
Add: Assoc & JV	(0)	29	(>100)	(0)	(0)	74
Profit before tax	527	443	19	109	114	(4)
Financial indicators (%)						
Net interest margin	0.85	0.85		1.02	0.88	
Cost/Income ratio	42.8	44.1		47.3	44.9	
Customer loans (net) - \$b ^	33.0	32.7	1%	33.0	35.7	(8%)
Loan/Deposit ratio	148.8	152.0		148.8	162.9	
NPL ratio ^	0.2	0.3		0.2	0.2	

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Exposure to Greater China





As at 31 Dec 2019:

Mainland China exposure (\$30b or 7% of total assets) Bank exposure (\$16b)

- Accounted for ~60% of total exposure to Mainland China, with top 5 domestic banks and 3 policy banks accounting for ~80% of total bank exposure
- 99% with <1 year tenor
- Trade exposures mostly with bank counterparties, representing ~50% of total bank exposure

Non-bank exposure (\$11b)

- Target customers include top-tier state-owned enterprises, large local corporates and foreign investment enterprises
- ~50% denominated in RMB
- ~50% with <1 year tenor
- NPL ratio at 0.4%

Hong Kong SAR exposure (\$33b or 8% of total assets) Bank exposure (\$3b)

Majority of exposure are to foreign banks

Non-bank exposure (\$26b)

- Exposure mainly to wholesale corporates
- Real estate loans accounted for \$11b (~4% of total loans); loans are well-collateralised and predominantly to network clients or clients with strong financial sponsors
- Other potential vulnerable industries (hospitality and consumer discretionary) amounted to \$5b
- ~50% with <1 year tenor
- NPL ratio at 0.2%

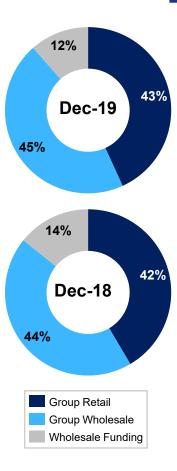
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Customer Deposits				
Singapore				
Southeast Asia				
Malaysia				
Thailand				
Indonesia				
Others				
North Asia				
Greater China				
Others				
Rest of the worlld				
Total customer deposits				
Wholesale funding (1)				
Total funding				

Dec-19 \$b	Dec-18 \$b	+/(-) %	Sep-19 \$b	+/(-) %
206	195	6	199	3
61	56	9	62	(2)
30	30	(0)	31	(3)
21	17	21	22	(4)
8	7	8	8	2
2	2	48	2	13
22	22	4	22	1
22	22	3	22	1
0	0	>100	0	>100
21	21	1	21	1
311	293	6	304	2
43	47	(8)	52	(18)
354	340	4	357	(1)



Note: 1. Comprise debt issuances, perpetual capital securities and interbank liabilities.