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(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to

Commission File Number 1-5955

JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

North Carolina
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

100 North Greene Street,
Greensboro, North Carolina
27401
(Address of Principal
Executive Offices)

56-0896180
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 336-691-3000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name of Exchange(s) on Which Registered
Common Stock (Par Value \$1.25)	New York, Midwest and Pacific Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to the filing requirements for at least the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes No

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by nonaffiliates of the registrant at June 30, 2004 was approximately \$6.9 billion. At March 1, 2005, 136.6 million shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$1.25 per share, were outstanding.

Documents Incorporated by Reference

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Portions of the definitive Proxy Statement to be filed for the May 2, 2005 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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PART I

Item 1. *Business*

(a) General Development of Business

Jefferson-Pilot Corporation (JP) was incorporated in North Carolina in 1968. While JP has broad powers to engage in business, it is solely a holding company. Our principal subsidiaries, which are wholly owned, are:

Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company (JP Life),

Jefferson Pilot Financial Insurance Company (JPFIC),

Jefferson Pilot LifeAmerica Insurance Company (JPLA),

Jefferson Pilot Securities Corporation, a non-clearing NASD registered broker/dealer (with its subsidiaries, JPSC), and

Jefferson-Pilot Communications Company (with its subsidiaries, JPCC).

Through these and other subsidiaries, we primarily engage in the business of writing life insurance policies, writing annuity policies and selling other investment products, writing group life, disability income and dental policies, operating radio and television broadcasting facilities, and producing sports programming. Greensboro, North Carolina is the center for most operations, although a major base of operations in Concord, NH serves JPFIC, JPLA and our broker/dealers, and we conduct the group life, disability income and dental insurance operations primarily in JPFIC's offices in Omaha, Nebraska.

We provide further detail in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations which begins on page 11 (MD&A).

Over the past ten years we have made a number of acquisitions.

In May 1995, JP Life assumed certain life insurance and annuity business of Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company (KCL) in an assumption reinsurance transaction.

In October 1995, JP acquired Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company of America (AH Life) and its subsidiary, First Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company (FAHL), from a subsidiary of Household International, Inc. With the acquisition, certain blocks of the acquired business were 100% coinsured with affiliates of Household.

Effective May 1, 1997, JP acquired JPFIC, its subsidiary JPLA, and our principal broker/dealer, Jefferson Pilot Securities Corporation, from The Chubb Corporation.

On December 30, 1999, JP acquired Guarantee Life Insurance Company (GLIC) and its non-insurance affiliates.

On August 1, 2000, AH Life and GLIC merged into JPFIC. On December 31, 2000, FAHL merged into JPLA. These mergers reduced costs and improved efficiency in our insurance operations.

In March 2004, JPFIC acquired substantially all of the U.S. group life, disability income and dental insurance business of The Canada Life Assurance Company.

(b) Financial Information About Industry Segments

We present industry segment information in Note 15.

(c) Narrative Description of Business

Revenues derived from the principal products and services of our insurance subsidiaries and revenues from the Communications segment for the past three years are as follows:

Revenues by Segment*

	2004	2003	2002
	(In Millions)		
Individual Products	\$ 1,780	\$ 1,774	\$ 1,737
Annuity and Investment Products	718	694	686
Benefit Partners	1,202	820	698
Communications	239	214	208
Corporate and Other	163	71	77
	\$ 4,102	\$ 3,573	\$ 3,406

* Revenues include net investment income earned on assets backing insurance liabilities and line surplus for each reportable segment. Corporate and Other revenues include \$41, (\$47) and (\$22) of realized gains (losses) for 2004, 2003 and 2002.

The following briefly describes our principal wholly-owned subsidiaries, including their principal products and services, markets and methods of distribution.

INSURANCE COMPANY SUBSIDIARIES

JP Life is domiciled in North Carolina and began business in 1903. It is authorized to write insurance in 49 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. It primarily writes universal life insurance policies on an individual basis, and individual non-variable annuities including equity indexed annuities.

JPFIC has been domiciled in Nebraska since its redomestication from New Hampshire in August 2000. It began business in 1903 through predecessor companies, and is authorized to write insurance in 49 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. It principally writes universal life, variable universal life and term insurance policies. JPFIC also writes substantially all our group term life, disability income and dental insurance.

JPLA, domiciled in New Jersey, began business in 1897. It is authorized to write insurance in 50 states, the District of Columbia and several U.S. possessions/territories. JPLA is commercially domiciled in New York due to the large percentage of its business in that state. It primarily writes universal life, variable universal life and term insurance policies, and non-variable annuities.

The former AH Life block of universal life insurance policies and variable and non-variable annuities is now part of JPFIC.

The former FAHL block of non-variable annuities and universal life insurance policies is now part of JPLA.

Individual Products. Our insurance subsidiaries offer individual life insurance policies, primarily universal life and variable universal life policies, as well as traditional life products and level and decreasing term policies. On most policies, accidental death and disability benefits are available in the form of riders, and IRA riders also are available, as are other benefits. We accept certain substandard risks at higher premiums.

Our companies market individual life products through independent general agents, independent national marketing organizations, agency building general agents, our district agency network, broker/dealers, banks and strategic alliances.

Annuity and Investment Products. Our insurance subsidiaries offer annuity and investment products. They market through most of the distribution channels discussed above and through investment professionals and annuity marketing organizations. Our broker/dealers market variable life insurance written by our insurance subsidiaries, and also sell other securities and mutual funds.

Benefit Partners. JPFIC offers group term life, disability income and dental insurance, which is sold through regional group offices throughout the U.S., marketing to employee benefit brokers, third-party administrators and employee benefit firms.

Other Information Regarding Insurance Company Subsidiaries

Regulation. Insurance companies are subject to regulation and supervision in all the states where they do business. Generally the state supervisory agencies have broad administrative powers relating to granting and revoking licenses to transact business, licensing agents, approving forms of policies used, regulating trade practices and market conduct, the form and content of required financial statements, reserve requirements, permitted investments, approval of dividends and, in general, the conduct of all insurance activities.

Insurance companies also must file detailed annual reports on a statutory accounting basis with the state supervisory agencies where each does business. See Note 11 regarding statutory accounting principles, including differences from GAAP accounting. These agencies may examine the business and accounts at any time. Under the rules of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) and state laws, the supervisory agencies of one or more states examine a company periodically, usually at three to five year intervals.

Various states, including Nebraska, New Jersey, New York and North Carolina, have enacted insurance holding company legislation. Our insurance subsidiaries have registered as members of an insurance holding company system under applicable laws. Most states require prior approval by state insurance regulators of transactions with affiliates, including dividends by insurance subsidiaries above specified limits, and of acquisitions of insurance companies.

Risk-based capital requirements and state guaranty fund laws are discussed in MD&A.

Competition. Our insurance subsidiaries operate in a highly competitive field which consists of a large number of stock, mutual and other types of insurers. Consolidation among producers and increasingly larger marketing organizations has heightened competition among insurance manufacturers who compete to distribute their products through these channels.

Certain insurance and annuity products also compete with other investment vehicles. Marketing of annuities and other competing products by banks and other financial institutions has increased. Our broker/dealers also operate in a highly competitive environment. Existing tax laws affect the taxation of life insurance and many competing products. Various changes and proposals for changes have been made in income and estate tax laws, some of which could adversely affect the taxation of certain products or their use as retirement or estate planning vehicles, or create new tax favored competing products, and thus impact our marketing and the volume of our policies surrendered.

Employees. As of December 31, 2004, our insurance operations including our broker/dealer employed approximately 3,000 persons and contracted with another approximately 600 agency building general agents (career agents) and home service agents who are statutory employees for FICA purposes. Substantially all of these employees are payrolled with JP Life and costs are allocated to affiliates under various service agreements that have been approved by state insurance regulators.

COMMUNICATIONS

JPCC owns and operates three television stations and operates 18 radio stations as well as Jefferson-Pilot Sports, a sports production and syndication business.

Television Operations

WBTV, Channel 3, Charlotte, NC, is affiliated with CBS under a Network Affiliation Agreement expiring on May 31, 2011. WWBT, Channel 12, Richmond, VA, is affiliated with NBC under a Network Affiliation Agreement expiring December 31, 2011. WCSC, Channel 5, Charleston, SC, is affiliated with CBS under a Network Affiliation Agreement expiring on May 31, 2011. Absent cancellation by either party, each of these Agreements will be renewed for successive five-year periods.

Radio Operations

JPCC owns and operates one AM and one FM station in Atlanta, GA, one AM and two FM stations in Charlotte, NC, two AM and three FM stations in Denver, CO and one AM and two FM stations in Miami, FL. In San Diego, CA, JPCC owns and operates three FM stations, owns one AM station now operated by a third party under a local marketing agreement (LMA) and operates one FM station under an LMA with the station's owner.

JP Sports

JP Sports' principal business is to produce and syndicate broadcasts of Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) and Southeastern Conference (SEC) football and basketball events. The contracts with the leagues were renewed in 2001 and extend through 2005 for ACC football and through 2006 with an option through 2011 for ACC basketball, and through 2009 for the SEC. Raycom Sports is an equal partner in the contract for ACC basketball. An agreement in principle has been reached with the ACC to modify the existing arrangement as a result of the expansion of the Conference. Among other modifications to the agreement, football will be extended beyond 2005 and Raycom Sports will become an equal partner in ACC football. We discuss the commitments under these contracts in MD&A and in Note 18.

Other Information Regarding Communications Companies

Competition. Our radio and television stations compete for programming, talent and revenues with other radio and television stations as well as with other advertising and entertainment media, including direct distribution cable and satellite television and direct transmission radio. JP Sports competes with other vendors of similar products and services.

Employees. As of December 31, 2004, JPCC employed approximately 775 persons full time.

Federal Regulation. Television and radio broadcasting operations are subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Act). The Act empowers the FCC to issue, renew, revoke or modify broadcasting licenses, assign frequencies, determine the locations of stations, regulate the equipment used by stations, establish areas to be served, adopt necessary regulations, and impose certain penalties for violation of the regulations. The Act and present regulations prohibit the transfer of a license or of control of a licensee without prior approval of the FCC; restrict in various ways the common and multiple ownership of broadcast facilities; restrict alien ownership of licenses; and impose various other strictures on ownership and operation.

Broadcasting licenses are granted for a period of eight years for both television and radio and, in the absence of adverse claims as to the licensee's qualifications or performance, will normally be renewed by the FCC for an additional term. Renewals of some of our licenses are pending. See the Communications section in MD&A for more discussion about license renewals.

(d) Foreign Operations

All our operations are conducted within the United States. We occasionally make fixed income investments outside the U.S. for our investment portfolio.

(e) Available Information

JP makes available free of charge on or through our Internet website (<http://www.jpfinancial.com>) JP's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as soon as reasonably practicable after JP electronically files this material with, or furnishes it to, the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(f) Risk Factors

Our businesses and our investments are subject to a number of risks, which are discussed in MD&A.

Item *Properties*

2.

JP Life owns its home office consisting of a 20-story building and an adjacent 17-story building in downtown Greensboro, NC. These buildings house insurance operations and provide space for commercial leasing. JP Life also owns a supply and printing facility, a parking deck and a computer center, all located on nearby properties.

JPFIC, JPLA and our broker/dealers conduct operations in Concord, NH in two buildings on approximately 196 acres owned by JPFIC. A portion of one building is available for commercial leasing.

JPFIC conducts operations in Omaha, NE in three buildings on its 11 acre campus. Portions of two buildings are leased to others. It also conducts some group operations in leased space in Atlanta, GA.

Subsidiaries lease insurance sales and broker/dealer office space in various jurisdictions.

JPCC owns its three television studios and office buildings, owns most of its radio studios and offices, and owns or leases the towers supporting its radio and television antennas.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

JP Life, as successor to Pilot Life Insurance Company, is a defendant in a proposed class action suit, *Thorn v. Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company*, filed September 11, 2000 in the United States District Court in Columbia, SC. The complaint alleges that Pilot Life and its successors decades ago unfairly discriminated in the sale of certain small face amount life insurance policies and that these policies were unreasonably priced. The suit alleges fraudulent inducement, constructive fraud, and negligence in the marketing of these policies. The plaintiffs seek unspecified compensatory and punitive damages, costs and equitable relief. On December 2, 2004, the court issued an order denying Thorn's motion to certify a class. The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals has agreed to hear Plaintiff's interlocutory appeal. While management is unable to estimate the probability or the range of any possible loss, management believes that our practices have complied with state insurance laws, and JP Life intends to vigorously defend the claims asserted.

JP and its subsidiaries are involved in other legal and administrative proceedings and claims of various types, including several proposed class action suits in addition to those noted above. Some suits include claims for punitive damages. Because of the considerable uncertainties that exist, we cannot predict the outcome of pending or future litigation. Based on consultation with our legal advisers, management believes that resolution of pending legal proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position or liquidity, but could have a material adverse effect on the results of operations for a specific period.

Environmental Proceedings. We have no material administrative proceedings involving environmental matters.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Securities Holders

None.

Executive Officers of the Registrant

Dennis R. Glass, 55, President and Chief Executive Officer since March 1, 2004, and previously President and Chief Operating Officer since November 2001, joined JP in 1993. He was Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer from 1993 to November 2001. Previously, he was Executive Vice President and CFO of Protective Life Corporation, and earlier, of the Portman Companies.

Robert D. Bates, 63, became an Executive Vice President and President - Benefit Partners of JP effective with the GLIC acquisition on December 30, 1999. He was President of GLIC from 1989 until the August 2000 merger of GLIC into JPFIC, and was Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of GLIC and its publicly held parent, The Guarantee Life Companies Inc., until December 30, 1999.

Charles C. Cornelio, 45, has been Executive Vice President Technology and Insurance Services since February 9, 2004, and previously he was Senior Vice President. He joined JP in 1997 when we acquired JPFIC from The Chubb Corporation.

Mark E. Konen, 46, has been Executive Vice President Life and Annuity Manufacturing since February 9, 2004, and previously he was Senior Vice President and also served as Corporate Actuary. He joined JP in 1994.

Warren H. May, 50, has been Executive Vice President Marketing and Distribution since he joined JP in October 2002. Mr. May joined Travelers Life & Annuity Company in Hartford, CT in November 1995 as Senior Vice President, leading the independent distribution sales and marketing team for life and annuity products, as well as the advanced sales attorneys, advertising/promotion professionals and technology support staff. Mr. May later assumed expanded responsibility including offshore life and qualified plan marketing. In his last role at Travelers he served as Chief Executive Officer of Travelers Life Distributors and Chairman of Tower Square Securities, Inc., Travelers independent broker dealer.

Donald L. McDonald, 42, has been Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer since he joined JP in November 2004. He was Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer of Conning Asset Management from 1991 to 2001.

Theresa M. Stone, 60, has been Chief Financial Officer of JP since November 2001, and also has been Executive Vice President of JP and President of JPCC since July 1, 1997. She also served as JP's Treasurer to May 2004 from November 2001. Previously she was President and Chief Executive Officer of JPFIC, and also was Executive Vice President of The Chubb Corporation to May 1997 when we acquired JPFIC.

There are no agreements or understandings between any executive officer and any other person pursuant to which such executive officer was or is to be selected as an officer. Executive officers hold office at the will of the Board, subject for Mr. Glass to his rights under his employment agreement listed as an exhibit to this Form 10-K.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

(a) *Market Information.* JP common stock principally trades on the New York Stock Exchange. Quarterly composite tape trading ranges have been:

	2004		2003		2002		2001		2000	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	55.08	48.97	40.93	35.75	53.00	45.23	49.67	41.00	45.42	33.25
Second Quarter	56.39	47.40	43.20	38.34	52.99	45.07	49.25	44.07	46.46	36.88
Third Quarter	50.20	47.01	46.57	41.21	47.50	36.75	49.00	38.00	47.21	37.83
Fourth Quarter	52.64	46.56	50.72	44.55	45.21	36.35	46.90	41.15	50.58	39.33

(b) *HOLDERS.* As of March 1, 2005, our stock was owned by 8,560 shareholders of record, and a much larger number of street name holders.

(c) *Dividends.* They are shown in Item 6 below on page 8. Dividends to the Registrant from its insurance subsidiaries are subject to state regulation, as more fully described in MD&A.

(d) *Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.*

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans
October 1 - 31, 2004	0	\$ 0.00	0	4,071,000
November 1 - 30, 2004	0	\$ 0.00	0	4,071,000
December 1 - 31, 2004	0	\$ 0.00	0	4,071,000
Total for Quarter	0	\$ 0.00	0	

We have an ongoing authorization from our Board of Directors to repurchase shares of Jefferson Pilot's common stock in the open market or in negotiated transactions. The Board periodically has refreshed this authorization, to 5.0 million shares on February 9, 2004 and most recently to 5.0 million shares on May 24, 2004, and in each case we announced the Board's action in a press release.

In addition, two other types of Jefferson Pilot common stock transactions periodically take place that the SEC staff has suggested be reported here.

1. A Rabbi Trust buys shares with directors' fee deferrals and with dividends received on shares held in the Trust. This arrangement is disclosed in our proxy statement. Trust purchases in the fourth quarter 2004 were: October, none; November, 3,549 shares, average price \$48.61; and December, 493 shares, average price \$50.13.

- 2.

Under our stock option plans, an optionee may exercise options by certifying to JP that the optionee owns sufficient JP common shares to pay the exercise price for the option shares being exercised. We then issue to the optionee common shares equal to the spread (profit) on the exercise, less required withholding taxes if the optionee so designates. The number of shares so used to pay option exercise prices in fourth quarter 2004 were: December, 80,460 shares, average price \$52.26.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data**REVENUE BY SOURCES**

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
	(In Millions)				
Individual Products	\$ 1,780	\$ 1,774	\$ 1,737	\$ 1,682	\$ 1,664
Annuities and Investment Products	718	694	686	647	629
Benefit Partners	1,202	820	698	602	537
Communications	239	214	208	195	206
Corporate and Other	122	118	99	130	134
Revenues before investment gains (losses) and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	4,061	3,620	3,428	3,256	3,170
Realized investment gains (losses)	41	(47)	(22)	66	102
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for derivative instruments (1)				2	
Total Revenues	\$ 4,102	\$ 3,573	\$ 3,406	\$ 3,324	\$ 3,272

NET INCOME BY SOURCES

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
	(In Millions)				
Individual Products	\$ 302	\$ 309	\$ 293	\$ 295	\$ 287
Annuities and Investment Products	76	85	80	75	78
Benefit Partners	71	51	48	44	33
Communications	54	46	40	34	41
Corporate and Other	33	32	4	20	6
Total reportable segment results (3)	536	523	465	468	445
Realized investment gains (losses), net of taxes	27	(31)	(15)	44	67
Income before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles	563	492	450	512	512
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for derivative instruments, net of taxes (1)				1	
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes (2)	(17)				
Net Income	\$ 546	\$ 492	\$ 450	\$ 513	\$ 512

(1) Effective January 1, 2001, the Company adopted SFAS Statement No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, as amended.

- (2) Effective January 1, 2004, the Company adopted SOP 03-1, *Accounting and Reporting by Insurance Enterprises for Certain Nontraditional Long-Duration Contracts and for Separate Accounts*.
- (3) Reportable segment results is a non-GAAP measure. See discussion in the MD&A under the section heading, *Results by Business Segment* . Effective January 1, 2002, the Company ceased amortization of goodwill as a result of the adoption of a new accounting standard (See Note 2).

JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
SUMMARY OF SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
(In Millions Except Share and Per Share Information)					
Income before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles	\$ 563	\$ 492	\$ 450	\$ 512	\$ 512
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for derivative instruments, net of taxes				1	
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes	(17)				
Net income	\$ 546	\$ 492	\$ 450	\$ 513	\$ 512
Per share information:					
Income before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles	\$ 4.08	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07	\$ 3.37	\$ 3.31
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for derivative instruments, net of taxes				0.01	
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes	(0.12)				
Net income	\$ 3.96	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07	\$ 3.38	\$ 3.31
Per share information assuming dilution:					
Income before cumulative effects of changes in accounting principles	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04	\$ 3.33	\$ 3.28
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for derivative instruments, net of taxes				0.01	
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes	(0.12)				
Net income	\$ 3.92	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04	\$ 3.34	\$ 3.28
Cash dividends declared on common stock	\$ 208	\$ 187	\$ 175	\$ 166	\$ 152
	\$ 1.52	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.12	\$ 1.00

Cash dividends declared per
common share

Cash dividends paid per common
share:

First quarter	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.22
Second quarter	0.38	0.33	0.30	0.28	0.25
Third quarter	0.38	0.33	0.30	0.28	0.25
Fourth quarter	0.38	0.33	0.30	0.28	0.25
Total	\$ 1.47	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.07	\$ 0.96

Average common shares outstanding (thousands)	137,999	141,795	146,847	151,915	154,576
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Total assets	\$ 35,105	\$ 32,696	\$ 30,619	\$ 29,005	\$ 27,331
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Debt and junior subordinated debentures	\$ 1,097	\$ 963	\$ 762	\$ 756	\$ 853
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Stockholders equity	\$ 3,934	\$ 3,806	\$ 3,540	\$ 3,391	\$ 3,159
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Stockholders equity per share of common stock	\$ 28.75	\$ 27.07	\$ 24.79	\$ 22.61	\$ 20.47
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Note: All share information has been restated to reflect the April 2001
3-for-2 stock split, effected in the form of a stock dividend.
Cash dividends per share may not add due to rounding related to the splits.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
(In Millions)					
Life Insurance In Force (Excludes Annuities):					
Traditional	\$ 37,649	\$ 40,583	\$ 41,570	\$ 41,185	\$ 43,083
Universal Life	98,751	96,369	91,675	89,054	89,741
Variable Universal Life	29,331	29,547	30,327	28,650	23,884
Benefit Partners	152,180	100,432	90,627	53,763	61,812
Total Life Insurance In Force	\$ 317,911	\$ 266,931	\$ 254,199	\$ 212,652	\$ 218,520
Life Premiums on a SFAS 60 Basis:					
First Year Life (Note)	\$ 757	\$ 834	\$ 821	\$ 918	\$ 517
Renewal and Other Life	1,228	1,106	1,059	1,061	1,062
Life Insurance	1,985	1,940	1,880	1,979	1,579
Accident and Health (including premium equivalents)	742	533	445	382	351
Total Life Insurance Premiums	\$ 2,727	\$ 2,473	\$ 2,325	\$ 2,361	\$ 1,930
Annuity Premiums on a SFAS 60 Basis:					
Fixed Annuity	\$ 1,265	\$ 815	\$ 1,051	\$ 1,497	\$ 1,273
Variable Annuity (including separate accounts)	7	11	26	59	127
Total Annuity Premiums	\$ 1,272	\$ 826	\$ 1,077	\$ 1,556	\$ 1,400
Investment Product Sales	\$ 4,780	\$ 3,258	\$ 2,904	\$ 2,803	\$ 3,677
Communications Broadcast Cash Flow	\$ 108	\$ 92	\$ 85	\$ 74	\$ 90

Note: First year life premiums include single premiums.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations analyzes the consolidated financial condition, changes in financial position and results of operations for the three years ended December 31, 2004, of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and consolidated subsidiaries. The discussion should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes. All dollar amounts are in millions except share and per share amounts. All references to Notes are to Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Company Profile

Overview

Jefferson-Pilot Corporation (JP) is a holding company whose financial services and broadcasting subsidiaries provide products and services in four major businesses: 1) life insurance; 2) annuities and investment products; 3) group life, disability and dental insurance; and 4) broadcasting and sports programming production.

Our principal life insurance subsidiaries are Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company (JP Life), Jefferson Pilot Financial Insurance Company (JPFIC) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Jefferson Pilot LifeAmerica Insurance Company (JPLA). Jefferson-Pilot Communications Company (JPCC) and its wholly owned subsidiaries conduct our broadcasting operations. Jefferson Pilot Securities Corporation (with related entities, JPSC) is a registered non-clearing broker/dealer that sells mutual funds, affiliated and non-affiliated variable life and annuity products and other investment products.

In our three financial services segments, effective investment management and asset/liability management are important to our financial position and results of operations. Interest spread, which represents the difference between interest earned on our investments and interest credited to policyholder funds, is a key component of our results for individual life insurance and annuities products. The earned rate on our investment portfolio has declined steadily in recent years as a result of a decline in the general interest rate environment. We believe that the historically low interest rate levels that we have experienced will continue to challenge our earnings progression. Our operating results also depend on the level of mortality (death) and morbidity (disability and health) costs we incur. We attempt to address these factors through underwriting risk selection and classification, by adjusting policyholder crediting rates to achieve desired spread performance for our individual life insurance and annuity products, by monitoring claim and industry health care trend reports for our group insurance products, and through a focus on conservative product designs. Also, we record substantial intangible asset balances because we defer commissions and expenses incurred in selling new policies (deferred policy acquisition costs), and because of acquisitions of in-force blocks of insurance (value of business acquired and goodwill). The assumptions that we use in accounting for these intangible assets are important to our reported results. For a more complete explanation of these important concepts, please see the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates, Investments and Market Risk Exposures sections of this report. Due to competition from other financial services providers, it is important that we achieve continuing improvements in internal cost efficiencies in relation to policies administered and assets under management.

Our **Individual Products** segment sells life insurance on individuals, through which we underwrite the economic risks of mortality and provide vehicles for the accumulation of individual savings. We select and classify mortality risks within a competitive marketplace and a highly regulated industry. Because we earn revenues for accepting mortality risks, the growth in face amount of insurance in force is a key measure for a portion of our revenue growth. We further analyze this segment by its two unique product types: UL-type products and traditional products. UL-type products offered by this segment include universal life (UL) and variable universal life (VUL) products. UL-type product premiums may vary over the life of the policy at the discretion of the policyholder, so we do not recognize them as revenues when received, although UL-type

premiums do increase assets and liabilities. We earn spreads between interest earned and credited to policyholders from aggregation and investment of policyholder funds. In managing these spreads, we develop and maintain systems and skills that are necessary to understand and mitigate credit and interest rate risks. We also recognize revenues on UL-type products from mortality, expense and surrender charges earned (policy charges). Trends in policyholder fund balances and segment assets are important measures when analyzing the development of segment earnings.

Traditional products require the policyholder to pay scheduled premiums over the life of the coverage. We recognize traditional premium receipts as revenues and profits are expected to emerge in relation thereto. Because of market preferences, we do not currently offer new traditional products except for some term life insurance.

Product development is important to growth in sales. We operate within a competitive marketplace by offering products that respond to demographic changes, the evolving financial needs of our customers, and regulatory requirements. We currently sell individual life insurance products designed to provide our customers vehicles for wealth accumulation, mortality protection, and a balance between those two objectives. Because this segment issues long-duration contracts, sales results may not materially impact current period profitability, but longer-term sales trends are an important indicator of future growth in earnings.

Our **Annuity and Investment Product (AIP)** segment primarily offers our proprietary fixed annuity products. We also sell mutual funds and other investment products through our broker/dealer. We earn interest spreads and policy charges on our annuity products, and recognize revenues from concession income earned on investment product sales by our broker/dealer. The principal source of segment results is investment spreads on policyholder fund balances. Investment selection and matching of interest rate risk profiles of investments to those of policyholder fund balances are critical to achieving successful results within this segment. In recent years, historically low interest rates have reduced the margin between rates we credit to policyholder accounts and those that are guaranteed under contractual provisions, which limits our ability to reduce crediting rates. We have responded to that exposure through innovative product designs that reduce spreads required to achieve desired returns. Because we derive a majority of our earnings from spread management activities, trends in policyholder fund balances and effective investment spreads earned are both important drivers of segment results.

Product development activities are important to providing appropriate products to a highly competitive marketplace. We have introduced new products with fixed-interest and equity-index components over the last two years that have contributed to improving sales trends. With careful hedging of the economic risk of equity-index components, these products impact our earnings similarly to fixed-interest products. Sales of traditional fixed-interest, multi-year guarantee products declined in the two most recent years because of competition from other financial services products within a declining interest rate environment. New fixed annuity premium sales and surrenders of existing policies are both key indicators of trends in policyholder fund balances.

Our **Benefit Partners** segment insures individuals for mortality, morbidity and dental costs under master group insurance contracts with employers. This segment offers various forms of contributory and noncontributory plans, as well as supplemental contracts. Most of our group contracts are sold to employers with fewer than 500 employees. We select and classify risks within a competitive marketplace based on group characteristics, applying actuarial science and group underwriting practices. We may adjust premiums charged for insuring group risks, usually on an annual basis, in relation to evolving group characteristics and subject to policyholder acceptance.

Insurance products offered by this segment to the employer marketplace include group non-medical products, principally term life, disability and dental insurance. As these are traditional products, we recognize premium receipts from this segment as revenues and profits are expected to emerge in proportion to the revenue recognized. Because group underwriting risks may change over time, management focuses on trends in loss ratios to compare actual experience with pricing expectations. Also, expense ratios are an important factor in profitability since group insurance contracts are offered within an environment that competes on the basis of price and service. Reported sales relate to long-duration contracts sold to new policyholders. The trend in sales is an important indicator of development of business in force over time.

Effective March 1, 2004, we acquired substantially all of the U.S.-based group life, disability and dental business of The Canada Life Assurance Company, an indirect subsidiary of Great-West Lifeco Inc, via a reinsurance transaction. As a result of this acquisition, we are positioned with approximately \$1 billion of annual group life, disability and dental premiums. See Note 1 for further discussion of the details of this transaction.

Our **Communications** segment consists of radio and television broadcasting operations located in selected markets in the Southeastern and Western United States, and sports program production. We generate revenues for this segment through advertising, sales of programming rights and other programming compensation.

Management evaluates the performance of our broadcast stations using a number of metrics including audience levels (ratings), growth in audiences, revenue growth, relative share of market revenues, and operating efficiencies, with the ultimate goal of achieving growth in broadcast cash flow. We focus our efforts at the local level, combining sound business practices with service to the community. We monitor each station's product through market research and tailor the product to our target audience's tastes and listening/viewing habits. We attempt to maximize revenues and increase revenue share by focusing on management of commercial inventory and pricing. We achieve operating efficiencies by exercising tight expense control at both the local and corporate levels. FCC licenses, which are required for operations, are subject to periodic renewal. Intangible assets related to FCC licenses that are recognized in our financial statements are included within other assets in our consolidated balance sheets.

Our **Corporate and Other** segment contains the activities of the parent company and passive investment affiliates, surplus of the life insurance subsidiaries not allocated to other segments, financing expenses on corporate debt, strategic initiatives intended to benefit the entire company, and federal and state income taxes not otherwise allocated to business segments. We include all realized gains and losses on investments in the Corporate and Other segment, and hold all defaulted securities in this segment. Realized investment gains are gains and losses on sales and write downs of investments, and although these are included in revenues and income, we exclude them in assessing the performance of our business segments.

The Company's business segments, operating results, risks and opportunities are discussed in further detail in the sections that follow.

Segment Revenues

Our segments' revenues as a percentage of total revenues, excluding realized gains and losses, were as follows:

	Year Ended		
	2004	2003	2002
Individual Products	44%	50%	52%
AIP	18%	19%	20%
Benefit Partners	29%	22%	20%
Communications	6%	6%	6%
Corporate and Other	3%	3%	2%

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

General

We have identified the accounting policies below as critical to the understanding of our results of operations and our financial position. In applying these critical accounting policies in preparing our financial statements, management must use significant judgments and estimates concerning future results or other developments including the likelihood, timing or amount of one or more future events. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates, assumptions and judgments based upon historical experience and various other information that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. For a detailed discussion of other significant accounting policies, see Note 2.

DAC, VOBA and Unearned Revenue Reserves

The Individual Products, AIP and Benefit Partners segments defer the costs of acquiring new business. These costs include first-year commissions and incentive compensation and certain costs of underwriting and issuing policies plus agency office expenses. These deferred expenses are referred to as deferred policy acquisition costs (DAC). When we acquire new blocks of business through an acquisition, we allocate a portion of the purchase price based on relative fair values to a separately identifiable intangible asset, referred to as value of business acquired (VOBA). We initially establish VOBA as the actuarially determined present value of future gross profits of each business acquired. Both DAC and VOBA are amortized through expenses, as discussed further below.

We defer significant portions of expense charge revenues on certain UL products as unearned revenue reserves, included within other policy liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets, and amortize them into income over time using the same assumptions we use for DAC and VOBA. Unearned revenue reserves on UL products were \$375.4 at December 31, 2004, including \$55.7 for VUL products. We report both the deferral and amortization of unearned revenue reserves as revenues within universal life and investment product charges.

DAC and VOBA on UL-type products were \$2,043.7 or 75.2% of the gross balances (before adjustments for unrealized gains and losses) at December 31, 2004, including \$516.5 related to VUL products. We amortize DAC and VOBA on UL-type products and annuity products relative to the future estimated gross profits (EGP) over the life of these products. In calculating the future EGP for these products, management must make long-term assumptions regarding the following components: 1) estimates of fees charged to policyholders to cover mortality, surrenders and maintenance costs; 2) estimated mortality in excess of fund balances accumulated; 3) expected interest rate spreads between income earned, including default charges paid to the Corporate and Other segment, and amounts credited to policyholder accounts; and 4) estimated costs of policy administration (maintenance).

We consider the following assumptions to be most significant to UL-type products: 1) estimated mortality; 2) estimated interest spreads; and 3) estimated future policy lapses. In addition to these three assumptions, VUL and VA products require an additional critical assumption that affects DAC and VOBA amortization, the rate of growth of the separate account mutual funds that generate additional policy fees we use in the EGP on VUL and VA products. We assume a long-term total net return on separate account assets, including dividends and market value increases, of 8.25% and a five-year reversion period. The reversion period is a period over which a short-term return assumption is used to maintain the model's overall long-term rate of return. We cap the reversion rate of return at 8.25% for one year and 10% for years two through five. This limitation reduces the cumulative effective long-term rate.

We regularly review the models, and the assumptions we used in them, so that the modeled EGPs reflect management's current view of future events. At least annually, we compare these assumptions to emerging experience on each of our insurance blocks. Short-term deviations in experience, which are reflected as assumption true-up adjustments, do not necessarily indicate that a change to our long-term assumptions of future experience is warranted. If we determine that it is appropriate to change our long-term assumptions of future experience, we recognize unlocking adjustments for the block of business being evaluated. Certain assumptions, such as interest spreads and lapse rates, may be interrelated. As such, unlocking adjustments often reflect revisions to multiple assumptions. The balances of DAC, VOBA, unearned revenue reserves and secondary guarantee benefit reserves (discussed in Note 6) are immediately impacted by any assumption changes with the change reflected through the income statement. These adjustments can be positive or negative.

The following table reflects the possible pretax income statement impacts that could occur in a given year if we change our assumptions as illustrated related to UL-type products in the Individual Products segment:

Quantitative Change in Significant Assumptions	One-time Effect on DAC, VOBA, Unearned Revenue Reserves and Secondary Guarantee Benefit Reserves	
	Favorable Change	Unfavorable Change
Estimated mortality improving (degrading) 0.5% per year for 10 years from the current estimate	\$ 38.8	\$ (40.7)
Estimated interest spread increasing (decreasing) 2.5 basis points per year for 10 years from the current assumed spread	28.6	(36.0)
Estimated policy lapse rates decreasing (increasing) 25% immediately and then increasing (decreasing) 2.5% per year for 10 years	34.0	(32.6)
Estimated long-term rate of return from VUL assets increasing (decreasing) 1.25% using mean reversion techniques	1.4	(6.6)

Our traditional individual and group insurance products are long-duration contracts. We amortize DAC and VOBA related to these products in proportion to premium revenue recognized. The DAC and VOBA balances on these products were \$309.0 or 11.4% of the gross balances (before adjustments for unrealized gains and losses) at December 31, 2004, and are subject to little volatility.

We consider estimated interest spreads and estimated future policy lapses to be the most significant assumptions related to our annuity products. DAC and VOBA on these products were \$363.0 or 13.4% of the gross balances (before adjustments for unrealized gains and losses) at December 31, 2004, including \$13.0 related to VA products.

The following table reflects the possible pretax income statement impacts for our AIP segment that could occur in a given year if we change our assumptions as illustrated related to annuity products:

Quantitative Change in Significant Assumptions	One-time Effect on DAC and VOBA Amortization	
	Favorable Change	Unfavorable Change
Estimated interest spread increasing (decreasing) 2.5 basis points per year for 10 years from the current assumed spread	\$ 9.9	\$ (10.6)
Estimated policy lapse rates decreasing (increasing) 50% immediately and then increasing (decreasing) 5.0% per year for 10 years	26.9	(26.3)

See Results of Operations for discussion of unlocking adjustments we recorded for the three years ended 2004.

We also adjust the carrying value of DAC and VOBA to reflect changes in the unrealized gains and losses in available-for-sale securities backing UL-type and annuity products, since this impacts the timing of and possible realization of EGP's. Note 6 contains rollforwards of DAC and VOBA including the amounts capitalized, amounts amortized and the effect of the unrealized gains.

Investments

We regularly monitor our investment portfolio to ensure that investments that may be other-than-temporarily impaired are identified in a timely fashion and properly valued, and that any impairments are charged against earnings in the proper period. Our methodology to identify potential other-than-temporary impairments requires professional judgment and is further described in the Investments section and in Note 4. For further information on the other-than-temporary impairments we recognized, refer to the discussion of our realized losses within the Investments section.

Valuing our investment portfolio involves a variety of assumptions and estimates, particularly for investments that are not actively traded. We rely on external pricing sources for highly liquid publicly traded securities and use an internal pricing matrix for privately placed securities. This matrix relies on our judgment concerning: 1) the discount rate we use in calculating expected future cash flows; 2) credit quality; 3) industry sector performance; and 4) expected maturity. Under certain circumstances, we make adjustments as we apply professional judgment based upon specific detailed information concerning the issuer. Investments valued using independent third party sources comprised 83% of our investment portfolio at December 31, 2004 with the remainder being valued based upon internal analysis using the assumptions described above.

Mortgage loans on commercial real estate represented 13.3% of investments at December 31, 2004 and are stated at unpaid balances, net of estimated unrecoverable amounts. In addition to a general estimated allowance, we provide an allowance for unrecoverable amounts when a mortgage loan becomes impaired. We consider a mortgage loan to be impaired when it becomes probable, based upon management's judgment, that the Company will be unable to collect the total amounts due, including principal and interest, according to contractual terms. We measure the impairment based upon the present value of expected cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate on both a loan-by-loan basis and by measuring aggregated loans with similar risk characteristics. We base the general estimated allowance on historical experience, industry experience and other qualitative factors.

As the discussion above indicates, many judgments are involved in timely identifying and valuing investments, including other-than-temporary impairments on securities. Inherently, there are risks and uncertainties involved in making these judgments. See the discussion of Investments and Note 4 for further details. Critical assumptions and changes in circumstances such as a weak economy, an economic downturn or unforeseen events which affect one or more companies, industry sectors or countries could result in additional write downs in future periods for impairments, including those that are deemed to be other-than-temporary.

Policy Liabilities

The liability for Future policy benefits pertains to our traditional individual and group insurance products and represents 9.9% of total liabilities at December 31, 2004. Changes in this liability are reflected in the Insurance and annuity benefits caption in our consolidated statements of income. Assumptions we use in determining future policy benefits include: future investment yields, mortality, morbidity and persistency. We base estimates about future circumstances principally on historical experience and provide for possible adverse deviation. Though not anticipated, significant changes in experience or assumptions may require us to provide for expected future losses on a product by establishing premium deficiency reserves. See Note 7 for further discussion of the assumptions we use in estimating these liabilities.

The accounting for secondary guarantee benefit reserves (related to no-lapse guarantees) impacts, and is impacted by, certain elements of estimated future gross profits used to calculate amortization of DAC, VOBA and unearned revenue reserves. If experience or an assumption changes, we unlock secondary guarantee benefit reserves to reflect the changes in a manner similar to DAC, VOBA and unearned revenue reserves. Secondary guarantee benefit reserves are reported within Other policy liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets.

Pension Plans

The measurement of our pension obligations, costs and liabilities depends on a variety of assumptions. These assumptions include estimates of the present value of projected future pension payments to all plan participants, taking into consideration the likelihood of potential future events such as compensation increases and return on plan assets. These assumptions may affect the amount and timing of future contributions. Our key assumptions include: discount rate, long-term rate of return on plan assets and expected compensation rate increase. See Note 13 for further details regarding our pension plans.

At December 31, 2004 and 2003, the fair values of the assets related to the defined benefit pension plans were \$397 and \$369. The increase in assets reflects the improvement in the equity markets in which the majority of these assets are invested. The projected benefit obligations at December 31, 2004 and 2003 were \$405 and \$361 with the majority of the growth due to the impact of using a lower discount rate in the liability calculations for 2004 due to the declining interest rate environment. We have lowered the discount rate again for 2005. Net

periodic benefit cost, which includes service cost, interest cost, return on plan assets and net amortization and deferrals of actuarial and investment gains and losses, was \$7, \$1 and \$(3) for 2004, 2003 and 2002. Amortization of actuarial losses primarily related to previous declines in market-related values of plan assets resulted in the increase in net periodic benefit cost in 2004.

Goodwill

Goodwill was \$312 at December 31, 2004 and 2003 representing 7.9% and 8.2% of stockholders' equity at these dates. Through December 31, 2001, we amortized goodwill on a straight-line basis over periods of 25 to 40 years. Effective January 1, 2002, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, which primarily addresses the accounting for goodwill and intangible assets subsequent to their acquisition, and ceased amortization of goodwill. We regularly review the carrying amounts of goodwill for indications of value impairment, considering financial performance and other relevant factors such as a significant adverse change in the business or legal climate, an adverse action or assessment by a regulator, or unanticipated competition. If considered impaired, the carrying amounts would be written down to a value determined by using a combination of fair value and discounted cash flows. Absent an indication of impairment, we test goodwill for impairment annually in the month of June. We concluded that there had been no impairments in 2004 or 2003. Also, we have identified no adverse trends or uncertainties that would suggest that an impairment is imminent.

Litigation

Establishing accruals for specific litigation inherently involves a variety of estimates of future potential outcomes. Accordingly, management, based on the advice of internal counsel, reviews significant litigation matters and makes judgments about whether it is probable we have incurred a loss. Once we determine that a loss is probable, we use professional judgment in determining whether we can reasonably estimate the loss. In general, we accrue the estimated costs of defense until we can reasonably estimate the loss or any potential range of possible loss. At that time, we accrue these additional costs. Based on consultation with our legal advisors, we believe that resolution of pending legal proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position or liquidity but could have a material adverse effect on the results of operations for a specific period. See further discussion in Note 18.

Results of Operations

	Favorable/(Unfavorable)				
	2004	2003	2002	2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Consolidated Summary of Income					
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 562.7	\$ 491.6	\$ 450.2	14.5%	9.2%
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(16.6)			(100.0)	
Net income	\$ 546.1	\$ 491.6	\$ 450.2	11.1%	9.2%
Consolidated Earnings Per Share					
Basic:					
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 4.08	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07	17.6%	13.0%
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(0.12)			(100.0)	
Net income	\$ 3.96	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07	14.1%	13.0%
Fully-diluted:					
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04	17.4%	13.2%
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(0.12)			(100.0)	
Net income	\$ 3.92	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04	14.0%	13.2%

	2004	2003	2002
Average number of shares outstanding	137,999,364	141,795,065	146,846,698
Average number of shares outstanding assuming dilution	139,213,034	142,867,215	148,222,342

The increase in net income for 2004 reflected higher realized gains and earnings growth in the Benefit Partners and Communications segments. The Individual Products and AIP segments declined over the same period. Earnings from business added via the Canada Life transaction favorably impacted the results of Benefit Partners in 2004. Communications achieved market share advances and benefited from increased political advertising revenues in 2004 resulting in earnings growth. Individual Products and AIP segments were adversely impacted by spread compression due to lower portfolio yields, partially resulting from lower prepayments of investments. In 2003, we experienced growth in all segments, including interest spread improvement in our Individual and our AIP lines (favorably

impacted by prepayments), and effective expense management across the organization. These advances were partially offset by higher net investment losses. Realized investment gains, net of taxes, were \$26.5 in 2004 versus realized investment losses, net of taxes, of (\$30.9) in 2003 and (\$14.9) in 2002. The net investment losses in 2003 and 2002 were primarily the result of other-than-temporary bond impairments, partially offset in 2002 by realized gains from sales of equity securities. Other-than-temporary impairments were \$60 in 2004. An increase in the accrual for pending litigation in our Corporate and Other segment in 2002 affected the comparison to 2003.

Effective January 1, 2004, the Company adopted a new accounting standard related to secondary guarantees and other benefit features. The implementation of this new standard created both a cumulative effect upon adoption as well as a reduction to ongoing net income, as discussed later and in Note 2.

Earnings per share amounts were more favorable than the absolute earnings amounts due to repurchases of 5,368,200 shares in 2004, 3,578,600 shares in 2003, and 7,881,300 shares in 2002.

Results by Business Segment

Throughout this Form 10-K, reportable segment results is defined as net income before realized investment gains and losses (and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, if applicable). Reportable segment results is a non-GAAP measure. We believe reportable segment results provides relevant and useful information to investors, as it represents the basis on which we assess the performance of our business segments. We deem reportable segment results to be a meaningful measure for this purpose because, except for losses from other-than-temporary impairments, realized investment gains and losses occur primarily at our sole discretion. Note that reportable segment results as described above may not be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.

We assess profitability by business segment and measure other operating statistics as detailed in the separate segment discussions that follow. We determine reportable segments in a manner consistent with the way we make operating decisions and assess performance. Sales are one of the statistics we use to track performance. Our sales, which are primarily of long-duration contracts in the Individual Products and AIP segments, have little immediate impact on revenues for these two segments as described in the segment discussions below.

The following table illustrates our results before and after realized investment gains and losses, and reconciles reportable segment results to net income, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure:

Results by Reportable Segment

	2004	2003	2002	Favorable/ (Unfavorable) 2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Individual Products	\$ 302.0	\$ 309.4	\$ 293.1	(2.4)%	5.6%
AIP	76.4	85.0	80.3	(10.1)	5.9
Benefit Partners	70.7	50.6	47.5	39.7	6.5
Communications	54.4	45.4	39.8	19.8	14.1
Corporate and Other	32.7	32.1	4.4	1.9	629.5
Total reportable segment results	536.2	522.5	465.1	2.6	12.3
Realized investment gains (losses), net of taxes	26.5	(30.9)	(14.9)	185.8	(107.4)
Net income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	562.7	491.6	450.2	14.5	9.2
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(16.6)			(100.0)	
Net Income	\$ 546.1	\$ 491.6	\$ 450.2	11.1%	9.2%

Segment Assets

We assign invested assets backing insurance liabilities to our segments in relation to policyholder funds and reserves. We assign net DAC and VOBA, reinsurance receivables and communications assets to the respective segments where those assets originate. We also assign invested assets to back capital allocated to each segment in relation to our philosophy for managing business risks, reflecting appropriate conservatism. We assign the remainder of invested and other assets, including all defaulted securities, to the Corporate and Other segment. Segment assets as of December 31 were as follows:

	2004	2003
Individual Products	\$ 18,776	\$ 17,717
AIP	10,504	9,941
Benefit Partners	1,839	1,079
Communications	223	210
Corporate and Other	3,763	3,749
Total assets	\$ 35,105	\$ 32,696

Individual Products

The Individual Products segment markets individual life insurance policies primarily through independent general agents, independent national account marketing firms, and agency building general agents. We also sell products through home service agents, broker/dealers, banks and other strategic alliances.

Reportable segment results⁽¹⁾ for Individual Products were as follows:

				Favorable/ (Unfavorable)	
	2004	2003	2002	2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
UL-Type Products:					
Net investment income	\$ 746.6	\$ 749.2	\$ 744.1	(0.3)%	0.7%
Interest credited to policyholders	(507.1)	(515.4)	(534.6)	1.6	3.6
Interest margin	239.5	233.8	209.5	2.4	11.6
Product charge revenue:					
Cost of insurance charges	539.1	511.9	478.9	5.3	6.9
Expense charges	148.8	141.6	115.4	5.1	22.7
Surrender charges	40.7	34.9	38.0	16.6	(8.2)
Total product charge revenue	728.6	688.4	632.3	5.8	8.9
Death benefits and other insurance benefits	(312.8)	(272.4)	(245.9)	(14.8)	(10.8)
Expenses excluding amortization of DAC and VOBA	(97.0)	(96.4)	(101.7)	(0.6)	5.2
Amortization of DAC and VOBA	(190.3)	(179.0)	(154.4)	(6.3)	(15.9)
Miscellaneous income (expense)	(0.8)	(2.1)	0.1	61.9	
UL-type product income before taxes	367.2	372.3	339.9	(1.4)	9.5
Traditional Products:					
Premiums and other considerations	152.3	173.0	180.4	(12.0)	(4.1)
Net investment income	153.7	165.2	179.5	(7.0)	(8.0)
Benefits	(172.8)	(197.8)	(208.2)	12.6	5.0
Expenses excluding amortization of DAC and VOBA	(25.3)	(24.1)	(27.6)	(5.0)	12.7
Amortization of DAC and VOBA	(16.7)	(16.3)	(13.1)	(2.5)	(24.4)
Traditional product income before taxes	91.2	100.0	111.0	(8.8)	(9.9)
Reportable segment results before income taxes (1)	458.4	472.3	450.9	(2.9)	4.7
Income taxes	(156.4)	(162.9)	(157.8)	4.0	(3.2)
Reportable segment results(1)	\$ 302.0	\$ 309.4	\$ 293.1	(2.4)%	5.6%

(1) Reportable segment results is a non-GAAP measure. See Note 15 for further discussion.

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The following table summarizes key data for Individual Products that we believe are our important drivers and indicators of future profitability:

	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)				
	2004	2003	2002	2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Annualized life insurance premium sales:					
Individual Markets excluding Community Banks and BOLI					
Community Banks and BOLI	\$ 211	\$ 216	\$ 202	(2.3)%	6.9%
Community Banks and BOLI	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 58		(84.5)%
Average UL policyholder fund balances	\$ 11,131	\$ 10,585	\$ 9,875	5.2%	7.2%
Average VUL separate account assets	1,535	1,233	1,211	24.5	1.8
	\$ 12,666	\$ 11,818	\$ 11,086	7.2%	6.6%
Average face amount of insurance in force:					
Total	\$ 165,762	\$ 164,963	\$ 161,841	0.5%	1.9%
UL-type policies	\$ 126,876	\$ 123,848	\$ 120,229	2.4%	3.0%
Average assets	\$ 18,292	\$ 17,128	\$ 16,352	6.8%	4.7%

Sales from our Individual Markets excluding Community Banks and bank-owned life insurance (BOLI) decreased slightly in 2004 from 2003. In 2003, sales increased over 2002 due to continued success of new product introductions during 2002. In recent years, increased competition among providers of UL-type insurance contracts has resulted in a shortening of the product life cycle. A focus on product development efforts has resulted in a greater distribution of product offerings for our customers. Sales to Community Banks and BOLI business were unchanged in 2004 after declining in 2003. Community Bank and BOLI business will vary widely between periods as we respond to sales opportunities for these single premium products only when the market accommodates our required returns.

Approximately 56%, 58% and 30% of life insurance sales were attributable to products with secondary guarantee benefits for 2004, 2003 and 2002. These products were priced considering interest, mortality, withdrawal and termination (lapse) assumptions that are specific to the nature, marketing focus and funding pattern for each product. The lapse assumptions that we use for pricing are based on multi-scenario modeling techniques and are lower than the assumptions we use for non-guaranteed products, particularly when the secondary guarantee option is in the money. Since guaranteed UL policies are relatively new to the marketplace, credible experience has yet to emerge regarding policy and premium persistency; however, our assumptions represent our best estimate of future experience. See Capital Position for discussion of statutory-basis reserving methodologies for these types of products.

Interest margin on UL-type products increased 2.4% in 2004. Lower investment yields were mitigated by growth in policyholder fund balances and our management of interest spreads. As discussed further below, the lower investment yield in 2004 was primarily due to the general interest rate environment and lower prepayments from mortgage-backed securities and commercial mortgage loans. We actively manage interest spreads on our fixed UL-type products in response to changes in investment yields by adjusting the rates credited to policyholder fund balances while considering our competitive strategies as well. The average investment spread on fixed UL products declined 10 basis points to 1.93% in 2004 after having increased 14 basis points in 2003 to 2.03%. During 2003 and 2002, prepayments of mortgage-backed securities significantly increased as a result of continued declines in long-term

mortgage rates, but then declined rapidly in 2004 as mortgage rates stabilized. This decline was partially offset by an increase in commercial mortgage loan prepayments in 2004. Our mortgage-backed securities portfolio is primarily a discount portfolio. We estimate that prepayments on mortgage-backed securities in excess of expected levels and prepayments of commercial mortgage loans increased effective investment yields by 12, 20 and 15 basis points in 2004, 2003 and 2002. The decrease in excess accretion of discount on mortgage-backed securities contributed to the decline in effective investment spreads on fixed UL products in 2004. Our ability to manage interest-crediting rates on fixed UL-type products is limited by minimum guaranteed rates provided in policyholder contracts. Therefore, continued low general

market interest rates likely will impact future profitability, as the investment of cash flows at current interest rates reduces our average portfolio yield. At the end of 2004 and 2003, our crediting rates were approximately 31 and 49 basis points on average in excess of our minimum guaranteed rates, including 55% and 43% of our UL policyholder fund balances that were already at their minimum guaranteed rates.

The increase in product charge revenue was due to growth and aging of our insurance blocks, dynamic adjustments to unearned expense charges, as noted below, and higher surrender rates. A reinsurance recapture in 2003 increased cost of insurance charges (COIs) by \$8.4. Excluding this impact, COIs grew 7.1% over 2003, with an increase in the average age of our insureds contributing to growth (this contributes to increased death benefits as well). Products issued in recent years are designed to generate a higher proportion of their revenues from expense charges. We defer expense charges received in excess of ultimate annual expense charges and amortize them into income relative to future estimated gross profits. The effect of reflecting updated longer-term assumptions in estimated gross profits on our insurance blocks decreased the amortization of unearned expense charges by \$1.1 in 2004 and increased amortization by \$2.3 in 2003. The adoption of a new accounting standard, related to secondary guarantees and other benefits, in 2004 impacted estimated gross profits and reduced the amortization of unearned expense charges by \$4.0. Excluding the impacts from the new accounting standard and the dynamic adjustment to amortization, expense charges increased 10.5% over 2003 due to changes in product mix, as certain of our newer products with level expense loads represented a higher proportion of 2004 sales. Surrender activity also increased during 2004 from higher lapses in our BOLI block of business, resulting in higher surrender charge income.

UL-type death benefits and other insurance benefits included \$15.8 for 2004 related to the impact of a new accounting standard (see Note 2) related to secondary guarantees and other benefit features. The accounting for these benefit features incorporates estimated future gross profits used to calculate amortization of DAC, VOBA and unearned expense charges. A change in estimated future gross profits will impact other insurance benefits and the amortization of DAC, VOBA and unearned expense charges. The effect of updating longer-term assumptions in estimated gross profits for our insurance blocks decreased other insurance benefits by \$4.7 in 2004. See the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section and Note 6 for further discussion. UL-type death benefits in 2003 included \$7.6 for the reinsurance recapture mentioned above. Absent the impact of the new accounting standard discussed above and reinsurance recapture items, UL-type death benefits and other insurance benefits increased 12.2% over 2003. UL-type death benefits, net of reinsurance, per thousand dollars of average net face amount at risk (average face amount of insurance in force net of reinsurance and reduced by average policyholder fund balances) were \$3.52 in 2004 compared to \$3.31 in 2003 and \$3.20 in 2002. Aging of our blocks will continue to contribute to increasing levels of UL-type death benefits. While over the long term death benefits should emerge within actuarial expectations, the level of death benefits will fluctuate from year to year.

Traditional premiums and other considerations declined in 2004, 2003 and 2002 reflecting customer preferences for UL-type products. Net investment income from our traditional blocks declined in 2004, due to a decline in investment yields, partly due to lower prepayments of mortgage-backed securities, and the decreasing size of the block.

Policy benefits on traditional business include death benefits, dividends, surrenders and changes in reserves, with the most significant being death benefits. Policy benefits as a percentage of premiums and other considerations were 113.5% in 2004, 114.3% in 2003 and 115.4% in 2002.

Total Individual expenses (including the net deferral and amortization of DAC and VOBA) are as follows:

				Favorable/ (Unfavorable)	
	2004	2003	2002	2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Commissions	\$ 276.7	\$ 295.5	\$ 270.5	6.4%	(9.2)%
General and administrative acquisition related	79.0	80.9	81.5	2.3	0.7
General and administrative maintenance related	43.8	42.3	45.2	(3.5)	6.4
Taxes, licenses and fees	44.3	50.3	55.4	11.9	9.2
Total commissions and expenses incurred	443.8	469.0	452.6	5.4	(3.6)
Less commissions and expenses capitalized	(321.5)	(348.5)	(323.2)	(7.7)	7.8
Expenses excluding amortization of DAC and VOBA	122.3	120.5	129.4	(1.5)	6.9
Amortization of DAC and VOBA	207.0	195.3	167.5	(6.0)	(16.6)
Total expense	\$ 329.3	\$ 315.8	\$ 296.9	(4.3)%	(6.4)%

Expenses, excluding amortization of DAC and VOBA, were higher in 2004 due to lower capitalization of commissions and expenses. Taxes, licenses and fees decreased from a reduction in our effective tax rate and state income tax accrual releases following the filing of the tax returns. The expense amounts we capitalize as DAC include first-year commissions and deferrable acquisition expenses. A decrease in acquisition expenses from lower sales and increased efficiencies reflected in our marketing and distribution costs, combined with an increase in product development costs and other maintenance expenses (both of which cannot be deferred), resulted in a decline in the proportion of our expenses that are deferrable. The decline in expenses excluding amortization of DAC and VOBA in 2003 was due to a reduction in the effective rate of premium taxes, and effective expense controls in our maintenance functions. Growth in our insurance blocks for UL-type products was the primary contributor to the increases in the amortization of DAC and VOBA in the three years presented. Unlocking of assumptions for interest spreads, mortality and lapsation on our blocks of business resulted in reductions in DAC and VOBA amortization on UL-type products of \$26.4, \$17.8 and \$0.6 in 2004, 2003 and 2002. The unlocking in 2002 also included an assumption revision on VUL products related to limitation of mean reversion techniques. Additionally, the establishment of secondary guarantee benefit reserves changed the pattern of expected gross profits for the related products, resulting in a \$7.8 decrease in DAC amortization in 2004. See further discussion of DAC and VOBA under the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section.

The growth in average Individual Products assets in 2004 and 2003 was primarily due to growth in UL policyholder fund balances and market values of separate account assets, partially offset by a decline in assets supporting our traditional block of business. In 2002, market values of separate account assets of variable products declined.

At December 31, 2004, UL-type products sold to community banks accounted for \$2.0 billion in UL policyholder fund balances and have averaged 5% to 8% of earnings for the Individual Products segment in recent years. At December 31, 2004, DAC and VOBA balances, net of unearned revenue reserves, related to these blocks amounted to approximately \$100. These policies, which are generally not subject to surrender charges, are owned by several thousand policyholders. These policies were primarily originated through, and continue to be serviced by, two

marketing organizations. The surrender rate for this product may increase beyond current experience due to the absence of surrender charges and rising interest rates that may result in returns available to policyholders on competitors' products being more attractive than on our policies in force. The following factors may influence policyholders to continue these coverages: 1) our ability to adjust crediting rates; 2) relatively high minimum rate guarantees; 3) the difficulty of re-underwriting existing and additional covered lives; and 4) unfavorable tax attributes of certain surrenders. Our assumptions for amortizing DAC, VOBA and unearned revenue for these policies reflect a higher long-term expected lapse rate than other UL blocks of business due to the factors noted above. Lapse experience for this block in a particular period could vary significantly from our long-term lapse assumptions.

In addition to the risk factor described in the above paragraph, our financial and operating risks for this segment include failure to achieve pricing assumptions for interest margins, mortality, withdrawals and expenses; variances between actual and underlying assumptions of estimated gross profits, increased lapses when interest rates rise, particularly in fixed interest UL-type products subject to low or no surrender charges; changes in taxation or other regulatory changes related to our products and competing offerings; changes in generally accepted or statutory accounting principles (such as the AXXX actuarial guideline discussed in Capital Resources); and the effects of unresolved litigation. We discuss these risks in more detail in the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates, Capital Resources, Liquidity, and Market Risk Exposures sections.

Annuity and Investment Products

Annuity and Investment Products (AIP) are marketed through most of the distribution channels discussed in Individual Products above as well as through financial institutions, investment professionals and annuity marketing organizations. JPSC markets primarily variable life insurance written by our insurance subsidiaries and other carriers, and also sells other securities and mutual funds.

Reportable segment results⁽¹⁾ for AIP were as follows:

	2004	2003	2002	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)	
				2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Investment product charges and premiums	\$ 12.2	\$ 8.8	\$ 12.2	38.6%	(27.9)%
Net investment income	592.9	586.6	576.8	1.1	1.7
Broker-dealer concessions and other	112.6	98.3	97.3	14.5	1.0
Total revenues	717.7	693.7	686.3	3.5	1.1
Policy benefits (including interest credited)	426.1	416.6	424.7	(2.3)	1.9
Insurance expenses	68.0	55.8	46.8	(21.9)	(19.2)
Broker-dealer expenses	107.2	90.7	91.3	(18.2)	0.7
Total benefits and expenses	601.3	563.1	562.8	(6.8)	(0.1)
Reportable segment results before income taxes(1)	116.4	130.6	123.5	(10.9)	5.7
Income taxes	40.0	45.6	43.2	12.3	(5.6)
Reportable segment results(1)	\$ 76.4	\$ 85.0	\$ 80.3	(10.1)%	5.9%

(1) Reportable segment results is a non-GAAP measure. See Note 15 for further discussion.

The following table summarizes key information for AIP that we believe to be important drivers and indicators of our future profitability:

	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)				
	2004	2003	2002	2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Fixed annuity premium sales	\$ 1,217	\$ 756	\$ 994	61.0%	(23.9)%
Variable annuity premium sales	1	2	10	(50.0)	(80.0)
	\$ 1,218	\$ 758	\$ 1,004	60.7%	(24.5)%
Investment product sales	\$ 4,780	\$ 3,258	\$ 2,904	46.7%	12.2%
Average fixed policyholder fund balances	\$ 9,169	\$ 8,400	\$ 7,810	9.2%	7.6%
Average separate account policyholder fund balances	332	340	481	(2.4)	(29.3)
	\$ 9,501	\$ 8,740	\$ 8,291	8.7%	5.4%
Average assets	\$ 10,360	\$ 9,537	\$ 9,064	8.6%	5.2%
Effective investment spreads for fixed annuities, including SFAS 133 adjustment	1.76%	1.90%	1.82%		
Fixed annuity surrenders as a percentage of beginning fund balances	12.3%	8.4%	9.5%		

Fixed annuity premium sales increased in 2004 versus 2003 as a result of increased acceptance in the marketplace of equity-indexed annuities (EIAs), which represented over three-fourths of our AIP sales in 2004. Our fixed annuity premium sales were lower in 2003 reflecting competition in the fixed annuity market and our unwillingness to match our competitors' crediting rates, which would have reduced our returns below acceptable levels, especially in the bank channel. We continue to develop differentiated annuity products designed to create new distribution opportunities and strengthen existing marketing relationships.

Profitability of EIAs is influenced by the management of derivatives to hedge the index performance of the policies. These contracts permit the holder to elect an interest rate return or an equity market component, where interest credited to the contracts is linked to the performance of the S&P 500 index. Policyholders may elect to rebalance index options at renewal dates, either annually or biannually. At each renewal date, we have the opportunity to re-price the equity-indexed component by establishing participation rates, subject to minimum guarantees. We purchase options that are highly correlated to the portfolio allocation decisions of our policyholders, such that we are economically hedged with respect to equity returns for the current reset period. The mark-to-market of the options we hold impacts investment income and interest credited in approximately equal and offsetting amounts. This adjustment increased net investment income and interest credited by \$20.0, \$7.0 and \$0.0 in 2004, 2003 and 2002 with no net impact on reportable segment results. However, Statement of Financial Accounting Standard 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, requires that we calculate the fair values of index options we will purchase in the future to hedge policyholder index allocations applicable to future reset periods. These fair values represent an estimate of the cost of the options we will purchase in the future, discounted back to the date of the balance sheet, using current market indicators of volatility and interest rates. Changes in the fair values of these liabilities result in volatility that is reported in interest credited. Interest credited was decreased by \$2.9 in 2004 and

\$1.2 in 2003 and increased \$0.9 in 2002 for these changes. The notional amounts of policyholder fund balances allocated to the index options were \$998 at December 31, 2004 and \$304 at December 31, 2003.

Net investment income increased at a lower rate than the growth in average policyholder fund balances, due to a decline in investment yields offset somewhat by the options market value adjustment described above. Lower investment yields resulted from a decline in our base earned rate, due to the general interest rate environment, as well as a reduction in excess prepayments of mortgage-backed securities and prepayments of commercial mortgage loans. The effect of these prepayments in the AIP segment increased effective yields by 13, 24 and 4 basis points in 2004, 2003 and 2002.

We actively manage spreads on fixed annuity products in response to changes in our investment portfolio yields by adjusting the interest rates we credit on annuity policyholder fund balances while considering our competitive strategies. Our newer product designs in AIP require lower spreads to achieve targeted returns and require lower levels of capital to support new sales. These factors, combined with the current interest rate environment, will likely result in earnings that lag behind growth in average fund balances for a period of time. Effective investment spreads on fixed annuities decreased in 2004 after having increased in 2003, primarily due to the lower impact of excess prepayments discussed above.

Our ability to manage interest crediting rates on fixed annuity products is limited by continued low general market interest rates, as the investment of cash flows at current interest rates reduces our average portfolio yield, and crediting rate actions are limited by minimum guaranteed rates provided in policyholder contracts. We have approximately \$4.4 billion of fixed annuity policyholder fund balances with crediting rates that are reset on an annual basis, for which our crediting rates on average were approximately 10 basis points in excess of minimum guaranteed rates at December 31, 2004. Approximately \$3.1 billion of fixed annuity policyholder fund balances have multi-year guaranteed rates (MYG), approximately \$800 of which will reset in 2005 with an additional \$2.3 billion resetting in 2006 and thereafter. As multi-year guarantees expire, policyholders will have the opportunity to renew their annuities at rates in effect at that time. Our ability to retain these annuities will be subject to then-current competitive conditions. The current average spread to the minimum underlying guarantee on these products is approximately 253 basis points. In 2004, \$352 of fixed annuity policyholder fund balances reset, of which approximately \$225 lapsed where the holder did not select another product that we offer. These lapses reduced policyholder fund balances and increased DAC amortization, but also increased investment spreads for the business retained. Surrenders are affected by factors such as varying crediting rates on multi-year guarantees compared to current crediting rates at reset dates and the absence of surrender charges at reset dates.

Fixed annuity surrenders as a percentage of beginning fund balances increased in 2004 reflecting, in part, the surrender of annuities with expiring multi-year crediting rate guarantees. The increase in fixed annuity surrenders, other than resetting MYG annuities, favorably impacted surrender charge revenues. The surrender rate in the AIP segment is influenced by many other factors such as: 1) the portion of the business that has low or no remaining surrender charges; 2) competition from annuity products including those which pay up-front interest rate bonuses or higher market rates; and 3) rising interest rates that may make returns available on new annuities or investment products more attractive than our older annuities. In addition to surrender charge protection against early surrender, we have added a market value adjustment (MVA) to many of our new annuity products. The MVA provides some degree of protection from disintermediation in a rising interest rate environment. Fixed annuity fund balances subject to surrender charges of at least 5% or an MVA decreased to 47% at year-end 2004 from 48% at year-end 2003, as strong sales of EIAs offset most of the decline in the existing inforce that is subject to surrender charges.

Beginning with the first quarter of 2004 (see Note 6), net deferral and amortization of bonus interest is presented in policy benefits as a result of the adoption of a new accounting standard discussed above. Previously, it had been included as a component of DAC and was included in insurance expenses. Excluding the \$10.7 net deferral for 2004, policy benefits increased 4.8% as growth in average fund balances and the market value adjustment of options were partially offset by crediting rate reductions. Policy benefits decreased in 2003 despite growth in average policyholder fund balances, reflecting crediting rate reductions.

Total AIP expenses (including the net deferral and amortization of DAC and VOBA) were as follows:

				Favorable/ (Unfavorable)		
	2004	2003	2002		2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Insurance companies:						
Commissions	\$ 76.2	\$ 36.7	\$ 53.0		(107.6)%	30.8%
General and administrative acquisition related	14.8	12.6	15.4		(17.5)	18.2
General and administrative maintenance related	6.5	5.6	6.2		(16.1)	9.7
Taxes, licenses and fees	2.8	1.9	1.8		(47.4)	(5.6)
Total commissions and expenses incurred	100.3	56.8	76.4		(76.6)	25.7
Less commissions and expenses capitalized	(85.4)	(47.2)	(67.1)		80.9	(29.7)
Amortization of DAC and VOBA	53.1	46.2	37.5		(14.9)	(23.2)
Net expense-insurance companies	68.0	55.8	46.8		(21.9)	(19.2)
Broker/ Dealer:						
Commissions	95.4	80.5	80.6		(18.5)	0.1
Other	11.8	10.2	10.7		(15.7)	4.7
Net expense broker/dealer	107.2	90.7	91.3		(18.2)	0.7
Net expense	\$ 175.2	\$ 146.5	\$ 138.1		(19.6)%	(6.1)%

Commissions, acquisition-related general and administrative expenses and DAC capitalization all increased with the strong sales increase over 2003. DAC amortization increased partly due to true-ups of \$3.2, reflecting actual lapse experience of MYG annuities and the impact of the favorable change in the fair value of EIA option liabilities. Insurance companies net expenses also increased in 2004 as a result of the reclassification of the net deferral of bonus interest to policy benefits as discussed above. Broker/dealer revenues and expenses increased commensurately due to the improved condition of equity markets and higher sales volumes. In 2003, amortization of DAC and VOBA increased primarily due to growth in the business and a decrease in amortization in 2002 of \$13.0 due to lower lapse rates on fixed annuity products, partially offset by an \$8.8 increase in amortization on variable annuity products using the mean reversion techniques discussed in the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section.

Risks in the annuity business are spread compression; increased lapses from maturity of MYG annuities; increased lapses when interest rates rise, particularly in the portion of business subject to low or no surrender charges or MVA; execution risk on EIA hedges; changes in taxation of our products or products they might compete with; and competition from variable annuities or other financial services in an evolving market for investment products. We discuss these risks in more detail in the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates, Capital Resources, Liquidity, and Market Risk Exposures sections of this filing.

Benefit Partners

The Benefit Partners segment markets products primarily through a national distribution system of regional group offices. These offices develop business through employee benefit brokers, third-party administrators and other employee benefit firms.

Reportable segment results⁽¹⁾ for Benefit Partners were:

	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)				
	2004	2003	2002	2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Premiums and other considerations	\$ 1,113.2	\$ 756.0	\$ 638.1	47.2%	18.5%
Net investment income	88.9	63.8	60.2	39.3	6.0
Total revenues	1,202.1	819.8	698.3	46.6	17.4
Policy benefits	840.7	576.3	477.9	(45.9)	(20.6)
Expenses	252.6	165.6	147.3	(52.5)	(12.4)
Total benefits and expenses	1,093.3	741.9	625.2	(47.4)	(18.7)
Reportable segment results before income taxes(1)	108.8	77.9	73.1	39.7	6.6
Income taxes	38.1	27.3	25.6	(39.6)	(6.6)
Reportable segment results(1)	\$ 70.7	\$ 50.6	\$ 47.5	39.7	6.5%

(1) Reportable segment results is a non-GAAP measure. See Note 15 for further discussion.

The following table summarizes key information for Benefit Partners that we believe to be important drivers and indicators of our future profitability:

	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)				
	2004	2003	2002	2003 vs. 2002	2004 vs. 2003
Life, Disability and Dental annualized sales	\$ 203	\$ 200	\$ 182	1.5%	9.9%
Reportable segment results:					
Life	\$ 30.4	\$ 17.7	\$ 19.8	71.8%	(10.6)%
Disability	35.6	28.2	20.6	26.2	36.9
Dental	4.0	5.2	4.1	(23.1)	26.8
Other	0.7	(0.5)	3.0	240.0	(116.7)
Total	\$ 70.7	\$ 50.6	\$ 47.5	39.7%	6.5%

Loss ratios:

Life	73.5%	77.5%	74.6%
Disability	72.9	69.2	70.4

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Dental	76.8	75.6	74.6		
Combined	73.7%	73.7%	73.0%		
Total expenses as a % of premium income	22.7%	21.9%	23.2%		
Average assets	\$ 1,683	\$ 988	\$ 851	70.3%	16.1%

Reportable segment results for Benefit Partners increased substantially in 2004 over 2003, primarily due to approximately \$23.8 of after-tax earnings from the acquired Canada Life business (the Canada Life block), excluding \$5.5 of after-tax borrowing costs related to the acquisition that are included in the Corporate and Other segment. See Note 1 for further discussion of the Canada Life transaction.

Total revenues for Benefit Partners increased over 2003 due to the acquisition of substantially all of the U.S.-based group life, disability and dental business of Canada Life and due to organic growth from sales during 2004 and 2003. Excluding the Canada Life block, premiums and other considerations increased 14.9% over 2003 due to strong growth in the disability business. Annualized sales increased 1.5% over 2003 due to continued growth in our sales force in a continued strong competitive environment industry-wide. Also, our sales results reflect the actions we implemented in 2003, and continued in 2004, in the life business to tighten certain underwriting rules and strengthen our sales focus on higher margin, smaller case business.

The increase in policy benefits in 2004 reflected growth from the acquired Canada Life business as well as strong organic growth in our existing business. The combined loss ratio for 2004 of 73.7% was in line with 2003 as adverse experience in our long-term disability business (from unfavorable experience in incidence rates and unfavorable claims termination experience) offset favorable experience in our life business. The increase in policy benefits in 2003 vs. 2002 was driven by growth in overall business coupled with an increased loss ratio, primarily related to adverse mortality experience in our life business. Accordingly, we made pricing increases to address an isolated segment of our life business that was under-performing, and we implemented greater management scrutiny of larger cases, especially renewals of groups with adverse experience. These changes contributed to the improved loss ratio in our life business in 2004.

Expenses were as follows:

	2004	2003	2002	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)	
				2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Commissions	\$ 125.1	\$ 85.3	\$ 74.7	(46.7)%	(14.2)%
General and administrative	112.2	75.6	69.6	(48.4)	(8.6)
Taxes, licenses and fees	26.0	19.2	17.9	(35.4)	(7.3)
Total commissions and expenses incurred	263.3	180.1	162.2	(46.2)	(11.0)
Less commissions and expenses capitalized	(38.1)	(114.4)	(95.7)	(66.7)	19.5
Amortization of DAC	27.4	99.9	80.8	72.6	(23.6)
Total expense	\$ 252.6	\$ 165.6	\$ 147.3	(52.5)%	(12.4)%

The expense growth in 2004 reflects expenses from Canada Life integration activities and overall growth in the business. The 2004 increase in the total unit expense ratios for the year relative to the 2003 period is driven by the impact of these integration expenses as well as the decline in DAC capitalization and growth in DAC amortization expense on a unit expense basis as this block continues to grow. In the first quarter 2004, we also changed our presentation of commissions, which are paid and expensed on a monthly basis. In the past, we reflected such commissions as capitalized and fully amortized each month. We no longer flow these commissions through DAC. This change has no impact on total expenses or reportable segment results. Expense growth in 2003 was in line with the overall growth in the business.

In October 2004, the Office of the Attorney General of the State of New York announced a lawsuit following a probe into two practices it had observed in the property and casualty insurance brokerage industry: bid rigging and contingent commissions. The Company has not been named in any litigation or investigation and has not received any subpoenas with regard to such matters, though all insurance companies and brokers licensed in the states of New Jersey, North Carolina and Nebraska were asked by the respective Insurance Commissioners within those states to provide certain information in the context of an industry fact-finding investigation. Benefit Partners has found no evidence of bid rigging. We use broker bonus programs in our business development practices. Such bonuses are considered normal practice within the industry. It is unclear at this time what, if any, changes in regulation may come about as a result of this matter, but the Company has positioned its business practices to respond appropriately to any increase in required disclosure or other such change in business practices.

Risks beyond normal competition that may impact this segment include increased morbidity risk due to a weak economy that may increase disability claim costs (an industry-wide phenomenon); continued medical cost inflation that can put pressure on non-medical benefit premium rates because employers may focus more on the employer's cost

of non-medical programs; and mortality/morbidity risks including concentration risks from acts of terrorism not priced for or reinsured. We mitigate these risks by monitoring new and existing claims and industry health care trend reports which serve as indicators of increased employer medical costs, through scrutiny of larger cases, especially renewals of groups with adverse experience, and through intensive review of our concentration risks. Loss ratios in our disability business, which have been historically lower than industry averages, may increase toward industry averages as this business continues to grow. In addition, continued declines in investment yields could pressure interest spreads on investments backing long-term disability reserves

and other long-tail liabilities and could require us to lower the discount rate we use in establishing reserves. We monitor these spreads carefully and evaluate any need to adjust assumptions based on the then current outlook for investment yield trends. One of our non-core products, Exec-U-Care®, which provides an insured medical expense reimbursement vehicle to executives for non-covered health plan costs, produced revenues for this segment of approximately \$129 and reportable segment results of approximately \$2 in 2004. A discontinuation of Exec-U-Care® would have a significant impact on segment revenues, but only a limited effect on reportable segment results.

Communications

JPCC operates radio and television broadcast properties and produces syndicated sports programming. Reportable segment results⁽¹⁾ for Communications were as follows:

	2004	2003	2002	Favorable/ (Unfavorable)	
				2004 vs. 2003	2003 vs. 2002
Communications revenues (net)	\$ 241.1	\$ 216.7	\$ 210.3	11.3%	3.0%
Cost of sales	47.8	45.8	44.2	(4.4)	(3.6)
Operating expenses	85.2	79.3	81.4	(7.4)	2.6
Broadcast cash flow	108.1	91.6	84.7	18.0	8.1
Depreciation and amortization	8.8	8.4	8.1	(4.8)	(3.7)
Corporate general and administrative expenses	7.3	6.4	7.7	(14.1)	16.9
Net interest expense	2.1	2.2	2.9	4.5	24.1
Operating revenue before income taxes	89.9	74.6	66.0	20.5	13.0
Income taxes	35.5	29.2	26.2	(21.6)	(11.5)
Reportable segment results(1)	\$ 54.4	\$ 45.4	\$ 39.8	19.8%	14.1%

(1) Reportable segment results is a Non-GAAP measure. See Note 15 for further discussion.

Communications revenues increased in 2004 from political advertising, increased market share in all of our radio and television markets and excellent sales results in our sports operations. In 2004, combined revenues for radio and television increased 10.3% despite sluggish advertising growth in our radio markets. Typically, political advertising favorably impacts revenues in even-numbered years. Excluding the impact of political revenues, revenues from television increased 4.3% in 2004 and 5.7% in 2003. Revenues from sports operations increased \$4.5 in 2004 due to increased demand for both our football and basketball products, compared to an increase of \$3.7 in 2003, which was driven primarily by football.

Broadcast cash flow, a non-GAAP measure that is commonly used in the broadcast industry, is calculated as communications revenues less operating costs and expenses before depreciation and amortization. Broadcast cash flow increased in all businesses in 2004 and 2003 as a result of the increase in revenues combined with continued expense discipline.

Cost of sales represents direct and variable costs, consisting primarily of sales commissions, rights fees and sports production costs. Operating expenses represent other costs to operate the broadcast properties, including salaries, marketing, research, purchased programming and station overhead costs. Total expenses, excluding interest expense,

increased 6.6% in 2004 and decreased 1.1% in 2003. As a percent of communication revenues, these expenses were 61.9%, 64.6% and 67.2% for 2004, 2003 and 2002. The 2004 and 2003 improvements reflect growing revenues and continued expense discipline, partially offset in 2004 by increased sales commissions and bonuses.

On April 1, 2004, JPCC acquired the assets and an FCC license to broadcast a FM radio station in San Diego, CA for \$18.

Radio and television stations require a license, subject to periodic renewal, from the FCC to operate. While management considers the likelihood of a failure to renew remote, any station that fails to receive renewal would

be forced to cease operations. We currently have two television stations and five radio stations that are operating under expired licenses pending renewal, as allowed by the FCC. The FCC is delaying all commercial broadcast license renewals in these states until all complaints against any commercial broadcast station in that state are resolved. We are unaware of any complaints involving JP stations.

Because our broadcasting businesses rely on advertising revenues, they are sensitive to cyclical changes in both the general economy and in the economic strength of local markets. Furthermore, our stations derived 21.4% and 23.5% of their advertising revenues from the automotive industry in 2004 and 2003. If automobile advertising is significantly curtailed, it could have a negative impact on broadcasting revenues. In 2004, 6.7% of television revenues came from a network agreement with our CBS-affiliated stations that expires in 2011. The trend in the industry is away from the networks compensating affiliates for carrying their programming, and there is a possibility those revenues will be eliminated when the contract is renewed. Many different businesses compete for available advertising sales in our markets, including newspapers, magazines, billboards and other radio and television broadcasters. Technological changes (such as satellite radio) and consolidation in the broadcast industry may increase competition for audiences and advertisers.

Corporate and Other

The Corporate and Other segment includes the excess capital of the insurance subsidiaries, other corporate investments including defaulted securities, benefit plan net assets, goodwill related to insurance acquisitions, and corporate debt. The reportable segment results primarily contain the earnings on the invested excess capital, interest expense related to the corporate debt, and operating expenses that are corporate in nature (such as advertising and charitable and civic contributions). All net realized capital gains and losses, which include other-than-temporary impairments of securities, are reported in this segment.

The following table summarizes results for this segment. Prior year amounts have been restated to conform to the current year presentation for the adoption of FIN 46, under which, as discussed later and in Note 2, we no longer consolidate two affiliated Capital Trusts.

	2004	2003	2002
Earnings on investments and other income	\$ 94.9	\$ 93.9	\$ 77.2
Interest expense on debt	(48.1)	(33.8)	(35.9)
Operating expenses	(20.7)	(31.2)	(47.9)
Income taxes	6.6	3.2	11.0
Total expenses	62.2	(61.8)	(72.8)
Reportable segment results(1)	32.7	32.1	4.4
Realized investment gains (losses), net of taxes	26.5	(30.9)	(14.9)
Reportable segment results, including realized gains (losses)(1)	\$ 59.2	\$ 1.2	\$ (10.5)

(1) Reportable segment results is a non-GAAP measure. See Note 15 for further discussion.

Earnings on investments and other income increased \$1.0 in 2004, driven primarily by an increase in default charges received from the operating segments, a \$3.6 settlement from a Bank of America merger class action suit, and dividends related to equity securities, offset partially by the allocation of bond calls to our segments and lower portfolio yields. Default charges are received from the operating segments for this segment's assumption of all credit related losses on the invested assets of those segments. These charges are calculated in part as a percentage of invested assets. Default charge income for 2004, 2003 and 2002 was \$38.5, \$31.3 and \$21.9. The increase in 2004 resulted

from an increase in investment assets including those related to the Canada Life business and a change in fixed income securities asset mix. Default charges increased in 2003 in response to the credit environment experienced in the securities markets during recent years. Earnings on investments in this segment can fluctuate based upon opportunistic repurchases of common stock, the amount of excess capital generated by the operating segments and lost investment income on bonds defaulted or sold at a loss.

Interest expense on debt increased \$14.3 in 2004 after remaining flat in 2003 and decreasing \$17.6 in 2002. The 2004 increase reflects a change in the mix of outstanding indebtedness between floating and fixed rate instruments and an increase in the overall level of outstanding indebtedness. Specifically, our fixed rate indebtedness increased with the issuance of \$300 of ten-year notes on January 27, 2004 at an effective interest rate of 4.77%, a portion of which was used to support the Canada Life acquisition (See Note 1). See Note 8 for details of our debt structure and interest costs. Operating expenses declined in 2004 and 2003, and expenses for 2002 included an accrual for litigation of \$23.1. Operating expenses vary with the level of corporate activities and strategies.

Effective tax rates improved in 2004 versus 2003 due to an increase in non-taxable income and the dividends-received deduction.

Realized investment gains and losses were as follows:

	2004	2003	2002
Stock gains	\$ 95.6	\$ 13.8	\$ 161.5
Stock losses	(3.6)		(1.1)
Stock losses from writedowns	(1.1)		
Bond gains	36.8	58.0	31.2
Bond losses from sales	(36.4)	(34.0)	(36.9)
Bond losses from writedowns	(58.5)	(94.8)	(163.1)
Other gains and losses (net)	6.2	(4.1)	(8.7)
Total pretax gains (losses)	39.0	(61.1)	(17.1)
DAC amortization	1.8	14.4	(4.9)
Income taxes	(14.3)	15.8	7.1
Realized investment gains (losses), net of taxes	\$ 26.5	\$ (30.9)	\$ (14.9)

The realized investment gains in 2004 sharply contrasted with the realized investment losses in the two previous years. The 2004 improvement was due to stock gains as well as the decline in bond impairments as a result of significant improvement in the corporate credit environment and proactive portfolio management. The 2004 write downs primarily reflected further deterioration among airline issuers.

We reflect provisions for credit related losses in our estimated gross profits when calculating DAC and VOBA amortization. As reflected in the preceding table, we record DAC amortization on realized gains and losses on investments that back UL-type products. Modeling of expected gross profits related to DAC and VOBA is discussed further in the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section.

The following table summarizes assets assigned to this segment.

	2004	2003	2004 vs. 2003
Parent company, passive investment companies and Corporate line assets of insurance subsidiaries	\$ 1,195	\$ 1,206	(0.9)%
Unrealized gain on fixed interest investments	629	612	2.8
Co-insurance receivables on acquired blocks	929	980	(5.2)
Employee benefit plan assets	397	369	7.6
Goodwill arising from insurance acquisitions	270	270	
Other	343	312	14.7

Total	\$ 3,763	\$ 3,749	0.8%
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Total assets for the Corporate and Other segment increased primarily as a result of the increase in unrealized gains on fixed interest investments as well as the increase in employee benefit plan assets. We received a large policy loan repayment in the second quarter, reducing coinsurance receivables.

Risks for this segment include investment impairments due to weakening in the economy, the risk of rising interest rates on our floating rate debt, our ability to replace existing debt agreements with comparable terms, declines in the dividends on or the values of our equity securities which would limit our potential for realized gains, general uncertainty regarding litigation, and the potential for future impairment of goodwill. Also, as discussed in the Liquidity section, to service our debt and to pay shareholder dividends, we rely on excess cash flows through dividends from our subsidiaries. Dividends from our insurance subsidiaries depend upon regulatory approval when above certain limits.

Capital Resources

Our capital structure consists of 10-year term notes, floating rate EXtendible Liquidity Securities® (EXLs), short-term commercial paper, securities sold under repurchase agreements, junior subordinated debentures, and stockholders' equity. We also have a bank credit agreement, under which we have the option to borrow at various interest rates. The agreement, as amended on May 7, 2004, aggregates \$348, which is available until May 2007. The credit agreement principally supports our issuance of commercial paper.

Outstanding commercial paper has various maturities that can be up to 270 days. If we cannot remarket commercial paper at maturity, we have sufficient liquidity, consisting of the bank credit agreements, liquid assets, such as equity securities, and other resources to retire these obligations. The weighted-average interest rates for commercial paper borrowings outstanding of \$188 and \$654 at December 31, 2004 and 2003 were 2.30% and 1.13%. The maximum amount outstanding in 2004, after the January issuance of the term debt and EXLs, was \$298 compared to \$656 in 2003.

Our commercial paper is currently rated by two rating agencies.

Agency	Rating
Fitch	F1+
Standard & Poor's	A1+

These are both the highest ratings that the agencies issue and were reaffirmed in 2005. A significant drop in these ratings, while not anticipated, could cause us to pay higher rates on commercial paper borrowings or lose access to the commercial paper market.

Our insurance subsidiaries have sold collateralized mortgage obligations and agency debentures under repurchase agreements involving various counterparties, accounted for as financing arrangements with maturities less than six months. We may use proceeds to purchase securities with longer durations as an asset/liability management strategy. At December 31, 2004 and 2003, repurchase agreements, including accrued interest, were \$468 and \$401. The securities involved had a fair value and amortized cost of \$489 and \$459 at December 31, 2004 versus \$428 and \$406 at December 31, 2003. The maximum principal amounts outstanding were \$528 and \$597 during 2004 and 2003.

The junior subordinated debentures were issued in 1997 and consist of \$206 at an interest rate of 8.14% and \$103 at an interest rate of 8.285%. Interest is paid semi-annually. These debentures mature in 2046, but are redeemable prior to maturity at the option of the Company beginning January 15, 2007, with two-thirds subject to a call premium of 4.07% and the remainder subject to a call premium of 4.14%, each grading to zero as of January 15, 2017.

In January 2004, we issued \$300 of 4.75% 10-year term notes and \$300 of floating rate EXtendible Liquidity Securities® (EXLs) that currently have a maturity of November 2005, as of December 31, 2004, subject to periodic extension through 2011. Each quarter, the holders must make an election to extend the maturity of the EXLs for 13 months, otherwise they become due and payable on the next maturity date to which they had previously been extended. The EXLs bear interest at LIBOR plus a spread, which increases annually to a maximum of 10 basis points. The proceeds from the debt issuances were used to support the Canada Life acquisition and to pay down commercial paper while rebalancing the mix of fixed and floating rate debt and short and long term maturities in our capital structure. We received confirmation from both Fitch and S&P that the debt

issuance had no impact on our ratings or outlook. We are considering the issuance of funding-agreement-backed notes, which would be secured by annuity contracts issued by one of our life insurance subsidiaries.

Stockholders' equity increased \$128 in 2004 compared to \$266 in 2003. Unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities, which are included as a component of stockholders' equity, increased \$12 and \$78 in those years. The remaining change in stockholders' equity reflects net income, dividends to stockholders, changes in the fair values of derivatives, changes in the minimum pension liability, and common share activity due to issuance of shares under our stock option plans and share repurchases. Our ratio of stockholders' equity to assets excluding separate accounts was 12.0%, 12.5% and 12.3% at December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002.

In 2004 we repurchased 5,368,200 of our common shares at an average cost of \$51.05 per share compared to 3,578,600 shares at an average cost of \$43.15 in 2003. At year end 2004, we had authorization from our board to repurchase 4.1 million additional shares.

Our insurance subsidiaries have statutory surplus and risk based capital levels well above current regulatory required levels. As mentioned earlier, a significant portion of our life sales consists of products containing no-lapse guarantees (secondary guarantees), for which statutory reserving practices (referred to as AXXX) are currently under review by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Numerous proposals have been circulated by regulators and the industry and debate is ongoing. Certain approaches could require companies to hold additional statutory policy reserves. Our estimate of the potential impact on our year end 2004 statutory surplus under various approaches ranges from \$0 to \$200. This potential impact would grow annually, particularly with continued sales of products subject to these reserve requirements. The proposals under consideration, if adopted in a manner that results in significantly increased statutory reserves, could cause the Company and other insurers to increase pricing or otherwise limit availability of certain product offerings. In December 2004, we formed an insurance subsidiary, chartered in Bermuda for the purpose of providing intracompany reinsurance. In conjunction with the establishment of this subsidiary, we obtained a \$500 letter of credit facility, which will provide credit enhancement for our subsidiary's reinsurance obligations. JP is a guarantor under the letter of credit facility. At December 31, 2004, we had not reinsured any reserves subject to AXXX. We continue to review other strategic alternatives in the event that regulatory requirements ultimately result in provision of higher statutory reserves for our secondary guarantee products. We cannot estimate the cost of potential alternative solutions.

Our insurance subsidiaries have statutory surplus and risk based capital levels well above regulatory required levels. These capital levels together with the rating agencies' assessments of our business strategies have enabled our major life insurance affiliates to attain the following financial strength ratings:

	JP Life	JPFIC	JPLA
A.M. Best	A++	A++	A++
Standard & Poor's	AAA	AAA	AAA
Fitch Ratings	AA+	AA+	AA+

The ratings by A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's are currently the highest available by those rating agencies and have been reaffirmed in 2005, while the ratings by Fitch Ratings is that agency's second highest rating. A significant drop in our ratings, while not anticipated, could potentially impact future sales and/or accelerate surrenders on our business in force.

Liquidity

We meet liquidity requirements primarily by positive cash flows from the operations of subsidiaries. Primary sources of cash from our insurance operations are premiums, other insurance considerations, receipts for policyholder accounts, investment sales and maturities and investment income. Primary uses of cash for our insurance operations include purchases of investments, payment of insurance benefits, operating expenses, withdrawals from policyholder accounts, costs related to acquiring new business, dividends and income taxes. Primary sources of cash from the Communications operations are revenues from broadcast advertising, and primary uses include payments for commissions, compensation and related costs, sports rights, interest, income

taxes and purchases of fixed assets. We have the ability to generate adequate cash flows for operations on a short-term basis and a long-term basis.

Net cash provided by operations in 2004, 2003 and 2002 was \$991, \$537 and \$403. The primary driver for the increase over 2003 related to the proceeds received in the Canada Life transaction, an increase in traditional premium receipts from organic growth in Benefit Partners, and lower federal income tax payments. The increase in 2003 over 2002 was from an increase in traditional product premium receipts in our Benefit Partners segment due to growth in that segment, combined with the timing of the processing of Community Banks and BOLI single premiums received in late 2001, pending policy issuance which then occurred in 2002. Those premiums were reported as cash received from operations in 2001 and as a decrease in cash from operations in 2002.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$1,786, \$1,420 and \$1,599 in 2004, 2003 and 2002. In 2004, investment purchases increased substantially due to cash received in the Canada Life transaction and from higher sales of EIAs. Cash used in other investing activities increased due to purchases of affordable housing tax credit securities, higher originations of mortgages loans, and an acquisition of assets and an FCC license for a radio station. The decrease in AIP sales in 2003 provided less funds for investment purposes. Record sales levels in our Individual Products segment in 2002 increased funds available for investment.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$810, \$888 and \$1,124 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, including cash inflows from policyholder contract deposits net of withdrawals of \$1,022, \$1,081 and \$1,404. The fluctuations in net policyholder contract deposits reflect higher sales of EIAs offset by higher surrenders in 2004 and lower Community Bank life sales in 2003 compared to 2002. Net borrowings increased in 2004 over 2003 largely due to the funding of the Canada Life acquisition.

In order to meet the parent company's dividend payments, debt servicing obligations and other expenses, we rely on dividends from our insurance subsidiaries. Cash dividends received from subsidiaries by the parent company were \$289, \$273 and \$402 in 2004, 2003 and 2002. Our life insurance subsidiaries are subject to laws in their states of domicile that limit the amount of dividends that can be paid without the prior approval of the respective state's insurance regulator. The limits are based in part on the prior year's statutory income and capital, which are negatively impacted by bond losses and write downs. Approval of these dividends will depend upon the circumstances at the time, but we have not experienced problems with state approvals in the past.

Cash and cash equivalents were \$87, \$72 and \$67 at December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002. The parent company and non-regulated subsidiaries held equity and fixed income securities of \$678, \$753 and \$424 at these dates. We consider the majority of these securities to be a source of liquidity to support our strategies.

Total assets increased \$2,409 in 2004 and \$2,077 in 2003 due primarily to the Canada Life acquisition, net policyholder contract deposits, growth in DAC, and growth in separate account assets, which more than offset dividends, stock repurchases and impairment losses.

Total debt and equity securities available-for-sale at December 31, 2004 and 2003 were \$20,375 and \$18,462. Gross unrealized gains and losses at December 31, 2004 were \$1,415 and \$(57) compared to gross unrealized gains and losses at December 31, 2003 of \$1,446 and \$(107).

At December 31, 2004 and 2003, we had reinsurance receivables of \$828 and \$845 and policy loans of \$61 and \$103 which are related to the businesses of JP Financial that are coinsured with Household International (HI) affiliates. HI has provided payment, performance and capital maintenance guarantees with respect to the balances receivable. We regularly evaluate the financial condition of our reinsurers and monitor concentrations of credit risk related to reinsurance activities. We have not suffered any significant credit losses from reinsurance activities in the last three years.

Contractual Obligations

The following table details our contractual obligations, including principal and interest where applicable, at December 31, 2004. The amounts in the table are different than those reported in our consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2004 due to the consideration of interest in debt obligations and discounted estimates of future payments for policy liabilities excluding the impact of future premium revenues. Some of the figures we include

in this table are based on management's estimates and assumptions about these obligations, including their duration, the possibility of renewal, anticipated actions by third parties, and other factors. Because these estimates and assumptions are necessarily subjective, the enforceable and legally binding obligations we will actually pay in future periods are likely to vary from those reflected in the table.

Estimated Payments Due by Period

	2005	2006-2007	2008-2009	2010 and After	Total
Commercial paper borrowings	\$ 188	\$	\$	\$	\$ 188
Reverse repurchase agreements	468				468
EXLs	9	24	28	318	379
10-year term notes	14	29	29	357	429
Junior subordinated debentures	25	51	51	1,223	1,350
Purchase obligations	69	109	90	69	337
Total, excluding policy liabilities	773	213	198	1,967	3,151
Policy liabilities, discounted	3,195	5,795	4,370	18,218	31,578
Total contractual obligations	\$ 3,968	\$ 6,008	\$ 4,568	\$ 20,185	\$ 34,729

External commercial paper and reverse repurchase agreements represent short-term debts that are due in less than one year.

As discussed earlier, the floating-rate EXLs at yearend had a maturity of November 2005, subject to periodic extension through 2011. For purposes of this table, we have assumed these securities will be extended until 2011 and have calculated interest payments by applying the spreads defined in the agreement to 1-year LIBOR forward rates.

The payments for the 10-year term notes are based on the amortization schedule included in the debt agreement.

The junior subordinated debentures mature in 2046, or earlier at our option beginning in 2007. For purposes of this table, we have assumed the debentures remain outstanding until 2046.

Purchase obligations consist of JPCC commitments for purchases of syndicated television programming and commitments on other contracts and future sports programming rights. In 2004, JPCC announced an agreement in principle that will give JP Sports and its broadcasting partner television syndication rights to Atlantic Coast Conference football and basketball games through the 2010 season. While the agreement is not yet final, we have estimated the amount of the future obligations that will be required under the present terms of the arrangement. Purchase obligations represent \$337 as of December 31, 2004, payable through the year 2011. We have commitments to sell a portion of those sports programming rights to other entities for \$231 over the same period. These commitments are not reflected as an asset or liability in our balance sheets because the programs are not currently available for use. We expect advertising revenues that are sold on an annual basis to fund the purchase commitments.

Our total policy liabilities also represent contractual obligations, where the timing of payments is uncertain because it depends on insurable events or policyholder surrenders. Our asset-liability management process, discussed further in Market Risk Exposures, is designed to appropriately match our invested assets with the actuarially estimated timing of amounts payable to our policyholders. We have included an estimate as to the timing of the payment of these obligations in the table above, assuming a level interest rate scenario. The amounts presented were discounted over a 50-year period using an interest rate of 6%.

Off Balance Sheet Arrangements and Commitments

We have no material off balance sheet arrangements of a financing nature. We routinely enter into commitments to extend credit in the form of mortgage loans and to purchase certain debt instruments in private placement transactions for our investment portfolio. The fair value of such outstanding commitments as of

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December 31, 2004 approximates \$121. These commitments will be funded through cash flows from operations and investment maturities during 2005 and are not included in contractual obligations listed above.

Investments

Portfolio Description

Our strategy for managing the investment portfolio of our insurance subsidiaries is to consistently meet pricing assumptions while appropriately managing credit risk. We invest for the long term, and most of our investments are held until they mature. Our investment portfolio includes primarily fixed income securities and commercial mortgage loans. The nature and quality of investments that our insurance subsidiaries hold must comply with state regulatory requirements. We have established a formal investment policy, which describes our overall quality and diversification objectives and limits.

Approximately 90% of our securities portfolio has been designated as available-for-sale (AFS) and is carried on the balance sheet at fair value. We determine fair values of our securities, including securities not actively traded, using the methodology described in the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section above. Changes in fair values of AFS securities are reflected in other comprehensive income. The remainder of our securities portfolio has been designated as held-to-maturity (HTM). As prescribed by generally accepted accounting principles, HTM securities are carried at amortized cost, and accordingly there is a difference between fair value and carrying value for HTM securities.

The following table shows the carrying values of our invested assets.

	December 31, 2004		December 31, 2003	
Publicly-issued bonds	\$ 16,871	61.0%	\$ 15,823	61.3%
Privately-placed bonds	5,210	18.8	4,621	17.9
Total bonds	22,081	79.8	20,444	79.2
Redeemable preferred stock	13	0.1	14	
Total debt securities	22,094	79.9	20,458	79.2
Mortgage loans on real property	3,667	13.3	3,472	13.4
Common stock	647	2.3	754	2.9
Non-redeemable preferred stock	3		2	
Policy loans	839	3.0	869	3.4
Real estate	125	0.5	132	0.5
Other	193	0.7	65	0.3
Cash and equivalents	87	0.3	72	0.3
Total	\$ 27,655	100.0%	\$ 25,824	100.0%

Unrealized Gains and Losses

The following table summarizes by category the unrealized gains and losses in our entire securities portfolios, including common stock and redeemable preferred stock, as of December 31, 2004:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Carrying Value
Available-for-sale, carried at fair value:					
US Treasury obligations and direct obligations of US Government agencies	\$ 253	\$ 13	\$	\$ 266	\$ 266
Federal agency mortgage-backed securities (including collateralized mortgage obligations)	1,610	64	(4)	1,670	1,670
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	57	4		61	61
Corporate obligations	16,225	853	(51)	17,027	17,027
Corporate private-labeled mortgage-backed securities (including collateralized mortgage obligations)	659	31	(2)	688	688
Redeemable preferred stock	12	1		13	13
Subtotal, debt securities	18,816	966	(57)	19,725	19,725
Non-redeemable preferred stock	2	1		3	3
Common stock	199	448		647	647
Securities available-for-sale	19,017	1,415	(57)	20,375	20,375
Held-to-maturity, carried at amortized cost:					
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	6	1		7	6
Corporate obligations	2,363	153	(9)	2,507	2,363
Debt securities held-to-maturity	2,369	154	(9)	2,514	2,369
Total AFS and HTM securities	\$ 21,386	\$ 1,569	\$ (66)	\$ 22,889	\$ 22,744

The majority of our unrealized gains and losses can be attributed to changes in interest rates and market changes in credit spreads. These unrealized gains and losses do not necessarily represent future gains or losses that will be realized. Changing conditions related to specific bonds, overall market interest rates, credit spreads or equity securities markets as well as general portfolio management decisions are likely to impact values we ultimately realize. Gross unrealized gains and losses at December 31, 2003 were \$1,633 and \$(128).

The following table shows the diversification of unrealized gains and losses for our debt securities portfolio across industry sectors as of December 31, 2004:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Carrying Value
Industrials					
Basic Materials	\$ 967	\$ 51	\$ (2)	\$ 1,016	\$ 1,007
Capital Goods	1,330	73	(5)	1,398	1,381
Communications	1,348	73	(3)	1,418	1,402
Consumer, Cyclical	1,140	57	(4)	1,193	1,181
Consumer, Noncyclical	2,318	133	(6)	2,445	2,429
Energy	1,401	69	(3)	1,467	1,462
Technology	347	8	(2)	353	352
Transportation	774	59	(6)	827	823
Other Industrials	700	36	(1)	735	730
Utilities	3,897	245	(10)	4,132	4,099
Financials					
Banks	2,328	124	(9)	2,443	2,427
Insurance	803	27	(3)	827	823
Other Financials	1,563	70	(6)	1,627	1,620
Mortgage-backed Securities (including Commercial Mortgage-backed Securities)					
	2,269	95	(6)	2,358	2,358
Total	\$ 21,185	\$ 1,120	\$ (66)	\$ 22,239	\$ 22,094

Credit Risk Management

Our internal guidelines require an average quality of an S&P or equivalent rating of A or higher for the entire bond portfolio. At December 31, 2004, the average quality rating of our bond portfolio was A, which equates to a rating of 1 from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Securities Valuation Office (SVO). We monitor the overall credit quality of our portfolio within internal investment guidelines. This table describes our debt security portfolio by credit rating.

SVO Rating	S&P or Equivalent Designation	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Carrying Value	% of Carrying Value
1	AAA	\$ 2,762	\$ 2,869	\$ 2,865	13.0%
1	AA	1,990	2,097	2,085	9.4
1	A	7,183	7,591	7,527	34.1
2	BBB	7,991	8,372	8,311	37.6
3	BB	800	834	832	3.8
4	B	377	390	390	1.8
5	CCC and lower	61	64	62	0.2
6	In or near default	21	22	22	0.1

Total	\$ 21,185	\$ 22,239	\$ 22,094	100.0%
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Limiting our bond exposure to any one creditor is another way we manage credit risk. The following table lists our ten largest exposures to an individual creditor in our bond portfolio as of December 31, 2004. As noted

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above, the carrying values in the following tables are stated at fair value for AFS securities and amortized cost for HTM securities.

Creditor	Sector	Carrying Value
Wachovia	Financial Institutions	\$ 161
JP Morgan Chase	Financial Institutions	142
Weingarten Realty Investors	Financial Institutions	105
Goldman Sachs Group	Financial Institutions	104
Cargill Incorporated	Consumer, Noncyclical	99
Citigroup Incorporated	Financial Institutions	97
Burlington Northern Santa Fe	Transportation	96
United Health Group Inc	Consumer, Noncyclical	95
US Bancorp	Financial Institutions	94
Anheuser-Busch Companies	Consumer, Noncyclical	93

We monitor those securities that are rated below investment grade as to individual exposures and in comparison to the entire portfolio, as an additional credit risk management strategy.

The following table shows the ten largest below investment grade debt security exposures by individual issuer at December 31, 2004. Investment grade bonds of issuers listed below are not included in these values. The gross unrealized gain or loss shown below is calculated as the difference between the fair value of the securities and their carrying values.

Creditor	Sector	Amortized Cost	Carrying Value	Gross Unrealized Gain/(Loss)
Ahold, Royal	Consumer, Noncyclical	\$ 46	\$ 50	\$ 4
El Paso Corp	Utilities	48	49	1
Nova Chem Ltd/ Nova Chem	Basic Materials	37	37	
Rite Aid Corp	Consumer, Cyclical	33	34	1
Thomas & Betts Co	Technology	31	32	1
Intl Telecom Satellite US	Communications	30	30	
Qwest Communications Intl	Communications	28	29	1
Homer City Funding LLC	Utilities	25	28	3
Williams Cos Inc	Utilities	26	28	2
Allied Waste N America	Capital Goods	27	24	(3)

At December 31, 2004 and 2003, below investment grade bonds were \$1,299 or 5.9% and \$1,452 or 7.1% of the carrying value of the bond portfolio, reflecting sales and upgrades of below investment grade bonds that occurred in 2004.

As noted above, credit risk is inherent in our bond portfolio. We manage this risk through a structured approach in which we assess the effects of the changing economic landscape. We devote a significant amount of effort of both highly specialized, well-trained internal resources and external experts in our approach to managing credit risk.

Impairment Review

In identifying potentially distressed securities, we first screen for all securities that have a fair value to amortized cost ratio of less than 80%. However, as part of this identification process, management must make assumptions and judgments using the following information:

current fair value of the security compared to amortized cost

length of time the fair value was below amortized cost

industry factors or conditions related to a geographic area that are negatively affecting the security

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downgrades by a rating agency

past due interest or principal payments or other violation of covenants

deterioration of the overall financial condition of the specific issuer

In analyzing securities for other-than-temporary impairments, we then pay special attention to securities that have been potentially distressed for a period greater than six months. We assume that, absent reliable contradictory evidence, a security that is potentially distressed for a continuous period greater than twelve months has incurred an other-than-temporary impairment. Such reliable contradictory evidence might include, among other factors, a liquidation analysis performed by our investment professionals and consultants, improving financial performance or valuation of underlying assets specifically pledged to support the credit.

When we identify a security as potentially impaired, we add it to our potentially distressed security list and determine if the impairment is other-than-temporary. Various committees comprised of senior management and investment analysts intensively review the potentially distressed security list to determine if a security is deemed to be other than temporarily impaired. In this review, we consider the following criteria:

fundamental analysis of the liquidity and financial condition of the specific issuer

underlying valuation of assets specifically pledged to support the credit

time period in which the fair value has been significantly below amortized cost

industry sector or geographic area applicable to the specific issuer

our ability and intent to retain the investment for a sufficient time to recover its value

When this intensive review determines that the decline is other-than-temporary based on management's judgment, the security is written down to fair value through a charge to realized investment gains and losses. We adjust the amortized cost for both AFS and HTM securities that have experienced other-than-temporary impairments to reflect fair value at the time of the impairment. We consider factors that lead to an other-than-temporary impairment of a particular security in order to determine whether these conditions have impacted other similar securities.

We monitor unrealized losses through further analysis according to maturity date, credit quality, individual creditor exposure and the length of time the individual security has continuously been in an unrealized loss position.

The following table shows the maturity date distribution of our debt securities in an unrealized loss position at December 31, 2004. The fair values of these securities could fluctuate over the respective periods to maturity or any sale.

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Carrying Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 21	\$ 19	\$ (2)	\$ 19
Due after one year through five years	772	765	(7)	766
Due after five years through ten years	1,805	1,773	(32)	1,779
Due after ten years through twenty years	961	943	(18)	945
Due after twenty years	107	105	(2)	105
Amounts not due at a single maturity date	250	245	(5)	245
Subtotal	3,916	3,850	(66)	3,859
Redeemable preferred stocks	4	4		4

Total	\$ 3,920	\$ 3,854	\$ (66)	\$ 3,863
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The following table shows the credit quality of our debt securities with unrealized losses at December 31, 2004:

SVO Rating	S&P or Equivalent Designation	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	% of Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	% of Gross Unrealized Losses	Carrying Value
1	AAA/ AA/ A	\$ 2,103	\$ 2,074	53.8%	\$ (29)	43.9%	\$ 2,077
2	BBB	1,548	1,523	39.5	(25)	37.9	1,527
3	BB	134	127	3.3	(7)	10.6	128
4	B	127	123	3.2	(4)	6.1	124
5	CCC and lower	7	6	0.2	(1)	1.5	6
6	In or near default	1	1	0.0		0.0	1
Total		\$ 3,920	\$ 3,854	100.0%	\$ (66)	100.0%	\$ 3,863

No individual creditor has an unrealized loss of \$10 or greater at December 31, 2004.

The following table shows the length of time that individual debt securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position.

	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	% of Gross Unrealized Losses	Carrying Value
More than 1 year	\$ 828	\$ (29)	43.9%	\$ 834
6 months - 1 year	1,787	(27)	40.9	1,790
Less than 6 months	1,239	(10)	15.2	1,239
Total	\$ 3,854	\$ (66)	100.0%	\$ 3,863

Information about unrealized gains and losses is subject to rapidly changing conditions. Securities with unrealized gains and losses will fluctuate, as will those securities that we have identified as potentially distressed. We consider all of the factors discussed earlier when we determine if an unrealized loss is other-than-temporary, including our ability and intent to hold the security until the value recovers. However, we may subsequently identify securities for which we no longer have a positive intent and ability to hold until forecasted recovery. This determination may be made due to a change in facts and circumstances regarding the specific investments. At such time, we will write down the security to fair value to recognize any unrealized losses.

Realized Losses Write Downs and Sales

Realized losses are comprised of both write downs on other-than-temporary impairments and actual sales of securities.

In 2004 we had other-than-temporary impairments on securities of \$60 as compared to \$95 for 2003. The individual impairments in excess of \$10, how they were measured, the circumstances giving rise to the losses, and the impact those circumstances have on other material investments we held at the time are as follows:

2004

\$10.1 write down on debt of a commercial cable equipment company, due to a likely bankruptcy filing following an adverse judicial ruling on a summary judgment motion. The value of assets may not exceed the cost of a bankruptcy filing or the costs of winding down the operations. This had no impact on other holdings in our portfolio.

\$17.5 write down on debt of a national passenger airline, due to high labor costs, increasing fuel prices, intense competition from low cost carriers, an inability to access capital, and the lack of demand for older aircraft. We have been actively managing all of our exposures to the passenger airline industry, although this had no impact on other holdings in our portfolio.

2003

\$16.6 write down on debt of Dairy Holdings (a subsidiary of Parmalat). This issuer defaulted on this security and subsequently filed for bankruptcy protection. This is the only exposure we had to Parmalat. This security was sold for its written down value in 2003. This had no impact on other holdings in our portfolio.

\$16.6 write down related to airline equipment trusts that were secured by passenger aircraft. Given the overall softness in the U.S. passenger airline industry, these securities became other than temporarily impaired. We sold these bonds at their book value after this write down. We have been actively managing all of our exposures to the passenger airline industry, although this had no impact on other holdings in our portfolio.

\$15.0 write down of US Generating. This was an investment in a project finance security in the power generating industry. The lessee of this facility filed bankruptcy and rejected this lease. As a result, the investment became other than temporarily impaired. This had no impact on other holdings in our portfolio.

\$11.0 write down on preferred stock of a financial marketing firm. The circumstances surrounding this other-than-temporary impairment do not impact any other securities in our portfolio.

In 2004 we incurred losses of \$40.0 on sales of securities. There were no individually material losses on sales of securities in 2004. After consideration of all available evidence, none of these disposals previously met the criteria for other-than-temporary impairment. The Company will continue to manage its AFS portfolio in a manner that is consistent with the available-for-sale classification.

Mortgage-backed Securities

Mortgage-backed securities (including Commercial Mortgage-backed Securities) at December 31, 2004 and 2003 all of which are included in debt securities available-for-sale, were as follows:

	2004	2003
Federal agency issued mortgage-backed securities	\$ 1,670	\$ 2,152
Corporate private-labeled mortgage-backed securities	688	752
Total	\$ 2,358	\$ 2,904

Our investment strategy with respect to mortgage-backed securities (MBS) portfolio focuses on actively traded issues with less volatile cash flows. The majority of the MBS holdings are sequential and planned amortization class tranches of federal agency issuers. The MBS portfolio has been constructed with underlying mortgage collateral characteristics and structure in order to mitigate cash flow volatility over a range of interest rates.

Because of the decline in interest rates during the early months of 2003, the mortgage market experienced record levels of refinancings and the structural protection of our MBS portfolio eroded. We experienced MBS prepayments totaling \$1,034 or 39.3% and \$2,656 or 64.1% of the average carrying value of the MBS portfolio in 2004 and 2003. Our MBS portfolio is primarily a discount portfolio; therefore, prepayments accelerate the accretion of discount into income. The excess accretion of discount increased investment income \$5.6, \$49.8 and \$28.0 in 2004, 2003 and 2002. These prepayments are reinvested at yields that are lower than our current portfolio yields, producing less investment income going forward. Our MBS portfolio declined significantly in 2004 and 2003, and we reinvested most of the proceeds in investment grade corporate bonds.

Mortgage Loans

We record mortgage loans on real property net of an allowance for credit losses. This allowance includes both reserve amounts for specific loans, and a general reserve that is calculated by review of historical industry loan loss statistics. We consider future cash flows and the probability of payment when we calculate our specific loan loss

reserve. Prepayments on mortgage loans result from sales of the related properties or loan refinancings.

Prepayments on mortgage loans were \$17.1, \$4.4 and \$3.5 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, and proceeds were reinvested at lower yields. See Note 4 for more detail regarding the composition and concentration of our mortgage loan portfolio.

Derivative Instruments

Our investment guidelines permit use of derivative financial instruments such as futures contracts and interest rate swaps in conjunction with specific direct investments. Our actual use of derivatives through December 31, 2004 has been limited to managing well-defined interest rate risks. Interest rate swaps utilized in our asset/ liability management strategy with a current notional value of \$339 and \$348 were open as of December 31, 2004 and 2003. During 2002, we began using interest rate swaps to hedge prospective bond purchases to back deposits on certain annuity contracts. This hedging strategy protects the spread between the annuity crediting rate offered at the time the annuities are sold and the yield on bonds to be purchased to back those annuity contracts. These interest rate swap contracts are generally terminated within a month. We also purchase S&P 500 Index® options in conjunction with our sales of equity indexed annuities.

Market Risk Exposures

Since our assets and liabilities are largely monetary in nature, our financial position and earnings are subject to risks resulting from changes in interest rates at varying maturities, changes in spreads over U.S. Treasuries on new investment opportunities, changes in the yield curve, and equity price risks. In 2004, the average daily rate for the 10-year U.S. Treasury increased 26 basis points to 4.26% as compared to 4.00% in 2003.

In a falling interest rate environment, the risk of prepayment on some fixed income securities increases and funds prepaid are then reinvested at lower yields. We limit this risk by concentrating the fixed income portfolio mainly on non-callable securities, by purchasing securities that provide for make-whole type prepayment fees. Falling interest rates can also impact demand for our products, as interest-bearing investments with no surrender charges and higher average returns from equity markets may become more attractive to new and existing customers. Conversely, in a rising interest rate environment, competitive pressures may make it difficult for us to sustain spreads between rates we credit on interest-sensitive products and our portfolio earnings rates, thereby prompting withdrawals by policyholders. We manage these risks by adjusting our interest crediting rates with due regard to the yield of our investment portfolio, minimum rate guarantees and pricing assumptions and by prudently managing interest rate risk of assets and liabilities.

While a modest interest rate increase would initially be unfavorable to our earnings, due to the near-term impact on our cost of borrowing, such an increase would be favorable to our earnings over a longer timeframe as higher investment yields would be incorporated into our investment portfolio and our interest spreads. Conversely, a sustained period of flat to declining new money rates would reduce reported earnings due to the effect of minimum rate guarantees and the possible impact of increased lapsation in our insurance products.

As is typical in the industry, our life and annuity products contain minimum rate guarantees regarding interest we credit. For interest sensitive life products, our minimum rates range from 3.0% to 9.0%, with an approximate weighted average of 4.1%. For annuity products, our minimum rates range from 1.5% to 6.0%, with an approximate weighted average of 3.3%.

We employ various methodologies to manage our exposure to interest rate risks. Our asset/ liability management process focuses primarily on the management of interest rate risk of our insurance operations. We monitor the duration of insurance liabilities compared to the duration of assets backing the insurance lines, measuring the optionality of cash flows. Our goal in this analysis is to prudently balance profitability and risk for each insurance product category, and for us as a whole. At both December 31, 2004 and 2003, 89% of policy liabilities related to interest-sensitive portfolios.

We also consider the timing of cash flows arising from market risk sensitive instruments and insurance portfolios under varying interest rate scenarios as well as the related impact on reported earnings under those varying scenarios. Market risk sensitive instruments include debt and equity securities available-for-sale and held-to-maturity (including MBS securities), mortgage loans, policy loans, investment commitments, annuities in the

accumulation phase and periodic payment annuities, commercial paper borrowings, repurchase agreements, notes payable and interest rate swaps.

We have derived the estimated incremental loss amounts below by modeling estimated cash flows of our market risk sensitive instruments and insurance portfolios. Incremental income or loss is net of taxes at 35%. The model also assumes that all floating rate debt, including reverse repurchase agreements, is replaced with similar instruments. Estimated cash flows produced in the model assume reinvestments representative of our current investment strategy, and calls/ prepayments include scheduled maturities as well as those expected to occur when borrowers can benefit financially based on the difference between prepayment penalties and new money rates under each scenario. Assumed lapse rates within insurance portfolios consider the relationships expected between crediting rates and market interest rates, as well as the level of surrender charges inherent in individual contracts. The illustrated incremental income or loss also includes the expected impact of true-up adjustments to amortization of DAC, VOBA, and Unearned Revenue Reserves but excludes the potential impact of unlocking adjustments. The model is based on our existing business in force as of December 31, 2004 and does not consider new sales of life and annuity products or the potential impact of interest rate fluctuations on sales.

The following table shows our estimate of the impact that various hypothetical interest rate scenarios would have on our earnings for a single year, based on the assumptions in our model. We believe that, based upon historically low current interest rates, a symmetrical change in interest rates is not reasonably possible. Our model shows the effect on income with an increase of up to 300 basis points and a decrease of 100 basis points. We believe that the 300 basis point increase or 100 basis point decrease, graded pro-rata over four quarters, reflects reasonably possible near term changes in interest rates as of December 31, 2004. We have also provided the estimated earnings impact for a single year assuming the interest rate changes occur instantaneously. The incremental loss for a year derives primarily from differences in the yield curves and in the sensitivities they introduce to our model.

These estimated impacts are incremental to potential earnings impacts from trends and/ or environmental factors already in existence, such as a reduction in the level of prepayments on mortgage-backed securities or the increased lapsation in our annuity business. The model assumes that changes in our crediting rates will occur correspondingly with increases or declines in investment yields, subject to the impact of minimum rate guarantees. As discussed previously, as of year end our crediting rates on blocks of business that are on an annual reset basis were approximately 31 basis points and 10 basis points on average in excess of minimum guaranteed rates for Individual Products and AIP.

The table reflects the effect of the interest rate scenarios on one year's reportable segment results, excluding the impact of potential unlockings that are illustrated in a sensitivity analysis within the Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates section. A spike in interest rates of 300 basis points that lasts for three years would produce a significantly larger estimated loss in the second and third years, as policyholders would potentially seek more attractive rates elsewhere. Correspondingly, a 100 basis point decrease would cause a significantly larger estimated loss in the second and third years, as minimum rate guarantees would prohibit us from lowering crediting rates on most products.

Change in Interest Rate	Estimated Incremental Single Year Gain/(Loss) Based on:	
	Graded Quarterly Shift	Instantaneous Shift
+300 basis points	\$ (8)	\$ (16)
+200 basis points	(5)	(9)
+100 basis points	(3)	(3)
- 100 basis points	3	3

Generally, an increase in interest rates will benefit our earnings in the insurance portfolio, yet increase our interest expense on floating rate debt. Conversely, a decrease in interest rates will decrease earnings from the insurance portfolio as minimum rate guarantees have more of an effect and/or competitive conditions would not permit us to reduce crediting rates, while we would benefit from the decline in interest expense on our floating rate debt.

The incremental income or loss for shifts in excess of those shown does not have a linear relationship to the values shown above. The incremental loss resulting from a higher change in interest rates would be proportionally greater due to the optionality of our interest-sensitive assets and liabilities. Similarly, the effect of minimum rate guarantees in our interest-sensitive liabilities would compound the negative impact on the incremental gain (loss), resulting from a greater decrease in interest rates. A significant change in the slope of the yield curve could also affect our results. For example, competing products such as bank CDs could become relatively more attractive than our longer duration annuities under an inverted yield curve, resulting in higher policyholder withdrawals.

We are exposed to equity price risk on our equity securities (other than trading). We hold common stock with a fair value of \$647; approximately \$397 is in a single issuer, Bank of America Corporation (BankAmerica). We believe that a hypothetical 10% decline in the equity market is possible. If the market value of the S&P 500 Index®, and of BankAmerica common stock specifically, decreased 10%, the fair value of our common stock as of December 31, 2004 would change as follows:

	Hypothetical Change in Fair Value from 10% Market Decline	
BankAmerica common stock	\$	(40)
Other equity securities		(25)
Total change in fair values	\$	(65)

Certain fixed interest rate market risk sensitive instruments may not give rise to incremental income or loss during the period illustrated, but may be subject to changes in fair values which are reflected in equity. Note 17 presents additional disclosures concerning fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities.

External Trends and Forward Looking Information

We operate within the United States financial services and broadcasting markets, which are both subject to general economic conditions. Interest rates on longer maturity debt instruments stabilized and rebounded slightly in 2004 after dropping dramatically in 2002 and 2003. Additional changes in rates may affect our businesses in many ways as discussed earlier in the Market Risk Exposure section. As noted in the Investments section, the prolonged decline in general economic conditions experienced in recent years increased our credit risk resulting in higher levels of impairments. A prolonged period of further declining or even level interest rates would have an adverse impact on our Individual and AIP segments. Investments purchased for those segments yielding rates lower than our current portfolio yields will lower our overall portfolio earned rates. In the Individual and AIP segments, there are minimum crediting rates on policyholder accounts inherent in the insurance portfolio due to both product guarantees and various state requirements. Our inability to reduce crediting rates in response to the declines in earned rates would result in a significant negative impact on future earnings. Furthermore, a continued general economic weakness would cause deterioration in our balance sheet and our overall future profitability.

Our operations are also affected over the longer term by demographic shifts, global markets, technological innovation and overall capital market volatility. These forces impact us in various ways such as demand for our insurance products and advertising revenues, competition from other financial services providers, competition from emerging technologies for television and radio advertising, competition for new investments, debt costs, mergers and consolidations within the financial services and communications sectors, and costs inherent in administering complex financial products.

Demographic changes include the aging of the baby boomers, reaching their high earning years at a time when investment yields from fixed rate products are at historically low points. This challenge has been met by the insurance industry by offering various types of fixed and variable products aimed at this population. The industry's overall

individual life insurance sales in the U.S. were flat in 2004 and, until late in the year, reflected a trend towards those financial products with a fixed rate given the volatility in the equity markets.

Regulatory and Legal Environment

The U.S. insurance industry has experienced mergers, acquisitions, consolidations, sales of business lines and marketing arrangements with other financial services providers. These activities have been driven by a need to reduce costs of distribution and to increase economies of scale in the face of growing competition from larger insurers, banks, securities brokers, mutual funds and other non-traditional competitors. We expect further strategic alignments in the financial services industry given changing demographics, technological advances, and customer expectations for one-stop shopping. We continue to analyze our options within this environment for increasing distribution, adding products and technology and improving economies of scale.

State guaranty associations make assessments to cover losses to policyholders of insolvent or rehabilitated insurance companies. Assessments may be partially recovered through a reduction in future premium taxes in most states. We have accrued for expected assessments net of estimated future premium tax deductions.

See Item 3 for discussion of Legal Proceedings.

Environmental Liabilities

We are exposed to environmental regulation and litigation as a result of ownership of investment real estate and real estate owned by JPCC. Our actual loss experience has been minimal and we consider our exposure to environmental losses to be insignificant.

Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 2.

Forward Looking Information

You should note that this document and our other SEC filings reflect information that we believe was accurate as of the date the respective materials were made publicly available. They do not reflect later developments.

As a matter of policy, we do not normally make projections or forecasts of future events or our performance. When we do, we rely on a safe harbor provided by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 for statements that are not historical facts, called forward looking statements. These may include statements relating to our future actions, sales and product development efforts, expenses, the outcome of contingencies such as legal proceedings, or financial performance.

Certain information in our SEC filings and in any other written or oral statements made by us or on our behalf, involves forward looking statements. We have used appropriate care in developing this information, but any forward looking statements may turn out to be wrong. They can be affected by inaccurate assumptions or by known or unknown risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect our actual results or financial condition. These risks and uncertainties include among others, general economic conditions (including the uncertainty as to the duration and rate of the current economic recovery), the impact on the economy from further terrorist activities or US military engagements, and interest rate levels, changes and fluctuations, all of which can impact our sales, investment portfolios, and earnings; competitive factors, including pricing pressures, technological developments, new product offerings and the emergence of new competitors; changes in federal and state taxes (including the recent or future changes to general tax rates, dividends, capital gains, retirement savings, and estate taxes); changes in the regulation of the insurance industry or financial services industry; changes in generally accepted or statutory accounting principles (such as the AXXX actuarial guideline discussed in Capital Resources) or changes in other laws and regulations and their impact; and the various risks discussed earlier in this management's discussion and analysis.

We undertake no obligation to publicly correct or update any forward looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise. You are advised, however, to consult any further disclosures we make on related subjects in our press releases and filings with the SEC. In particular, you should read the discussion in the section entitled External Trends and Forward Looking Information, and other

sections it may reference, in our most recent 10-K report as it may be updated in our subsequent 10-Q and 8-K reports. This discussion covers certain risks, uncertainties and possibly inaccurate assumptions that could cause our actual results to differ materially from expected and historical results. Other factors besides those listed there could also adversely affect our performance.

Item 7A. *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk*

Information under the heading "Market Risk Exposures" in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

	Restated March 31, 2004	June 30, 2004	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2004
(In Millions Except Share Information)				
Revenues, excluding realized investment gains	\$ 961	\$ 1,037	\$ 999	\$ 1,064
Realized investment gains	24	10	3	4
Total revenue	985	1,047	1,002	1,068
Benefits and expenses	770	836	800	856
Income taxes	74	69	68	66
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	141	142	134	146
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes (1)	(17)			
Net income	\$ 124	\$ 142	\$ 134	\$ 146
Per share	\$ 0.88	\$ 1.03	\$ 0.98	\$ 1.07
Per share assuming dilution	\$ 0.87	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.97	\$ 1.06

	March 31, 2003	June 30, 2003	September 30, 2003	December 31, 2003
(In Millions Except Share Information)				
Revenues, excluding realized investment gains (losses)	\$ 887	\$ 897	\$ 911	\$ 925
Realized investment gains (losses)	(19)	20	(5)	(43)
Total revenue	868	917	906	882
Benefits and expenses	701	703	718	713
Income taxes	58	74	62	52
Net income	\$ 109	\$ 140	\$ 126	\$ 117
Per share	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.82
Per share assuming dilution	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.82

(1) In September 2004, the Company adopted new accounting guidance that resulted in the restatement of the previously reported cumulative effect from (\$13) to (\$17) (See Note 2).

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**REPORT OF MANAGEMENT ON THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
MANAGEMENT'S ASSESSMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The management of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation (JP) is responsible for the preparation, integrity and fair presentation of the Consolidated Financial Statements of JP and for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements, including Notes to Financial Statements, have been prepared by management in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), and reflect management's estimates and judgments, the use of which are inherent in the preparation of financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements present fairly JP's financial position and results of operations, giving due consideration to materiality.

JP's internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance to the company's management and board of directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published financial statements.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

JP management assessed the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004. In making this assessment, it used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework*. Based on our assessment we believe that, as of December 31, 2004, the company's internal control over financial reporting is effective based on those criteria.

JP's Consolidated Financial Statements and assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004 have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports which appear on page 52 and page 51, respectively.

/s/ Dennis R. Glass

Dennis R. Glass
President and
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Theresa M. Stone

Theresa M. Stone
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM
ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

Jefferson-Pilot Corporation

We have audited management's assessment, included in the accompanying *Report of Management on the Consolidated Financial Statements and Management's Assessment of Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting*, that Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries' management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assessment and an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, management's assessment that Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the COSO criteria. Also, in our opinion, Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004 of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries and our report dated March 11, 2005 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Greensboro, North Carolina

March 11, 2005

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004. Our audits also included the financial statement schedules listed in the Index at item 15(a). These financial statements and schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedules based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries at December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004 in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedules, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, present fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the effectiveness of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 11, 2005 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

Greensboro, North Carolina
March 11, 2005

**JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	December 31,	
	2004	2003
	(Dollar Amounts in Millions Except Share Information)	
ASSETS		
Investments:		
Debt securities available-for-sale, at fair value (amortized cost \$18,816 and \$16,819)	\$ 19,725	\$ 17,706
Debt securities held-to-maturity, at amortized cost (fair value \$2,514 and \$2,918)	2,369	2,752
Equity securities available-for-sale, at fair value (cost \$201 and \$304)	650	756
Mortgage loans on real estate	3,667	3,472
Policy loans	839	869
Real estate	125	132
Other investments	193	65
 Total investments	 27,568	 25,752
Cash and cash equivalents	87	72
Accrued investment income	342	326
Due from reinsurers	1,341	1,340
Deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired	2,430	2,230
Goodwill	312	312
Assets held in separate accounts	2,373	2,166
Other assets	652	498
 Total assets	 \$ 35,105	 \$ 32,696
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Policy liabilities:		
Future policy benefits	\$ 3,096	\$ 2,674
Policyholder contract deposits	21,694	20,642
Policy and contract claims	232	165
Other	1,144	954
 Total policy liabilities	 26,166	 24,435
Commercial paper and revolving credit borrowings	188	654
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	468	401
Notes payable	600	
Junior subordinated debentures	309	309
Currently payable (recoverable) income taxes	31	(72)
Deferred income tax liabilities	589	543
Liabilities related to separate accounts	2,373	2,166

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Accounts payable, accruals and other liabilities	447	454
Total liabilities	31,171	28,890
Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Stockholders' Equity:		
Common stock and paid in capital, par value \$1.25 per share: authorized 350,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 2004 136,819,214 shares; 2003 140,610,540 shares	180	176
Retained earnings	3,071	2,947
Accumulated other comprehensive income	683	683
Total stockholders' equity	3,934	3,806
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 35,105	\$ 32,696

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JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2004	2003	2002
	(Dollar Amounts in Millions Except Share Information)		
Revenue:			
Premiums and other considerations	\$ 1,293	\$ 951	\$ 841
Universal life and investment product charges	732	691	638
Net investment income	1,672	1,657	1,634
Realized investment gains (losses)	41	(47)	(22)
Communications sales	241	216	210
Broker-dealer concessions and other	123	105	105
 Total revenue	 4,102	 3,573	 3,406
Benefits and Expenses:			
Insurance and annuity benefits	2,287	2,005	1,914
Insurance commissions, net of deferrals	250	108	115
General and administrative expenses, net of deferrals	184	149	167
Insurance taxes, licenses and fees	73	73	78
Amortization of policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired	287	341	286
Interest expense	48	34	36
Communications operations	133	125	125
 Total benefits and expenses	 3,262	 2,835	 2,721
 Income before income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	 840	 738	 685
Income taxes	277	246	235
 Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	 563	 492	 450
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes	(17)		
 Net income	 \$ 546	 \$ 492	 \$ 450
Per Share Information:			
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of taxes	\$ 4.08	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes	(0.12)		
 Net income	 \$ 3.96	 \$ 3.47	 \$ 3.07

Per Share Information assuming dilution:

Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of taxes	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for long-duration contracts, net of taxes	(0.12)		
Net income	\$ 3.92	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04

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JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

	Common Stock and Paid in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Stockholders Equity
(Dollar Amounts in Millions Except Share Information)				
Balance, January 1, 2002	\$ 188	\$ 2,789	\$ 414	\$ 3,391
Net income		450		450
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of taxes			9	9
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of taxes			187	187
Comprehensive income				646
Common dividends declared \$1.20 per share		(175)		(175)
Common stock issued	22			22
Common stock reacquired	(30)	(314)		(344)
Balance, December 31, 2002	180	2,750	610	3,540
Net income		492		492
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of taxes			(5)	(5)
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of taxes			78	78
Comprehensive income				565
Common dividends declared \$1.32 per share		(187)		(187)
Common stock issued	43			43
Common stock reacquired	(47)	(108)		(155)
Balance, December 31, 2003	176	2,947	683	3,806
Net income		546		546
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of taxes			(3)	(3)
Minimum pension liability, net of taxes			(9)	(9)
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of taxes			12	12
Comprehensive income				546

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Common dividends declared				
\$1.52 per share		(208)		(208)
Common stock issued	64			64
Common stock reacquired	(60)	(214)		(274)
Balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 180	\$ 3,071	\$ 683	\$ 3,934

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JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2004	2003	2002
	(Dollar Amounts in Millions)		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Net income	\$ 546	\$ 492	\$ 450
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Change in policy liabilities other than deposits	251	121	103
Credits to policyholder accounts, net	78	96	165
Deferral of policy acquisition costs and sales inducements, net of amortization	(233)	(221)	(277)
Change in receivables and asset accruals	(24)	(40)	15
Change in payables and expense accruals	123	55	(127)
Realized investment losses (gains)	(41)	47	22
Depreciation and amortization	24	(33)	(23)
Amortization of value of business acquired, net	(3)	52	77
Group coinsurance assumed	329		
Other	(59)	(32)	(2)
Net cash provided by operating activities	991	537	403
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Securities available-for-sale:			
Sales	1,422	1,370	719
Maturities, calls and redemptions	1,716	3,392	1,848
Purchases	(4,994)	(6,242)	(4,214)
Securities held-to-maturity:			
Sales	39	31	86
Maturities, calls and redemptions	361	527	425
Purchases	(7)	(299)	(227)
Repayments of mortgage loans	406	205	188
Mortgage loans originated	(587)	(382)	(394)
Increase (decrease) in policy loans, net	(11)	7	2
Purchase of radio station assets	(18)		
Other investing activities, net	(113)	(29)	(32)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,786)	(1,420)	(1,599)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Policyholder contract deposits	2,906	2,525	2,867
Withdrawals of policyholder contract deposits	(1,884)	(1,444)	(1,463)
Borrowings of notes payable	600		
Borrowings under short-term credit facilities	5,545	5,178	3,643
Repayments under short-term credit facilities	(6,011)	(4,977)	(3,487)

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Net proceeds (payments) from securities sold under repurchase agreements	67	(98)	208
Cash dividends paid	(203)	(184)	(173)
Common stock transactions, net	(210)	(112)	(321)
Other financing activities, net			(150)
Net cash provided by financing activities	810	888	1,124
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	15	5	(72)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	72	67	139
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$ 87	\$ 72	\$ 67
Supplemental Cash Flow Information			
Federal income taxes paid	\$ 83	\$ 236	\$ 222
Interest paid	\$ 46	\$ 37	\$ 45

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JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
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(Dollar amounts in millions, except share information)
December 31, 2004

NOTE 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Nature of Operations

Jefferson-Pilot Corporation (with its subsidiaries, referred to as the Company) operates in the insurance, securities and broadcasting industries. Life insurance, annuities, disability and dental insurance are currently marketed to individuals and businesses in the United States through the Company's principal life insurance subsidiaries: Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company (JP Life), and Jefferson Pilot Financial Insurance Company (JPFIC) and its subsidiary, Jefferson Pilot LifeAmerica Insurance Company (JPLA). Jefferson Pilot Securities Corporation (with related entities, JPSC) is a registered non-clearing broker/dealer that sells affiliated and non-affiliated variable life and annuity products and other investment products, including mutual funds, stocks, bonds and other investments. Collectively, these insurance and securities subsidiaries are referred to as JP Financial. Broadcasting operations are conducted by Jefferson-Pilot Communications Company (JPCC) and consist of radio and television broadcasting, through facilities located in strategically selected markets in the Southeastern and Western United States, and sports program production.

Reinsurance Transaction

Effective March 1, 2004, the Company acquired via a reinsurance transaction substantially all of the in-force U.S. group life, disability and dental business of The Canada Life Assurance Company (Canada Life), an indirect subsidiary of Great-West Lifeco Inc.

Upon closing, Canada Life ceded, and the Company assumed, approximately \$400 of policy liabilities. The Company also received assets, primarily comprised of cash, in support of those liabilities. The deferred policy acquisitions costs recorded in the transaction are being amortized over 15 years, representing the premium-paying period of the blocks of policies acquired. An intangible asset of \$25, attributable to the value of the distribution system acquired in the transaction, was recorded in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets and is being amortized over 30 years, representing the period over which the Company expects to earn premiums from new sales stemming from the added distribution capacity. The revenues and benefits and expenses associated with these blocks are presented in the Company's consolidated statements of income in a manner consistent with the Company's accounting policies.

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The insurance subsidiaries also submit financial statements to insurance industry regulatory authorities. Those financial statements are prepared on the basis of statutory accounting practices (SAP) and are significantly different from financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. See Note 11.

Certain amounts in prior years have been reclassified to conform with the current year presentation.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation and all of its subsidiaries. All material intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The Company has two equity investments in which it owns less than 50%, but greater than 20%. The Company does not exercise control over any of these entities and therefore, does not consolidate these entities. The Company accounts for these investments on the equity method. Neither the carrying value on the balance sheet nor the equity in earnings on

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the income statement related to these investments is material. In accordance with the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Interpretation No. 46(R), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51* (the Interpretation), as of December 31, 2003, the Company deconsolidated two variable interest entities, as defined in the Interpretation, that had previously been consolidated. All periods presented have been restated accordingly.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions affecting the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses for the reporting period. Those estimates are inherently subject to change and actual results could differ from those estimates. Included among the material (or potentially material) reported amounts and disclosures that require extensive use of estimates are: fair value of certain invested assets, asset valuation allowances, deferred policy acquisition costs, goodwill, value of business acquired, policy liabilities, unearned revenue, pension plans and the potential effects of resolving litigated matters.

Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised.

Debt and Equity Securities

Debt and equity securities are classified as either securities held-to-maturity, which are stated at amortized cost and consist of securities the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity, or securities available-for-sale, which are stated at fair value with net unrealized gains and losses included in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of deferred income taxes and adjustments to deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired.

Amortization of premiums and accrual of discounts on investments in debt securities are reflected in earnings over the contractual terms of the investments in a manner that produces a constant effective yield. Investment securities are regularly reviewed for impairment based on criteria that include the extent to which cost exceeds market value, the duration of the market decline, and the financial health of and specific prospects for the issuer. Unrealized losses that are considered to be other-than-temporary are recognized in realized gains and losses. See Note 4 for further discussion of the Company's policies regarding identification of other-than-temporary impairments. Realized gains and losses on dispositions of securities are determined by the specific-identification method.

Mortgage and Policy Loans

Mortgage loans on real estate are stated at unpaid balances, net of estimated unrecoverable amounts. In addition to a general estimated impairment allowance, a specific allowance for unrecoverable amounts is provided for when a mortgage loan becomes impaired. Changes in the allowances are reported as realized investment gains (losses) within the consolidated statements of income. Mortgage loans are considered impaired when it becomes probable the Company will be unable to collect the total amounts due, including principal and interest, according to the contractual terms of the loan. Such an impairment is measured based upon the present value of expected cash flows discounted at the effective interest rate on both a loan-by-loan basis and by measuring aggregated loans with similar risk characteristics. Interest on mortgage loans is recorded until collection is deemed improbable. Policy loans are stated at their unpaid balances.

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Real Estate and Other Investments

Real estate acquired by foreclosure is stated at the lower of depreciated cost or fair value less estimated costs to sell. Real estate not acquired by foreclosure is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Real estate, primarily buildings, is depreciated principally by the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from 30 to 40 years. Accumulated depreciation was \$59 and \$55 at December 31, 2004 and 2003. Other investments are stated at equity, fair value or the lower of cost or market, as appropriate.

Cost of real estate is adjusted for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. Impaired real estate is written down to estimated fair value with the impairment loss being included in realized gains and losses. Impairment losses are based upon the estimated fair value of real estate, which is generally computed using the present value of expected future cash flows from the real estate discounted at a rate commensurate with the underlying risks.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company includes with cash and cash equivalents its holdings of highly liquid investments that mature within three months of the date of purchase.

Reinsurance Balances and Transactions

Reinsurance receivables include amounts related to paid benefits and estimated amounts related to unpaid policy and contract claims, future policy benefits and policyholder contract deposits. The cost of reinsurance is accounted for over the terms of the underlying reinsured policies using assumptions consistent with those used to account for the policies.

Deferred Policy Acquisition Costs and Value of Business Acquired

Costs related to obtaining new and renewal business, including commissions and incentive compensation, certain costs of underwriting and issuing policies, and certain agency office expenses, all of which vary with and are primarily related to the production of new and renewal business, are deferred.

Our traditional individual and group insurance products are long-duration contracts. Deferred policy acquisition costs related to these products are amortized over the expected premium paying periods using the same assumptions for anticipated premium revenue that are used to compute liabilities for future policy benefits. For fixed universal life and annuity products, these costs are amortized at a constant rate based on the present value of the estimated future gross profits to be realized over the terms of the contracts. Estimates of future gross profits are determined based upon assumptions for mortality, interest spreads, lapse rates, and policy fees earned.

Value of business acquired represents the actuarially determined present value of anticipated profits to be realized from life insurance and annuity business acquired in business combinations, using the same assumptions used to value the related liabilities. Amortization of the value of business acquired occurs over the related contract periods, using current crediting rates to accrete interest and a constant amortization rate based on the present value of expected future profits for fixed universal life and annuity products.

Deferred policy acquisition costs and the value of business acquired for variable life and annuity products are amortized utilizing mean reversion techniques. In calculating the estimated gross profits for these products the Company utilizes a long-term total net return on assets of 8.25% and a five-year reversion period. The reversion period is a period over which a short-term return assumption is utilized to maintain the model's overall long-term rate of return. The Company caps the reversion rate of return at 8.25% for one year and 10% for years two through five. Mean reversion techniques result in the application of reasonable yield assumptions to trend the long-term rate of return back to the assumed rate over a period of time following a historical deviation from the assumed long-term rate.

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The carrying amounts of deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired are adjusted for the effect of non-credit-related realized gains and losses, credit-related gains, and the effects of unrealized gains and losses on debt securities classified as available-for-sale. Deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired are not adjusted for the effect of credit-related losses, rather as a part of the investment income allocation process a charge, referred to as a default charge, is made against the investment income allocated to the Individual Products, Annuity and Investment Products, and Benefit Partners segments. The default charge is based upon the credit quality of the assets supporting each segment and is meant to replicate the expected credit losses that will emerge over an economic cycle. Through this mechanism, the Individual Products, Annuity and Investment Products, and Benefit Partners segments pay a relatively level charge to the corporate segment and in return are reimbursed when credit-related losses actually occur. See Note 6 for further discussion.

At least annually, the assumptions used to estimate future gross profits in calculating the amortization of deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired are evaluated in relation to emerging experience. When actual experience varies from the assumptions, adjustments are made in the quarter in which the evaluation of the respective blocks of business is completed. The effects of changes in estimated future gross profits on unamortized deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired, referred to as unlockings, are reflected in amortization expense within the consolidated statements of income.

Deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired are reviewed periodically to determine that the unamortized portion does not exceed the expected recoverable amounts. No significant impairment adjustments have been reflected in the results of operations for the years presented.

Goodwill

Goodwill (purchase price in excess of net assets acquired in a business combination) carrying amounts are regularly reviewed for indications of value impairment, with consideration given to financial performance and other relevant factors. In addition, certain events including a significant adverse change in legal factors or the business climate, an adverse action or assessment by a regulator, or unanticipated competition would cause the Company to review carrying amounts of goodwill for impairment. When considered impaired, the carrying amounts are written down using a combination of fair value and discounted cash flows. The Company ceased amortizing goodwill on January 1, 2002 in accordance with an accounting standard that took effect on that date. Accumulated amortization was \$41 at December 31, 2004 and 2003.

Separate Accounts

Separate account assets and liabilities represent funds segregated for the benefit of certain policyholders who bear the investment risk. The separate account assets and liabilities, which are equal, are recorded at fair value. Policyholder account deposits and withdrawals, investment income and realized investment gains and losses in the separate accounts are excluded from the amounts reported in the consolidated statements of income. Fees charged on separate account policyholders' deposits are included in universal life and investment product charges in the consolidated statements of income.

Film and Program Rights

Film and program rights result from license agreements under which the Company has acquired rights to broadcast certain television program material and are stated at cost less amortization. The cost of rights acquired is recorded as an asset within other assets, and an offsetting liability is also recorded in other liabilities when the cost is known or reasonably determinable, and the program material has been accepted and made available for broadcast. Amortization is determined using both straight-line and accelerated methods based on the terms of the license agreements. Carrying amounts are regularly reviewed by management for indications of impairment and are adjusted when appropriate to estimated amounts recoverable from future broadcast of the applicable program material.

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Property and Equipment

Property and equipment, which is included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets, is stated at cost and depreciated principally by the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of 30 to 50 years for buildings and approximately 10 years for other property and equipment. Accumulated depreciation was \$223 and \$204 at December 31, 2004 and 2003. Property and equipment is adjusted for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. In such cases, the cost basis of the property and equipment is reduced to fair value with the impairment loss being included in realized gains and losses.

Future Policy Benefits and Other Policy Liabilities

Liabilities for future policy benefits on traditional life and disability insurance are computed by the net level premium valuation method based on assumptions about future investment yield, mortality, morbidity and persistency. Estimates about future circumstances are based principally on historical experience and provide for possible adverse deviations.

Liabilities related to no-lapse guarantees (secondary guarantees) on universal life-type products are included in other policy liabilities within the consolidated balance sheets. These liabilities are calculated by multiplying the benefit ratio (present value of total expected secondary guarantee benefits over the life of the contract divided by the present value of total expected assessments over the life of the contract) by the cumulative assessments recorded from contract inception through the balance sheet date less the cumulative secondary guarantee benefit payments plus interest. If experience or assumption changes result in a new benefit ratio, the reserves are unlocked to reflect the changes in a manner similar to deferred policy acquisition costs and value of business acquired. The accounting for secondary guarantee benefits impacts, and is impacted by, estimated future gross profits used to calculate amortization of deferred policy acquisition costs, value of business acquired, deferred sales inducements, and unearned revenue.

Policyholder Contract Deposits

Policyholder contract deposits consist of policy values that accrue to holders of universal life-type contracts and annuities. The liability is determined using the retrospective deposit method and is presented before deduction of potential surrender charges.

Policy and Contract Claims

The liability for policy and contract claims consists of the estimated amount payable for claims reported but not yet settled and an estimate of claims incurred but not reported, which is based on historical experience, adjusted for trends and circumstances. Management believes that the recorded liability is sufficient to provide for claims and the associated claims adjustment expenses incurred through the balance sheet date.

Recognition of Revenue

Premiums on traditional life insurance products are reported as revenue when received unless received in advance of the due date. Premiums on traditional accident and health, disability income and dental insurance are reported as earned over the contract period. A reserve is provided for the portion of premiums written that relates to unexpired coverage terms.

Revenue from universal life-type and annuity products includes charges for the cost of insurance, initiation and administration of the policy and surrender of the policy. Revenue from these charges is recognized in the year assessed to the policyholder, except that any portion of an assessment that relates to services to be provided in future years is deferred as unearned revenue and is recognized as income over the period during which services are provided based upon estimates of future gross profits. The net of amounts deferred and amounts recognized is

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reflected in universal life and investment product charges in the consolidated statements of income. The effects of changes in estimates of future gross profits, referred to as unlockings, on unearned revenue are reflected in the consolidated statements of income within universal life and investment product charges in the period such revisions occur.

Communications sales are recognized as earned and are presented net of agency and representative commissions. Concession income of the broker/dealer subsidiaries is recorded as earned.

Recognition of Benefits and Expenses

Benefits and expenses, other than deferred policy acquisition costs, related to traditional life, accident and health, disability income and dental insurance products are recognized when incurred in a manner designed to match them with related premiums and to spread income recognition over expected policy lives (see preceding discussion of policy liabilities). For universal life-type and annuity products, benefits include interest credited to policyholders accounts, which is recognized as it accrues.

Income Taxes

The Company and its subsidiaries file a consolidated life/nonlife federal income tax return. Deferred income taxes are recorded on the differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and the amounts at which they are reported in the consolidated financial statements. Recorded amounts are adjusted to reflect changes in income tax rates and other tax law provisions as they become enacted and represent the best estimate of income taxes that will ultimately be sustained.

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock incentive awards in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees* (APB 25), and accordingly, recognizes no compensation expense for stock option awards to employees or directors when the option price is not less than the market value of the stock at the date of award. The Company recognizes expense utilizing the fair value method in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* (SFAS 123), for stock options granted to non-employees, specifically agents.

SFAS 123 requires the presentation of pro forma information as if the Company had accounted for its employee and director stock options under the fair value method of that Statement. The following is a reconciliation of reported net income and proforma information as if the Company had adopted SFAS 123 for its employee and director stock option awards.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2004	2003	2002
Net income, as reported	\$ 546	\$ 492	\$ 450
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	8	6	11
Pro forma net income	\$ 538	\$ 486	\$ 439
Earnings per share, as reported	\$ 3.96	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07
Pro forma earnings per share	\$ 3.90	\$ 3.42	\$ 2.99
Earnings per share assuming dilution, as reported	\$ 3.92	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04
Pro forma earnings per share assuming dilution	\$ 3.86	\$ 3.40	\$ 2.96

As discussed later under New Accounting Pronouncements, the Company will adopt a new accounting method for stock-based compensation in 2005.

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New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share Based Payment* (SFAS 123-R), which prescribes fair value expense recognition for stock options and is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2005. As discussed above, the Company currently accounts for employee stock options using the intrinsic value method of APB 25, and related interpretations, and discloses the impact of the fair value method prescribed by SFAS 123 through footnote disclosure only. Under APB 25, the Company does not recognize any stock-based compensation expense for employee stock options because all options granted have an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant. The Company is required to adopt the provisions of SFAS 123-R by July 1, 2005 under the modified prospective method. Under this method, the fair value of all employee stock options vesting on or after the adoption date will be included in the determination of net income. The Company also plans to restate prior periods using the modified retrospective application described in SFAS 123-R. The fair value of stock options will be estimated using an appropriate fair value option-pricing model considering assumptions for dividend yield, expected volatility, risk-free interest rate, and expected life of the option. The fair value of the option grants will be amortized on a straight-line basis over the three-year vesting period of the awards. The adoption of SFAS 123-R will reduce our earnings per share as described in our proforma disclosures discussed earlier within the stock-based compensation section of Note 2. However, the implementation of more sophisticated modeling techniques may reduce this impact.

On May 19, 2004, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position 106-2, *Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003* (FSP 106-2). FSP 106-2 was issued to interpret Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (Act) signed into law on December 8, 2003. This Act introduces a prescription drug benefit under Medicare beginning in 2006. Under the Act, employers who sponsor postretirement plans that provide prescription drug benefits that are actuarially equivalent to Medicare qualify to receive subsidy payments. The Company adopted FSP 106-2 effective July 1, 2004 under the prospective application approach. Accordingly, the Company remeasured its plan assets and Accumulated Postretirement Benefit Obligation (APBO) as of that date to account for the subsidy and other effects of the Act. See Note 13 for further discussion.

In March 2004, the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) of the FASB reached a consensus on Issue 03-1, *The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and its Application to Certain Investments* (EITF 03-1). This issue establishes impairment models for determining whether to record impairment losses associated with investments in certain equity and debt securities. In September 2004, the FASB issued FSP EITF 03-1-1, *Effective Date of Paragraphs 10 20 of EITF Issue No. 03-1, The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments*, which indefinitely deferred the effective date of the other-than-temporary impairment provisions of EITF 03-1 related to interest rates and sector spreads until such time as the FASB issues further implementation guidance. The Company continues to monitor developments concerning this guidance and is currently unable to estimate the potential effects of implementing the impairment provisions of EITF 03-1 on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

In December 2003, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132 (Revised), *Employers Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* (SFAS 132-R) which revises employers' disclosures about pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans. It does not require change in the measurement or recognition of those plans. This statement was effective for financial statements with fiscal years ending after December 15, 2003. See Note 13 for the related disclosures.

In July 2003, the Accounting Standards Executive Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AcSEC) issued Statement of Position 03-1 *Accounting and Reporting by Insurance Enterprises for Certain Nontraditional Long-Duration Contracts and for Separate Accounts* (SOP 03-1). SOP 03-1 addresses: (i) separate account presentation; (ii) accounting for an insurance company's proportionate interest in separate accounts; (iii) transfers of assets from the general account to a separate account; (iv) valuation of certain

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insurance liabilities and policy features such as guaranteed minimum death benefits and annuitization benefits; and (v) accounting for sales inducements. SOP 03-1 was effective January 1, 2004 and was adopted through an adjustment for the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle originally amounting to \$13.

In June 2004, the FASB issued FSP 97-1 *Situations in Which Paragraphs 17(b) and 20 of FASB Statement No. 97, Accounting and Reporting by Insurance Enterprises for Certain Long-Duration Contracts and for Realized Gains and Losses from the Sale of Investments, Permit or Require Accrual for an Unearned Revenue Liability*. FSP 97-1 clarifies the accounting for unearned revenue liabilities of certain universal-life type contracts under SOP 03-1. The Company's adoption of FSP 97-1 on July 1, 2004 had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

In September 2004, the AICPA SOP 03-1 Implementation Task Force issued Technical Practice Aids (the TPAs) clarifying certain provisions of SOP 03-1. As a result of this additional guidance, we restated the cumulative effect adjustment as of January 1, 2004 from \$13 to \$17. This cumulative effect adjustment related primarily to the establishment of additional policy liabilities for secondary guarantees contained in our newer products and accounting for sales inducements resident in certain of our older policies. While we had previously provided for these items in our financial statements, SOP 03-1 prescribed new methods of valuation. Each of these items was at least partially offset by adjustments to related balances of deferred policy acquisition costs or value of business acquired, or in the case of sales inducements, by the establishment of a deferred sales inducement asset which is reported in other assets within the consolidated balance sheets. The gross amount of additional policy liabilities established was approximately \$15, with \$0.1 pertaining to guaranteed minimum death benefits on variable universal life (VUL) products. No additional reserves were necessary related to minimum guaranteed death benefits on variable annuities (VAs), as our already-existing policy liabilities (which were less than \$1) proved to be adequate under the new standard with respect to this feature. In addition to the cumulative effect of adoption, SOP 03-1 (including the effect of the TPAs) reduced our income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle for the year ended December 31, 2004 by \$7. At December 31, 2004, the amount of SOP 03-1 policy liabilities included within other policy liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets was \$42.

The Company has policies in force containing two primary types of sales inducements: 1) day one bonuses on fixed annuities, which are in the form of either an increased interest rate for a stated period or an additional premium credit; and 2) persistency-related interest crediting bonuses. The fixed annuity bonuses were previously being capitalized and amortized as a component of deferred policy acquisition costs. Thus, there was no cumulative impact upon adoption other than a balance sheet reclassification of the deferred amount out of deferred policy acquisition costs into deferred sales inducements. The persistency-related bonuses were previously expensed on a pay-as-you-go basis. These bonuses are now accrued over the period in which the policy must remain in force for the policyholder to qualify for the inducement. Capitalized sales inducements are amortized using the same methodology and assumptions used to amortize deferred policy acquisition costs.

The following table rolls forward our deferred sales inducement asset for the twelve months ended December 31, 2004.

Balance, December 31, 2003	\$
Cumulative impact of adoption, including \$30 reclassified from deferred policy acquisition costs	68
Additional amounts deferred	15
Amortization	(7)
Balance, December 31, 2004	\$ 76

Separate account assets and liabilities represent funds segregated for the benefit of certain policyholders who bear the investment risk. SOP 03-1 did not impact our accounting policies with respect to separate accounts, as they meet

the criteria for summary presentation contained in SOP 03-1. Separate account assets and liabilities are

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equal and are recorded at fair value. Policyholder deposits and withdrawals, investment income and related realized investment gains and losses in the separate account are excluded from the amounts reported in our income statement. Fees charged on separate account policyholder deposits are included in universal life and investment product charges. The policies reported in our separate accounts are VA and VUL policies. As indicated above, the amounts of minimum guarantees or other similar benefits related to these policies are negligible.

The FASB has issued Interpretation No. 46 (revised December 2003), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51* (FIN 46). Under FIN 46, an enterprise consolidates a variable interest entity (VIE), as defined, if the enterprise absorbs a majority of the VIE's expected losses, receives a majority of its expected residual returns, or both, as a result of ownership, contractual or other financial interests in the VIE. Prior to FIN 46, entities were generally consolidated by an enterprise only when it had a controlling financial interest through ownership of a majority voting interest in the entity. In accordance with FIN 46, effective December 31, 2003, the Company deconsolidated Jefferson Pilot Capital Trust A and Jefferson Pilot Capital Trust B (the Trusts), VIEs that issued \$300 of redeemable preferred securities in private placement transactions in 1997. The redeemable preferred securities were previously presented in the Company's financial statements as Capital Securities in the consolidated balance sheets. Dividends on the Capital Securities were presented in the consolidated statements of income as a deduction to arrive at net income available to common stockholders, and as a financing outflow on the consolidated statements of cash flows. As a result of the deconsolidation of the Trusts, the consolidated balance sheets now reflect junior subordinated debentures purchased from the Company by the Trusts in 1997, which had previously been eliminated in consolidation. Interest expense on the junior subordinated debentures is presented as interest expense in the consolidated statements of income and is presented as an operating cash outflow on the consolidated statements of cash flow.

Effective January 1, 2002, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141, *Business Combinations* (SFAS 141) and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* (SFAS 142). SFAS 141 requires that all business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001, be accounted for under the purchase method of accounting and establishes specific criteria for the recognition of intangible assets separately from goodwill. SFAS 142 primarily addresses the accounting for goodwill and intangible assets subsequent to their acquisition. In accordance with the statements, the Company no longer amortizes goodwill nor certain other intangible assets (primarily Federal Communication Commission Licenses), but rather tests these intangible assets for impairment at least on an annual basis. The Company completed its annual test of impairment in the second quarter of 2004 and concluded that there had been no impairments. No subsequent events have occurred that would have led to impairment of goodwill and other intangibles.

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NOTE 3. INCOME PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK

The following table sets forth the computation of earnings per share before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle and earnings per share assuming dilution before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2004	2003	2002
Numerator:			
Numerator for net income per share and net income per share assuming dilution			
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 563	\$ 492	\$ 450
Denominator:			
Denominator for net income per share weighted-average shares outstanding	137,999,364	141,795,065	146,846,698
Effect of dilutive securities:			
Employee, director and agent stock options	1,213,670	1,072,150	1,375,644
Denominator for net income per share assuming dilution adjusted weighted-average shares outstanding	139,213,034	142,867,215	148,222,342
Income per share, before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 4.08	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.07
Income per share assuming dilution, before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.04

For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, 165,736, 1,247,825 and 894,037 options, weighted for the portion of the period they were outstanding, with a weighted average exercise price of \$52.97, \$46.83 and \$46.77 per share, were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share because the options, based upon the application of the treasury stock method, were anti-dilutive.

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NOTE 4. INVESTMENTS**Summary Cost and Fair Value Information**

Aggregate cost or amortized cost, aggregate fair value and gross unrealized gains and losses are as follows:

	December 31, 2004			
	Cost or Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value
Available-for-sale, carried at fair value				
U.S. Treasury obligations and direct obligations of U.S. Government agencies	\$ 253	\$ 13	\$	\$ 266
Federal agency issued mortgage-backed securities (including collateralized mortgage obligations)	1,610	64	(4)	1,670
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	57	4		61
Corporate obligations	16,225	853	(51)	17,027
Corporate private-labeled mortgage-backed securities (including collateralized mortgage obligations)	659	31	(2)	688
Redeemable preferred stocks	12	1		13
Subtotal, debt securities	18,816	966	(57)	19,725
Equity securities	201	449		650
Securities available-for-sale	\$ 19,017	\$ 1,415	\$ (57)	\$ 20,375
Held-to-maturity, carried at amortized cost				
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	\$ 6	\$ 1	\$	\$ 7
Corporate obligations	2,363	153	(9)	2,507
Debt securities held-to-maturity	\$ 2,369	\$ 154	\$ (9)	\$ 2,514

	December 31, 2003			
	Cost or Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized (Losses)	Fair Value
Available-for-sale, carried at fair value				
U.S. Treasury obligations and direct obligations of U.S. Government agencies	\$ 247	\$ 21	\$	\$ 268
Federal agency issued mortgage-backed securities (including collateralized mortgage obligations)	2,045	111	(4)	2,152
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	211	4	(2)	213

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Corporate obligations	13,582	821	(96)	14,307
Corporate private-labeled mortgage-backed securities (including collateralized mortgage obligations)	721	34	(3)	752
Redeemable preferred stocks	13	1		14
Subtotal, debt securities	16,819	992	(105)	17,706
Equity securities	304	454	(2)	756
Securities available-for-sale	\$ 17,123	\$		