

# Bank of Nova Scotia Jamaica Limited

## 1997

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### FINANCIAL AND OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

	1997	1996
<b>Financial Position (\$ Millions)</b>		
Total Assets	54,931	42,227
Earning Assets		
- Loans	27,350	21,984
- Investments & Others	17,132	13,188
Deposits	42,226	31,168
Stockholders' Equity	4,942	4,089
<b>Earnings &amp; Dividends (\$ Millions)</b>		
Gross Operating Revenue	8,961	8,947
Profit before Taxation	2,262	2,475
Profit after Taxation	1,585	1,661
Dividends paid and proposed	732	659
<b>Financial Ratios</b>		
Earnings per stock unit	\$1.08	\$1.14*
Dividends per stock unit	\$0.50	\$0.45*
Dividend Payout Ratio: -	46%	40%
Return on equity at year end	32%	41%
Return on assets at year end	2.9%	3.9%
<b>Other Statistics</b>		
Number of stock units (ordinary shares)	1,463,616,00	731,808,000
Stock price at year end	\$9.80	\$7.45
Number of Stockholders	7,948	10,379
Number of staff	1,666	1,617
Number of offices	51	50

\* Adjusted for Bonus Issue

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