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Hang Seng Index also surged to its four-year high of 14,365 close to the end of the first half of 2005. In July 2005, the average daily turnover further jumped to HK\$21 bn.

2. Table 1 summarized the securities industry's statistical information and financial highlights for the first half of 2005.

Table 1 – Statistical Information and Financial Position of the Securities Industry		
As at	30/6/2005	30/6/2004
Total number of securities dealers & securities margin financiers	634	667
Total number of active cash clients ¹	629,960	666,621
Total number of active margin clients ¹	76,332	75,419
Balance Sheet (HK\$ mn)		
Cash in hand and at bank ²	101,286	99,811
Amounts receivable from margin clients ³	17,333	16,008
Amounts receivable from clients and other dealers arising from dealing in securities	110,562	77,496
Proprietary positions	85,055	52,391
Other assets	73,456	51,363
Total assets	387,692	297,069
Amounts payable to clients and other dealers arising from dealing in securities	168,770	124,815
Total borrowings from financial institutions	59,880	41,642
Short positions held for own account	26,717	20,322
Other liabilities	54,147	36,183
Total shareholders' fund ⁴	78,178	74,107
Total liabilities and shareholders' fund	387,692	297,069
	6 months to	6 months to
	30/6/2005	30/6/2004
Profit and loss (HK\$ mn)		
Total value of transactions ⁵	9,111,027	8,536,063
Net securities commission income	8,637	9,956
Gross interest income	1,947	1,233
Net profit on proprietary trading	165	1,364
Other income ⁶	14,216	14,202
Total overheads and interest expense ⁷	(20,478)	(17,710)
Net profit for the period	4,487	9,045
Remarks:		
¹ Active clients are clients for whom the licensed corporation is required to prepare and deliver monthly statements of account in respect of the relevant reporting month in accordance with Securities and Futures (Contract Notes, Statements of Account and Receipts) Rules.		
² Cash in hand and at bank includes trust monies held on behalf of clients amounting to HK\$46,037 mn (30/6/2004: HK\$43,019 mn).		
³ Average collateral coverage (the number of times the aggregate market value of securities collateral deposited by clients covers the amounts receivable from margin clients on a given date on an industry-wide basis):		
	<u>As at 30/6/2005</u>	<u>As at 30/6/2004</u>
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⁴ The value of shareholder's fund includes value of redeemable shares.		
⁵ Total value of transactions includes trading in equities and bonds both in Hong Kong and overseas.		
⁶ Other income mainly comprises corporate finance income, fund management income, intercompany charges and others.		
⁷ Total overheads include salary and staff benefits paid to non-commission based staff of licensed corporations. Commission paid		

