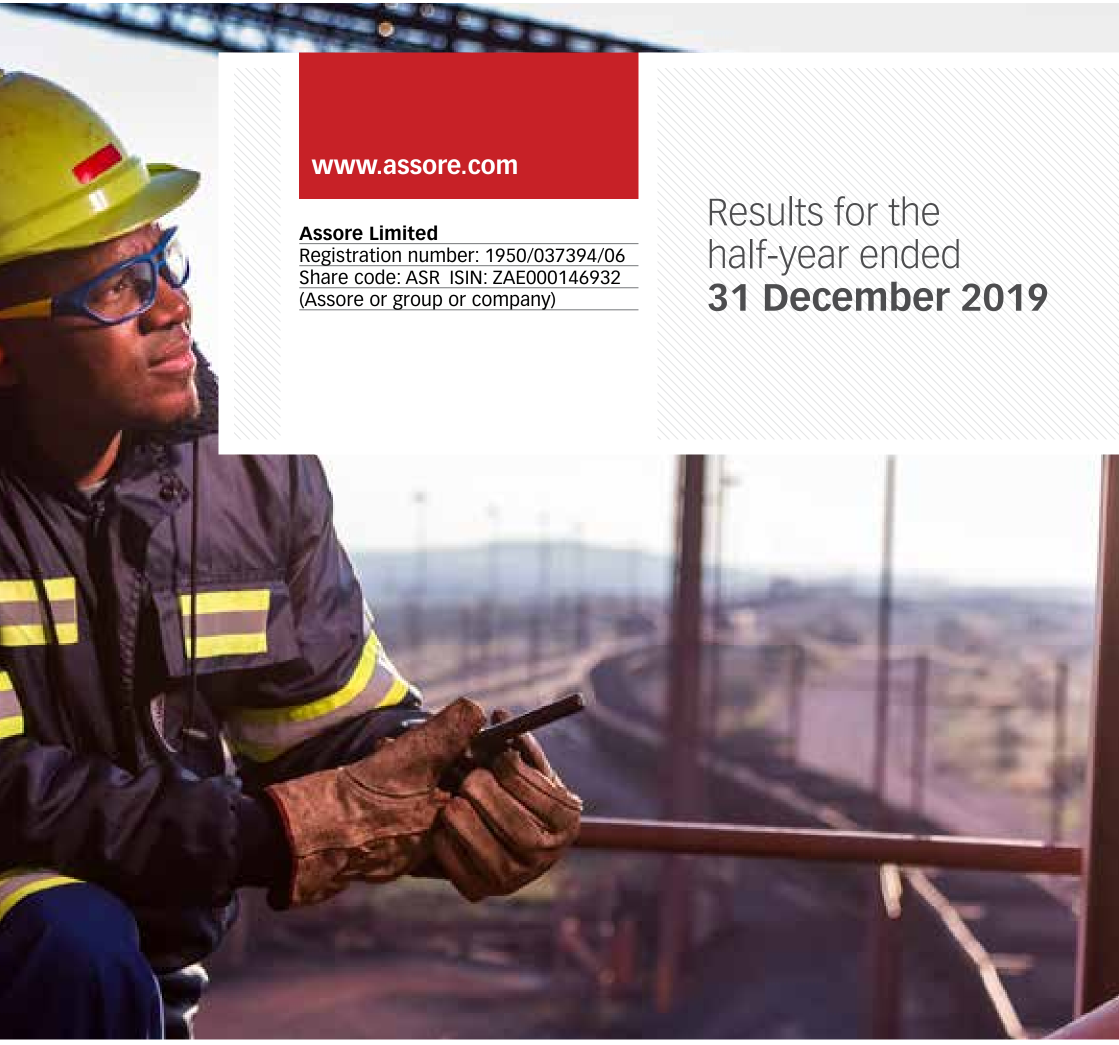

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Results for the half-year ended **31 December 2019**

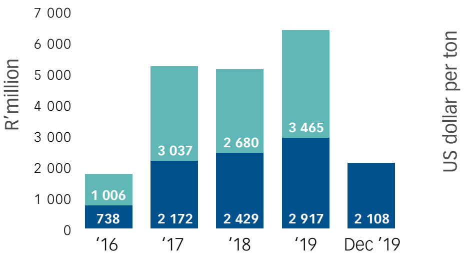
Highlights

Dwarsrivier recognised
for safety performance

Interim dividend of
R7,00 per share

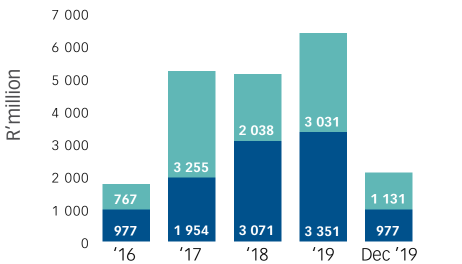
Net cash of
R8,1 billion

Headline earnings review



[1] 62% fines grade, delivered in China

Headline earnings and dividends paid (gross)



ASSORE

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Commentary

Safety

Assore operations

Dwarsrivier Chrome Mine Proprietary Limited (Dwarsrivier) reported a deterioration in its lost-time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) to 0,22 for the six months to 31 December 2019 (the current period, or H1 FY20) from 0,18 for the six months to 31 December 2018 (the previous period, or H1 FY19). However, Dwarsrivier was recognised for the best improved safety performance and best safety performance in its class at the South Africa Chrome Industry Awards Dinner held on 5 September 2019. Performance improvements within Assore's other operations resulted in an overall improvement in the combined LTIFR for Assore from 0,29 to 0,24 over the same period.

Assmang operations

The combined LTIFR of the Assmang Proprietary Limited (Assmang) operations, which is jointly controlled by Assore and African Rainbow Minerals Limited (ARM), deteriorated to a level of 0,24 for the current period, compared to 0,13 for the previous period.

The group remains committed to the pursuit of continued, sustainable improvement in our overall safety performance.

Group financial performance

Headline earnings for H1 FY20 decreased by 28% to R2,1 billion, compared to R2,9 billion for the H1 FY19. Assmang, in which Assore has a 50% interest, recorded headline earnings of R3,7 billion (H1 FY19: R4,3 billion), a decrease of 14%, on a 100% basis. This contributed R1,85 billion towards the group's headline earnings. In accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), Assmang is classified as a joint venture and accordingly, its financial results are equity accounted. The rest of the group's operations reported headline earnings that were 68% lower than the previous period, at R0,2 billion, of which Dwarsrivier contributed a profit of R31 million (H1 FY19: profit R327 million), with commissions and interest earned making up most of the balance. Attributable earnings amounted to R2,1 billion, 29% lower than H1 FY19.

The average SA rand/US dollar (USD) exchange rate for the current period was R14,69, 4% weaker than the level that prevailed during H1 FY19. The index price for iron ore (62% iron content, fines grade, delivered in China) was USD95 per ton (38% higher than H1 FY19), while the manganese ore price for both quoted grades (44% and 37% manganese content) as well as the chrome ore prices were lower compared to H1 FY19. Sales volumes of iron ore were lower than in the previous corresponding period due mostly to the timing of shipments. However, manganese ore sales volumes increased by 11% in line with the increased production volumes.

Production and sales volumes achieved by the group were as follows:

Metric tons '000	Six months to 31 December 2019	Six months to 31 December 2018	% increase/ (decrease)
Production volumes (100%)			
Iron ore	**9 345**	8 742	7
Manganese ore	**2 034**	1 737	17
Manganese alloys	**239**	194	23
Chrome ore	**769**	765	–
Sales volumes (100%)			
Iron ore*	**7 750**	8 752	(11)
Manganese ore*	**1 782**	1 605	11
Manganese alloys*	**171**	164	4
Chrome ore	**735**	757	(3)

* *Excluding intragroup sales*

Working capital increased by R1,4 billion, due to the timing of cash payments to Assmang. As a result, the group's net cash position decreased by 10% to R8,1 billion (June 2019: R9,0 billion). The board has declared an interim dividend of 700 cents (H1 FY19: 1 000 cents) per share, which will be paid to shareholders on Monday, 16 March 2020.

Market conditions

Demand for steel in China is estimated to have grown by 7,8% in the 2019 calendar year (CY19). However, for the rest of the world, growth was limited. China produced 54% of the world's crude steel in CY19 with a reported production increase of 8,3% over this period. The robust demand for crude steel, as well as continued supply disruptions of iron ore, assisted in maintaining strong iron ore prices through this period. However, the good demand for steel did not manage to hold prices of manganese ore during H1 FY20.

World stainless steel production, excluding Chinese production, declined in CY19 on the back of a weaker world economic environment. However, Chinese production, which amounts to 56% of the world's total, recorded year-on-year growth of 8,8%. These higher production levels resulted in increased demand for ferrochrome as well as chrome ore, although both commodities attracted lower prices due to over-supply.

Assmang (iron ore and manganese)

Attributable earnings decreased by 14% over the previous period to R3,7 billion (100% basis, H1 FY19: R4,3 billion). Iron ore delivered R2,8 billion (H1 FY19: R2,5 billion), an increase of 12% from the previous period, while manganese ore and alloys contributed only R0,9 billion (H1 FY19: R1,9 billion) to attributable earnings. The change in the mix of earnings was driven by firm iron ore prices and notably lower prices for manganese ores and manganese alloys.

Capital expenditure in Assmang was at similar levels to the previous period, and amounted to R2,1 billion for the period (H1 FY19: R1,98 billion). The Iron Ore division spent R0,9 billion relating mostly to waste stripping and replacement capital. Expenditure in the Manganese division amounted to R1,2 billion, mostly relating to the Black Rock Expansion Project (R335 million) and the Gloria Mine modernisation and optimisation (R443 million).

At the end of H1 FY20, approximately 96% of the approved and revised capital expenditure of R6,966 billion on the Black Rock Expansion Project was committed or spent and approximately 66% of the approved capital of R2,7 billion for the Gloria Mine modernisation and optimisation project was committed or spent.

Iron ore

Higher crude steel production levels in China maintained the demand for iron ore. Imports of iron ore into China increased marginally in CY19. Supply disruptions from Brazil and Australia, combined with limited supply expansion across the industry saw prices rise in the period. The average index price for H1 FY20 was USD95 per ton compared to the H1 FY19 level of USD69 per ton. The "lumpy" premium weakened to USD6 per ton during H1 FY20 but recovered at the end of the period to USD15 per ton as steel mills margins improved and restrictions on sintering plants in China supported demand for lumpy material.

Despite the high demand for iron ore, sales volumes decreased by 11% compared to H1 FY19. This was due to logistical and operational constraints, predominantly at Saldanha Bay port. The high iron ore prices and weaker SA rand/USD exchange rate helped increase the iron ore division's attributable profit for H1 FY20 by 12% over the previous period.

Manganese ore and alloys

Manganese ore prices for H1 FY20 were weaker in comparison to H1 FY19, due to a combination of over-supply and weakened demand. Demand in China softened while local supply and imports reached a peak. This resulted in high port stock levels and lower ore prices for the current period.

The average index price for H1 FY20 for high-grade lumpy ore (44% manganese content) was USD4,82 per dry metric ton unit (dmtu), delivered (CIF) in China (H1 FY19: USD7,02 per dmtu), while the average index price for medium-grade lumpy ore (37% manganese content) was USD3,69 per dmtu, delivered (CIF) in China (H1FY19: USD5,92 per dmtu).

Total sales volumes of manganese ore increased following the expansion at the Black Rock mines and were thus 11% higher than the previous period.
The increase in sales volumes and weak SA rand/USD exchange rate did not offset the effect of depressed prices resulting in a 44% decrease in earnings from manganese ore.

The alloy market continued to experience over-supply and weak demand. Despite industry-wide production cuts in H2 FY19, prices and profitability in the ferroalloy market weakened further in the current period. The underlying weakness has been caused by the downturn experienced in the auto sector as well as the sluggish manufacturing subsectors with all regions under significant margin squeeze.

Dwarsrivier (chrome ore)

The stainless steel, ferro chrome and chrome ore markets remained oversupplied during H1 FY20, resulting in weaker price levels for chrome ore. Ferrochrome prices in China also continued to weaken throughout the reporting period, exerting further pressure on chrome ore prices, which declined to USD130 per ton (CFR, China, 42% concentrate) at the end of the period, compared to a level of above USD150 per ton at the end of H1 FY19.

Chrome ore sales volumes were slightly lower (3%) compared to H1 FY19, due to lower sales concluded in order to replenish mine stockpiles. The lower prices and sales volumes resulted in a 17% decrease in revenue for H1 FY20 to R1,5 billion (H1 FY19: R1,8 billion) despite the weakening of the SA rand/USD exchange rate.

The cost management performance of the mine remains challenging, with unit costs increasing by 6% over H1 FY19. Capital expenditure amounted to R246 million (H1 FY19: R214 million), mostly on-mine development at its south shaft, plant upgrades to improve efficiency and flexibility and mining equipment replacements.

Due to the lower sales prices and the high operational costs the attributable profit for H1 FY20 decreased by 91% to R31 million compared to the previous reporting period (H1 FY19: R327 million)

Marketing and shipping

Marketing fees earned by the group decreased by 1% over H1 FY19, in line with the decrease of 4% in the combined turnover of Assmang and Dwarsrivier. Interest earned on the group's cash resources amounted to R342 million (H1 FY19: R308 million).

Other

The group holds a 28,97% interest in IronRidge Resources Limited (IronRidge), an Australian minerals exploration company listed on London's Alternative Investment Market (AIM). IronRidge has a portfolio of gold, lithium, bauxite, titanium and iron ore prospects in Africa and Australia. During H1 FY20, the activities of IronRidge continued to focus mainly on lithium and gold exploration in Ghana and Ivory Coast, respectively. The equity-accounted loss for H1 FY20 amounted to R5 million (H1 FY19: R14 million).

During H1 FY20 Group Line Projects was sold for a purchase price of R6 million resulting in a R16,9 million loss in the group.

Outlook

World economic growth in 2019 was hampered by the US/China trade war and the growth forecasts for 2020 are that GDP of the major economies will slow.

Growth in steel production is expected to slow in line with global growth. The extent of the impact on global commodity markets of the recent outbreak of the coronavirus in China, and its spread around the world, is not known at this stage. When considered together with unresolved trade issues in several regions of the world, the outlook has become more negative with the balance of risks pointing to the downside.

On the other hand, a potential investment stimulus response from China would help to offset the current weakness in the commodity markets. In addition, Chinese environmental policies are expected to continue to have a positive impact on the demand for high-quality iron ore and manganese ore. This will support the demand for the group's high quality products.

The potential increase in the supply of iron ore is likely to introduce some weakness in iron ore price levels. On the other hand, an improvement in manganese ore prices is anticipated, with Chinese demand recovering and improved demand expected from outside of China, after a relatively weak H1 FY20.

The surplus in supply of stainless steel, ferrochrome and chrome ore is predicted to persist for the remainder of FY20. As a result, limited potential exists for major price improvements for these commodities which will continue to suppress the financial performance in this segment.

The mining industry in South Africa continues to face a high level of regulatory uncertainty and increased expectations from its various stakeholders. The results of the group remain significantly exposed to underlying commodity prices for steel-making ingredients and fluctuations in exchange rates.

This outlook and any forward-looking statements have not been reviewed and reported on by the group's external auditors.

Accounting policies and basis of preparation

The board of directors of Assore (the board) takes full responsibility for the preparation of this announcement. The financial results for the period under review have been prepared under the supervision of Mr RA Davies, CA(SA) and in accordance with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* and comply with IFRS, the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee, the Financial Pronouncements as issued by Financial Reporting Standards Council, the Listings Requirements of the JSE Limited (JSE) and the Companies Act, No 71 of 2008 (as amended). The accounting policies applied are consistent with those adopted in the financial year ended 30 June 2019 except for IFRS 16 *Leases* which the group adopted on 1 July 2019, as described below.

Ernst & Young Inc., the group's independent external auditors, have reviewed the condensed consolidated half-year results included in this announcement and their unmodified review report is available for inspection at the registered office of the company. The review was conducted in terms of ISRE 2410 *Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*.

The auditor's report does not necessarily report on all of the information contained in this announcement. Shareholders are therefore advised that in order to obtain a full understanding of the nature of the auditor's engagement they should obtain a copy of the auditor's report together with the accompanying financial information from the company's registered office.

New accounting standards

Accounting policy applied from 1 July 2019

IFRS 16 *Leases*

IFRS 16 *Leases* was issued in January 2016 and it replaces IAS 17 *Leases*, and IFRIC 4 *Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease*.

The group applied the modified retrospective transition approach, with effect from 1 July 2019, without restating comparative information.

The impact of IFRS 16 is not material due to the election of the practical expedients, namely low value assets and short-term leases, as well as, variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or rate. These variable payments are dependent on variables such as volumes mined and metres drilled, and were expensed through the income statement for the six months ended 31 December 2019. As such, contracts with variable payments are neither included in lease liabilities nor is a right-of-use asset recognised.

IFRIC 23 *Uncertain Tax Positions*

The impact of this standard has been assessed as negligible.

Declaration of interim dividend

Shareholders are advised that on 20 February 2020, the board approved interim dividend number 126 (the dividend), of 700 cents per share (gross) for the half-year ended 31 December 2019.

In terms of paragraph 11.17 of the Listings Requirements of JSE Limited, shareholders are advised of the following with regard to the declaration:

1. the dividend has been declared from retained earnings
2. the local dividend tax (dividend tax) rate of 20% will apply
3. the net local dividend amount is 560 cents per share for shareholders liable to pay the dividend tax
4. the issued ordinary share capital of Assore is 139 607 000 shares, of which 36 462 070 (H1/19: 36 460 825) shares are accounted for as treasury shares in terms of IFRS and are therefore excluded from earnings per share calculations; and
5. Assore's income tax reference number is 9045/018/84/4.

The salient dates are as follows:

• Last day for trading to qualify and participate in the interim dividend;	Tuesday, 10 March 2020
• Trading "ex dividend" commences;	Wednesday, 11 March 2020
• Record date;	Friday, 13 March 2020
• Dividend payment date; and	Monday, 16 March 2020
• Dates (inclusive) between which share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised.	Wednesday, 11 March 2020 to Friday, 13 March 2020

On behalf of the board

Desmond Sacco
Chairman

Charles Walters
Chief Executive Officer

Johannesburg

21 February 2020

Condensed consolidated income statement

R'000	Half-year ended 31 December 2019 Reviewed	Half-year ended 31 December 2018 Reviewed	Year ended 30 June 2019 Audited
Revenue	**3 467 530**	3 947 562	8 140 469
Turnover	**2 560 133**	3 073 911	6 301 572
Cost of sales	**(2 447 322)**	(2 509 512)	(5 369 083)
Gross profit	**112 811**	564 399	932 489
Commissions on sales and technical fees	**557 283**	560 423	1 262 429
Foreign exchange gains	**38**	84 109	40 971
Other income	**366 026**	340 430	616 297
Finance costs	**(25 562)**	(19 384)	(55 302)
Foreign exchange losses	**(165 422)**	–	(200)
Other expenses	**(472 189)**	(381 968)	(716 075)
Profit before taxation	**372 985**	1 148 009	2 080 609
Taxation	**(121 182)**	(335 280)	(629 756)
Profit after taxation, before joint-venture entity and associate	**251 803**	812 729	1 450 853
Share of profit from joint-venture entity, after taxation	**1 848 602**	2 133 162	4 536 396
Share of loss in associate	**(4 532)**	(13 889)	(23 317)
Profit for the period	**2 095 873**	2 932 002	5 963 932
Attributable to:			
Shareholders of the holding company	**2 077 859**	2 915 592	5 932 037
Non-controlling shareholders' share of profits in subsidiary companies	**18 014**	16 410	31 895
	2 095 873	2 932 002	5 963 932
Earnings per share (basic and diluted – cents)	**2 014**	2 827	5 751

Headline earnings

R'000	**Half-year ended 31 December 2019 Reviewed**	Half-year ended 31 December 2018 Reviewed	Year ended 30 June 2019 Audited
Profit attributable to shareholders of the holding company	**2 077 859**	2 915 592	5 932 037
Impairment of non-financial assets in joint-venture entity	**–**	19 628	333 893
Impairment of investment in associate by joint-venture entity	**–**	–	193 771
Gain on disposal of investment in subsidiary company by joint-venture entity	**–**	–	(91 478)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of investment in subsidiary company	**16 907**	(2 669)	(2 669)
Loss/(profit) on disposal of property, plant and equipment by joint-venture entity and subsidiaries	**17 931**	(12 952)	2 052
Taxation effect of above items	**(5 025)**	(2 595)	14 163
Headline earnings	**2 107 672**	2 917 004	6 381 769
Headline earnings per share (basic and diluted – cents)	**2 043**	2 828	6 187
Dividends per share declared in respect of profit for the period (cents)	**700**	1 000	2 400
– Interim	**700**	1 000	1 000
– Final			1 400
Weighted number of ordinary shares in issue (million)			
Ordinary shares in issue	**139,61**	139,61	139,61
Treasury shares held in trust	**(36,46)**	(36,46)	(36,46)
Weighted average number of shares in issue for the period	**103,15**	103,15	103,15

Condensed consolidated statement of other comprehensive income

R'000	Half-year ended 31 December 2019 Reviewed	Half-year ended 31 December 2018 Reviewed	Year ended 30 June 2019 Audited
Profit for the period	**2 095 873**	2 932 002	5 963 932
Items that may be reclassified into the income statement dependent on the outcome of a future event	**(58 070)**	38 204	12 302
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	**(58 070)**	38 204*	12 302
– recorded by joint-venture entity and foreign listed associate	**2 364**	31 165	8 511
– recorded by foreign subsidiary	**(60 434)**	7 039	3 791
Items that may not be reclassified into the income statement dependent on the outcome of a future event	**(12 208)**	1 625	46 975
(Loss)/gain on revaluation to market value of financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, after taxation	**(12 208)**	1 625	43 295
– (loss)/gain on revaluation to market value of financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	**(15 731)**	2 096	55 792
– deferred capital gains taxation thereon	**3 523**	(471)	(12 497)
Actuarial gains in pension fund, after taxation	**–**	–	3 680
Total comprehensive income for the period, net of taxation	**2 025 595**	2 971 831	6 023 209
Comprehensive loss/(income) attributable to non-controlling shareholders of subsidiary companies	**11 600**	(19 859)	(33 753)
Attributable to shareholders of the holding company	**2 037 195**	2 951 972	5 989 456

* *Similar to 30 June 2019, this balance was disaggregated in the current period to disclose other comprehensive income recorded by the group's joint-venture entity, foreign-listed associate and foreign subsidiary separately in accordance with IAS 1* Presentation of Financial Statements, *and the comparative amounts were restated accordingly.*

Condensed consolidated statement of financial position

R'000	As at 31 December 2019 Reviewed	As at 31 December 2018 Reviewed	As at 30 June 2019 Audited
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant, equipment and intangible assets	**2 335 753**	1 943 713	2 145 694
Investments			
– joint-venture entity	**17 066 333**	16 410 049	17 215 032
– financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	**302 064**	264 096	317 795
– foreign-listed associate	**182 520**	199 371	187 387
– financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss (2018: other)	**2 874**	7 772	3 354
Pension fund surplus	**141 536**	129 245	141 536
Long-term loans	**12 566**	9 300	9 320
	20 043 646	18 963 546	20 020 118
Current assets			
Inventories	**1 832 411**	1 830 318	2 013 317
Trade and other receivables	**1 427 148**	1 155 033	1 677 280
Cash resources	**9 554 695**	8 754 832	10 395 268
South African Revenue Service	**82 333**	–	–
Assets held-for-sale as part of identified disposal groups	**12**	213	288
	12 896 599	11 740 396	14 086 153
TOTAL ASSETS	**32 940 245**	30 703 942	34 106 271
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Share capital and reserves			
Ordinary shareholders' interest	**30 365 180**	27 844 362	29 772 014
Non-controlling shareholders' surplus/(deficit)	**18 768**	(62 184)	30 368
	30 383 948	27 782 178	29 802 382
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred taxation	**432 566**	411 095	471 091
Non-interest-bearing	**241 972**	197 541	228 756
Interest-bearing	**7 710**	–	–
	682 248	608 636	699 847
Current liabilities			
Interest-bearing	**1 471 536**	1 108 262	1 391 564
Non-interest-bearing	**402 429**	1 204 328	2 211 827
Liabilities associated with assets held-for-sale	**84**	538	651
	1 874 049	2 313 128	3 604 042
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	**32 940 245**	30 703 942	34 106 271

Fair values of financial instruments

The group uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value inputs of financial instruments:
Level 1 – quoted prices in an active market that are unadjusted for identical assets or liabilities
Level 2 – valuation techniques using inputs, which are directly or indirectly observable; and
Level 3 – valuations based on data that is not observable.

The carrying values of all other financial instruments recognised, but not subsequently measured at fair value, approximate fair value.

R'000	**As at 31 December 2019 Reviewed Level 1**	As at 31 December 2018 Reviewed Level 1	As at 30 June 2019 Audited Level 1
Assets measured at fair value			
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	**302 064**	264 096	317 795
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss (2018: other investments)	**2 874**	7 772	3 354
	304 938	271 868	321 149

Condensed consolidated statement of cash flow

R'000	**Half-year ended 31 December 2019 Reviewed**	Half-year ended 31 December 2018 Reviewed	Year ended 30 June 2019 Audited
Cash utilised by operations	**(2 665 827)**	(1 691 418)	(1 618 275)
Net cash (utilised by)/generated from operations	**(1 284 954)**	(517 904)	668 470
Net finance costs and taxation flows	**63 156**	64 970	(17 486)
Net dividend flows	**(1 444 029)**	(1 238 484)	(2 269 259)
Cash retained from investing activities	**1 751 909**	1 472 663	2 756 654
Dividends received from joint-venture entity	**2 000 000**	1 750 000	3 315 000
Net capital expenditure	**(248 091)**	(277 337)	(558 346)
Cash generated from financing activities	**73 345**	523 790	807 092
Movement in cash resources for the period	**(840 573)**	305 035	1 945 471
Cash resources at beginning of period	**10 395 268**	8 449 797	8 449 797
Cash resources per statement of financial position	**9 554 695**	8 754 832	10 395 268

Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity

R'000	**Half-year ended 31 December 2019 Reviewed**	Half-year ended 31 December 2018 Reviewed	Year ended 30 June 2019 Audited
Share capital, share premium and other reserves			
Balance at beginning of period	**543 141**	523 327	523 327
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	**(40 664)**	77 434	57 419
– net (decrease)/increase on the revaluation to market value of financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, after taxation	**(12 208)**	1 625	43 295
– foreign currency translation reserve arising on consolidation	**(28 456)**	75 809	10 444
– actuarial gains in pension fund, after taxation	**–**	–	3 680
Balance transferred to non-controlling shareholders' (deficit)/surplus	**–**	–	(37 605)
Balance at end of period	**502 477**	600 761	543 141
Treasury shares			
Balance at beginning of period	**(5 067 440)**	(5 065 510)	(5 065 510)
Acquired during the period	**–**	(1 532)	(1 930)
Balance at end of period	**(5 067 440)**	(5 067 042)	(5 067 440)
Retained earnings			
Balance at beginning of period	**34 296 313**	30 633 535	30 633 535
Profit for the period attributable to shareholders of the holding company	**2 077 859**	2 915 592	5 932 037
Ordinary dividends declared during the period	**(1 444 029)**	(1 238 484)	(2 269 259)
– total dividends declared	**(1 954 498)**	(1 675 284)	(3 071 354)
– dividends attributable to treasury shares held in BEE trusts	**510 469**	436 800	802 095
Balance at end of period	**34 930 143**	32 310 643	34 296 313
Ordinary shareholders' interest	**30 365 180**	27 844 362	29 772 014
Non-controlling shareholders' surplus/(deficit)			
Balance at beginning of period	**30 368**	(40 990)	(40 990)
Share of total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	**(11 600)**	(21 194)	33 753
– profit for the period	**18 014**	16 410	31 895
– other comprehensive income/(loss)	**(29 614)**	(37 604)	1 858
Balance transferred from other reserves	**–**	–	37 605
Balance at end of period	**18 768**	(62 184)	30 368
Total equity	**30 383 948**	27 782 178	29 802 382

Segmental information

R'000	Joint venture entity mining and beneficiation Iron ore division	 Manganese division	 Chrome division	Sub-total	Dwarsrivier	Marketing and shipping	Other mining activities eliminations and adjustments[1]	Total
Half-year ended 31 December 2019 – Reviewed								
Revenue by source								
– third party	9 732 539	6 230 281	–	15 962 820	1 544 541	1 875 818	(15 915 649)	3 467 530
– inter-segment	(93 570)	93 570	–	–	–	80 919	(80 919)	–
Total revenue	9 638 969	6 323 851	–	15 962 820	1 544 541	1 956 737	(15 996 568)	3 467 530
Revenue from contracts with customers	10 300 647	6 313 308	–	16 613 955	1 509 579	1 635 850	(16 653 694)	3 105 690
– cost, insurance and freight (CIF) and cost and freight (CFR)	4 601 081	4 421 144	–	9 022 225	825 716	–	(9 022 225)	825 716
– free on board (FOB) and free carrier (FCA)	5 699 566	1 892 164	–	7 591 730	683 863	997 648[5]	(7 550 550)	1 722 691
– commissions on sales and technical fees	–	–	–	–	–	638 202	(80 919)	557 283
Other revenue[2]	345 675	10 543	–	356 218	23 235	320 887	(350 227)	350 113
Fair value adjustments to contract revenue[3]	(1 007 353)	–	–	(1 007 353)	11 727	–	1 007 353	11 727
Total revenue (as above)	9 638 969	6 323 851	–	15 962 820	1 544 541	1 956 737	(15 996 568)	3 467 530
Contribution to profit/(loss) for the period	2 831 154	878 523	–	3 709 677	31 408	289 223	(1 934 435)	2 095 873
Contribution to headline earnings[4]	2 852 905	882 696	–	3 735 601	31 408	289 150	(1 948 487)	2 107 672
Statement of financial position								
Consolidated total assets	22 271 148	22 896 129	-	45 167 277	3 397 497	29 160 224	(44 784 753)	32 940 245
Consolidated total liabilities	5 259 258	5 821 912	-	11 081 170	880 057	1 558 807	(10 963 737)	2 556 297
Half-year ended 31 December 2018 – Reviewed								
Revenue by source								
– third party	9 110 948	7 178 070	–	16 289 018	1 852 017	2 041 156	(16 234 629)	3 947 562
– inter-segment	–	–	–	–	–	64 045	(64 045)	–
Total revenue	9 110 948	7 178 070	–	16 289 018	1 852 017	2 105 201	(16 298 674)	3 947 562
Revenue from contracts with customers	8 603 078	7 168 880	–	15 771 958	1 800 306	1 805 344	(15 771 958)	3 605 650
– cost, insurance and freight (CIF) and cost and freight (CFR)	4 254 863	4 912 382	–	9 167 245	88 026	–	(9 167 245)	88 026
– free on board (FOB) and free carrier (FCA)	4 348 215	2 256 498	–	6 604 713	1 712 280	1 244 921[5]	(6 604 713)	2 957 201
– commissions on sales and technical fees	–	–	–	–	–	560 423	–	560 423
Other revenue[2]	294 984	9 190	–	304 174	51 711	299 857	(313 830)	341 912
Fair value adjustments to contract revenue[3]	212 886	–	–	212 886	–	–	(212 886)	–
Total revenue (as above)	9 110 948	7 178 070	–	16 289 018	1 852 017	2 105 201	(16 298 674)	3 947 562
Contribution to profit/(loss) for the period	2 431 917	1 853 903	(7 021)	4 278 799	274 853	503 396	(2 125 046)	2 932 002
Impairment of financial and non-financial assets	–	28 264	–	28 264	–	–	(14 132)	14 132
Contribution to headline earnings[4]	2 459 411	1 836 735	(6 980)	4 289 166	274 853	502 293	(2 149 308)	2 917 004
Statement of financial position								
Consolidated total assets	20 533 028	22 156 141	71 940	42 761 109	3 170 282	27 223 988	(42 451 437)	30 703 942
Consolidated total liabilities	7 213 474	4 888 562	427 836	12 529 872	837 303	2 040 223	(12 485 634)	2 921 764

(1) *The majority of adjustments relate to Assmang which is equity-accounted.*
(2) *Mainly relates to dividends and interest income.*
(3) *Provisional to final price adjustments.*
(4) *Includes equity-accounted results of Assmang and IronRidge.*
(5) *Local sales made by Minerals U.S. LLC in the USA.*

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