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### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### **FORM 10-K**

ANNUAL REPORT
pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

1-2360

(Commission file number)

### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**NEW YORK** 

13-0871985

(State of Incorporation)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

ARMONK, NEW YORK

10504

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

914-499-1900

(Registrant's telephone number)

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

Title of each class	Voting shares outstanding at February 28, 2003	Name of each exchange on which registered					
Capital stock, par value \$.20 per share	1,726,322,381	New York Stock Exchange Chicago Stock Exchange Pacific Stock Exchange					
6.45% Notes due 2007 5.375% Notes due 2009 7.50% Debentures due 2013 8.375% Debentures due 2019 7.00% Debentures due 2025 6.22% Debentures due 2027 6.50% Debentures due 2028 7.00% Debentures due 2045 7.125% Debentures due 2096  Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12		•					
to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing							
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 registrant is an account $\Box$	elerated filer (as defined in Exchar	nge Act Rule 12b-2). Yes 🖂 No					
The aggregate market value of the voting stock held \$134.6 billion.	l by non-affiliates of the registrant	at February 28, 2003 was					

Documents incorporated by reference:

Portions of IBM's Annual Report to Stockholders for the year ended December 31, 2002 into Parts I, II and IV of Form 10-K.

Portions of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003 into Part III of Form 10-K.

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### PART I

### Item 1. Business:

International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) was incorporated in the State of New York on June 16, 1911, as the Computing-Tabulating-Recording Co. (C-T-R), a consolidation of the Computing Scale Co. of America, the Tabulating Machine Co., and The International Time Recording Co. of New York. In 1924, C-T-R adopted the name International Business Machines Corporation.

IBM uses advanced information technology to provide customer solutions. The company operates primarily in a single industry using several segments that create value by offering a variety of solutions that include, either singularly or in some combination, technologies, systems, products, services, software and financing.

Organizationally, the company's major operations comprise a Global Services segment; three hardware product segments—Systems Group, Personal Systems Group and Technology Group; a Software segment; a Global Financing segment and an Enterprise Investments segment. The segments are determined based on several factors, including customer base, homogeneity of products, technology and delivery channels.

IBM offers its products through its global sales and distribution organizations. The sales and distribution organizations have both a geographic focus (in the Americas, Europe/Middle East/Africa, and Asia Pacific) and a specialized and global industry focus. In addition, these organizations include a global sales and distribution effort devoted exclusively to small and medium businesses. IBM also offers its products through a variety of third party distributors and resellers, as well as through its on-line channels.

While the company's various proprietary intellectual property rights are important to its success, IBM believes its business as a whole is not materially dependent on any particular patent or license, or any particular group of patents or licenses. IBM owns or is licensed under a number of patents, which vary in duration, relating to its products. Licenses under patents owned by IBM have been and are being granted to others under reasonable terms and conditions. These protections may not prevent competitors from independently developing products and services similar to or duplicative of the company's nor can there be any assurance that these protections will adequately deter misappropriation or improper use of the company's technology. Also, there can be no assurances that IBM will be able to obtain from third parties the licenses it needs in the future.

IBM's businesses employ a wide variety of components, supplies and raw materials from a substantial number of suppliers around the world. Certain of the company's businesses rely on a single or limited number of suppliers, although the company makes every effort to assure that alternative sources are available if the need arises. The failure of the company's suppliers to deliver components, supplies and raw materials in sufficient quantities and in a timely manner could adversely affect the company's business.

IBM's revenues are affected by such factors as the introduction of new products, the length of the sales cycles and the seasonality of technology purchases. As a result, the company's results are difficult to predict. These factors historically have resulted in lower revenue in the first quarter than in the immediately preceding fourth quarter.

The value of unfilled orders is not a meaningful indicator of future revenues from the company's product offerings due to the significant proportion of revenue from services, the volume of products delivered from shelf inventories, and the shortening of product delivery schedules. With respect to the company's Global Services segment, in 2002 the company signed contracts totaling \$53 billion, which contributed to a services backlog at December 31, 2002 of \$112 billion, compared with \$102 billion at the end of 2001.

The company operates in businesses that are subject to intense competitive pressures. The company's businesses face a significant number of competitors, ranging from Fortune 50 companies to

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an increasing number of relatively small, rapidly growing and highly specialized organizations. The company believes that its combination of technology, performance, quality, reliability, price and the breadth of products and service offerings are important competitive factors.

Intense competitive pressures could affect prices or demand for the company's products and services, resulting in reduced profit margins and /or loss of market opportunity. Unlike many of its competitors, the company has a portfolio of businesses and must allocate resources across these businesses while competing with companies that specialize in one or more of these product lines. As a result, the company may not fund or invest in certain of its businesses to the same degree that its competitors do and these competitors may have greater financial, technical and marketing resources available to them than the businesses against which they compete.

The company operates in more than 160 countries worldwide and derives more than half of its revenues from sales outside the United States. Changes in the laws or policies of the countries in which the company operates could affect the company's business in that country and the company's results of operations. The company's results of operations also could be affected by economic and political changes in those countries and by macroeconomic changes, including recessions and inflation.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors approved the categories of all non-audit services performed by the company's independent accountants during the period covered by this report.

The following information is included in IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference:

Segment information and revenue by classes of similar products or services—Pages 100 to 104.

Financial information by geographic areas—Page 104.

Amount spent during each of the last three years on research and development activities—Page 90.

Financial information regarding environmental activities—Page 87.

The number of persons employed by the registrant—Page 60.

The management discussion overview—Pages 43 and 44.

Available information—Page 107.

Forward-looking and Cautionary Statements: Certain statements contained in this Annual Report may constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 ("Reform Act"). The company may also make forward-looking statements in other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in materials delivered to stockholders and in press releases. In addition, the company's representatives may from time to time make oral forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements provide current expectations of future events based on certain assumptions and include any statement that does not directly relate to any historical or current fact. Words such as "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "estimates," "intends," "plans," "projects," and similar expressions, may identify such forward-looking statements. The company assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements. In accordance with the Reform Act, set forth below are cautionary statements that accompany those forward-looking statements. Readers should carefully review these cautionary statements as they identify certain important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements and from historical trends. The following cautionary statements are not exclusive and are in addition to other factors discussed elsewhere in this Annual Report, in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission or in materials incorporated therein by reference.

New Products and the Pace of Technological Change: The company's results of operations depend on the continued successful development and marketing of new and innovative products and services. The development of new products and services requires significant capital investments by the company's various businesses and the success of these products and services depends on their acceptance by customers and business partners. Further, the company's businesses are characterized by rapid technological changes and corresponding shifts in customer demand, resulting in unpredictable product

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transitions and shortened life cycles and increasing emphasis on being first to market with new products and services.

There can be no assurance that the company will successfully introduce new products and services, that these products and services will be accepted by customers, or that the company's businesses will recoup or realize a return on their capital investments. In addition, from time to time the company may experience difficulties or delays in the development, production or marketing of new products and services.

Volatility of Stock Prices: The company's stock price is affected by a number of factors, including quarterly variations in results, the competitive landscape, general economic and market conditions and estimates and projections by the investment community. As a result, like other technology companies, the company's stock price is subject to significant volatility.

Dependence on and Compensation of Key Personnel: Much of the future success of the company depends on the continued service and availability of skilled personnel, including technical, marketing and staff positions. Experienced personnel in the information technology industry are in high demand and competition for their talents is intense. There can be no assurance that the company will be able to successfully retain and attract the key personnel it needs. Many of the company's key personnel receive a total compensation package that includes stock options and other equity awards. New regulations, volatility in the stock market and other factors could diminish the value of the company's equity awards, putting the company at a competitive disadvantage or forcing the company to use more cash compensation.

Currency and Customer Financing Risks: The company derives a significant percentage of its non-U.S. revenues from its affiliates operating in local currency environments and its results are affected by changes in the relative values of non-U.S. currencies and the U.S. dollar. Further, inherent in the company's customer financing business are risks related to the concentration of credit risk and the creditworthiness of the customer, interest rate and currency fluctuations on the associated debt and liabilities and the determination of residual values. The company employs a number of strategies to manage these risks, including the use of derivative financial instruments. Derivatives involve the risk of non-performance by the counterparty. In addition, there can be no assurance that the company's efforts to manage these risks will be successful.

Distribution Channels: The company offers its products directly and through a variety of third party distributors and resellers. Changes in the financial or business condition of these distributors and resellers could subject the company to losses and affect its ability to bring its products to market.

Acquisitions and Alliances: The company has made and expects to continue to make acquisitions or enter into alliances from time to time. Acquisitions and alliances present significant challenges and risks relating to the integration of the business into the company, and there can be no assurances that the company will manage acquisitions and alliances successfully.

### Item 2. Properties:

At December 31, 2002, IBM's manufacturing and development facilities in the United States had aggregate floor space of 34 million square feet, of which 23 million was owned and 11 million was leased. Of these amounts, 4 million square feet was vacant and 2 million square feet was being leased to non-IBM businesses. Similar facilities in 16 other countries totaled 15 million square feet, of which 10 million was owned and 5 million was leased. Of these amounts, 1 million square feet was vacant and 2 million square feet was being leased to non-IBM businesses.

Although improved production techniques, productivity gains and infrastructure reduction actions have resulted in reduced manufacturing floor space, continuous upgrading of facilities is essential to maintain technological leadership, improve productivity, and meet customer demand. For additional information on expenditures for plant, rental machines and other property, refer to "Investments" on pages 56 of IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which is incorporated herein by reference.

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### Executive Officers of the Registrant (at March 10, 2003):

	Age	Officer since
Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer		
Samuel J. Palmisano	51	1997
Senior Vice Presidents:	91	1///
Nicholas M. Donofrio, Group Executive	57	1995
Douglas T. Elix, Group Executive	54	1999
J. Bruce Harreld, Strategy	52	1995
Paul M. Horn, Research	56	1996
Jon C. Iwata, Communications	40	2002
John R. Joyce, Chief Financial Officer	49	1999
John E. Kelly III, Group Executive	49	2000
Abby F. Kohnstamm, Marketing	49	1998
J. Michael Lawrie, Group Executive	49	2001
Edward M. Lineen, General Counsel	62	2002
Mark Loughridge, Group Executive	49	1998
J. Randall MacDonald, Human Resources	54	2000
Steven A. Mills, Group Executive	51	2000
Robert W. Moffat, Jr., Group Executive	46	2002
Linda S. Sanford, Group Executive	50	2000
Stephen M. Ward, Jr., Group Executive	47	2003
William M. Zeitler, Group Executive	55	2000
Vice Presidents:		
Daniel E. O'Donnell, Secretary	55	1998
Jesse J. Greene, Jr., Treasurer	57	2002
Robert F. Woods, Controller	47	2000

### (1) Member of the Board of Directors.

All executive officers are elected by the Board of Directors and serve until the next election of officers in conjunction with the annual meeting of the stockholders as provided in the By-laws. Each executive officer named above, with the exception of J. Randall MacDonald and Jesse J. Greene, Jr. have been an executive of IBM or its subsidiaries during the past five years.

Mr. MacDonald was with GTE (now Verizon Communications), a telecommunications company, as executive vice president of human resources and administration until joining IBM in 2000. He was with GTE for 17 years holding positions of increasing responsibility. Before joining GTE, Mr. MacDonald held human resources positions at Ingersoll-Rand Corporation and Sterling Drug, Inc.

Mr. Greene was with Compaq Computer Corporation (now a part of Hewlett-Packard Company), a computer company, as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer until joining IBM in 2002. He was with Compaq for two years. Before joining Compaq, Mr. Greene served as Corporate Senior Vice President and Director of Business Strategy and Information Technology at Eastman Kodak Company. During six years at Kodak, Mr. Greene held a number of financial positions including Vice President of Finance and Treasurer. Before joining Kodak, Mr. Greene spent 23 years at IBM in a variety of financial positions including Assistant Treasurer.

### **Item 3. Legal Proceedings:**

Refer to note O "Contingencies and Commitments" on page 88 of IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which is incorporated herein by reference.

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### Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders:

Not applicable.

### PART II

### Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters:

Refer to pages 106 and 107 of IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which are incorporated herein by reference solely as they relate to this item.

IBM common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, Chicago Stock Exchange and Pacific Stock Exchange. There were 680,296 common stockholders of record at February 28, 2003.

### Item 6. Selected Financial Data:

Refer to pages 105 and 106 of IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which are incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations:

Refer to pages 43 through 63 of IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which are incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 7a. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risks:

Refer to the section titled "Market Risk" on pages 58 and 59 of IBM'S 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data:

Refer to page 42 and 64 through 104 of IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which are incorporated herein by reference. Also refer to the Financial Statement Schedule on page S-1 of this Form.

### Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure:

Not applicable.

### PART III

### Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant:

Refer to pages 5 through 7 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10 2003, which are incorporated herein by reference. Also refer to Item 2 entitled "Executive Officers of the Registrant" in Part I of this Form.

### **Item 11. Executive Compensation:**

Refer to pages 12 through 21 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, which are incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters:

Refer to the section titled "Ownership of Securities" appearing on pages 10 and 11 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, which is incorporated herein by reference. Also refer to the section titled "Equity Compensation Plan Information" appearing on page 25 and 26 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, which is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions:

Refer to the section entitled "Other Relationships" appearing on page 9 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, which is incorporated herein by reference.

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### **Item 14. Controls and Procedures**

Based on their evaluation of the company's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing of this Report, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that such controls and procedures are effective. There were no significant changes in the company's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect such controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation.

### PART IV

### Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules, and Reports on Form 8-K:

- (a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:
  - 1. Financial statements from IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which are incorporated herein by reference:

Report of Independent Accountants (page 42).

Consolidated Statement of Earnings for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000 (page 64).

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at December 31, 2002 and 2001 (page 65).

Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity at December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000 (pages 66 through 68).

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000 (page 69).

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (pages 70 through 104).

2. Financial statement schedules required to be filed by Item 8 of this Form:

Page	Number Number	
13	3	Report of Independent Accountants on Financial Statement Schedule.
14	ļ	Report of Independent Auditors.
S-1	II	Valuation and Qualifying Accounts and Reserves.

All other schedules are omitted as the required matter is not present, the amounts are not significant or the information is shown in the consolidated financial statements or the notes thereto.

### 3. Exhibits:

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Included in this Form 10-K:

12	_	Computation of Ratio of Earnings From Continuing Operations to Fixed Charges and Earnings From Continuing Operations to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends.
13	_	IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders, certain sections of
		which have been incorporated herein by reference.
21	_	Parents and Subsidiaries.
23.1	_	Consent of Independent Accountants.
23.2	_	Consent of Independent Auditors.
24.1	_	Powers of Attorney.
24.2	_	Certified Resolutions of the IBM Board of Directors authorizing execution of this report by
		Powers of Attorney.
99.1	_	Certification by CEO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted
		pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
99.2	_	Certification by CFO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted
		pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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### Not included in this Form 10-K:

- The Certificate of Incorporation of IBM is Exhibit (3)(i) to Form 8-K filed April 28, 1999, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The By-laws of IBM as amended through January 1, 2003, is Attachment III, Exhibit 99.3 to Form 8-K dated January 16, 2003, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM 2001 Long-Term Performance Plan, a compensatory plan, is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-87708 on Form S-8, filed on May 7, 2002, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM 1999 Long-Term Performance Plan, a compensatory plan, is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-30424 on Form S-8, filed on February 15, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM 1997 Long-Term Performance Plan, a compensatory plan, is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-31305 on Form S-8, filed on July 15, 1997, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM PwCC Acquisition Long-Term Performance Plan, a compensatory plan, is contained in Registration Statement
   No. 333-102872 on Form S-8, filed on January 31, 2003, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- Board of Directors compensatory plans, as described under "Directors' Compensation" on pages 9 and 10 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- IBM Board of Directors Deferred Compensation and Equity Award Plan is Exhibit X to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan is Appendix B to IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 14, 1995, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM Executive Deferred Compensation Plan is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-33692 as Exhibit 4 on Form S-8, filed March 31, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM Supplemental Executive Retention Plan is Exhibit VII to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM Extended Tax Deferred Savings Plan is Exhibit X to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1994, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The IBM 2000 Employees Stock Purchase Plan, as set forth in Exhibit A of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 13, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. is Exhibit 19 to Form 10-Q dated March 31, 1993, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- Amendment to Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. dated as of January 1, 1996, is Exhibit XI to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995, and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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- Second Amendment to Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. dated as of November 17, 1997, is Exhibit VI to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- Third Amendment to Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. dated as of January 29, 2002, is Exhibit 10 to Form 10-Q dated May 15, 2002, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 7.50% Debentures due 2013 are Exhibits 4(a) through 4(l) to Registration Statement No. 33-49475(1) on Form S-3, filed May 24, 1993, and are hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instruments defining the rights of holders of the 8.375%
   Debentures due 2019 are Exhibits 4(a)(b)(c) and (d) to Registration
   Statement 33-31732 on Form S-3, filed on October 24, 1989, and are hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instruments defining the rights of holders of the 7.00% Debentures due 2025 and the 7.00% Debentures due 2045 are Exhibit 2 and 3 to Form 8-K, filed on October 30, 1995, and are hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instrument defining the rights of holders of the 7.125% Debentures due 2096 is Exhibit 2 to Form 8-K/A, filed on December 6, 1996, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 6.45% Notes due 2007 and the 6.22% Debentures due 2027 are Exhibits 2 and 3 to Form 8-K, filed on August 1, 1997, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 6.50%
   Debentures due 2028 is Exhibit 2 to Form 8-K, filed on January 8,
   1998, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 5.375% Notes due 2009 is Exhibit 2 to Form 8-K, filed on January 29, 1999, and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, certain sections of which have been incorporated herein by reference.

### (b) Reports on Form 8-K:

The company filed Form 8-K on October 16, 2002, with respect to the company's financial results for the periods ended September 30, 2002, and included unaudited Consolidated Statement of Earnings, Consolidated Statement of Financial Position and Segment Data for the periods ended September 30, 2002. In addition, IBM's Chief Financial Officer John R. Joyce's third quarter earnings presentation to securities analysts on Wednesday, October 16, 2002, was filed as Attachment II of the Form 8-K.

The company filed Form 8-K on October 29, 2002, announcing that Samuel J. Palmisano had been elected chairman of the board, effective January 1, 2003, succeeding Louis V. Gerstner, Jr. No financial statements were filed with this Form 8-K.

The company filed Form 8-K on November 4. 2002, publishing its 2001 financial statements as a result of the company's decision to sell its disk drive operations to Hitachi, Ltd., which under generally

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accepted accounting principles will be accounted for as discontinued operations. The following financial statements and exhibits were filed with this Form 8-K.

- 1. IBM's audited financial statements and accompanying notes, and the management discussion for 2001, 2000 and 1999 reclassified to reflect the company's continuing and discontinued operations.
- 2. Computation of Ratio of Income from Continuing Operations to Fixed Charges for the years 2001 through 1997.
- 3. Consent of Independent Accountants.

The company filed Form 8-K on November 14, 2002, with respect to certain remarks delivered by IBM's Chief Financial Officer, John R. Joyce, at IBM's Fall 2002 Securities Analysts meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 2002. Also filed were charts from the presentations by John R. Joyce, Ginny Rometty GM, IBM Business Consulting Services and Dr. John E. Kelly III, Senior Vice President and Group Executive, Technology Group. No financial statements were filed with this Form 8-K.

The company filed Form 8-K/A on November 26, 2002, to amend page 3 of its Current Report on Form 8-K, dated November 20, 2002, due to inadvertent submission of the date thereof. The registrant also amended item 7 of its Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 20, 2002, due to the inadvertent failure to mention inclusion of Exhibit 3 thereto. No financial statements were filed with this Form 8-K.

The company filed Form 8-K on November 26, 2002, to incorporate by reference into Registration Statement No 333-37034 on Form S-3, effective June 20, 2000, the following documents:

- Underwriting Agreement dated November 20, 2002, among International Business Machines Corporation, J.P.
  Morgan Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, Salomon Smith Barney Inc., ABN AMRO
  Incorporated, Banc of America Securities LLC, Banc One Capital Markets, Inc., Banca IMI S.p.A., Banca
  Nazionale del Lavoro S.p.A., Barclays Capital Inc., Bayerische Hypo-und Vereinsbank AG, Bear Stearns &
  Co. Inc., BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Caboto IntesaBci-Sim S.p.A, Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation,
  Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein-Granchester, Inc., Fleet Securities, Inc., Goldman,
  Sachs & Co., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., ING Financial Markets LLC, Lehman Brothers Inc., Merrill Lynch
  Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, RBC Dominion Securities Corporation, The Royal Bank of Scotland plc,
  UBS Warburg LLC, Utendahl Capital Partners, L.P. and The Williams Capital Group, L.P.,
- 2. Form of 4.750% Note due 2012,
- 3. Form of 5.875% Debenture due 2032,

relating to \$2,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of debt securities of the registrant. No financial statements were filed with this Form 8-K.

The company filed Form 8-K on December 4, 2002, regarding its plan for pension funding. Also filed was IBM's Chief Financial Officer John R. Joyce's presentation on December 4, 2002, to securities analysts, regarding the registrant's plan for pension funding. No financial statements were filed with this Form 8-K.

The company filed Form 8-K on December 31, 2002, regarding the sale of its disk drive operations to Hitachi, Ltd. No financial statements were filed with this Form 8-K.

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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ SAMUEL J. PALMISANO

(Samuel J. Palmisano) Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 10, 2003

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature		Date			
	/s/ JOHN R. JOYCE		Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer		
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/s/ ROBERT F. WOO	DDS	Vice President and Controller		March 10, 2003	
(Robert F. Woods	)	•			
CATHLEEN BLACK	Director				
KENNETH I. CHENAULT	Director				
NANNERL O. KEOHANE	Director				
CHARLES F. KNIGHT Director LUCIO A. NOTO Director		By:	/s/ DANIEL E	. O'DONNELL	
JOHN B. SLAUGHTER SIDNEY TAUREL	Director Director		(DANIEL E.	O'DONNELL)	
ALEX TROTMAN Director CHARLES M. VEST Director			r-in-fact		
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### I, Samuel J. Palmisano, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of International Business Machines Corporation;
- Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a
  material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were
  made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
- Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly
  present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and
  for, the periods presented in this annual report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and have:
  - Designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
  - b. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this annual report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
  - c. Presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: March 7, 2003

/s/ SAMUEL J. PALMISANO

Samuel J. Palmisano Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer Prepared by Merrill Corporation at www.edgaradvantage.com File: DISK038:[03NYC7.03NYC1807]DI1807A.;9 User: JLAWRENA EFW: 2102367

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## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14 OR 15D-14 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

### I, John R. Joyce, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of International Business Machines Corporation;
- Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a
  material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were
  made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
- Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly
  present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and
  for, the periods presented in this annual report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and have:
  - Designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
  - b. Ealuated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this annual report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
  - c. Presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: March 6, 2003

/s/ JOHN R. JOYCE

John R. Joyce Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

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To the Stockholders and Board of Directors of International Business Machines Corporation

Our audits of the consolidated financial statements referred to in our report dated January 16, 2003, except for note Y, as to which the date is February 21, 2003, appearing on page 42 of the 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders of International Business Machines Corporation, (which report and consolidated financial statements are incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K) also included an audit of the Financial Statement Schedule listed in Item 15(a)2 of this Form 10-K. In our opinion, this Financial Statement Schedule presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP New York, New York January 16, 2003, except for note Y, as to which the date is February 21, 2003 Prepared by Merrill Corporation at www.edgaradvantage.com File: DISK038:[03NYC7.03NYC1807]FA1807A.;18 User: JLAWRENA EFW: 2102367

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

### TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION:

We have audited the statement of assets and liabilities of the Business Consulting Services Reporting Unit (the "Reporting Unit") (a reporting unit as defined in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142), of International Business Machines Corporation (the "Company") as of December 31, 2002 and the related statement of revenues and expenses (collectively, the "statements") for the three months then ended (not separately presented herein). These statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these statements based on our audit.

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

The statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (for use by the Company in connection with its various filings with the Commission). Certain corporate assets, liabilities and corporate expenses, that are not the responsibility of the Reporting Unit, and which have not been allocated, have been excluded from the statements. Accordingly, these statements are not intended to be a complete presentation of the financial position or results of operations of the Reporting Unit.

In our opinion, the statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets and liabilities and the revenues and expenses of the Reporting Unit as of December 31, 2002 and for the three months then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Ernst & Young LLP New York, New York January 16, 2003 Printed: 10-Mar-2003;14:03:18 Created: ;8-MAR-2003;02:48 Client: IBM CORPORATION (v1.37) Chksum: 409770 HTML Page: 16 Folio: S-1 Doc # 1

### SCHEDULE II

# INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS AND RESERVES For the Years Ended December 31:

(Dollars in Millions)

Description		Balance at Beginning of Period		Additions Charged to Costs and Expenses		Write-offs	(	Other (A)		Balance at End of Period
Allowance For Doubtful Accounts 2002										
—Current	\$	984	\$	628	\$	349	\$	49	\$	1,312
—Noncurrent	\$	97	\$	45	\$	54	\$	21	\$	109
2001	\$	960	¢	410	¢	260	¢	(25)	¢	004
—Current	<u> </u>	860	<b>&gt;</b>	418	<b>7</b>	269	<b>3</b>	(25)	<b>3</b>	984
—Noncurrent	\$	87	\$	73	\$	49	\$	(14)	\$	97
2000										
—Current	\$	854	\$	286	\$	247	\$	(33)	\$	860
—Noncurrent	\$	158	\$	(15)	\$	45	\$	(11)	\$	87
Allowance For Inventory Losses										
2002	\$	726	\$	780	\$	790	\$	(20)	\$	696
2001	\$	695	\$	590	\$	582	\$	23	\$	726
2000	\$	869	\$	527	\$	643	\$	(58)	\$	695

<sup>(</sup>A) Primarily comprises currency translation adjustments.

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Reference Number per Item 601 of		Exhibit Number
Regulation SK	Description of Exhibits	in this Form 10-K
(2)	Plan of acquisition, reorganization, arrangement, liquidation or succession	Not applicable
(3)	Certificate of Incorporation and By-laws	
	The Certificate of Incorporation of IBM is Exhibit (3)(i) to Form 8-K filed April 28, 1999, and is hereby incorporated by reference	
	The By-laws of IBM as amended through January 1, 2003, is Exhibit 99.3, Attachment III to Form 8-K dated January 16, 2003, and is hereby incorporated by reference	
(4)	Instruments defining the rights of security holders	
(1)	The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the	
	7.50% Debentures due 2013 are Exhibits 4(a) through 4(l) to Registration Statement No. 33-49475(1) on Form S-3, filed May 24, 1993, and are hereby incorporated by reference	
	The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 8.375% Debentures due 2019 are Exhibits 4(a)(b)(c) and (d) to Registration Statement No. 33-31732 on Form S-3, filed	
	on October 24, 1989, and are hereby incorporated by reference	
	The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 7.00% Debentures due 2025 and the 7.00% Debentures due 2045 are Exhibits 2 and 3 to Form 8-K, filed on October 30, 1995, and are hereby incorporated by reference	
	The instrument defining the rights of the holders of the 7.125% Debentures due 2096 is Exhibit 2 to Form 8-K/A, filed on December 6, 1996, and is hereby incorporated by	
	reference	
	The instruments defining the rights of the holders of the 6.45% Notes due 2007 and the 6.22% Debentures due 2027 are Exhibit 2 and 3 to Form 8-K, filed on August 1, 1997,	
	and is hereby incorporated by reference  The instrument defining the rights of the holders of the	
	6.50% Debentures due 2028 is Exhibit 2 to Form 8-K, filed on January 8, 1998, and is hereby incorporated by reference	
	The instrument defining the rights of the holders of the 5.375% Notes due 2009 is Exhibit 2 to Form 8-K, filed on	
	January 29, 1999, and is hereby incorporated by reference	
	Voting trust agreement	Not applicable
(10)	Material contracts  The IRM 2001 Long Term Performance Plan is contained in	
	The IBM 2001 Long-Term Performance Plan is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-87708 on Form S-8, filed on May 7, 2002, and is hereby incorporated by reference*	
	The IBM 1999 Long-Term Performance Plan is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-30424 on Form S-8, filed on February 15, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by	
	reference*	

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The IBM 1997 Long-Term Performance Plan is contained in Registration Statement No. 33-331305 on Form S-8, filed on July 15, 1997, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The IBM PwCC Acquisition Long-Term Performance Plan is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-102872 on Form S-8, filed on January 31, 2003, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* Board of Directors compensatory arrangements as described under "Directors' Compensation" on pages 9 and 10 of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 10, 2003, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The IBM Supplemental Executive Retention Plan is Exhibit VII to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The IBM Executive Deferred Compensation Plan is contained in Registration Statement No. 333-33692 as Exhibit 4 on Form S-8, filed March 31, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The IBM Board of Directors Deferred Compensation and Equity Award Plan is Exhibit X to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996, and is hereby incorporated by The IBM Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan is Appendix B to IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 14, 1995, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The IBM Extended Tax Deferred Savings Plan is Exhibit X to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1994, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The IBM 2000 Employees Stock Purchase Plan, set forth in Exhibit A of IBM's definitive Proxy Statement dated March 13, 2000, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* The Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. is Exhibit 19 to Form 10-Q dated March 31, 1993, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* Amendment to Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. dated as of January 1, 1996, is Exhibit XI to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1995, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* Second Amendment to Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. dated as of November 17, 1997, is Exhibit VI to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997, and is hereby incorporated by reference\* Third Amendment to Employment Agreement for L. V. Gerstner, Jr. dated as of January 29, 2002, is Exhibit 10 to Form 10-Q dated May 15, 2002, and is hereby

incorporated by reference\*
(11) Statement re computation of per share earnings

	The statement re computation of per share earnings is note t,	
	"Earnings Per Share of Common Stock" on page 93 of	
	IBM's 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders, and is hereby	
	incorporated by reference	
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	as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley	
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(99.2)	Certification by CFO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as	
	adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act	
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<sup>\*</sup> Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

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Years Ended December 31: (Dollars in millions) 2002 2001 2000 1999 1998 Income from continuing operations before income taxes (1) 11,488 \$ 8,068 7,537 \$ 11.378 \$ 11.653 Add: 2,031 Fixed charges, excluding capitalized interest 1,237 1,639 1,872 1,911 Income as adjusted before income taxes \$ 8,774 \$ \$ 13,250 13,564 10,099 13,127 Fixed charges: \$ 778 \$ 1,198 1,427 1,558 Interest expense \$ \$ 1,455 \$ Capitalized interest 35 33 20 23 28 Portion of rental expense representative of 459 441 445 456 473 interest 1,672 1,892 Total fixed charges 1,272 \$ 1,934 2,059 Preferred stock dividend (2) 14 29 32 30 Combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends 1,272 1,686 \$ 1,921 \$ 1,966 2,089 Ratio of income from continuing operations to 6.9 7.9 7.0 7.0 4.9 fixed charges Ratio of income from continuing operations to combined fixed charges and preferred stock 6.9 7.8 6.9 6.9 4.8 dividend

<sup>(1)</sup> Income from continuing operations before income taxes excludes (a) amortization of capitalized interest and (b) the company's share in the income and losses of less-than-fifty percent owned affiliates.

<sup>(2)</sup> Included in the ratio calculation are preferred stock dividends of \$10 million for 2001, \$20 million for 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively, or \$14 million for 2001, \$29 million in 2000, \$32 million in 1999 and \$30 million in 1998 representing the pre-tax income that would be required to cover such dividend requirements based on the company's effective tax rate for 2001, 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

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### Report of Management

Responsibility for the integrity and objectivity of the financial information presented in this Annual Report rests with IBM management. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, applying certain estimates and judgments as required.

IBM maintains an effective internal control structure. It consists, in part, of organizational arrangements with clearly defined lines of responsibility and delegation of authority, and comprehensive systems and control procedures. We believe this structure provides reasonable assurance that transactions are executed in accordance with management authorization, and that they are appropriately recorded in order to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and to adequately safeguard, verify and maintain accountability of assets. An important element of the control environment is an ongoing internal audit program.

To assure the effective administration of internal controls, we carefully select and train our employees, develop and disseminate written policies and procedures, provide appropriate communication channels, and foster an environment conducive to the effective functioning of controls. We believe that it is essential for the company to conduct its business affairs in accordance with the highest ethical standards, as set forth in the IBM Business Conduct Guidelines. These guidelines, translated into numerous languages, are distributed to employees throughout the world, and reemphasized through internal programs to assure that they are understood and followed.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, is retained to examine IBM's financial statements. Its accompanying report is based on an examination conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, including a review of the internal control structure and tests of accounting procedures and records.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors is composed solely of outside directors, and is responsible for recommending to the Board the independent accounting firm to be retained for the coming year, subject to stockholder approval. The Audit Committee meets periodically and privately with the independent accountants, with the company's internal auditors, as well as with IBM management, to review accounting, auditing, internal control structure and financial reporting matters.

SAMUEL J. PALMISANO

Chairman of the Board,

President and Chief Executive Officer

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JOHN R. JOYCE

Senior Vice President Chief Financial Officer

### Report of Independent Accountants

To the Stockholders and Board of Directors of International Business Machines Corporation:

In our opinion, based on our audits and the report of other auditors, the accompanying consolidated financial statements appearing on pages 64 through 104 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of International Business Machines Corporation and subsidiary companies at December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the company's management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We did not audit the financial statements of the company's Business Consulting Services Reporting Unit (which includes the consulting practice acquired from us as discussed in note C) for the three months ended December 31, 2002, which statements reflect total revenues of 4.3 percent of the related consolidated total in the period ended December 31, 2002. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion expressed herein, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the company's Business Consulting Services Reporting Unit is based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which 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, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits and the report of other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP

New York, New York January 16, 2003,

except for note Y, as to which the date is February 21, 2003

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### **Management Discussion**

### Road Map

The financial section of the International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) 2002 Annual Report consisting of this Management Discussion, the Consolidated Financial Statements that follow and the related notes thereto comprises 64 pages of information. This Road Map is designed to provide you with some perspective regarding the information contained in the financial section and a few helpful hints for reading these 64 pages.

### IBM's Business Model

IBM's business model is built to support two principal components: helping customers become more efficient and competitive through the use of information technology (IT) solutions; and providing long-term value to shareholders. In support of these objectives, the business model has been developed over time through strategic investments in services and technologies that have the best long-term growth and profitability prospects based on the value they deliver to customers.

The model is designed to allow for flexibility and periodic rebalancing, as demonstrated in 2002 with the acquisition of PricewaterhouseCoopers Consulting (PwCC), the agreement to acquire Rational Software Corp. (Rational), and the divestiture of the company's hard disk drive (HDD) business.

The company's portfolio of capabilities ranges from services that include business transformation consulting to software, hardware, fundamental research, financing and the component technologies used to build larger systems.

In terms of financial performance, this breadth of capabilities generally results in less volatile returns, because each capability has unique financial attributes. Some involve contractual long-term cash and income streams while others involve cyclical transactional-based sales. Each performs differently in strong and weak economic environments.

In terms of marketplace performance—i.e., the ability to deliver customer value—it is important to understand that the fundamental strength of this business model is not found in the breadth of the portfolio alone, but in the way the company's components work in harmony to create business solutions.

### Transparency

Transparency is a primary goal of successful financial reporting. The following are additional improvements you will find in this year's Annual Report.

In the 2001 Annual Report, the company introduced a Road Map section that included a list of certain recurring and nonrecurring items. These
items may contribute to or reduce earnings, sometimes in unpredictable or uncontrollable ways. This "Road Map table of expense items" was
also used in the company's 2002 quarterly earnings presentations.

For 2002, the following are examples of such items:

	Page
Higher provision for bad debts	51
Lower goodwill expense	51
Lower intellectual property and custom development income	52
Lower foreign currency transaction gains	52
Lower net realized gains from certain real estate activities	52
Lower writedowns on certain equity investments	52
Lower net gains on sales of securities and other investments	52
Lower retirement-related plans income	52 and 53

It is management's responsibility to deal with these events over time within the context of the company's business model. It is, however, just as or more important to maintain a longer-term perspective and to consider income from continuing operations in the context of revenue and cash flow. A fundamentally sound and strong company should have strength in all three of these measures.

- The Results of Continuing Operations section of the Management Discussion from pages 44 to 53 is expanded to include a brief overview of the company's and each segment's business model and key success drivers. The goal is to enable the reader to understand the historical results as well as a new forward-looking section in the context of the business drivers.
- The Management Discussion contains a new separate section dedicated to the company's Global Financing business on pages 60 through 63.
   This section includes a Global Financing balance sheet.
- In order to help readers of the Annual Report place IBM's services accounting policies in the proper context, the description of IBM's services revenue recognition accounting policies has been explained in additional detail on page 70.

### Helpful Hints

### ORGANIZATION OF INFORMATION

• This Management Discussion section provides the reader of the financial statements with a narrative on the company's financial results. It contains the results of operations for each segment of the business and is followed by a description of the company's financial position as well as certain employee data. The new section dedicated to the company's Global Financing business follows the employee data. It is useful to read the Management Discussion in conjunction with note X, "Segment Information," on pages 100 to 104.

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 Pages 64 through 69 include the Consolidated Financial Statements. These statements include an overview of the company's income and cash flow performance and its financial position.

• The notes follow the Consolidated Financial Statements. Among other things, the notes contain the company's accounting policies (pages 70 to 75), detailed information on specific items within the financial statements, certain contingencies and commitments (pages 88 and 89), and the results of each IBM segment (pages 100 to 104).

### DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On December 31, 2002, the company sold its HDD business to Hitachi, Ltd. (Hitachi). The HDD business is being accounted for as a discontinued operation under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). This means that income statement and cash flow information were reformatted for all years presented to separate the divested business from the company's continuing operations. This presentation is required by GAAP and facilitates historical and future trend analysis of IBM's continuing operations. On page 80 the company discusses this transaction and the accounting for the divestiture.

### Forward-Looking and Cautionary Statements

Certain statements contained in this Annual Report may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements involve a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to be materially different, as discussed more fully elsewhere in this Annual Report and in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the company's 2002 Form 10-K filed on March 10, 2003.

### **Results of Continuing Operations**

### Description of Business

As mentioned in the "IBM's Business Model" section of the Road Map on page 43, IBM's strategy is to lead customers into a new era of business transformation and computing. The company calls this e-business on demand. An on demand business is an enterprise that has integrated its processes end-to-end inside the company and across its extended value chain. On demand businesses manage themselves as a far more integrated whole, meaning they are able to respond with flexibility and speed to customer demands, market opportunities or external threats. There are four key attributes of an on demand business:

- Responsive: On demand businesses seem to have the ability to sense and respond to dynamic, unpredictable changes in demand, supply, pricing, labor, competitor's moves, capital markets and the needs of all its constituencies—customers, partners, suppliers and employees.
- Variable: On demand businesses use variable cost structures and adapt processes flexibly. This flexibility will enable them to reduce risk and do
  business at high levels of productivity, cost control, capital efficiency and financial predictability. The company's utility computing
  offerings—which allow customers to pay for only the processing, storage, or applications that they use—are one way to build flexibility and
  variability into their cost structures.
- Focused: On demand businesses concentrate on their core competencies and the things that set them apart in the marketplace. At the same time,
  they forge tightly integrated partnerships and allow third parties to manage selected tasks such as manufacturing, logistics and fulfillment, or HR
  and financial operations.
- Resilient: On demand businesses manage changes and threats—from the ebb and flow of system usage to viruses or natural disasters—with
  consistent availability and security.

Key business drivers that will influence IBM's future results are: the continued adoption of open technology standards; technology innovations; IBM's internal business transformation and efficiency initiatives; and the external economic environment and corporate IT budgets.

Open Technology Standards —"Open standards" is not a complex high technology catch phrase. The way we use electricity is a good example of an open standard. The outlets in each house and business universally accept any electrical appliance. An example of closed standards would be if every television maker required people to buy a certain type of electricity, perhaps from the television maker itself. So if you wanted to switch television brands, you would also need to rewire your house's electricity. In many ways, this is how the technology industry is today. Many different software products do not run on certain hardware or are not compatible with other software. Certain hardware does not communicate with other hardware. Open standards will solve this situation.

The broad adoption of open standards is essential to the computing model for e-business on demand. Without the open standards that enable all manner of computing platforms to communicate and work with one another, the integration of any customer's internal systems, applications and processes remains a monumental and expensive task. The broad-based acceptance of open standards—rather than closed, proprietary architectures—also allows the computing infrastructure to more easily absorb new technical innovations. IBM is committed to fostering open standards because they benefit customers, because they are vital to the on demand computing model, and because their acceptance will expand growth opportunities across the entire IT industry.

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Technology Innovations— IBM has been moving away from commoditized segments of the IT industry and into areas in which it can differentiate itself through innovation, and by leveraging its investments in research and development (R&D). Examples include IBM's leadership position in the design and fabrication of Application Specific Integrated Circuits; work on designing smaller, faster and lower-power-consuming semiconductor devices (using such innovations as copper technology, silicon on insulator, silicon germanium and low-K dielectric); work to design "autonomic" or self-managing computing systems and build the "grid" computing networks that allow computers to go beyond sharing communications and actually combine processing power; and the company's efforts to advance open technology standards such as Linux.

- Internal Business Transformation and Efficiency Initiatives— A critical element of the company's strategy to improve shareholder value is improving productivity and efficiency. The company continues to execute on the following three ongoing initiatives.
  - Internal implementation of the same business transformation activities that the company provides for its customers. Over the past ten
    years, IBM's cost and expense infrastructure has been improved by numerous simplification and transformation efforts. The following are
    a few examples:
    - Internal IT Infrastructure— Internal MVS/VM host data centers reduced from 155 to 11.
    - Customers— More than 80 percent of sales to business partners are achieved through the Web.
    - Suppliers— Number of electronically connected suppliers now exceeds 31,000.
    - Employees— eLearning represents almost 50 percent of all employee training.
  - Outsourcing or process redesign of certain hardware manufacturing to lower-cost contract manufacturers in order to increase the
    variability of the company's manufacturing cost structure. An example is the company's 2002 outsourcing of desktop personal computer
    manufacturing to Sanmina-SCI.
  - 3. Intense focus on improving employee and process productivity in order to drive a more efficient expense structure.
- Economic Environment and Corporate IT Spending Budgets—Although the diverse nature of IBM's capabilities somewhat mitigates the
  economic volatility of IBM's results, the company's financial performance is impacted by overall marketplace spending. Although IT spending
  is an important driver of IBM's financial results, a key objective is to outperform key competitors and gain market share during strong and weak
  economic environments.

### Historical Results

(dollars in millions except per share amounts)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:		2002		2001		2000
Revenue	\$	81,186	\$	83,067	\$	85,089
Cost	_	50,902		51,178		53,511
Gross profit		30,284		31,889		31,578
Gross profit margin		37.3 %	<b>%</b>	38.4 %	)	37.1 %
Total expense and other income		22,760		20,439		20,167
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	\$	7,524	\$	11,450	\$	11,411
Income from continuing operations	\$	5,334	\$	8,146	\$	7,874
Earnings per share of common stock from continuing operations:	_		Φ.	4.50	ф	1.22
Assuming dilution	\$	3.07	\$	4.59	\$	4.32
Basic	\$	3.13	\$	4.69	\$	4.45

The average number of common shares outstanding assuming dilution was lower by 40.3 million shares in 2002 versus 2001 and 40.9 million shares in 2001 versus 2000, primarily as a result of the company's common share repurchase program. To the extent the company chooses to contribute additional funds to its pension plans in 2003, such actions may impact the amount of common shares that will be repurchased during the year. The decision to fund the pension plans will depend upon economic conditions, employee demographics, mortality rates and investment performance. The average number of common shares outstanding assuming dilution was 1,730.9 million, 1,771.2 million and 1,812.1 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

Revenue in 2002 totaled \$81.2 billion, a decline of 2.3 percent (3 percent at constant currency) compared with revenue of \$83.1 billion in 2001. This was primarily attributable to lower corporate spending on IT. Despite this decline, the company estimates that it is maintaining or gaining market share in most of its key business areas. Global Services and Software revenue grew year over year, but was more than offset by lower Hardware and Global Financing revenue.

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The following table presents each segment's revenue as a percentage of the company's total:

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000
Global Services	44.8 %	42.1 %	39.0%
Hardware	33.8	36.8	40.5
Software	16.1	15.6	14.8
Global Financing	4.0	4.1	4.1
Enterprise Investments/Other	1.3	1.4	1.6
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

In the Americas, full-year 2002 revenue was \$36,423 million, down 2.7 percent (1 percent at constant currency) from the 2001 period. Revenue from Europe/Middle East/Africa was \$24,260 million, an increase of 1.1 percent (down 4 percent at constant currency). Asia Pacific revenue declined 0.5 percent (flat at constant currency) to \$17,153 million. Original equipment manufacturer (OEM) revenue decreased 24.1 percent (24 percent at constant currency) to \$3,350 million.

The reference to constant currency is made so that a segment can be viewed without the impacts of changing foreign currency exchange rates and therefore facilitates a comparative view of business growth. The U.S. dollar generally weakened against other currencies during 2002, so growth at constant currency exchange rates was lower than growth at actual currency exchange rates.

The overall gross profit margin of 37.3 percent decreased 1.1 points from 2001, following a 1.3 point increase in 2001 versus 2000. The decrease in 2002 gross profit margin was primarily driven by lower gross profit in Global Services and Hardware, partially offset by improved gross profit margins in Software and Global Financing. The increase in 2001 gross profit margin was primarily driven by improvement in Global Services, Hardware, Software and Global Financing gross profit margins.

Total expense and other income increased primarily due to the company's special actions associated with its Microelectronics Division, productivity initiatives, and the PwCC acquisition. The provision for bad debts also increased in 2002. These increases were offset by lower advertising expense, the elimination of goodwill amortization and continued ongoing business transformation and efficiency initiatives as described on pages 50 and 51.

#### Looking Forward

The outlook for 2003 is dependent upon the following key factors, among others:

- The market for IT products and services and the company's ability to gain market share
- The acceptance of open standards such as Linux
- The ability to continue converting the company's technology leadership into product and services leadership
- The transformation of IBM's business into an on demand business and the streamlining and cost reduction initiatives associated with the company's Integrated Supply Chain

The following discussion is based on the Consolidated Financial Statements on pages 64 through 69, which reflect, in all material respects, the company's segment results on an external basis. Additional financial information about each segment including the results of certain intercompany transactions is included in note X, "Segment Information," on pages 100 to 104. The Global Financing results of operations are included in the new Global Financing section on pages 60 through 63.

### Global Services

### DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Global Services is an important part of the company's strategy of providing insight and solutions to customers. The application of technology is becoming increasingly critical to customers' advantage in the marketplace. As a result, the value that customers place on IBM's business insight and solutions is increasing. As the company continues to evolve, the expectation is that Global Services will play a larger role interfacing with IBM's customers. Global Services comprises three main lines of business:

- · Strategic Outsourcing Services (SO) provides customers with competitive cost advantages by outsourcing customers' processes and operations.
- Business Consulting Services (BCS), formerly Business Innovation Services, delivers value to customers through business process innovation, application enablement and integration services. The acquisition of PwCC greatly enhances IBM's capabilities in these areas.
- Integrated Technology Services (ITS) designs, implements, and maintains customers' technology infrastructures.

### HISTORICAL RESULTS

### (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001		2000	
Global Services revenue	\$	36,360	\$	34,956	\$	33,152
Global Services cost		26,812		25,355	_	24,309
Gross profit	\$	9,548	\$	9,601	\$	8,843
Gross profit margin		26.3 %		27.5 %	5	26.7 %

Global Services revenue increased 4.0 percent (3 percent at constant currency) in 2002 over 2001 and 5.4 percent (10 percent at constant currency) in 2001 over 2000. The increase in 2002 resulted from the acquisition of PwCC on October 1, 2002 and growth in the SO business. Global Services revenue, excluding maintenance, increased 4.5 percent (4 percent at constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001 and 6.8 percent (11 percent at constant currency) in 2001 versus 2000. Maintenance revenue improved 1.3 percent to \$5,070 million (1 percent at constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001 and declined 2.2 percent (up

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 $2\ percent$  at constant currency) in 2001 when compared to 2000.

SO revenue increased 2.4 percent to \$14,995 million (2 percent at constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001. SO remains attractive to customers in both strong and weak economies.

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SO revenue in 2001 increased versus 2000 primarily as a result of strong growth in Asia Pacific.

BCS revenue increased 8.8 percent to \$9,331 million (7 percent at constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001. The increase was due to the addition of PwCC results in the fourth quarter. BCS revenue excluding PwCC would have declined year over year. BCS continues to be impacted by the industry pressure on consulting services. The integration of PwCC is on schedule. BCS revenue in 2001 increased versus 2000. The fourth quarter 2002 results of BCS, which include the PwCC business acquired from PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) on October 1, 2002, were not audited by PwC; instead, such results were audited by another Big 4 auditing firm.

ITS revenue, excluding maintenance, increased 5.1 percent to \$6,593 million (4 percent in constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001. This revenue growth resulted from increases in the deployment of network hardware and connectivity services, business continuity services and OEM alliances. ITS revenue increased in 2001 versus 2000 in support of server consolidations, business continuity services and OEM alliances.

Global Services gross profit dollars decreased 0.6 percent in 2002 compared to 2001 and increased 8.6 percent in 2001 versus 2000. The gross profit margin decreased 1.2 points in 2002 versus 2001 and increased 0.8 points in 2001 versus 2000. The declines in both gross profit dollars and gross profit margins in 2002 were attributable to market conditions, particularly in the Communications and Financial sectors, and continued weakness in the consulting and systems integration businesses. These declines were partially offset by improvements in gross profit for maintenance, driven by increased productivity and lower parts costs. The increases in both gross profit dollars and gross profit margin in 2001 versus 2000 were primarily a result of increased productivity and lower parts costs across all geographies for maintenance offerings and cost reductions across all services offerings.

### GLOBAL SERVICES SIGNINGS

### (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001	
Longer-term*	\$ 33,068	\$	32,016	
Shorter-term*	20,020		19,261	
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Total*	\$ 53,088	\$	51,277	

<sup>\*</sup> Longer-term are contracts generally 7 to 9 years in length and represent SO contracts and those BCS contracts with the U.S. Federal Government and its agencies. Shorter-term are contracts generally 3 to 9 months in length and represent the remaining BCS contracts and ITS contracts.

In 2002, the company signed Global Services contracts totaling \$53 billion as compared to \$51 billion in 2001. Signings in 2002 included 42 contracts in excess of \$100 million, five of which exceeded \$1 billion, as well as \$1.2 billion of new signings during the fourth quarter associated with the acquired PwCC business. The pace of signings accelerated in the fourth quarter of 2002. Contracts totaling \$3.1 billion acquired as part of the PwCC acquisition are not included in the signings number. Instead, these contracts were added as an adjustment to backlog. Backlog estimates are subject to change and are affected by currency assumptions used in the company's plans, changes in the scope of contracts—mainly long-term contracts—and periodic revalidations. After adjustments for changes in the scope of contracts, the estimated backlog including SO, BCS, ITS and maintenance was \$112 billion at December 31, 2002, as compared to \$102 billion at December 31, 2001.

### LOOKING FORWARD

The addition of PwCC into IBM Global Services on October 1, 2002, will play a significant role in the company's ability to help customers transform themselves into on demand businesses. As of the acquisition date, the company added about 30,000 professionals bringing with them industry-specific business transformation skills that can leverage existing IBM and business partner capabilities to deliver e-business on demand solutions.

### Hardware

The company recently changed the names of its hardware segments, whereby Enterprise Systems is now the Systems Group and Personal and Printing Systems is now the Personal Systems Group.

### DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Systems Group

The Systems Group comprises eServer and Storage products. eServers are based upon IBM operating systems (zSeries and iSeries), as well as UNIX (pSeries) and the Microsoft Windows operating system (xSeries). All of these server lines have the capability to run Linux, a key open standard operating system. Data storage products include disk, tape and storage area networks included within the Storage brand.

The Systems Group provides business solutions to customers. Approximately half of the Systems Group's sales transactions are through business partners and approximately 40 percent direct to customers, slightly more than half of which are through the Web at ibm.com. In addition, while appropriately not reported as external revenue, hardware is also deployed internally in support of IBM Global Services offerings and contracts.

Personal Systems Group

The Personal Systems Group includes the company's lines of personal computers, printers and point-of-sale terminals. The personal computer business is characterized by a high degree of commoditization, short product life cycles, and intense price competition. Leaders in personal computers execute intense cost control and generate customer loyalty through the offering of differentiated features such as the company's new ThinkVantage technologies, superior post-sale support, and maintenance.

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Technology Group

The Technology Group, primarily consisting of the Microelectronics Division, provides leading semiconductor technology, packaging solutions and engineering technology services to OEM customers and, although appropriately not reported as external revenue, to the Systems Group. The Microelectronics Division develops and manufactures products in three general categories:

Application Specific Integrated Circuits— The company manufactures and tests customized semiconductor products for customers. The customers design these customized product solutions using IBM's suite of design tools and portfolio of intellectual property (IP), resulting in faster speeds to market for the customers.

Foundry—Semiconductor customers provide IBM with their product designs based upon the customer's product IP. Using the customer's design, IBM provides a full suite of semiconductor manufacturing and integrated supply chain services to deliver the product to the customer.

Standard products— These are semiconductors that are manufactured and designed primarily based upon IBM's Power PC platform. Minor customization is performed for customers.

In addition, Technology Group launched in 2002 its new Engineering and Technology Services Division that provides system and component design services, strategic outsourcing of customers' design teams, and technology and manufacturing consulting services.

### HISTORICAL RESULTS

### (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001		2000	
Hardware revenue	\$	27,456	\$	30,593	\$	34,470
Hardware cost	_	20,020	_	21,231	_	24,207
Gross profit	\$	7,436	\$	9,362	\$	10,263
Gross profit margin		27.1 %	<b>6</b>	30.6%	, <u> </u>	29.8 %

Hardware revenue declined 10.3 percent (11 percent at constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001 and declined 11.2 percent (8 percent at constant currency) in 2001 compared with 2000.

In 2002, Systems Group revenue declined 8.0 percent (10 percent at constant currency) to \$12,646 million from 2001, following a decrease of 3.2 percent in 2001 versus 2000. Revenue from the majority of the Systems Group products was affected by the continuing weak IT spending during 2002. zSeries revenue declined in 2002 following an increase in 2001. Total deliveries of zSeries computing power increased approximately 6 percent as measured in MIPS (millions of instructions per second) versus 2001, while the price per MIP continued to decline from 2000 through 2002. Revenue from pSeries UNIX servers decreased in 2002 versus 2001 although high-end pSeries server revenue increased in 2002 versus 2001. In November 2002 the company announced a new mid-range p650 server with Power 4 engines, which generated strong demand. Revenue from pSeries servers declined due to weak market conditions, although high-end server revenue increased in 2001 versus 2000. Revenue from iSeries servers declined in 2002 versus 2001 due to weak volumes across all product lines. Revenue from iSeries servers also declined in 2001 versus 2000. These declines in revenue were partially offset by increased revenue from xSeries servers, primarily in the high-end servers. The company expects to have gained market share in xSeries servers in 2002 against competitors. xSeries revenue declined in 2001 versus 2000, reflecting the competitive environment in the Intel-based server market.

Revenue from storage products decreased in direct access storage device (DASD) and tape product lines in 2002 versus 2001 as the company experienced weakness in this business consistent with general industry trends whereby the impact of price declines exceeded the impact of volume growth as measured in terabytes. In 2001, revenue increased primarily as a result of higher revenue from high-end storage products versus 2000.

Personal Systems Group revenue declined 7.8 percent (9 percent at constant currency) in 2002 to \$11,049 million from 2001, following a decrease of 20.6 percent in 2001 versus 2000 with personal computers, retail stores solutions and printer systems all showing declines. The personal computer revenue decline was primarily driven by the continued demand weakness and price erosion in the industry.

The Technology Group no longer includes HDDs and comprises mainly the company's Microelectronics Division for all periods presented. Technology Group revenue in 2002 decreased 23.6 percent (23 percent at constant currency) to \$3,935 million when compared with 2001, following a decrease of 0.7 percent in 2001 versus 2000. The decline in Technology Group revenue was primarily a result of the divestiture of multiple, non-core businesses over the past twelve months, including display and card manufacturing. These decreases were partially offset by increased revenue from OEM logic products driven by demand for the company's copper products and its growing foundry business. The decline in 2001 revenue was primarily driven by the severe slowdown in the semiconductor industry in 2001.

Hardware gross profit dollars decreased 20.6 percent in 2002 from 2001, following an 8.8 percent decrease in 2001 versus 2000. The Hardware gross profit margin decreased 3.5 points in 2002 following an increase of 0.8 points in 2001 versus 2000. The decline in gross profit dollars and gross profit margin in 2002 was primarily driven by lower volumes in the company's microelectronics business and lower gross profit margins on Systems Group products, primarily pSeries and storage products, which more than offset the benefits from hardware manufacturing infrastructure cost reductions.

The decline in gross profit dollars in 2001 was primarily due to lower volumes in the company's Technology Group and pricing pressures in personal computers.

The increase in 2001 gross profit margin was primarily driven by a shift in the company's revenue toward servers from lower gross profit margin products, such as personal computers.

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### LOOKING FORWARD

• Two key product lines recently announced product refreshes. As discussed on page 48, the company experienced strong demand for its new pSeries products announcement in November. In January 2003, the company announced a major refresh of its iSeries midrange product line that allows customers to buy and pay for only the computing capacity they need.

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- Indications are that Linux is gaining additional support and popularity and is recognized as an open standard operating system. Systems Group servers are compatible with Linux.
- The new Engineering and Technology Services Division is bringing entirely new value offerings to a broader customer base than traditionally
  associated with the Technology Group. These new offerings have the potential to generate more stable financial returns with characteristics
  similar to a services business.
- Autonomic computing is a key competitive differentiator for the company.
- The company outsourced its desktop manufacturing in January 2002 and recently announced an agreement to outsource the manufacturing of a significant portion of its low and midrange xSeries servers and to outsource certain mobile PC configuration processes to be effective in 2003. The outsourcing initiatives will increase the company's responsiveness to changes in demand. These initiatives along with internal initiatives to streamline the company's integrated supply chain have yielded, and will continue to yield, additional cost savings.

#### Software

### DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

The Software business consists primarily of middleware and operating systems. Middleware software enables companies to manage processes and the flow of information as well as to collaborate. Operating systems are the software engines that run computers. Middleware brands include:

- WebSphere (facilitates customers' ability to manage a wide variety of business processes through the Web)
- Data Management such as DB2 database software
- Tivoli (enables customers to centrally manage and efficiently utilize their network and storage)
- Lotus (increases customer's ability to communicate, collaborate and learn in an effective manner)

Sales channels include direct to end users (70 percent) and business partners (21 percent). The remainder, while appropriately not reported as external revenue, is deployed internally in support of Global Services offerings and contracts. Approximately 40 percent of software revenue relates to one-time charge (OTC) arrangements whereby the customer pays one up-front payment for a lifetime license. Typically, arrangements for the sale of OTC software include one year of maintenance. The customer can also purchase ongoing maintenance after the first year, which includes product upgrades and technical support. The remaining software is sold on a monthly license charge arrangement.

# HISTORICAL RESULTS

(dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002			2001	2001 2000		
Software revenue	\$	13,074	\$	12,939	\$	12,598	
Software cost		2,043	<b>2,043</b> 2,265			2,283	
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Gross profit	\$	\$ 11,031		10,674	\$	10,315	
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Gross profit margin		<b>84.4 %</b> 82.5 %			6	81.9%	

Software revenue increased 1.0 percent (flat at constant currency) in 2002, following an increase of 2.7 percent (7 percent at constant currency) in 2001 from 2000. The software market remained challenging in 2002. The company noted two trends driving this challenging market. First, customers were spending more time on the selection process for software solutions. Second, customers were more inclined to negotiate smaller software arrangements, which are perceived to provide a faster return on investment. The company's continued focus on customer base expansion, including mid-sized customers, offset these two trends. Despite the difficult software environment, the company believes it continued to gain share in key areas.

The company's middleware products revenue grew 4 percent (3 percent at constant currency) to \$10,055 million in 2002 and increased 5 percent (9 percent at constant currency) in 2001 versus 2000. Middleware revenue increases in 2002 were driven by growth in data management software, WebSphere and Tivoli, partially offset by revenue declines in Lotus. The increase in 2001 resulted from strong growth in data management software and WebSphere, partially offset by revenue declines in Tivoli and Lotus. Revenue from the acquisition of the Informix database business in July 2001 contributed approximately 60 percent of the middleware software growth in 2002 and 2001.

Operating systems software revenue declined 3 percent (4 percent at constant currency) to \$2,369 million in 2002 versus 2001 and declined 3 percent (up 1 percent at constant currency) in 2001 compared with the prior year. The decline in 2002 resulted from lower revenue associated with zSeries, iSeries and pSeries offerings. The decline in 2001 resulted from lower revenue associated with iSeries and pSeries server products.

Software gross profit dollars increased 3.3 percent in 2002 from 2001, following an increase of 3.5 percent in 2001 from 2000. The Software gross profit margin improved 1.9 points in 2002 following an increase of 0.6 points in 2001 compared to 2000. Lower support and services costs contributed to the increases. In addition, the company continues to leverage productivity initiatives such as shared component development.

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The company develops software building blocks that may be used in multiple products to satisfy a wide range of customer needs. This has led to efficiencies, cost savings in the production of code, and improved time to market with new offerings. The increase in gross profit dollars and gross profit margin in 2001 versus 2000 was primarily due to higher Software revenue, lower service costs and purchased vendor software, partially offset by higher amortization costs and vendor royalty payments.

## LOOKING FORWARD

The company purchased Rational on February 21, 2003 for approximately \$2.1 billion in cash. Rational provides software tools that allow users to effectively capture and analyze requirements to create designs for software applications, test applications, and manage the software development process. Rational's software development tools can be used to develop and upgrade any other company's software products. Accordingly, this acquisition is a critical part of IBM's open standard strategy. Rational's revenue for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2002, was \$690 million.

Major IBM customers are embracing the Linux operating system. Prior to open standard operating systems, a customer may have been more likely to purchase middleware from the software vendor that owns and sells the proprietary operating system used by that customer. An open standard operating system gives customers another reason to consider IBM middleware.

### Enterprise Investments/Other

## DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

The Enterprise Investments segment develops and provides industry-specific information technology solutions supporting the Hardware, Software and Global Services segments of the company. Primary product lines include product life cycle management software and document processing technologies. Product life cycle management software primarily serves the industrial sector and helps customers manage the development and manufacturing of their products. Document processor products service the financial sector and include products that enable electronic banking.

## HISTORICAL RESULTS

### (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2002 2001			2000		
Enterprise Investments/ Other revenue	\$	1,064	\$	1,153	\$	1,404		
Enterprise Investments/ Other cost		611		<b>611</b> 63		634		747
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Gross profit	\$	453	\$	519	\$	657		
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Gross profit margin		<b>42.6 %</b> 45.		<b>%</b> 45.0%		46.8%		

Enterprise Investments/Other revenue decreased 7.7 percent (10 percent at constant currency) from 2001, following a decrease of 17.9 percent (14 percent at constant currency) in 2001 from 2000. The decrease in 2002 revenue was primarily a result of lower revenue from document processors, partially offset by increased revenue from product life-cycle management software. The company's strategy has been to shift development and distribution of certain products to third-party companies.

The gross profit dollars from Enterprise Investments/Other declined 12.6 percent in 2002 versus 2001 and decreased 21.0 percent in 2001 versus 2000. The Enterprise Investments/Other gross profit margin declined 2.4 points in 2002 following a decrease of 1.8 points in 2001 versus 2000. The declines in gross profit dollars and margins primarily relate to software as well as industry dynamics.

# LOOKING FORWARD

The key factors that will impact the results of the Enterprise Investments segment are the economy and corporate IT spending budgets.

# Expense and Other Income

# (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2002 2001		
Selling, general and administrative	\$ 18,738 \$	17,048 \$	3 17,393	
Percentage of revenue	23.1 %	20.5 %	20.4 %	
Research, development and engineering	4,750	4,986	5,084	
Percentage of revenue	5.9 %	6.0%	6.0%	
Intellectual property and custom development income	(1,100)	(1,476)	(1,664)	
Other (income) and expense	227	(353)	(990)	
Interest expense	145	234	344	
Total expense and other income	\$ 22,760 <b>\$</b>	20,439 \$	5 20,167	
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# SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

# Historical Results

Total Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expense increased 9.9 percent (9 percent at constant currency) in 2002 versus 2001, following a decrease of 2.0 percent (flat at constant currency) in 2001 compared with 2000. The increase in 2002 was due to actions taken in the second quarter and fourth quarter of 2002 totaling \$1,489 million. See note S, "2002 Actions," on pages 90 through 92 for additional details regarding these actions.

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PwCC acquisition-related costs of \$292 million were incurred in 2002 and included the PwCC compensation costs discussed on page 78. These costs relate to the acquired PwCC business that are of a nonrecurring nature and also contributed to the increase in SG&A.

Workforce reductions, which are the ongoing reductions and rebalancing that occur each quarter, were \$300 million in 2002, \$285 million in 2001 and \$167 million in 2000. The 2002 amount excludes workforce reductions that took place in the 2002 second quarter. These 2002 second-quarter workforce reductions were recorded in the second-quarter actions amount disclosed in note S, "2002 Actions," on pages 90 through 92 and included in the 2002 actions amount mentioned on page 50. The annual increases in workforce reductions are attributable to the difficult economic environment during 2001 and 2002, as well as the company's rebalancing of the workforce for shifts in required skills.

Advertising and promotional expense was \$1,427 million in 2002, a decline of \$188 million from 2001 following a decline of \$127 million in 2001 versus 2000. The declines from 2000 to 2002 are primarily due to a strategic initiative to consolidate and centralize certain advertising at the corporate level in order to gain additional efficiencies. The decreases in 2002 were primarily in spending associated with direct response advertising, business partner programs and customer and sales events. The decline in 2001 was primarily driven by lower spending on brand advertising and promotional spending.

The provision for bad debts expense in 2002, 2001 and 2000 was \$673 million, \$490 million and \$270 million, respectively. The increases were related primarily to the company's Global Financing receivables portfolio and were the result of the weakening economy and exposures in the Communications sector. See page 62 for further information about the company's financing receivables.

As described in "Standards Implemented," on pages 75 and 76, the company adopted new accounting rules that eliminate the amortization of goodwill starting January 1, 2002. Page 76 includes income and earnings per share amounts that are adjusted to present comparative amounts as if the new goodwill rules were in place prior to 2002. Goodwill expense, net of tax, was \$262 million in 2001 and \$436 million in 2000.

The remaining base SG&A expense includes all the other expenses that are not separately discussed above and amounted to \$14,557 million, \$14,396 million and \$14,778 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The increase in 2002 was solely due to the acquired PwCC business. Base SG&A expense reductions, excluding the impact of PwCC, were primarily due to the company's business transformation and efficiency initiatives as well as concentrated and focused control of day-to-day discretionary spending.

#### Looking Forward

The company will continue to execute on its business transformation and efficiency initiatives.

The second quarter 2002 actions are estimated to reduce cost and expense by at least an incremental \$900 million, pre-tax, in 2003 as compared to 2002. Approximately half of these incremental cost and expense reductions are estimated to benefit Global Services, approximately 25 percent for the Technology Group and approximately 20 percent for the Systems Group.

The future level of provision for bad debts will depend upon economic conditions and the health of each sector in which the company has a concentration of financing receivables. Refer to pages 61 to 63 for additional information about the company's financing receivables.

### RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING

# Description

Once again, the company had more patents awarded in the United States in 2002 than any other company. This marks the 10th year in a row that IBM achieved this distinction. Being the leader in patents contributes to IBM's ability to gain market share in key areas. Recent significant achievements and initiatives that have given IBM an edge in the marketplace include autonomic (self-healing) computing capabilities and copper chip and silicon-on-insulator technology, and the ongoing support of the open standard Linux operating system. Another significant benefit of being the leader in patents is the ability to generate income through sales of IP and custom development arrangements. The level of R&D spending is determined based upon IBM's projections of future customer technology needs and areas offering significant long-term growth opportunities for shareholders.

# Historical Results

Research, development and engineering (RD&E) expense declined 4.7 percent in 2002 from 2001, following a decrease of 1.9 percent in 2001 from 2000. The declines in 2002 and 2001 were a result of actions taken to improve productivity. In addition, the company reprioritized its spending to increase its investment in high-growth opportunities such as e-business, initiatives to support Linux, middleware software products, autonomic computing and e-business on demand.

# Looking Forward

In November 2002, the company announced On Demand Innovation Services, a new services arm located in its Research Division, which provides customers access to a discrete team of researchers who specialize in high-end business transformation and technology consulting. The new organization will be staffed with up to 200 IBM Research consultants worldwide.

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### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CUSTOM DEVELOPMENT INCOME

#### Description

As discussed above, the company's world-class R&D function results in superior products for the company's customers, and also results in IP income. Some of the technological breakthroughs that IBM achieves are used exclusively in IBM products while other breakthroughs are used by others when the new technology is not strategic to IBM's business goals. A third group is both used internally and licensed externally.

IP and custom development income comprises the three categories in the table below. Sales and other transfers of IP are typically transaction-based lump sums and are relatively less predictable in amount and timing than licensing/royalty-based fees. Licensing/royalty-based fees involve ongoing cash inflow and income streams. The key factors impacting the amount of income earned in these two categories are the timing and availability of the company's licensable IP. IBM also earns income from performing custom development for specific customers.

In addition to the IP income sources in the table below, the company also generates value from its patent portfolio through cross-licensing arrangements and IP licensed in divestiture transactions. Cross-licensing arrangements involve licensing of the company's IP to a third party in exchange for the third party's IP. The company does not record income on these transactions except to the extent that cash is received. The value received by IBM for IP transferred in divestiture transactions is included in the overall gain or loss from the divestiture and is therefore excluded from the table below.

Historical Results

(dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001		2000		
Sales and other transfers of intellectual property	\$	511	\$	727	\$	913	
Licensing/royalty-based fees		351		465		528	
Custom development income	238			284		223	
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Total	\$	1,100	\$	1,476	\$	1,664	
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The decreases in sales and other transfers of IP in 2002 versus 2001 and 2001 versus 2000 were primarily due to a greater number of larger dollar sales and other transfers during the prior years. The amount of income from licensing/royalty-based fee transactions has been declining due to economic conditions and fewer licensing opportunities resulting from industry consolidation.

Looking Forward

The timing and amount of sales and other transfers of IP may vary significantly from year to year depending upon the timing of new patents and know-how development, economic conditions, and the extent of further industry consolidation, if any.

## OTHER (INCOME) AND EXPENSE

The primary reason for the reduction in Other (income) and expense in 2002 was the actions taken by the company in the second and fourth quarters of 2002 amounting to \$513 million. See note S, "2002 Actions," on pages 90 through 92 for further information. The remaining items of Other (income) and expense largely offset. These offsetting items include the lower writedowns of certain equity investments for other than temporary market declines of \$58 million in 2002 as compared to \$405 million in 2001. There were no such write-downs in 2000. Net realized gains on sales of securities and other investments were \$(63) million in 2002, \$(236) million in 2001 and \$(265) million in 2000. These writedowns and sales activity are related to the dynamics in the equity markets over the past few years. Additionally, net realized gains from certain real estate activities were \$(66) million in 2002, \$(133) million in 2001 and \$(222) million in 2000. The company recorded interest income (from securities and other investments excluding the Global Financing business transactions) of \$(127) million in 2002, \$(175) million in 2001 and \$(308) million in 2000. Foreign currency transaction gains were \$(39) million, \$(190) million and \$(128) million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The reduction of Other (income) and expense from 2000 to 2001 was primarily attributable to the 2001 writedown of certain equity investments for other than temporary market declines.

# INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense is presented in Cost of Global Financing in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings only if the related external borrowings are to support the Global Financing external business. See page 63 for additional information regarding Global Financing debt and interest expense.

Interest expense, excluding amounts recorded in Cost of Global Financing, declined 37.9 percent in 2002 from 2001 and 31.4 percent in 2001 versus 2000. The declines were primarily due to lower average interest rates and a decline in average debt outstanding in the periods.

# Retirement-Related Benefits

# DESCRIPTION

The company provides a number of retirement-related benefits to its employees including defined benefit pension plans and defined contribution pension plans. The company also provides nonpension postretirement plans comprising retiree medical and life insurance plans.

# HISTORICAL RESULTS

The following table provides the total pre-tax (income)/cost for all retirement-related plans. (Income)/cost amounts are included as a reduction of/addition to, respectively, the company's cost and expense amounts in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings within the caption (e.g., Cost, SG&A, RD&E) relating to the job function of the individuals participating in the plans.

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The amounts disclosed in this retirement-related benefits table are for continuing operations.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001*		2000*	
Total retirement-related plans—income	\$	(248)	\$ (493		\$	(389)
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Defined benefit and contribution pension plans—income	\$	(619)	\$	(886)	\$	(776)
Nonpension postretirement benefits—cost		371		393		387

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Total retirement-related plans income decreased \$245 million in 2002 as compared to 2001. This was primarily due to the defined benefit plans. The primary driver of the decrease in retirement-related plans income relates to the 2002 change in defined benefit plan assumptions.

See note W, "Retirement-Related Benefits," on pages 95 to 100 for detailed information about the company's plans including the components of defined benefit plan income, the funded status of defined benefit plans, the historical effects of actuarial assumptions on retirement-related plans (income)/cost, the company's accounting policy for retirement-related benefits, the company's funding of the U.S. defined benefit plan in the fourth quarter of 2002, the impact of certain plan amendments on retirement-related plans (income)/cost, and descriptions of the major plans.

#### LOOKING FORWARD

On January 1, 2003, the company reduced its expected return on plan assets for its U.S. defined benefit plan from 9.5 percent to 8.0 percent, and on December 31, 2002, the company lowered its discount rate assumption from 7.0 percent to 6.75 percent, and its rate of compensation increase from 6.0 percent to 4.0 percent. Reductions in these rates also occurred in certain non-U.S. countries. As discussed on page 99, the company contributed cash and IBM stock to the main U.S. defined benefit plan. As a result, it remains fully funded on an Accumulated Benefit Obligation (ABO) basis. The collective effect of these actions will be an estimated reduction in the 2003 Retirement-related plans income of approximately \$500 million as compared to 2002 Retirement-related plans income.

Future impacts of pension plans, including the changes noted above, on the operating results of the company depend on economic conditions, employee demographics, mortality rates and investment performance.

#### Allocation of Expense to Segments

See note X, "Segment Information," on pages 100 to 104 for additional information about the pre-tax income/(loss) of each segment, as well as the methodologies employed by the company to allocate shared expenses to the segments.

# Provision for Income Taxes

# HISTORICAL RESULTS

The continuing operations provision for income taxes resulted in an effective tax rate of 29.1 percent for 2002, compared with the 2001 effective tax rate of 28.9 percent and the 2000 effective tax rate of 31.0 percent. Excluding the tax effect of the Microelectronics Division's portion of the 2002 actions as described in note S, "2002 Actions," on pages 90 through 92, the 2002 rate was 29.5 percent. This 0.6 point increase from the 2001 rate was principally attributable to a less favorable mix of geographic income. The 2.1 point decrease in the 2001 rate from the 2000 rate was primarily the result of a more favorable mix of income in countries with low tax rates as well as adjustments to estimated tax liabilities relating to prior years.

# LOOKING FORWARD

In the normal course of business, the company expects that its effective tax rate will approximate 30 percent. The rate will change year to year based on nonrecurring events (such as the tax effect of the Microelectronics Division's actions in 2002) as well as recurring factors including the geographical mix of income before taxes, the timing and amount of foreign dividends, state and local taxes, and the interaction of various global tax strategies.

In 2001, the World Trade Organization (WTO) determined that tax provisions of the FSC Repeal and Extraterritorial Income (ETI) Exclusion Act of 2000 constitute an export subsidy prohibited by the WTO Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures Agreement. The U.S. government appealed the panel's decision and lost its appeal. The President of the United States has stated that the United States will comply with the WTO ruling. During 2002, the House Ways and Means Committee Chairman introduced the American Competitiveness and Corporate Accountability Act of 2002. This proposed bill would repeal the ETI regime and introduce broad-based international tax reform. If the ETI exclusion is repealed and replacement legislation is not enacted, the loss of the ETI tax benefit may adversely impact the company's tax rate.

# Additional Information

In addition to the information in this Management Discussion section regarding the company's business, pages 1 through 3 of the IBM 2002 Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 10, 2003, provide additional information regarding IBM's business, focusing on high-level organization and certain key risk factors.

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#### **Results of Discontinued Operations**

(dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001	2000
Revenue	\$	1,946 \$	2,799	\$ 3,307
Pre-tax (loss)/income	\$	(2,037) \$	(497)	
Income tax benefit	_	(282)	(74)	(96)
(Loss)/income	\$	(1,755) \$	(423)	\$ 219

See the "Basis of Presentation" section in note A, "Significant Accounting Policies" on page 70 and note C, "Acquisitions/Divestitures" on pages 78 to 80 for a discussion of the company's divestiture of the HDD business.

Revenue from discontinued operations in 2002 totalled \$1,946 million, a decline of 30.5 percent compared with revenue of \$2,799 million in 2001. Revenue from discontinued operations decreased 15.4 percent in 2001 compared with 2000 revenue of \$3,307 million. The HDD revenue declined as the company's ability to sell HDDs is highly dependent on the personal computer industry, which experienced a significant downturn beginning in 2000, as well as a result of general industry price declines.

Loss from discontinued operations in 2002 was \$1,755 million as compared to a loss of \$423 million in 2001 and income of \$219 million in 2000. The loss in 2002 was primarily attributable to the operational loss of \$1,373 million, net of tax, and an estimated loss on disposal of the HDD business of \$382 million, net of tax. Included in the operational net loss in 2002 was a \$508 million, net of tax, increase for certain actions taken by the company in the second and fourth quarters of 2002, a \$217 million, net of tax, increase for inventory write-offs as compared to 2001 and a \$57 million, net of tax, increase in warranty costs as compared to 2001. The announcement of the Hitachi transaction led the company to a strategic decision to cease reworking and selling efforts for some of the company's older HDD products. The increase in inventory write-offs was especially pronounced for these older products.

The second quarter actions primarily included charges for the abandonment and associated removal costs for machinery, equipment and tooling that are no longer needed by the company and will not be purchased by Hitachi. The fourth quarter actions primarily included the abandonment and associated removal costs for machinery and equipment and tooling, workforce reduction-related charges and excess leased space charges associated with the HDD business, all as a result of the final agreement completed with Hitachi.

The 2002 and 2001 discontinued operations tax rates of approximately 14 percent and 15 percent, respectively, resulted primarily from the mix of losses in countries with low tax rates. Additionally, the 2002 tax rate included an incremental U.S. tax charge of \$248 million attributable to the December repatriation of non-U.S. transaction proceeds. The 2000 discontinued operations tax rate was impacted by the geographic mix of income and changes in the value of IP rights that were previously transferred to several non-U.S. subsidiaries.

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### **Continuing Operations**

The company's fourth-quarter 2002 diluted earnings per common share from continuing operations was \$1.11, compared with diluted earnings per common share of \$1.46 in the fourth quarter of 2001. Fourth-quarter income from continuing operations was \$1.9 billion compared with \$2.6 billion in fourth quarter 2001. Revenue from continuing operations for the fourth quarter was \$23.7 billion, up 7 percent (4 percent at constant currency) compared with the fourth quarter of 2001 revenue of \$22.1 billion.

In the Americas, revenue was \$10.3 billion, an increase of 4.6 percent (7 percent at constant currency) from the 2001 period. Revenue from Europe/Middle East/Africa was \$7.8 billion, up 12.6 percent (1 percent at constant currency). Asia-Pacific revenue grew 7.1 percent (4 percent at constant currency) to \$4.8 billion. OEM revenue decreased 11.3 percent (11 percent at constant currency) to \$828 million compared with the fourth quarter of 2001.

Revenue from Global Services, including maintenance, grew 16.7 percent (13 percent at constant currency) in the fourth quarter to \$10.6 billion, driven by the PwCC acquisition. Global Services revenue, excluding maintenance, increased 19 percent (15 percent at constant currency). IBM signed more than \$18 billion in services contracts in the quarter compared with \$9 billion in the 2002 third quarter.

Hardware revenue increased 1.3 percent (down 1 percent at constant currency) to \$8.1 billion from the 2001 fourth quarter. Despite continued weak IT spending, revenue at constant currency from xSeries Intel-based servers grew with high-end server demand particularly strong, while revenue from pSeries UNIX-based servers was flat with fourth-quarter 2001 revenue. IBM eServer revenue from iSeries declined as compared to the fourth quarter of 2001, due to the weak economic environment. While zSeries revenue also declined in the quarter from a year ago, total deliveries of zSeries computing power as measured in MIPS increased 13 percent compared with 7 percent in third-quarter 2002. Storage products revenue declined although disk storage revenue increased, driven by high-end products. Microelectronics revenue decreased as compared to the fourth quarter of 2001.

The personal computer unit increased revenue as compared to the fourth quarter of 2001 due to higher sales of desktop and mobile products.

Software revenue was flat (down 2 percent at constant currency) at \$3.8 billion compared to the 2001 fourth quarter due to the weak economic environment. Middleware products declined 1 percent at constant currency in the fourth quarter of 2002.

Operating systems revenue decreased compared with the prior-year period due primarily to the related volume trends of eServer hardware sales.

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Global Financing revenue decreased 10.5 percent (11 percent at constant currency) in the fourth quarter of 2002 to \$829 million. Revenue from the Enterprise Investments/Other area, which includes industry-specific IT solutions, increased 1.1 percent (down 6 percent at constant currency) compared to the fourth quarter of 2001 to \$343 million.

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The company's overall gross profit margin was 38.8 percent in the fourth quarter, compared to 40.3 percent in the 2001 fourth quarter, primarily due to lower Global Services margin as a result of PwCC being at a lower gross profit margin than the company's base business. Also, signings in the company's ITS Services business came late in the quarter, which resulted in the company's utilization rates being lower. This decline was partially offset by an increase in Software and Hardware gross profit margins in the fourth quarter of 2002.

In the fourth quarter, total expense and other income of \$6.5 billion increased 21.4 percent over the year-earlier period, including charges of \$614 million associated with the acquisition and integration of PwCC and related restructuring as well as one-time compensation costs, which are partially offset  $by\ a\ \$40\ million\ benefit\ from\ net\ adjustments\ to\ restructuring\ charges\ from\ the\ second-quarter\ 2002\ actions.\ Specifically,\ SG\&A\ expense\ increased\ 16$ percent, reflecting the PwCC charges offset by the benefit from net adjustments related to second-quarter actions and lower goodwill expense due to the implementation of new accounting rules. RD&E expense decreased 2.9 percent in the fourth quarter. Lower IP and custom development income had a negative impact on results compared with the year-earlier period, despite two sizable contracts totaling, in the aggregate, approximately \$170 million in the quarter. Other (income) and expense was negatively affected by foreign exchange losses as well as lower gains from certain real estate activities. Overall, IBM continues to benefit from the company's continuing e-business transformation and productivity enhancements.

The company's effective tax rate in the fourth quarter was 29.5 percent compared with 28.6 percent in the fourth quarter of 2001.

The company spent \$74 million on common share repurchases in the fourth quarter. The average number of common shares outstanding assuming dilution was lower by 29.3 million shares in fourth quarter of 2002 versus the fourth quarter of 2001, primarily as a result of the ongoing common share repurchase program. The average number of shares assuming dilution was 1,728.7 million in fourth-quarter 2002 versus 1,758.0 million in fourth-quarter 2001.

## Discontinued Operations

Revenue from discontinued operations for the fourth quarter of 2002 was \$548 million, a 19.9 percent decrease from the fourth quarter of 2001. Net loss from discontinued operations for the fourth quarter of 2002 was \$893 million as compared to a loss of \$232 million in 2001. The underlying business dynamics causing these fourth quarter financial trends are consistent with those underlying the full-year 2002 and 2001 trends discussed in the Results of Discontinued Operations section on page 54, including the additional loss of \$247 million, net of tax, incurred in the fourth quarter on disposal of the HDD

### **Financial Condition**

#### **Dynamics**

The assets and debt associated with the company's Global Financing business are a significant part of IBM's financial condition. Accordingly, although the financial position amounts appearing below and on pages 56 and 57 are the company's consolidated amounts including Global Financing, to the extent the Global Financing business is a major driver of the consolidated financial position, reference in the narrative section will be made to a separate Global Financing section in this Management Discussion on pages 60 through 63. The amounts appearing in the separate Global Financing section are supplementary data presented to facilitate an understanding of the company's Global Financing business.

# Overall

During 2002, the company made significant acquisitions as well as ongoing investments in RD&E and in fixed assets. In addition, the company fully funded, on an ABO basis, the IBM Personal Pension Plan (PPP). In spite of this activity, the company ended the year with \$5,975 million in Cash and cash equivalents and current Marketable securities. In the fourth quarter, the company took advantage of the low interest rate environment to execute some term-debt financing that increased the non-Global Financing debt to \$2,189 million at December 31, 2002. The debt-to-capital ratio of 10.2 percent is well within the company's target.

# Cash Flow

The company's cash flow from operating, investing and financing activities, as reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows on page 69, are summarized in the table on page 56. These amounts include the cash flows associated with the company's Global Financing business, which are presented on pages 60 through 63.

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(dollars in millions) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001		2000		
Net cash provided by/(used in) continuing operations:							
Operating activities	\$	13,788	\$	13,966	\$ 8,837		
Investing activities		(6,897)		(5,862)	(4,001)		
Financing activities		(7,265)		(5,309)	(6,359)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		148		(83)	(147)		
Net cash (used in)/provided by discontinued operations*		(722)		(722)		55	190
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Net change in cash and cash equivalents	\$	(948)	\$	2,767	\$ (1,480)		

<sup>\*</sup> Does not include approximately \$1,170 million of net proceeds from the sale of the HDD business. Such proceeds are included in Net cash used in from Investing activities in the table above.

### Working Capital

#### (dollars in millions)

AT DECEMBER 31:		2002		2002		2001	
Current assets	\$	41,652	\$	42,461			
Current liabilities		34,550		35,119			
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Working capital	\$	7,102	\$	7,342			
Current ratio		1.21:1		1.21:1			

In 2002 the company continued to focus on cash generation and improved its performance in several key working capital components, particularly accounts receivable and inventory. The \$809 million decrease in Current assets was due primarily to the decline of \$1,156 million in Inventories due to improvements in inventory levels across all business units and divestitures. The company's inventory levels now stand at a 20-year low and inventory turnover increased year to year. In addition, there was a decrease of \$418 million in Cash and cash equivalents and Marketable securities, resulting from the \$2,852 million cash payment for the purchase of PwCC, the \$2,092 million cash contribution to fund the PPP, and \$857 million in restructuring payments. These cash outlays were partially offset by the \$1,170 million of net cash received from the sale of the HDD business to Hitachi, approximately \$650 million received from the monetization of interest rate swaps associated with the company's debt portfolio, and the collection of a receivable for prior years' taxes and interest of \$460 million. The decline of \$660 million in Short-term financing receivables (see pages 60 through 63 and page 81) was offset by the \$814 million increase in Notes and accounts receivable—trade, which resulted from the acquisition of PwCC and the stronger fourth quarter revenue in 2002 as compared to 2001.

Current liabilities decreased \$569 million primarily due to the \$5,157 million decline in Short-term debt (primarily associated with the company's Global Financing business, see pages 60 through 63), partially offset by increases in Accounts payable of \$583 million, which was driven by the acquisition of PwCC and previous intercompany payables that were converted to external accounts payable as a result of the HDD divestiture on December 31, 2002, as well as increases in Other accrued liabilities of \$2,192 million primarily due to the 2002 actions taken by the company as described in note S, "2002 Actions," on pages 90 through 92 and due to increases in short-term derivatives that are in a liability position, as well as increases in Deferred income of \$1,053 million primarily due to the impact of foreign currencies.

# Investments

The company made strategic acquisitions in 2002, totaling \$3,958 million, including the purchase of PwCC for \$3,474 million (\$2,852 million in cash, \$294 million primarily in the form of restricted shares of IBM common stock and \$328 million in notes convertible to restricted shares of IBM common stock). In addition, \$4,750 million was invested in RD&E and the company capitalized external software costs of \$254 million and \$343 million of internal-use software costs. The company invested \$4,753 million for Plant, rental machines and other property. This comprises continuing investments in the Microelectronics Division 300 millimeter chip-making facility in East Fishkill, New York. In addition, Global Services purchased equipment for its SO business and Global Financing invested in equipment for leasing to customers.

In 2002, the company spent \$4,212 million for the repurchase of the company's common shares. At December 31, 2002, the company has remaining authorization to purchase \$3,864 million of IBM common shares in the open market from time to time, based on market conditions.

The company funded all of these investments primarily from cash from operations.

# Debt and Equity

The company's funding requirements are continually monitored and strategies are executed to manage the company's overall asset and liability profile. Additionally, the company maintains sufficient flexibility to access global funding sources as needed. During 2002, the company issued debt denominated in U.S. dollars and Japanese yen to meet existing financing needs.

The major rating agencies' ratings of the company's debt securities at December 31, 2002, appear in the table below and remain unchanged from December 31, 2001:

	STANDARD AND POOR'S	MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE	FITCH RATINGS
Senior long-term debt	A+	A1	AA-
Commercial paper	A-1	Prime-1	F-1+

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(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31:	2002			2001
Total company debt	\$	26,017	\$	27,151
Non-global financing debt*	\$	2,189	\$	1,606
Non-global financing debt/ capitalization		10.2 %	o	7.5 %

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The company's non-global financing businesses generate significant cash from ongoing operations and therefore generally do not require a significant amount of debt. Cash flows from operations are these businesses' primary source of funds for future investments.

The increase in the non-global financing debt was driven primarily by the PwCC acquisition.

A review of the company's debt and equity should also consider other contractual obligations and commitments, which are disclosed elsewhere in the financial section. These amounts are summarized in the table below to facilitate a reader's review.

The company's total consolidated Stockholders' equity decreased \$666 million to \$22,782 million at December 31, 2002, primarily due to a decline in Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings that resulted from a \$2,765 million charge, net of a tax benefit of \$1,574 million, to establish a minimum pension liability for certain of the company's non-U.S. pension plans. See page 95 for further information about this accounting. The decline was partially offset by an increase in common stock primarily due to the common stock issued or to be issued for a portion of the PwCC acquisition (\$284 million), the funding of the PPP through the issuance of treasury shares (\$1,871 million) and a reduction in the company's ongoing stock repurchase activity. See note N, "Stockholders' Equity Activity," on pages 87 and 88.

#### CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

#### PAYMENTS DUE IN BALANCE AT 2003 DEC. 31, 2002 2004-05 2006-07 after 2007 (dollars in millions) Long-term debt 22,723 3,949 5,283 3,551 9,940 Lease commitments 6,085 1,370 1,925 1,200 1,590

# COMMITMENTS

			AN	IOUNTS E	XPIRI	NG IN	
(dollars in millions)	BALANCE AT DEC. 31, 2002	2003	2	004-05	20	006-07	fter 2007
Unused lines of credit	\$ 3,482	\$ 3,134	\$	195	\$	139	\$ 14
Other commitments	288	115		159		14	_
Financial guarantees	126	29		82		1	14

Unused lines of credit represent amounts available to the company's distributors to support their working capital needs and available lines of credit relating to the company's syndicated loan activities. Other commitments primarily include the company's commitments to provide financing for future purchases of the company's products. Financial guarantees represent guarantees for certain loans and financial commitments the company had made as of December 31, 2002. See note O, "Contingencies and Commitments," on pages 88 and 89.

# Liquidity

As discussed on page 50, the company purchased Rational for approximately \$2.1 billion in cash on February 21, 2003. The company may also decide to make additional contributions to its pension plans. The decision to fund any of the company's plans depends upon economic conditions, employee demographics, mortality rates and investment performance. The company estimates that future cash requirements for these transactions will be funded from cash flow from operations. See page 83 for a discussion of the company's lines of credit. See note Y, "Subsequent Events," on page 104 for information on the company's new shelf registration.

# **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The application of GAAP involves the exercise of varying degrees of judgment. While the resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, not always precisely equal the related actual results, seven of these estimates involve more judgment than others. Two of these estimates are the allowance for uncollectible financing receivables and the fair value of lease residual values. See page 63 for a discussion of these estimates. The others are discussed below.

# Useful Lives of Technology Group Equipment

The company determines the useful lives and related depreciation charges for plant and equipment in the Technology Group based on projected product life cycles that could change significantly due to technical innovations and competitor actions in response to relatively severe industry cycles. To the extent actual useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, the company will increase its depreciation charge or will write-off or writedown technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold.

<sup>\*</sup> Non-global financing debt is the company's total external debt less the Global Financing debt described in the Global Financing balance sheet on page 61.

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The company estimates useful lives of its Technology Group equipment by reference to the current and projected dynamics in the semiconductor industry, product life cycles, and anticipated competitor actions.

#### **Expected Return on Plan Assets**

The expected return on plan assets is used in calculating the net periodic pension (income)/cost. The differences between the actual return on plan assets and expected return on plan assets are recognized in the calculation of net periodic pension (income)/cost over five years and, over the long term, typically has not had a material effect on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

As described on pages 95 and 96, if the fair value of the pension plan's assets are below the plan's ABO, the company will be required to record a minimum liability. In some situations, the pension asset must be partially reversed through a charge to stockholders' equity. If the ABO in excess of plan assets is large enough, the company may be required, by law, to make an additional contribution to the pension plan. While the amount of funding is not dependent upon the company's expected long-term return assumption, the company's estimated expected return on plan assets is a critical estimate used by the company. Actual results that differ from the estimates may result in more or less future company funding into the pension plans than is planned by management.

### Costs to Complete Long-Term Service Contracts

The company enters into numerous long-term service contracts through its SO and BCS businesses. SO contracts range for periods up to ten years and BCS contracts can be for several years. During the contractual period, revenue, cost and profits may be impacted by estimates of the ultimate profitability of each contract. If at any time, these estimates indicate the contract will be unprofitable, the entire estimated loss for the remainder of the contract is recorded immediately.

The company performs ongoing profitability analyses of its long-term services contracts in order to check whether the latest estimates require updating. Key factors reviewed by the company to estimate the future costs to complete each contract are future labor costs and productivity efficiencies.

#### Net Realizable Value and Customer Demand

The company reviews the net realizable value of and demand for its inventory on a quarterly basis to ensure recorded inventory is stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value and that obsolete inventory is written off. Inventory at higher risk for writedowns or write-offs are those in the industries that have lower relative gross margins and that are subject to a higher likelihood of changes in industry cycles. The semiconductor and personal computer businesses are two such industries.

Factors that could impact estimated demand and selling prices are the timing and success of future technological innovations and the economy.

#### Warranty Claims

The company generally offers three-year warranties for its personal computer products and one-year warranties on most of its other products. The company estimates the amount and cost of future warranty claims for its current period sales. These estimates are used to record accrued warranty cost for current period product shipments. The company uses historical warranty claim information as well as recent trends that might suggest that past cost information may differ from future claims.

Factors that could impact the estimated claim information include the success of the company's productivity and quality initiatives, as well as parts and labor costs.

# **Currency Rate Fluctuations**

Changes in the relative values of non-U.S. currencies to the U.S. dollar affect the company's results. At December 31, 2002, currency changes resulted in assets and liabilities denominated in local currencies being translated into more dollars than at year-end 2001. The currency rate changes had a favorable effect on revenue growth of approximately 1 percentage point in 2002, and an unfavorable effect on revenue of approximately 4 percentage points and approximately 3 percentage points in 2001 and 2000, respectively.

For non-U.S. subsidiaries and branches that operate in U.S. dollars or whose economic environment is highly inflationary, translation adjustments are reflected in results of operations, as required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 52, "Foreign Currency Translation." Generally, the company manages currency risk in these entities by linking prices and contracts to U.S. dollars and by entering into foreign currency hedge contracts.

The company uses a variety of financial hedging instruments to limit specific currency risks related to financing transactions and other foreign currency-based transactions. Further discussion of currency and hedging appears in note L, "Derivatives and Hedging Transactions," on pages 84 to 86.

On January 1, 2001, the company adopted SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," as amended by SFAS No. 138, "Accounting for Certain Derivative Instruments and Certain Hedging Activities." See "Standards Implemented," on pages 75 and 76 for additional information regarding SFAS No. 133.

# Market Risk

In the normal course of business, the financial position of the company routinely is subjected to a variety of risks. In addition to the market risk associated with interest rate and currency movements on outstanding debt and non-U.S. dollar denominated assets and liabilities, other examples of risk include collectibility of accounts receivable and recoverability of residual values on leased assets.

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The company regularly assesses these risks and has established policies and business practices to protect against the adverse effects of these and other potential exposures. As a result, the company does not anticipate any material losses from these risks.

The company's debt in support of the Global Financing business and the geographic breadth of the company's operations contain an element of market risk from changes in interest and currency rates. The company manages this risk, in part, through the use of a variety of financial instruments including derivatives, as explained in note L, "Derivatives and Hedging Transactions," on pages 84 to 86.

To meet disclosure requirements, the company performs a sensitivity analysis to determine the effects that market risk exposures may have on the fair values of the company's debt and other financial instruments.

The financial instruments that are included in the sensitivity analysis comprise all of the company's cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, long-term non-lease receivables, investments, long-term and short-term debt and all derivative financial instruments. The company's portfolio of derivative financial instruments generally includes interest rate swaps, interest rate options, foreign currency swaps, forward contracts and option contracts.

To perform the sensitivity analysis, the company assesses the risk of loss in fair values from the effect of hypothetical changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates on market-sensitive instruments. The market values for interest and foreign currency exchange risk are computed based on the present value of future cash flows as affected by the changes in rates that are attributable to the market risk being measured. The discount rates used for the present value computations were selected based on market interest and foreign currency exchange rates in effect at December 31, 2002 and 2001. The differences in this comparison are the hypothetical gains or losses associated with each type of risk.

Information provided by the sensitivity analysis does not necessarily represent the actual changes in fair value that the company would incur under normal market conditions because, due to practical limitations, all variables other than the specific market risk factor are held constant. In addition, the results of the model are constrained by the fact that certain items are specifically excluded from the analysis, while the financial instruments relating to the financing or hedging of those items are included by definition. Excluded items include leased assets, forecasted foreign currency cash flows, and the company's net investment in foreign operations. As a consequence, reported changes in the values of some of the financial instruments impacting the results of the sensitivity analysis are not matched with the offsetting changes in the values of the items that those instruments are designed to finance or hedge.

The results of the sensitivity analysis at December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001, are as follows:

#### Interest Rate Risk

At December 31, 2002, a 10 percent decrease in the levels of interest rates with all other variables held constant would result in a decrease in the fair market value of the company's financial instruments of \$237 million as compared with a decrease of \$177 million at December 31, 2001. A 10 percent increase in the levels of interest rates with all other variables held constant would result in an increase in the fair value of the company's financial instruments of \$210 million as compared to \$151 million at December 31, 2001. Changes in the relative sensitivity of the fair value of the company's financial instrument portfolio for these theoretical changes in the level of interest rates are primarily driven by changes in the company's debt maturity, interest rate profile and amount. In 2002 versus 2001, the reported increase in interest rate sensitivity is primarily due to an increase in the proportion of long-term fixed rate debt outstanding at December 31, 2002.

# Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

At December 31, 2002, a 10 percent weaker U.S. dollar against foreign currencies with all other variables held constant would result in a decrease in the fair value of the company's financial instruments of \$640 million as compared with a decrease of \$1,401 million at December 31, 2001. Conversely, a 10 percent stronger U.S. dollar against foreign currencies with all other variables held constant would result in an increase in the fair value of the company's financial instruments of \$660 million compared to \$1,440 million at December 31, 2001. In 2002 versus 2001, the reported decrease in foreign currency exchange rate sensitivity was primarily due to a reduction in the amount of hedge of net investment related currency debt outstanding after taking into account the effect of "receive euro/pay U.S. dollar" and "receive yen/pay U.S. dollar" cross-currency swaps executed during 2002.

# **Financing Risks**

See page 60 for a discussion of the financing risks associated with the company's Global Financing business and management's goals to mitigate such risks while striving for superior return on Global Financing's equity.

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#### **Employees and Related Workforce**

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	2002	2001	2000	2002-01	2001-00
IBM/wholly owned subsidiaries	315,889	319,876	316,303	(1.2)	1.1
Less-than-wholly owned subsidiaries	22,282	25,403	21,886	(12.3)	16.1
Complementary	17,250	21,300	25,500	(19.0)	(16.5)

Employees at IBM and its wholly owned subsidiaries in 2002 decreased 3,987 from last year. The decrease was due primarily to workforce rebalancing initiatives designed to improve IBM's competitiveness in the marketplace. The major initiatives contributing to this decline include: the divestiture of the HDD business and 2002 workforce rebalancing and productivity actions offset by the acquisition of PwCC.

In less-than-wholly owned subsidiaries, the number of employees decreased from last year, primarily in China, as a result of the HDD divestiture.

The company's complementary workforce is an approximation of equivalent full-time employees hired under temporary, part-time and limited-term employment arrangements to meet specific business needs in a flexible and cost-effective manner.

### **Global Financing**

#### Description of Business

Global Financing is a business segment within IBM, but is managed (on an arm's-length basis) and measured as if it were a standalone entity. Accordingly, the information presented in this section is consistent with this separate company view.

The mission of Global Financing is to generate a return on equity. It also facilitates the acquisition of IBM hardware, software and services.

Global Financing invests in financing assets, manages the associated risks, and leverages with debt, all with the objective of generating consistently strong returns on equity. The focus on IBM product and IBM customers mitigates the risks normally associated with a financing company. Global Financing has the benefit of both a deep knowledge of its customer base and a clear insight into the products that are being leased. This pairing allows Global Financing to manage two of the major risks (credit and residual value) that are normally associated with financing.

Global Financing comprises three lines of business:

- Customer financing provides lease and loan financing to end users and internal customers for terms generally between two and five years. Internal financing is predominantly in support of Global Services' long-term customer service contracts. Global Financing also factors a selected portion of the company's accounts receivable, primarily for cash management purposes. All of these internal financing arrangements are at arm's-length rates and are based upon market conditions.
- Commercial financing provides primarily short-term inventory and accounts receivable financing to dealers and remarketers of IT products. Global Financing also participates as a lender in selected syndicated loan facilities which originated from 1999 through 2001. Syndicated loans are loans in which Global Financing purchased a fixed percentage of a loan facility from a bank or other lending institution. Global Financing no longer participates in new syndicated loan programs. There are, however, remaining amounts committed and outstanding. Outstandings represent less than 2 percent of total Global Financing assets at December 31, 2002, as compared to 4 percent at December 31, 2001.
- Remarketing includes the sale and lease of used equipment to new or existing customers. This equipment is primarily sourced from the
  conclusion of lease transactions.

# Results of Operations

(dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001		2000
Global Financing external revenue	\$ 3,203	\$	3,407	\$	3,500
Global Financing internal revenue	939	_	836	_	944
Total Global Financing revenue	4,142		4,243		4,444
Global Financing cost	1,803	_	2,016		2,390
Gross profit	\$ 2,339	\$	2,227	\$	2,054
Gross profit margin	56.5	<b>~</b>	52.5 %		46.2 %
Pre-tax income	\$ 955	\$	1,143	\$	1,176
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After-tax income	\$ 627	\$	727	\$	763
Return on equity*	17.2	%	18.4%	,	16.5 %

<sup>\*</sup> Return on equity is calculated using a five-point average of equity and an estimated tax rate principally based on Global Financing's geographic mix of earnings as IBM's provision for income taxes is determined on a consolidated basis. See page 89 for the IBM consolidated tax rate.

Global Financing total revenue declined 2.4 percent in 2002 from 2001, following a decline of 4.5 percent in 2001 versus 2000. The decline in 2002 was driven by a lower asset base, primarily due to decreases in demand for IT equipment caused by the current economic environment. The decline in 2001 was also driven by a lower asset base and a decline in used equipment sales.

Global Financing gross profit dollars increased 5.0 percent in 2002 versus 2001, following an increase of 8.4 percent in 2001 versus 2000. Global Financing gross profit margin improved 4.0 points in 2002 following an increase of 6.3 points in 2001 as

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compared to 2000. The increases in 2002 gross profit dollars and gross profit margin were primarily driven by lower borrowing costs related to the current interest rate environment. The increase in 2001 was driven by lower borrowing costs discussed above and improved margins in used equipment sales due to a mix change to higher margin products.

Global Financing pre-tax income decreased 16.4 percent in 2002 versus 2001, following a decrease of 2.8 percent in 2001 versus 2000. The decrease in 2002 was driven by an increase in the provision for bad debts due to the current economic environment. See page 62 for an additional discussion of Global Financing Allowance for Doubtful Accounts. The decrease in 2001 was due to increases in provision for bad debts partially offset by an increase in gross profit discussed above.

The decline in return on equity from 2001 to 2002 was due to lower earnings primarily associated with an increased provision for bad debts expense. The increase in return on equity from 2000 to 2001 was primarily due to the decline in the equity balance from 2000 to 2001 as evidenced by the increase in the debt to equity ratio from 6.6x to 6.8x. See page 62 for a discussion of the allowance for doubtful accounts and page 63 for a discussion on debt.

#### Financial Condition

#### BALANCE SHEET

(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31: 2001 2002 Cash 1.157 785 12,314 12.903 Net investment in sales-type leases Equipment under operating leases: 1,922 2.213 External customers 1,701 Internal customers\* 1.585 Customer loans 9,621 9,486 Total customer financing assets 25,558 26,187 Commercial financing receivables 5.525 6,500 Intercompany financing receivables\* 1,616 1,883 Other receivables 445 597 Other assets 941 718 35,242 36,670 Total financing assets 5.383 \$ Intercompany payables\* 4.820 Debt 23,828 25.545 Other liabilities 2,556 2.548 32,913 Total financing liabilities 31,767 Total financing equity 3,475 3,757 Total financing liabilities and equity 35,242 36,670

# SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

The primary use of funds in Global Financing is to originate customer and commercial financing assets. Customer financing assets for end users consist primarily of IBM hardware, software and services, but also include non-IBM equipment, software and services to meet IBM customers' total solutions requirements. Customer financing assets are primarily sales-type, direct financing, and operating leases for equipment as well as loans for software and services with terms generally for two to five years.

Commercial financing originations arise primarily from inventory and accounts receivable financing for dealers and remarketers of IBM and non-IBM products. Payment terms for inventory financing generally range from 30 to 75 days. Payment terms for accounts receivable financing generally range from 30 to 90 days. Also included in commercial financing assets are syndicated loans.

# ORIGINATIONS

The following are total external and internal financing originations.

# (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001
Customer finance:		
External	\$ 12,845	\$ 15,620
Internal	1,061	931
Commercial finance	 22,546	 25,071
Total	\$ 36,452	\$ 41,622

The decreases in originations were due to a lower demand for IT equipment associated with the current economic environment.

Cash collections of both customer and commercial financing assets exceeded new financing originations in both 2002 and 2001, which resulted in a net decline in financing assets in these years. Cash collections in 2002 and 2001 included \$218 million and zero, respectively, generated through sales of portions of Global Financing's syndicated loan portfolio. These sales transactions did not have a material impact on the company's Consolidated Statement of Earnings. Additionally, funds were generated through the sale and lease of used equipment sourced primarily from prior years' lease originations.

<sup>\*</sup> Amounts eliminated for purposes of IBM's consolidated results and therefore do not appear on pages 65 or on page 69. These assets, along with the other assets in this table, are however, leveraged using Global Financing debt.

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Cash generated by Global Financing was deployed to pay dividends to IBM and to reduce debt.

# FINANCING ASSETS BY SECTOR

The following are the percentage of external financing assets by industry sector.

AT DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001
Financial Services	31 %	27 %
Industrial	18	21
Business Partners*	14	13
Communications	12	13
Distribution	11	9
Public	10	12
Other	4	5
Total	100 %	100 %

<sup>\*</sup> Business Partner financing assets represent a portion of commercial financing inventory and accounts receivable financing for terms generally less than 90 days.

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### FINANCING RECEIVABLES AND ALLOWANCES

The following table presents external financing receivables, excluding residual values, and the allowance for doubtful accounts.

(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31:		2002		2001
Financing receivables	\$	28,007	\$	29,331
Specific allowance for doubtful accounts		787		531
Unallocated allowance for doubtful accounts		184		160
Total allowance for doubtful accounts	_	971		691
Net financing receivables	\$	27,036	\$	28,640
Allowance for doubtful account coverage		3.5 %	<u> </u>	2.4%

## ROLL-FORWARD OF FINANCING RECEIVABLES ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS

(dollars in millions)

DEC. 31, 2001	RESERVE USED*	ADDITIONS: BAD DEBTS EXPENSE	OTHER**	DEC. 31, 2002
\$ 691	\$ (321)	\$ 576	\$ 25	\$ 971

<sup>\*</sup> Represents reserved receivables, net of recoveries, that were disposed of during the period.

The percentage of financing receivables reserved increased from 2.4 percent at December 31, 2001, to 3.5 percent at December 31, 2002. Unallocated reserves increased 15.0 percent from \$160 million in 2001 to \$184 million in 2002, even though the average receivables balance declined 4.5 percent over the same period. While the overall asset quality of the portfolio remains stable, the increase reflects the company's concern with the impact of the current economic environment on customer accounts. Specific reserves increased 48.2 percent from \$531 million in 2001 to \$787 million in 2002. The increase in specific reserves was due to continued weak economic conditions in the Communications industry, and deterioration in certain companies in this and other industries.

Global Financing's bad debts expense increased to \$576 million for the year ended 2002, compared with \$349 million for 2001 primarily attributable to the matters referred to above.

# RESIDUAL VALUE

Residual value is a risk unique to the financing business and management of this risk is dependent upon the ability to accurately project future equipment values. As previously stated, Global Financing has clear insight into product plans and cycles for the IBM product under lease. Based upon this product information, Global Financing continually monitors projections of future equipment values and compares them to the residual values reflected in the portfolio. See note A, "Significant Accounting Policies" on page 74 for the company's accounting policy for residual values.

Sales of equipment, which are primarily sourced from equipment returned at end of lease, represented 32.1 percent of Global Financing's revenue in 2002 and 27.7 percent in 2001. The gross margin on these sales were 28.5 percent and 27.5 percent in 2002 and 2001, respectively. In addition to selling assets that are sourced from end of lease, Global Financing also leases used equipment to new customers or extends leasing arrangements with current customers. These are other ways that Global Financing profitably recovers the residual values. The following table presents the recorded amount of unguaranteed residual value for sales-type and operating leases at December 31, 2001 and 2002. In addition, the table presents the residual value as a percentage of the original amount financed, and a run out of the unguaranteed residual value over the remaining lives of these leases at December 31, 2002.

# RESIDUAL VALUE

(dollars in millions)		2001		2002	2	2003	2	2004	2	2005		2006 AND BEYOND
Sales-type leases	\$	791	\$	821	\$	256	\$	283	\$	224	\$	58
Operating leases	_	334	_	242	_	114	_	78	_	31	_	19
Total unguaranteed residual value	\$	1,125	\$	1,063	\$	370	\$	361	\$	255	\$	77
Related original amount financed	\$	23,979	\$	23,019								
Percentage		4.7 %	ó	4.6 %	o							

<sup>\*\*</sup> Primarily represents translation adjustments.

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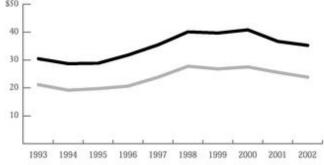
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### DEBT

 AT DECEMBER 31:
 2002
 2001

 Debt to equity ratio
 6.9x
 6.8x

Global Financing funds its operations primarily through borrowings using a debt-to-equity ratio of approximately 7 to 1. The following table illustrates the correlation between Global Financing assets and Global Financing debt. Both assets and debt are presented in the Global Financing balance sheet on



page 61. 

GLOBAL FINANCING ASSETS GLOBAL FINANCING DEBT

The company's Global Financing business provides funding predominantly for the company's external customers but also provides intercompany financing for the company (internal), as described in the "Description of Business" on page 60. As previously stated, IBM manages and measures Global Financing as if it were a standalone entity and accordingly, interest expense relating to debt supporting Global Financing's external customer and internal business is included in the "Global Financing Results of Operations" on page 60 and in note X, "Segment Information," on pages 100 to 104.

In the company's Consolidated Statement of Earnings on page 64, however, the interest expense supporting Global Financing's internal financing to the company is reclassified from Cost of financing to Interest expense.

### LIQUIDITY

Global Financing is a segment of IBM and as such is supported by IBM's liquidity position and access to capital markets. Global Financing generated cash in 2002, which was primarily driven by net income and a decline in assets. Cash was deployed to reduce debt and pay dividends in order to maintain an appropriate debt to equity ratio.

#### Critical Accounting Estimates

As discussed in note A, "Significant Accounting Policies," on pages 70 to 75, the application of GAAP involves the exercise of varying degrees of judgment. The following areas require more judgment relative to the others and relate to Global Financing:

# FINANCING RECEIVABLES RESERVES

The company reviews its financing receivables portfolio at least quarterly in order to assess collectibility. A description of the methods used by management to estimate the amount of uncollectible receivables is included on pages 73 and 74. Factors that could result in actual receivable losses that are materially different from the estimated reserve include sharp changes in the economy, or a large change in the health of a particular industry segment that represents a concentration in the company's receivables portfolio.

# RESIDUAL VALUE

Residual value represents the estimated fair value of equipment under lease as of the end of the lease. The company estimates the future fair value of residual values by using historical models, the current market for used equipment and forward-looking product information such as marketing plans and technological innovations. These estimates are periodically reviewed and any other-than-temporary declines in estimated future residual values are recognized upon identification. Anticipated increases in future residual value are not recognized until the equipment is remarketed. Factors that could cause actual results that materially differ from the estimates include severe changes in the used equipment market brought on by unforeseen changes in technology innovations and any resulting changes in the useful lives of used equipment. Previous writedowns of residual values have not been material.

# Market Risk

See pages 58 and 59 for discussion of the company's overall market risk.

# **Looking Forward**

Given Global Financing's mission of supporting IBM's hardware, software and services, originations for both customer and commercial finance businesses will be dependent upon the overall demand for IT equipment.

Interest rates and the overall economy (including currency fluctuations) will have an effect on both revenue and gross profit. The company's interest rate risk management policy, however, combined with the Global Financing funding strategy (see page 60), should mitigate gross profit erosion due to changes in interest rates. The company's policy of matching asset and liability positions in foreign currencies will limit the impacts of currency fluctuations.

The economy could impact the credit quality of the Global Financing receivables portfolio and therefore the level of provision for bad debts. Global Financing will continue to apply rigorous credit policies in both the origination of new business and the evaluation of the existing portfolio.

As seen above, Global Financing has historically been able to manage residual value risk through both insight into the product cycles as well as through its remarketing business.

Global Financing has policies in place to manage each of the key risks involved in financing. These policies, combined with product and customer knowledge, should allow for the prudent management of the business going forward, even with the uncertainty of the current economy.

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# **Consolidated Statement of Earnings**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	NOTES		2002		2001		2000
REVENUE:				Ī			
Global Services		\$	36,360	\$	34,956	\$	33,152
Hardware			27,456		30,593		34,470
Software Global Financing			13,074 3,232		12,939 3,426		12,598 3,465
Enterprise Investments/Other			1,064		1,153		1,404
TOTAL REVENUE		_	81,186	_	83,067	_	85,089
		_		_		_	05,007
COST:			26.012		25.255		24 200
Global Services			26,812		25,355		24,309
Hardware Software			20,020 2,043		21,231 2,265		24,207 2,283
Global Financing	K		1,416		1,693		1,965
Enterprise Investments/Other	V		611		634		747
•		_		_		_	
TOTAL COST			50,902	_	51,178	_	53,511
GROSS PROFIT			30,284		31,889		31,578
EXPENSE AND OTHER INCOME:	0		40 = 20		45.040		45.000
Selling, general and administrative	Q		18,738		17,048		17,393
Research, development and engineering	R		4,750		4,986		5,084
Intellectual property and custom development income			(1,100) 227		(1,476)		(1,664
Other (income) and expense Interest expense	K & L		145		(353) 234		(990 344
TOTAL EXPENSE AND OTHER INCOME		_	22,760	_	20,439	_	20,167
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE							
INCOME TAXES			7,524		11,450		11,411
Provision for income taxes	P		2,190	_	3,304		3,537
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS			5,334		8,146		7,874
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS:			<i>(</i> 4 <b></b> )		(400)		210
(Loss)/income from discontinued operations	С	_	(1,755)	_	(423)	_	219
NET INCOME			3,579		7,723		8,093
Preferred stock dividends				_	10	_	20
NET INCOME APPLICABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS		\$	3,579	\$	7,713	\$	8,073
EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK:							
ASSUMING DILUTION:							
Continuing operations	T	\$	3.07	\$	4.59	\$	4.32
Discontinued operations	T		(1.01)	_	(0.24)		0.12
TOTAL	T	\$	2.06	\$	4.35	\$	4.44
BASIC:							
Continuing operations	T	\$	3.13	\$	4.69	\$	4.45
Discontinued operations	T		(1.03)	)	(0.24)		0.12
TOTAL	T	\$	2.10	\$	4.45	\$	4.58*
		_		_		_	
AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:							
AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING: Assuming dilution			1,730,941,054		1,771,230,599		1,812,118,422

<sup>\*</sup> Does not total due to rounding.

The accompanying notes on pages 70 through 104 are an integral part of the financial statements.

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### **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

(dollars in million except per share amounts) AT DECEMBER 31: NOTES 2002 2001\* Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents 5,382 6,330 Marketable securities D 593 63 Notes and accounts receivable—trade, net of allowances 9,915 9,101 Short-term financing receivables F 15,996 16,656 Other accounts receivable 1,447 1,261 Inventories E 3,148 4,304 Deferred taxes 2,617 2,402 Prepaid expenses and other current assets 2,554 2,344 Total current assets 41,652 42,461 G Plant, rental machines and other property 36,083 38,375 Less: Accumulated depreciation 21,643 21,871 Plant, rental machines and other property-net 14,440 16,504 11,440 Long-term financing receivables 12,246 W Prepaid pension assets 16,003 11,397 8,834 H Investments and sundry assets 6,417 Goodwill Ι 4,115 1,278 TOTAL ASSETS 96,484 90,303 \$ \$ LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities: P \$ 5,476 4,644 Taxes \$ K & I 6.031 11,188 Short-term debt 7,630 Accounts payable 7,047 Compensation and benefits 3,724 3,796 4,223 5,276 Deferred income Other accrued expenses and liabilities 4,221 6,413 Total current liabilities 34,550 35,119 K & L 19,986 15,963 Long-term debt Retirement and nonpension postretirement benefit obligations 13,215 10,308 Other liabilities M 5,951 5,465 TOTAL LIABILITIES 73,702 66,855 Contingencies o

Stockholders' equity:	N		
Common stock, par value \$.20 per share		14,858	14,248
Shares authorized: 4,687,500,000			
Shares issued (2002—1,920,957,772; 2001—1,913,513,218)			
Retained earnings		31,555	30,142
Treasury stock, at cost (shares: 2002—198,590,876; 2001—190,319,489)		(20,213)	(20,114)
Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings		(3,418)	(828)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		22,782	23,448
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	96,484 \$	90,303

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

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# Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity

(dollars in millions)	PREFERRED STOCK	COMMON STOCK	RETAINED EARNINGS	TREASURY STOCK	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS TRUST	ACCUMULATED GAINS AND (LOSSES) NOT AFFECTING RETAINED EARNINGS	TOTAL
2000*							
Stockholders' equity, January							
1, 2000	\$ 247	\$ 11,762	\$ 16,878	\$ (7,375)	\$ (2,162)	\$ 1,076	\$ 20,426
Net income plus gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings:			7	. (.,,)	(,,,,		
Net income			8,093				\$ 8,093
Gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings (net of tax):							
Foreign currency translation adjustments (net of tax expense of						(530)	(529)
\$289) Minimum pension liability adjustment						(538)	(538)
(net of tax expense of \$12)						18	18
Net unrealized losses on marketable securities (net of tax							
benefit of \$506)						(925)	(925)
Total gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings							(1,445)
Subtotal: Net income plus gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings							\$ 6,648
Cash dividends declared—common stock			(909)				(909)
Cash dividends			(,,,,	,			(505)
declared—preferred stock Common stock issued under			(20)	)			(20)
employee plans (17,275,350 shares)		615	1				616
Purchases (8,799,382 shares) and sales (9,074,212 shares)							
of treasury stock under employee plans—net			(259)	) 6			(253)
Other treasury shares purchased, not retired							
(58,867,226 shares) Fair value adjustment of				(6,431)			(6,431)
employee benefits trust		(439)			450		11
Increase due to shares remaining to be issued in acquisition		40					40
Tax effect—stock transactions		422					422
Stockholders' equity, December 31, 2000	\$ 247	\$ 12,400	\$ 23,784	\$ (13,800)	\$ (1,712)	\$ (369)	\$ 20,550

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

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(dollars in millions)	PREFERRED STOCK	COMMO STOCK		RETAINED EARNINGS	TREASURY STOCK	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS TRUST	ACCUMULATED GAINS AND (LOSSES) NOT AFFECTING RETAINED EARNINGS	TOTAL
2001*								
Stockholders' equity,								
December 31, 2000	\$ 247	\$ 12,	400 \$	23,784	\$ (13,800	) \$ (1,712	) \$ (369)	\$ 20,550
Net income plus gains and								
(losses) not affecting retained								
earnings:								
Net income				7,723				\$ 7,723
Gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings								
(net of tax):								
Cumulative effect of								
adoption of SFAS No. 133 on Jan. 1 (net of								
tax expense of \$120)							219	219
Net unrealized gains							21)	21)
on SFAS No. 133 cash flow hedge derivatives								
during 2001 (net of tax expense of \$44)							77	77
Foreign currency							11	77
translation adjustments								
(net of tax expense of								
\$323)							(539)	(539)
Minimum pension								
liability adjustment								
(net of tax benefit of \$226)							(308)	(308)
Net unrealized gains							(300)	(300)
on marketable								
securities (net of tax								
expense of \$58)							92	92
Total gains and (losses) not affecting retained								
earnings								(459)
C 1 1 NI								
Subtotal: Net income plus								
gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings								\$ 7,264
arrecting retained earnings								\$ 7,204
Cash dividends								
declared—common stock				(956)				(956)
Cash dividends								
declared—preferred stock				(10)				(10)
Preferred stock purchased and	(247)	`		(7)				(254)
retired (10,184,043 shares) Common stock issued under	(247)	)		(7)				(254)
employee plans (19,572,623								
shares)			774	(1)				773
Purchases (2,237,935 shares)								
and sales (11,801,053 shares)								
of treasury stock under				(201)	4 000			
employee plans—net			32	(391)	1,032			673
Other treasury shares purchased, not retired								
(48,841,196 shares)					(5,091	)		(5,091)
Dissolution of employee					(2,0)	,		(2,0,2)
benefits trust (20,000,000								
shares)			546		(2,255	) 1,712		3
Decrease in shares remaining			,					
to be issued in acquisition			(6)					(6)
Tax effect—stock transactions			502					502
Stockholders' equity,								
December 31, 2001	\$	\$ 14,	248 \$	30,142	\$ (20,114	) \$	\$ (828)	\$ 23,448

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

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(dollars in millions)	OMMON TOCK	ETAINED ARNINGS	Т	REASURY STOCK	EMPLO BENEF TRUS	ITS		CCUMULATED GAINS AND (LOSSES) NOT AFFECTING RETAINED EARNINGS	TO	OTAL
2002			_				_		_	
Stockholders' equity, December 31, 2001 Net income plus gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings:	\$ 14,248	\$ 30,142	\$	(20,114)	\$	_	\$	(828)	\$	23,448
Net income		3,579							\$	3,579
Gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings (net of tax): Net unrealized losses on SFAS No. 133 cash flow hedge derivatives										
during 2002 (net of tax benefit of \$372)								(659)		(659)
Foreign currency translation adjustments (net of tax benefit of \$197)								850		850
Minimum pension liability adjustment (net of tax benefit of \$1,574)								(2,765)		(2,765)
Net unrealized losses on marketable securities (net of tax benefit of \$8)								(16)		(16)
Total gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings										(2,590)
Subtotal: Net income plus gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings									\$	989
Cash dividends declared—common stock		(1,005)								(1,005)
Common stock issued under employee plans (7,255,995 shares)	440	4								444
Purchases (1,169,043 shares) and sales (12,873,502 shares) of treasury stock under										
employee plans—net Other treasury shares purchased, not retired		(475)		1,210						735
(47,501,854 shares)				(4,111)						(4,111)
Treasury shares issued to fund the U.S. pension fund (24,037,354 shares)		(576)		2,447						1,871
Shares issued/to be issued in the PwCC acquisition (3,677,213 shares issued)	43	(114)		355						284
Decrease in shares remaining to be issued in										
acquisition Tax effect—stock transactions	(9) 136									(9) 136
Tax effect—stock transactions	130		_				_			130
Stockholders' equity, December 31, 2002	\$ 14,858	\$ 31,555	\$	(20,213)	\$	_	\$	(3,418)	\$	22,782

The accompanying notes on pages 70 through 104 are an integral part of the financial statements.

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2,279

1,247

831

\$

2,697

1,447

### Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

(dollars in millions) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31: 2002 2001\* 2000\* CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS: \$ Income from continuing operations 5,334 8,146 7,874 Adjustments to reconcile net income from continuing operations to cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation 3,691 3,881 4,224 Amortization of software 688 625 482 Deferred income taxes **(67)** 44 664 (343) (340)(751) Net gain on assets sales and other Other than temporary declines in securities and other investments 58 405 Noncash portion of special actions 1,350 Change in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions/divestitures: 4,125 2,837 Receivables (4,692) Inventories **793** 287 (22)Pension assets (4.227)(1.758)(1.333)70 Other assets 1,244 673 Accounts payable (55)(918)2,134 Pension liabilities (237) (69)Other liabilities 2,288 (1,038)441 NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS 13,788 8,837 13,966 CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS: Payments for plant, rental machines and other property (4,753) (5,400) (5,319) Proceeds from disposition of plant, rental machines and other property 1,149 1,569 775 Investment in software (597) (655) (565) (778) Purchases of marketable securities and other investments (1,582)(750) Proceeds from disposition of marketable securities and other investments 1,185 738 1,393 Divestiture of businesses 1,233 Acquisition of businesses (3,158)(916)(329)NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS (6,897) (5,862)(4,001) CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS: Proceeds from new debt 6,726 4,535 9,604 Short-term (repayments)/borrowings less than 90 days—net (4.087)2.926 (1.400)Payments to settle debt (5,812)(7,898)(7,561) Preferred stock transactions-net (254)(3.087)(6.073)Common stock transactions-net (3,652)Cash dividends paid (1,005)(966)(929)NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS (7,265)(5.309)(6.359)Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents 148 (83)(147)Net cash (used in)/provided by discontinued operations (722)190 55 Net change in cash and cash equivalents (948)2,767 (1.480)6,330 5,043 Cash and cash equivalents at January 1 3,563 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT DECEMBER 31 5,382 6.330 3.563

# NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:

Income taxes

Interest

Cash paid during the year for the total company:

The noncash portion of the purchase price paid for PwCC is a significant noncash investing activity. This transaction is described on page 78.

The acompanying notes on pages 70 through 104 are an integral part of the financial statements.

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### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

#### A Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation

On December 31, 2002, the company sold its hard disk drive (HDD) business to Hitachi, Ltd. (Hitachi). See note C, "Acquisitions/Divestitures," on pages 78 to 80. The HDD business was part of the company's Technology Group reporting segment. The HDD business was accounted for as a discontinued operation under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and therefore, the HDD results of operations and cash flows have been removed from the company's results of continuing operations and cash flows for all periods presented in this document. The financial results reported as discontinued operations include the external original equipment manufacturer (OEM) HDD business and charges related to HDDs used in the company's eServer and Storage products that were reported in the Technology Group segment. The discontinued operations results do not reflect HDD shipments to the company's internal customers.

## Principles of Consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) and its controlled subsidiary companies, which in general are majority owned. Investments in business entities in which the company does not have control, but has the ability to exercise significant influence over operating and financial policies (generally 20-50 percent ownership), are accounted for by the equity method. Other investments are accounted for by the cost method. The accounting policy for other investments in securities is described on page 74 within "Marketable Securities.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts that are reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying disclosures. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions that the company may undertake in the future, actual results may be different from the estimates.

#### Revenue

The company recognizes revenue when it is realized or realizable and earned. The company considers revenue realized or realizable and earned when it has persuasive evidence of an arrangement, the product has been shipped or the services have been provided to the customer, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. The company reduces revenue for estimated customer returns and other allowances. In addition to the aforementioned general policy, the following are the specific revenue recognition policies for each major category of revenue and for multiple-element arrangements.

## **SERVICES**

The terms of services contracts generally range from less than one year to ten years. Revenue from time and material services contracts is recognized as the services are provided. Revenue from Strategic Outsourcing Services contracts in which IBM manages the customer's data center reflects the extent of actual services delivered in the period, based upon objective measures of output in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Revenue from Business Consulting Services (BCS) contracts that require IBM to design, develop, manufacture or modify complex information technology systems to a buyer's specifications, and to provide services related to the performance of such contracts, is recognized using the percentage of completion (POC) method of accounting. In using the POC method, the company records revenue by reference to the costs incurred to date and the estimated costs remaining to fulfill the contracts.

Provisions for losses on services contracts are recognized during the period in which the loss first becomes apparent. Revenue from maintenance is recognized over the contractual period or as the services are performed.

In some of the company's services contracts, the company bills the customer prior to performing the services. This situation gives rise to deferred income of \$2.6 billion and \$2.4 billion at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively, reported as Deferred income in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. In other services contracts, the company performs the services prior to billing the customer. This situation gives rise to unbilled accounts receivable of \$1.3 billion at both December 31, 2002 and 2001, recorded as Notes and accounts receivable—trade in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. In these circumstances, billings usually occur shortly after the company performs the services and can range up to six months later. Unbilled receivables are expected to be billed and collected generally within four months, rarely exceeding nine months.

# HARDWARE

Revenue from hardware sales or sales-type leases is recognized when the product is shipped to the customer and when there are no unfulfilled company obligations that affect the customer's final acceptance of the arrangement. Any cost of these obligations is accrued when the corresponding revenue is recognized. Revenue from rentals and operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the rental or lease.

# SOFTWARE

Revenue from one-time charge licensed software is recognized at the inception of the license term. Revenue from monthly license charge arrangements is recognized on a subscription basis over the period in which the enterprise is using the

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program. Revenue from maintenance, unspecified upgrades and technical support is recognized over the period such items are delivered. See 'Multiple-Element Arrangements" below for further information.

#### FINANCING

Finance income attributable to sales-type leases, direct financing leases and loans is recognized at level rates of return over the term of the leases or loans. Operating lease income is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

#### MULTIPLE-ELEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The company enters into transactions that include multiple-element arrangements, which may include any combination of services, hardware, software and/or financing. When some elements are delivered prior to others in an arrangement and all of the following criteria are met, revenue for the delivered element is recognized upon delivery of such item. Otherwise, revenue is deferred until the delivery of the last element.

- Vendor-specific objective evidence (VSOE) of fair value of the undelivered elements.
- The functionality of the delivered elements is not dependent on the undelivered elements.
- Delivery of the delivered element represents the culmination of the earnings process.

VSOE is the price charged by the company to an external customer for the same element when such element is sold separately.

#### Expense and Other Income

### SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expense is charged to income as incurred. Expenses of promoting and selling products and services are classified as selling expense and include such items as advertising, sales commissions and travel. General and administrative expense includes such items as officers' salaries, office supplies, non-income taxes, insurance and office rental. In addition, general and administrative expense includes other operating items such as a provision for doubtful accounts, workforce accruals for contractually obligated payments to employees terminated in the ongoing course of business, amortization of intangible assets and environmental remediation costs. Certain special actions discussed in note S "2002 Actions" on pages 90 through 92 are also included in SG&A. The cost of internal environmental protection programs that are preventive in nature are expensed as incurred. The company accrues for all known environmental liabilities when it becomes probable that the company will incur cleanup costs and those costs can be reasonably estimated. In addition, estimated environmental costs that are associated with post-closure activities (for example, the removal and restoration of chemical storage facilities and monitoring) are accrued when the decision is made to close a facility.

### RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING

Research, development and engineering (RD&E) costs are expensed as incurred.

# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CUSTOM DEVELOPMENT INCOME

As part of the company's ongoing business model and as a result of the company's ongoing investment in research and development (R&D), the company licenses and sells the rights to certain of its intellectual property (IP) including internally developed patents, trade secrets and technological know-how. Certain transfers of IP to third parties are licensing/royalty fee based and other transfers are transaction-based sales and other transfers Licensing/royalty-based fees involve transfers in which the company earns the income over time or the amount of income is not fixed and determinable until the licensee sells future related products (i.e., variable royalty, based upon licensee's revenue). Sales and other transfers typically include transfers of IP whereby the company has fulfilled its obligations and the fee received is fixed and determinable. The company also earns income from certain custom development projects for specific customers. The company records the income from these projects when the fee is earned, is not refundable, and is not dependent upon the success of the project.

# OTHER (INCOME) AND EXPENSE

Other (income) and expense includes interest income (other than from the company's Global Financing business transactions), gains and losses from securities and other investments, realized gains and losses from certain real estate activity, and foreign currency transaction gains and losses.

# Depreciation and Amortization

Plant, rental machines and other property are carried at cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives of depreciable properties generally are as follows: buildings, 50 years; building equipment, 20 years; land improvements, 20 years; plant, laboratory and office equipment, 2 to 15 years; and computer equipment, 1.5 to 5 years.

Capitalized software costs incurred or acquired after technological feasibility are amortized over periods up to 3 years. See "Software Costs" on page 74 for additional information. Other intangible assets are amortized for periods up to 7 years. See "Standards Implemented" on pages 75 and 76 for additional information on goodwill.

# Retirement-Related Benefits

See note W, "Retirement-Related Benefits," on pages 95 to 100 for the company's accounting policy for retirement-related benefits.

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#### Stock-Based Compensation

The company applies Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," and related Interpretations in accounting for its stock-based compensation plans. Accordingly, the company records expense for employee stock compensation plans equal to the excess of the market price of the underlying IBM shares at the date of grant over the exercise price of the stock-related award, if any (known as the intrinsic value). Generally, all employee stock options are issued with the exercise price equal to the market price of the underlying shares at the grant date and therefore, no compensation expense is recorded. In addition, no compensation expense is recorded for purchases under the Employees Stock Purchase Plan (ESPP) in accordance with APB Opinion No. 25. This plan is described on pages 94 and 95. The intrinsic value of restricted stock units and certain other stock-based compensation issued to employees as of the date of grant is amortized to compensation expense over the vesting period. To the extent there are performance criteria that could result in an employee receiving more or less (including zero) shares than the number of units granted, the unamortized liability is marked to market during the performance period based upon the intrinsic value at the end of each quarter.

The following table summarizes the pro forma operating results of the company had compensation cost for stock options granted and for employee stock purchases under the ESPP (see note V, "Stock-Based Compensation Plans" on pages 94 and 95) been determined in accordance with the fair value based method prescribed by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation."

#### (dollars in millions except per share amounts)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000
Net income applicable to common stockholders, as reported	\$ 3,579	\$ 7,713	\$ 8,073
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects	112	104	82
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value method for all awards, net of related tax effects	1,315	1,343	972
Pro forma net income	\$ 2,376	\$ 6,474	\$ 7,183
Earnings per share:			
Basic—as reported	\$ 2.10	\$ 4.45	\$ 4.58
Basic—pro forma	\$ 1.40	\$ 3.74	\$ 4.07
Assuming dilution—as reported	\$ 2.06	\$ 4.35	\$ 4.44
Assuming dilution—pro forma	\$ 1.39	\$ 3.69	\$ 3.99

The pro forma amounts that are disclosed in accordance with SFAS No. 123 reflect the portion of the estimated fair value of awards that was earned for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000.

The fair value of stock option grants is estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000
Term (years)*	5	4/5	4/5
Volatility**	40.4 %	37.7 %	32.0%
Risk-free interest rate (zero coupon U.S. treasury note)	2.8 %	4.4 %	5.1 %
Dividend yield	0.7 %	0.5 %	0.5 %
Weighted-average fair value per option	\$ 28	\$ 42	\$ 36

<sup>\*</sup> There were no tax incentive options granted in 2002. Option term is 5 years for non-tax incentive options for the year ended December 31, 2002. Option term is 4 years for tax incentive options and 5 years for non-tax incentive options for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000.

# Income Taxes

Income tax expense is based on reported income before income taxes. Deferred income taxes reflect the effect of temporary differences between asset and liability amounts that are recognized for financial reporting purposes and the amounts that are recognized for income tax purposes. These deferred taxes are measured by applying currently enacted tax laws. Valuation allowances are recognized to reduce the deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. In assessing the likelihood of realization, management considers estimates of future taxable income.

# Translation of Non-U.S. Currency Amounts

Assets and liabilities of non-U.S. subsidiaries that operate in a local currency environment are translated to U.S. dollars at year-end exchange rates. Income and expense items are translated at weighted-average rates of exchange prevailing during the year. Translation adjustments are recorded in Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings within Stockholders' equity.

Inventories, Plant, rental machines and other property-net, and other non-monetary assets and liabilities of non-U.S. subsidiaries and branches that operate in U.S. dollars, or whose economic environment is highly inflationary, are translated at approximate exchange rates prevailing when the company acquired the assets or liabilities. All other assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates. Cost of sales and depreciation are translated at historical exchange rates. All other income and expense items are translated at the weighted-average rates of exchange prevailing during the year. Gains and losses that result from translation are included in net income.

<sup>\*\*</sup> To determine volatility, the company measured the daily price changes of the stock over the respective term for tax incentive options and non-tax incentive options.

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#### Derivatives

All derivatives are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair value and are reported in Prepaid expenses and other current assets, Investments and sundry assets, Other accrued expenses and liabilities or Other liabilities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. Classification of each derivative as current or non-current is based upon whether the maturity of each instrument is less than or greater than 12 months. To qualify for hedge accounting in accordance with SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," as amended by SFAS No. 138, "Accounting for Certain Derivative Instruments and Certain Hedging Activities," (SFAS No. 133), the company requires that the instruments are effective in reducing the risk exposure that they are designated to hedge. For instruments that are associated with the hedge of cash flows, hedge effectiveness criteria also require that it be probable that the underlying transaction will occur. Instruments that meet established accounting criteria are formally designated as hedges at the inception of the contract. These criteria demonstrate that the derivative is expected to be highly effective at offsetting changes in fair value or cash flows of the underlying exposure both at inception of the hedging relationship and on an ongoing basis. The assessment for effectiveness is formally documented at hedge inception and reviewed at least quarterly throughout the designated hedge period.

The company applies hedge accounting in accordance with SFAS No. 133, whereby the company designates each derivative as a hedge of; (1) the fair value of a recognized asset or liability or of an unrecognized firm commitment ("fair value" hedge); (2) the variability of anticipated cash flows of a forecasted transaction or the cash flows to be received or paid related to a recognized asset or liability ("cash flow" hedge); or (3) a hedge of a long-term investment ("net investment" hedge) in a foreign operation. From time to time, however, the company may enter into derivatives that economically hedge certain of its risks, even though hedge accounting does not apply under SFAS No. 133 or is not applied by the company. In these cases, there generally exists a natural hedging relationship in which changes in fair value of the derivative, which are recognized currently in net income, act as an economic offset to changes in the fair value of the underlying hedged item(s).

Changes in the value of a derivative that is designated as a fair value hedge, along with offsetting changes in the fair value of the underlying hedged exposure, are recorded in earnings each period. For hedges of interest rate risk, the fair value adjustments are recorded as adjustments to Interest expense and Cost of Global Financing in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. For hedges of currency risk associated with recorded assets or liabilities, derivative fair value adjustments generally are recognized in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. Changes in the value of a derivative that is designated as a cash flow hedge are recorded in the Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings, a component of Stockholders equity. When net income is affected by the variability of the underlying cash flow, the applicable offsetting amount of the gain or loss from the derivative that is deferred in Stockholders' equity is released to net income and reported in Interest expense, Cost, SG&A expense or Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings based on the nature of the underlying cash flow hedged. Effectiveness for net investment hedging derivatives is measured on a spot to spot basis. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives and other non-derivative risk management instruments designated as net investment hedges are recorded as foreign currency translation adjustments in the Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings section of Stockholders' equity. Changes in the fair value of the portion of a net investment hedging derivative excluded from the effectiveness assessment are recorded in Interest expense.

When the underlying hedged item ceases to exist, all changes in the fair value of the derivative are included in net income each period until the instrument matures. When the derivative transaction ceases to exist, a hedged asset or liability is no longer adjusted for changes in its fair value except as required under other relevant accounting standards. Derivatives that are not designated as hedges, as well as changes in the value of derivatives that do not offset the underlying hedged item throughout the designated hedge period (collectively, "ineffectiveness"), are recorded in net income each period and generally are reported in Other (income) and expense. See note L, "Derivatives and Hedging Transactions," on pages 84 to 86 for a description of the major risk management programs and classes of financial instruments used by the company.

### Financial Instruments

In determining fair value of its financial instruments, the company uses a variety of methods and assumptions that are based on market conditions and risks existing at each balance sheet date. For the majority of financial instruments including most derivatives, long-term investments and long-term debt, standard market conventions and techniques such as discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models, replacement cost and termination cost are used to determine fair value. Dealer quotes are used for the remaining financial instruments. All methods of assessing fair value result in a general approximation of value, and such value may never actually be realized.

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#### Cash Equivalents

All highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the date of purchase are carried at fair value and considered to be cash equivalents.

#### Marketable Securities

Marketable securities included in Current assets represent securities with a maturity of less than one year. The company also has Marketable securities, including non-equity method alliance investments, with a maturity of more than one year. These non-current investments are included in Investments and sundry assets. The company's Marketable securities, including certain non-equity method alliance investments, are considered available for sale and are reported at fair value with changes in unrealized gains and losses, net of applicable taxes, recorded in Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings within Stockholders' equity. Realized gains and losses are calculated based on the specific identification method. Other-than-temporary declines in market value from original cost are charged to Other (income) and expense in the period in which the loss occurs. In determining whether are other-than-temporary decline in the market value has occurred, the company considers the duration that and extent to which market value is below original cost. Realized gains and losses and other than temporary declines in market value from original cost are included in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. All other investment securities not described above or in "Principles of Consolidation" on page 70, primarily non-publicly traded equity securities, are accounted for using the cost method.

#### Inventories

Raw materials, work in process and finished goods are stated at the lower of average cost or net realizable value.

### Allowance for Uncollectible Receivables

#### TRADE

An allowance for uncollectible trade receivables is recorded based on a combination of write-off history, aging analysis, and any specific known troubled accounts.

### FINANCING

Below are the methodologies the company uses to calculate both its specific and its unallocated reserves, which are applied consistently to its different portfolios

Specific

The company reviews all accounts receivable considered at risk on a quarterly basis. The review primarily consists of an analysis based upon current information available about the customer, such as financial statements, news reports, published credit ratings, the current economic environment, as well as, collateral net of repossession cost, and prior history. For loans that are collateral dependent, impairment is measured using the fair value of the collateral when foreclosure is probable. Using this information, the company determines the expected cash flow for the receivable and calculates a recommended estimate of the potential loss and the probability of loss. For those accounts where the loss is probable, the company records a specific reserve.

# Unallocated

The company records an unallocated reserve that is calculated by applying a write-off rate to the total portfolio, excluding accounts that have been specifically reserved. This write-off rate is based upon write-off history and is adjusted to reflect current economic conditions.

Certain receivables that have specific reserves recorded may also be placed on nonaccrual status. Nonaccrual assets are those receivables (impaired loans or nonperforming leases) with specific reserves and other accounts for which it is likely that the company will be unable to collect all amounts due according to original terms of the lease or loan agreement. Income recognition is discontinued on these receivables. Receivables may be removed from nonaccrual status, if appropriate, based upon changes in customer circumstances.

# Estimated Residual Values of Lease Assets

The recorded residual values of the company's lease assets are estimated at the inception of the lease to be the expected fair market value of the assets at the end of the lease term. In accordance with GAAP, the company reassesses the realizable value of its lease residual values, and any anticipated increases in specific future residual values are not recognized before realization through remarketing efforts. Anticipated decreases in specific future residual values that are considered to be other than temporary are recognized immediately upon identification.

# Software Costs

Costs that are related to the conceptual formulation and design of licensed programs are expensed as R&D. Also, for licensed programs, the company capitalizes costs that are incurred to produce the finished product after technological feasibility is established. The annual amortization of the capitalized amounts is performed using the straight-line method, and is applied over periods ranging up to three years. The company performs periodic reviews to ensure that unamortized program costs remain recoverable from future revenue. Costs to support or service licensed programs are expensed as the costs are incurred.

The company capitalizes certain costs that are incurred to purchase or to create and implement internal-use computer software, which includes software coding, installation, testing and data conversion. Capitalized costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over two years.

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#### Common Stock

Common stock refers to the \$.20 par value capital stock as designated in the company's Certificate of Incorporation. Treasury stock is accounted for using the cost method. When treasury stock is reissued, the value is computed and recorded using a weighted-average basis.

#### **Product Warranties**

The company estimates its warranty costs based on historical warranty claim experience and applies this estimate to the revenue stream for products under warranty. Included in the company's warranty accrual are costs for limited warranties and extended warranty coverage. Future costs for warranties applicable to revenue recognized in the current period are charged to cost of revenue. The warranty accrual is reviewed quarterly to verify that it properly reflects the remaining obligation based on the anticipated expenditures over the balance of the obligation period. Adjustments are made when actual warranty claim experience differs from estimates.

### Earnings Per Share of Common Stock

Earnings per share of common stock—basic is computed by dividing Net income applicable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Earnings per share of common stock—assuming dilution reflects the maximum potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock and would then share in the net income of the company. See note T, "Earnings Per Share of Common Stock," on page 93 for additional information.

#### **B** Accounting Changes

### Standards Implemented

In April 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44 and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections," effective May 15, 2002. SFAS No. 145 eliminates the requirement that gains and losses from the extinguishment of debt be aggregated and classified as an extraordinary item, net of tax, and makes certain other technical corrections. SFAS No. 145 did not have a material effect on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

Effective January 1, 2002, the company adopted Statement of Financial Position ("SOP") 01-6, "Accounting by Certain Entities (including entities with Trade Receivables) That Lend to or Finance the Activities of Others." With limited exception, SOP 01-6 applies to any entity that lends to or finances the activities of, others and provides specialized guidance for certain transactions specific to financial institutions. This SOP reconciles and conforms, as appropriate, the accounting and financial reporting guidance established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The adoption did not have a material effect on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

In October 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." SFAS No. 144 addresses significant issues relating to the implementation of SFAS No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of," and develops a single accounting model, based on the framework established in SFAS No. 121 for long-lived assets to be disposed of by sale. whether such assets are or are not deemed to be a business, SFAS No. 144 also modifies the accounting and disclosure rules for discontinued operations. The standard was adopted on January 1, 2002, and did not have a material impact on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements. The discontinued HDD operations are presented in the Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with the new SFAS No. 144 rules.

In November 2001, the FASB issued Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 01-14, "Income Statement Characterization of Reimbursements Received for 'Out of Pocket' Expenses Incurred." This guidance requires companies to recognize the recovery of reimbursable expenses such as travel costs on services contracts as revenue. These costs are not to be netted as a reduction of cost. This guidance was effective January 1, 2002. This guidance did not have a material effect on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements due to the company's billing practices. For instance, outside the United States, almost all of the company's contracts involve fixed billings that are designed to recover all costs, including out-of-pocket costs. Therefore, the "reimbursement" of these costs is already recorded in revenue.

In July 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations," and SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." SFAS No. 141 requires the use of the purchase method of accounting for business combinations and prohibits the use of the pooling of interests method. Under the previous rules, the company used the purchase method of accounting. SFAS No. 141 also refines the definition of intangible assets acquired in a purchase business combination. As a result, the purchase price allocation of current business combinations may be different than the allocation that would have resulted under the old rules. Business combinations must be accounted for using SFAS No. 141 effective July 1, 2001.

SFAS No. 142 eliminates the amortization of goodwill, requires annual impairment testing of goodwill and introduces the concept of indefinite life intangible assets. The company adopted SFAS No. 142 on January 1, 2002. The new rules also prohibit the amortization of goodwill associated with business combinations that closed after June 30, 2001.

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In accordance with SFAS No. 141, the unamortized balance for acquired assembled workforce of \$33 million, which had been recognized as an intangible asset separate from goodwill, has been reclassified to goodwill effective January 1, 2002. In addition, an initial goodwill impairment test was required to be performed in 2002 as of January 1, 2002. This initial test and the company's first annual goodwill impairment test, performed as of October 1, 2002, resulted in no goodwill impairment charges.

The following table presents reported Income from continuing operations and income adjusted to exclude goodwill amortization, which is no longer recorded under SFAS No. 142 effective January 1, 2002.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:		2002		2001	2000
Reported income from continuing operations	\$	5,334	\$	8,146	\$ 7,874
Add: Goodwill amortization net of tax effects			_	262	436
Adjusted income from continuing operations	\$	5,334	\$	8,408	\$ 8,310
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations:					
Reported income from continuing operations	\$	3.13	\$	4.69	\$ 4.45
Goodwill amortization		_		0.15	0.25
Adjusted basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	3.13	\$	4.85*	\$ 4.70
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations:					
Reported income from continuing operations	\$	3.07	\$	4.59	\$ 4.32
Goodwill amortization		_		0.15	0.24
Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	3.07	\$	4.74	\$ 4.56
Reported net income	<del></del>	3,579	\$	7,723	\$ 8,093
Add: Goodwill amortization net of tax effects		_		262	436
Adjusted net income	\$	3,579	\$	7,985	\$ 8,529
Basic earnings per share:					
Reported net income	\$	2.10	\$	4.45	\$ 4.58
Goodwill amortization		_		0.15	0.25
Adjusted basic earnings per share	\$	2.10	\$	4.60	\$ 4.83
Diluted earnings per share:	_				
Reported net income	\$	2.06	\$	4.35	\$ 4.44
Goodwill amortization		_		0.15	0.24
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	<del></del> \$	2.06	\$	4.50	\$ 4.68

Does not total due to rounding.

On January 1, 2001, the company adopted SFAS No. 133, as amended. SFAS No. 133 establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments. As of January 1, 2001, the adoption of the new standard resulted in a cumulative effect, net-of-tax increase of \$219 million to Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings in the Stockholders' equity section of the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position and a cumulative effect net-of-tax charge of \$6 million included in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

Effective January 1, 2001, the company adopted SFAS No. 140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities—a replacement of SFAS No. 125." This statement provides accounting and reporting standards for transfers and servicing of financial assets and extinguishments of liabilities and revises the accounting standards for securitizations and transfers of financial assets and collateral. The adoption did not have a material effect on the company's results of operations and financial position. The standard also requires new disclosures that were not applicable to the company.

# New Standards to be Implemented

In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143,"Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations." SFAS No. 143 provides accounting and reporting guidance for legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction or normal operation of a long-lived asset. SFAS No. 143 requires the recording of an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the estimated costs associated with the retirement of long-lived assets where a legal or contractual obligation exists. The asset is required to be depreciated over the life of the related equipment or facility, and the liability is required to be accreted each year based on a present value interest rate. The standard is effective for the company on January 1, 2003. The company has reviewed the provisions of this standard, and its adoption is not expected to have a material effect on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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In July 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities." SFAS No. 146 supersedes EITF No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (Including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)," and requires that a liability for a cost associated with an exit or disposal activity be recognized when the liability is incurred. Such liabilities should be recorded at fair value and updated for any changes in the fair value each period. A notable change from EITF No. 94-3 involves one-time employee termination costs whereby the employee to be terminated is required to render service between the notification date and the date the employee will be terminated in order to receive any termination benefits. For these situations whereby the required postnotification service period extends beyond the minimum retention period required by local law, the fair value of the liability will be recognized ratably over the service period. This change is effective for new exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. Had SFAS No. 146 been effective for the company's second quarter and fourth quarter 2002 actions, a portion of the pre-tax employee termination costs listed in the table on pages 91 and 92 would have been amortized over the applicable service periods, until the respective employees were terminated. The impact of SFAS No. 146 on the company's future Consolidated Financial Statements will depend upon the timing of and facts underlying any future one-time workforce reduction actions.

In November 2002, the EITF reached a consensus on Issue No. 00-21, "Accounting for Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables." This Issue provides guidance on when and how to separate elements of an arrangement that may involve the delivery or performance of multiple products, services and rights to use assets into separate units of accounting. The guidance in the consensus is effective for revenue arrangements entered into in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2003. The company will adopt Issue No. 00-21 in the quarter beginning July 1, 2003. The transition provision allows either prospective application or a cumulative effect adjustment upon adoption. The company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting this guidance.

In November 2002, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others," which addresses the disclosures to be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under guarantees. FIN 45 also requires the recognition of a liability by a guarantor at the inception of certain guarantees that are entered into or modified after December 31, 2002.

The company has adopted the disclosure requirements of FIN 45 (see note A, "Significant Accounting Policies," on pages 70 through 75, and note O. "Contingencies and Commitments," on pages 88 and 89) and will apply the recognition and measurement provisions for all material guarantees entered into or modified in periods beginning January 1, 2003. The impact of FIN 45 on the company's future Consolidated Financial Statements will depend upon whether the company enters into or modifies any material guarantee arrangements.

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities," which addresses consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities that either: (1) do not have sufficient equity investment at risk to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support, or (2) the equity investors lack an essential characteristic of a controlling financial interest.

FIN 46 requires disclosure of Variable Interest Entities (VIEs) in financial statements issued after January 31, 2003, if it is reasonably possible that as of the transition date: (1) the company will be the primary beneficiary of an existing VIE that will require consolidation or, (2) the company will hold a significant variable interest in, or have significant involvement with, an existing VIE. Pursuant to the transitional requirements of FIN 46, the company will adopt the consolidation guidance applicable to existing VIEs as of the reporting period beginning July 1, 2003. Any VIEs created after January 31, 2003, are immediately subject to the consolidation guidance in FIN 46.

The company's program to sell state and local government receivables, as described in note J, "Sale and Securitization of Receivables," on page 82, involves qualifying special purpose entities, and therefore is not subject to FIN 46.

The company does not have any entities that require disclosure or new consolidation as a result of adopting the provisions of FIN 46.

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#### C Acquisitions/Divestitures

#### Acquisitions

2002

In 2002, the company completed 12 acquisitions at an aggregate cost of \$3,958 million.

The largest acquisition was PricewaterhouseCoopers Consulting (PwCC). On October 1, 2002, the company purchased PricewaterhouseCoopers' (PwC) global business consulting and technology services unit, PwCC, for \$3,474 million. The acquisition of PwCC provides the company with new expertise in business strategy, industry-based consulting, process integration and application management. The purchase price above includes an estimated amount of net tangible assets to be transferred of approximately \$422 million. The recorded amount of net tangible assets transferred to IBM from PwC on October 1, 2002, was approximately \$454 million higher than the estimate. The amount of recorded net tangible assets transferred will be subject to a review process between both parties under the terms of the agreement. Therefore, although the net tangible assets recorded by IBM include this incremental amount, such amounts may be adjusted, dollar for dollar, in 2003 under the terms of the agreement. Any cash settlement to either party resulting from this process is estimated to occur in 2003 and may affect the values assigned to assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

The company paid \$2,852 million of the purchase price in cash, \$294 million primarily in the form of restricted shares of IBM common stock and \$328 million in notes convertible into restricted shares of IBM common stock.

In connection with the acquisition, the company incurred approximately \$196 million of pre-tax, one-time compensation costs for certain PwCC partners and employees. This amount relates to restricted stock awards and the compensation element of the convertible notes issued as part of the purchase consideration and was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2002. The portion of this amount recorded as part of SG&A in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings as compensation expense for the convertible notes equals the difference between the fair value and the face value of the notes.

As a result of its acquisition of PwCC, the company recorded a liability of approximately \$601 million in the fourth quarter of 2002 to rebalance its workforce and to vacate excess leased space. All employees affected by this action were notified as of December 31, 2002. The portion of the liability relating to IBM people and space was approximately \$318 million, and substantially all was recorded as part of SG&A in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. The portion of the liability relating to acquired PwCC workforce and leased space was approximately \$283 million and was included as part of the liabilities assumed for purchase accounting and are presented in the following table.

The table below presents the allocation of purchase price related to the 2002 acquisitions as of the respective dates of acquisition.

(dollars in millions)	AMORTIZATION LIFE (IN YEARS)	PwCC		0	THER
Current assets		\$	1,197	\$	264
Fixed/non-current assets			199		102
Intangible assets:					
Goodwill	N/A		2,461		364
Completed technology	3		_		66
Strategic alliances	5		103		_
Non-contractual customer relationships	4 to 7		131		_
Customer contracts/backlog	3 to 5		82		6
Other identifiable intangible assets	3 to 5		95		10
Total assets acquired			4,268		812
Current liabilities			(560)		(208)
Non-current liabilities			(234)	_	(124)
Total liabilities assumed			(794)		(332)
Net assets acquired			3,474		480
In-process research and development			_		4
Total purchase price		\$	3,474	\$	484

# PwCC Acquisition

Almost half of the goodwill was estimated to be generated by the value of the acquired assembled workforce. The acquired assembled workforce is treated as goodwill under SFAS No. 141. The remaining items that generated goodwill are synergies between PwCC and the company created by the combination, and the premium paid by the company for the right to control PwCC. The goodwill has been assigned to the Global Services segment. The company estimates that approximately two-thirds of the goodwill is deductible for tax purposes. The overall weighted-average life of amortizable intangible assets purchased from PwC is approximately 5 years. The results of operations of PwCC were included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements as of October 1, 2002.

# Other Acquisitions

The company paid cash for the other acquisitions. Six of the acquisitions were for software companies, including Crossworlds Software, Inc., and Access360. The other five acquisitions were strategic outsourcing and business consulting companies. The primary items that generated goodwill are the synergies between the acquired businesses and the company, and the premium paid by the company for the right to control the businesses acquired. Approximately \$300 million of the goodwill has been assigned to the Software segment and the

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balance to the Global Services segment. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes. The overall weighted-average life of the intangible assets purchased is approximately three years. The results of operations of the acquired businesses were included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements from the respective dates of acquisition.

#### 2001

In 2001, the company completed two acquisitions at a cost of approximately \$1,082 million.

The larger acquisition was Informix Corporation's (Informix) database software business. The company paid approximately \$1 billion in cash for the net assets of the business. Under the terms of the acquisition, the company paid \$889 million of the purchase price in 2001. The balance was paid in January 2003. The Informix acquisition provided the company with a database software system for data warehousing, business intelligence and transaction-handling systems that are used by more than 100,000 customers. In addition, the acquisition significantly increased the size of the company's Unix database business. The company purchased Informix in the third quarter of 2001.

The following table presents the allocation of purchase price related to the 2001 acquisitions as of the respective dates of acquisition.

(dollars in millions)	AMORTIZATION LIFE (IN YEARS)	INFO	ORMIX	OTHER		
Current assets		\$	156	\$	57	
Fixed/non-current assets			41		21	
Intangible assets:						
Goodwill			591		25	
Customer lists	5		220		_	
Completed technology	3		140		_	
Trademarks	2		10		_	
Total assets acquired			1,158		103	
Deferred revenue			(101)		(2)	
Payables/accrued expenses			(55)		(21)	
Total liabilities assumed			(156)		(23)	
Total purchase price		\$	1,002	\$	80	

### Informix

The primary items that generated goodwill are the value of the acquired assembled workforce and the synergies between Informix and the company created by the combination. Goodwill of \$591 million has been assigned to the Software segment. Almost all of the goodwill is deductible for tax purposes. This transaction occurred after June 30, 2001, and therefore, the acquired goodwill is not subject to amortization. The overall weighted-average life of intangible assets purchased from Informix is 4.2 years. The results of operations of Informix were included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements as of July 2, 2001.

# Other Acquisitions

The primary items that generated goodwill are the synergies between the acquired business and the company and the premium paid by the company for the right to control the business acquired. Goodwill of \$25 million has been assigned to the Global Services segment. The goodwill is not deductible for tax purposes. The results of operations of the acquired business were included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements from the date of acquisition.

# 2000

In 2000, the company completed nine acquisitions at a cost of approximately \$511 million.

The largest acquisition was LGS Group Inc. (LGS). The company acquired all the outstanding stock of LGS in April 2000 for \$190 million. LGS offers services ranging from application development to information technology (IT) consulting. The results of operations of LGS were included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements as of April 2000.

The table below presents the allocation of the purchase price related to the 2000 acquisitions as of the respective dates of acquisition.

(dollars in millions)	LGS		O	THER
Tangible net assets	\$	31	\$	68
Goodwill		159		220
Other identifiable intangible assets		_		36
In-process research and development		_		9
Deferred tax liabilities related to identifiable intangible assets		_		(12)
	_			
Total purchase price	\$	190	\$	321

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### **OVERALL**

The company's acquisitions were accounted for as purchase transactions, and accordingly, the assets and liabilities of the acquired entities were recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of acquisition. The effects of these acquisitions on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements were not material. Hence, the company has not provided pro forma financial information as if the companies had combined at the beginning of the respective periods presented.

The tangible net assets comprise primarily cash, accounts receivable, land, buildings and leasehold improvements. The identifiable intangible assets comprise primarily patents, trademarks, customer lists, employee agreements and leasehold interests. The identifiable intangible assets have been amortized on a straight-line basis, generally not to exceed seven years. Goodwill from acquisitions that were consummated prior to July 1, 2001, was amortized over five years. The company adopted SFAS No. 142 on January 1, 2002, and ceased amortizing goodwill as of that date. The results of operations of all acquired businesses were included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements from the respective dates of acquisition.

#### Divestitures

#### 2002

On December 31, 2002, the company sold its HDD business to Hitachi. The total gross proceeds of the sale were \$2 billion (excluding purchase price adjustments), of which \$1,414 million was received by IBM at closing. According to the terms of the agreement, the remaining proceeds will be received one and three years after closing. The remaining proceeds are fixed and are not dependent or variable based upon the sold business' earnings or performance. The company transferred approximately \$244 million of cash as part of the HDD business, resulting in a net cash inflow in 2002 related to the HDD transaction of \$1,170 million.

IBM has entered into an arms-length five-year supply agreement with Hitachi, effective January 1, 2003, designed to provide the company with a majority of its ongoing internal disk drive requirements for the company's Server, Storage and Personal Systems products.

The loss on disposal recorded in 2002 was approximately \$382 million, net of tax, and was recorded in (Loss)/income from discontinued operations in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

See note A, "Significant Accounting Policies," on pages 70 to 75 for the "Basis of Presentation" for the discontinued operations.

In the second and fourth quarters of 2002, the company announced certain asset and workforce reduction actions, and excess leased space charges related to its discontinued HDD business. The company recorded a charge of approximately \$508 million, net of tax, in discontinued operations associated with these announced actions.

Summarized selected financial information for the discontinued operations is as follows:

### (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002*			2001 2		2000
Revenue	\$	1,946	\$	2,799	\$	3,307
(Loss)/income before income taxes	\$	(2,037)	\$	(497)	\$	123
Income tax benefit		(282)	_	(74)		(96)
(Loss)/income from discontinued operations	\$	(1,755)	\$	(423)	\$	219

<sup>\*</sup> At closing, the company incurred a significant U.S. tax charge of approximately \$248 million related to the repatriation of divestiture proceeds from certain countries with low tax rates. This amount was included in the income tax benefit line item of discontinued operations.

# D Financial Instruments (excluding derivatives)

# Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, notes and other accounts receivable and other investments are financial assets with carrying values that approximate fair value. Accounts payable, other accrued expenses and liabilities, and short-term and long-term debt are financial liabilities with carrying values that approximate fair value.

# Marketable Securities\*

The following table summarizes the company's marketable securities, all of which are considered available for sale, and alliance investments.

		R VAL	UE
(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001
Marketable securities—current:			
Time deposits and other obligations	\$ 59	3 \$	55
Non-U.S. government securities and other fixed-term obligations	-	_	8
Total	\$ 59	3 \$	63
Marketable securities—non-current:**			
Time deposits and other obligations	\$ 17	2 \$	124
Non-U.S. government securities and other fixed-term obligations	2	0	_
Total	\$ 19	2 \$	124
Non-equity method alliance investments**	\$ 24	9 \$	574

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\* Gross unrealized gains (before taxes) on marketable securities and alliance investments were \$9 million and \$27 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Gross unrealized losses (before taxes) on marketable securities and alliance investments were \$10 million and \$4 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. See note N, "Stockholders' Equity Activity," on pages 87 and 88 for net change in unrealized gains and losses on marketable securities.

\*\* Included within Investments and sundry assets in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. See note H, "Investments and Sundry Assets," on page 81.

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#### **E** Inventories

AT DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001
Finished goods	\$ 960	\$	1,259
Work in process and raw materials	2,188		3,045
Total	\$ 3,148	\$	4,304
F Financing Receivables			
(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31:	2002		2001*
Short-term:			
Net investment in sales-type leases	\$ 5,779	\$	6,029
Commercial financing receivables	4,972		5,416
Customer loans receivable	4,462		4,225
Installment payment receivables	698		844
Other non-Global Financing related	85		142
Total	\$ 15,996	\$	16,656
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Long-term:	ф	¢.	( 000
Net investment in sales-type leases	\$ 6,505	\$	
_ ~	\$ 6,505 4,179 462	\$	6,822 4,014 1,009

Other non-Global Financing related

Total

Net investment in sales-type leases is for leases that relate principally to IBM equipment and are generally for terms ranging from two to five years. Net investment in sales-type leases includes unguaranteed residual values of \$821 million and \$791 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively, and is reflected net of unearned income at those dates of \$1,330 million and \$1,428 million, respectively. Scheduled maturities of minimum lease payments outstanding at December 31, 2002, expressed as a percentage of the total, are approximately as follows: 2003, 51 percent; 2004, 28 percent; 2005, 15 percent; 2006, 4 percent; and 2007 and beyond, 2 percent.

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Customer loans receivable are provided by Global Financing to the company's customers to finance the purchase of the company's software and services. Global Financing is one of many sources of funding from which customers can choose. Separate contractual relationships on these financing arrangements are generally for terms ranging from one to three years requiring straight-line payments over the term. Each financing contract is priced independently at competitive market rates. The company has a history of enforcing the terms of these separate financing agreements.

# G Plant, Rental Machines and Other Property

(uviuis in minions)	(dollars	in	millions)
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AT DECEMBER 31:	2002			2001
Land and land improvements	\$	837	\$	859
Buildings and building improvements		8,978		10,073
Plant, laboratory and office equipment		21,416		22,369
	_		_	
		31,231		33,301
Less: Accumulated depreciation		18,525		18,982
	_	12,706	_	14,319
Rental machines		4,852		5,074
Less: Accumulated depreciation		3,118	_	2,889
		1,734		2,185
Total	\$	14,440	\$	16,504

# H Investments and Sundry Assets

dollars	in	millions)	

(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001*
Deferred taxes	\$ 4,314	\$ 2,395
Alliance investments:		
Equity method	562	544
Other	249	574
Software	834	833
Derivatives—non-current**	689	230
Intangible assets, net (other than goodwill)	562	356
Receivable from Hitachi+	356	_
Marketable securities—non-current	192	124
Other assets	1,076	1,361

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Total \$ 8,834 \$ 6,417

+ See note C, "Acquisitions/Divestitures" on pages 78 to 80 for additional information.

The following schedule details the company's intangible asset balances by major asset class:

(dollars in millions) INTANGIBLE ASSET CLASS	GROSS CARRYING AMOUNT	ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION		NET CARRYING AMOUNT AT DEC. 31, 2002
Customer-related	\$ 517	\$ (1:	24)	\$ 393
Completed technology	229	(1)	08)	121
Strategic alliances	118	(	15)	103
Patents/trademarks	109	(	80)	29
Other*	98		(7)	91
Total	\$ 1,071	\$ (3.	34)	\$ 737**

<sup>\*</sup> Other intangibles are primarily acquired proprietary and nonproprietary business processes, methodologies and systems.

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

<sup>\*\*</sup> See note L, "Derivatives and Hedging Transactions" on pages 84 to 86 for the fair value of all derivatives reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The \$737 million comprises \$175 million recorded as current assets and \$562 million recorded as non-current assets.

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The net carrying amount of intangible assets increased by \$259 million for the year ended December 31, 2002, primarily due to the acquisition of PwCC, offset by the amortization of existing intangible asset balances and the intangible assets associated with divestitures.

The aggregate amortization expense was \$181 million and \$100 million for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

The future amortization expense for each of the five succeeding years relating to intangible assets currently recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position is estimated to be the following at December 31, 2002:

## (dollars in millions)

2003	\$	245
2004		208
2005		138
2006 2007		82
2007		42

#### I Goodwill

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill, by reporting segment, for the year ended December 31, 2002, are as follows:

(dollars in millions) SEGMENT	 ALANCE JAN. 1, 2002	ASSEMBLED WORKFORCE RECLASS*	-	GOODWILL DDITIONS	PURCHASE PRICE ADJUSTMENTS	DIVESTITURES	FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION ADJUSTMENTS	BALANCE DEC. 31, 2002	
Global Services	\$ 325	\$	\$	2,532	\$	\$	\$ 69	\$ 2,92	26
Enterprise Systems	111	26		_	_	_	_	13	37
Personal and Printing Systems	13	_		_	_	_	_	1	13
Technology	102	5		_	_	(83)	_	2	24
Software	727	2		293	(12)	_	5	1,01	15
Global Financing	_	_		_	_	_	_	-	_
Enterprise Investments	_	_		_	_	_	_	-	_
Total	\$ 1,278	\$ 33	\$	2,825	\$ (12)	\$ (83)	\$ 74	\$ 4,11	15

<sup>\*</sup> In accordance with SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations," the unamortized balance for acquired assembled workforce, which had been recognized as an intangible asset separate from goodwill, has been reclassified to goodwill effective January 1, 2002.

There were no goodwill impairment losses recorded during the period.

## J Sale and Securitization of Receivables

The company periodically sells receivables through the securitization of loans, leases and trade receivables. The company retains servicing rights in the securitized receivables for which it receives a servicing fee. Any gain or loss incurred as a result of such sales is recognized in the period in which the sale occurs.

During 2001, the company entered into an uncommitted trade receivables securitization facility that allows for the ongoing sale of up to \$500 million of trade receivables. This facility was put in place primarily to provide backup liquidity and can be accessed on three days notice. The company sold \$179 million of trade receivables through this facility in 2001. In addition, the company has a program to sell loans receivable from state and local government customers. This program was established in 1990 and has been used from time to time since then. The company sold \$278 million of loans receivable due from state and local government customers in 2001. No receivables were sold under either of these programs in 2002.

At December 31, 2002 and 2001, the total balance of the state and local receivables securitized and under the company's management was \$101 million and \$213 million, respectively. Servicing assets net of servicing liabilities were insignificant.

The investors in the state and local loans receivable securitizations have recourse to the company via a limited guarantee of \$69 million at December 31, 2002. At year-end 2002, delinquent amounts from the receivables sold and net credit losses were insignificant.

## K Borrowings

Short-term debt

## (dollars in millions)

AT DECEMBER 31:		2002	2001		
Commercial paper	\$	1,302	\$	4,809	
Short-term loans		1,013		1,564	
Long-term debt—current maturities		3,716		4,815	
	_		_		
Total	\$	6,031	\$	11,188	

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The weighted-average interest rates for commercial paper at December 31, 2002 and 2001, were 1.7 percent and 1.9 percent, respectively. The weighted-average interest rates for short-term loans at December 31, 2002 and 2001, were 2.5 percent and 4.0 percent, respectively.

#### Long-Term Debt

#### PRE-SWAP ACTIVITY

(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31: MATURITIES 2002 2001 U.S. Dollars: Debentures: 6.22% 2027 500 500 6.5% 2028 700 700 7.0% 2025 600 600 7.0% 2045 150 150 7.125% 2096 850 850 7.5% 2013 550 550 8.375% 2019 750 750 3.43% convertible notes\* 2007 328 2003-2032 2,772 Notes: 6.0% average 2,130 Medium-term note program: 4.0% average 2003-2018 7,113 3,620 Other: 4.9% average 2003-2009 610 828 14,281 11,320 Other currencies (average interest rate at December 31, 2002, in parentheses): 2003-2009 3,042 Euros (5.4%) 2,111 Japanese yen (1.0%) 2003-2015 4,976 4,749 Canadian dollars (5.8%) 2003-2011 445 441 Swiss francs (4.0%) 2003 180 151 Other (6.6%) 2003-2014 730 726 22,723 20,429 Less: Net unamortized (premium)/discount 47 Add: SFAS No. 133 fair value adjustment\*\* 978 396 23,702 20,778 Less: Current maturities 3,716 4,815 Total \$ 19,986 \$ 15,963

- \* On October 1, 2002, as part of the purchase price consideration for the PwCC acquisition, as addressed in note C, "Acquisitions/Divestitures," on pages 78 to 80, the company issued convertible notes bearing interest at a stated rate of 3.4 percent with a face value of approximately \$328 million to certain of the acquired PwCC partners. The notes are convertible into 4,764,543 shares of IBM common stock at the option of the holders at any time after the first anniversary of their issuance based on a fixed conversion price of \$68.81 per share of the company's common stock.
- \*\* In accordance with the requirements of SFAS No. 133, the portion of the company's fixed rate debt obligations that is hedged is reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as an amount equal to the sum of the debt's carrying value plus a SFAS No. 133 fair value adjustment representing changes recorded in the fair value of the hedged debt obligations attributable to movements in market interest rates and applicable foreign currency exchange rates.

Annual contractual maturities on long-term debt outstanding at December 31, 2002, are as follows:

# (dollars in millions)

2003	\$ 3,949
2004	3,613
2005	1,670
2006	2,705
2007	846
2008 and beyond	9,940

## Interest on Debt

## (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:		002	2	2001	2	2000
Cost of Global Financing	\$	633	\$	964	\$	1,082
Interest expense		145		234		344
Interest expense—discontinued operations		2		4		3
Interest capitalized		35		33		20
			_		_	
Total interest paid and accrued	\$	815	\$	1,235	\$	1,449
	_		_		_	

Refer to the related discussion on pages 101 through 103 in note X, "Segment Information," for the total interest expense of the Global Financing segment. See note L, "Derivatives and Hedging Transactions," on pages 84 to 86 for a discussion of the use of currency and interest rate swaps in the company's debt risk management program.

## Lines of Credit

The company maintains two global credit facilities totaling \$12.0 billion in committed lines, including an \$8.0 billion multiyear facility with a term extending through May 31, 2006, and a \$4.0 billion, 364-day facility that expires on May 30, 2003. The company's other lines of credit, most of which were

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uncommitted, totaled \$7,190 million and \$6,860 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Interest rates and other terms of borrowing under these lines of credit vary from country to country, depending on local market conditions.

(dollars in millions)

(dollars in millions)

AT DECEMBER 31:		2002		2001
Unused lines:				
From the committed global credit facility	\$	11,945	\$	11,383
From other committed and uncommitted lines		4,989		4,738
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Total unused lines of credit	\$	16,934	\$	16,121

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### L Derivatives and Hedging Transactions

The company operates in approximately 35 functional currencies and is a significant lender and borrower in the global markets. In the normal course of business, the company is exposed to the impact of interest rate changes and foreign currency fluctuations, and to a lesser extent equity price changes. The company limits these risks by following established risk management policies and procedures including the use of derivatives and, where cost-effective, financing with debt in the currencies in which assets are denominated. For interest rate exposures, derivatives are used to align rate movements between the interest rates associated with the company's lease and other financial assets and the interest rates associated with its financing debt. Derivatives are also used to manage the related cost of debt. For foreign currency exposures, derivatives are used to limit the effects of foreign exchange rate fluctuations on financial results.

The company does not use derivatives for trading or speculative purposes, nor is it a party to leveraged derivatives. Further, the company has a policy of only entering into contracts with carefully selected major financial institutions based upon their credit ratings and other factors, and maintains strict dollar and term limits that correspond to the institution's credit rating. When viewed in conjunction with the underlying and offsetting exposure that the derivatives are designed to hedge, the company has not sustained a material loss from these instruments.

In its hedging programs, the company employs the use of forward contracts, futures contracts, interest rate and currency swaps, options, caps, floors or a combination thereof depending upon the underlying exposure.

A brief description of the major hedging programs follows.

## Debt Risk Management

The company issues debt on the global capital markets, principally to fund its financing lease and loan portfolio. Access to cost-effective financing can result in interest rate and/or currency mismatches with the underlying assets. To manage these mismatches and to reduce overall interest cost, the company primarily uses interest-rate and currency instruments, principally swaps, to convert specific fixed-rate debt issuances into variable-rate debt (i.e., fair value hedges) and to convert specific variable-rate debt and anticipated commercial paper issuances to fixed rate (i.e., cash flow hedges). The resulting cost of funds is lower than that which would have been available if debt with matching characteristics was issued directly. The weighted-average remaining maturity of all swaps in the debt risk management program is approximately four years.

## Long-Term Investments in Foreign Subsidiaries (Net Investment)

A significant portion of the company's foreign currency denominated debt portfolio is designated as a hedge of net investment to reduce the volatility in stockholders' equity caused by changes in foreign currency exchange rates in the functional currency of major foreign subsidiaries with respect to the U.S. dollar. The company also uses currency swaps and foreign exchange forward contracts for this risk management purpose. The currency effects of these hedges (approximately \$317 million for the current period, net of tax) are reflected as a loss in the Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings section of the Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity, thereby offsetting a portion of the translation of the applicable foreign subsidiaries' net assets.

## Anticipated Royalties and Cost Transactions

The company's operations generate significant non-functional currency, third party vendor payments and intercompany payments for royalties, and goods and services among the company's non-U.S. subsidiaries and with the parent company. In anticipation of these foreign currency cash flows and in view of the volatility of the currency markets, the company selectively employs foreign exchange forward and option contracts to manage its currency risk. At December 31, 2002, the maximum remaining maturity of these derivative instruments was less than 18 months, commensurate with the underlying hedged anticipated cash flows.

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## Subsidiary Cash and Foreign Currency Asset/Liability Management

The company uses its Global Treasury Centers to manage the cash of its subsidiaries. These centers principally use currency swaps to convert cash flows in a cost-effective manner. In addition, the company uses foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge, on a net basis, the foreign currency exposure of a portion of the company's non-functional currency assets and liabilities. The terms of these forward and swap contracts are generally less than one year. The changes in fair value from these contracts and from the underlying hedged exposures are generally offsetting and are recorded in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

## Equity Risk Management

The company is exposed to certain equity price changes related to certain obligations to employees. These equity exposures are primarily related to market value movements in certain broad equity market indices and in the company's own stock. Changes in the overall value of this employee compensation obligation are recorded in SG&A expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. Although not designated as accounting hedges, the company utilizes equity derivatives, including equity swaps and futures to economically hedge the equity exposures relating to this employee compensation obligation. To match the exposures relating to this employee compensation obligation, these derivatives are linked to the total return of certain broad equity market indices and/or the total return of the company's common stock. These derivatives are recorded at fair value with gains or losses also reported in SG&A expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

#### Other Derivatives

The company holds warrants in connection with certain investments that, although not designated as hedging instruments, are deemed derivatives since they contain net share settlement clauses. During the year, the company recorded the change in the fair value of these warrants in net income.

The following tables summarizes the net fair value of the company's derivative and other risk management instruments at December 31, 2002 and 2001 (included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position).

## RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

			HEL					
(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31, 2002		FAIR VALUE		CASH FLOW		NET INVESTMENT	NON-HED OTHER	-
Derivatives:								
Debt risk management Long-term investments in foreign subsidiaries ("net	\$	643	\$	(7)	\$	_	\$	3
investments")  Anticipated royalties and cost transactions  Subsidiary cash and foreign currency asset/liability		_		(469)		2 		_
management		_		_		_		(109)
Equity risk management		_		_		_		6
Other derivatives		_		_		_		10
Total derivatives Debt:		643 (a	1)	(476)(b)	)	2(c	)	(90)(d)
Long-term investments in foreign subsidiaries ("net investments")						(2,474)*		
Total	\$	643	\$	(476)	\$	(2,472)	\$	(90)

<sup>\*</sup> Represents fair value of foreign denominated debt issuances formally designated as a hedge of net investment.

<sup>(</sup>a) Comprises assets of \$754 million and liabilities of \$111 million.

<sup>(</sup>b) Comprises assets of \$2 million and liabilities of \$478 million.

<sup>(</sup>c) Comprises assets of \$2 million.

<sup>(</sup>d) Comprises assets of \$26 million and liabilities of \$116 million.

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## HEDGE DESIGNATION

		112			
(dollars in millions) AT DECEMBER 31, 2002		AIR LUE	CASH FLOW	NET INVESTMENT	NON-HEDGE/ OTHER
Derivatives:			_		
Debt risk management	\$	301 \$	(26)	_	\$ (13)
Long-term investments in foreign subsidiaries ("net investments")		_	_	92	_
Anticipated royalties and cost transactions		_	375	_	_
Subsidiary cash and foreign currency asset/liability management		_	_	_	16
Equity risk management			_	_	22
Other derivatives		_	_	_	3
Total derivatives		301 (a)	349 (b)	92(0	28 (d)
Debt:		201 (4)	5 .5 (6)	>=(	,) 20 (d)
Long-term investments in foreign subsidiaries ("net investments")			<u> </u>	(5,519)	* <u> </u>
Total	\$	301 \$	349	\$ (5,427)	\$ 28

- \* Represents fair value of foreign denominated debt issuances formally designated as a hedge of net investment.
- (a) Comprises assets of \$301 million.
- (b) Comprises assets of \$383 million and liabilities of \$34 million.
- (c) Comprises assets of \$92 million.
- (d) Comprises assets of \$60 million and liabilities of \$32 million.

## Accumulated Derivative Gains or Losses

As illustrated, the company makes extensive use of cash flow hedges, principally in the anticipated royalties and cost transactions risk management program. In connection with the company's cash flow hedges, it has recorded approximately \$363 million of net losses in Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings as of December 31, 2002, net of tax, of which approximately \$322 million is expected to be reclassified to net income within the next year, providing an offsetting economic impact against the underlying anticipated cash flows hedged.

The following table summarizes activity in the Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings section of the Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity related to all derivatives classified as cash flow hedges held by the company during the periods January 1, 2001 (the date of the company's adoption of SFAS No. 133) through December 31, 2002:

(dollars in millions, net of tax)	 EBIT/ REDIT)
Cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS No. 133 as of January 1, 2001	\$ (219)
Net gains reclassified into earnings from equity during 2001	379
Changes in fair value of derivatives in 2001	(456)
December 31, 2001	(296)
Net losses reclassified into earnings from equity during 2002	(5)
Changes in fair value of derivatives in 2002	664
DECEMBER 31, 2002	\$ 363

At December 31, 2002, there were no significant gains or losses on derivative transactions or portions thereof that were either ineffective as hedges, excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness, or associated with an underlying exposure that did not occur; nor are there any anticipated in the normal course of business.

## M Other Liabilities

(dollars in millions)

AT DECEMBER 31:		2002	2001*		
Deferred taxes	\$	1,450	\$	1,485	
Deferred income		1,079		1,145	
Executive compensation accruals		851		868	
Restructuring actions		1,024		589	
Postemployment/preretirement liability		573		493	
Environmental accruals		208		215	
Other		766		670	
	_		_		
Total	\$	5,951	\$	5,465	

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obligated future payments associated with these ongoing activities are reflected in the postemployment/preretirement liability caption in the table above.

In addition, the company executed certain actions prior to 1994, and in 1999 and 2002. The non-current liabilities associated with these actions are reflected in restructuring actions in the table above. The reconciliation of the December 31, 2001 to 2002, balances of the current and non-current liabilities for restructuring actions are presented in the table on page 87. The current liabilities presented in the table are included in Other accrued expenses and liabilities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

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(dollars in millions)	DE	NCE AT C. 31, 001	ADDITIONS		PAYMENTS		A	OTHER DJUST- IENTS*	BALANCE AT DEC. 31, 2002		
Current:	ф	07	ф	1 225	ф	670	ф	_	ф	< A.	
Workforce	\$	87	\$	1,225	\$	670	\$	5	\$	647	
Space		65		146		97		67		181	
Other				178		90		27		115	
Total	\$	152	\$	1,549	\$	857	\$	99	\$	943	
Non-current:											
Workforce	\$	385	\$	109	\$	_	\$	80	\$	574	
Space		204		281		_		(66)		419	
Other		_		58				(27)		31	
Total	\$	589	\$	448	\$	_	\$	(13)	\$	1,024	

<sup>\*</sup> The Other adjustments column in the table above includes the reclassification of non-current to current and foreign currency translation adjustments. In addition, net adjustments of \$30 million were made in the fourth quarter of 2002 to reduce the liabilities previously recorded in the second quarter of 2002.

The workforce accruals primarily relate to the company's Global Services business. The non-current portion of the liability relates to terminated employees who are no longer working for the company, but who were granted annual payments to supplement their incomes in certain countries. Depending on the individual country's legal requirements, these required payments will continue until the former employee begins receiving pension benefits or dies.

The space accruals are for ongoing obligations to pay rent for vacant space that could not be sublet or space that was sublet at rates lower than the committed lease arrangement. The length of these obligations varies by lease with the longest extending through 2019.

Other accruals are primarily the remaining liabilities associated with the 2002 second quarter actions described in note S, "2002 Actions," on pages 90 through 92. In addition, there are \$39 million of remaining liabilities associated with the HDD-related restructuring discussed in note C, "Acquisitions/ Divestitures" on pages 78 to 80.

The Additions column in the table above includes accruals for workforce, space and other reductions relating to actions taken in the second and fourth quarters of 2002. Please see note S, "2002 Actions" on pages 90 through 92 for a detailed discussion of second and fourth quarters 2002 actions. Also included in the Additions column are the actions associated with the HDD business for reductions in workforce, manufacturing capacity and space, totaling \$295 million that were recorded in the (Loss)/income from discontinued operations in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

The company employs extensive internal environmental protection programs that primarily are preventive in nature. The company also participates in environmental assessments and cleanups at a number of locations, including operating facilities, previously owned facilities and Superfund sites.

The total amounts accrued for environmental liabilities, including amounts classified as current in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, that do not reflect actual or anticipated insurance recoveries, were \$247 million and \$238 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Estimated environmental costs are not expected to materially affect the financial position or results of the company's operations in future periods. However, estimates of future costs are subject to change due to protracted cleanup periods and changing environmental remediation regulations.

## N Stockholders' Equity Activity

In the fourth quarter of 2002, in connection with the PwCC acquisition, IBM issued 3,677,213 shares of restricted stock valued at approximately \$254 million and recorded an additional \$30 million for stock to be issued in future periods as part of the purchase price consideration paid to the PwCC partners. See note C, "Acquisitions/Divestitures," on pages 78 to 80, for further information regarding this acquisition and related payments made by the company. Additionally, in the fourth quarter of 2002, in conjunction with the funding of the company's U.S. pension plan, the company issued an additional 24,037,354 shares of common stock from treasury shares valued at \$1,871 million.

## Stock Repurchases

From time to time, the Board of Directors authorizes the company to repurchase IBM common stock. The company repurchased 48,481,100 common shares at a cost of \$4,212 million and 50,764,698 common shares at a cost of \$5,293 million in 2002 and 2001, respectively. In 2002 and 2001, the company issued 979,246 and 1,923,502 treasury shares, respectively, as a result of exercises of stock options by employees of certain recently acquired businesses and by non-U.S. employees. At December 31, 2002, \$3,864 million of Board-authorized repurchases remained. The company plans to purchase shares on the open market from time to time, depending on market conditions. The company also repurchased 189,797 common shares at a cost of \$18 million and 314,433 common shares at a cost of \$31 million in 2002 and 2001, respectively, as part of other stock compensation plans.

In 1995, the Board of Directors authorized the company to repurchase all of its outstanding Series A  $7^{-1/2}$  percent callable preferred stock. On May 18, 2001, the company announced it would redeem all outstanding shares of its Series A  $7^{-1/2}$  percent callable preferred stock, represented by the outstanding depositary shares (10,184,043 shares). The depositary shares represent ownership of one-fourth of a share of preferred stock. Depositary shares were redeemed as of July 3, 2001, the redemption date, for cash at a redemption price of \$25 plus accrued and unpaid dividends to the redemption date for each depositary share. Accordingly, these shares are no longer outstanding. Dividends on preferred stock, represented by the depositary shares, ceased to accrue on the redemption date. The company did not repurchase any shares in 2000.

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#### Employee Benefits Trust

In 1997, the company created an employee benefits trust to which the company contributed 10 million shares of treasury stock. The company was authorized to instruct the trustee to sell such shares from time to time and to use the proceeds from such sales, and any dividends paid or earnings received on such stock, toward the partial payment of the company's obligations under certain of its compensation and benefit plans. The shares held in trust were not considered outstanding for earnings per share purposes until they were committed to be released. The company did not commit any shares for release from the trust during its existence nor were any shares sold from the trust. The trust would have expired in 2007. Due to the fact that the company had not used the trust, nor was it expected to need the trust prior to its expiration, the company dissolved the trust, effective May 31, 2001, and all of the shares (20 million on a split-adjusted basis) were returned to the company as treasury shares. Dissolution of the trust did not affect the company's obligations related to any of its compensation and employee benefit plans or its ability to settle the obligations. In addition, the dissolution is not expected to have any impact on net income. At this time, the company plans to fully meet its obligations for the compensation and benefit plans in the same manner as it does today, using cash from operations.

### ACCUMULATED GAINS AND (LOSSES) NOT AFFECTING RETAINED EARNINGS\*

(dollars in millions)	UNRE GAINS ON CA HI	NET EALIZED /(LOSSES) SH FLOW EDGE VATIVES	CU TRA	OREIGN URRENCY ANSLATION USTMENTS	Al	MINIMUM PENSION LIABILITY DJUSTMENT**	NET UNREALIZED GAINS/(LOSSES) ON MARKETABLE SECURITIES		(	ACCUMULATED GAINS/(LOSSES) OT AFFECTING RETAINED EARNINGS
December 31, 2000	\$	_	\$	(73)	\$	(218)	\$	(78)	\$	(369)
Cumulative effect on January										
1, 2001		219		_		_		_		219
Change for period		77		(539)		(308)		92		(678)
					_				_	
December 31, 2001		296		(612)		(526)		14		(828)
Change for period		(659)		850		(2,765)		(16)		(2,590)
<b>DECEMBER 31, 2002</b>	\$	(363)	\$	238	\$	(3,291)	\$	(2)	\$	(3,418)

Net of tax.

## NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED (LOSSES)/GAINS ON MARKETABLE SECURITIES (NET OF TAX)

(dollars in m	illions)
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AT DECEMBER 31:		002	2001		
Net unrealized losses arising during the period	\$	(13)	\$	(154)	
Less: Net gains/(losses) included in net income for the period	3*			(246)*	
			_		
Net change in unrealized (losses)/gains on marketable securities	\$	(16)	\$	92	

<sup>\*</sup> Includes write-downs of \$36 million and \$287 million in 2002 and 2001, respectively.

## O Contingencies and Commitments

## Contingencies

The company is subject to a variety of claims and suits that arise from time to time in the ordinary course of its business, including actions with respect to contracts, IP, product liability, employment and environmental matters. The company is a defendant and/or third-party defendant in a number of cases in which claims have been led by current and former employees, independent contractors, estate representatives, offspring and relatives of employees seeking damages for wrongful death and personal injuries allegedly caused by exposure to chemicals in various of the company's facilities from 1964 to the present.

In addition, the company is a defendant in a class action challenge to its defined benefit plan. The suit alleges that the current pension plan formulas violate a number of Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) provisions including the ERISA age discrimination provision.

While it is not possible to predict the ultimate outcome of the matters discussed above, given the unique factors and circumstances involved in each matter, historically, the company has been successful in defending itself against claims and suits that have been brought against it, and payments made by the company in such claims and suits have not been material to the company. The company will continue to defend itself vigorously in all such matters and believes that if it were to incur a loss in any such matter, such loss should not have a material effect on the company's business, financial condition or results of operations.

## Commitments

The company has applied the disclosure provisions of FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others," to its agreements that contain guarantee or indemnification clauses. These disclosure provisions expand those required by FASB Statement No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies," by requiring a guarantor to

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disclose certain types of guarantees, even if the likelihood of requiring the guarantor's performance is remote. The following is a description of arrangements in which the company is the guarantor.

The company is a party to a variety of agreements pursuant to which it may be obligated to indemnify the other party with respect to certain matters. Typically, these obligations arise in the context of contracts entered into by the company, under which the company customarily agrees to hold the other party harmless against losses arising from a breach of representations and covenants related to such matters as title to assets sold, certain IP rights, specified environmental matters, and certain income taxes. In each of these circumstances, payment by the company is conditioned on the other party making a claim pursuant to the procedures specified in the particular contract, which procedures typically allow the company to challenge the other party's claims. Further, the company's obligations under these agreements may be limited in terms of time and/or amount, and in some instances, the company may have recourse against third parties for certain payments made by the company.

It is not possible to predict the maximum potential amount of future payments under these or similar agreements due to the conditional nature of the company's obligations and the unique facts and circumstances involved in each particular agreement. Historically, payments made by the company under these agreements did not have a material effect on the company's business, financial condition or results of operations. The company believes that if it were to incur a loss in any of these matters, such loss should not have a material effect on the company's business, financial condition or results of operations.

In addition, the company guarantees certain loans and financial commitments. The maximum potential future payment under these financial guarantees was \$126 million and \$218 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. These amounts include the limited guarantee associated with the company's loans receivable securitization program. See note J, "Sale and Securitization of Receivables," on page 82.

The company extended lines of credit, of which the unused amounts were \$3,482 million and \$4,088 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. A portion of these amounts was available to the company's business partners to support their working capital needs. In addition, the company committed to provide future financing to its customers in connection with customer purchase agreements for approximately \$288 million and \$269 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Changes in the company's warranty liability balance are illustrated in the following table:

(dollars in millions)		2002		001
Balance at January 1	\$	520	\$	572
Current period accruals		863		823
Accrual adjustments to reflect actual experience		121		(2)
Charges incurred		(890)		(873)
Balance at December 31	\$	614	\$	520

Accrual adjustments in 2002 principally reflect a significant increase in the failure rates of HDD components in the company's Server and Storage products as a result of product transitions.

## P Taxes

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001		2000	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes:					
U.S. operations	\$ 3,838	\$	5,644	\$	5,914
Non-U.S. operations	3,686		5,806		5,497
Total income from continuing operations before income taxes	\$ 7,524	\$	11,450	\$	11,411

The continuing operations provision for income taxes by geographic operations is as follows:

## (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:				2001	2000		
U.S. operations	\$	934	\$	1,543	\$	1,798	
Non-U.S. operations	1,256		1,761			1,739	
	_		_		_		
Total continuing operations provision for income taxes	\$	2,190	\$	3,304	\$	3,537	

The components of the continuing operations provision for income taxes by taxing jurisdiction are as follows:

## (dollars in millions)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1	2000
U.S. federal:			_	
Current	\$ 287	\$	434	\$ 719
Deferred	(3)		333	285
	284		767	1,004
U.S. state and local:				
Current	184		73	192
Deferred	3		155	47
	107			220
	187		228	239
Non-U.S.:				
Current	1,786	2	,133	2,582
Deferred	(67)	<b>(67</b> ) 176		(288)

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			1,719		2,309	_	2,294
Total continuing operations provision for income taxes			2,190		3,304		3,537
Provision for social security, real estate, personal property and	other taxes	_	2,789	_	2,730	_	2,734
Total continuing operations provision for taxes		\$	4,979	\$	6,034	\$	6,271
		_		_			

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The effect of tax law changes on deferred tax assets and liabilities did not have a significant effect on the company's effective tax rate.

The significant components of activities that gave rise to deferred tax assets and liabilities that are recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position were as follows:

#### DEFERRED TAX ASSETS

(dollars in millions)

AT DECEMBER 31:		2002		2001*
Retirement benefits	\$	3,587	\$	2,589
Capitalized research and development		2,251		747
Alternative minimum tax credits		1,316		1,282
Employee benefits		1,049		1,122
Deferred income		895		694
Bad debt, inventory and warranty reserves		850		863
General business credits		798		700
Infrastructure reduction charges		560		465
Depreciation		441		386
Foreign tax loss carryforwards		304		325
State and local tax loss carryforwards		239		238
Other		2,266		1,781
	_		_	
Gross deferred tax assets		14,556		11,192
Less: Valuation allowance		628		581
	_		_	
Net deferred tax assets	\$	13,928	\$	10,611

## **DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES**

(dollars in millions)

AT DECEMBER 31:		2002	2001*		
Retirement benefits	\$	5,904	\$	3,829	
Sales-type leases		1,088		1,814	
Depreciation		329		425	
Other		1,431		1,475	
Gross deferred tax liabilities	\$	8,752	\$	7,543	

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The valuation allowance at December 31, 2002, principally applies to certain state and local, and foreign tax loss carryforwards that, in the opinion of management, are more likely than not to expire before the company can use them.

A reconciliation of the company's continuing operations effective tax rate to the statutory U.S. federal tax rate is as follows:

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000
Statutory rate	35 %	35 %	35 %
Foreign tax differential	(7)	(6)	(6)
State and local	1	1	1
Valuation allowance related items	_	_	(1)
Other	_	(1)	2
Effective rate	29 %	29 %	31%

For tax return purposes, the company has available tax credit carryforwards of approximately \$2,234 million, of which \$1,316 million have an indefinite carryforward period and the remainder begin to expire in 2005. The company also has state and local, and foreign tax loss carryforwards, the tax effect of which is \$543 million. Most of these carryforwards are available for five years or have an indefinite carryforward period.

Undistributed earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries included in consolidated retained earnings were \$16,631 million at December 31, 2002, and \$16,851 million at December 31, 2001. These earnings, which reflect full provision for non-U.S. income taxes, are indefinitely reinvested in non-U.S. operations or will be remitted substantially free of additional tax.

## Q Advertising and Promotional Expense

Advertising and promotional expense, which includes media, agency and promotional expense, was \$1,427 million, \$1,615 million and \$1,742 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively, and is recorded in SG&A expense.

## R Research, Development and Engineering

RD&E expense was \$4,750 million in 2002, \$4,986 million in 2001 and \$5,084 million in 2000.

The company incurred expense of \$4,247 million in 2002, \$4,321 million in 2001 and \$4,301 million in 2000 for basic scientific research and the application of scientific advances to the development of new and improved products and their uses. Of these amounts, software-related expense was \$1,974 million, \$1,926 million and \$1,955 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. Included in the expense for 2002 and 2000 were charges for acquired in-process R&D of \$4 million and \$9 million, respectively.

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## S 2002 Actions

## Second Quarter Actions

During the second quarter of 2002, the company executed several actions in its Microelectronics Division. The Microelectronics Division is within the company's Technology Group segment. These actions were the result of the company's announced intentions to refocus and direct its microelectronics business to the high-end foundry, Application Specific Integrated Circuit and standard products, while creating a technology services business. A major part of the actions related to a significant reduction in the company's manufacturing capacity for aluminum technology.

In addition, the company rebalanced both its workforce and its leased space resources primarily in response to the recent decline in corporate spending on technology services.

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The following table summarizes the significant components of these actions:

(dollars in millions)								ILITY PRDED N QTR. 02	PAYMENTS	OTHER ADJUSTMENTS+	LIABILITY AS OF DEC. 31, 2002
Microelectronics:											
Machinery/equipment:	\$	423	\$	323 (a)	)						
Current					\$	67 (b)*	\$ 38	\$ 13	\$ 42		
Non-current						33 (b)**	_	(16)	17		
Non-cancelable purchase commitments:		60									
Current						35(c)*	15	4	24		
Non-current						25 (c)**	_	(12)	13		
Employee terminations:		45									
Current						44 (d)*	35	(8)	1		
Non-current						1 (d)**	_	_	1		
Vacant space:		11									
Current						5(e)*	1	1	5		
Non-current						6(e)**	_	(1)	5		
Sale of Endicott facility		223		221 (f)		2(f)*	3	11	10		
Sale of certain operations		63		53 (g)	)	10(g)*	9	_	1		
Global Services and other:											
Employee terminations:		722									
Current						671 (h)*	505	(23)	143		
Non-current						51 (h)**	_	27	78		
Vacant space:		180		29(i)							
Current						57(i)*	29	16	44		
Non-current						94(i)**	_	(8)	86		
Total	\$	1,727	\$	626	\$	1,101	\$ 635	\$ 4	\$ 470		

<sup>\*</sup> Recorded in Accounts payable and accruals in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

- + Principally represents currency translation adjustments and reclassification of non-current to current. In addition, net adjustments of \$30 million were made in the fourth quarter of 2002 to reduce previously recorded liabilities. These adjustments, along with a net \$10 million credit for assets previously written off, were for differences between the estimated and actual proceeds on the disposition of certain assets and changes in the estimated cost of employee terminations.
- (a) This amount was recorded in SG&A expense and primarily represents the abandonment and loss on sale of certain capital assets during the second quarter of 2002.
- (b) This amount comprises costs incurred to remove abandoned capital assets and the remaining lease payments for leased equipment that was abandoned in the second quarter of 2002. The company expects to pay the removal costs by June 30, 2003. The remaining lease payments will continue through 2005. These amounts were recorded in SG&A expense.
- (c) The company is subject to certain noncancelable purchase commitments. As a result of the decision to significantly reduce aluminum capacity, the company no longer has a need for certain materials subject to these agreements. The required future payments for materials no longer needed under these contracts are expected to be paid over two years. This amount was recorded in SG&A expense.
- (d) The workforce reductions represent 1,400 people of which approximately 94 percent left the business as of December 31, 2002. These amounts were recorded in SG&A expense. The non-current portion of the liability relates to terminated employees who were granted annual payments to supplement their income in certain countries. Depending on individual country legal requirements, these required payments will continue until the former employee begins receiving pension benefits or dies.
- (e) The space accruals are for ongoing obligations to pay rent for vacant space that could not be sublet or space that was sublet at rates lower than the committed lease arrangements. The length of these obligations varies by lease with the longest extending through 2006. These charges were recorded in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.
- (f) As part of the company's strategic decisions in its Microelectronics business to exit the manufacture and sale of certain products and component technologies, the company signed an agreement in the second quarter of 2002 to sell its interconnect products operations in Endicott to Endicott Interconnect Technologies, Inc. (EIT). As a result of this transaction, the company incurred a \$223 million loss on sale in the second quarter of 2002, primarily relating to land, buildings, machinery and equipment. This loss was recorded in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. This transaction closed in

<sup>\*\*</sup> Recorded in Other liabilities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

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the fourth quarter of 2002. The company entered into a limited supply agreement with EIT for future products, and it will also lease back, at fair market value rental rates, approximately one-third of the Endicott campus' square footage for operations outside the interconnect OEM business.

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- (g) As part of the strategic realignment of the company's Microelectronics business, the company reached an agreement to sell certain assets and liabilities comprising its Mylex business to LSI Logic Corporation and the company sold part of its wireless phone chipset operations to TriQuint Semiconductor, Inc. in June 2002. The Mylex transaction was completed in August 2002. The loss of \$74 million for the Mylex transaction and the realized gain of \$11 million for the chipset sale were recorded in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.
- (h) The majority of the workforce reductions relate to the company's Global Services business. The workforce reductions represent 14,213 people of which approximately 94 percent left the company as of December 31, 2002. See (d) on page 91 for information on the non-current portion of the liability. These charges were included in SG&A expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.
- (i) The space accruals are for ongoing obligations to pay rent for vacant space that could not be sublet or space that was sublet at rates lower than the committed lease arrangements. This space relates primarily to workforce dynamics in the Global Services business and the downturn in corporate technology spending on services. The length of these obligations varies by lease with the longest extending through 2009. These charges were recorded in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings.

## Fourth Quarter Actions

During the fourth quarter of 2002, the company executed several actions related to the company's acquisition of PwCC. Specifically, the company rebalanced both its workforce and its leased space resources. The following table summarizes the significant components of these actions:

	R	ECORDE STATI		E CONS OF EAR	-		A(	ECORDED IN PURCHASE CCOUNTING SEE NOTE C)	T	OTAL					LIABILITY
(dollars in millions)	PRE	TAL E-TAX ARGES	WRIT	E OR E-OFF SSETS	RI	IABILITY ECORDED 4TH QTR.	I	LIABILITY RECORDED N 4TH QTR.	REC	BILITY CORDED TH QTR.	PAYM	ENTS	OTH ADJUSTN		AS OF DEC. 31, 2002
Workforce:	\$	305 (a	\$	_											
Current					\$	248	\$	48 (a)	\$	296	\$	16	\$	(2)	\$ 278
Non-current						57 (a	)	_		57		_		_	57
Vacant space:		17 (b	)	4											
Current						6		62 (b)		68		1		_	67
Non-current					_	7		173 (b)		180		_			180
Total	\$	322	\$	4	\$	318	\$	283	\$	601	\$	17	\$	(2)	\$ 582

Principally represents currency translation adjustments.

(a) The majority of the workforce reductions relate to the company's Global Services business. The workforce reductions represent 3,541 people who are expected to leave the company by the end of the first quarter of 2003 (\$305 million in the table above). These charges were included in SG&A expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. The workforce reductions also affected 1,203 acquired PwCC employees who are expected to leave the company by the end of the first quarter of 2003 (\$48 million in the table above). These costs were included as part of the liabilities assumed for purchase accounting.

The non-current workforce accrual relates to terminated employees in certain countries outside the United States, for whom the company is required to make annual payments to supplement their incomes. Depending on individual country legal requirements, these required payments will continue until the former employee begins receiving pension benefits or dies.

(b) The majority of the space accruals are for ongoing obligations to pay rent for vacant space of PwCC that could not be sublet or space that was sublet at rates lower than the committed lease arrangements. The length of these obligations varies by lease with the longest extending through 2019. The charges related to IBM space (\$17 million) were included in Other (income) and expense in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings. The costs related to acquired PwCC space were included as part of the liabilities assumed for purchase accounting (\$235 million in the table above comprise \$62 million current and \$173 million non-current).

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## T Earnings Per Share of Common Stock

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share of common stock.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000
Weighted-average number of shares on which earnings per share calculations are based:			
Basic	1,703,244,345	1,733,348,422	1,763,037,049
Add—incremental shares under stock compensation plans	24,807,025	36,595,476	46,750,030
Add—incremental shares associated with convertible notes	1,191,136	_	_
Add—incremental shares associated with contingently issuable shares	1,698,548	1,277,222	2,331,343
Add—incremental shares associated with put options*	 	 9,479	 
Assuming dilution	1,730,941,054	1,771,230,599	1,812,118,422
(dollars in millions except per share amounts)			
Income from continuing operations applicable to common stockholders	\$ 5,334	\$ 8,136	\$ 7,854
(Loss)/income from discontinued operations	(1,755)	(423)	219
Net income from total operations on which basic earnings per share is calculated	\$ 3,579	\$ 7,713	\$ 8,073
Income from continuing operations applicable to common stockholders	\$ 5,334	\$ 8,136	\$ 7,854
Less—net income applicable to contingently issuable shares	18	4	21
Income from continuing operations on which diluted earnings per share is calculated	5,316	8,132	7,833
(Loss)/income from discontinued operations on which basic and diluted earnings per share are calculated	 (1,755)	(423)	 219
Net income from total operations on which diluted earnings per share is calculated	\$ 3,561	\$ 7,709	\$ 8,052
Earnings/(loss) per share of common stock:			
Assuming dilution:			
Continuing operations	\$ 3.07	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.32
Discontinued operations	(1.01)	(0.24)	0.12
Total	\$ 2.06	\$ 4.35	\$ 4.44
Basic:			
Continuing operations	\$ 3.13	\$ 4.69	\$ 4.45
Discontinued operations	(1.03)	(0.24)	0.12
Total	\$ 2.10	\$ 4.45	\$ 4.58 **

<sup>\*</sup> Represents short-term put option contracts sold by the company on a limited basis through private placements with independent third parties to reduce the cost of the share buy-back program. The put option contracts that were executed permitted net share settlement at the company's option and did not result in a put option liability in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. As of December 31, 2002, the company did not have any put option obligations outstanding.

Stock options to purchase 111,713,072 common shares in 2002, 67,596,737 common shares in 2001 and 34,633,343 common shares in 2000 were outstanding, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the exercise price of the options was greater than the average market price of the common shares and, therefore, the effect would have been antidilutive. Net income applicable to common stockholders excludes preferred stock dividends of \$10 million in 2001 and \$20 million in 2000.

## U Rental Expense and Lease Commitments

Rental expense from continuing operations, including amounts charged to inventories and fixed assets, and excluding amounts previously reserved, was \$1,377 million in 2002, \$1,324 million in 2001 and \$1,335 million in 2000. The table below depicts gross minimum rental commitments from continuing operations under noncancelable leases, amounts related to vacant space associated with infrastructure reduction and restructuring actions taken through 1993, and in 1999 and 2002 (previously reserved), and sublease income commitments. These amounts reflect activities primarily related to office space as well as manufacturing equipment.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Does not total due to rounding.

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(dollars in millions)	2003		2004		2005		2006	2007		BEYOND 2007	
Gross minimum rental commitments	\$ 1,3	70 \$	1,066	\$	859	\$	689	\$	511	\$	1,590
Vacant space	2	)6	161		131		92		54		185
Cublagge income commitments		16	20		21		20		5		41

## V Stock-Based Compensation Plans

The following is a description of the terms of the company's stock-based compensation plans:

## Incentive Plans

Incentive awards are provided to employees and directors under the terms of the company's plans (the Plans). Employee awards are administered by the Executive Compensation and Management Resources Committee of the Board of Directors. The committee determines the type and terms of the awards to be granted, including vesting provisions.

Awards under the Plans may include stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, cash or stock awards, or any combination thereof. The original amount of shares authorized to be issued under the Plans was 411.3 million. There were 183.3 million and 193.4 million unused shares available to be granted under the Plans as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Awards under the Plans resulted in compensation expense of \$183 million, \$170 million and \$134 million in 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

### STOCK OPTION GRANTS

Stock options are granted to employees and directors at an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the company's stock at the date of grant. Generally, options vest 25 percent per year, are fully vested four years from the grant date and have a term of ten years. The following tables summarize option activity under the Plans during 2002, 2001 and 2000:

		2002	2	200	1	2000					
	EXI	D. AVG. ERCISE RICE	NO. OF SHARES UNDER OPTION	WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE	NO. OF SHARES UNDER OPTION	WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE	NO. OF SHARES UNDER OPTION				
Balance at January 1	\$	85	177,956,490	\$ 73	160,557,003	\$ 60	146,136,523				
Options granted		77	59,966,106	110	43,410,364	102	42,601,014				
Options exercised		33	(7,490,424)	37	(20,354,701)	35	(18,243,347)				
Options canceled/expired		103	(7,495,472)	100	(5,656,176)	87	(9,937,187)				
Balance at December 31	\$	84	222,936,700	\$ 85	177,956,490	\$ 73	160,557,003				
Exercisable at December 31	\$	75	108,347,895	\$ 62	80,773,980	\$ 45	66,599,878				

The shares under option at December 31, 2002, were in the following exercise price ranges:

		OPT	IONS OUTSTAN		OPTIONS CURRENTLY EXERCISABLE				
EXERCISE PRICE RANGE	WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE		NO. OF OPTIONS	WTD. AVG. REMAINING CONTRACTUAL LIFE (IN YEARS)		WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE	NO. OF OPTONS		
\$12-\$50	\$	29	30,094,313	3	\$	29	30,094,313		
\$51-\$90		65	74,701,940	8		61	32,466,761		
\$91-\$110		103	68,564,527	8		105	22,223,431		
\$111 and over		122	49,575,920	8		126	23,563,390		
	_				_				
	\$	84	222,936,700	7	\$	75	108,347,895		

## IBM Employees Stock Purchase Plan

The ESPP enables substantially all regular employees to purchase full or fractional shares of IBM common stock through payroll deductions of up to 10 percent of eligible compensation. Effective July 1, 2000, the ESPP was amended whereby the share price paid by an employee changed from 85 percent of the average market price on the last business day of each pay period, to the lesser of 85 percent of the average market price on the first business day of each offering period or 85 percent of the average market price on the last business day of each pay period. This change did not have a material impact on the company's financial condition. The current plan provides semi-annual offerings over the five-year period commencing July 1, 2000. ESPP participants are restricted from purchasing more than \$25,000 of common stock in one calendar year or 1,000 shares in an offering period. Approximately 4.6 million, 16.5 million and 26.3 million reserved unissued shares were available for purchase under the ESPP at December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The

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company intends to request stockholder approval of a new ESPP in April 2003. If approved, shares may be issued under that plan and employee participation would be subject to the terms and conditions of that plan.

#### Pro Forma Disclosure

See "Stock-Based Compensation" on page 72, in note A, "Significant Accounting Policies," for the pro forma disclosures of net income and earnings per share required under SFAS No. 123.

#### W Retirement-Related Benefits

IBM offers defined benefit pension plans, defined contribution pension plans and nonpension postretirement plans, primarily consisting of retiree medical benefits. These benefits form an important part of the company's total compensation and benefits program that is designed to attract and retain highly skilled and talented employees. The following table provides the total retirement-related benefit plans' impact on income before income taxes.

(dollars in millions)		U.S.				NON-U.S.		total			
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	_	2002	2001	2000	2002	2001	2000	2002	2001	2000	
Total retirement-related plans—income	\$	(154) \$	(256)	\$ (156)	\$ (17)	\$ (181)	\$ (171)	\$ (171)*	\$ (437)*	\$ (327)*	
Comprise:	_										
Defined benefit and contribution pension plans—income	\$	(478) \$	(632)	\$ (530)	\$ (46)	\$ (209)	) \$ (198)	\$ (524)	\$ (841)	\$ (728)	
Nonpension postretirement benefits—cost		324	376	374	29	28	27	353	404	401	
	_										

<sup>\*</sup> Includes amounts for discontinued operations costs of \$77 million, \$56 million and \$62 million for 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

#### Accounting Policy

#### DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION AND NONPENSION POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS

The company accounts for its defined benefit pension plans and its nonpension postretirement benefit plans using actuarial models required by SFAS No. 87, "Employers' Accounting for Pensions," and SFAS No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions," respectively. These models use an attribution approach that generally spreads individual events over the service lives of the employees in the plan. Examples of "events" are plan amendments and changes in actuarial assumptions such as discount rate, rate of compensation increases and mortality. See the next paragraph for information on the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets. The principle underlying the required attribution approach is that employees render service over their service lives on a relatively smooth basis and therefore, the income statement effects of pensions or nonpension postretirement benefit plans are earned in, and should follow, the same pattern.

One of the principal components of the net periodic pension (income)/cost calculation is the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets. The required use of expected long-term rate of return on plan assets may result in recognized pension income that is greater or less than the actual returns of those plan assets in any given year. Over time, however, the expected long-term returns are designed to approximate the actual long-term returns and therefore result in a pattern of income and expense recognition that more closely matches the pattern of the services provided by the employees. Differences between actual and expected returns are recognized in the calculation of net periodic pension (income)/cost over five years as provided for in the accounting rules.

The company uses long-term historical actual return information, the expected mix of investments that comprise plan assets, and future estimates of long-term investment returns to develop its expected return on plan assets.

The discount rate assumptions used for pension and nonpension postretirement benefit plan accounting reflect the prevailing rates available on high-quality, fixed-income debt instruments. The rate of compensation increase is another significant assumption used in the actuarial model for pension accounting and is determined by the company, based upon its long-term plans for such increases. For retiree medical plan accounting, the company reviews external data and its own historical trends for health care costs to determine the health care cost trend rates.

As required by SFAS No. 87, for instances in which pension plan assets are less than the accumulated benefit obligation (ABO) as of the end of the reporting period (defined as an unfunded ABO position), a minimum liability equal to this difference is established in the Statement of Financial Position. The ABO is the present value of the actuarially determined company obligation for pension payments assuming no further salary increases for the employees. The offset to the minimum liability is a charge to equity, net of tax. In addition, any prepaid pension asset in excess of unrecognized prior service cost must be reversed through a net-of-tax charge to equity. The charge to equity is included in the Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings section of the Stockholders' equity in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

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## DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLANS

The company records pension expense for defined contribution plans when the employee renders service to the company, essentially coinciding with the cash contributions to plans.

### Defined Benefit and Defined Contribution Plans

The company and its subsidiaries have defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans that cover substantially all regular employees, and supplemental retirement plans that cover certain executives.

### U.S. PLANS

#### IBM Personal Pension Plan

IBM provides U.S. regular, full-time and part-time employees with noncontributory defined benefit pension benefits (the IBM Personal Pension Plan, "PPP"). The PPP comprises a tax qualified plan and a non-qualified plan. The qualified plan is funded by company contributions to an irrevocable trust fund, which is held for the sole benefit of participants.

Effective January 1, 2001, the company increased pension benefits to certain recipients who retired before January 1, 1997. The increases ranged from 2.5 percent to 25 percent, and were based on the year of retirement and the pension benefit then being received. This improvement resulted in an additional cost of \$100 million in 2001 as compared to 2000.

The number of individuals receiving benefits from the PPP at December 31, 2002 and 2001, was 136,365 and 131,071, respectively. The pre-tax net periodic pension income for the qualified plan for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, was \$(917) million, \$(1,086) million and \$(971) million, respectively. The pre-tax net periodic pension cost for the non-qualified plan was \$106 million, \$118 million, \$123 million for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively. The costs of the non-qualified plan are reflected in Cost of other defined benefit plans on page 97.

The funded status reconciliation for the qualified plan is on page 98. The benefit obligation of the non-qualified plan was \$940 million and \$847 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively, and the amounts included in Retirement and nonpension postretirement benefit obligations in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at December 31, 2002 and 2001, were liabilities of \$798 million and \$738 million, respectively.

U.S. regular, full-time and part-time employees are eligible to participate in the IBM Savings Plan, which is a tax qualified defined contribution plan under section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The company matches 50 percent of the employee's contribution up to the first 6 percent of the employee's compensation. All contributions, including the company match, are made in cash, in accordance with the participants' investment elections. There are no minimum amounts that must be invested in company stock, and there are no restrictions on transferring amounts out of the company's stock to another investment choice. The total cost of all of the company's U.S. defined contribution plans was \$315 million, \$313 million and \$294 million for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, respectively.

## U.S. Supplemental Executive Retention Plan

The company also has a non-qualified U.S. Supplemental Executive Retention Plan (SERP). The SERP, which is unfunded, provides defined benefit pension benefits in addition to the PPP to eligible executives based on average earnings, years of service and age at retirement. Effective July 1, 1999, the company adopted the SERP (which replaced the previous Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan). Some participants of the prior SERP will still be eligible for benefits under that plan, but will not be eligible for the new plan. The total cost of this plan for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, was \$18 million, \$23 million and \$24 million, respectively. These amounts are reflected in Cost of other defined benefit plans on page 97. At December 31, 2002 and 2001, the benefit obligation was \$130 million and \$166 million, respectively, and the amounts included in Retirement and nonpension postretirement benefit obligations in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at December 31, 2002 and 2001, were liabilities of \$165 million, respectively.

## NON-U.S. PLANS

Most subsidiaries and branches outside the United States have defined benefit and/or defined contribution retirement plans that cover substantially all regular employees, under which the company deposits funds under various fiduciary-type arrangements, purchases annuities under group contracts or provides reserves. Benefits under the defined benefit plans are typically based either on years of service and the employee's compensation, generally during a fixed number of years immediately before retirement, or on annual credits. The range of assumptions that are used for the non-U.S. defined benefit plans reflect the different economic environments within various countries. The total non-U.S. retirement plan income of these plans for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, was \$46 million, \$209 million and \$198 million, respectively.

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## (INCOME)/COST OF PENSION PLANS

(dollars in millions)	U.S. PLANS							NON-U.S. PLANS					
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:		2002		2001*	2000*		2002		2001	2000			
Service cost	\$	650	\$	647	\$	586	\$	505	3 429	\$ 445			
Interest cost		2,591		2,560		2,485		1,270	1,214	1,234			
Expected return on plan assets		(4,121)		(4,202)		(3,902)		(2,132)	(2,062)	(2,042)			
Amortization of transition assets		(144)		(143)		(144)		(12)	(10)	(10)			
Amortization of prior service cost		61		52		4		28	28	24			
Recognized actuarial losses/(gains)		_		_		_		33	(12)	4			
Divestitures/settlement losses/(gains)		46		_		_		26	(12)	(25)			
	_		_		-		_						
Net periodic pension income—U.S. Plan and material non-U.S. Plans		(917)**	*	(1,086)**	*	(971)**	*	(282)	(425)	(370)			
Cost of other defined benefit plans		124		141		147		58	54	23			
•	_		_		_		_						
Total net periodic pension income for all defined benefit plans		(793)		(945)		(824)		(224)	(371)	(347)			
	_		_		_		_						
Cost of defined contribution plans		315		313		294		178	162	149			
•	_		_		-		_						
Total retirement plan income recognized in the Consolidated Statement of													
Earnings	\$	(478)	\$	(632)	\$	(530)	\$	(46) \$	(209)	\$ (198)			

Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

 $See \ beginning \ of \ note \ W, \ "Retirement--Related \ Benefits," \ on \ page \ 95 \ for \ the \ company's \ total \ retirement-related \ benefits \ (income)/cost.$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup> Represents the qualified portion of the PPP.

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The changes in the benefit obligations and plan assets of the qualified portion of the PPP and the significant non-U.S. defined benefit plans for 2002 and 2001 were as follows:

		PPP-QUA				NON-U.S.	. PLANS	
(dollars in millions)		2002		2001*	_	2002	- 2	2001*
Change in benefit obligation:					_			
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	37,762	\$	36,620	\$	21,801	\$	21,150
Service cost		650		647		505		429
Interest cost		2,591		2,560		1,270		1,214
Plan participants' contributions		_		_		34		27
Acquisitions/divestitures, net		32		(29)		246		22
Amendments		18		99		(280)		8
Actuarial losses		47		460		80		1,101
Benefits paid from trust		(2,743)		(2,595)		(866)		(748)
Direct benefit payments		_		_		(221)		(198)
Foreign exchange impact		_		_		3,104		(1,184)
Plan curtailments/settlements/termination benefits		_		_		26		(20)
Benefit obligation at end of year	_	38,357		37,762		25,699		21,801
2010 to congestion at one of your	_		_	57,702	_		_	21,001
Change in plan assets:								
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year		39,565		44,594		21,531		24,833
Actual return on plan assets		(3,801)		(2,405)		(3,135)		(1,559)
Employer contribution		3,963		_		225		417
Acquisitions/divestitures, net		_		(29)		191		_
Plan participants' contributions		_		_		34		27
Benefits paid from trust		(2,743)		(2,595)		(866)		(748)
Foreign exchange impact						2,657		(1,376)
Settlements		_		_		´—		(63)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year**		36,984		39,565		20,637		21,531
Fair value of plan assets in excess of benefit obligation		(1,373)	_	1,803		(5,062)		(270)
Unrecognized net actuarial losses		12,187		4,218		8,991		2,871
Unrecognized prior service costs		584		641		(187)		140
Unrecognized net transition asset		(216)		(360)		(36)		(42)
Net prepaid pension asset recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position	\$	11,182	\$	6,302	\$	3,706	\$	2,699
Amounts recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position captions include:								
Prepaid pension assets	\$	11,182	\$	6,302	\$	4,397	\$	4,576
Intangible asset	Ψ	_	Ψ.		Ψ	54	Ψ	56
Total prepaid pension assets		11,182		6,302		4,451		4,632
Retirement and nonpension postretirement benefit obligation		, <u>-</u>				(5,865)		(2,669)
Accumulated gains and (losses) not affecting retained earnings						3,277		462
Deferred tax assets (investments and sundry assets)		_		_		1,843		274
Net amount recognized	\$	11,182	\$	6,302	\$	3,706	\$	2,699
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$	36,738	\$	35,134	\$	24,186	\$	20,202

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

Differences between the aggregate balance sheet amounts listed above (material pension plans) and on page 100 (material nonpension postretirement plan) and the totals listed in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position and Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity, relate to the non-material plans. The increase in the company's Prepaid pension asset balance from 2001 to 2002 was primarily attributable to the \$3,963 million company contribution to the PPP in the fourth quarter of 2002. The increase in the company's Retirement and nonpension postretirement benefit obligation was primarily attributable to the required accounting for the unfunded status of the non-U.S. pension plans as discussed on page 99.

Assumptions used to determine costs and benefit obligations for principal pension plans follow:

WEIGHTED-AVERAGE	U.	S. PLAN		NON-U.S. PLANS				
ASSUMPTIONS AS OF DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000	2002	2000	2001		
Discount rate	6.75 %	7.0%	7.25 %	4.25-6.5 %	4.5-7.1 %	4.5-7.1 %		
Expected long-term return on plan assets	9.5 %*	10.0%	10.0%	5.0-9.25 %	5.0-10.0%	5.0-11.0%		
Rate of compensation increase	4.0 %	6.0%	6.0%	2.2-5.0%	2.0-6.1 %	2.6-6.1 %		

The company lowered its expected long-term return on plan assets assumption for 2003 to 8 percent.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The amount of IBM stock represented 5 percent and 1 percent of the total plan assets for the U.S. Plan at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

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Changes in the discount rate assumptions and rate of compensation increase assumptions since 2000 have not had a material impact on the company's Consolidated Financial Statements. The changes in the expected long-term return on plan assets assumption in the U.S. and non-U.S. for 2002 reduced the 2002 income from retirement-related plans by approximately \$375 million as compared to 2001.

## FUNDED STATUS FOR DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

It is the company's practice to fund amounts for pensions sufficient to meet the minimum requirements set forth in applicable employee benefits laws and local tax laws. From time to time, the company contributes additional amounts as it deems appropriate. The assets of the various plans include corporate equities, government securities, corporate debt securities and real estate. In the fourth quarter of 2002, the company voluntarily fully funded the qualified portion of the PPP, as measured by its ABO, through a total contribution of \$3,963 million. The contribution comprised \$2,092 million in cash and \$1,871 million, or 24,037,354, shares, of IBM stock.

In contrast, the company's plan assets were less than the ABO in certain non-U.S. countries, and the company did not contribute funds up to the ABO level. As a result and consistent with the accounting rules for these "unfunded" positions as described on page 58, the company recorded an additional minimum liability of \$2,676 million and a reduction to stockholders' equity of \$2,765 million as of December 31, 2002. This accounting transaction does not impact 2003 retirement-related plans income.

The company's Benefit Obligation (BO) for its significant plans is disclosed at the top of page 98. BO is calculated similarly to ABO except for the fact that BO includes an estimate for future salary increases. SFAS No. 132, "Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits," requires that companies disclose the aggregate BO and plan assets of all plans in which the BO exceeds plan assets. Similar disclosure is required for all plans in which the ABO exceeds plan assets. The aggregate BO and plan assets are also disclosed for plans in which the plan assets exceed the BO. The following table excludes the U.S. plans due to the fact that these plans' BO and plan assets, if any, appear either in the narrative on page 96 or the table on page 98.

		2002			2001*			
(dollars in millions)		BENEFIT OBLIGATION		PLAN ASSETS		BENEFIT OBLIGATION	PLAN ASSETS	
Plans with BO in excess of plan assets	<del>-</del> \$	20,212	\$	13,132	\$	14,757	\$	10,929
Plans with ABO in excess of plan assets	\$	15,978	\$	10,086	\$	5,305	\$	2,636
Plans with assets in excess of BO	\$	5,487	\$	7,505	\$	7,044	\$	10,602

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

### Nonpension Postretirement Benefits

The total cost of the company's nonpension postretirement benefits for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, were \$353 million, \$404 million and \$401 million, respectively. The company has a defined benefit postretirement plan that provides medical, dental and life insurance for U.S. retirees and eligible dependents. The total cost of this plan for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, was \$324 million, \$376 million and \$374 million, respectively. The changes in the benefit obligation and plan assets for this plan are presented on page 100. Effective July 1, 1999, the company established a "Future Health Account" (FHA) for employees who were more than five years away from retirement eligibility. Employees who were within five years of retirement eligibility are covered under the company's prior retiree health benefits arrangements. Under either the FHA or the preexisting plan, there is a maximum cost to the company for retiree health benefits. For employees who retired before January 1, 1992, that maximum became effective in 2001. For all other employees, the maximum is effective upon retirement.

Certain of the company's non-U.S. subsidiaries have similar plans for retirees. However, most of the retirees outside the United States are covered by government-sponsored and administered programs. The total cost of these plans for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000, was \$29 million, \$28 million and \$27 million, respectively. At December 31, 2002 and 2001, Other liabilities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position include non-U.S. postretirement benefit liabilities of \$211 million and \$200 million, respectively.

The net periodic postretirement benefit cost for the U.S. plan for the years ended December 31 include the following components:

(dollars in millions)	2002	2001		2000
Service cost	\$ 49	\$ 6	5 \$	50
Interest cost	421	43	7	449
Expected return on plan assets	_	_	_	(2)
Amortization of prior service costs	(147	) (14	8)	(147)
Recognized actuarial losses	30	2:	2	24
Divestiture	(29	) –	_	
			- –	
Net periodic post-retirement benefit cost	\$ 324	\$ 37	6 \$	374

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The changes in the benefit obligation and plan assets of the U.S. plan for 2002 and 2001 are as follows:

(dollars in millions)	2002			2001
Change in benefit obligation:				
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	6,148	\$	6,443
Service cost		49		65
Interest cost		421		437
Actuarial gains		(170)		(183)
Participant contributions		_		71
Benefits paid from trust		_		(68)
Direct benefit payments		(566)	_	(617)
Benefit obligation at end of year		5,882		6,148
Change in plan assets:				
Fair value of plan assets at				
beginning of year		8		4
Actual return on plan assets		2		1
Participant contributions		119		71
Benefits paid		(119)		(68)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year		10		8
Benefit obligation in excess				
of plan assets		(5,872)		(6,140)
Unrecognized net actuarial losses		595		781
Unrecognized prior service costs		(493)		(653)
Accrued postretirement benefit liability recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position	\$	(5,770)	\$	(6,012)

The plan assets primarily comprise short-term fixed-income investments.

The benefit obligation was determined by applying the terms of medical, dental and life insurance plans, including the effects of established maximums on covered costs, together with relevant actuarial assumptions. These actuarial assumptions include a projected health care cost trend rate of 10 percent. The projected health care cost trend rate assumption is projected to be 10 percent in 2003, and is assumed to decrease gradually to 4.5 percent by 2008 and remain constant thereafter.

### WEIGHTED-AVERAGE ASSUMPTIONS FOR NONPENSION POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS AS OF DECEMBER 21.

AS OF DECEMBER 31:	2002	2001	2000
Discount rate	7.00 %	7.00%	7.25 %
Expected return on plan assets	5.0 %	5.0%	5.0%

The company evaluates its actuarial assumptions on an annual basis and considers changes in these long-term factors based upon market conditions and the requirements of SFAS No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions." The discount rate changes did not have a material effect on net postretirement benefit cost for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000.

The health care cost trend rate has an insignificant effect on plan costs and obligations. A one-percentage-point change in the assumed health care cost trend rate would have the following effects as of December 31, 2002:

(dollars in millions)	_	NE-PERCENTAGE- POINT INCREASE	ONE-PERCENTAGE- POINT DECREASE
Effect on total service and interest cost	\$	5	\$ (4)
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation	\$	32	\$ (38)

## X Segment Information

IBM uses advanced IT to provide customer solutions. The company operates primarily in a single industry using several segments that create value by offering a variety of solutions that include, either singularly or in some combination, technologies, systems, products, services, software and financing.

Organizationally, the company's major operations comprise a Global Services segment; three hardware product segments—Systems Group, Personal Systems Group and Technology Group; a Software segment; a Global Financing segment; and an Enterprise Investments segment. The segments are determined based on several factors, including customer base, homogeneity of products, technology and delivery channels.

Information about each segment's business and the products and services that generate each segment's revenue is located in the "Description of Business" sections of the Management Discussion on pages 44 through 50 and page 60.

In the first quarter of 2001, the company reorganized the Personal Systems segment and renamed it the Personal and Printing Systems segment. In accordance with the organizational change, the company transferred the Printing Systems Division from the Technology segment to the Personal and Printing Systems segment. At the same time, the xSeries servers were transferred to the Enterprise Systems segment from the Personal Systems segment.

In 2003, the company renamed all of its hardware segments without changing the organization of these segments. The Enterprise Systems segment was renamed the Systems Group segment, the Personal and Printing Systems segment was renamed the Personal Systems Group segment and the Technology segment was renamed the Technology Group segment.

Due to the sale of the HDD business as described in note C, "Acquisitions/Divestitures," on pages 78 to 80 and consistent with the "Basis of Presentation" discussed in note A, "Significant Accounting Policies," on page 70, the income statement and cash flow statement information for the Technology Group segment has been reclassified to exclude or to separate the results of the discontinued HDD business.

Segment revenue and pre-tax income include transactions between the segments that are intended to reflect an arm's-length transfer price. Specifically, semiconductors are

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sourced internally from the Technology Group segment for use in the manufacture of the Systems Group segment and Personal Systems Group segment products. In addition, hardware and software that are used by the Global Services segment in outsourcing engagements are mostly sourced internally from the Systems Group, Personal Systems Group and Software segments. For the internal use of IT services, the Global Services segment recovers cost, as well as a reasonable fee, reflecting the arm's-length value of providing the services. The Global Services segment enters into arm's-length leases at prices equivalent to market rates with the Global Financing segment to facilitate the acquisition of equipment used in services engagements. Generally, all internal transaction prices are reviewed and reset annually if appropriate.

The company uses shared-resources concepts to realize economies of scale and efficient use of resources. Thus, a considerable amount of expense is shared by all of the company's segments. This expense represents sales coverage, marketing and support functions such as Accounting, Treasury, Procurement, Legal, Human Resources, and Billing and Collections. Where practical, shared expenses are allocated based on measurable drivers of expense, e.g., headcount. When a clear and measurable driver cannot be identified, shared expenses are allocated on a financial basis that is consistent with the company's management system; e.g., image advertising is allocated based on the gross profit of the segments. The unallocated corporate amounts arising from certain acquisitions, indirect infrastructure reductions, certain IP income, miscellaneous tax items, HDD internal activity from continuing operations and the unallocated corporate expense pool are recorded in net income but are not allocated to the segments.

The following tables reflect the results of continuing operations of the segments consistent with the company's management system. These results are not necessarily a depiction that is in conformity with GAAP; e.g., employee retirement plan costs are developed using actuarial assumptions on a country-by-country basis and allocated to the segments on headcount. Different amounts could result if actuarial assumptions that are unique to the segment were used. Performance measurement is based on income before income taxes (pre-tax income). These results are used, in part, by management, both in evaluating the performance of, and in allocating resources to, each of the segments. The results for 2000 have been reclassified to reflect the organizational changes and product transfers made in 2001.

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(dollars in millions) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31:	_	LOBAL RVICES		STEMS GROUP	S	RSONAL YSTEMS GROUP	TI	ECHNOLOGY GROUP	so	FTWARE	_	LOBAL ANCING		NTERPRISE VESTMENTS		TOTAL GMENTS
2002:																
External revenue	\$	36,360	\$	12,646	\$	11,049	\$	3,935	\$	13,074	\$	3,203	\$	1,022	\$	81,289
Internal revenue		2,854		659		139		877		1,225		939		4		6,697
Total revenue	\$	39,214	\$	13,305	\$	11,188	\$	4,812	\$	14,299	\$	4,142	\$	1,026	\$	87,986
Pre-tax income/(loss)	\$	3,657	\$	1,561	\$	57	\$	(1,057)	\$	3,556	\$	955	\$	(293)	\$	8,436
Revenue year-to-year change		4.3 %	)	(7.9)%	6	(7.2)%	<b>6</b>	(27.1)%	<b>6</b>	2.7 %	, 0	(2.4)%	<b>6</b>	(8.6)%	)	(2.2)%
Pre-tax income																
year-to-year change		(29.1)		(14.7)%		137.3 %		(697.2)%		12.2 %		(16.4)%		7.6%		(23.4)%
Pre-tax income margin		9.3 %	)	11.7 %	,	0.5 %	)	(22.0)%	o	24.9 %	Ď	23.1 %	,	(28.6)%	)	9.6 %
2001:																
External revenue	\$	34,956	\$	13,743	\$	11,982	\$	5,149	\$	12,939	\$	3,407	\$	1,118	\$	83,294
Internal revenue		2,647		710		73		1,451		981		836		4		6,702
Total revenue	\$	37,603	\$	14,453	\$	12,055	\$	6,600	\$	13,920	\$	4,243	\$	1,122	\$	89,996
Pre-tax income/(loss)	\$	5,161	\$	1,830	\$	(153)	\$	177	\$	3,168	\$	1,143	\$	(317)	\$	11,009
Revenue year-to-year change		5.7 %		(2.6)%	5	(20.5)%	6	(8.0)%	)	3.7 %		(4.5)%	ó	(18.2)%		(2.2)%
Pre-tax income																
year-to-year change		14.3 %		(4.8)%	Ď	(251.5)%	ó	(74.6)%	)	13.4 %		(2.8)%	ó	(6.7)%		0.9%
Pre-tax income margin 2000:		13.7 %		12.7%		(1.3)%	ó	2.7 %		22.8 %		26.9%		(28.3)%		12.2 %
External revenue	\$	33,152	\$	14,194	\$	15,098	\$	5,184	\$	12,598	\$	3,500	\$	1,369	\$	85,095
Internal revenue		2,439		649		70		1,987		828		944		3		6,920
Total revenue	\$	35,591	\$	14,843	\$	15,168	\$	7,171	\$	13,426	\$	4,444	\$	1,372	\$	92,015
Pre-tax income/(loss)	\$	4,517	\$	1,922	\$	101	\$	696	\$	2,793	\$	1,176	\$	(297)	\$	10,908
Revenue year-to-year change		2.2 %		3.1%		(3.0)%	6	8.9 %		0.0%		9.6%		(17.8)%		1.6%
Pre-tax income		1.20/		21.20/		204.00/		205.20/		(0.0)(	,	12.20/		57.40/		11.00/
year-to-year change		1.2 % 12.7 %		21.3 % 12.9 %		304.0 % 0.7 %		205.3 % 9.7 %		(9.9)9 20.8%		12.3 % 26.5 %		57.4 % (21.6)%		11.9 % 11.9 %
Pre-tax income margin		12.7 %	_	12.9%		0.7 %	_	9.7 %		20.8 %		20.3 %		(21.0)%		11.9 %

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## RECONCILIATIONS TO IBM AS REPORTED

(dollars in millions)	2	2002	2	2001	2	2000
REVENUE:	_					
Total reportable segments	\$	87,986	\$	89,996	\$	92,015
Other revenue and adjustments		(103)		(227)		(6)
Elimination of internal revenue		(6,697)		(6,702)		(6,920)
Total IBM consolidated	\$	81,186	\$	83,067	\$	85,089
(dollars in millions)		2002		2001		2000
<u> </u>		2002	_	2001	_	2000
PRE-TAX INCOME:		2002 8,436	\$	<b>2001</b>	\$	10,908
(dollars in millions)  PRE-TAX INCOME:  Total reportable segments Elimination of internal transactions	\$		\$		\$	
PRE-TAX INCOME: Total reportable segments Elimination of internal transactions	\$	8,436	\$	11,009	\$	10,908
PRE-TAX INCOME: Total reportable segments	\$ -	8,436 (164)	\$	11,009 108	\$	10,908 62

#### Immaterial Items

## INVESTMENT IN EQUITY ALLIANCES AND EQUITY ALLIANCES GAINS/(LOSSES)

The investments in equity alliances and the resulting gains and (losses) from these investments that are attributable to the segments do not have a material effect on the financial position or the financial results of the segments.

## Segment Assets and Other Items

The Global Services assets primarily are accounts receivable, maintenance inventory, and plant, property and equipment including those associated with the segment's outsourcing business. The assets of the Hardware segments primarily are inventory and plant, property and equipment. The Software segment assets mainly are plant, property and equipment, and investment in capitalized software. The assets of the Global Financing segment are primarily financing receivables and fixed assets under operating leases.

To accomplish the efficient use of the company's space and equipment, it usually is necessary for several segments to share plant, property and equipment assets. Where assets are shared, landlord ownership of the assets is assigned to one segment and is not allocated to each user segment. This is consistent with the company's management system and is reflected accordingly in the schedule on page 103. In those cases, there will not be a precise correlation between segment pre-tax income and segment assets.

Similarly, the depreciation amounts reported by each segment are based on the assigned landlord ownership and may not be consistent with the amounts that are included in the segments' pre-tax income. The amounts that are included in pre-tax income reflect occupancy charges from the landlord segment and are not specifically identified by the management reporting system. Capital expenditures that are reported by each segment also are in line with the landlord ownership basis of asset assignment.

The Global Financing segment amounts on page 103 for Interest income and Cost of Global Financing interest expense reflect the interest income and interest expense associated with the Global Financing business, including the intercompany financing activities discussed on page 60 as well as the income from the investment in cash and marketable securities. The explanation of the difference between Cost of Global Financing and Interest expense for segment presentation versus presentation in the Consolidated Statement of Earnings is included on page 63 of the Management Discussion.

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(dollars in millions)	LOBAL RVICES		STEMS ROUP	SYS	RSONAL STEMS ROUP	Т	ECHNOLOGY GROUP	9	SOFTWARE	GLOBAL FINANCING	ENTERPRISE INVESTMENTS		TOTAL EGMENTS
2002:													
Assets	\$ 14,462	\$	3,124	\$	1,776	\$	5,771	\$	3,361	\$ 35,242	\$ 88	\$	63,824
Depreciation/amortization:													
Continuing operations	1,213		335		116		1,167		809	2,413	8		6,061
Discontinued operations Capital expenditures/investment in software:	_		_		_		617		_	_	_		617
Continuing operations	1,294		307		96		1,365		687	2,561	9		6,319
Discontinued operations	_		_		_		323		_	_	_		323
Interest income	_		_		_		_		_	2,703	_		2,703
Interest expense	_		_		_		_		_	825	_		825
2001:													
Assets	\$ 10,340	\$	3,208	\$	1,904	\$	9,136	\$	3,356	\$ 36,670	\$ 106	\$	64,720
Depreciation/amortization:													
Continuing operations	1,219		308		131		676		782	2,476	8		5,600
Discontinued operations Capital expenditures/investment in software:	_		_		_		429		_	_	_		429
Continuing operations	1,519		390		128		1,495		839	3,143	7		7,521
Discontinued operations	_		_		_		360		_	_	_		360
Interest income	_		_		_		_		_	2,941	_		2,941
Interest expense	_		_		_		_		_	1,140	_		1,140
2000:													
Assets	\$ 10,492	\$	3,451	\$	2,448	\$	9,316	\$	2,488	\$ 40,822	\$ 246	\$	69,263
Depreciation/amortization:													
Continuing operations	1,243		425		154		649		665	2,696	12		5,844
Discontinued operations	_		_		_		411		_	_	_		411
Capital expenditures/investment in software:													
Continuing operations	1,311		325		180		1,326		770	2,898	9		6,819
Discontinued operations	_		_		_		418		_	_	_		418
Interest income	_		_		_		_		_	3,051	_		3,051
Interest expense	_		_		_		_		_	1,319	_		1,319
	 	_				_		_					

# RECONCILIATIONS TO IBM AS REPORTED

(dollars in millions)	2002		2001*		2000*
Assets:					
Total reportable segments	\$ 63,824	\$	64,720	\$	69,263
Elimination of internal transactions	(5,061)		(4,884)		(5,300)
Unallocated amounts:					
Cash and marketable securities	4,568		5,313		2,268
Notes and accounts receivable	3,553		2,810		3,145
Deferred tax assets	6,631		4,624		5,498
Plant, other property and equipment	3,239		3,260		3,798
Pension assets	15,996		11,398		8,872
Other	3,734		3,062		2,868
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Total IBM consolidated	\$ 96,484	\$	90,303	\$	90,412
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<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

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#### Revenue by Classes of Similar Products or Services

For the Personal Systems Group, Software and Global Financing segments, the segment data on page 101 represents the revenue contributions from the products that are contained in the segments and that are basically similar in nature. The following table provides external revenue for similar classes of products within the Technology Group, Systems Group, Global Services and Enterprise Investments segments. The Technology Group segment's OEM hardware comprises revenue primarily from the sale of semiconductors and display devices. Technology services comprise the Technology Group's existing circuit design business for its OEM customers and the new component design services, strategic outsourcing of customer's design team work, and technology and manufacturing consulting services associated with the new Engineering and Technology Services Division. The Systems Group segment's storage comprises revenue from the Enterprise Storage Server, other disk storage products and tape subsystems. Enterprise Investments software revenue is primarily from product life-cycle management products. The following table on the right is presented on a continuing operations basis.

		CONSOLIDATED						
(dollars in millions)	_	2002		2001*		2000*		
Technology Group:								
OEM	\$	3,612	\$	4,805	\$	4,900		
Technology services		323		344		284		
Systems Group:								
Servers	\$	10,047	\$	10,947	\$	11,497		
Storage		2,581		2,755		2,539		
Networking products		18		41		158		
Global Services:								
Services	\$	31,290	\$	29,953	\$	28,036		
Maintenance		5,070		5,003		5,116		
Enterprise Investments:								
Software	\$	916	\$	913	\$	1,077		
Hardware		95		181		238		
Others		11		24		54		

<sup>\*</sup> Reclassified to conform with 2002 presentation.

## **Major Customers**

No single customer represents 10 percent or more of the company's total revenue.

# Geographic Information

			RE	VENUE*		LON	ETS**			
(dollars in millions)	2002		02 2001			2000	2002	2001+	2000+	
United States	\$	32,759	\$	34,233	\$	35,713	\$ 27,889	\$ 22,800	\$	21,449
Japan		10,939		11,512		12,122	2,814	4,034		4,319
Other countries		37,488		37,322		37,254	13,027	11,560		12,092
Total	\$	81,186	\$	83,067	\$	85,089	\$ 43,730	\$ 38,394	\$	37,860

<sup>\*</sup> Revenues are attributed to countries based on location of customer and are for continuing operations.

# Y Subsequent Events

On January 21, 2003, the company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a shelf registration to periodically sell up to \$20 billion in debt securities, preferred and capital stock, depositary shares and warrants. The company may sell securities in one or more separate offerings with the size, price and terms to be determined at the time of sale. The net proceeds from the sale of the securities will be used for general corporate purposes, which may include debt repayment, investments in or extensions of credit to its subsidiaries, redemption of any preferred stock the company may issue, or financing of possible acquisitions or business expansion. The net proceeds may be invested temporarily or applied to repay short-term debt until they are used for their stated purpose.

Consistent with the company's strategy to concentrate borrowing at the IBM level, this shelf registration eliminates the need for a shelf registration associated with its U.S. financing subsidiary, IBM Credit Corporation (ICC). The ICC shelf will be terminated shortly after the effective date of the new IBM shelf.

On February 21, 2003, the company purchased the outstanding stock of Rational Software Corp. (Rational) for approximately \$2.1 billion in cash. Rational provides open, industry standard tools, best practices and services for developing business applications and building software products and systems. The Rational acquisition provides the company with the ability to offer a complete software development environment for customers. The company intends to merge Rational's business operations and employees into the IBM Software Group as a new division and brand. The results of operations of Rational will be included in the company's Consolidated Financial Statements as of February 21, 2003. The company has not completed the allocation of the purchase price related to the Rational acquisition as it is in the process of identifying and determining the fair value of all assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes all non-current assets except non-current financial instruments and deferred tax assets.

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## Five-Year Comparison of Selected Financial Data

(dollars in millions except per share amounts)

FOR THE YEAR:		2002		2001		2000		1999		1998
Revenue	<del></del>	81,186	\$	83,067	\$	85,089	\$	83,334	\$	77,548
Income from continuing operations		5,334		8,146		7,874		7,359		5,469
(Loss)/income from discontinued operations		(1,755)		(423)		219		353		859
Net income		3,579		7,723		8,093		7,712		6,328
Earnings/(loss) per share of common stock:										
Assuming dilution:										
Continuing operations		3.07		4.59		4.32		3.93		2.84
Discontinued operations		(1.01)	_	(0.24)		0.12	_	0.19	_	0.45
Total		2.06		4.35		4.44		4.12		3.29
Basic:										
Continuing operations		3.13		4.69		4.45		4.06		2.92
Discontinued operations		(1.03)		(0.24)		0.12	_	0.20		0.46
Total		2.10		4.45		4.58*		4.25*		3.38
Cash dividends paid on common stock		1,005		956		909		859		814
Per share of common stock		0.59		0.55		0.51		0.47		0.43
Investment in plant, rental machines and other property		5,022		5,660		5,616		5,959		6,520
Return on stockholders' equity		15.5 %		35.3%*	**	40.0%*	*	39.1%	**	32.7 %*
AT END OF YEAR:										
Total assets	\$	96,484	\$	90,303**	\$	90,412**	\$	89,571 **	\$	88,160**
Net investment in plant, rental machines and other property		14,440		16,504		16,714		17,590		19,631
Working capital		7,102		7,342		7,474		3,577		5,533
Total debt		26,017		27,151		28,576		28,354		29,413
Stockholders' equity		22,782		23,448 **		20,550 **		20,426 **		19,383 **

<sup>\*</sup> Does not total due to rounding.

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## Selected Quarterly Data

(dollars in millions except per share amounts and stock prices) 2002:	FIRST QUARTER		SECOND QUARTER			THIRD QUARTER	FOURTH YEAR			FULL QUARTER
Revenue	\$	18,030	\$	19,651	\$	19,821	\$	23,684	\$	81,186
Gross profit		6,500		7,270		7,323		9,191		30,284
Income from continuing operations		1,284		445*		1,694		1,911*		5,334
Loss from discontinued operations		(92)		(389)		(381)		(893)		(1,755)
Netincome		1,192		56		1,313		1,018		3,579
Earnings/(loss) per share of common stock:										
Assuming dilution:										
Continuing operations		0.73		0.25		0.99		1.11		3.07 **
Discontinued operations		(0.05)		(0.22)		(0.22)		(0.52)		(1.01)
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Total		0.68		0.03		0.76+	-	0.59		2.06
Basic:										
Continuing operations		0.75		0.26		1.00		1.12		3.13
Discontinued operations		(0.05)		(0.23)		(0.23)		(0.53)		(1.03) **
Total		0.69+	_	0.03		0.78+	_	0.60+		2.10
		0.09		0.03		0.78+		0.00+		0.59
Dividends per share of common stock		0.14		0.15		0.15		0.15		0.59
Stock prices:++	ф	127.20	ф	101.00	ф	02.05	ф	00.46		
High	\$	126.39	\$	104.00	\$	82.85	\$	89.46		
Low		95.76		66.10		57.99		54.01		

2001:	Q	FIRST UARTER	SECOND QUARTER		THIRD QUARTER	I	FOURTH YEAR	FULL ARTER
Revenue	\$	20,309	\$ 20,834	\$	19,783	\$	22,141	\$ 83,067
Gross profit		7,535	7,987		7,434		8,933	31,889
Income from continuing operations		1,777	2,091		1,713		2,565	8,146
Loss from discontinued operations		(27)	(46)		(118)		(232)	(423)
Net income		1,750	2,045		1,595		2,333	7,723
Earnings/(loss) per share of common stock:								
Assuming dilution:								
Continuing operations		1.00	1.17		0.97		1.46	4.59 **
Discontinued operations		(0.02)	(0.03)		(0.07)		(0.13)	(0.24)**
Total		0.98	1.15+	_	0.90		1.33	4.35 **
Basic:								
Continuing operations		1.02	1.20		0.99		1.49	4.69 **
Discontinued operations		(0.02)	(0.03)		(0.07)		(0.14)	(0.24)**
Total		1.00	1.17	_	0.92		1.35	4.45 **
Dividends per share of common stock		0.13	0.14		0.14		0.14	0.55
Stock prices:++								
High	\$	118.64	\$ 119.90	\$	115.40	\$	124.70	
Low		83.75	90.05		87.49		91.34	

<sup>\*</sup> The company executed special actions in the second and fourth quarter of 2002 recording charges of \$1,727 million and \$322 million, respectively. See note S, "2002 Actions" on pages 90 through 92 for additional information regarding these actions.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Earnings Per Share (EPS) in each quarter is computed using the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during that quarter while EPS for the full year is computed using the weighted-average number of shares outstanding during the year. Thus, the sum of the four quarters' EPS does not equal the full-year EPS.

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The Form 10-K Annual Report and Form 10-Q Quarterly Reports to the SEC provide additional information on IBM's business. The 10-K report is released in March; 10-Q reports are released in May, August and November.

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International Business Machines Corporation	New York	
Subsidiaries:		
IBM Credit Corporation	Delaware	100
Lotus Development Corporation	Delaware	100
Tivoli Systems Inc.	Delaware	100
IBM World Trade Corporation	Delaware	100
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WTC Insurance Corporation, Ltd.	Bermuda	100
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IBM China Company Limited	China	100
IBM China/Hong Kong Limited	Hong Kong	100
IBM de Chile, S.A.C.	Chile	100(A)
IBM de Colombia, S.A.	Colombia	90(A)
IBM Middle East FZE	United Arab Emirates	100
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IBM del Ecuador, S.A.	Ecuador	100
IBM Global Services India Pvt. Ltd.	India	90(A/B)
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IBM Deutschland GmbH	Germany	100
IBM Oesterreich Internationale Bueromaschinen Gesellschaft m.b.H.	Austria	100
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IBM East Europe/Asia Ltd.	Russia	100
IBM Polska Sp. z.o.o.	Poland	100
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<sup>(</sup>A) Remaining percentage owned by other wholly-owned IBM company(s).

<sup>(</sup>B) Minor percentage held by other IBM shareholders, subject to repurchase option.

<sup>(</sup>C) IBM Germany owns 33.7%, IBM France owns 13.5%, IBM Finland owns 10.1%, IBM Denmark owns 18.0% and IBM Switzerland owns 24.7% of IBM International Treasury Services Company.

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### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Nos. 2-77235, 33-29022, 33-33458, 33-34406, 33-53777, 33-60225, 33-60227, 33-60237, 33-60815, 33-01411, 33-52931, 33-33590, 333-76914, 333-87708, 333-09055, 333-23315, 333-31305, 333-41813, 333-44981, 333-48435, 333-81157, 333-87751, 333-87859, 333-87925, 333-30424, 333-33692, 333-36510, 333-102872, 333-102870 and 333-103471) and the Registration Statements on Form S-3 (Nos. 33-49475(1), 33-31732, 33-50537, 33-65119, 33-65119(1), 333-03763, 333-21073, 333-27669, 333-40669, 333-70521, 333-32690, 33-102603, 333-37034 and 333-101034) of International Business Machines Corporation of our report dated January 16, 2003, except for note Y, as to which the date is February 21, 2003, appearing on page 42 of the 2002 Annual Report to Stockholders which is incorporated in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. We also consent to the incorporation by reference of our report dated January 16, 2003, except for note Y, as to which the date is February 21, 2003, on the Financial Statement Schedule, which appears on page 13 of this Form 10-K.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

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### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Form S-8 Nos. 2-77235, 33-29022, 33-33458, 33-34406, 33-53777, 33-60225, 33-60227, 33-60237, 33-60815, 33-01411, 33-52931, 33-33590, 333-76914, 333-87708, 333-09055, 333-23315, 333-31305, 333-41813, 333-44981, 333-48435, 333-81157, 333-87751, 333-87859, 333-87925, 333-30424, 333-33692, 333-36510, 333-102872, 333-102870 and 333-103471) and the Registration Statements (Form S-3 Nos. 33-49475(1), 33-31732, 33-50537, 33-65119, 33-65119(1), 333-03763, 333-21073, 333-27669, 333-40669, 333-70521, 333-32690, 33-102603, 333-37034 and 333-101034) of International Business Machines Corporation and in the related Prospectuses of our report dated January 16, 2003, included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2002, with respect to the statement of assets and liabilities and statement of revenues and expenses of the Business Consulting Services Reporting Unit of International Business Machines Corporation (not included therein).

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY OF SAMUEL J. PALMISANO

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of International Business Machines Corporation, a New York corporation, which will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., under the provisions of the Securities Law, an Annual Report for 2002 on Form 10-K, hereby constitutes and appoints, John R. Joyce, Edward M. Lineen, Robert F. Woods, Jesse J. Greene, Jr., Daniel E. O'Donnell, and Andrew Bonzani his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them with full power to act without the others, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign said 10-K Annual Report and any and all amendments thereto, and any and all other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform any and all acts and things requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney this 25th day of February 2003.

/s/ SAMUEL J. PALMISANO

Samuel J. Palmisano Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY OF JOHN R. JOYCE

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of International Business Machines Corporation, a New York corporation, which will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., under the provisions of the Securities Law, an Annual Report for 2002 on Form 10-K, hereby constitutes and appoints Samuel J. Palmisano, Edward M. Lineen, Robert F. Woods, Jesse J. Greene, Jr., Daniel E. O'Donnell and Andrew Bonzani his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them with full power to act without the others, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign said 10-K Annual Report and any and all amendments thereto, and any and all other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform any and all acts and things requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney this 25th day of February 2003.

/s/ JOHN R. JOYCE

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KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned Vice President and Controller of International Business Machines Corporation, a New York corporation, which will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C., under the provisions of the Securities Law, an Annual Report for 2002 on Form 10-K, hereby constitutes and appoints Samuel J. Palmisano, John R. Joyce, Edward M. Lineen, Jesse J. Greene, Jr., Daniel E. O'Donnell and Andrew Bonzani his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them with full power to act without the others, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign said 10-K Annual Report and any and all amendments thereto, and any and all other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform any and all acts and things requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney this 25th day of February 2003.

/s/ ROBERT F. WOODS

Robert F. Woods Vice President and Controller

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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY OF IBM DIRECTOR

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/s/ CATHLEEN BLACK			
Director			

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/s/ KENNETH I. CHENAULT	
Director	

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney this 25th day of February 2003.

/s/ NANNERL O. KEOHANE
Director

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/s/ CHARLES F. KNIGHT	
Director	

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/s/ LUCIO A. NOTO		
Director		

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/s/ JOHN B. SLAUGHTER	
Director	

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/s/ SIDNEY TAUREL
Director

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/	s/ ALEX TROTMAN
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/s/ CHARLES M. VEST	
Director	

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# RESOLUTION REGARDING FILING FORM 10-K ANNUAL REPORT

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors authorizes the Officers of the Corporation to execute by powers of attorney and file the Form 10-K Annual Report for the year 2002 with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and to make any such changes as such Officers may deem necessary or advisable.

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### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of International Business Machines Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ending December 31, 2002 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Samuel J. Palmisano, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. ss. 1350, as adopted pursuant to ss. 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

#### /s/ SAMUEL J. PALMISANO

Samuel J. Palmisano Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer March 7, 2003 Prepared by Merrill Corporation at www.edgaradvantage.com Printed: 10-Mar-2003;14:03:30 (v1.37) HTML Page: File: QUICKLINK User: SGUNTHE EFW: 2102367 Client: IBM CORPORATION Doc # 9

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### INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of International Business Machines Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ending September 30, 2002 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, John R. Joyce, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. ss. 1350, as adopted pursuant to ss. 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

#### /s/ JOHN R. JOYCE

John R. Joyce Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer March 6, 2003 Prepared by Merrill Corporation at www.edgaradvantage.com Printed: 10-Mar-2003;14:03:30 (v1.37) HTML Page:
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