Five-year summary

	2016 £m	2015 £m	2014 £m	2013 £m	2012 £m
Income statement					
Billings ¹	55,245.2	47,631.9	46,186.3	46,209.3	44,405.3
Revenue	14,388.9	12,235.2	11,528.9	11,019.4	10,373.1
Net sales ¹	12,397.8	10,524.3	10,064.8	10,076.1	9,514.8
Operating profit	2,063.1	1,632.0	1,507.3	1,410.3	1,241.1
Headline EBITDA ²	2,419.7	2,002.4	1,909.5	1,896.3	1,755.7
Headline PBIT ²	2,160.3	1,774.0	1,680.6	1,661.6	1,531.0
Profit before taxation	1,890.5	1,492.6	1,451.9	1,295.8	1,091.9
Headline PBT ²	1,986.2	1,622.3	1,512.6	1,458.0	1,317.1
Profit for the year	1,501.6	1,245.1	1,151.5	1,012.1	894.7
Net sales margin ²	17.4%	16.9%	16.7%	16.5%	16.1%
Balance sheet					
Non-current assets ³	19,125.3	15,373.8	14,107.3	13,225.3	13,452.9
Net current liabilities ⁴	(1,322.2)	(840.1)	(521.4)	(384.6)	(1,047.2)
Net assets	9,767.6	8,015.8	7,826.8	7,846.5	7,060.6
Net debt	(4,130.5)	(3,210.8)	(2,275.4)	(2,240.4)	(2,821.2)
Average net debt	(4,340.5)	(3,562.3)	(3,000.8)	(2,988.7)	(3,202.5)
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Our people					
Revenue per employee (£000)	108.5	97.9	95.0	94.1	90.6
Net sales per employee (£000)	93.5	84.2	82.9	86.0	83.1
Staff cost per employee (£000)	58.7	53.3	53.1	55.3	53.3
Average headcount	132,657	124,930	121,397	117,115	114,490
Share information					
Headline ⁵ – basic earnings per share	114.8p	95.4p	86.9p	84.lp	77.7p
- diluted earnings per share	113.2p	93.6p	84.9p	q8.08	73.4p
Reported - basic earnings per share	109.6p	90.0p	82.4p	72.4p	66.2p
- diluted earnings per share	108.0p	88.4p	80.5p	69.6p	62.8p
Dividends per share ⁶	56.60p	44.69p	38.20p	34.21p	28.5lp
Dividend payout ratio on headline diluted earnings per share	50%	48%	45%	42%	39%
Share price-high	1,850.0p	1,611.0p	1,383.0p	1,383.0p	894.5p
- low	1,338.0p	1,304.0p	1,117.0p	905.5p	669.0p
Market capitalisation at year-end (£m)	23,260.3	20,236.9	17,831.3	18,612.5	11,236.8

The information on this page is unaudited.

¹ Billings and net sales are defined on page 234.

² The calculation of 'headline' measures of performance (including headline EBITDA, headline PBIT, net sales margin and headline PBT) is set out in note 31 of the financial statements.

³ Prior year balance sheets in 2014 and 2013 have been restated to reduce both the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities, by a corresponding amount. No restatement was required in 2012.

⁴ Prior year balance sheets in 2014, 2013 and 2012 have been restated to reclassify all income tax creditors from non-current liabilities to current liabilities.

⁵ Headline earnings per share for 2016, 2015 and 2014 is set out in note 9 of the financial statements.

⁶ Dividends per share represents the dividends declared in respect of each year.