

Half-yearly results to 30 September 2009

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- Remain cautious about the economy
- Confident in the strength of the portfolio
- Ready for the upturn





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- Progress against priorities
- Key financials
- Drivers of future performance
- Closing remarks



- Reduce net debt to about £1bn over next 12/15 months
- Preserve and optimise existing portfolio
- Position the business for the upturn
- Grow external funds under management



- Reduced net debt from £1.9bn at 31 March to £854m
- Reduced gearing from 103% at 31 March to 31%
- Extended maturity profile of debt with new Revolving Credit Facility
- Realisations exceeded new investment by £317m
- 33% of opening non-core portfolio value realised in the period
 - rises to 49% if realisations agreed are included
- Stable portfolio value
- Costs reduced by 18%
- Liquidity strengthened from £1bn at 31 March to £2bn
- Interim dividend 1p per share



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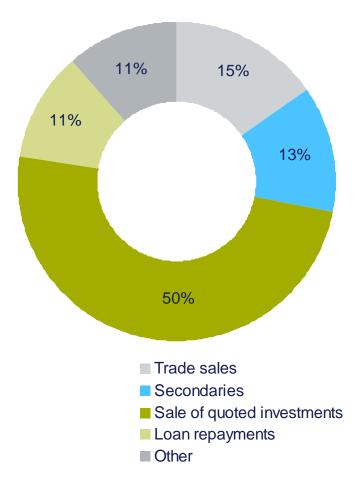


Investment activity	6 months 30.9.09	6 months 31.3.09	6 months 30.9.08
Investment	£190m	£300m	£668m
Realisations	£507m	£711m	£597m
Returns and balance sheet			
Total return	£81m	£(1,968)m	£(182)m
Return on opening equity	3.2%	(48.5)%	(4.5)%
Gross portfolio return	7.8%	(35.4)%	(1.3)%
Net asset value per ordinary share (diluted)	£2.86	£2.79*	£5.90*
Net debt	£854m	£1,912m	£1,802m

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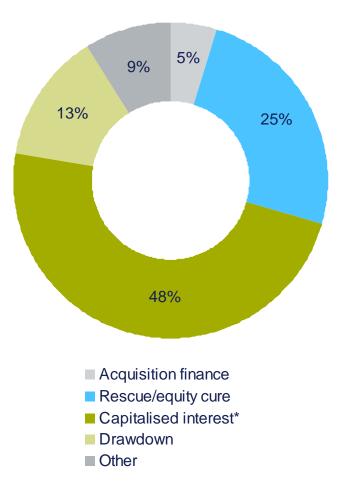




- Three largest realisations
 - Venture Production (£145m proceeds)
 - AWG (£44m proceeds)
 - Salamander (£43m proceeds)
- Venture Portfolio realisations of £93m
 - agreed sale of a further £105m
- 3% uplift over opening portfolio
- 13% uplift on core portfolio

Realisations exclude the £110m of cash received in respect of the solvent liquidation of 3i QPEP, although subsequent sales of assets transferred are included





*Includes PIK notes

A Payment in Kind (PIK) note is a loan instrument whereby, at pre-agreed dates, interest accrued is capitalised and rolled into the value of the principal of the loan. It is payable at the loan repayment date.

- All investment into portfolio
- £47m for equity rescue/equity cures
- £92m of capitalised interest including PIK notes
- Balance to support portfolio development through acquisition or other means
- £94m cash investment

Total return analysis

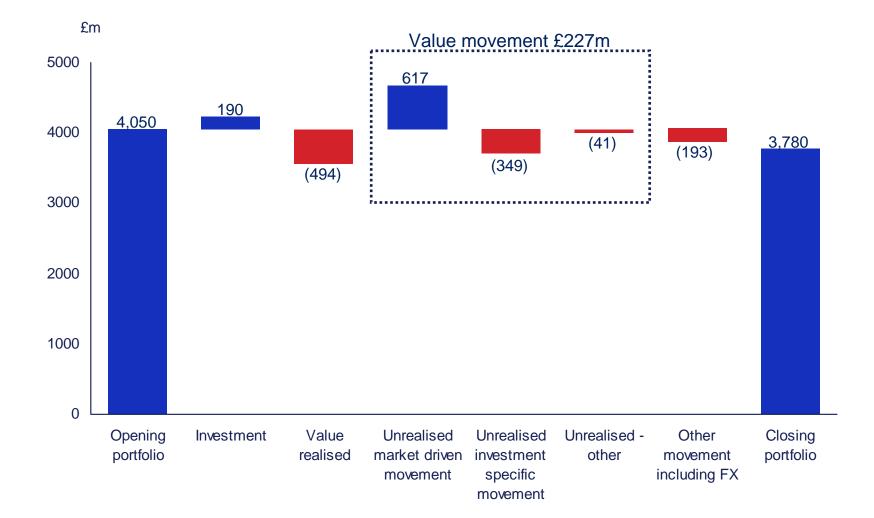


6	months to 30.9.09 £m	6 months to 31.3.09 £m	6 months to 30.9.08 £m
Gross portfolio return	316	(2,128)	(78)
Fees receivable from external funds	28	37	38
Net carried interest	(4)	10	43
Operating expenses	(108)	(119)	(131)
Net portfolio return	232	(2,200)	(128)
Net interest payable	(55)	(44)	(42)
Net foreign exchange movements	(66)	304	11
Pension	(36)	10	(18)
Movement in fair value of derivatives and oth	ner 6	(38)	(5)
Comprehensive income "Total return"	81	(1,968)	(182)
Total return on shareholders' funds	3.2%	(48.5)%	(4.5)%



6 m Group	nonths to 30.9.09 £m	6 months to 31.3.09 £m	6 months to 30.9.08 £m
Realised profits/(losses)	13	(127)	190
Unrealised profits/(losses)	227	(2,029)	(411)
Portfolio income	76	28	143
Gross portfolio return	316	(2,128)	(78)
Realised uplift on opening book value	3%	(15)%	47%
6 n Business line	nonths to 30.9.09 %	6 months to 31.3.09 %	6 months to 30.9.08 %
Buyouts	9	(40)	7
Growth Capital	9	(37)	(7)
Infrastructure	15	(17)	7
Non-core	(7)	(32)	(8)







Α	t 30.9.09	At 31.3.09	At 30.9.08
Weighted average EBITDA multiple post discount	7.1x	5.9x	6.2x

• 71% of unquoted portfolio valued on an earnings basis (2008: 37%)

- No assets held at cost (2008: 25%)
- Weighted average multiple up 21% from March to September 2009
- Larger value assets tend to have higher but more stable multiples



	At 30.9.09	At 31.3.09	At 30.9.08
Audited	22%	37%	48%
Management	39%	42%	21%
Forecast	39%	21%	31%

- Portfolio earnings down 6% in the period
- Earnings used for valuation down 13%
- Value impact of falls concentrated in a small number of investments



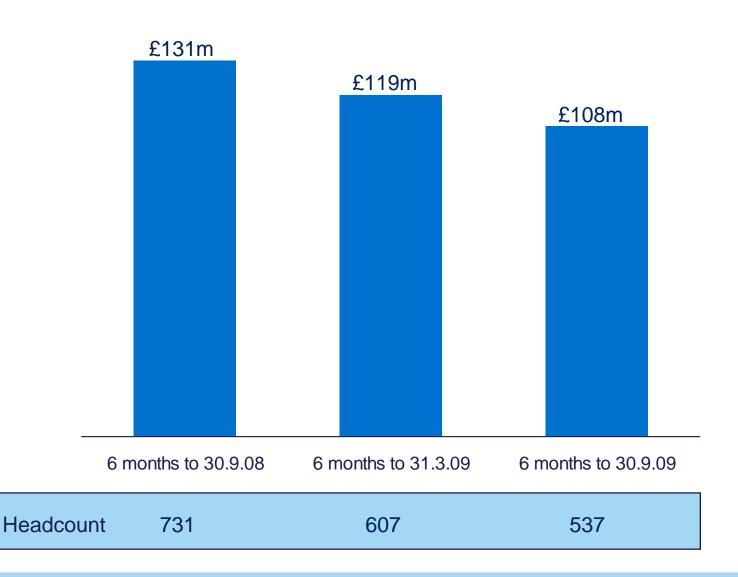
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Earnings and multiple based valuations			
Earnings - Earnings multiples	464	(218)	(194)
- Earnings growth	(322)	(64)	78
Loans - Impairments (earnings basis)	2	(564)	(56)
First time movements from cost	-	(519)	(30)
Market adjustment	(40)	(35)	-
Other bases			
Provisions	(27)	36	(192)
Uplift to imminent sale	1	(288)	148
Loans - Impairments (other basis)	52	(228)	-
Other movements on unquoted investments	(11)	(110)	(78)
Quoted portfolio	108	(39)	(87)
Total	227	(2,029)	(411)

Total return analysis



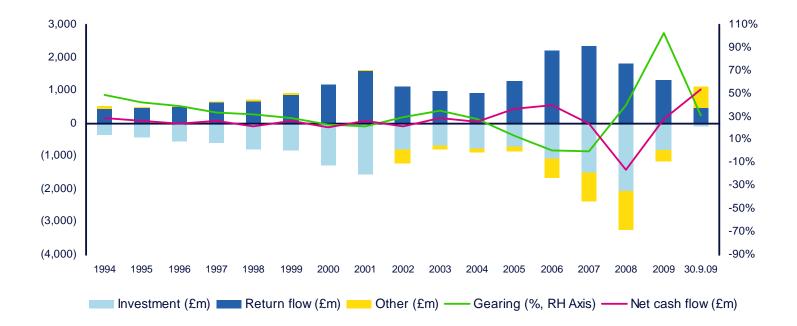
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Strong cash flow generation





Demonstrated capacity to generate cash through economic cycles and periods of market volatility.

Balance sheet



	As at 30.9.09 £m	As at 31.3.09 £m	As at 30.9.08 £m
Investment assets	3,780	4,050	5,934
Other net liabilities	(180)	(276)	(280)
	3,600	3,774	5,654
Net borrowings	854	1,912	1,802
Equity	2,746	1,862	3,852
	3,600	3,774	5,654
Gearing	31%	103%	47%
NAV	£2.86	£2.79*	£5.90*

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Туре	Amount	Start date	Maturity date
Multi-currency bilateral facility Replacement of £150m multi-currency bilateral facility	£100m	September 2009	October 2012
Forward start facility	£275m	September 2010	October 2012
Multi-currency bilateral facility	£200m	November 2009	November 2014

Financial summary



- Significantly improved financial position
- Positive return for the first half
- £317m net divestment
- Reduced operating expenses



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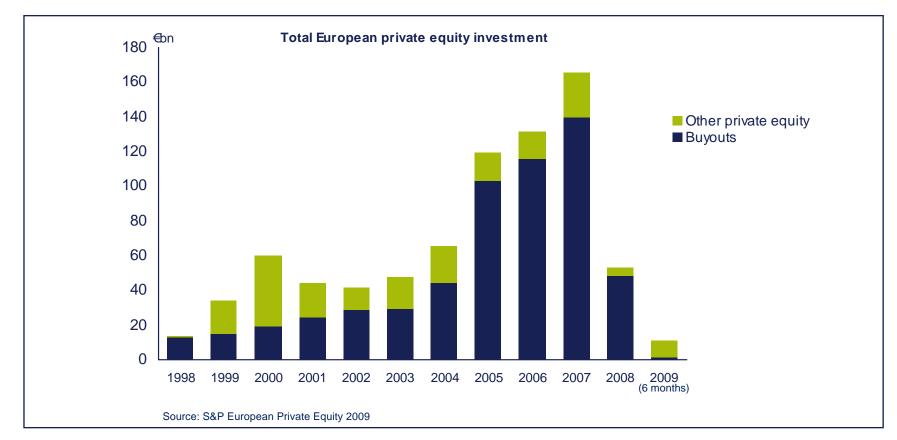




- Economic outlook
- Private equity market
- 3i today
- Strategic focus
- Positioning 3i for the future
- Overview of performance

Industry and market





Industry challenges

- Overhang of capital
- Debt availability remains difficult
- LBO refinancings impacting asset class reputation

Opportunities for 3i

- Mid-market positioning
- Shortage of equity for growing companies
- Market access and fire power
- LP relationships





(as at 30 September 2009)	3i Group	
Buyouts	Growth Capital	Infrastructure
Mid-market transactions in Europe and Asia	Minority investments in established and profitable businesses across	Investing principally in transportation, utilities and social
Transaction size: EV up to €1bn	Europe, Asia and the North America	infrastructure
Investments made through LP private equity funds	Transaction size: up to €150m	 Investments made through: 3i Infrastructure plc, a quoted company advised by 3i
Three funds currently under management	Investments typically made on balance sheet	 - 3i India Infrastructure Fund - on balance sheet
Companies in portfolio: 54	Companies in portfolio: 101	Companies in portfolio: 15*
Assets under management (£m)	Assets under management (£m)	Assets under management (£m)
Own balance sheet1,560External funds2,2543,814	Own balance sheet1,551External funds281,579	Own balance sheet365External funds <u>1,163</u> 1,528
		* Includes 4 investments directly held by 3i

Non-core portfolio

Companies in portfolio reduced from 199 to 129

Disposals and QPE transaction resulting in value of £304m (£638m at 31 March 2009)

Sales agreed on a further £105m from the Venture Portfolio

Infrastructure - 2008



Enterprise maintaining the infrastructure of the UK Buyout - 2007	 UK public sector and utilities outsourcing Eurofund V invested £166m Revenue growth 29%, EBITDA 41% driven by contract wins and successful acquisition of Accord
QUINTILES TRANSNATIONAL Growth Capital - 2008	 US based global business Outsourced product development/commercialisation for pharma industry 3i invested £100m from own balance sheet Order backlog up over 23%
DIAGNOSTICS NETWORK Growth Capital - 2008	 French clinical laboratories business Made 14 acquisitions in five different countries since 3i invested Revenue grown by 94%
ADANI	 Indian power developer India Infrastructure Fund invested \$243m \$4.5bn IPO in July 2009

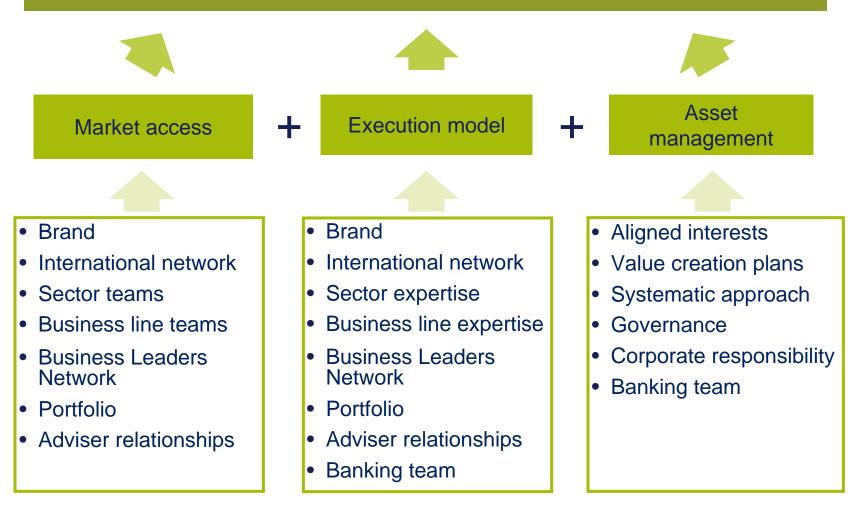




- Invest in high-return assets
- Grow our assets and those we manage on behalf of third parties
- Continue to build our strong culture of operating as one company across business lines, geographies and sectors

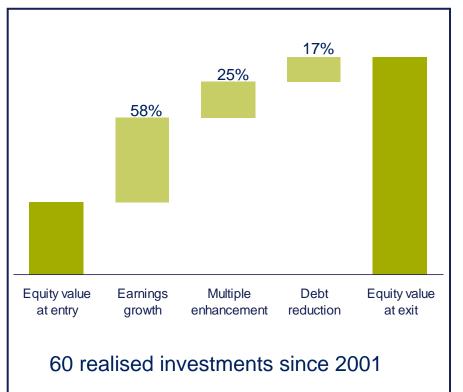


Creating value throughout the investment process

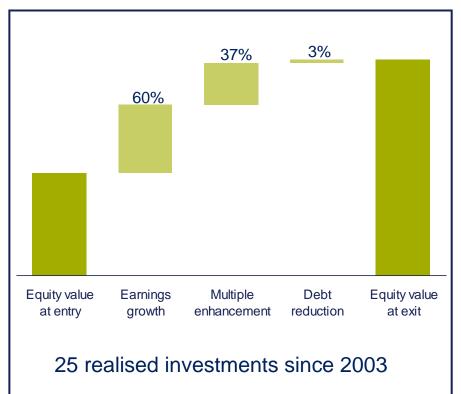




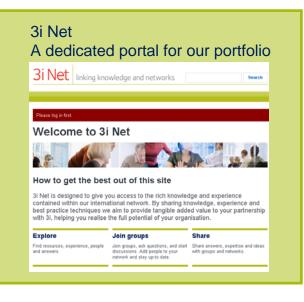
Buyouts



Growth Capital



- Delivering value in key functional areas
 - Working capital management
 - Pricing
 - Sales force effectiveness
 - Procurement
 - Lean manufacturing
- Sharing experience across the portfolio
 - Events
 - In house specialists
 - 3i Net portal



Positioning 3i for the upturn

- Comprehensive review of investment processes
- Improved investment processes as a result
- "Rebuying of our key assets"
- Cultural development "One 3i"
- Increased cost effectiveness
- Continuing development on corporate responsibility



Drivers of future performance

- Performance of existing portfolio
- Good realisations
- New investment
- Growth in assets under management
- Cost control

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Appendix



Vintage IRR performance

Vintage year	Cost remaining	As at 30 Sept 2009	As at 31 March 2009	
2009	100%	(8)%	n/a	
2008	99%	(26)%	(30)%	41% of direct Group portfolio value
2007	80%	22%	25%	£3.8bn assets
2006	34%	47%	46%	under management
2005	26%	61%	62%	

	Sept	March	March	March	March
	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006
Gross portfolio return	9%	(34)%	57%	54%	29%



Vintage IRR performance

Vintage year 2009 2008 2007 2006	Cost remaining 100% 87% 82% 37%	As at 30 Sept 2009 (19)% (5)% (6)% 23%	As at 31 March 2009 n/a (16)% (2)% 23%	41% of direct Group portfolio value £1.6bn assets under management
2006 2005	28%	25%	27%	under management

	Sept	March	March	March	March
	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006
Gross portfolio return	9%	(44)%	21%	48%	26%



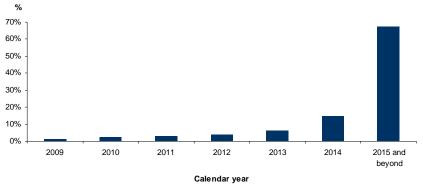


Contribution to Group results	As at 30.9.09 £m	As at 30.9.08 £m
Realised profits	-	6
Unrealised profits	47	7
Portfolio income	10	23
Gross portfolio return	57	36
Fees receivable from external funds	8	16
Assets under management	1,528	1,477

Portfolio leverage – Buyouts and Growth Capital

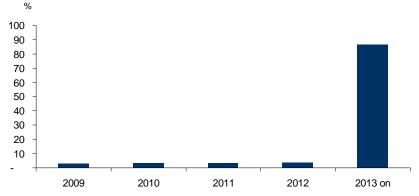


Buyouts repayment profile of acquisition debt – index weighted by 3i carrying value

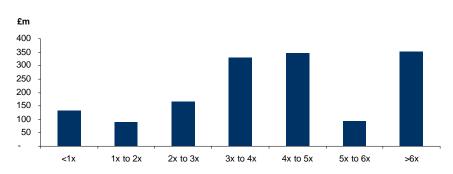


Acquisition debt in breach of covenants at 30 September 2009
 Acquisition debt not in breach of covenants at 30 September 2009

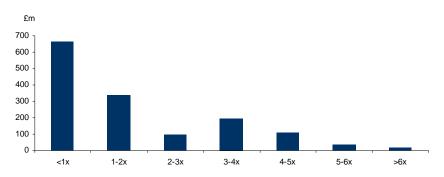
Growth Capital portfolio debt repayment profile, weighted by 3i Group value



Ratio of net debt to EBITDA Buyouts portfolio

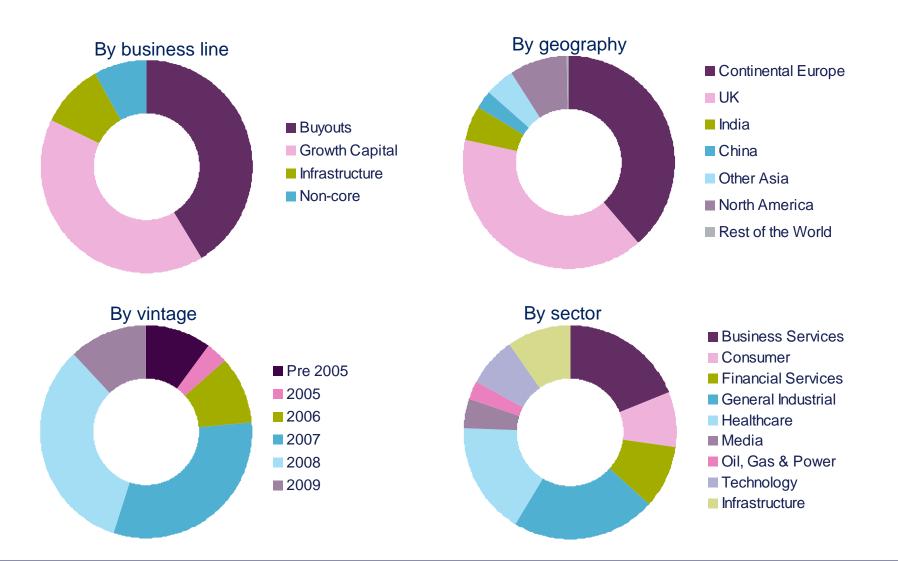


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Diversified portfolio

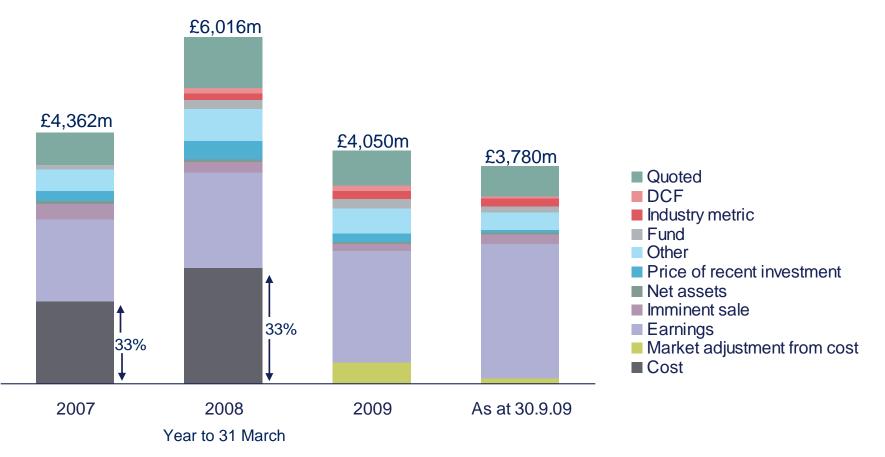




3i direct portfolio by business line, geography, vintage and sector

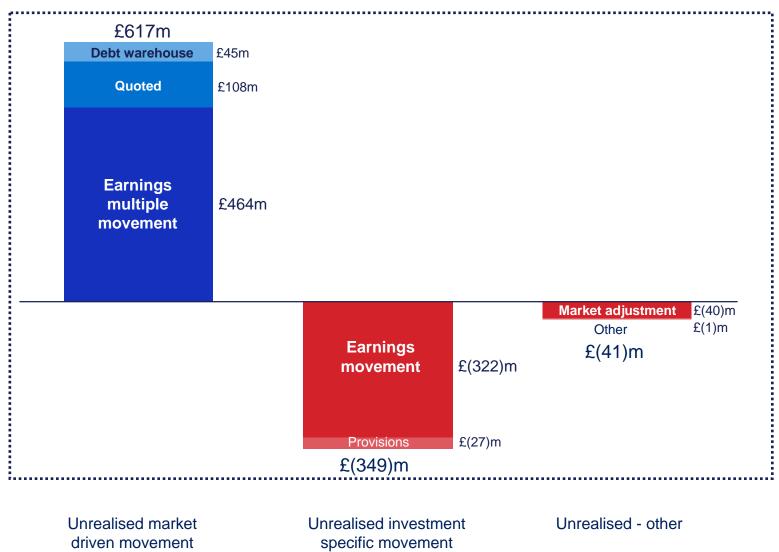


- No assets held at cost
- Forecast earnings used, rather than historic, where future earnings are likely to fall
- Weighted average EBITDA multiple 7.1





Value movement £227m





	6 months to 30.9.09 £m	6 months to 30.9.08 £m
Opening portfolio value	4,050	6,016
Investment	190	668
Realisation proceeds	(507)	(597)
Realised profits on disposal	13	190
Unrealised value growth	227	(411)
Exchange and other movements	(193)	68
Closing portfolio value	3,780	5,934



Company	Business line	Value at 30.9.09 £m	Value at 31.3.09 £m
3i Infrastructure plc	Infrastructure	277	228
Quintiles	Growth	148	109
ACR	Growth	135	125
Enterprise	Buyout	135	125
Ambea*	Buyout	133	102
Inspicio	Buyout	123	105
Foster + Partners	Growth	119	111
Memora	Buyout	106	102
Telecity plc*	Buyout	105	95
MWM (Deutz)*	Buyout	95	91
Top 10 value £m		1,376	1,193

*Moved in to top 10 assets at 30 September 2009