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For a discussion of some of the risks and factors that could affect the Firm's future results, please see the description of "Risk Factors" in our current annual report on Form 10-K for our fiscal year ended November 2007. You should also read the information on the calculation of non-GAAP financial measures that is posted on the Investor Relations portion of our website: www.gs.com.

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Goldman Sachs

"They still have the Goldman reputation and history, but they will not be unique anymore."

Bloomberg News January, 20 1999

"...something bolder might be needed, such as a merger..."

The Economist June 20, 1998

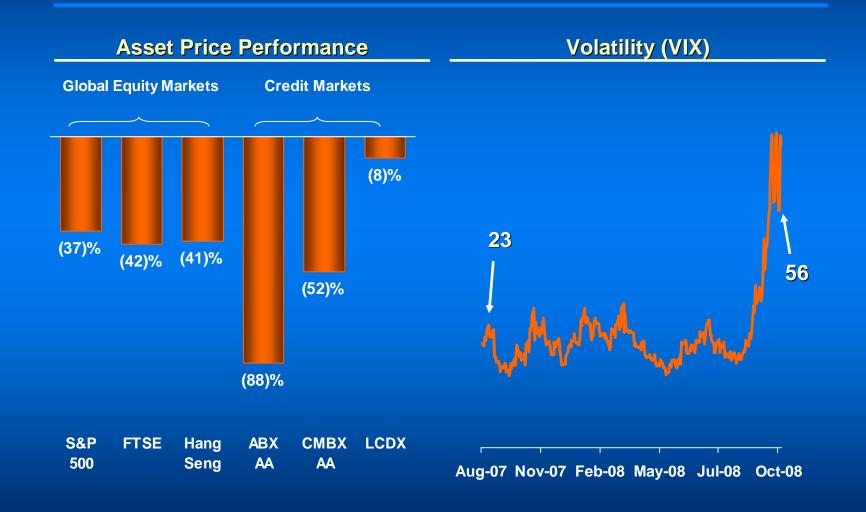
"Goldman's earnings have grown more dependent than most people think on proprietary trading"

The New York Times
June 6, 1998



Market Dynamics

August 2007 to Present¹





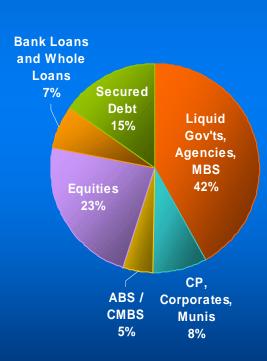
Bank Holding Company

- Why now?
 - Regulation inevitable
 - Market perception
 - Safety of the Fed
 - Funding Availability
- How will this impact Goldman's strategy?
 - No impact on existing strategy
 - Provides optionality in a dislocated market
 - Bank Deposits could lower cost of funding over time
- Near-term impact
 - New Regulator
 - \$130bn \$150bn of assets being moved into the bank

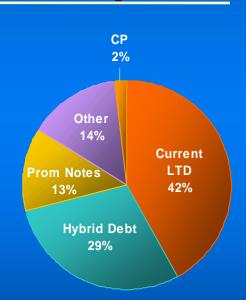


Wholesale Funding

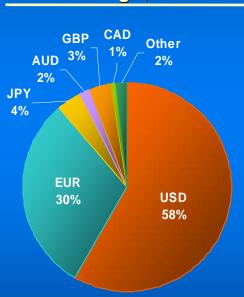
Secured Funding: \$192bn



Unsecured Short-Term Funding: \$65bn

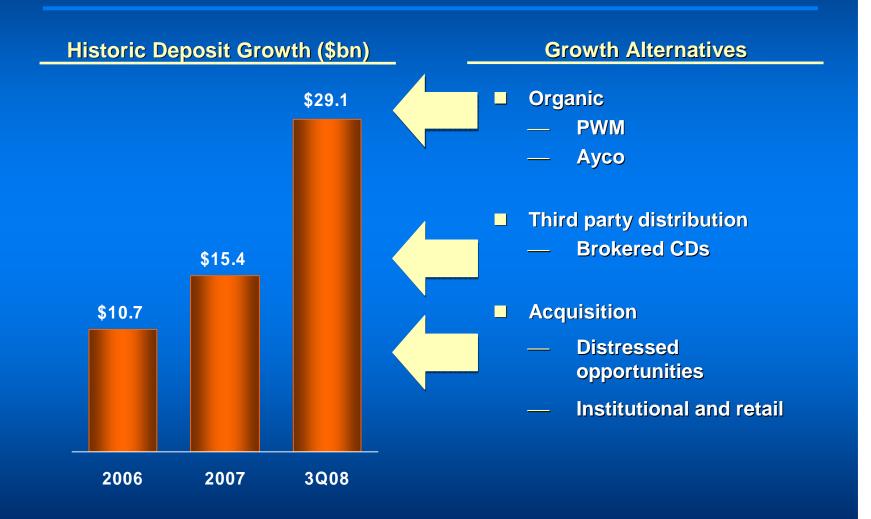


Unsecured Long-Term Funding: \$176bn





Deposit Building Alternatives





Core Attributes That Define GS

Validated

Revenue Diversification

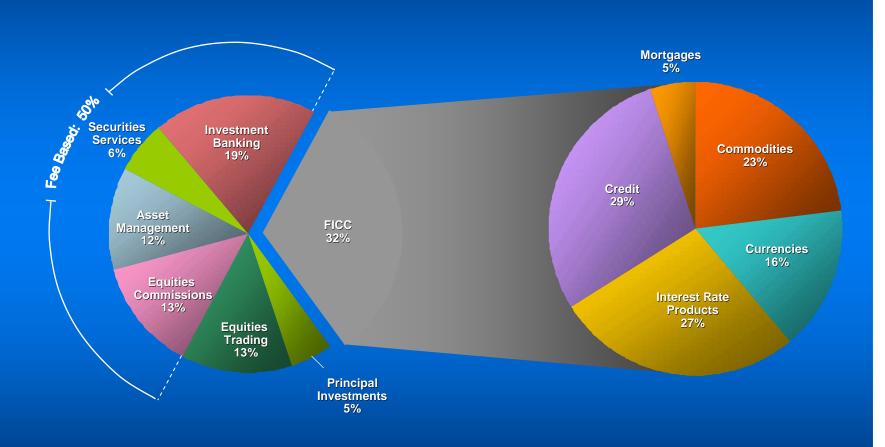
Risk Management/Fair Value

Franchise

Culture



Diversified Revenue Mix Average Since 1999





Risk Management





Liquidity and Capital Management



Goldman Sachs

Franchise Drives Market Share Gains

Investment Banking – Strength of FIG Franchise¹

Advisory

Financing



\$15bn Acquisition





\$10bn Acquisition



\$8bn Common and Pref. Stock Offering

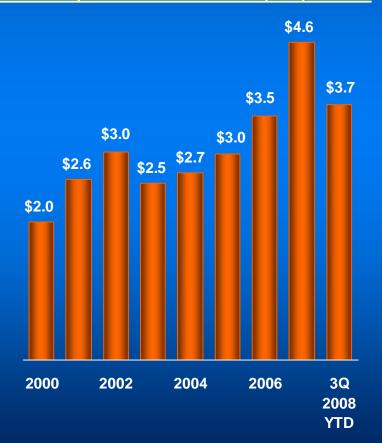


\$8bn Acquisition



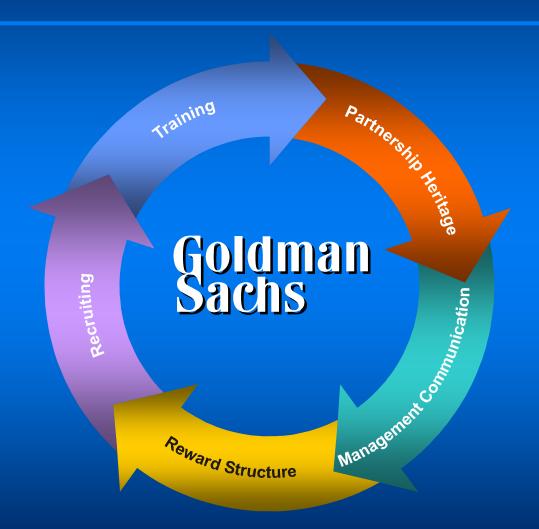
\$3bn Common Offering

Equities Commissions (\$bn)





Culture

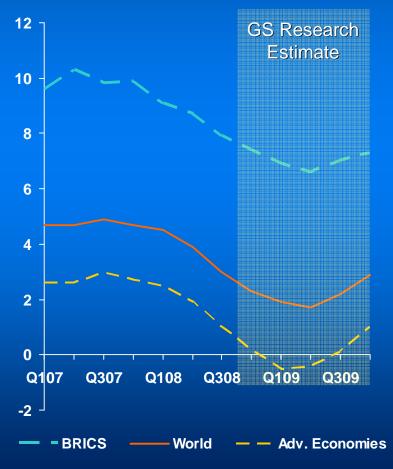


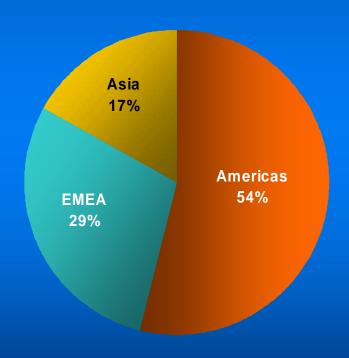


International Expansion Strategy Positioned to Chase GDP Growth

Real GDP Growth by Region (YoY %)

Revenue Contribution by Region¹





⁽¹⁾ Average revenue contribution from 2007 through 3Q08



Opportunistic Investing





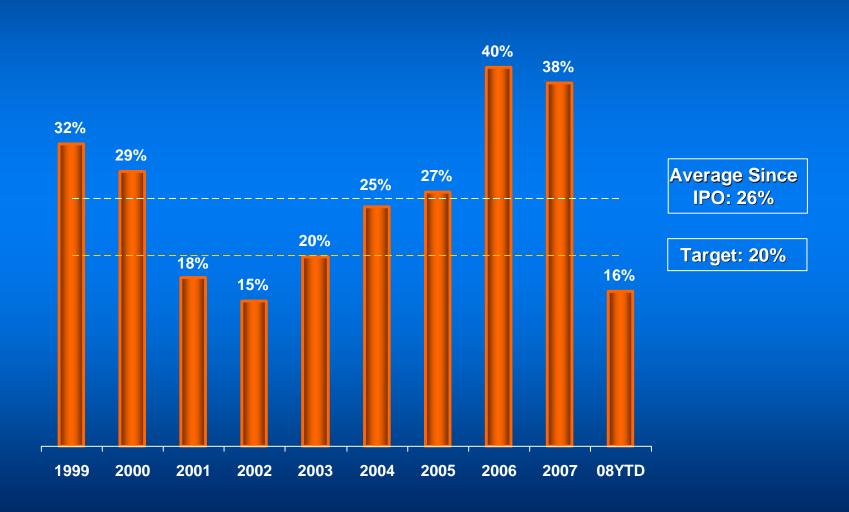


Assets Under Management (\$bn)





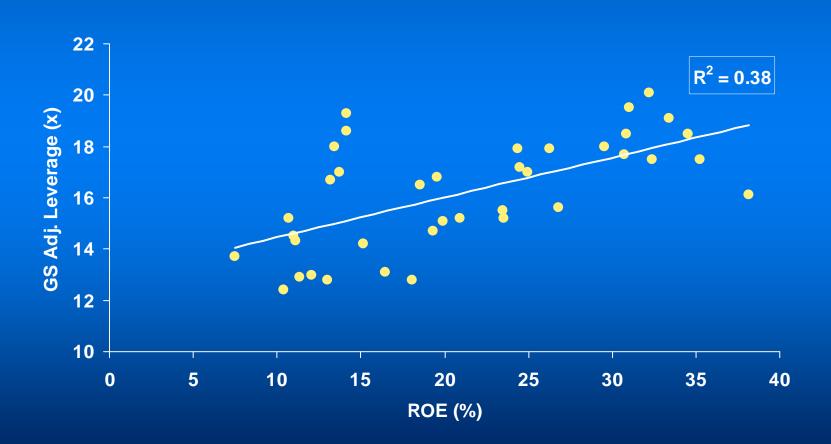
Returns Over the Cycle GS Annual ROTE since IPO





ROE is Sustainable GS ROE vs. Adjusted Leverage – 2Q99 to 3Q08

■ Leverage is not a major driver of our ROE





Long Term Growth

Growing Book Value Per Share in a Dislocated Environment





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