

President's Report Full Year 2024

LT Group, Inc.'s (LTG) attributable net income for 2024 reached a record high of Php28.92 billion, a 14% increase from the Php25.42 billion reported in 2023.

The different business segments contributed as follows:

	2024	% of 2024	2023	% of 2023
	Contribution	Attributable	Contribution	Attributable
	(Php Millions)	Net Income	(Php Millions)	Net Income
FTC	12,716	44%	11,333	45%
PNB	11,887	41%	10,747	42%
TDI	2,141	7%	1,558	6%
ABI	836	3%	571	3%
Eton	211	1%	451	2%
VMC	492	2%	347	1%
Others	638	2%	414	1%
Total	28,921	100%	25,421	100%

LTG declared a special cash dividend of Php0.35 per share, totaling Php3.79 billion, in November, which was paid on December 9. Including prior dividend declarations, the year-to-date dividend payout reached Php1.25 per share, or Php13.53 billion in total, representing a 53.2% payout rate.

The company ended the year with Debt-to-Equity Ratio of 3.16:1 with the Bank and 0.10:1 without the Bank. The parent company's cash balance was Php2.17 billion.

Fortune Tobacco Corporation (FTC)

FTC reported a net income of Php12.77 billion in 2024 which was 12% higher than the Php11.38 billion reported in 2023. This was primarily due to higher dividends received from PMFTC (a 49.6% associate) and higher foreign exchange gains.

PMFTC's 2024 cigarette volume mirrored the overall industry trend, declining 11% to 21.1 billion sticks from 23.8 billion sticks in 2023. The decrease was attributable to affordability issues, rising illicit trade and the growing popularity of vaping. Industry volume, excluding illicit trade, declined to 41.0 billion sticks in 2024 from 42.9 billion sticks in 2023.

Effective November 25, 2024, Marlboro cigarettes are priced at Php9 per stick while Marlboro Crafted, Fortune, and Jackpot are priced at Php8 and Chesterfield at Php7. These prices reflect the ongoing increase in excise taxes under Republic Act 11346,

which mandated a tax of Php63 per pack of 20 sticks effective January 1, 2024, with a 5% annual increase thereafter.

PMFTC expanded its portfolio in 2024 with the launch of Fortune Double Blast cigarettes, iQos ILUMA heated tobacco products, and ZYN nicotine pouches - the first in the Asia-Pacific region - offering diverse smoking and nicotine experiences.

Illicit cigarette seizures increased significantly in 2024, reaching a record 1.2 billion sticks, double the 0.6 billion sticks seized in 2023. This reflected a shift from reactive to coordinated, multi-agency enforcement efforts.

Philippine National Bank (PNB)

PNB's net income under the pooling method was Php21.18 billion in 2024, Php2.16 billion or 11% higher than the Php19.02 billion reported in 2023.

Gross interest income in the current period increased by 13% or Php7.86 billion to Php67.46 billion, due to higher yields and volumes of loans, investments and interbank transactions. Gross interest expense was higher by 21% or Php3.12 billion at Php18.12 billion due to increased interest rates and larger volume of deposits. The higher increase in gross interest income relative to gross interest expense resulted in a higher net interest income by 11% or Php4.75 billion to Php49.34 billion and net interest margin increase from 4.2% to 4.5%.

Net Service Fees and Commission Income were 4% higher at Php5.52 billion for 2024 from Php5.32 billion in 2023 due to the increase in credit card and deposit-related fees.

Other income decreased to P3.10 billion for 2024 compared to P5.68 billion for 2023 primarily due to lower gains on sale of ROPA.

Operating expenses were lower by 2% to P33.50 billion in 2024 from P34.33 billion in 2023, mainly due to lower provisions for impairment, credit, and other losses. NPL cover was at 86.9% as of December 2024 compared to 90.8% as of December 2023.

Tanduay Distillers, Inc. (TDI)

TDI achieved a record net income of Php2.15 billion in 2024, 37% higher than the Php1.57 billion in 2023.

Higher volume of liquor and bioethanol, by 2% and 1%, respectively and higher liquor prices boosted segment revenues by 13% to Php33.85 billion in 2024. With cost of sales increasing at a slower rate of 11% to Php28.92 billion, the gross profit margin improved to 15%.

TDI remained strong in the Visayas and Mindanao regions, where it holds a dominant share of 70.9% and 80.8%, respectively. TDI's nationwide market share for distilled

spirits, however slightly declined to 32.2% in 2024, compared to 32.9% in 2023, due to competitive pressures and impact on consumer purchasing power of inflation and weather disturbances during the year.

TDI sold its investment in Asian Alcohol Corporation in October 2024, which had a carrying cost of Php1.5 billion, for Php1.8 billion, payable with interest over a four-year period with an upfront payment of ₱480 million.

Asia Brewery, Inc. (ABI)

ABI's net income in 2024 increased by 46% to Php841 million, compared to Php578 million in 2023. This was driven by a 5% increase in revenues to Php18.21 billion from Php17.38 billion, on account of higher y-o-y sales volume across major product lines. Cost of sales proportionately increased by 5% at P14.14 billion for 2024 due to higher manufacturing and energy costs. However, the gross profit margin slightly declined to 22% from 23% due primarily to sales mix.

Cobra energy drink maintained its market leadership with a 53% share in 2024, while Absolute and Summit bottled water brands held on their combined 17% market share, making them the third largest local water brand.

Eton Properties Philippines, Inc. (Eton)

Eton's net income in 2024 decreased by 53% to Php212 million, compared to Php453 million in 2023 due to lower leasing income and higher operating expenses.

Leasing revenues for the period decreased by 1% y-o-y to Php2.03 billion, due primarily to the decline in occupancy rates and rental prices.

In 2024, Eton recorded Php501 million in residential sales, driven by the resumption of sales of the remaining inventory in projects at 68 Roces in Quezon City and Eton City, Laguna.

Eton's leasing portfolio comprises 288,000 square meters, with approximately 192,000 square meters dedicated to office space.

LT GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Amounts in Thousands)

	December 31	
	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	P 223,583,790	₽243,790,981
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	17,956,162	10,550,595
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		
(FVTOCI)	125,189,186	112,335,996
Financial assets at amortized cost	19,097,106	21,841,362
Loans and receivables	312,406,599	291,696,307
Inventories	13,328,520	13,709,117
Due from related parties	1,889,364	2,338,723
Other current assets	12,658,175	12,378,192
Total Current Assets	726,108,902	708,641,273
Noncurrent Assets		
Loans and receivables - net of current portion	349,063,956	347,989,209
Financial assets at FVTOCI	66,179,663	31,709,930
Financial assets at amortized cost	94,776,887	101,359,065
Investments in associates and joint ventures	18,382,496	19,003,747
Property, plant and equipment:		
At appraised values	57,248,391	57,516,431
At cost	11,671,107	11,615,081
Investment properties	38,979,404	37,848,430
Deferred income tax assets - net	7,448,142	6,860,706
Other noncurrent assets	4,470,911	4,852,404
Total Noncurrent Assets	648,220,957	618,755,003
TOTAL ASSETS	P1,374,329,859	₽1,327,396,276
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Deposit liabilities	₽940,057,144	₽892,931,695
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	924,053	555,811
Bills and acceptances payable	20,208,451	19,047,156
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	20,655,439	22,889,975
Short-term debts	3,700,000	4,280,000
Current portion of long-term debts	1,926,643	43,115,944
Income tax payable	333,355	432,496
Due to related parties	64,001	50,000
Other current liabilities	11,372,824	9,990,372
Total Current Liabilities (Carried Forward)	999,241,910	993,293,449

	December 31	
	2024	2023
Total Current Liabilities (Brought Forward)	₽ 999,241,910	₽993,293,449
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Deposit liabilities - net of current portion	5,290,562	10,833,859
Bills and acceptances payable	_	1,115,447
Long-term debts - net of current portion	23,622,689	6,395,070
Net retirement benefits liability	710,000	1,009,716
Deferred income tax liabilities - net	8,475,269	8,275,257
Other noncurrent liabilities	6,777,227	6,237,658
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	44,875,747	33,867,007
Total Liabilities	1,044,117,657	1,027,160,456
Equity		
Attributable to equity holders of the Company:		
Capital stock	10,821,389	10,821,389
Capital in excess of par	35,906,231	35,906,231
Other comprehensive income, net of deferred income tax effect	13,327,515	12,418,924
Other equity reserves	(4,188,092)	(5,592,465)
Retained earnings	175,231,056	158,972,132
Shares of stock of the Company held by subsidiaries	(12,519)	(12,519)
	231,085,580	212,513,692
Non-controlling interests	99,126,622	87,722,128
Total Equity	330,212,202	300,235,820
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	P1,374,329,859	₽1,327,396,276

LT GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Amounts in Thousands, Except for Basic/Diluted Earnings Per Share)

		Years Ended December 31	
	2024	2023	2022
REVENUE			
Banking	₽75,068,040	₽66,550,969	₽50,843,607
Distilled spirits	33,773,423	29,884,821	31,559,876
Beverage	17,193,576	16,414,006	16,216,881
Property development	2,930,483	2,449,140	2,251,558
	128,965,522	115,298,936	100,871,922
COST OF GOODS SOLD AND SERVICES	62,729,762	55,537,664	51,102,930
GROSS INCOME	66,235,760	59,761,272	49,768,992
EQUITY IN NET EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATES	S		
AND JOINT VENTURES	8,866,605	11,924,732	16,094,575
	75,102,365	71,686,004	65,863,567
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Selling expenses	2,641,879	2,516,285	2,283,909
General and administrative expenses	36,811,271	36,886,503	37,795,783
	39,453,150	39,402,788	40,079,692
OPERATING INCOME	35,649,215	32,283,216	25,783,875
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)			
Foreign exchange gains - net	1,453,699	1,289,740	1,548,877
Finance costs	(607,760)	(691,456)	(484,614)
Finance income	251,569	84,958	219,285
Others - net	8,410,776	6,267,239	9,536,173
	9,508,284	6,950,481	10,819,721
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAX	45,157,499	39,233,697	36,603,596
PROVISION FOR (BENEFIT FROM) INCOME TAX			
Current	7,336,125	5,665,437	6,445,510
Deferred	(686,358)	(447,620)	(506,920)
	6,649,767	5,217,817	5,938,590
NET INCOME	P 38,507,732	₽34,015,880	₽30,665,006

2023	Years Ended December 31	
2023	2022	
25,421,454	₽25,137,400	
8,594,426	5,527,606	
34,015,880	₽30,665,006	
₽2.35	₽2.32	
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