

5. Other investments

	2011 £m	2010 £m
Investments	64	388

The short-term investments at 31 March 2010 were classified as available-for-sale and consisted of index linked government bonds which were held on an effective floating rate basis.

6. Creditors

	2011 £m	2010 £m
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Bank loans and other loans	4,739	4,360
Amounts owed to subsidiaries	89,194	73,663
Taxation payable	—	31
Other creditors	166	111
Accruals and deferred income	52	20
	94,151	78,185
Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
Other loans	21,367	23,488
Other creditors	393	352
	21,760	23,840

Included in amounts falling due after more than one year are other loans of £10,191 million, which are due in more than five years from 1 April 2011 and are payable otherwise than by instalments. Interest payable on these loans ranges from 2.15% to 8.125%.

7. Share capital

	2011		2010	
	Number	£m	Number	£m
Ordinary shares of 11³/₇ US cents each allotted, issued and fully paid:⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾				
1 April	57,809,246,732	4,153	57,806,283,716	4,153
Allotted during the year	1,876,697	—	2,963,016	—
Cancelled during the year	(1,000,000,000)	(71)	—	—
31 March	56,811,123,429	4,082	57,809,246,732	4,153

Notes:

(1) 50,000 (2010: 50,000) 7% cumulative fixed rate shares of £1 each were allotted, issued and fully paid by the Company.

(2) The concept of authorised share capital was abolished under the Companies Act 2006, with effect from 1 October 2009, and consequential amendments to the Company's articles of association removing all references to authorised share capital were approved by shareholders at the 2010 annual general meeting.

(3) At 31 March 2011 the Company held 5,233,597,599 (2010: 5,146,112,159) treasury shares with a nominal value of £376 million (2010: £370 million).

Allotted during the year

	Number	Nominal value £m	Net proceeds £m
UK share awards and option scheme awards	35,557	—	—
US share awards and option scheme awards	1,841,140	—	3
Total for share awards and option scheme awards	1,876,697	—	3