QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES SCHEDULE II - VALUATION ACCOUNTS AND RESERVES (in thousands)

	Balance at <u>1-1-05</u>	Provision for Doubtful Accounts	Net Deductions and Other (a)	Balance at <u>12-31-05</u>
Year ended December 31, 2005 Doubtful accounts and allowances	\$202,857	\$233,628	\$242,731	\$193,754
	Balance at <u>1-1-04</u>	Provision for Doubtful Accounts	Net Deductions and Other (a)	Balance at <u>12-31-04</u>
Year ended December 31, 2004 Doubtful accounts and allowances	\$211,739	\$226,310	\$235,192	\$202,857
	Balance at <u>1-1-03</u>	Provision for Doubtful Accounts	Net Deductions and Other (a)	Balance at <u>12-31-03</u>
Year ended December 31, 2003 Doubtful accounts and allowances	\$193,456	\$228,222	\$209,939	\$211,739

⁽a) "Net Deductions and Other" primarily represent accounts written-off, net of recoveries.