|  | Fiscal Year 1999 | Change | Fiscal Year 1998 |
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| (1) Interest Rate Earned on Average Balance of Interest-earning Assets (A) | 2.13 | (0.38) | 2.51 |
| Loans and Bills Discounted | 1.91 | (0.14) | 2.05 |
| Securities | 1.24 | (0.64) | 1.88 |
| (2) Interest Cost Paid on Liabilities (B) | 1.60 | (0.44) | 2.04 |
| Interest Rate Paid on Average Balance of Interest-bearing Liabilities | 0.74 | (0.41) | 1.15 |
| Deposits and Others | 0.19 | (0.22) | 0.41 |
| Other External Liabilities | 0.62 | (0.28) | 0.90 |
| Expense Ratio | 0.86 | (0.03) | 0.89 |
| (3) Interest Spread (A) - (B) | 0.53 | 0.06 | 0.47 |

