


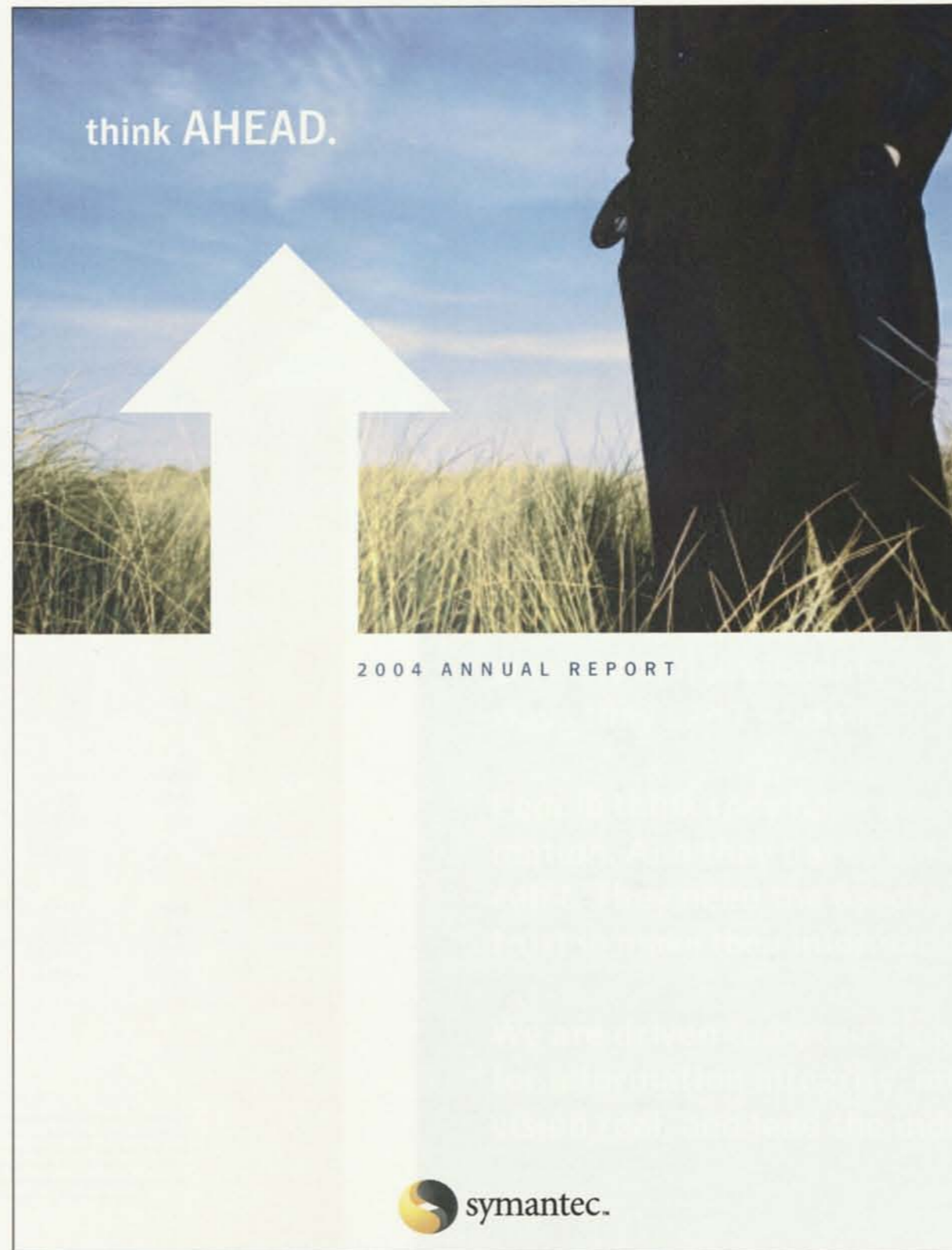
Symantec



a brand trust story

Concept: **THE BRAND TRUST STORY**

This concept is a solid brand story that presents the core principles that drive Symantec's business and how these core principles will drive sustained growth and results. The company's four core values: being trust-driven, customer-driven, innovation-driven, and action-driven are at the heart of this story. Arrows are used as a graphic device to symbolize upward growth, thinking forward, and the connectivity of information. Supporting copy on each spread describes how these values drive the business and earn trust from customers and investors alike.



Cover

### Financial Highlights

(in millions, except per share amounts)

	2004	2003	2001
<b>Reported:</b>			
Revenues	\$1,407	\$1,071	\$854
Operating income	\$342	\$8	\$110
Net income (loss)	\$248	(\$28)	\$64
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$1.54	(\$0.20)	\$0.47
<b>Adjusted:</b>			
Operating income	\$390	\$258	\$215
Net income	\$280	\$201	\$184
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.72	\$1.30	\$1.17
<b>Reconciliation:</b>			
Axent net loss	n/a	n/a	\$6
Cost of sales – amortization of other intangibles	(\$30)	(\$30)	(\$16)
Operating expenses – amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, acquired in-process R&D, and restructuring and site closures	(\$19)	(\$219)	(\$99)
Other expense	n/a	n/a	(\$24)
Income tax benefit	\$17	\$20	\$13
<b>Other Information:</b>			
Cash flow from operations	\$584	\$511	\$325
Total assets	\$3,266	\$2,505	\$1,792
Stockholders' equity	\$1,764	\$1,320	\$1,377
Employees	4,344	3,910	3,781

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People think they have a right to trust their information. And they have that right. But today they can't. They need the assurance of someone they trust to make their information secure and available.

We are driven to by our clear vision of the need for information integrity, intend to make this vision real, and lead the industry.



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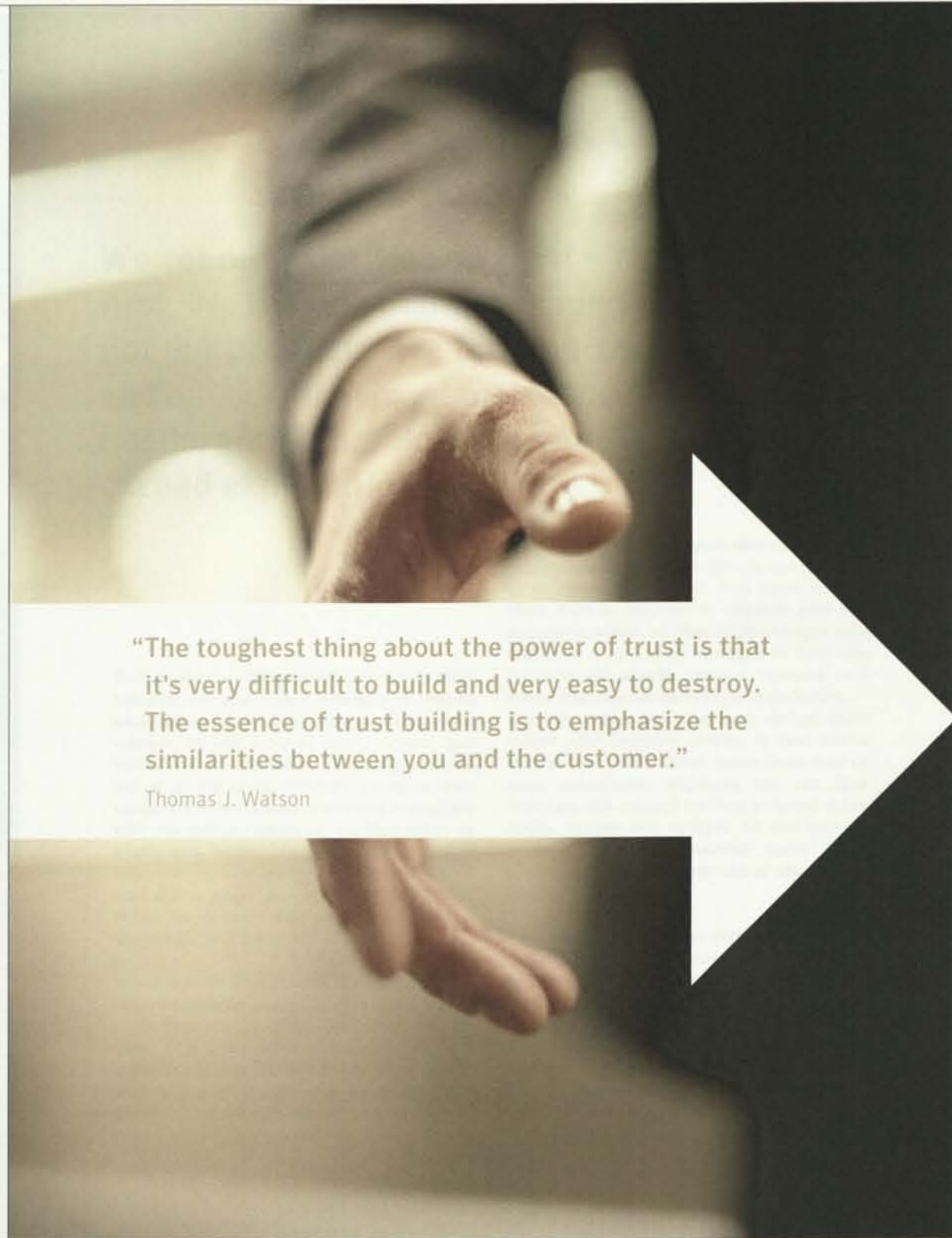
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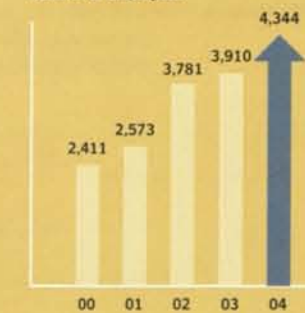
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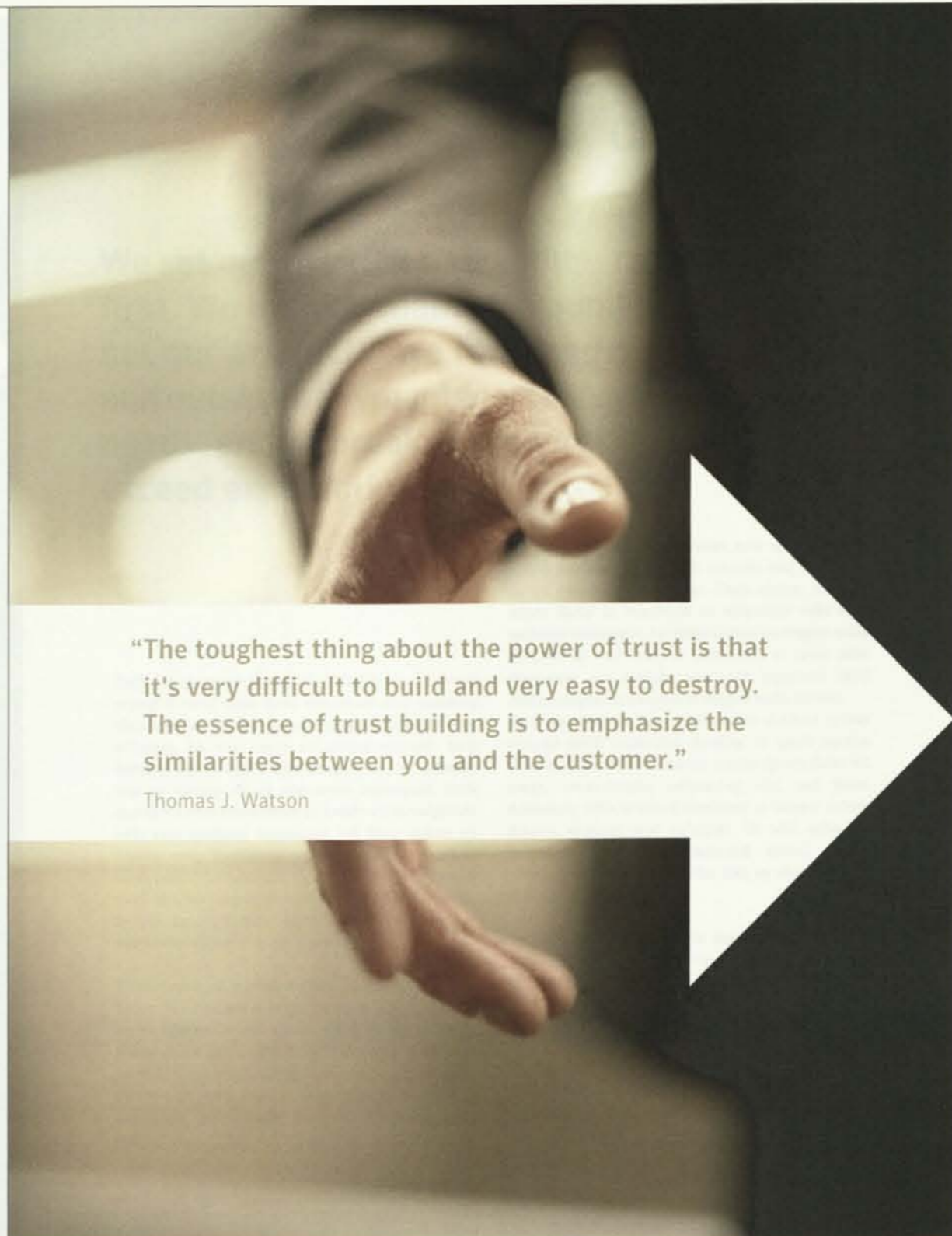
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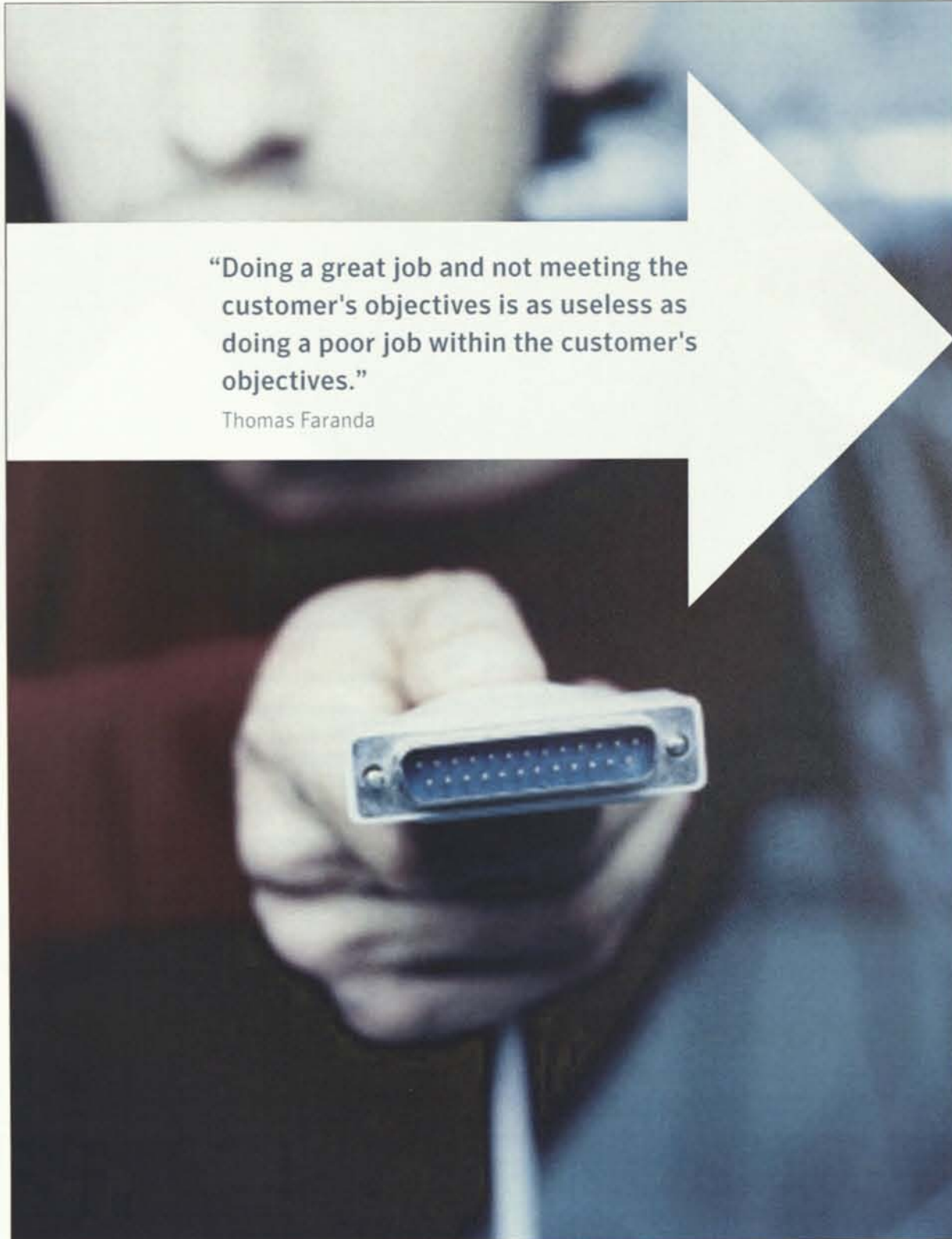
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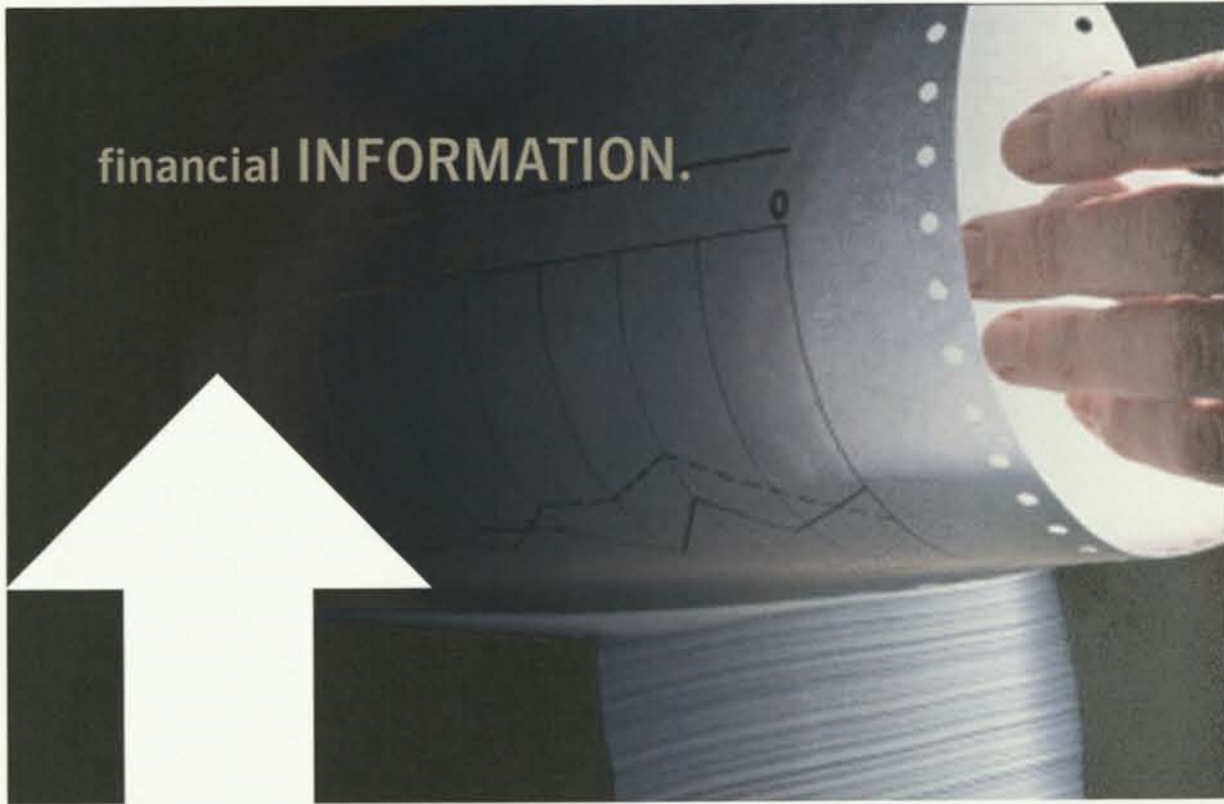
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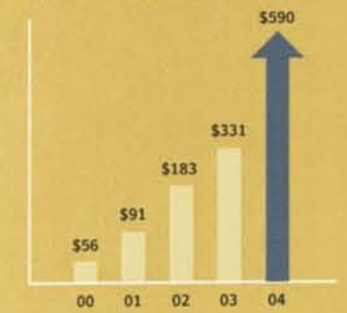


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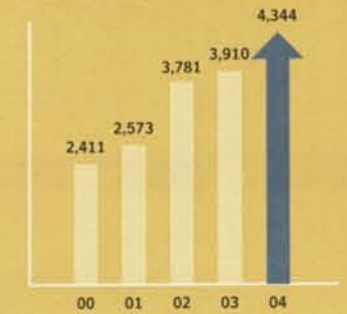
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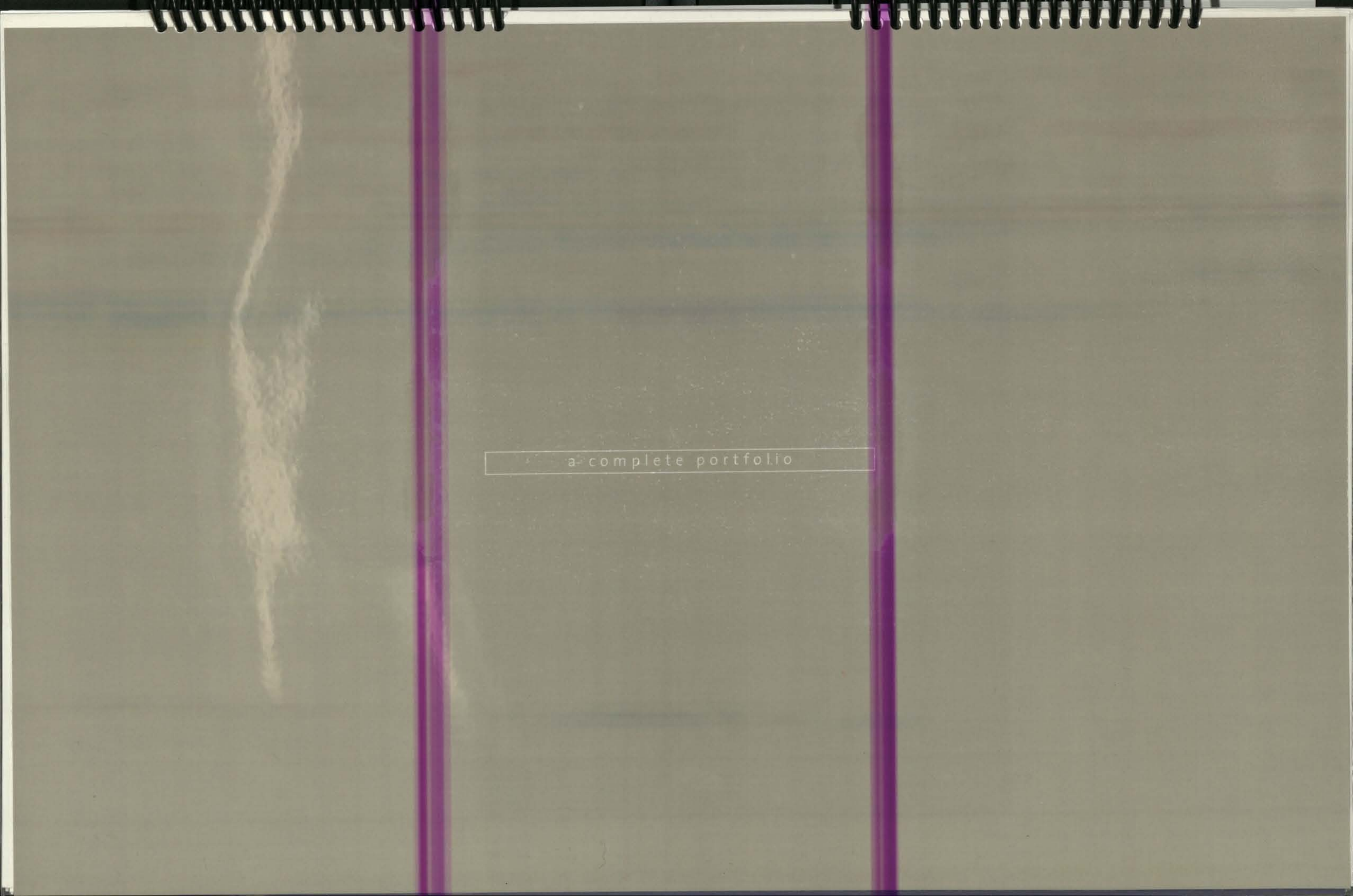


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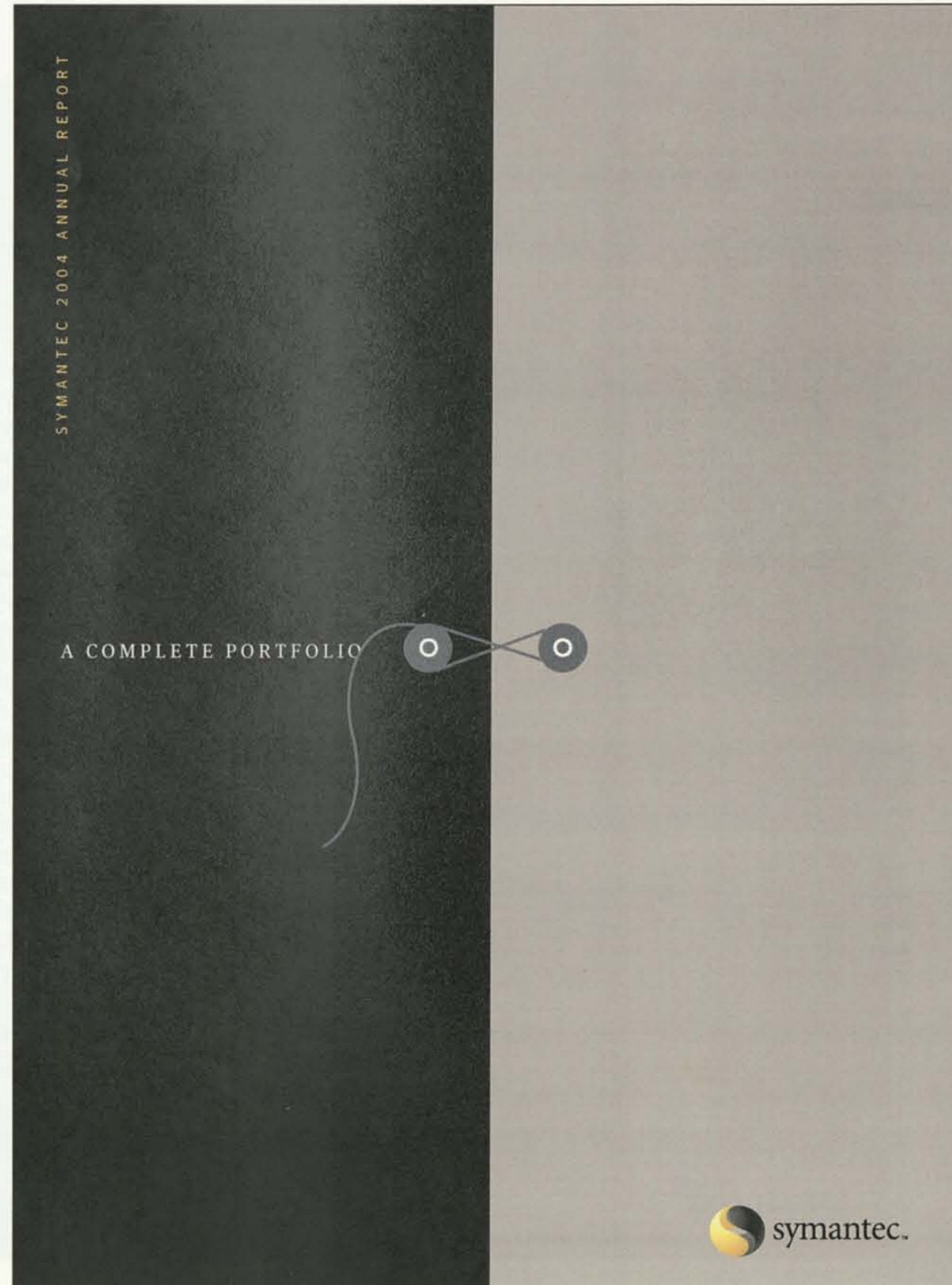


a complete portfolio

Concept: **A COMPLETE PORTFOLIO**

This direction splits the book in half to present the compelling portfolio of opportunity Symantec provides its investors. Symantec's financial portfolio is presented side by side with a portfolio of the company's comprehensive suite of securing and information integrity products and services.

The book is wire-o bound on both the right and the left sides and the unique structure is symbolic of Symantec's innovation as a company. This intriguing form factor, bold messaging, and large charts and graphics present the complete picture of Symantec's stunning results and vision for continued growth.



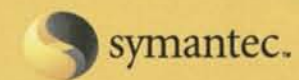
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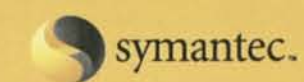
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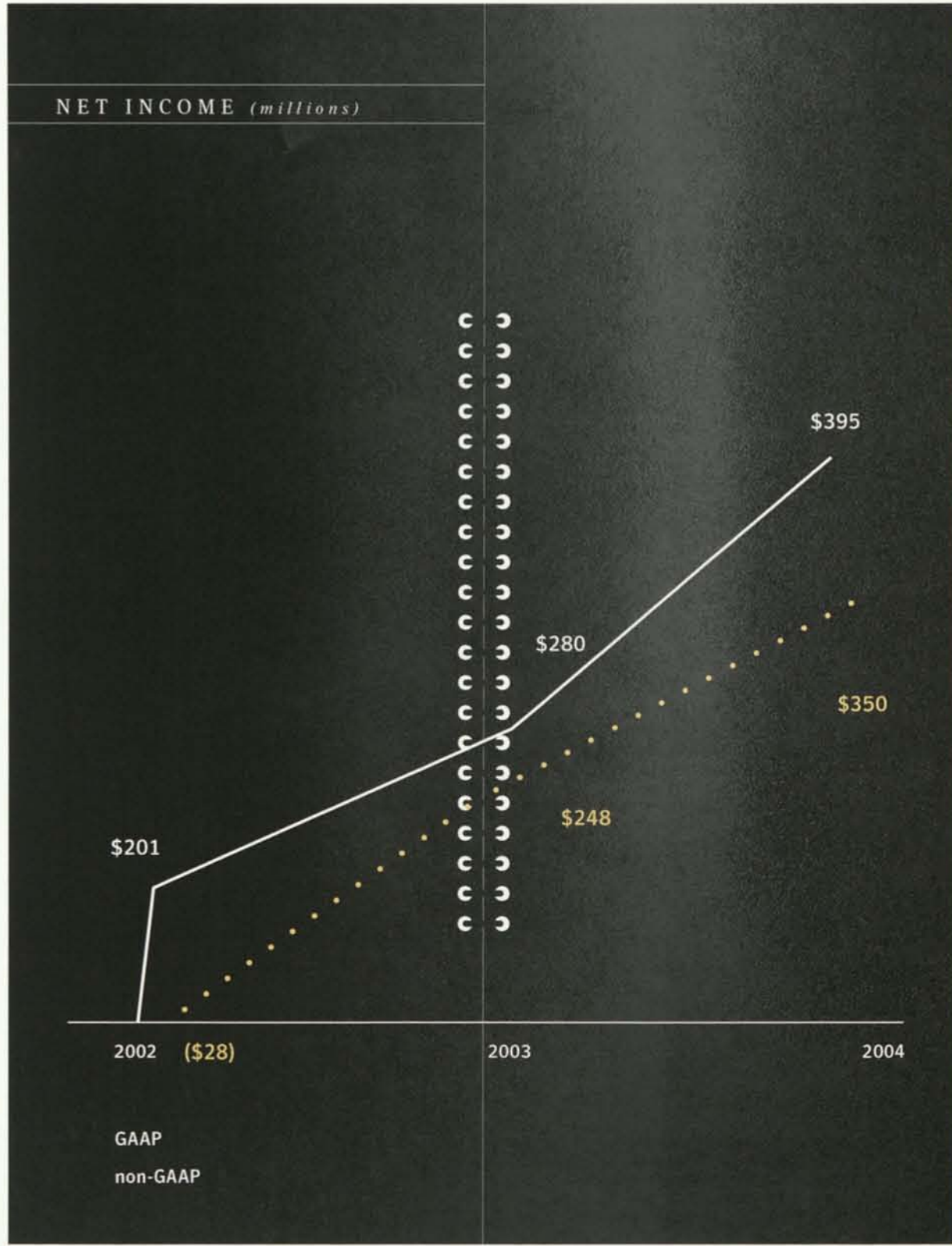


FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS				
(in millions, except per share amounts)		2004	2003	2001
<b>Reported:</b>				
Revenues		\$1,407	\$1,071	\$854
Operating income		\$342	\$8	\$110
Net income (loss)		\$248	(\$28)	\$64
Diluted earnings (loss) per share		\$1.54	(\$0.20)	\$0.47
<b>Adjusted:</b>				
Operating income		\$390	\$258	\$215
Net income		\$280	\$201	\$184
Diluted earnings per share		\$1.72	\$1.30	\$1.17
<b>Reconciliation:</b>				
Axent net loss		n/a	n/a	\$6
Cost of sales – amortization of other intangibles		(\$30)	(\$30)	(\$16)
Operating expenses – amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, acquired in-process R&D, and restructuring and site closures		(\$19)	(\$219)	(\$99)
Other expense		n/a	n/a	(\$24)
Income tax benefit		\$17	\$20	\$13
<b>Other Information:</b>				
Cash flow from operations		\$584	\$511	\$325
Total assets		\$3,266	\$2,505	\$1,792
Stockholders' equity		\$1,764	\$1,320	\$1,377
Employees		4,344	3,910	3,781
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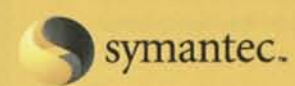
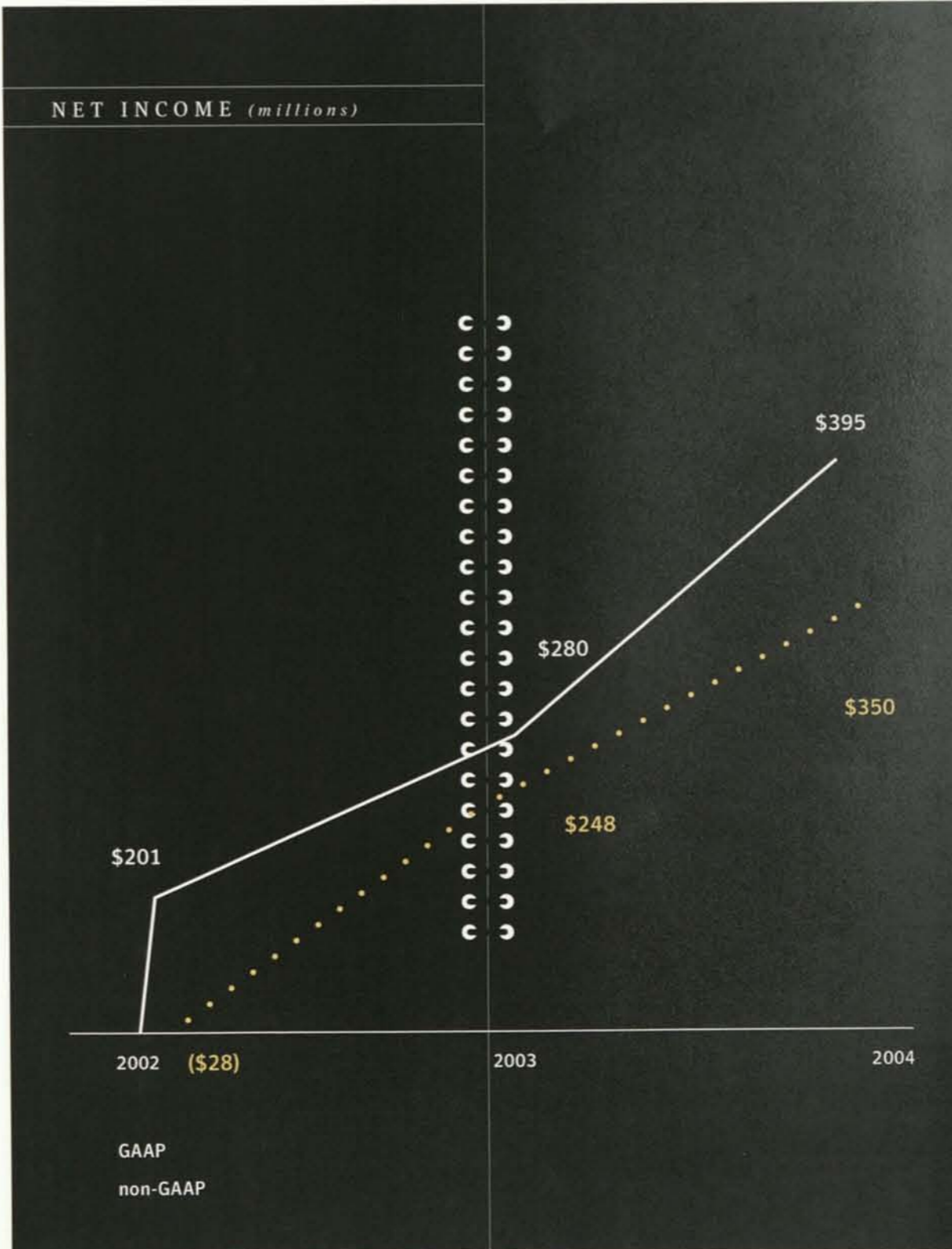


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TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS, I'm pleased to report that our team has achieved the best revenue and earnings quarter in our company's history by topping the September quarter's record revenue by \$65 million.



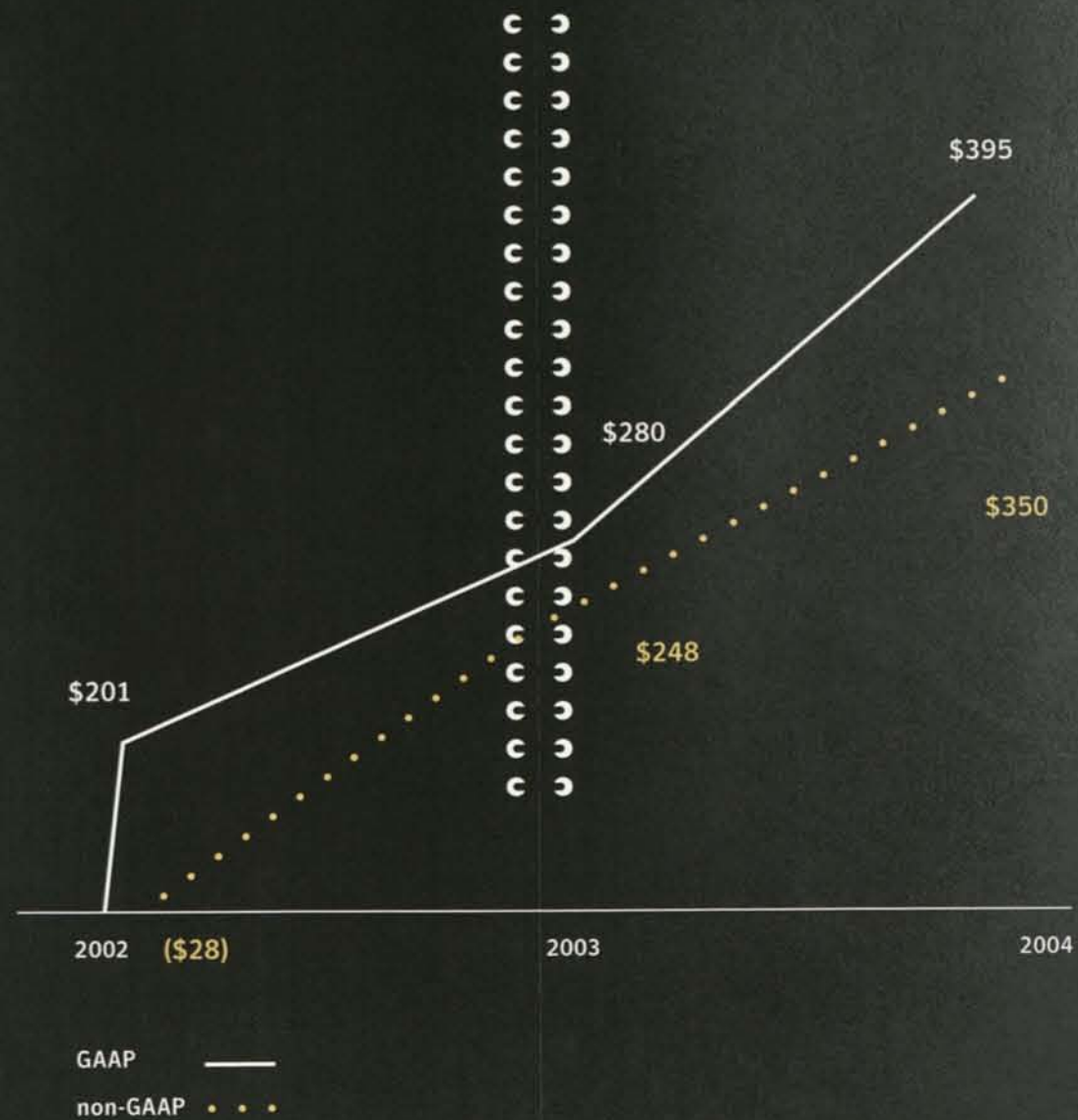
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Consumer segment grew year-over-year

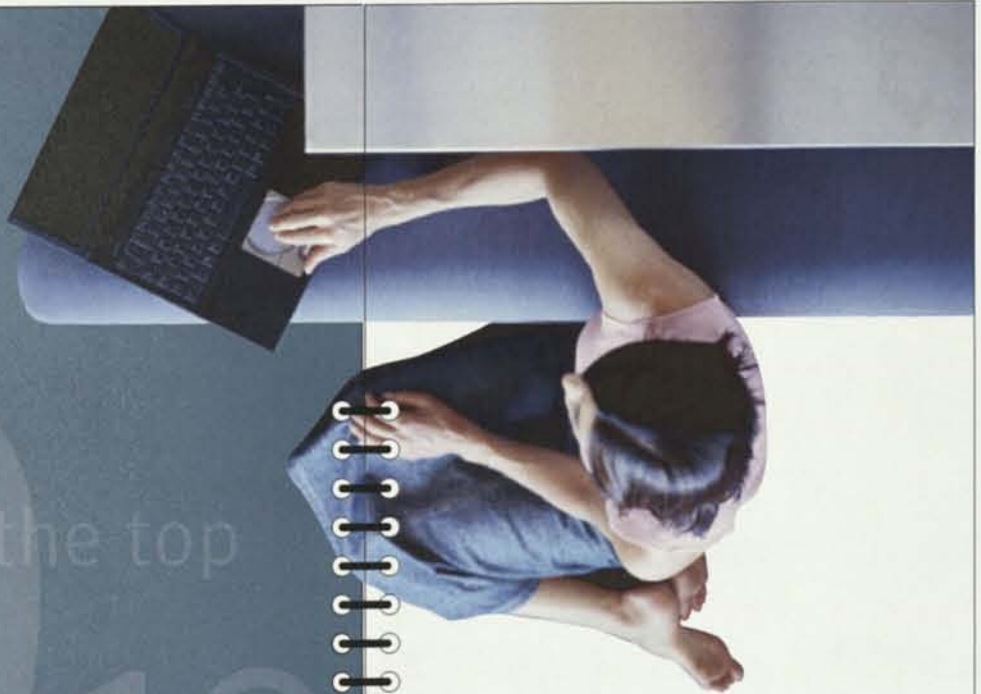
Both revenue and earnings for the quarter exceeded our expectations. These results demonstrate the real determination of our team to win in the marketplace. We are continuing our quest to build the most financially solid company in our sector and a true leader in the overall software industry. By generating \$ 307 million in cash from operating activities and increasing our deferred revenue balance to a record \$ 868 million, we're continuing our efforts to build Symantec into one of the most predictable companies around. With deferred growing faster than recognized results, we continue to position our company for strong future performance as well. An example of this strength is the fact that deferred revenue grew 21% sequentially, while recognized revenue grew 15% sequentially.

The fundamentals of our subscription model continue to drive incredible visibility in our planning process. During the December quarter, approximately 51% of our final revenue performance was generated from the balance sheet, compared to 46% a year ago. And, we expect a record 57% of forecasted revenue to come from the balance sheet during the March 2004 quarter. Ut wisi enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exerci tation ullamcorper suscipit lobortis nisl ut aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis autem vel eum iriure dolor in hendrerit in vulputate velit esse molestie consequat, vel illum dolore eu feugiat nulla facilisis at vero eros et accumsan et iusto odio dignissim qui blandit praesent luptatum zzril delenit augue duis dolore te feugait nulla facilisi. Nam liber tempor cum soluta nobis eleifend option congue nihil imperdiet doming id quod mazim

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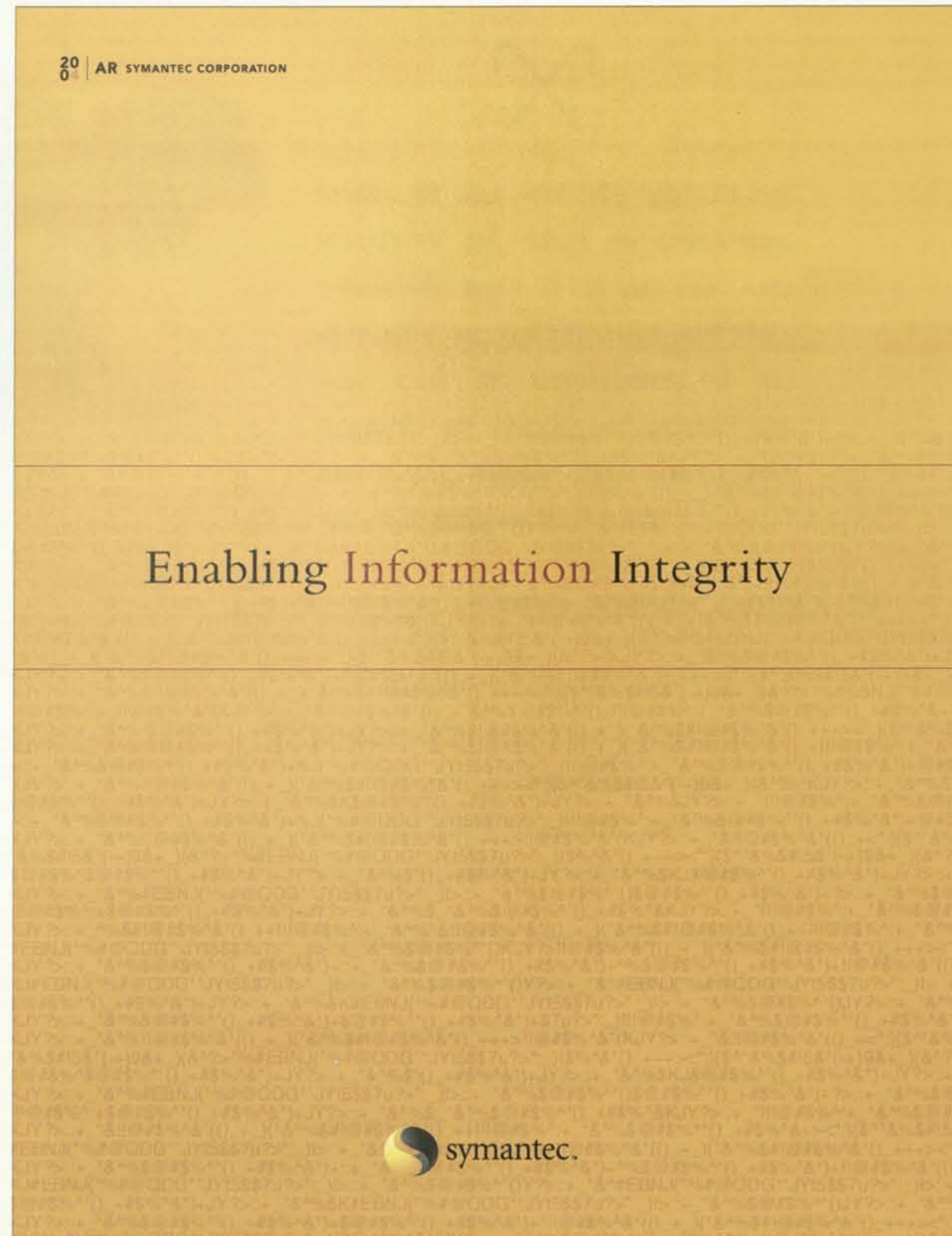
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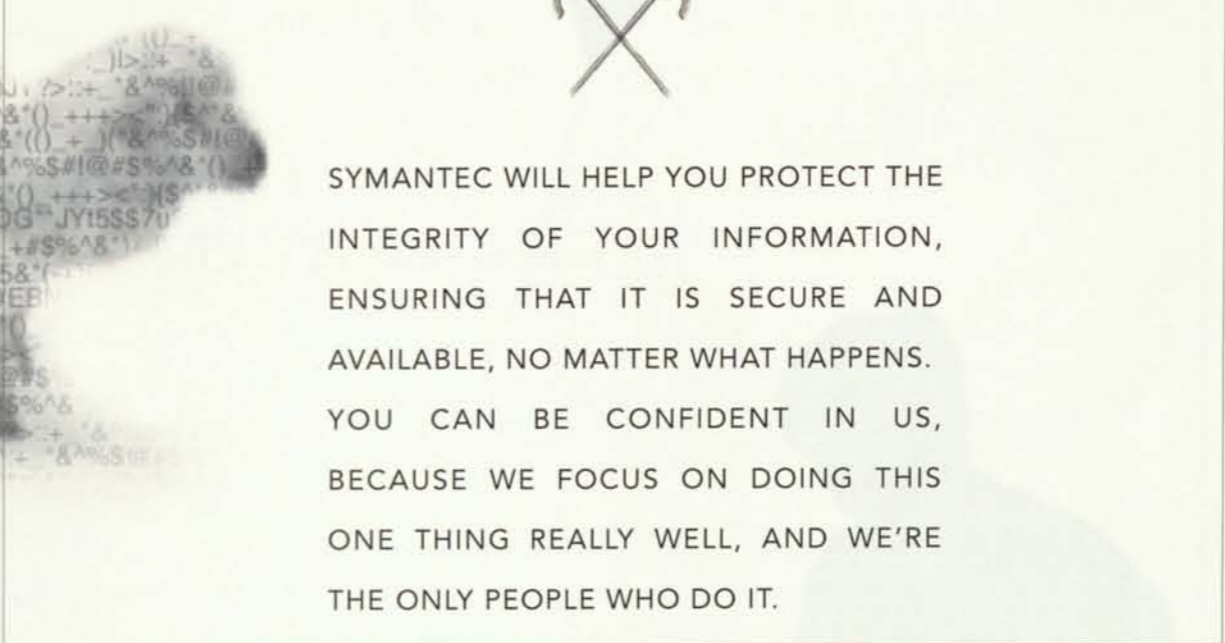
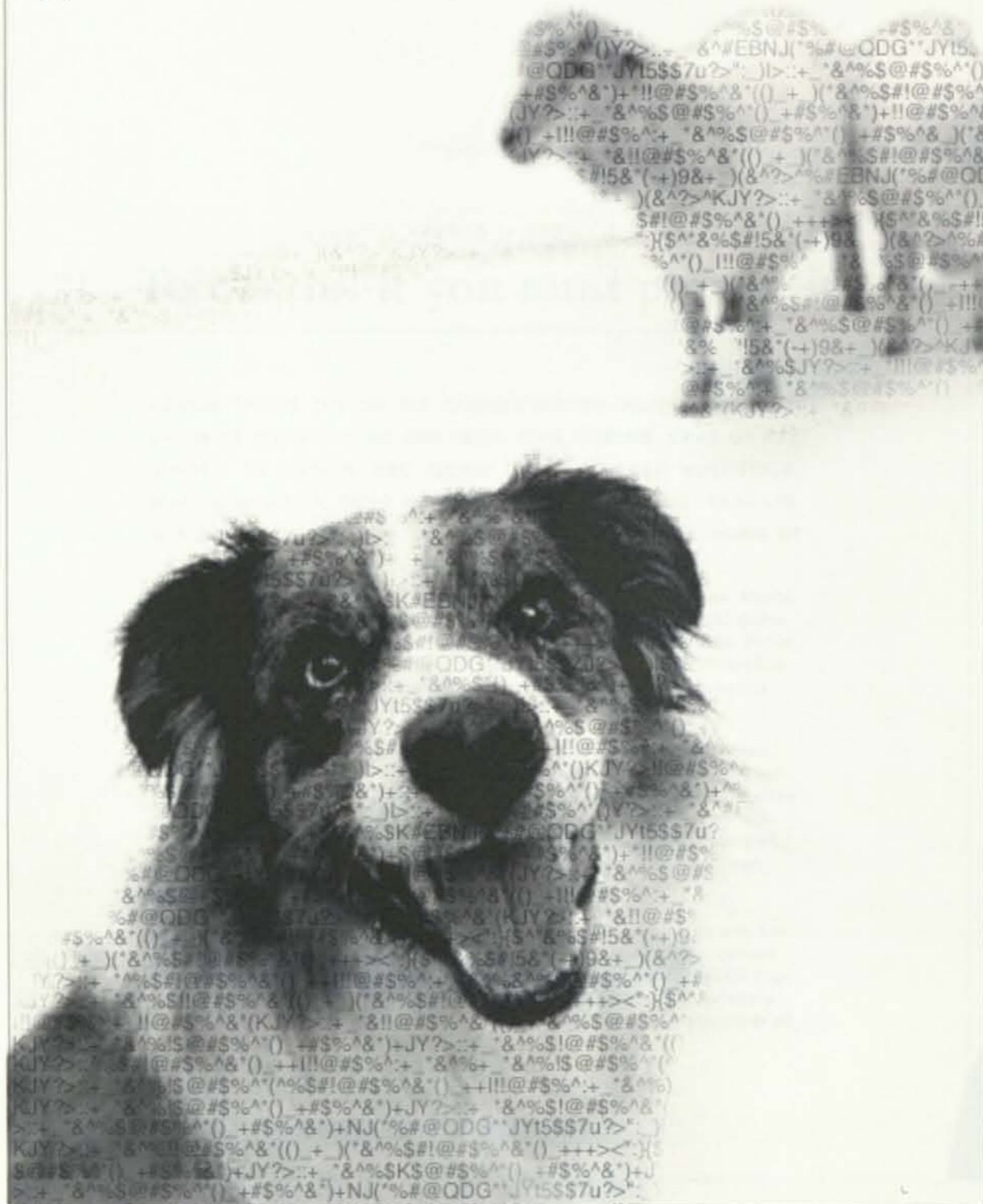
enabling information integrity

**CONCEPT: Enabling Information Integrity**

To enable true information and data integrity you must be able to protect your data, trust the application, manage the infrastructure and control the environment. In today's world, data and information are ubiquitous, it is in everything we see and it is a part of everything we do. Symantec provides all the applications, tools and management expertise enable true information integrity. This concept uses strong black and white imagery comprised of "information" to make the point of ubiquitous data. These images also support the inspirational and positive themes that run throughout this annual: control, manage, protect, trust and enable.



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SYMANTEC WILL HELP YOU PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF YOUR INFORMATION, ENSURING THAT IT IS SECURE AND AVAILABLE, NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS. YOU CAN BE CONFIDENT IN US, BECAUSE WE FOCUS ON DOING THIS ONE THING REALLY WELL, AND WE'RE THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO DO IT.

### To manage it you must control it

THIS PROMISE MEANS WE ARE BUILDING A RELATIONSHIP OF TRUST, IN WHICH WE DELIVER ROUND-THE-CLOCK VIGILANCE AND COUNTER MEASURES, NOT JUST A PRODUCT OUR CUSTOMERS BUY ONCE.

INFORMATION IS THE MOST VALUABLE ASSET IN MOST PEOPLE'S LIVES—AND IN EVERY ORGANIZATION. WE ARE IN THE BUSINESS OF ENSURING THE INTEGRITY OF INFORMATION.



## To control it you must protect it

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## To protect it you must trust it

**WE ARE IN THE BUSINESS OF BUILDING THE BEST POSSIBLE METHODS OF KEEPING INFORMATION FLOWING AND INTACT —DESPITE THE GROWING COMPLEXITY, VULNERABILITY, AND IMPERFECTION OF THE WORLD'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.**

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## To trust it you must enable it

**SYMANTEC'S ENTIRE BUSINESS AND CORE VALUES AS A COMPANY ARE BASED ON CREATING TRUST. TRUST IN THE INTEGRITY OF INFORMATION, CUSTOMER TRUST IN SYMANTEC PRODUCTS, PEOPLE, AND PROCESSES. PUT ANOTHER WAY, WE ARE TRUST-DRIVEN, CUSTOMER-DRIVEN, INNOVATION-DRIVEN, ACTION-DRIVEN.**

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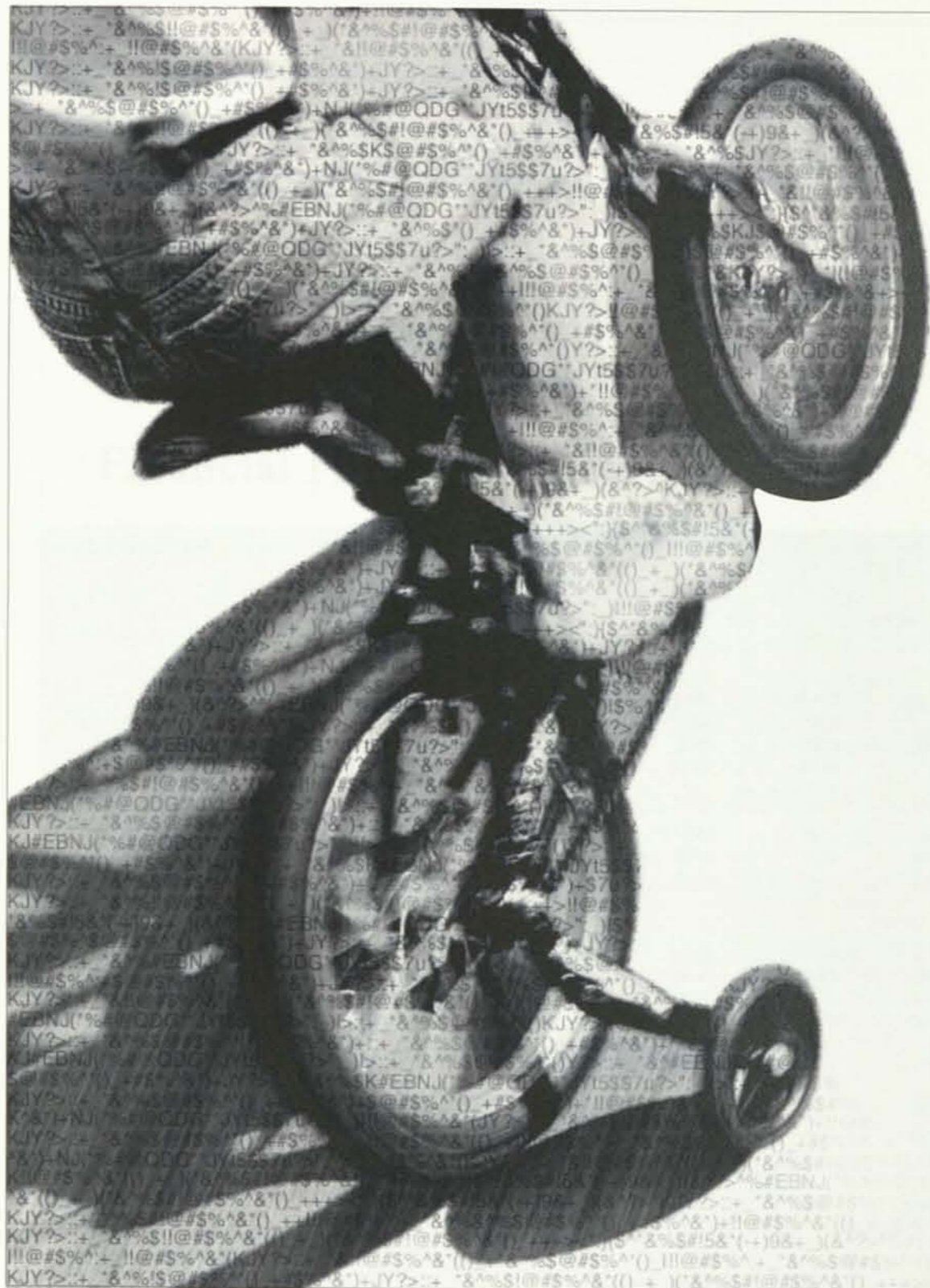
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## To enable it you must manage it

ONLY SYMANTEC IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO SECURE INFORMATION INTEGRITY AND INFORMATION AVAILABILITY ONLY SYMANTEC OFFERS A BEST-OF-BREED SUITE OF SECURITY MANAGEMENT, NETWORK MANAGEMENT, AND STORAGE MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS SYMANTEC PROTECTS THE INTEGRITY OF INFORMATION FOR HUGE ENTERPRISES, INDIVIDUAL CONSUMERS, AND EVERYONE

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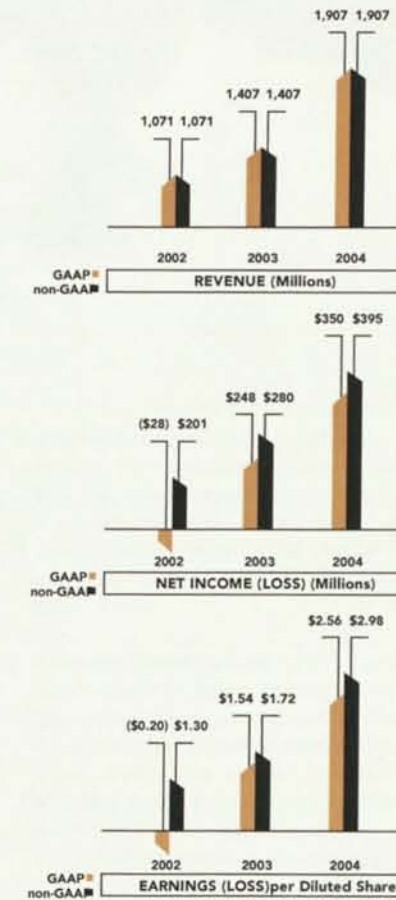
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## Financial Highlights

(IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)	Fiscal Year Ended		
	2004	2003	2002
<b>REPORTED:</b>			
Revenues	\$1,920	\$1,407	\$1,071
Operating income	\$568	\$342	\$8
Net income (loss)	\$354	\$248	(\$28)
Diluted earnings (loss) per	\$2.67	\$1.54	(\$0.20)
<b>ADJUSTED:</b>			
Operating income	\$1,920	\$390	\$258
Net income (loss)	\$568	\$280	\$201
Diluted earnings per share	\$354	\$1.72	\$1.30
<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>			
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Operating expenses - amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, acquired in - process R&D, and restructuring and site closures	(\$9)	(\$19)	(\$219)
Other expense	n/a	n/a	n/a
Income tax benefit	\$10	\$17	\$20
<b>OTHER INFORMATION:</b>			
Cash flow from operations	\$684	\$584	\$511
Total assets	\$3,966	\$3,266	\$2,503
Stockholders' equity	\$2,764	\$1,764	\$1,320
Employees	5,344	4,344	3,910

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## A Letter

TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS: THANK YOU FOR SUCH AN IMPRESSIVE YEAR...



**John W. Thompson**  
Chairman, President  
& Chief Executive Officer

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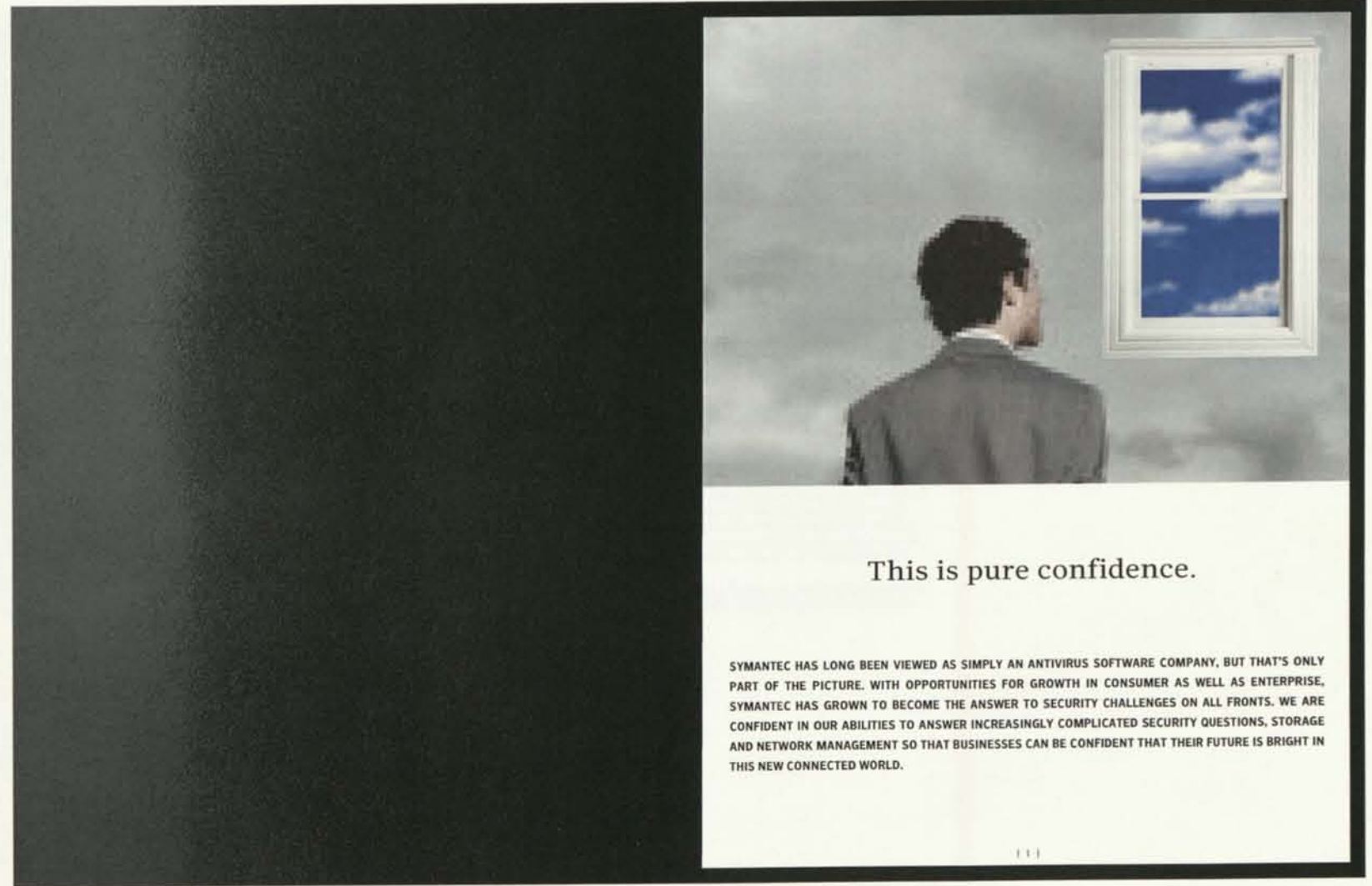
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take a second look

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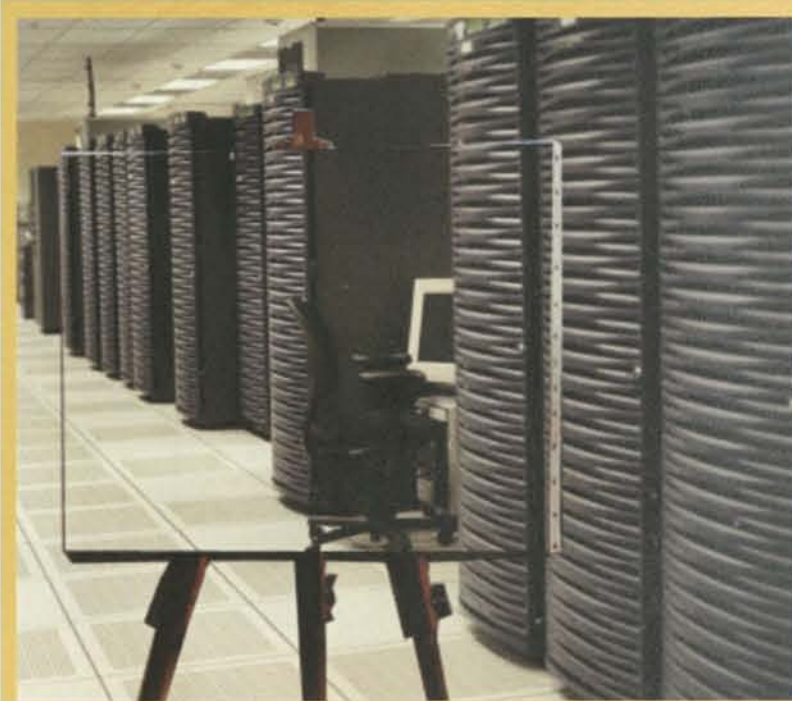
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introductory spread

**Take a second look**

This concept is perhaps best described with a quote from the artist, René Magritte. "My painting is visible images which conceal nothing; they evoke mystery and, indeed, when one sees one of my pictures, one asks oneself this simple question 'What does that mean?' It does not mean anything, because mystery means nothing either, it is unknowable."

This direction strives to dispel the notion that Symantec only a Virus Protection software provider and invites the reader to take a second look to see who Symantec really is. The use of surrealist imagery inspires a second read and effectively conveys the demanding and complex nature of ensuring integrity of information in an increasingly connected world. Messaging and visuals work together to convey Symantec's vision for leading the market and continuing to grow.



This is integrity of information.

DATA INTEGRITY IS A MAJOR CHALLENGE FOR LARGE ENTERPRISES TODAY. COMPLICATED DATA STORAGE ARRAYS CAN SLOW PERFORMANCE AND CONSTANT NETWORK TRAFFIC OFTEN FRAGMENT DATA, COMPLICATING THE MATTER. SYMANTEC PRODUCTS INTEGRATE SEAMLESSLY WITH YOUR SYSTEMS SO THAT YOU WON'T EXPERIENCE INTERRUPTIONS IN PERFORMANCE BUT YOU WILL SEE YOUR DATA REMAIN TOGETHER AND INTACT.

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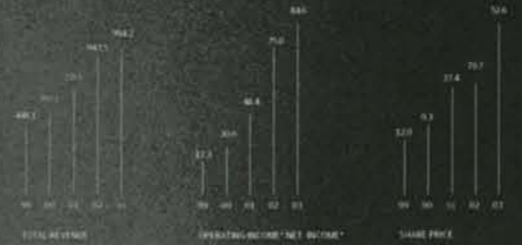
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INFORMATION ABOUT YOU AND YOUR BUSINESS ARE TOO OFTEN AN EASY TARGET FOR OUTSIDERS TO EXPLOIT. AT SYMANTEC, WE HAVE ALWAYS SOUGHT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF OUR USERS' SENSITIVE INFORMATION BY PROVIDING SECURITY PRODUCTS THAT HELP KEEP YOUR DATA JUST THAT, YOURS.

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## This is facing the future.

THE PAST YEAR HAS BROUGHT WITH IT MANY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMPANIES ANSWERING INCREASING SECURITY NEEDS. FROM OUR FLAGSHIP CONSUMER PRODUCTS TO OUR ENTERPRISE CLASS SOLUTIONS, WE ARE FACING THE INCREASING DEMANDS WITH ENTHUSIASM.

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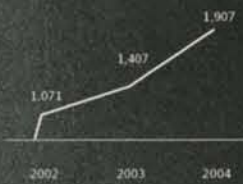
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Concept: **EVERYTHING**

Everything is dramatically different in the world as we know it. As a result of these changes, Symantec has created integrated solutions that enable enterprises and individuals to trust that their data is secure.

The unique form factor in this annual report reinforces how Symantec is enabling businesses in today's complex IT environment. Many small images of everything in the world paint a picture of multiplicity on the cover. The word **EVERYTHING** appears through a die-cut window. Once the viewer opens the annual, **EVERYTHING** is seen as the beginning of a phrase. The thought is then completed differently on each editorial spread. To highlight the excellent financial year Symantec had, the financial highlights are a stationary element on the side of the book.

EVERYTHING IS DRAMATICALLY DIFFERENT IN THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT.



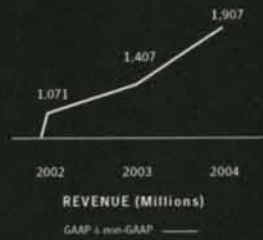
AS A RESULT OF THESE CHANGES, SYMANTEC HAS CREATED INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS THAT ENABLE ENTERPRISES AND INDIVIDUALS TO TRUST THAT THEIR DATA IS SECURE.



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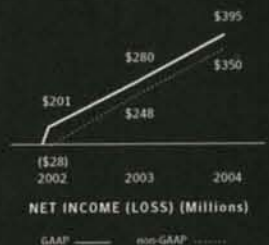
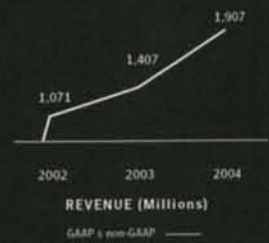
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## EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED

DATA IS UBIQUITOUS. THIS DATA IS AT RISK.  
 SYMANTEC IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO  
 SECURE THAT DATA EVERYWHERE.



DIVERSITY CREATES OPPORTUNITY. WITH THAT OPPORTUNITY SYMANTEC HAS PROVEN ITS ABILITY TO DELIVER COMPETITIVE SECURITY SOLUTIONS. AND PROVEN ITS STRENGTH.



EVERYTHING IS AN OPPORTUNITY



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## A LETTER TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS

I'm pleased to report that our team has achieved the best revenue and earnings quarter in our company's history by topping the September quarter's record revenue by \$65 million. Both revenue and earnings for the quarter exceeded our expectations. These results demonstrate the real determination of our team to win in the marketplace.

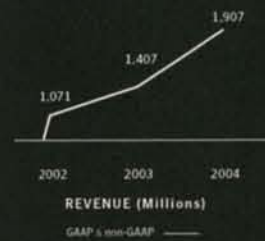
We are continuing our quest to build the most financially solid company in our sector and a true leader in the overall software industry. By generating \$ 307 million in cash from operating activities and increasing our deferred revenue balance to a record \$ 868 million, we're continuing our efforts to build Symantec into one of the most predictable companies around. With deferred growing faster than recognized results, we continue to position our company for strong future performance as well. An example of this strength is the fact that deferred revenue grew 21% sequentially, while recognized revenue grew 15% sequentially.

## EVERYTHING IS ABOUT GROWTH



**John W. Thompson**  
Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer

The fundamentals of our subscription model continue to drive incredible visibility in our planning process. During the December quarter, approximately 51% of our final revenue performance was generated from the balance sheet, compared to 46% a year ago. And, we expect a record 57% of forecasted revenue to come from the balance sheet during the March 2004 quarter.





## 2004: A YEAR OF RECORD GROWTH

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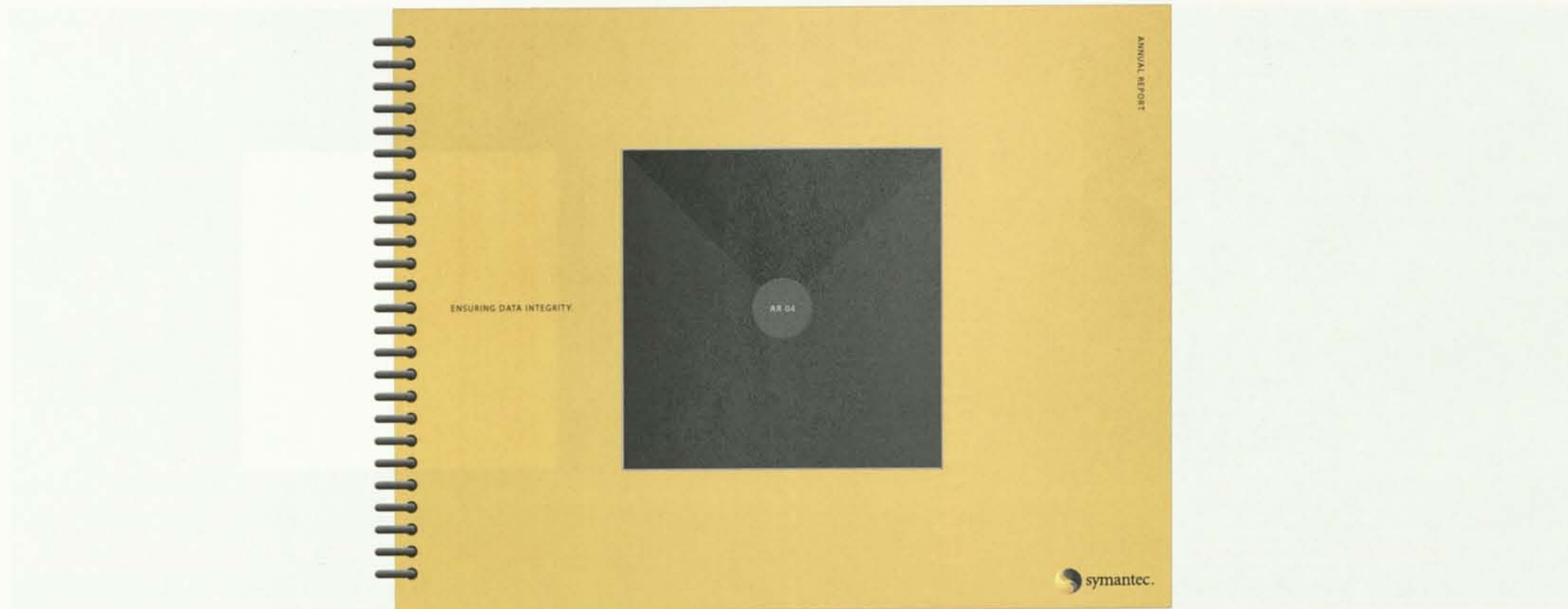
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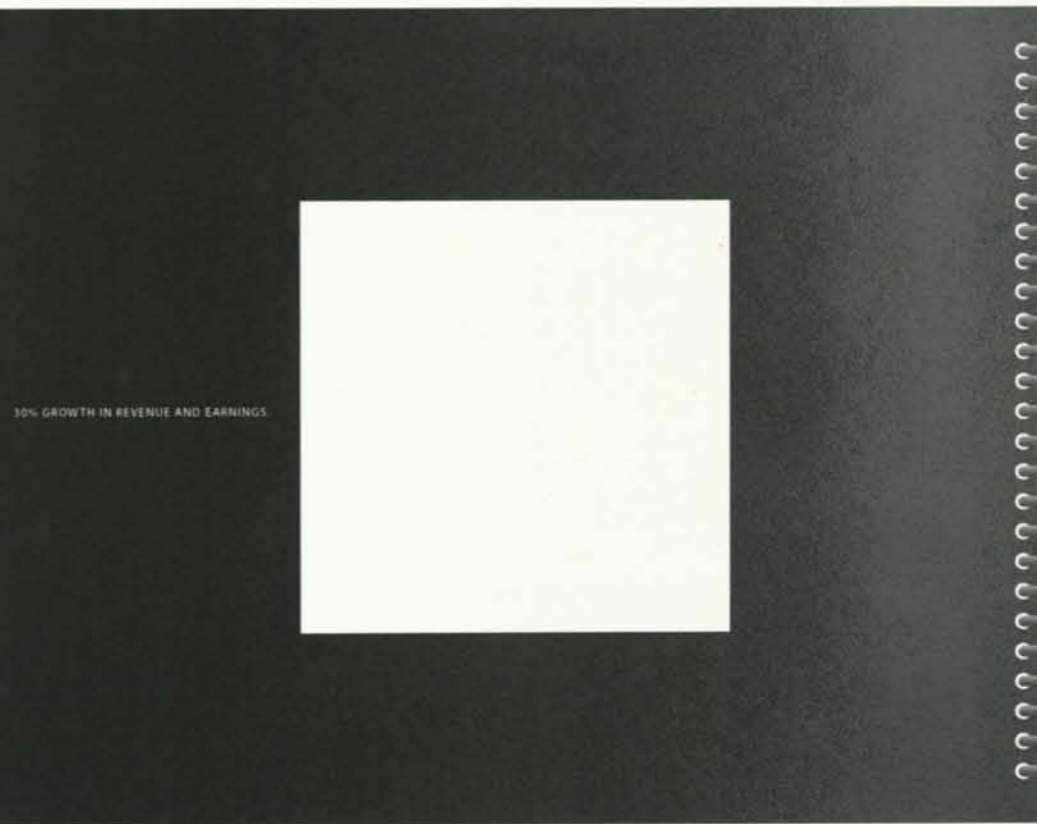


ensuring data integrity



Ensuring data integrity

The envelop sits in the center of a protective frame as a metaphor for Symantec's value proposition — ensuring data integrity through an integrated product solutions offering. Each spread highlights key points as it relates to that product offering and Symantec's broad customer base and partners.

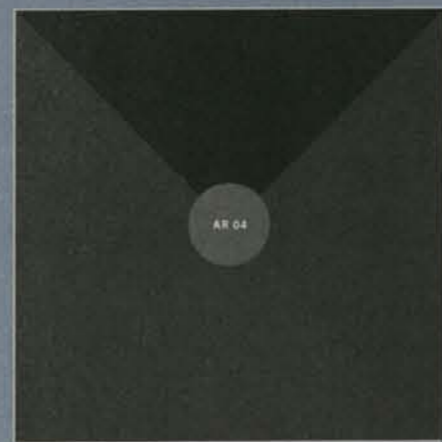


30% GROWTH IN REVENUE AND EARNINGS.

# INTEGRITY

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ENTERPRISE

to consumers, and everyone in between.



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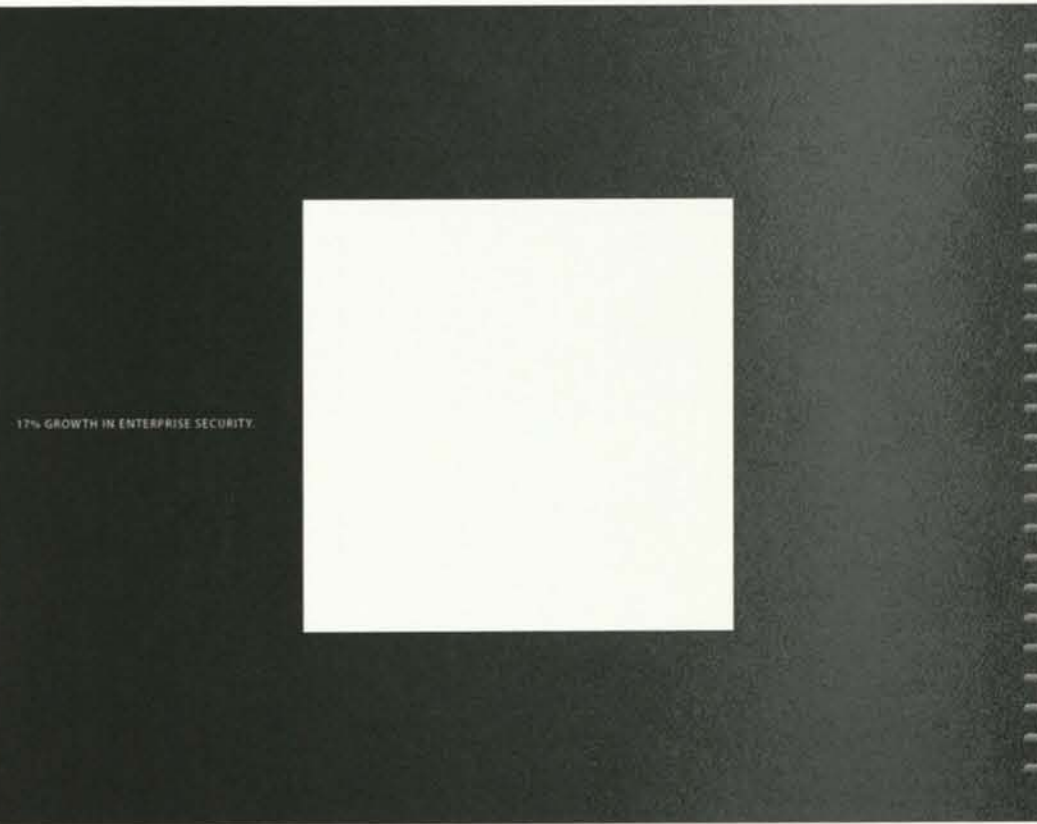


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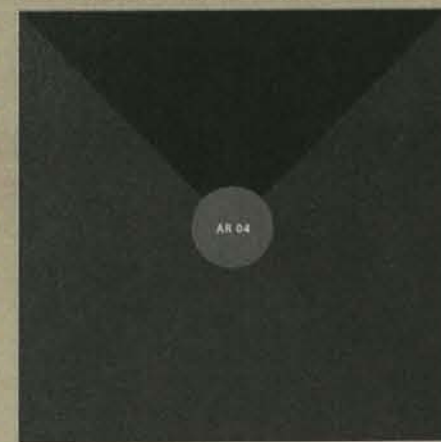
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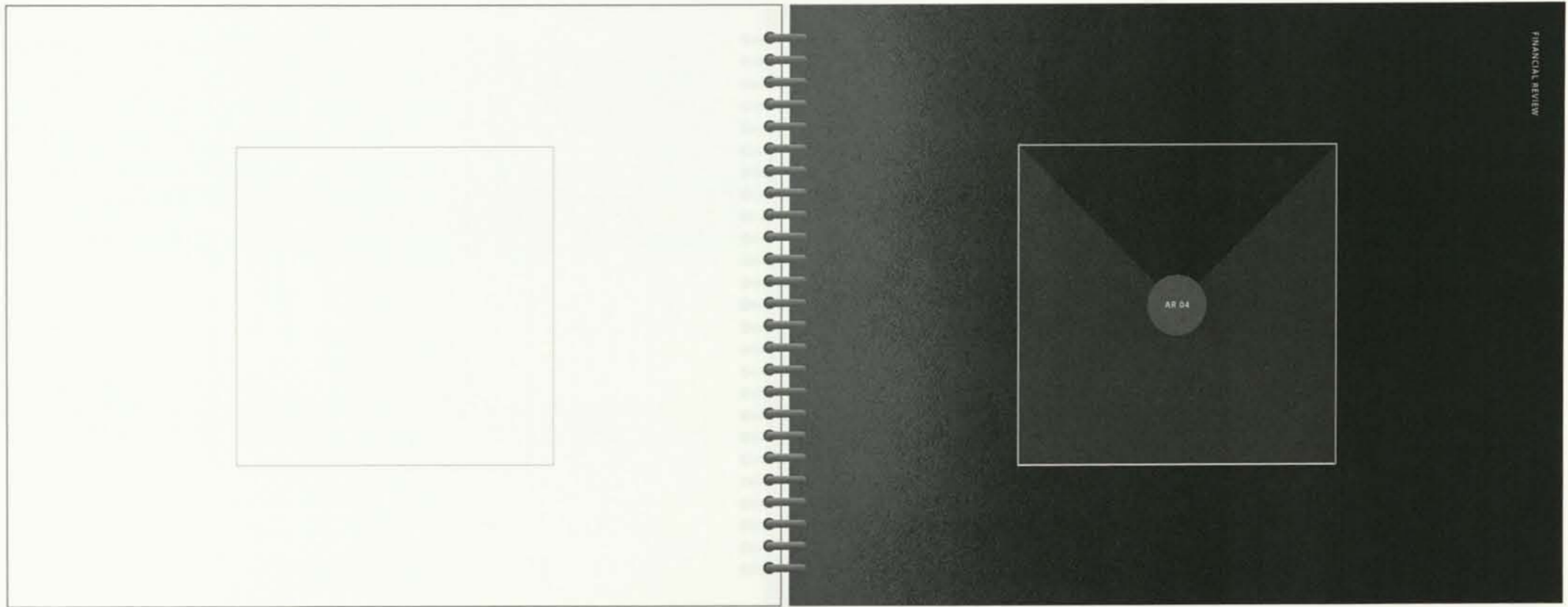


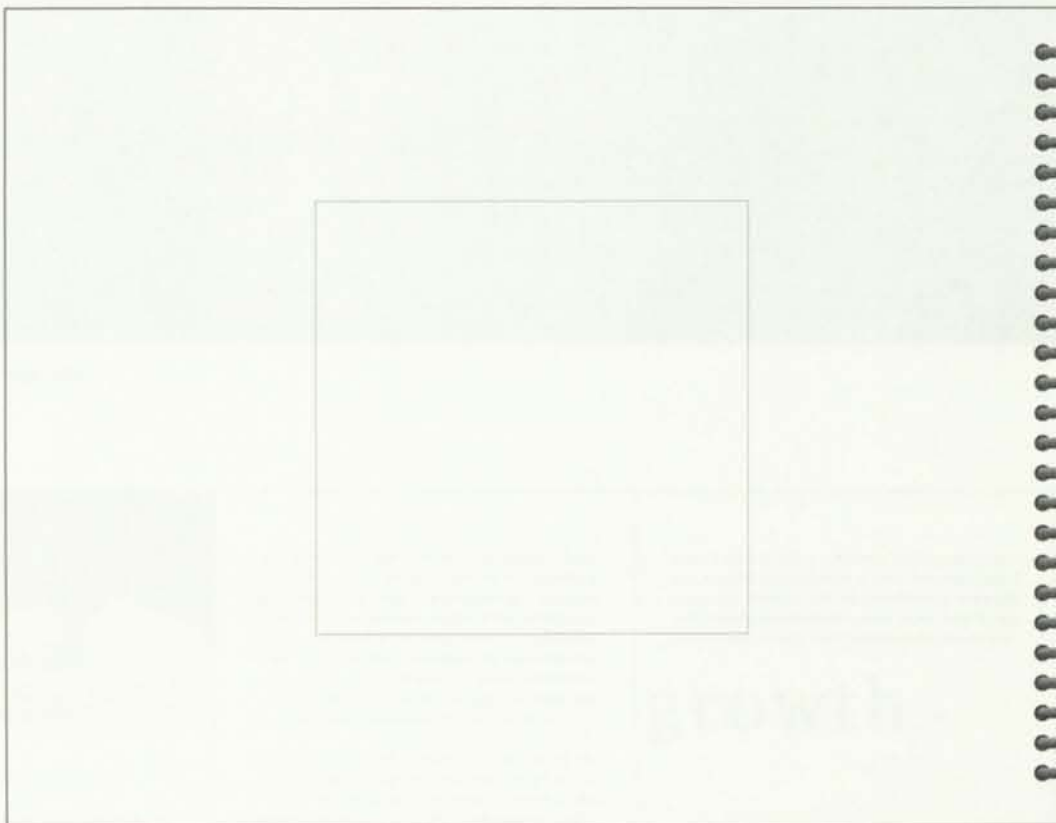
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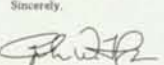







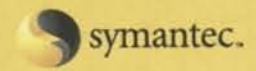


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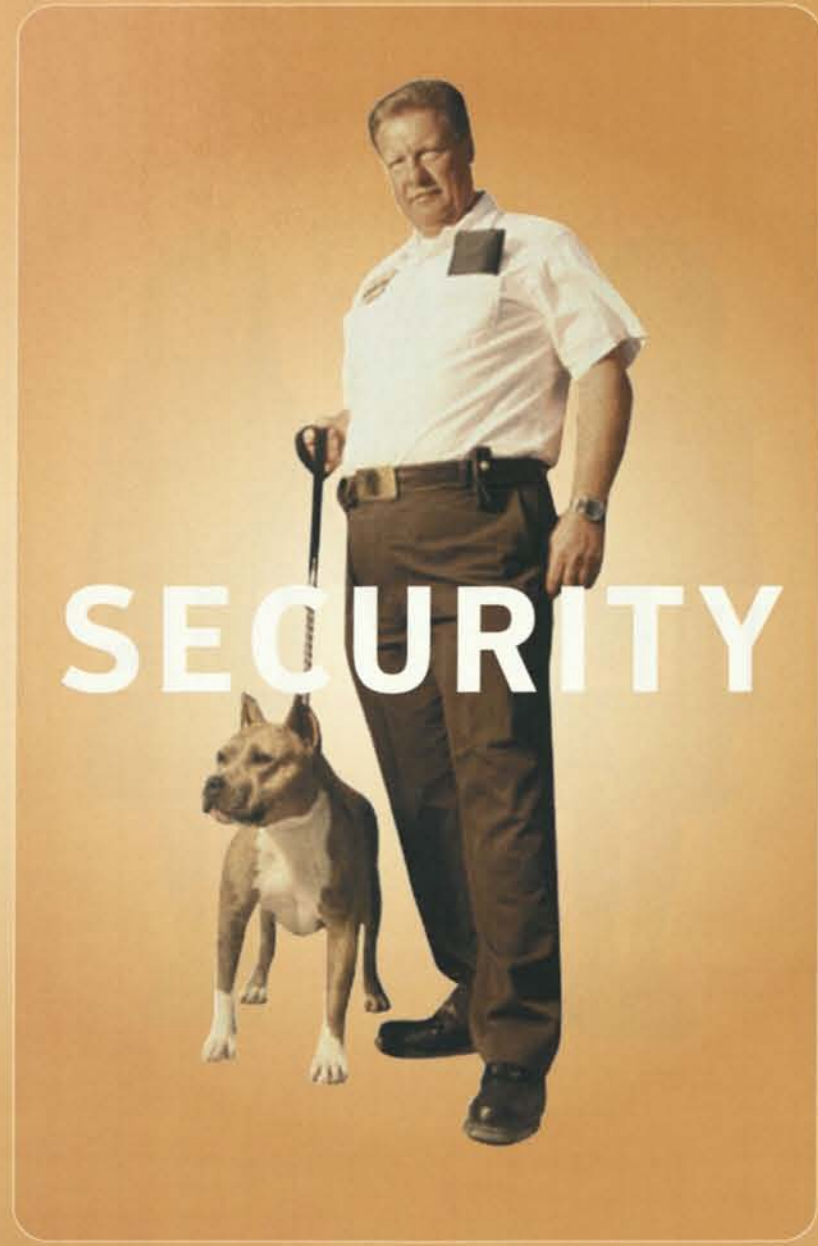
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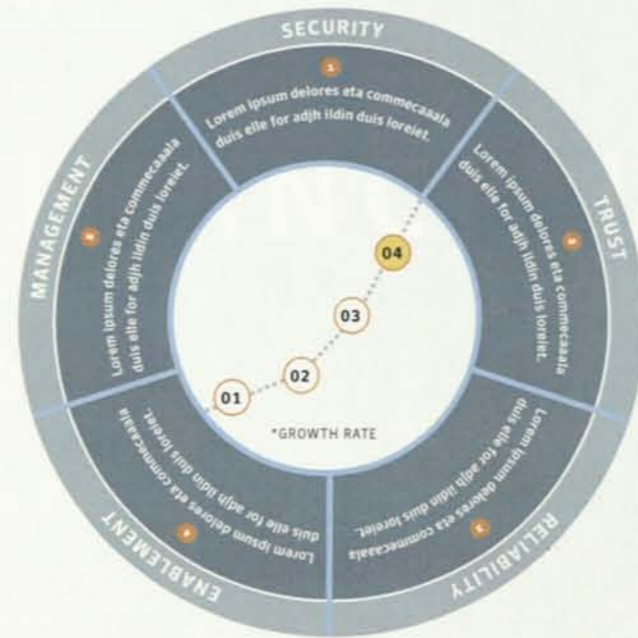
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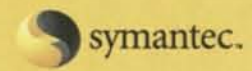
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The following information represents the financial data for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

<i>(in millions, except per share amounts)</i>	Fiscal Year Ended		
	2004	2004	2004
<b>Reported:</b>			
Revenues	\$1,920	\$1,407	\$1,071
Operating income	\$568	\$342	\$8
Net income (loss)	\$354	\$248	(\$28)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$2.67	\$1.54	(\$0.20)
<b>Adjusted:</b>			
Operating income	\$1,920	\$390	\$258
Net income (loss)	\$568	\$280	\$201
Diluted earnings per share	\$3.54	\$1.72	\$1.30
<b>Reconciliation:</b>			
Axent net loss	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cost of sales - amortization of other intangibles	(\$30)	(\$30)	(\$30)
Operating expenses - amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, acquired in - process R&D, and restructuring and site closures	(\$9)	(\$19)	(\$219)
Other expense	n/a	n/a	n/a
Income tax benefit	\$10	\$17	\$20
<b>Other Information:</b>			
Cash flow from operations	\$684	\$584	\$511
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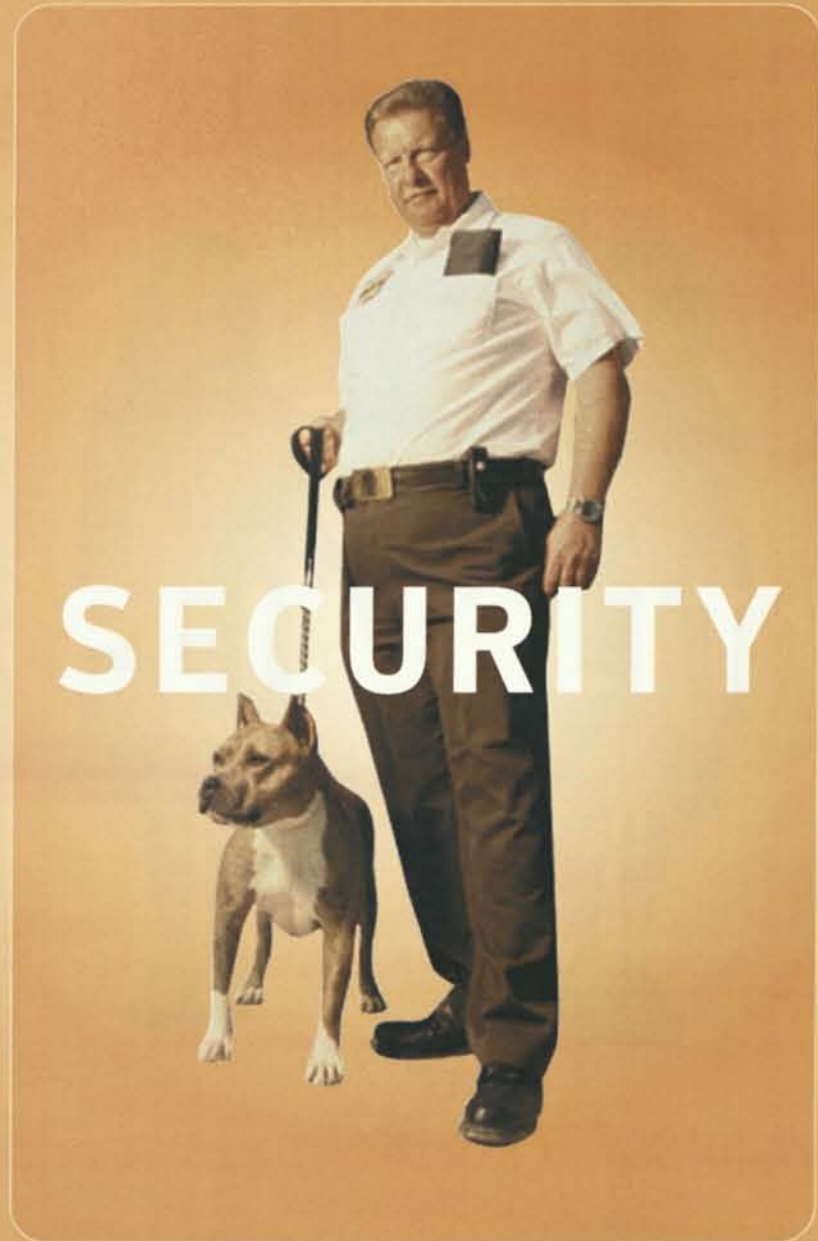
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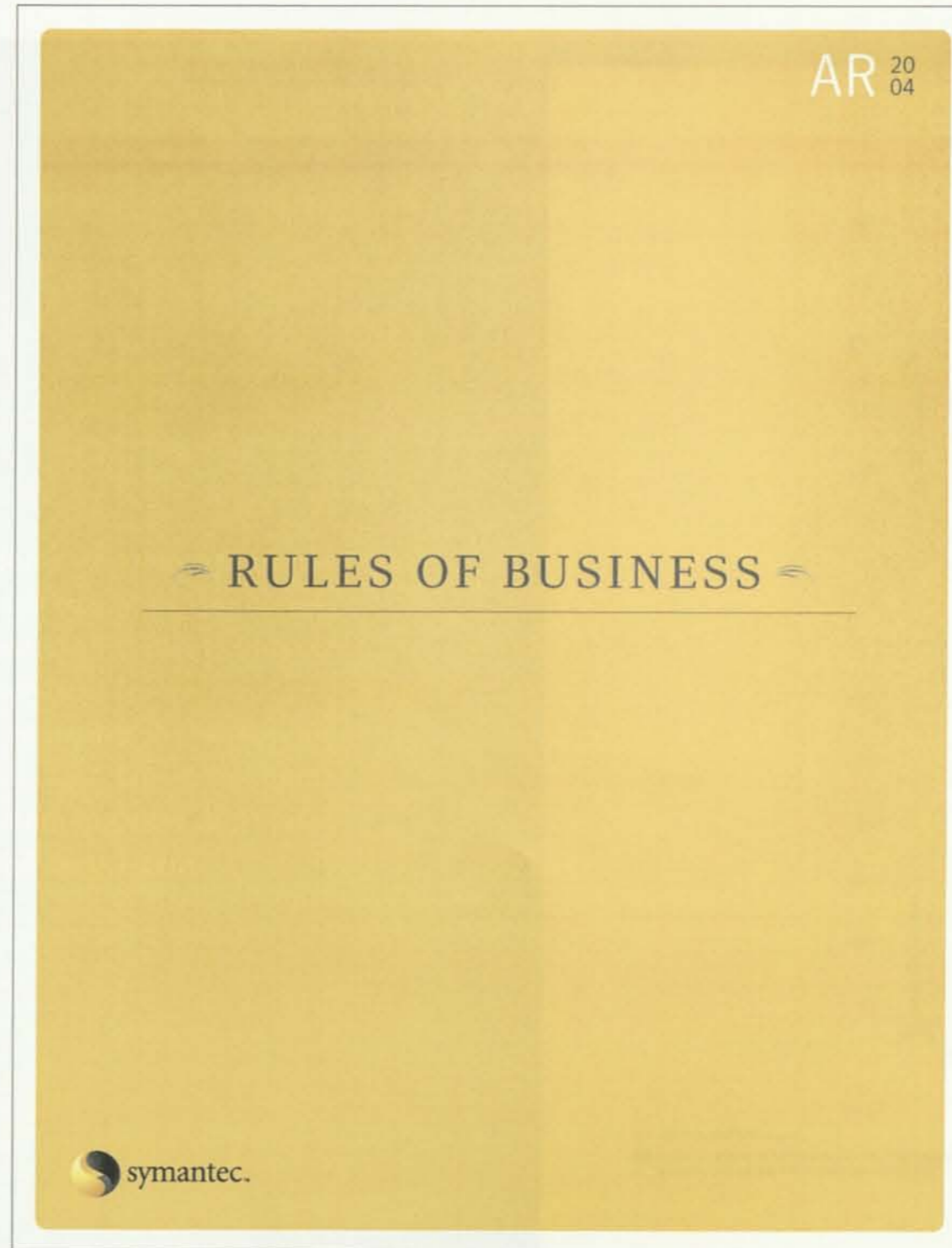
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## SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following information is presented for the fiscal year ended with any other information that may be relevant to the understanding of the financial data.

<i>(in millions, except per share amounts)</i>	Fiscal Year Ended		
	2004	2004	2004
<b>Reported:</b>			
Revenues	\$1,920	\$1,407	\$1,071
Operating income	\$568	\$342	\$8
Net income (loss)	\$354	\$248	(\$28)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$2.67	\$1.54	(\$0.20)
<b>Adjusted:</b>			
Operating income	\$1,920	\$390	\$258
Net income (loss)	\$568	\$280	\$201
Diluted earnings per share	\$354	\$1.72	\$1.30
<b>Reconciliation:</b>			
Axent net loss	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cost of sales - amortization of other intangibles	(\$30)	(\$30)	(\$30)
Operating expenses - amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, acquired in - process R&D, and restructuring and site closures	(\$9)	(\$19)	(\$219)
Other expense	n/a	n/a	n/a
Income tax benefit	\$10	\$17	\$20
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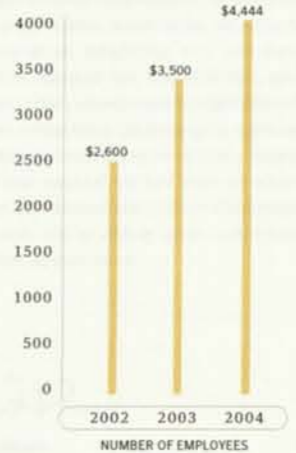
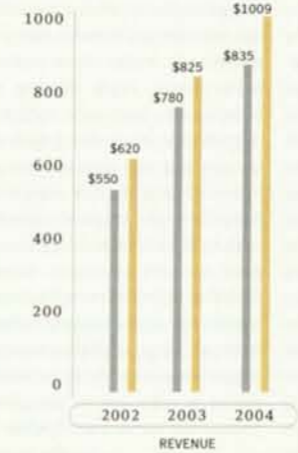
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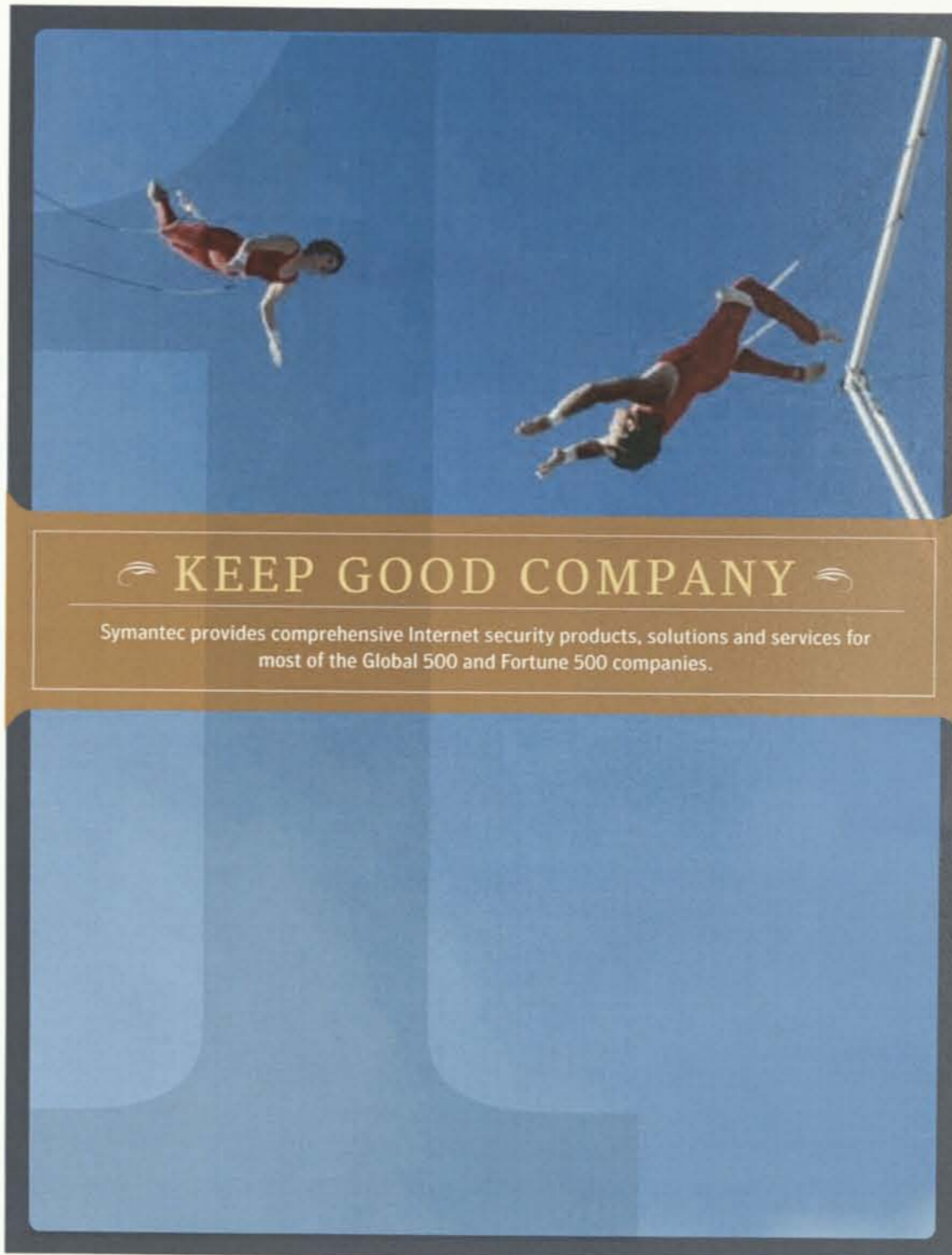
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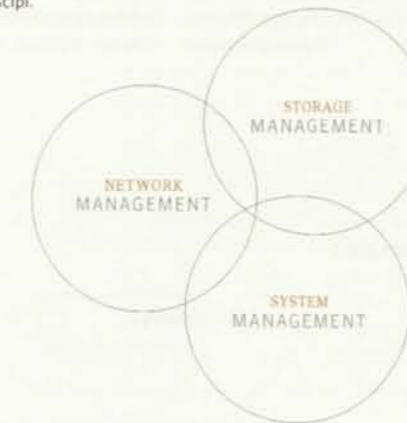
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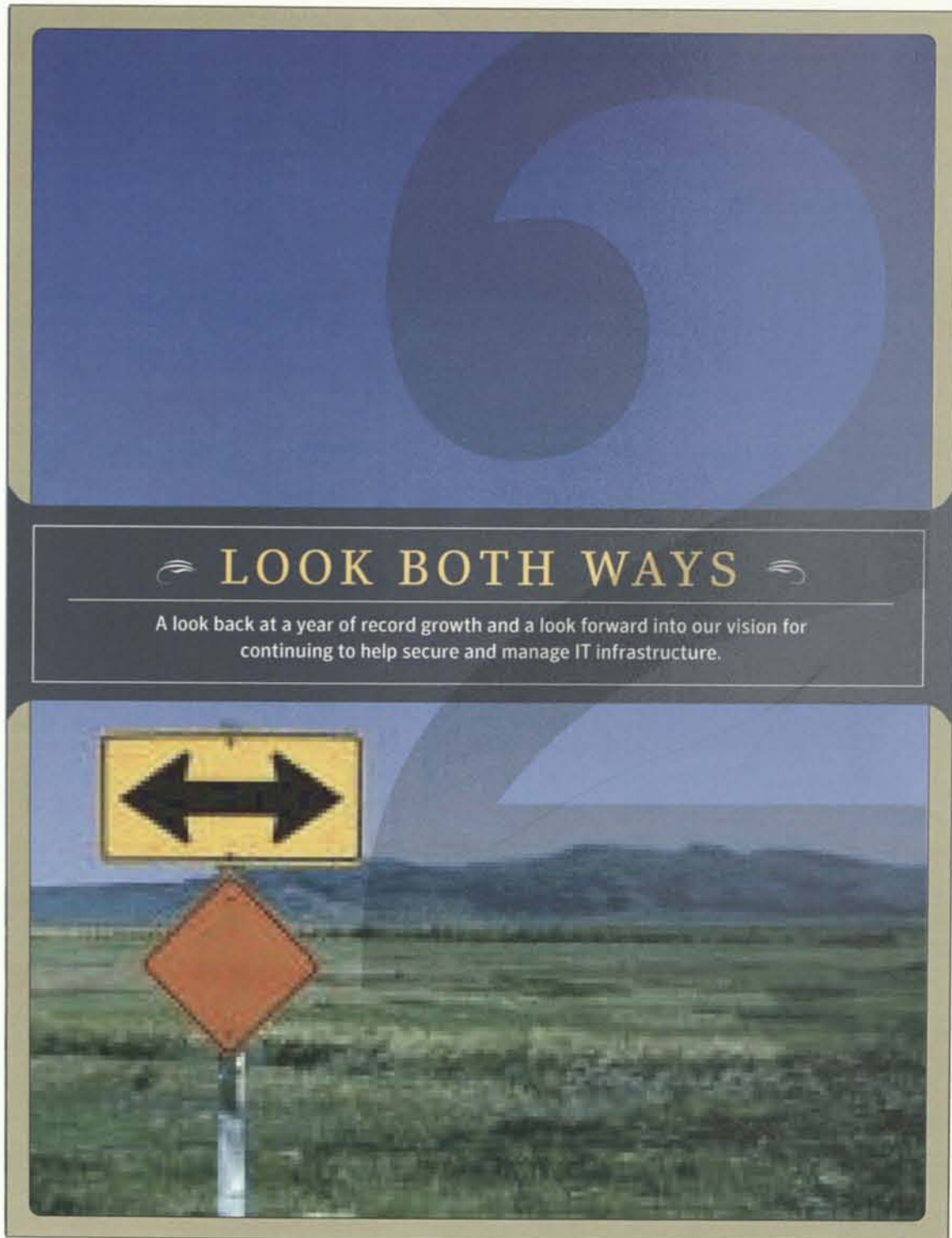
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A look back at a year of record growth and a look forward into our vision for continuing to help secure and manage IT infrastructure.

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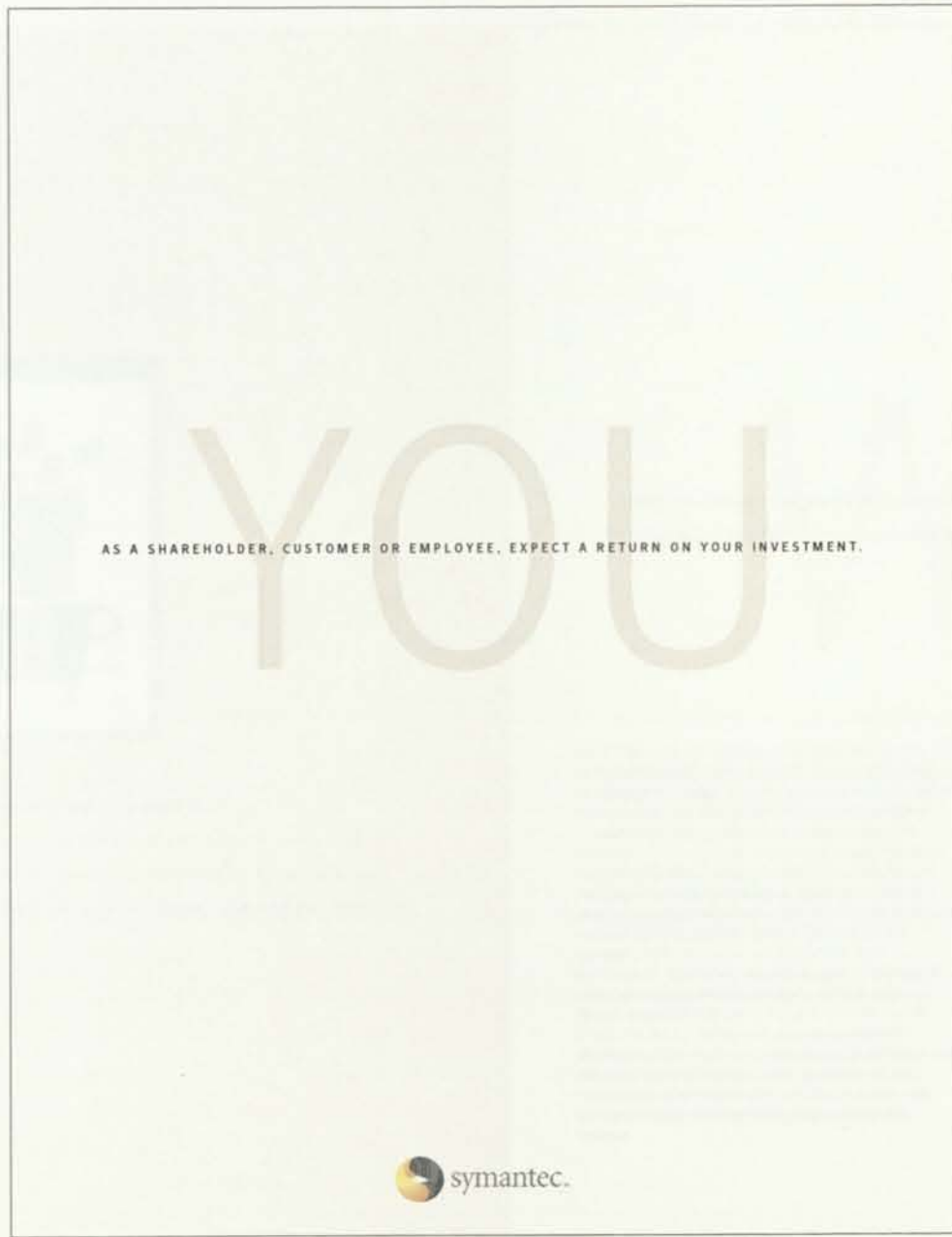
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**YOU ask, WE deliver**

This concept brings to life the banter between the investor audience and Symantec. Essentially it says, you asked, and we not only delivered but we also exceeded all expectations.

Large headlines for the words YOU and WE evoke Symantec's commitment to its shareholders, and the understanding that trust is built on doing what you say you will. Body copy provides proof points regarding financial and product performance to support the claims made in the WE headlines.

Graphic, iconic illustrations add an optimistic flair, and work with factoids and statistics to express the key message on each spread. The clean and spare layout and the upbeat, yet calming color palette presents the impression of an established and successful company that is focused on delivering results.



Shareholders see their returns double.  
Customers are delivered enhancements to products and services including:  
72 product releases, 4 service releases, launch of symantec gateway security,  
established position for management solutions and successful oem and isp offerings

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318 million live update sessions launched everyday  
100 proactive virus alerts sent to customers weekly  
100 million users around the world

125%

NORTON INTERNET  
SECURITY GREW  
125% FROM FY 02

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CONSUMER SEGMENT CONTINUES TO SHOW STRENGTH  
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 SECURITY GREW **125%** FROM DEC 03  
 CONSUMER ANTI-VIRUS GREW **61%** FROM DEC 03

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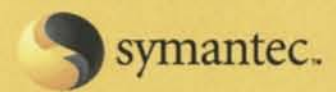
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**you can.**

Symantec Corporation 2004 Annual Report

**Concept: YOU CAN.**

The cover which uses the positive theme of "you can" relates to all of the enabling benefits of Symantec's products and integrated solutions (which are explained in the editorial spreads of this annual report). The editorial spreads each take an important aspect of Symantec's products, such as the management aspect (with integrated solutions), the security aspect (with intrusion detection) and the pure confidence aspect (with best-of-breed products). Memorable, energetic imagery is used, which incorporates people engaged in some sort of fun and/or challenging activity, to evoke a sense of liberating freedom as well as evoke the specific key attributes of Symantec's technology and their benefits. The black bar integrated with the called-out type is meant to act as a highlighter, while the yellow box with contained type creates its own secure environment.

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A Letter to Our Shareholders

thank you for such an impressive year...

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John W. Thompson  
Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer

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Sincerely,

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Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer

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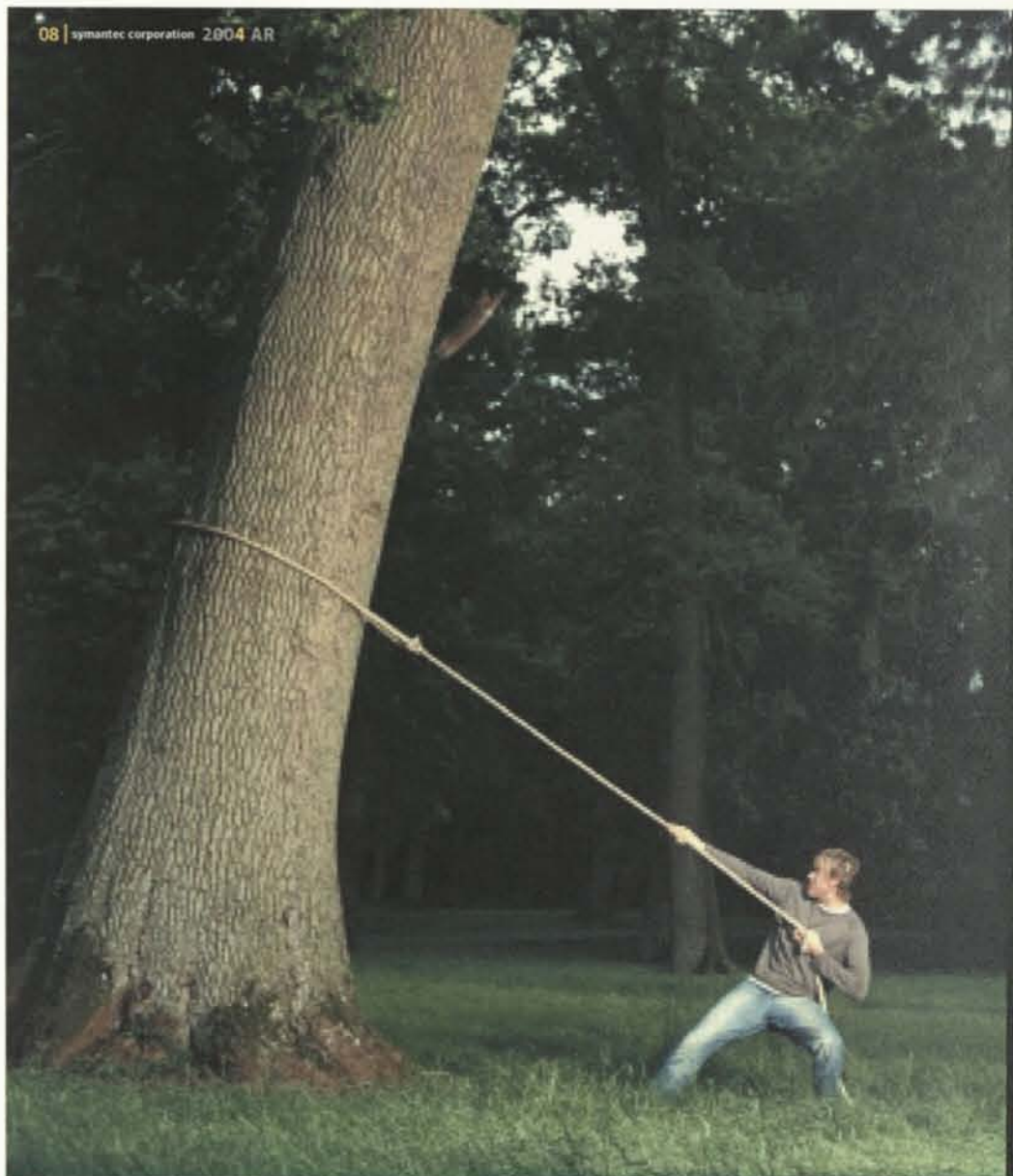
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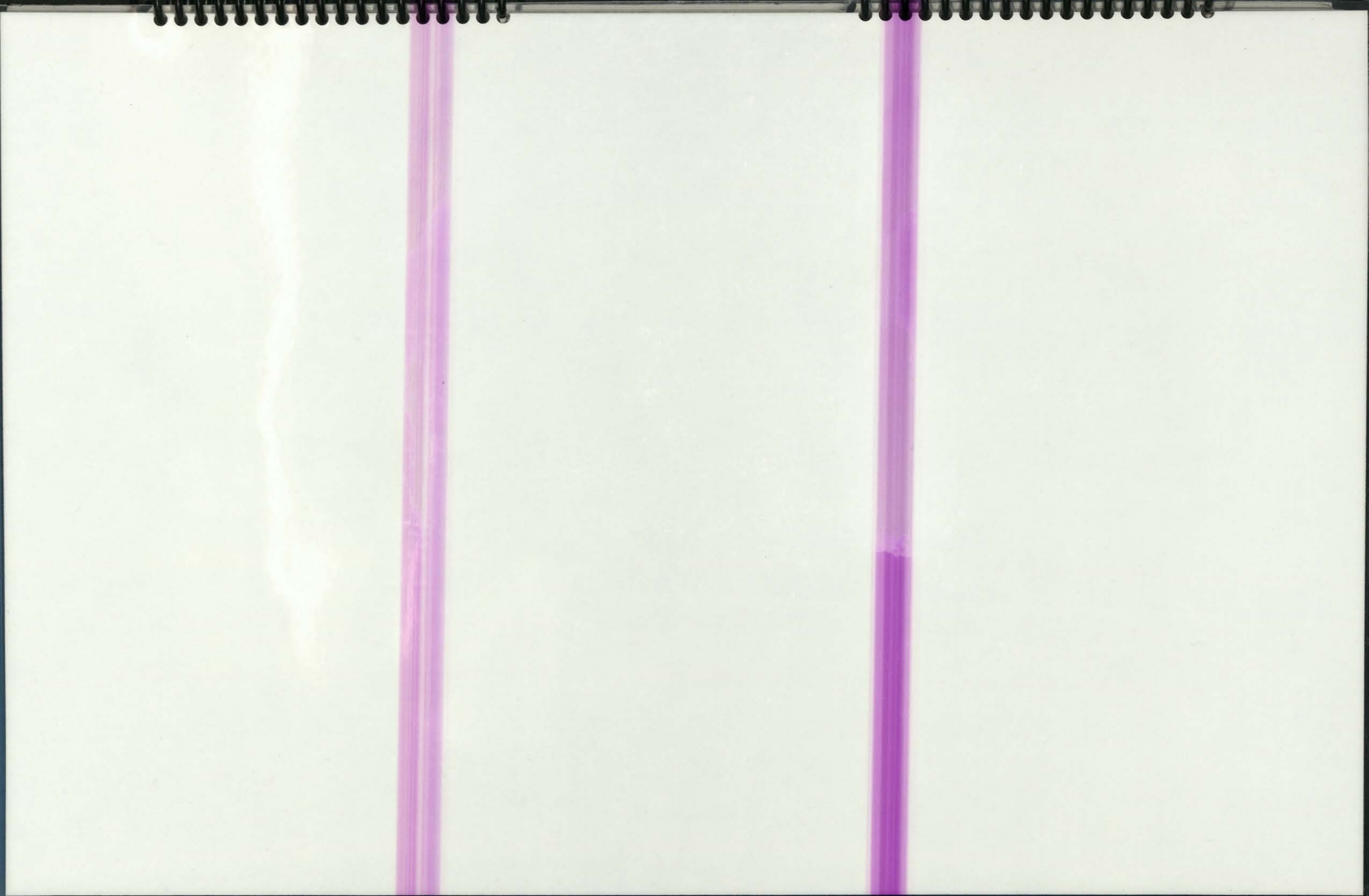
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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)	2004	Fiscal Year Ended	
		2003	2002
<b>REPORTED:</b>			
Revenues	\$1,920	\$1,407	\$1,071
Operating income	\$568	\$342	\$8
Net income (loss)	\$354	\$248	(\$28)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$2.67	\$1.54	(\$0.20)
<b>ADJUSTED:</b>			
Operating income	\$1,920	\$390	\$258
Net income (loss)	\$568	\$280	\$201
Diluted earnings per share	\$354	\$1.72	\$1.30
<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>			
Axent net loss	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cost of sales - amortization of other intangibles	(\$30)	(\$30)	(\$30)
Operating expenses - amortization of goodwill and other intangibles, acquired in - process R&D, and restructuring and site closures	(\$9)	(\$19)	(\$219)
Other expense	n/a	n/a	n/a
Income tax benefit	\$10	\$17	\$20
<b>OTHER INFORMATION:</b>			
Cash flow from operations	\$684	\$584	\$511
Total assets	\$3,966	\$3,266	\$2,503
Stockholders' equity	\$2,764	\$1,764	\$1,320
Employees	5,344	4,344	3,910



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