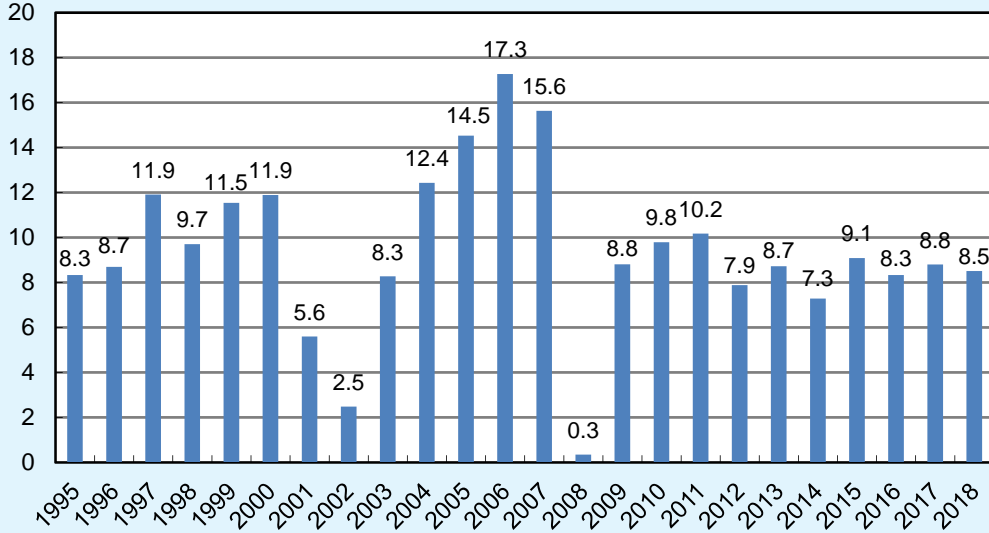


The banks showed adequate profitability, similar to previous years.

**Figure 1.3**  
**Return on Equity (ROE) After Tax, the Five Banking Groups, 1995–2018**  
(percent)



SOURCE: Based on published financial statements.