Net working capital

4.2 Trade receivables

DKK million	2016	2015
Trade receivables	2,792	2,694
Allowances for doubtful trade receivables	(179)	(179)
	2,613	2,515
Amounts owed by related companies	67	43
Trade receivables at December 31	2,680	2,558
Changes in allowances for doubtful trade receivables:		
At January 1	179	168
Allowances during the year	66	108
Write-offs during the year	(18)	(7)
Reversed allowances	(48)	(90)
Allowances at December 31	179	179
Age of trade receivables that are past due but not impaired:		
Up to 30 days	131	154
Between 30 and 90 days	36	52
More than 90 days	13	3
Trade receivables past due but not impaired at December 31	180	209

Novozymes has collateral held as security for trade receivables in selected countries of DKK 50 million (2015: DKK 51 million).



CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

The credit risk on trade receivables is mitigated by thorough, regular analyses based on customer type, country and specific terms and conditions. Allowances for doubtful trade receivables are based on a country-specific credit rating by external rating agencies. However, the allowances also reflect Management's assessment and review of the individual receivables based on individual customer creditworthiness, receivables past due and current economic trends.



ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Trade receivables are measured at amortized cost or net realizable value equivalent to

nominal value less allowances for doubtful receivables, whichever is lower. The cost of allowances for doubtful trade receivables is included in Sales and distribution costs.



