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Markets Announcements Office  
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SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam,

**QBE Presentation on the 2019 results**

Further to the Company's announcement to the market today on its results for the year ended 31 December 2019, please find attached the presentation to be delivered to investors and analysts this morning.

This release has been authorised by the QBE Board of Directors.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn Scobie', written in a cursive style.

Carolyn Scobie  
**Company Secretary**

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QBE INSURANCE GROUP LIMITED

# 2019

# **full year results**

**Monday 17 February 2020**

All figures in US\$ unless otherwise stated



# Pat Regan

Group Chief Executive Officer





## Underwriting culture

### Cell reviews and Brilliant Basics

Cell review optimisation

Chief Underwriting Officer deep dives

Brilliant Basics +



## Greater pricing momentum<sup>1,2</sup>

FY19 average rate increase of 6.3%

Average rate increase of 8.3% in 2H19

Rate increases in all regions

Momentum accelerating – 9.2% in 4Q19



## Results

Combined operating ratio 97.5%<sup>2,3,4</sup>

Underlying GWP growth 4%<sup>5</sup>

Attritional claims ratio down 2.7%<sup>6</sup>

Reduced PYD contribution

Expense ratio down 0.6%<sup>7</sup>

Crop result @ 107.5%



## Investments

Net return of 4.6% (~3.6% ex rfr)

Successfully closed duration mismatch

Outperformed benchmark returns

51% increase in impact assets supporting P4G



## Balance sheet

Strong regulatory and rating agency capital

Surplus above S&P 'AA'

FY19 dividend up 4%

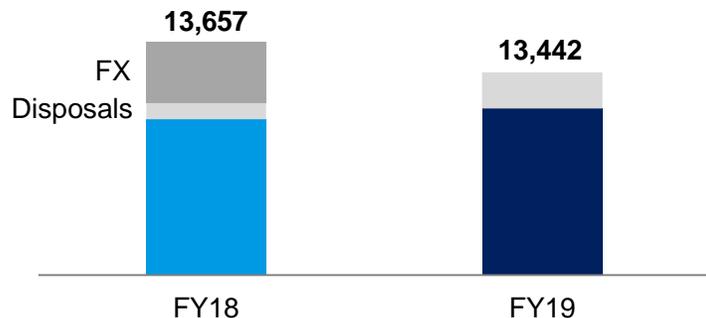
5% reduction in issued capital since 1H17

Ratings affirmed

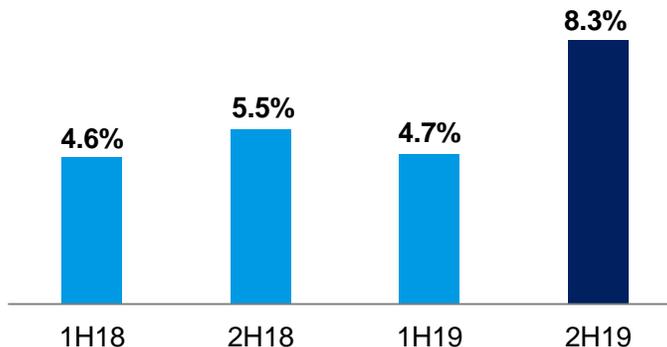
1. Excludes premium rate changes relating to Australian compulsory third party motor (CTP)  
2. Continuing operations basis  
3. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims  
4. Excludes one-off impact of the Ogden decision in the UK

5. Constant currency basis excluding disposals  
6. Excludes Crop and LMI  
7. Excludes transaction to reinsure Hong Kong construction workers' compensation liabilities

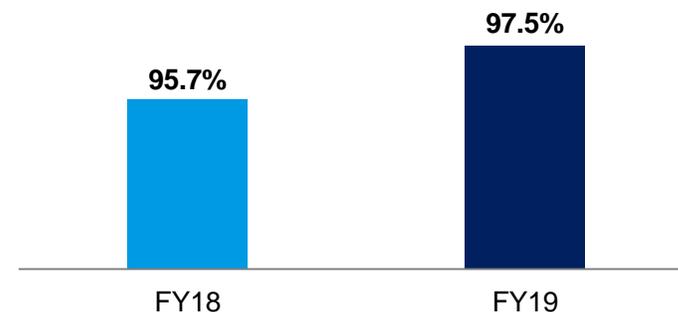
### Gross written premium (\$M)



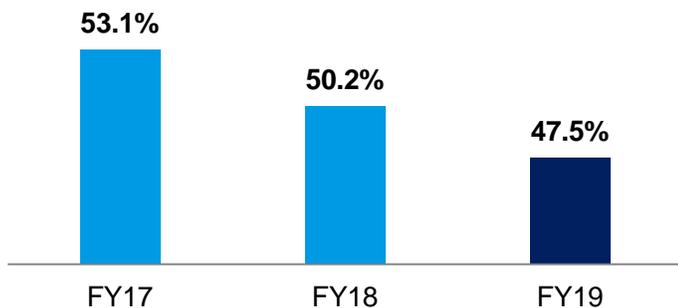
### Premium rate increases<sup>2</sup>



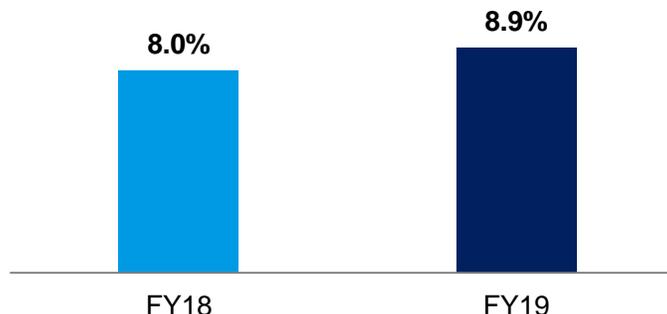
### Combined operating ratio<sup>3</sup>



### Attritional claims ratio<sup>4</sup>



### Adjusted cash profit RoE<sup>5</sup>



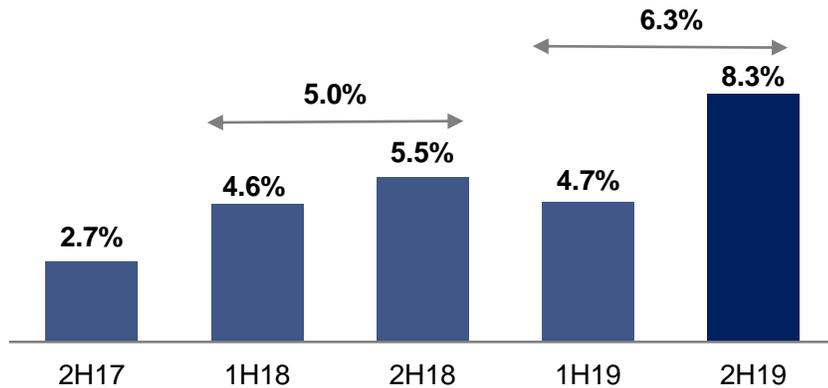
### Dividends per share (A¢)



1. Continuing operations and adjusted basis as presented in annual and half year reports
2. Excludes premium rate changes relating to CTP
3. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims
4. Excludes Crop and LMI
5. 2019 adjusted cash profit ROE excludes non-cash and material non-recurring items such as restructuring costs, gains (losses) on disposals, the impact of the Ogden decision in the UK and discontinued operations. 2018 adjusted cash profit ROE excludes the transaction to reinsure Hong Kong construction workers' compensation liabilities and discontinued operations

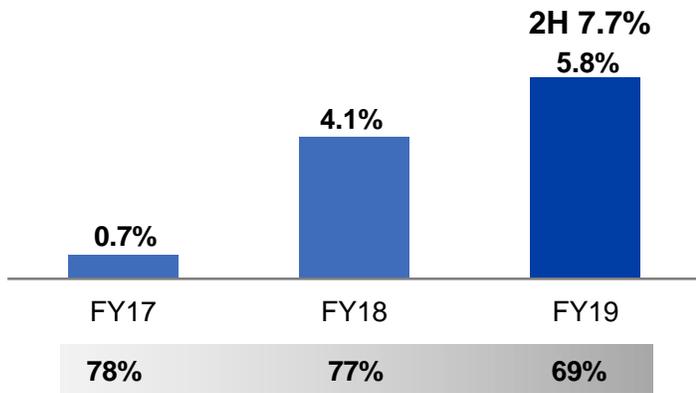
# Pricing momentum

## Continued Group-wide premium rate increases<sup>1</sup>

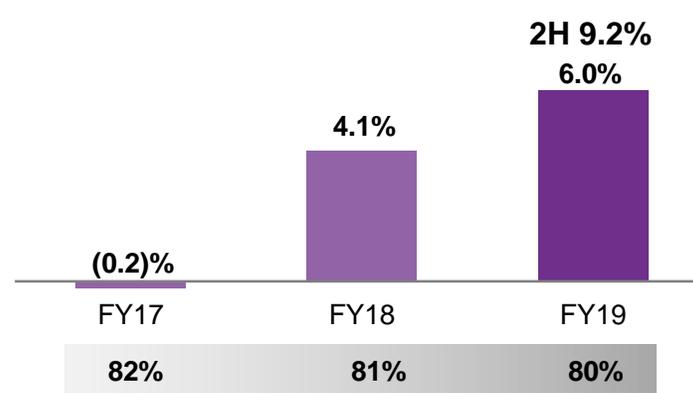


- Strong premium rate increases across the Group – FY19 6.3%<sup>1</sup>
- Pricing momentum increased in all divisions
- +9.2% in 4Q19

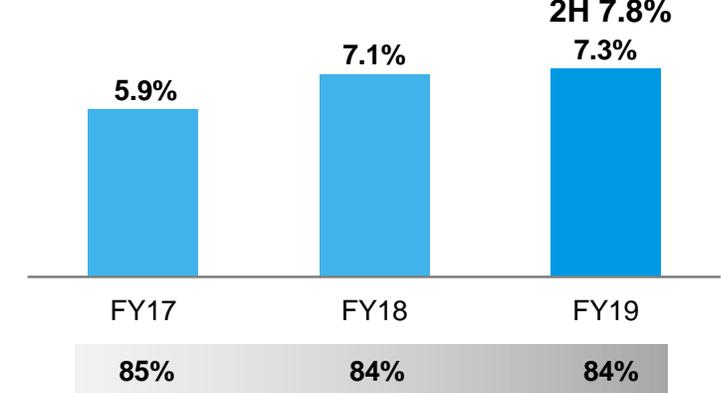
### North America



### International



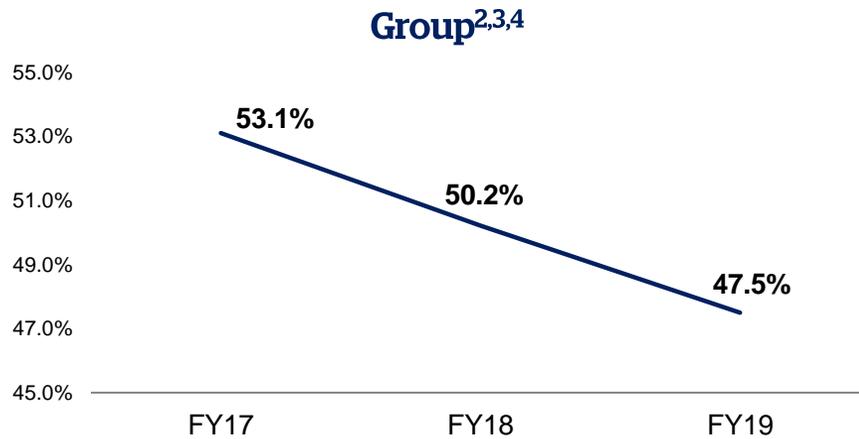
### Australia Pacific<sup>1</sup>



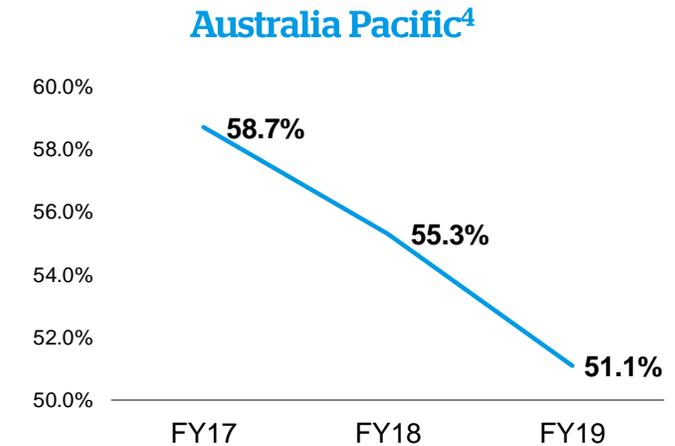
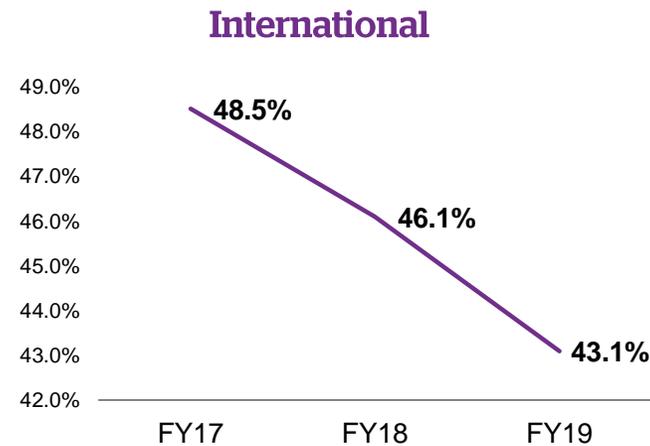
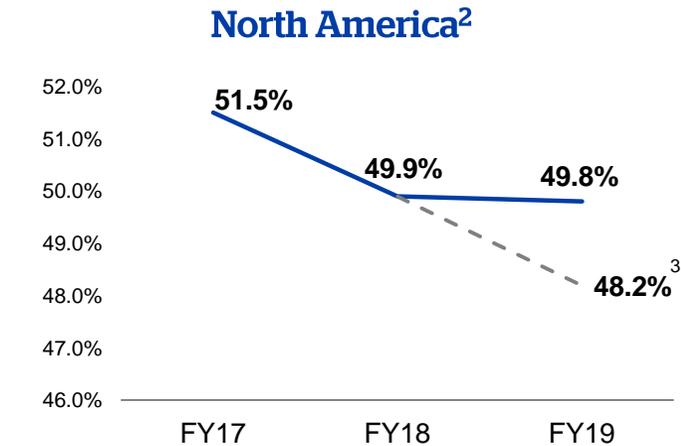
12mth premium rate change
  12mth premium retention

1. Excludes premium rate changes relating to CTP

# Attritional claims ratio<sup>1</sup>

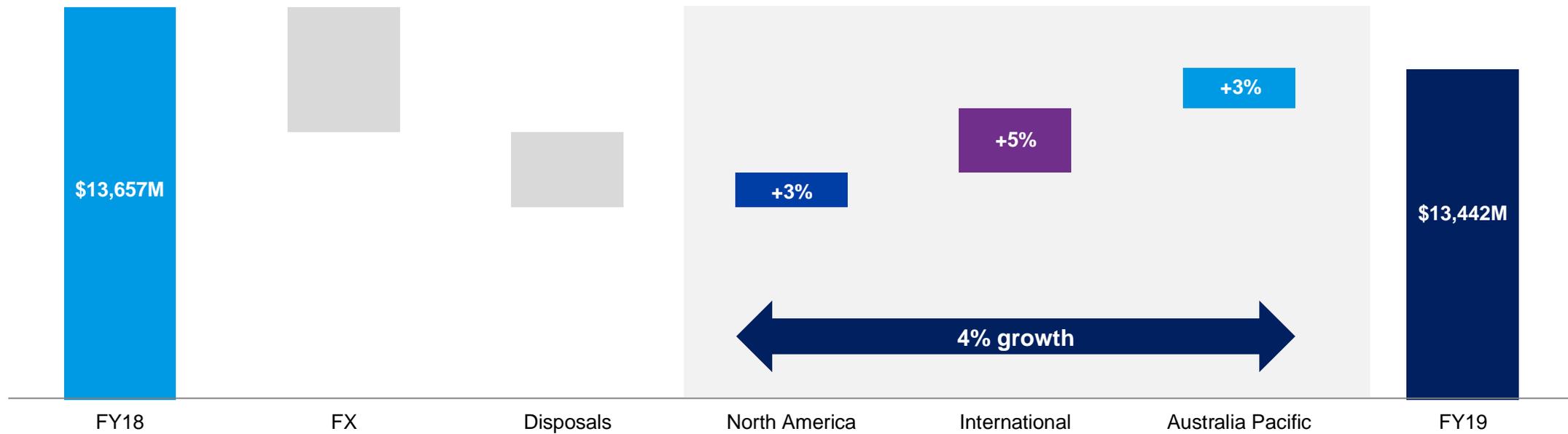


- 6.8% improvement from 2H17 (peak 54.3% 2H17)
- Continued improvement across all divisions
  - North America 2H19 impacted by heightened small weather events
  - International and Australia Pacific realising benefits from Brilliant Basics
  - Australia Pacific 10.9% improvement since 1H16

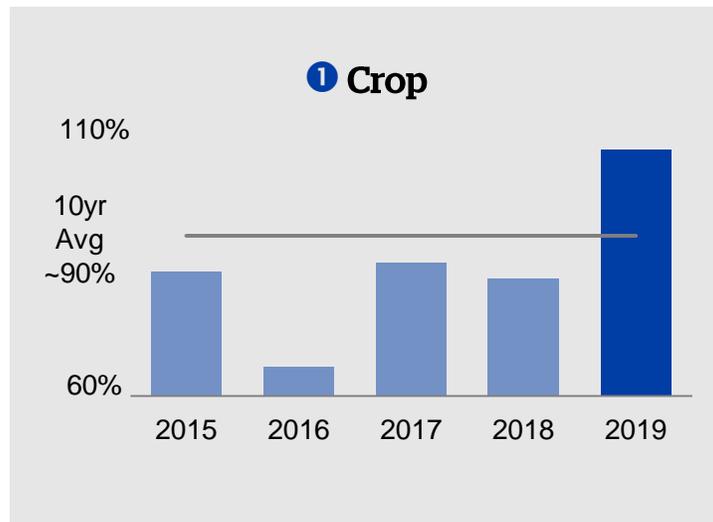
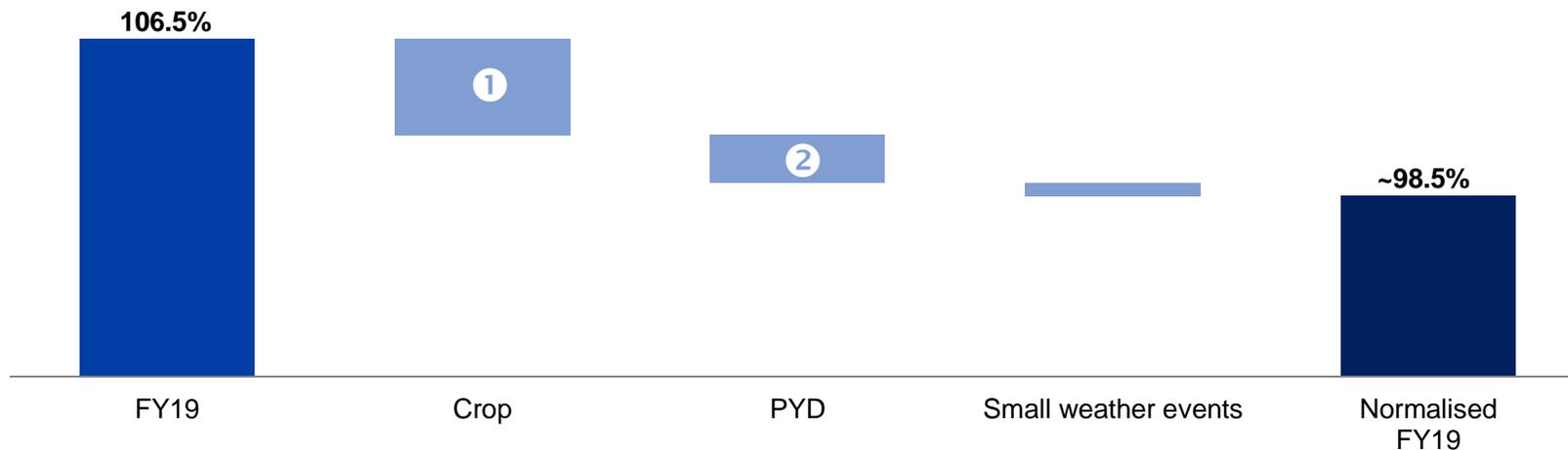


1. Continuing operations and adjusted basis as presented in annual and half year reports  
 2. Excludes Crop  
 3. Excludes heightened level of 2H19 weather events  
 4. Excludes LMI

## Underlying growth of 4%



1. Continuing operations basis



### 2 Industry-wide challenges

- Since 2017, portfolios repositioned to help avoid emerging industry inflationary trends
- Appropriately strengthened reserves in casualty lines
- PYD mostly pre-dates portfolio initiatives

### Outlook for 2020

- New leadership team
- Premium rate accelerating: 4Q19 +9.2%
- Targeted growth in Corporate
- More focused E&S business
- On-going efficiency program
- Crop planned in line with 10yr average

# Brilliant Basics: Improving risk selection

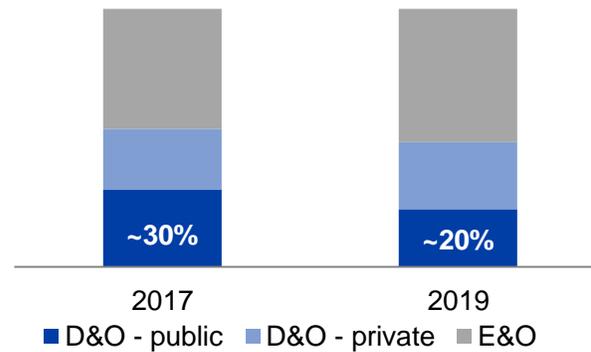
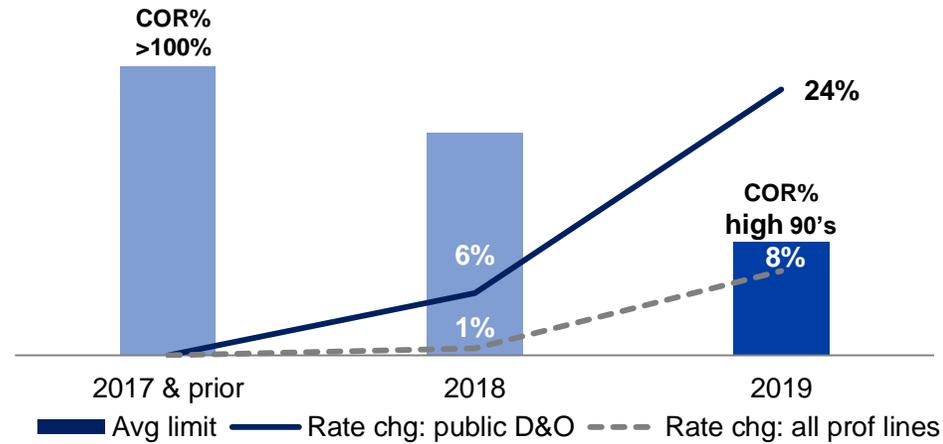
## Underwriting and pricing of management liability & professional lines...

- Average NA D&O limit down 30% since 2017; International down 12%
- NA Public company D&O cumulative rate increases >30% since FY17

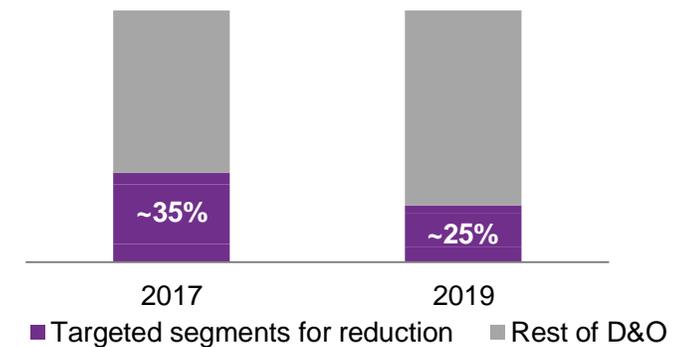
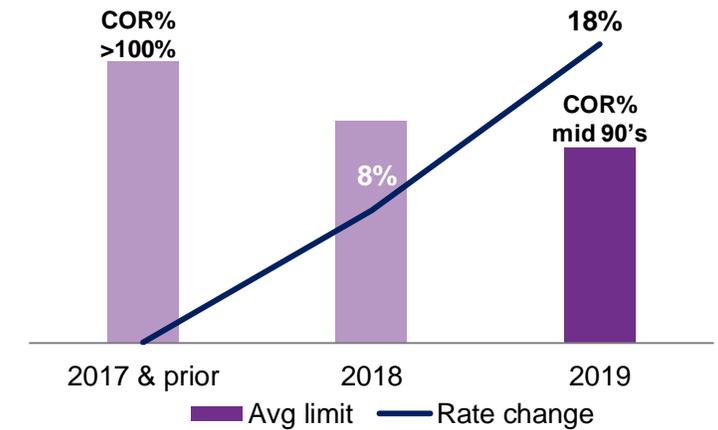
## ... as well as targeted segmentation across the Group

- Targeted reductions in – public company, pharma and Australian side C

### North America professional lines (\$175M GWP)



### London market D&O<sup>1</sup> (\$90M GWP)

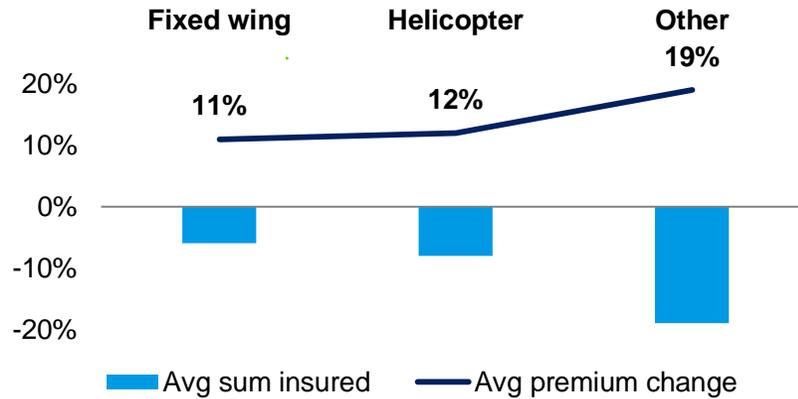


1. Underwriting year basis

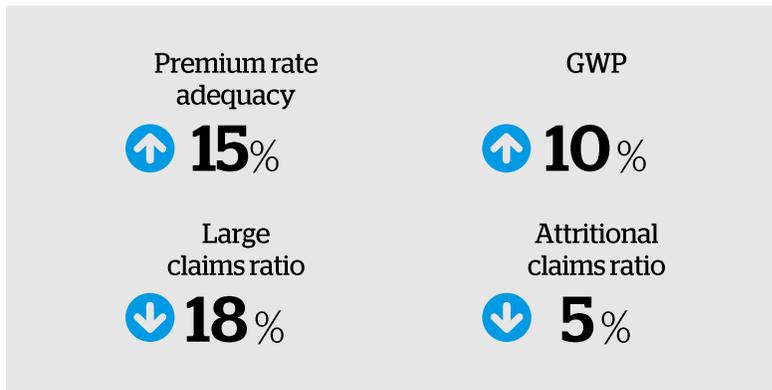
# Brilliant Basics: Improving risk selection

## Australia Pacific aviation (\$60M GWP)

Underwriting actions led to exposure reductions in targeted segments



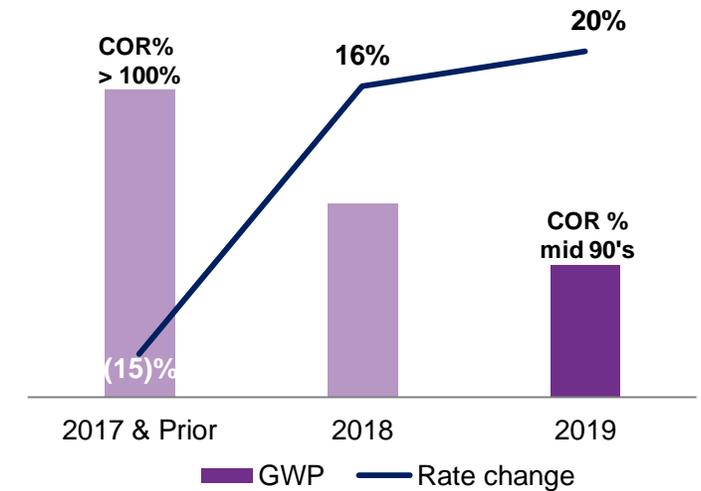
COR reduced to low 90's



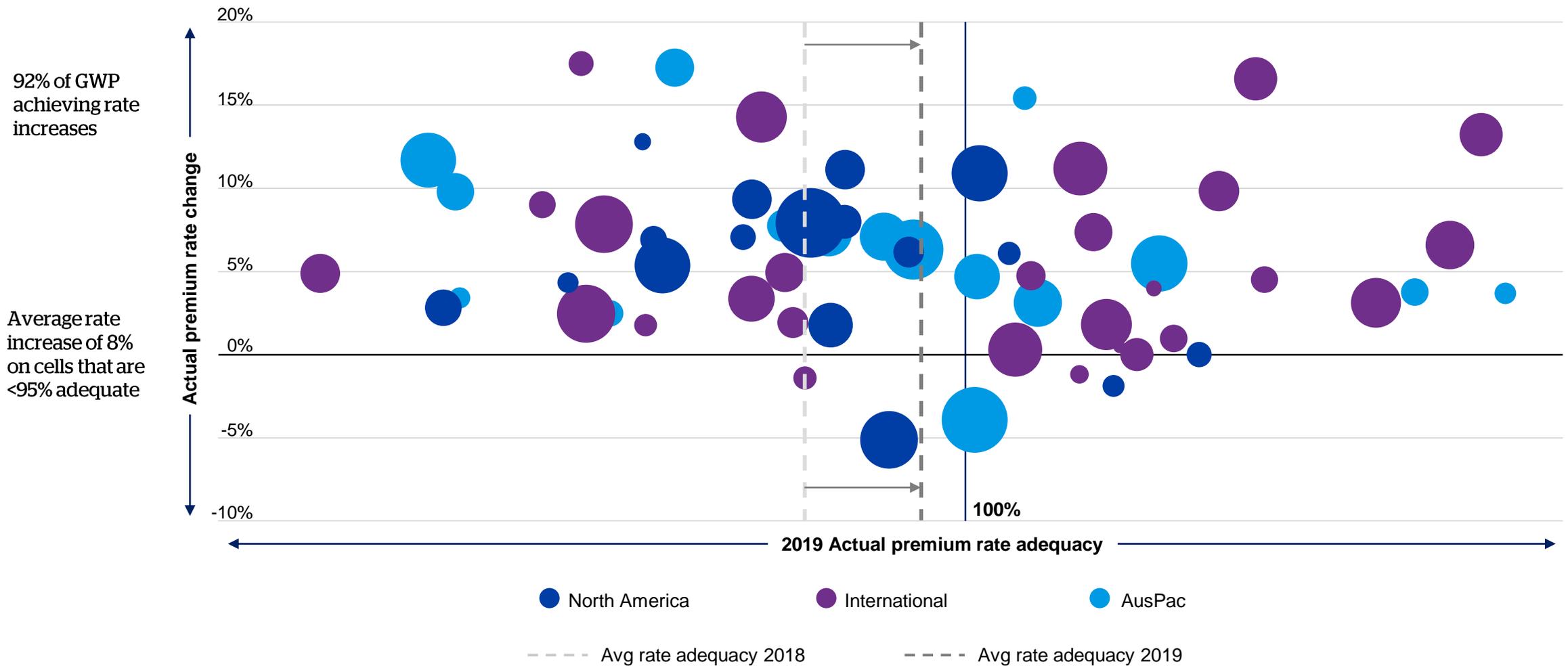
1. Underwriting year basis  
2. AAL is average annual loss

## International property D&F<sup>1</sup> (\$90M GWP)

Rate increases, risk selection and cat management drive performance improvement



# Cell reviews: Focus on rate<sup>1</sup>



1. Excludes Crop and LMI

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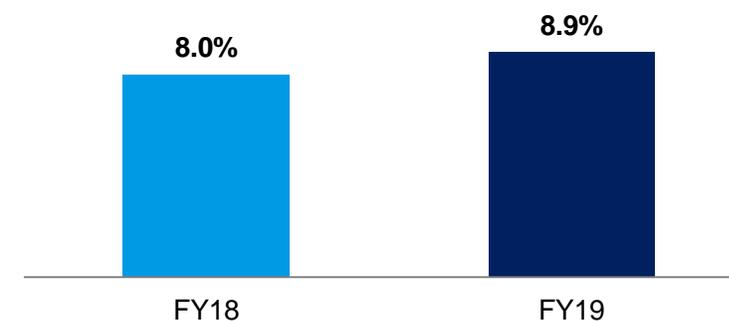
Group Chief Financial Officer



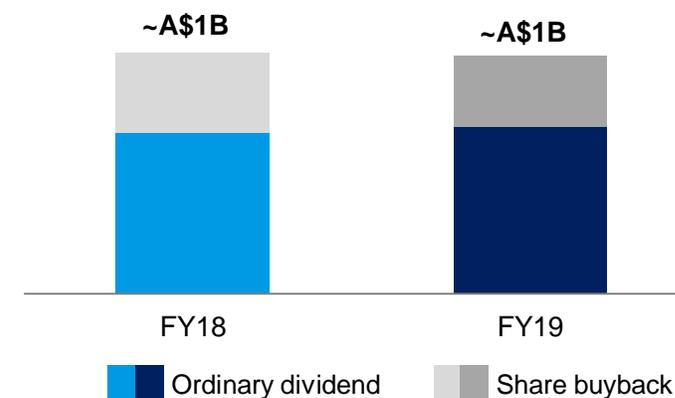
## Operating results

		FY18	FY19
Gross written premium	\$M	13,657	13,442
Net earned premium	\$M	11,830	11,609
Net claims ratio (ex discount rate)	%	64.1	67.3
Net commission ratio	%	16.4	15.6
Expense ratio	%	15.2	14.6
<b>COR (ex discount rate)</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>95.7</b>	<b>97.5</b>
Net investment yield (ex discount rate)	%	2.3	3.6
Net profit after income tax	\$M	597	622
<b>Adjusted cash profit</b>	<b>\$M</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>733</b>

## Adjusted cash profit RoE<sup>2</sup>

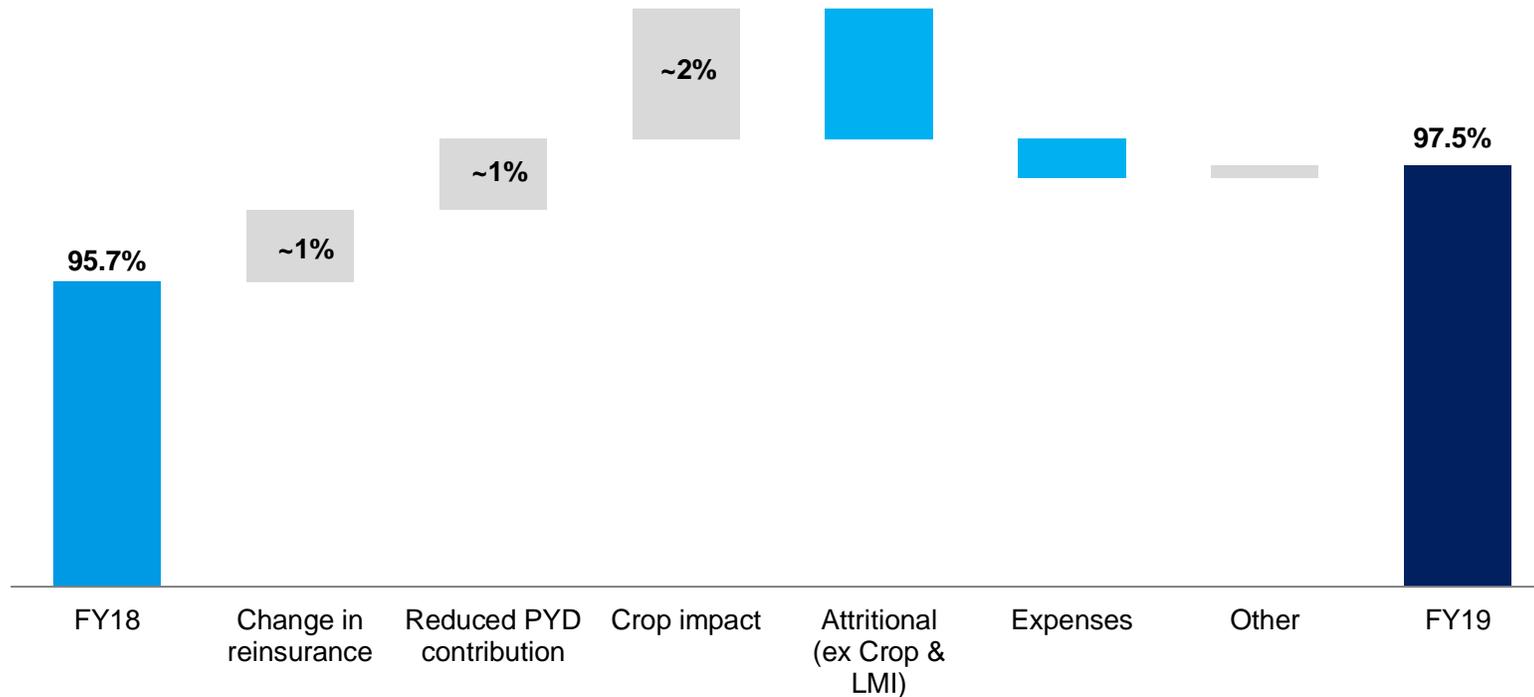


## Shareholder payout - dividends up 4%



1. Continuing operations and adjusted basis as presented in annual reports  
 2. 2019 adjusted cash profit ROE excludes non-cash and material non-recurring items such as restructuring costs, gains (losses) on disposals, the impact of the Ogden decision in the UK and discontinued operations. 2018 adjusted cash profit ROE excludes the transaction to reinsure Hong Kong construction workers' compensation liabilities and discontinued operations

## Underlying margin improvement despite headwinds



- Continued attritional claims ratio improvement
- Large risk and cat in line with allowance
- PYD adverse \$22M/(0.2)% (FY18 positive \$92M/0.8%)
- Crop COR of 107.5% (FY18 84.4%)
- Expense ratio improving

1. Continuing operations and adjusted basis as presented in annual reports  
 2. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims

GWP  
**\$3,920M**

↑ 3% from FY18<sup>2</sup>

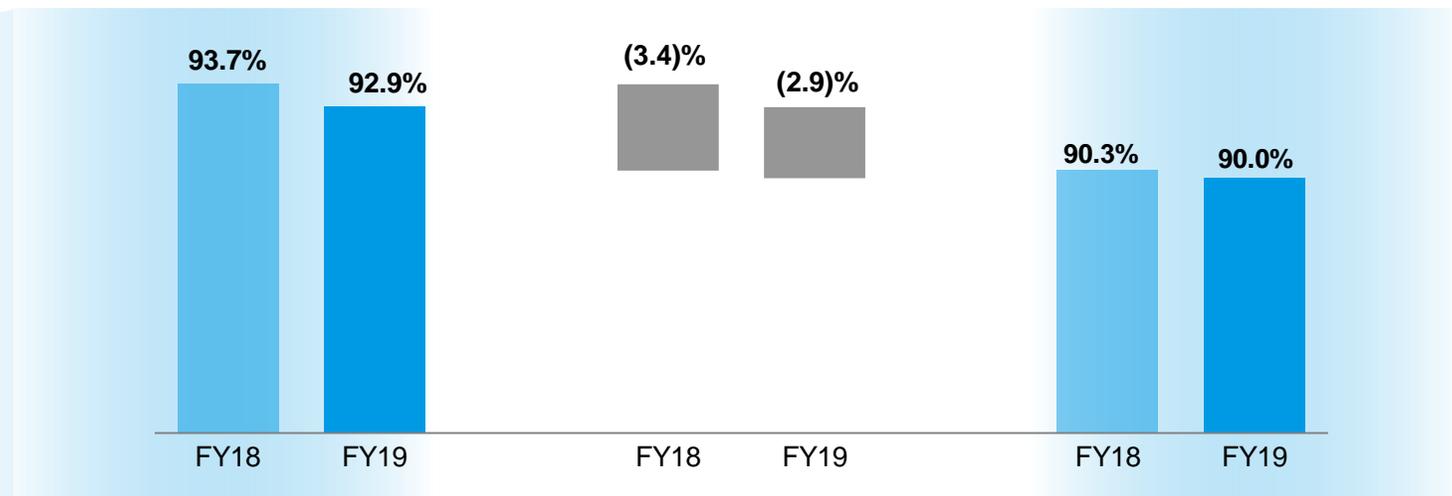
COR  
**90.0%**

FY18 90.3%

Attrititional<sup>3</sup>

**51.1%**

FY18 55.3%



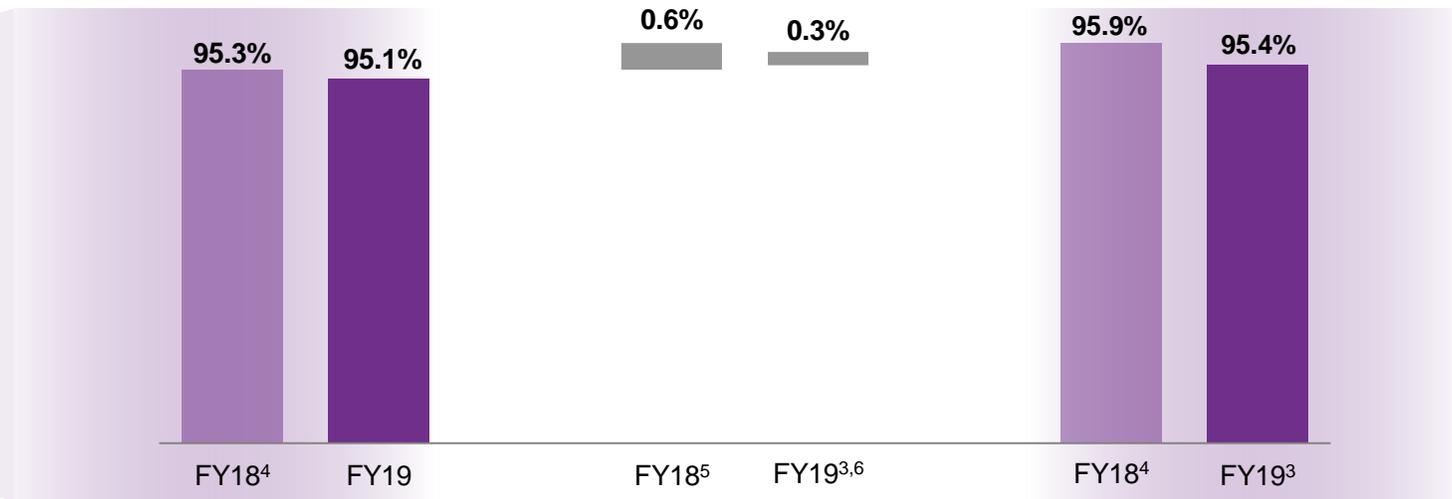
- Attrititional claims ratio improved 4.2%<sup>3</sup> (10.9% since 1H16)
- Catastrophe costs up 2.6% driven by Townsville floods and December bushfires
- LMI COR of ~58%; outlook stabilising

1. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims  
 2. Constant currency basis excluding travel insurance disposal  
 3. Excludes LMI

GWP  
**\$4,924M**  
 ↑ 5% from FY18<sup>2</sup>

COR  
**95.4%**<sup>3</sup>  
 FY18 95.9%<sup>4</sup>

Attritional  
**43.1%**  
 FY18 46.1%<sup>4</sup>



- Attritional claims ratio improved 3.0%<sup>4</sup>
- Large individual risk claims higher than allowance
- Combined acquisition costs ratio improved by 1.3%

1. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims  
 2. Constant currency basis excluding disposals in Asia  
 3. Excludes one-off impact of the Ogden decision in the UK  
 4. Excludes transaction to reinsure Hong Kong construction workers' compensation liabilities  
 5. Includes benefit due to a lengthening of expected future claims payment patterns  
 6. Excludes impact of adjusting the periodic payment order rate that is matched by a reduced discount benefit (resulting in a nil profit impact)

GWP

**\$4,637M**

⬆️ 3% from FY18<sup>2</sup>

COR

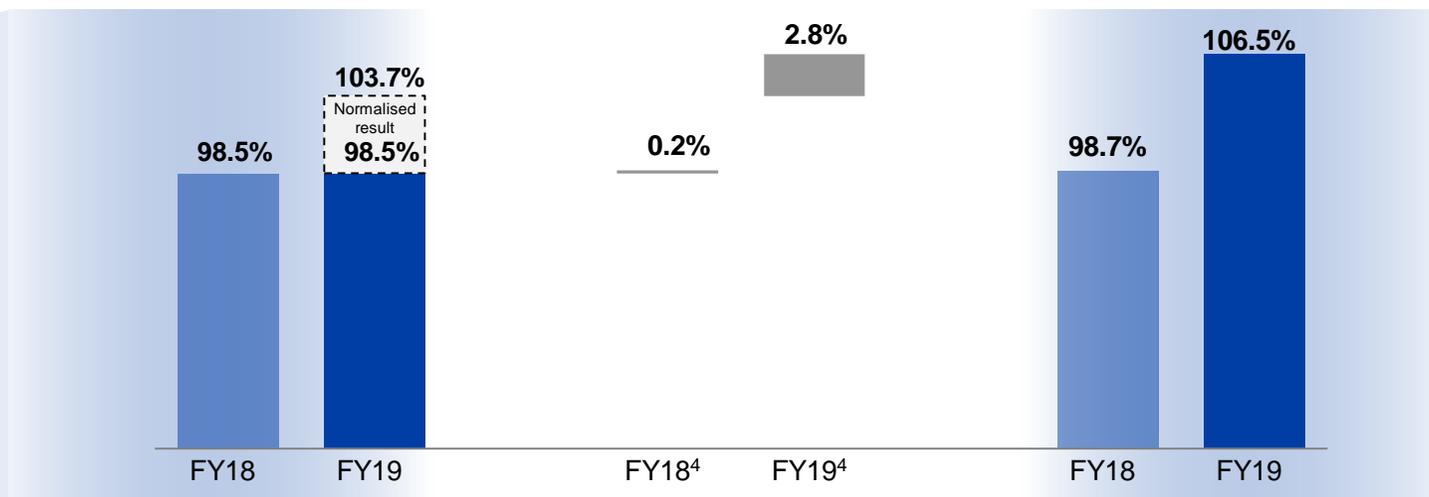
**106.5%**

FY18 98.7%

Attritional<sup>3</sup>

**49.8%**

FY18 49.9%



- Strong premium rate momentum (2H19 7.7%)
- Small weather events impacted attritional claims ratio by 1.6%<sup>3</sup>
- 1.6% improvement in expense ratio

1. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims

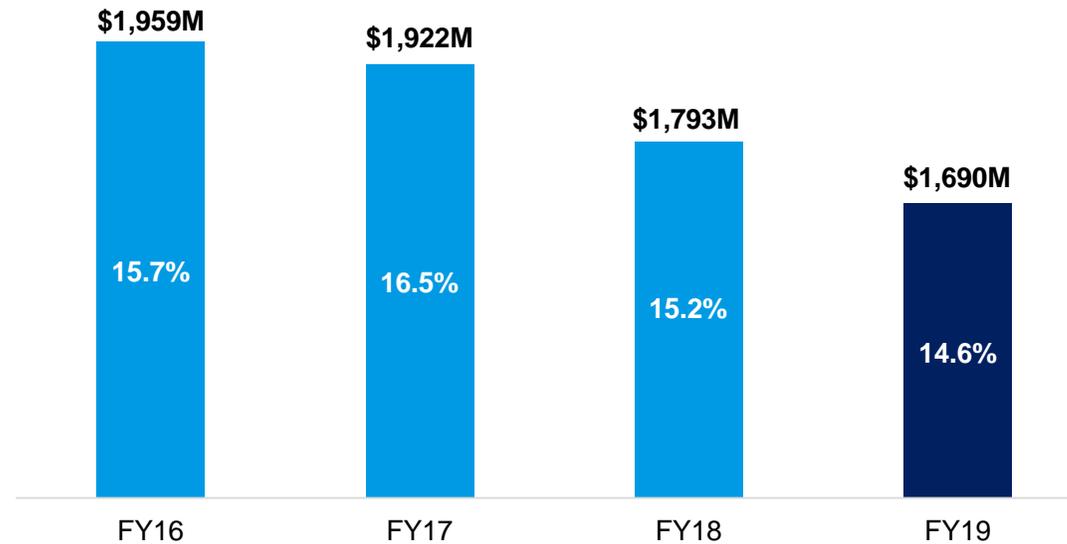
2. Excludes disposals

3. Excludes Crop

4. Prior accident year claims development excludes positive Crop development that is matched by additional premium cessions under the MPCl scheme (resulting in net nil profit impact)

# Operational efficiency: targets on track<sup>1</sup>

Total expenses and expense ratio trending favourably



~\$70M underlying savings

Expense ratio 14.6% (FY18 15.2%)

\$43M restructuring costs



>\$200M gross savings by 2021



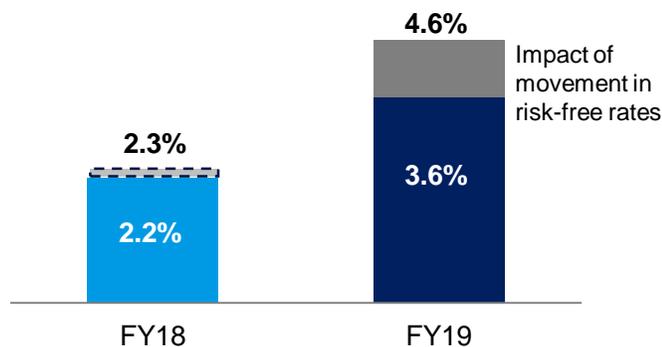
~\$130M net reduction in expenses by 2021



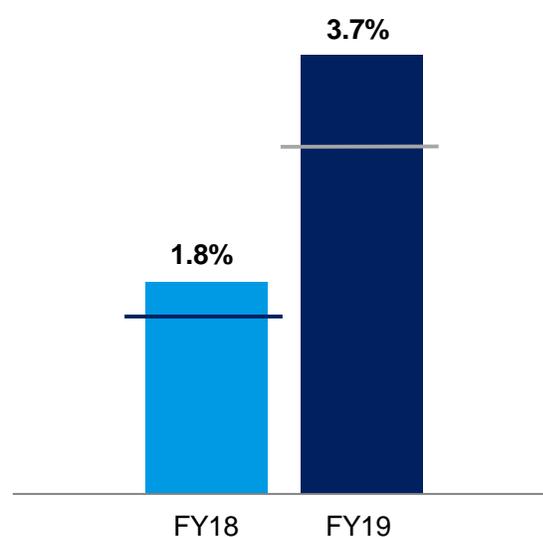
Target expense ratio <14% by 2021

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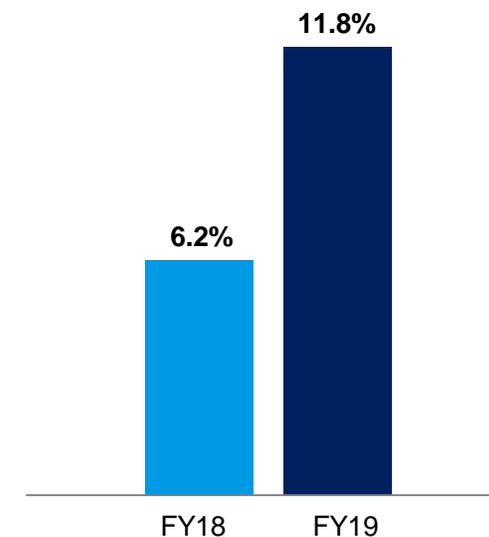
## Net investment yield<sup>2</sup>



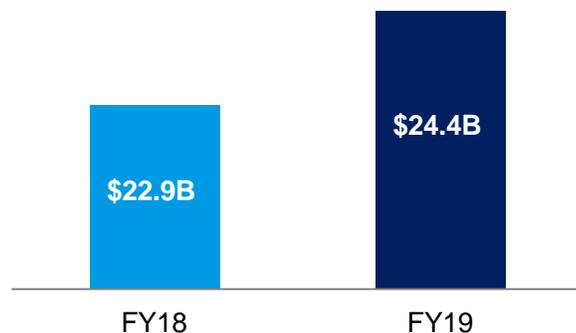
## Fixed income performance vs benchmark



## Growth asset performance



## Funds under management



- Strong FI returns of 3.7% (FY18 1.8%)
- FI duration 2.6yrs (FY18: 2.1yrs, FY17: 1.6yrs)
- Pro-forma running yield around 1.75%<sup>3</sup>
- Growth asset returns of 11.8% (FY18 6.2%)
- Funds under management \$24.4Bn (FY18 \$22.9Bn)

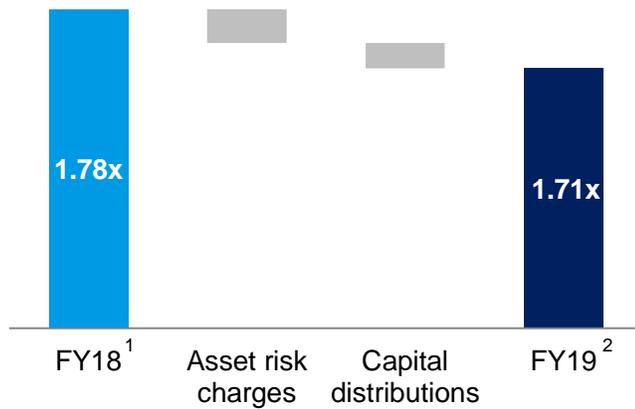
1. Continuing operations basis

2. FY18 net investment yield of 2.2% includes 0.1% adverse impact of movement in risk-free rates FY19 net investment yield of 4.6% includes 1.0% positive impact of movement in risk-free rates

3. Pro-forma running yield represents running yield of 1.5% at 31 December 2019 adjusted for emerging market debt, high yield debt and private credit

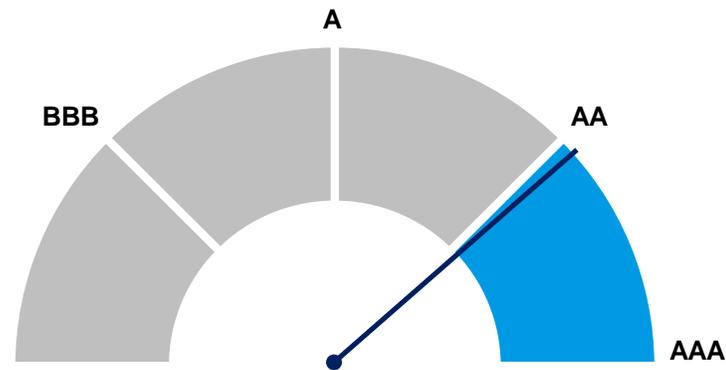
# Balance sheet and capital management

## APRA regulatory capital



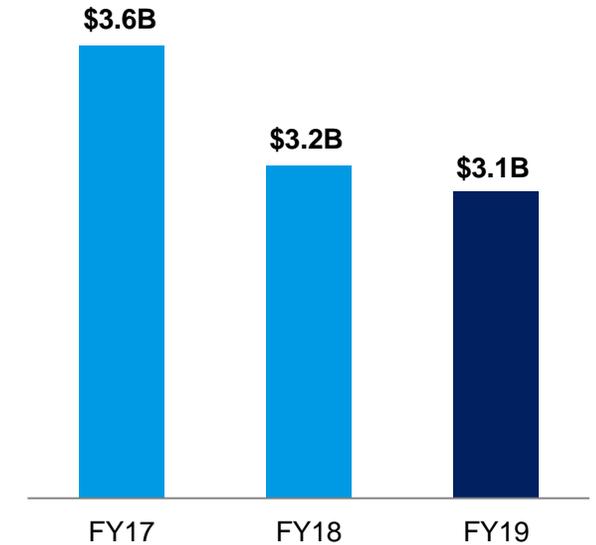
Regulatory capital remains above the mid point of our 1.6x-1.8x target range

## S&P capital



S&P Capital remains above 'AA' level

## Debt/gearing



	FY17	FY18	FY19
Debt to Equity:	40.8	38.0	38.0

	FY17	FY18	FY19
Debt to Total Capital:	29.0	27.6	27.5

1. 31 December 2018 APRA PCA calculation has been restated to be consistent with APRA returns finalised subsequent to year end  
 2. Indicative APRA PCA calculation at 31 December 2019

# Outlook

Pat Regan - Group Chief Executive Officer



# 2020 priorities and targets



**Performance**



**Brilliant Basics +**



**Talent & culture**



**Customer focus**



**Innovation & Technology**

<b>COMBINED OPERATING RATIO</b>	<b>93.5% – 95.5%<sup>1,2</sup></b>
<b>INVESTMENT RETURN</b>	<b>2.5% – 3.0%<sup>1</sup></b>

1. Assumes risk-free rates as at 31 December 2019

2. Excludes \$30M one-off regulatory costs and other costs and the remaining \$52 million of restructuring charges

# Questions & Answers



The information in this presentation provides an overview of the results for the year ended 31 December 2019.

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# Appendices



# Currency mix of investments and cash, and GWP<sup>1</sup>



Total investments and cash	FY18		FY19	
	\$M	%	\$M	%
US dollar	7,185	31%	8,292	34%
Australian dollar	6,678	29%	6,502	27%
Sterling	4,144	18%	4,029	17%
Euro	2,541	11%	3,054	12%
Canadian dollar	1,055	5%	1,180	5%
New Zealand dollar	418	2%	409	1%
Hong Kong dollar	371	2%	366	1%
Singapore dollar	165	1%	195	1%
Other	330	1%	347	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,887</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>24,374</b>	<b>100%</b>

Gross written premium	FY18		FY19	
	\$M	%	\$M	%
US dollar	6,100	45%	6,289	47%
Australian dollar	3,837	28%	3,653	27%
Sterling	1,356	10%	1,284	10%
Euro	1,103	8%	991	7%
New Zealand dollar	297	2%	294	2%
Canadian dollar	248	2%	271	2%
Hong Kong dollar	252	2%	240	2%
Singapore dollar	155	1%	160	1%
Other	309	2%	260	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,657</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>13,442</b>	<b>100%</b>

1. Continuing operations basis

		FY18	FY19
Gross written premium	\$M	4,711	4,637
Gross earned premium	\$M	4,612	4,646
Net earned premium	\$M	3,796	3,942
Net incurred claims	\$M	2,575	3,168
Net commission	\$M	592	599
Expenses	\$M	547	506
Underwriting result	\$M	82	(331)
Net claims ratio	%	67.8	80.4
Net commission ratio	%	15.6	15.2
Expense ratio	%	14.4	12.8
Combined operating ratio	%	97.8	108.4
<b>Adjusted combined operating ratio<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>%</b>	<b>98.7</b>	<b>106.5</b>
Insurance profit/(loss) margin	%	3.8	(4.7)

- Excluding disposals, GWP growth was around 3%
- NEP grew by ~4% primarily due to growth in Crop coupled with lower reinsurance costs following the restructure of the Group's reinsurance program
- Average renewal rate increases accelerated to 5.8% (FY18 4.1%)
- Net claims ratio<sup>1</sup> increased to 78.5% (FY18 68.7%) due to:
  - Significantly reduced Crop profitability following prevented planting claims as well as frost and hail during the growing season
  - Adverse prior accident year claims development of 2.8%<sup>2</sup> compared with 0.2%<sup>2</sup> in FY18; partially offset by
  - Improvements in the attritional claims ratio (excluding Crop) largely offset by a heightened level of small weather events
- Expense ratio improved reflecting the sale of the retail personal lines business, operational efficiency initiatives and positive operating leverage from net earned premium growth
- COR<sup>1</sup> deteriorated by 7.8% mainly due to the reduced Crop profitability coupled with adverse prior accident year claims development which more than offset improvement in the combined commission and expense ratio

1. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims  
 2. Excludes positive Crop development that is matched by additional premium cessions under the MPC1 scheme (resulting in a nil profit impact)

		FY18 <sup>1</sup>	FY19 <sup>2</sup>
Gross written premium	\$M	4,876	4,924
Gross earned premium	\$M	4,889	4,739
Net earned premium	\$M	4,224	4,089
Net incurred claims	\$M	2,633	2,679
Net commission	\$M	783	689
Expenses	\$M	638	634
Underwriting result	\$M	170	87
Net claims ratio	%	62.3	65.5
Net commission ratio	%	18.6	16.9
Expense ratio	%	15.1	15.5
Combined operating ratio	%	96.0	97.9
<b>Adjusted combined operating ratio<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>%</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>95.4</b>
Insurance profit margin	%	6.7	9.6

- GWP increased 4% on a constant currency basis, reflecting the positive pricing environment and targeted growth, as well remediation activities in Asia
- Average renewal rate increases of 6.0% (FY18 4.1%); European Operations' renewal rates increased 6.3% (FY18 4.4%) while Asia achieved 3.5% renewal rate increases (FY18 0.7%)
- Net claims ratio<sup>3</sup> increased to 63.0% (FY18 62.2%) due to:
  - An increase in the net cost of large individual risk claims to 14.6% (FY18 9.3%) following the restructure of the Group's reinsurance program; partly offset by
  - A 3.0% improvement in the attritional claims ratio due to targeted underwriting actions in both European Operations and Asia coupled with the beneficial rating environment
- Expense ratio increased to 15.5% (FY18 15.1%) due to increased staff incentives and VAT associated with Brexit
- COR<sup>3</sup> improved due to a reduced attritional claims ratio and a reduced total acquisition cost ratio partially offset by an increase in the net cost of large individual risk and catastrophe claims

1. Excludes transaction to reinsure Hong Kong construction workers' compensation liabilities  
 2. Excludes the one-off impact of the Ogden decision in the UK  
 3. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims

		FY18	FY19
Gross written premium	\$M	4,104	3,920
Gross earned premium	\$M	4,103	3,885
Net earned premium	\$M	3,758	3,568
Net incurred claims	\$M	2,310	2,223
Net commission	\$M	561	526
Expenses	\$M	542	519
Underwriting result	\$M	345	300
Net claims ratio	%	61.5	62.3
Net commission ratio	%	14.9	14.8
Expense ratio	%	14.4	14.5
Combined operating ratio	%	90.8	91.6
<b>Adjusted combined operating ratio<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>%</b>	<b>90.3</b>	<b>90.0</b>
Insurance profit margin	%	13.3	13.6

- GWP increased 3% on a constant currency basis (excluding travel disposal) reflecting premium rate increases across majority of the portfolio and targeted growth in selected portfolios
- Average renewal rate increase of 7.3%<sup>2</sup>, up from 7.1%<sup>2</sup> in FY18
- Net claims ratio<sup>1</sup> reduced to 60.7% (FY18 61.0%) reflecting:
  - Further 4.2%<sup>3</sup> improvement in the attritional claims ratio, reflecting targeted pricing increases, enhanced risk selection and claims management initiatives; largely offset by
  - Heightened catastrophe experience in Australia, particularly due to the Townsville floods and widespread bushfires; and
  - Changes following the restructure of the Group's reinsurance program
- Expense ratio increased 0.1% primarily due to a reduction in builders' warranty fee income, increased investment to respond to changes in the regulatory environment and a TEPL<sup>4</sup> accrual largely offset by operational efficiency benefits
- COR<sup>1</sup> reduced to 90.0% from 90.3% in FY18 reflecting further material improvement in the attritional claims ratio offset by the increased cost of catastrophe claims

1. Excludes the impact of changes in risk-free rates used to discount net outstanding claims  
 2. Excludes premium rate changes relating to CTP  
 3. Excludes LMI  
 4. Transitional excess profits and losses with respect to NSW CTP

Summary balance sheet	31 DEC 2018 \$M	31 DEC 2019 \$M
Investments and cash	22,887	24,374
Trade and other receivables	5,185	4,621
Intangibles	2,800	2,791
Other assets	1,497	1,238
<b>Assets</b>	<b>32,369</b>	<b>33,024</b>
Insurance liabilities, net	18,578	19,364
Borrowings	3,188	3,095
Other liabilities	2,203	2,412
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>23,969</b>	<b>24,871</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>8,400</b>	<b>8,153</b>
Shareholders' funds	8,381	8,153
Non-controlling interests	19	-
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>8,400</b>	<b>8,153</b>

## Reserving

- Adverse prior accident year claims development of \$22M<sup>1</sup> (FY18 \$92M<sup>2</sup> favourable)
- \$231M adverse risk-free rate impact (FY18 \$13M positive)
- \$23M risk margin release (FY18 \$12M strengthening)
- PoA broadly unchanged at 90.0% (FY18 90.1%)

## Borrowings

- Debt to equity ratio 38.0% (FY18 38.0%)
- Buyback of \$195M senior unsecured debt

1. Excluding \$32M of positive prior accident year claims development pertaining to North America Crop that is matched by additional premium cessions under the MPC1 scheme (resulting in a nil profit impact), and \$86M benefit in International due to the impact of adjusting the periodic payment order rate that is matched by a reduced discount benefit (also resulting in a nil profit impact)

2. Excluding \$64M of positive prior accident year claims development pertaining to North America Crop that is matched by additional premium cessions under the MPC1 scheme (resulting in a nil profit impact), and including \$43M benefit in International due to the impact of lengthening of expected future claims payment patterns

# APRA Prescribed Capital Amount

<b>APRA PCA calculation</b>	<b>31 DEC 2018<sup>1</sup></b> <b>\$M</b>	<b>31 DEC 2019<sup>2</sup></b> <b>\$M</b>
Ordinary share capital and reserves	8,400	8,153
Net surplus relating to insurance liabilities	818	718
Regulatory adjustments to Common Equity Tier 1 Capital	(3,311)	(3,326)
<b>Common Equity Tier 1 Capital</b>	<b>5,907</b>	<b>5,545</b>
Additional Tier 1 Capital – Capital securities	399	399
<b>Total Tier 1 Capital</b>	<b>6,306</b>	<b>5,944</b>
Tier 2 Capital – Subordinated debt and hybrid securities	2,456	2,558
<b>Total capital base</b>	<b>8,762</b>	<b>8,502</b>
Insurance risk charge	2,819	2,903
Insurance concentration risk charge	779	608
Asset risk charge	1,984	2,139
Operational risk charge	480	497
Less: Aggregation benefit	(1,131)	(1,182)
<b>APRA Prescribed Capital Amount (PCA)</b>	<b>4,931</b>	<b>4,965</b>
<b>PCA multiple</b>	<b>1.78x</b>	<b>1.71x</b>
<b>CET1 ratio (APRA requirement &gt;60%)</b>	<b>120%</b>	<b>112%</b>

1. 31 December 2018 APRA PCA calculation has been restated to be consistent with APRA returns finalised subsequent to year end

2. Indicative APRA PCA calculation at 31 December 2019

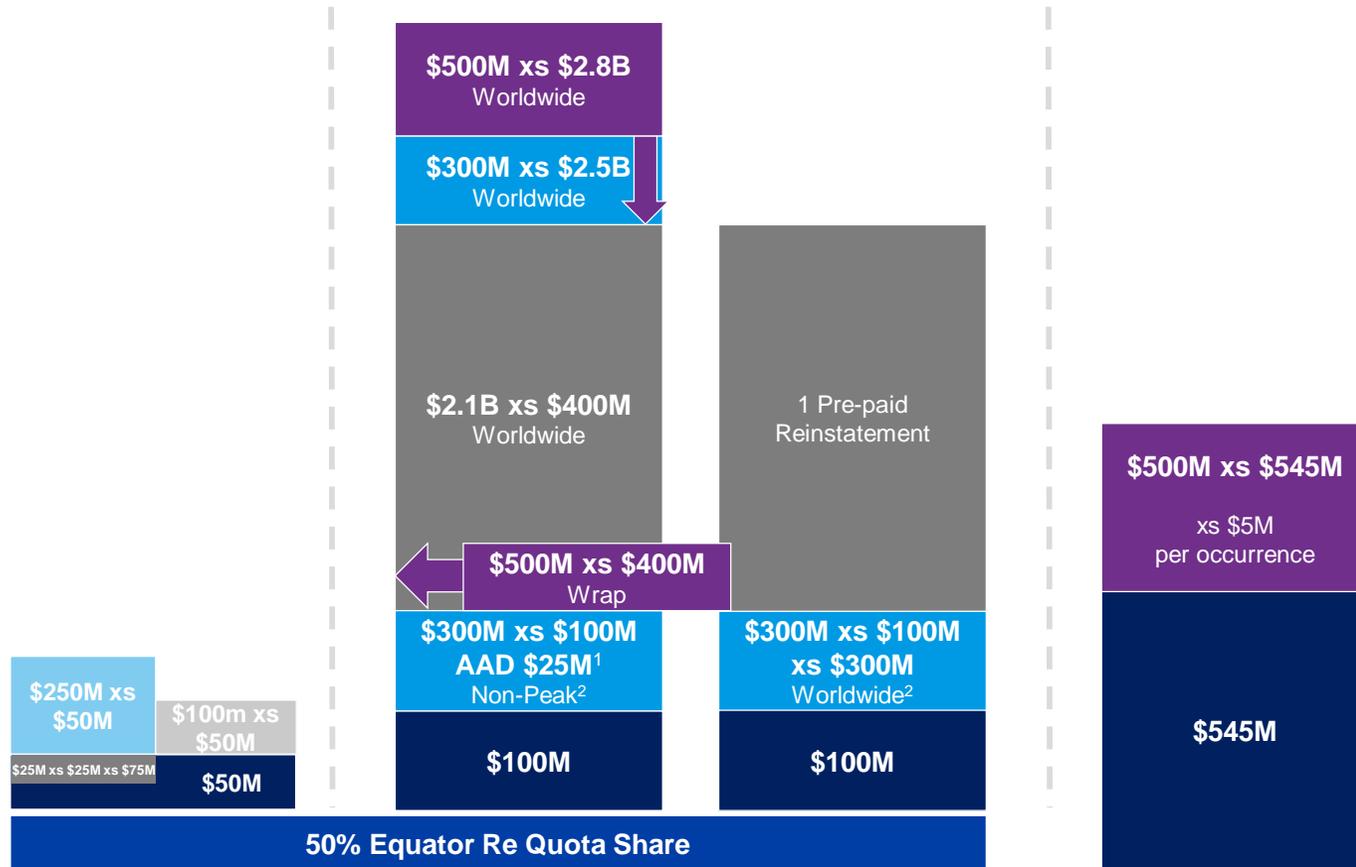
# 2020 global reinsurance program



## Risk XOL

## Cat XOL

## Cat Agg



## Key features of program

- Equator Re quota share protection significantly reduces claims volatility
- Low catastrophe retention
- Protection against catastrophe severity and frequency of medium-sized catastrophes
- Protection against large individual risk claim severity
- Increased aggregate protection
- Small additional annual aggregate deductible¹
- Enhanced risk clash & cyber protection

### Main Cat XOL

- \$2.1B xs \$400M

### Cat Top or Drop or Non-Peak²

- Top \$300M xs \$2.5B for Peak or
- Drop \$300M xs \$100M xs \$300M for Peak or
- Drop \$300M xs \$100M with AAD \$25M

### Cat Top or Agg or Wrap

- Top \$500M xs \$2.8B (or \$2.5B) or
- Aggregate \$500M xs \$545M or
- Wrap \$500M xs \$400M including QBE Re & Syndicate 1036 retained claims and Equator Re Share

### Risk

- Main cover \$250M xs \$50M
- Clash Section \$100M xs \$50M
- Sub layer \$25M xs \$25M xs \$75M

1. AAD (Annual Aggregate Deductible) IRO Australian Hail, Bushfires and Flood, and US Wildfires

2. Peak perils defined as cyclone, hurricane & typhoon, and earthquake (and fire following) as respects Australia, New Zealand (quake only) and US (excluding Puerto Rico). All other perils are non-peak

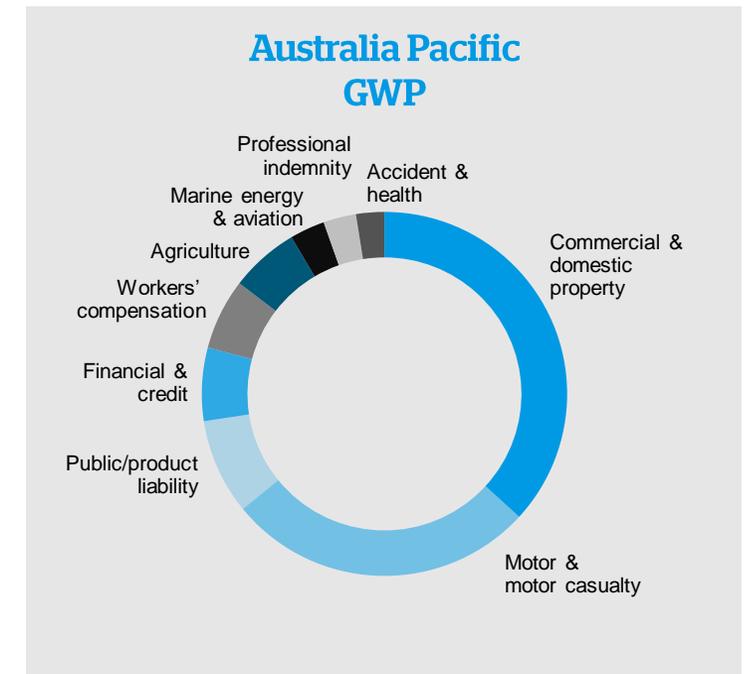
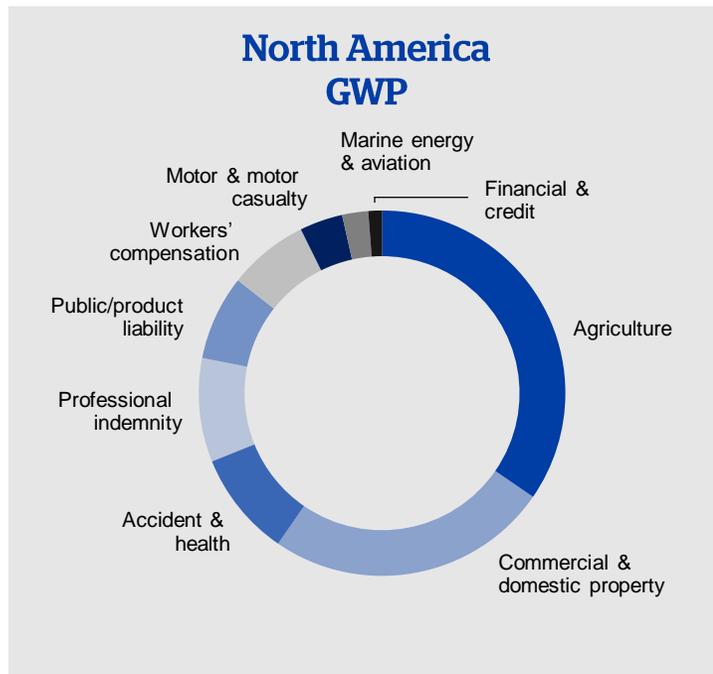
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# Fixed income update

## QBE operates in 3 segments with insurance operations in 27 countries globally

QBE is an international general insurance and reinsurance company, with meaningful operations in the major insurance hubs. QBE is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and headquartered in Sydney, Australia.

QBE is a specialty property and casualty insurer and reinsurer, with primary focus on commercial lines.





**Strong capital**



**Ratings strength**



**Globally regulated**



**Lower gearing**

## Maintaining strong capital position

- PCA multiple at 1.71x (1.6x-1.8x target range)
- Remains above S&P 'AA' minimum levels
- Shareholder returns of A\$976M (including share buyback)

## Ratings

- S&P, Moody's, Fitch and AM Best affirmed QBE Group's credit ratings
- Ratings are supported by the Group's globally diversified multiline business, strong market positions and robust balance sheet

## Regulatory

- QBE is regulated by key global regulators in Australia, UK, Europe, USA and Bermuda

## Reducing debt

- Borrowings reduced by \$521M since December 2017 via repurchase of \$594M (face value) of senior debt
- Debt to equity ratio down from 40.8% at December 2017 to 38.0%
- Net reduction of \$1,837M in value of borrowings since December 2012

## QBE Insurance Group is rated by 4 major rating agencies

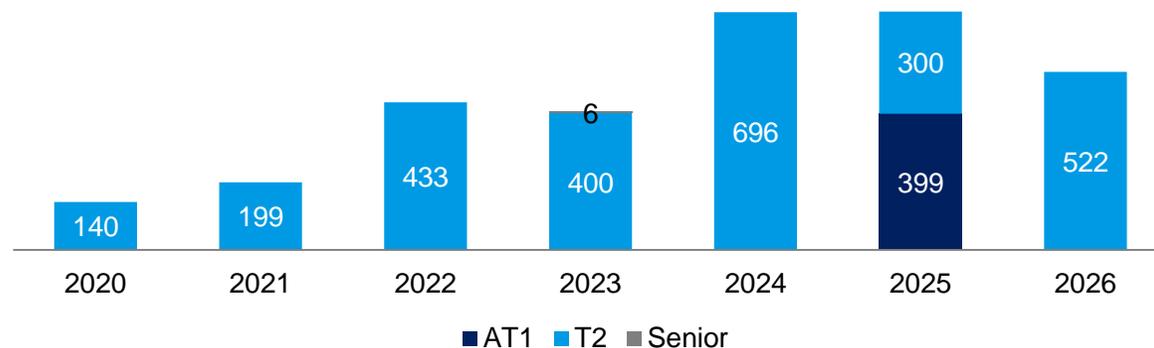
	Long term FSR <sup>1</sup>	Debt issue ICR <sup>2</sup>	Outlook	Rating affirmation
	A+	A-	Stable	May 2019
	A (excellent)	bbb+	Stable	July 2019
	A+	A-	Stable	July 2019
	A1	A3	Stable	April 2019

1. Insurance Financial Strength ratings (FSR) : reflects ability of an insurer to meet its obligations and claims. FSR is applicable to operating insurance entities. QBE Insurance Group Limited as the holding company is rated two notches lower

2. Debt ratings: reflects ability of the company to pay the security holder's interest in addition to principal repayment

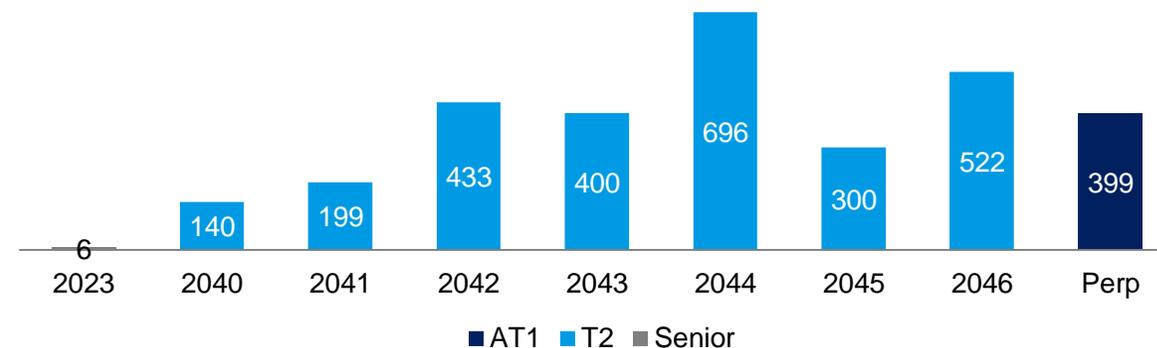
## Date to first call (\$M)

weighted average maturity: 4.5 years



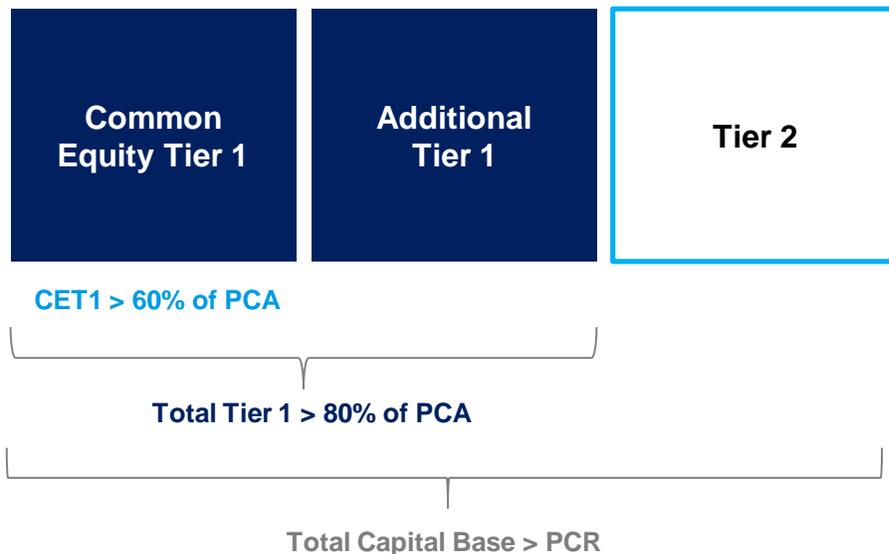
## Legal maturity profile (\$M)

Weighted average maturity: 21.2 years (ex AT1)



	Issued debt	Issue date	First call date	Coupon	Outstanding value (US\$M)	Maturity date
<b>Junior subordinated (AT1)</b>	USD AT1	Nov-17	May-25	5.250%	399	Perp
	AUD 25NC5	Sep-15	Sep-20	3M BBSW + 4.0%	140	Sep-40
	USD 30NC10	May-11	May-21	7.250%	167	May-41
	GBP 30NC10	May-11	May-21	7.500%	32	May-41
<b>Subordinated (Tier 2)</b>	GBP 30NC10	May-16	May-22	6.115%	433	May-42
	USD 30NC10	Oct-16	Nov-23	7.500%	400	Nov-43
	USD 30NC10	Nov-14	Dec-24	6.750%	696	Dec-44
	USD 30NC10	Nov-15	Nov-25	6.100%	300	Nov-45
	USD 30NC10	Jun-16	Jun-26	5.875%	522	Jun-46
<b>Senior</b>	USD 2023 Senior	Sep-17	-	3.000%	6	May-23
<b>Total issued debt</b>					<b>3,095</b>	

## Capital base / Tiers of capital



Source: Prudential Standard GPS 112, "Capital Adequacy: Measurement of Capital", January 2013

\$M	FY19
Capital base	8,502
PCA	4,965
PCA multiple	1.71x

## Point of non-viability loss absorption

- All Additional Tier 1 and Tier 2 must include loss absorption provisions (via conversion or write-down) upon a non-viability trigger event
- Both sequential (loss absorption hierarchy) and partial loss absorption amongst parity securities are permitted by APRA:

*"A regulated institution may provide for Additional Tier 1 Capital instruments to be converted or written off prior to any conversion or write-off of Tier 2 Capital instruments. In these circumstances, conversion or write-off of Tier 2 Capital instruments will only be necessary to the extent that conversion of Additional Tier 1 Capital instruments has not resulted in APRA withdrawing the notice issued to the regulated institution" - Prudential Standard GPS 112, "Capital Adequacy: Measurement of Capital", January 2013*

- APRA has stated that it is of the view that it is less likely for insurers (compared to banks) to trigger non-viability in Australia:

*"A decision by APRA that it is necessary to trigger write off or conversion in circumstances where an insurer would otherwise become non-viable is expected to be less likely for insurers than may be expected to be the case for ADIs. This reflects the different nature of the circumstances that may lead to an insurer becoming non-viable and the options available to APRA and the insurer to address such situations." - APRA Response to Submissions – Review of capital standards for general insurers and life insurers, December 2011*

# Point of non-viability loss absorption

**Australia is the only jurisdiction which requires point of non-viability (“PONV”) loss absorption for insurers issuing Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 capital**



**AUSTRALIA LAGIC**



**EU SOLVENCY II**

Instrument class	Additional Tier 1	Tier 2	Restricted Tier 1	Tier 2
Step-ups permitted	No	No	No	Permitted, no earlier than Year 10
Principal loss absorption required	Required, PONV	Required, PONV	Required, upon breach of 100% SCR or 100% MCR	No
Minimum maturity (years)	Perpetual	5 (regulatory amortisation in last 4 years)	Perpetual	10
Lock-in at final maturity and mandatory deferral	No stated maturity, distributions are fully discretionary and non-cumulative	No	No stated maturity, distributions are fully discretionary and non-cumulative	Required
Mandatory deferral trigger event	Distributions cannot be paid if issuer would breach regulatory requirements, be insolvent or regulator objects	No solvency ratio test required, payments are subject to satisfaction of Solvency Condition	Mandatory cancellation upon breach of 100% SCR or 100% MCR	Regulatory deficiency event
Redemption prior to year 5 for change in regulatory/tax	Permitted (subject to supervisory approval)	Permitted (subject to supervisory approval)	No, unless replaced with equal or better quality capital and minimum capital requirements are met	No, unless replaced with equal or better quality capital and minimum capital requirements are met

*“An Additional Tier 1 Capital or Tier 2 Capital instrument must include a provision under which, on the occurrence of a non-viability trigger event (as defined in paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Attachment), it will be immediately and irrevocably:*

- a) *be converted into the ordinary shares of the regulated institution or its parent entity, which must be listed at the time the instrument is issued; or*
- b) *written off”*

*- Attachment G para 1 of GPS 112 Capital Adequacy: Measurement of Capital*

- In accordance with the above, QBE’s Additional Tier 1 and 2 instruments provide for conversion into ordinary shares of the entity if APRA determines QBE would become non-viable<sup>1</sup>
- If that conversion is not effected within 5 scheduled trading days of the relevant trigger event, the notes will be immediately written-off

1. Per QBE debt issuance documents: (a) the issuance of a notice in writing by APRA to QBE that conversion or write-off of capital instruments is necessary because, without it, APRA considers that QBE would become non-viable; or (b) a determination by APRA, notified to QBE in writing, that without a public sector injection of capital, or equivalent support, QBE would become non-viable

# Our approach to sustainability

**We have a focus on sustainability and the identification of current and emerging environmental, social and governance (ESG) trends is an integral part of achieving our purpose, understanding the needs of our customers and ensuring the sustainability of our own business.**

Our Sustainability Framework helps us drive performance, manage risks and identify opportunities across the areas of sustainability that are most important to our business, customers and stakeholders



See [the Sustainability section](#) of our website for more information.

## 2019: Key achievements

### Group Energy Policy

Developed a [Group Energy Policy](#) to support an orderly transition to a lower carbon global economy

### RE100

Joined RE100 and committed to sourcing 100% renewable electricity across our global operations by 2025. We have made significant progress towards this target, with 63% of our global electricity use being sourced from renewable electricity

### 2020 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index

Included in the 2020 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index

### Red Cross and Save the Children partnership

Partnered with global leading humanitarian agencies for disaster relief, Red Cross and Save the Children

### Recognition

Shortlisted for a range of prestigious awards for our Premiums4Good initiative including Ethical Corporation's global *Responsible Business Awards*, the Shared Value Project's *Shared Value Awards*, and the Banksia Foundation's *Banksia Sustainability Award*

## 2020: Forward focus

### Premiums4Good

Deliver on our ambition to grow our impact investments to \$2 billion by 2025. Refer to the [Premiums4Good](#) section of our website for more information

### Climate Change Action Plan

Continue to implement our Climate Change Action Plan (in line with the recommendations of the Financial Stability Board's Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures). Refer to our [2019 Annual Report](#) for more information

### Sustainability Scorecard

Deliver commitments outlined in our Sustainability Scorecard which are aligned to our priority Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):



Further information about QBE's role in the SDGs can be found in our [2019 Sustainability Report](#)