

# Liberty Financial Group FY23 Full Year Results

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# Presenting Today



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# Agenda

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# 01 Highlights

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-  Continued portfolio growth through diversification
-  Lower NIM as cost of funds increase while maintaining yield
-  Sound underlying performance with increased provisions
-  Strong balance sheet with 15% underlying ROE
-  Expected increase in arrears being effectively managed
-  Continued improvement in prompted brand awareness
-  Improved ESG measures

# Financial Highlights



## Underlying NPATA

\$187m (\$231m)  
(19%)



## Net revenue

\$610m (\$635m)  
(4%)



## NIM

2.76% (3.08%)  
(32bps)



## BDD

13bps (0bps)  
+13bps



## Cost to income

26.6% (22.7%)  
+390bps



## Distribution

45bps (49bps)  
(8%)

# Operating Highlights



## Average financial assets

\$13.2b (\$12.6b)  
+5%



## New assets originated

\$5.4b (\$5.6b)  
(2%)



## Impaired loans

\$198m (\$152m)  
+31%



## FTE Staff

546 (524)  
+4%



## Broker NPS

82 (81)  
+1%



## Customer NPS

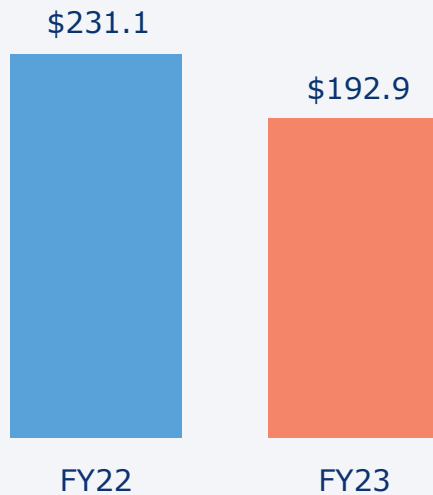
59 (64)  
(8%)

## 02 Results Analysis



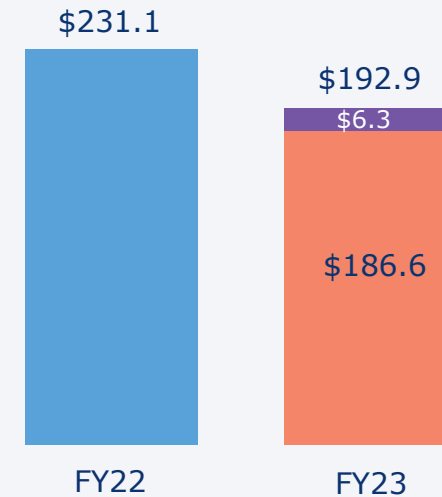
# Profit Performance

## Statutory NPATA (\$m)



- ▲ Reduction in statutory NPATA (FY23 v FY22) due to:
  - Lower net interest margin to 2.76% (from 3.08% in FY22)
  - Higher non-cash collective provision (\$9.3m) reflecting shift in asset mix to higher yielding Secured and Financial Services assets
  - Partially offset by one-time impact of ALI acquisition (\$6.3m)

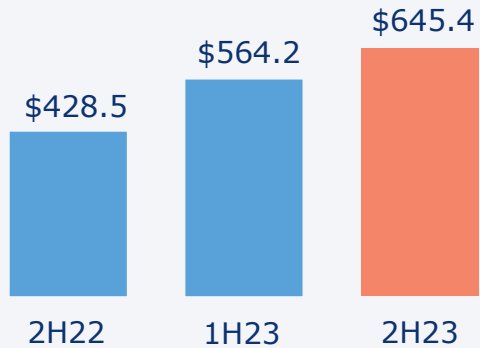
## Underlying NPATA (\$m)



- ▲ One-time impact of moving to full ownership of ALI explains difference in FY23 statutory and underlying NPATA:
  - Net commission income (\$15.6m income)
  - Contingent consideration (\$9.9m expense)
  - Tax impact of the adjustments (\$0.6m income)

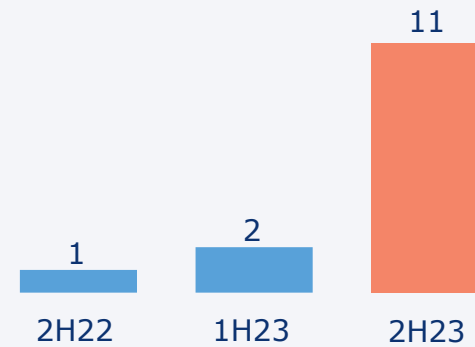
# Profit Drivers

## Total Revenue (\$m)



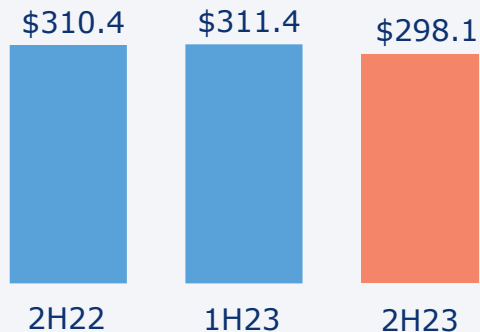
- ▲ Total revenue growth +51% (2H23 v 2H22) and +14% (2H23 v 1H23) driven by increased yield given RBA rate increases and higher average financial assets

## BDD (bps)



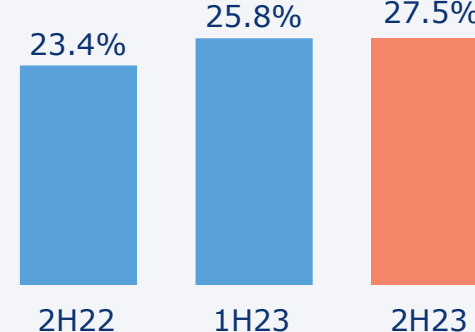
- ▲ Increase in impaired loans driving higher specific provisions (4bp)
- ▲ Increase in collective provision (6bp) to reflect mix shift towards Secured and Financial Services assets
- ▲ Collective provision reflects life-time loss (higher than annual loss)

## Net Revenue (\$m)



- ▲ Net revenue -4% (2H23 v 1H23) and -4% (2H23 v 2H22) as NIM reduction more than offsets growth in average financial assets
- ▲ NIM 2H23 (2.65%) lower than FY23 (2.76%) from higher cost of funding
- ▲ Exit NIM 2.56% as higher cost of funding persists

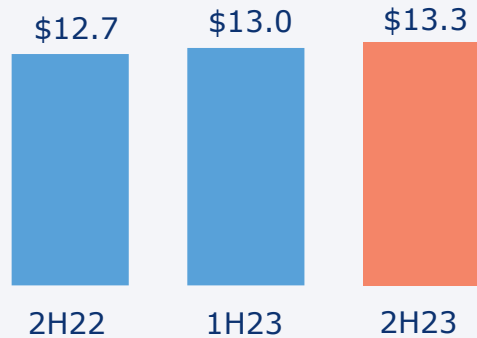
## Cost to Income (%)



- ▲ Operating costs stable 2H23 v 1H23 with CTI increase largely driven by lower net revenue
- ▲ CTI increase 2H23 v 2H22 driven by a combination of lower net revenue and higher personnel, marketing and technology expenses to support business growth

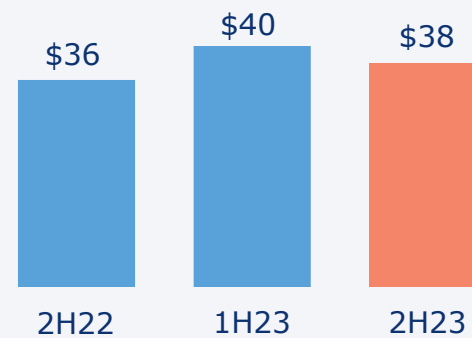
# Revenue

## Average Assets (\$b)



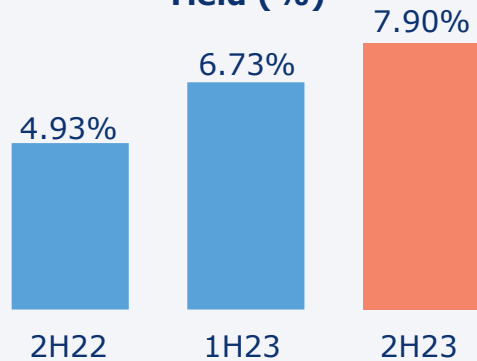
- ▲ Average asset growth 5% (2H23 v 2H22) and 2% (2H23 v 1H23) driven by Secured and Financial Services segments
- ▲ New originations \$2.6b (v \$2.9b 1H23 and \$2.7b 2H22)
- ▲ Loan discharges and prepayments improving but continue to influence Residential portfolio growth

## Lending Income (\$m)



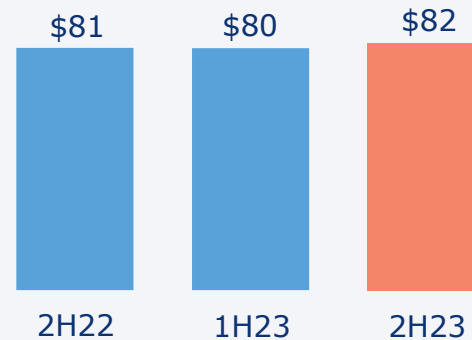
- ▲ Movement in lending income between periods largely consistent with movement in new loan origination volume

## Yield (%)



- ▲ Increase in yield to 7.90% (2H23) from 6.73% (1H23) due to
  - Passed on only RBA cash rate increases to existing customers (+135bps)
  - Origination and discharge yield versus portfolio yield (-26bps)
  - Asset mix benefit towards higher yielding Secured and Financial Services segments (+8bps)

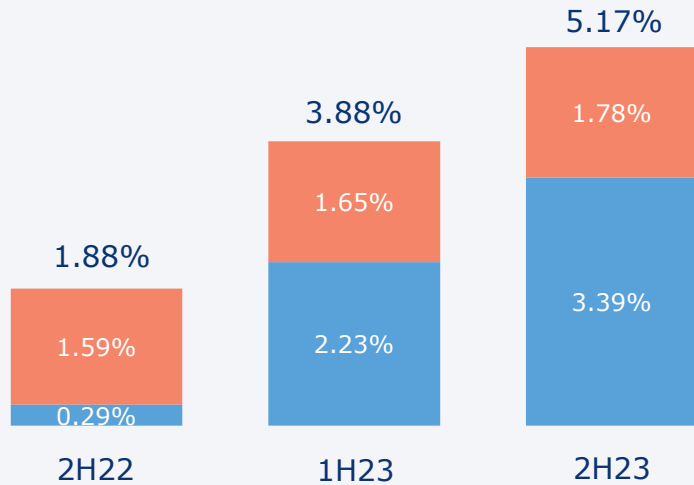
## Commission Income (\$m)



- ▲ Movement reflects transaction volumes in Australian and NZ distribution businesses

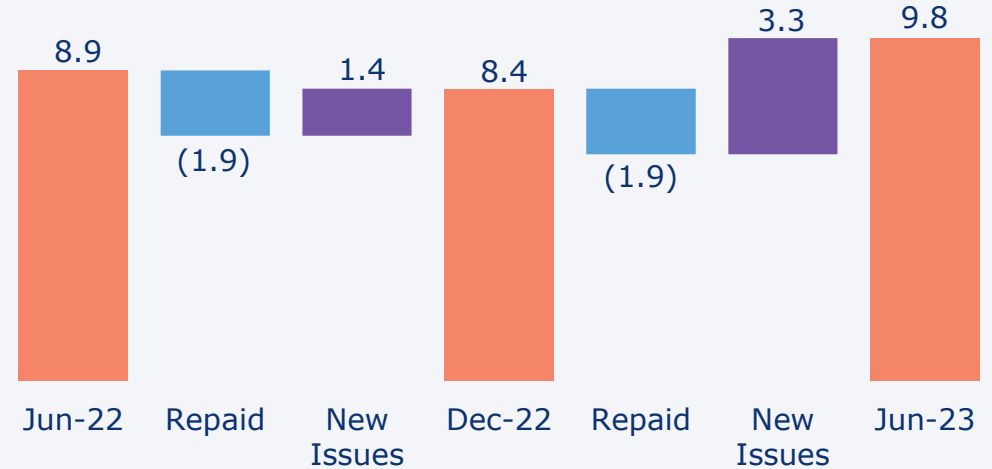
# Cost of Funding

**Cost of Funding**



- ▲ Average funding benchmark cost 339bps in 2H23 (increase of 116bps v 1H23) from RBA cash rate increases
- ▲ Average funding margin 178bps in 2H23 (increase 13bps from 1H23) due to higher margins on new funding versus existing

**Term Funding (\$b)**



- ▲ FY23 Term issuance \$4.7b supporting Residential and Secured asset growth
- ▲ New issue margins stable across the period but higher than existing funding

# BDD

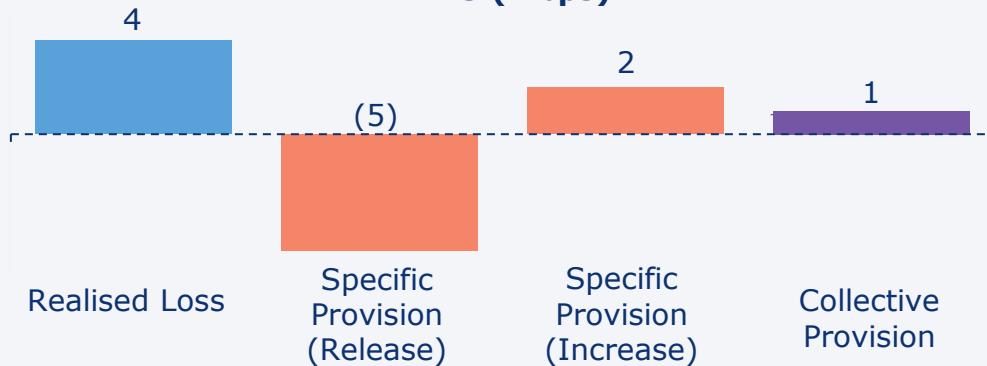
**2H22 (1 bps)**



**2H23 (11 bps)**

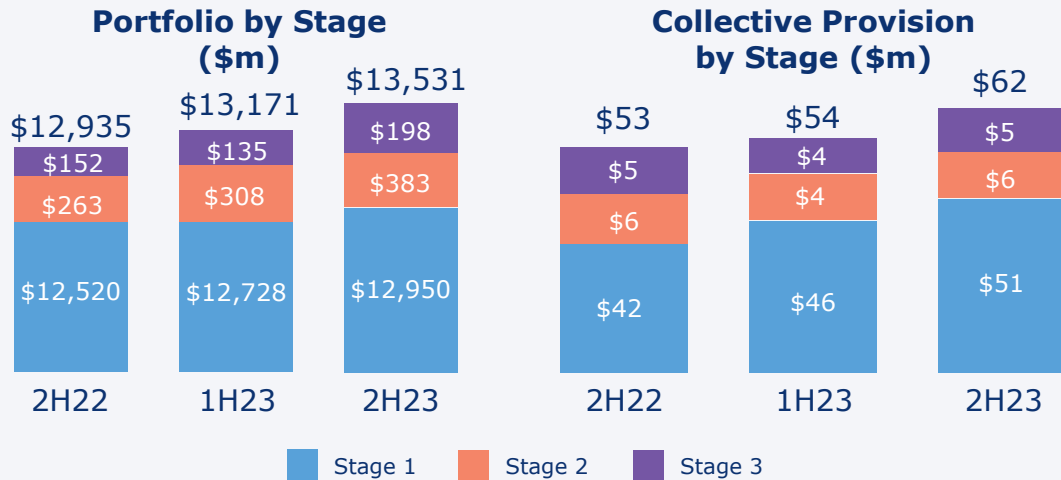


**1H23 (2 bps)**



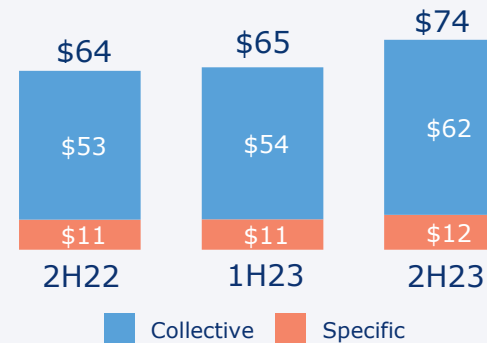
- ▲ Impairment expense 11bps in 2H23 driven by:
  - Realised losses (5bps) largely offset by specific provision release relating to write-offs (4bps)
  - Higher specific provisions reflect higher arrears profile (4bps)
  - Increase in collective provision to reflect mix shift towards higher yielding Secured and Financial Services segments (6bps)

# Loss Provisions



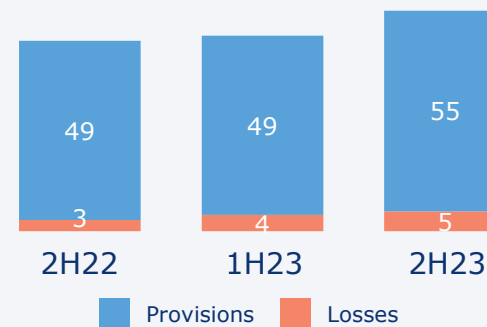
- ▲ Increase in Stage 2 and Stage 3 balances reflect higher number of customers seeking repayment variations
- ▲ Customers seeking support has reduced each month since April
- ▲ 58% of customers in Stage 3 making active payments at 89% of contract amount

## Provisions by Nature (\$m)



- ▲ Specific provisions at 2H23 (\$12m) consistent with 1H23 and 2H22
- ▲ Increase in collective provisions at 2H23 (\$62m) reflecting mix shift towards Secured and Financial Services segments

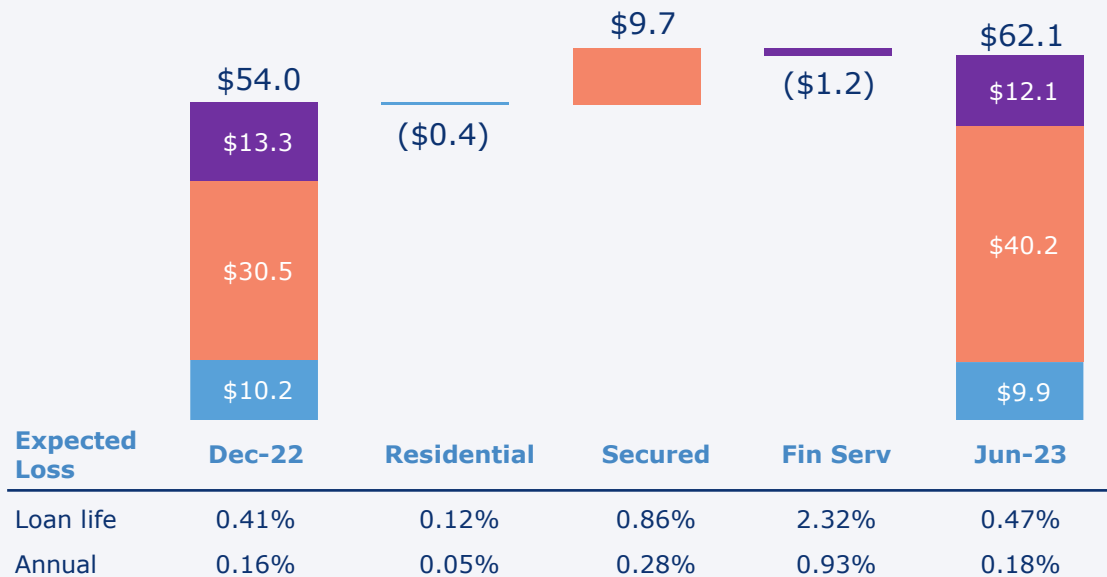
## Provision Coverage (bps)



- ▲ Total provisions at 2H23 (55bps) provide 6 times coverage against annualised 2H23 realised losses (9bps)
- ▲ Total provisions at 2H23 (\$74m) provide 37% coverage against Stage 3 balances (42% in 2H22)

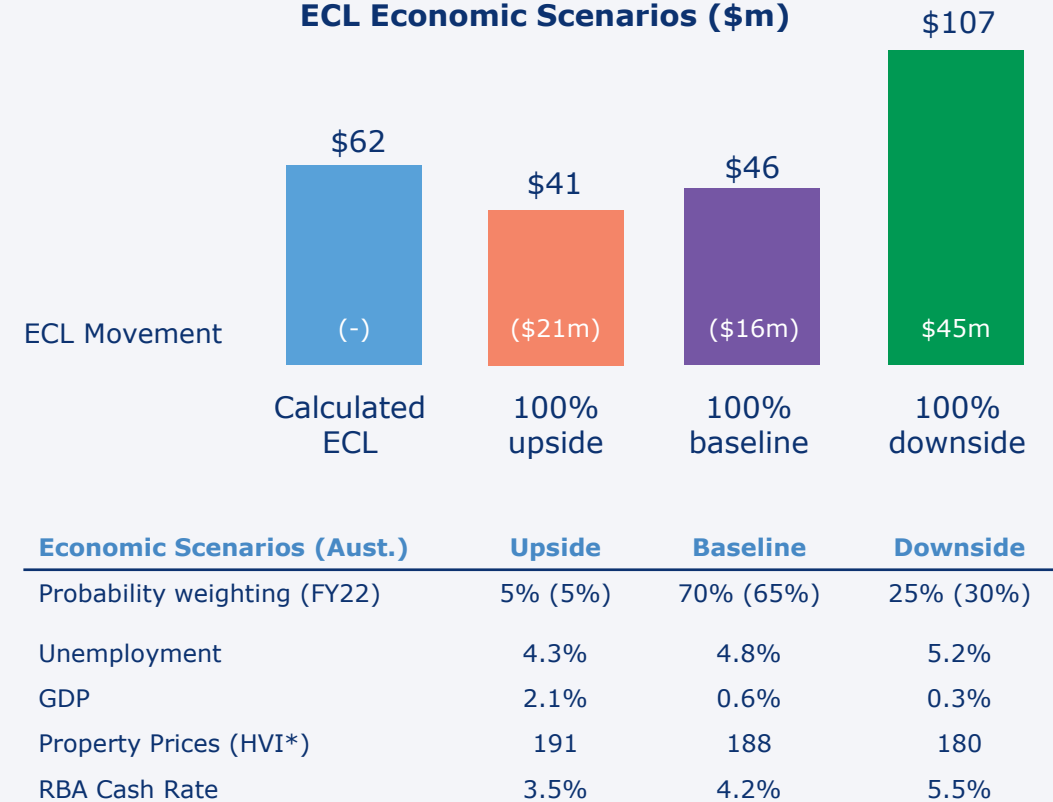
# Expected Credit Loss

ECL by Segment (\$m)



- ▲ Reduction in AU residential from lower portfolio offset by increase in NZ residential from increase in expected loss
- ▲ Increase in secured from higher portfolio (stable expected loss)
- ▲ Reduction in financial services from reduced expected loss as past write-offs better than expected

ECL Economic Scenarios (\$m)



\*HVI - Home Value Index

# Operating Expenses

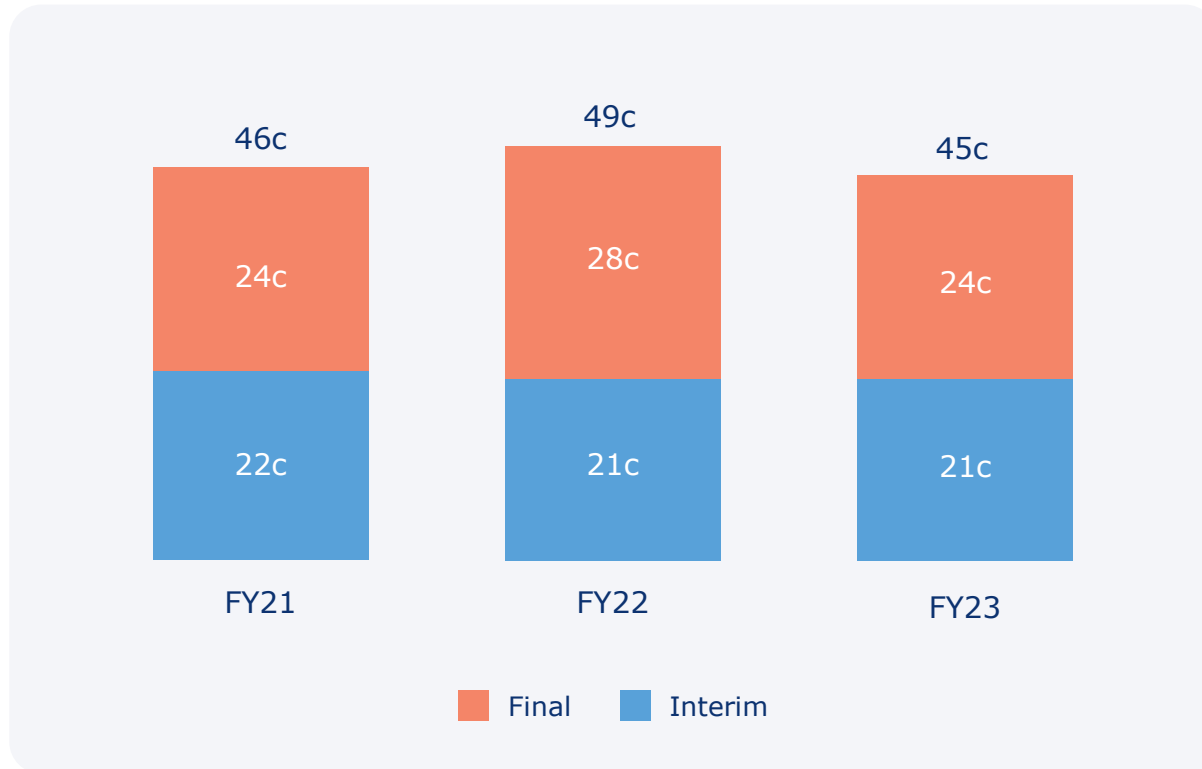
Operating expenses (\$m)	2H22	1H23	2H23
Personnel	42	45	48
Other	31	35	34
<b>Cash expenses</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>82</b>
IP amortisation	6	6	6
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Cost to income</b>	<b>23.4%</b>	<b>25.8%</b>	<b>27.5%</b>
FTE (#)	524	550	546

- ▲ Operating costs stable 2H23 v 1H23; lower net revenue explains increase in cost to income ratio
- ▲ Personnel cost 2H23 v 2H22 reflects wage inflation and FTE increase to 546 (from 524) to support growth
- ▲ Other expenses 2H23 v 2H22 reflects increase in marketing and technology expenses to drive continued business growth

Cost to income = Underlying personnel & other expenses / Underlying Net Revenue



# Distribution



- ▲ Final distribution 24 cents for 7-month period to 30-Jun-23 to be paid 31-Aug-23
- ▲ FY23 distribution of 45 cents provides 12% yield based on 30 June 2023 security price of \$3.63
- ▲ FY23 payout ratio 75% NPAT
- ▲ FY24 distribution expected to move toward the midpoint of the policy range (40-80% NPAT)

# Financial Position

\$m	Jun-22	Jun-23
Cash	654	1,342
Financial assets	12,916	13,535
Loans to related parties	140	122
Other assets	615	693
Financing	(12,802)	(14,082)
Other liabilities	(407)	(440)
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>1,170</b>
<b>Leverage ratio</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>13.4</b>

- ▲ All wholesale facilities due for renewal in FY23 extended (\$3.5b)
- ▲ New facility established to support Secured asset growth (\$500m)
- ▲ Strong liquidity position with aggregate wholesale limits (\$7b) and available limits (\$3b) at 30-Jun-23
- ▲ Increase in cash from pre-funding RMBS & Auto ABS in June (\$425m) utilised in July
- ▲ Stable balance sheet with higher leverage driven by the temporary cash increase
- ▲ Annualised underlying ROE 15% with modest leverage
- ▲ Risk Adjusted Capital Ratio 15.8% to be affirmed by S&P by AGM

Leverage Ratio = Total Assets / Total Equity

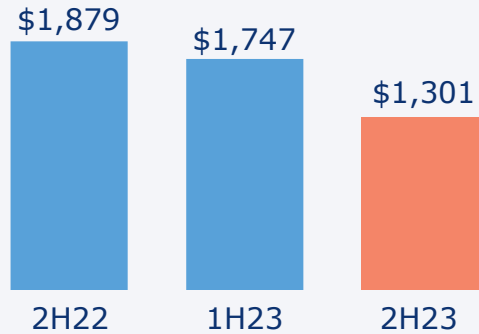
# 03 Business Update

# Business Update

-  Steady originations with continued portfolio growth
-  Residential impacted by slower demand and higher discharges
-  Continued growth in SME and SMSF lending
-  Momentum supported by new distribution partnerships
-  Fin Services benefitting from growth in PL lending
-  Increase in arrears managed effectively

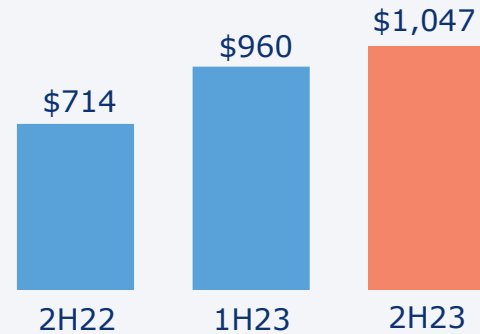
# Segment Loan Origination

## Residential (\$'m)



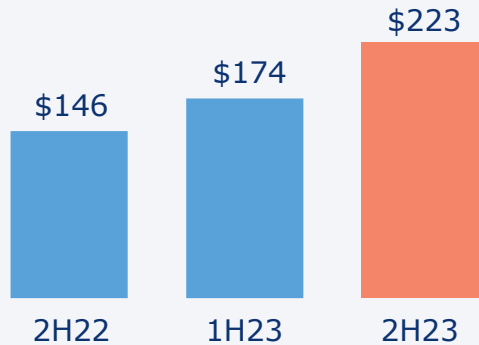
- ▲ FY23 originations (\$3.0b) 23% below record FY22 originations (\$3.9b) reflecting slower credit growth given interest rate cycle
- ▲ 25% reduction in 2H23 v 1H23 although monthly origination profile improved since May

## Secured (\$m)



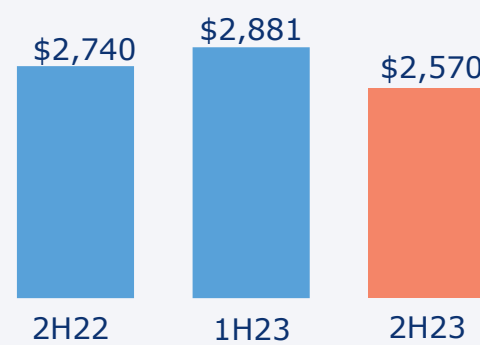
- ▲ Record FY23 new originations (\$2.0b) 43% increase over FY22 (\$1.4b)
- ▲ 5% increase in 2H23 v 1H23
- ▲ Driven by continued growth in auto finance lending as market share re-distribution continues

## Fin Services (\$m)



- ▲ Record FY23 originations (\$385m) 49% increase over FY22 (\$259m)
- ▲ 21% increase in 2H23 v 1H23
- ▲ Driven by market share gain from other non-banks

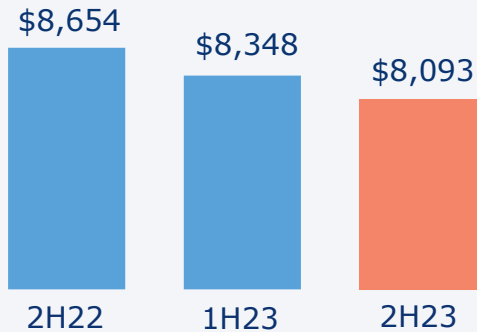
## Group (\$m)



- ▲ FY23 originations (\$5.4b) 2% lower v FY22 (\$5.6b)
- ▲ 12% reduction in 2H23 v record 1H23 half year originations
- ▲ Reduction in Residential lending only partially offset by continued growth in higher yielding Secured and Financial Services lending

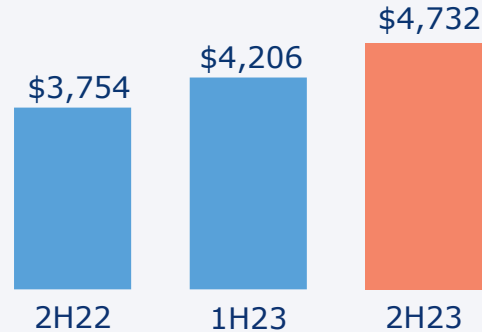
# Segment Loan Portfolio

## Residential (\$m)



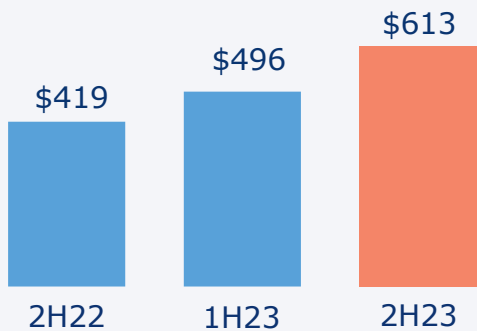
Portfolio growth continues to be impacted by higher than trend discharges and amortisation

## Secured (\$m)



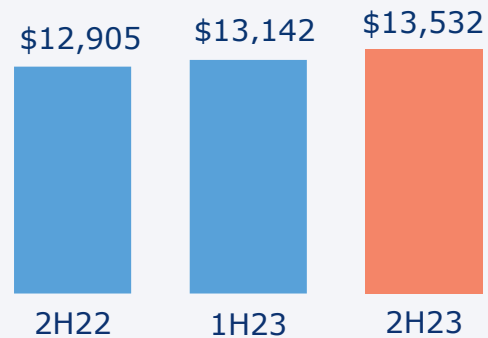
Continued growth in Secured loan portfolio driven by growth in auto finance lending, with steady discharges and amortisation

## Fin Services (\$m)



Continued growth in personal loan portfolio

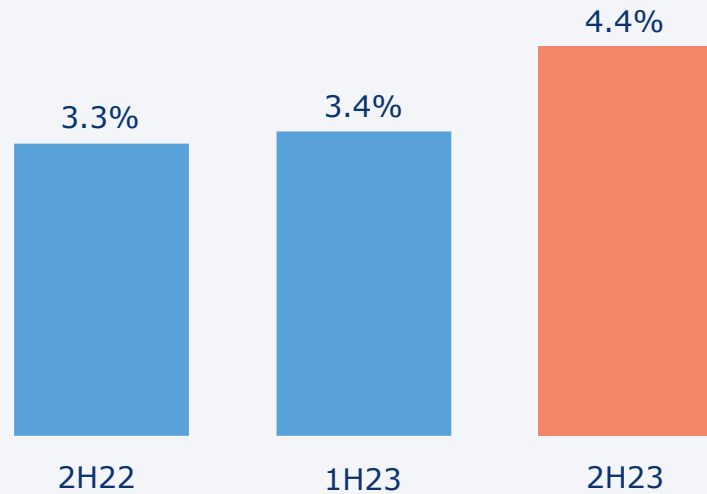
## Group (\$m)



3% portfolio growth in 2H23 v 1H23  
Portfolio mix continues to move toward higher yielding Secured and Financial Services assets

# Portfolio Risk

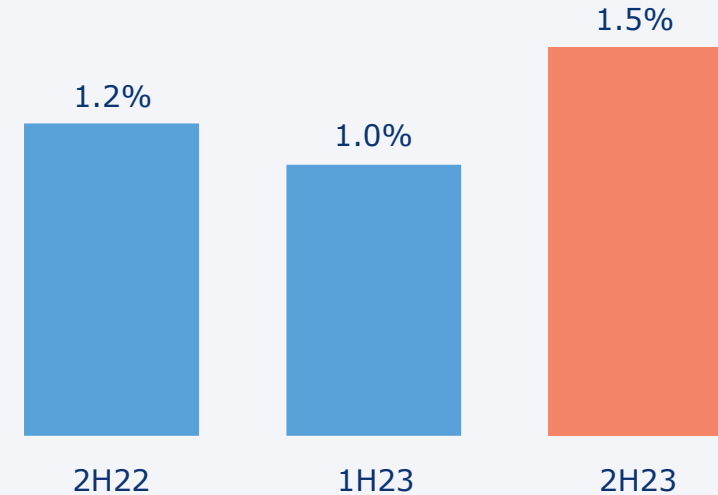
## +30 Day Delinquency



- ▲ Early-stage delinquency higher at Jun-23 v Jun-22 driven by higher number of customers seeking repayment variations
- ▲ Customers seeking support has reduced each month since April

Customers in hardship included in delinquency results

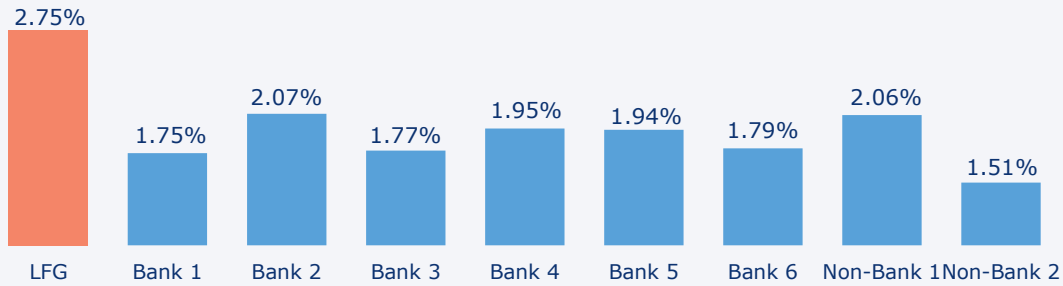
## +90 Day Delinquency



- ▲ Increase in impairment repayment variation support continues
- ▲ Proportion of Stage 3 customers making repayments has remained consistent, with an increase in the percentage of contract amount being repaid
- ▲ Longer-dated delinquency showing early signs of improvement although risk remains

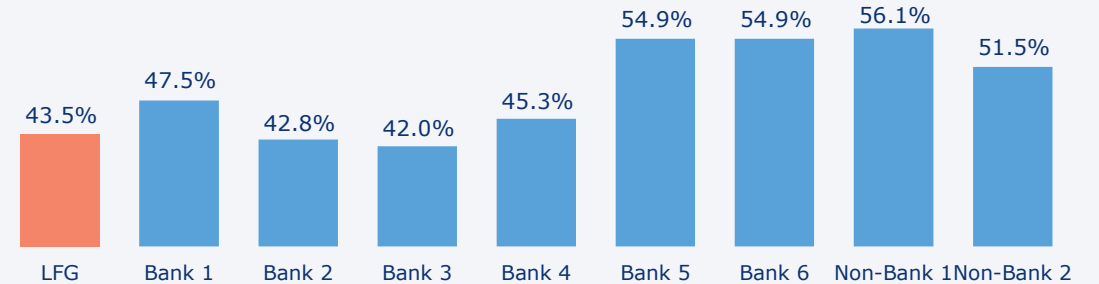
# Relative Value Drivers

## Net Interest Margin



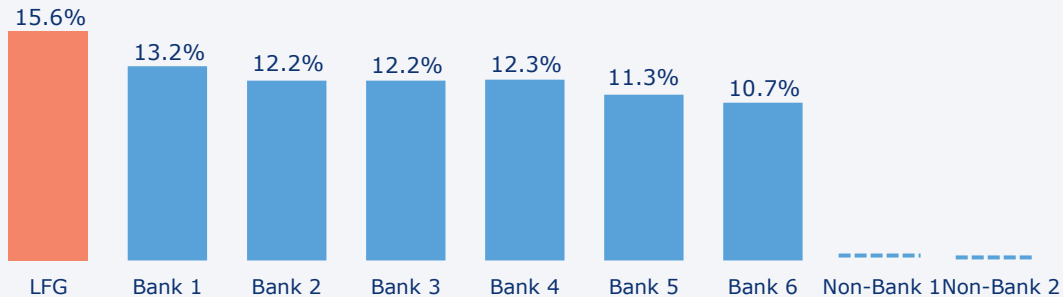
▲ Industry leading net interest margin

## Cost to Income Ratio



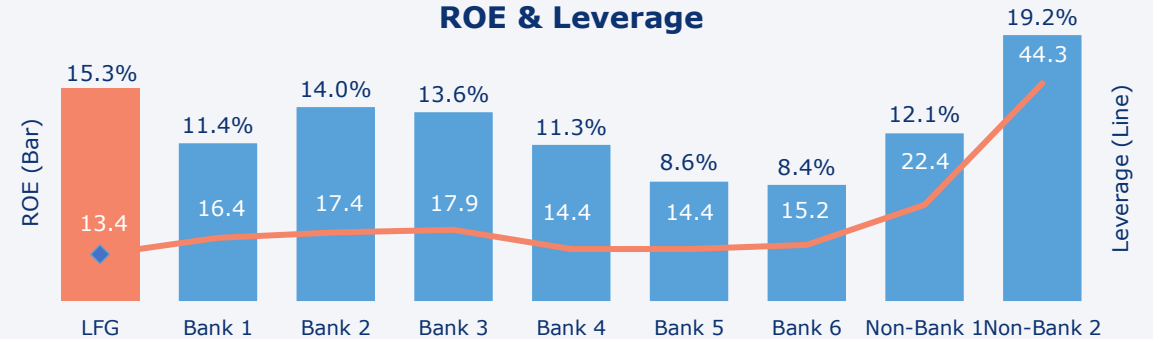
▲ Efficient cost management

## Tier 1 Capital Ratio



▲ Bank-like capital strength

## ROE & Leverage



▲ Highest ROE to Leverage ratio in excess of 100%

Results represent: LFG=FY23; Others (public full-year or half-year results as at 23-Aug-23)  
Tier 1 Capital Ratio represent: LFG=S&P RAC Ratio; Others APRA Tier 1 Ratio







# ESG, People and Culture

-  Recertified B Corporation with +30% improved score
-  Carbon audit completed to prepare for 2030
-  Initiated Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan
-  Improved diversity, inclusion and belonging metrics
-  MFAA Diversity and Inclusion award winner 2023
-  Introduced green solutions to all lending products
-  95% staff proud to work at Liberty

# 04 Outlook

# Outlook

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-  Economic indicators support subdued credit growth
-  Refinance activity to continue as fixed rate loans expire
-  Increasing provisions from change in economic cycle
-  NIM reduces further as funding cost remains elevated
-  Inflationary pressure impacting operating expenses
-  Customer demand for improved digital experiences

# 05 Summary

# Summary

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-  Diverse customer solutions driving asset growth
-  Leading peer NIM despite elevated cost of funds
-  Leading ROE to leverage ratio in industry
-  Strong liquidity and capital position to support growth
-  Ongoing investment in diversifying customer solutions
-  Ongoing investment in digital customer solutions

**06** Questions

# Appendix

# Who is LFG?

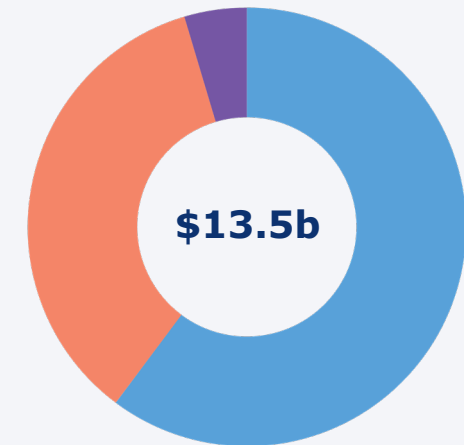
## Liberty Financial

- ▲ Started 1997 and only investment grade non-bank (BBB-/positive/A-3)
- ▲ Pioneered specialty finance industry in Australia and New Zealand
- ▲ Over 540 professionals, Melbourne head office
- ▲ Operates through three key segments: Residential Finance, Secured Finance and Financial Services

## Durable Business Model

- ▲ Advanced risk-management capabilities
- ▲ Proprietary technology supports operations
- ▲ STRONG S&P Servicer rating across all asset classes
- ▲ Diversified products, services, revenues and profits
- ▲ Unblemished capital markets track record

## Diversified Portfolio



- Residential - 60%
- Secured - 35%
- Financial Services - 5%



# Products and Services

## Residential Finance

### Australian mortgages

- Prime and custom lending for residential owner occupier and investment properties

### New Zealand mortgages

- Prime and custom lending for residential owner occupier and investment properties



## Secured Finance

### Motor finance

- Secured prime and custom lending for vehicles purchased privately and through dealerships in Australia

### Commercial finance

- Secured commercial property mortgages to SMEs and SMSFs for working capital, owner occupier loans and investment loans in Australia



## Financial Services

### Personal loans

- Personal loans in Australia



### SME loans

- SME loans in Australia



### General insurance underwriting and distribution

- Underwriter and distribution of LPI and VEI, distributor of home and contents and car insurance in Australia



### Life insurance distribution

- Designer and distributor of life insurance in Australia



### Broker network and aggregators

- Mortgage broker distributing loans and insurance products in Australia and New Zealand



### Investments

- A range of investment products for short and long-term investing in Australia and New Zealand



### Real estate

- Real estate services in New Zealand



Lending activities

Insurance underwriting

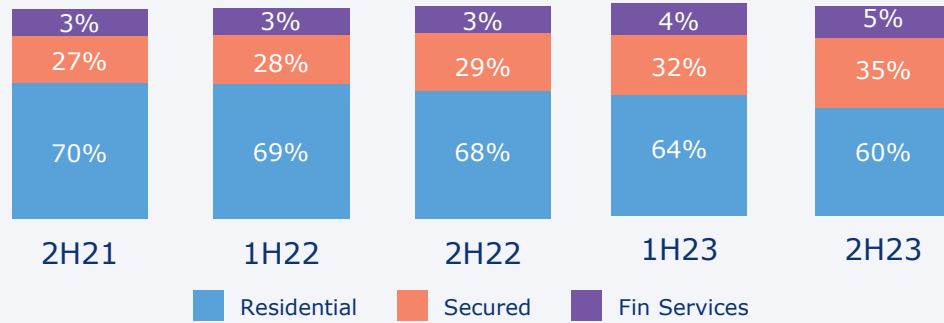
Loan and insurance distribution

Investments

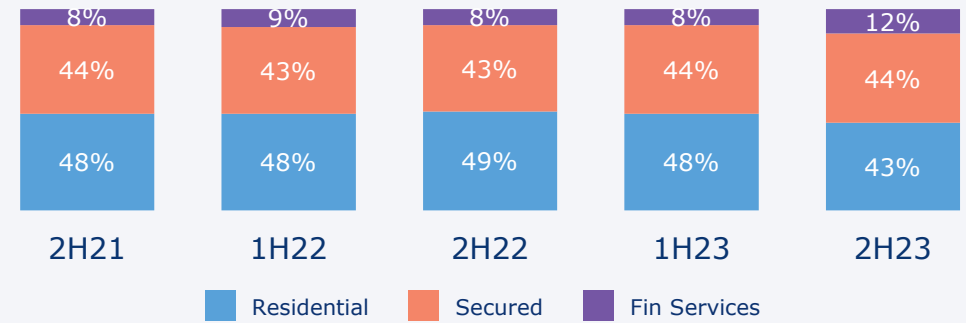
Real estate

# Segment Performance

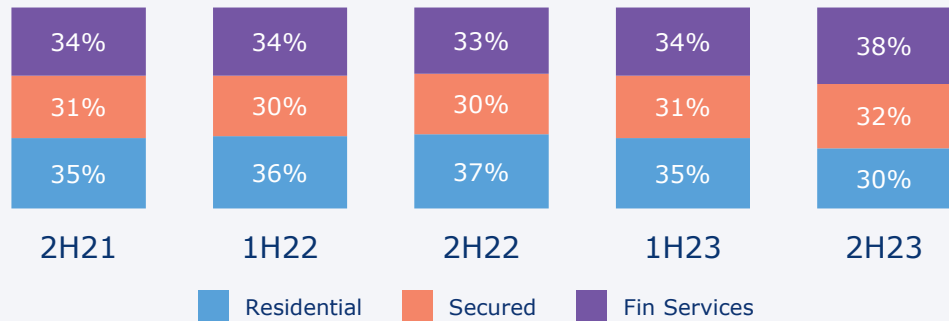
### Portfolio



### Net Contribution



### Net Revenue



- Relative segment portfolio mix continues trajectory toward Secured and Financial Services
- Higher yielding Secured and Financial Services assets generate higher relative contribution to Group net revenue and contribution

# Reconciliation Statutory to Underlying

\$m	FY22	FY23
Statutory NPAT	219	181
IP amortisation	12	12
<b>Statutory NPATA</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>193</b>
Commission income		(23)
Commission expense		7
Contingent consideration expense		10
Tax effect of adjustments	-	5
Tax cost base reset benefit		(5)
Total adjustments	-	(6)
<b>Underlying NPATA</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>187</b>

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