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14 August 2026

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Dear Sir / Madam,

QBE Presentation on the 2026 half year results

Further to the announcement today of our results for the half year ended 30 June 2026, 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 blue ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn Scobie'.

Carolyn Scobie
Company Secretary
Attachment

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1H26 Half Year Result

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Basis of presentation (unless otherwise stated)

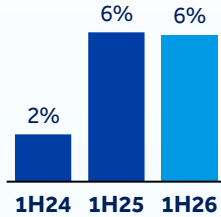
1. All figures are in US dollars.
2. Premium growth rates are quoted on a constant currency basis.
3. Premium rate change excludes North America Crop and/or Australian compulsory third party motor (CTP).
4. Core fixed income excludes enhanced fixed income risk assets which comprise emerging market debt, high yield debt and private credit.
5. Funds under management comprise cash and cash equivalents, investments and investment properties.
6. Total core fixed income yield includes assets measured at fair value through profit and loss, and fair value through other comprehensive income.
7. 2025 adjusted net profit after income tax adjusts for Additional Tier 1 capital coupon accruals. Prior periods remain as presented in prior reports.
8. Adjusted closing and average shareholders' equity exclude the fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) reserve for the purposes of calculating adjusted return on equity. Prior periods remain as presented in prior reports.
9. Total investment income excludes fixed income gains or losses from changes in risk-free rates.
10. 2021 and prior periods are presented on an adjusted AASB 1023 basis as presented in prior reports.
11. APRA PCA calculations at 30 June 2026 are indicative. Prior period calculation has been updated to be consistent with APRA returns finalised subsequent to year end.
12. Book value per share excludes Additional Tier 1 instruments accounted as equity in 2025 and prior
13. Debt-to-total capital and debt-to-equity ratios include the Additional Tier 1 Notes issued in May 2026 as equity

1H26 Financial results

Consistent, disciplined execution against our plan

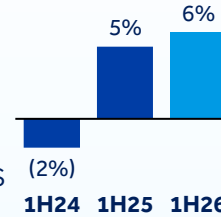
+6%

Gross written premium growth
Or +7% ex. non-core exits



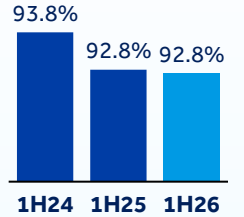
+6%

Ex-rate growth
4% ex. Crop and non-core exits



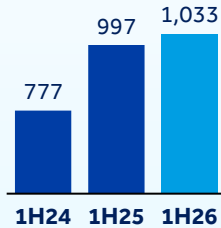
92.8%

Combined operating ratio
92.8% in 1H25



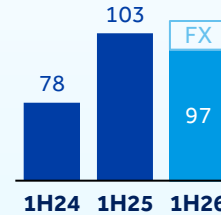
\$1,033M

Adj. Net profit after tax
Increase of 4% on 1H25



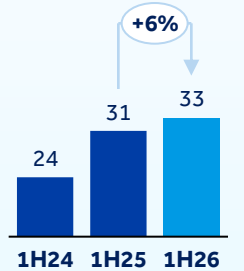
A¢97

Adj. EPS (diluted basis)
Up 4% in USD on 1H25



A¢33

Dividend per share
33% payout, ~30% franked



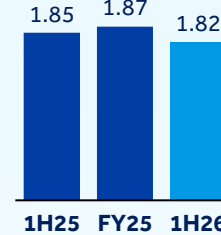
17.7%

Adj. Return on equity
19.2% in 1H25



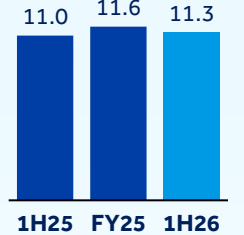
1.82x

APRA PCA Multiple
Target range 1.6x to 1.8x



A\$11.3

Book value per share
Up 1% in USD on FY25



1H26 Performance overview

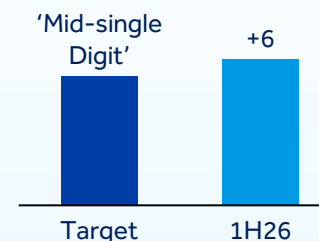
Strong start to 2026, with 1H26 performance consistent with all key targets

Key messages

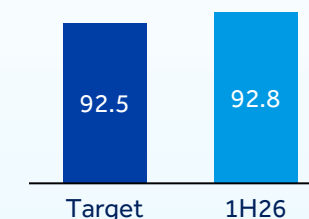
- Solid returns continue, with ROE of 17.7% comfortably above medium-term outlook of 15%+
- Adjusted EPS growth of 4% in USD, interim DPS growth of 6% in AUD
- GWP grew 6% on a constant currency basis, consistent with our mid-single-digit outlook, and supported by a breadth of opportunities
- COR of 92.8%, on track to achieve FY26 outlook of ~92.5%
- Ongoing benefit from sound risk settings with further favourable PYD and CAT below allowance
- Ex-cat claims were impacted by some timing related matters, which are expected to improve in 2H26
- Premium rate adequacy remains supportive across the vast majority of portfolios
- Strong capital position with PCA of 1.82x, A\$450m buyback completed in April
- Additional capital efficiency initiatives to complete in 2H26, including the sale of our Trade Credit business alongside a loss portfolio transfer announced today

Execution against key targets

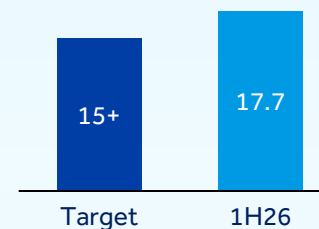
GWP growth (%)



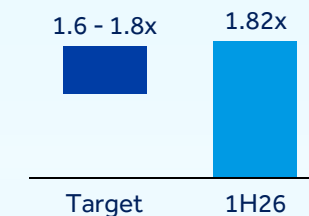
Combined operating ratio (%)



Adjusted ROE (%)



Capital position APRA PCA Multiple



A high quality, diversified business

Well placed to capitalise on attractive industry fundamentals

Attractive industry outlook

The role of commercial P&C has never been more important



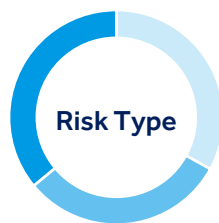
Our medium-term aspirations

Calibrated to capture the opportunity



Breadth and diversification

Capacity to deploy across all key markets



Property
Casualty
Specialty & other



Commercial
Specialty
Reinsurance
Crop & LMI
Consumer



North America
Australia
United Kingdom
Europe
New Zealand
Asia & other

At the heart of Insurance for 140 years

High quality, capital efficient growth underpinned by uniquely diversified platform



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Value creation focus

Breadth and diversification underpins sustainable growth

Disciplined capital allocation supporting profitable growth

Opportunities to improve capital efficiency

Fundamental improvement in business risk settings

Building value from efficiency initiatives and AI

**High quality,
capital efficient
growth
2026+**

Turnaround
2020-2022



Portfolio optimisation
2022-2024



Building resilience
2024-2026



Sustainable growth

Track record of sustainable growth continues in 2026

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QBE's unique diversification supports and drives our...



- Commercial
- Specialty
- Reinsurance
- Crop & LMI
- Consumer

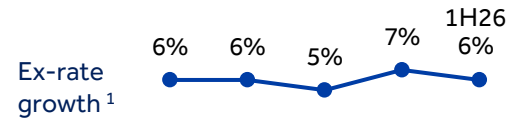


- Open market
- Digital underwriting
- Reinsurance
- Facilities
- Third parties

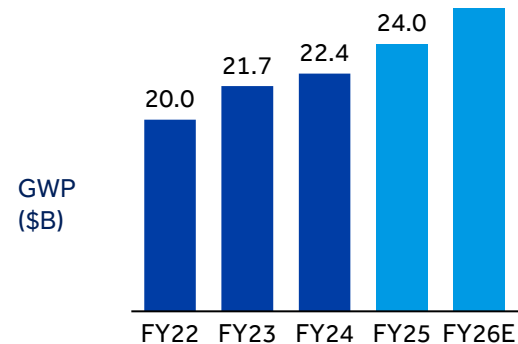


- North America
- Australia
- United Kingdom
- Europe
- New Zealand
- Asia & other

...track record of sustainable volume growth



Inclusive of >\$1B of portfolio exits



Sustainable volume growth, underpinned by active portfolio management

1H26 Ex-rate growth (%)

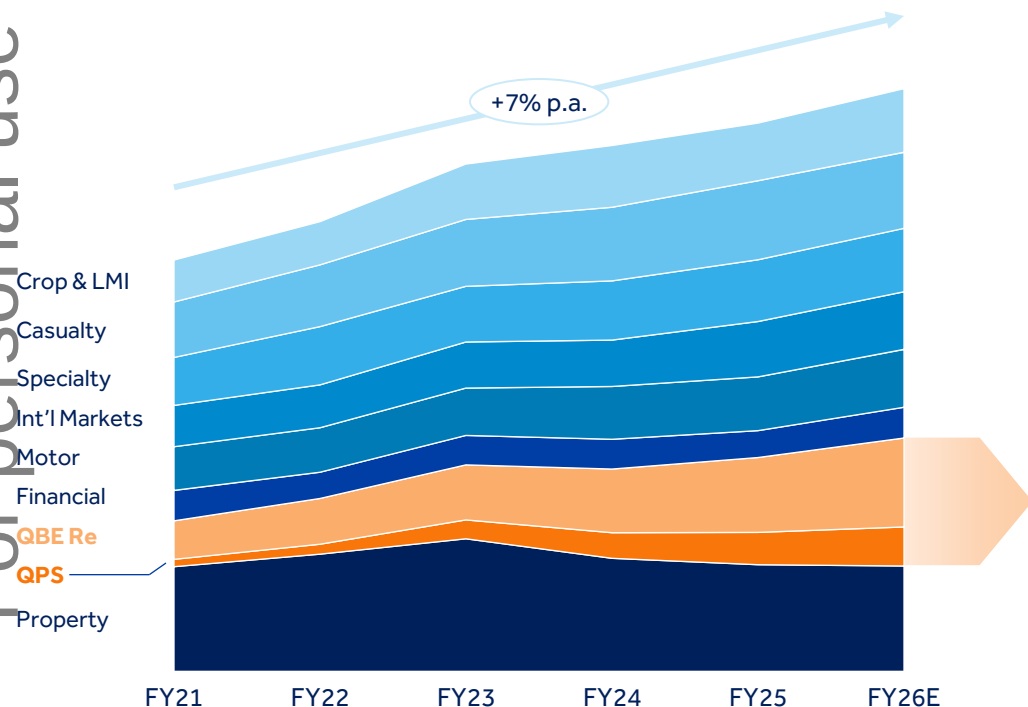


- 1H26 ex-rate growth underpinned by breadth of opportunities...
- ...highlighting execution against mix of growth focus areas, and current market opportunities...
- ... whilst balancing portfolio optimisation objectives
- Underwriting actions to optimise returns in A&H and a WC program exit will have a temporary impact on growth

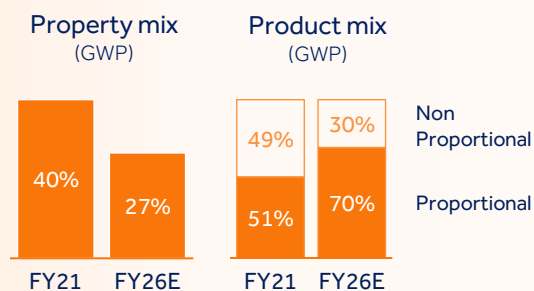
Sustainable growth

Driving growth whilst reorientating our portfolio to deliver resilient earnings

Our evolving portfolio mix
Net insurance revenue mix



QBE Re
Excellent track record



<90% COR
3yr avg

>15% ROAC¹
3yr avg

- Product shift to lower-volatility proportional reinsurance improves earnings stability
- Increased relevance with top 10 customers accounting for ~30% of GWP vs <15% in 2021
- Deployment of Sidecar and CAT bond improves returns and earnings stability

QBE Portfolio Solutions
Market leader

2
Facilities
2021

20+
Facilities
2026

<90% COR
3yr avg

>15% ROAC¹
3yr avg

- Diversification drives performance
- Structural shift towards greater facilitation
- Access to broad market data
- Efficient placement for customer, broker and carrier

Disciplined capital management

Focus on reducing our capital intensity

Capital Allocation framework

Sustainable growth

1.

Mid-single digit growth in the medium-term
Capital efficient and above hurdle

Dividend

2.

40-60% full year payout ratio

Capital management

3.

Lever to distribute surplus capital beyond dividend

Capital discipline – Recent actions

A\$450M Buyback completed



Maintain flexibility to support growth



Medium-term ROE outlook 15%+



Growth targeted in high ROAC¹ segments



Capital efficiency – Recent actions

QBE Re Casualty Side Car



QBE Group CAT Bond



Reinsurance Loss Portfolio Transfer



Sale of capital intensive trade credit business



Near term outcomes

- ~6pt PCA benefit
- Enhanced reserve stability
- Further optionality to deploy capital into ROE accretive growth
- Flexibility to return any excess capital in the form of share buybacks

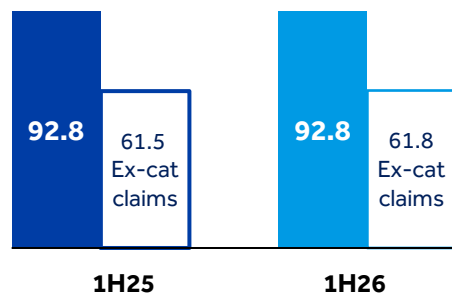
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Financial Performance

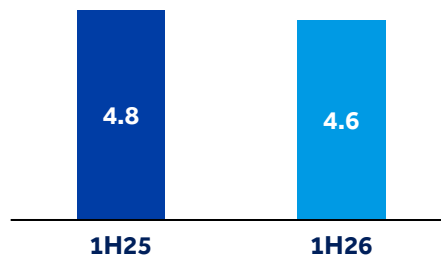
Result snapshot

Excellent financial returns

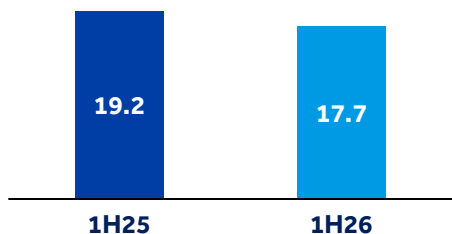
Combined operating ratio (%)



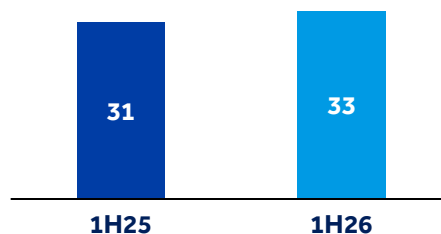
Investment return (%)
(Annualised)



Adjusted ROE (%)



Dividends per share (A\$ cps)

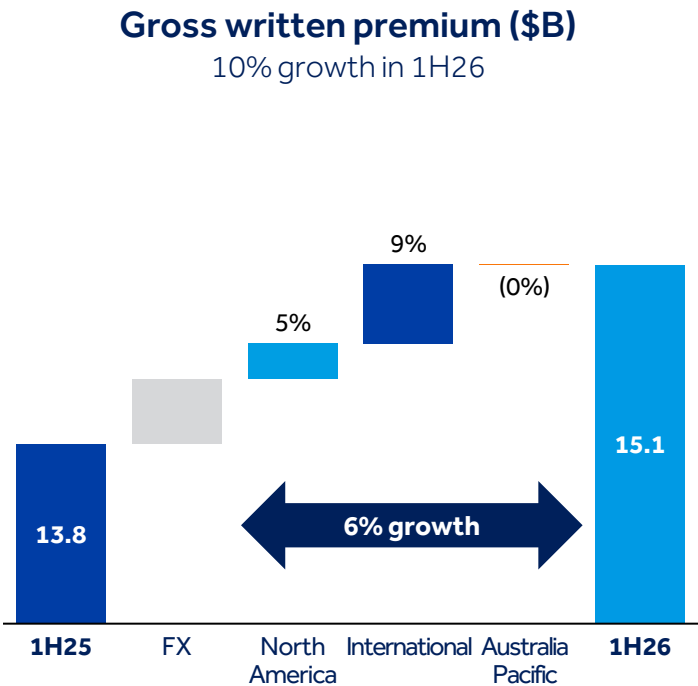
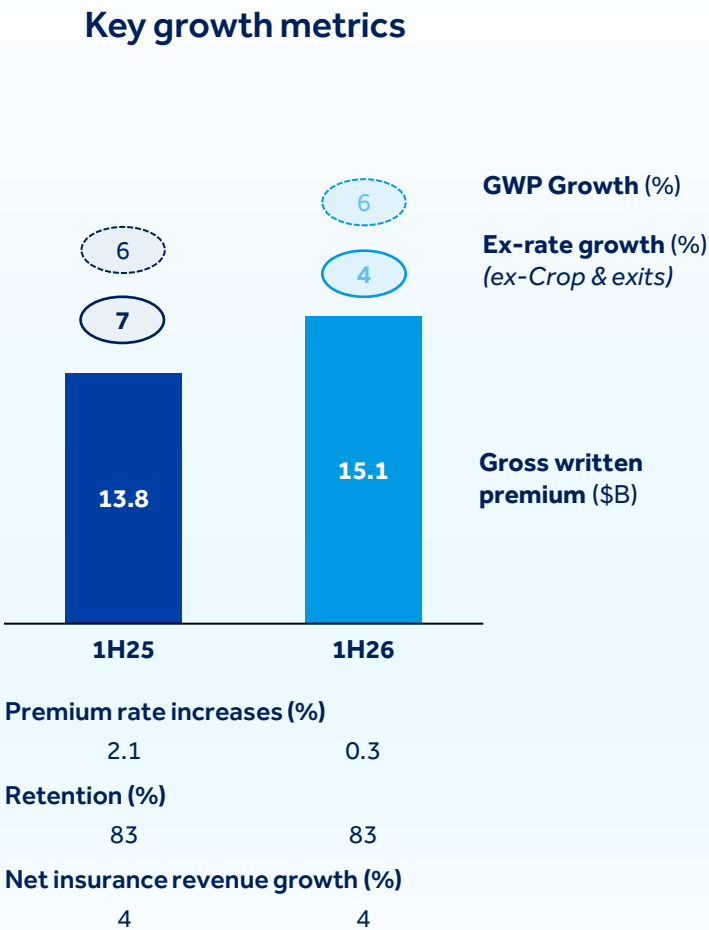


		1H25	1H26
Gross written premium	\$M	13,820	15,137
Net insurance revenue	\$M	8,814	9,546
Net claims ratio	%	62.8	62.3
Net commission ratio	%	17.9	18.1
Expense ratio	%	12.1	12.4
Combined operating ratio	%	92.8	92.8
Insurance operating result	\$M	639	691
Net insurance finance income (loss)	\$M	(132)	157
Investment income (loss) from risk-free rate Δ	\$M	141	(171)
Net investment income	\$M	788	828
Net profit after income tax	\$M	1,022	1,033
Adjusted profit after income tax	\$M	997	1,033
Adjusted return on equity	%	19.2	17.7

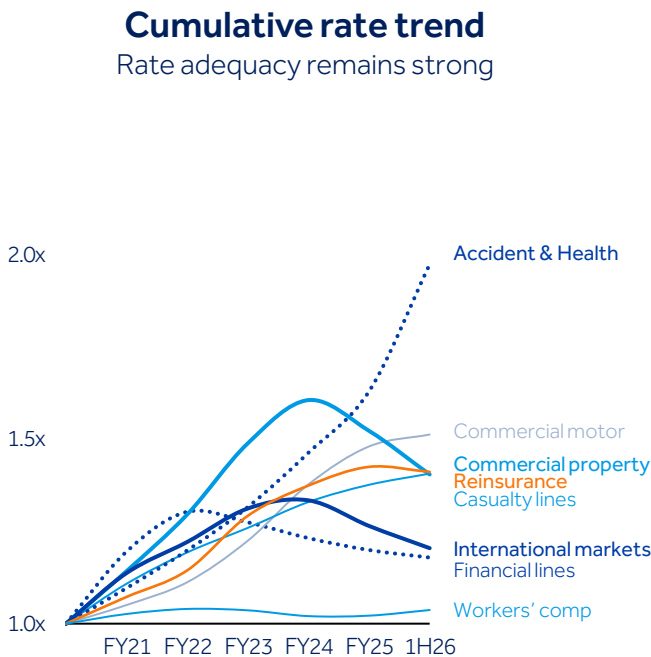
Gross written premium

Strong organic growth continues

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- International ex-rate growth was strong at 11%, led by QBE Re, Portfolio solutions and Lloyd's
- Moderation in premium rate increases driven by commercial property



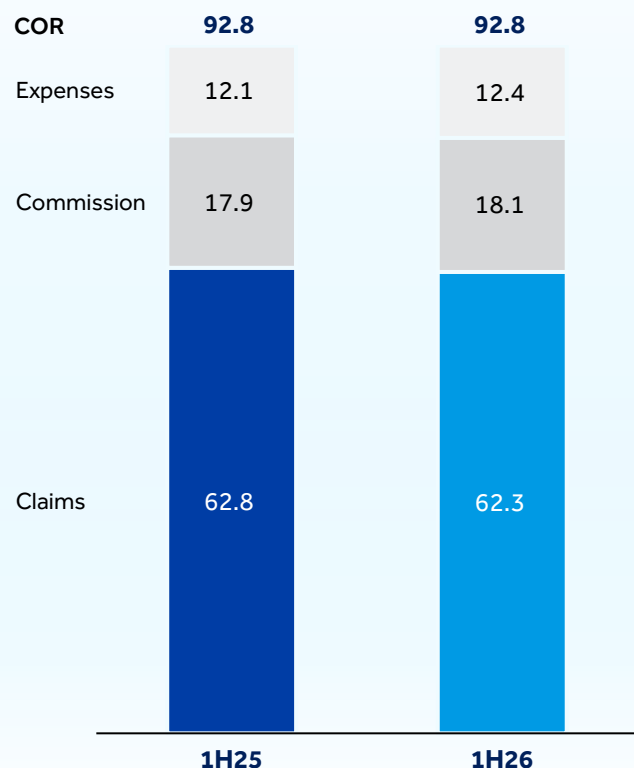
- Group premium rates increased 3% excluding Commercial Property and International Markets

Group underwriting performance

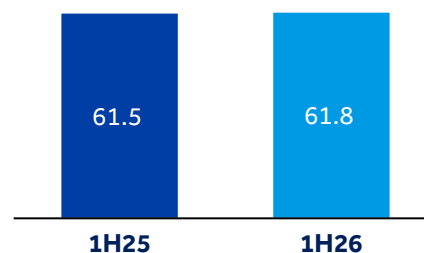
Underwriting performance on track to deliver on guidance

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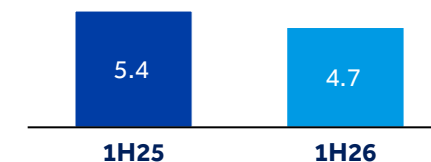
Combined operating ratio (%)
Consistently strong underwriting result



Ex-cat claims (%)
Broadly stable



Catastrophe claims (%)
Comfortably below allowance



Prior year reserve development (%)
Favourable central estimate development



1H26 performance was impacted by **timing** matters:

1. Ex-cat claims included an onerous contract provision within A&H representing a full-year underwriting loss, which is expected to reverse in 2H26
2. Middle East impacts in 1H26 include \$75M of catastrophe costs, alongside ~\$50M of associated large losses within ex-cat claims. FY26 overall impact is expected to be more balanced, given the benefit of significant demand in Marine

Catastrophe resilience supports sustainable earnings

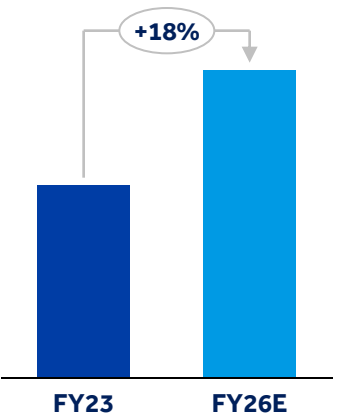
Excellent reinsurance program, disciplined risk settings and more balanced portfolio

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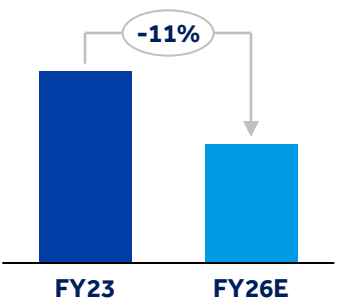
Strong business growth while reducing catastrophe exposure

Catastrophe resilience underpinned by high-quality reinsurance program and conservative catastrophe allowance

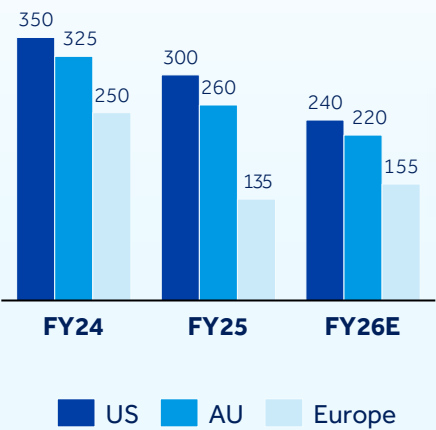
Net insurance revenue
(ex Crop & LMI)



Catastrophe risk
(Probable maximum loss)



Maximum event retentions
(MER) per region¹ (\$M)



Indicative Industry loss required to trigger MERs²

Event	Industry loss required	Return period
US hurricane	~\$75B	~10Y
EU wind storm	~\$10B	>20Y
AU wind storm ³	~\$4B	>20Y

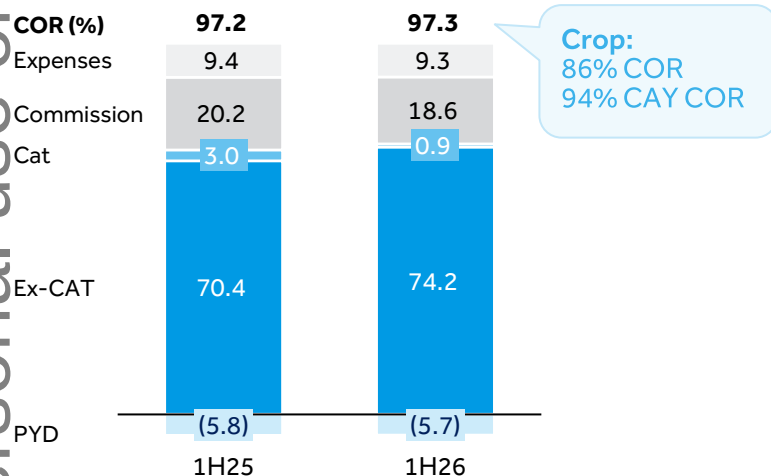
- QBE's catastrophe allowance of \$1,130 million for FY26 is set at the ~80th percentile
- QBE's maximum retention of a large catastrophe has reduced meaningfully in recent years
- The corresponding industry loss required to reach the MER is now quite remote

14 Note: (1) Maximum event retention assumes a single-occurrence, multi-divisional major event for peak perils reflecting insurance risk only. (2) Intended to be indicative only as the shape and path of a windstorm can vary. Figures are based on industry loss curves. (3) Australian windstorm is shown without the benefit of the government cyclone reinsurance pool

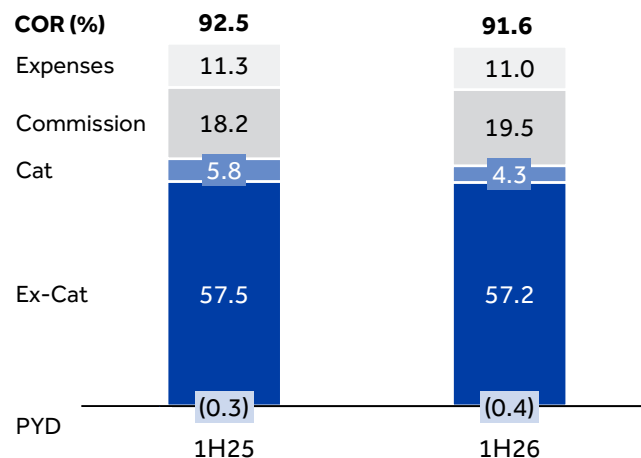


Divisional underwriting performance

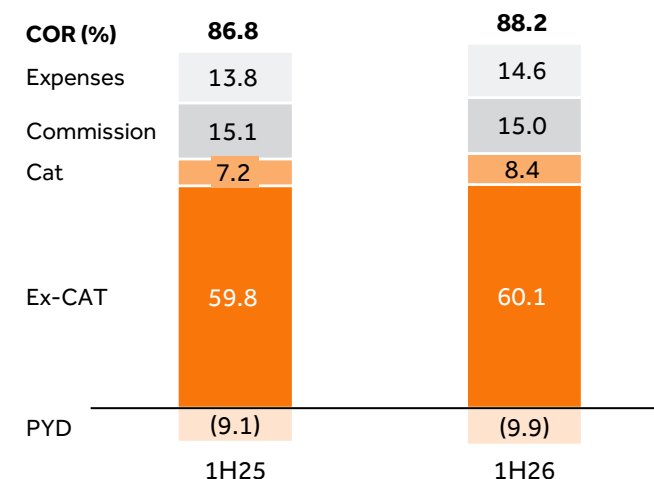
North America



International



Australia Pacific



- Benign catastrophe losses and favourable PYD driven by reserve releases in Crop and across several short-tail portfolios
- Elevated industry claims inflation in A&H drove higher current year claims

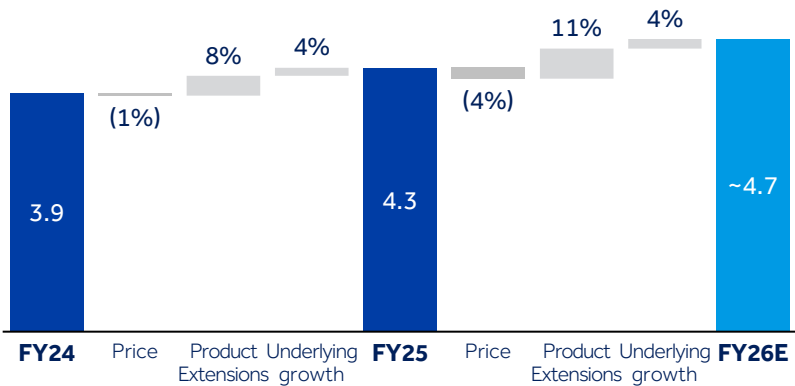
- Solid underwriting performance and momentum across key growth focus areas
- Lower CAT claims vs prior year, and tracked below allowance, despite Middle East estimated net CAT claims of \$75M

- Resilient despite higher CAT, primarily driven by January bushfires
- Increased expenses mainly due to lower TEPL credit associated with CTP
- Favourable PYD across LMI, CTP and commercial lines

North America Crop

Strategic shift driving improved outlook for performance

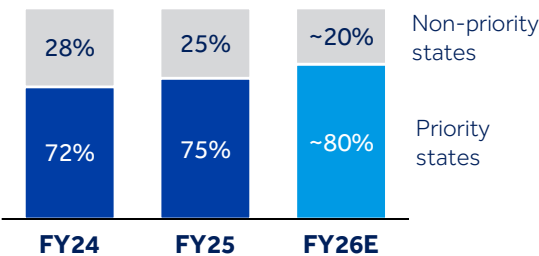
Gross written premium (\$B)



NIR / GWP	48%	41%	~39%
NIR (\$B)	1.9	1.8	~1.8
Cession to US FCIC ¹	15%	21%	~29%
Cession to 3 rd parties	26%	22%	~18%

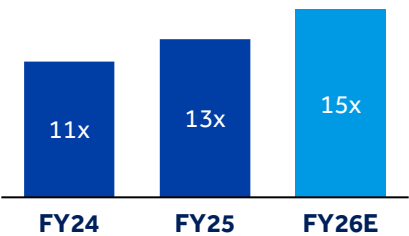
Multi Peril Crop Insurance (MPCI)

NIR mix



MPCI vs Private Products

GWP ratio



Outlook

Key messages

More stable GWP growth outlook

- Recent Crop GWP growth was primarily driven by Product Extensions, which have largely been ceded to the US FCIC¹
- The growth from Product Extensions is expected to normalise going forward

Meaningful progress in portfolio optimisation

- Our MPCI portfolio mix has improved materially since FY24, through greater utilisation of US FCIC¹ reinsurance
- Meaningfully lower exposure to Private Products (eg Hail), which drove challenges in prior periods

16 Note: (1) US government Federal Crop Insurance Corporation is the primary Crop reinsurer in the US

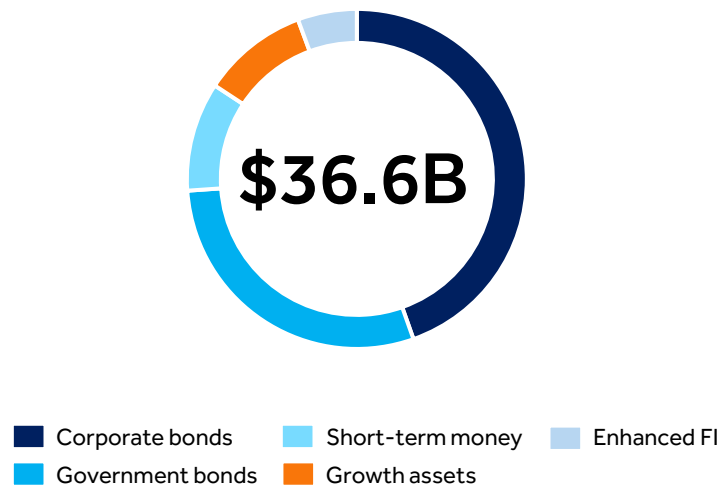
Investment performance

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1H26 investment return	\$M	%
CFI return (ex-risk-free rate)	627	2.0
Credit spreads MTM	8	0.0
Risk assets	192	3.6
Expenses and other	1	0.0
Net return	828	2.3

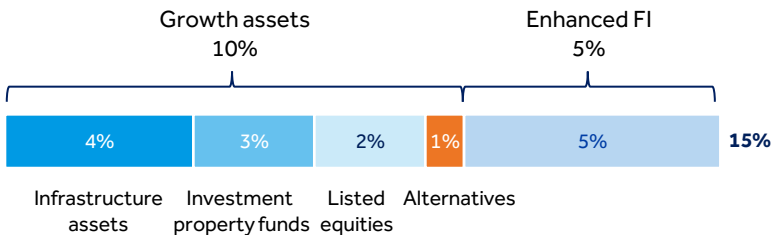
- Core fixed income yield improved, exiting 1H26 at 4.1%
- Total core fixed income duration of 2.5 years

Investment portfolio

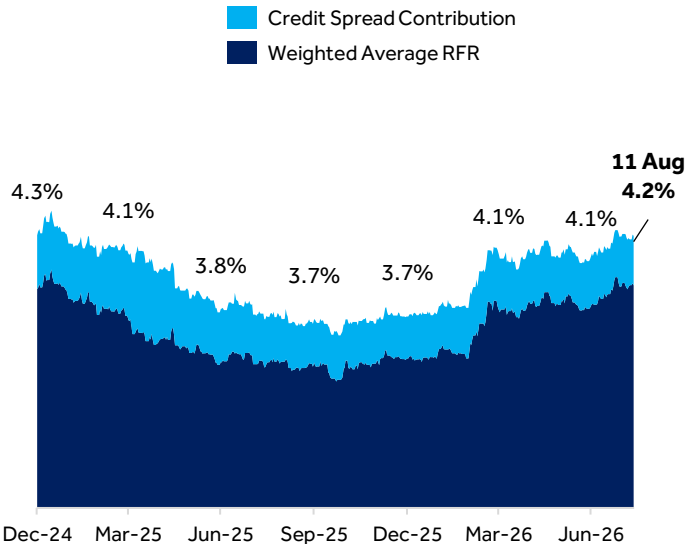


Risk assets

15% of total FUM



Core fixed income yield



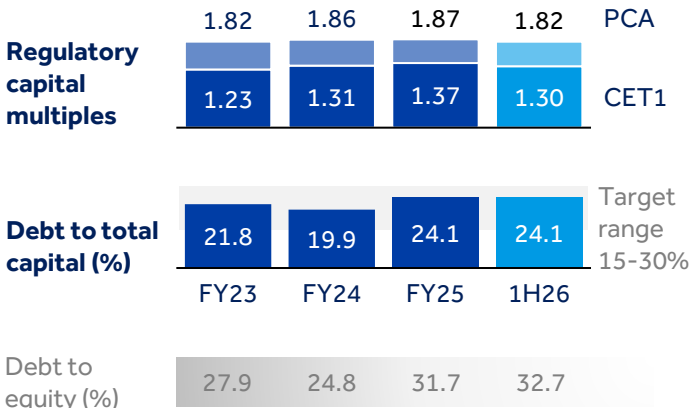
S&P security grading

Fixed income and enhanced fixed income



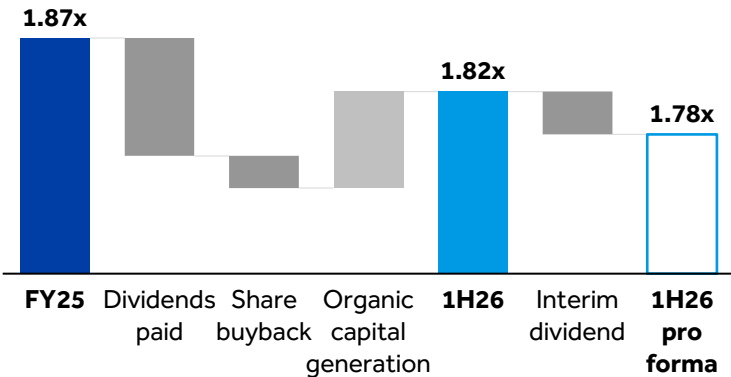
Balance sheet and capital management

Key capital metrics



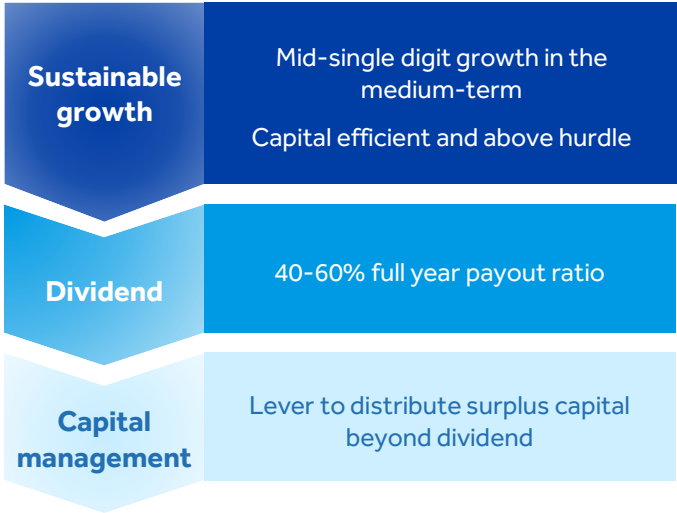
- Capital above S&P 'AA' level
- A\$450M buyback completed in April
- Issued notice of redemption for ~A\$500M of Tier 2 notes on 25 August 2026, pro-forma Debt to total capital would be 22.4%
- Issued notice of redemption reduces the APRA PCA multiple by ~4pts on a pro-forma basis

APRA capital
PCA multiple



- Regulatory capital at the top end of our 1.6x-1.8x target range
- Interim dividend to reduce capital by ~4pts
- \$1.6B loss portfolio transfer announced today to enhance reserve quality, expected to improve PCA by ~2pts. The transaction is subject to regulatory approval

Capital allocation framework



- Clear and consistent approach to capital allocation
- Organic growth is the primary call on capital, provided target returns can be achieved (~1.5x WACC)
- Any excess capital that is not deployed to growth will be returned to shareholders

Financial outlook

Extending a track record of growth, strong returns and greater resilience

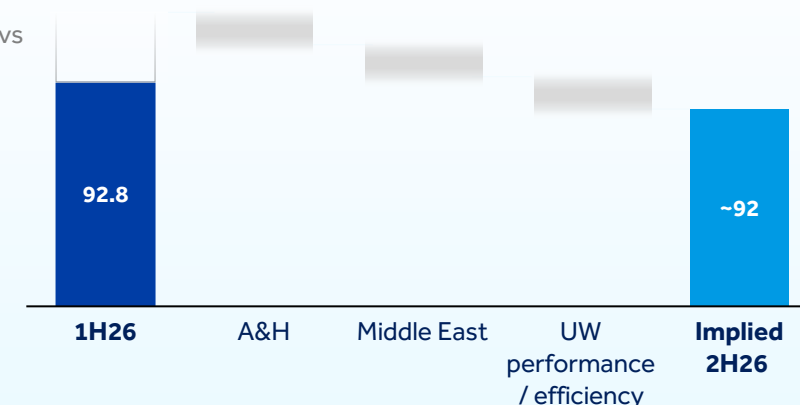
Key metric	FY26 outlook	Medium-term outlook
Gross written premium	Mid-single digit growth <i>(constant currency basis)</i> Supported by strong volume growth	Mid-single digit growth <i>(constant currency basis)</i>
Underwriting result	~92.5% Combined operating ratio - Sound underlying business settings - FY26 CAT allowance ~\$1,130M	Low-to-mid 90s Combined operating ratio <i>through-cycle</i>
Investment returns	4.1% 1H26 exit yield Supportive interest rate outlook	Investment returns >3% Group effective tax rate ~25%
Adjusted ROE	15%+ Adjusted return on equity over the medium-term	

FY26 outlook vs 1H26

Group combined operating ratio (%)

Favourable CAT vs allowance & PYD

Reported



Driver	Comment	2H26 Outlook
Accident & Health	Onerous contract provision in 1H26 expected to reverse in 2H26	Tailwind
Middle East	1H26 includes \$75M of catastrophe costs, alongside ~\$50M of associated large losses within ex-cat claims. FY26 impact expected to be more balanced from benefit of significant demand in Marine	Tailwind
UW Performance & Efficiency	Improved performance expected in several portfolios Ongoing focus on driving expense ratio lower in 2H26	Tailwind

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Appendix

Key metrics summary

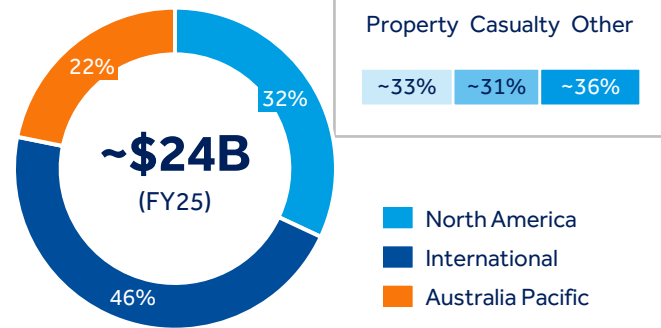
		Group		North America		International		Australia Pacific	
		1H25	1H26	1H25	1H26	1H25	1H26	1H25	1H26
Gross written premium	\$M	13,820	15,137	4,847	5,109	6,406	7,173	2,583	2,858
Insurance revenue	\$M	10,875	11,953	3,489	3,560	4,844	5,569	2,542	2,823
Net insurance revenue	\$M	8,814	9,546	2,191	2,173	4,306	4,784	2,319	2,588
NR (ex-Crop and LMI)	\$M	8,061	8,725	1,501	1,414	4,306	4,784	2,256	2,525
Net claims expense	\$M	(5,535)	(5,943)	(1,481)	(1,507)	(2,711)	(2,922)	(1,343)	(1,517)
Net commission	\$M	(1,574)	(1,725)	(442)	(404)	(783)	(935)	(350)	(387)
Expenses and other income	\$M	(1,066)	(1,187)	(206)	(203)	(487)	(525)	(321)	(378)
Insurance operating result	\$M	639	691	62	59	325	402	305	306
Ex-cat (ex-Crop, LMI, RA)	%	55.6	56.0	59.7	64.3	53.6	53.3	56.6	56.5
Ex-cat (ex-RA)	%	57.4	57.6	66.5	69.4	53.6	53.3	55.7	55.8
Ex-cat claims ratio	%	61.5	61.8	70.4	74.2	57.5	57.2	59.8	60.1
Catastrophe claims	%	5.4	4.7	3.0	0.9	5.8	4.3	7.2	8.4
Prior year development	%	(4.1)	(4.2)	(5.8)	(5.7)	(0.3)	(0.4)	(9.1)	(9.9)
Net claims ratio	%	62.8	62.3	67.6	69.4	63.0	61.1	57.9	58.6
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Net commission ratio	%	17.9	18.1	20.2	18.6	18.2	19.5	15.1	15.0
Expense ratio	%	12.1	12.4	9.4	9.3	11.3	11.0	13.8	14.6
Combined operating ratio	%	92.8	92.8	97.2	97.3	92.5	91.6	86.8	88.2

		Group		North America		International		Australia Pacific	
		1H25	1H26	1H25	1H26	1H25	1H26	1H25	1H26
Ex-cat claims	\$M	(5,416)	(5,901)	(1,543)	(1,611)	(2,478)	(2,738)	(1,386)	(1,554)
- CAY risk adjustment	\$M	(358)	(401)	(86)	(103)	(169)	(188)	(94)	(110)
Catastrophe claims	\$M	(479)	(445)	(64)	(20)	(248)	(207)	(167)	(218)
Prior year development	\$M	360	403	126	124	15	23	210	255
- PYD (Central estimate)	\$M	91	108	56	43	(87)	(73)	122	137
- PYD (Risk adjustment)	\$M	269	295	70	81	102	96	88	118
Net claims incurred	\$M	(5,535)	(5,943)	(1,481)	(1,507)	(2,711)	(2,922)	(1,343)	(1,517)
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- PYD (Risk adjustment)	%	(3.1)	(3.1)	(3.2)	(3.7)	(2.4)	(1.9)	(3.8)	(4.6)
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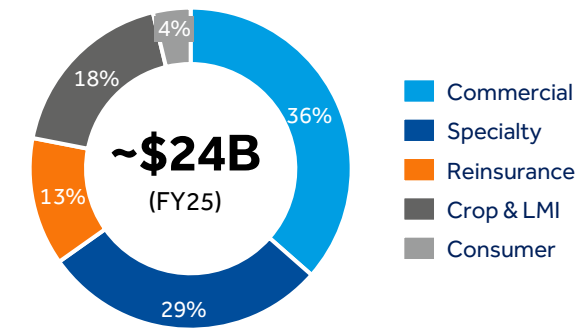
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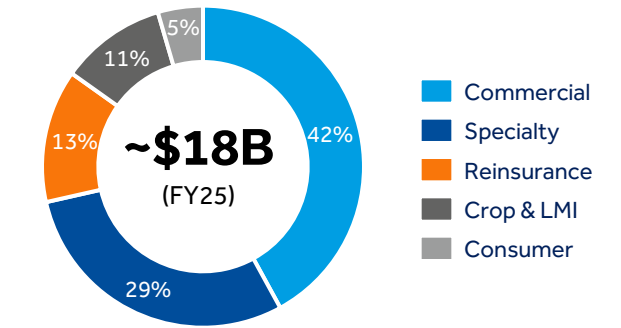
Gross written premium
by division



Gross written premium
by segment



Net insurance revenue
by segment



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