

# Canadian Life/Annuity Update & Outlook

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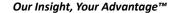
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# Canadian Life – AM Best Ratings as of September 23, 2023

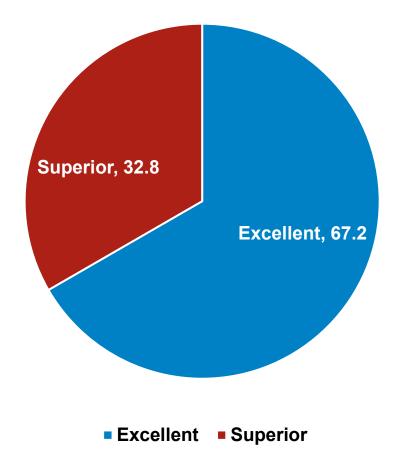
AMB #	Company Name	Long-Term ICR	FSR	ICR Rating Outlook	Rating Effective Date
08074	Assumption Mutual Life Insurance Co.	а-	A-	Stable	8/17/2023
66835	BMO Life Assurance Co.	а	Α	Stable	12/8/2022
62246	Brookfield Annuity Co.	а-	A-	Stable	8/24/2022
06493	Canada Life Assurance Co.	aa	A+	Stable	12/7/2022
66801	Canadian Premier Life Insurance Co.	а	Α	Stable	11/18/2022
06290	Co-operators Life Insurance Co.	а	Α	Stable	2/1/2023
66893	First Canadian Insurance Corp.	а	Α	Stable	11/2/2022
66847	Foresters Life Insurance Co.	a+	Α	Stable	8/17/2023
60132	Independent Order of Foresters	a+	Α	Stable	8/17/2023
06554	Industrial Alliance Ins & Financial Svcs.	aa-	A+	Stable	5/5/2022
66805	ivari	a+	Α	Negative	8/31/2023
94126	La Capitale Civil Service Insurer Inc.	а	Α	Stable	9/23/2022
06688	Manufacturers Life Insurance Co.	aa-	A+	Stable	8/10/2023
66827	Optimum Reassurance Inc.	а	Α	Stable	9/12/2023
66889	PartnerRe Life Reinsurance Co of Canada	aa-	A+	Stable	4/27/2023
60156	Primerica Life Insurance Co of Canada	aa-	A+	Stable	10/13/2022
66806	RBC Life Insurance Co.	a+	Α	Stable	3/31/2023
66817	RGA Life Reinsurance Co. of Canada	aa-	A+	Stable	10/27/2022
66903	SSQ, Life Insurance Co. Inc.	а	Α	Stable	9/23/2022
07101	Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada	aa	A+	Stable	2/17/2023
66882	TruStage Life of Canada	а-	A-	Stable	12/9/2022
60079	Wawanesa Life Insurance Co.	а	Α	Stable	12/16/2022





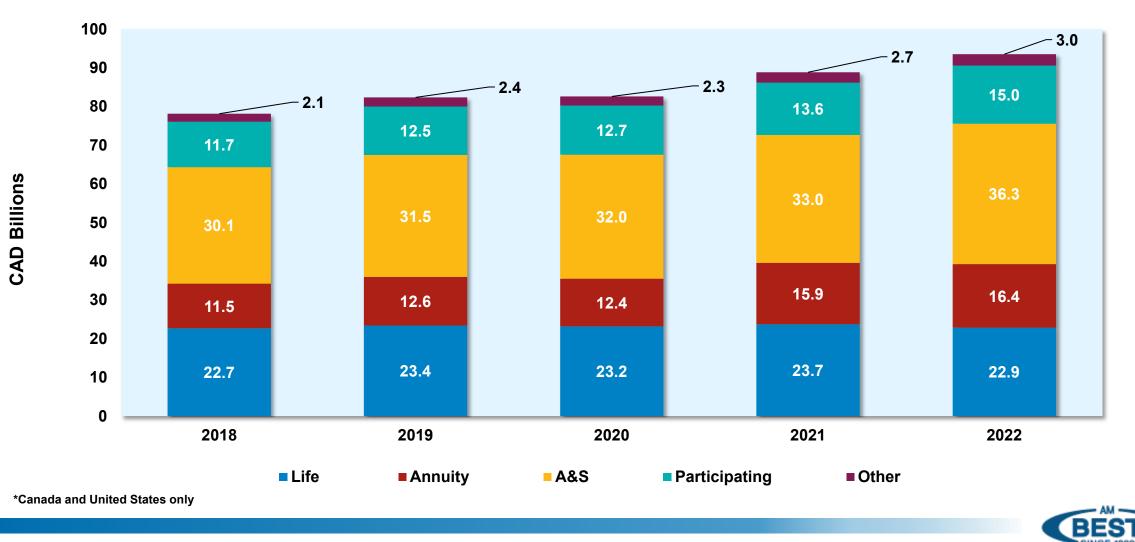
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Canadian Life FSR Category Distribution

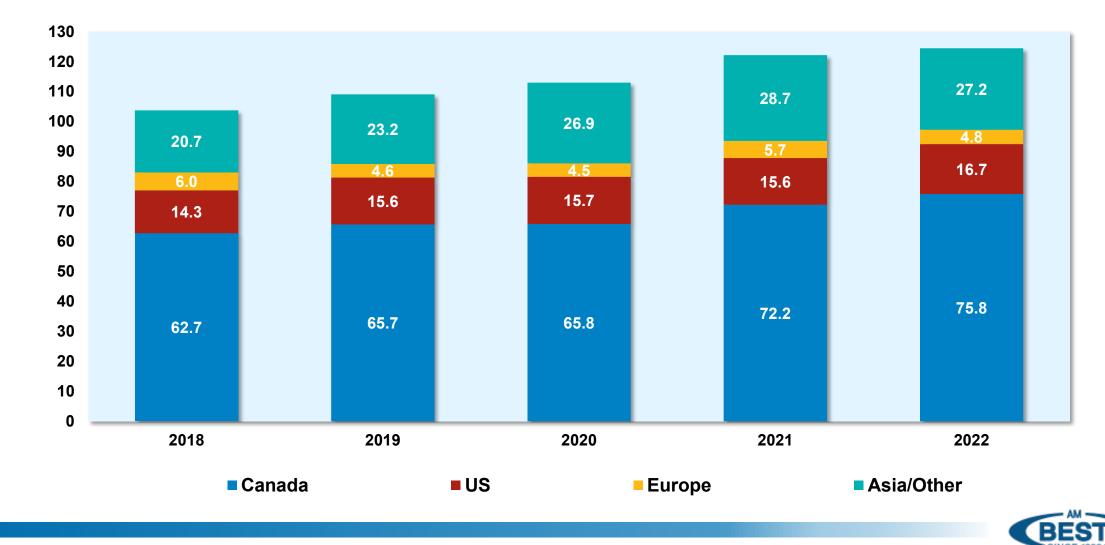


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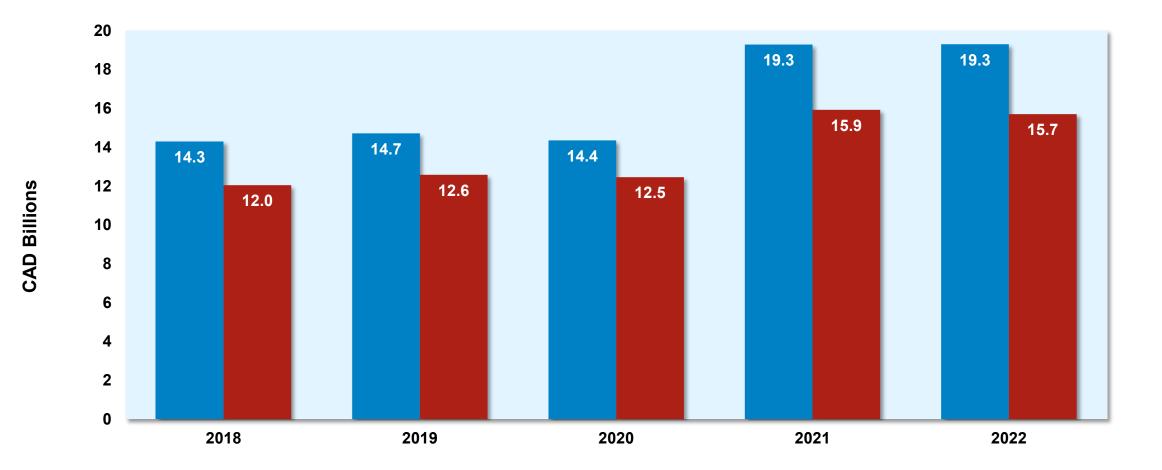
### **Direct Premiums Written by Line of Business\***



### **DPW by Geographic Distribution**

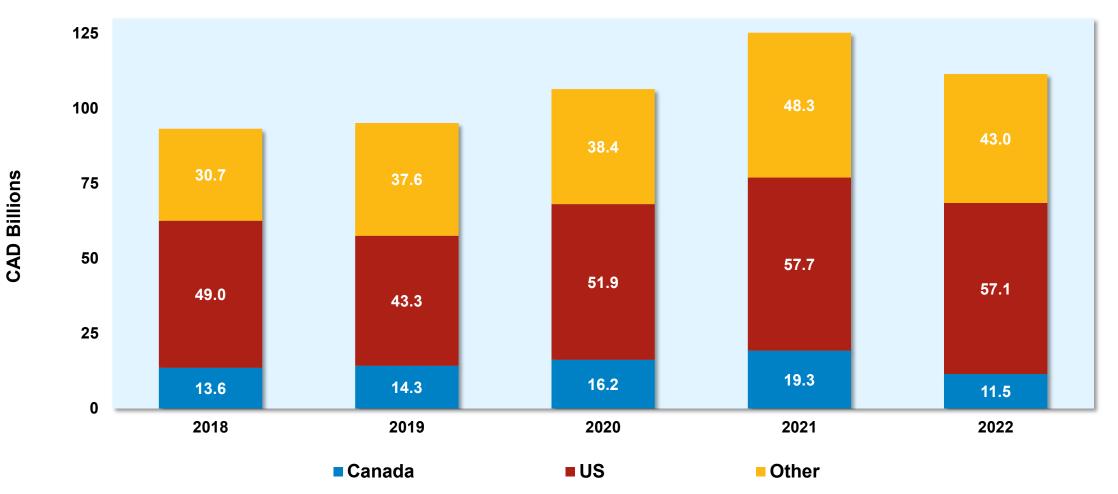


### **Pretax Operating Gains and Net Income**



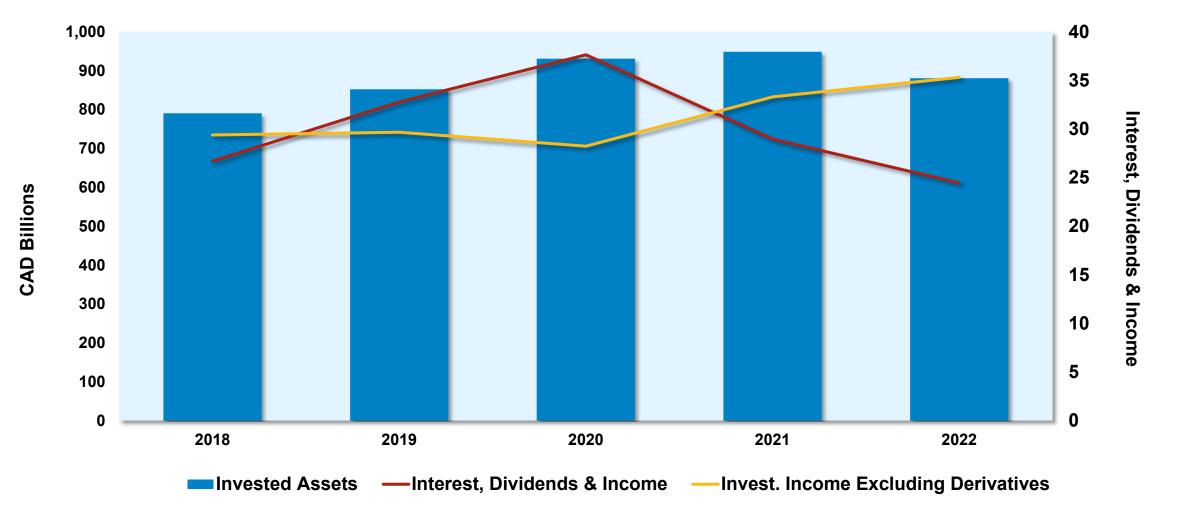


### **Mutual Fund Deposits by Geographic Distribution**





### **Investment Income**



### **Invested Assets**

Canada Life – Invested Assets	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Bonds	65.1	64.7	64.9	64.6	62.5
Mortgage Loans	11.4	10.9	10.0	10.1	11.3
Stocks	5.8	6.1	6.0	7.1	6.6
Real Estate	3.2	3.2	3.0	3.3	3.8
Policy Loans	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.8
Cash & Short-term	4.3	4.6	5.2	4.6	4.6
Derivatives	1.9	2.6	3.5	2.2	1.5
Other Invested Assets	6.3	6.1	5.8	6.4	7.9



Portfolio Components	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Government	34.3	34.0	33.5	32.4	29.6
Municipal, Public Authority, Schools	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.7	5.7
Corporate – Public	43.2	43.5	43.9	44.3	43.7
Corporate – Private	16.4	16.5	16.7	17.6	21.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0



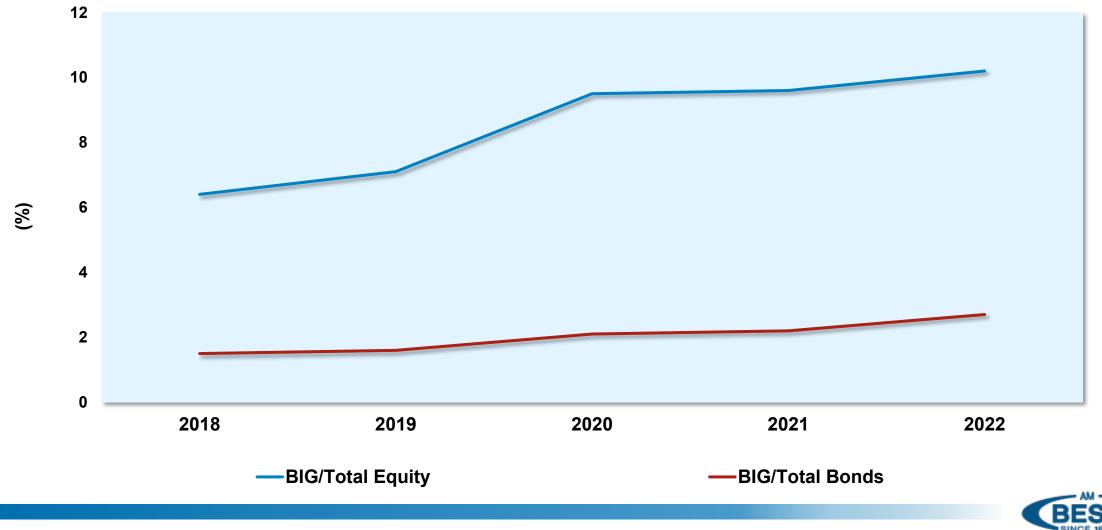
### **Corporate Investments (%)**

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2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
10.5	11.0	10.5	9.8	9.0
2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.3
10.8	11.1	11.6	12.1	12.2
4.7	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.5
8.4	8.5	8.9	9.3	9.1
2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1
22.0	21.3	21.4	22.0	23.0
1.8	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.1
4.2	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.2
24.4	24.2	24.0	23.5	23.2
8.8	8.7	8.3	7.9	8.3
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
34.5	34.5	33.6	32.7	30.6
41.2	41.5	42.5	43.5	45.6
24.3	24.0	23.9	23.8	23.9
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
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### **Below Investment-Grade Bonds**

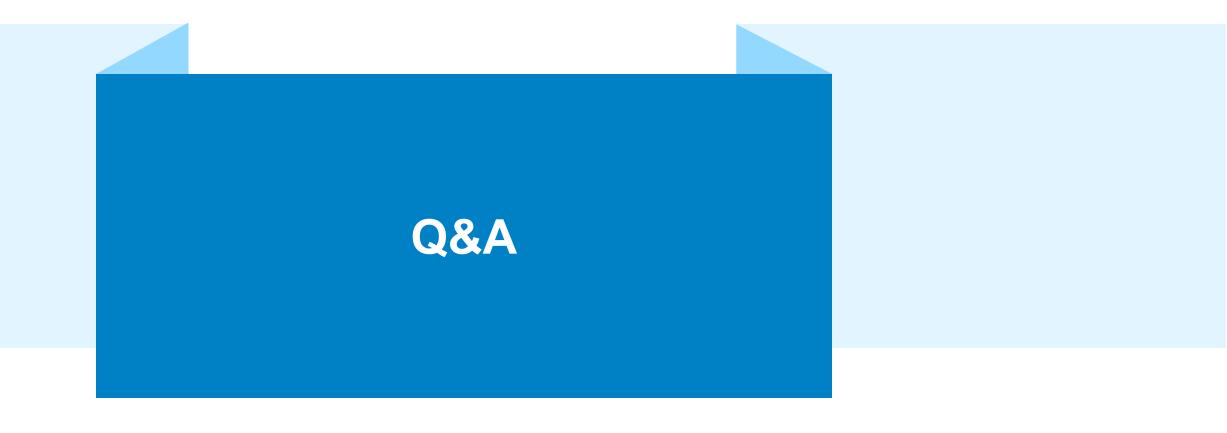


### **Canadian Life**

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Headwinds	Tailwinds
Threat of persistent inflation / Tight labor markets	Solid capitalization provides cushion to navigate uncertainties
Volatile equity markets	Rising interest rates and generally favorable economic conditions
Commercial real estate	IFRS 17 transition impacts largely as expected
Market competition remains strong	Ongoing advancements in underwriting and distribution
Persistent global political instability	Strong enterprise risk management capabilities
Increasing sophistication of cyber attacks	
Changing regulatory environment	







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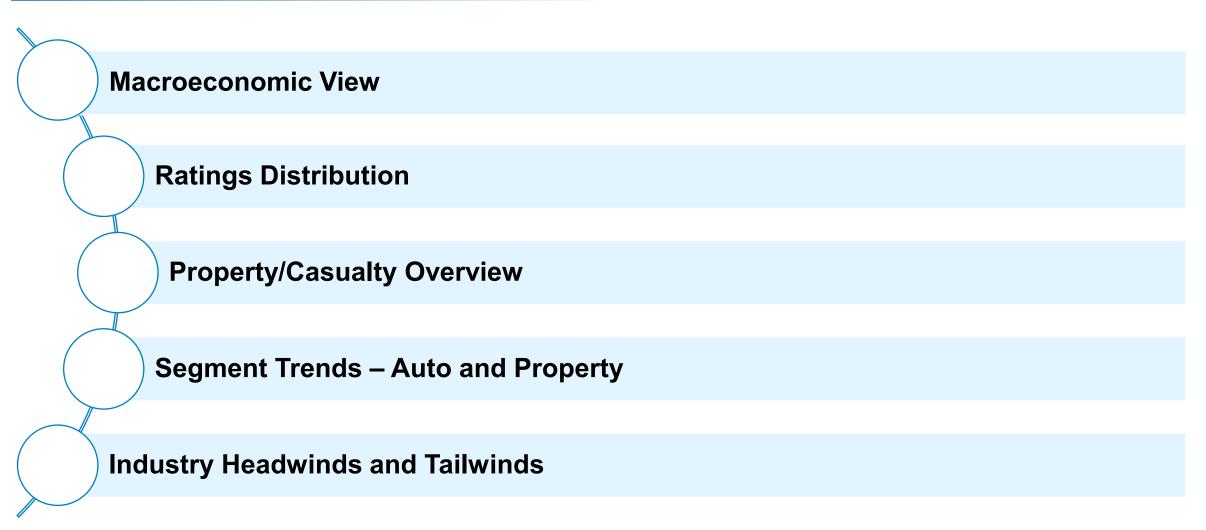
# **Canadian Property/Casualty Update & Outlook**

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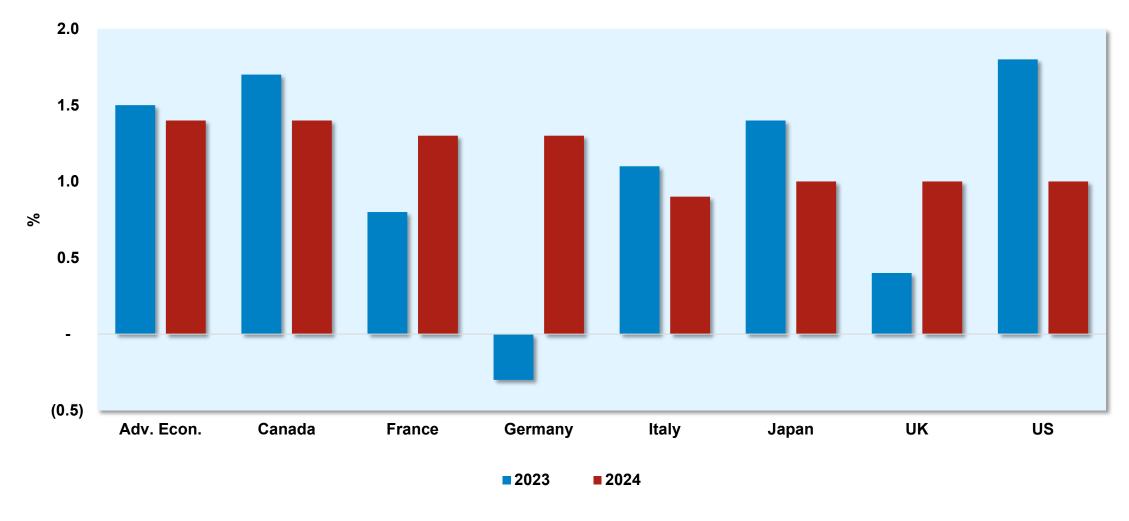


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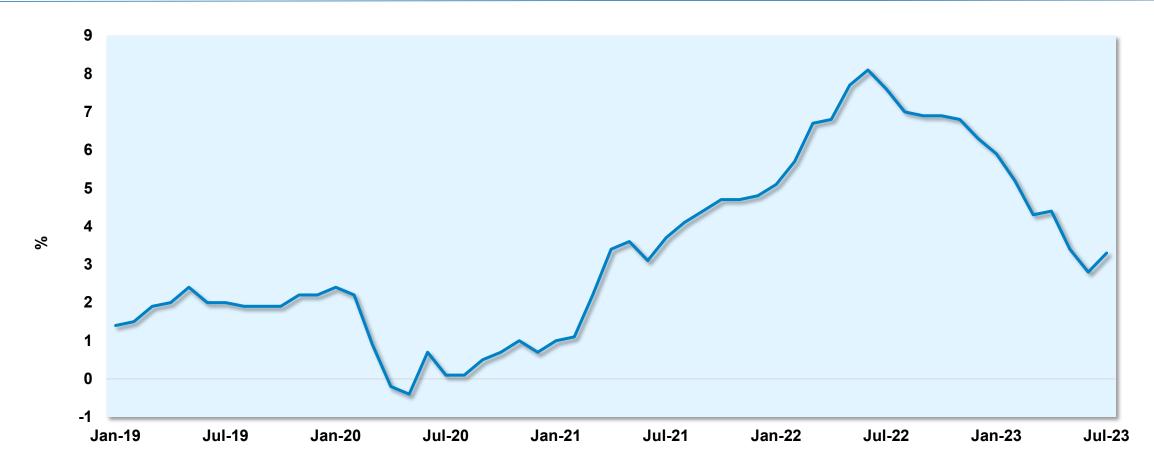
### **IMF Projections for GDP Growth**



Source: IMF



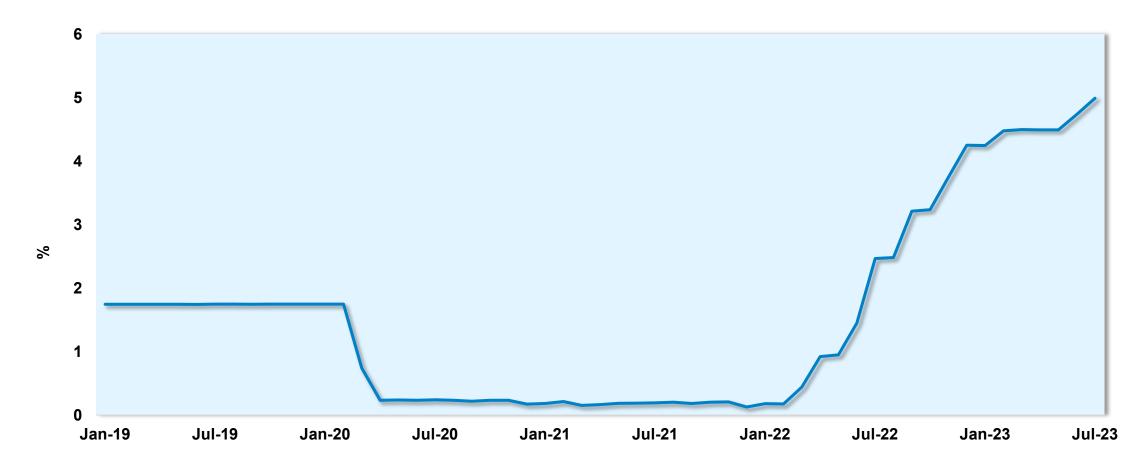
### **Canada – Headline Inflation**





Source: Statistics Canada

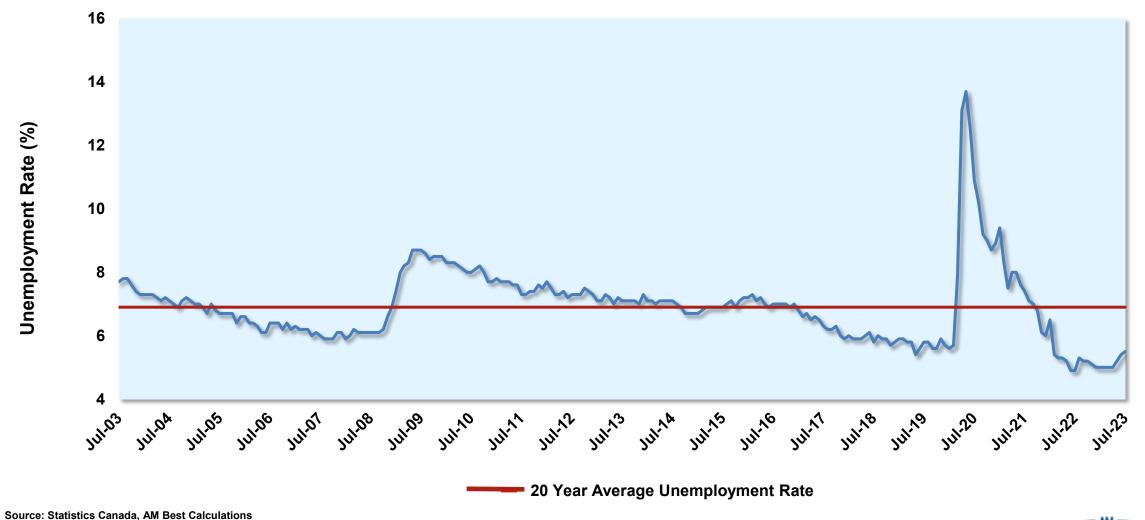
### **Bank of Canada Policy Interest Rate**





Source: Bank of Canada

### **Unemployment Rate**



# **2022 Year in Review**



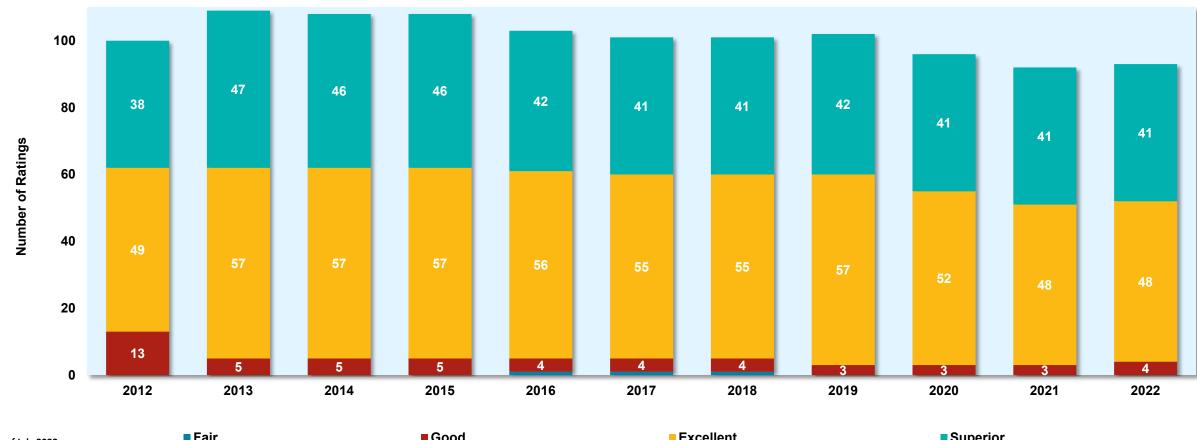
### **Top 10 Property/Casualty Writers**

Canadian P/C Market Share – Top 10 at Year End 2022						
Rank	Group/Company	2022 DPW	2022%			
1	Intact Group	14,244,448	16.7%			
2	Desjardins Group	6,145,575	7.2%			
3	Aviva Canada Group	6,421,686	7.5%			
4	TD Insurance Group	6,066,153	7.1%			
5	Lloyd's Underwriters CAB	5,604,099	6.6%			
6	Co-operators Group	5,310,521	6.2%			
7	Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company	3,959,024	4.6%			
8	Definity	4,013,974	4.7%			
9	Allstate	3,512,751	4.1%			
10	Northbridge Group	3,265,927	3.8%			
	Top Ten Market Premium	58,544,158	69%			
	Total Market PC Premium	85,365,674	100.0%			



### **Distribution of Ratings**

Canada Property/Casualty – Interactive Ratings Distribution (2012-2022\*)





### **Property/Casualty Operating Performance**

Net Income (2017 – 2022)*
(CAD Billions)

Year	Net Underwriting Income	Net Investment Income	All Other Income / (Expense)	Income Tax	Net Income / (Loss)
2017	0.7	1.9	0.7	0.6	2.7
2018	-0.4	2.1	-0.1	0.3	1.4
2019	0.2	2.2	1.0	0.7	2.6
2020	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.2	4.7
2021	7.6	1.5	1.5	2.3	8.3
2021	7.6	1.5	1.5	2.3	8.3
2022	7.4	2.0	-0.9	1.9	6.6

\*Excludes Lloyd's, CAB and ICBC

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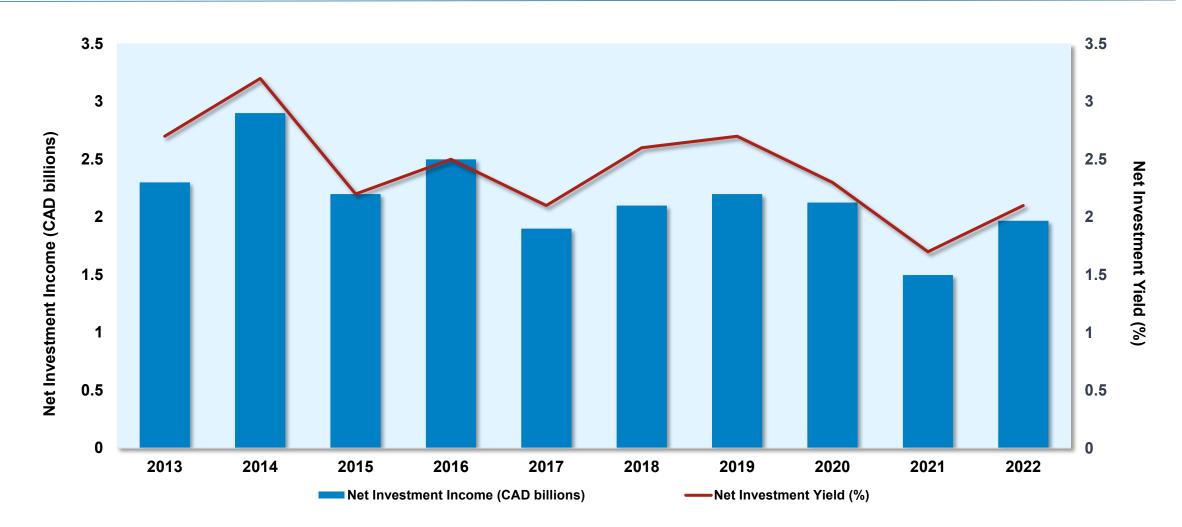
### **Combined Ratio Performance (2014-2022)\***

Year	Net Premiums Written (CAD Billions)	Net Premiums Written Growth (%)	Loss & Loss Adjustment Expense Ratio	Underwriting Expense Ratio	Combined Ratio
2014	38.0	7.0	66.3	31.7	98.0
2015	39.3	3.5	63.2	32.2	95.4
2016	41.1	4.6	65.6	32.5	98.1
2017	40.7	-1.1	63.9	33.2	97.1
2018	43.8	12.8	69.6	31.9	101.4
2019	44.9	2.5	67.3	33.1	100.3
2020	51.1	13.0	64.9	31.9	96.8
2021	55.5	7.1	53.7	32.5	86.3
2022	55.2	0.8	53.7	35.5	87.2

\*Excludes Lloyd's, CAB, and ICBC



### Net Investment Income/Yield 2013 to 2022



\*Note: Excludes Lloyd's CAB and ICBC

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### **Reserve Development (Non-Discounted), 2018 - 2022\***

Year	Accident Year Original Reserves (CAD Billions)	Accident Year Developed Reserves (CAD Billions)	Accident Year Development (CAD Billions)	Accident Year Combined Ratio (%)	Calendar Year Original Reserves (CAD Billions)	Developed Reserves	Calendar Year Development (CAD Billions)
2018	16.2	15.4	-0.8	103.4	50.3	46.5	-3.8
2019	16.4	16.0	-0.4	103.6	50.0	48.5	-1.5
2020	16.7	14.9	-1.9	88.3	53.0	49.6	-3.4
2021	18.7	17.2	-1.5	87.6	57.5	53.9	-3.6
2022	20.3	20.3	-	98.4	59.9	59.9	-

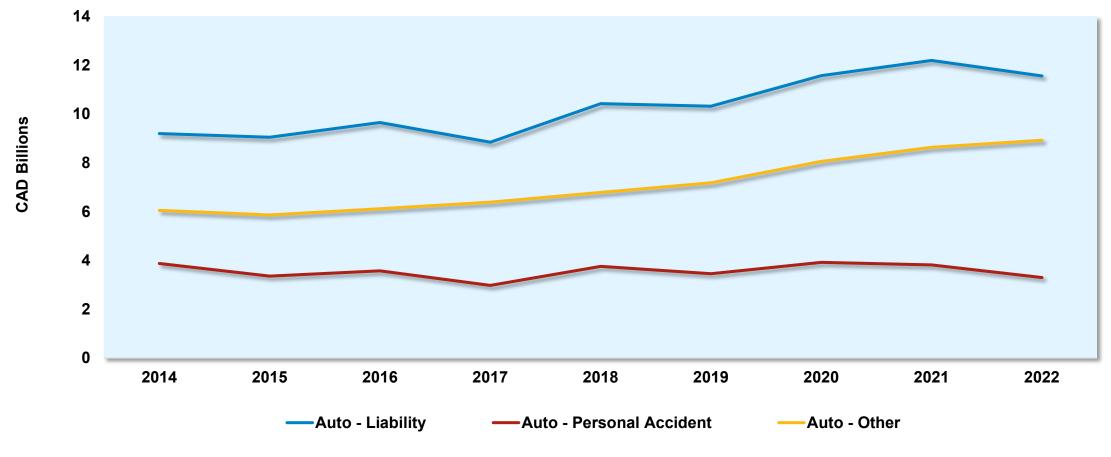
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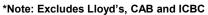


### **Auto Premium Trend**

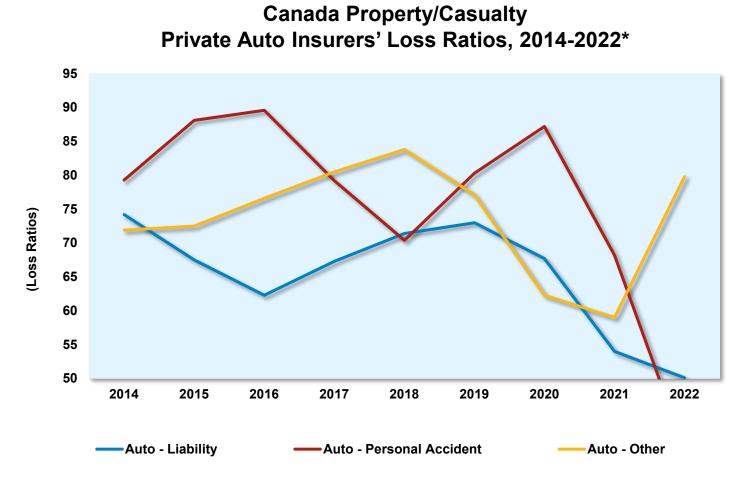
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### Private Auto Insurers' NPW, 2014-2022\*





### **Auto Performance**



### **Observations**

- Auto lines improve given improved rate structure, combined with reduction in loss frequency.
- Results benefit from a decline in miles driven and a shift in schedule, somewhat offset by distracted driving.
- Severity continues to rise, impacted by inflation, supply chain imbalances, and complexity to repair vehicles.

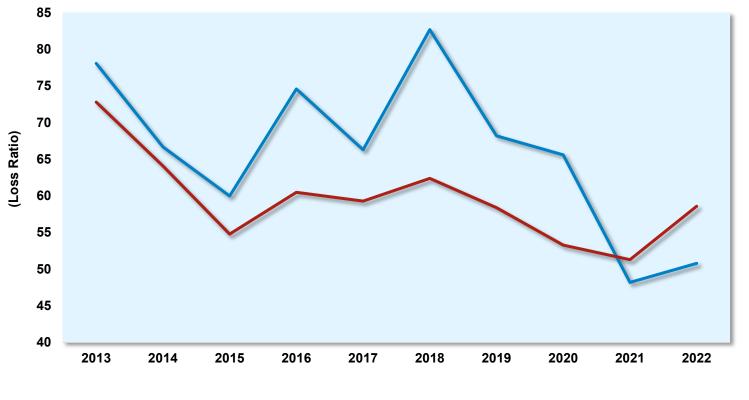


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### **Observations**

- Improved results benefit from firm market conditions, increased rates, and retention levels.
- Enhanced risk selection and pricing sophistication.
- Ongoing refinement in risk
   mitigation efforts.
- Growing risk of climate factors, supply chain imbalances and rising inflation remain a concern.

# Personal and Commercial Property Net Loss Ratios (2014-2022\*)



----Commercial -----Personal

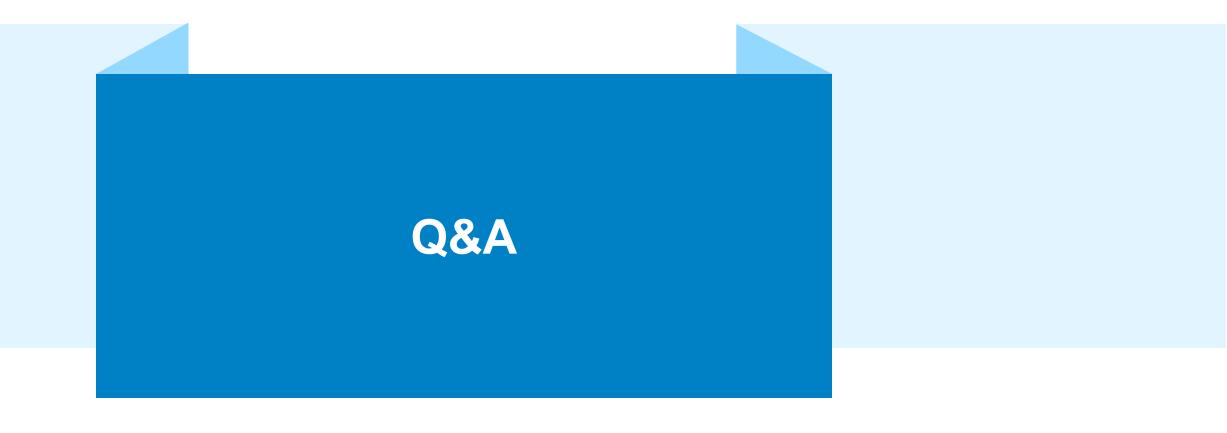


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### **Segment Outlook – Canadian Property/Casualty**

Headwinds	Tailwinds
Increasing climate risk	Strong overall balance sheet positions
Capital market volatility	Stable levels of operating profitability
Higher reinsurance costs	Effective risk management
Inflation	Sustained favorable reserve development
Broker consolidation	Shifting Market Opportunity Perspectives







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# Recent Developments in the Delegated Underwriting Authority Enterprises (DUAE) Sector

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# What Is a Delegated Underwriting Authority Enterprise (DUAE)?

DUAE: Third party entity contracted by a (re)insurer to perform underwriting, claims handling, and/or administrative functions for their carrier partners.

### DUAE is a blanket term for:

Appointed Representatives	Managing General Underwriters
Coverholders	Program Administrators
Direct Authorizations	Program Underwriters
Managing General Agents	Underwriting Agencies

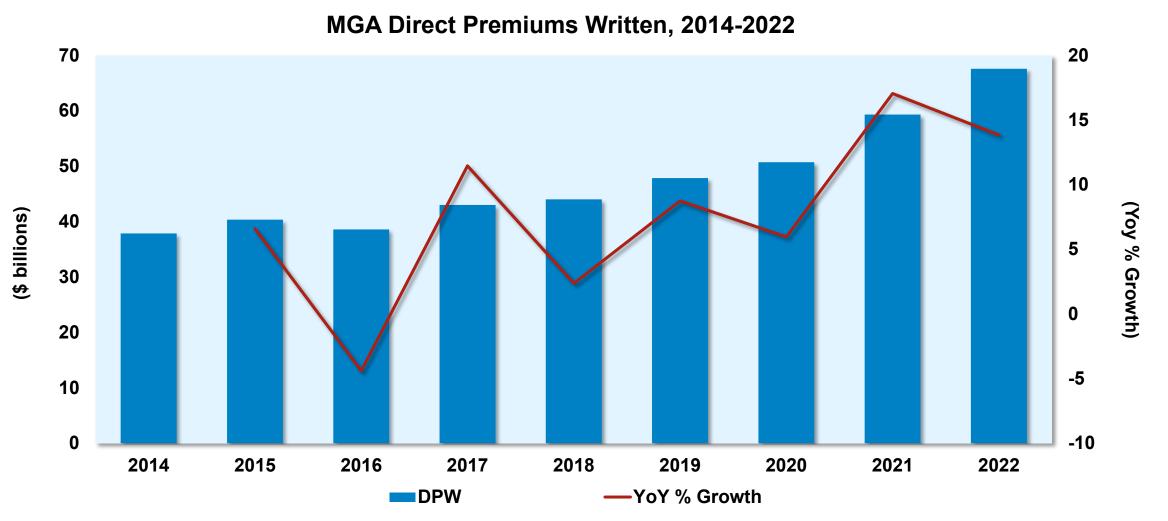


# **Rationale for AM Best's Focus on the DUAE Market**

- Increasing role of DUAEs / MGAs in the insurance value / distribution chain
- Increasing number of rated (re)insurers engaging with DUAEs / MGA
  - Assists carriers in deciding what business partners they want to engage PA scale
- Broadens AM Best's service offerings within the insurance sector
- Increasing interest from key stakeholders capacity providers, investors, intermediaries, regulators
- Best's Performance Assessment Methodology released live on February 1, 2022
- Public PAs released from April 2022 plus private assessments and in-progress PAs



# **US P/C Industry**





# **Canadian MGA Market**

- Estimated to be over 80 MGAs in Canada
- Fastest growing segment of Canada's insurance market
- Estimated Commercial Lines Premium of \$3.5-\$4B
- Approximately 10% of GWP written through MGAs
- Reputation has been enhanced over last 5-10 years
  - CAGMA established in 2017
  - Sector becoming more structured
- Product Development / Insurtech



# **Canada MGA Industry**

### Average Rating of MGAs (1 = Poor, 5 = Excellent)

Technical expertise and product knowledge		4.16
Reputation		4.08
Pricing		3.96
Ability to place niche or emerging risks		3.91
Range of products		3.88
Overall responsiveness	3	3.87
Georgraphical reach	3	3.85
Technology/automation	3.61	
Marketing support	3.61	
Compensation (commission, bonus, profit share, etc.)	3.60	



Source: Insurance Business Magazine

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# **Best's Performance Assessment (PA) for DUAEs**

Due to the increase in DUAEs' premiums, an independent assessment adds value to the marketplace by providing a tool to differentiate among these organizations.



A forward looking, independent, and objective non-credit opinion of a DUAE's ability to service business partners.



Provides greater transparency to DUAEs, as it offers a global benchmark across all types and sizes of delegated authority organizations.



Can be used by DUAEs that allows them to differentiate themselves in the marketplace, and users of DUAEs can use the PA as a tool for evaluating and selecting the right partner for their business.



A DUAE may use the PA with regulators for licensing or jurisdictional authorization.



# **AM Best's Process for Assessing DUAEs**

AM Best uses quantitative and qualitative elements to assess the strengths and weaknesses of a DUAE.

Our interactive process entails:

- Gathering information.
- Engaging with clients in a formal management meeting.
- Assessing key factors.
- Assessment committee interaction.
- Public dissemination (if the DUAE agrees).
- Performance Assessment Report.







# **Published Performance Assessments**

AMB#	Company	Assessment (Category)	Outlook	Effective Date	Description
41025	Excess Reinsurance Underwriters Inc.	PA-2 (Excellent)	Stable	08-Sep-23	Initial Assessment
41006	Delta Insurance New Zealand Limited	PA-2 (Excellent)	Stable	08-Sep-23	Update
41007	Delta Underwriting Private Limited	PA-2 (Excellent)	Stable	08-Sep-23	Update
41002	Corin Underwriting Limited	PA-3 (Strong)	Stable	16-Aug-23	Initial Assessment
41023	Corin Unwriting (Europe) GmbH	PA-3 (Strong)	Stable	16-Aug-23	Initial Assessment
41002	First Indemnity Insurance Agency, Inc.	PA-3 (Strong)	Stable	12-May-23	Update
41000	Cargo Risk Corporation	PA-3 (Strong)	Stable	21-Apr-23	Update
41001	Castel Underwriting Agencies Limited	PA-2 (Excellent)	Stable	20-Apr-23	Update
41009	Castel Underwriting Europe B.V.	PA-2 (Excellent)	Stable	20-Apr-23	Update
41016	American Equity Underwriters, Inc.	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment
41014	Amwins Access Insurance Services	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment
41015	Amwins Digital Insurance Services, LLC	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment
41017	Amwins Program Underwriters, Inc.	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment
41018	Amwins Special Risk Underwriters, LLC	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment
41020	Amwins Specialty Casualty Solutions, LLC	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment
41019	Amwins Transportation Underwriters, Inc.	PA-1 (Exceptional)	Stable	03-Oct-22	Initial Assessment



# AM Best's Global DUAE Outlook

- On December 5, 2022, AM Best assigned a positive outlook for the global DUAE market
- Outlook predicated on:
  - Ongoing growth driven by technology, talent, and diverse sources of capital
  - Growing interest in program business by capacity providers
  - Private equity investments in the DUAE market
- Near-term concerns:
  - A potential pullback of capital and risk-bearing capacity
  - Elevated reinsurance costs; compressed MGA commissions
  - Economical challenges, including inflation



# Overview of Performance Assessment



# **DUAE Assessment Outcomes**

- PA is assigned an outlook of Positive, Stable, or Negative.
- PAs are maintained/surveilled/updated annually, if the DUAE remains in the interactive assessment process.
- Withdrawal of a PA will need a final assessment.

Best's PA Scale and Assessment Categories:

Assessment Categories	Assessment Symbols	Assessment Ranges
Exceptional	PA-1 PA-1	34-40
Excellent	PA-2 PA-2	27-33
Strong	PA-3 PA-3	20-26
Fair	PA-4 PA-4	13-19
Weak	PA-5 PA-5	Up to 12

A better overall PA indicates that the DUAE is more likely to:

- Achieve greater long-term stability through effective business.
- Maintain a strong financial profile.
- Provide high-level service.
- Maintain strong business relationships & governance.



Underwriting Capabilities:

Assessment	Points	
Exceptional	10	<ul><li>Quality</li><li>Under</li></ul>
Excellent	8	<ul><li>Under</li><li>Under</li></ul>
Strong	6	Proprie
Fair	4	<ul> <li>Experi</li> </ul>
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Weak	2	Limitat

- Quality of underwriting
- Underwriting results
- Underwriting competitive advantage
- Proprietary data and analytics
- Experience of underwriting staff
- Technology in the underwriting process
- Limitations on exceptions/risk appetite



Governance and Internal Controls:

Assessment	Points	
Exceptional	10	
Excellent	8	
Strong	6	
Fair	4	
Weak	2	

- Alignment of interests
- Systems
- Audits and other
   management reports
- Policies and procedures
- Disaster recovery plan

- Key person risk plan
- Service measures
- Binding contracts
- Broker contracts
- Partnerships with TPAs



### **Financial Condition:**

Points	
10	
8	
6	
4	
2	
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- Cash flow evaluation
- Stability and sources of income
- Financial flexibility
- Participation in risk sharing



### **Organizational Talent:**

Assessment	Points
Exceptional	5
Excellent	4
Strong	3
Fair	2
Weak	1

### Sub-Assessment Factors

### Tenure

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- Training programs
- Executive experience
- Organizational structure

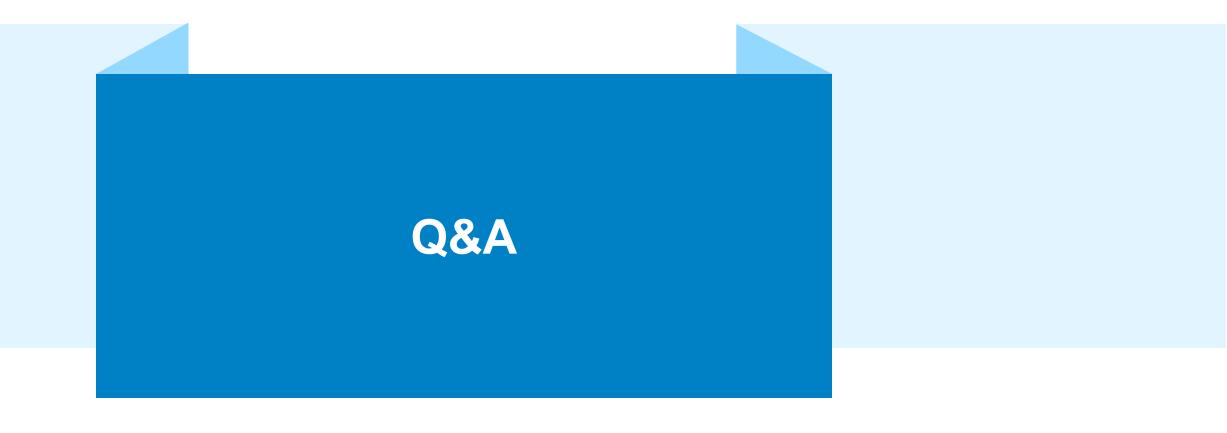


Depth & Breadth of Relationships:

Assessment	Points
Exceptional	5
Excellent	4
Strong	3
Fair	2
Weak	1

- Number of programs and markets
- Consistency of relationships
- Geographic reach
- Retention of clients







# Thank you!



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# **Implications of IFRS 17**

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