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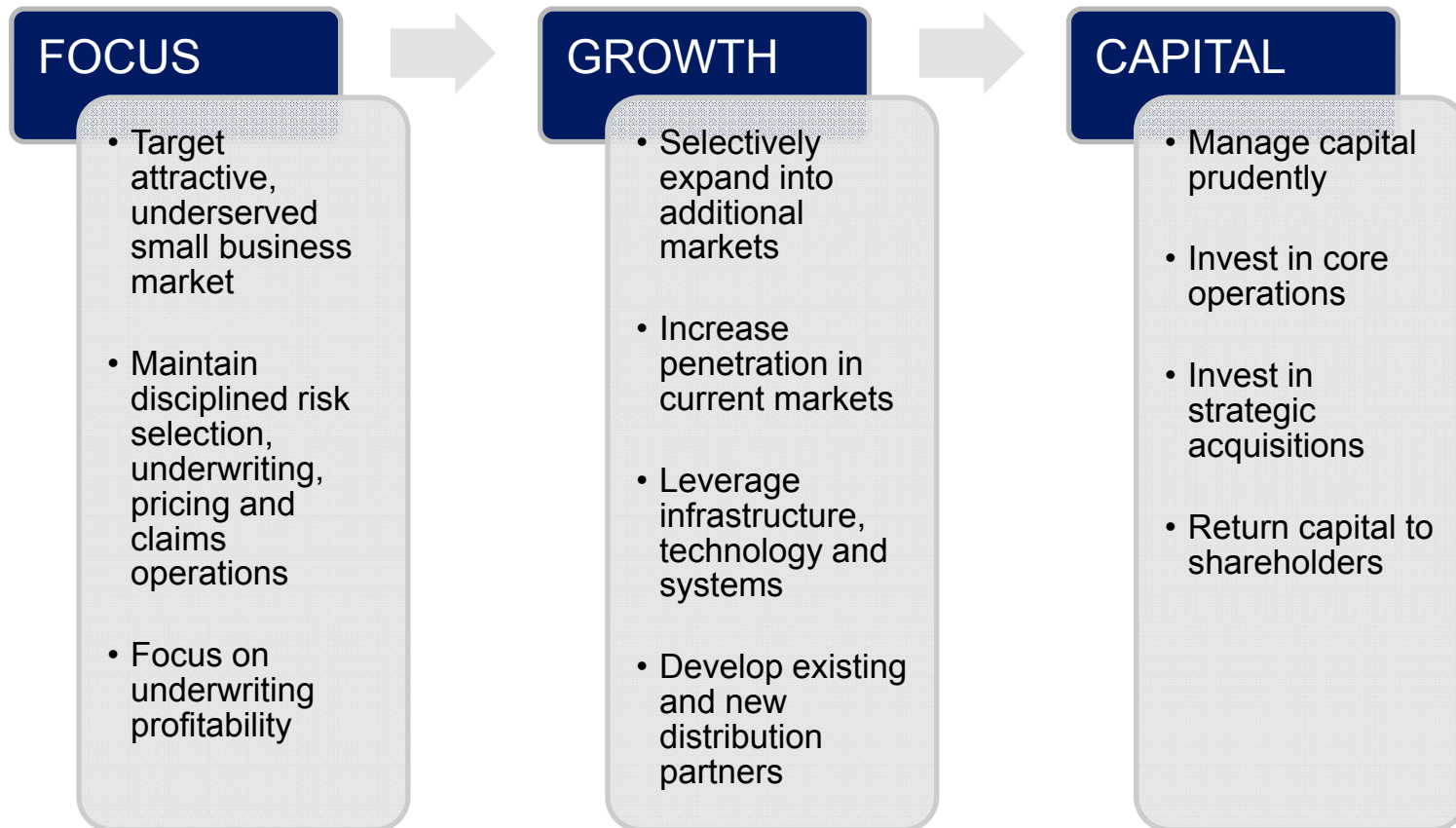
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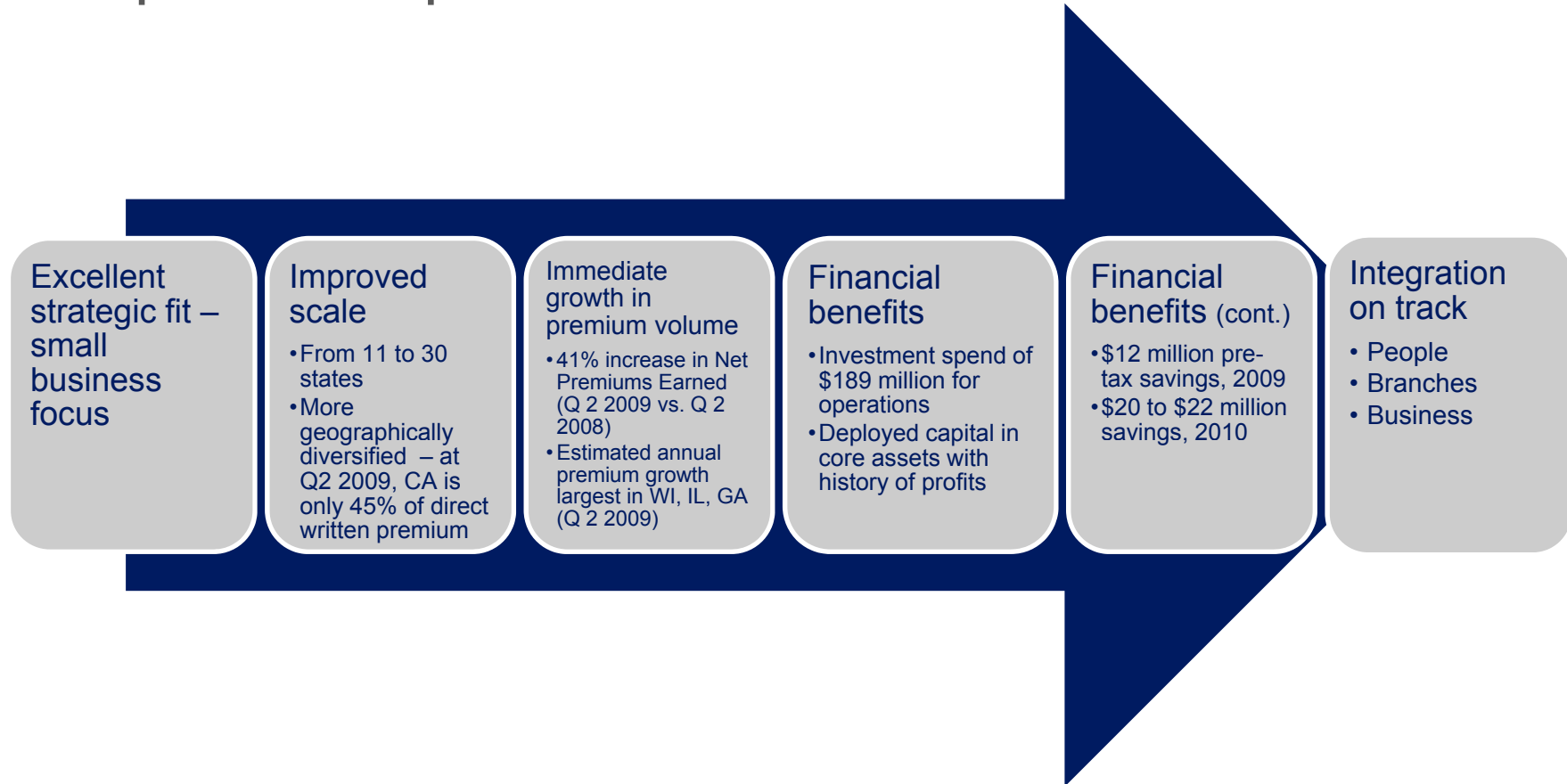
Overview

Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specialty provider of workers' compensation insurance• Coverage required by statute<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Medical, temporary/permanent indemnity, death	 <p><i>\$45 billion per year industry (2008, A.M. Best)</i></p>
Customers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small "main street" businesses<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Small business accounts for over 70% of new jobs• Low-to-medium hazard exposure industries<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Top classes include restaurants, physicians, dentists, clerical, retail stores• Distribution through agents and strategic partners	 <p><i>Highly focused business model</i></p>
Geographic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 30 states with concentrations in CA, FL, WI and NV<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Unique markets by state and area	 <p><i>Operate in 74% of total market (2008, A.M. Best)</i></p>

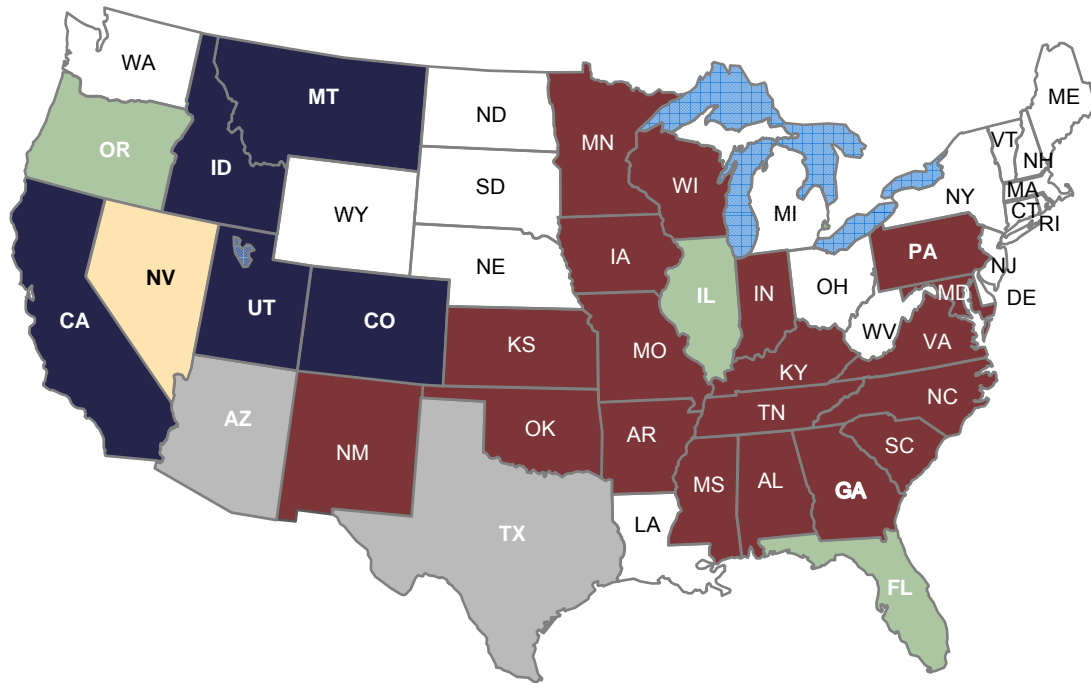
Key Strategies



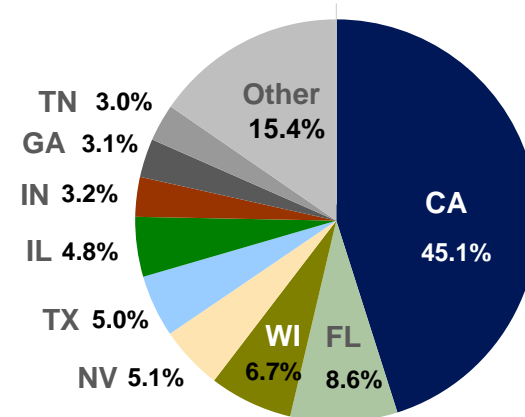
Acquisition Update / Outcomes



Selectively Expanding Footprint



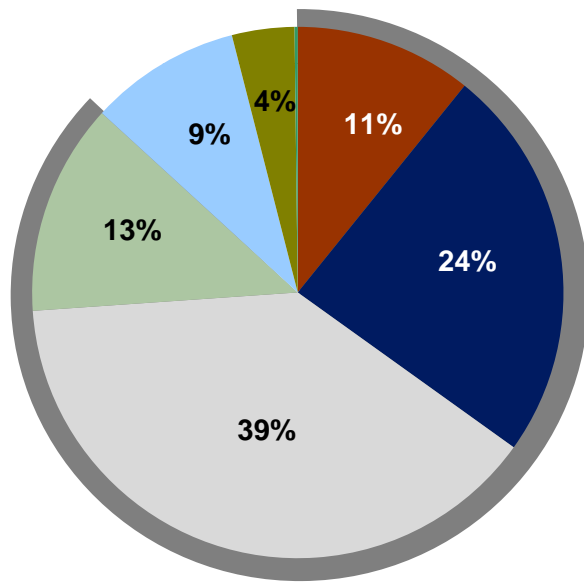
2000	2002	2006	2007	2008
1913 – 1999 State WC fund in NV	2002 Acquisition, book of business in CA, UT, ID, MT, CO	2005 Formation of mutual hold co	2007 Demutualization and IPO – entry into FL, IL and OR	2008 Acquisition of AmCOMP Incorporated, entry into IA
2000 Privatization		2006 Entry into TX, AZ		



Direct Premiums Written (%) at 6/30/09

Disciplined Risk Selection

Focused Guidelines and Selection within Industry-defined Classes



EMPLOYERS = 87% of Premiums Written, Hazard Groups A – D

- Hazard Group A ■ Lower Risk
 - Hazard Group B ■
 - Hazard Group C ■
 - Hazard Group D ■
 - Hazard Group E ■
 - Hazard Group F ■
 - Hazard Group G ■ Higher Risk
- ↑ Lower Risk
↓ Higher Risk

% of Premiums Written, 12/31/08

NCCI Hazard Group	Top 10 Classes in 2008	% Direct Written Premium
C	Physicians and Clerical	6.8
A	Restaurants	6.5
B	Wholesale Stores	5.1
B	Retail Stores	2.9
B	College Employees	2.7
C	Clothing Manufacturers	2.6
D	Automobile Services	2.3
C	Clerical	2.2
D	Machine Shops	2.0
C	Retail Grocery/Provisions Stores	1.8
	Total Top 10	34.9

Superior Claims Management

In-house medical management staff

- Coordinate care and manage medical costs
- URAC accreditation in case management and utilization review

Comprehensive fraud program

- \$4.2 million savings in 2008

Rigorous quality assurance processes

- Ensure compliance with best practices and regulatory requirements

Dedicated subrogation unit

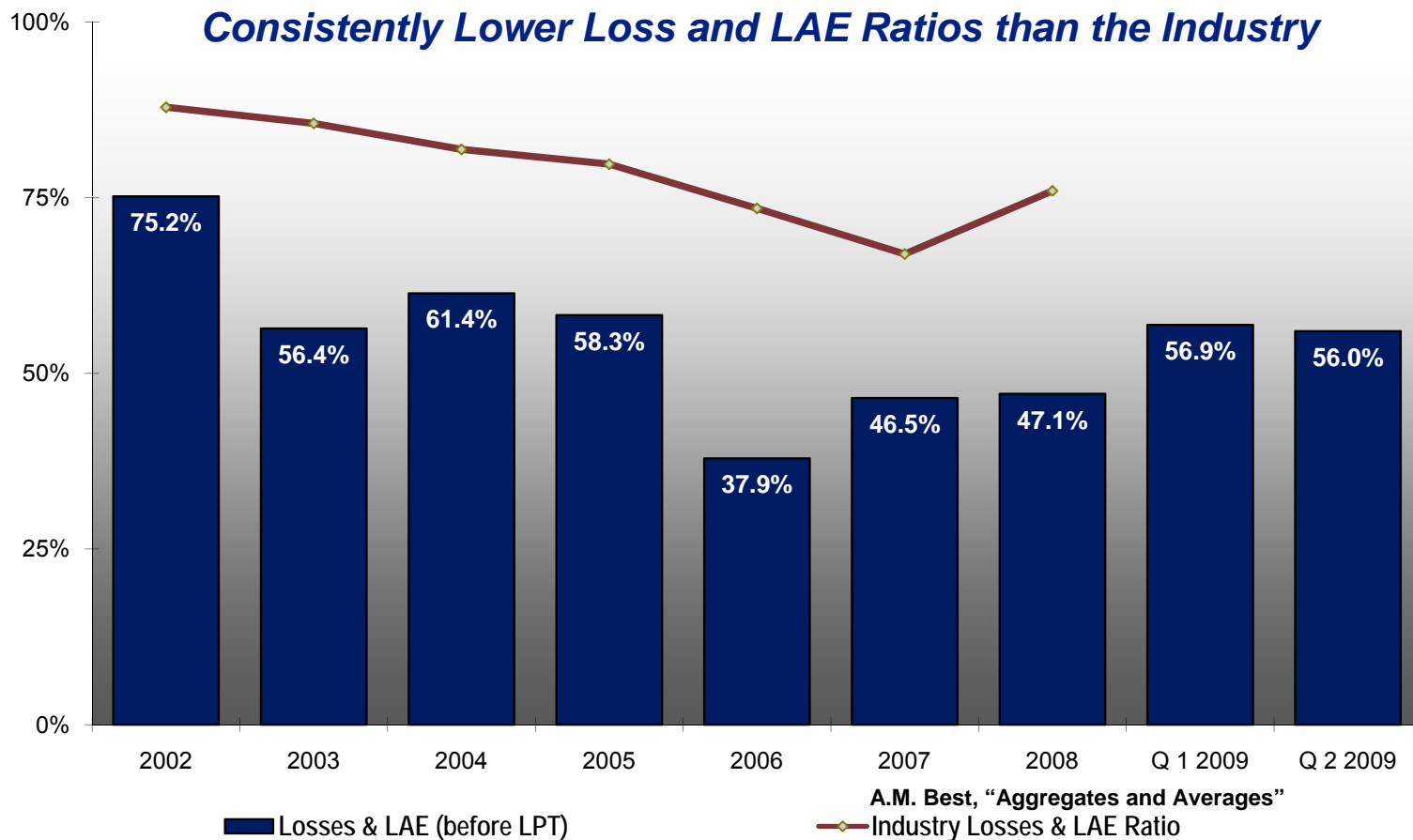
- Recoveries over \$3.9 million in 2008

Pharmacy benefit management program

- Savings over \$2.9 million in 2008

Claims professionals average over a decade of experience

Delivering Superior Loss Ratios



Unique Distribution Network

Independent Agents and Brokers

- Over 1,900 in place
- Strong relationships with agents

Strategic Partnerships

- ADP
- Wellpoint
- E-chx / Granite
- Intego Services
- Wells Fargo
- Telepayroll

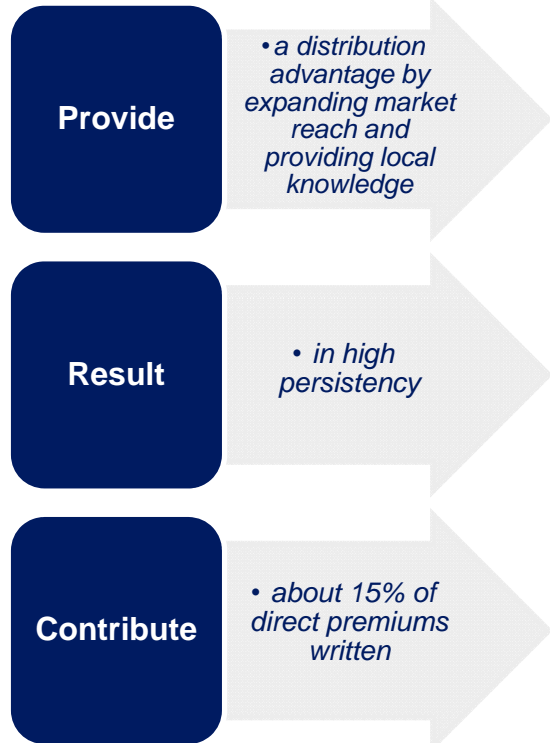
Physicians and restaurants are our top two classes of customers

Industry Focused

- California Restaurant Association provider of choice
- California Medical Association sponsorship
- NFIB (National Federation of Independent Businesses)

Increasing Points of Access

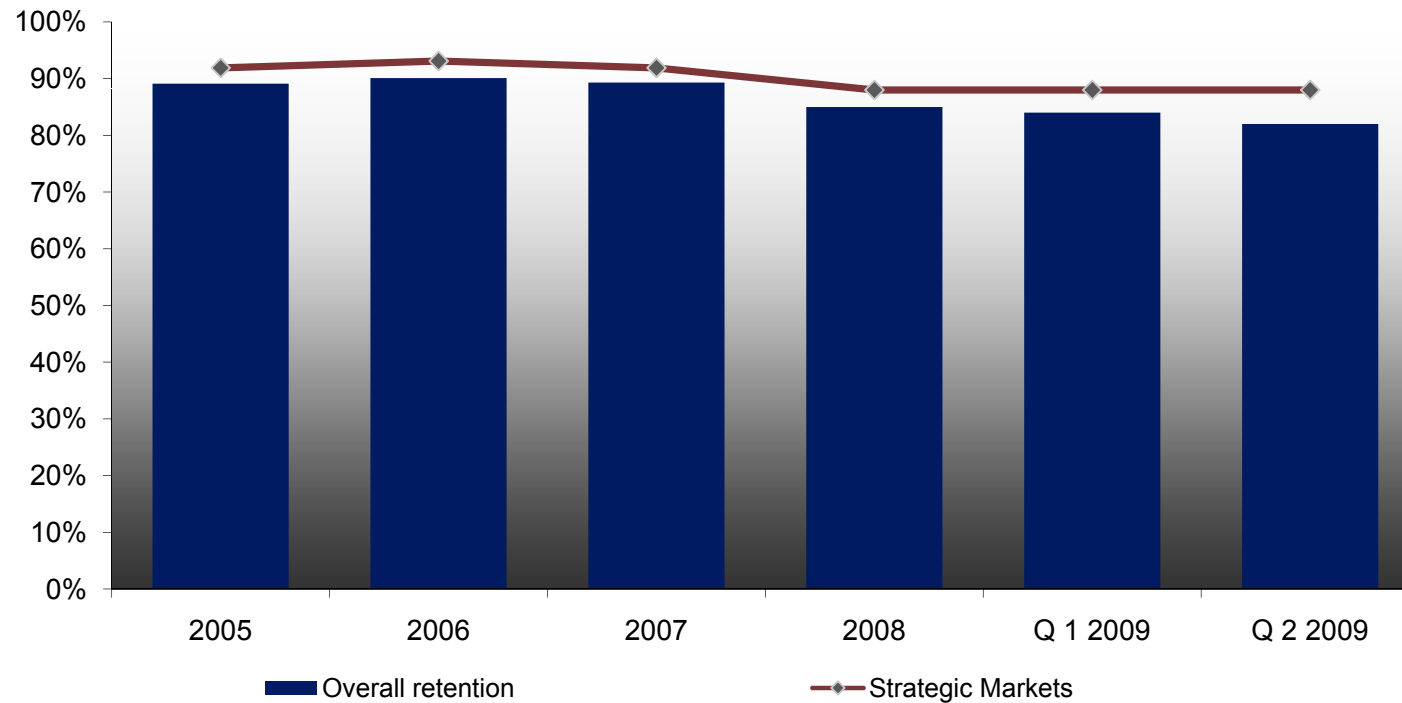
Strategic Partnerships



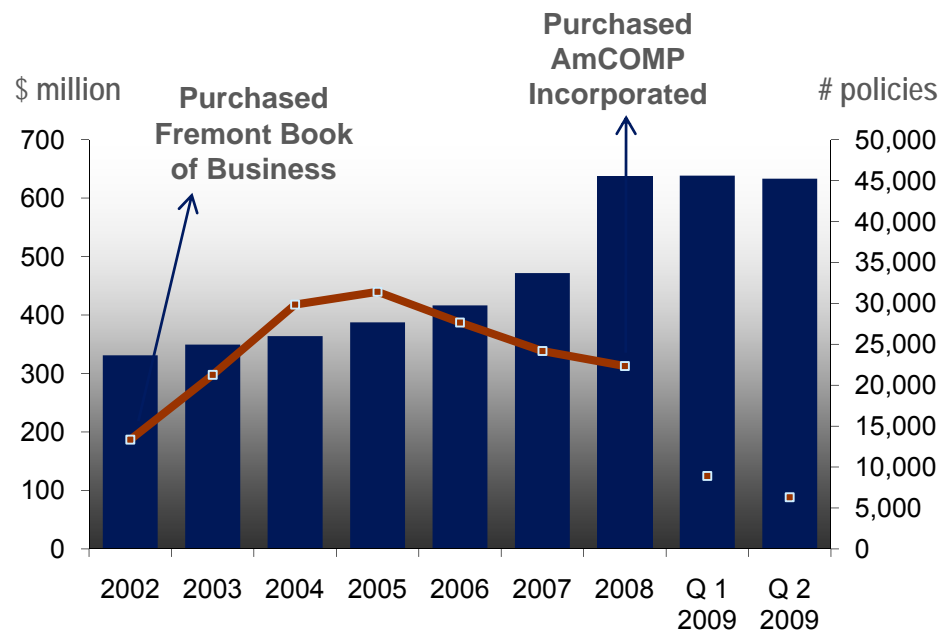
 <small>Automatic Data Processing, Inc.</small>	<p>Largest payroll services company in the U.S. Program since 2002 – business originates with ADP’s field sales staff and insurance agency with “Pay-by-Pay” premium collection</p>
	<p>Largest group health carrier in CA – exclusive relationship – use medical provider network Partner since 2002 – business originated by health agents with a single bill to customers</p>
	<p>Specialty provider of payroll services / insurance broker Partner since Q 4 2006, expanded alliance in 2008</p>
	<p>Provider of insurance software services Partner since Q 4 2007</p>
	<p>Small business payroll services Partner since Q 2 2008</p>
	<p>Online payroll services and payment processing One of the largest independent payroll processors in Southern CA Partner since Q 1 2009</p>

Strong Retention Rates

Strategic Partnerships Result in Consistently Higher Retention Rates



Increasing Market Penetration – Unit Count

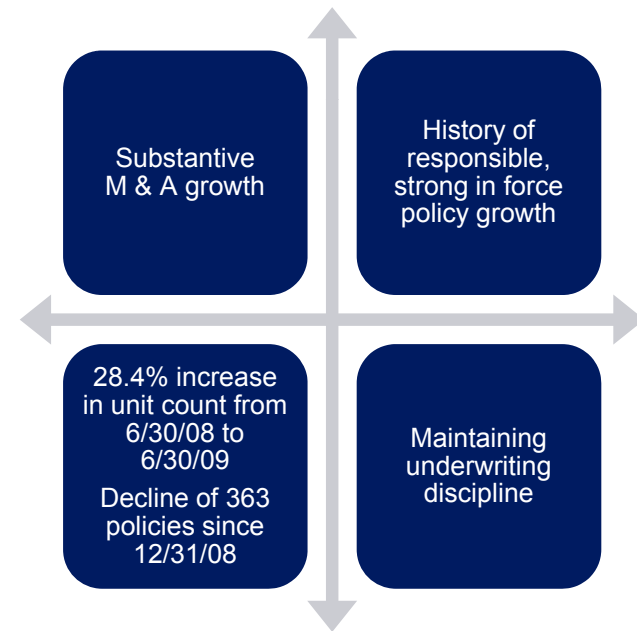


Policy Count '02-'08
CAGR = 12%

NPW '02-'08 CAGR = 9%

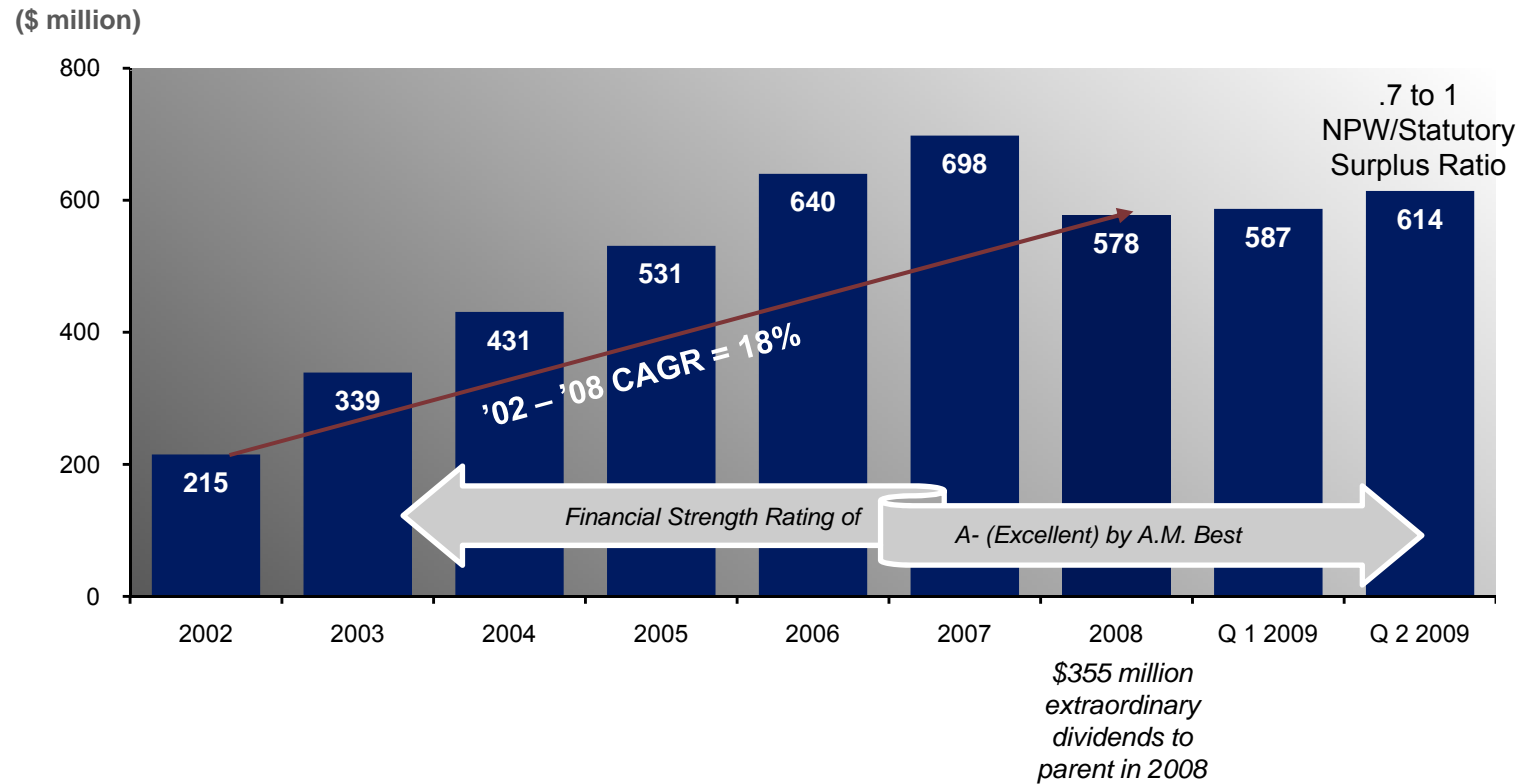
■ In Force Policies

— Net Premiums Written

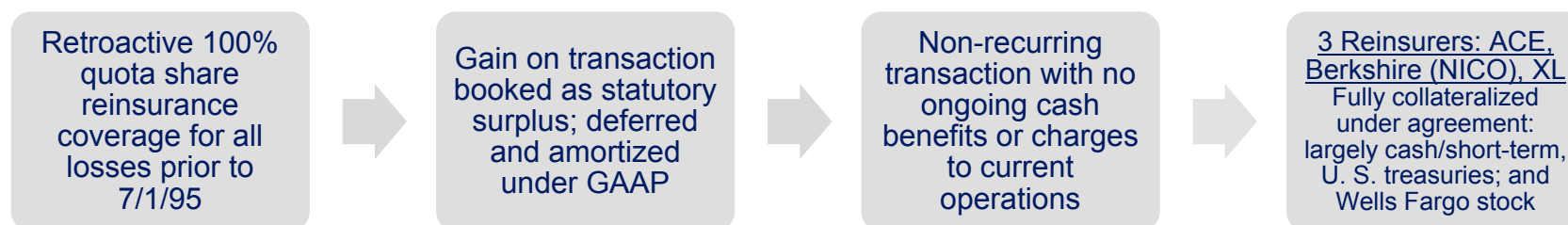


Strong Capital Position

Strong Growth in Statutory Surplus Provides a Solid Basis for Underwriting



Loss Portfolio Transfer (LPT)



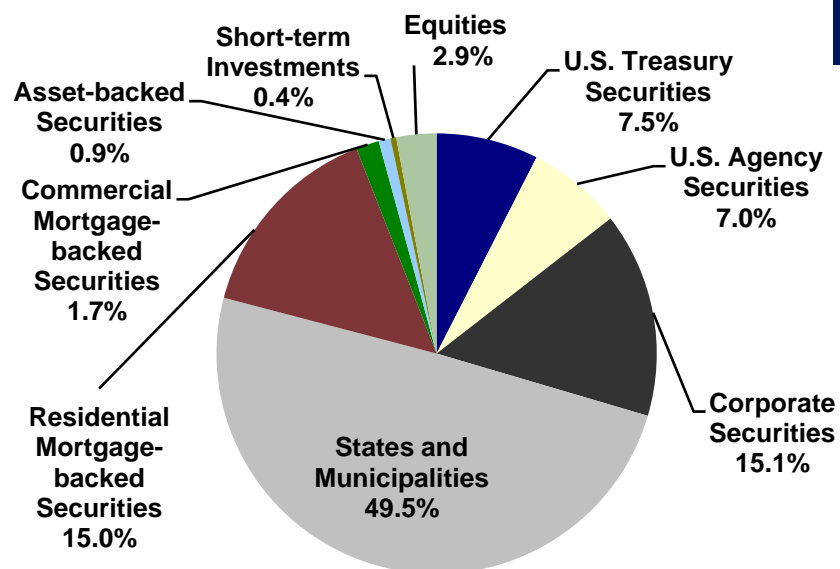
Contract	
	(\$ million)
Total Coverage	<u>\$2,000</u>
Original Reserves (Liabilities) Transferred	\$1,525
Consideration	\$ 775
Gain at 1/1/2000	750
Subsequent Reserve Adjustments	(147.5)
Gain at 6/30/09	<u>\$602.5</u>

Accounting at 6/30/09	
	(\$ million)
Statutory Surplus Created	\$602.5
Cumulative Amortization To Date	(204.6)
GAAP: Deferred Reinsurance Gain – LPT Agreement	\$397.9

Youngest claim is 14 years old – 3,624 claims open as of 6/30/09 with 5% closing each year

Remaining liabilities at 6/30/09: \$909.7 million

High Quality Investment Portfolio



Portfolio at 6/30/09

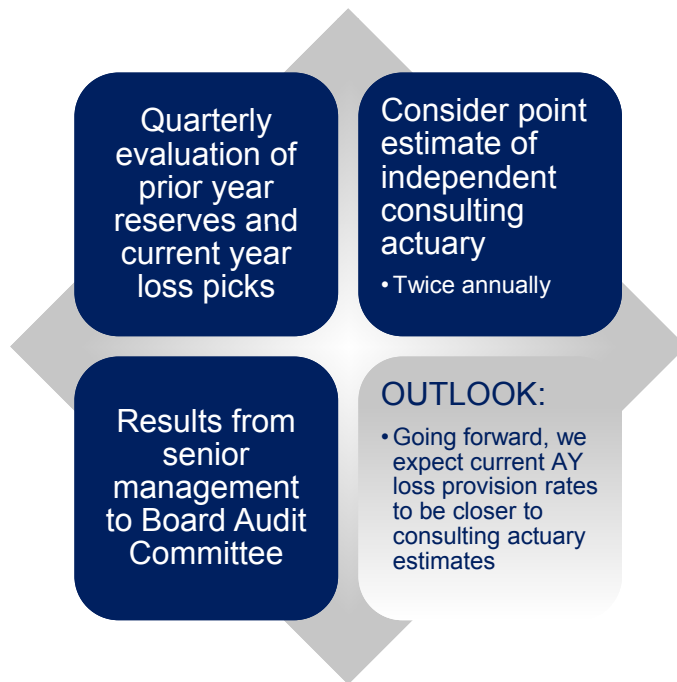
\$2.1 billion fair market value

- Approximately 97% fixed maturities with an average weighted AA rating
- Book yield of 4.7%
- Tax equivalent book yield of 5.6%
- Effective duration of 5.11
- 2008: added \$418 million acquired assets
- Managed by Conning Asset Management
- Minimal impacts during challenging markets
 - Six months, 2009 OTTI of \$1.9 million
 - 2008 OTTI of \$12.7 million

History of Reserve Strength

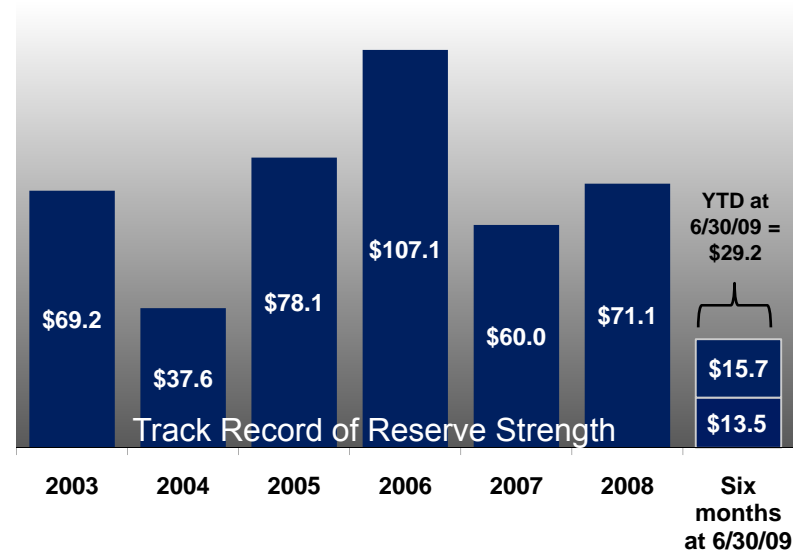
Net reserves for workers' comp industry estimated to be deficient by \$6 Billion at 12/31/08 ⁽¹⁾

Reserve Review



Reserve Development

Net Calendar Year Reserve Releases for Prior Accident Years (\$ million)



(1) NCCI, "2009 State of the Line"

Prudent Capital Management

Holding Company Flexibility

\$67 million in cash
\$18 million in paid dividends in July, 2009

Over \$200 million in fixed maturities
(\$100 million in maturing securities over the next year at subsidiaries)

Investing in the Future

Generating capital

Investing in operations

Investing in securities

Redeploying capital in profitable operations

Acquisition equity value, \$189 million

\$150 million Wells Fargo secured line of credit

- \$50 million due 12/31/09

Cost containment

Q 2 2009 expenses, *excluding acquired operations and integration/restructuring*, decreased \$2.9 million in the quarter and \$4 million in 1st six months, 2009

14% staff reduction/consolidation

Extensive budget review

Returning Capital to Shareholders

Dividends

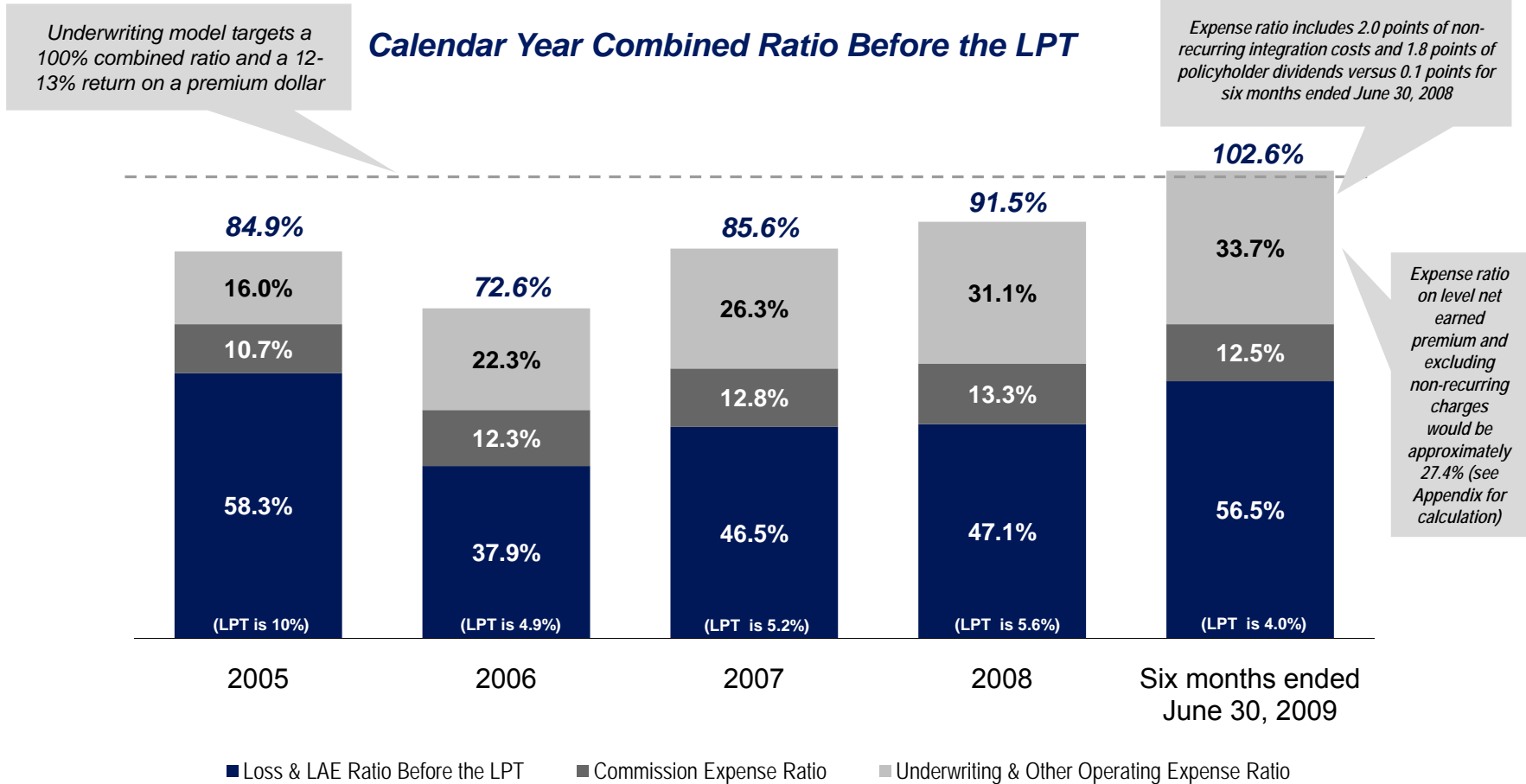
\$0.24 per share or approximately \$12 million per year – future dividends subject to Board approval

Share Repurchases

2008 Stock Repurchase Program: 3.1 million shares repurchased in 2009 as of 6/30/09, average price = \$10.46 per share

Since the IPO (02/05/07), repurchased 7.8 million shares, average price = \$15.61 per share

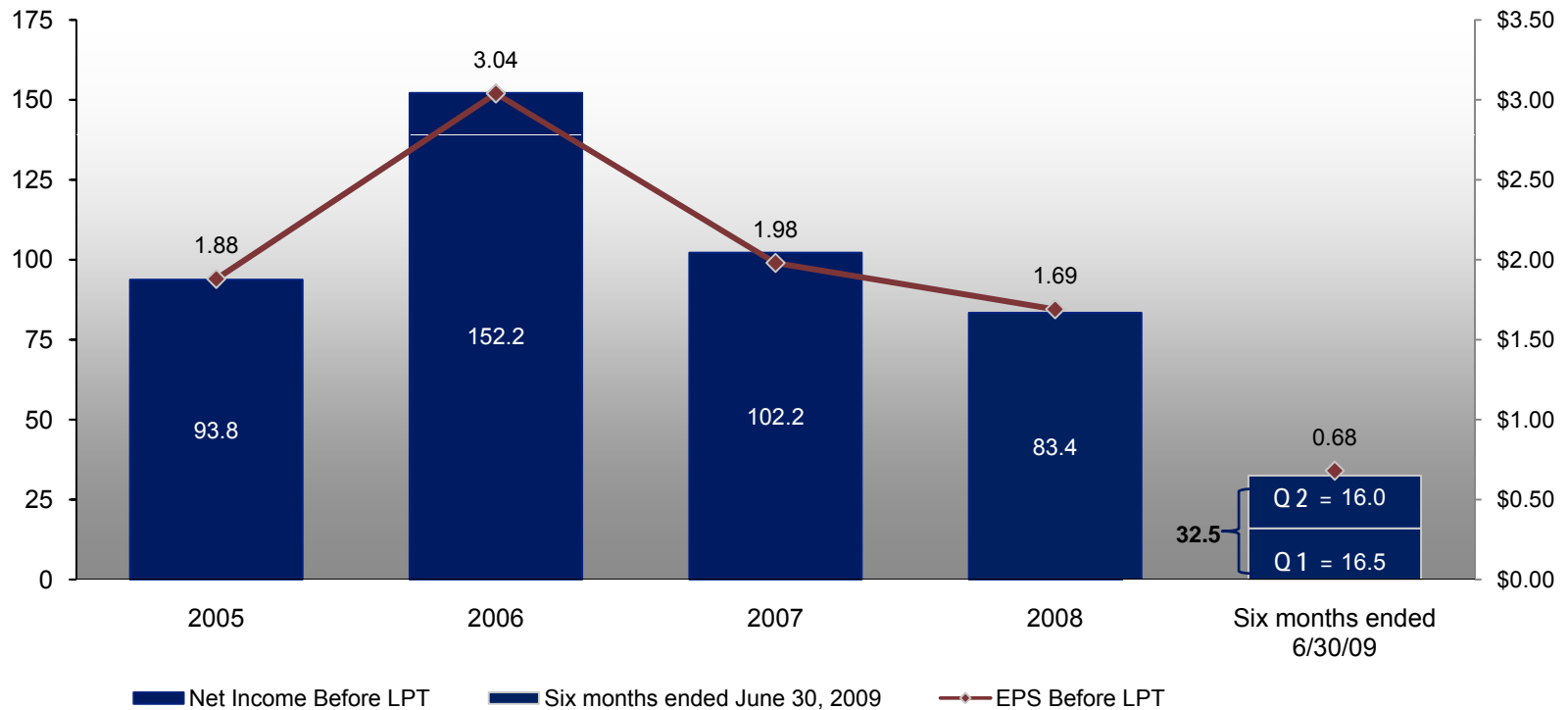
Consistently Profitable Underwriting



NOTE: LPT percentages include reserve adjustments

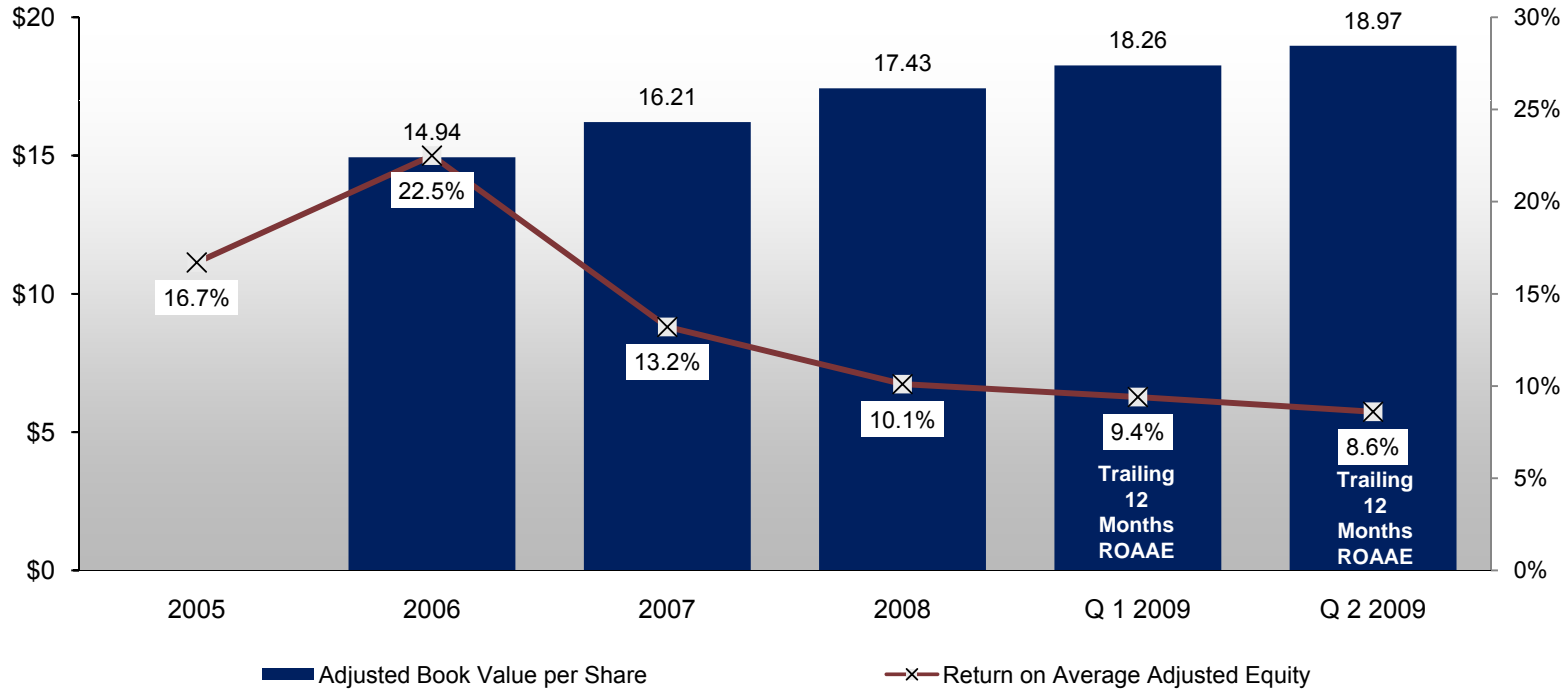
Continuing Profits

\$ million *Net Income Before LPT 2002 – 2008 CAGR = 40%*



NOTE: 50,000,002 pro forma shares prior to February 5, 2007 (IPO date)

Return on Average Adjusted Equity, Increasing Book Value per Share



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Return on Average Equity includes deferred gain related to the LPT – equity in the ROE calculation is averaged for the period

High Quality Reinsurance

Reinsurance Management

Maintain a high quality reinsurance program

Focus on select small business provides a natural dispersion of exposure across markets

Long-term relationships with lead reinsurers

100% rated A or better

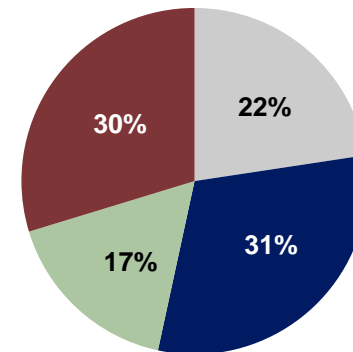
Program Structure, Effective 7/1/09

Limits of \$200M

Retention of \$5M

Reinsurers by Area

- USA
- Bermuda
- Europe/United Kingdom
- Lloyds



Summary of Financial Strength

.7 to 1 Surplus to NPW at 6/30/09

Strong Underwriting Leverage

Conservative Reserving

Track record of reserve strength: since IPO, \$160 million favorable prior AY reserve development as of 6/30/09

\$2 billion – over 97% invested in fixed maturity with average weighted rating of AA

High Quality Investment Portfolio

Catastrophe Reinsurance Program

Coverage up to \$200 M loss

Key Strengths

- ***Established enterprise with consistently strong performance*** – 96 year operating history
- ***Focused operations and disciplined underwriting*** – attractive, underserved target market segment with growth opportunities
- ***Unique and long-standing strategic distribution relationships*** – resulting in higher retention
- ***Financial strength and flexibility*** – strong balance sheet, conservative reserving, negligible asset exposure to recent sub-prime market dislocations
- ***Experienced management team with deep knowledge of workers' compensation*** – average 26 years experience with the ability to manage through challenging operating conditions



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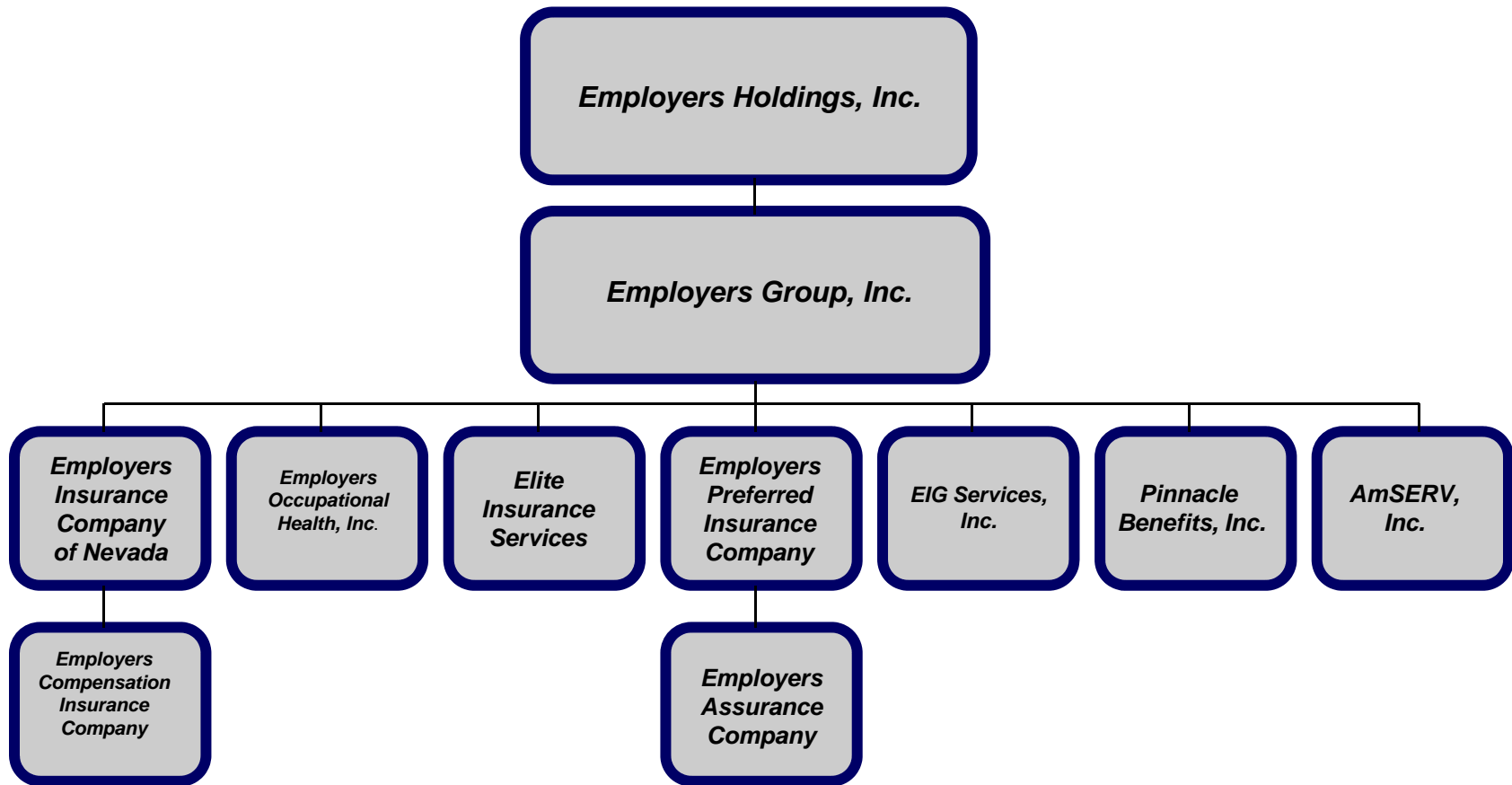
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Appendix

Organization



Selected Operating Results

Income Statement (\$ million)	2005	2006	2007	2008	Q 1 2009	Q 2 2009
Gross Written Premium	\$ 458.7	\$ 401.8	\$ 350.7	\$ 322.9	\$ 128.1	\$91.0
Net Written Premium	439.7	387.2	338.6	312.8	124.7	88.3
Net Earned Premium	438.3	393.0	346.9	328.9	111.6	104.4
Net Investment Income	54.4	68.2	78.6	78.1	23.3	23.1
Net Income	137.6	171.6	120.3	101.8	20.9	20.3
Net Income Before LPT	93.8	152.2	102.2	83.4	16.5	16.0
Balance Sheet (\$ million)	2005	2006	2007	2008	Q 1 2009	Q 2 2009
Total Investments	\$ 1,595.8	\$ 1,715.7	\$ 1,726.3	\$ 2,042.9	\$ 2,083.2	\$ 2,059.0
Cash and Cash Equivalents	61.1	80.0	149.7	202.9	190.4	217.0
Total Assets	3,094.2	3,195.7	3,191.2	3,756.7	3,764.8	3,729.0
Reserves for Loss and LAE	2,350.0	2,307.8	2,269.7	2,506.5	2,494.6	2,470.4
Shareholders' Equity	144.6	303.8	379.5	444.7	459.9	471.1
Equity Including LPT Deferred Gain	607.0	746.8	804.5	851.3	862.2	868.9

COMPUTATION OF ADJUSTED EXPENSE RATIO ON LEVEL PREMIUMS

	Six Months Ending <u>6/30/2008</u> (millions)	Six Months Ending <u>6/30/2009</u>	
Earned Premium			
Employers	149.7	\$ 216.0	
Acquired operations	<u>100.7*</u>	<u>-</u>	
	<u>250.4</u> D	<u>216.0</u> A	
Underwriting & Other Operating Expenses		68.9	
Policyholder Dividends		<u>3.9</u>	
Total Expenses		72.8	B
Less: One-time restructuring charge	-	<u>4.3</u>	
Net Underwriting & Other		<u>\$ 68.5</u> C	
Expense ratio		<u>33.7%</u> B/A	
Adjusted Expense ratio (net)		<u>31.7%</u> C/A	
Adjusted Expense ratio (net) on Level Premiums (six months ended 6/30/08)		<u>27.4%</u> C/D	

*Based on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC in August, 2008 by AmCOMP, Incorporated

Regional Organization, Pricing Trends in 2009 at 8/31/09

