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Quarterly General Insurance Performance Statistics

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Highlights for the year ended 30 September 2019

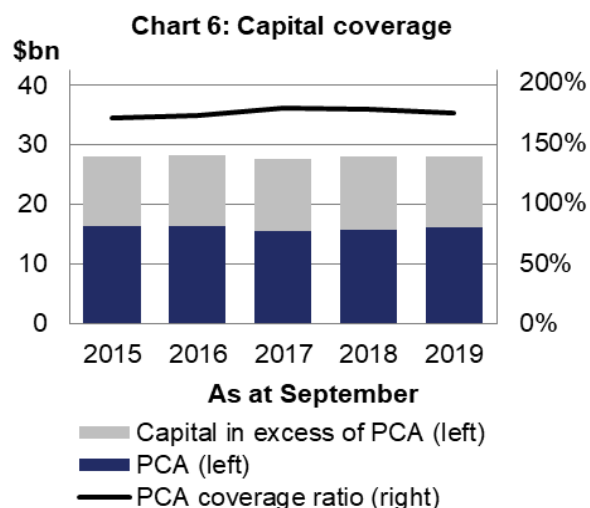
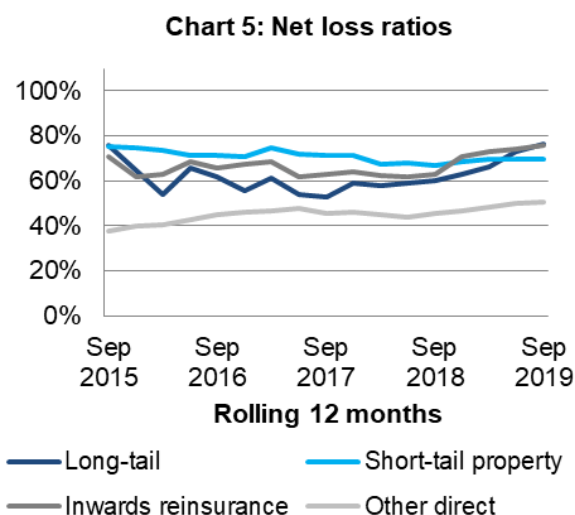
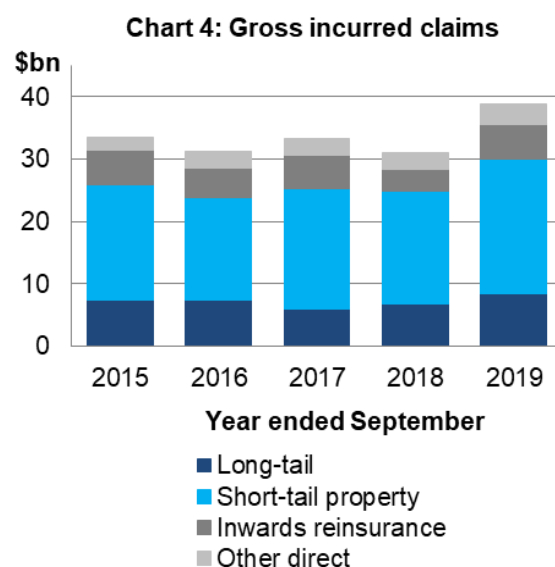
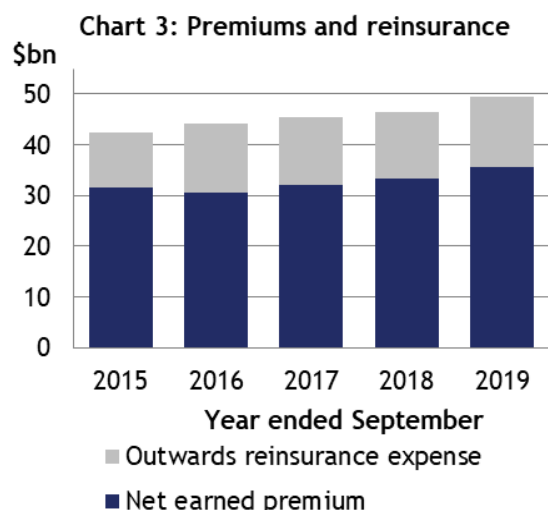
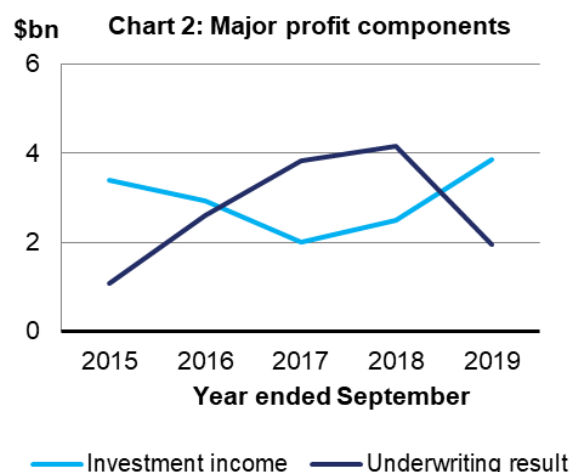
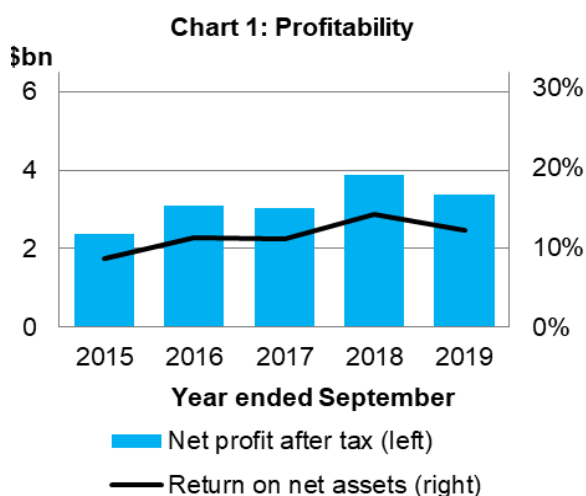
- Industry underwriting profit for the year to 30 September 2019 was \$1.9 billion (2018: \$4.2 billion). This result was negatively impacted by claims costs from the Sydney Hailstorm and Townsville Flood events, and a strengthening of claims reserves in long-tail classes of business mainly due to falling bond yields.
- During the year insurers reported increases in gross earned premium mainly from premium rate increases in the short-tail and employers liability classes of business.
- Investment income increased significantly during the year, largely due to unrealised gains in interest bearing investments resulting from the falling bond yields.
- Industry net profit after tax at \$3.4 billion and a return on net assets at 12.1 per cent were both lower when compared to the prior year.
- Industry PCA coverage ratio reduced from 1.79x to 1.74x in the September 2019 quarter.

Key performance data/ metrics at a glance¹

	Year to 30 September 2018	Year to 30 September 2019	Change
Number of insurers	95	97	+2
Net profit after tax	\$3.9bn	\$3.4bn	-13.2%
Return on net assets	14.2%	12.1%	-2.1pp
Underwriting result	\$4.2bn	\$1.9bn	-53.4%
Investment income	\$2.5bn	\$3.9bn	+54.4%
Gross earned premium	\$46.4bn	\$49.4bn	+6.5%
Net earned premium	\$33.4bn	\$35.7bn	+6.8%
Gross incurred claims	\$30.9bn	\$38.8bn	+25.2%
Gross loss ratio	61%	73%	+12pp
Net loss ratio	63%	70%	+7pp
<i>short-tail property</i>	67%	70%	+3pp
<i>long-tail classes</i>	60%	77%	+17pp
Underwriting exp ratio	25%	25%	Unchanged
PCA coverage ratio	1.78x	1.74x	-0.04x

¹ Data on industry segments and classes of business is available in the publication

Historical performance trends 2015 – 2019





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