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- Overview of FirstRand Bank
- Headwinds
 - Macroeconomic environment – “new normal”
 - Regulation – capital and liquidity
- FirstRand’s response

FirstRand's strategy

- Objectives
 - To be the African financial services group of choice
 - By creating long-term franchise value
 - Through delivering superior and sustainable returns
 - Within acceptable levels of earnings volatility
 - Underpinned by alignment of shareholder value creation and management remuneration
- ... driven by two growth strategies
 - In South Africa, focus on existing markets and areas currently under-represented
 - Further grow African franchises in key markets and mine the Africa/Asia corridors

Strategy executed through operating franchises and appropriate platforms

Portfolio of leading franchises



FIRSTRAND

Listed holding company
(FirstRand Limited, JSE: FSR)



RMB

Investment banking franchise



FNB

First National Bank

Retail and commercial banking franchise

WesBank

A division of FirstRand Bank Ltd.

Instalment finance franchise



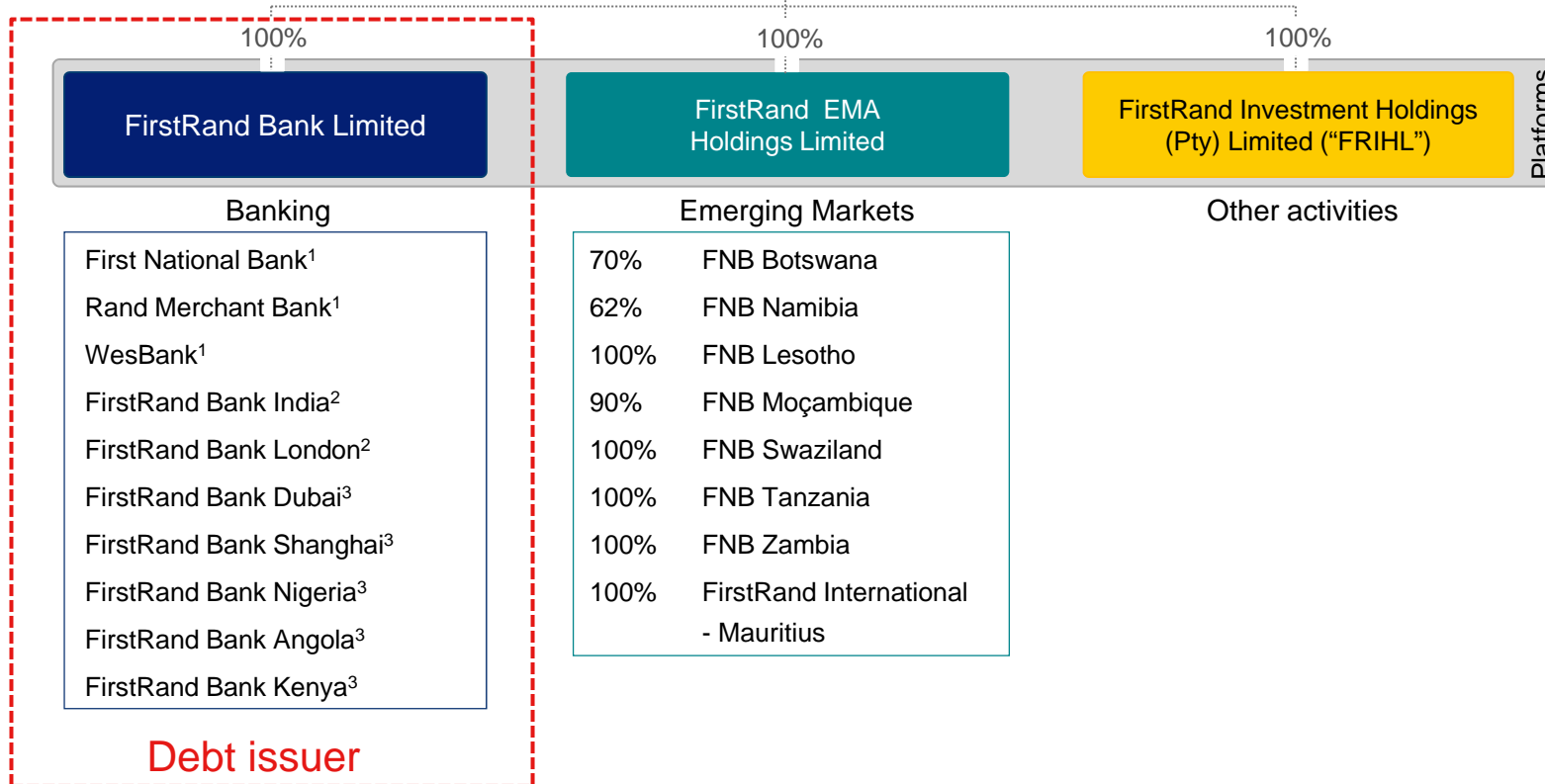
Group structure



FIRSTRAND

Strategy set at Group-level

Bank controlling company; listed holding company (FirstRand Limited, JSE: FSR)



1 Division

2 Branch

3 Representative office

Structure shows effective shareholding (consolidated)



Credit ratings – FirstRand Bank Limited

	South Africa sovereign ratings	FirstRand Bank Limited credit ratings			
	FOREIGN CURRENCY	FOREIGN CURRENCY		LOCAL CURRENCY	
	Long term/ Outlook	Long term/ Outlook	Short term	Long term/ Outlook	Short term
Standard & Poor's	BBB+/Stable	BBB+/Stable	A-2	BBB+/Stable	A-2
Moody's	A3/Stable	A3/Stable	P-2	A2/Stable	P-1
Fitch Ratings	BBB+/Stable	BBB+/Stable	F2	BBB+/Stable	-

Credit ratings as at 28 October 2011

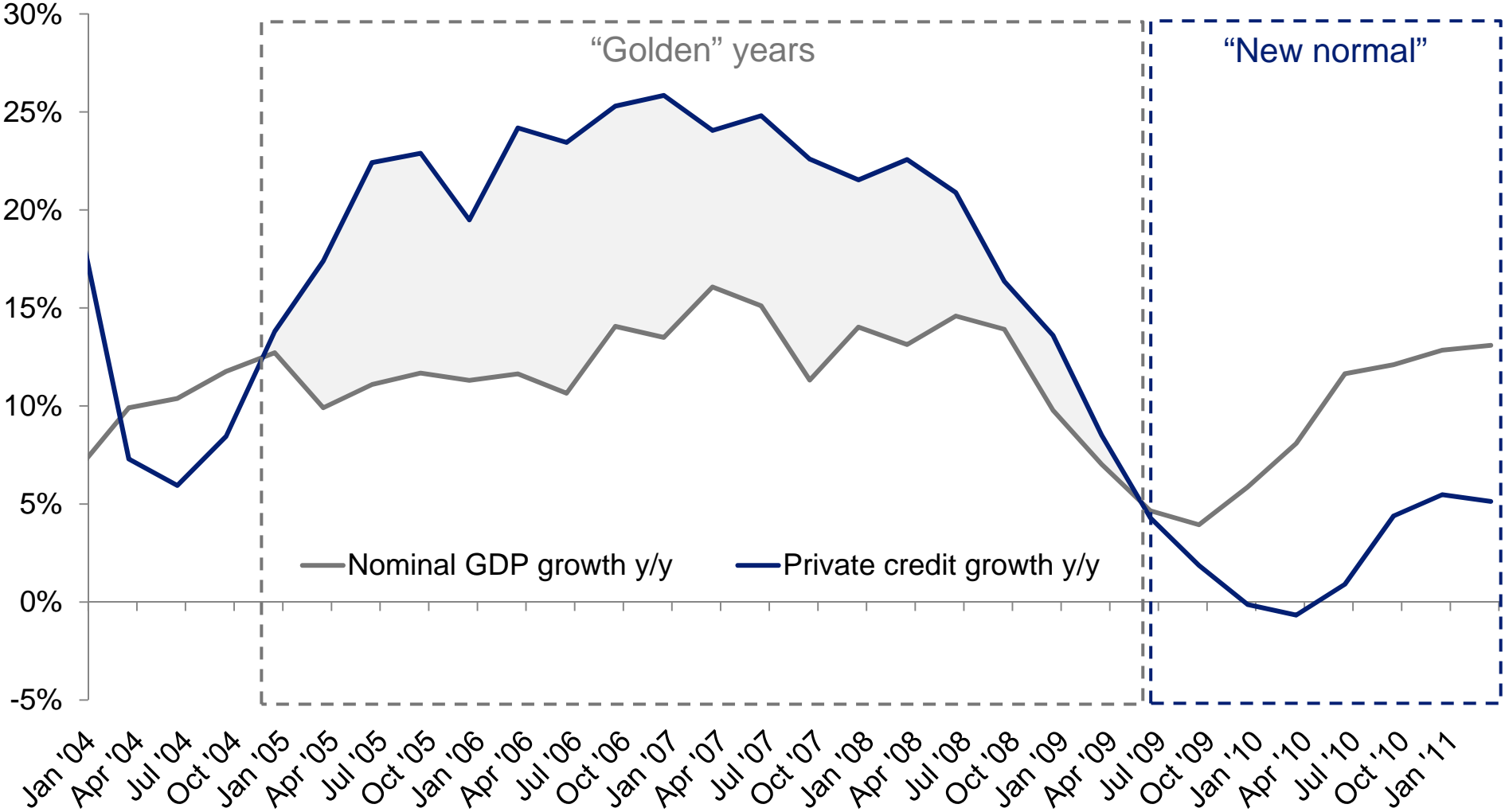
Key ratios – FirstRand Bank Limited

Normalised	Jun '11	Jun '10	Change
Normalised earnings (R million)	6 595	5 801	▲ 18%
Return on equity (%)	18.8	18.1	▲
Return on assets (%)	1.1	1.0	▲
Credit loss ratio (%)	0.98	1.39	▼
Cost-to-income ratio (%)	62.7	60.9	▲
Tier 1 ratio (%)	12.4	11.7	▲
Core Tier 1 ratio (%)	11.4	10.7	▲
Net interest margin (%)	4.19	4.22	▼
Gross advances (R million)	438 596	410 979	▲ 7%

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Cumulative build-up of leverage



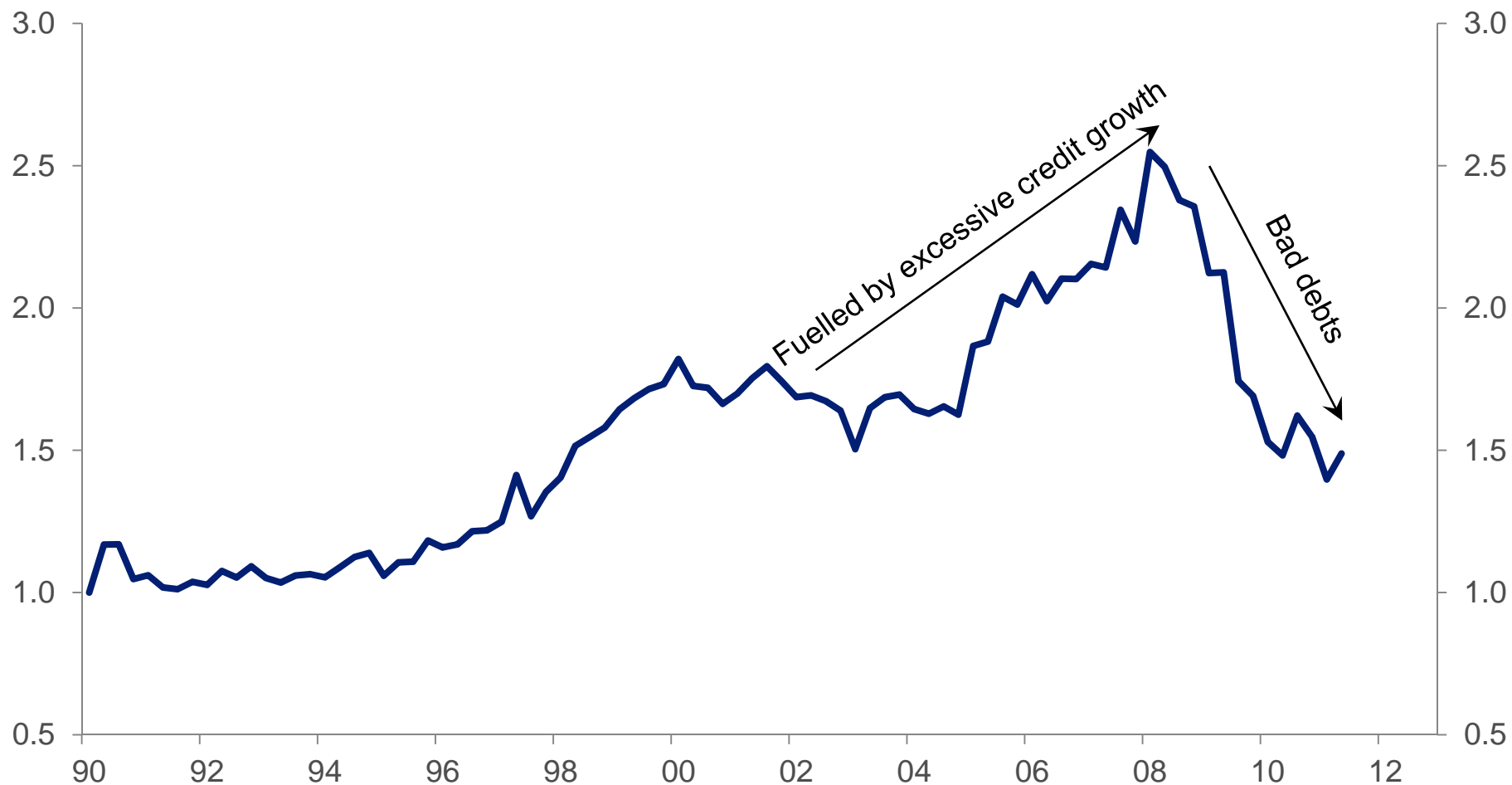
Long on credit, short on wealth

Source: I-Net Bridge



Growth in bank earnings outpaced nominal GDP growth

Bank earnings to nominal GDP (Jan 1990 = 1.0)



Source: I-Net Bridge

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Characteristics of “new normal” environment

- Sluggish GDP growth
- Rising inflation
- Rising unemployment
- Flat or declining property values
- Disposable income under pressure
- Low levels of business confidence and activity
- Interest rates to remain low

Lower growth and more volatility

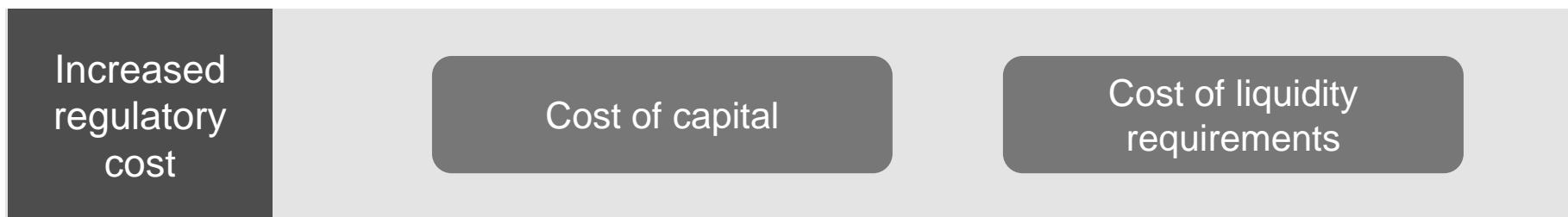
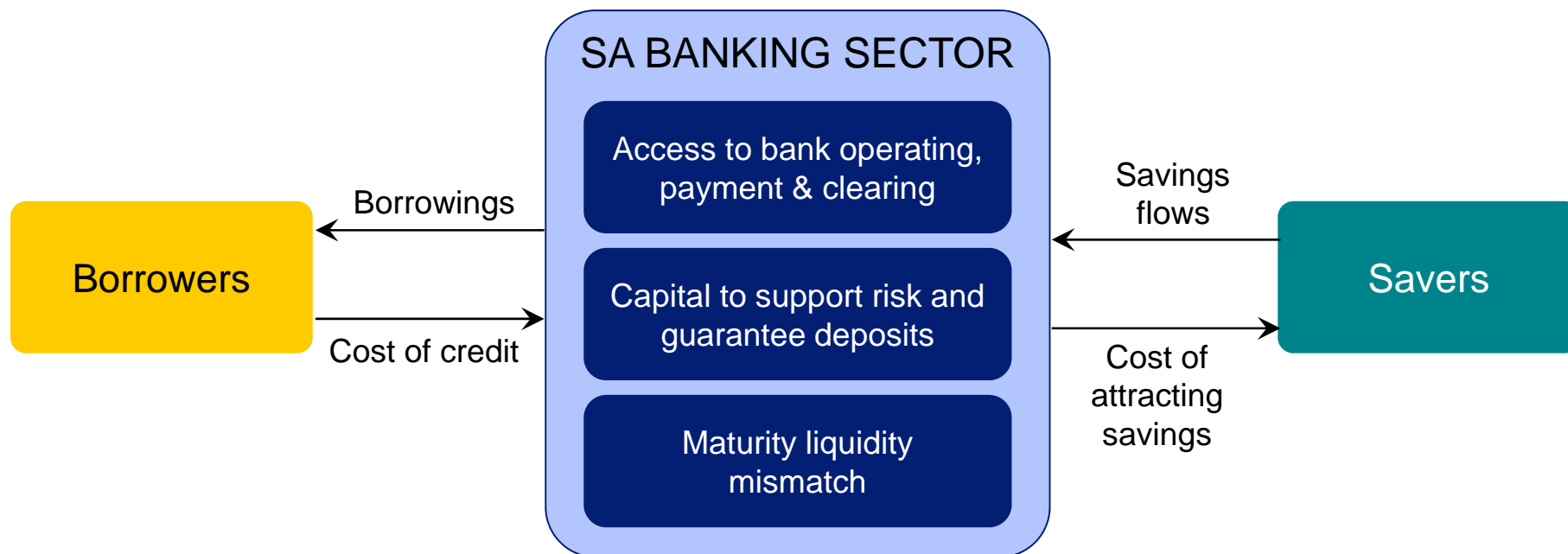
Macros impact banks

- Asset growth
 - Expected to lag nominal GDP growth
 - Retail expected to outpace corporate
- Margins
 - Risk of rate cuts could reduce endowment margin
 - Increased cost of liquidity
- Bad debts
 - Further benefit of monetary policy intervention limited
 - But asset quality much improved
 - Post write-off recoveries
- Transactional revenues
 - Market share gains required to exceed nominal GDP

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Regulation and the role of banks in the economy



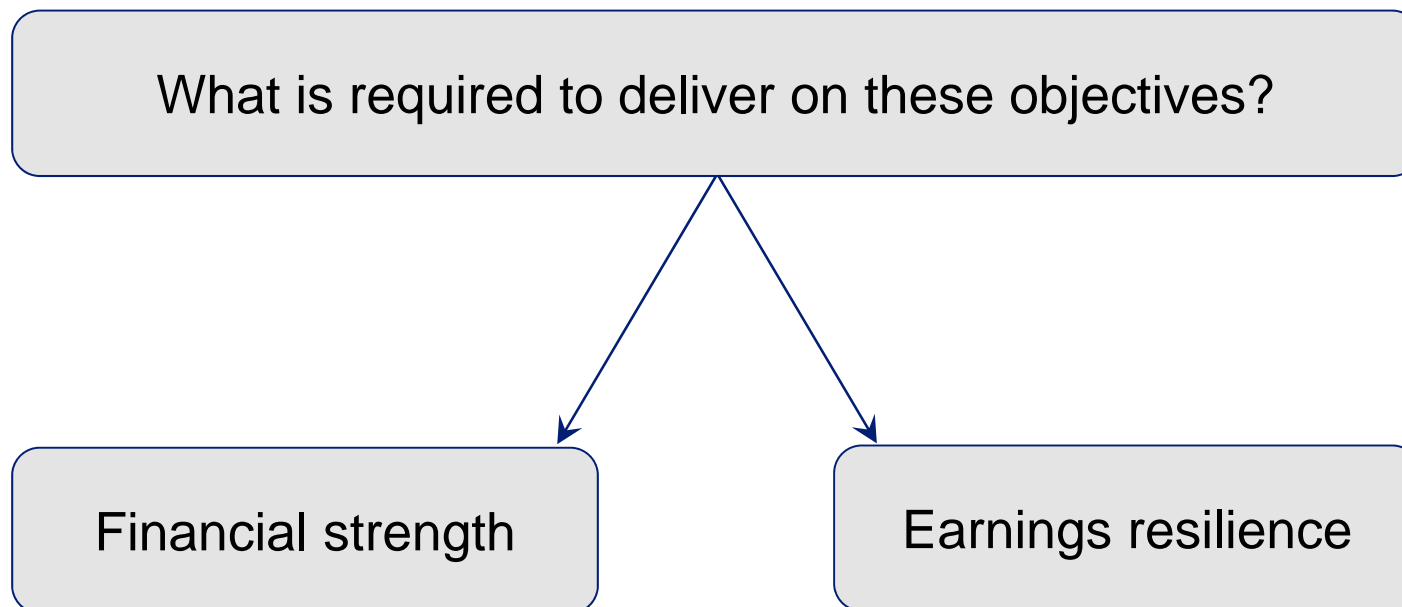
No regulatory overlay can compensate for a bad strategy

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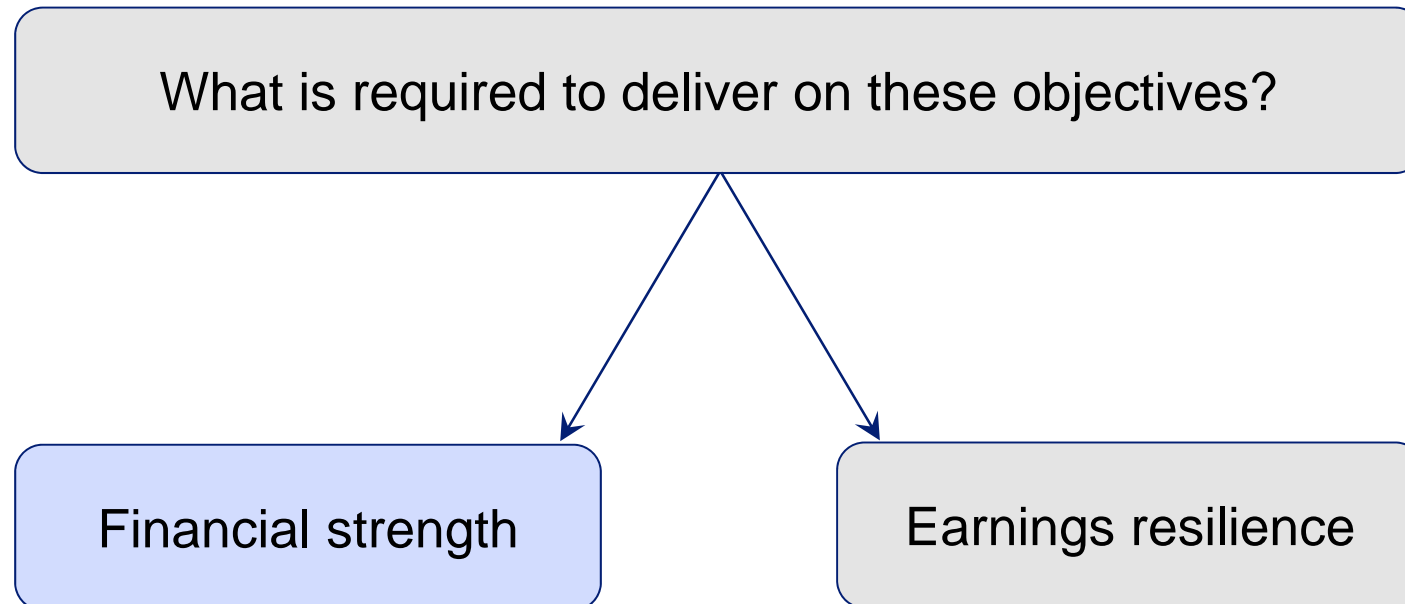
FirstRand's response

- Short-term – earnings growth should outperform macros
- Medium to long-term – deliver superior, sustainable ROEs



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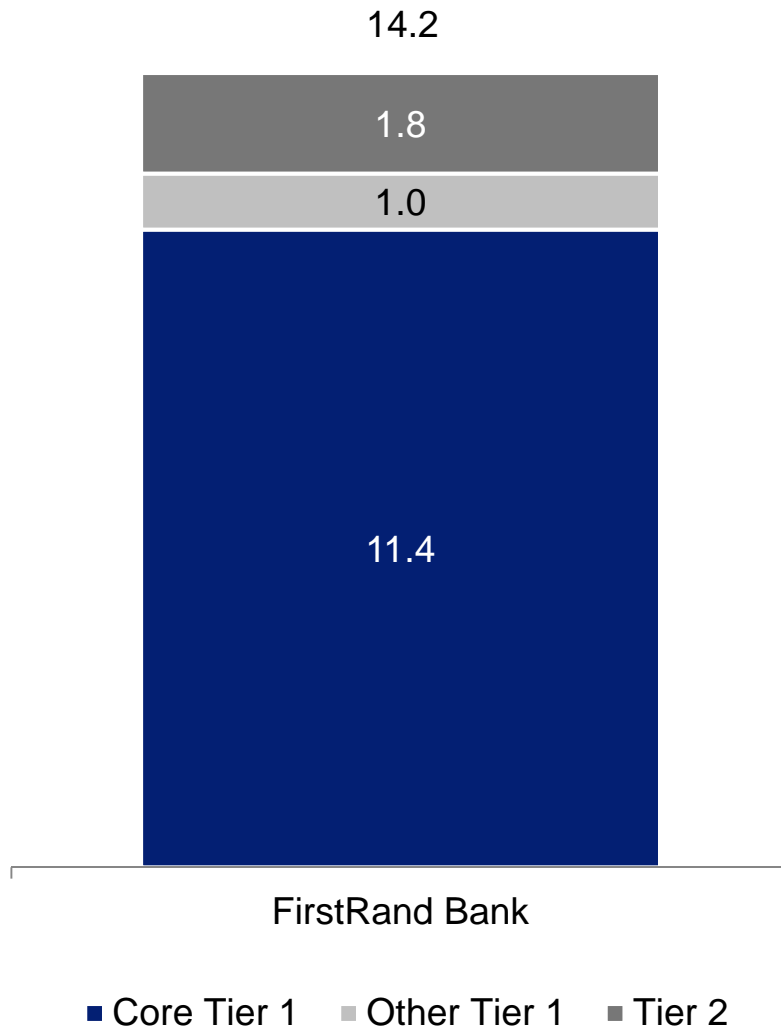
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Financial strength

- Capital position and management
- Asset quality
- Funding strategies

Strong capital position



	Core Tier 1 %	Tier 1 %
Capital adequacy ratio	11.4	12.4
Regulatory minimum	5.25	7.0
Target	9.0 – 10.5	10.5

We understand the implications of regulatory changes

- Assessed impact of Basel 2.5 and III changes
- 2011 returns and targets (18% – 22%) already reflect increased levels and quality of capital
 - Uncertainty remains regarding SARB interpretation (expect clarity in Q1 2012)
- Comfortable that 18% to 22% range is sustainable
 - Private equity businesses already capitalised at higher economic capital level
 - Lending businesses – started repricing (and agreements allow repricing for regulatory changes)
 - Subsidiaries capitalised appropriately (no buffer in centre)
 - Liquidity changes will impact ROEs in term assets – consider new performance metrics, e.g. liquidity-adjusted ROE
 - Africa expansion – punitive treatment of minorities introduces asymmetry

Consistent capital management strategy

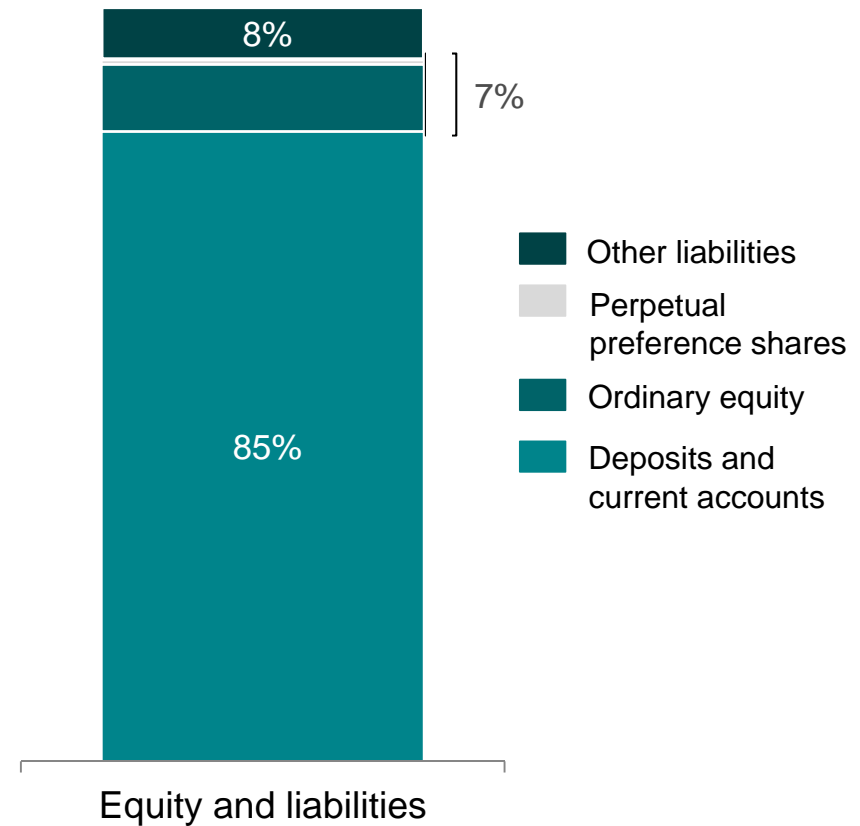
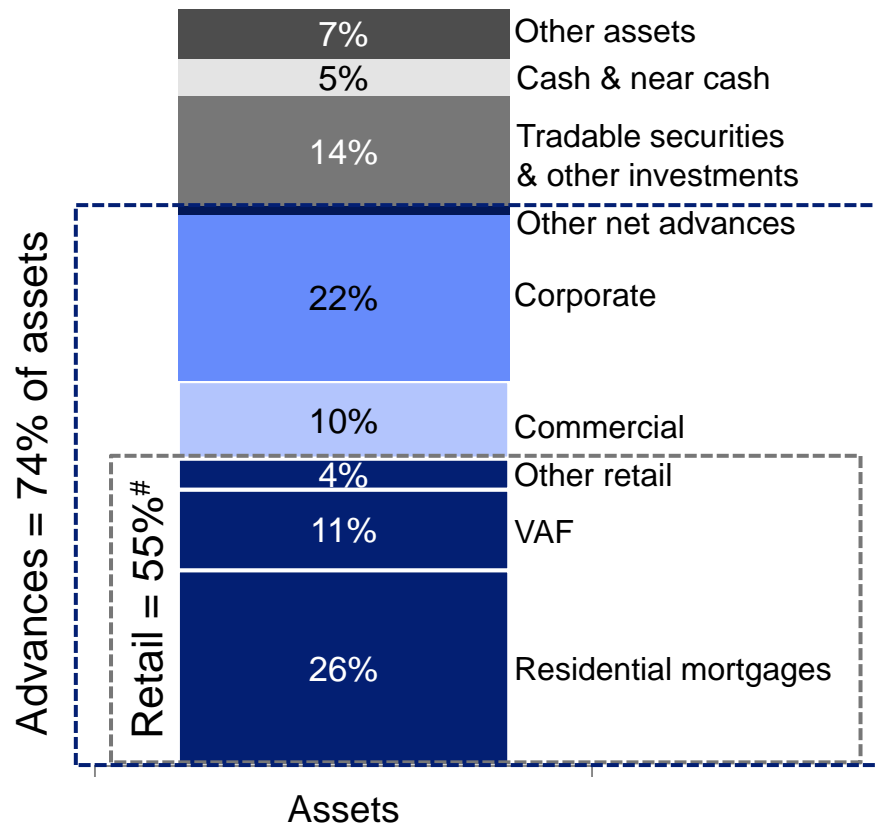
- Continue to deploy capital to businesses that meet the required return
 - Strategic investments that breakeven within an appropriate period
 - Businesses required to meet minimum hurdle rates
- Internal capital generation sufficient for domestic growth and African expansion initiatives
- If no alternative investment or deployment, capital will be returned to shareholders
- Disciplined approach to growth allows protection of returns
- No incremental currency risk, equity risk or credit risk is taken in the capital investment portfolio
- No double-gearing

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Balance sheet reflects financial soundness

Nominal* gearing 16 times
 RWA/Total assets* = 49%



of advances

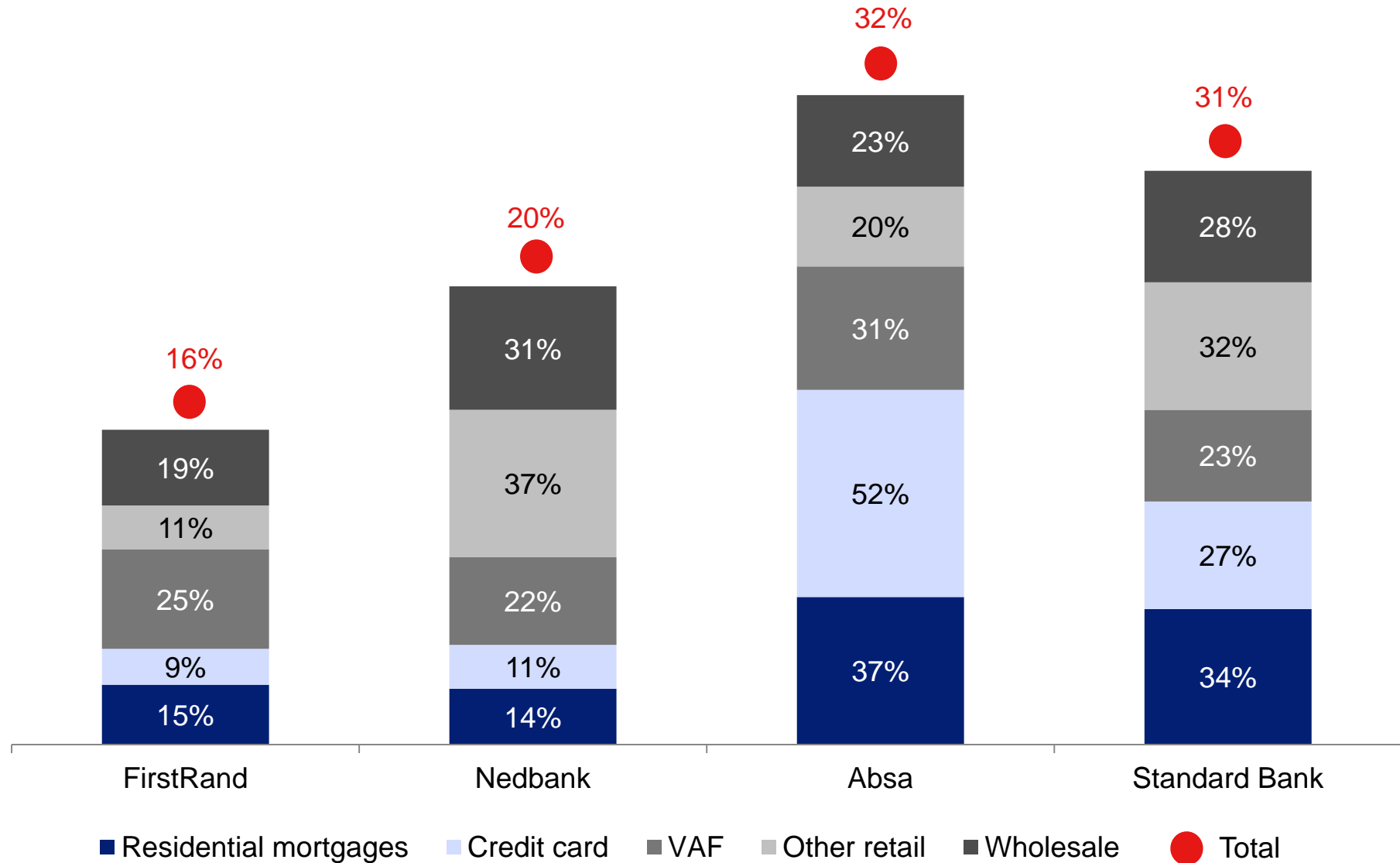
* Based on normalised continuing statement of financial position (Note: derivative assets and liabilities netted off)

We took the pain earlier and faster

- First loss is best loss
 - No restructuring of NPLs to performing
 - Focus on workout
 - QuickSell process in FNB HomeLoans resulted in 50% higher recoveries on asset values
 - Properties re-valued at default
- Conservative LGDs
- Write-off policies
 - Secured: Upon final recovery on the sale of the asset held as security
 - Unsecured: Write off 6 months after date of default
- Coverage significantly impacted by underlying mix of NPL portfolio
- Portfolio impairments were prudent

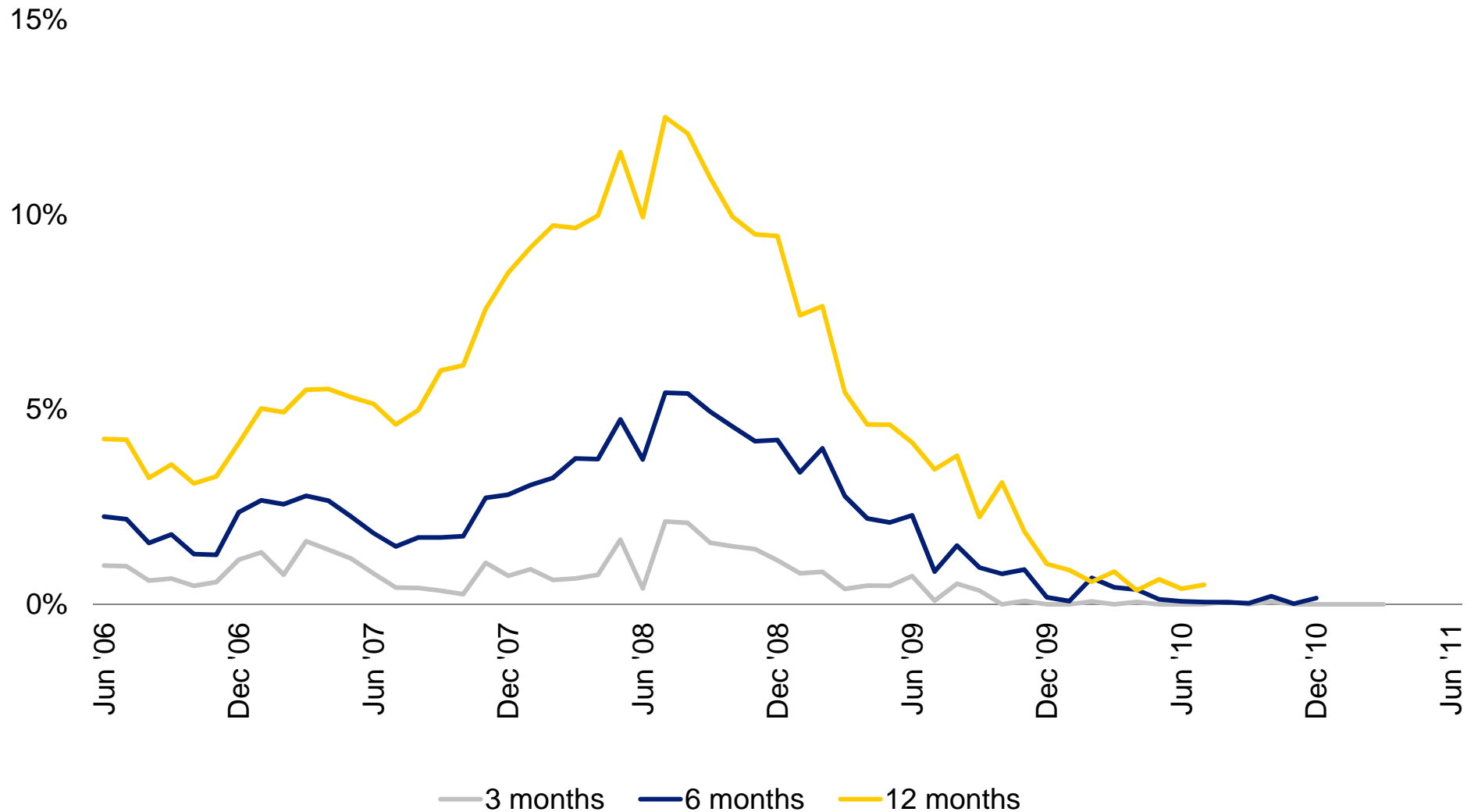
Lowest market share of NPLs

Market share of NPLs

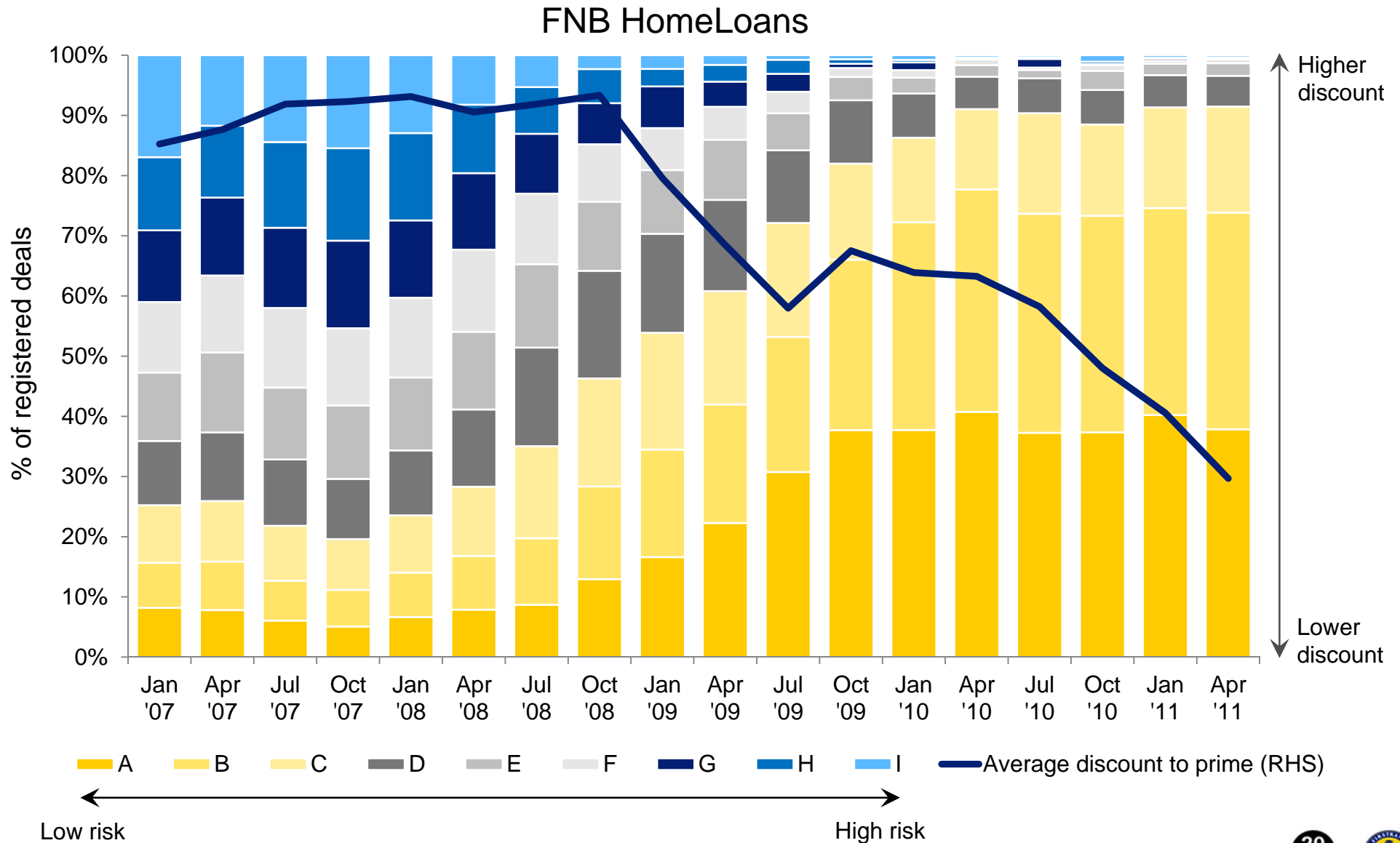


Source: Company reports, FirstRand research

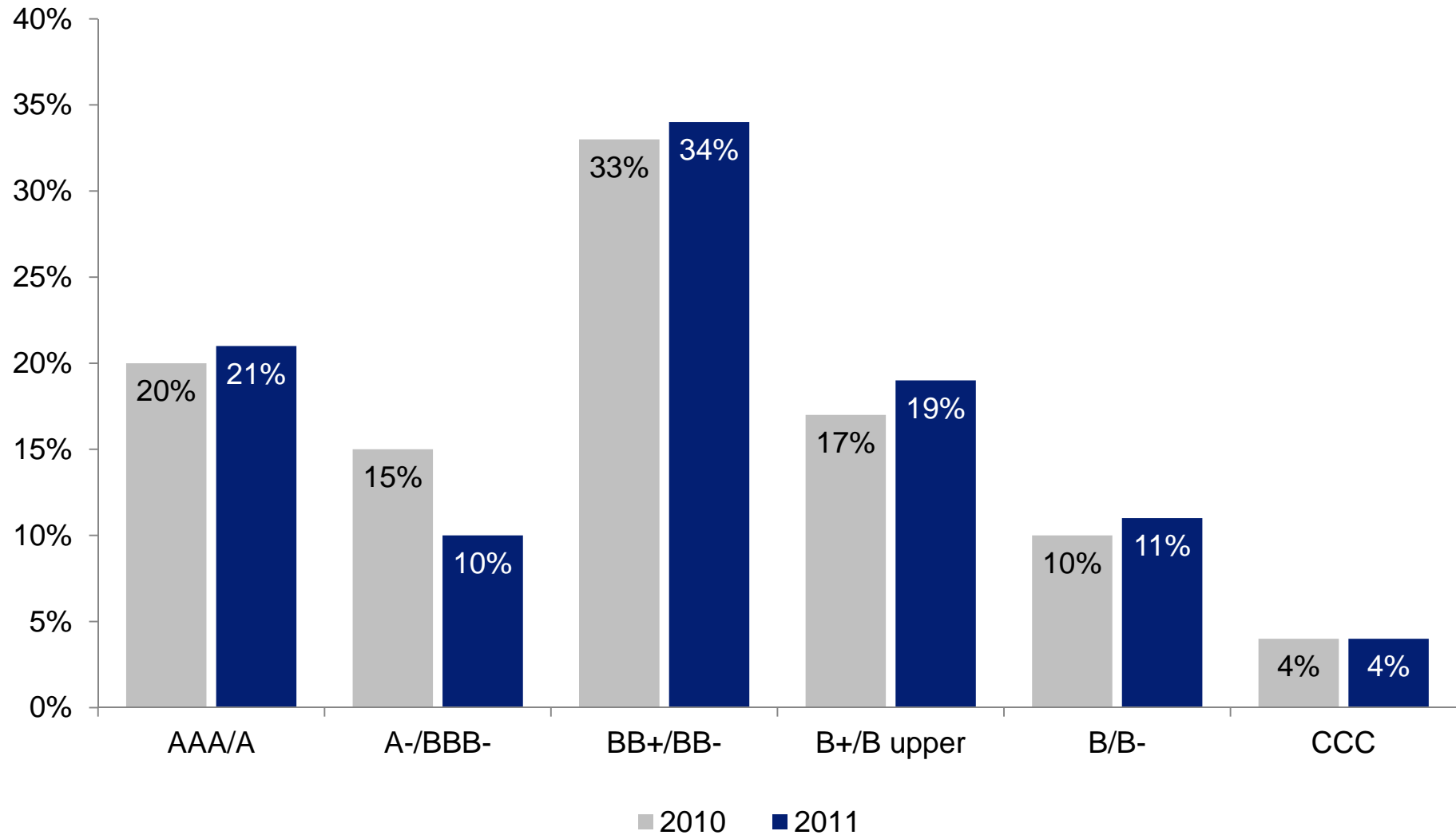
FNB HomeLoans vintage analysis shows quality of new business



We are improving risk profile and pricing



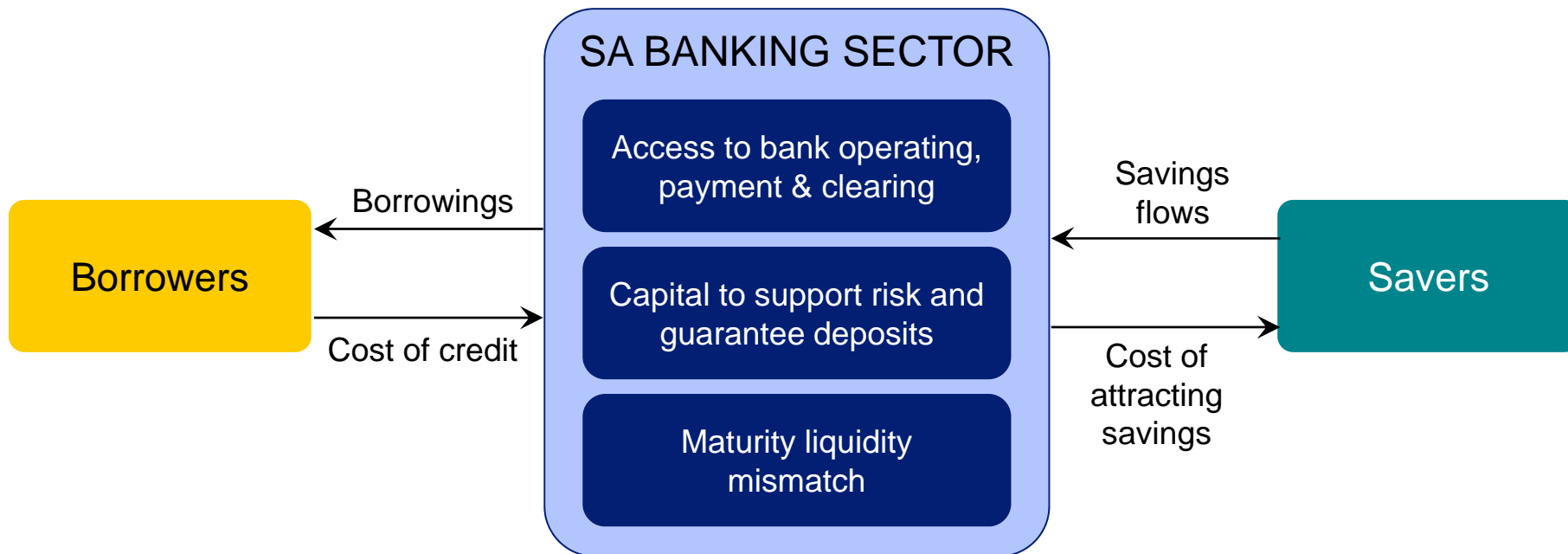
Average rating distribution of advances



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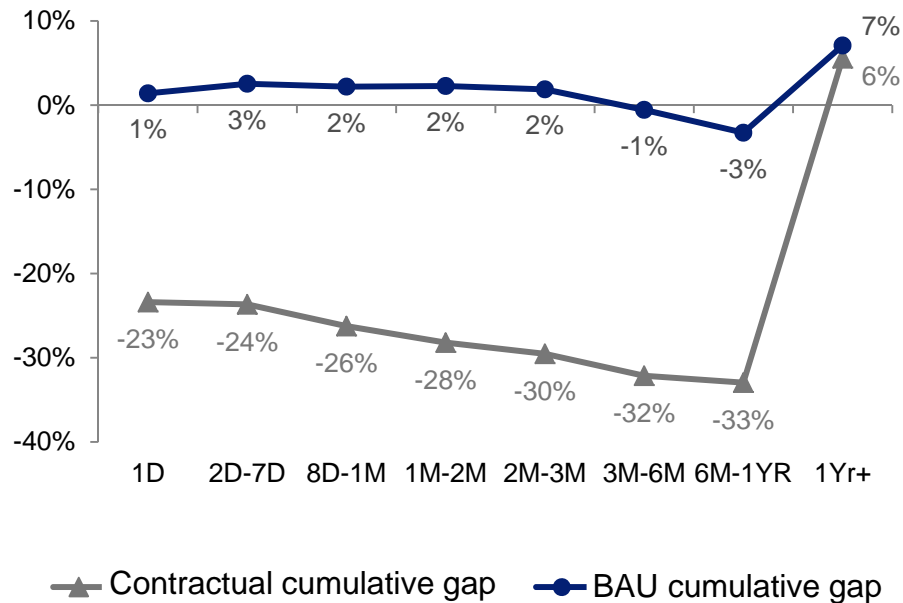
What are the appropriate funding and liquidity strategies given the new normal and regulatory environment?



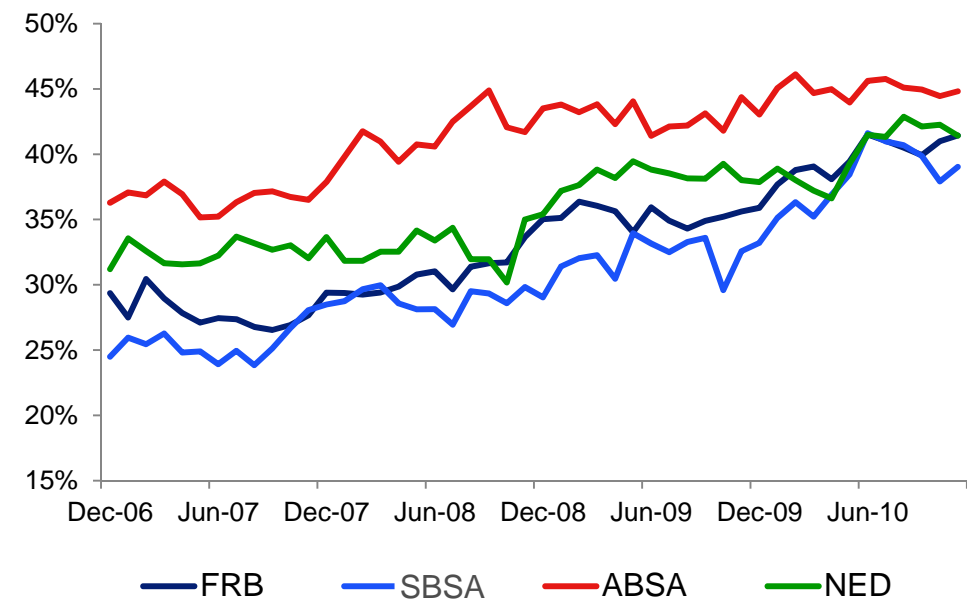
<p>Increased regulatory cost</p>	<p>Cost of capital</p> <p>We don't see further reduction in returns as ROE targets already take higher requirements into account</p>	<p>Cost of liquidity requirements</p> <p>Potential future cost</p>
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SA banking system liquidity gap

Liquidity gap

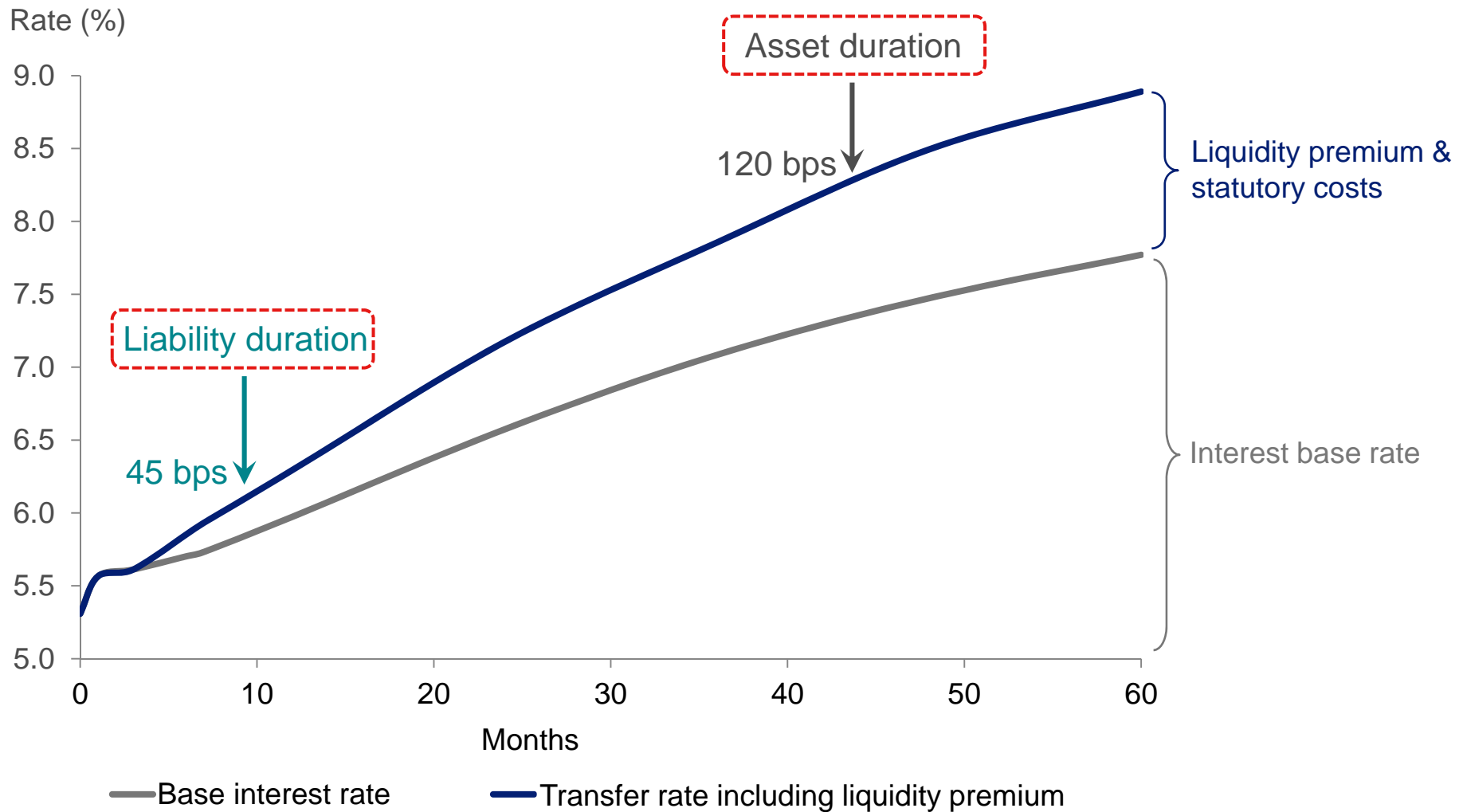


Institutional funding proportion



- 28% of liabilities mature within 2 months
- Average duration of assets = 44 months
- Banks have an over-reliance on short-term institutional funding

Increased cost of structural liquidity mismatch



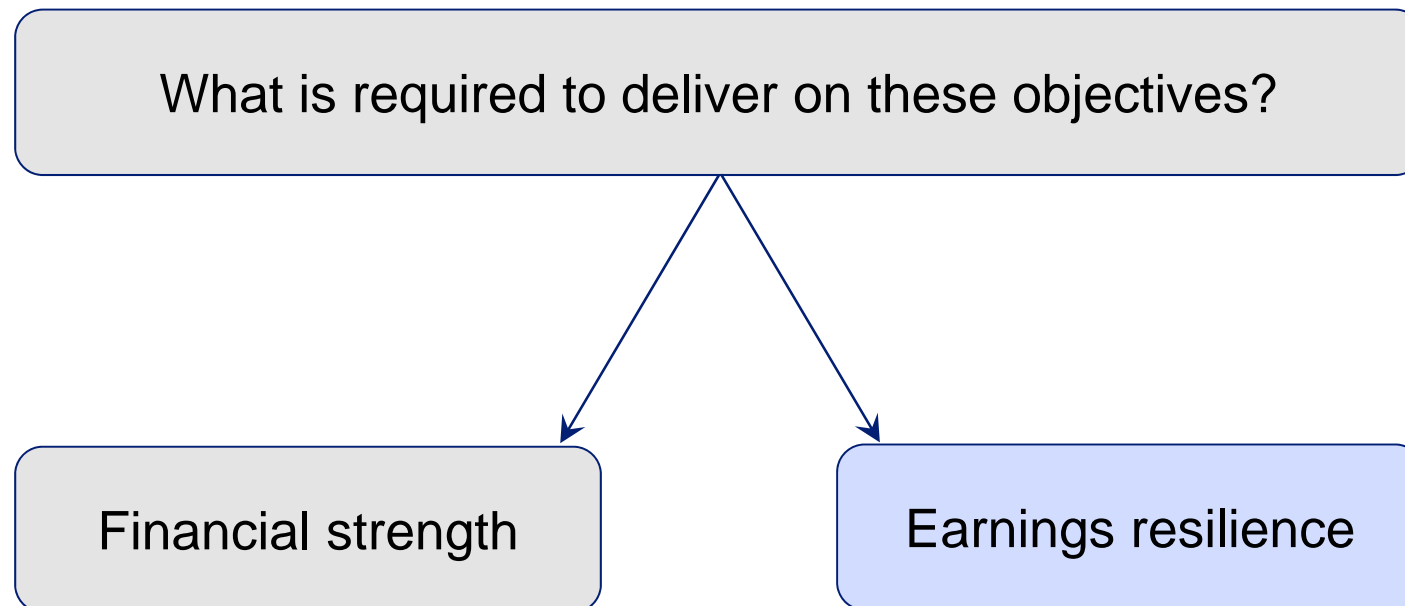
A "matched system" will be costly

FirstRand's response

- Liquidity strategies
- Funding strategies
- Funds transfer pricing
- Prepare for convergence of banks, principal investors and asset managers

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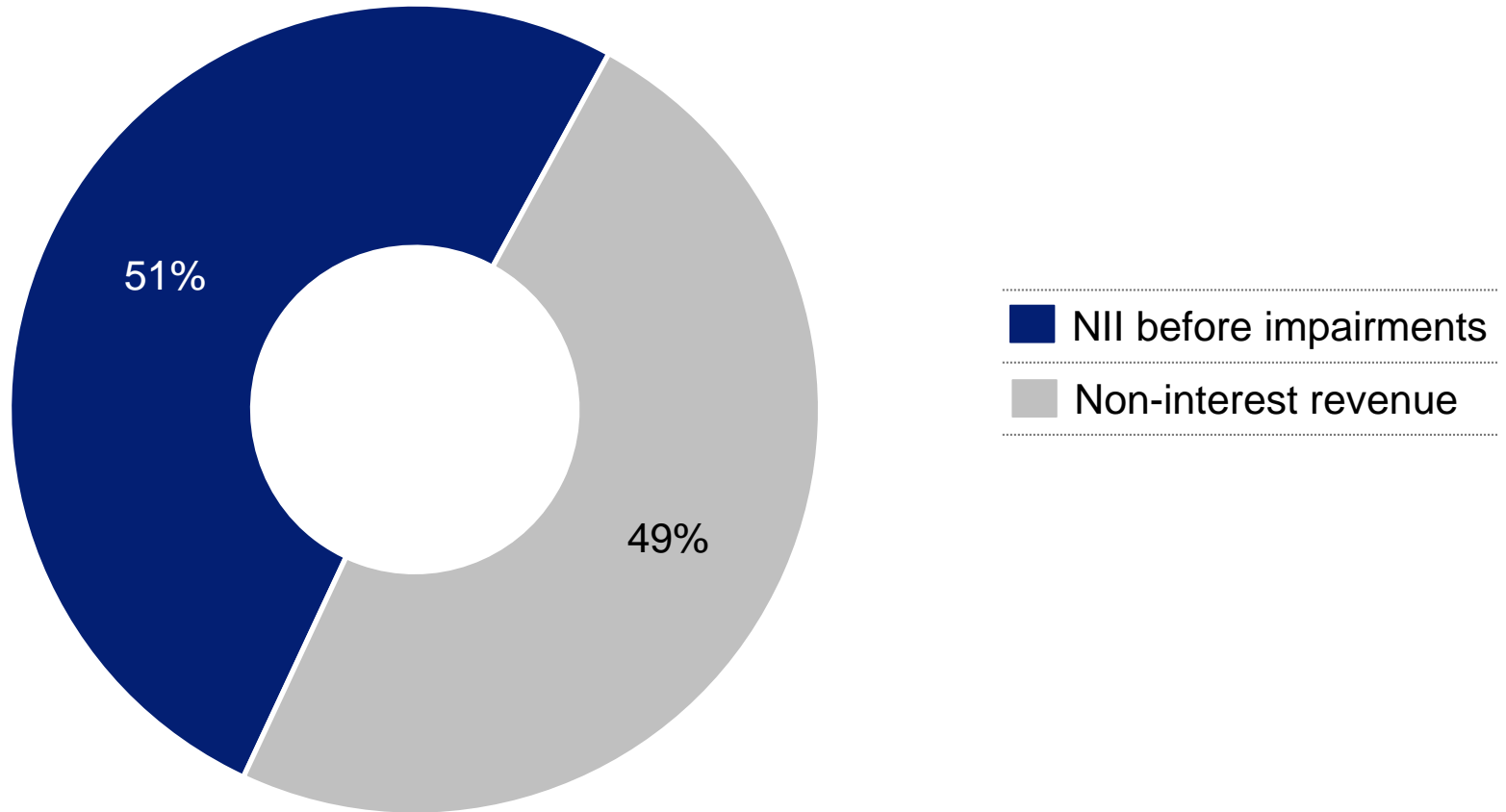
What underpins earnings resilience

- In 2008/09 the Group embarked on process to rebalance earnings profile
- Objectives to reduce volatility, but continue to deliver superior returns
- Diversity
 - Income streams that provide natural hedges through the cycle
 - Fee income vs interest income
 - South Africa vs rest of Africa
- Quality
 - Portfolio composition – appropriate balance between annuity income from client franchises and income driven by trading and investing activities

Diversity + quality = lower volatility

Balance between NII and NIR

Normalised gross revenue breakdown



More than 90% from client franchises

Quality franchises...

- FNB – most innovative, best ROE
- RMB – leading investment bank in SA
- WesBank – market leader in instalment finance
- ... with compelling growth strategies aligned to Group objectives
 - In South Africa, grow in existing markets and those where currently underrepresented
 - To grow African franchises in key markets and mine the investment and trade corridors

FNB – innovation key to growth in customers and volumes

- In tougher times, innovation becomes a key differentiator
 - 10 years of relentless focus on innovation is now contributing to bottom line
 - Supported by entrepreneurial, owner-manager culture
- Current strategy
 - Focus on building its diversified franchise
 - Customer acquisition and retention supported by appropriate innovative products and delivery channels
 - Repositioning footprint – emphasis on electronic channels
 - Value propositions for customers, i.e. loyalty programmes
 - Enter those market segments where currently under-represented
 - Mass segment – FNB EasyPlan, eWallet, cellphone banking
 - Wealth – BJM, Ashburton
 - Commercial – property finance
 - Africa and India – on track

RMB – excellent franchise but tough macros

- Strengthening client franchise
 - Scale trading and investment activities appropriately
- Better service large corporates through creation of CIB, but protect integrity of investment banking franchise
 - Coverage provides integrated approach
 - Improving GTS platform a 3-year process
 - FICC should benefit from increased client flows
- Africa and corridors
 - RMB benefitting from deployment into FNB's African platforms
 - African deal pipeline supported by rep offices in Nigeria, Kenya and Angola
 - India platform supports African deal pipeline through focus on clients active in African / India Corridor and profitable niches

WesBank – unique model underpins market leadership

- Core strategy to protect and grow current local franchise – dominate point of sale through industry partnerships
- Target segments where under-represented
 - Mid corporate
 - Identified over 1 000 potential customers not currently serviced in wholesale segment
 - Collaboration with FNB
 - Large corporate
 - Collaboration with CIB creating good leads
 - Full maintenance rentals
 - Signed initial strategic alliances with Imperial and Toyota
 - Opportunities in retail private leasing
 - Africa
 - Deploying resources into FNB Africa subsidiaries

In conclusion

- Balance sheet strength
- Improved ROA
- Diversity and quality of earnings profile
- Franchise strength – real competitive advantages in many market segments
- Disciplined approach to growing in Africa
- Appropriate strategies to deal with the increased cost of regulation

“Bearish” on macros, “bullish” on franchise outperformance



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appendix



Normalised income statement

Normalised (R million)	Jun '11	Jun '10	Change
Net interest income before impairment of advances	18 222	16 193	13%
Impairment of advances	(4 151)	(5 576)	(26%)
Net interest income after impairment of advances	14 071	10 617	33%
Non-interest revenue	19 065	17 294	10%
Income from operations	33 136	27 911	19%
Operating expenses	(23 365)	(20 397)	15%
Income before tax	9 771	7 514	30%
Indirect tax	(503)	(403)	25%
Profit before direct tax	9 268	7 111	30%
Direct tax	(2 266)	(1 258)	80%
NCNR preference shareholders	(201)	(230)	(13%)
Headline and normalised earnings adjustments	(206)	(22)	>100%
FirstRand Bank normalised earnings	6 595	5 601	18%

Refer to appendix for recon between normalised and IFRS

Recon: normalised income statement

R million	IFRS	Funding costs on the fair value book	Normalising adjustments	Normalised
Net interest income before impairment of advances	11 809	3 014	3 399	18 222
Impairment losses on loans and advances	(3 637)	-	(514)	(4 151)
Net interest income after impairment of advances	8 172	3 014	2 885	14 071
Non-interest revenue	26 003	(3 014)	(3 924)	19 065
Income from operations	34 175	-	(1 039)	33 136
Operating expenses	(23 420)	-	55	(23 365)
Income before tax	10 755	-	(984)	9 771
Indirect tax	(503)	-	-	(503)
Profit before tax	10 252	-	(984)	9 268
Direct tax	(2 266)	-	-	(2 266)
Profit for the year	7 986	-	(984)	7 002
Profit attributable to:				
Non-cumulative non-redeemable preference shareholders	201			201
Ordinary equity holders	7 785			6 801
Profit for the year	7 986	-	984	7 002

Recon: normalised income statement (cont.)

R million	IFRS	Normalised adjustments	Normalised
Equity holders of FirstRand Bank	7 785	(984)	6 801
Profit/(loss) on sale of property and equipment	47		47
Profit on sale of available for sale assets	(335)		(335)
Other (relates mainly to profits on restructure)	(970)	1 039	69
Tax effect on adjustments	13	-	13
FirstRand Bank headline earnings	6 540	55	6 595
Impact of IFRS2 share-based payment expense	55	(55)	-
FirstRand Bank normalised headline earnings	6 595	-	6 595