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# resilience

*through diversification*

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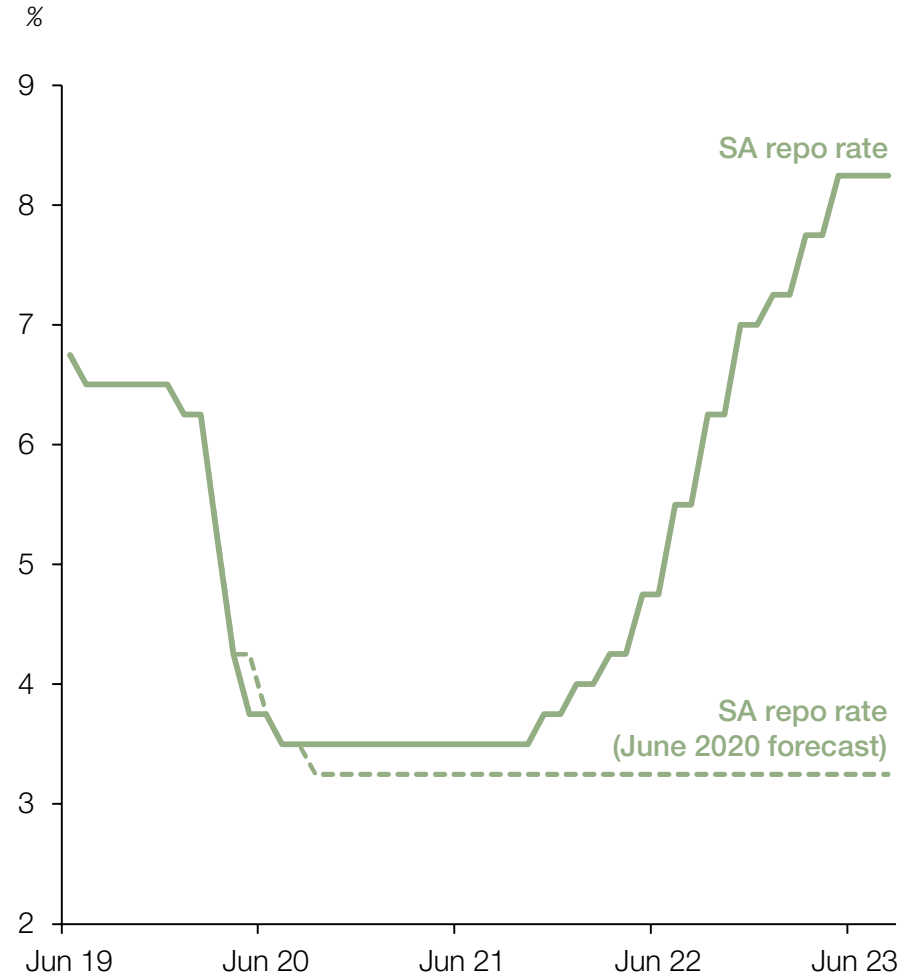
# Through-the-cycle approach anchored to strategy and FRM



## Headline inflation rate (CPI)



## Repo rate



Sources: Stats SA, SARB, FirstRand.

## Superior and sustainable economic returns within acceptable levels of volatility whilst maintaining balance sheet strength



- Holistic management of the balance sheet and its income streams within the macro context
  - Dynamically tilting the balance sheet to optimise shareholder outcomes through economic cycles

*Banks need to understand and react to the cycle*

- Maintaining an appropriate balance between:
  - Earnings growth
  - Returns
  - Whilst also minimising volatility

*First and foremost, protect ROE and do not “chase” growth at the expense of returns*

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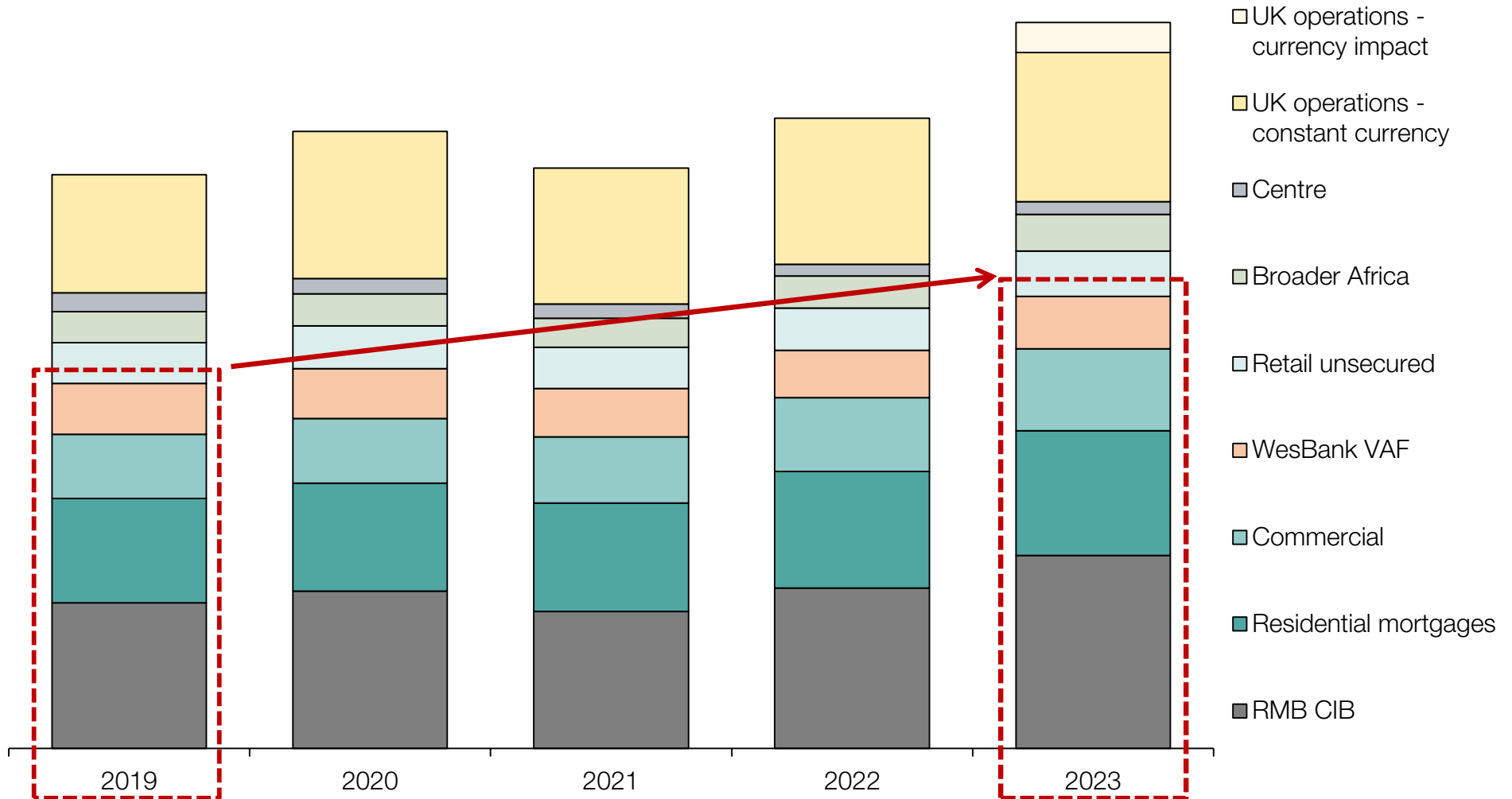
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# Balance sheet through-the-cycle demonstrates origination decisions



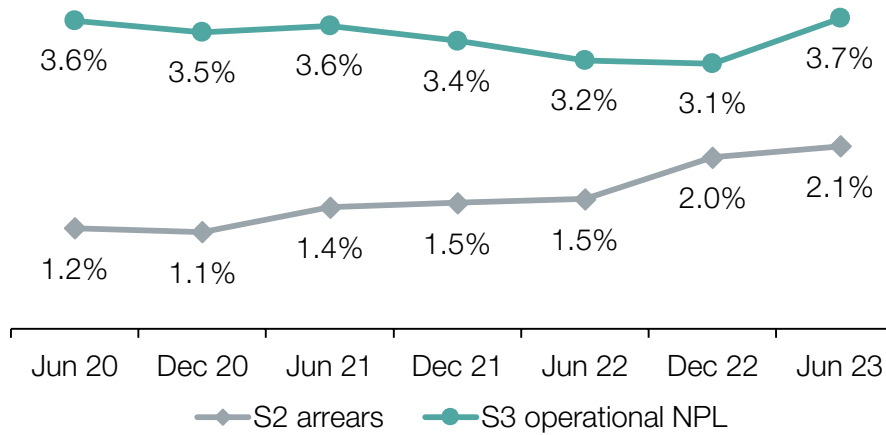
**Advances**  
*R billion*



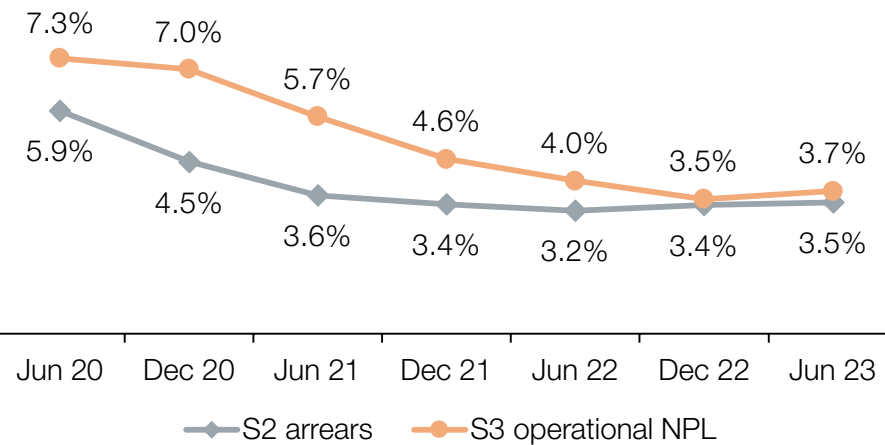
# Performance from the origination strategy is as expected



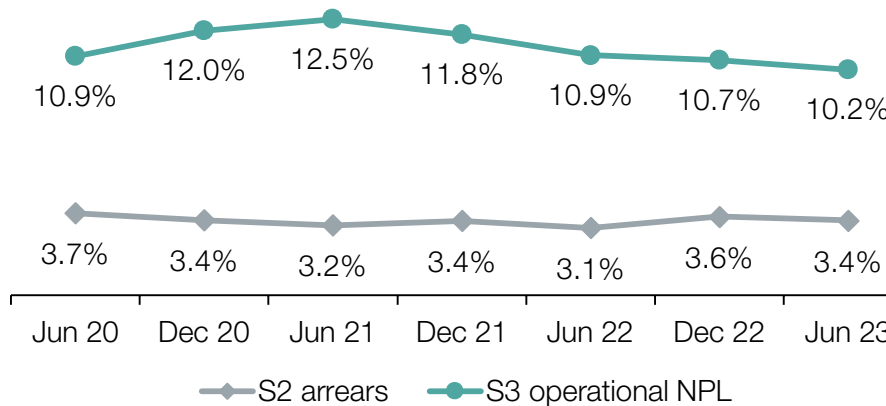
## Retail mortgages



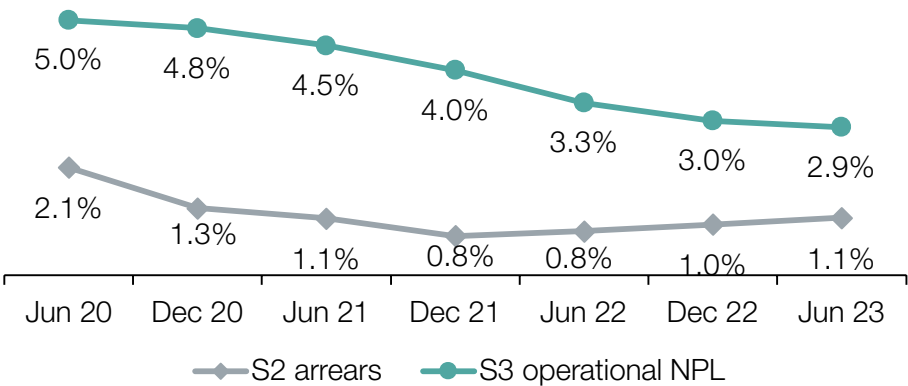
## WesBank VAF



## Retail unsecured



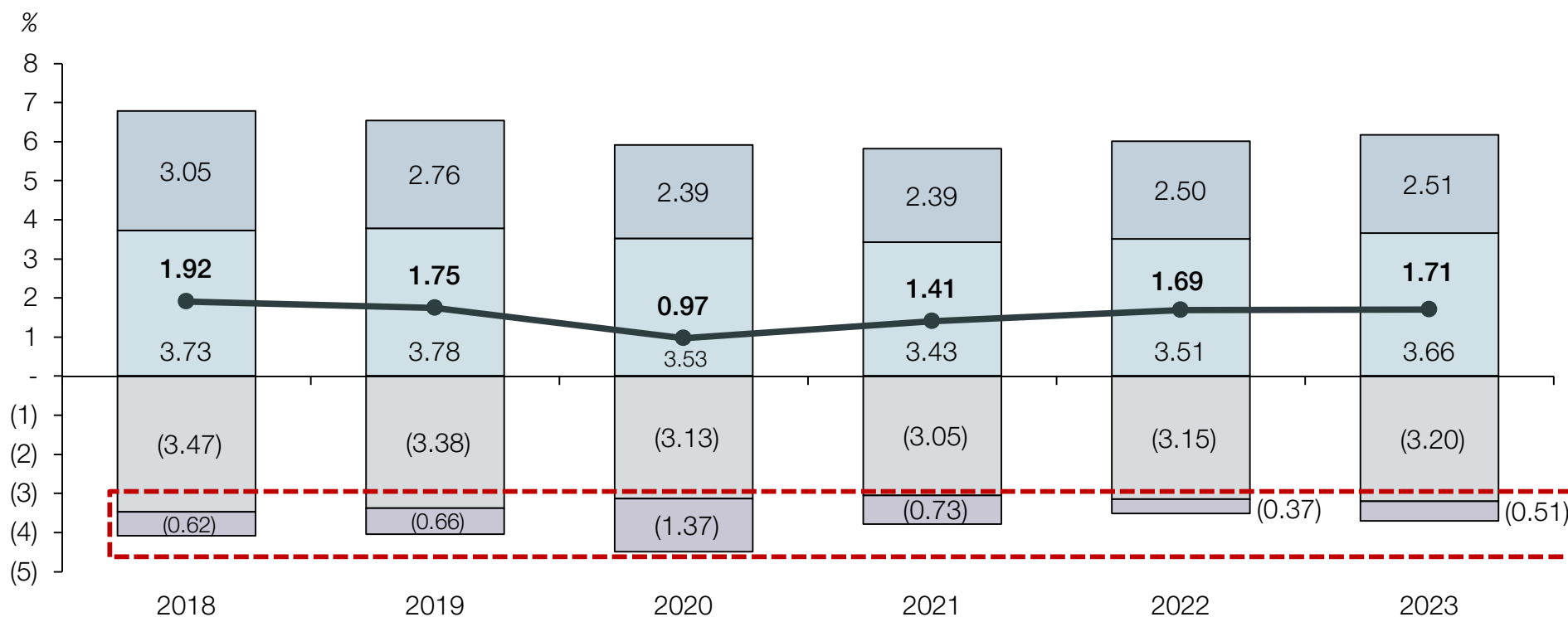
## FNB commercial and WesBank corporate



# Credit outcomes meaningful to ROE through-the-cycle



<b>ROE (%)</b>	23.0	22.8	12.9	18.4	20.6	<b>21.2</b>
<b>Gearing (times)</b>	12.0	13.0	13.3	13.0	12.2	<b>12.4</b>



NIR as % of average assets
  Operating expenses as % of average assets
  ROA %

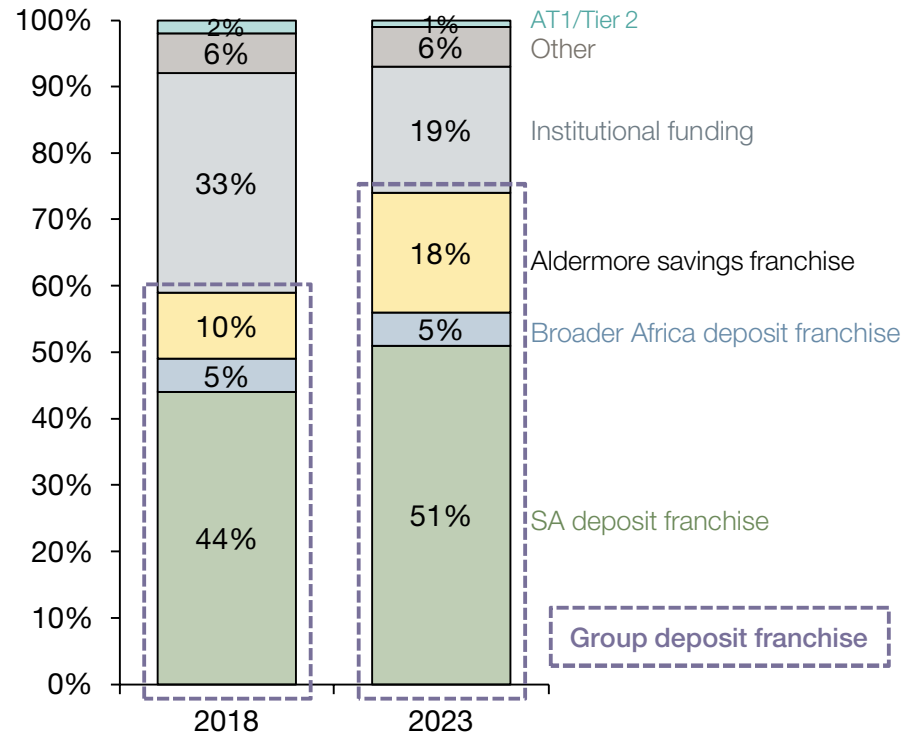
NII as % of average assets
  Impairments as % of average assets



# Balance sheet resilience also underpinned by deposit-led funding strategy



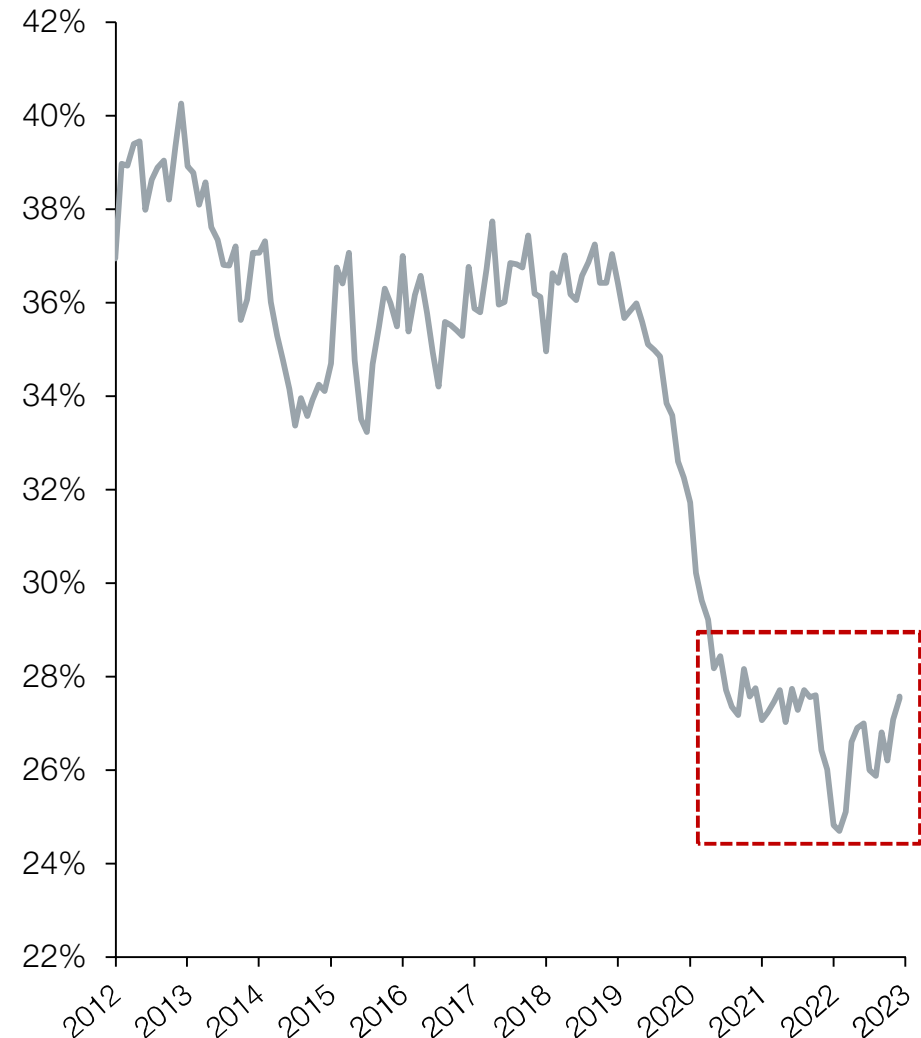
Funding composition – 2018 vs 2023



Deposit franchise contribution from **59%** to **74%** over the period reflects objectives to:

- Maintain and enhance deposit market share
- Optimise institutional funding profile

Institutional funding as % of total funding



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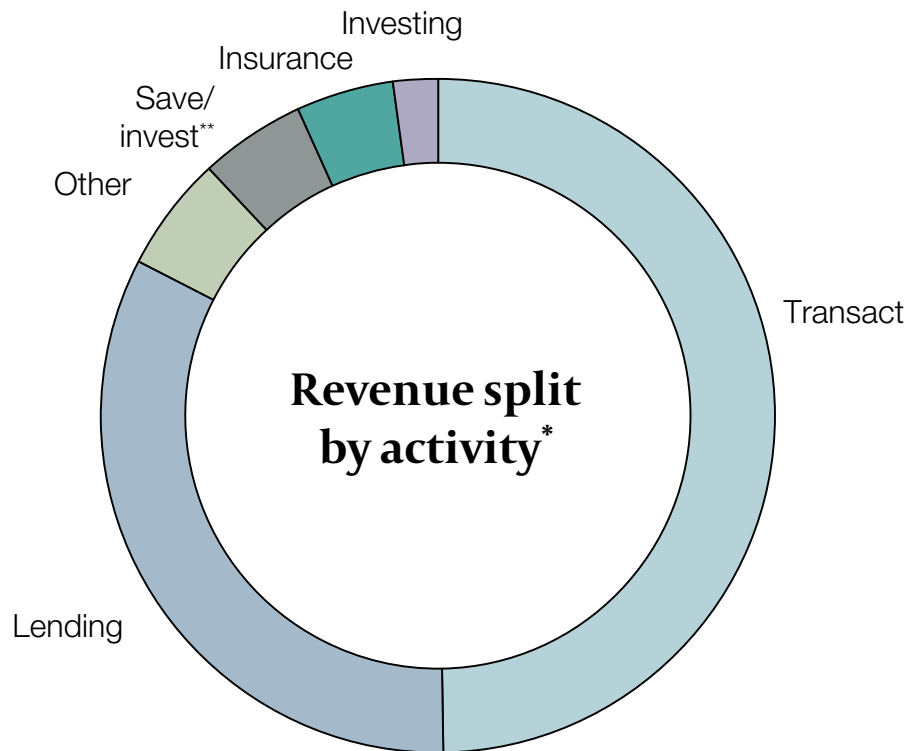
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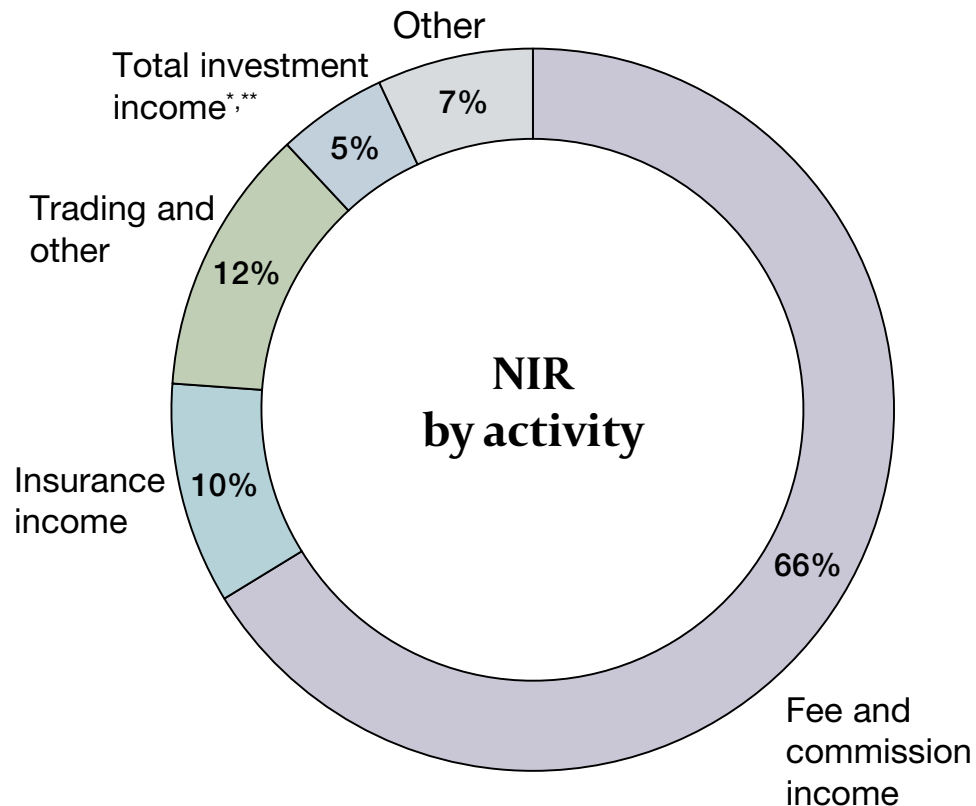
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- The relative size and quality of the transactional franchise allows the group to achieve high levels of **capital-light earnings** growth
- Key growth imperatives:
  - Grow customer numbers
  - Do more business with customers
  - Do this more efficiently

\* Based on gross revenue excluding consolidation adjustments, excluding Aldermore Group.

\*\* Includes deposit taking and investment management.



**Fee and commission** income reflects relative size and **strength of transactional franchise**



At risk given digitisation, and regulatory and competitive pressures



**Diversifying mix** through scaling **insurance** and **investment management** creates resilience

\* Includes share of profit from associates and joint ventures after tax.

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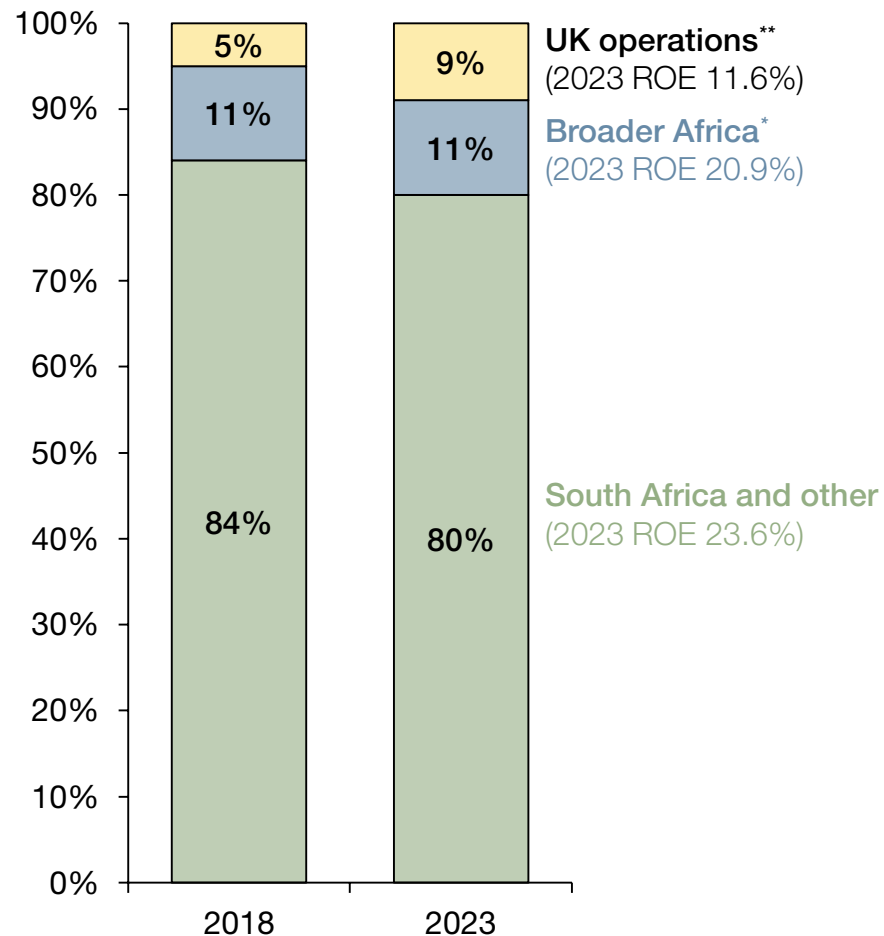
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## Geographic normalised earnings mix – 2018 vs 2023



## Broader Africa

- **FNB:** mix of high-ROE systemic banks and scaling newer subsidiaries
- **RMB:** large deal footprint and in-country presence contribute 31% to RMB PBT

## UK operations

- Transitioned MotoNovo from monoline to a more **diversified** business
- Attractive **risk-adjusted** returns through the cycle
- UK system growth is expected to be **stronger** than **current SA** projections for GDP

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