



# Absa Group

FY22 results presentation

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# Operating environment remained uncertain



## Global environment

- Rising geopolitical tension
  - Russia/Ukraine conflict
  - US/China tension
- Supply chain disruption
- Elevated inflation
- Tighter monetary policy
- Pressure on financial assets



## Sub-Saharan Africa

- Inflationary pressures
- Increased policy rates
- Higher country risk premium
- Some sovereign debt challenges
- Portfolio diversity supported growth

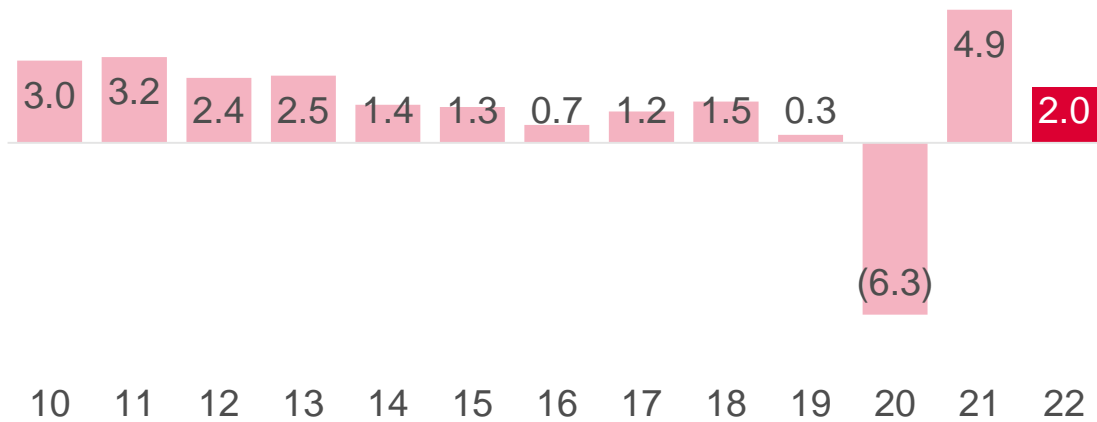


## South Africa

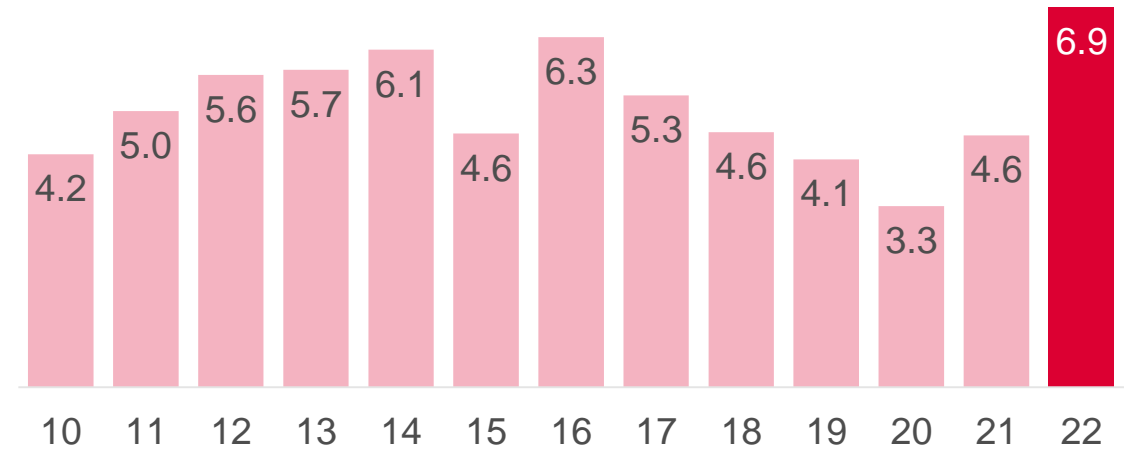
- Commodity price benefits
- Slowing GDP growth
- Rate increases exceeded expectations
- Higher inflation
- Power and infrastructure challenges
- Consumer strain building
- FATF grey listing

# Headwinds continue to build in South Africa

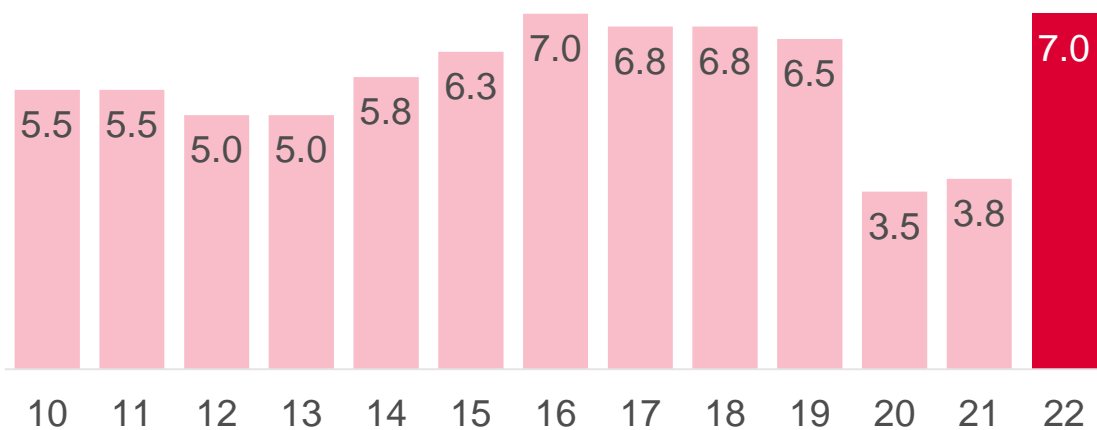
SA real GDP growth (%)



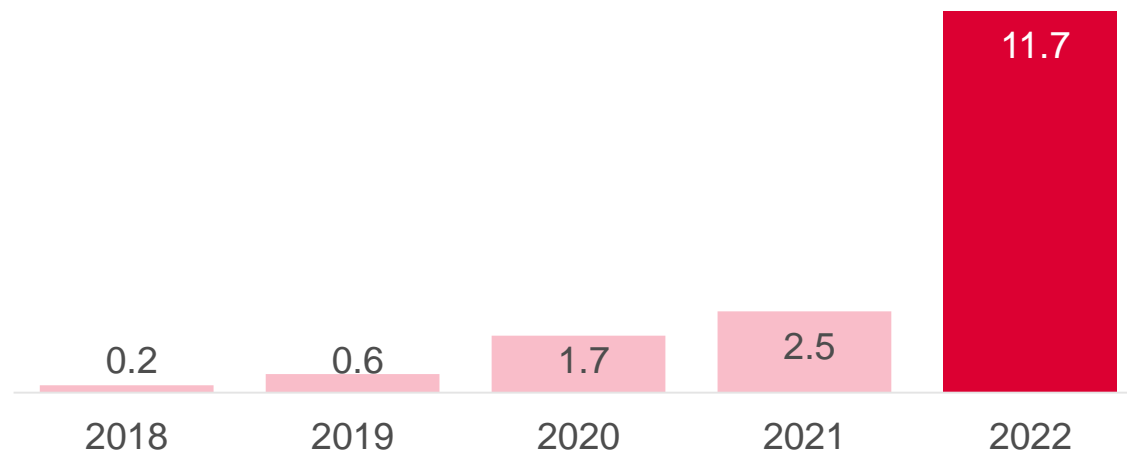
SA headline CPI (%)



SA end of period repo rate (%)



Loadshedding GWh (k)



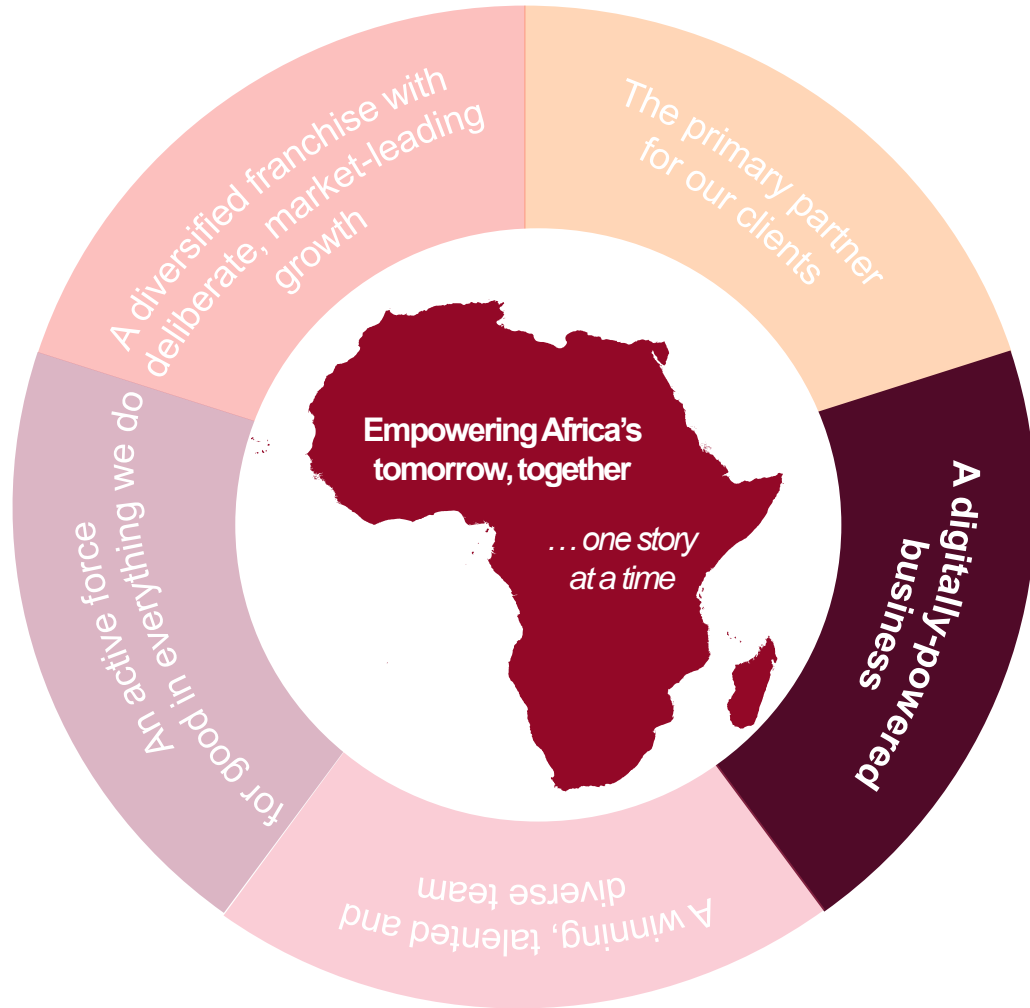
# Building the foundation for sustainable growth

- Successfully navigated Barclays separation and Covid-19
- Evolved our group structure
- Diverse leadership team in place
- With the right group strategy
- Consistent execution showing results
- Strong balance sheet (capital, coverage, liquidity)
- Investing for growth
- Redefined our purpose statement, putting it at the centre of everything we do



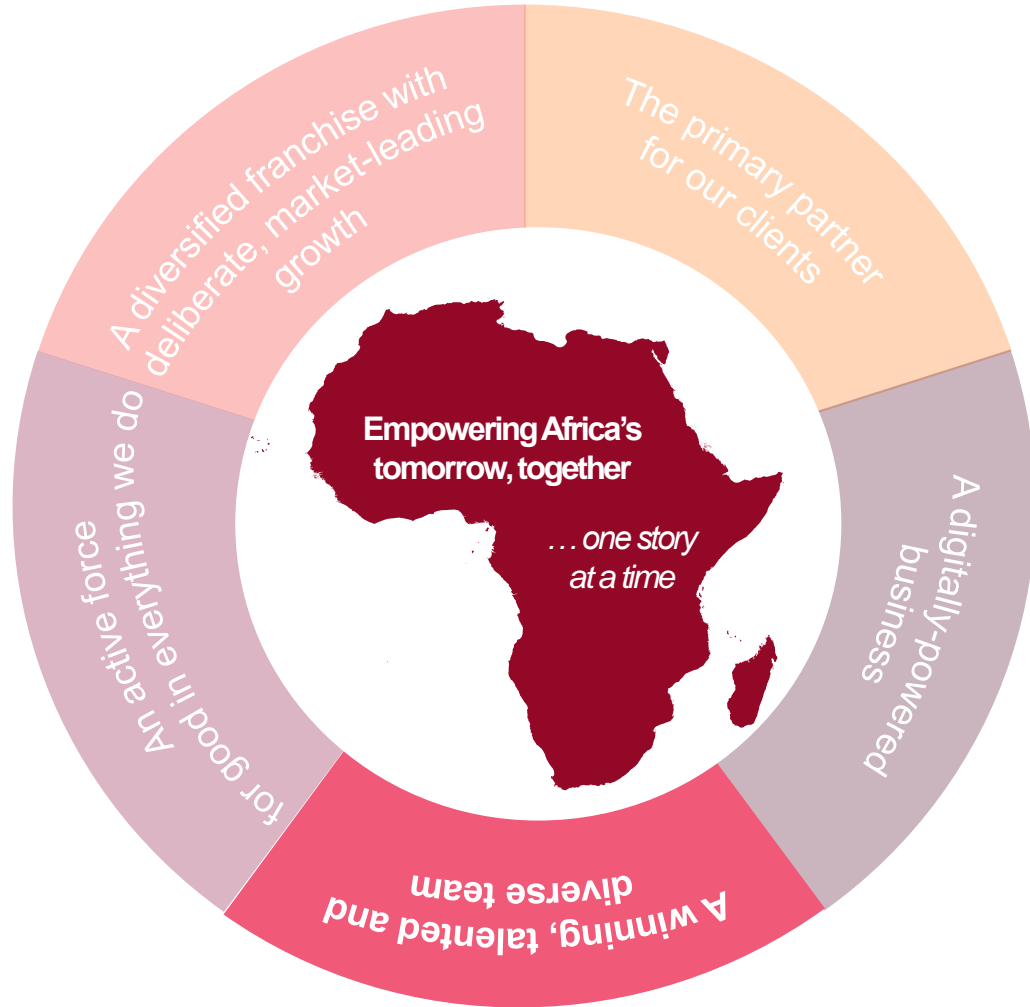
Entering 2023 with solid momentum

# Digitally-powered business



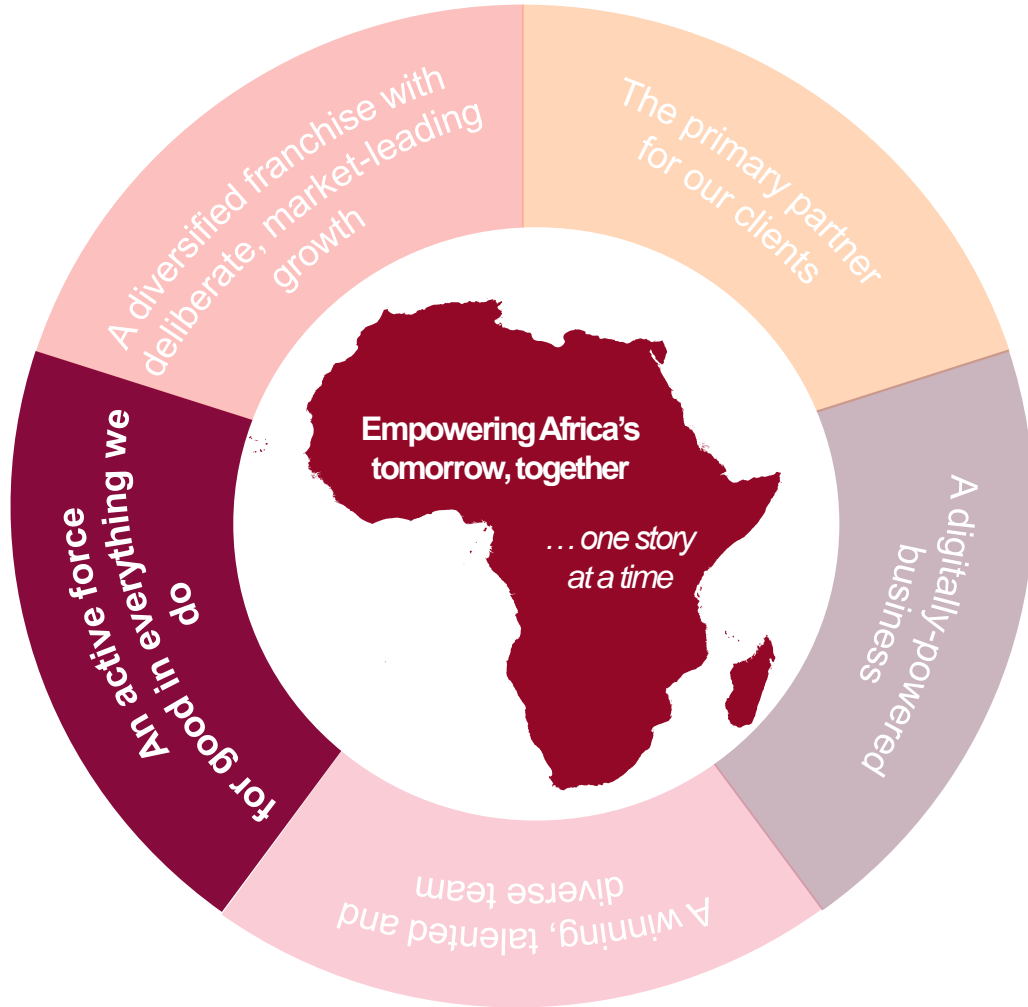
- Digitally active customer numbers increased:
  - 11% growth in South Africa
  - 60% of ARO customers now digitally active
- Over 75% of Core Middle Market and Retail Affluent customers entirely digital
- More than two-thirds of CIB customers on Absa Access
- Digitised insurance product suite
- c.20% of Home Loan and Personal Loan sales on the Absa App
- Continued to lead in digital payments

# Winning, talented and diverse team



- Developed strong Employee Value Proposition
  - Fair pay principles
  - Invested R590m in employee training
- Employee Net Promoter Score almost doubled
- Attracting and retaining top talent
- Certified a Top Employer for second year running
- Top African company in the Forbes 2022 World Top Female-Friendly Companies survey

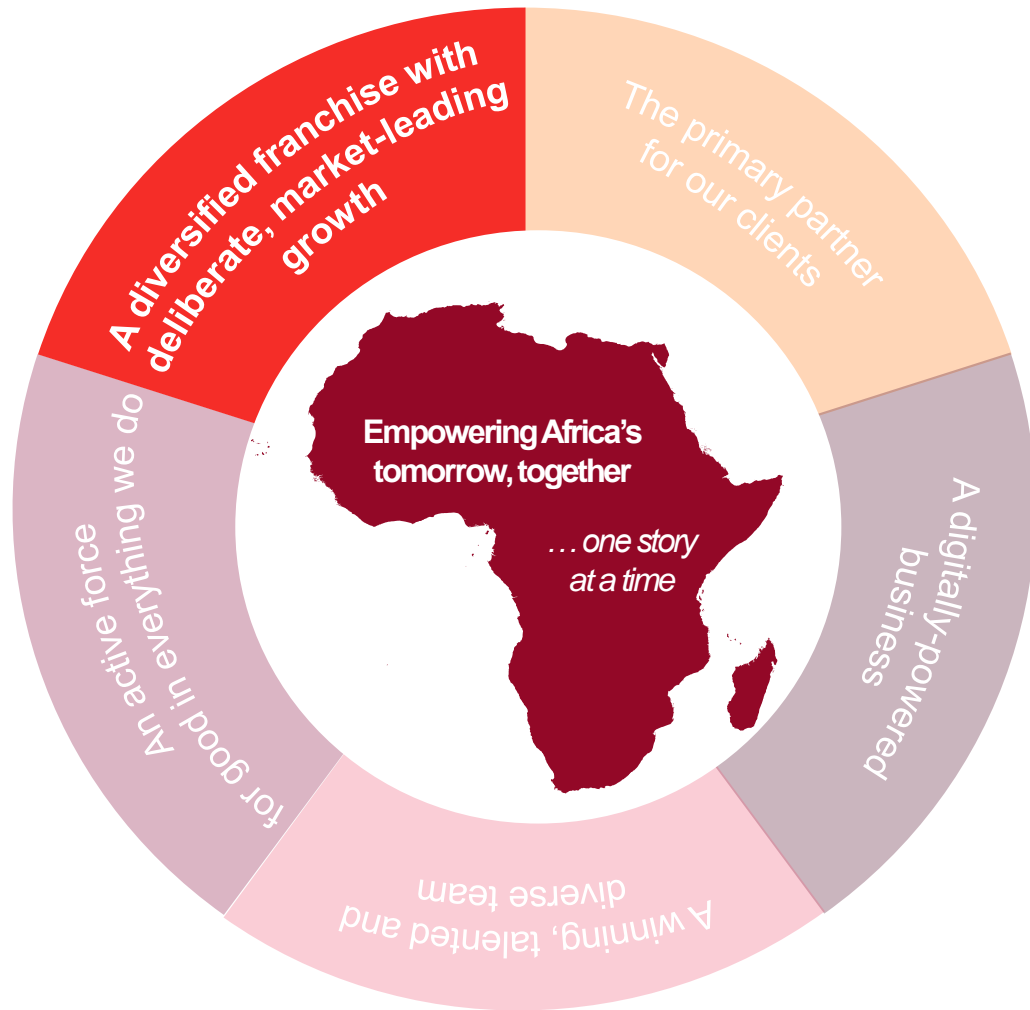
# Active force for good in everything we do



- Elevated ESG as a strategic priority with focus on:
  - Climate change
  - Financial Inclusion
  - Diversity and Inclusion
- Continue to lead in South African renewable finance
- Leaders in agriculture finance
- Promoting inclusive finance across the continent
- Issued inaugural Green Bond and sustainability-linked syndicated loan
- Increased community investment 37%, with focus on education and skills development

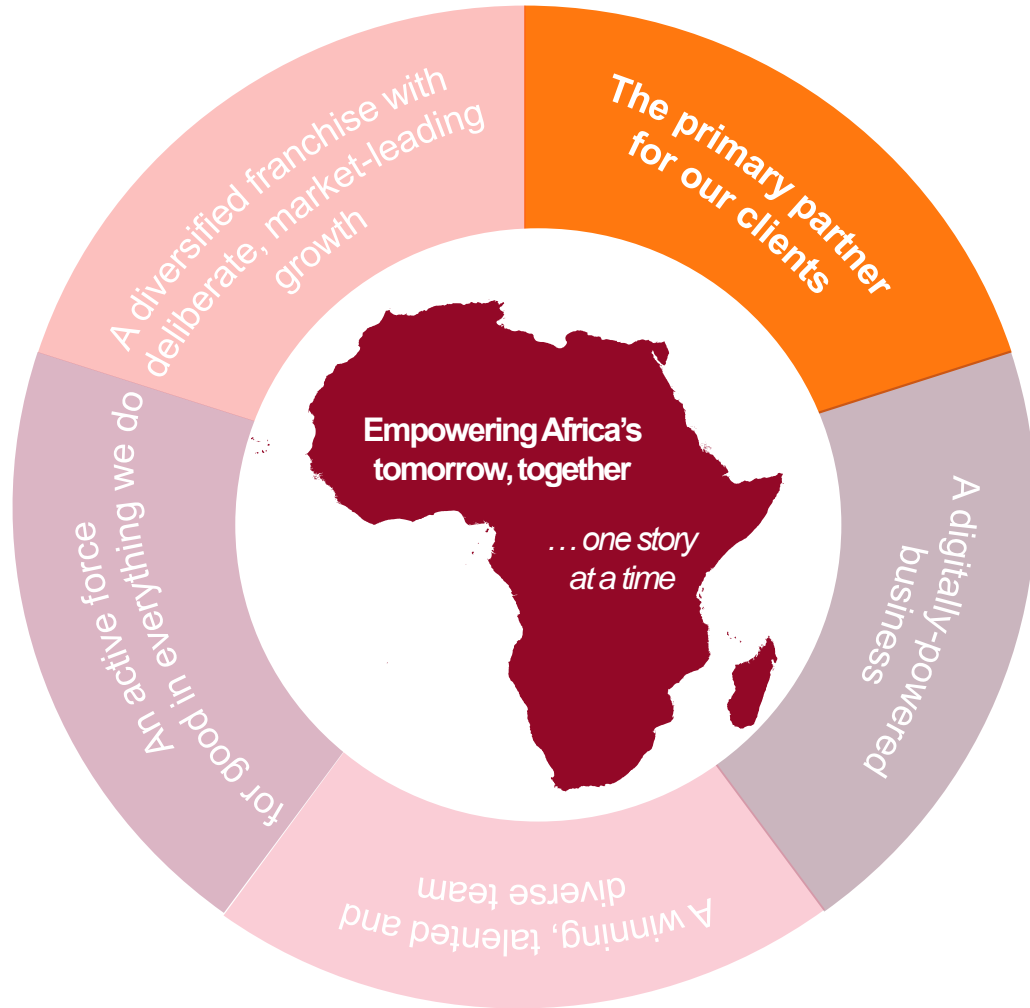


# Diversified franchise with deliberate market leading growth



- Leveraging the full Absa ecosystem
- Bancassurance product set fully integrated into product journeys
- Customer numbers growing in key segments
- SMEs a key opportunity
- Higher contribution from underlying ARO business
- Momentum maintained in Corporate transactional franchise

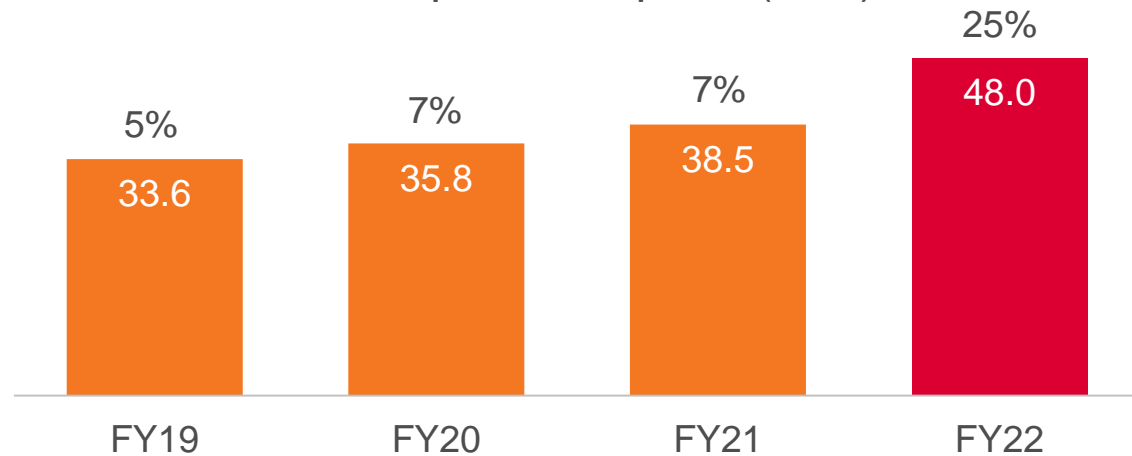
# Primary partner of our clients



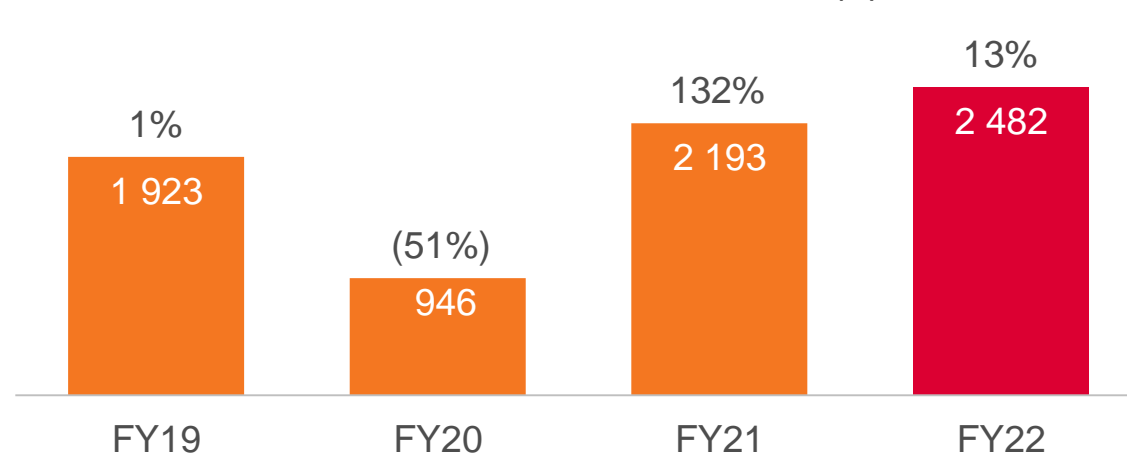
- Deepened retail customer relationships:
  - Lowest Ombudsman complaints for 3 years
  - Converting Reward customers
  - Improved average product holding
- Absa Life 1<sup>st</sup> in the SA-csi Consulta survey for second year running
- Relationship Banking shifted to a customer-centric segment model
- >100 new to bank CIB customers in SA

# Maintained our positive momentum

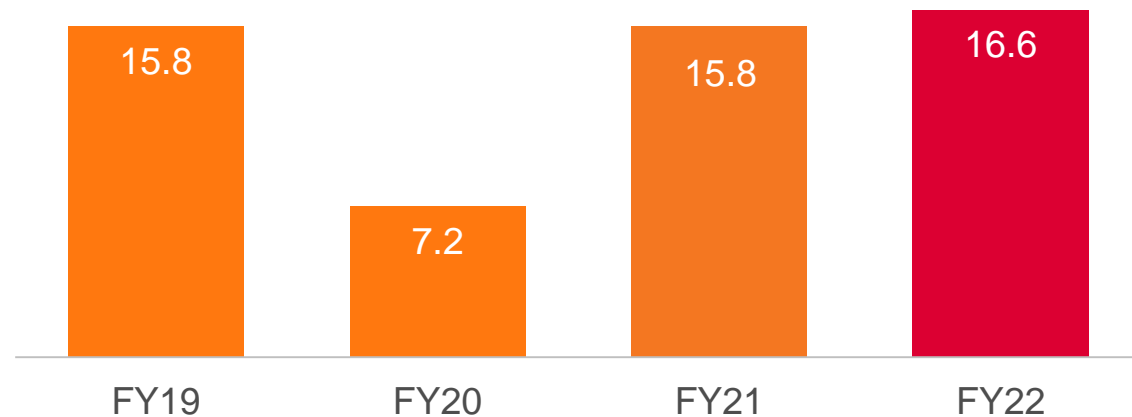
Pre-provision profit (Rbn)



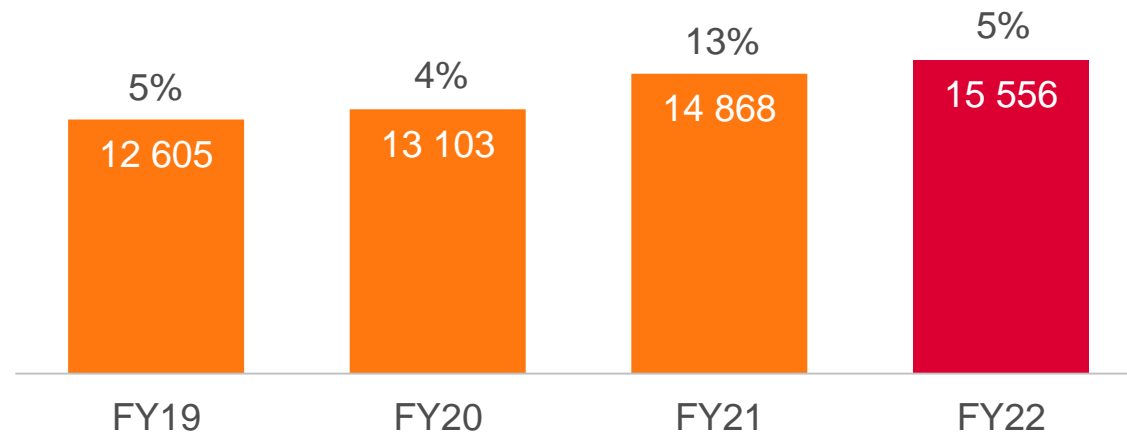
Diluted normalised HEPS (c)



RoE (%)



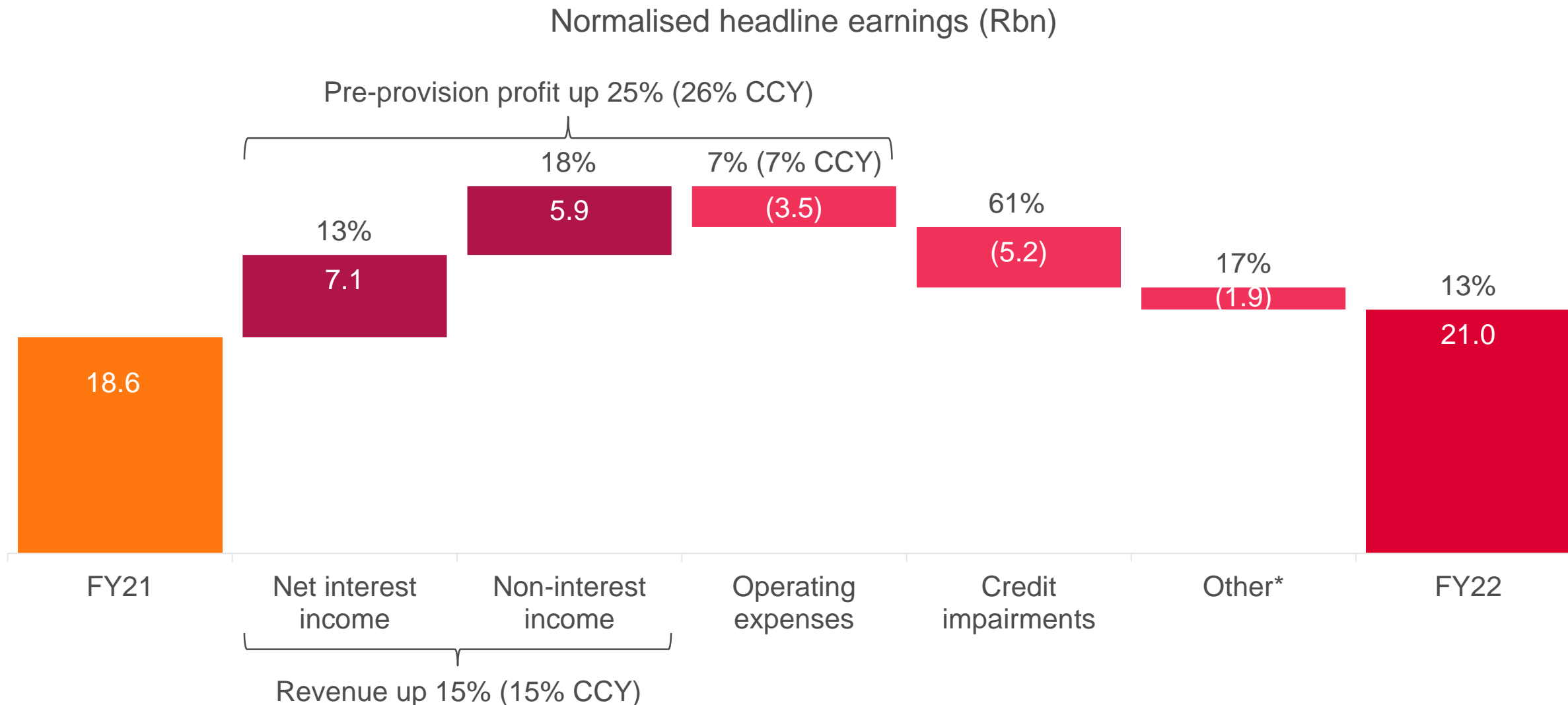
NAV per share (c)



# Jason Quinn

Financial Director

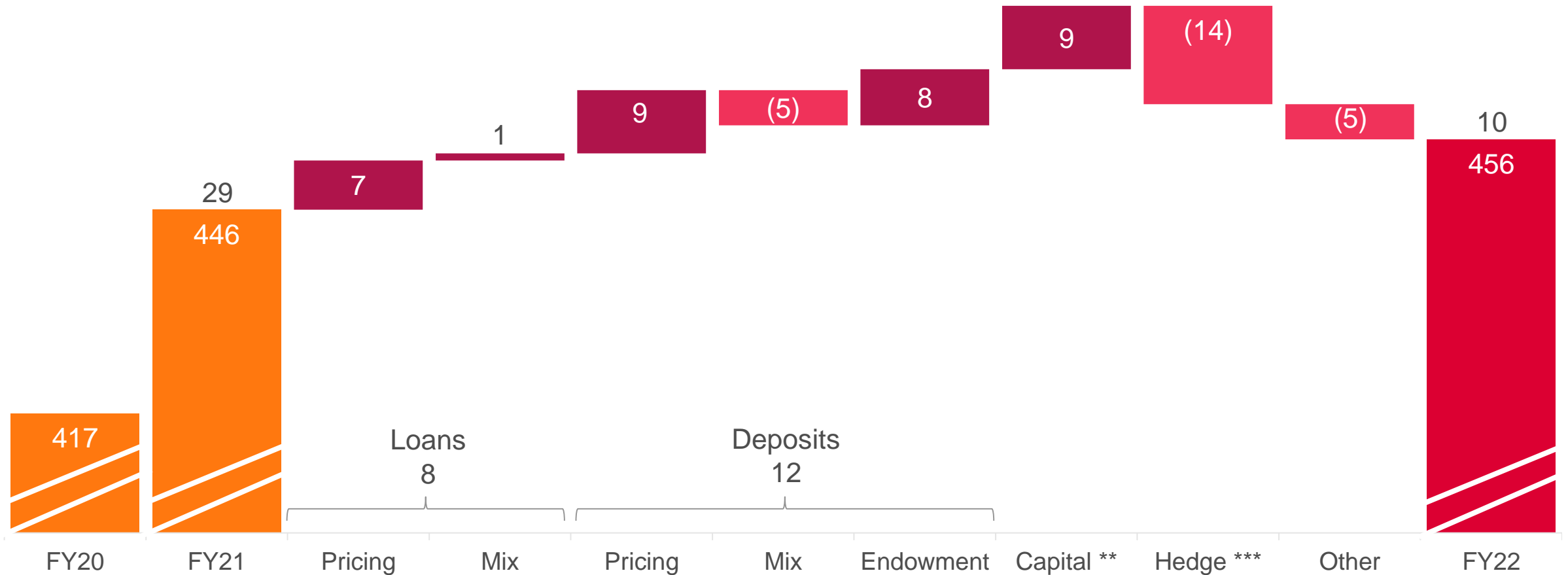
# Earnings growth underpinned by very strong revenue



Note: \* Includes other expenses, JVs and associates, taxation, non-controlling interests, headline earnings adjustments; CCY refers to in constant currency

# Margin benefited from pricing and higher interest rates

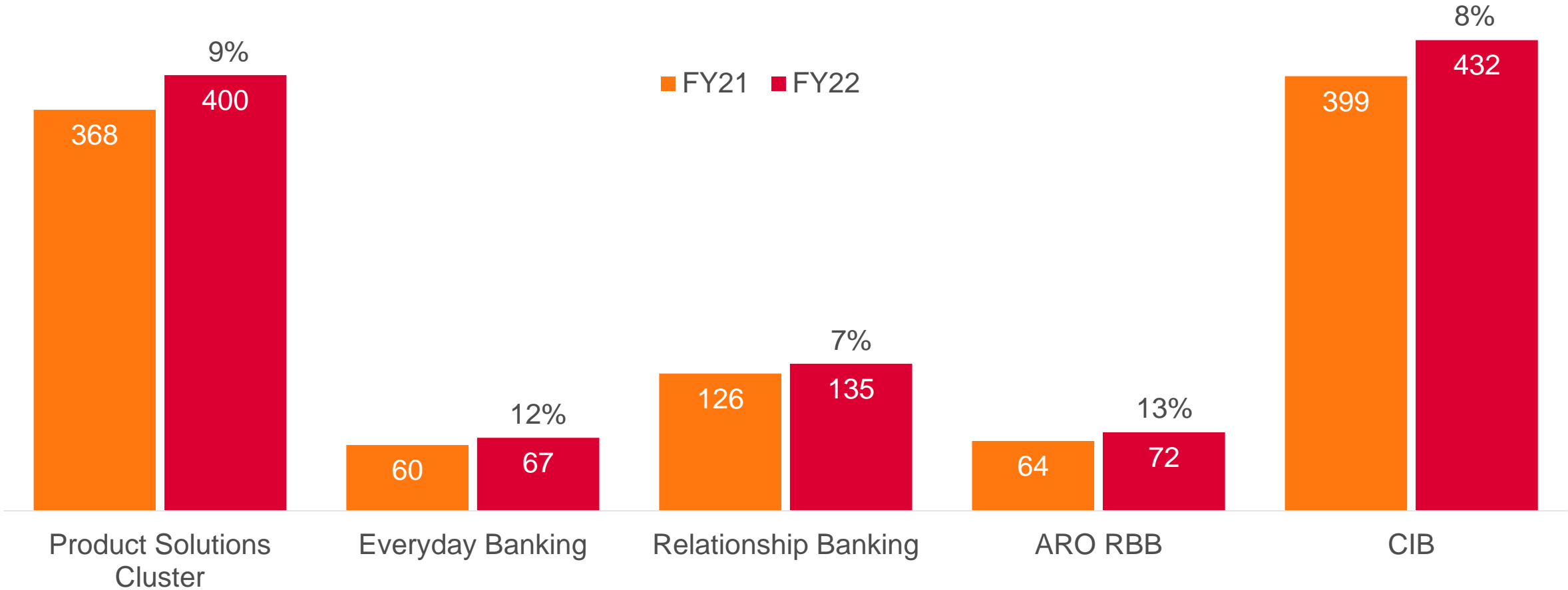
Change in net interest margin\* (basis points)



Note: \* average interest bearing assets; \*\* group equity endowment; \*\*\* interest rate risk management

# Well diversified loan growth ...

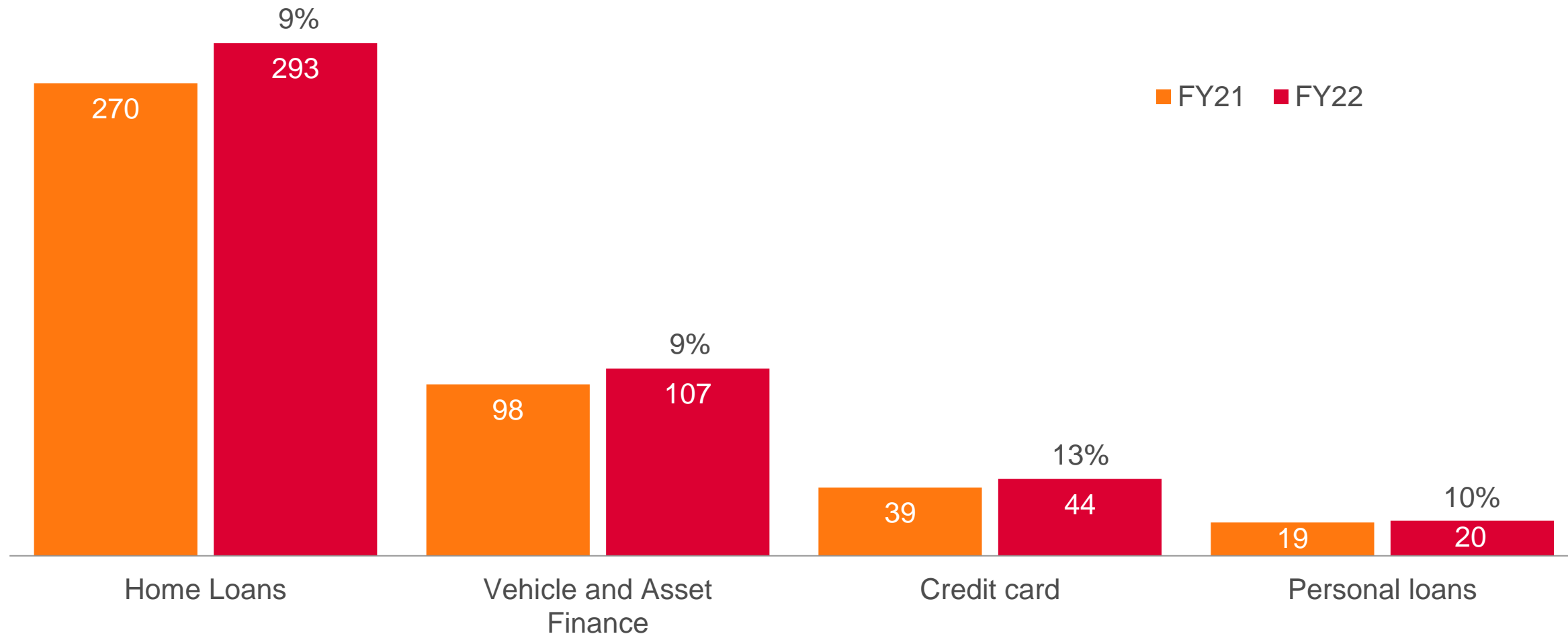
Net customer loans (Rbn)



Note: ARO RBB grew 16% and CIB 9% in constant currency. Including loans to banks, CIB grew 14% to R514bn.

# ... with competitive retail loan growth

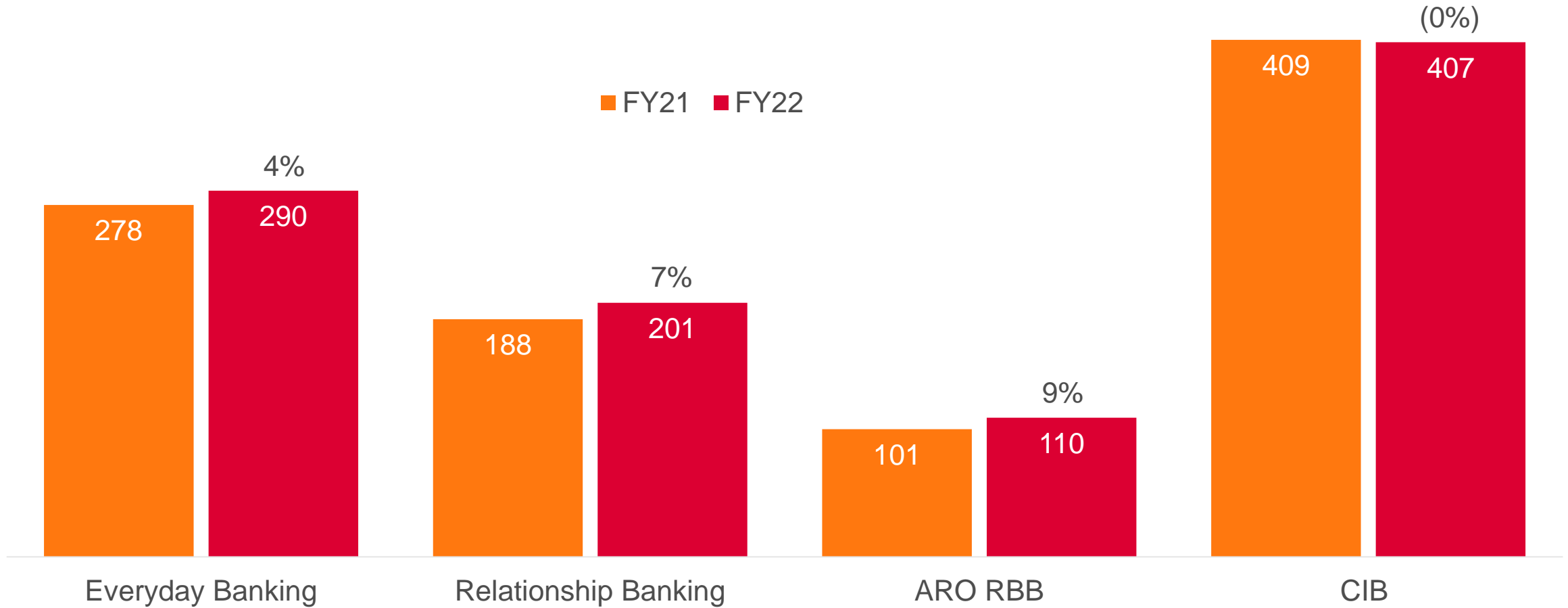
South Africa retail banking net customer loans (Rbn)





# Deposit growth slowed

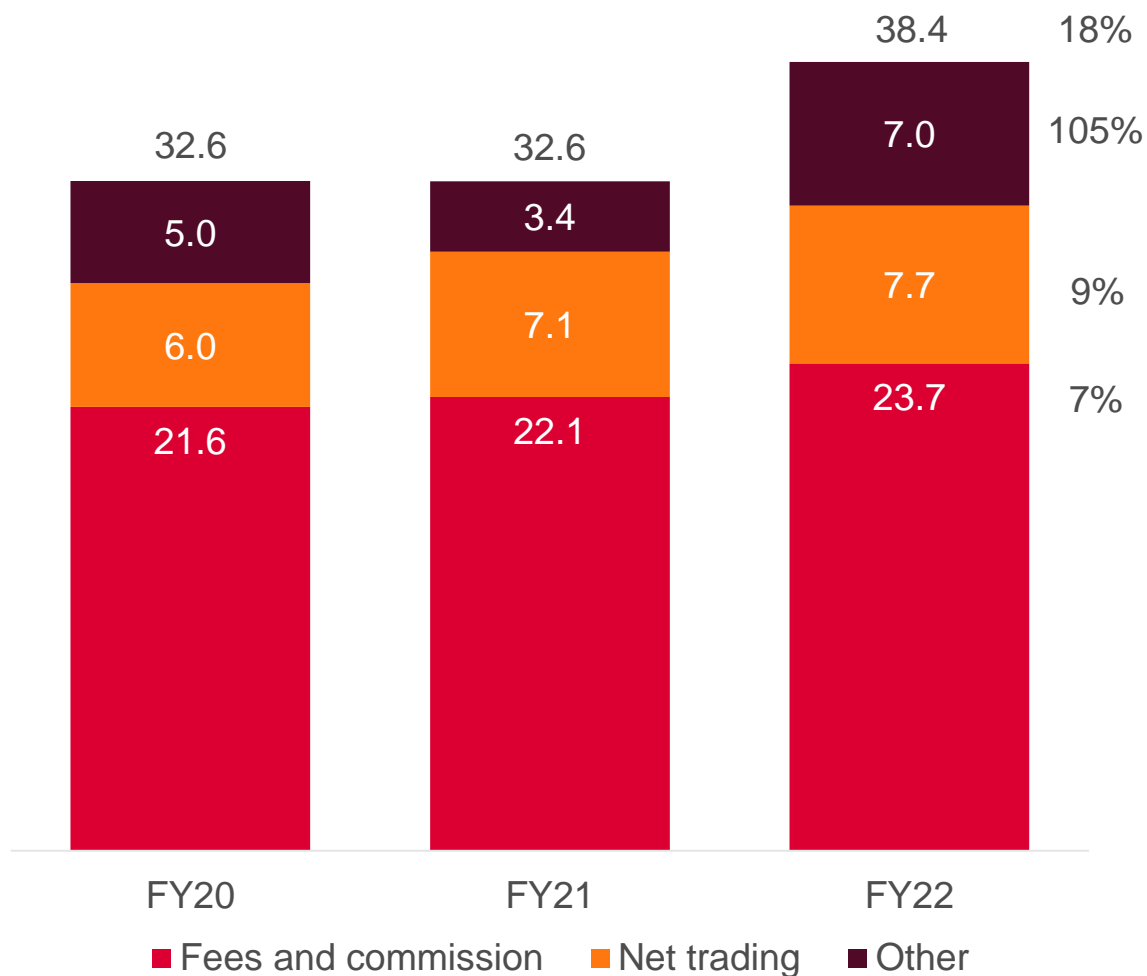
Customer deposits (Rbn)



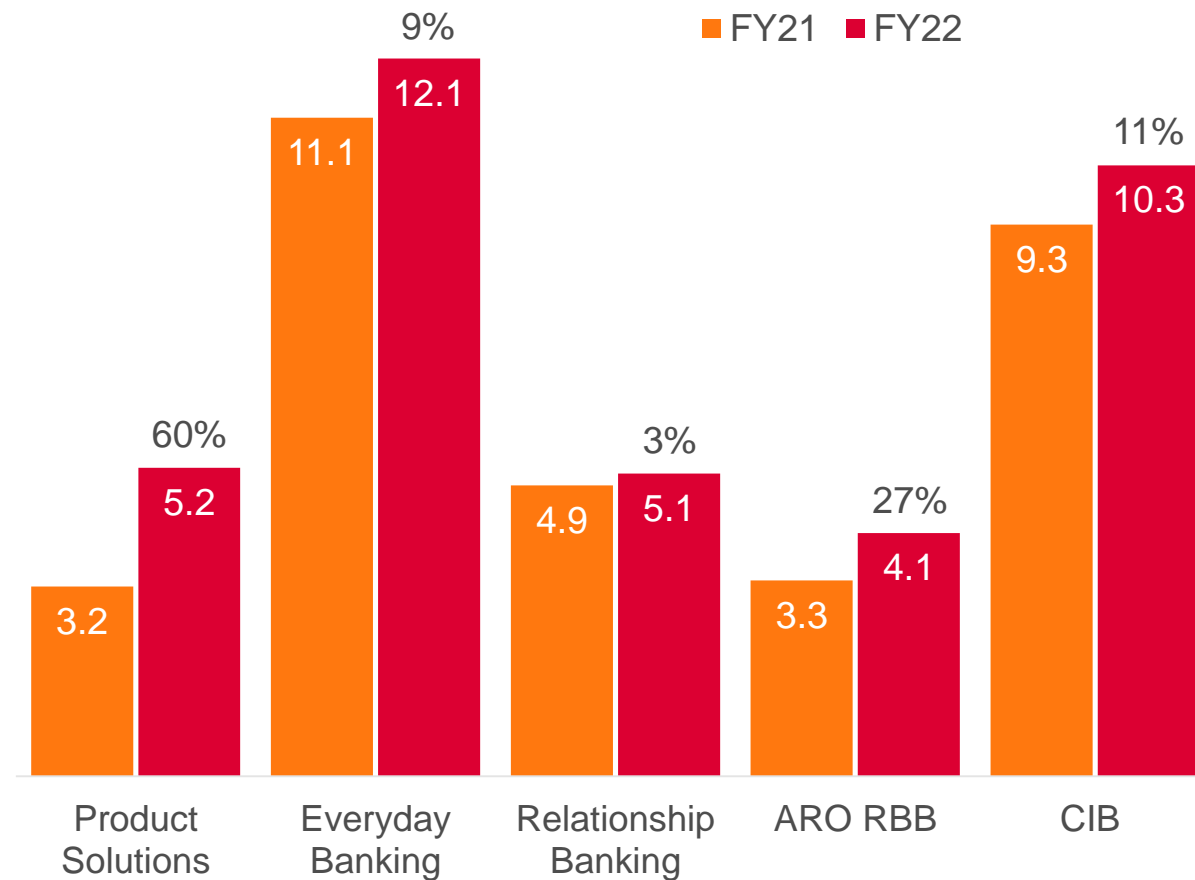
Note: In constant currency, ARO RBB grew 13% and CIB was flat. Including bank deposits CIB grew 4% to R500bn.

# Insurance SA drove non-interest income rebound

Non-interest income (Rbn)



Non-interest income by division (Rbn)



Note: Net trading excludes the impact of hedge accounting

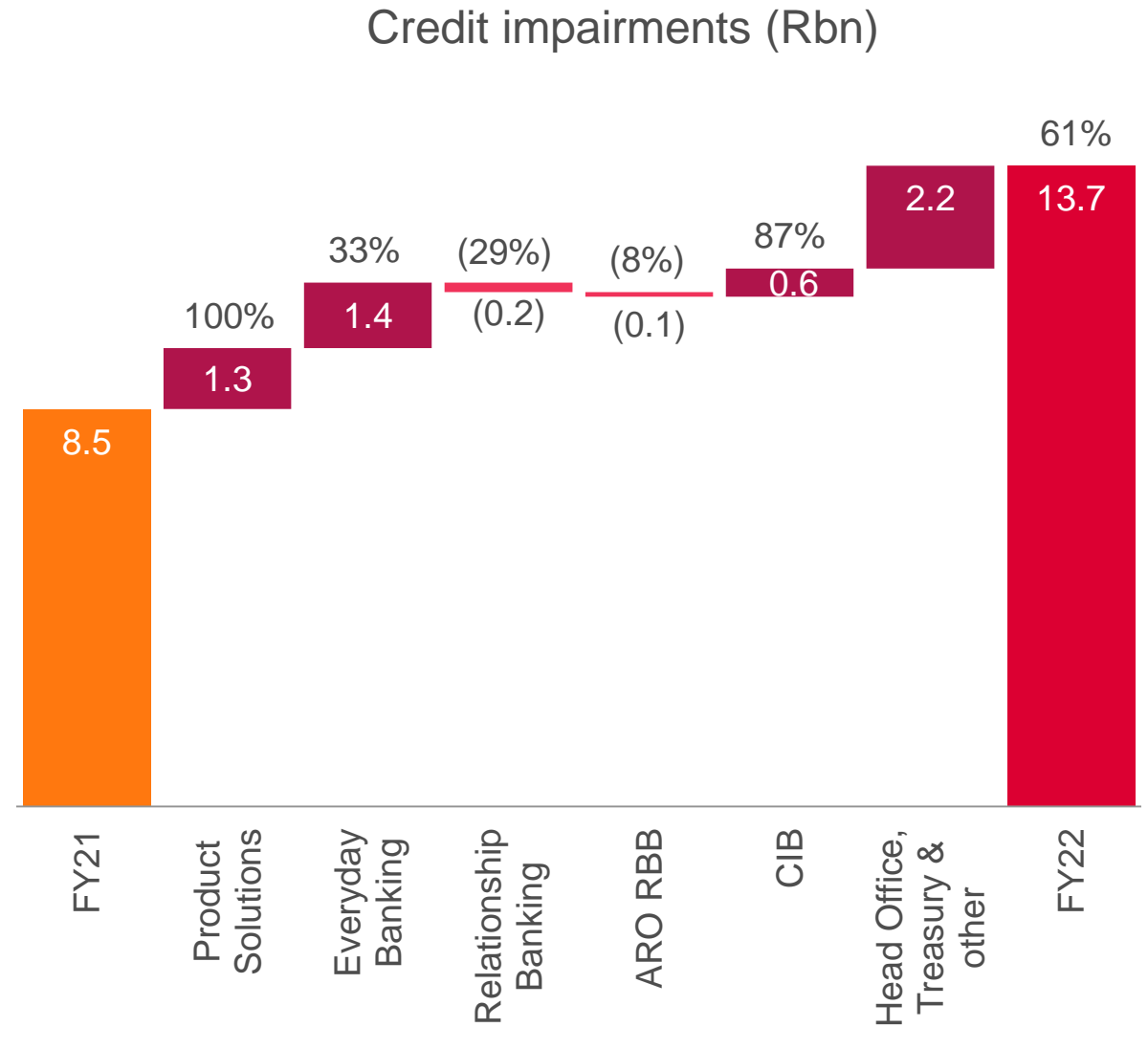
# Costs well controlled as we continue to invest



Note: \* printing and stationery plus telephone and postage; \*\* includes administration fees, equipment costs, fraud, travel and entertainment, auditors, other costs etc.

# Credit loss ratio increased off a relatively low base

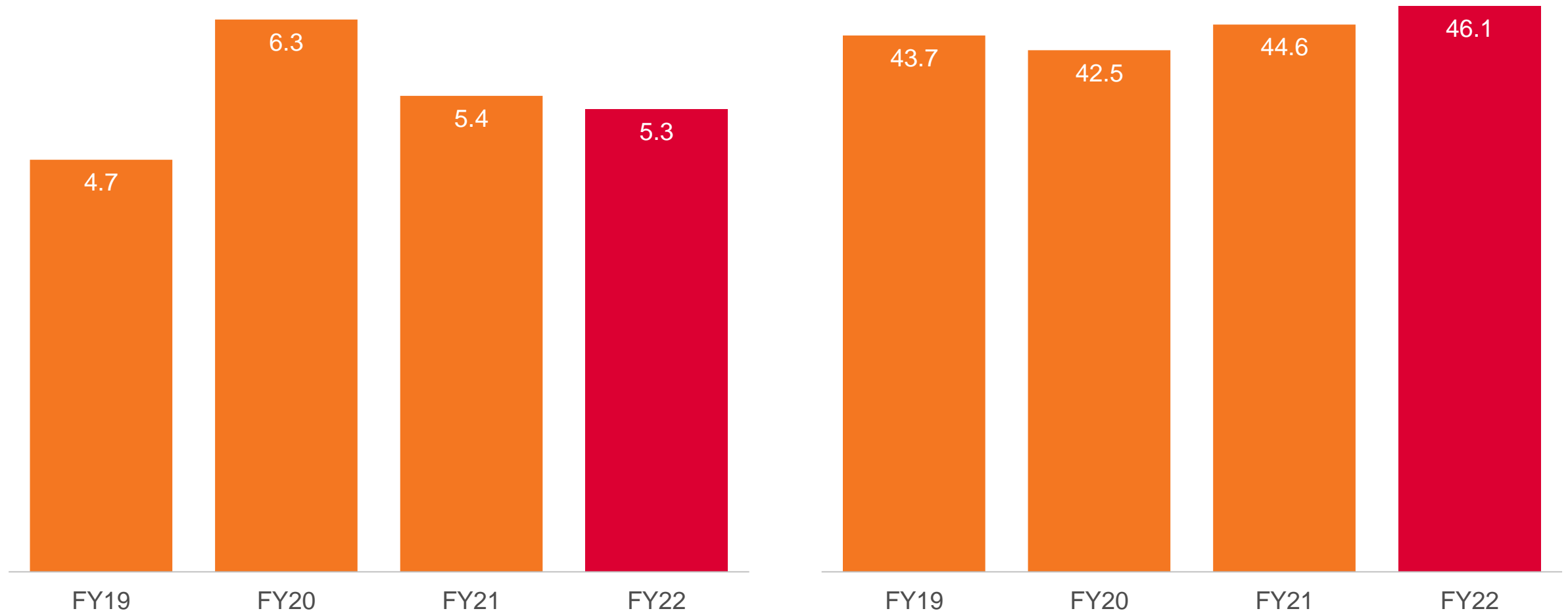
Credit loss ratio (%)	FY21	FY22
Product Solutions	0.35	0.65
Home Loans	(0.05)	0.24
Vehicle and Asset Finance	1.45	1.76
Everyday Banking	4.99	6.45
Relationship Banking	0.67	0.45
ARO RBB	2.03	1.64
CIB	0.17	0.27
<b>Group</b>	<b>0.77</b>	<b>0.96</b>



# NPLs improved and stage 3 coverage increased

Non-performing loans (%)

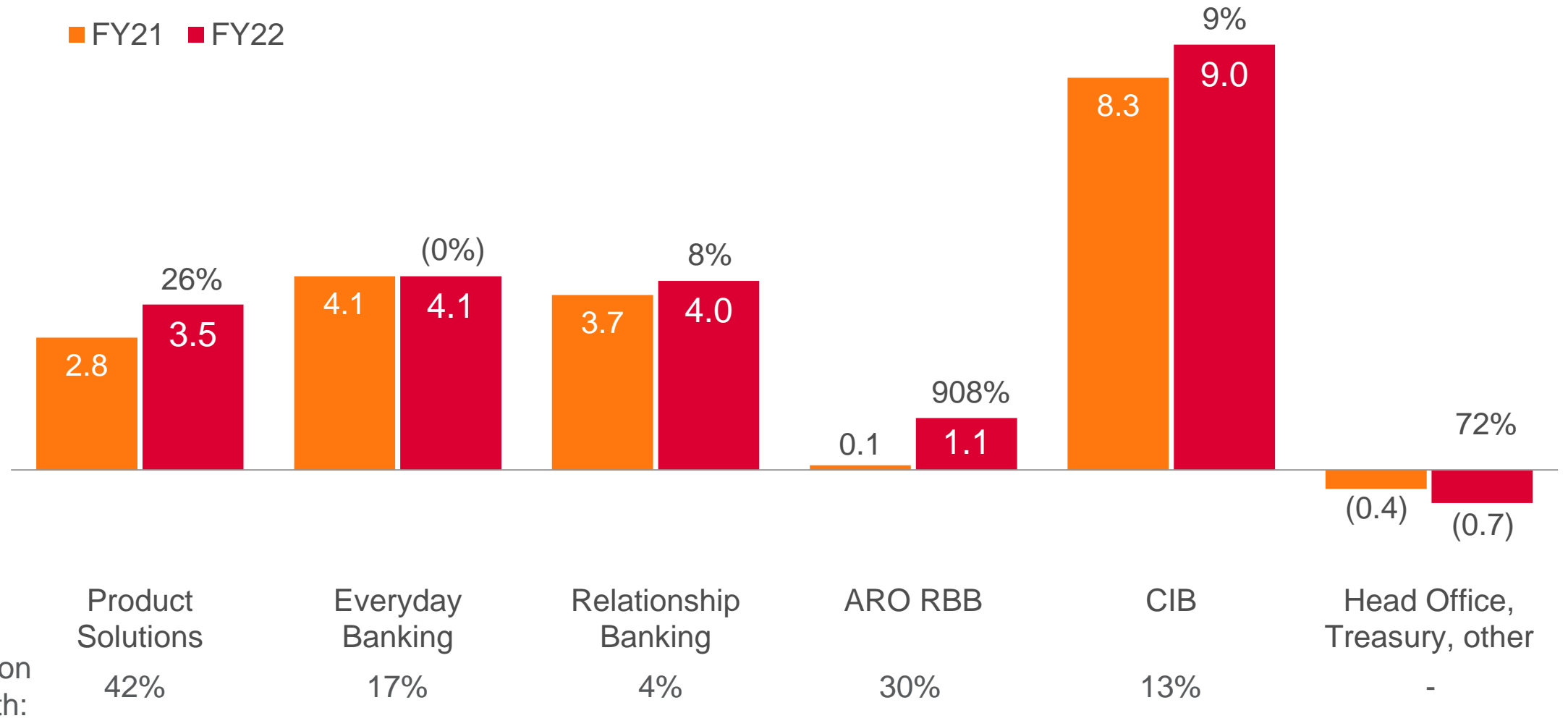
Stage 3 coverage (%)



# Performance broad-based, benefitting from diversification

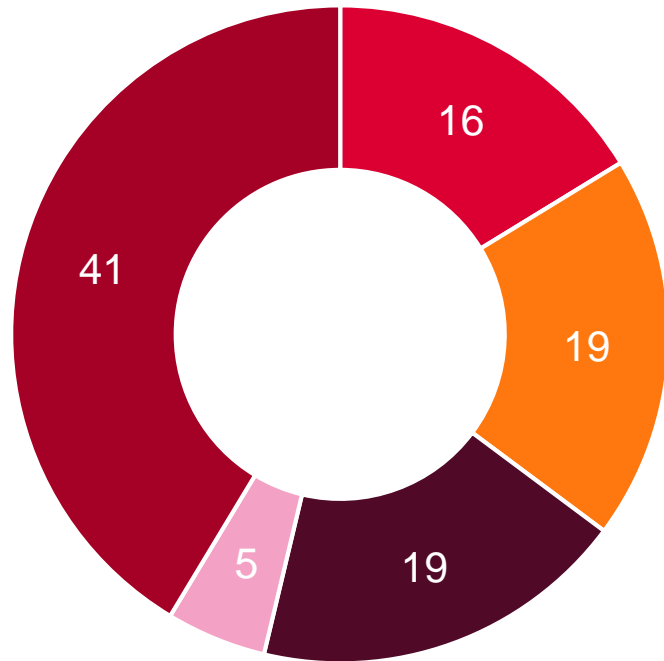
Headline earnings (Rbn)

■ FY21 ■ FY22

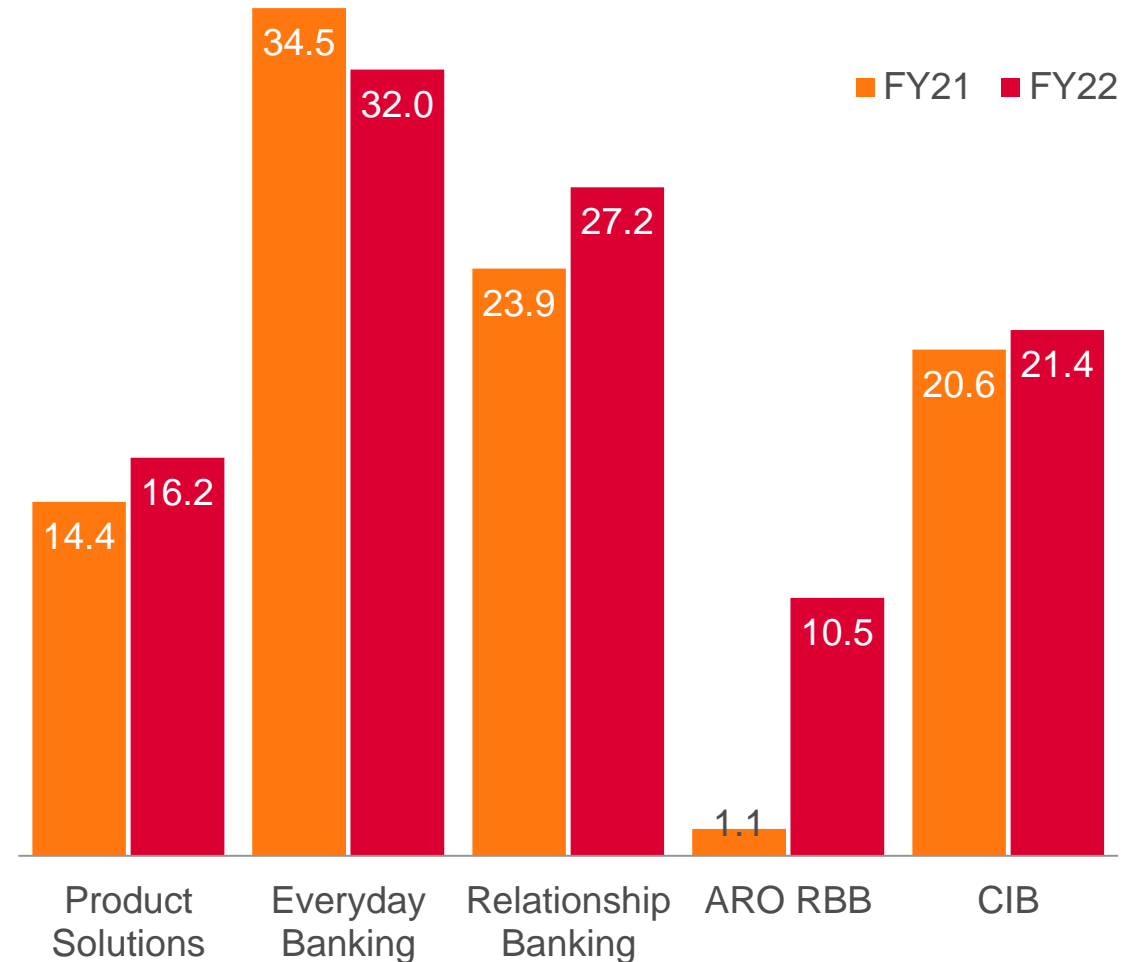


# Large businesses all generated returns well above CoE

Group earnings mix (%)



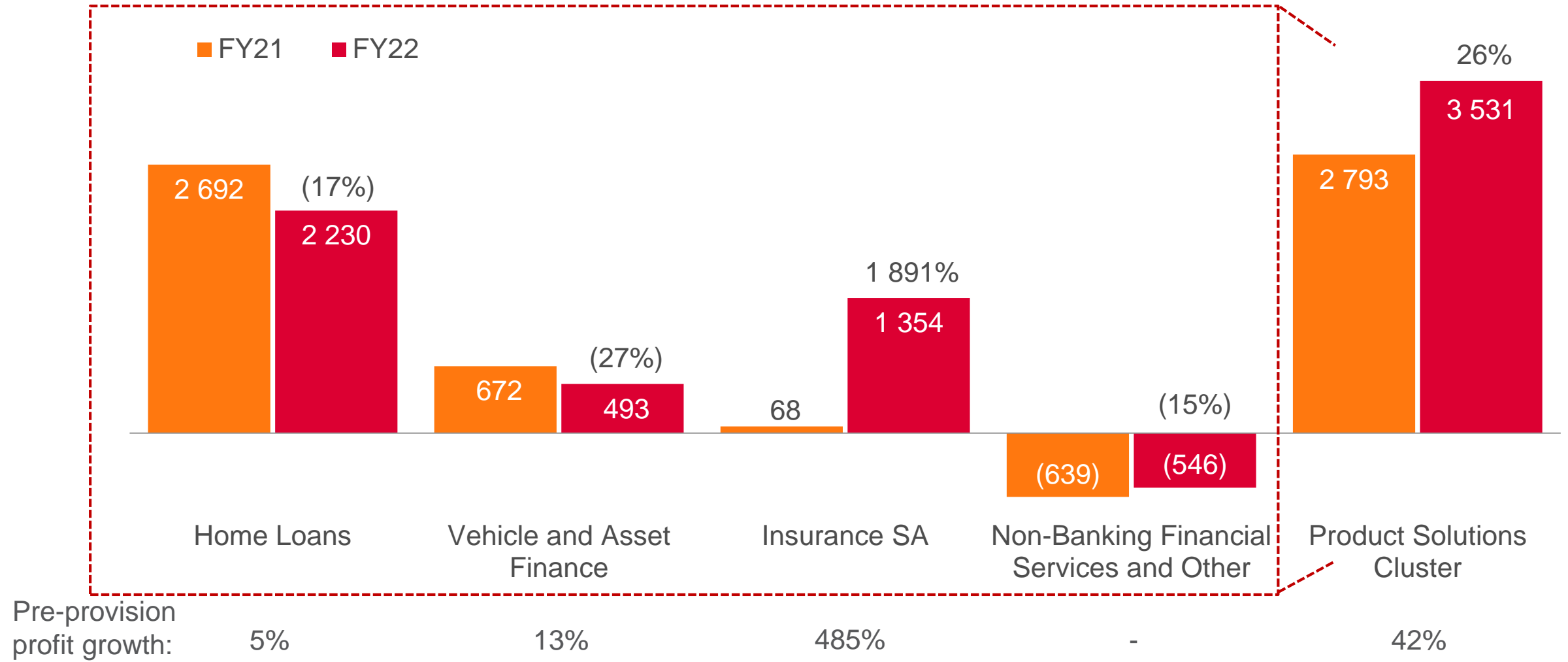
Return on regulatory capital (%)



- Product Solutions
- Relationship Banking
- CIB
- Everyday Banking
- ARO RBB

# Insurance SA rebound drives strong PSC growth

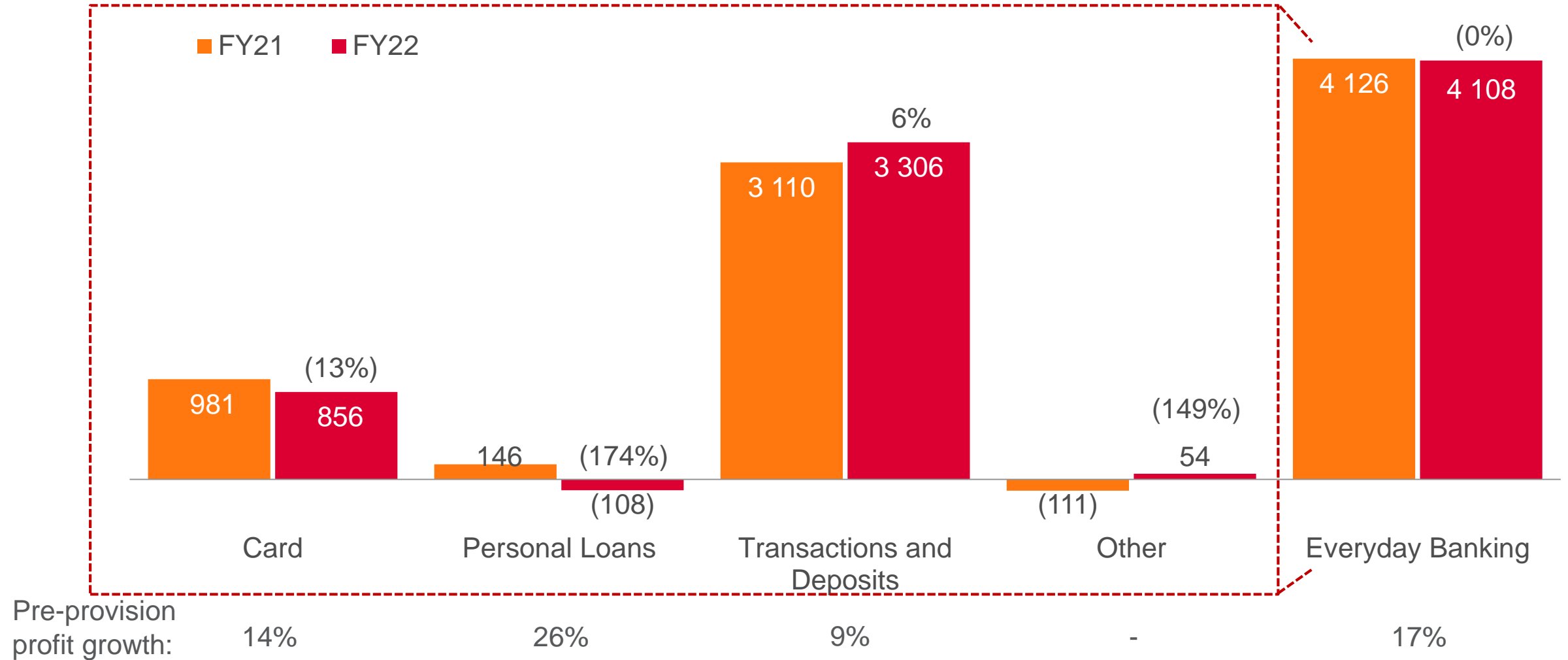
Headline earnings (Rm)





# Credit impairments dampen Everyday Banking earnings

Headline earnings (Rm)

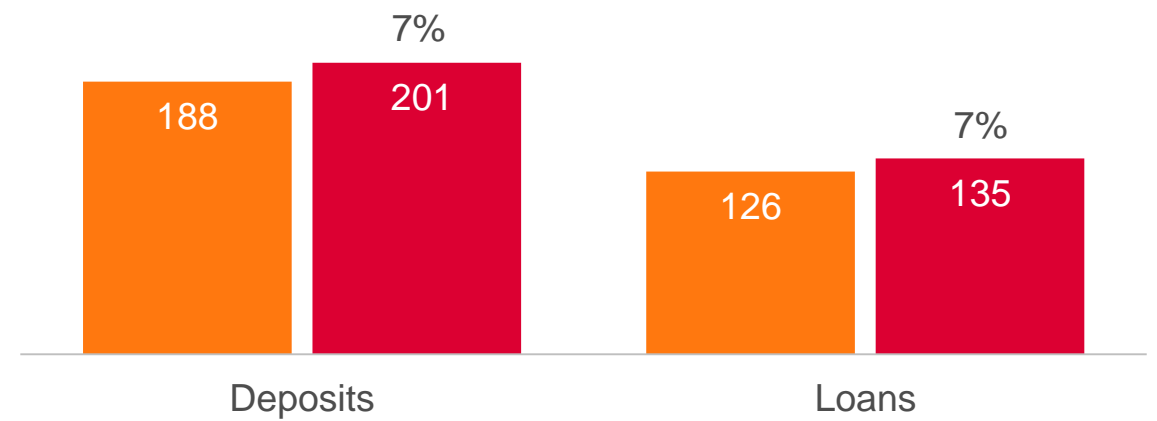


# Relationship Banking generates strong returns

Pre-provision profit (Rbn)



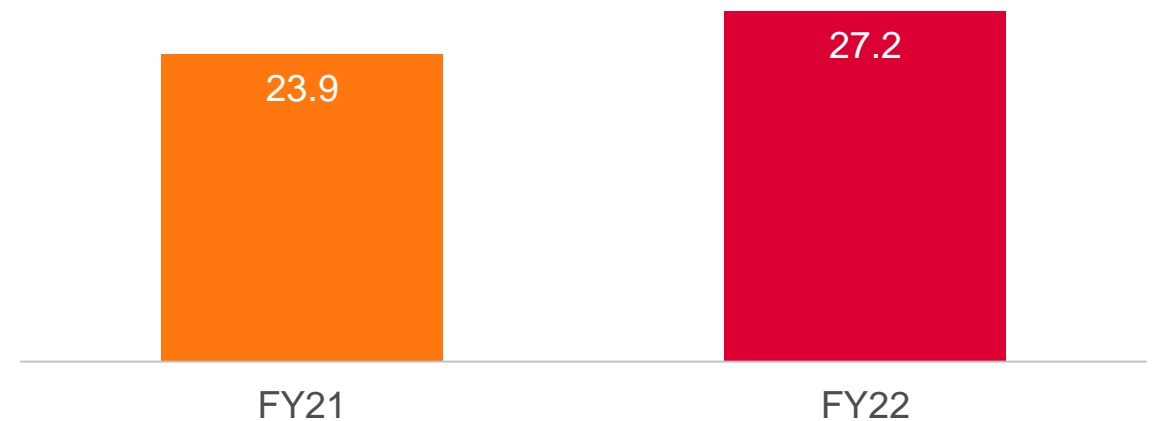
Loans and deposits (Rbn)



Headline earnings (Rbn)

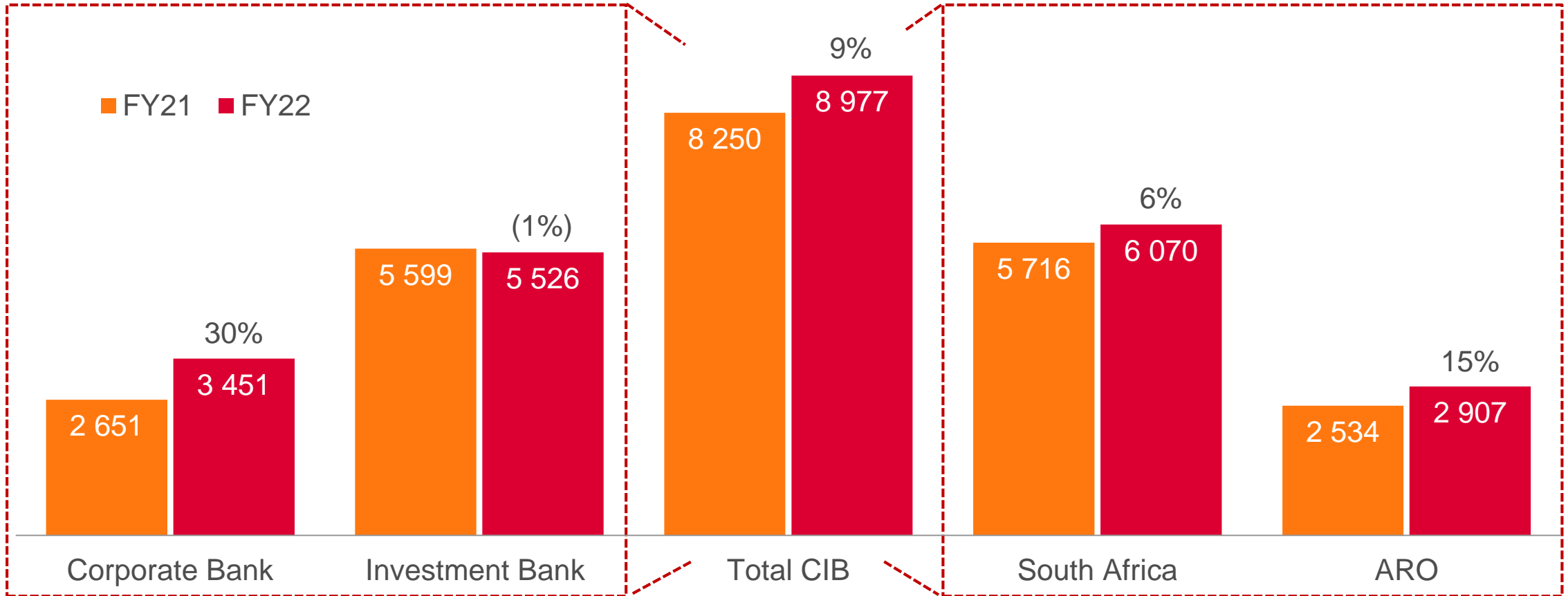


RoRC (%)



# CIB benefits from its improving scale and diversification

Headline earnings (Rm)



Pre-provision  
profit growth:

36%

1%

13%

2%

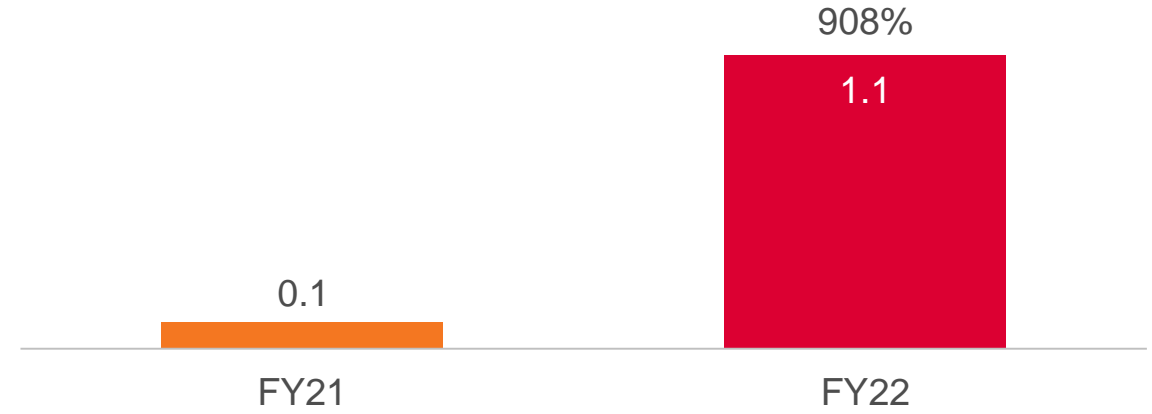
33%

# ARO RBB revenue drives strong earnings growth

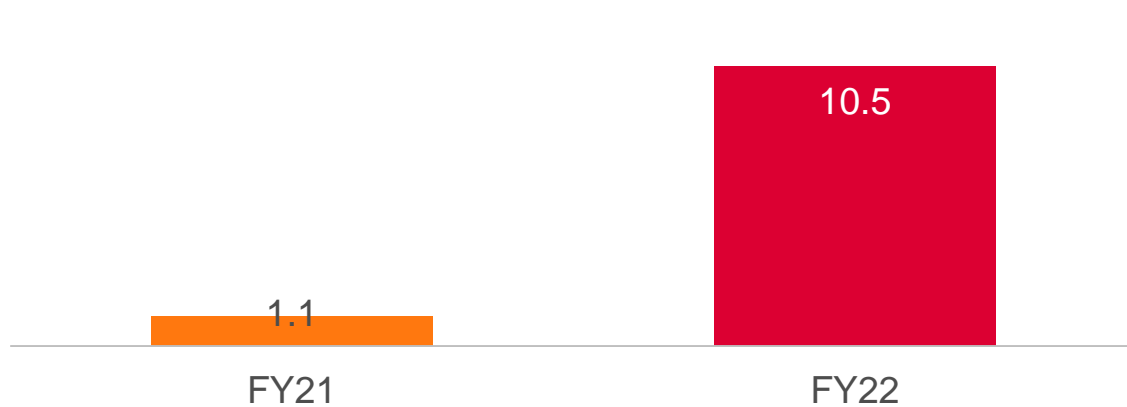
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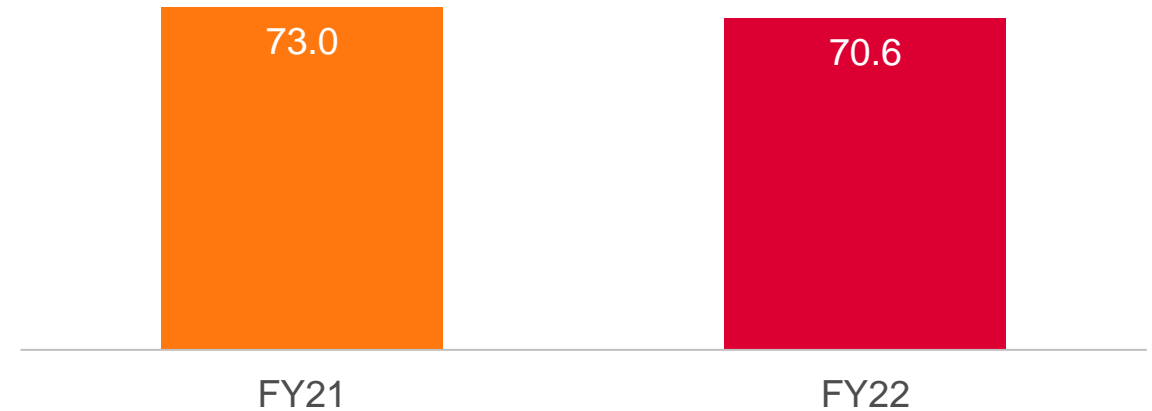
Headline earnings (Rbn)



RoRC (%)

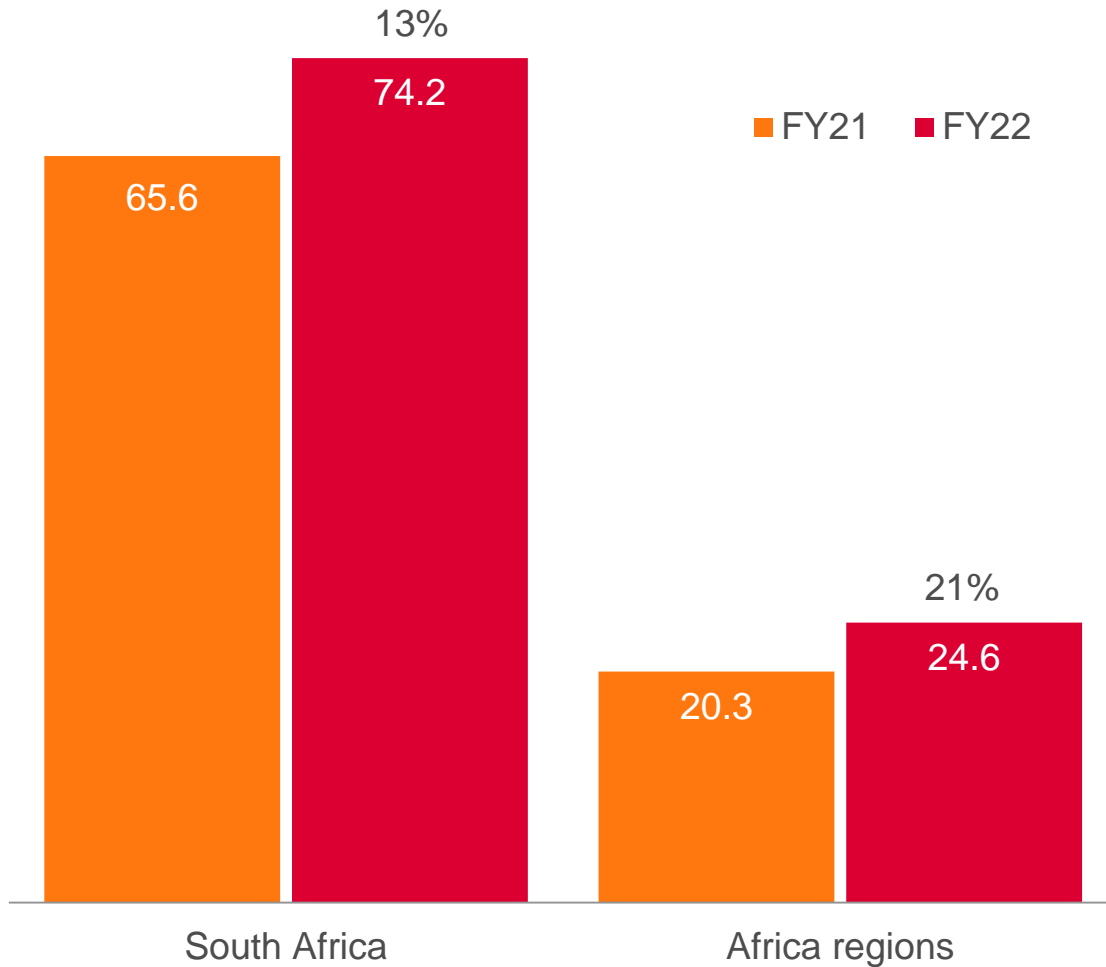


Cost-to-income ratio (%)

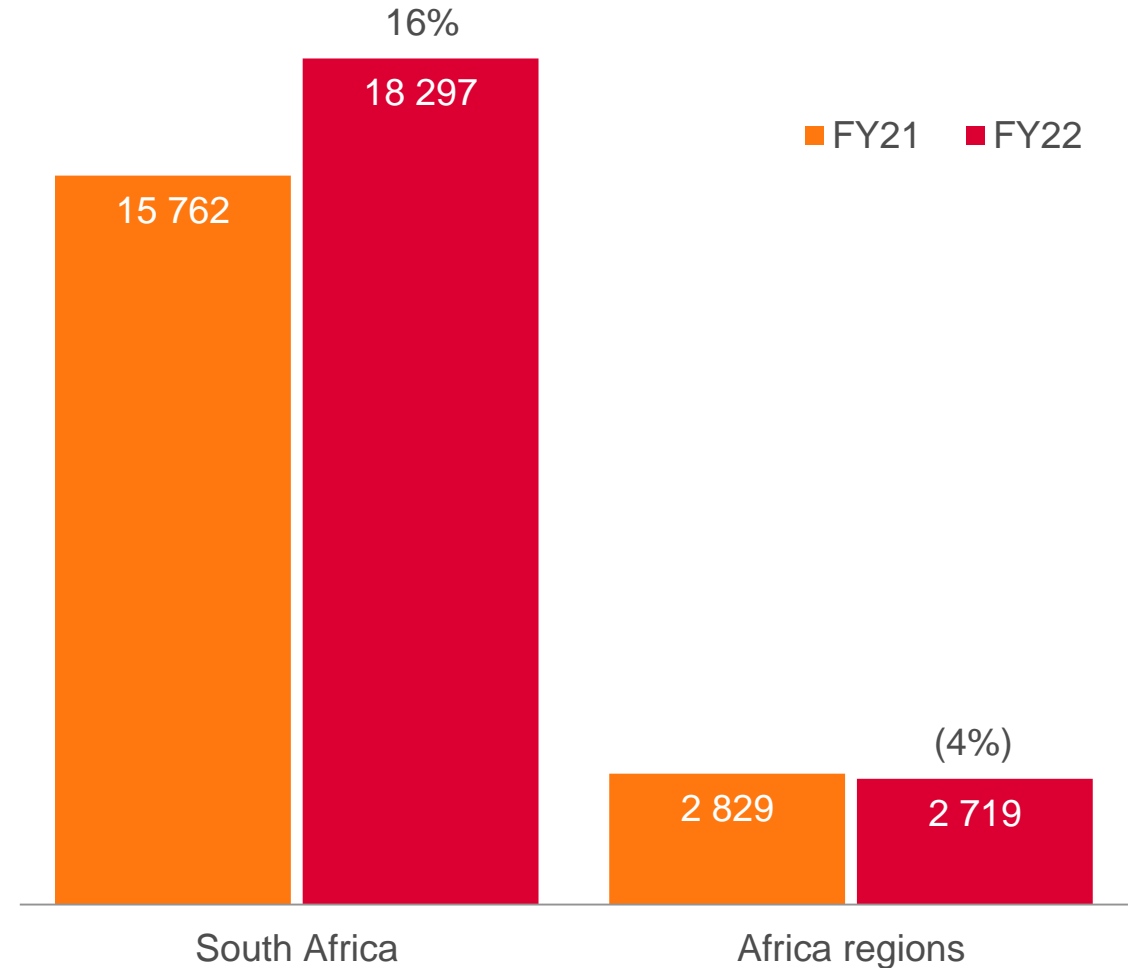


# Ghana sovereign charge reduced Africa regions earnings

Revenue (Rbn)

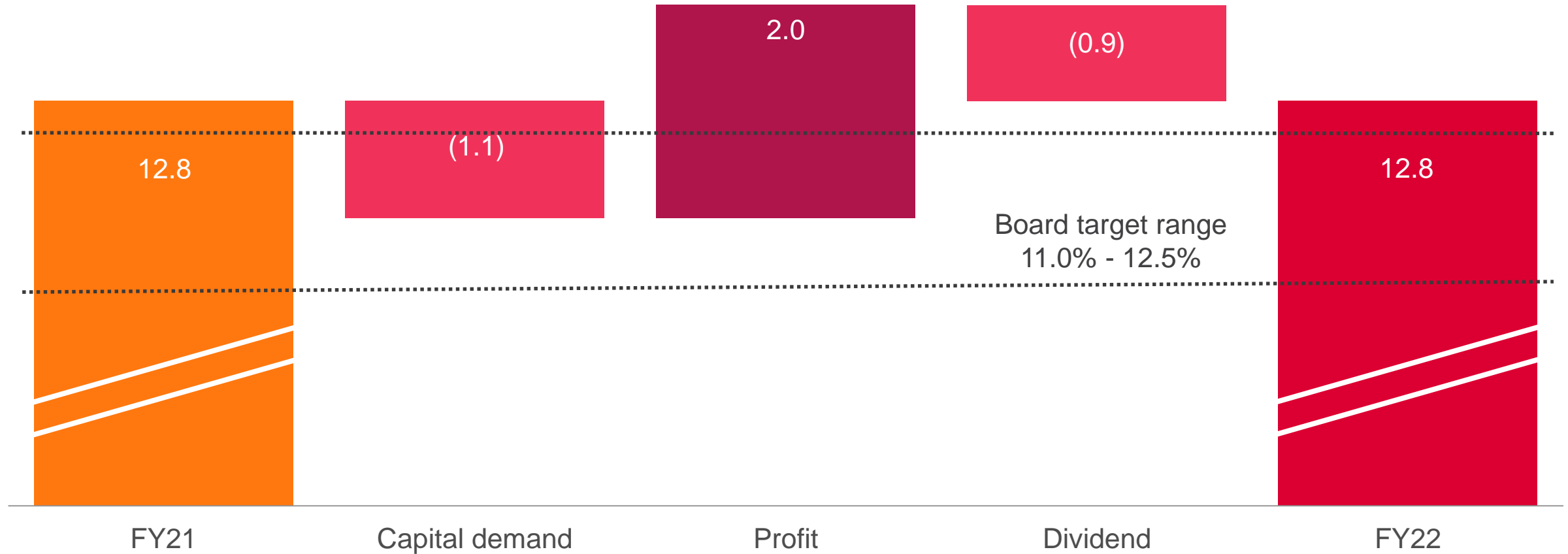


Normalised headline earnings (Rm)



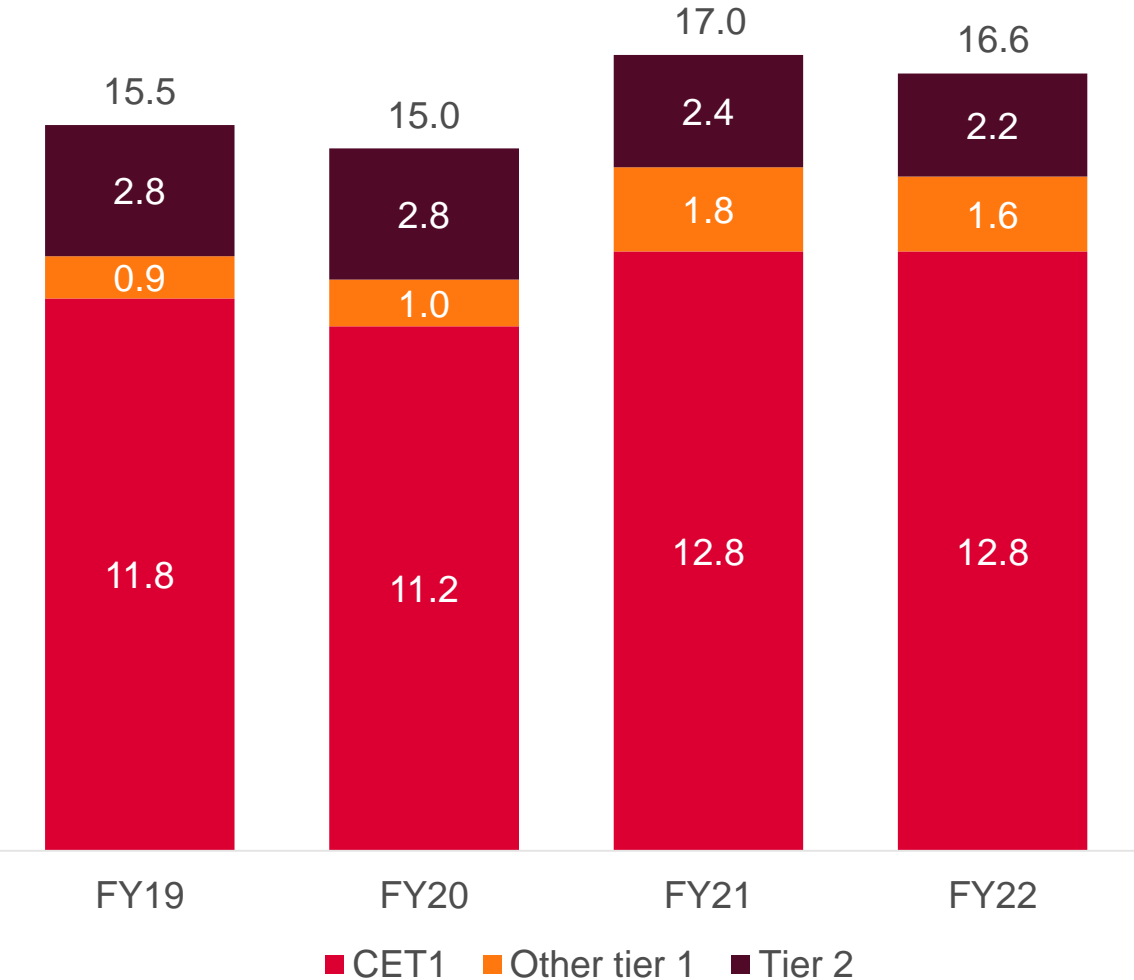
# CET1 ratio remains strong and above Board target range

Group common equity tier 1 ratio (%)

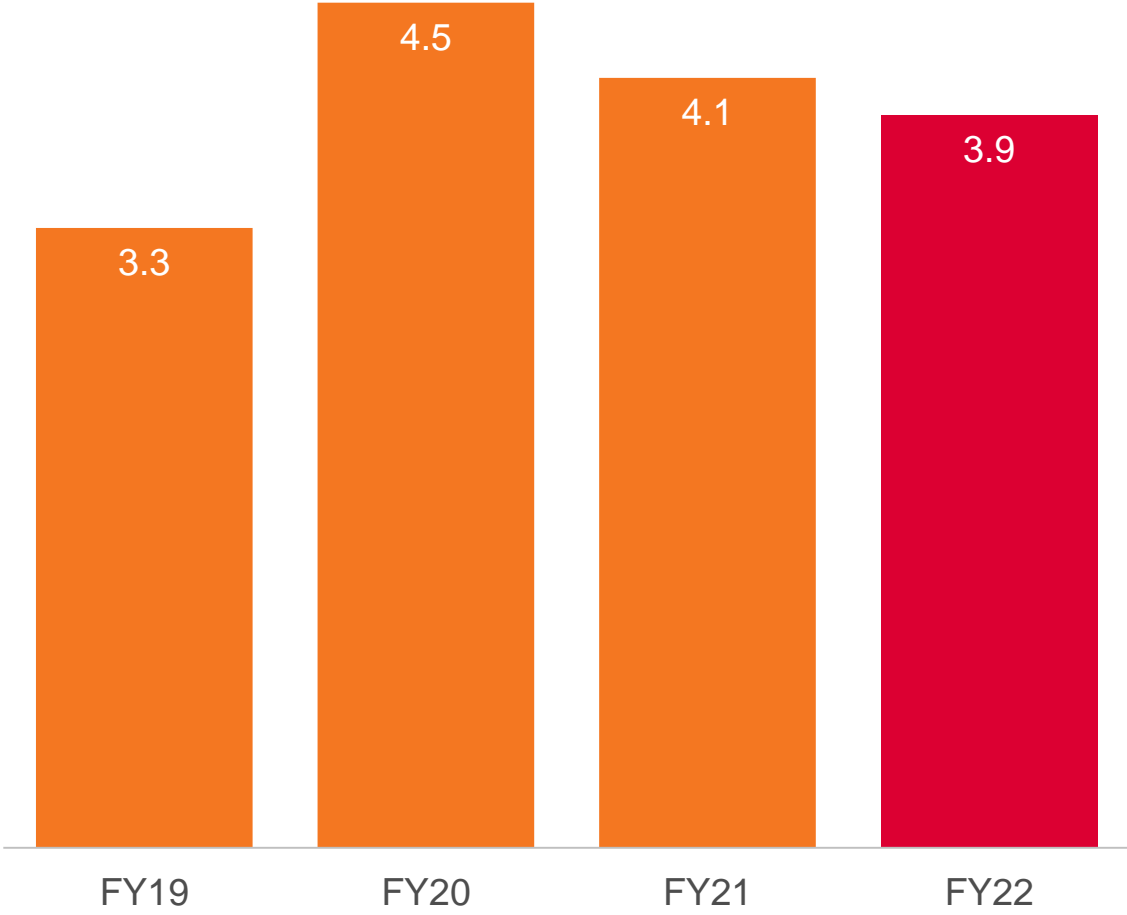


# We remain well positioned for a tougher macro backdrop

Group capital ratios (%)



Total loan coverage (%)



# 2023 outlook

	2023 expectations
Revenue	High single digit revenue growth, driven by net interest income given balance sheet growth and higher policy rates.
Balance sheet	High single digit growth in customer loans and deposits.
Credit impairments	Credit loss ratio (CLR) likely to be at top end of our through-the-cycle target range of 75 to 100 basis points.
Operating expenses	Mid- to high single digit growth in operating expenses, resulting in a similar cost-to-income ratio to 2022. Mid- to high single digit pre-provision profit (PPP) growth.
Returns	Return on equity around 17%.
Capital	Group CET1 ratio at top end of board target range of 11.0% to 12.5%. Dividend payout ratio at least 52%.
Impact of 2022 base effects	Given 2022 base effects, stronger revenue and PPP growth in first half, although CLR likely to exceed target range and dampen earnings growth off a relatively high base. Slower second half revenue growth off a high base, but impairments expected to decline substantially YoY and support stronger second half earnings growth.



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