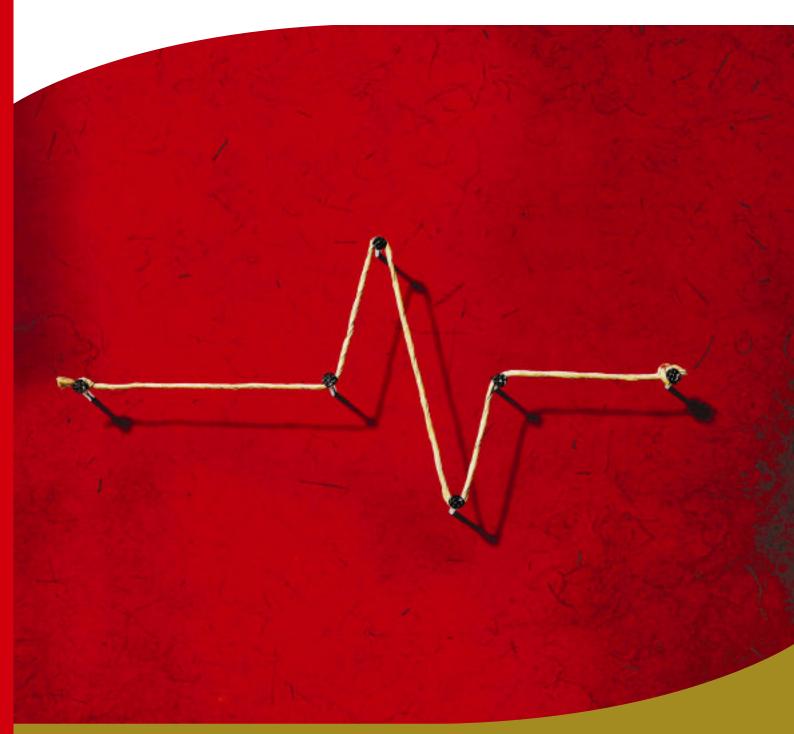


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Life insurance market statistics highlights - June 2006

Change in regulatory reporting

New regulatory reporting requirements were introduced in December 2005 as a result of the adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and other statistical reporting changes by the life insurance companies. Changes to the reporting requirements relevant to this publication are:

- All statutory fund assets are reported at fair value.
- Market-linked annuity products are reported separately. The market-linked annuity product category includes policies which make payments based on a fixed percent of the start of year account balance and are complying annuities for tax concession and social security purposes.

Main features

As at 30 June 2006 there were 35 life insurance companies operating in Australia. They managed around \$231.7 billion in assets (backing both Australian and overseas policyholders) and received \$37.6 billion in premium income (that is, regular in force premiums at the end of the year plus new single premium business) for the year ended 30 June 2006.

Superannuation business made up almost 89 per cent of life insurance office assets (backing Australian policyholder liabilities) and accounted for 88 per cent of premiums. Ordinary business of life insurance companies accounted for the remainder of premiums. Around 22 per cent of all superannuation assets are held in life insurance policies.

Of the two broad types of life insurance products, regular (or annual) premium and single premium, single premium business now accounts for 81 per cent of life insurance premiums, of which, 98 per cent relates to superannuation business.

The top three life insurance groups accounted for 62 per cent of total industry assets backing Australian policyholder liabilities. They also accounted for 75 per cent of new business premiums and 67 per cent of total premiums received. In the same context, the top ten life insurance groups represented 93 per cent of total assets backing Australian policyholders, 95 per cent of new premiums and 92 per cent of total premiums.

Foreign owned life insurance companies accounted for 28 per cent of total life office assets backing Australian policyholder liabilities. The foreign owned companies also accounted for 23 per cent of new business premiums relating to Australian policyholders and 27 per cent of total Australian business premiums. Bank owned life insurance companies accounted for 38 per cent of total assets backing Australian policyholders, 36 per cent of new business premiums and 35 per cent of total Australian business premiums.

Life insurance industry at a glance - year ended 30 June 2006

Premium movements - Australian business (\$ million) #

		Contractual regular premium business									
	In force at	Increases in the		Decrease	es in the period	Othor	l. f	Now single			
Business type	beginning of period	Increases in the - period	Claim	Maturity	Voluntary discontinuance	Other	Other movements	In force at end of period	New single premiums		
Ordinary	3,436	701	6	11	462	16	62	3,703	759		
Super	3,541	563	2	15	436	79	-75	3,497	29,599		
Total	6,978	1,264	8	26	898	95	-13	7,200	30,358		

Industry structure #

			Statutory fund a	issets *	Total premium	s - Australian business ^		
	Backing	Backing Australian liabilities			al liabilities			
Group	(\$ billion)	Annual change	Industry share	(\$ billion)	Industry share	Group	(\$ million)	Industry share
1 AMP	67.1	15%	30%	69.4	30%	1 AMP	12,127	32%
National Aust / MLC	47.2	14%	21%	47.2	20%	2 National Aust / MLC	7,635	20%
3 ING / ANZ	26.7	14%	12%	26.7	12%	3 ING / ANZ	5,478	15%
4 Colonial / CBA	22.0	-3%	10%	22.3	10%	4 Colonial / CBA	2,254	6%
5 National Mutual / AXA	16.7	6%	7%	18.7	8%	5 Westpac	2,130	6%
6 Westpac	13.4	8%	6%	13.4	6%	6 National Mutual / AXA	1,809	5%
7 Aviva	5.1	4%	2%	5.1	2%	7 Macquarie Life	1,056	3%
8 Suncorp Life and Super	4.6	16%	2%	4.6	2%	8 Tower Life	841	2%
9 Zurich Life	4.6	7%	2%	4.6	2%	9 Promina	672	2%
10 Tower Life	3.3	22%	1%	3.3	1%	10 Aviva	645	2%
Top three groups	141.0	14%	62%	143.3	62%	Top three groups	25,240	67%
Top ten groups	210.7	11%	93%	215.3	93%	Top ten groups	34,648	92%
Foreign owned groups	62.4	9%	28%	64.7	28%	Foreign owned groups	10,136	27%
Bank owned groups	85.3	4%	38%	85.6	37%	Bank owned groups	13,201	35%
Total industry	226.8	10%		231.7		Total industry	37,558	
of which: overseas assets	32.7	16%	14%	37.4	16%			

Notes

[#] Details on table may not add up to totals due to rounding of figures.

^{*} Statutory fund assets are reported at Fair Value.

[^] Summation of regular in force premiums at end of period and new single premiums.

Life insurance industry at a glance - year ended 30 June 2006 (cont.)

Product type - Australian business (\$ million) # *

	Assets under management			Premium in	come	Policy payments		
	Superannuation	Ordinary	Total	Superannuation	Ordinary	Superannuation	Ordinary	
Individual business								
Investment account	7,275	1,523	8,798	351	31	1,226	161	
Investment linked	78,657	4,408	83,065	11,666	227	12,491	504	
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	754	0	754	74	0	280	0	
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	20,233	0	20,233	3,244	0	3,287	0	
Market-linked annuity	84	0	84	56	0	7	0	
Other annuity - lifetime	3,730	547	4,277	47	3	307	45	
Other annuity - term	5,612	2,370	7,982	865	453	1,487	793	
Group Business								
Investment account	9,845	5	9,850	1,537	0	2,047	0	
Investment linked	51,120	21	51,141	15,164	0	12,825	3	
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	421	0	421	135	0	112	0	
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	693	0	693	110	0	220	0	
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other annuity	106	0	106	0	0	6	0	

New business premium - Australian business #

	Ordinary						Superannuation		
Group	Single	Regular (\$ million)	Total	Industry share	Group	Single	Regular (\$ million)	Total	Industry share
1 Colonial / CBA	160	102	262	18%	1 AMP	11,278	43	11,321	38%
2 ING / ANZ	139	81	220	15%	2 National Aust / MLC	6,910	33	6,943	23%
3 Westpac	180	31	211	14%	3 ING / ANZ	4,734	39	4,773	16%
4 MetLife^	136	10	146	10%	4 Westpac	1,670	5	1,675	6%
5 National Aust / MLC	2	95	97	7%	5 Macquarie Life	1,052	1	1,054	3%
6 Tower Life	1	96	97	7%	6 Colonial / CBA	906	111	1,017	3%
7 National Mutual / AXA	32	60	92	6%	7 National Mutual / AXA	581	72	653	2%
8 AMP	14	38	52	4%	8 MBF Life	470	0	470	2%
9 AIG	2	49	51	3%	9 Suncorp Life and Super	387	21	409	1%
10 St Andrew's Life	40	4	43	3%	10 Challenger Life	377	0	377	1%
Top three groups (by total)	479	214	693	47%	Top three groups (by total)	22,921	116	23,037	76%
Top ten groups (by total)	705	565	1,271	87%	Top ten groups (by total)	28,365	327	28,692	95%
Foreign owned groups	398	360	759	52%	Foreign owned groups	6,230	341	6,571	22%
Bank owned groups	382	260	642	44%	Bank owned groups	10,559	152	10,711	36%
Total industry	759	701	1,460		Total industry	29,599	563	30,162	

Notes: # Details on table may not add up to totals due to rounding of figures.

^{*} Conventional, risk business, statutory fund reserves, unallocated profits etc. are not included in this table.

[^] Citicorp Life Insurance Limited was acquired by MetLife, Inc. and subsequently changed its name to MetLife Insurance Limited.

Table 1. Premium income - total business

(\$ thousand)

Year ended 30 June 2006

	Contractual regular premium business									
	In force at			Decrease	s in the period	Other		Name de els		
Product type	beginning of period	Increases in - the period	Claim	Maturity	Voluntary discontinuance	Other	Other movements	In force at end of period	New single premiums	
Individual business										
Conventional	417,259	11,075	1,619	12,449	22,639	944	245	390,928	0	
Investment account	216,023	4,258	318	3,204	21,389	19,679	-2,131	173,560	209,566	
Investment linked	661,210	23,180	639	7,044	62,980	42,664	11,485	582,548	9,542,073	
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63,010	
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,317,521	
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56,346	
Other annuity - lifetime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28,552	
Other annuity - term	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,339,637	
Risk - lump sum	2,285,141	514,279	5,094	1,391	288,578	2,173	76,188	2,578,372	89,849	
Risk - income	1,023,034	212,508	273	907	138,344	3,223	15,240	1,108,035	21,560	
Group business										
Investment account	303,749	44,176	47	36	64,035	0	811	284,619	1,259,756	
Investment linked	887,952	119,058	194	742	156,056	2,153	-107,264	740,601	13,911,545	
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	139,825	
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	221,593	
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Risk	1,183,259	335,381	250	65	143,994	24,524	-8,055	1,341,753	157,008	
Total	6,977,626	1,263,915	8,433	25,838	898,015	95,360	-13,480	7,200,415	30,357,841	

Note: Details on table may not add up to totals due to rounding of figures.

Table 2. Premium income - ordinary business

(\$ thousand)

Year ended 30 June 2006

	Contractual regular premium business									
	In force at			Decreases	s in the period	Other		Name de els		
Product type	beginning of period	Increases in - the period	Claim	Maturity	Voluntary discontinuance	Other	Other movements	In force at end of period	New single premiums	
Individual business										
Conventional	317,627	10,913	1,399	7,886	17,287	789	373	301,551	0	
Investment account	29,288	420	37	191	2,206	2,381	75	24,968	4,157	
Investment linked	105,915	2,538	110	1,159	9,301	2,810	-735	94,337	143,890	
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	234	
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other annuity - lifetime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,389	
Other annuity - term	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	451,733	
Risk - lump sum	1,704,717	403,682	4,141	726	236,930	3,274	52,003	1,915,332	89,761	
Risk - income	1,021,181	210,710	273	907	138,239	3,223	14,850	1,104,099	21,560	
Group business										
Investment account	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	117	
Investment linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Risk	257,405	72,516	11	0	57,923	3,798	-5,058	263,130	44,251	
Total	3,436,152	700,778	5,972	10,869	461,886	16,274	61,508	3,703,436	759,096	

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Table 3. Premium income - superannuation business

(\$ thousand)

Year ended 30 June 2006

	Contractual regular premium business								
	In force at	In a constant		Decreases	s in the period	Other	I. f	Name of the sale	
Product type	beginning of period	Increases in - the period	Claim	Maturity	Voluntary discontinuance	Other	Other movements	In force at end of period	New single premiums
Individual business									_
Conventional	99,631	162	219	4,563	5,352	155	-128	89,377	0
Investment account	186,735	3,838	280	3,013	19,183	17,298	-2,206	148,592	205,410
Investment linked	555,295	20,642	529	5,884	53,679	39,854	12,221	488,211	9,398,183
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63,010
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,317,287
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56,346
Other annuity - lifetime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25,163
Other annuity - term	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	887,904
Risk - lump sum	580,424	110,598	953	666	51,648	-1,100	24,185	663,040	88
Risk - income	1,853	1,798	0	0	105	0	390	3,936	0
Group business									
Investment account	303,731	44,176	47	36	64,035	0	811	284,601	1,259,639
Investment linked	887,952	119,058	194	742	156,056	2,153	-107,264	740,601	13,911,540
Allocated annuity - Non-inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	139,825
Allocated annuity - Inv. linked	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	221,593
Market-linked annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other annuity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Risk	925,854	262,866	238	65	86,071	20,726	-2,996	1,078,623	112,757
Total	3,541,475	563,137	2,461	14,969	436,129	79,086	-74,988	3,496,979	29,598,745

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