



# 2018 Half-year Results Debt Investor Update



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# Group Performance Summary



# Group performance summary

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)	2017	2016	Var %
Revenue	35,903	34,917	2.8
EBIT	1,113	2,429	(54.2)
EBIT (exc. significant items) <sup>1</sup>	2,350	2,429	(3.3)
<b>Net profit after tax</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>1,577</b>	<b>(86.6)</b>
<b>Net profit after tax (exc. significant items)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>1,577</b>	<b>(2.7)</b>
Operating cash flow	2,897	2,648	9.4
Net capital expenditure	686	400	71.5
Free cash flow	2,228	2,231	(0.1)
Interim ordinary dividend (cps)	103	103	-
Net financial debt <sup>2</sup>	3,864	5,360	(27.9)
Cash interest cover <sup>3</sup> (R12, times)	28.8	18.9	52.4
Fixed charges cover <sup>3</sup> (R12, times)	3.0	2.7	11.1

1. 2017 excludes the following pre-tax (post-tax) amounts: \$931m (\$1,023m) non-cash impairments, write-offs & provisions for Bunnings UK & Ireland & a \$306m (\$300m) non-cash impairment of Target.

2. Interest bearing liabilities less cash at bank & on deposit, net of cross-currency interest rate swaps & interest rate swap contracts.

3. 2017 excludes pre-tax significant items of \$1,237 million. 2016 excludes pre-tax non-cash impairment of \$2,116 million.

# Divisional earnings summary

EBIT (\$m) Half-year ended 31 December	2017	2016	Var %	Var \$m
Bunnings Australia & NZ	864	770	12.2	94
Bunnings UK & Ireland <sup>1</sup>	(165)	(48)	<i>n.m.</i>	(117)
Coles <sup>2</sup>	790	920	(14.1)	(130)
Department Stores <sup>3</sup>	415	387	7.2	28
Officeworks	68	62	9.7	6
WesCEF <sup>4</sup>	188	187	0.5	1
Industrial & Safety	52	52	-	-
Resources	209	138	51.4	71

n.m. = not meaningful

1. 2017 excludes pre-tax significant items of \$931m including non-cash impairments, write-offs & provisions. 2016 includes \$21m of restructuring & one-off repositioning costs.

2. 2016 includes \$39m profit on sale of Coles' interest in a number of joint venture properties to ISPT.

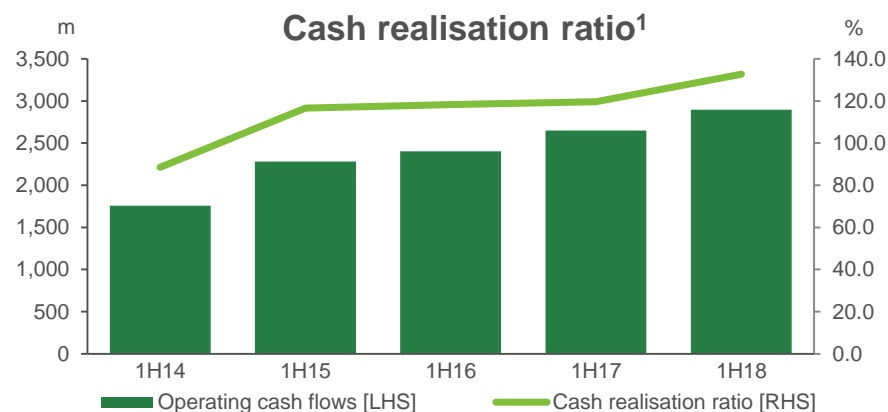
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4. 2016 includes a profit on sale of land of \$22m.

# Operating cash flows & working capital management

- Operating cash flows increased \$249m to \$2,897m
  - Improvement in cash realisation ratio to 132.6%<sup>1</sup>
  - Highly cash generative portfolio
- Working capital inflow driven by:
  - Stock reduction initiatives in retail
  - Lower fertilisers stockbuild in WesCEF
  - Favourable receivables movement in Resources due to smaller half on half increase in coal prices

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)	2017	2016
<b>Cash movement inflow/(outflow)</b>		
Receivables & prepayments	(169)	(110)
Inventory	(452)	(617)
Payables	1,317	1,136
<b>Total</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>409</b>
<b>Working capital cash movement</b>		
Retail	837	634
Industrials & Other	(141)	(225)
<b>Total</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>409</b>

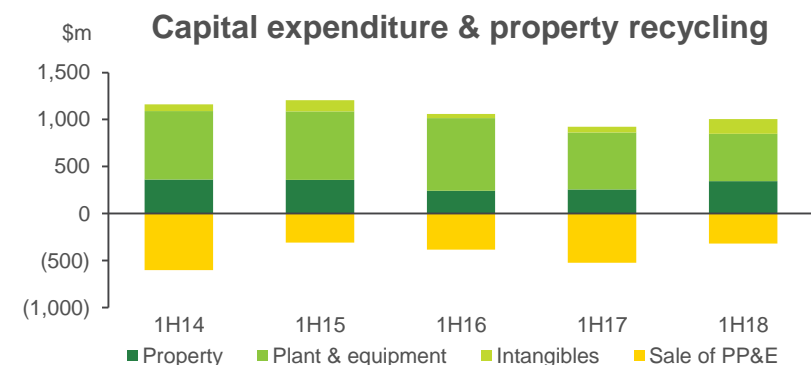


1. Adjusted for significant one-offs, discontinued operations & significant items.

# Disciplined capital expenditure

- Gross capital expenditure increased \$80m to \$1,004m
  - Acquisition of Kmart brand name for \$100m
  - Higher number of store openings in BANZ
  - Coles lower due to timing of store refurbishments
  - Commissioning of AN<sup>2</sup> emulsion plant in WesCEF
- Proceeds from property disposals decreased \$206m to \$318m
  - Disposals in 1H17 related to Coles/ISPT transaction & sale of land in WesCEF
- FY18 net capital expenditure of \$1.4b to \$1.6b expected, subject to net property investment
- Completion of Curragh sale in 2H18 expected to deliver proceeds of circa \$700m

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m) <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016	Var %
BANZ	275	212	29.7
BUKI	56	16	n.m.
Coles	377	463	(18.6)
Department Stores	201	123	63.4
Officeworks	11	17	(35.3)
WesCEF	30	20	50.0
Industrial & Safety	19	16	18.8
Resources	34	53	(35.8)
Other	1	4	(75.0)
<b>Gross capital expenditure</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>8.7</b>
Sale of PP&E	(318)	(524)	(39.3)
<b>Net capital expenditure</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>71.5</b>



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1. Capital investment provided on a cash basis.

2. Ammonium nitrate.



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# Bunnings Australia & New Zealand



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# Bunnings Australia & New Zealand performance summary

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)	2017	2016	Var %
Revenue	6,566	5,957	10.2
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	864	770	12.2
EBIT margin <sup>1</sup> (%)	13.2	12.9	
Total store sales growth <sup>2</sup> (%)	10.1	8.4	
Store-on-store sales growth <sup>2</sup> (%)	9.0	6.5	

1. Includes net property contribution for 2017 of \$30m & 2016 of \$44m.

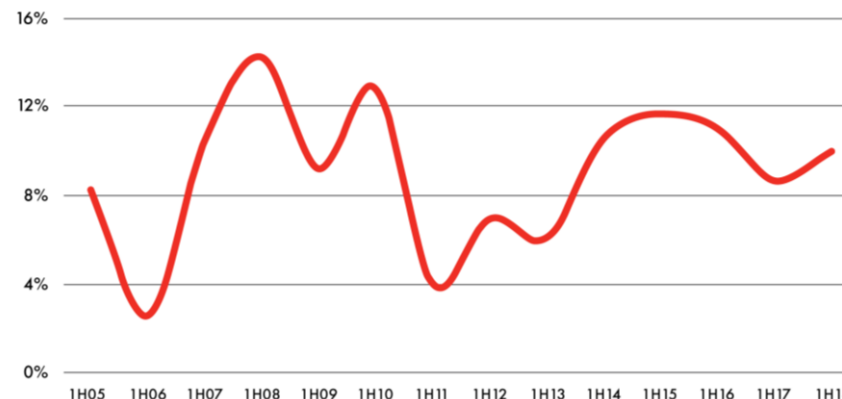
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# Bunnings Australia & New Zealand overview

- Revenue growth of 10.2%
  - Total store growth of 10.1%; store-on-store growth of 9.0%
  - Positive trading performance across all regions, consumer & commercial & all categories
  - Cycling weather & stock liquidation impacts
- EBIT increase of 12.2%
  - Operating cost leverage
  - Favourable property disposal outcomes
- 11 new stores opened
- Continued focus on strategic agenda
  - Driving stronger growth
  - Strengthening the core
  - Creating better experiences

**Total Store Sales Growth - First Half**



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# Bunnings United Kingdom & Ireland



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# Bunnings United Kingdom & Ireland performance summary

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)	2017	2016	Var %
Revenue	875	1,038	(15.7)
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	(165)	(48)	<i>n.m.</i>
EBIT margin <sup>1</sup> (%)	(18.9)	(4.6)	
Total sales growth <sup>2</sup> (£, %)	(15.2)	n.a.	
Store-on-store sales growth <sup>2</sup> (£, %)	(13.4)	n.a.	

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1. 2017 excludes pre-tax significant items of \$931m (£531m) including \$777m (£444m) impairment of goodwill; store closure provisions of \$70m (£40m); inventory writedowns of \$66m (£37m) & \$18m (£10m) impairment of the Homebase brand name; 2016 includes \$21m (£13m) of restructuring & one-off repositioning costs.

2. 2017 growth reflects the six months to 31 December 2017 & the six months to 31 December 2016. 2016 growth reflects the six months to 31 December 2016 & the six months to 31 December 2015.

# Bunnings United Kingdom & Ireland overview

- Revenue down 15.7%
  - Significant clearance volumes in prior year
  - Inconsistent store standards
  - New ranges did not offset exit of discontinued lines
- 15 pilots trading as at 31 December 2017
  - Positive customer feedback & community engagement
  - Widest range of trusted brands with strong supplier support
  - Lessons incorporated into more recent pilots
- Leadership team strengthened with additional local expertise
- Five loss-making stores closed during the half
- Current focus on significantly improving execution to improve Homebase trading performance
- Reviewing and refining pilot stores





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# Coles



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## Coles performance summary

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)		2017	2016	Var %
<b>Coles</b>	<b>Revenue<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>19,978</b>	<b>20,056</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>
	<b>EBIT<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>790</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>(14.1)</b>
	EBIT margin <sup>2</sup> (%)	4.0	4.6	
<b>Food &amp; Liquor</b>	<b>Revenue<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>17,056</b>	<b>16,878</b>	<b>1.1</b>
	Headline sales growth <sup>3,4</sup> (%)	1.9	2.2	
	Comparable sales growth <sup>3,4</sup> (%)	0.9	1.3	
	Inflation/(deflation) <sup>4</sup>	(1.6)	(0.9)	
<b>Convenience</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>2,922</b>	<b>3,178</b>	<b>(8.1)</b>
	Total store sales growth <sup>4</sup> (%)	0.9	6.4	
	Comp. fuel volume growth <sup>4</sup> (%)	(19.3)	(13.3)	

1. Includes property revenue for 2017 of \$7m & for 2016 of \$10m.

2. Includes property EBIT for 2017 of \$20m & for 2016 of \$56m.

3. Includes hotels, excludes gaming revenue & property.

4. 2017 growth reflects the 27 week period 26 June 2017 to 31 December 2017 & the 27 week period 27 June 2016 to 1 January 2017. 2016 growth reflects the period 27 June 2016 to 1 January 2017 & the 27 week period 29 June 2015 to 3 January 2016.

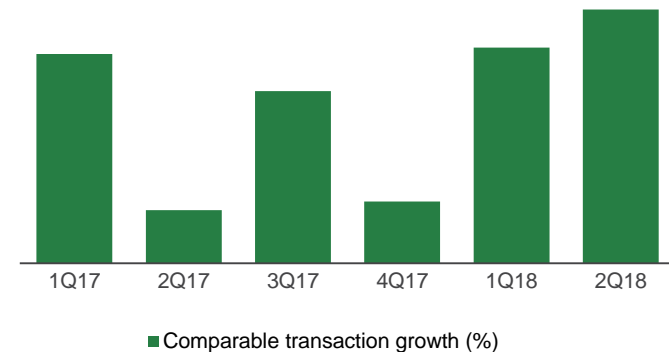


# Coles overview

- Customer focus maintained in a competitive market
- Sales momentum improved during the half
  - Stronger Q2 comparable transaction growth, the highest in six quarters
  - Units per basket growth
  - Fresh participation & market share gains
  - Customer satisfaction improvements
- Relatively high level of price deflation in the half
  - Mainly driven by lower fresh produce prices, which abated marginally in 2Q18
- Coles total EBIT decreased by 14.1%
  - Annualisation of customer investment partially offset by efficiency improvements
  - Cycling one-off gains from profit on sale of Coles' interest in JV properties, & lower Financial Services earnings
  - Cash realisation above 100%



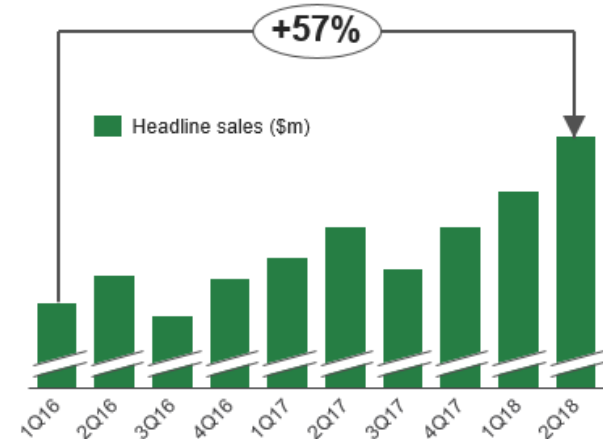
## Accelerated growth in comparable transactions



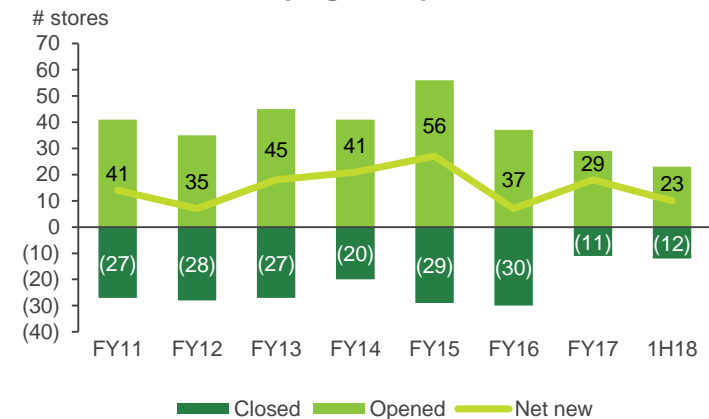
# Coles overview

- Coles Online continues to improve the customer experience
  - Strong double digit sales & transaction growth
  - Disciplined investment & cost control leading to profitable growth
- Largest 'Online Supermarket' (dark store) in Australia launched in Sydney in 2Q18
- 12 month trial launched with Airtasker
- Click & Collect offering to be rolled out across the supermarket & Coles Express network
- Positive momentum continues in Liquor transformation
  - Nine quarters of comparable sales growth
  - 90 Liquorland renewals completed
- Lower earnings in Convenience driven by lower fuel volumes & commercial terms of Alliance agreement
- A market-leading Convenience store offer
  - Positive comparable store sales growth

Coles online expansion



Reshaping the liquor network



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# Department Stores



# Department Stores performance summary

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)	2017	2016	Var %
Revenue	4,769	4,619	3.2
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	415	387	7.2
EBIT margin <sup>1</sup> (%)	8.7	8.4	
Kmart			
Total sales growth <sup>2</sup> (%)	8.6	9.1	
Comparable sales growth <sup>2</sup> (%)	5.4	5.7	
Target			
Total sales growth <sup>3</sup> (%)	(6.2)	(17.4)	
Comparable sales growth <sup>3</sup> (%)	(6.5)	(18.2)	

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# Department Stores overview

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- Revenue growth of 3.2%
  - **Kmart:** continued investment in price resulted in higher customer transactions & units per basket
  - **Target:** further reset of product, price & range, particularly across womenswear, toys & general merchandise
- Continued growth in Kmart earnings supported by improved sell-through of full-priced product & productivity improvements across stores & supply chain
- Lower Target revenue offset by improved trading margins through increased levels of direct sourcing, lower levels of markdown & a favourable sales mix, as well as productivity improvements across stores & supply chain
- Effective working capital management within both brands resulted in strong cash generation
- Strong online growth through range extension & improved customer convenience
- Continued investment in store network
  - Opened five new Kmart stores & six previously approved Target stores; closed two Target stores
  - Completed 11 major Kmart store refurbishments & progressed Target renewal & space trials
  - Opened four new Kmart Tyre & Auto Service centres



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# Officeworks





# Officeworks performance summary

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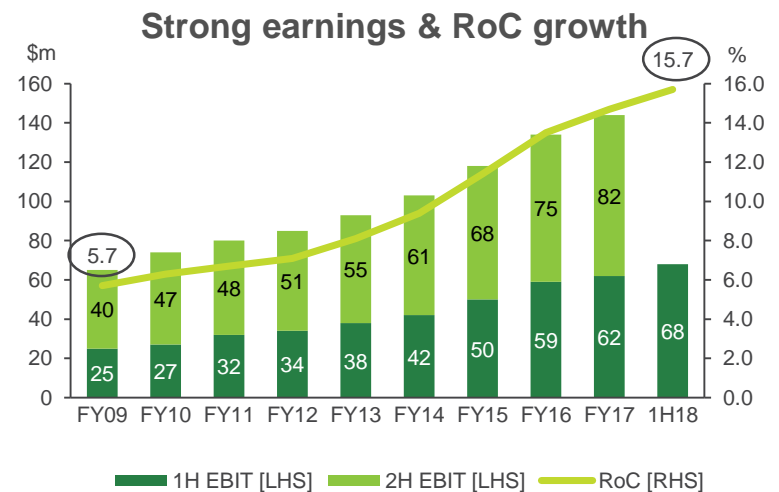
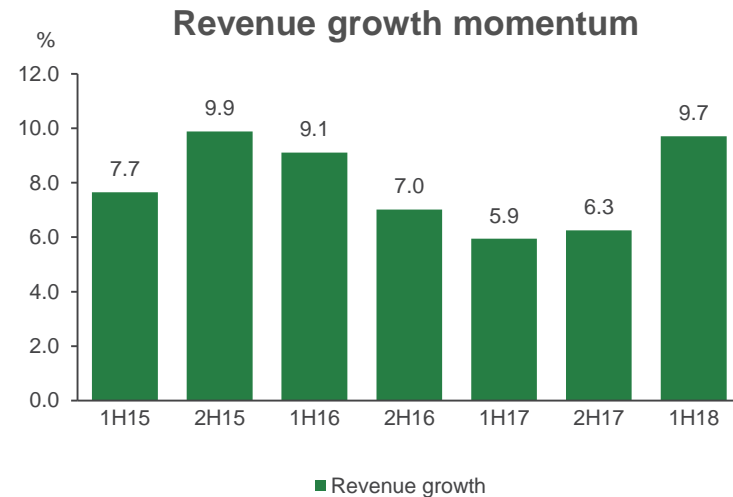
Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)	2017	2016	Var %
Revenue	1,017	927	9.7
EBIT	68	62	9.7
EBIT margin (%)	6.7	6.7	
Sales growth <sup>1</sup>	9.8	5.8	

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# Officeworks overview

- Strong headline results
  - Revenue growth of 9.7%
    - Sales growth in stores & online
  - EBIT growth of 9.7%
    - Effective gross margin & CODB management
  - RoC (R12) up 1.8 ppts to 15.7%
- Ongoing improvement in customer offer
  - Focus on core offer complemented by new & expanded product ranges
  - Merchandise layout & store design changes
  - Relentless focus on price, range & service
- Continued investment in ‘every channel’ strategy
  - Three new stores, online enhancements
  - Strong momentum in B2B segment maintained



# Industrials



- Wesfarmers Chemicals, Energy & Fertilisers
- CSBP
- Australian Vinyls
- AGA
- QNP
- EVOL LINC
- Kleenheat
- MODWOOD
- Quadrant Energy
- Wesfarmers Industrial and Safety
- Blackwoods
- NZ Safety Blackwoods
- WORKWEAR
- coregas
- GREENCAP
- Wesfarmers Resources
- URRAGH
- BENGALLA

# Industrials performance summary

Half-year ended 31 December (\$m)		2017	2016	Var %
<b>Revenue</b>	Chemicals, Energy & Fertilisers <sup>1</sup>	764	695	9.9
	Industrial & Safety	869	884	(1.7)
	Resources	1,071	742	44.3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,704</b>	<b>2,321</b>	<b>16.5</b>
<b>EBIT</b>	Chemicals, Energy & Fertilisers <sup>2</sup>	188	187	0.5
	Industrial & Safety	52	52	-
	Resources	209	138	51.4
	<b>Total</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>19.1</b>

1. Includes interest revenue from Quadrant Energy loan notes & excludes intra-division sales.

2. 2016 includes a profit on sale of land of \$22m.

# Chemicals, Energy & Fertilisers overview

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- Increased revenue, earnings & ROC, supported by strong production performance & solid demand
- Chemicals' earnings increased compared to the previous corresponding period:
  - Strong production across all plants, particularly Ammonia due to disruptions in previous period
  - Commencement of AN<sup>1</sup> emulsion sales & strong AN<sup>1</sup> demand partially offset the impact of an expired contract
  - Buoyant WA gold sector driving strong demand for sodium cyanide
- Strong Kleenheat earnings driven by higher Saudi CP, increased LPG exports & continued growth in natural gas retailing
- Fertilisers' earnings were impacted by competitive pressures on pricing & margins despite volumes increasing
  - Launch of the Decipher platform; allows farmers to easily gather, evaluate & report on key farm nutrition & performance information
- Earnings benefited from insurance proceeds relating to unplanned plant disruptions in the prior year

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1. Ammonium nitrate.

# Industrial & Safety overview

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- Revenue decline of 1.7%
  - Strong demand in the mining & construction sectors did not offset weakness in other sectors & timing of uniform sales in Workwear Group
- Earnings of \$52m in line with the previous corresponding period
  - **Blackwoods**: improved trading margins due to better pricing & sourcing disciplines offset by investments in customer service, supply chain & digital
  - **Workwear Group**: higher earnings due to lower operating costs following restructuring in supply chain & strong cost focus
  - **Coregas**: earnings impacted by competitive pressures in the industrial gas market & rising energy input costs
- Transformation programs in Blackwoods & Workwear Group further progressed
  - Focus remains on enhancing the customer experience, & reducing the complexity & cost of the operating model



# Resources overview

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- Continued strength in coal prices during 1H18 & strong production resulted in 44.3% increase in revenue
  - 1H18 sales mix: Hard 48%; Semi 12%; PCI 40%
  - Lower hedge book losses of \$17m (\$45m in 1H17)
- 51.4% increase in EBIT due to higher revenue
- Stanwell obligations reduced 1H18 EBIT by \$180m (1H17: \$74m)
  - Higher export prices resulted in a significant increase in Stanwell export rebate
- Ongoing focus on safety performance programs & safety culture
- Agreement reached to sell Curragh coal mine to Coronado Coal Group for \$700m plus a value share mechanism linked to future metallurgical coal prices<sup>1</sup>
  - The sale is subject to a number of conditions precedent

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1. Wesfarmers will receive 25% of Curragh's export coal revenue generated above a realised metallurgical price of US\$145 per tonne, paid quarterly over the next two years.

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# Outlook



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## Retail

- BAZ to maintain strong focus on long-term value creation with continued investment in network, lower prices, range innovation & customer service; launch of online special orders
- BUKI review to improve returns ongoing; current focus on significantly improving Homebase trading performance & refine pilot stores
- Coles believes a customer-led approach will best position the business for long-term growth
  - Sales momentum achieved in 2Q18 in supermarkets expected to continue in 2H18
  - Liquor will progress its transformation strategy
  - Lower earnings from Convenience expected due to ongoing impact from changes in the commercial terms with Alliance partner
- Department stores well positioned to grow; Kmart will continue its focus on driving sustainable growth through ongoing investment in price to drive volume & Target focus to continue on improving fashion, sales mix & quality of sales while improving & growing the online offer
- Officeworks to continue to execute against its strategic agenda in competitive environment

# Outlook

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## Industrials

- Production & demand for WesCEF products is expected to remain strong for the remainder of the financial year
- Industrial & Safety market conditions & demand generally expected to remain stable for 2H18
- Resources earnings dependant on export coal pricing & exchange rates, with export market conditions expected to remain volatile in the near term
- Aurizon train derailment in January 2018 & recently announced changes to network operations expected to affect 2H18 coal sales volumes
  - Forecast metallurgical coal sales volume for FY18 to be in the range of 8.5 to 8.8mt, subject to mine operating performance, shipping, weather & infrastructure availability
- Completion of Curragh sale expected in 2H18, subject to satisfying conditions precedent
- Strategic review of Wesfarmers' 40% interest in the Bengalla Mine is ongoing

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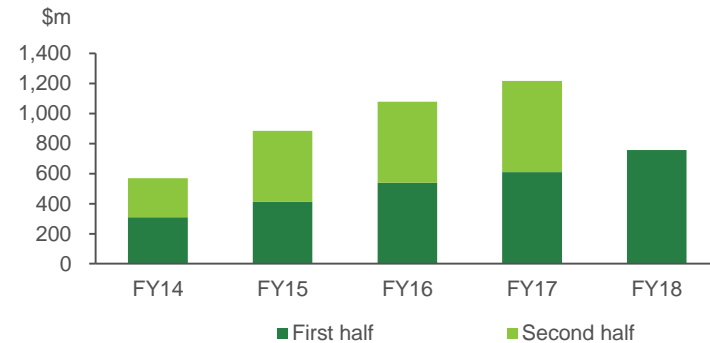
## Group

- Continued focus on strong cash flow generation & maintaining strong balance sheet
- Continue to reinforce strong customer offers across all brands
- Attracting, developing & retaining the best talent
- Progressing growth opportunities across divisions through investment & entrepreneurial initiative
- Ensure sustainability through responsible long-term management
- Acceleration of data & digital initiatives across the Group

# Developing our digital & data capabilities

- Total retail online sales of \$761m, up 22%, for 1H18
- Officeworks continuing to strengthen market-leading 'every-channel' proposition
  - Free click & collect and free same day delivery
- Coles investing in improved convenience for online customers
  - Second dark store opened in Sydney
  - Increased fulfilment rates & delivery efficiency
  - Significant expansion in click & collect sites
- BANZ launched online selling for special orders in 2H18
- Department Stores delivering strong online sales growth
- Leveraging flybuis to deliver better value & greater personalisation
  - Growing number of active flybuis customers
  - Strong growth in points redeemed
- Group Centre of Excellence planned to support data/digital innovation & growth

Total retail online sales



Using Google Assistant service to expand 'every-channel' proposition



Trialling Airtasker as a solution to offer anytime, anywhere shopping



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# Debt Management



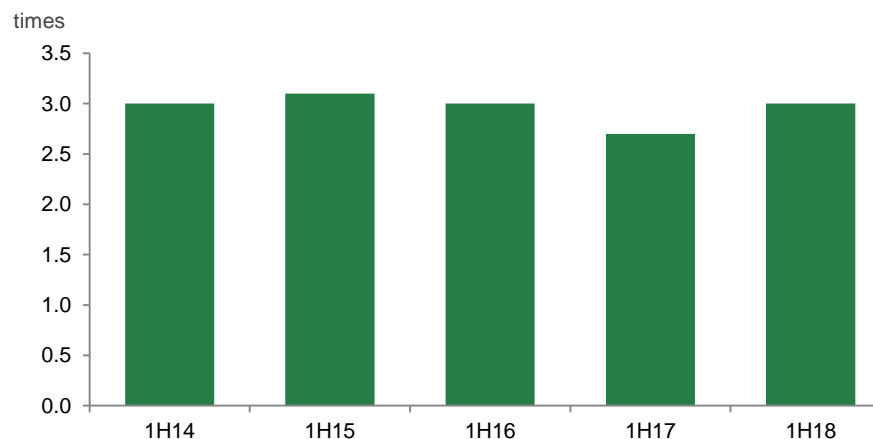


# Maintaining strong balance sheet and credit metrics

## Strong balance sheet

- Continued strength in Group's debt service position
  - Net financial debt<sup>1</sup> of \$3.9b as at 31 December 2017
  - Net financial debt<sup>1</sup> down from \$4.3b at 30 June 2017; significantly decreased from \$5.4b at 31 December 2016
  - Strong liquidity position, supported by \$2.9b of undrawn bank facilities
- Solid credit metrics: Fixed charges cover<sup>2</sup> (R12) at 3.0 times
- Strong credit ratings: Moody's A3 (Stable); Standard & Poor's A- (Stable)

## Fixed charges cover ratio (times) (R12)<sup>2</sup>



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# Financial discipline is core to Wesfarmers' strategy

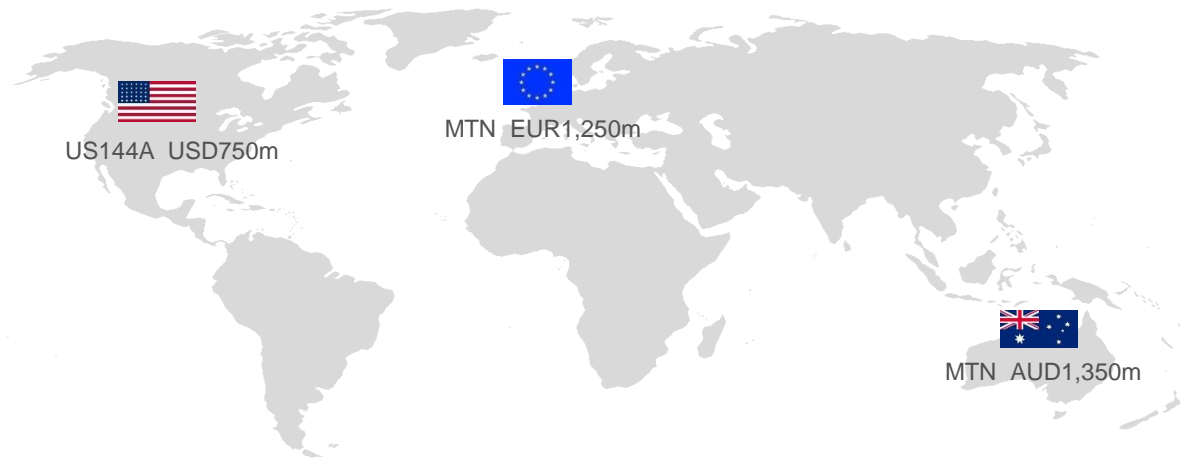
Maintaining prudent capital structure and strong credit rating is important to Wesfarmers

Ability to raise capital and maintain balance sheet strength

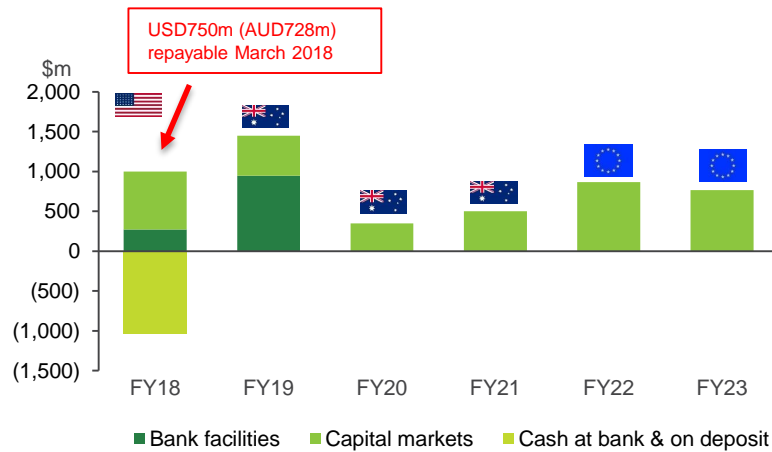
- Recent activity
  - September 2017: Standard & Poor's outlook revised from negative to stable on improved credit metrics
  - October 2017: Euro debt investor update (non deal)
- Future maturities
  - March 18: US\$750m (A\$728m) five-year US 144A bond
  - Ongoing refinancing of bank facilities
- Future activities
  - Continue to monitor debt capital markets for favorable issuance opportunities subject to funding requirements

# Pro-active debt management

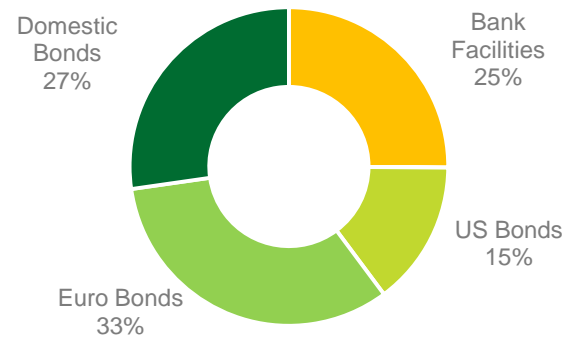
## Geographical DCM Funding Diversity



## Maturity Profile at 31 December 2017



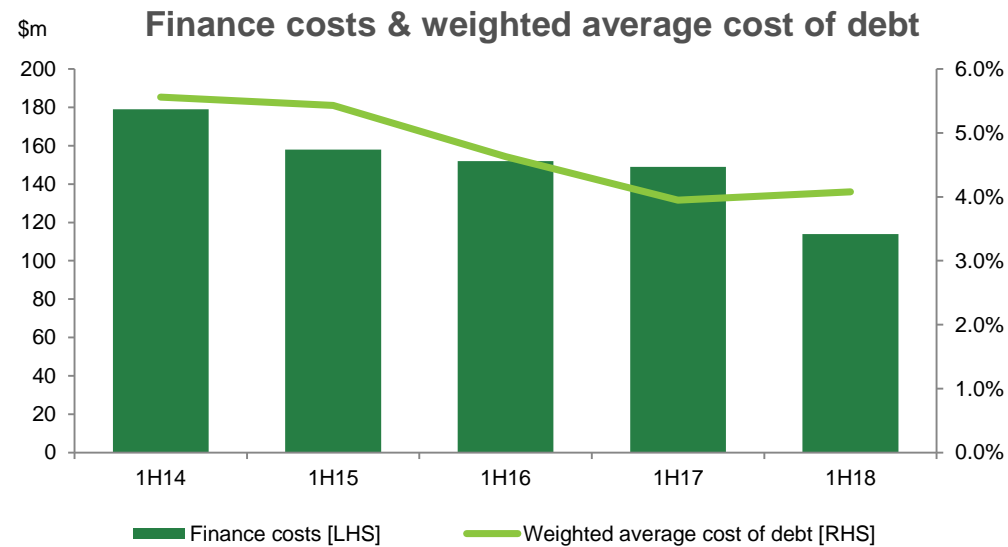
## Funding Diversity at 31 December 2017



# Reduced funding costs

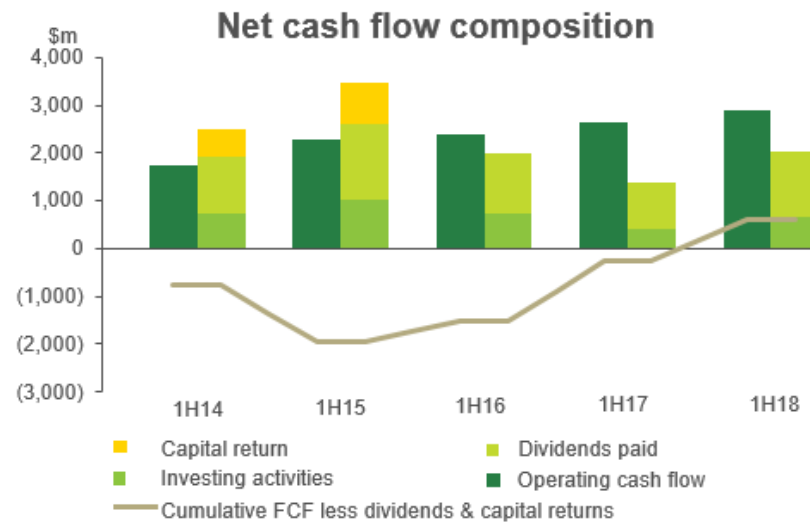
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- Finance costs decreased 23.5% to \$114m due to lower average debt balance
- 'All-in' effective borrowing cost 4.08% consistent with 4.04% in FY17



# Capital management considerations

- Dividend policy takes into account through the cycle free cash flow requirements and debt refinancing
- Dividend investment plan neutralised since FY09 final dividend until FY16 interim dividend
- DIP not neutralised for FY16 final dividend and FY17 interim dividend to support the balance sheet and credit metrics; neutralisation of the DIP via on-market acquisition re-instated from FY17 final dividend and includes the FY18 interim dividend
- Focus on maintaining strong credit metrics



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# Questions

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**Wesfarmers**