

# **St. George Bank**

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## **State of play – key challenges/opportunities**

**Review of core businesses**

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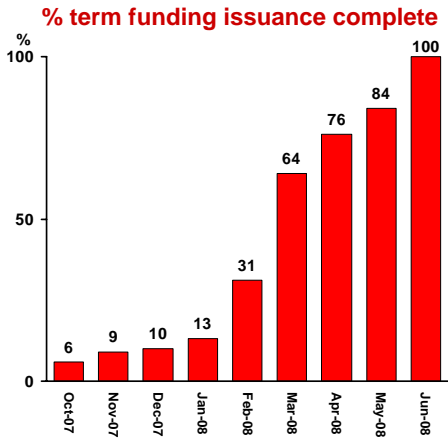
## State of play – key challenges/opportunities

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- Funding
- Credit quality
- Capital
- Margins
- Investment markets
- Maintaining customer relationships in a challenging environment
- 2H08 earnings drivers



# Term funding 100%+ complete for FY08 and already commenced FY09



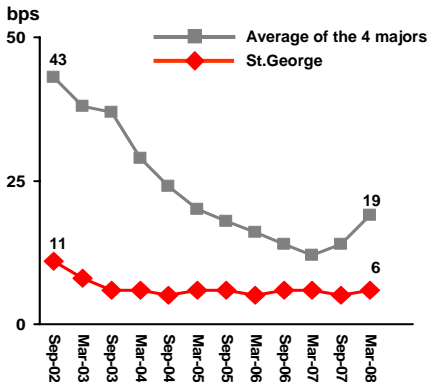
- \$8bn FY08 term funding requirement
- \$9.2bn committed term funding issued since 1 Oct-07
- Average weighted maturity of committed funding is over two years
- 13% of committed term funding is maturing in next 6 months
- Japanese Samurai and US Rule 144A markets to be established by end Jul-08

10% of estimated \$11-12bn FY09 term funding requirement now complete



# Credit quality remains excellent, Balance Sheet is conservative

## Net impaired assets/net receivables\*



- Consumer credit quality and arrears performance remains strong
- Net non accrual loans \$70m in Mar-08
- Bad and doubtful debts stable at 0.22% of average total receivables
- Overall credit quality in business banking remains strong, with individual entities closely monitored
- Overall business mix risk remains low

Sentiment slowing; management remains vigilant given volatile environment

\*Sep-05 onwards includes securitisation and bill acceptances



# Strong capital positioning

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## Positioning as at 31 May-08

- \$360m of excess capital held, sufficient to support \$8bn of RWA growth\*
- Tier 1 capital 6.75%, minimum 6.25%

## Factors impacting 2009 capital requirements

- Basel II accreditation<sup>^</sup>
- Growth in risk weighted assets
- State of securitisation markets
- Dividend Reinvestment Plans participation rates

\*Including internally generated capital over the period.  
<sup>^</sup>Subject to APRA timing and approval



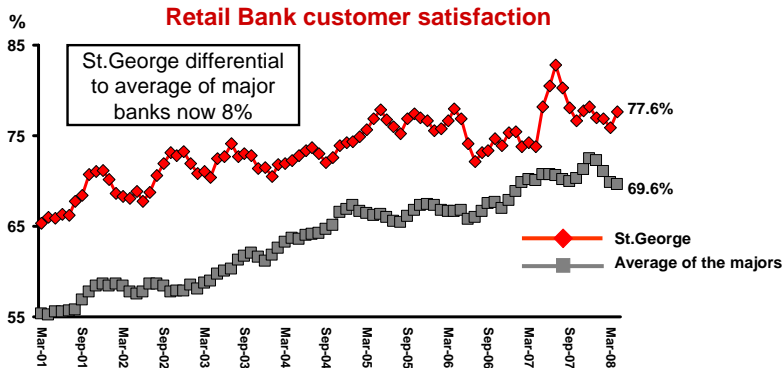
## SGIA investment portfolio

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- 65% of equity exposure to investment markets hedged during May and June 2008
- Hedges reduces the effective equity exposure within the SGIA investment portfolio to less than 15%, down from 33% as at 31 Mar-08 and 48% as at 30 Sep-07
- SGIA is continuing to reduce its underlying exposure to equities held
- As at 31 May-08 SGIA investment portfolio held \$391m total assets
- Underwriting is strong and losses while up, are still modest



# Strengthening our differentiated customer experience



Extending service leadership in a challenging environment



## Factors driving expected 2H08 earnings

- Full period run rate impact of:
  - product repricing
  - Nov-07 capital placement free funds benefit
  - costs disciplines initiated in 1H08
- Anticipated stabilisation of earnings from SGIA investment portfolio
- Individual provisioning charge in 2H08 versus 1H08
- Reduced costs related to realignment of mortgage broker commissions

On track



On track for 8-10% EPS growth in FY08\*

\*Targets exclude impact of hedging and derivatives and assumes a reasonably sound economic environment and no further one-off material credit losses.



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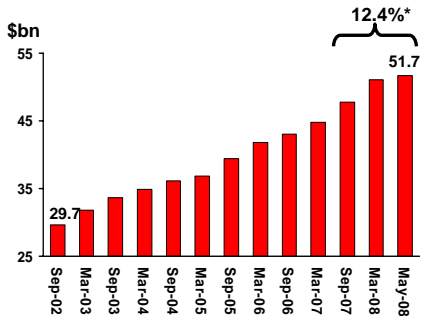
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# Deposits – strong growth maintained

## Retail deposit balances



- 12% annualised growth Sep-07 to May-08
- Balance growth benefiting from flight to quality and focus on core offerings
- Margins remain strong

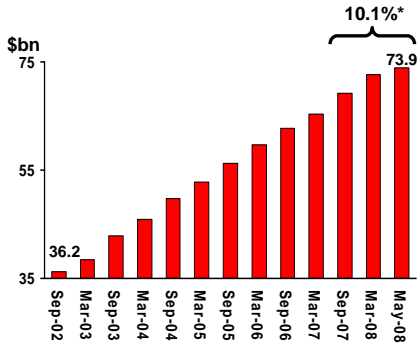
Retail deposit growth broadly matching growth in retail lending

\*Annualised percentage Sep-07 to May-08



# Home Loans – solid growth

## Residential receivables



- 10% annualised growth Sep-07 to May-08
- Run-off rate<sup>^</sup> stable at 16%
- Houses in possession 79, down from 87 in Apr-07
- <1bps loan loss rate

Credit quality and arrears performance remains excellent

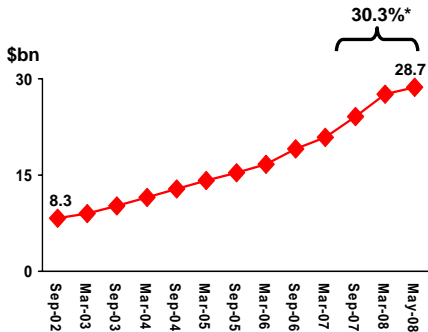
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<sup>^</sup>Annualised run-off rate includes contractual repayments, discharges and pre-payments



## Middle Market – outstanding performance

### Total middle market receivables

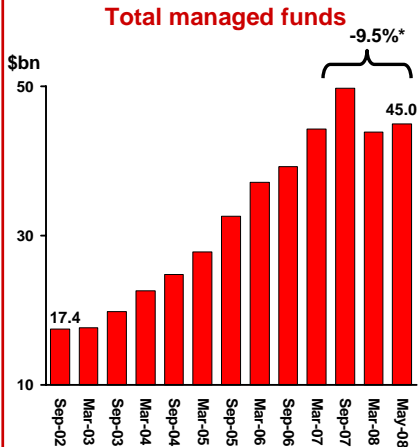


- 30% annualised growth Sep-07 to May-08
- 24% annualised growth Mar-08 to May-08
- c.95% of portfolio is secured
- >80% secured by property
- Impaired assets/total middle market receivables 0.21% in Mar-08

c.70% of total portfolio balances <\$50m, average loan size c.\$6m



# Wealth Management



- Total managed funds down 9.5% since Sep-07, up 2.5% since Mar-08
- 10.1%\*\* increase in financial adviser numbers
- Asgard top 4 in industry for net flows^

Solid performance notwithstanding volatile markets

\*Percentage Sep-07 to May-08, excludes Securitor balances. \*\*Percentage Mar-07 to Mar-08.

^Plan for Life Mar-07 to Mar-08 Quarterly Data System



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## St.George FY08 outlook

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- Retail deposits growth to remain robust and broadly match growth in retail lending
- Home loan growth to remain solid at around current levels
- Pressure on industry for more rises above RBA cash rate
- Consumer lending to exceed system growth, driven by strong growth in credit cards sold to existing customers
- Middle Market targeting receivables growth >25% for FY08, supported by a strong pipeline
- Wealth management net flows to exceed system growth, though absolute growth will reflect investment markets performance
- Proposed merger having minimal impact on core businesses

**Solid momentum maintained across core businesses and product lines with focus on ROEC**





## FY08 guidance

On track

EPS growth FY08

8-10%\*



Cost to income

Manage to low end of peer group



Capital

Maintain a prudent buffer above our  
Tier 1 minimum of 6.25%^



Credit quality

Maintain positive differential to majors



Customer satisfaction

Maintain positive differential to majors\*\*



^Additional APRA review scheduled as part of Basel II transition. \*Targets exclude impact of hedging and derivatives and assumes a reasonably sound economic environment and no further one-off material credit losses.

\*\*Roy Morgan Research Apr-08 rolling 3 mth average respondents (aged 14+) with transaction accounts at institution



## In conclusion

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- Strong positioning from capital and funding perspectives
- Excellent credit quality and complete transparency in relation to our credit positioning
- Earnings volatility in relation to investment markets reduced
- Solid growth across all businesses and core product lines continues
- 1H08 initiatives driving expected 2H08 earnings in accordance with management expectations
- Strong management team in place
- Solely domestically focused, growth orientated franchise





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