

Solid investment portfolio performance, fully franked interim dividend of 7.75 cents per share

15 February 2023
ASX announcement
and media release

Highlights

+14.8%*

Investment portfolio
performance per annum
since inception (Aug-99)

+8.1%*

Investment portfolio
performance in the financial
year to 31 December 2022

9.2%^

FY2023 annualised fully
franked interim dividend yield

7.75 cents

FY2023 fully franked
interim dividend

The WAM Capital Limited (ASX: WAM) Board of Directors declared a fully franked interim dividend of 7.75 cents per share, representing an annualised fully franked dividend yield of 9.2%^.

The fully franked interim dividend is consistent with the Company's investment objective of delivering investors a stream of fully franked dividends and has been achieved through the performance of the investment portfolio since inception and the profits reserve available. For the half year ended 31 December 2022, WAM Capital reported an operating profit before tax of \$109.8 million (2021: \$65.4 million) and an operating profit after tax of \$80.5 million (2021: \$48.1 million).

As at 31 December 2022, the Company had 11.9 cents per share available in its profits reserve. In January 2023, the investment portfolio increased 6.6%*, outperforming the S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index and bringing the profits reserve to 14.7 cents per share. The profits reserve available as at 31 January 2023 represents 0.9 years of annual dividend coverage before the payment of the fully franked interim dividend of 7.75 cents per share, payable on 26 May 2023. The Company's ability to continue paying fully franked dividends is dependent on generating additional profits reserves, through positive investment portfolio performance, and franking credits. The ability to generate franking credits is reliant on the receipt of franked dividends from investee companies and the payment of tax on profit.

Lead Portfolio Manager Oscar Oberg said: "2022 proved to be a challenging year for equity markets, and in particular small-cap companies. Over the past 20 years we have seen many cycles in the market and believe our proven investment process can generate robust returns over the long term. As we head into 2023 we are optimistic on the outlook for small and mid-cap companies, with the investment portfolio already delivering strong returns in January."

WAM Capital has achieved an investment portfolio performance of 14.8%* per annum since inception, outperforming the S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index by 6.6% per annum and the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index by 9.7% per annum. The WAM Capital investment portfolio increased 8.1%* in the six months to 31 December 2022, with an average cash holding of 10.6%. The S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index rose 9.6% and S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index increased 7.0%.

Chairman Geoff Wilson AO said: "We are pleased that through WAM Capital's long-term investment performance focused on identifying undervalued growth companies, the Company has been able to return almost \$1.5 billion in dividends and franking credits to shareholders since inception."

Key dividend dates

Ex-dividend date	15 May 2023
Dividend record date (7:00pm Sydney time)	16 May 2023
Last election date for DRP	18 May 2023
Fully franked interim dividend payment date	26 May 2023

\$1.48

31 January 2023
pre-tax net tangible
assets (NTA)

+15.3%*

Investment portfolio
performance in the
financial year to 31
January 2023

14.7 cps

Profits reserve as at
31 January 2023,
before the payment
of the interim
dividend

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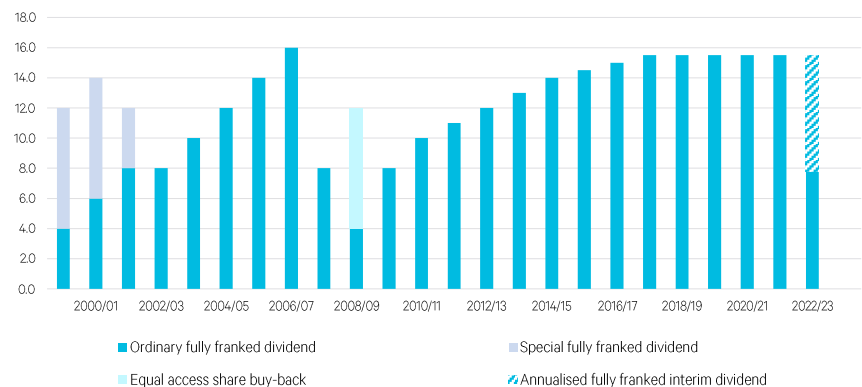
Register to join the WAM
Capital, WAM Microcap, WAM
Research and WAM Active
FY2023 Half Year Results
Webinar on Friday 3 March at
12:00pm (Sydney time)



*Investment portfolio performance is before expenses, fees, taxes and the impact of capital management initiatives to compare to the relevant index which is before expenses, fees and taxes.
Based on the 14 February 2023 share price of \$1.68 per share.

Solid investment portfolio since inception

WAM Capital dividends since inception (cents per share)



Performance at 31 December 2022	Fin YTD	3 yrs %pa	5 yrs %pa	10 yrs %pa	Since inception %pa (Aug-99)
WAM Capital Investment Portfolio*	8.1%	2.5%	4.5%	10.6%	14.8%
S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index	9.6%	5.8%	7.2%	8.8%	8.2%
Outperformance	-1.5%	-3.3%	-2.7%	+1.8%	+6.6%
S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index	7.0%	1.4%	2.9%	5.1%	5.1%
Outperformance	+1.1%	+1.1%	+1.6%	+5.5%	+9.7%

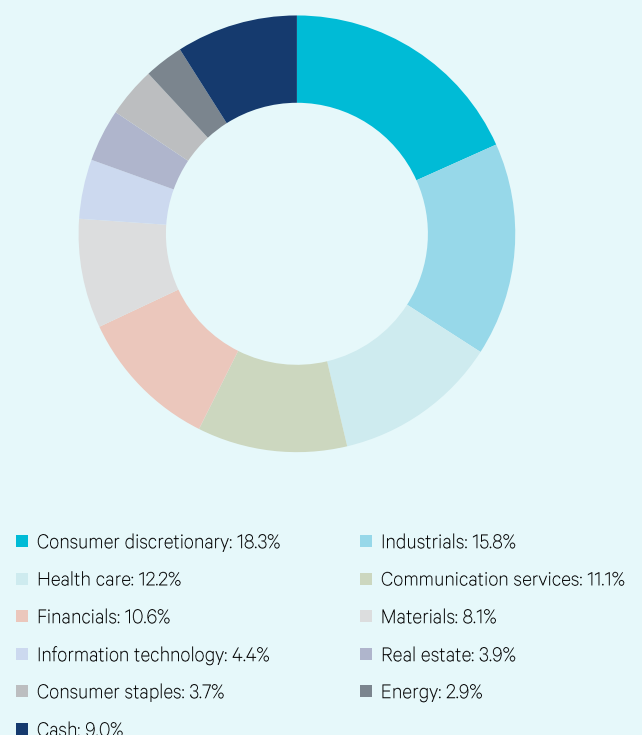
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Top holdings with portfolio weightings as at 31 December 2022

Code	Name	%
Research-driven holdings		
EVT	EVT Limited	2.7%
WEB	Webjet Limited	2.7%
EHE	Estia Health Limited	2.5%
PME	Pro Medicus Limited	2.2%
IEL	IDP Education Limited	2.2%
NWH	NRW Holdings Limited	2.0%
IPH	IPH Limited	1.8%
MGH	Maas Group Holdings Limited	1.8%
PRN	Perenti Limited	1.8%
LOV	Lovisa Holdings Limited	1.6%
Market-driven holdings		
FPH	Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Corporation Limited	2.7%
HUB	HUB24 Limited	2.5%
OML	oOh!media Limited	2.4%
360	Life360 Inc	2.4%
AMP	AMP Limited	2.2%
LIC	Lifestyle Communities Limited	2.0%
MRM	MMA Offshore Limited	1.8%
REA	REA Group Limited	1.7%
SVW	Seven Group Holdings Limited	1.7%
PMV	Premier Investments Limited	1.6%

Diversified investment portfolio by sector

as at 31 December 2022



About WAM Capital

WAM Capital Limited (ASX: WAM) is a listed investment company (LIC) managed by Wilson Asset Management. Listed in August 1999, WAM Capital provides investors with exposure to an actively managed, diversified portfolio of undervalued growth companies listed on the ASX, with a focus on small-to-medium sized businesses. The Company's investment objectives are to deliver a stream of fully franked dividends, provide capital growth and preserve capital.

All major platforms provide access to WAM Capital, including Asgard eWRAP Investment, BT Panorama, BT Wrap, Colonial First State FirstWrap, Hub24, 100F Pursuit Select Investment Service, Macquarie Investment Manager / Consolidator, MLC Wrap IDPS and SMS, Netwealth Wrap and North Investment. WAM Capital receives coverage from the following independent investment research providers:



This announcement has been authorised by the Board of WAM Capital Limited.

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