

First Read

Lancashire Holdings

Stronger premiums and investment return, no change in guidance

Q: How did the results compare versus expectations?

A: Overall: A 3% underlying GWP growth beat to UBSe is an early support, with RoE guidance reiterated, while an early investment return beat also provides early support. Detail: 1. GWP of \$712m, +13% YoY in 3M25, beat UBSe by 9% driven by the Reinsurance segment and helped by a positive impact of reinstatement premiums related to the California Wildfire losses, excluding which the underlying growth was 6.6%, still a 3% beat to UBSe. RPI of 97% is a touch worse than UBSe, though we suspect not too different from consensus expectations as prices are softening. Earned premium growth came in at 9% YoY, slightly below UBSe. 2. CAT losses unchanged; California Wildfire loss estimate of \$145-165m. No other material losses reported, with claims activity aligned with company expectations outside of the Wildfire loss. 3. Total net investment yield of 1.9% is a beat to UBSe 1.2%, with market yield down -20bps QoQ at 4.8% meeting UBSe. Invested assets of \$3.1bn are 2% lower than UBSe \$3.2bn. The MTM benefit to the investment return could be worth c.\$20m to PBT, though we note material variation is likely in April given market moves. 4. BSCR: 271% as of YE24, confirmed today, is broadly aligned with the company-estimated amount at the FY results

Q: What were the most noteworthy areas in the results?

A: We highlight: **1) Growth:** We note Lancashire managed to obtain new business growth in property, casualty, energy and marine within Reinsurance. In the Insurance segment, new business from the US platform offset the reductions in Aviation. **2) GWP vs revenue growth:** the large differential between GWP and revenue growth YoY was primarily driven by the reallocation of reinstatement premiums from topline to insurance service expense under IFRS17.

Q: Any change to guidance?

No change to guidance. 2025 mid teens RoE, inclusive of California Wildfire loss and extent of 2024 losses on top. We are forecasting a 17% RoE.

Valuation: How would we expect investors to react?

We would expect a neutral to minor positive reaction driven by the premium & investment return beat, though overall we do not think this is likely to be thesischanging for investors.

Equities

United Kingdom

Insurance, Property & Casualty

12-month rating	Buy
12m price target	835p
Price (30 Apr 2025)	563p

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Trading data and key metrics

52-wk range	712p-523
Market cap.	£1.37b/US\$1.83b
Shares o/s	244m (ORD)
Free float	99%
Avg. daily volume ('000)	764
Avg. daily value (m)	£4.5
Common s/h equity (12/25E) US\$1.65b
P/BV (12/25E)	1.0x

EPS (UBS, diluted) (GBX)

	UBS	Cons.
12/25E	86.15	80.03
12/26E	116.33	102.60
12/27E	117.93	100.96

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Highlights (US\$m)	12/22	12/23	12/24	12/25E	12/26E	12/27E	12/28E	12/29E
Net earnings (reported)	(16)	322	321	270	368	373	367	365
EPS (reported, diluted) (p)	(1.08)	105.53	102.78	86.15	116.33	117.93	116.16	115.63
EPS (UBS, diluted) (p)	(1.08)	105.53	102.78	86.15	116.33	117.93	116.16	115.63
DPS (net) (p)	12.13	95.78	95.85	79.82	98.46	102.32	106.18	106.18
BVPS (UBS, tangible) (p)	399.69	436.36	436.67	473.94	514.47	537.33	554.52	567.30
Profitability/valuation	12/22	12/23	12/24	12/25E	12/26E	12/27E	12/28E	12/29E
P/E (reported, diluted) x	NM	5.7	6.1	6.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9
P/E (UBS, diluted) x	NM	5.7	6.1	6.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9
ROE (UBS, tangible) %	(1.1)	25.6	24.1	20.0	24.8	23.7	22.5	21.8
P/BV x	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9
Dividend yield (net) %	2.5	16.1	15.2	14.2	17.5	18.2	18.9	18.9

Source: Company accounts, LSEG Eikon, UBS estimates. Metrics marked as (UBS) have had analyst adjustments applied. Valuations: based on an average share price that year, (E): based on a share price of 563p on 30-Apr-2025

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Figure 1: Lancashire 1Q25 actual vs. UBSe

Lancashire	Actual	UBSe	Actual	Actual	Actual
\$m	1Q24	1Q25E	1Q25	vs UBSe	YoY
Gross premium written	632	653	712	9%	13%
Reinsurance	400	412	482	17%	21%
Insurance	232	241	230	-5%	-1%
Insurance revenue	422	468	459	-2%	9%
Reinsurance	202		220		9%
Insurance	220		239		8%
Renewal Price Index vs YE	101%	100%	97%		-4%
Reinsurance	101%	100%	96%		-5%
Insurance	101%	100%	98%		-3%
Investments					
Market yield vs YE	5.0%	4.8%	4.8%	0.1%	-0.2%
Managed investments vs YE	3,159	3,179	3,098	-3%	-2%
Investment return (%)	0.9%	1.2%	1.9%	0.7%	1.0%

Source: Company data, UBS estimates

Forecast returns

Forecast price appreciation	48.3%
Forecast dividend yield	14.1%
Forecast stock return	62.4%
Market return assumption	8.6%
Forecast excess return	53.8%

Company Description

Lancashire is a Bermuda-domiciled short-tail non-life insurer, writing a relatively broad range of insurance and reinsurance. It is able to be nimble on the business it underwrites year on year. Lancashire operates from Bermuda (through Lancashire Insurance Company Ltd) and London (through Lancashire Insurance Company (UK) Ltd), and through Lloyd's, which all act as underwriting platforms. Lancashire also has an established third-party capital business through its Kinesis platform.

Valuation Method and Risk Statement

Lancashire is exposed to significant catastrophe risk. Catastrophe losses, by their very nature, tend to be large and unpredictable. As has been proven in the recent past, both the severity and frequency of catastrophe losses can be underestimated. Also, as the true profitability of a re/insurance contract is not known at the time of setting the premium, there is significant risk of mispricing. Our PT is SOTP derived, rolled forward 12 months.

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Lancashire Holdings

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1. Is the industry structure facing the firm likely to improve or deteriorate over the next six months? Rate on a scale of 1-5 (1 = getting worse, 3 = no change, 5 = getting better, N/A = no view)	3
2. Is the regulatory/government environment facing the firm likely to improve or deteriorate over the next six months? Rate on a scale of 1-5 (1 = getting tougher 3 = no change, 5 = getting better, N/A = no view)	3
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4. Relative to the current CONSENSUS EPS forecast, is the next company EPS update likely to lead to: (1 = negative surprise vs consensus, 3 = in-line with consensus, 5 = positive surprise vs consensus expectations, N/A = no view)	3
5. What's driving the difference?	
6. Relative to YOUR current earnings forecast, is there relatively greater risk at the next earnings result of:(1 = downside skew risk to earnings, 3 = equal upside or downside risk to earnings, 5 = upside skew risk to earnings, N/A = no view)	3
7. What's driving the difference?	
8. Is there an upcoming catalyst for the company over the next three months?	No Catalyst
9. Is there an actual or approximate date for the catalyst?	
10. Is the catalyst date an actual or approximate date?	N/A
11. What is the catalyst?	

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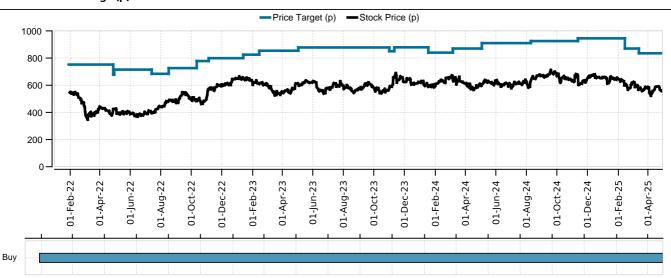
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Lancashire Holdings (p)



Rating	Price Target (p)	Stock Price (p)	Date
Buy	752	544	2022-01-28
Buy	678	399	2022-04-27
Buy	715	424	2022-04-29
Buy	684	397	2022-07-13
Buy	726	481	2022-08-16
Buy	778	494	2022-10-11
Buy	799	570	2022-11-04
Buy	825	657	2023-01-12
Buy	854	611	2023-02-13
Buy	878	614	2023-05-02
Buy	850	568	2023-10-31
Buy	879	654	2023-11-10
Buy	840	597	2024-01-17
Buy	870	670	2024-03-06
Buy	910	596	2024-05-03
Buy	925	624	2024-08-09
Buy	945	678	2024-11-11
Buy	870	599	2025-02-13
Buy	835	567	2025-03-13

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